

TOWN OF BOYLSTON

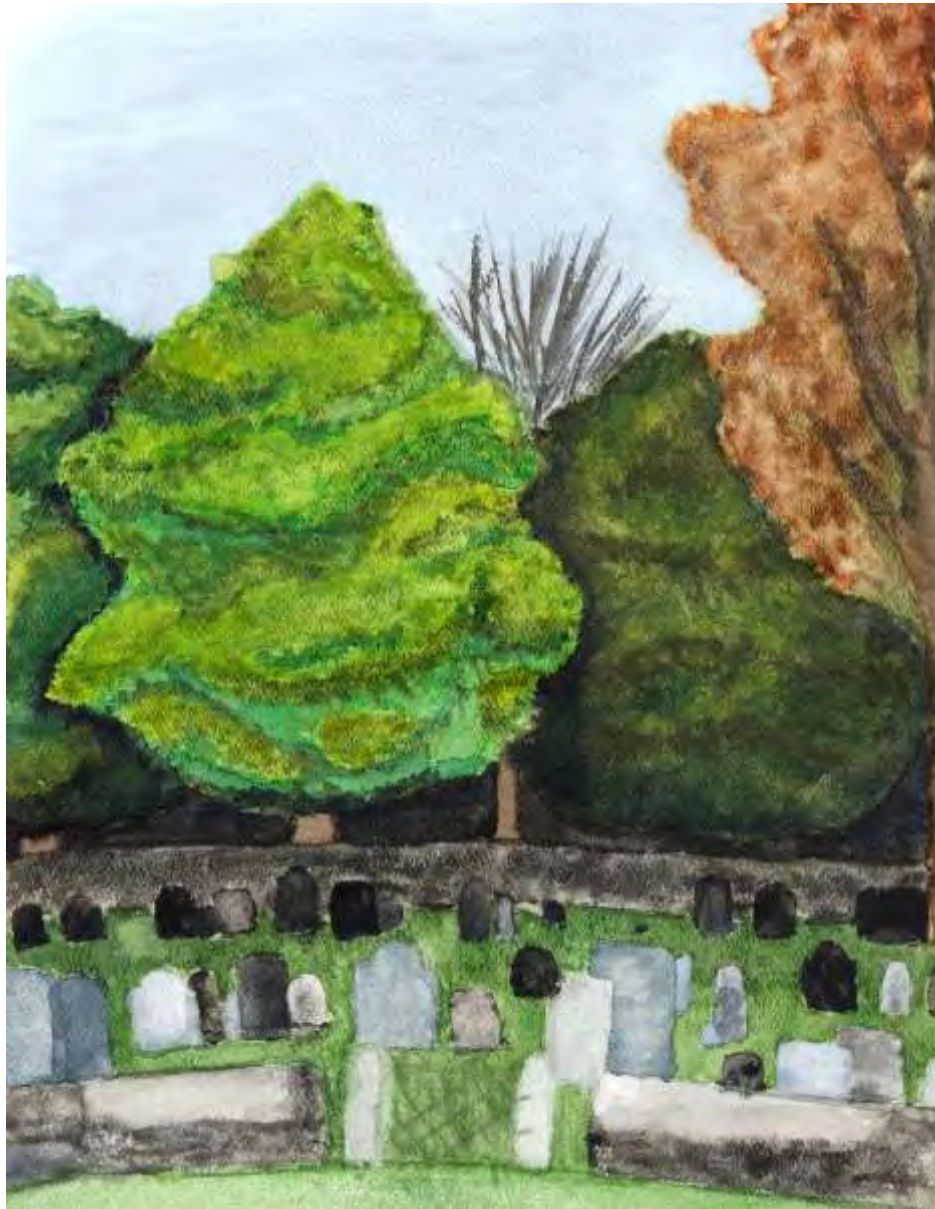
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Although no longer in use, The Old Burial Ground in the center of Town is a focal point.

Many of Boylston's earliest settlers, as well as veterans of the Revolutionary War are buried there.

The cemetery was first used for the burial of a young boy in 1743.



