

TOWN OF BOYLSTON



2007 ANNUAL REPORT



THE TOWN OF BOYLSTON PLAN OF 1786 HAND-PAINTED
51" X 64" CANVAS MAP.
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*Boylston's 2007 Annual Town Report
is dedicated to*

Ralph Hager

1907 - 2008



*Mr. Hager with the Gold Cane presented to him in 2007 by the
Selectmen as the Town's oldest living resident.*

Mr. Hager, born December 20, 1907, passed away on February 2, 2008, shortly after his 100th birthday. An outstanding citizen of the Town, Mr. Hager was generous with his time, serving on numerous Boards and Committees:

Appeals Board	1945 – 1978
Planning Board	1960 – 1980
Economic Development Committee	1964 - 1983
Council on Aging	1974 – 1980

A kind and thoughtful man, missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing him.

In Memorium 2007

Warren T. Eastman - January 8
Aline L. Charest - January 13
Lewis C. Jennings - January 19
Charlotte E. Angell - February 7
Jay Snell - February 12
Robert L. Hollands - April 11
Ruth Hildegard Allen - May 15
Josephine E. Young - May 20
Warren B. Fisher - June 18
Sheila Welus - June 20
Margaret A. Tardy - July 5
Arlene Bonin - July 13
Carl A. Sydow - July 18
Eileen M. Mitchell - July 28
Jean E. Erickson - Sept 3
Alan Ente - September 10
John Emmett Dunlavey - October 4
Marlene J. Reardon - October 11
Amber Dawn Flores - November 12
Armond P. Bogosian - November 29
Robert William Shyllberg - Dec. 4
Elsie Sjoblad - Dec. 6
Victoria Ratkowski - Dec. 8
Karen Briggs - Dec 19
Phyllis J. Ivory -- Dec. 25

Faces of Town Hall



Suzanne Olsen
Town Administrator



Ken Sydow Board of Selectmen
James Stanton, Chair Roger Deal



Dan Haynes
Accountant



Lori Esposito
Administrative Assistant
Board of Selectmen



Margo Richardson
Assessors' Administrative
Assistant



Mary Morrill
Assessors' Clerk



Mark Bertonassi
Building Inspector



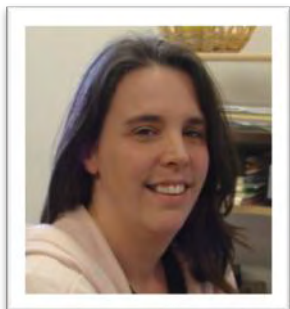
Rose Bardsley
Clerical Assistant



Jane Meegan
Council on Aging
Coordinator / Outreach Worker



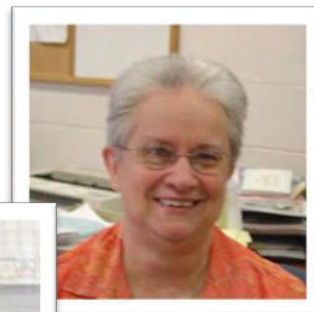
Ken Goodwin
Facilities Technician



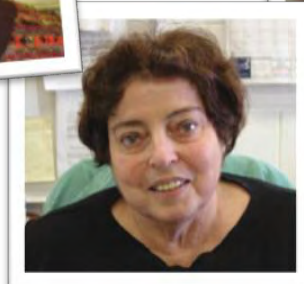
Karen Barber
P&R Program Coordinator



Sandra Bourassa
Town Clerk



Ellen McKay
Treasurer/Collector



Mary Jasper
Assistant Town Clerk



Joe Daigneault
Assistant Treasurer/Collector

TOWN OF BOYLSTON

POPULATION: 4,300



GOVERNMENT:
Open Town Meeting, Three-
member Board of Selectmen
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING:
First Monday in May
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION:
Second Monday in May

An elected Board of Selectmen governs the Town of Boylston as its executive body and by Town Meeting as its legislative branch. The Town Meeting form of government has been the accepted form of public policy making in Massachusetts since Pilgrim times. Town officers, boards and committees are either elected by the voters or appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

The land now comprising Boylston was given to various individuals through grants by the Massachusetts Colony in the 1600s; however, the land was never occupied during the 17th century. First settled in 1722 as part of Shrewsbury and Lancaster, in 1742 Boylston became the North Precinct of Shrewsbury. After several unsuccessful attempts, the North Precinct of Shrewsbury was finally granted township, and was incorporated as the Town of Boylston on March 1, 1786. Boylston lies in Worcester County; the land area is 10.5 square miles and measures 12,652.8 acres.

For the first 100 years, agriculture was the base of the economy. Mills were attracted to the area in the early 1800s, as the Nashua River was a good source of water supply. With the arrival of the railroad in 1870, the village of Sawyer's Mills became a prosperous industrial community. However, construction of the Wachusett Reservoir from 1897 to 1908 removed the water source and brought a halt to the mills and the thriving industrial community. The Reservoir encompasses over 4,400 acres of land in the towns of Boylston, West Boylston, Clinton and Sterling and, in addition to being the water source for Boston, affords the public some recreational opportunities. Boylston is also host to Tower Hill Botanic Garden which overlooks the Wachusett Reservoir.

Thomas Boylston, a member of the Boylston family of Litchfield, England, arrived in America in 1635 and established himself in Watertown. Other family members, including Dr. Zabdiel Boylston, who first introduced the practice of inoculation in America, settled in the surrounding area. In 1799 Ward Nicholas Boylston of Princeton, a generous contributor to the Congregational Church in Boylston, gave several items to the church, plus the sum of 40 pounds sterling to the Town to be used to finance the eventual building of a school. Thomas Boylston of Boston and London willed 1500 pounds to the Town in 1816 to be used to finance the building of a school. In 1830 the Boylston family provided the funds to build the Town Hall, which now houses the Historical Society. When the Town was legally incorporated in March of 1786 it was decided by the inhabitants to honor the Boylston family by adopting their name for the new township.

We are part of the Tahanto Regional School system that includes the Town of Berlin. Our kindergarten through grade six is housed in a non-regional building on Sewall Street. Grades seven through twelve are housed at Tahanto Regional School on Main Street. Completion of Routes I-290 and 495 spurred a surge in building, allowing easy access to and from Boylston and all major cities. Many businesses have been established in the Town and new construction is ongoing.

The Town Offices and Police Station are located at Hillside, 221 Main Street. The Fire and Highway Departments are located in the center of town next to the Town House at 599 Main Street. The Boylston Public Library is in the center of town. The Historical Society and Museum are located in the Old Town Hall, at the northeast end of the Common in the center of Town.

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ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS

2007

(Terms expire in May of specified year.)

MODERATOR

Dennis Pojani 2008

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

James Stanton 2008

Roger Deal 2009

Kenneth Sydow 2010

TOWN CLERK

Sandra Bourassa 2008

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Andrew Bunikis 2008

Margo Richardson 2009

Carl Cravedi 2010

BOARD OF HEALTH

Lorie Martiska 2008

Gerald Gleich, Chair 2009

Matt Mecum 2010

PLANNING BOARD

Howard Drobner 2008

Richard Baker 2009

Raymond Duffy 2010

Julia Hucknall 2011

Jen McGrath 2012

MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD

Edward Kimball 2008

John McQuade 2009

Alden Gates 2010

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Angelo Scola 2008

Marcia A. Priestly 2008

Letty Ridinger 2009

Susan Therriault 2009

Kenneth Linell 2010

Catherine Richard 2010

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Ken Franz 2008

Robert Doyle 2009

Mary Jasper 2010

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

Rudy Lambracht 2008

Penny Rickel 2008

Debra Aslanian-Murphy 2009

Richard Zamitti 2010

Vacancy

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Kathleen Buchanan 2008

Vincent Perrone 2009

Rebecca Dono Healy 2010

APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS

2007

(Terms expire in May of specified year.)

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Suzanne C. Olsen 2008

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Daniel Haynes 2010

TOWN COUNSEL

Steven Madaus 2008

TREASURER/TAX COLLECTOR

F. Ellen McKay 2008

ASSISTANT TREASURER/COLLECTOR

Joseph Daigneault 2008

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO BOARD OF SELECTMAN and TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Lori Esposito 2008

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

Donald Parker 2008

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Mark Bertonassi 2008

Tom Dillon – Alternate 2008

Larry Brandt – Alternate 2008

GAS/PLUMBING INSPECTOR

Eric Johnson and 2008

Richard Lapan, Assistant 2008

WIRING INSPECTOR

James Morrill and 2008

Thomas O'Connor, Assistant 2008

SANITATION AGENT

Dennis Costello 2008

TAX TITLE CUSTODIAN

Vacancy 2008

LEGISLATIVE LIASON

Suzanne C. Olsen 2008

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

TREE WARDEN

GYPSY BROWN-TAIL MOTH INSPECTOR

RIGHT-TO-KNOW COORDINATOR

Donald Parker 2008

INDIGENT SERVICEMEN'S BURIAL

AGENT and OVERSEER OF

SERVICEMEN'S GRAVES

Paul Aucoin 2008

PARKING CLERK

Sandra Bourassa 2008

PRIVATE CONSTABLE

James Murray 2008

COUNCIL ON AGING COORDINATOR/

OUTREACH WORKER

Jane Meegan 2008

SOCIAL SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

NUTRITION SITE FOR ELDERLY

MEALS-ON-WHEELS COORDINATOR

Janice Ressiguie 2008

REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Vacancy 2008

FENCE VIEWER and SURVEYOR OF

HOOPS AND STAVES

Oswald Sauer 2008

CENTRAL MASS REGIONAL PLANNING

COMMISSION and TRANSPORTATION

IMPROVEMENT

Richard Baker, Representative for

Town of Boylston 2009

Howard Drobner, Selectmen's

Alternative 2008

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

2007

(Terms expire in May of specified year.)

ADA COMMITTEE

Mary Jasper	2008
Vacancy	

AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE

Janet Lombardi, Appeals Board	2008
Warren Leach, At Large	2008
Randy Feldman, At Large	2008
Michael Borsuk, At Large	2008

APPEALS BOARD

Robert Cotter	2008
Charles MacKinnon	2009
Bonnie Johnson	2010
Janet Lombardi	2011
William Filsinger	2012
Arlene Murphy, Associate Member	2008
Larry Campo, Associate Member	Pending

BOARD OF REGISTRARS

Mary Morrill	2008
Phyllis Gaucher	2009
Mary Jasper	2010

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

James Stanton, Bd of Selectmen	On Hold
David Butler, Finance Com	On Hold
Howard Drobner, Planning Bd	On Hold
Kenneth Sydow, At Large	On Hold
Judy McCauliffe, At Large	On Hold
Janet Golas-Shah	On Hold

CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

David Humphrey	2008
Michael Ridinger	2008
John Mack	2008
Thomas Martiska	2008

CAPITAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

Howard Drobner, by Planning Bd	2008
Herbert Cronin, By Fin Com	2008
Larry Brenner, by Fin Com	2008
Roger Deal, by Bd of Selectmen	2008
Town Administrator, Ex Officio	2008
Town Treasurer, Ex Officio	2008
Richard Reardon, At Large	2008

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Mark Coakley	2008
Vacancy, 2008 term	Pending
Charlene Franz	2008
Chip Burkhardt	2009
Daniel Duffy	2010
Wendy Lonstein	2010
Jeffrey Walsh	2010
Joe McGrath, Assoc. Member	2008
Theresa Prunier, Assoc Member	2008

COUNCIL ON AGING

Eugene Dodd	2008
John Faucher	2008
Jean Gates	2008
Dennis Goguen	2008
Oswald Sauer	2008
Mary Seed	2008
Karen Tremblay	2008
David Wheeler	2008
Jane Meegan	2008
Gert Peterson	2008

CULTURAL COUNCIL

Susan Boucher	2008
Carrie Crane	2008
Eileen DeCastro	2008
Cynthia Duval	2008
Sue Filsinger	2008
Carolyn Zagame	2008

EARTH REMOVAL BOARD

Arthur Gibree, Bd of Selectmen	2008
Mathew Mecum, Board of Health	2008
Charlene Franz, Conserv Comm	2008
Howard Drobner, Planning Bd	2008
Chuck MacKinnon, Appeals Bd	2008

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Karen McGahie	2008
David Buter	2008
Eric Brose	2009
Helen Duffy	2009
Herbert Cronin	2010
Tim Houlihan	2010

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES, continued

(Terms expire in May of specified year.)

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Marjorie O'Connell	2008
Karen Perry	2008
Peter Haynes	2009
Bruce Symonds	2010
Gerald Jones	2010
Vacancy	2009

HISTORIC COMMISSION

David Bottom	2008
Judith Bottom	2008
Judith Haynes	2009
Ken Linell	2009
Bruce Symonds	2010
Paul Kalinowski	2010

HOMELAND SECURITY

Dennis Costello, BOH Agent	2008
Sue Olsen, Town Administrator	2008
Don Parker, DPW Superintendent	2008
Anthony Sahagian, Police Chief	2008
Joseph Flanagan, Fire Chief	2008
Mary Jasper, At Large	2008

INSURANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

F. Ellen McKay, Boylston MOB	2008
Sonja Collins, Dispatchers	2008
Joseph Flanagan, Fire Dept	2008
Donald Parker, Highway Dept	2008
Vacancy, Library	2008
Mike Lucia, Light Dept	2008
Phil Bazydlo, Police Dept	2008
Vacancy, Elementary School	2008

MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

Joseph Larkin	2008
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LIBRARY RE-USE COMMITTEE

Roger Deal	2008
Nick Langhart	2008
Marcia Priestly	2008
Bruce Symonds	2008
John Petraglia (Advisory capacity)	2008
Christi Stille	2008

OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Vacancy, Parks and Recreation	Pending
Vacancy, Conservaton Comm	Pending
Dennis Goguen, At Large	2008
Janet Golas-Shah, At Large	2008
Vacancy, At Large	Pending
Suzanne Olsen, Advisory Capacity	2008

PERSONNEL BOARD

Emily Moran	2008
Larri Parker	2008
Richard Prince	2009
Leo Tivnan	2009
John Stowe	2010

SENIOR TAX REBATE COMMITTEE

Dennis Goguen	2008
Helen Duffy	2008
Mary Jasper	2008
Sandra Bourassa	2008
Town Administrator, EY officio	2008
Town Treasurer, EY officio	2008

STORM WATER COMMITTEE

Don Parker, Hwy Super	2008
Chip Burkhardt, Conserv Comm	2008
Gerry Gleich, Board of Health	2008
Joe McGrath, Advisory	2008
Suzanne Olsen, Advisory	2008

TOWN HOUSE COMMITTEE

Donald Parker	2008
Janice Resseguie	2008

TOWN REPORT COMMITTEE

Lori Esposito	2008
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FIRE DEPARTMENT 2007 STAFF

FIRE CHIEF AND FOREST WARDEN:

Joseph Flanagan, EMT

DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF:

Matthew Ronn, EMT

CAPTAIN:

Donald MacKenzie, EMT

LIEUTENANTS:

Jason Bradford, EMT

Scott McCubrey

Richard Davin, EMT

Roger Young, Jr., EMT

Brian Gaucher

DEPUTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR:

Nick Baker

FIREFIGHTERS/ EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS:

David Ashworth, EMT

Paul Aucoin

Kevin Wood

Joel Bradford

Jack Brown

Jarret Byrne, EMT

Michael Byrne

Roy Cathline

Gino Consiglio, EMT

Brent Duca, EMT

Jay Krause

Luke Johnson

Patty Flanagan, EMT

Paul Leblanc

David Libbey

Jim Lindsay, EMT

Robb MacKenzie

Mike Maneggio

Jack McCormick, EMT

Steve Mero

Robert Nunnenmacher

Paul Osterberg, EMT

Steve Osterberg, EMT

Peter Rotando, EMT

Steve Savoie, EMT

Jeff Stanton

Rob Starkey, EMT

George Stowe

Neal Stowe

Dave Young

PHOTOGRAPHER:

William Richardson

CHAPLAIN:

David Buchanan

POLICE DEPARTMENT 2007 ROSTER

Chief of Police

Anthony G. Sahagian

Detective Sergeant

Scott P. Szymkiewicz

Patrol Sergeant

Michael J. Donahue

Patrol Officers

Ronald R. Rajotte*

Philip E. Bazydlo

Russell N. Parker

Robert C. Thomas

Robert M. Barbato

Mark L. Shepard

Reserve Patrol Officers

Thomas E. Welch

Vincent G. Pignataro

Carl R. Christensen

Jared B. Piche

Marc S. Kasaras

Full-time Dispatchers

Pamela D. Lisee**

Lynn F. Purcell

Sonja J. Collins

Permanent Part-time Dispatcher

Rina M. Paladino

On-call Dispatchers

Bonnie E. White Tara E. Gonelli

Administrative Assistant

Christine Bissonnette

Service Aide

Mary L. Jasper

All Full-time Police Officers serve as Constables

*D.A.R.E and School/Town Safety Officer/Detective Patrolman

**Head Dispatcher

As of December 31, 2007

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN



James Stanton, Chairman

Roger Deal, Vice Chairman

Kenneth Sydow, Clerk

The Board of Selectmen is pleased to present to the residents of Boylston our Annual Report for the year 2007. The Board has issued all necessary permits and licenses as required by the Statutes. All state and federal certificates were filed as required and the necessary appointments were made. All business to come before the Board was handled in the best interest of the Town and its residents.

The composition of the Board remained unchanged in the year 2007. In May Selectman Ken Sydow ran for re-election, challenged by newcomer Carrie Niemac. Both candidates had enthusiastic supporters throughout the campaigning process. Mr. Sydow was the ultimate victor and will continue to serve another three-year term through May of 2010.

In February 2007, Town Administrator Suzanne Olsen announced her retirement, planned for March 2008. The Board would like to thank Sue for her valuable time and dedication while she served as Town Administrator, and wishes her the best in her future endeavors.

The Board continues to face the challenge of balancing the Town's long-term development with the needs of residents. New growth was limited in 2007, and a much needed 40B development was abandoned due to a recently discovered protective buffer zone applied by National Heritage Endangered Species Program ("NHESP"). The buffer zone to protect the Wood Turtle cut into Horizon Partners' original plan to build 32 units on Sewall Street (gravel pit), and ultimately a solution could not be reached. As a result, the sale of the Town-owned Sewall Street parcel did not go through. Additionally, an incoming business that purchased land on Main Street decided, very late into the permitting process, to locate in another town. However, plans for a new Rand-Whitney building on Route 140 continue to move along, and a multi-tenant retail building at 81 Shrewsbury Street (Rte. 140) is nearing completion. Additional tax revenue will eventually be realized as these and other business and commercial developments are welcomed to Town.

Under the new leadership of Superintendent Joseph Connelly, the School Administration presented a three-year budget plan to the Selectmen. This was the result of many hours of work and communication between Dr. Connelly, Business Manager John Roy, the school committees and principals. Tahanto Regional High School has been selected by the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA") to be considered for renovation or rebuilding. The process to move along with the evaluation continues with the MSBA. The Board continues to support our schools in any way possible, and is grateful to Dr. Connelly for his guidance and direction during his tenure as Superintendent in Boylston.

Regular quarterly meetings with Town departments, boards and committees has been beneficial in keeping members and department heads up to date and informed on various topics. These meetings provide an opportunity to inform others of essential happenings and developments, and also allow for interaction in a group setting that is not otherwise likely due to varying schedules and meetings. The Board plans to continue these quarterly update meetings throughout 2008.

Meanwhile, Boylston is fortunate to have many volunteers who dedicate their time and knowledge by participating on boards and committees that govern a variety of topics in Town. These talented individuals are an absolute essential in keeping our municipal government viable, and our boards and committees are doing an exceptional job in their respected areas. Some vacancies exist, and we encourage anyone interested in volunteering for any board or committee to complete the "Volunteer to Serve" form in the back of this report and submit it to the Selectmen's office.

The Board of Selectmen meets every other Monday at 6:30 PM, (unless otherwise specified), with the exception of holidays and the posted summer schedule. The Selectmen are here to serve your needs and welcome your attendance and inquiries at meetings.

If you have any concerns or questions, please feel free to contact Lori Esposito, Administrative Assistant in the Selectmen's office at 508-869-2093.

The Board of Selectmen held twenty-four (24) regular meetings, twenty-two (22) executive sessions and seventeen (17) special/emergency meetings in the year 2007 and their attendance was recorded as follows:

James Stanton: 24 of 24 regular meetings
22 of 22 executive sessions
17 of 17 special meetings

Roger Deal: 21 of 24 regular meetings
22 of 22 executive sessions
17 of 17 special meetings

Ken Sydow: 24 of 24 regular meetings
21 of 22 executive sessions
16 of 17 special meetings



TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

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Highlights from 2007:

Economic Development: We have devoted significant time and energy to promote the Town's economic vitality through the welcoming of commercial and industrial development along Route 140 and Main Street. I am encouraged by the initial proposals being considered and the result of additional revenues that help stabilize our tax base. The preliminary Zoning Overlay completed by the 2003-05 Business Development Committee created the foundation for solid business development, which is enhanced by our close proximity to the 290 cloverleaf, the 495 interchange and the Mass Pike, which make Boylston attractive for businesses.

Boylston Elementary School Building Audit: Long hours have been spent in the tedious gathering of documents and searching through 12 record storage boxes which have grown to 25+ record storage boxes, reviewing record after record in our effort to be reimbursed by the state for some substantial dollars. My deep thanks to the untiring effort of **Pat Lagonelli**, who worked along-side me through not one, but two audit appeals. After our initial filing with the state; the first appeal was successful; however the second appeal was partially turned down which is disappointing, but the bottom line is this: Beginning in 2008 the Town will realize an additional \$139,000 per year reimbursement from the state for the next 11 years.

<http://www.boylston-ma.gov>: The Town Web Site is, as promised, a vital communication link that will keep you up to date on what's happening - Please take advantage of its regular updates intended to keep you well informed. Many thanks to **Lori Esposito**, the Selectmen's and my Administrative Assistant, for her effort in making this become reality.

New Accounting Software: was put out to bid, purchased and has been installed. We are tweaking the product with anticipation of having it live by July 1, 2008. As stated in the Town Meeting Article, this software will continue to keep us in compliance with GASB regulations.

When you come to "Hillside" whether coming into any of the Municipal Offices/departments or attending a sporting event, and see the well manicured property and breathtaking beauty plus exceptional building maintenance, you can appreciate the man behind the scenes. He is **Ken Goodwin**, Facilities Technician.

Ken goes well beyond his job description for his caring expertise in property maintenance.

I welcome a part time support person to the Selectmen's office: **Rose Bardsley**, an experienced legal secretary, who is picking up the slack in the operation of our offices and making a difference in our ability to put closure on a number of important issues.

Capital Planning: **We desperately need to get off the platform of spending down our Free Cash each year!** In the fall of 2007, I asked the Capital Planning Committee to review (and they have unanimously approved with wonderful enthusiasm) the approach and implementation of a five to ten year long range planning initiative. The paperwork/forms were sent out with the FY09 budget paperwork. This very important strategizing process will go a long way toward managing the Town's "Free Cash" and using a debt package approach to fund the myriad of building needs and other big ticket expenses that the Town faces. It will provide us an opportunity to put "Free Cash" dollars into savings for long range stabilization of our resources, rather

Report of the Town Administrator, Cont'd

than spending it down each year. I ask your consideration and support of this very important and united effort at our Annual Town Meetings.

Affordable Housing: The Sewall Street Gravel Pit project for an over 55 affordable housing project has been permanently stopped by an alleged citing of the wood turtle, considered by the State Fisheries and Game and Wildlife Departments as a “species of interest.”

Environmental Protection: My hope for Boylston is that we take ownership of preserving our natural resources by cleaning up our environment through continued membership in programs that support the following:

- ◆ Use of Hillside to build renewable energy facilities:
 - Solar and wind energy for Hillside use and as a supplement to the Municipal Light Department’s energy supply for town residents
- ◆ Continue to Support the Wachusett Earth Day Hazardous Disposal program
- ◆ Require recycling of our trash
- ◆ Promote Hazardous materials disposal regulations
- ◆ Promote “GREEN” buildings
- ◆ As part of sub-division development consider on-site sewage disposal/treatment plants.
- ◆ Promote a tree protection by-law that prevents developers from stripping the land

As 2007 has given way to the New Year, so do I begin to make way for new leadership for Boylston as I retire from the position of Town Administrator. The nature of this position is one of enormous privilege. It provides opportunity to bring positive changes to Boylston and gives us, as a small community, a voice in matters that face the Central Massachusetts region and beyond.

Boylston is most fortunate to have a devoted and an exceptionally well-trained and informed staff in our municipal departments – they are people who care deeply about you as residents and about the town as a whole. While you might not always like our answers, they are honest responses and in accordance with Local Bylaws, as well as State and/or Federal Law.

I offer my heartfelt thanks to the various Boards of Selectmen that I have served under along with my appreciation to our Town officials, employees and town residents for their support and encouragement during my tenure.

To gain a sense of the magnitude and myriad of issues faced by our local officials I encourage our Town residents to run for public office or offer your service to town boards and committees. We need your input with innovative approaches to resolve problems and to bring forth necessary change while retaining the charm and rural character of this beautiful small town.

Thank you!

Suzanne C. Olsen, Town Administrator

TOWN COUNSEL

Stephen F. Madaus

I was appointed Interim Town Counsel in September of 2007. As Interim Town Counsel I attend Town Meetings, meetings of the Board of Selectmen and regularly scheduled meetings of other town boards or committees, as requested. I am available to provide advice and counsel to the Selectmen, the Town Administrator, the Building Inspector, town departments, board and committee members. I am also available to prepare and review documents and to address or respond to all legal matters on behalf of the Town.

Since my appointment in September, I completed the transition of legal files from the office of prior Town Counsel and have been busy providing general advice and counsel to various Town offices. In 2007, these services included the following matters:

- Prepared and reviewed an agreement for a professional grant writer for the Town Administrator;
- Participated in the review of bids received and the award of a contract for the completion of HVAC improvements at Town Hall;
- Advised the Board of Selectmen relative to an application for a Class 1 License for the sale of motor vehicles;
- Reviewed and revised Warrants for the Special and Annual Town Meetings;
- Resolved title issues concerning a developer's attempt to convey unbuildable or uneconomic parcels of land to the Town that were not legally accepted by the Town;
- Worked with the Planning Board relative to an approved, recorded subdivision plan where the Certificate of Approval had expired and in preparing conditions of approval for a replacement, definitive subdivision plan;
- Reviewed various matters concerning the Town's Zoning By-laws, including possible revisions to Section 16 of the Zoning By-law, concerning "Inclusionary Zoning";
- Reviewed title and use issues regarding Town-owned property;
- Advised the Board of Selectmen concerning requirements of the Open Meeting Law;
- Prepared draft amendments to the Town's General By-laws, for review and consideration by Board of Selectmen;
- Advised the Board of Selectmen and Planning Board on the procedure required for the Town to accept a completed subdivision roadway as a public way; and
- Participated in negotiations concerning certain tax title property with counsel for the Town's Treasurer/Collector.

Since my appointment in September of 2007, I have benefited from the cooperation and assistance of the Board of Selectmen, the Town Administrator, Town employees, and many board and committee members. I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen for the appointment and to thank Town officials and residents for their patience and cooperation in welcoming me as Interim Town Counsel.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen F. Madaus
Interim Town Counsel

TOWN CLERK 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

Intentions of Marriage Filed	15	Marriages Recorded	15
Births Recorded	51	Deaths Recorded	22
Certificates Recorded/Renewed	11	Dog Licenses Issued	653
Raffle permits	3		

Number of Registered Voters (as of December 1, 2007)

Democratic	0563	Libertarian	0000
Republican	0442	Inter. 3 rd Party	0000
Unenrolled	1908	Green Party, Rainbow	0001
Working Families	0001		

Total Registered Voters as of December 1, 2007.....2915

Please note that the Town Clerk's Office will be selling Fishing/Hunting Licenses for the Year 2008. They may be purchased during regular Town Office hours. Sandy and Mary are both notary public if you need anything notarized free of charge.

We are also a passport agent, which can be done during office hours. Sandy is a Justice of the Peace and can be contacted at the office or at 508-869-6797.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday	8 a.m. – 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Tuesday	8 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Wednesday	8 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Thursday	8 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Sandra L. Bourassa,
Town Clerk

Mary Jasper,
Assistant Town Clerk

WARRANT FOR A SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Monday, May 7th, 2007

the first Monday of May, at seven o'clock (7:00) P.M. at the

Tahanto Regional High School Auditorium.

.....
Immediately preceding the Annual Town Meeting to transact fiscal year end 2007 town business.
.....

MAY 7, 2007

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

WORCESTER: SS

BOYLSTON

To either of the Constables of the Town of Boylston in the County of Worcester within the Commonwealth aforesaid:

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Boylston aforesaid, qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, to meet at the following places and times for the following purposes:

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING In accordance with the above notice and Article II, Section 1 of the Town of Boylston By-Laws, the following articles will be considered on **Monday, May 7th, 2007, the first Monday of May, at seven o'clock (7:00) P.M. at the Tahanto Regional High School Auditorium.**

Voter of the Town of Boylston, Massachusetts, met in the auditorium of the Tahanto Regional High School according to legal notice on May 7, 2007. With 400 registered voter. Selectmen, Roger Deal, James Stanton and Kenneth Sydow were present. Also, present were Town Administrator, Sue Olsen, Town Council, Greg Angelini, and Town Clerk., Sandra Bourassa. Dennis Pojani, Moderator called the meeting to order at 7:10 P.M. . Mr. Pojani stated we had the required quorum present, Call of the meeting and the officer's return of service are in order as required. He set the bounds of the hall and introduced the Town officials. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Motion by Mr. Stanton was made to waive the reading of the warrant .Seconded by Mr. Sydow. Vote on the motion passed.