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Captain Robert Andrews of 1775 Minuteman fame, who was accidentally killed in 1789, is buried in The Old Burial Ground.

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Facts about The Old Burial Ground have been taken from *Images of America BOYLSTON* by William O. Dupuis ©2000 and *Boylston 1786-1986 A Bicentennial Celebration* ©1987 by the Boylston Bicentennial Committee.

**Watercolor of The Old Burial Ground, Boylston
by
Ellie Norton, 10th Grade student
at Tahanto Regional Middle-High School**

Ellie was the winner in a contest conducted by the Boylston Board of Selectmen to produce a cover picture for the 2008 Annual Report.



Dedicated to
friends past
and present

In Memorium 2008

<i>Emellie M. Rogers</i>	<i>January 18th</i>
<i>Paul F. Nugent, Sr.</i>	<i>January 21st</i>
<i>Mary Whíton</i>	<i>January 21st</i>
<i>Gílberta S. Spratt</i>	<i>January 22nd</i>
<i>Ralph W. Hager</i>	<i>Febuary 2nd</i>
<i>Reuben Arbor</i>	<i>February 6th</i>
<i>Clarence A. Wright</i>	<i>March 10th</i>
<i>Edwrad Earl Nelson, Sr.</i>	<i>April 21st</i>
<i>Terence D. Howley</i>	<i>May 14th</i>
<i>Ronald R. Resseguie, Sr.</i>	<i>May 20th</i>
<i>Clara M. Anderson</i>	<i>June 2nd</i>
<i>Margaret Lillian Hager</i>	<i>June 4th</i>
<i>Bertil Gunnar Quist</i>	<i>June 15th</i>
<i>Edwin Ralph Young, Jr.</i>	<i>June 19th</i>
<i>Ruth M. Otterson</i>	<i>July 8th</i>
<i>Douglas F. Klosen</i>	<i>July 16th</i>
<i>Isabel Jones</i>	<i>October 14th</i>
<i>Ruth Craig</i>	<i>October 27th</i>
<i>Roy E. Sjoblad</i>	<i>November 14th</i>
<i>Andrew D. Leslie</i>	<i>November 14th</i>
<i>Owen B. Kilcoyne</i>	<i>November 24th</i>



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

Boylston was first settled in 1722, initially as part of Shrewsbury and Lancaster. It became the North Precinct of Shrewsbury in 1742 and was incorporated as the Town of Boylston on March 1, 1786.

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. Half of Boylston's tax base and population depended on it by 1895.

The construction of the Wachusett Reservoir brought a halt to the mills and the thriving industrial community. Many families left to find work and homes elsewhere. The Metropolitan District Commission currently owns over 4,000 acres of land, which comprises one third of Boylston's land area.

After World War II and the return of servicemen, building grew in the Morningdale area to meet the new housing demands. Completion of Routes I-290 and 495 again spurred a surge in building, allowing easy access from Boylston to all major cities.

Ward Nicholas Boylston of Princeton gave 40 pounds in 1799 and Thomas Boylston of London willed 1500 pounds in 1816 to be used to finance the building of a school. 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 in Boylston.

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 2008

(Terms expire in May of specified year.)

MODERATOR

Dennis Pojani 2010

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

James Stanton 2011
Kenneth Sydow 2010
Roger Deal 2009

TOWN CLERK

Sandra Bourassa 2011

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Carl Cravedi 2010
Paul O'Connor 2009
James Holyoak (joint appointment) 2009

BOARD OF HEALTH

Lorie Martiska 2011
Matthew Mecum 2010
Gerald Gleich, Chair 2009

PLANNING BOARD

Kim Ames 2013
Jennifer McGrath 2012
Julia Hucknall 2011
Raymond Duffy 2010
Richard Baker 2009

MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD

Edward Kimball 2011
Alden Gates 2010
John McQuade 2009

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

VACANT 2011
Richard Reardon 2011
Brad Baker 2010
Kenneth Linnell 2010
Letty Ridinger 2009
Susan Therriault 2009

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Kenneth Franz 2011
Mary Jasper 2010
Robert Doyle 2009

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

Rudy Lambracht 2013
Penny Rickel 2012
Joseph DeCelie 2011
Paul Johnson (resigned) 2010
Debra Aslanian-Murphy 2009

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Lawrence Brenner 2011
Rebecca Dono Healy 2010
Vincent Perrone 2009

APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS 2008

(Terms expire in June of specified year.)