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to transfer any unexpended balances of Fiscal Year 2007 appropriations, hitherto made to other accounts;

MOTION by Mrs. Olsen to make the following transfers as stated by Mr. Haynes, Town Accountant. Seconded by Mr. Stanton. Mr. Haynes read the following transfers: From 001-340-5651-000, School Dist. Assmt. - \$46,100.00 From 001-752-5915-000, Interest on Temp.Loans -\$3,000.00 From 001-942-5740-000, General Insurance-\$10,000.00. To: 001-193-5780-000, Town Building Hillside,\$20,000.00. To: 001-760-5780-000, Historical Commission Exp. \$1,000.00. To: 001-241-5780-000, Building Inspector Exp. \$1,1000.00. to: 001-132-5785-000, reserve Fund-\$7,500.00.To: 001-197-5780-000, Town Garage Exp. \$5,5000.00. To: 001-913-5171-000, Unemployment Comp. \$2,000.00. To: 390-176-42000-000, Jamison Ridge Zoning Chapter 40B ch.53G \$22,000.00 Finance committee recommends approval. MOTION passed.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will to transfer \$100.00 from available funds in the Treasury to Planning Board Expense for the costs of three (3) training seminars incurred in previous years s

MOTION by Mr. Stanton to accept this article as read. Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Finance Committee recommends approval. MOTION passes.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury an amount not to exceed \$130,000.00 to the Highway Department expense for the purpose of purchasing a new truck/plow for the Highway Department;

MOTION by Mr. Parker, Highway Supt. to accept this article as read with the amendment of transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of one hundred thirty thousand dollars (130,000.00) toward the purchase of a new dump truck and related equipment-plow and sander for the highway Dept. Seconded by Mr. Stanton. Finance Committee recommends approval. MOTION passed.

MOTION by Mr. Stanton to adjourn this meeting. Seconded by Mr. Brose. MOTION passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m. Mr. Pojani stated that the Annual Meeting posting stated that it would start at 7:30 p.m. So there would be a ten minute break and the Annual meeting would start at 7:30 .p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra L. Bourassa, Town Clerk

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

MAY 7, 2007

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

WORCESTER: SS

BOYLSTON

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GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Boylston aforesaid, qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, to meet at the following places and times for the following purposes:

GENERAL TOWN MEETING – MAY 7, 2007 In accordance with the above notice and Article II, Section 1 of the Town of Boylston By-laws, the following articles will be considered on Monday, May 7th, 2007, the first Monday of May, at seven o'clock (7:00) P.M. at the Tahanto Regional High School Auditorium.

1.
on Monday, the seventh 7th of May AD, 2007 at seven thirty (7:30) P.M., at the Tahanto Regional High School Auditorium, to take any action relative to the business of the Town as set forth in Articles one (1) through forty - one (41) of this warrant; and at its adjournment which shall be

2. ELECTION AND BALLOT – MAY 14, 2007

on Monday, the fourteenth (14th) of May AD, 2007, to vote by ballot at the town's annual election, at the Boylston Town Hall, at the Hillside Municipal Complex located at 221 Main Street within the Town of Boylston, with polls opening at twelve o'clock (12:00) noon and closing at eight o'clock (8:00) P.M. on the following:

ARTICLE 42. To vote by official ballot for the necessary Town Officers, namely: One (1) Moderator for three (3) years; One (1) Selectmen for three (3) years; One (1) Assessor for three (3) years; One (1) Board of Health member for three (3) years; One (1) Planning Board member for five (5) years; One (1) Municipal Light Board member for three (3) years; Two(2) Library Trustee members for three (3) years; One (1) Cemetery Commissioner for three (3) years; Two (2) Parks and Recreation Commission members; one for a four (4) year unexpired term; and One(1) for three (3) years; and One (1) School Committee member for three (3) years; and to vote the following two (2) ballot questions.

1. Shall the Town of Boylston be allowed to assess an additional total of \$686,550.00 in real estate and personal property taxes, for the purposes of funding the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007 operating expenses for the Boylston Elementary School ?

Yes_____ No_____

2. Shall the Town of Boylston be allowed to assess an additional \$732,930.00 in real estate and personal property taxes, for the purposes of funding Boylston's share operating expenses for Tahanto Regional Middle/High School of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007 ?

Yes_____ No_____

Voter of the Town of Boylston, Massachusetts, met in the auditorium of the Tahanto Regional High School according to legal notice on May 7, 2007. With 395 registered voter. Selectmen, Roger Deal, James Stanton and Kenneth Sydow were present. Also, present were Town Administrator, Sue Olsen, Town Counsel, Greg Angelini, and Town Clerk, Sandra Bourassa. Moderator , Dennis Pojani called the meeting to order at 7:10 P.M. . Mr. Pojani stated we had the required quorum present, Call of the meeting and the officer's return of service are in order as required. He set the bounds of the hall and introduced the Town officials. Motion by Mr. Stanton was made to waive the reading of the warrant .Seconded by Mr. Brose. Vote on the MOTION passed.

Mr. Pojani asked for a MOTION to group articles 1- 11 together, explained these articles are on the warrant every year and are operational articles. MOTION by Mr. Stanton to group articles 1-11 together. Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. MOTION passed. MOTION by Mr. Stanton to accept articles 1-11 as written in the warrant. Seconded by Mr. Aspro. Finance Committee recommends approval. Mr. Dexter, 19 Fox Tail Way, questioned article #10 why was there an article for the Light Dept., but not the Water Dept. didn't we vote two years ago on the Water Dept being on this warrant/ Mr. Stanton replied that yes this had been voted on but the State has not approved it at this point so they would be having their own Annual meeting some time. MOTION passed unanimously.

***ARTICLE 1.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to choose all necessary Town officers; or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Board of Selectmen

***ARTICLE 2.** To hear and act upon the reports of Town officials and committees; or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Board of Selectmen

***ARTICLE 3.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to employ Counsel where, in their judgment, it may be necessary under the provisions of Chapter 40 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth; or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Board of Selectmen

***ARTICLE 4.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007 and ending June 30, 2008, and to issue a note or notes therefore, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one (1) year in accordance with Chapter 44 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth, as amended; or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommendation: recommends approval.

***ARTICLE 5.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector/Treasurer to enter into a Compensating Balance Agreement, or Agreements, for Fiscal Year 2008, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53F; or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Tax Collector/Treasurer

Finance Committee Recommendation: recommends approval.

***ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Trustees of the Public Library to appoint such officers and employees as may be necessary for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and to fix the compensation therefore, consistent with the Personnel Plan; or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Library Trustees

***ARTICLE 7.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Commissioners of the Cemetery to appoint such officers and employees as may be necessary for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, including the appointment of a Cemetery Superintendent, and to fix the compensation therefore, consistent with the Personnel Plan; or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Cemetery Commission

***ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Planning Board to appoint such officers and employees as may be necessary for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, and to fix the compensation therefore, consistent with the Personnel Plan; or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Planning Board

***ARTICLE 9.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the money received from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a Library grant-in-aid for the purpose of purchasing books and other items at the discretion of the Library Trustees; or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Library Trustees

Finance Committee Recommendation: recommends approval.

***ARTICLE 10.** To see if the Town will vote that the income from sales of electricity to private consumers, or for electricity supplied to municipal buildings or for municipal power, and from jobbing during the current fiscal year, be appropriated for the municipal Lighting Plant, the whole to be expensed by the manager of the Municipal Lighting Plant, under the direction and control of the Municipal Light Board, for the expense of the plant for said fiscal year, as defined in Section 57 of Chapter 164 of the General Laws; and for the purchase, sale, installation and servicing of merchandise and equipment in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 235 of the Acts of 1937; and for any out of state travel expense in accordance with the provisions of Section 5 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, and if said sum and income shall exceed said expense for the fiscal year, such excess shall be transferred to the Construction Fund of said plant and appropriated and used for such additions thereto as may thereafter be authorized by the Municipal Light Board; and fix the compensation of the Municipal Light Board members for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007, as provided by Section 4A of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, as follows: Chairman - \$300.00 and two (2) members - \$300.00 each, a total of \$900.00, and such compensation to be paid from the operating account of the Municipal Light Plant; or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Municipal Light Board

Finance Committee Recommendation: recommends approval.

***ARTICLE 11.** To see if the Town will vote to accept any highway funds from County, State or Federal agencies, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into agreements with Mass Highway, so-called, and to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow from time to time during Fiscal Year 2008, in anticipation of reimbursement of said highway assistance, in conformity with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44 Section 6A, for maintenance, repair, construction of Town roads and programs consistent with Chapter 90 funds, to be expended by the Highway Department; or take any action relative thereto.

Sponsor: Highway Superintendent

Finance Committee Recommendation: recommends approval.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money not to exceed \$200,000 from the Hillside Receipts Reserved Account to the Appropriation Account (Account # 192-5785), for the maintenance, upkeep, repair, operations and improvements of town owned buildings, property and land, to be expended by the Board of Selectmen.

MOTION by Mr. Deal to accept this article as read. Seconded by Mr. Stanton. Finance Committee recommends approval. MOTION passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Cemetery Commissioners to continue its use of the revolving fund, established at the May 1995 Annual Town Meeting, under and subject to the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ of the Massachusetts General Laws, for the following purposes:

1. To be the depository for all departmental receipts of the Cemetery Commission and from those funds to make expenditures in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 41, Sections 41, 42, 52 and 56 for the following:

- a. For operational purposes other than regular wages and including the cost of grave openings and related expense,

- b. For payment of maintenance expenses including supplies and materials and part time labor
- c. For payment of expenses related to the expansion of the cemetery
- d. For compensation for part time commissioners and clerk, not to exceed \$15,000 per year or the amount of credits to said fund; or take any action relative thereto..

MOTION by Mr. Parker to accept this article as written in the warrant. Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Finance Committee recommends approval. Selectmen recommend approval. MOTION passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Planning Board to continue its use of the revolving fund established at the May 8, 2000 Annual Town Meeting, established in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ of the Massachusetts General Laws, to be utilized for the following purposes:

- 1. To be the depository for engineering and advertising fees charged by the Planning Board to various developers for the plan review process.
- 2. To authorize expenditures from said fund to pay engineering and advertising costs associated with the plan review process.
- 3. To set the annual expenditure limit at \$20,000.
- 4. To have the Planning Board be the only board authorized to expend funds from said account; or take any action relative thereto.

MOTION by Mr. Baker, Chairman of the Planning Board to accept this article as read. Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Finance committee recommends approval. Selectmen recommend approval. MOTION passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Conservation Commission to continue its use of the revolving fund established at the May 14, 2001 Annual Meeting, established in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ of the Massachusetts General Laws, to be utilized for the following purposes:

- 1. To be the depository for engineering and advertising fees charged by the Conservation Commission to various developers for the plan review process.
- 2. To authorize expenditures from said fund to pay engineering and advertising costs associated with the plan review process.
- 3. To set the annual expenditure limit at \$10,000.
- 4. To have the Conservation Commission be the only board authorized to expend funds from said account; or take any action relative thereto.

MOTION by Mr. Coakley, Conservation Commission to accept this article as read. Seconded by Mr. Stanton. Finance Committee recommends approval. Selectmen recommend approval. MOTION passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the office of the Boylston ambulance service to continue its use of the receipts reserved fund established at the May 2, 2005 Annual Meeting, established in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 44, Section 53E ½, for the following purposes:

- 1. To be the depository for all receipts of the ambulance service and to authorize the Fire Chief to make expenditures in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 41 Sections 41, 42, 52 and 56 for the following:
 - (a) for operational purposes other than regular wages;
 - (b) for payment of the cost of the repair, replacement and upgrading and enhancement of ambulance equipment and supplies and other related expenses; and
 - (c) for compensation for non-salary emergency medical technician/inspection and fire prevention services needed by the Fire Department.
- 2. To set the expenditure limit of \$46,360.00;

MOTION by Mr. Flanagan, Fire Chief, to accept this article with the amendment of the amount of \$86,360.00 instead of \$46,360.00 Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Finance Committee recommends approval. Selectmen recommend approval. Paul Dexter questioned why this article amount had been increased. Chief Flanagan stated article #17 would be passed over. MOTION passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the office of the Boylston ambulance service to continue its use of its receipts reserved established under Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44 Section 53E 1/2 , for the following purposes:

1. To be the depository for all receipts of the ambulance service and to authorize the Fire Chief to make expenditures in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 41 Sections 41, 42, 52 and 56 for the following:
 - (a) for operational purposes other than regular wages;
 - (b) for payment of the cost of the repair, replacement and upgrading of ambulance equipment and supplies and other related expenses; and
 - (c) for compensation for non-salary clerical services needed for the billing of ambulance fees by the Fire Department.
2. To set the expenditure limit of \$ 5,000; or to take any action relative thereto.

MOTION made by Chief Flanagan to Passover this article. Seconded by Mr. Stanton. MOTION passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to establish and use a revolving fund in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 53E½ of the Massachusetts General Laws, to be utilized for the following purposes:

- To be the depository for \$20,000.00 transferred from available funds in the Treasury for the Selectmen to use for the purposes of land management, appraisals, engineering surveys, land use and proposals for town owned parcels, including to but not limited to tax title parcels
2. To authorize expenditures from said fund to pay engineering and advertising costs associated with the management of town owned land.
 3. To set the annual expenditure limit at \$20,000.
 4. To have the Selectmen be the only person(s) authorized to expend funds from said account

MOTION by Mr. Deal to accept this article written. Seconded by Mr. Stanton. Finance Committee recommends approval.. Selectmen recommend approval. MOTION passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to fix the compensation for the following Town Officers: three (3) Selectmen, Town Clerk, Moderator, three (3) Assessors, three (3) School Committee members, three (3) Board of Health members, three (3) Cemetery Commissioners, five (5) Planning Board members, all in accordance with the Recommendations of the Finance Committee, and to instruct the Selectmen or other boards to fix a given compensation for the persons hired or appointed by such boards; or take any action relative thereto.

Selectmen, Chair	\$ 1,354	2 members each at \$ 1,137
Town Clerk	\$26, 897 plus fees	
Town Moderator	\$ 15	
Assessors, Chair	\$ 1500	2 members each at \$ 1,000
School Committee, Chair	\$ 100	2 members each at \$ 50
Board of Health, Chair	\$ 277	2 members each at \$ 185.50
Cemetery Commission, Chair	\$ 200	2 members each at \$ 150
Planning Board, Chair	\$ 370	4 members each at \$ 53
Planning Board, Vice-Chair	\$ 0	
Planning Board Clerk	\$ 53	

MOTION by Mr. Stowe, Personnel Board to accept this article as written. Seconded by Mr. Stanton. Finance Committee recommends approval. MOTION passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's Personnel Plan and By-laws by replacing Schedules A, B and C with the following; or take any action relative thereto: (proposed changes are in bold)

Section 15: Classification Schedule Amended May **2007** - Effective July 1, **2007**

Schedule A: Classification Schedule for Regular, Hourly and Salaried Employees

Classification	Position Status	Grade	Hourly Rates	
			Min	Max
Library Page	Hourly		7.85	8.12
Election Worker	Hourly		7.85	8.12
Town Meeting Checker	Hourly		7.85	8.12
Election Clerk	Hourly		8.76	8.76
Election Warden	Hourly		8.76	8.76
Clerical	Special Temp		7.85	10.53
Library Housekeeper	Special Part Time		8.74	9.53
Asst Laborer	Special Hourly	2		
Library Assistant/Sr. Technician	Reg. Part Time	3		
Laborer/Custodian	Reg. Full Time	3		
Emergency Medical Technician	Hourly	3		
Firefighter	Hourly	3		
Deputy Chief	Hourly	3+\$500		
Fire Captain	Hourly	3+\$300		
Fire Lieutenant	Hourly	3+\$200		
Asst Town Clerk	Special Part Time	5		
Police Service Aide	Hourly	5		
Asst. Inspector/Electrician	Hourly	5		
Assessors' Clerk	Reg. Part Time	5		
Children's Librarian	Reg. Part Time	5		
COA Co-ord/Community Outreach	Reg. Part Time	5		
Equipment Operator/Laborer	Reg. Full Time	6		
Facilities Technician	Reg. Full Time	6		
Assistant Treasurer/Collector	Reg. Part Time	6		
Asst Library Director	Reg. Part Time	7		
Admin Asst. Board of Assessors	Reg. Part Time	7		
Admin Asst to Hwy Supt.	Reg. Part Time	7		
Admin Asst to Chief of Police	Reg. Part Time	7		
Admin Asst to Planning Board	Reg. Part Time	7		
Admin Asst to Board of Selectmen	Reg. Full Time	7		
Equipment Operator/Mechanic	Reg. Full Time	7		
Working Foreman	Reg. Full Time	8		
Admin Asst to Health & Conservation	Reg. Part Time	8		
Town Treasurer/Collector	Reg. Part Time	9		
Foreman	Reg. Full Time	9		
Building Inspector	Salaried	10		
Library Director	Salaried	11		
Fire Chief/Forest Warden	Salaried	12		
Hwy/Cemetery Superintendent	Salaried	12+\$845		
Police Chief	Salaried	14		
Town Administrator	Salaried	14		

Schedule B: Salary Compensation Schedule

Grade	Min	Mid	Max
1	9.07	10.67	12.29
2	9.79	11.56	13.28
3	10.60	12.50	14.41
4	11.43	13.46	15.47
5	12.37	14.54	16.71
6	13.38	15.72	18.07
7	14.44	16.89	19.50
8	15.58	18.32	21.06
9	16.85	19.78	22.72
10	18.19	21.37	24.57
11	19.67	23.07	26.53
12	21.20	24.91	28.63
13	22.90	26.90	30.92
14	24.74	29.05	33.39
15	26.72	31.39	36.06
16	28.85	33.90	38.94
17	31.15	36.62	42.07
18	33.62	38.52	45.43

Schedule C: Salary Compensation Schedule-

Job Title	Annual Salary
Chairman, Registrar of Voters	\$ 753
Council On Aging, Meal Coordinator	\$ 941
Director of Veteran's Services	\$ 978
Electrical Inspector	\$ 7,247
Assistant Electrical Inspector	\$ 500
Plumbing Inspector	\$ 7,777
Assistant Plumbing Inspector	\$ 648
Gas Inspector	\$ 2,339
Assistant Gas Inspector	\$ 200
Registrar of Voters	\$ 269
Health Agent	\$ 33,849
Town Counsel	\$ 5,000
Dog Officer	\$ 1,910
Animal Inspector	\$ 1,098
Nurse	\$ 1,500
Vital Stat Clerk	\$ 200
Tree Warden	\$ 1,030

Sponsor: Personnel Board**Finance Committee Recommendation:** recommends approval.

MOTION by Mr. Stowe to accept this article as written. Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Finance Committee recommends approval. Paul Dexter questioned the increase in the Highway Dept. Mr. Stanton explained that it was in the budget last year to hire a foreman. Teresa Prunier, Coderre Rd. questioned The Town Counsel retainer. MOTION passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$51,360.00 from the Ambulance Receipts Reserved Account with the total sum of \$5,000.00 to be used for the purpose of paying clerical fees for ambulance billing services and with the total sum of \$46,360.00 from the Ambulance Receipts Reserved Account to be used for the purpose of providing for a full-time emergency medical technician/firefighter/fire education officer.

MOTION by Chief Flanagan to accept this article as written, as a transfer from “free cash” Seconded Mrs.Olsen. Finance Committee recommends approval. MOTION passes.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of money not to exceed \$9,000.00 from the Ambulance Receipts Reserved Account for the purpose of paying Nextel communications equipment used by Fire Department Emergency Medical Technicians while responding to or at emergency scenes.

MOTION by Chief Flanagan to accept this article as written, as a transfer from “free cash.” Seconded by Mr. Stanton. Finance Committee recommends approval. MOTION passed unanimously

ARTICLE 23. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$20,000.00 from the Ambulance Receipts Reserved Account for the repair, replacement and upgrading of ambulance equipment and supplies, reimbursement of advanced life support services provided to the town and other related expenses.

MOTION by Chief Flanagan to accept this article as written, as a transfer from “free cash.” Seconded by Mr. Stanton. Finance Committee recommends approval. MOTION passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$6,000.00 from the Ambulance Receipts Reserved Account for the purpose of installing diesel exhaust filters on all Fire Department apparatus; such sum may be used for the town’s matching portion of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program.

MOTION by Chief Flanagan to accept this article as written as a transfer from “free cash”. Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Ms. Joyal, Main St. questioned why this was a fire issue, she thought it should been an environmental problem. The chief stated this was the Town’s portion of a grant from the state for \$100,00.00 to fix the exhaust problem from the fire trucks when they are started. Finance Committee recommends approval. MOTION passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury an amount not to exceed \$ 130,000.00 for the purpose of repairing, upgrading, remodeling and replacing the HVAC system for the 2nd floor of the Municipal Office Building at Hillside (Town Hall) and for all incidental labor or material relating thereto..

MOTION by Mr. Stanton to accept this article as written as a transfer from “free cash” Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Finance Committee recommends approval. Capital committee recommends approval.. Bonnie Johnson, Pine St. questioned how old the HVAC system was. Teresa Prunier questioned why this wasn’t in the budget under maintenance. Mr. Stanton explained that this was a one time expense. Mr. Cutter asked how much was in “free cash.” MOTION passed.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the Treasury an amount not to exceed \$150,000 to the DPW/Highway Garage Stabilization Fund for the purpose of constructing, remodeling or acquiring new DPW/Highway garage and office space and all incidental labor and material relating thereto.

MOTION by Mr. Deal to accept this article as read, as a transfer from “free cash”. Seconded by Mr. Stanton. Finance Committee recommends approval. Capital Committee recommends approval. MOTION passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the Treasury an amount not to exceed \$15,000 for the purpose of hiring a professional grant writer/consultant to facilitate commercial, retail growth and developmental funding and assistance for completion of commercial, retail growth and developmental proposed projects as part of our ongoing effort to raise commercial tax revenues to reduce the residential tax burden;

MOTION by Mr. Deal to accept this article as read, as a transfer from “free cash”. Seconded by Mr. Stanton. Finance Committee recommends approval. Capital committee recommends approval. MOTION passes.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury an amount not to exceed \$25,000 for the purpose of commissioning a traffic study on Route 140 from the intersection of Route 140 at Route 70 to the Boylston/Shrewsbury Town Line;

MOTION by Mr. Sydow to accept this article as a transfer from “free cash”. Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Finance committee recommends approval. Capital committee recommends approval. There were questions and discussion about how Rt. 140 would look and how the traffic would be affected by the business coming to Town. Mr. Sydow explained that instead of each business doing a study one study on the whole road would be more beneficial to the Town.. MOTION passed.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury an amount not to exceed \$15,000 for the purpose of commissioning a review of the Tahanto Middle/High School Regional Agreement and alternatives for the continuing education of grades 6 through 12

MOTION by Mr. Stanton to accept this article as read, as a transfer from “free cash”. Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Finance Committee recommends approval. Capital Committee recommends approval. Mrs. Whitehead asked if this being done because Berlin had looked into other regions. .Mrs. Buchanan, School committee stated that we should have an alternative plan if they do go with some other town. There was more discussion .MOTION made to move the question Seconded. MOTION passed to move the question. MOTION passed.

ARTICLE 30 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury an amount not to exceed \$25,000 for the purpose of purchasing HVAC software for the Boylston Elementary School,

MOTION by Mrs. Buchanan to accept this article as read, as a transfer from “free cash”. Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Finance Committee recommends approval. Capital Committee recommends approval. There was a question if this was an up-grade, which it is. MOTION passes.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury an amount not to exceed \$16,500 for the purpose of locating and repairing the roof leak at the Boylston Elementary School;

MOTION by Mrs. Buchanan to accept this article as read, as a transfer from “free cash”. Seconded by Mr. Stanton. Finance Committee recommends approval. Capital committee recommends approval. Mrs. Johnson asked if this the leak in the gym? Mrs. Butler stated it was the new roof and in the music room. Mr. Perrone, School Committee explained the history behind the roof problem. MOTION passed.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury an amount not to exceed \$13,500 for the purpose of replacing the carpet in the Boylston Elementary School Library

MOTION by Mrs. Buchanan to accept this article as read, as a transfer from “free cash”. Seconded by Mr. Brose. Finance committee recommends approval. Capital committee recommends approval. Mrs. McGrath asked if it needed to be replace instead of repairing it. Mr. Perrone stated they tried to fix it but that was seven years ago and it needs replacing. MOTION to move the question was made. Seconded .MOTION passed to move the question. MOTION passed.

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury an amount not to exceed \$40,000 for maintenance and repairs at the Public Library at 695 Main Street, namely, foundation and masonry sealing, boiler repair required by our insurance carrier, roof and exterior woodwork restoration and repainting, ramp refurbishing and design services and septic improvements;

MOTION by Mr. Linell, Library Trustee to accept this article as read, as a transfer from “free cash”. Seconded by Mr. Sydow. Finance Committee recommends approval. Capital Committee recommends approval. MOTION passes

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$25,000 from the Assessor’s Overlay Surplus to be used for the town wide appraisal/re-evaluation; or take any action relative thereto.

MOTION by Mr. Cravedi, Assessor to accept this article as read, as a transfer. Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Finance Committee recommends approval. MOTION passes.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to increase the gross receipts that seniors may have in the prior calendar year to be eligible to defer property taxes under Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 41A from \$20,000.00 to \$40,000.00, with such increase to be effective for deferrals granted for taxes assessed for any fiscal year beginning on or after July 1, 2007;

MOTION by Mr. Stanton to accept this article as read.. Seconded by Mr. Sydow . Finance committee recommends approval. Mr. Stanton explained the article. MOTION passes.

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Boylston General By-Laws by deleting the following section and content ,or take any action relative thereto;

Section 10 - Self- Service Automated Fuel Dispensing Systems Shall be Prohibited

10.1 No person shall be allowed to conduct within the Town any business which in any means or fashion allows the dispensing of fuel oil or petroleum combustible products by anyone other than the owner, proprietor, agent or employee of said business; said person to be a qualified attendant.

MOTION by Mr. Deal to accept this article as written. Seconded by Mr. Stanton . Mr. Stanton explained this article was a housekeeping article to update the by-laws. MOTION passes.

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to amend the “Zoning By-laws” of the Town as follows, or take any action relative thereto:

1. by altering and modifying the boundaries and areas covered by the Classes of Zoning Districts listed in and utilized in said Bylaws and as incorporated into the existing “Town of Boylston Official Zoning Map” which is posted in the office of the Town Clerk and Town Administrator (“Zoning Map”), by changing the zoning district classification of the property shown on Assessor’s Map 12/parcel 18D from its current classification of partly “Watershed Protection” and partly “Industrial” to entirely “Industrial”, and (ii) changing the zoning district classification of a portion of the property shown on Assessor’s Map 12/Parcel 19 from its current classification of “Watershed Protection” to “Industrial” – as said modifications are shown on the plan entitled “Proposed Zoning District Amendment in Boylston, Massachusetts”, dated

February 26, 2007 and prepared by Thompson-Liston Associates, Inc., as set forth below [Town Administration to reproduce plan as a page in the Warrant], and further described in metes and bounds as follows:

The legal description for this land affected by this proposed zoning change is:

Beginning at a point on the westerly line of the existing Industrial District, said point being southerly about 433 feet from the southerly line of the Worcester County layout of Shrewsbury Street (Route 140) opposite baseline station 97+00.00;

Thence Southerly by the westerly line of the existing Industrial District and through land of Boylston Realty Associates, Inc. about 1,120 feet to a point;

Thence Southwesterly by land of DMG Realty Trust about 53 feet to a point;

Thence Northwesterly by land of DMG Realty Trust about 561 feet to a point;

Thence Northeasterly through land of Ridinger about 208 feet to a point;

Thence Northwesterly by land of Ridinger about 281 feet to a point;

Thence Northwesterly by land of Ridinger about 151 feet to a point;

Thence Northwesterly by land of Ridinger about 106 feet to a point;

Thence Northeasterly by land of Premiere Development Boylston LLC about 119 feet to a point;

Thence Northeasterly by land of Premiere Development Boylston LLC about 210 feet to a point;

Thence Southeasterly by land of 140 Shrewsbury Street Realty Trust about 106 feet to a point;

Thence Southeasterly by land of 140 Shrewsbury Street Realty Trust about 128 feet to a point;

Thence Northeasterly by land of 140 Shrewsbury Street Realty Trust about 20 feet to a point;

Thence Northeasterly by land of 140 Shrewsbury Street Realty Trust about 1 foot to the point of beginning.

Containing about 5.7 acres; and

2. by adopting the resulting modified Zoning Map as the “2007 Town of Boylston Official Zoning Map”; and
3. by amending Section 3.01 by adding after present subsection 13 a new subsection 14 which states:

The 2007 Town of Boylston Official Zoning Map is attached hereto and made part hereof and incorporated herein by reference, and it sets forth and delineates the boundaries of the Classes of Zoning Districts comprising all of the land (see pages 22-23).

MOTION by Mr. Sydow to accept this article as written. Seconded by Mr. Stanton. Mr. Baker, Planning Board explained that the Planning Board held a public hearing and that the Board recommends approval. A 2/3 vote is needed. A stand vote was taken there were 331 –yes and 2-no MOTION passes.

ARTICLE 38 To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws of the Town of Boylston, or take any action relative thereto; To delete the present section 11.04.01 MEMBERSHIP; Rules and substitute the following:

11.04.01 MEMBERSHIP; Rules

The Board of Appeals shall consist of five members and two associate members, appointed and removed and replaced by the Board of Selectmen, and with the powers and rule-making and other duties consistent with and pursuant to M.G.L. c 40A Section 12; or take any action relative thereto.

MOTION by Mrs. Johnson, ZBA member to accept this article as written with the amendment of being the “Zoning Bylaws of the Town of Boylston”. Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Mr. Baker stated there was a public hearing and the Planning Board recommends approval. Town Counsel explained the article. MOTION unanimously passed.

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriation, or appropriate or transfer from available funds in the Treasury, such sums as may be necessary to defray and pay all Town debts and charges and appropriate the same as the Town sees fit for the fiscal year 2008, and to fix the compensation and salaries of all Town Officers, as may be shown in whole or in part by the Town Budget, so-called, as shown in the Fiscal Year 2008 Report of the Finance Committee;

MOTION by Mr. Brose, Finance Committee to accept this years budget as written in the amended budget which was passed out to everyone, the total being \$11,028,328 , this amount doesn't included the over ride. Seconded by Mr. Stanton. Mr. Cravedi questioned the total amount of the over ride. Mr. Butler explained article 40 and 41. MOTION passes.

ARTICLE 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate an amount not to exceed \$ 686,548.00; to cover the deficit fiscal 2008 budget for the Boylston Elementary School, and to increase line 5510 by \$686,548.00 on the "Town Budget" 2007-2008 Report of the Finance Committee, conditional to and conditioned upon successful passage of the Proposition 2-1/2 override question on the annual election ballot;

MOTION by Mr. Buchanan to accept this article with the amendment of the amount of dollars being \$451,010.00. Seconded by Mr. Sydow. Finance Committee Recommends approval. Mrs. Dono Healy, School Committee explained the article. Mr. Butler explained the amount. Mr. Cravedi explained how this would effect the tax as a whole not just the amount for the school. There was more discussion. Mrs. Draper made a motion for a paper ballot vote. A standing vote was taken -124-yes 229- no. Paper vote was defeated.. Motion to move the question was made. Seconded Motion passed. MOTION stand vote 299 –yes 35 –no. MOTION passes

ARTICLE 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate an amount not to exceed \$732,930.00 to cover the Town of Boylston's share of the 2008 budget for Tahanto Regional Middle/High School, and to thereby increase line 5651 by \$732,930.00 on the "Town Budget" 2007-2008 Report of the Finance Committee, conditional to and conditioned upon successful passage of the Proposition 2-1/2 override question on the annual election ballot, and further conditional to and conditioned upon approval of the Town of Berlin.

MOTION by Mrs. Buchanan to accept this article with the amendment of the amount of dollars being \$303,624.00. And deleting "further conditional to conditioned upon approval of the Town of Berlin." Seconded by Mr. Sydow Finance Committee recommends approval. Mrs. Healy explained article. There was some discussion. MOTION was a stand vote 295 – yes no- 42. MOTION passes.

MOTION to adjourned the meeting was made. Seconded by Mr. Stanton. Motion passes meeting adjourned at 9:40 P.M..

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandra L. Bourassa
Town Clerk

Boylston Town Meeting Corrections to FY 2008 Town Budget as Published in Warrant

Boylston Town Meeting May 7, 2007

- 1 The following document provides the details for changes to the printed warrant for the town of Boylston town meeting May 7, 2007 for
- 2 The first change is that the center column in the budget titled Fincom Recommended FY2008 printed in the warrant has been eliminated.
- 3 There are changes to the FinCom and Selectmen FY2008 budgets printed in the warrant - look for a triangle and the corrected amount to
- 4 **The Selectmen and Finance Committee have identical budgets. Look at the far right column for correct figures**
- Major changes: The Elementary and Regional Assessment figures have been revised - reduced to reflect approved budgets without the
- 5a override amounts.
- Below school subtotals, a calculation is provided that shows what the impact would be on the school budgets if the override were not to
- 5b pass, given the level of spending approved with free cash in FY2007
- 6 **You will be voting on the budget which is farthest column to the right.**

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<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>										
SPECIAL TOWN MEETINGS (113):										
5780	Special Town Meeting Notices	0	2,000	2,225	2,225	11.25%	2,225	11.25%	2,225	2,225
Total Special Town Meetings		0	2,000	2,225	2,225	11.25%	2,225	11.25%	2,225	2,225
MODERATOR (114):										
5110	Moderator Salary	0	15	15	15	0.00%	15	0.00%	15	15
Total Moderator		0	15	15	15	0.00%	15	0.00%	15	15
BOARD OF SELECTMEN (122):										
5110	Selectmen Salary	3,637	3,637	3,637	3,637	0.00%	3,637	0.00%	3,637	3,637
5111	Asst Town Administrator	33,279	37,564	38,700	38,700	3.02%	38,700	3.02%	38,700	38,700
5112	Town Administrator Salary	66,136	66,916	68,923	68,923	3.00%	68,923	3.00%	68,923	68,923
5113	Clerical	386	0	2,300	2,300	100.00%	2,300	100.00%	2,300	2,300
5780	Selectmen General Expenses	16,300	24,850	28,900	26,900	8.25%	26,900	8.25%	26,900	26,900
5385	Town Audit	11,500	10,000	12,000	10,000	0.00%	10,000	0.00%	10,000	10,000
Total Board of Selectmen		131,238	142,967	154,460	150,460	5.00%	150,460	5.00%	150,460	150,460
FINANCE COMMITTEE (131):										
5780	Finance Committee Expenses	0	400	400	400	0.00%	400	0.00%	400	400
Total Finance Committee		0	400	400	400	0.00%	400	0.00%	400	400
RESERVE FUND (132):										
5785	Reserve Fund	9,000	50,000	45,000	45,000	-10.00%	45,000	-10.00%	45,000	45,000
Total Reserve Fund		9,000	50,000	45,000	45,000	-10.00%	45,000	-10.00%	45,000	45,000
TOWN ACCOUNTANT (135):										
5300	Accountant Salary	25,000	25,750	25,750	25,750	0.00%	25,750	0.00%	25,750	25,750
5780	Accountant Expenses	91	500	500	500	0.00%	500	0.00%	500	500
Total Town Accountant		25,091	26,250	26,250	26,250	0.00%	26,250	0.00%	26,250	26,250
BOARD OF ASSESSORS (141):										
5110	Members Salaries	3,333	3,500	3,500	3,500	0.00%	3,500	0.00%	3,500	3,500
5111	Clerk Salary	21,140	22,804	23,488	23,488	3.00%	23,488	3.00%	23,488	23,488
5112	Clerical Wages	15,721	18,128	18,672	18,672	3.00%	18,672	3.00%	18,672	18,672
5780	Expenses	18,554	22,405	22,455	22,455	0.22%	22,455	0.22%	22,455	22,455
5301	Appraisal Expense	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	0.00%	7,500	0.00%	7,500	7,500
5302	Property Revaluation	0	0	25,000	0	n/a	0	n/a	0	0
Total Board of Assessors		66,248	74,337	100,615	75,615	1.50%	75,615	1.72%	75,615	75,615
TREASURER (145):										
5110	Treasurer Salary	22,360	24,344	25,074	25,074	3.00%	25,074	3.00%	25,074	25,074
5111	Clerical Wages	10,607	11,134	11,468	11,468	3.00%	11,468	3.00%	11,468	11,468
5780	Expenses	9,680	12,250	12,250	12,250	0.00%	12,250	0.00%	12,250	12,250

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	Total Treasurer	42,647	47,728	48,792	48,792	2.23%	48,792	2.23%	48,792	48,792
	TAX COLLECTOR (146):									
5110	Tax Collector Salary	22,360	24,344	25,074	25,074	3.00%	25,074	3.00%	25,074	25,074
5111	Clerical Wages	10,607	11,134	11,468	11,468	3.00%	11,468	3.00%	11,468	11,468
5780	Expenses	20,882	24,767	24,767	24,767	0.00%	24,767	0.00%	24,767	24,767
	Total Tax Collector	53,849	60,245	61,310	61,310	1.77%	61,310	1.77%	61,310	61,310
	TOWN COUNSEL (151):									
5110	Town Counsel Retainer	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	0.00%	5,000	0.00%	5,000	5,000
5780	Town Counsel Expense	81,488	75,000	80,000	70,000	-6.67%	70,000	-6.67%	70,000	70,000
	Total Town Counsel	86,488	80,000	85,000	75,000	-6.25%	75,000	-6.25%	75,000	75,000
	PERSONNEL BOARD (152):									
5780	Personnel Board Expense	0	250	250	100	-60.00%	100	-60.00%	100	100
	Total Personnel Board	0	250	250	100	-60.00%	100	-60.00%	100	100
	TAX TITLE CUSTODIAN (158):									
5780	Tax Title Custodian Expense	1,175	1,175	1,175	1,175	0.00%	1,175	0.00%	1,175	1,175
	Total Tax Title Custodian	1,175	1,175	1,175	1,175	0.00%	1,175	0.00%	1,175	1,175
	TOWN CLERK (161):									
5110	Town Clerk Salary	25,353	26,114	26,898	26,898	3.00%	26,898	3.00%	26,898	26,898
5111	Clerical Wages	10,021	11,646	11,995	11,995	3.00%	11,995	3.00%	11,995	11,995
	Parking Clerk	260	260	260	260	0.00%	260	0.00%	260	260
5780	Expenses	2,477	2,530	2,530	2,530	0.00%	2,530	0.00%	2,530	2,530
	Total Town Clerk	38,111	40,550	41,683	41,683	2.80%	41,683	2.80%	41,683	41,683
	ELECTIONS/REGISTRATIONS (162):									
5110	Salaries	3,427	7,550	5,850	5,850	-22.52%	5,850	-22.52%	5,850	5,850
5780	Expenses	2,539	7,805	7,205	7,205	-7.69%	7,205	-7.69%	7,205	7,205
	Total Elections/Registrations	5,966	15,355	13,055	13,055	-14.98%	13,055	-14.98%	13,055	13,055
	CONSERVATION COMMISSION (171):									
5111	Salary	13,307	13,305	13,704	13,704	3.00%	13,704	3.00%	13,704	13,704
5780	Expenses	643	1,850	1,850	1,850	0.00%	1,850	0.00%	1,850	1,850
5300	Engineering Fees	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0
	Total Conservation Commission	13,950	15,155	15,554	15,554	2.64%	15,554	2.64%	15,554	15,554
	PLANNING BOARD (175):									
5110	Members Salaries	526	582	582	582	0.00%	582	0.00%	582	582
5111	Official Clerk Salary	0	53	53	53	0.00%	53	0.00%	53	53
5112	Administrative Assistant Wages	2,780	7,292	7,510	7,510	2.98%	7,510	2.98%	7,510	7,510
5350	Consulting Services	7,956	10,000	10,000	10,000	0.00%	10,000	0.00%	10,000	10,000
5780	Expenses	1,573	2,500	2,500	2,500	0.00%	2,500	0.00%	2,500	2,500
	Total Planning Board	12,835	20,427	20,645	20,645	1.07%	20,645	1.07%	20,645	20,645
	OTHER GENERAL GOVERNMENT:									
5780	Earth Removal Board Expense (173)	0	500	500	500	0.00%	500	0.00%	500	500
5780	Appeals Board Expense (176)	24	1,000	1,000	1,000	0.00%	1,000	0.00%	1,000	1,000
5780	Cable T.V. Committee Expense (186)	0	0	250	0	N/A	250	100.00%	250	250
5780	Storm Water Management Committee						100	Δ 100.00%	100	100
5780	Affordable Housing Committee						100	Δ 100.00%	100	100
5780	Open Space Committee Expense						100	Δ 100.00%	100	100
5780	Employee physicals						500	Δ 100.00%	500	500
5780	Municipal Office Expenses (192)	35,000	42,500	53,800	42,800	0.71%	42,800	0.71%	42,800	42,800
5780	Town Buildings-Hillside (193)	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0
5380	Town Reports (195)	1,500	2,000	2,225	2,225	11.25%	2,225	11.25%	2,225	2,225
5780	Town House Expense (196)	7,989	9,900	9,900	9,900	0.00%	9,900	0.00%	9,900	9,900
5780	Town Garage Expense (197)	7,650	7,650	7,650	7,650	0.00%	7,650	0.00%	7,650	7,650
5240	Repairs to Town Buildings (198)	5,970	3,100	3,100	3,100	0.00%	3,100	0.00%	3,100	3,100
	Total Other General Government	58,133	66,650	78,425	67,175	1.00%	68,225	Δ 2.36%	68,225	68,225
	TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	544,345	638,504	684,454	644,454	6.41%	645,505	Δ 1.10%	645,505	645,505

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PUBLIC SAFETY													
POLICE (210):													
5110	Salaries and Wages	646,969	712,601	760,564	760,564	6.73%	Δ	750,053	Δ	5.26%	750,053	Δ	750,053
5780	Expenses	80,006	83,050	83,950	83,950	1.08%	Δ	87,500	Δ	5.36%	87,500	Δ	87,500
5850	Police Cruiser	0	0	0	0	0.00%		0		0.00%	0		0
Total Police		726,975	795,651	844,514	844,514	6.14%	Δ	837,553	Δ	5.27%	844,514	Δ	837,553
FIRE (220):													
5110	Salaries and Wages	87,780	161,823	177,951	177,951	9.97%	Δ	166,361	Δ	2.80%	166,361		166,361
5780	Expenses	27,449	24,650	24,650	24,650	0.00%		24,650		0.00%	24,650		24,650
Total Fire		115,229	186,473	202,601	202,601	8.65%	Δ	191,011	Δ	2.43%	202,601	Δ	191,011
FIRE/POLICE/AMB. DISPATCH (230):													
5110	Salaries and Wages	165,764	187,154	193,087	193,087	3.17%		193,087		3.17%	193,087		193,087
5780	Expenses	9,204	14,870	17,715	15,045	1.18%	Δ	17,715	Δ	19.13%	17,715		17,715
Total Dispatch		174,968	202,024	208,132	208,132	3.02%	Δ	210,802	Δ	4.34%	208,132	Δ	210,802
BUILDING INSPECTOR (241):													
5110	Building Inspector Services	33,029	48,000	49,440	49,440	3.00%		49,440		3.00%	49,440		49,440
5111	Clerical Wages	0	10,000	10,300	10,300	3.00%		10,300		3.00%	10,300		10,300
5780	Expenses	2,106	3,000	5,800	5,400	80.00%		5,400		80.00%	5,400		5,400
Total Building Inspector		35,135	61,000	65,540	65,140	6.79%		65,140		6.79%	65,140		65,140
GAS INSPECTOR (242):													
5110	Gas Inspector Salary	2,399	2,461	2,539	2,539	3.18%		2,539		3.18%	2,539		2,539
5780	Gas Inspector Expenses	0	350	850	850	142.86%		850		142.86%	850		850
Total Gas Inspector		2,399	2,811	3,389	3,389	20.58%		3,389		20.58%	3,389		3,389
PLUMBING INSPECTOR (243):													
5110	Plumbing Inspector Salary	7,941	8,179	8,425	8,425	3.00%		8,425		3.00%	8,425		8,425
Total Plumbing Inspector		7,941	8,179	8,425	8,425	3.00%		8,425		3.00%	8,425		8,425
WIRING INSPECTOR (245):													
5110	Wiring Inspector Salary	7,081	7,286	7,747	7,747	6.33%		7,747		6.33%	7,747		7,747
5780	Expenses	203	900	960	960	6.67%		960		6.67%	960		960
Total Wiring Inspector		7,284	8,186	8,707	8,707	6.37%		8,707		6.37%	8,707		8,707
DOG OFFICER (292):													
5110	Dog Officer Wages	1,650	1,854	1,910	1,910	3.00%		1,910		3.00%	1,910		1,910
5780	Expenses	230	1,200	1,200	1,200	0.00%		1,200		0.00%	1,200		1,200
Total Dog Officer		1,880	3,054	3,110	3,110	1.82%		3,110		1.82%	3,110		3,110
OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY:													
5780	Homeland Security (291)	0	90	90	90	0.00%		90		0.00%	90		90
5110	Tree Warden Salary (294)	959	1,000	1,030	1,030	3.00%		1,030		3.00%	1,030		1,030
5780	Tree Warden Expense (294)	10,852	10,900	10,900	10,900	0.00%		10,900		0.00%	10,900		10,900
5785	Tree Replanting Expense (294)	0	0	0	0	N/A		0		N/A	0		0
5780	Elm Tree Control Expense (296)	0	0	0	0	N/A		0		N/A	0		0
5780	Moth Inspector Expense (297)	0	0	0	0	N/A		0		N/A	0		0
Total Other Public Safety		11,811	11,990	12,020	12,020	0.25%		12,020		0.25%	12,020		12,020
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY		1,083,622	1,279,368	1,356,037	1,356,038	5.99%	Δ	1,340,156	Δ	4.75%	1,356,037	Δ	1,340,156
EDUCATION													
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (320):													
5110	School Committee Salary	200	200	200	200	0.00%		200		0.00%	200		200
5510	Elementary Education	2,897,735	3,043,705	3,411,875	3,411,875	6.69%	Δ	3,111,344	Δ	2.22%	3,411,875	Δ	3,111,344
Budgetted FY2007 including Warrant free cash article 47		3,198,195						3,111,544	Δ	-2.71%			
Selectmen and FinCom FY2008 approved figure updated to reflect budget without override request amount found in Article 40													

Account Number	Department	Spent FY 2006	Budgeted FY 2007	Dept. Requested FY 2008	Selectmen Approved FY 2008 (in warrant)	Percent Change from FY2007		Selectmen Approved FY 2008 (with corrections)	Newly Computed Percent Change	FinCom Recommended FY 2008 (in warrant)		Final FinCom Recommended FY 2008 (with corrections as of 5.4.07)
Total Elementary School		2,897,935	3,043,905	3,412,075	3,412,075	6.69%	Δ	3,111,544	Δ 2.22%	3,412,075	Δ	3,111,544
REGIONAL DISTRICT (340):												
5651	Regular Assessment*	2,631,035	2,731,329	3,066,491	3,066,491	6.88%	Δ	2,798,968	Δ 2.48%	3,066,491	Δ	2,798,968
Budgetted FY2007 as corrected on town meeting floor								2,798,968	Δ -2.44%			
Budgetted FY2007 including Warrant free cash article 47		2,869,047										
Selectmen and FinCom FY2008 approved figure updated to reflect budget without override request amount found in Article 41												
Total Regional District		2,631,035	2,731,329	3,066,491	3,066,491	6.88%	Δ	2,798,968	Δ 2.48%	3,066,491	Δ	2,798,968
VOCATIONAL EDUCATION (345):												
5320	Tuition	187,328	216,138	216,138	216,138	0.00%		230,860	6.81%	216,138		230,860
5380	Transportation	10,209	16,863	16,863	16,863	0.00%		16,863	0.00%	16,863		16,863
Total Vocational Education		197,537	233,001	233,001	233,001	0.00%	Δ	247,723	Δ 6.32%	233,001		247,723
TOTAL EDUCATION		5,726,507	6,008,335	6,711,567	6,711,567	6.53%	Δ	6,158,235	Δ 2.49%	6,711,567	Δ	6,158,235
		6,300,243						6,158,235	Δ -2.25%			
PUBLIC WORKS												
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT (420):												
5110	Salaries and Wages	214,528	294,265	334,998	334,998	13.84%		334,998	13.84%	334,998		334,998
5780	Expenses	103,616	111,050	111,400	111,400	0.32%		111,400	0.32%	111,400		111,400
Total Highway Department		315,144	405,315	446,398	446,398	10.14%		446,398	10.14%	446,398		446,398
SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL (423):												
5780	Snow and Ice Removal Expenses	72,456	74,000	74,000	74,000	0.00%		74,000	0.00%	74,000		74,000
Total Snow and Ice Removal		72,456	74,000	74,000	74,000	0.00%		74,000	0.00%	74,000		74,000
STREET LIGHTING (424):												
5210	Street Lighting Expense	28,620	32,580	28,620	28,620	-12.15%		28,620	-12.15%	28,620		28,620
Total Street Lighting Expense		28,620	32,580	28,620	28,620	-12.15%		28,620	-12.15%	28,620		28,620
CEMETERY (491):												
5110	Salaries and Wages	500	500	515	515	3.00%		515	3.00%	515		515
5780	Materials and Expenses	1,884	3,000	3,000	3,000	0.00%		3,000	0.00%	3,000		3,000
Total Cemetery		2,384	3,500	3,515	3,515	0.43%		3,515	0.43%	3,515		3,515
LANDFILL (434):												
5301	Landfill Engineering Expense	5,632	500	3,500	3,500	600.00%		3,500	600.00%	3,500		3,500
Total Landfill		5,632	500	3,500	3,500	600.00%		3,500	600.00%	3,500		3,500
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS		424,236	515,895	556,033	556,033	7.78%		556,033	7.78%	556,033		556,033
HUMAN SERVICES												
BOARD OF HEALTH (510):												
5110	Salaries and Wages	315	648	648	648	0.02%		648	0.02%	648		648
5111	Clerical Wages	14,167	15,909	16,387	16,387	3.00%		16,387	3.00%	16,387		16,387
5112	Vital Statistic Wages	200	200	200	200	0.00%		200	0.00%	200		200
5113	Animal Inspector Wages	1,035	1,066	1,098	1,098	3.00%		1,098	3.00%	1,098		1,098
5114	Sanitation Inspector Salary	32,000	32,960	33,949	33,949	3.00%		33,949	3.00%	33,949		33,949
5780	Expenses	3,072	2,750	3,000	3,000	9.09%		3,000	9.09%	3,000		3,000
5786	Special Projects	3,013	3,300	3,000	3,000	-9.09%		3,000	-9.09%	3,000		3,000
Total Board of Health		53,802	56,833	58,282	58,282	2.55%		58,282	2.55%	58,282		58,282
NURSING (522):												
5110	Nurse's Salary	0	1,500	1,500	1,500	0.00%		1,500	0.00%	1,500		1,500
Total Nursing		0	1,500	1,500	1,500	0.00%		1,500	0.00%	1,500		1,500
COUNCIL ON AGING (541):												
5110	Coordinator Salary-Meals	887	914	941	941	3.00%		941	3.00%	941		941

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5780	Expenses	2,452	5,325	5,325	5,325	0.00%	5,325	0.00%	5,325	5,325
5110	Coordinator Salary	11,419	11,762	14,200	13,500	13.00%	13,500	14.78%	12,115	13,500
Total Council on Aging		14,758	18,000	20,466	19,766	6.30%	19,766	9.81%	18,381	19,766
VETERANS SERVICES (543):										
5110	Veterans Agent Salary	950	950	950	950	0.00%	950	0.00%	950	950
5300	Veterans Benefits	0	1,000	1,000	1,000	0.00%	1,000	0.00%	1,000	1,000
5780	Veterans Services Expenses	44	175	175	175	0.00%	175	0.00%	175	175
Total Veterans Services		994	2,125	2,125	2,125	0.00%	2,125	0.00%	2,125	2,125
OTHER HUMAN SERVICES:										
5780	Right to Know Coordinator Expense (514)	0	90	90	90	0.00%	90	0.00%	90	90
5780	Hazardous Waste Committee Expense (515)	0	180	180	180	0.00%	180	0.00%	180	180
Total Other Human Services		0	270	270	270	0.00%	270	0.00%	270	270
TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES		69,554	78,728	82,643	81,943	2.32%	81,943	4.08%	80,558	81,943
<u>CULTURE & RECREATION</u>										
LIBRARY (610):										
5110	Salaries and Wages	91,871	94,627	97,466	97,466	3.00%	97,466	3.00%	97,466	97,466
5780	Expenses	49,600	49,600	55,100	55,100	11.09%	55,100	11.09%	55,100	55,100
Total Library		141,471	144,227	152,566	152,566	5.78%	152,566	5.78%	152,566	152,566
PARKS AND RECREATION (650):										
5112	Clerical Wages	0	0	0	0	N/A	0	N/A	0	0
5780	Equipment and No Fee Programs Expense	18,050	15,200	18,050	15,200	0.00%	15,200	0.00%	15,200	15,200
Total Parks and Recreation		18,050	15,200	18,050	15,200	0.00%	15,200	0.00%	15,200	15,200
HISTORICAL COMMISSION (670):										
5780	Expenses	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	0.00%	5,000	0.00%	5,000	5,000
5785	Project Expenses	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	0.00%	1,200	0.00%	1,200	1,200
5780	Building Maintenance	4,040	3,500	3,500	3,500	0.00%	3,500	0.00%	3,500	3,500
Total Historical Commission		10,240	9,700	9,700	9,700	0.00%	9,700	0.00%	9,700	9,700
HISTORICAL DISTRICT (671):										
5780	Expenses	50	50	50	50	0.00%	50	0.00%	50	50
Total Historical District		50	50	50	50	0.00%	50	0.00%	50	50
CELEBRATIONS (640):										
5780	Memorial Day	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	0.00%	4,000	0.00%	4,000	4,000
Total Memorial Day		4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	0.00%	4,000	0.00%	4,000	4,000
TOTAL CULTURE AND RECREATION		173,811	173,177	184,366	181,516	4.82%	181,516	4.82%	181,516	181,516
<u>MATURING DEBT</u>										
5910	Maturing Debt-Principal (710)	565,000	565,000	565,000	565,000	0.00%	565,000	0.00%	565,000	565,000
5915	Maturing Debt-Interest (750)	375,950	348,130	320,310	320,310	-7.99%	320,310	-7.99%	320,310	320,310
5915	Interest on Temporary Loans (752)	0	3,000	3,000	3,000	0.00%	3,000	0.00%	3,000	3,000
TOTAL MATURING DEBT		940,950	916,130	888,310	888,310	-3.04%	888,310	-3.04%	888,310	888,310
<u>EMPLOYEE BENEFITS AND INSURANCE</u>										
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS:										
5171	Pension Expense (911)	217,931	236,344	260,631	260,631	10.28%	260,631	10.28%	260,631	260,631
5171	Unemployment Compensation (913)	8,758	8,000	5,000	5,000	-60.00%	5,000	-37.50%	5,000	5,000
5171	Group Insurance (914)	660,456	686,875	742,000	742,000	8.00%	742,000	8.03%	742,000	742,000
5780	Employee Physical Exams (919)	100	500	500	500	0.00%	500	0.00%	500	500
Total Employee Benefits		887,245	931,719	1,008,131	1,008,131	9.98%	1,008,131	8.20%	1,008,131	1,008,131

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WORKERS COMP/GENERAL INSURANCE (942)												
5740	Workers Comp & General Insurance	141,860	168,500	168,500	170,000	1.00%	Δ	168,500	Δ	0.00%	168,500	168,500
Total Workers Comp & General Insurance		141,860	168,500	168,500	170,000	5.40%	Δ	168,500	Δ	0.00%	168,500	168,500
TOTAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS/INSURANCE		1,029,105	1,100,219	1,176,631	1,178,131	3.20%	Δ	1,176,631	Δ	6.95%	1,176,631	1,176,631
GRAND TOTAL ALL BUDGETS			10,710,254	11,640,041	11,597,992	6.00%	Δ	11,028,328	Δ	2.97%	11,596,156	11,028,328

TOWN ELECTION

MAY 14, 2007

WARDEN: Bill Richardson
CLERK: Sandra L. Bourassa
CHECKERS: Carol Anderson, Gert Peterson, Mary Morrill, Mary Jasper, Phyllis Gaucher

Notice to the Town of Boylston Voters was given and Specimen Ballots were posted as required by law. The voting machine was tested at least three days prior to Election as required by law. Voters of the Town of Boylston met at the Hillside Town Hall for the Annual Town Election according to legal notice. The ballot box was examined by the Clerk. The polls were declared open by the Warden at 1200 hours and were closed at 2000 hours.

There are 2,874 registered voters in Boylston; 1,183 turned out to vote. The Counter on the ballot box, computer printout of results, and check-lists concurred that 1,183 ballots, including absentee ballots, were cast. The results were:

BOARD OF ASSESSORS – THREE YEARS

CARL CRAVEDI	805
BLANKS	366
WRITE-INS	12

BOARD OF HEALTH – THREE YEARS

MATTHEW MECUM	835
LAWRENCE R. SOLIMINI	215
BLANKS	133
WRITE-INS	0

CEMETERY COMMISSION – THREE YEARS

MARY JASPER	891
BLANKS	285
WRITE-INS	7

LIBRARY TRUSTEE – THREE YEARS

KENNETH LINELL	843
BRAD BARKER -WRITE IN	31
BLANKS	1478
WRITE-INS	14

MODERTOR – THREE YEARS

DENNIS POJANI	860
BLANKS	321
WRITE-INS	2

MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD – THREE YEARS

ALDEN GATES	836
BLANKS	344
WRITE-INS	3

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION – THREE YEARS

PAUL JOHNSON- WRITE IN	7
BLANKS	1101
WRITE-INS	75

PARK& RECREATION COMMISSION – FOR FOUR YEARS UNEXPIRED

RICHARD ZAMMITTI - WRITE IN	8
BLANKS	42
WRITE-INS	1133

PLANNING BOARD – FIVE YEARS

JENNIFER A. MCGRATH	810
LAWRENCE R. SOLIMINI	242
BLANKS	131
WRITE-INS	0

SCHOOL COMMITTEE – THREE YEARS

REBECCA DONO HEALY	819
BLANKS	357
WRITE-INS	7

SELECTMEN - THREE YEARS

KENNETH G. SYDOW	835
BLANKS	338
WRITE-INS	10

QUESTION #1 - Shall the Town of Boylston be allowed to assess an additional of \$686,550.00 in real estate and personal property taxes, for the funding the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007 operating expenses for the Boylston Elementary School?

YES – 500 NO -669 BLANKS – 14

QUESTION #2 - Shall the Town of Boylston be allowed to assess an additional \$732,930.00 in real estate personal property taxes, for the purpose of funding Boylston's share operating expenses for Tahanto Regional Middle/High School of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007?

YES -519 NO -652 BLANKS -12

WARRANT FOR THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

June 25, 2007

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

WORCESTER: SS

BOYLSTON

To either of the Constables of the Town of Boylston in the County of Worcester within the Commonwealth aforesaid:

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Boylston aforesaid, qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, to meet at the **Tahanto Regional High School**, 1001 Main Street, in said Town of Boylston on **Monday, the twenty-fifth (25th) of June AD 2007, at 7:00 P.M.** and notify them that at said meeting all citizens will act on the following articles, to wit:

1. **Special Town Meeting – June 25, 2007** on Monday, the twenty-fifth (25th) of June AD, 2007 at seven o'clock (7:00) P.M., at the **Tahanto Regional High School**, to take any action relative to the business of the Town as set forth in Articles one (1) through three (3) of this warrant;

Voter of the Town of Boylston, Massachusetts, met in the gymnasium of the Tahanto Regional High School according to legal notice on June 25, 2007. With 246 registered voter. Selectmen, Roger Deal, James Stanton and Kenneth Sydow were present. Also, present were Town Administrator, Sue Olsen, Town Counsel, Greg Angelini, and Sandra Bourassa, Town Clerk. Dennis Pojani, Moderator called the meeting to order at 7:15 P.M. . Mr. Pojani stated we had the required quorum present, Call of the meeting and the officer's return of service are in order as required. He set the bounds of the hall and introduced the Town officials. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Motion by Mr. Stanton was made to waive the reading of the warrant .Seconded by Mrs.Olsen . Vote on the motion passed.

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury, an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 to cover the Town of Boylston's share of the fiscal 2008 assessment for Tahanto Regional /Middle/High School, and to increase line number 5651 of the Boylston town budget approved on May 7, 2007 at the Annual Town Meeting by the same amount; or take any action relative thereto.

MOTION made by Mr. Stanton to accept this article as read to transfer from free cash. Seconded by Mrs. Buchanan, School Committee member. Mr. Brose, chairman of the finance committee stated the finance doesn't recommend a transfer from free cash. Mr. Mahoney, 182 School St. spoke against the article. Mr. Perrone, School Committee explained the school committee's opinion about the budget and how we need to fix the problem. Mr. Martinez, 26 Knob Cone Dr. Stated the schools need this article passed to maintain the quality of the education. Mr. Stanton explained the process that the selectmen went through to get to this point and that we need a long term fix. Mr. Osper, 298 Sewall St. questioned how many teacher jobs would be saved with this money transfer. The School Committee stated a librarian and one teacher had already been cut and this would save about five teachers. After more discussion Mr. Stanton made a motion to move the question. Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Vote to move the MOTION passed. Mr. Pojani stated that because the finance committee didn't recommend the article a ballot vote needed to be taken. Ballots were passed out and counted. The MOTION passed yes – 213, no -33.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 to cover the fiscal 2008 budget for the Boylston Elementary School, and to increase line number 5510 of the budget approved on May 7, 2007 at the Annual Town Meeting by the same amount; or take any action relative thereto.