LEGISLATIVE LIASON

Suzanne Olsen 2009

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

TREE WARDEN

GYPSY BROWN-TAIL MOTH INSPECTOR

RIGHT-TO-KNOW COORDINATOR

Donald Parker 2009

INDIGENT SERVICEMEN'S BURIAL

AGENT and OVERSEER OF

SERVICEMEN'S GRAVES

Vin Perrone 2009

PARKING CLERK

Sandra Bourassa 2009

PRIVATE CONSTABLE

James Murray 2009

COUNCIL ON AGING COORDINATOR/

OUTREACH WORKER

Jane Meegan 2009

SOCIAL SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

NUTRITION SITE FOR ELDERLY

MEALS-ON-WHEELS COORDINATOR

Janice Ressiguie 2009

REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Vacancy 2009

FENCE VIEWER and SURVEYOR OF

HOOPS AND STAVES

Oswald Sauer 2009

CENTRAL MASS REGIONAL PLANNING

COMMISSION and TRANSPORTATION

IMPROVEMENT

Richard Baker, Representative for
Town of Boylston 2009

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Daniel Haynes 2010

TOWN COUNSEL

Steven Madaus 2009

TREASURER/TAX COLLECTOR

F. Ellen McKay 2009

ASSISTANT TREASURER/COLLECTOR

Joseph Daigneault 2009

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO

BOARD OF SELECTMAN and

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Lori Esposito 2009

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

Donald Parker 2009

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Mark Bertonassi 2009

Tom Dillon – Alternate 2009

Larry Brandt – Alternate 2009

GAS/PLUMBING INSPECTOR

Eric Johnson and 2009

Richard Lapan, Assistant 2009

WIRING INSPECTOR

James Morrill and 2009

Thomas O'Connor, Assistant 2009

SANITATION AGENT

Dennis Costello 2009

TAX TITLE CUSTODIAN

Nancy Colbert Puff 2009

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

2008

(Terms expire in June of specified year.)

ADA COMMITTEE

Mary Jasper	2009
Vacancy	

AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE

Janet Lombard, Appeals Board	2009
Warren Leach, At Large	2009
Randy Feldman, At Large	2009
Michael Borsuk, At Large	2009

APPEALS BOARD

Robert Cotter	2013
Charles MacKinnon	2009
Bonnie Johnson	2010
Janet Lombardi	2011
William Filsinger	2012
Arlene Murphy, Associate Member	2009
Larry Campo, Associate Member	2010

BOARD OF REGISTRARS

Phyllis Gaucher	2009
Mary Jasper	2010
Mary Morrill	2011

CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

David Humphrey	2009
Michael Ridinger	2009
John Mack	2009
Thomas Martiska	2009

CAPITAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

Herbert Cronin, By Finance Cte	2009
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CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Mark Coakley	2011
Joe McGrath	
Charlene Franz	2008
Chip Burkhardt	2009
Daniel Duffy	2010
Wendy Lonstein	2010
Jeffrey Walsh	2010
Theresa Prunier, Assoc Member	2009

COUNCIL ON AGING

Eugene Dodd	2009
John Faucher	2009
Jean Gates	2009
Dennis Goguen	2009
Oswald Sauer	2009
Mary Seed	2009
Karen Tremblay	2009
David Wheeler	2009
Jane Meegan	2009

CULTURAL COUNCIL

Eileen DeCastro	2009
Dy Feldman	2009
Marjorie Hastings O'Connell	2009
David Trahan	2009

EARTH REMOVAL BOARD

Arthur Gibree, Board of Selectmen	2009
Matthew Mecum, BOH (resigned)	2009
Dennis Costello, BOH	2009
Charlene Franz, Conserv Commission	2009
Chuck MacKinnon, Appeals Board	2009

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Karen McGahie	2011
David Butler	2011
Eric Brose	2009
Herbert Cronin	2010
Tim Houlihan	2010

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES, CONTINUED

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Marjorie O'Connell	2011
Karen Perry	2011
Peter Haynes	2009
Kathy Richards (Needs to submit form)	2009
Bruce Symonds	2010
Gerald Jones	2010

HISTORIC COMMISSION

David Bottom	2011
Judith Bottom	2011
Judith Haynes	2009
Ken Linell	2009
Bruce Symonds	2010
Paul Kalinowski	2010

HOMELAND SECURITY

Ennis Costello, BOH Agent	2009
Don Parker, DPW Superintendent	2009
Anthony Sahagian, Police Chief	2009
Joseph Flanagan, Fire Chief	2009
Mary Jasper, At Large	2009

INSURANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

F. Ellen McKay, Boylston MOB	2009
Vacancy, Dispatchers	2009
Joseph Flanagan, Fire Dept	2009
Vacancy, Highway Dept	2009
Vacancy, Library	2009
Vacancy, Light Dept	2009
Vacanc, Police Dept	2009
Vacancy, Elementary School	2009

MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

Joseph Larkin	2009
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OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Vacancy, Parks and Recreation	Pending
Vacancy, Conservation Commission	Pending
Vacancy, At Large	2009
Janet Golas-Shah, At Large	2009
Vacancy, At Large	Pending

PERSONNEL BOARD

Vacancy	2011
Vacancy	2011
Richard Prince	2009
Leo Tivnan	2009
John Stowe	2010

SENIOR TAX REBATE COMMITTEE

Dennis Goguen	2009
Vacancy	2009
Sandra Bourassa	2009
Mary Jasper	2009
Town Administrator, Ex Officiio	2009
Town Treasurer, Ex Officio	2009

STORM WATER COMMITTEE

Don Parker, Highway Superintendent	2009
Chip Burkhardt, Conservation Comm	2009
Gerry Gleich, Board of Health	2009
Joe McGrath, Advisory Capacity	2009

TOWN HOUSE COMMITTEE

Donald Parker	2009
Janice Resseguie	2009

TOWN REPORT COMMITTEE

Lori Esposito	2009
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FIRE DEPARTMENT 2008 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

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William Richardson

CHAPLAIN:

DAVID BUCHANAN

POLICE DEPARTMENT 2008 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

Jared B. Piche

Reserve Patrol Officers

Thomas E. Welch****

Vincent G. Pignataro****

Carl R. Christensen****

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

Daniel T. Martin

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

*** Resigned

****Program Terminated

As of Dec 31, 2008

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN



James Stanton, Chairman

Kenneth Sydow, Vice Chairman

Roger Deal, Clerk

The Board of Selectmen is pleased to present to the residents of Boylston its Annual Report for the year 2008. 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 that came 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 2008. In May, Selectman James Stanton ran unopposed for re-election. After the election, the board was reorganized. Mr. Stanton was nominated and voted unanimously to serve as Chair of the Board. Also voted unanimously by the Board was Mr. Sydow to serve as Vice Chairman, and Mr. Deal to serve as Clerk.

The Selectmen would like to welcome Nancy Colbert Puff as Boylston's new Town Administrator, who started on December 15, 2008. She replaces Sue Olsen, who retired as the full time Town Administrator in July. Interim Administrator Joseph Connelly (former School Superintendent) stepped into the full time role in August while the Board searched for a permanent replacement. Nancy was previously the Director of Planning and Development in Newburyport, and currently resides in Methuen.

Very early in 2008, the Board worked as usual to prepare not only for the Annual Town Meeting, but for what turned out to be two additional Special Town Meetings in March and April. The primary purpose of these meetings was for residents to consider articles that would allow tax incentive programs and expedited permitting to attract new businesses to Town. Residents supported the changes, and because the expedited permitting regulation was accepted, the Town received grant money to assist with consultants and studies to put the process in place. One study that will result from this grant is a comprehensive traffic study for Route 140, so the Town will be ready when future projects are proposed along that corridor. Another article at the March meeting, requesting a Proposition 2 ½ debt exclusion to support a new library, was defeated by voters.