MOTION made by Mr. Stanton to accept this article as a transfer from free cash amending the amount to \$30,000.00. Seconded by Mr. Martinez. Mr. Stanton explained why there is a change in the amount. Mr. Brose stated the finance committee does not recommend this transfer from free cash. Mr. Projani asked if there were any questions or comments, being none. Ballots were passed out and collected MOTION passed yes-208, no-30.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer any unexpended balances, hitherto made to other accounts of Fiscal Year 2007 appropriations in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 to the Boylston Elementary School FY 2007 budget or take any action relative thereto.

MOTION made by Mr. Stanton to accept this article with the transfers of 129,500.00 from School Dist. Assmt. (001-340-5651-000) , \$20,500.00 Town Counsel Exp.(001-151-5780-000), \$5,000.00 Highway Salaries (001-420-5110-000), \$15,000.00 Snow & Ice Removal (001-423-5780-000), totaling \$170,000.00 to Elementary Education (001-320-5510-000). Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Finance Committee recommends approval. MOTION passed by a majority voice vote.

MOTION made to adjourn the meeting if all the business was completed. Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Mr. Ponjani adjourn the meeting at 8:25 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandra L. Bourassa.
Boylston Town Clerk

PERSONNEL BOARD 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

The 2007 Personnel Board members were: Emilie Moran, Larri Parker, Richard Prince, John Stowe, and Leo Tivnan.

The Personnel Board met eight times in 2007 (the Oct. meeting lacked a quorum to conduct business.) Board attendance at meetings was as follows: Emilie Moran (8), Larri Parker (8), Richard Prince (4), John Stowe (6), and Leo Tivnan (7).

The Personnel Board assisted the Town in areas including, but not limited to, interpreting the Town vacation policy, addressing a citizen complaint about the Library Monday Holiday pay, providing insight into long term benefit obligations and the importance of compliance with GASB, managing health care costs, obtaining a wage review survey, editing a personnel manual, assisting in the Town Administrator search, and grading positions.

The Personnel Board graded several positions during 2007. All positions graded were conducted objectively utilizing the current Town of Boylston grading system. The positions were graded objectively, utilizing the Municipal Rating Manual. All positions were rated without consideration of the qualifications of the present employee, if any, and/or the salary or wage rate being paid.

The Personnel Board continued to provide support to the Town Administrator, the Board of Selectmen, the Finance Committee, and other boards and committees regarding issues related to Town personnel. The Personnel Board provided guidance as requested. The Personnel Board filed minutes from its meetings with the Town, which may be reviewed for further information and details.

Respectfully Submitted,

Larri Tonelli Parker

FINANCE COMMITTEE 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

Boylston was again in the position of managing with another year of insufficient state aid, slower growth and thus tight budgets in FY2007. This marked yet another year of managing tight budgets in the Town and at the schools. With new growth revenues slowing, and other revenues not keeping pace with cost growth, the Town needed an override to cover cost increases at the schools. However, the school budget was finalized very late, not allowing time to sufficiently educate the Town on the details. With public sentiment against a permanent override, the Selectmen, with the support of the Finance Committee, recommended a temporary solution to a budget shortfall using free cash. This was done with a clearly stated intent of addressing the increases in the school budget with an override in FY2008. In essence, by approving the use of free cash, the Town approved the school's budget; the finance committee hopes that the voters will approve an override so that our revenue structure will more clearly and transparently match our expenses.

The Town accountant's detailed financial statements for FY2007 are available elsewhere in this report. Overall, the percentages of revenues and expenditures in the Town budgets were close to the levels of FY2006, with only about three percent more income between new growth and the 2½ increase. On the revenue side, we saw a modest increase in State Aid, though not enough to make up for declines in the previous two years. We do not expect growth in real estate to benefit Boylston significantly over the next couple years, though we anticipate revenue from Rand Whitney that will allow the Town to satisfy some demands that have been unfulfilled in recent years. We continue to have increases in expenses across the board, some of which is balanced by our paying down our debt. One significant cost to the Town, driving up General Government costs, was healthcare. Cost increases in FY2009 are projected to be much smaller than in FY2007. The pie charts on the next page offer a graphical breakdown of sources of revenue and categories of expenses.

Our free cash balance is \$718,802, a level that the Finance Committee under normal conditions would consider sufficient; however, this figure will not be sufficient to provide for all capital projects requested and still provide enough funding to increase reserves in the stabilization fund for projects currently under consideration. These funds should be used exclusively for these capital projects and other one-time events and should not be used for operating expenses for the Town budget to cover increases either in the school or the Town departments.

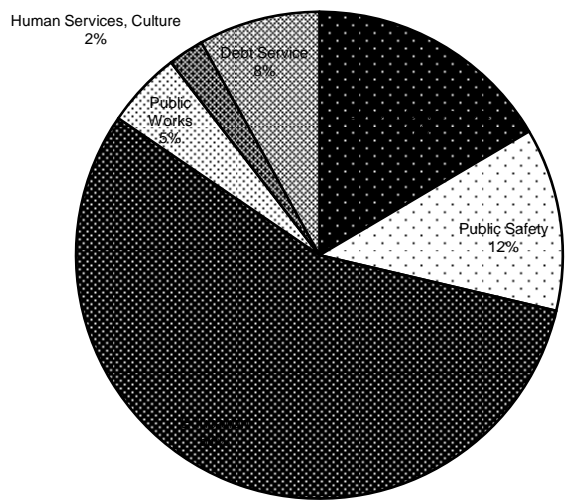
These funds should not be used to cover operating budgets on an ongoing basis. For this coming budget year, we recommend to the Town to pass the override for the schools. The Superintendent has worked closely with the Selectmen, Finance Committee, School Committee and others in Town, explaining how he has combed through the school budgets for available funding. We are thankful for Superintendent Connelly's fiscal responsibility and fiduciary realism during a very difficult budget time for the Town of Boylston. Furthermore, Town department heads have been similarly diligent in seeking funding opportunities to help find cuts in budgets.

Toward the end of 2007 signs of weakness in the economy became obvious, and as the state budgeting process continued through the New Year, it became obvious that state revenues, and thus state aid, would continue to be slow to recover to levels earlier in the decade and local revenues would experience the same weakness. Meanwhile, expenses continued increasing. Entering into the FY08 budget process, we asked department heads to level fund non-wage expenses for the third year in a row, and asked for a three percent maximum increase in salaries. If you have questions or concerns about specific Town budgets, you should attend the appropriate hearings so that you can have your voice heard and allow departments to address your concerns.

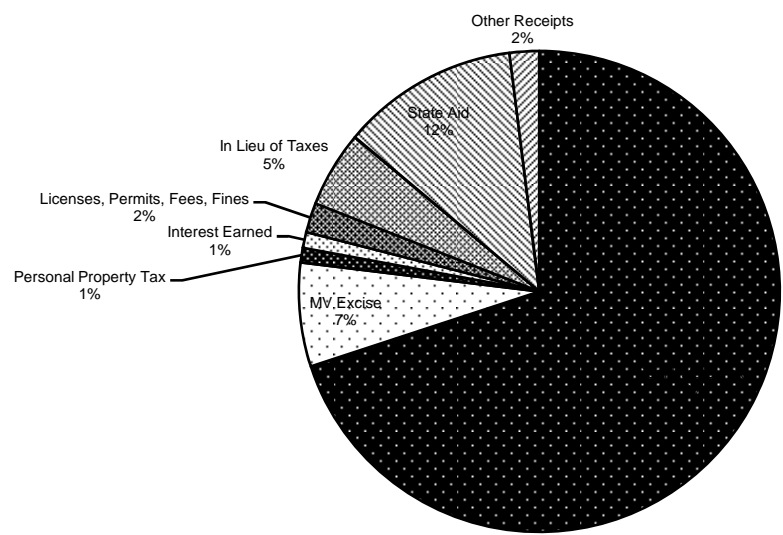
The Finance Committee welcomes questions and input from Town residents. We meet periodically during the winter budget season in open hearings and infrequently during the rest of the year. Meetings are posted in advance and the public is welcome to attend.

*Eric Brose, Chairman
Herb Cronin
Dave Bulter
Karen McGahie
Tim Houlihan*

Expenditure Summary 2007



Revenue Summary 2007



BOARD OF ASSESSORS 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

In March the Board hired Duane Adams of Mayflower Appraisal Company. Duane and his staff worked diligently viewing houses and personal property to determine new growth fiscal 2008.

We had a very successful re-evaluation; our final certification was completed before Thanksgiving, and the annual tax rate was set on November 26, 2007. Outstanding team work accomplished this feat.

Over the next three years, (fiscal year 2009, 2010 & 2011) we will be conducting our 10 year cyclical revaluation. This will require an interior and exterior inspection of all houses. Division of Local Services recommends that we do a third of the town each year.

The total value assessment for this current year 716,103,200 and the taxes were \$8,070,483.06.

Real Estate Abatements	8, 706.66
Exemptions	22,553.25
Supplemental Bills	3,955.92
MV Commitments	589,118.52

Board of Assessors meetings:

Carl Cravedi	14	1 Special Meeting
Paul O'Connor	13	
**Andy Bunikis	7	

** Andy has had some health problems and was unable to attend meetings.

I. TAX RATE SUMMARY

la. Total estimated receipts and other revenue sources (from IIe)	12,514,148.22
lb. Total estimated receipts and other revenue sources (from IIIe)	4,173,762.00
lc. Tax levy (la minus lb)	8,340,386.22
ld. Distribution of Tax Rates and levies	

CLASS	(b) Levy percentage (from LA-5)	(c) IC above times each percent in col (b)	(d) Valuation by class (from LA-5)	(e) Tax Rates (c) / (d) x 1000	(f) Levy by class (d) x (e) / 1000
Residential	91.0661%	7,595,264.46	663,921,764	11.44	7,595,264.98
Exempt					
Open Space	0.0000%	0.00	0		
Commercial	5.0323%	419,713.26	36,688,076	11.44	419,711.59
Exempt					
Industrial	2.5983%	216,708.26	18,943,300	11.44	216,711.35
SUBTOTAL	98.6967%		719,553,140		8,231,687.92
Personal	1.3033%	108,700.25	9,501,600	11.44	108,698.30
TOTAL	100.0000%		729,054,740		8,340,386.22

I. TAX RATE SUMMARY

la. Total estimated receipts and other revenue sources (from IIe)	12,012,860.49
lb. Total estimated receipts and other revenue sources (from IIIe)	3,942,377.43
lc. Tax levy (la minus lb)	8,070,483.06
ld. Distribution of Tax Rates and levies	

CLASS	(b) Levy percentage (from LA-5)	(c) IC above times each percent in col (b)	(d) Valuation by class (from LA-5)	(e) Tax Rates (c) / (d) x 1000	(f) Levy by class (d) x (e) / 1000
Residential	91.2805%	7,366,777.29	653,662,622	11.27	7,366,777.75
Exempt					
Open Space	0.0995%	8,030.13	712,700	11.27	8,032.13
Commercial	5.0360%	406,429.53	36,063,278	11.27	406,433.14
Exempt					
Industrial	2.5458%	205,458.36	18,230,200	11.27	205,454.35
SUBTOTAL	98.9618%		708,668,800		7,986,697.37
Personal	1.0382%	83,787.76	7,434,400	11.27	83,785.69
TOTAL	100.0000%		716,103,200		8,070,483.06

TOWN TREASURER
2007 ANNUAL REPORT
JULY 1, 2006 – JUNE 30, 2007

	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds	Trust Funds	Electric Funds	TOTAL
Balance 7/1/06	3,301,639.07	439,764.20	1,065,715.21	1,341,893.63	6,149,012.11
Receipts	12,120,731.91	99,886.44	77,448.02	3,763,119.56	16,061,185.93
Payroll Withholdings	1,519,641.38				1,519,641.38
Transfers In	14,542,066.22	53,037.13	171,206.75	317,171.36	15,083,481.46
Warrants Payable	(14,516,757.62)	(189.90)	(21,328.30)	(3,306,796.72)	(17,845,072.54)
Transfers Out	(13,780,374.59)	(527,041.03)	(100,599.99)	(675,442.92)	(15,083,458.53)
Balance 6/30/07	3,186,946.37	65,456.84	1,192,441.69	1,439,944.91	5,884,789.81
Interest Earned	110,186.15	1,871.07	38,792.94	34,458.17	185,308.33

Respectfully submitted,

F. Ellen McKay
Town Treasurer/Tax Collector

SALARIES OF TOWN EMPLOYEES - CALENDAR 2007

ASSESSORS

Bunikis	Andrew	\$750.00
Cravedi	Carl	\$1,125.00
Morrill	Mary	\$17,766.39
Richardson	Margo	\$25,742.31
O'Connor	Paul A.	\$750.00
		<u>\$46,133.70</u>

CEMETERY

Doyle	Robert	\$150.00
Franz	Kenneth R.	\$75.00
Jasper	Mary	\$100.00
		<u>\$325.00</u>

CONSERVATION

Rich	Melanie	<u>\$13,911.30</u>
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COUNCIL ON AGING

Senior Lunch Coordinator:

Ressiquie	Janice	\$924.66
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Council on Aging Coordinator:

Meegan	Jane	\$14,317.19
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COA Total	<u>\$15,241.85</u>
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DISPATCH

Collins	Sonja	\$38,212.30
Gonelli	Tara	\$6,142.06
Rudge	Pamela	\$51,371.94
Paladino	Rina M	\$22,774.31
Purcell	Lynn F	\$44,128.41
White	Bonnie	\$6,806.06
		<u>\$169,435.08</u>

DOG OFFICER

Golas	Steven	<u>\$1,881.96</u>
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FIRE/AMBULANCE

Ashworth	David	
Baker	Nikito	\$581.60
Bradford	Jason	\$45,977.60
Bradford	Joel	\$694.20
Brown	John	\$367.40
Buchanan	David	\$320.80
Byrne	Jarrett	\$2,329.10
Byrne	Michael	\$34.62
Cathline	Roy	\$445.42
Consiglio	Gino	\$439.65

Fire/Ambulance, Continued

Cox	Cheri	\$5,000.32
Davin	Richard	\$283.08
Duca	Brent	\$5,501.00
Flanagan	Joseph	\$60,052.48
Flanagan	Patricia	\$90.00
Gaucher	Brian	\$841.60
LeBlanc	Paul	\$1,410.52
Buddenhagen	Michael W	\$94.62
Lindsay	James	\$332.34
MacKenzie	Donald	\$47,726.96
MacKenzie	Robb	\$205.40
Maneggio	Michael	\$166.16
McCormick	John	\$101.54
McCubrey	Scott	\$841.60
Rudge	Lisa A	\$768.00
Osterberg	Paul	\$2,915.16
Richardson	William	\$468.02
Ronn	Matthew	\$1,774.88
Rotando	Peter	\$90.00
Savoie	Steven	\$307.40
Stanton	Jeffrey	\$670.20
Starkey	Robert	\$349.65
Young	David	\$1,247.20
Young	Roger Jr.	\$726.20

<u>\$131,964.33</u>

BOARD OF HEALTH

Costello	Dennis	\$33,697.28
Gleich	Gerald	\$231.25
Golas	Steven	\$990.52
Martiska	Lorie	\$231.25
Mecum	Matthew	\$92.75
Rich	Melanie	\$15,715.26
Solimini	Larry	\$145.75
		<u>\$51,104.06</u>

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Berard	Pauline	\$4,917.24
Fallon	Frances	\$612.75
Franz	Kenneth	\$33,303.26
Noonan	Ruth	\$11,007.00
Osterberg	Steven	\$36,433.57
Parker	Donald	\$64,519.53
Pierce	Richard W.	\$17,385.50
White	Steven	\$35,558.89
Mero	Steven R	\$33,875.01
		<u>\$237,612.75</u>

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Town Employees' Salaries, 2007, Continued

INSPECTORS

Johnson	Eric	\$9,968.48
LaPan	Richard	\$848.00
Morrill	James	\$7,141.48
O'Connor	Thomas	\$500.00
Bertonassi	Mark C.	\$48,645.89
Bourassa	Sandra L	\$2,023.63
		<u>\$67,103.85</u>

LIBRARY

Ashley	Christine B.	\$1,296.00
Brigham	Ashley	\$2,316.97
Freibert	Judith	\$21,450.98
Langhart	Nicholas	\$37,437.05
Lupien	Michelle D	\$618.98
Newcomb	Cheryl	\$278.94
O'Connor	Priscilla	\$2,384.54
Peterson	Paula	\$27,939.97
Sokolowski	Linda	\$1,549.66
Velleco	Nancy	\$2,307.17
		<u>\$97,580.26</u>

MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT

Barakian	Mark	\$74,625.73
Gates	Alden	\$300.00
Harmon	Kevin	\$69,626.46
Harrington	John G.	\$86,623.92
Johnson	Shane	\$11,259.64
Kimball	Edward	\$300.00
Lucia	Michael	\$70,828.20
McQuade	John T.	\$300.00
Miller	Sheila	\$34,141.33
Seed	Barbara	\$31,075.68
		<u>\$379,080.96</u>

PARKS AND RECREATION

Barber	Karen	<u>\$7,552.89</u>
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PLANNING BOARD

Hucknall	Julia	\$53.00
Baker	Richard	\$370.00
Drobner	Howard	\$53.00
Webster	Christine	\$45.03
McNeil	Daunielle	\$2,687.55
		<u>\$3,208.58</u>

POLICE

Barbato	Robert	\$60,035.28
Bazydlo	Philip	\$55,698.59
Bissonnette	Christine	\$27,362.40
Christensen	Carl	\$3,811.38
Donahue	Michael	\$75,089.36
Kasaras	Marc	\$2,778.84
Parker	Russell	\$71,854.94
Piche	Jared	\$15,234.25
Pignataro	Vincent	\$3,735.80
Rajotte	Ronald	\$67,506.98
Sahagian	Anthony	\$87,668.13
Shepard	Mark	\$54,375.83
Szymkiewicz	Scott	\$80,456.28
Thomas	Robert	\$81,012.44
Welch	Thomas E	\$5,236.57
		<u>\$691,857.07</u>

POLICE REVOLVING

Barbato	Robert M	\$679.50
Bazydlo	Philip	\$940.59
Bourget	janet	\$167.64
Centeno	David	\$377.19
Christenson	Carl	\$1,100.61
Cole	Seth	\$167.64
Corriveau	Carl A	\$251.46
Donahue	Michael J	\$924.44
Fazio	Michael J	\$377.64
Frisch	Jeffrey	\$335.28
Hisman	James	\$335.64
Kasaras	Mark	\$1,110.62
Martinez	George D	\$481.97
McNally	John	\$566.28
McNamara	James	\$251.46
Morrissey	Mark E	\$168.00
Parker	Russell	\$1,653.42
Piche	Jared	\$1,541.68
Pignataro	Vincent	\$167.64
Pond	Kevin F	\$230.51
Punecki	David	\$681.05
Rajotte	Ronald	\$733.83
Ramus	Juan	\$252.00
Sahagian	Anthony G.	\$3,242.65
Saunders	Matthew S	\$902.33
Shepard	Mark	\$3,257.01
Szymkiewicz	Scott	\$766.98
Thomas	Robert	\$5,978.68
Welch	Michael	\$293.37
Welch	Thomas E	\$120.72
Westerman	David	\$1,091.01
		<u>Detail Total: \$29,148.84</u>

Town Employees' Salaries, 2007, Continued

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>(excluding teachers)</u>	
Admirand	Megan	\$11,629.44
Ament	Janet	\$10,329.30
Ballard	Robin	\$19,631.76
Barannikov	Igor	\$27,872.41
Batten	Sharon	\$300.00
Belbin	Julie A	\$2,836.47
Bjorn	Karen O	\$8,860.08
Bokankowitz	Sharon	\$4,848.96
Boyer	Beverly A	\$8,900.00
Brenner	Jennifer	\$17,196.69
Brenner	Susan	\$19,662.15
Buchanan	Kathleen	\$100.00
Cashin	Kathleen	\$337.50
Chivallati	Claire	\$3,410.55
DiFonso	Anthony	\$65.00
Giguere	Robin	\$17,782.77
Glazier	Virginia	\$3,137.50
Iorio	Linda A	\$757.50
Jasiewicz	Hazel	\$4,207.50
Kelly	Jennifer	\$6,056.41
Koogler	Joan	\$3,575.00
LaValle	Denise M	\$10,391.71
Lavin	Joseph	\$456.99
Lefebvre	Catherine	\$5,995.52
Lewis	Gina B	\$130.00
Lindquist	Kimberly A	\$195.00
MacQueen	Elleen M	\$17,855.22
Maley	Jessica M	\$20.00
Manning	Karen	\$130.00
May	Patricia H	\$162.50
McGrath	Jennifer	\$227.50
McGrath	Robin	\$1,989.75
Moore	Jessica T	\$9,841.47
Morin	Bonnie	\$13,335.04
Murphy	Kathleen	\$16,167.88
Neary	Jacqueline	\$540.00
Nelson	Cheryl	\$12,419.68
Martin	Therese	\$6,312.50
O'Connor	Nancy	\$17,742.53
Perrone	Vincent	\$50.00
Purcell	Irene H	\$6,564.49
Robinson	Melanie A	\$7,372.89
Roy	John	\$22,503.99
Sargood	Janet L.	\$260.00

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<u>School (excluding teachers) cont'd</u>		
Sharon	Cheryl A	\$3,225.15
Silvia	Pamela M	\$5,311.78
Solomonides	Deana M	\$647.50
Staras	Carol	\$12,901.46
Stewart	Joan H.	\$362.50
Sullivan	Tara L	\$1,015.00
Sullivan	John	\$31,770.17
Sullivan	Kerri	\$687.50
Suminski	Michael	\$8,617.92
Sweed	Barbara	\$1,030.00
Taintor	Michelle P	\$650.00
Toles	Susan K	\$807.50
Tufts	Sandra C	\$215.00
Vandenbosch	Adele E	\$130.00
Wenzinger	Tracy L	\$32.50
Wheeler	Lisa	\$38,692.67
Wheeler	Wendy J.	\$16,483.18
Wilson	Michael	\$21,287.68
		<u>\$466,029.16</u>

SCHOOL LUNCH

Garramone	Joan	\$320.00
Fryburg	Mary Ellen	\$7,927.98
Hunt	Bonnie	\$19,634.66
Perro	Paula	\$16,359.64
Prunier	Teresa	\$8,544.68
Tedford	Desiree	\$9,061.41
Wilhelmy	Susan	\$796.00
		<u>\$62,644.37</u>

SCHOOL TEACHERS

Andrews	William	\$64,787.24
Barsamian	Sarah	\$19,645.88
Beauregard	Sharon	\$3,333.00
Benson	Laurie	\$55,246.80
Buchanan	Maureen	\$58,068.24
Carter	Karen	\$72,418.84
Comeau	Linda	\$48,108.02
Cooper	Jessica	\$59,834.36
Cristy	Moir	\$28,371.04
Daley	Peter	\$45,701.14
DiFonso	J. BethAnne	\$55,299.48
Dlott	Stephen P	\$82,538.48
Fiorillo	Paula	\$36,024.56
		\$629,377.08

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Town Employees' Salaries, 2007, Continued

School Teachers, Continued:

Fitzgerald	Susan J	\$27,875.44
Fletcher	Beverly S	\$26,204.70
Giguere	Jean	\$45,638.04
Gostyla	Lynn	\$10,388.64
Hughes	David	\$78,598.00
Keane	Anne	\$59,820.16
Kelleher	Gail	\$57,443.52
Koziak	Tara	\$51,491.68
Kujala	Joyce	\$3,333.00
Kuppens	Lauren	\$41,323.94
LaMontagne	Jennifer	\$53,901.70
LaPierre	Nancy L	\$22,241.50
Leonard	Matthew C	\$46,542.04
Lindquist	Sue Ann	\$47,227.44
Lukon	Marcia	\$19,606.64
Mara	Paul	\$19,861.00
Maresca	Linda	\$38,450.89
Moskovitz	Terry	\$58,910.72
Olszak	Carole	\$69,839.64
Petrell	Lisa	\$41,959.54
Pierce	Kimberly	\$64,211.80
Riley	Briana	\$54,083.46
Thaler	Carolyn	\$13,194.80
Rodman	Donna-Lu	\$16,497.35
Ruane	Eileen	\$77,098.00
Sabourin	Ellen	\$59,134.36
Somes	Daniel	\$47,654.19
Somes	Christine	\$57,786.72
Sparks	David	\$5,917.29
Sullivan	Fayne	\$45,972.04
Trudeau	Elizabeth	\$29,344.22
Vaillancourt	Judith	\$23,539.78
Withers	Julie	\$61,298.11
		<u>\$2,005,767.43</u>

SELECTMEN AND GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Bardsley	Rose L	\$2,982.00
Esposito	Lori	\$37,349.03
Olsen	Suzanne	\$68,169.61
Deal	Roger	\$1,136.25
Sydow	Kenneth G	\$1,325.38
Stanton	James	\$1,364.50
Goodwin	Kenneth W.	\$33,806.00
		<u>\$146,132.77</u>

TAX COLLECTOR/TREASURER

McKay	F. Ellen	\$46,992.00
Daigneault	Joseph P	\$21,868.20
		<u>\$68,860.20</u>

TOWN CLERK

Bourassa	Sandra	\$31,702.03
Jasper	Mary	\$14,557.61
		<u>\$46,259.64</u>

TREE WARDEN

Parker	Donald	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
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VETERANS' AGENT

Aucoin	Paul	<u>\$475.00</u>
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VOTER REGISTRARS

Anderson	Carol	\$103.74
Bourassa	Sandra	\$519.75
Gaucher	Phyllis E	\$387.74
Jasper	Mary	\$213.00
Morrill	Mary	\$235.23
O'Connor	Priscilla R.	\$22.23
Peterson	Gertrude	\$74.10
		<u>\$1,555.79</u>

GRAND TOTAL \$4,793,057.23

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

JULY 1, 2006 - JUNE 30, 2007

FY 2007 Real Estate:

Commitments	7,998,926.64
Collections	7,822,154.69
Amounts paid in FY 06	9,707.21
Abatements & Exempt	31,259.91
Refunds	5,829.32
Tax Titles Remitted to Treasurer	21,174.08
BALANCE 6/30/07	<u>120,460.07</u>

FY 2007 Title V Lien:

Committed Principal	3,778.28
Committed Interest	3,902.94
Collected Principal	3,778.28
Collected Interest	<u>3,902.94</u>
BALANCE 6/30/07	0.00

FY 2007 Personal Property:

Commitments	83,783.77
Collections	84,990.95
Abatements	64.20
Refunds	<u>2,969.28</u>
BALANCE 6/30/07	1,697.90

FY 2007 Motor Vehicle:

Commitments	589,118.52
Collections	562,611.28
Abatements	8,403.20
Refunds	<u>4,389.58</u>
BALANCE 6/30/07	22,493.62

FY 2006 Real Estate:

Balance 7/1/06	108,336.75
Collections	61,269.28
Abatement Rescinded	1.17
Tax Titles Remitted to Treasurer	45,177.61
Balance 6/30/07	<u>1,891.03</u>

FY 2006 Supplemental RE

Balance 7/1/06	6,284.03
Commitments	2,101.18
Collections	<u>8,385.21</u>
BALANCE 6/30/07	0.00

FY 2006 Personal Property:

Balance 7/1/06	1,897.42
Collections	<u>292.26</u>
BALANCE 6/30/07	1,605.16

FY 2006 Motor Vehicle:

Balance 7/1/06	24,423.12
Commitments	80,983.27
Collections	101,241.18
Abatements	6,630.21
Refunds	<u>6,796.60</u>
BALANCE 6/30/07	4,331.60

FY 2005 Real Estate:

Balance 7/1/06	2,060.63
Collections	<u>2,060.63</u>
BALANCE 6/30/07	0.00

FY 2005 Supplemental RE:

Balance 7/1/06	404.45
Abatements	<u>404.45</u>
BALANCE 6/30/07	0.00

FY 2005 Motor Vehicle:

Balance 7/1/06	8,897.47
Commitments	4,254.90
Collections	8,852.00
Abatements	3,225.57
Refunds	<u>700.07</u>
BALANCE 6/30/07	1,774.87

Report of Tax Collector, Cont'd**FY 2004 Motor Vehicle:**

Balance 7/1/06	3,516.08
Commitments	71.46
Collections	278.75
Abatements	2,281.12
Refunds	241.56
Refund Rescinded	35.00
BALANCE 6/30/07	<u>1,234.23</u>

FY 2003 Motor Vehicle

Balance 7/1/06	1,544.79
Commitments	237.50
Collections	324.17
Abatements	1,152.81
Refunds	228.75
BALANCE 6/30/07	<u>534.06</u>

FY 2002 Motor Vehicle

Balance 7/1/06	666.04
Collections	536.15
BALANCE 6/30/07	<u>129.89</u>

FY 2000 Motor Vehicle:

Balance 7/1/06	363.61
BALANCE 6/30/07	<u>363.61</u>

FY 1999 Motor Vehicle:

Balance 7/1/06	9.69
Balance 6/30/07	<u>9.69</u>

FY 1998 Personal Property:

Balance 7/1/06	223.55
Abatements	223.55
BALANCE 6/30/07	<u>0.00</u>

1997 Personal Property

Balance 7/1/06	1.00
BALANCE 6/30/07	<u>1.00</u>

1997 Motor Vehicle:

Balance 7/1/06	268.23
BALANCE 6/30/07	<u>268.23</u>

FY 1996 Personal Property:

Balance 7/1/06	413.82
Abatements	413.82
BALANCE 6/30/07	<u>0.00</u>

FY 1983-96 Motor Vehicle

Balance 7/1/06	1,336.72
BALANCE 6/30/07	<u>1,336.72</u>

FY 1994 Personal Property

Balance 7/1/06	16.01
Abatement	16.01
BALANCE 6/30/07	<u>0.00</u>

RECAPITULATION OF TAX REVENUE

Balance outstanding 7/1/06	160,663.41
Commitments	8,767,158.46
Collections	8,660,677.77
Amounts Paid in FY 06	9,707.21
Abatements & Exemptions	54,058.84
Refunds	21,155.16
Tax Titles Remitted to Treasurer	66,351.69
Refund Rescinded	35.00
Abatement Rescinded	1.17
Balance 6/30/07	<u>158,147.69</u>

Other Sources of Revenue:

FY 2008 Taxes paid in advance	5,390.75
Interest on overdue bills:	19,065.62
Municipal Lien Certificates	4,775.00
Town Fees	7,429.00
Deputy Fees	7,207.00
RMV Marking Fees	2,400.00
NSF Fees	250.00
Tax Title Fees	168.90
Ch 58 Sec 8 Abatemts Collected	1,979.89
Tax Title Ad Exp Reimbursement	128.52
Payment for Copies of Bills	28.50

Total Other Sources	<u>48,823.18</u>
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***TOWN ACCOUNTANT
2007 ANNUAL REPORT***

TOWN OF BOYLSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Annual Report

For the Year Ended June 30, 2007

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Hirbour & Haynes, P.C.
*Certified Public Accountants
Consultants*

October 19, 2007

To: **The Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Boylston, Massachusetts**

We have compiled the accompanying financial statements of the Town of Boylston as of June 30, 2007, and for the year then ended, and the accompanying supplementary schedules, which are presented only for supplementary analysis purposes, as listed in the foregoing Table of Contents, in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

A compilation is limited to presenting in the form of financial statements and supplementary schedules information that is the representation of management. We have not audited or reviewed the accompanying financial statements and supplementary schedules and, accordingly, do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on them.

The Town has prepared these financial statements using accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts which practices differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The general purpose financial statements presented are broken down into fund types and account groups. Generally accepted accounting principles require that basic financial statements present government-wide financial statements and columnar presentations based on major funds. The effect on the financial statements of the variances between these regulatory accounting practices and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

Management has elected to omit substantially all of the disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. If the omitted disclosures were included in the financial statements, they might influence the user's conclusions about the town's financial position and results of operation. Accordingly, these financial statements are not designed for those who are not informed about such matters.

We are not independent with respect to the Town of Boylston.

Hirbour & Haynes, P.C.

TOWN OF BOYLSTON
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET
ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUP
June 30, 2007
(See Accountant's Compilation Report)

EXHIBIT B-1

ASSETS

	Governmental Funds			Fiduciary Fund	Account Group		Total (Memorandum Only)
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Project		General	Long-Term Debt	
Pooled Cash and Equivalents	1,691,653.08	1,009,274.58	40,946.19	138,019.17			2,879,893.02
Marketable Securities	500,036.44	315,847.57		760,811.04			1,576,695.05
Receivables:							
Real Estate Taxes	122,351.10						122,351.10
Personal Property Taxes	3,304.06						3,304.06
Less Allowance for Abatements and Exemptions	(51,834.43)						(51,834.43)
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	32,511.52						32,511.52
Tax Liens and Possessions	279,101.80						279,101.80
Septic Loans		75,213.40					75,213.40
Other	4,234.72	4,270.00		6,740.36			15,245.08
Due From Other Governments		60,564.31					60,564.31
Amount to be Provided for Long-Term Obligations					6,473,178.00		6,473,178.00
Total Assets	2,581,358.29	1,465,169.86	40,946.19	905,570.57		6,473,178.00	11,466,222.91

TOWN OF BOYLSTON
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET
ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUP
June 30, 2007
(See Accountant's Compilation Report)
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	Governmental Funds			Fiduciary Fund	Account Group		Total (Memorandum Only)
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Project	Trust and Agency	General		
					Long-Term Debt		
LIABILITIES							
Warrants and Accounts Payable	585,773.33	33,175.42	30.24	6,792.16			625,771.15
Withholdings and Other Liabilities	37,860.29			17,531.45			55,391.74
Deposits Payable				26,635.10			26,635.10
Deferred Revenue:							
Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes	73,820.73						73,820.73
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	32,511.52						32,511.52
Tax Liens and Possessions	279,101.80						279,101.80
Septic Loans		75,213.40					75,213.40
State Aid Highway		57,499.00					57,499.00
Bonds and Notes Payable					6,473,178.00		6,473,178.00
Total Liabilities	1,009,067.67	165,887.82	30.24	50,958.71	6,473,178.00		7,699,122.44
FUND BALANCES							
Fund Balances:							
Reserved for Expenditures	441,598.33	1,299,282.04	40,915.95	304,858.84			2,086,655.16
Reserved for Endowment				95,684.53			95,684.53
Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditure	575,000.00						575,000.00
Undesignated Fund Balance	555,692.29			454,068.49			1,009,760.78
Total Fund Balances	1,572,290.62	1,299,282.04	40,915.95	854,611.86	0.00		3,767,100.47
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	2,581,358.29	1,465,169.86	40,946.19	905,570.57	6,473,178.00		11,466,222.91

EXHIBIT C-1

TOWN OF BOYLSTON
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
ALL GOVERNMENTAL AND EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007
(See Accountant's Compilation Report)

	Governmental Funds			Fiduciary Funds		Total
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Trust Funds	(Memorandum Only)	
REVENUE:						
Real estate Taxes	7,998,484.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,998,484.01	
Personal Property Taxes	82,313.93				82,313.93	
Less: Abatements and Exemption	(31,663.19)				(31,663.19)	
	8,049,134.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,049,134.75	
Federal Grants & Aid		75,869.36			75,869.36	
State Aid, Reimbursements and Grants						
Lottery Aid	419,320.00				419,320.00	
Education	795,520.93	246,273.55			1,041,794.48	
Highway		161,566.00			161,566.00	
Other	42,483.55	81,696.98			124,180.53	
Local Receipts:						
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	663,504.68				663,504.68	
Licenses, Fines, Permits and Fees	178,032.07	142,136.41			320,168.48	
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	500,000.06				500,000.06	
Interest and Penalties on Taxes	39,452.27				39,452.27	
Interest on Investments	110,638.40	14,279.47	1,266.81	33,877.49	160,062.17	
Charges for Services:						
Ambulance		75,676.67			75,676.67	
School Lunch		98,026.99			98,026.99	
Other	33,686.91	271,585.39		10,672.23	315,944.53	
Total Revenue	10,831,773.62	1,167,110.82	1,266.81	44,549.72	12,044,700.97	
EXPENDITURES:						
General Government	2,012,900.32	184,695.19		6,302.56	2,203,898.07	
Public Safety	1,283,567.21	101,053.39			1,384,620.60	
Public Works and Facilities	583,830.26	164,221.38			748,051.64	
Education	6,268,172.85	242,357.84			6,510,530.69	
Human Services	81,088.28	4,196.00			85,284.28	
Culture and Recreation	197,922.64	22,469.49	287,833.42		508,225.55	
Debt Service:						
Principal Retirement	565,000.00	8,721.00			573,721.00	
Interest(Including Temporary Loans	348,130.00	6,337.17			354,467.17	
Total Expenditures	11,340,611.56	734,051.46	287,833.42	6,302.56	12,368,799.00	
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(508,837.94)	433,059.36	(286,566.61)	38,247.16	(324,098.03)	

TOWN OF BOYLSTON
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
ALL GOVERNMENTAL AND EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007
 (See Accountant's Compilation Report)
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	Governmental Funds			Fiduciary Funds		Total
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Trust Funds	(Memorandum Only)	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Unrealized gain/(Loss)				17,500.44	17,500.44	
Transfer from Special Revenue Fund	200,000.00	22,000.00			222,000.00	
Transfer to Special Revenue Fund	(22,000.00)	(200,000.00)			(222,000.00)	
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	178,000.00	(178,000.00)	0.00	17,500.44	17,500.44	
Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	(330,837.94)	255,059.36	(286,566.61)	55,747.60	(306,597.59)	
Fund Balance, Beginning of Yea	1,903,128.56	1,044,222.68	327,482.56	798,864.26	4,073,698.06	
Fund Balance, End of Yea	1,572,290.62	1,299,282.04	40,915.95	854,611.86	3,767,100.47	

**TOWN OF BOYLSTON
SCHEDULE OF LOCAL RECEIPTS-GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007
(See Accountant's Compilation Report)**

EXHIBIT D

Description	Amount
Licenses, Fines, Permits and Fees	
Fees-Board of Appeals	435.00
Fees-Assessors	1,389.00
Fees-Municipal Liens	4,575.00
Fees-Police	2,309.50
Fees-Fire	5,385.00
Fees-Town Clerk	6,177.10
Fees-Planning	1,450.00
Fees-Other	949.47
Selectboard Licenses	10,858.00
Board of Health Permits & Fees	31,464.00
Building Permits	70,101.00
Police Gun Permits	2,162.50
Plumbing Permits	7,057.00
Electrical Permits	10,965.00
Gas Storage Permits	120.00
Library Fines	844.50
Court Fines	21,790.00
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Total Licenses, Fines, Permits and Fees	178,032.07
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Interest and Penalties on Taxes	
Penalties and Interest-Property Taxes	15,880.14
Penalties and Interest-Tax Liens	10,247.13
Penalties and Interest-Excise Taxes	13,325.00
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Total Interest on Penalties and Taxes	39,452.27
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Other	
Municipal Light Reimbursements	22,469.82
Rentals	850.00
Off-Duty Surcharge	6,209.92
Miscellaneous Revenue	4,157.17
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Total Other	33,686.91
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TOWN OF BOYLSTON
SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007
(See Accountant's Compilation Report)

EXHIBIT E-1

General Fund	Account	2007		Reserve Fund and Other Transfers	2006		2007		2007 Adjusted Budget	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance
		Appropriations	Supplemental Appropriations		Carryover Appropriations	Carryover	Carryover Appropriations	Adjusted Budget			
General Government	Town Moderator Salary	15.00			0.00	0.00		15.00		1,955.30	15.00
	Special Town Meeting Notices	2,000.00						2,000.00		3,257.88	44.70
	Selectboard Salaries	3,637.00						3,637.00		36,337.15	379.12
	Selectboard Clerical Wages	37,564.00						37,564.00		22,044.09	1,226.85
	Selectboard Expenses	24,850.00						31,166.74		4,375.80	9,122.65
	Selectboard Art#39 5/3/04 DEP Stormwater				6,316.74		(2,272.20)	4,375.80		4,500.00	0.00
	Selectboard Art#43 5/1/06 Personnel Study	4,000.00		6,000.00	6,648.00			10,000.00		19,500.00	5,500.00
	Selectboard Art#34 5/1/06 Feasibility Study Library/School	20,000.00						20,000.00		66,916.00	500.00
	Town Administrator Salary	66,916.00						66,916.00		0.00	0.00
	Finance Committee Expense	400.00						400.00		0.00	400.00
	Reserve Fund	45,000.00		(36,430.46)				8,569.54		25,750.00	8,569.54
	Town Accountant Services	25,750.00						25,750.00		314.97	0.00
	Town Accountant Expenses	500.00						500.00		6,282.00	185.03
	Town Accountant Art#39 5/1/06 Accounting Software	35,000.00					(28,718.00)	6,282.00		24,000.00	0.00
	Town Audit	10,000.00		6,000.00	10,000.00		(2,000.00)	24,000.00		2,625.00	875.00
	Assessors Stipends	3,500.00						3,500.00		24,673.13	168.87
	Working Assessor Salary	22,804.00		2,038.00				24,842.00		17,338.69	789.31
	Assessors Clerical Wages	18,128.00						18,128.00		7,149.00	351.00
	Assessors Special Appraisal Expenses	7,500.00					(650.00)	7,500.00		21,307.12	447.88
	Assessors Expenses	22,405.00						21,755.00		22,941.65	1,402.35
	Town Treasurer Salary	24,344.00						24,344.00		10,828.34	305.66
	Town Treasurer Clerical Wages	11,134.00						11,134.00		9,558.32	2,989.68
	Town Treasurer Expense	12,250.00			298.00			12,548.00		22,941.65	1,402.35
	Town Collector Salary	24,344.00						24,344.00		10,828.35	305.65
	Town Collector Clerical Wages	11,134.00						11,134.00		24,963.64	1,290.81
	Town Collector Expenses	24,767.00			2,849.90		(1,362.45)	26,254.45		0.00	0.00
	Town Collector Art#35 5/5/03 Software				1,430.00		(1,430.00)	0.00		5,000.00	0.00
	Town Counsel Retainer	5,000.00						5,000.00		30,668.23	18,831.77
	Legal Expense	75,000.00		(25,500.00)				49,500.00		17,910.87	7,746.08
	Personnel Board Expense	250.00						250.00		26,114.00	0.00
	Tax Title Expenses	31,175.00			14,481.95		(20,000.00)	25,656.95		11,626.54	19.46
	Town Clerk Salary	26,114.00						26,114.00		2,457.41	72.59
	Town Clerk Clerical Wages	11,648.00						11,646.00		6,790.65	714.89
	Town Clerk Expense	2,530.00					(44.46)	2,530.00		7,067.35	1,189.65
	Elections/Registrars Wages	7,550.00			1,112.00		(660.00)	7,505.54		13,968.15	111.85
	Elections/Registrars Expenses	7,805.00						8,257.00		1,003.58	846.42
	Conservation Commission Clerk	13,305.00		775.00				14,080.00			
	Conservation Expenses	1,850.00						1,850.00			

TOWN OF BOYLSTON
SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007
(See Accountant's Compilation Report)

General Fund	Account	2007 Appropriations	Supplemental Appropriations	Reserve Fund and Other Transfers	2006 Carryover Appropriations	2007 Carryover Appropriations	2007 Adjusted Budget	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance
General Government									
	Earth Removal Expense	500.00					500.00	322.00	178.00
	Planning Board Stipends	582.00					582.00	529.00	53.00
	Planning Board Clerk	53.00					53.00	0.00	53.00
	Planning Board Administrative Assistant	7,292.00					7,292.00	3,222.28	4,069.72
	Planning Board Consulting Services	10,000.00					10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
	Planning Board Expenses	2,500.00	100.00			(49.10)	2,550.90	1,890.51	660.39
	Appeals Board Expense	1,000.00					1,000.00	204.88	795.12
	Municipal Office Expenses	42,500.00			4,353.29		46,853.29	41,800.70	5,052.59
	Town Building Art#6 9/29/03 Emergency Repair				10,064.84	(7,054.84)	3,010.00	3,010.00	0.00
	Town Buildings Hillside	150,000.00		20,000.00			170,000.00	166,367.72	3,632.28
	Town Buildings Hillside Art#39 5/2/05 Repair System				55,304.00	(7,079.50)	48,224.50	48,224.50	0.00
	Town Buildings Hillside Art#38 5/1/06 Carpet	39,000.00				(3,234.00)	35,766.00	35,766.00	0.00
	Town Buildings Hillside Art#40 5/1/06 HVAC	50,000.00				(44,439.55)	5,560.45	5,560.45	(0.00)
	Town Buildings Hillside Art#41 5/1/06 Asbestos/Mold	50,000.00				(28,204.00)	21,796.00	21,796.00	0.00
	Town Buildings Hillside Art#45 5/1/06 Barn	1,500.00				(1,500.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Town House Expense	9,900.00					9,900.00	7,838.42	2,061.58
	Town House Art#32 5/5/03 Remodeling				1,325.42		1,325.42		1,325.42
	Town House Art#37 5/1/06 Roof Repairs	50,000.00					50,000.00	38,740.00	11,260.00
	Town Garage Expense	7,650.00		5,500.00			13,150.00	11,294.71	1,855.29
	Repairs to Town Buildings	3,100.00					3,100.00	1,692.10	1,407.90
	Town Report	2,000.00					2,000.00	1,500.00	500.00
	County Retirement	236,344.00					236,344.00	236,344.00	0.00
	Unemployment Compensation	8,000.00		2,000.00			10,000.00	8,614.55	1,385.45
	Employee Benefits	686,875.00					686,875.00	685,570.24	1,304.76
	Employee Physical Exams	500.00					500.00	330.00	170.00
	General Insurance	168,500.00		(10,144.16)			158,355.84	150,370.69	7,985.15
	Regional Planning Commission	896.71					896.71	896.71	0.00
	County Tax	7,179.00					7,179.00	7,179.00	0.00
	Air Pollution Districts	1,187.00					1,187.00	1,187.00	0.00
	RMV Non-Renewal Charges	2,380.00					2,380.00	2,660.00	(280.00)
	Regional Transi	6,951.00					6,951.00	6,994.00	(43.00)
	Total General Governmer	2,186,556.71	100.00	(29,761.62)	114,184.14	(148,698.10)	2,122,381.13	2,012,900.32	109,480.81

TOWN OF BOYLSTON
SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007
(See Accountant's Compilation Report)

Account	2007 Appropriations	2007 Supplemental Appropriations	Reserve Fund and Other Transfers	2006 Carryover Appropriations	2007 Carryover Appropriations	2007 Adjusted Budget	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance
General Fund								
Public Safety								
Police Department Salaries	712,601.00			0.00	0.00	712,601.00	677,148.80	35,452.20
Police Expenses	83,050.00			165.90		83,215.90	79,841.44	3,374.46
Fire/Ambulance Salaries & Wages	155,423.00					155,423.00	135,919.94	19,503.06
Fire/Ambulance Expenses	24,650.00				(130.00)	24,520.00	24,083.15	436.85
Fire/Ambulance Art#23 5/1/06 Billing Clerk	5,000.00					5,000.00	5,000.32	(0.32)
Fire/Ambulance Art#24 5/1/06 EMT/Inspection Wages	45,000.00					45,000.00	43,342.53	1,657.47
Fire/Ambulance Art#35 5/3/04 Emergency Generator				31,000.00	(1,499.14)	29,500.86	29,500.86	0.00
Fire/Ambulance Art#24 5/2/05 Upgrade Disposable Equip				4,761.81		4,761.81	4,761.81	0.00
Fire/Ambulance Art#19 5/1/06 Nextel Equipment				8,500.64	(516.55)	7,984.09	7,984.09	(0.00)
Fire/Ambulance Art#20 5/1/06 Ambulance Equipment				9,449.09	(554.20)	8,894.89	8,894.89	0.00
Fire/Ambulance Art#25 5/1/06 Repair Engine 4				4,218.34	(1,670.66)	2,547.68	2,547.68	0.00
Fire/Ambulance Art#26 5/1/06 SCBA Upgrade	7,500.00				(7,500.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Dispatch Salaries & Wages	187,154.00					187,154.00	167,085.77	20,068.23
Dispatch Expenses	14,870.00					14,870.00	9,654.69	5,215.31
Building Inspector Services	48,000.00					48,000.00	48,000.00	0.00
Building Inspector Clerical	10,000.00					10,000.00	2,354.09	7,645.91
Building Inspector Expenses	3,000.00		1,100.00			4,100.00	4,088.77	11.23
Gas Inspector Salary	2,461.00					2,461.00	2,461.00	0.00
Gas Inspector Expenses	350.00					350.00	200.00	150.00
Plumbing Inspector Salary	8,179.00					8,179.00	8,179.00	0.00
Electrical Inspector Salary	7,286.00					7,286.00	7,286.00	0.00
Electrical Inspector Expenses	900.00					900.00	602.95	297.05
Civil Defense Expenses	90.00					90.00	0.00	90.00
Dog Officer Wages	1,854.00					1,854.00	1,854.00	0.00
Dog Officer Expenses	1,200.00					1,200.00	480.00	720.00
Parking Clerk Salary	260.00					260.00	260.00	0.00
Tree Warden Salary	1,000.00					1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Tree Warden Expenses	10,900.00		135.43			11,035.43	11,035.43	0.00
Total Public Safety	1,330,728.00	0.00	1,235.43	58,095.78	(11,870.55)	1,378,188.66	1,283,567.21	94,621.45

TOWN OF BOYLSTON
SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007
(See Accountant's Compilation Report)

EXHIBIT E-4

General Fund	Account	2007 Appropriations	2007 Supplemental Appropriations	Reserve Fund and Other Transfers	2006 Carryover Appropriations	2007 Carryover Appropriations	2007 Adjusted Budget	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance
Public Works and Facilities	Highway Department Salaries & Wages	294,265.00		(10,000.00)	0.00	0.00	284,265.00	226,882.12	57,382.88
	Highway Department Expenses	111,050.00		25,425.00			136,475.00	76,766.76	59,708.24
	Highway Department Art#29 5/6/02 Truck/Plow				641.02	(641.02)	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Highway Department Art#30 5/6/02 Truck/Plow				1,582.23	(1,582.23)	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Highway Department Art#27 5/3/04 DPW Building Engineering				20,000.00		20,000.00	19,900.00	100.00
	Highway Department Art#37 5/3/04 Backhoe				3,553.15	(3,234.56)	318.59	318.59	0.00
	Highway Department Art#36 5/2/05 Truck/Plow/Sander				130,000.00	(1,583.00)	128,417.00	128,417.00	0.00
	Highway Department Art#38 5/2/05 Highway Repairs				42,452.25	(9,667.91)	32,784.34	32,784.34	0.00
	Highway Department Art#36 5/1/06 Mower	10,000.00					10,000.00	9,950.00	50.00
	Highway Department Art#3 5/7/07 Dump Truck		130,000.00			(130,000.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Highway Department Snow & Ice Removal Expenses	74,000.00		(15,000.00)			59,000.00	57,001.06	1,998.94
	Street Lighting	32,580.00					32,580.00	28,619.88	3,960.12
	Cemetery Salaries	500.00					500.00	500.00	0.00
	Cemetery Expenses	3,000.00					3,000.00	2,690.51	309.49
	Cemetery FY'99 Road Repair				24,141.31	(24,141.31)	0.00		0.00
Total Public Works & Facilities		525,395.00	130,000.00	425.00	222,369.96	(170,850.03)	707,339.93	583,830.26	123,509.67

TOWN OF BOYLSTON
SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007
(See Accountant's Compilation Report)

General Fund	Account	2007 Appropriations	2007 Supplemental Appropriations	Reserve Fund and Other Transfers	2006 Carryover Appropriations	2007 Carryover Appropriations	2007 Adjusted Budget	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance
Education	School Committee Salary	200.00					200.00	200.00	0.00
	Elementary Education	3,197,985.00		182,505.46	50,615.86	(67,136.65)	3,363,969.67	3,343,347.79	20,621.88
	Vocational Tuition	216,138.00					216,138.00	216,138.00	0.00
	Vocational Transportation	16,863.00					16,863.00	14,044.80	2,818.20
	Tahanto Assessment	2,869,049.00		(175,600.00)			2,693,449.00	2,693,280.03	168.97
	Education Art#23 5/6/02 Tahanto Repairs				44.20	(44.20)	0.00		0.00
	Education Art#34 5/3/04 Elementary Math Program				2,761.97	(1,599.74)	1,162.23	1,162.23	(0.00)
	Education Art#21 5/2/05 Ad Hoc Regional Study				10,000.00	(10,000.00)	0.00		0.00
	Education Art#21 5/2/05 Elementary Projector/Computer				2,434.00	(2,434.00)	0.00		0.00
	Education Art#44 5/1/06 School Feasibility Stud	26,680.00				(26,680.00)	0.00		0.00
Total Education		6,326,915.00	0.00	6,905.46	65,856.03	(107,894.59)	6,291,781.90	6,268,172.85	23,609.05

TOWN OF BOYLSTON
SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007
(See Accountant's Compilation Report)

EXHIBIT E-6

Account	2007 Appropriations	2007 Supplemental Appropriations	Reserve Fund and Other Transfers	2006 Carryover Appropriations	2007 Carryover Appropriations	2007 Adjusted Budget	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance
General Fund								
Human Services								
Board of Health Stipends	648.00			0.00	0.00	648.00	648.00	0.00
Board of Health Clerical Wages	15,909.00					15,909.00	15,830.57	78.43
Board of Health Expenses	2,750.00					2,750.00	2,269.70	480.30
Board of Health Special Projects	3,300.00					3,300.00	1,578.78	1,721.22
Vital Statistics Wages	200.00					200.00	200.00	0.00
Sanitation Inspector Wages	32,960.00					32,960.00	32,960.00	0.00
Animal Inspector Wages	1,066.00					1,066.00	1,063.42	2.58
Landfill Engineering Expense	500.00			9,768.00		10,268.00	10,268.00	0.00
Right to Know Coordinator	90.00					90.00	0.00	90.00
Hazardous Waste Committee	180.00					180.00	0.00	180.00
Nurse Salary	1,500.00					1,500.00	1,365.00	135.00
Council on Aging Coordinator Salary	11,762.00					11,762.00	11,760.84	1.16
Council on Aging Coordinator Salary-Meals	914.00					914.00	836.88	77.12
Council on Aging Expenses	5,325.00					5,325.00	1,023.09	4,301.91
Veterans Agent Salary	950.00					950.00	950.00	0.00
Veterans Services Benefits	1,000.00					1,000.00	334.00	666.00
Veterans Service Expense:	175.00					175.00	0.00	175.00
Total Human Services:	79,229.00	0.00	0.00	9,768.00	0.00	88,997.00	81,088.28	7,908.72

TOWN OF BOYLSTON
SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007
(See Accountant's Compilation Report)

EXHIBIT E-7

General Fund	Account	2007 Appropriations	2007 Supplemental Appropriations	Reserve Fund and Other Transfers	2006 Carryover Appropriations	2007 Carryover Appropriations	2007 Adjusted Budget	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance
Culture and Recreation									
	Library Salaries & Wages	94,627.00			0.00	0.00	94,627.00	94,627.00	0.00
	Library Expenses	49,600.00					49,600.00	49,582.39	17.61
	Memorial Day	4,000.00		195.73			4,195.73	4,195.73	0.00
	Recreation	15,200.00				(2,285.06)	12,914.94	12,914.94	0.00
	Recreation Art#28 5/7/01 Hillside Playground				1,525.12		1,525.12	0.00	1,525.12
	Historical Commission Expenses	8,500.00		2,000.00			10,500.00	10,402.58	97.42
	Historical Commission Project Expenses	1,200.00					1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00
	Historical Commission Art#42 5/1/06 Bell Tower/Roof	25,000.00					25,000.00	25,000.00	0.00
	Historical District Expense	50.00					50.00	0.00	50.00
	Total Culture and Recreation	198,177.00	0.00	2,195.73	1,525.12	(2,285.06)	199,612.79	197,922.64	1,690.15
Debt Service									
	Debt Service Principal	565,000.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	565,000.00	565,000.00	0.00
	Debt Service Interest	348,130.00					348,130.00	348,130.00	0.00
	Interest on Short Term Loan:	3,000.00		(3,000.00)			0.00	0.00	0.00
	Total Debt Service	916,130.00	0.00	(3,000.00)	0.00	0.00	913,130.00	913,130.00	0.00
	Total General Fund	11,563,130.71	130,100.00	(22,000.00)	471,799.03	(441,598.33)	11,701,431.41	11,340,611.56	360,819.85

TOWN OF BOYLSTON
SCHEDULE OF OUTSTANDING DEBT
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007
(See Accountant's Compilation Report)

EXHIBIT F

Descriptor	Interest Rate	Original Loan Date	Final Due Date	Principal			Interest Paid								
				Balance July 1, 2006	Funds Borrowed	Principal Payments June 30, 2007									
Account Group-General Long Term Debt															
School Construction	4.97%	06/15/99	06/15/19	5,385,000.00		(425,000.00)	4,960,000.00	266,195.00	P	425,000.00	425,000.00	425,000.00	425,000.00	425,000.00	2,835,000.00
									I	245,795.00	225,607.50	205,420.00	185,232.50	164,832.50	579,915.00
Digital Property	5.32%	06/01/97	04/01/17	1,540,000.00		(140,000.00)	1,400,000.00	81,935.00	P	140,000.00	140,000.00	140,000.00	140,000.00	140,000.00	700,000.00
Title V		08/01/01	08/01/19	121,899.00		(8,721.00)	113,178.00	6,337.17	I	74,515.00	67,095.00	59,675.00	52,255.00	44,835.00	112,560.00
									P	8,721.00	8,721.00	8,721.00	8,790.00	8,790.00	69,435.00
Total General Long-Term Debt				7,046,899.00	0.00	(573,721.00)	6,473,178.00	354,467.17	I	5,879.32	5,441.10	5,002.88	4,554.46	4,099.01	15,495.37
									P	573,721.00	573,721.00	573,721.00	573,790.00	573,790.00	3,604,435.00
									I	326,189.32	298,143.60	270,097.88	242,041.96	213,766.51	707,970.37
									SBAB Subsidy						
										(347,986.00)	(347,986.00)	(347,986.00)	(347,986.00)	(347,986.00)	(2,435,902.00)
									MWPAT Subsidy						
										(5,879.32)	(5,441.10)	(5,002.88)	(4,554.46)	(4,099.01)	(15,495.37)

EXHIBIT G

TOWN OF BOYLSTON
SCHEDULE OF TAXES RECEIVABLE-GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007
(See Accountant's Compilation Report)

Description	Uncollected July 1, 2006	Add/(Deduct)					Uncollected June 30, 2007
		Commitments	Refunds	Adjustments	Abatements	Transfers to Tax Title	
Real Estate							
2007		7,998,926.04	5,829.32		(31,259.91)	(21,174.08)	120,460.07
2006	114,620.78	2,101.18		1.17		(45,177.61)	1,891.03
2005	2,465.08				(404.45)	(2,060.63)	0.00
	117,085.86	8,001,027.22	5,829.32	1.17	(31,664.36)	(66,351.69)	122,351.10
Personal Property							
2007		83,783.77	2,969.28		(64.20)	(84,990.95)	1,697.90
2006	1,897.42					(292.26)	1,605.16
2005 and prior	654.38				(653.38)		1.00
	2,551.80	83,783.77	2,969.28	0.00	(717.58)	0.00	3,304.06
Motor Vehicle Excise							
2007		589,118.52	4,389.58		(8,403.20)	(562,611.28)	22,493.62
2006	24,423.12	80,983.27	6,796.60		(6,630.21)	(101,241.18)	4,331.60
2005	8,897.47	4,254.90	700.07		(3,225.57)	(8,852.00)	1,774.87
2004	3,516.08	71.46	241.56		(2,281.12)	(278.75)	1,269.23
2003	1,544.79	237.50	228.75		(1,152.81)	(324.17)	534.06
2002 and prior	2,644.29	2,017.71				(2,553.86)	2,108.14
	41,025.75	676,683.36	12,356.56	0.00	(21,692.91)	0.00	32,511.52
Tax Liens							
	248,466.58			(31,305.97)		76,435.98	224,522.87
Tax Possessions							
	17,257.16			31,305.97			48,563.13

MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

	2004	2005	2006
Gross Revenue:	2,850,902.00	3,477,210.00	3,400,000.00
Operating Expense:	2,898,520.00	3,578,143.00	3,138,500.00
Misc. Sales:	118,695.00	28,574.00	55,940.00
Profit:	68,749.00	(24,407.00)	111,971.00
Physical Plant Cost:	2,694,123.00	2,706,339.00	2,808,694.00
KW of Demand:	6,169	6,713	7,308
KWH Bought:	30,416,531	32,166,225	31,194,483
KWH Sold:	28,761,968	30,297,279	29,516,841
Customers:	2140	2243	2248
Purchase Power Avg. Cost:	.0991	.0939	.109

Office Hours: Monday thru Friday, 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Light Commission Meetings 4th Monday of the month or as posted

24 Hr Emergency Service Phone Number: 508-869-6564

The Light Dept. offers Home Energy Audits, call 508-869-2626

The Board met eleven (11) times during 2007 with the following attendance:

Alden Gates	11
Ed Kimball	11
John McQuade	10

Mission Statement: The Boylston Light Department strives to provide excellent service and economical electric rates to its customers.