The FY09 budget was the subject of another Special Town Meeting in June 2008. After voters opposed a \$624,000 override vote, the Board worked together with the Finance Committee and School Committees to make cuts and transfers to arrive at a balanced budget that was voted in favor at the June 30, 2008 meeting. Looking ahead, and in our current economy, FY10 proves to be at least an equally challenging budget year.

The now infamous Asian Longhorned Beetles ('ALB') have unfortunately become a part of our vocabulary when they were discovered in the Worcester area in August 2008. The effect on Boylston has been that we are included in the ALB Regulated Area; this means

that although there has not been any evidence of infested trees in Boylston, areas of the Town are within a 1 ½ mile radius of infested trees. This infestation could have devastating effects on landscapes, so the Board urges residents to stay informed on how to prevent the spread of this pest and what signs to look for. All information can be found on our website at www.boylston-ma.gov, where updates are posted regularly.

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 and 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-nine (29) regular meetings, nineteen (19) executive sessions and ten (10) special/emergency meetings in the year 2008 and their attendance was recorded as follows:

James Stanton:	29 of 29 regular meetings 19 of 19 executive sessions 10 of 10 special meetings
Roger Deal:	26 of 29 regular meetings 17 of 19 executive sessions 10 of 10 special meetings
Ken Sydow	27 of 29 regular meetings 19 of 19 executive sessions 10 of 10 special meetings

TOWN COUNSEL

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Serving as Interim Town Counsel since September of 2007, I was appointed permanent Town Counsel on June 2, 2008. I am honored to serve the Town of Boylston as Town Counsel and I thank the Board of Selectmen for the appointment to this important position.

As Town Counsel I attend the Annual Town Meeting, Special Town Meetings, meetings of the Board of Selectmen and, upon request, meetings of other town boards or committees. This office provides advice and counsel to the Selectmen, the Town Administrator, the Building Inspector, town departments, and board and committee members. I am also available to prepare and review documents and contracts and to review and respond, on behalf of the Town, to all legal matters and claims.

In 2008, this office was involved in the following matters:

- Participated in negotiations and prepared agreement for employment of a new Town Administrator;
- Prepared contracts or contract amendments for employment of Police Chief and the Fire Chief;
- Advised the Town Administrator regarding requirements and provisions of the federal Family Medical Leave Act;
- Reviewed and revised warrant articles for the Annual Town Meeting and for the Special Town Meeting, including a warrant article that included an appropriation contingent upon the passage of a Proposition 2 ½ override and the appropriate ballot question, in accordance with the requirements of MGL c. 59, section 21C;
- Provided advice and counsel to the Board of Selectmen and the Town Administrator regarding adopting a regional school budget, as set forth in MGL c. 71, Section 15B;
- Provided counsel regarding the statutory procedure for the Town to accept a way and reviewed title issues to ensure that the Town obtained good title to respective roadways;
- Participated in the review of title and use issues regarding property acquired by the Town by tax-title foreclosure;
- 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;
- Prepared contract documents for HVAC work and for the window replacement project at Town Hall; and
- Provided advice and counsel to the office of the Building Inspector regarding the proposed expansion of a non-profit educational use.

The Town welcomed a new Town Administrator, Ms. Nancy Colbert, in December of 2008 and I look forward to working with her office in the challenging days ahead. I am confident that, like me, Ms. Colbert will benefit from the cooperation and assistance of the various town boards, committees, employees and residents.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen F. Madaus
Town Counsel

TOWN CLERK

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Intentions of Marriage Filed	14	Marriages Recorded	14
Births Recorded	27	Deaths Recorded	24
Certificates Recorded/Renewed	10	Dog Licenses Issued	653
Raffle permits	3		

Number of Registered Voters (as of December 1, 2008)

Democratic	0615	Libertarian	0008
Republican	0457	Inter. 3 rd Party	0002
Unenrolled	2025	Green Party, Rainbow	0001
Working Families	0002	American Independent	0001

Total Registered Voters as of December 1, 2008.....3,111

Please note that the Town Clerk's Office will be selling Fishing/Hunting Licenses for the Year 2009. 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.