*Gary Harrington
General Manager*

POLICE DEPARTMENT 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

On behalf of the entire Boylston Police Department, I would like to begin this year's Annual Report as I have previously, by thanking so many of you for your continued support.

The Department experienced one personnel loss this year as Reserve Officer Marc S. Kasaras, a supervisor with the Sheriff's Department, submitted his resignation in October. And, while I'm discussing personnel, congratulations on a job well done to Reserve Officer Jared B. Piche who, this year, successfully completed the full-time police academy and who, in October, was welcomed to the Department's full-time ranks, as an increase in full-time police officers was approved by the Town.

Management of the vehicle fleet once again resulted in my not requesting Town funding for any replacement police cruisers in 2007. The replacement cruiser that was purchased this year was again, funded with grant money; this cruiser will be the 5th that has been funded in this manner, saving the Town approximately \$150,000 in cruiser replacement costs.

The D.A.R.E. Program was supported again this year through private donations, creative scheduling (classes scheduled to coincide with the D.A.R.E. Officer's normal duty schedule), and through funding as requested in the Community Policing/Counter-terrorism Grant; the Department's Service Aide position was also funded through this grant. Other efforts undertaken this year include the submission and award of the \$33,440 CP/CT Grant, conduct of the annual D.A.R.E. Halloween Party, and an Automobile Window Etching initiative. An 800 mhz radio was applied for, received from the Commonwealth (no cost to the Town), and installed in the Department's Dispatch Center, enhancing multi-agency communication efforts in the event of an emergency situation. The E911 system was enhanced (no cost to the Town) and now provides us with the location of cell-phone callers, and the Dispatch Center now incorporates touch screen technology (grant through the BFD). Contracts were also renegotiated between the Town and both the Boylston Police Officer's Union and the Boylston Police Dispatcher's Union. Lastly, the Department has upgraded its webpage and has received many favorable comments on its content.

A review of our criminal statistics for 2007, when compared against communities of similar size and demographics, reflects that Boylston continues to be, and is recognized by many as, a very safe community in which to live, work, and play. Pro-activity, visibility, and the community working in close concert with law enforcement does make a difference! My thanks to so many of you who have chosen to get involved everyday by reporting suspicious activity to the police.

Incidents of significance this year include the identification (from the air) and removal of a large marijuana field in the vicinity of the Route 70/140 intersection, the after hours detection of basement level flooding at Tahanto by a BPD patrol, and the identification of individuals responsible for multiple vehicle break-ins in Boylston. Identity theft and money scams continue to plague the Commonwealth, including residents of Boylston. We have tracked cases and identified Subjects across the country and over two continents; however, as you can imagine, prosecution is extremely difficult. In a proactive move, the Department has published booklets on ID Theft and Scams, which are available on the webpage or, at the station. Remember, you don't get something for nothing and, if something is too good to be true, it probably is.

I wish you a happy, safe, and prosperous 2008. Should you need to contact the Boylston Police Department, please call (508) 869-2113, or, in the event of an emergency, Dial 911. Remember that if using a cell-phone, your 911 call will be routed through the State Police to the Boylston Police Department. To contact the Boylston Police Department on-line, refer to our webpage and the addresses listed for our employees.

Sincerely yours in effective law enforcement,

Anthony G. Sahagian,
Chief of Police

2007 POLICE DEPARTMENT STATISTICS

<u>SYNOPSIS OF SELECTED CALLS</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>
911 Emergency Calls	68	63	65	79	73	52	64	46
Assault and Battery	2	3	2	2	3	2	10	6
Alarm Response (Home/Business)	294	241	216	234	242	237	236	204
Ambulance Response/Support	139	177	190	161	186	184	197	180
Animal	52	75	42	33	33	27	36	20
Assault	1	1	4	3	1	1	1	2
B&E, Building	1	1	4	6	6	2	4	1
B&E, Dwelling	5	2	7	8	3	6	7	6
Check Well-being	41	49	49	40	31	40	38	51
Civil Dispute	29	10	23	33	18	10	8	8
Destruction of Property	27	25	28	41	32	39	38	26
Disturbance	55	45	30	31	31	26	22	42
Disabled Motor Vehicle	110	145	135	104	120	160	107	113
Dog Complaint	34	13	19	19	22	7	13	7
Domestic Disturbance	17	23	17	24	16	26	23	23
Drug Offense	9	10	9	9	9	18	8	7
Erratic Operator	38	37	45	32	51	33	55	61
Fire Response/Support	43	36	48	28	32	30	45	34
Harrassing Phone Call	15	16	15	14	13	8	8	10
Larceny Over \$250	13	8	11	24	24	15	27	9
Larceny Under \$250	18	16	17	22	25	28	16	16
Miscellaneous Calls	377	634	1269	1861	1448	1307	800	256
Motor Vehicle Lock-out	15	14	21	21	10	22	16	10
Mutual Aid Call	87	73	96	73	74	83	71	66
Motor Vehicle Accident (Personal Injury)	24	22	18	14	12	20	28	32
Motor Vehicle Accident (Property Damage)	133	83	128	89	90	102	53	67
Motor Vehicle, Recovered	3	3	4	4	3	2	1	1
Motor Vehicle, Traffic Stop	1918	1953	2419	1947	1732	1910	1663	1210
Operating Under the Influnce of Alcohol	6	2	6	4	6	8	7	5
Parking Violation	14	19	18	28	9	20	9	16
Safety Hazard	51	82	80	50	54	68	55	43
Serve Summons	69	67	50	46	77	61	41	43
Suspicious Person, Investigate	42	65	49	55	53	58	59	81
Suspicious Vehicle, Investigate	80	85	109	83	111	92	93	107
Traffic Study/Watch	34	57	190	124	61	29	35	87
Trespassing	4	2	13	10	8	7	9	3
Unsecured Building	13	16	23	32	32	22	23	10
Warrant Arrest	22	22	16	18	16	16	12	9
TOTAL CALLS								
INCLUDES ABOVE "SELECTED" CALLS	4682	5079	6507	6452	5802	5957	6802	6309

SAFETY OFFICER 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

This year, The Boylston Police Department had several requests for additional street lighting. Streetlights are not emplaced solely to illuminate a resident's home or driveway; they are designed to improve visibility at hazardous locations. Examples of possible locations include at the beginning and end of curves, at intersections, before and after high ground, before and after dips, in the vicinity of hidden driveways due to curves, and, to illuminate high crime areas.

A request was made to review street lighting on Birchwood Drive and was found to be unsubstantiated as a light was already in the immediate area; however, it was recommended that branches be trimmed from the existing light fixture. A request for street lighting at Sylvan Lane and Madera Court was also found unsubstantiated given existing lighting and sparse traffic flow. A specific request to review street lighting on Linden Street, by the Berlin/Boylston line, was found unsubstantiated. However, I supported the placement of a streetlight at the intersection of Ryan Lane, Linden Street, and Oak Hill Lane. An additional streetlight was recommended for Linden Street, at light pole #126, to illuminate the curve.

A request was made for four-way stop signs at the intersection of Mile Hill Road, Linden Street, and Duffy Road. This request could not be supported; however, I did support the placement of 40 mph signs in the vicinity of the Berlin/Boylston line and 100 feet east of the Linden Street/Mile Hill Road intersection.

The Boylston Police Department continues to conduct radar checks in posted school zones and on existing paved roadways. We have received traffic complaints of speeding on School Street (between Main Street and 16 School Street), and, Linden Street (between the Berlin/Boylston Line and Mile Hill Road).

Just a reminder to buckle up, as the Boylston Police Department has responded to numerous accidents where seatbelt use has prevented serious injuries and where non-use has resulted in severe injury.

With your support, the Boylston Police Department will continue to make Boylston a safer place to live, work, and play.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Det./Plm. Ron Rajotte, Badge #5*

D.A.R.E. AND SCHOOL SAFETY OFFICER 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

Today's children face a different and more complex changing society as they are influenced by television, movies, music, internet, news, peer pressure, and, they are exposed to drugs at an early state in life. Today's children represent our future and we want them to succeed in life without resorting to violence and drug abuse.

The Boylston D.A.R.E. program is currently in its sixteenth year, with the current fifth grade core program being taught every Friday for seventeen weeks. The middle school program is ten weeks in duration and is taught on a weekly basis consistent with the officer's and the student's scheduling. The following is a list of facts from D.A.R.E. America's website.

- Millions of children will benefit from the D.A.R.E. program.
- 1000 new communities started D.A.R.E. in the last three years.
- 75% of USA school districts and 43 countries teach D.A.R.E.
- 10,000 communities use D.A.R.E.
- 75,000+ D.A.R.E. Officers are trained/certified throughout the USA.
- It costs \$12 per child from K-12 for all D.A.R.E. educational material.
- The D.A.R.E. curriculum was developed by educators and taught by trained officers.
- D.A.R.E. focuses on responsibility and resisting peer pressure.
- Implementation of the D.A.R.E. program is a community decision.
- Elementary, middle, high school, and parental components make-up the D.A.R.E. program.
- Training is mandatory for instructors before they enter the classroom.
- D.A.R.E. has a scientific Advisory Board led by Dr. Herb Kleber, of Columbia Univ.
- National Institute on Drug Abuse issued a research -based guide identifying standards for prevention programs; the publication proposed a checklist of research-based prevention principles; D.A.R.E. was the only program to satisfy all eight categories of the above principles.
- Study recently published in the Journal of the National Medical Association demonstrates that the D.A.R.E. curriculum is highly effective in the prevention of smoking. Students who completed the D.A.R.E. program were five times less likely to start smoking compared to youngsters who did not participate in D.A.R.E.

The D.A.R.E. Halloween party fundraiser was successful again. All monies are applied to purchase D.A.R.E. graduation T-shirts and supplies. I would like to say Thank You to all the Town officials, local businesses, and volunteers for their support of this endeavor.

In closing, this year, I attended a training program on Web Wise Kids that was hosted by the Attorney General's office. The program was designed to educate children about the safety and dangers of the internet. The topics included social networking, blogging, instant messaging, online predators, cyber romances, cyber bullying, identity theft, flaming, and piracy.

*Respectfully submitted,
Det./Ptlm. Ron Rajotte, Badge #5*

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

2007 ANNUAL REPORT

GENERAL HIGHWAY

Maintenance & Repair of Buildings
 Ledge Removal
 Catch Basin Cleaning & Repair
 Chip Brush
 Clean Waterways
 Custodial Services:
 Town House
 Cemetery Maintenance & Internments
 Maintenance of Equipment
 Fall & Spring Leaf Clean-up
 Install Drainage
 Maintenance of Playground
 Plow Snow-Sand & Salt Roads
 Roadside Mowing & Brush Cutting
 Maintenance of Road Shoulder
 Patched & Repaired Roads
 Setting up for Senior Activities/Town House
 Street Sweeping
 Repair & Replacement Street Signs
 Tree Cutting & Pruning

MONIES SPENT

LABOR: **\$243,729.32**
EXPENSE: **\$114,396.29**

SANDING & PLOWING:

Sand Used	508CY
Salt Used	578Tons
Plowing Days	13
Sanding Days	19
Guard Rail Markings	
Snow Stakes Installed	
Waterway Marking & Maintenance	
 Days Sanded-Tahanto	 11

MONIES SPENT:

EXPENSES: **\$5,842.00**
\$16,487.05

Donald C. Parker
 Highway Superintendent

FIRE CHIEF AND FOREST WARDEN 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

It is the mission of the Boylston Fire Department to protect the lives and property of the people in the community from fire, natural disasters, hazardous material incidents and other emergencies by providing prompt, professional service.

The Boylston Fire Department is a combination career/paid on-call department that provides fire protection and ambulance services to the community. The department has a full time fire chief and two full time fire officers who are on duty from 7:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. along with 26 on-call firefighters, many who are also emergency medical technicians. The fire department operates out of a single station located at 599 Main Street. The fire department responds to several hundred calls for emergency service every year ranging from medical emergencies, motor vehicle accidents, structure fires, vehicle fires, brush fires and other alarms. The department operates one basic life support ambulance, two engine companies, one tanker, one specialized rescue vehicle, two brush fire apparatus, a marine unit and two command vehicles. The fire department also provides inspection services, fire prevention and education programs along with community CPR and First Aid classes. Fire department personnel participate in regular training activities to keep their skills current so that they may provide the highest level of care to the community.

In addition to local training, members of the fire department participated in training sponsored by the Massachusetts Department of Fire Services, Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency, National Fire Academy, Massachusetts Water Resource Authority and the Department of Homeland Security. All officers of the fire department obtained certification through the Federal Emergency Management Agency in advanced Incident Command training; this is a national program that teaches management and command techniques for mitigation of large scale incidents. Certification at this level allows the fire department to remain eligible for the federal Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program.

The fire department remained active in 2007 with the enforcement of the new Mass. General Law regarding the installation of carbon monoxide detectors in all residences. The law, known as Nicole's Law, was put into effect after the tragic death of a young girl in Plymouth in 2004 from carbon monoxide poisoning. Nicole's death resulted when a snowdrift blocked the exhaust for a propane-fired furnace causing toxic levels of the colorless, odorless, poisonous gas to develop in her house. The fire department continues to stress the importance of these life-saving devices along with proper functioning and positioned smoke detectors in the home. Fire department representatives are available during the day to answer any questions residents may have regarding smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors. The fire department also reminds all residents to change the batteries in these detectors at least twice a year and to test them regularly.

The fire department was successful in receiving two Assistance to Firefighters Grants within the 2007 calendar year. The first grant was a carryover from a grant applied for in 2006 for the purchase of new, NFPA compliant self contained breathing apparatus and the second grant was for the purchase of an exhaust removal system for the fire station. The two grants totaled \$203,000.00, with the town having to pay only a 5% matching portion of each grant. The breathing apparatus has been purchased and are in service; the exhaust removal system will be purchased and installed in the spring of 2008. The Fire Department wishes to thank Deputy Chief Matthew Ronn and Captain Don MacKenzie for their efforts in working to write these grants that provide the fire department with this life-saving equipment.

The fire department was also successful in obtaining a grant from the Department of Conservation and Recreation for the purchase of a laptop computer and some hazardous materials mitigation software. The computer and software will be used to assist fire department personnel in their response to hazardous materials

incidents and in training activities associated with hazardous materials response. We would like to thank Lt. Jason Bradford for his work in securing this grant for the department.

The Boylston Fire Department, along with the Holden, Sterling and West Boylston Fire Departments continue to be involved in a Regional Emergency Planning Committee that was recognized and certified by MEMA. This committee develops and maintains Comprehensive Emergency Plans to be used in event of any natural disasters or hazardous materials incidents that may occur in the region. The four towns have also developed a regional Community Emergency Response Team (CERT); this team is made up of volunteers who are trained to assist law enforcement and fire department personnel when personnel resources may become overburdened at an incident. Any residents who would like more information on joining the CERT team should contact the Fire Department at (508) 869-2342. The CERT team is a great opportunity for residents to serve their community in a time of need.

The fire department, through its Firefighters Association, awarded its third annual \$500 scholarship to a graduating Tahanto High School senior. This money is made available from generous donations received throughout the year. We would like to thank the families of Bud Fisher and Tex Nelson who both had memorial donations made to the fire department after the two had passed away.

During 2007, the Fire Department responded to the following calls:

Motor vehicle accidents	42
Carbon Monoxide Detectors:	15
Chimney Fires	2
Fire Alarms	48
Grass/Woods/Brush Fires	8
Mutual Aid	15
Fires in a structure	13
Vehicle Fires	2
Investigations	11
Public assist	20

During 2007, the following permits were issued:

Above Ground Storage (LPG)	21
Blasting	5
Certificate of Compliance	80
Fireworks	0
Oil Burner	23
Oil Tank	20
Tank Truck Inspections	4
Underground Storage	5
Burning Permits	298
Tank Removal	5
Woodstove	11
Sprinkler Systems	3

The Fire Department continued to operate its Emergency Medical Services division in 2007. EMS continuing education was conducted on a regular basis so that all Fire Department EMTs maintained current certifications as required by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Emergency Medical Services. The Fire Department worked in conjunction with paramedic services from West Boylston and the University of Massachusetts to provide the town with the highest level of emergency care in the field.

During 2007, the Fire Department EMS responded to the following calls:

Residential Calls (total)	291
(Basic Life Support 276)	
(Advanced Life Support 15)	
Industrial Calls	4
Motor Vehicle Accidents	42
Mutual Aid	10

File of Life pamphlets remain available to all residents; these pamphlets will provide important health information to EMTs in the event of an emergency. These pamphlets can be obtained by calling the fire department office at (508) 869-2342.

The fire department hosted the Wachusett Muster League Firefighter's Muster on June 17th. The fire department demonstrated many firefighting skills and once again won took the Championship Trophy.

Joseph P. Flanagan,
Fire Chief

BERLIN-BOYLSTON REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

The Regional School Committee would like to thank the residents in both towns who supported the Tahanto budget at the May Town meetings, at the successor Town meeting vote in Boylston last June, and throughout the year.

In January the Regional School Committee voted to adopt a Three-Year Financial Forecast which originated from a request made by the Boylston Selectmen. The three-year forecast should be very helpful to school administrators and both Towns' officials. A Five-Year Capital Plan was also approved for Tahanto.

Jeff Wulfson, the Associate Commissioner for the Department of Education, met with us in March to discuss the assessment of capital costs to both towns as it relates to student residents of Berlin and Boylston who choose to attend charter schools or another public school through the School Choice program. This is an issue that needs to be resolved before the towns can move forward with a building project for the Tahanto Regional Middle-High School. A subcommittee was appointed by the School Committee which includes two Selectmen, two Finance Committee members, and two School Committee members; one from each town. We hope to have a recommendation from the subcommittee by March of 2008.

In April, the Regional School Committee voted to offer retired superintendent from Northborough, Robert Melican, a contract as Interim Superintendent for one year through the educational consulting firm, NESDEC. In June we received word that due to a sudden serious illness, Mr. Melican would be unable to serve as Interim Superintendent for our districts. After interviewing five superintendent candidates recommended by the Massachusetts Association of School Committees and NESDEC, the Regional School Committee voted unanimously to hire Dr. Joseph Connelly as Interim Superintendent to work through June 2008. Joe retired as Superintendent of the Stoneham Public Schools in June and came on board in Berlin-Boylston during the second week of August. Dr. Marcia Lukon agreed to continue as Acting Superintendent for eight weeks after her contract expired on June 30th; three weeks being an unpaid leave of absence.

In June 2007, after almost two years in negotiations and mediation, the Regional School Committee voted to ratify a successor contract with the Tahanto Teachers. The previous contract expired in August of 2006. At the completion of negotiations, both parties agreed to meet in late November to discuss improving communication and identifying strategies that could be used in future collective bargaining. It was a very successful meeting.

During the end of July, Tahanto suffered some severe water damage due to significant flooding caused by a broken water pipe. Once again the Committee would like to thank all those who helped to clean and repair the lower level of the building in time for the start of school in late August.

In August the Committee appointed Joseph R. Meichelbeck as Treasurer for the Region. He replaces Donna Erickson, who retired and moved to California. Cheryl Sharon was hired as the Assistant to the Finance Director for all three districts due to a resignation.

In 2006 a Statement of Interest form was submitted to the MSBA (Massachusetts School Building Authority), in order to apply for funds from the State for a building project for the Tahanto Regional Middle-High School. The priorities cited by the School Building Committee in the Statement of Interest were:

- Prevention of the loss of accreditation.
- Replacement, renovation or modernization of the heating system in a schoolhouse to increase energy conservation and decrease energy related costs.
- Replacement or addition to obsolete buildings in order to provide for a full range of programs consistent with state and approved local requirements.

Thank you to the School Building Committee members for all of their hard work over the last several years. The most important work is soon to begin.

In late August, a representative from the MSBA toured the Tahanto facility. At the end of November the MSBA, which is now being run by the Treasurer's Office, notified the Regional School District that we had been chosen to move on to the Feasibility Study phase for a renovation/new building project for Tahanto. We look forward to bringing more information on the building project to the Annual Town meetings.

Judy, Rebecca and I, along with Dr. Connelly, attended the MASC/MASS Conference and the Annual Delegate Assembly in Hyannis this fall, bringing back a tremendous amount of information to help us to better serve as your elected/appointed officials.

The Committee voted to have the consulting firm NESDEC assist the Regional School Committee with the Superintendent Search for our three districts. A screening committee made up of School Committee members, administrators, teachers, support staff, Town officials, parents and community members was appointed to review applications, interview applicants, and vote on the candidates to send forward for a final round of interviews by the School Committee. The School Committee should make a final decision on the Superintendent position in March. Thank you to all who filled out a survey to identify which skills are most important for a Superintendent. Excellent communication and budget development skills were the top priority of the respondents. Thanks also to those who volunteered to be on the Screening Committee. We are now in the process of looking over 18 applications.

Kathy and I continue to work with Mike Gilbert of MASC and the Superintendent on updating and review of our Policy book. We completed Sections G, *Personnel*, and Section H, *Negotiations*, this year.

In October, Tahanto Regional Middle-High School was voted by the Committee to be identified as an Emergency Dispensing Site to be used in the event that a large-scale communicable disease or bio-terrorism event occurs.

We were pleased to accept the gift of new bleachers for the Tahanto gymnasium. The Fuller Foundation donated \$25,000 and the Tahanto Athletic Booster Club worked to raise a matching \$25,000 to fully fund the \$50,000 project. We also want to thank Mr. Rudy Lambracht of the Boylston Parks and Recreation for offering the manpower and expertise in helping to restore the Varsity Soccer and Baseball fields this fall.

Dr. Connelly is in the process of looking into the possibility of erecting a cell tower on the school district property. It could bring in substantial revenue for the school.

The School Committee would like to thank the student members of the School Committee for 2007, Nikki Scott and Tom Gibson, who kept us updated on all of the student activities and provided us with the student point of view at our meetings.

Special thanks to SEPAC (the Special Education Parent Advisory Committee) and the TPTO (Tahanto Parent Teacher Organization) for their support throughout the year.

I would like to personally thank each of the School Committee members for putting forth their best efforts to work together this year. I feel that we have had some major accomplishments and the success of our decisions is based on all of us trying to come to a Committee decision collectively while having respect for each others' individual opinions and most importantly keeping in mind what is best for our students' education. Thank you!

In 2008 we will be discussing:

- The educational benefits of moving the 6th grades at both elementary schools to Tahanto.
- The building project for Tahanto.

Our meetings are on the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 7:30 PM. I have attached an attendance record for the 2007 Regional School Committee meetings for your information.

Please visit the School districts' website(s) created at www.bbrsd.org

Respectfully submitted for the Committee by,

Chris Keefe
Chairman

Rebecca Dono Healy
Vice Chair

Ruth Blandin
Secretary

Vincent Perrone

Kathy Buchanan

Judy Booman

Berlin-Boylston Regional School Committee Meetings
ATTENDANCE RECORD
January – December 2007

23 Meetings Held

Attendance Source: Approved Minutes of Meetings

<u>Members</u>	<u>Meetings Attended</u>
R. Blandin	22
J. Booman	22
K. Buchanan	20
R. DonoHealy	23
C. Keefe	22
V. Perrone	18

BOYLSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

I am pleased to submit the 2007 Boylston School Committee report to the citizens of Boylston. Town By-law requires attendance at committee meetings be reported on an annual basis. In 2007, the Boylston School Committee held 17 meetings. Kathleen Buchanan was in attendance for 16; Vincent Perrone was present for 14; and Rebecca DonoHealy attended 17. Our School Committee meeting format and schedule, as initiated in 2004, continued with both the Boylston Elementary Committee and Regional School Committee meeting on the first Wednesday of the month. Both committees conduct their meetings in the Tahanto Library Media Center on the second floor, with the Elementary Committee meetings being called to order at 6:15 p.m. and the Regional Committee meetings starting at 7:30 p.m.

By School Committee policy, the School Committee's reorganization meeting takes place at the first meeting following Town elections each year. In June 2007, Vincent Perrone was elected to serve as Chairman of the Boylston School Committee for the 2007/2008 school year. Rebecca DonoHealy was elected Vice-Chair and Kathleen Buchanan as Secretary.

The 2007 school year could best be described as a very challenging year, due in large part to the continuing financial constraints faced by the Town of Boylston. Chapter 70 State aid once again proved to be inadequate to help Boylston meet escalating operational costs driven by heat and utilities, special education and wages.

The Boylston School Department also was faced with the need to replace its two key administrative positions, namely the Superintendent of Schools and Boylston Elementary Principal. Due to the late departure of Marcia Lukon, the School Committee felt a Superintendent search conducted in the late spring or early summer months would not generate an adequate pool of candidates. As a result, the School Committee chose to hire an Interim Superintendent for the 2007/2008 school year and to conduct an intensive search for a permanent Superintendent during the months of December 2007 through February 2008.

During the month of July 2007, the School Committee interviewed five candidates for the Interim Superintendent position. Dr. Joseph J. Connelly was unanimously elected to serve as the Superintendent of Schools through June 2008. Dr. Connelly retired in June 2007 as Superintendent of Schools for the Town of Stoneham. He comes to Berlin and Boylston with over twenty years experience as a Massachusetts Superintendent. During his career as an educator, he also served sixteen years as an elementary and middle school principal in the Town of Wilmington, Massachusetts. His extensive experience with school construction, budget management, and school building level administration made him ideally suited to oversee the Berlin and Boylston public schools as they dealt with the need to renovate and/or rebuild Tahanto Regional Middle/High School and continued to struggle with numerous fiscal problems.

Following an unsuccessful search for a principal for Boylston Elementary School, Dr. Stephen Dlott's contract as interim principal was extended through June 2008. It is hoped a new principal search during the winter months of 2008 will produce an elementary principal candidate considered to be an ideal match for Boylston Elementary School to be hired with a projected start date of July 1, 2008.

On behalf of the Boylston Elementary School Committee, I extend my appreciation to all the parents, volunteers and community members for their continued generosity and support of our school. Daily parental and community involvement in our school has allowed the school staff to enhance the educational experience for all students. In July 2007, spearheaded by Wendy Lonstein, a large cadre of dedicated parents and community volunteers completed phase one of a major Boylston Elementary School playground reconstruction project. This effort produced a playground that included 8 swings and safe age-appropriate climbing structures constructed on a child-safe bed of wood chips. Phase two, to be completed during the 2008 school year, will continue to expand and upgrade this highly used play structure.

Budget

In February 2007, Dr. Lukon and Mr. Roy presented the 2007/2008 proposed budget of \$3,713,009 to the School Committee. Following several months of collaborative effort on the part of school and Town officials, a final budget of \$3,562,544 was presented at the annual Town Meeting in May 2007. This budget called for an increase of \$364,566 or 11.4% over fiscal year 2007. It was also dependent upon a successful Proposition 2 ½ override of \$451,010. At a special election held in June 2007, this override was defeated.

At a Special Town meeting held on June 25, 2007, with support from the Board of Selectmen and the Boylston Finance Committee, the Town voted to transfer from free cash and other accounts \$300,000 to be added to the FY2008 Boylston school budget. \$200,000 was allocated to Boylston Elementary School and \$100,000 was allocated to the Tahanto Regional Middle/High School budget. These additional funds helped avoid serious staff and program reductions in both schools for at least one more fiscal year.

Policy

The Policy Subcommittee continued to meet regularly throughout the year updating the current school committee policies for the three school districts. It is hoped the Policy Subcommittee will be able to complete the substantial task of reviewing and revising the School Committee policy book by the end of the 2007/2008 school year.

Negotiations

Negotiations with all collective bargaining units and non-represented employees were successfully completed in June 2007. Negotiations for successor contracts had been on-going for over 15 months. Contract settlement agreements called for most school employees to receive a 3% increase for FY2008.

School Improvement Plans

As one of her final official acts as Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Lukon had the honor of recommending School Committee approval of Boylston Elementary's School Improvement Plan for 2007/2008. The goals of this plan continued to emphasize the need to implement new school literacy and math programs. It also called for expanded home/school communication and a continued effort to meet "No Child Left Behind" adequate yearly progress at all grade levels. The School Committee voted to accept the 2007/2008 School Improvement Plan as presented and also conveyed their appreciation to all school department personnel.

During the past year, the Boylston Education Foundation, Inc. awarded 9 grants for a total of \$10,500 in funding. We again thank the Educational Foundation for their on-going dedication and generosity to the Boylston Elementary School and its staff and students. The Boylston Elementary School Foundation, established in 1996, is an independent, non-profit organization. Tax-deductible contributions can be made to this foundation in support of projects initiated by the teachers and students.

In closing, on behalf of the Boylston Elementary School Committee, I convey my deep appreciation to residents of Boylston for their support of our efforts to provide the children of Boylston with the quality educational program they deserve and I commend the school department's administrative staff for a job well done.

Respectfully submitted,

*Vincent J. Perrone
Chairman, Boylston School Committee*

TAHANTO REGIONAL MIDDLE / HIGH SCHOOL

2007 ANNUAL REPORT

In October 2007, a Two-Year Progress Report was provided to the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) in order to address issues from its visitation in 2005. In a letter dated February 8, 2007, the commission noted commendation for progress made on its 2005 accreditation visit recommendations. However, a detailed time-line to fully address all facilities deficiencies was requested in a Two-Year Progress Report. As a follow-up the Tahanto Building Committee wrote the Statement of Interest required by the State School Building Authority in order to be considered for a state funded school building project. In the fall of 2007, Tahanto received word from the state that it was one of 49 schools approved for a feasibility study. This decision by the state determined that Tahanto met the criteria of having the neediest facility conditions.

On December 7, 2007, new bleachers were dedicated in the gym thanks to the fundraising efforts of the Tahanto Booster Club and the matching grant provided by the Fuller Foundation. The drive to replace the bleachers was spearheaded after the 2005 NEASC Report recommended replacement due to concerns for safety. These bleachers will be a part of any new building project or renovation in the future.

In the 10th grade MCAS Tahanto students once again performed well. In the English Language Arts portion of the exam 89% achieved Advanced or Proficient status. **In science, students taking the Chemistry Competency test ranked first in the State.**

Of the graduating class of 2007, 94% were going on to college with two students entering the armed services. The mean SAT scores for the class of 2007 were 527 in verbal, 515 in mathematics, and 518 in the writing portion. These were all above the national averages.

The 2007-08 Lions Club Speech Contest winners were Allison Sequeira of Boylston and Angela Wheeler of Berlin. Both girls won the school and zone competitions and competed in the regional zone competition. The Lions Club also sponsored the Tahanto students who attended Boys and Girls State. Representatives from Boylston were James Ricciardi, Liza Sokolowski and Lauren MacQueen.

Travel for Tahanto's History Club was to Honolulu, Hawaii, this year over the February school break. Once again, the History Club sponsored a Veteran's Day Assembly in which over 80 veterans were honored guests. The Science Club started a recycling program with a dumpster provided by the Abitibi Company.

For the class of 2007, the Superintendent's Award went to Brendan Shanahan of Boylston and the Principal's Award for outstanding leadership went to Gena Ricciardi. The valedictorian of the class was Amanda Batstone of Berlin, and the salutatorian was Brendan Shanahan.

Abigail Adams Scholarship winners for 2007 were 39% of the class and these students were entitled to receive free tuition at Massachusetts State Colleges.

The Tahanto Model United Nations team once again received an Outstanding Delegation Award at the UMASS Conference.

In the music department, a number of students participated in the Central District Music Festival. The Middle School Jazz Band and the High School Jazz Band each received a Silver Medal at this year's IAJE Jazz Festivals. Four Middle School Jazz Students were selected to the Central District Jazz Band, comprising ¼ of the entire ensemble. They were: Michael Lindsay, trumpet; Steve Gebo, alto sax; Noah Cornville, bass; and Robert Joyce, guitar. Dilara Yilmaz and Jennifer Flanagan performed in the District Band and Christina Barry sang in the District Chorus. Richard Buxton was chosen to sing with the Central District Chorus in 2008. The High School Band & Chorus went to Quebec, Canada and performed a concert tour at Pont Rouge High School and St. Anne De Beaupre Basilica.

Brendan Shanahan and Christian Tremblay were selected for the High School District Jazz Band. Andrew Ryan played for the District Band.

In sports, the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) awarded Tahanto another League Sportsmanship Award. The Varsity Field Hockey Team was a co-league champion. The Boys Varsity Soccer Team played in the District Semi-finals, completing a very successful year of play. In golf, Michael Blomgren was voted MVP in the Midland-Wachusett League D division.

Respectfully submitted,

*Carol Bryngelson
Principal*

BOYLSTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

It is with great pleasure that I submit my second annual report to the community. Since my appointment in August of 2006, I have been continually impressed by the quality of the education provided at the Boylston Elementary School. I attribute this to a dedicated staff, a supportive community and wonderful children.

This year, we have welcomed several new staff members to our school. We have introduced Carolyn Thaler and David Sparks as new sixth grade teachers. Julie Belbin has joined us as a remedial math tutor, and Sharon Bokankowitz has assumed responsibilities as a library paraprofessional. In addition, Pam Sylvia, Jennifer Kelly, and Karen Bjorn have become classroom paras at BES. We look forward to these educators strengthening the BES team,

As prescribed by the Education Reform Act, we have in place a school improvement council, which sets goals and reviews the budget process. This year's committee is currently working in the areas of language arts, mathematics, and citizenship. The school council also serves as an advisory committee for the school budget process. The current members of the council are: Stephen Dlott (principal), Jean Giguere (teacher), Karen Carter (teacher) Gigi Lewis (parent), Sarah Scheinfein (parent), Karen Groccia (parent), and Jessica Bourque (community member). The Council generally meets one evening a month and the meetings are posted at the town hall. The public is always welcome at these meetings.

The Parent Teacher Organization continues to support and enrich the culture and school community at Boylston Elementary School. I would like to thank Jen McGrath, Lynn Gross, and Becky Beaupre for their continued service and support of the school through the PTO. They have helped the school by organizing fundraisers to offer enrichment programs such as field trips and specialized presentations brought into the school. The PTO has provided the school with a number of volunteers who have helped in a variety of ways that truly benefit our school. One of their current efforts is directed toward improving the playground. Wendy Lonstein has coordinated this effort. In September a group of parents and community members built phase I of the playground which included swings and a large play structure. The students have greatly enjoyed this new equipment during recess, weekends and after school. Fund raising for phase II has already begun. We thank the PTO, the volunteers and members of the community for their support and contributions.

In the area of curriculum, the staff is focusing on language arts. Sue Bardsley, a consultant, from the Westborough Public Schools, and Mary Barbara Hughes, the former reading coordinator from the Fitchburg Public Schools have presented staff development programs in literacy for the BES staff. We are now working specifically with improving student reading comprehension. Leveled books have begun to be purchased which will allow our students to develop skills through readers carefully selected to the interests and reading levels of the students. A literacy closet has been established, and books have begun to arrive. The Boylston Elementary School Foundation donated seed money for the project. We have also instituted a Making Meaning program, which stresses comprehension strategies.

We were pleased to see the results of the MCAS tests administered to students last April and May. Again this year our student met the federal AYP standard for both math and language arts. In addition, we continue to exceed the state average in grades three, four and five. At the sixth grade level we scored slightly below the state average in math, and we will be working to improve scores in this area. As a school we are working on open response questions so that our students will be able to answer the questions with supporting evidence. This will not only help on MCAS but more importantly it will prepare them to answer more complex questions as they advance through BES and then into Tahanto.

I invite you to keep informed about the school through either the Boylston Elementary *Scoop* or the regional newsletter. There are many exciting activities.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Dlott
Principal

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

2007 ANNUAL REPORT

I am pleased to submit the 2007 annual Superintendent's report to the citizens of Berlin and Boylston. I am honored to have this opportunity to serve as the acting educational leader of your schools during the 2007/2008 school year. As your Superintendent of Schools, I have worked closely with the staff from each school, Town officials from each Town, and many citizens and parent volunteers. I have also had the chance to watch the youth of each community as they actively engage in their educational development. I have been truly impressed by the commitment and the dedication to excellence that is demonstrated by the entire Berlin-Boylston educational community.

The Berlin and Boylston communities are, indeed, fortunate to be served by three very capable and committed School Committee members from each Town. These individuals willingly and generously give of their time and talents to ensure that every Berlin and Boylston student receives an educational program that allows them to maximize their talents and abilities.

In recent years, due in large part to declining state aide and escalating costs in the area of employee health insurance, heat and utilities, and special education, the ability to adequately fund our Town school budgets has become increasingly more difficult. Working closely and cooperatively with the Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee members from each Town, the Berlin and Boylston School Committees were able to make difficult but wise decisions which allowed each Town to approve modest but necessary budgets.

Berlin Town Meeting voted a FY2008 school budget of \$2,585,926, an increase of 5.0% over the FY2007 school budget. The Boylston voters did not approve a Proposition 2 ½ operating budget override of \$686,548 designated for the schools. To avoid harmful budget reductions resulting from this failed override, the Town held a Special Town Meeting on June 25, 2007 at which time \$300,000 from Free Cash and other funds was appropriated to assist the Boylston Elementary School budget and Tahanto Regional School budget. The additional funds allocated to the Boylston Elementary budget provided for a FY2008 school budget of \$3,338,065, which still represented a decrease in funding of almost 1% over the FY2007 elementary school budget. The final approved Tahanto FY2008 school budget was \$6,435,510, an increase of only 1.7% over FY2007.

The following capital improvement warrant articles were approved for Boylston Elementary School:

- Replacement of HVAC control software - \$25,000
- Repair and partial replacement of elementary school roof - \$16,500
- Replacement of school library carpet - \$13,500

In Berlin, capital warrant articles were approved for the following at Berlin Memorial School:

- Instructional technology computer replacement program - \$15,000
- Classroom sound system - \$13,000
- Installation of a playground drainage system - \$6,100
- Air conditioning for the teledata control room at Berlin Memorial - \$5,000
- Berlin Memorial School door lock repairs - \$5,200
- Berlin Memorial gymnasium bleacher repairs - \$4,500

In late July 2007, the Tahanto Regional Middle-High School experienced a serious and damaging flood in the lower level of the school facility. A malfunctioning pressure valve caused the flood. It resulted in the lower level of the school being flooded with up to four feet of water. The flood happened just weeks before the school

was scheduled to reopen for the 2007/2008 academic year. Close to \$100,000 in damages to the heating system, a variety of equipment and furniture threatened to delay the opening of school in late August. Due to the overwhelming assistance received from Town of Boylston's DPW, Light, Police and Fire Departments, plus the outstanding efforts made by the Tahanto maintenance and administrative staffs, the school did open on time with little or no disruption to the students and staff.

In September, the Berlin Boylston Regional School Committee held a recognition ceremony and presented Certificates of Appreciation to the many school and Town employees who willingly offered much needed assistance with the massive clean-up effort that was required.

In September, the Berlin School Committee also recognized the fine work performed by the Berlin Department of Public Works during the summer to correct a serious Berlin Memorial School drainage problem. In recognition of their assistance, the School Committee presented Mr. Bartlett and several of his staff with Certificates of Appreciation.

In late July, much attention was also given to the pending Tahanto Regional School Building Project. In the spring of 2007, the Tahanto Building Committee and Tahanto school officials submitted a "Statement of Interest" to the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) outlining the physical deficiencies of the 48-year-old Tahanto Regional Middle-High School. In July 2007, the State of Massachusetts' four-year moratorium on school construction projects was lifted and MSBA began reviewing over 400 "Statements of Interest" submitted from school systems throughout the State. Review of the Tahanto project involved an on-site visit to Tahanto by MSBA officials in August 2007.

In November 2007, the MSBA officially announced 162 of the over 400 school projects had been approved for further study and possible school construction funding. The Tahanto project was one of 43 to receive an initial approval for a "Feasibility Invitation". On January 16, 2008 representatives from the Superintendent of School's office, Berlin-Boylston Regional School Committee and Tahanto Building Committee met with the MSBA to discuss how the physical deficiencies of the 48-year-old building were impacting the educational programs. As a result of this meeting, it is hoped Tahanto will be approved to proceed with a Feasibility and Schematic Design Study. It is anticipated the MSBA decision should be announced by March 2008. Part of the decision will also encompass whether or not Tahanto will be approved as a renovation only project or involve some scope of new construction. If approved, the feasibility/schematic design phase could take approximately six months, followed by another 18 months or more of construction/renovation. It is the goal of the Berlin-Boylston Regional School Committee and Tahanto Building Committee to have a new and/or renovated school completed in time for the 2011/2012 school year.

Informing the citizens of Berlin and Boylston concerning the needs of this project, as well as the financial implications, is considered essential. Once MSBA approval to move forward with the project is obtained, every effort will be made to fully inform the citizens about every aspect of the proposed project.

The 2007/2008 school year can also be described as a year of transition for many key administrative positions within the school department. In July 2007, Marcia Lukon officially resigned from her position as Superintendent of the Berlin-Boylston Public Schools, a position she had held since August 2003. The Regional School Committee contracted with the New England School Development Council (NESDEC) to assist them in hiring an Acting Superintendent of Schools for the 2007/2008 school year and to coordinate the search for a new Superintendent to be hired effective July 1, 2008. Following a public interview of five acting superintendent candidates, the Regional School Committee unanimously elected Dr. Joseph J. Connelly to serve as the Acting Superintendent of Schools through June 2008.

Dr. Connelly retired in June 2007 as Superintendent of Schools for the Town of Stoneham. He comes to Berlin and Boylston with over 35 years of successful experience as a public school administrator in Massachusetts. He served for 16 years as an elementary principal, middle school principal and business manager in the Town of Wilmington. He also spent 12 years as Superintendent of Schools for the Tri-Town School Union, which serves

the Towns of Boxford, Topsfield and Middleton, before beginning his ten-year tenure as Superintendent for the Stoneham Public Schools.

Following an unsuccessful search for a principal for the Boylston Elementary School, Dr. Steve Dlott, who had been serving as the Acting Principal since the departure of Principal Cheryl Carlson, was reappointed for the 2007/2008 school year. Dr. Dlott is the retired Superintendent of Schools in Westborough. During his successful career as a school administrator, Dr. Dlott spent many years in Berlin and Boylston as the Assistant Principal and then Principal of Tahanto Regional Middle-High School. As a result, Dr. Dlott possesses a strong knowledge of the local school communities, which has allowed him to be highly successful in his interim capacity.

In May 2007, Richard Borowiec notified the Superintendent's office that he would be retiring effective July 31, 2007 as Principal of Berlin Memorial School. Mr. Borowiec had served as Principal since August 2005. Due to the lateness of Mr. Borowiec's resignation, the search for a replacement principal also proved unsuccessful. On the recommendation of Superintendent Lukon, the Berlin School Committee decided to delay the search for a new principal until January 2008. This decision was based on the feeling a January to April principal search period would produce the strongest candidate pool.

Ms. Gail Bisceglia was hired to serve as Acting Principal of the Berlin Memorial School for the 2007/2008 school year. Ms. Bisceglia is a retired elementary principal who successfully served for many years in the neighboring Town of Shrewsbury.

Under the leadership of Superintendent Connelly, a principal search procedure was established for Boylston and Berlin in December 2007. A search committee comprised of parents, teachers, and administrators will carry out the two principal searches during the months of January through March 2008. It is hoped the new elementary principals for both Berlin and Boylston can be identified by April 2008 and be ready to begin their employment by July 1, 2008.

During the months of October, November and December 2007, much of the school administration's time was dedicated to the development of a fiscally responsible FY2009 school budget. To this end, several revenue producing initiatives have been explored that could potentially generate much needed revenue to offset developing fiscal needs. Currently under investigation at both elementary schools is the offering of a school-age child care program to be implemented in September 2008. This program would provide child care to the children of Berlin and Boylston each school day from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Existing elementary school staff would run the program. It is hoped the optional fee-based program would meet the child care needs of the communities and also generate much needed revenue for each school.

Efforts are currently underway to increase daily enrollment in the existing fee-based full day kindergarten and preschool programs at Boylston Elementary and Berlin Memorial. Increased enrollments in these programs translates to increased revenue, which will help offset operational costs of each Town's early childhood programs.

At Tahanto, a subcommittee is currently researching the feasibility of constructing a cell tower in the rear of the Regional school property. If a cell tower can be built on Tahanto property, it is anticipated that it could generate substantial revenue each year to be used to help defray the cost of on-going capital repairs at Tahanto.

At the November 7, 2007 Regional School Committee meeting, Lauren MacQueen was recognized as the 2008 recipient of the MASS Academic Excellence Award. Each Superintendent of Schools in Massachusetts has the honor of selecting a student from the Senior class to receive this award. Lauren was awarded this special recognition for her outstanding academic achievement and positive impact on her school community.

In another special student recognition ceremony, this time held as part of a breakfast awards program, Principal Carol Bryngelson announced the names of this year's John and Abigail Adams Scholarship recipients from the

Tahanto Senior class. The John and Abigail Adams Scholarship is presented annually to members of the Senior class who score in the top 25% on the State MCAS in their district. Each recipient is eligible to receive a full tuition paid scholarship to any Massachusetts State college or university.

The citizens of Berlin and Boylston and community service organizations continued their generous support for our schools. There has been ongoing evidence of community commitment to the quality of our schools as evidenced by high levels of volunteerism, fundraising efforts, advocacy, committee involvement and budget support. Your support has been critical to the progress we have made this year toward achieving the goals that we collaboratively established as the Berlin-Boylston Public Schools' Strategic Plan in the fall of 2004. I am pleased to report that through the hard work of all stakeholders we have made significant progress on our four strategic improvement goals:

- To increase the percentage of students who score in the proficient and advanced categories of MCAS;
- To provide safe and appropriate educational facilities for Berlin-Boylston students, staff, and community;
- To improve internal and external communications within the school districts;
- To maximum the utilization of available and potential funds.

Our communities continue to work toward the attainment of educational excellence. To do that we must continue to improve our programs and instruction. I think that we all share the belief that we cannot afford to become complacent or satisfied with the status-quo; but rather that we must continue to meet the challenges ahead in order to enhance and improve our students' performance in meeting the Massachusetts learning standards over the coming years. This year our efforts have focused on continuing to improve mathematics instruction and on improving instruction in literacy.

Based on District MCAS results, the Department of Education determined that Berlin Memorial, Boylston Elementary and Tahanto Regional Middle-High School have each continued to make Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) in both English language arts and mathematics over the past two years. This good news shows that the schools' improvement initiatives are positively impacting instruction and achievement, and that progress is being made toward bringing all students to proficiency and beyond. In 2007, I am proud to announce Tahanto students scored #1 in the State MCAS Chemistry exam.

In closing, I want to thank the Berlin Boylston Regional School Committee for giving me the opportunity to work with the many dedicated people who make the Berlin and Boylston schools so successful. It has been a pleasure and honor to be a part of the Berlin/Boylston school community. On behalf of our students and staff, I thank the citizens of Berlin and Boylston for their continued support of equality education.

Respectfully submitted,

*Joseph J. Connelly, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools*

OFFICE OF PUPIL PERSONNEL SERVICES

2007 ANNUAL REPORT

The Pupil Personnel Services Office of Berlin and Boylston continues its efforts to insure excellent services to students who have learning differences and disabilities. Communication amongst professionals, parents, outside providers and students, coordination of support services, smooth organization, and timeliness to the support service offerings in our three schools have been and continue to be priority areas of focus for this office. Compliance with regulations and building skills and knowledge in new areas has afforded our teachers, both specialists and general education staff, with significant opportunities for professional development. Continual evaluation and refinement of educational opportunities to meet the needs of all learners is at the core of our educational activities.

Our three schools have made significant progress in the area of meeting the needs of Berlin and Boylston's second language learners. We have come far in developing programs for our increasing population of students who are English Language Learners. The challenge of building ESL programs in each school is substantial. Since last year, we have continued to build our professional knowledge base of best teaching methods for our students who are limited English proficient. We have established procedures in each school for identifying students in need of ELE services and must develop clear written policies to reflect our practice. Appropriately credentialed teachers have been identified and hired to work with these students and to provide support and guidance to our staff. Our teaching staff is participating in state required training in "Sheltering English Instruction" consisting of approximately 90 hours of professional development across four different topics (categories). It is with great enthusiasm and pride that we can reflect back on the accomplishments of the three schools in this area since our last report. Meeting the challenges provide exciting opportunities for the Public Schools of Berlin-Boylston as we strive to meet our strategic goal of improving the achievement of all of our students.

As evidence of our steps forward in this area, please note the following: at present, we have half time ESL (English as a Second Language) certified teachers in each of our schools. Additionally, general education teachers have participated actively and with frequency in state required training in "Sheltering English Instruction". Indeed, at present, we have ten middle school teachers who volunteered to attend trainings in at least one of the four required areas of sheltered instruction. At Boylston Elementary School, twelve teachers have participated in trainings, six having completed two of the four requirements. At Berlin Memorial School seven teachers have completed coursework with two having completed two of the four requirements. Our faculty is to be commended for actively pursuing this important professional development! The instructional strategy training benefits not only our second language learners but all our students.

It has been almost three years since the Department of Education (DOE) completed its program review of our three schools. As part of the process of on going monitoring, representatives from DOE will return to our districts in May 2008 for a Mid-Cycle Review. Our DOE liaisons will review our action plan activities that have occurred in response to the last program review. They will find that there has been considerable training in many areas identified as needing more attention. The Pupil Personnel Office has delivered training to special education personnel in the areas of assessment, writing measurable goals and benchmarks, collaboration amongst special education and general education faculty, transition services for students age fourteen and older, preschool collaboration and improving transition into school for preschoolers and kindergarten age youth.

Our DOE visitors will find the school districts' and towns' commitment to our students evident in the financial commitment seen by adding staff to meet the direct instructional needs of our at risk students. Since our last report, we now benefit from remedial tutors at Boylston Elementary School in reading and math, ESL teachers at all three schools, and part-time Team Chairs at each school whose sole focus is to provide oversight, monitoring and implementation of special education programs and procedures.

Further, our program reviewers will also find a reborn special education Parent Advisory Council (SEPAC) that has been very active in representing the needs of students with special needs. The SEPAC has provided excellent

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information sessions open to all parents. SEPAC leadership participate in building based parent-teacher organizations, school based councils and school committee meetings. The communication efforts of this group can be felt across all districts and both towns.

The responsiveness of all constituents in addressing the varied needs of our students has been impressive and significant. Given the complexity of federal and state educational regulations (No Child Left Behind, Individuals with Disabilities Improvement Act, MA Special Education Regulations, MA English Language Learner Regulations) and the increasingly complex needs of children, we must continue to strive to meet the needs of diverse learners through a variety of activities. Our work cannot and has not stopped. Collaboration is the key to marshalling and implementing resources to meet the needs of all learners. Administrative collaboration along with the establishment and maintenance of partnerships between teaching teams of general educators, special educators, ESL specialists, remedial tutors, guidance, school psychologists and school nurses must be a priority. We must work together to identify resources and strategies to differentiate instruction and provide instructional and social support as needed to our students. We are rich in talent in our three schools. We must continue to strive to harness our talent to meet the ever changing and ever more complex demands of our educational system.

The people of Berlin and Boylston have much of which to be proud in the education of their children. The faculty expertise, dedication, knowledge and commitment to each child are unmistakable. All are dedicated to the overarching goal of success and achievement for all students. It is through the collaborative efforts of all in the administration and the schools that we effectively meet the challenge to insure faculty is well equipped, both in training and in resources, to successfully service the needs of all of our students. This collaboration has been fruitful and energizing, bringing us closer to our goal to maximize teachers' capacity to serve all our students. The coordination of efforts, resources and communication has and will continue to positively impact our ability to effectively meet the unique needs of all of our students.

Respectively submitted,

*Judith Vaillancourt
Director of Pupil Personnel Services*

BERLIN-BOYLSTON REGIONAL SCHOOL SALARIES 2007

Last Name	First Name	2007 Salary	Last Name	First Name	2007 Salary	Last Name	First Name	2007 Salary
Adams	John	\$ 390.00	Garbin	Marylynn	\$ 68,039.00	Porcaro	Matthew	\$ 55,544.00
Adams	Natalie	\$ 57,069.00	Gardella	Christine	\$ 390.00	Proctor	Mary	\$ 38,021.00
Agustin	Rony	\$ 33,999.00	Gardner	Danielle	\$ 25,159.00	Purcell	Irene	\$ 18,363.00
Alwis	Jane	\$ 14,360.00	Giguere	Robin	\$ 1,146.00	Ramstrom	Janet	\$ 41,518.00
Ament	Janet	\$ 17,674.00	Gleason	Francene	\$ 59,037.00	Roy	John	\$ 44,558.00
Anderson	Abigail	\$ 57,008.00	Gleason	Krystal-Lee	\$ 1,764.00	Ruane	Maureen	\$ 650.00
Anguilo	Kathleen	\$ 21,905.00	Goulet	Joel	\$ 2,139.00	Sequeira	Lisa	\$ 1,425.00
Anttila	Delia	\$ 18,076.00	Green	Laurel	\$ 455.00	Sharon	Cheryl	\$ 8,568.00
Apostolou	Alice	\$ 69,406.00	Greenwald	Neil	\$ 63,512.00	Shuman	Jean	\$ 62,437.00
Baer	Mary	\$ 53,027.00	Gustavson	Lizbeth	\$ 34,172.00	Sokolowski	Linda	\$ 10,213.00
Bagshaw	Elizabeth	\$ 15,682.00	Holyoak	James	\$ 585.00	Starsiak	Richard	\$ 38,806.00
Baker	Nikito	\$ 325.00	Howard	Paul	\$ 3,725.00	Svenning	Ellen	\$ 66,052.00
Ball	Barbara	\$ 59,925.00	Hughson	Denise	\$ 10,357.00	Sydow	Karen	\$ 195.00
Barry	Irene	\$ 68,340.00	Hurley	Mary Ellen	\$ 41,809.00	Tappin	Donna	\$ 16,998.00
Bartsch	Janine	\$ 3,930.00	Karpicus	Thomas	\$ 59,401.00	Tarallo	Lori	\$ 44,670.00
Batten	Sharon	\$ 490.00	Kerrigan	Patricia	\$ 60,886.00	Thurston	Myrtle	\$ 26,286.00
Blackler	Lindsay	\$ 46,236.00	Kilcoyne	Sean	\$ 36,931.00	Trafecante	Rossella	\$ 5,292.00
Blais	Debra	\$ 15,152.00	Klein-Mack	Carol	\$ 14,213.00	Tremblay	Evan	\$ 725.00
Blais	Nicole	\$ 65.00	Koogler	Joan	\$ 775.00	Tremblay	Jesse	\$ 2,895.00
Boatwright	Margaret	\$ 9,137.00	Kunhardt-Proulx	Louisa	\$ 65.00	Tremblay	Marsha	\$ 42,021.00
Boudreau	Nicholas	\$ 16,118.00	Kwederis	Steven	\$ 69,226.00	Trudeau	Elizabeth	\$ 5,718.00
Boudreau	Susan	\$ 25,109.00	LaValle	Denise	\$ 20,434.00	Tsombakos	John	\$ 7,025.00
Brenner	Jennifer	\$ 127.00	Lavelle	Jane	\$ 32,513.00	Tucceri	Diane	\$ 82,844.00
Brown	Rebecca	\$ 1,325.00	Lavin	Joseph	\$ 884.00	Vaillancourt	Judith	\$ 43,742.00
Bryngelson	Carol	\$ 85,003.00	Lish	Rebekah	\$ 53,996.00	Velazquez	Madeline	\$ 52,095.00
Caffrey	Jennifer	\$ 51,695.00	Lukon	Marcia	\$ 45,236.00	Wells-Dufresne	Kim	\$ 65,648.00
Cain	Richard	\$ 69,460.00	MacKinnon	Charles	\$ 6,122.00	Whitehead	Diana	\$ 14,213.00
Callahan	Patricia	\$ 44,352.00	MacQueen	Eileen	\$ 700.00	Whitehead	William	\$ 16,074.00
Chamberlain	Megan	\$ 16,206.00	Maki	Dale	\$ 2,236.00	Wolf	Avi	\$ 40,326.00
Chamberland	Christine	\$ 15,135.00	Maki	Peter	\$ 76,473.00	Zaleski	Barbara	\$ 69,191.00
Chivallati	Claire	\$ 6,463.00	Manning	Karen	\$ 618.00	Zywien-Follet	Katherine	\$ 59,921.00
Chyoghly	Karen	\$ 13,164.00	Mara	Paul	\$ 42,751.00			
Comeau	Linda	\$ 12,058.00	Maresca	Linda	\$ 19,504.00		Total:	\$3,554,234.00
Comesana	Marijah	\$ 41,639.00	Masters	Judith	\$ 70,892.00			
Connor	Lisa	\$ 4,383.00	Mayhew	Ruth	\$ 195.00			
Covino	Christopher	\$ 50,979.00	McGovern	Joan	\$ 12,043.00			
DeCastro	Eileen	\$ 485.00	Meichelbeck	Joseph	\$ 3,564.00			
Derderian	Kathy	\$ 27,956.00	Milano	John	\$ 65,819.00			
Doherty	Peter	\$ 68,638.00	Minihan	Patrick	\$ 34,528.00			
Ducat, Jr.	John	\$ 3,835.00	Montiverdi	Lori	\$ 41,844.00			
Eiermann	Richard	\$ 46,347.00	Moore	Susan	\$ 617.00			
Erickson	Donna	\$ 10,656.00	Mutti	Jane	\$ 23,562.00			
Esposito	Lori	\$ 70.00	Nelson	Cheryl	\$ 21,932.00			
Fiorillo	Paula	\$ 6,048.00	Neusch	John	\$ 55,615.00			
Fitzgerald	Susan	\$ 37,781.00	Noel	Richard	\$ 49,321.00			
Flanagan	David	\$ 1,779.00	Norvold	Maureen	\$ 505.00			
Flanagan	Diane	\$ 10,993.00	Ouellette	Kelley	\$ 17,168.00			
Flanagan	Maura	\$ 1,905.00	Pacheco	Steven	\$ 71,896.00			
Fryburg	Mary Ellen	\$ 14,726.00	Pendergast	Sondra	\$ 815.00			

BOYLSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

In early 2007, the Library Trustees set three goals for the new year, which have been successfully pursued. First, we appointed a Library Planning Committee "to oversee all tasks associated with the planning, design and construction of a new public library" at Hillside; second, we resolved to begin the process of automation of the library's catalog and circulation functions; and third, we addressed the deferred exterior maintenance needs at the present building.

The Library Planning Committee (LPC), composed of Trustees, Foundation Directors, and the Library Director revised and updated the initial building planning document, undertook financial projections for a proposed new building, and discussed the project with the Board of Selectmen, representatives of the Capital Planning Committee, the Planning Board, and other town officials and boards. The LPC interviewed several project management and architectural firms, selecting Daedalus Projects, Inc., as the Owner's Project Manager (OPM) and J. Stewart Roberts Associates as the architect to prepare a schematic design for a one-story, fully accessible, 12,250 sq. ft. open plan library building on the site west of the Municipal Office Building at Hillside. This site had been recommended in a site study during the previous summer and approved at a Special Town Meeting in October, 2006. After working with the architect on a preliminary floorplan and design, the Library Planning Committee recommended to the Trustees that a \$5 million debt-exclusion bond vote be put before the voters to fund the project and the Trustees concurred. In December 2007, the Selectmen approved the specific site and set a March 3, 2008

date for a Special Town Meeting and March 5, 2008 for the ballot vote.

Library automation, delayed for some years by construction concerns, is now in the preparation stage and will be implemented early in 2008. With new bar-coded library cards, patrons will be able to borrow materials from any public library in Central Massachusetts, review all our holdings by computer rather than via the card catalog, enjoy quicker check-out of borrowed items, and order books from their home computer on-line to pick up at the library.

At the Annual Town Meeting in May, voters approved \$40,000 from free cash for long-deferred repairs on the library. With these funds, the original slate roof was expertly repaired, the stone chimneys were repointed and waterproofed, the half-timbered and stuccoed gables were restored and repainted, and a concrete splash-apron was installed at the base of the foundation to eliminate water penetration into the basement. Volunteers re-laid the wood on the handicapped deck as well; further work will begin in spring 2008.

The Library Foundation has enthusiastically supported the Trustees' initiatives throughout the year. A local consultant, the Round Pond Group, developed a community-wide survey to measure attitudes and expectations for a new library and compiled and shared the results with the Trustees and the Planning Committee. After a successful Annual Appeal, the Foundation donated \$2,500 towards the purchase of a new copy machine for public use. We thank the Foundation Board of Directors for its consistent financial help and commitment to the building project.

The Friends of the Library has also provided valuable assistance to the library, sponsoring many children's programs and celebrating holidays with events for families. The annual used booksale on Memorial Day netted nearly \$3,000 which funded not only the Friends programs and activities but also underwrote six library memberships in local museums and attractions that enable library card-holders to visit at reduced rates or at no cost. With a successful grant application to WBAC, the Friends purchased a digital camera, printer and CD player for the library. Its enthusiastic support is very much appreciated.

Many other gifts came to the library in 2007. Through the Fallon Community Health Foundation, Foundation Director Fran Brissette arranged the donation of funds for a flat-screen monitor and printer for the adult public access computer, Trustee Cathy Richard donated a color copier, and Patrons Bruce and Sandra Lupien donated an antique oak office desk that had been used in the Center Store on the Common at the turn of the century. Also, Jean Corcoran gave two oil paintings of Boylston schools done to honor her late husband, John, at his retirement in 1985.

Nearly 3,000 items have been added to the library's collections during the year; these items are mostly books but the popularity of books-on-tape and DVD has continued to grow, reflected in the purchasing decisions made by Assistant Director Paula Peterson and Children's Librarian Judy Friebert, who are carefully choosing materials to order every week. The library website, www.boylstonlibrary.org, enjoyed its best year of growth; hits were up 70% over last year, primarily stimulated by interest in the latest news on building planning progress. The "In The Loop" email feature has grown even more, keeping recipients informed of current library activities. Many thanks to our webmaster, Jean Therriault, who has worked tirelessly on this site. Library news was also covered in the Globe and Banner 15 times during 2007, Averaging more than once a month.

During 2007, Senior Page Priscilla O'Connor was promoted to the position of Library Assistant, Ashley Brigham moved up to Senior Page, and Michele Lupien began as Junior Page on July 1. Nancy Velleco now assists at the children's room desk on Saturdays as well. Congratulations to all! In addition to regular storytimes, the children's room offered 72 programs for children, many sponsored by the Friends, the Community Partnership for Children, the library and the Foundation. Twelve hundred children took advantage of these opportunities for craft, song, magic, storytelling, and animal-petting. And, for the seventh year we continued to provide leadership for the Farmathon activities at Tower Hill's Shades of Autumn Festival on Columbus Day weekend.

We would be remiss if we did not acknowledge the dedicated efforts of Library Director Nicholas Langhart, Assistant Director Paula Peterson, and Children's Librarian Judy Friebert, all of whom have continued to do much more with less. Nick has provided leadership to the Trustees and staff, especially regarding the Trustees' three primary goals of providing a new library building, bringing in computer automation, and directing the long-awaited repairs and maintenance to the current building. Paula has continued to meet patrons' requests with her careful selection and weeding of reading and audio/video materials. And, Judy has provided lots of activities for young library patrons.

The Board of Trustees has indeed presided over a busy and productive year. In May, Ken Linell was re-elected and, in the place of Cathy Richard, who served continuously since 1998, Brad Barker was newly elected to the Board. In June, officers were chosen: Chair Susan Therriault, Vice Chair Ken Linell, Secretary Marcia Priestley and Treasurer Angelo Scola. There were 13 meetings of the Board in 2007 and attendance was as follows: Brad Barker, 8 (of 8); Ken Linell, 12; Marcia Priestley, 11; Cathy Richard, 4 (of 5); Letty Ridinger, 8; Angelo Scola, 11; Susan Therriault, 13.

Respectfully submitted,

*Susan Therriault, Chair,
Board of Trustees
Boylston Public Library*

BOYLSTON HISTORIC COMMISSION 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

The Historic Commission meets on the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Old Town Hall (Historic Building). Duties of a local Historical Commission: Chapter 40 Section 8d identifies five responsibilities for commissions established under the Chapter.

It is easily understood why there is confusion over the Boylston Historical Commission, the Historic District Commission and the Boylston Historical Society. All three support our local heritage. Boylston has two commissions appointed by the Selectmen. The Boylston Historic Society is independent of the town administration.

- The Commission wishes to thank the Savoie family and the Boylston Garden Club for the new powder house on Boylston's Old Common.
- The crown molding on the Old Town Hall was repaired and painted.
- The last of the original windows in the Old Town Hall was replaced because of rot. The window is now stored in the attic.

The Commission continues to support the Boylston Historical Society.

The Commission met five times during 2007. Bruce Symonds (5), Dave Bottom (5), Paul Kalinowski (5), Ken Linell (5), Judy Haynes (4), Fred Brown (3) and Judith Bottom (3).

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce Symonds, Chairman

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

In 2007 we welcomed Paul Johnson as our newest member of the Board. We would also like to thank Paul Blackmer for several years of volunteering.

The board, which consists of 5 voting members and 1 program coordinator, meets at 7pm on the first Thursday of each month at the Municipal office building. We held 11 regular meetings and 1 special meeting with attendance as follows: Rudy Lambracht attended all but 2, Penny Rickel attended all but 3, Karen Barber and Deb Murphy attended all but 4, Rich Zammitti attended all but 6, and Paul Blackmer & Paul Johnson attended all but 10 meetings.

We would like to acknowledge the support of our Town Administrator Sue Olsen, along with the Boylston Fire Department, Boylston Police Department and the Boylston Highway department throughout the year.

Special thanks go out to all the community volunteers, coaches and coordinators who dedicate their time to help throughout the year. Without all the time and hard work put into volunteering, Parks & Rec would not be able to offer fabulous programs for our children. This includes the volunteers who braved the cold to install the ice rink on the town common and the youth volunteers who help on Memorial Day. We say THANK YOU!

We are pleased to offer the community 3 Soccer Fields, 2 baseball Fields, 1 Softball field, 1 Football field, 4 Tennis Courts, 2 basketball courts, 2 playgrounds, A covered pavilion picnic area, Nature Trails and an Indoor Gymnasium, which is available to rent.

In 2007, We continued to offer the following programs:

The Boylston Fun Club, which is offered through the YMCA at Camp Harrington on Sewall Street is available to children in Kindergarten thru 6th grade. Programs include Crafts, sports, drama, science and much much more... We Thank the YMCA for continuing to offer the Fun Club!

Memorial Day on the Common offered the Giant T-Rex climbing maze along with the Moonwalk and refreshments. New in 2007, A car show was added to the festivities. Making a come back in 2008, We will be offering the Road Race.

The winter youth basketball program is available to children in grades 1-6. This program is run in conjunction with West Boylston. Beginning in December, the program continues thru to March. With the help of Volunteer Coaches and Coordinators, this Program continues to grow and be successful!

The Ski-Ward Learn to ski program is available to children ages 7 & up in the First Tracks program where ski and snowboard lessons are offered on Saturday mornings. Children ages 4-7 can enjoy ski lessons during the week in the Small tracks program. Both programs offer 1 hour of lessons with 1 hour of "free" ski immediately following the lesson. The program starts the first of January and runs for 5 consecutive weeks.

Every Monday evening November thru March is the men's over 35 Basketball program. The continued success of this program is due to the volunteer efforts of Michael Tremblay. Thank you Michael for your dedication to continue to champion this terrific program!

Located in the center of Boylston on the Tennis Courts, Residents enjoyed Ice Skating.

Additional programs offered to residents include:

Baseball and softball in both Spring & the Fall For children ages 5-16

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Also in both spring & fall, children in pre-School thru Middle School can enjoy Soccer. Fall each year, Boys & Girls ages 5 & up can enjoy Football & Cheerleading.

For information on these and other programs, log onto Boylston-Ma.gov/parks

New in 2007, Parks & Rec offered the following:

At Buffone Arena in Worcester, The Learn to skate and Tiny Blades programs were offered to the children ages 2 ½ and up. An excellent introduction to ice skating which consists of a 25 minute lesson with an optional 25 minute practice immediately following the lesson.

The Clay-Time Paint your own pottery was offered to children in grades Pre-K thru grade 6. The class was held at BES immediately after school. Children were able to paint a piece of pottery to take home.

Open to adults 18+ for 1 Friday night a month from October thru March, We hosted Scrapbooking. For a \$10.00 fee per night, Scrapbookers enjoyed 6 hours of un-interrupted cropping, with light snacks and beverages being served.

For Boys & Girls in grades 4-6, We held an American Red Cross Babysitters Training Course. This all day course provided students with training in leadership, safety & Safe Play. Basic care & First aid was also on the agenda. At the completion of the class, each student received a Training Handbook, Back-pack, First Aid kit and an American Red Cross Babysitters Training Certificate.

For the first time, Parks & Rec. offered a Youth sports & recreation open enrollment event. This event took place in November at the Hillside Gym. The objective was to bring all the youth athletic organizations and recreational entities together at one location to conduct registrations and provide general information on their particular programs. This event not only allowed an opportunity to sign-up for specific sports, such as Soccer, Baseball, and softball, it also offered the opportunity to look at other potential sports and recreational options. Look for Open Enrollment in The Spring and Fall each year.

Parks & Recreation welcomes all ideas on how to further our commitment to support sports and activities. To get on an agenda, Please contact us at 508.869.6009 or email to KBarber@Boylston-Ma.gov. For updates on all programs and activities, log onto our website at: www.Boylston-Ma.gov/parks.

Respectfully submitted,

Parks & Recreation Committee

BOYLSTON CULTURAL COUNCIL 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

The Council held regular public meetings in 2007. Susan Boucher, Sue Filsinger and Carolyn Zagame became members of the Council in 2007, joining the existing members:

Carrie Crane
Eileen deCastro
Cynthia DuVal
Randy Feldman

Meetings were held with community groups including the Boylston Elementary PTO, Tahanto PTO, Boylston Senior Society and BBRAVO, to increase awareness of the Council's grant program.

We received approximately 30 grant applications and awarded the following grants (in early 2008) for the 2007/2008 grant cycle:

Boylston Memorial Day Committee	\$400
Boylston Public Library	400
Boylston Senior Society	125
BBRAVO	650
Calliope Youth Theatre	300
Carols on the Common	300
Girls Scouts	400
Straw Hollow Engine Works	100
TEMPO/Brass Enrichment Program	475
TEMPO/BSO Youth Concert Series	350
TEMPO/Worcester Jazz Orchestra Workshop	200
Tower Hill/Boylston Day	300
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	\$4,000

In addition, \$200 was awarded to the Boylston Historical Society & Musuem from the Council's discretionary funds.

Respectfully submitted,

*Susan Boucher, Chair
March 27, 2008*

BOARD OF HEALTH 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

This year marked our first town wide Flu Clinic. While the numbers receiving flu vaccinations were not as large as we had hoped, it was very worthwhile. Next year we are sure many more will take advantage of the free vaccine and help keep Boylston healthy.

After a long absence, the town is once again part of the Central Mass Mosquito Control Program. The program, which started for residents July 1st, saw a steady increase in usage throughout the summer and fall. This fall several birds nearby tested positive for the West Nile Virus. We were able to react quickly to provide information directly to the schools, town athletic programs and residents. We look forward to working with Tim Deschamps (Executive Director) and his crew next season.

In conjunction with the Town Administrator and Board of Selectmen, the planning for a permanent Recycling/Hazardous Waste collection site is moving forward and should be operational by the fall of 2008. The site, which is located in West Boylston, will be open year round for the disposal of recyclables and several times through the year for Hazardous Waste. This is a great opportunity for all of us to help our town maintain a safe clean environment.

Progress in the Town "Pandemic Plan", a plan and document required by the CDC (Center for Disease Control), Homeland Security Department, and Massachusetts Department of Public Health, is proceeding steady but slowly. This is a major undertaking for a small town. We are working with and being supported by the Massachusetts Region 2 Bioterrorism Coalition. This group of 71 towns meets regularly and offers training and support to assist in the formulation of these plans. The town has received several small grants to help with supplies and equipment.

This year showed a slowdown in residential building. Home sales have resulted in fewer septic plans, installations and Title 5 reports. Once again, changes to Title 5 and more innovative technology continue to be a challenge. An increase in commercial development is being seen, particularly along Route 140, which presents a different kind of oversight from the Board while protecting the groundwater and the surrounding environment.

With the remaining resources, the Board continued to work with food protection, communicable diseases, rabies, bathing beaches/pools, camps, well water, nuisance complaints, tobacco education, and other health related matters before the board. This year again showed an increase of Lyme disease, so be aware. In addition, the Board sponsored an informational show on the cable access channel about Lyme disease. The Board continued its relationship with the Worcester Regional Tobacco Control Collaborative and the ongoing compliance checks with very positive results.

The Board is working with Woodard & Curran on the post-closure ground water and air monitoring plan for the landfill, and together are working with DEP towards the final closure.

Fees collected during 2007 amounted to \$24,536.00. Fees were derived from the following number of activities:

<u>SOIL TESTING - 17</u>	<u>OTHER</u>	
	Septic Installer's Permits	27
<u>PLANS REVIEWED - 25</u>	Component Repair Permits	10
	Septage Hauler Permits	7
<u>CONSTRUCTION PERMITS - 22</u>	Trash Hauler Permits	3
	Well Permits	8
	Food Establishment Permits	17
	Recreational Camp Permits	1
	Beach Permit	1
	Tobacco Sales Permits	5
	Certificates of Compliance	18

During the year, the Board held ten (10) Regular Meetings. The meeting attendance was as follows:

Lorie Martiska - 7
Gerry Gleich - 10
Larry Solimini - 4
Matt Mecum - 6
Dennis Costello (Health Agent) - 10

Respectfully submitted by the Board of Health

VETERANS' AGENT 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

The Department of Veterans' Services had one case, which is closed. There are no open cases for the year 2007. Numerous inquiries received by this office were referred to the proper governmental agencies.

*Paul Aucoin,
Veteran's Agent*

CEMETERY COMMISSION 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

During the year 2007, there were 28 burials, including cremations. A total of fifteen lots were sold. routine maintenance and upkeep was performed, including plowing, snow stakes, grass mowing and the removal of overgrown shrubs and bushes due to permanent damage.

The Cemetery Commission met nine times during 2007 and attendance was as follows: Mary Jasper (9), Robert Doyle (9), Kenneth Franz (9), and Superintendent Donald Parker (9).

The Cemetery Commission holds its regular meeting the 4th Monday of the month, at the Municipal Office Building at 7:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

*Donald C. Parker
Cemetery Superintendent*

TREE WARDEN 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

Several large dead and diseased trees were removed from different areas of Town throughout the 2007 year.

*Donald C. Parker
Tree Warden*

COUNCIL ON AGING 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

The Council on Aging meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00PM at the municipal offices. It is open to all citizens of the town. The Council meets ten months during the year. All members attended all scheduled meetings as able. The council currently consists of 9 volunteer members. All have faithfully donated their time and energy for several years to make this council work. We also have an outreach coordinator who attends all meetings, sharing current events, developments, concerns of those we serve and other needed information to help guide our work. She also prepares an agenda which helps keep us current. Her dedication to the elderly citizens of this community has been extraordinary and appreciated. I also want to extend our gratitude to all the volunteers who help us provide service to all our older adults. Without you, we would not be very successful.

The majority of the money budgeted to the council is annually spent on two salaried positions, meals and transportation. Unfortunately, attendance at our meal sit was down and overall we appear to have less call for them. It is not clear why this has occurred but it is of concern. We again were able to help pay for transportation for leisure activities for seniors. We would like to be able to do more. We were again awarded a formula grant by the Executive Office of Elder Affairs. This money supplements our budget allowing us to provide a newsletter, augment salaries and host a volunteer recognition night.

In addition to the above, this past year saw the development of a web page, increased involvement with the Sunbanke Village community, increased program planning with Parks and Rec and we also helped a young Eagle Scout candidate prepare emergency meals for 75 homebound elders in our community. We often receive these types of opportunities for seniors but don't always have people who feel they have the need. We also helped the president of the Senior Citizen Society conduct a questionnaire among the seniors in town, asking if they would like a senior center and what their involvement would be. A little over a 1/3 of them responded and there was an overwhelming support for the development of a center. We hope that we can continue to pursue this goal and that the town will assist us and begin to plan for this.

ATTENDANCE AT 2007 COA MEETINGS

Nine monthly meetings were held (January through June and October through December).

Dennis Goguen	8	Oswald Sauer	8
Eugene Dodd	7	Mary Seed	9
John Faucher	5	Karen Tremblay	7
Jean Gates	6	David Wheeler	5
Gert Peterson	8	Jane Meegan,	8
		Coordinator	
		Outreach Worker	

PLANNING BOARD 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

Regular meetings of the Planning Board are held the first Monday of each month. Public hearings on definitive subdivision or special permit applications are scheduled on regular meeting nights whenever possible. The Board encourages informational meetings with individuals and builders to discuss matters of concern or interest. While the five voting seats are presently filled, the Board is actively seeking interested persons for Associate Membership. Associate Members are active participants in meetings and, to the extent they are willing, contribute to all aspects of the Planning Board's work.

At January 1, 2007 the Board consisted of: Richard Baker (Chairman), Howard Drobner (Vice Chairman), Raymond Duffy (Clerk), Lawrence Solomini, and Julia Hucknall. Mr. Solomini's term expired in May and Jennifer McGrath was elected in the May Town Election to fill the vacancy. At the June meeting, the Board re-elected Richard Baker Chairman, Howard Drobner Vice Chairman, and Raymond Duffy Clerk.

In 2007, the Board held 12 regular meetings and 3 special meetings. Eight public hearings were held, most of them continuing over multiple sessions. Members' attendance was:

Member	Regular Meetings (12)	Special Meetings (3)	Public Hearings (8 + 15 continuances)
Baker	11	3	23
Drobner	10	3	23
Duffy	11	3	23
Hucknall	11	3	23
Solomini*	5	2	19
McGrath**	7	1	4

*term expired in May

**term commenced in June

The trend of declining residential development continued in 2007. Only 7 new house lots were created: one by ANR (the process for subdividing parcels with the required frontage on existing public ways), one the result of a frontage variance granted by the ZBA, and 5 in the new Redwood Circle Subdivision on land off of Central Street. Redwood Circle is the first subdivision in town to be developed under the new low impact development guidelines recently adopted by the Town and implemented by the Conservation Commission. Although these guidelines were not in force at the time of the subdivision application, the developer (Shrewsbury Homes, Inc.) agreed to be bound by the new requirements, in effect becoming the test case. Construction is well underway, and both the developer and the Board are satisfied with the outcome. Work on the previously-approved Longley Hill Subdivision off of Central Street ceased, and the Board chose not to extend the time limit for completion of street construction, putting the project in limbo. The developer filed a new application for subdivision approval in November of 2007.

The Board, acting as Special Permit Granting Authority, approved three significant commercial developments in 2007, all on land in the Rt. 140 corridor between Rt. 70 and I-290. Two are retail developments, one at the intersection of Rts. 70 and 140, and the other at 81 Shrewsbury Street (intersection of N. Sewall St.). Construction of the latter is to be completed in the Spring of 2008. The third permit was for Rand-Whitney Corp. to build a light manufacturing/warehouse/office facility at 120 Shrewsbury Street (abutting Fuller Motorhome).

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

2007 ANNUAL REPORT

In 2007, the Conservation Commission held 12 Regular Meetings. Eleven (11) new Public Meetings and eight (8) new Public Hearings were opened. In addition, Members conducted numerous informal site visits as follow-up to ongoing projects and at the request of other town boards and residents.

Thirty-six (36) legal documents were issued in conjunction with the Commission's responsibility to administer the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and Massachusetts Rivers Protection Act. They consisted of:

Determinations of Applicability - 7
Orders of Conditions - 8
Extended Order of Conditions - 1
Enforcement Orders - 1
Certificates of Compliance – 12
Order of Resource Area Delineation – 2
Erosion & Sediment Control Permits - 3
Extended Erosion & Sediment Control Permits - 2

The Commission's 2007 Regular Meeting attendance was as follows:

Mark Coakley	11
Gigi Desautels	6
Dan Duffy	10
Jeffrey Walsh	10
Garry Holland	1
Charlene Fran	7
Chip Burkhart	9
Wendy Lonstein	4

The following changes took place this year: Gigi Desautels resigned as Chairman; Garry Hollands resigned as a Member; Mark Coakley was elected as Chairman; and Wendy Lonstein was appointed as a Member.

Public Hearings were held to support the new Stormwater Control Bylaw. Supporting procedures were adopted and the Bylaw is now being implemented.

We would like to thank the residents of Boylston, the Selectmen and the Town Boards for the continued support and cooperation.

*Respectfully Submitted by the
Boylston Conservation Commission*

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

2007 ANNUAL REPORT

In 2007, the Board of Appeals held five hearings on requests for Findings, Variances, Special Permits, Comprehensive Permits, Appeals and Administrative Meetings. The details are as follows:

01/29/07	Nicholas and Rita Aoude	Variance	Withdrawn
03/29/07	Exxon – Mobil Corporation	Informational	
05/07/07	ZBA Meeting	Administrative	
05/24/07	Nicholas and Rita Aoude	Variance	Approved
06/18/07	Exxon – Mobil Corporation	Variance	Approved

Membership changes on the Board this year were as follows:

William Filsinger reappointed as ZBA Member for a 5-year term.

Attendance at the five hearings was as follows:

William Filsinger	5
Robert Cotter	5
Charles MacKinnon	5
Janet Lombardi	5
Bonnie Johnson	4
Arlene Murphy	4*
Larry Campo	2*

*Associate Members; attendance at call of Chairman

The Zoning Board of Appeals can be contacted by calling Bill Filsinger at 508-869-6950 or via e-mail at wfilsinger372@charter.net. Any written requests may be addressed to the ZBA Chairman at 221 Main Street, Boylston, MA 01505.

William Filsinger,
Chairman

GAS AND PLUMBING INSPECTOR 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

Following is my report for the year 2007:

The total number of Gas and Plumbing permits issued was 104. All applications were accepted, The inspected and completed in a timely manner. Permit fees totaling \$7,503.00 were collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer.

Both myself and my assistant Richard LaPan have completed all necessary continuing education courses and have taken the required OSHA courses.

My hours are whenever needed, preferably 12-4 Monday through Friday. Please not my new phone number: 508-869-2704, please leave a message for an inspection.

Applications maybe downloaded from the Boylston web site or may be picked up at Hillside Town Hall. All applications are to be submitted to the Town Clerk's Office.

All work must be done by a Massachusetts Licensed Professional plumber or gas fitter.

Respectfully submitted,

*Eric Johnson
Plumbing and Gas Inspector*

WIRING INSPECTOR 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

A total of 127 electrical permits were issued with a deposit of \$8,747 being turned over to the Town Treasurer. All requests for inspections were completed.

Applications can be downloaded at the town web site (Boylston-ma.gov) or picked up at the Town Hall. Applications and fees should be submitted to the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours: 8:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M., Monday through Thursday, and Monday evenings 6:00 – 8:00 P.M.

Permit applications are not a request for inspections; requests for inspections need to be made by the permit holder. To schedule an inspection you must call Jay Morrill @ 508-869-2995. Please leave a message with the type of inspection and the job location.

Note: The new 2008 National Electrical Code is in full effect; please read it carefully as most of the changes are in residential wiring.

*Jay Morrill,
Wiring Inspector*

BUILDING INSPECTOR 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

The following is my report of activity in the calendar year 2007.

The total number of permits issued was 213 and breakdown as follows:

Residential

Single family homes	10	Pools	16
Additions/Renovations	112	Roofs, siding & windows	35
Demolition	2	Tents	11
Other	22		

Commercial

New Buildings	3
Renovation	2

This represents an 11% increase in permits over last year.

22 Certificates of Occupancy were issued for single-family homes.

35 Stop work orders were issued to un-permitted jobs.

526 inspections were made.

The above represents a total declared construction value of \$8,290,199.00. This represents a 33% decrease over last year.

Permit fees & fines of \$85,281.00 were collected and turned over to the Treasurer for deposit to the General Fund. This represents a 6.37% increase over last year.

I have been certified as Inspector of Building/ Building Commissioner by the state and have maintained my required continuing education credits for 2007.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the people Boylston and the area contractors for there cooperation in filing for permits on a timely basis and adhering to the Town By-Laws.

Respectfully submitted,

*Mark C. Bertonassi
Building Inspector*

EARTH REMOVAL BOARD 2007 ANNUAL REPORT

The Boylston Earth Removal Board members are appointed and represent other Town of Boylston Boards.

This year's members are:

Howard Drobner	(Planning Board) – Current Earth Removal Board, Chairman
Charlene Franz	(Conservation Commission)
Charles MacKinnon	(Zoning Board of Appeals)
Ronald Ressiguie	(Selectmen representative - first half of calendar year)
Arthur Gibee	(Selectmen representative - second half of calendar year)
Matt Mecum	(Board of Health)

The Board meets on demand and does not hold regularly scheduled meetings.

The Board held 5 meetings this calendar year, on – 17-JUL-2007, 2-AUG-2007, 21-AUG-2007, 28-AUG-2007, and 11-SEP-2007.

Members	Number of meetings attending
Howard Drobner	5
Charlene Franz	4
Charles MacKinnon	5
Ronald Ressiguie	2
Arthur Gibree	2
Matt Mecum	4

Four (4) Earth Removal Permits were granted after Public Hearings were scheduled at the applicant's request.

- Permit #2007-001, Derek Clark, Lot #5 of Brook Road – a after the fact application for material removed from site.
 - Time period = 1-JAN-2007 to 30-JUN-2007. Amount = 600 cubic yards.
- Permit #2007-002, Greenleaf Farms Development, 307 Grafton St, Shrewsbury, MA for removal of material at 81 Shrewsbury Street (Rte 140).
 - Time period = 23-AUG-2007 to 31-DEC-2007. Amount = 4,000 cubic yards.
- Permit #2007-003, Rand Whitney Packaging Corp, 1 Argand Street, Worcester, MA for removal of material at 160 Shrewsbury Street (Rte 140).
 - Time period = 2-AUG-2007 to 31-MAY-2008. Amount = 77,000 cubic yards.
- Permit #2007-004, Monogram Properties (Compass Pointe sub-division) for removal of material at the site.
 - Time period = 10-SEP-2007 to 1-SEP-2008. Amount = 44,000 cubic yards.

Submitted by

*Howard Drobner, Chairman
Earth Removal Board*

BOYLSTON HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

2007 ANNUAL REPORT

The purpose of the Historic District is to promote the education, cultural and general welfare of the public through the preservation and protection of the distinctive characteristic of buildings and places significant in the history of a certain area of the Town of Boylston and The Commonwealth, or their architecture, and through the maintenance and improvement of settings of such buildings and places and the encouragement of design compatible therewith. No meetings were requested or held during 2007. Members of the commission are Peter Haynes, Gerald Jones, Cathy Richard Marjorie O'Connell and Karen Perry.

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce Symonds, Chair

Volunteer To Serve

Boylston's town government needs residents who are willing to contribute their time and talents to our community. Most volunteer terms expire yearly on June 30 and the Board of Selectmen will be seeking volunteers to fill those vacancies.

IF

You would like to volunteer for the first time

OR

You currently serve on a committee and would like to be re-appointed (or not)

THEN

Fill out this form and return it or mail to:

Board of Selectmen

Town Hall

221 Main Street

Boylston, MA 01505

PRINT NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

OCCUPATION: _____ Phone #: _____

BACKGROUND: _____

☐ I am a **first time** volunteer requesting appointment to: (check one or several from list)

I **currently serve** as a volunteer and:

☐ I **do** wish to be re-appointed to serve on the following: (check all that apply):

☐ I **do not** wish to be re-appointed to:

ADA Committee	_____	Historic Commission	_____
Affordable Housing	_____	Historic District Commission	_____
Appeals Board (ZBA)	_____	Insurance Advisory Committee	_____
Business Development	_____	Memorial Day Committee	_____
Cable Advisory Comm.	_____	Open Space Committee	_____
Capital Planning Committee	_____	Personnel Board	_____
Conservation Commission	_____	Senior Tax Rebate Committee	_____
Council on Aging	_____	Storm Water Committee	_____
Cultural Council	_____	Town House Committee	_____
Earth Removal Board	_____	Town Report Committee	_____
Finance Committee	_____		

Other- please specify: _____

BOYLSTON TOWN OFFICES

For Emergencies - Police, Fire, Ambulance: CALL 911

Boylston Town Hall

Municipal Offices 221 Main Street **Main phone #**
508-869-0143

Fax: 508-869-6210
OFFICE HOURS:
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Monday evening: 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Town Administrator: Sue Olsen Ext. 221
Selectmen's Admin Assist: Lori Esposito Ext. 228
Admin. Clerk: Rose Bardsley Ext. 328
Town Clerk: Sandra Bourassa Ext. 231
Asst. Town Clerk: Mary Jasper Ext. 232
Treasurer/Tax Collector: Ellen McKay Ext. 225
Assist.Treasurer/Collector: Joe Daigneault Ext. 224
Board of Assessors: { Margo Richardson Ext. 234
Mary Morrill Ext. 233
Town Accountant: Dan Haynes 508-869-6041
Board of Health: Melanie Rich Ext. 223
Conservation Comm: Melanie Rich Ext. 223
Planning Board: Christine Webster Ext. 227
Parks & Recreation: Karen Barber Ext. 230
Council on Aging: Jane Meegan Ext. 229
(Hours Mon & Wed 9-2, Tues & Thur 9am -1pm)
Custodian: Ken Goodwin Ext. 237

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Mirick O'Connell fax 508-983-6270
100 Front St Worcester, MA 01608-1477

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fax 508-869-6195

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Police Dept. 215 Main St. 508-869-2113

fax 508-869-2360
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508-869-2720

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fax 508-869-6130
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Dog Officer

Steve Golas 508-869-2904

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fax 508-869-0023
Superintendent (as of 7/1/08) Brian G. McDermott x.108
Admin. Assist: Cheryl Nelson x.107
Pupil Personnel Services: Judith Vaillancourt x.100

Tahanto Regional Middle/High School 1001 Main St.

main 508-869-2333
fax 508-869-0175
Principal: Carol Bryngelson X 3017
Nurse: Janet Ramstrom 508-869-9945
Custodian: Rick Noel 508-869-2333

Boylston Elementary School 200 Sewall St.

main 508-869-2200
fax 508-869-6914
Principal (as of 7/1/08) Daniel F. Deneen x.1
Custodian: John Sullivan 508-869-2200

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Business Devel. Cte: Jim Stanton 508-869-2447
Conservation Comm: Mark Coakley 508-869-0246
Council on Aging: Dennis Goguen 508-869-6022
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Finance Committee: Eric Brose 508-869-2853
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