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

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Town of Boylston, Massachusetts Special Town Meeting March 3, 2008
WARRANT FOR THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

THE 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:

1. **SPECIAL TOWN MEETING – March 3, 2008** on Monday the third (3rd) day of March 2008 AD, at seven o'clock (7:00) P.M., at the Tahanto Regional High School Auditorium, 1001 Main Street, Boylston, MA, to take any action relative to the business of the Town as set forth in Articles one (1) through ten (10) of this warrant; and if necessary, at its adjournment which shall be Tuesday, the
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fourth (4) day of March 2008 AD at seven o'clock (7:00) P.M. at the Tahanto Regional High School Auditorium; and at the adjournment thereof which shall be

2. **SPECIAL ELECTION AND BALLOT- March 5, 2008** on Wednesday, the fifth (5) day of March 2008 AD, to vote by ballot at the Town's special 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:

The special election ballot question, as approved by the Board of Selectmen, will read as follows:

Shall the Town of Boylston be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to design, construct, furnish and equip a new public library?

Yes____ No____

Voter of the Town of Boylston, Massachusetts, met in the auditorium of the Tahanto Regional High School according to legal notice on March 3, 2008. With 223 registered voters. Selectmen, Roger Deal, Ken Sydow and James Stanton were present. Also, present were Town Administrator, Sue Olsen, Town Council, Stephen Madaus, and Town Clerk, Sandra Bourassa. Dennis Projani, Moderator called the meeting to order at 7:08 P.M.. Mr. Projani stated we had the required quorum present, Call of the meeting and 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. MOTION passed.

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote:

To rescind the affirmative vote taken under Article 1 at the September 29, 2003 Special Town Meeting which approved the borrowing of an amount not to exceed \$1,720,000 and appropriated said sum for the purpose of renovating the existing Public Library and constructing an addition thereto, including the cost of equipping and furnishing of same and including the design and other expenses incidental thereto, and the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen ,was authorized to borrow a sum not to exceed \$1,720,000;

Motion made by Mrs. Therriault. Library Trustee to accept this article a read. Seconded by Mr. Stanton. Finance Committee recommends approval. There were no questions. MOTION passed.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote:

To amend Section 20 of the General By-laws, entitled “Burning Permits, Times of Construction Activities and Penalties,” by inserting the following paragraph in Subsection 20.02, after the first paragraph and before the second paragraph therein:

- 20.02 The time for any construction activities within the Town shall be limited to the times as may be set forth in a condition of an approval or permit issued by a Town board or commission, in a Building Permit or in other permits as duly issued by the Town, provided in any event, that there shall be no construction activities on Sundays and legal holidays except in the circumstance of a bona fide emergency for which the Police Department, Building Inspector, Fire Department or Highway Department may issue an emergency exemption to the provisions of this By-law; if such an exemption is granted by one of the foregoing departments, it is the responsibility of the requester to notify the Police Department of such an exemption. Any and all other construction activities which are not limited to hours of operation as set forth in conditions issued by a Town board or commission or through some other permit shall be limited as follows: the hours of operation shall be limited to Monday through Friday, 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. and Saturday, 7:00 A.M. through 5:00 P.M. For purposes of this By-law, the term “construction activities” shall be deemed to include any work relating to, preparatory to or incidental to the mobilization of or implementation of construction activities and shall not include interior work of a building, provided such interior work does not cause a disturbance of the peace and tranquility of the surrounding neighborhood.

Any person, company or property owner may seek a limited waiver from the time limitations for construction activity set forth herein by filing a written request for such a waiver with the Building Inspector. Any request for a waiver must be filed with the office of the Building Inspector at least five (5) business days prior to the proposed construction activity. Upon receipt of such a request the Building Inspector may, in his sole discretion, grant or deny a limited waiver from the time limitations for construction activity. The Building Inspector may grant a limited waiver, however, only upon a determination that either (i) there is no practical means or method for the requester to comply with the time limitations and compliance with the same will result in an unreasonable, significant financial hardship to the requester, or (ii) a waiver from time limitations will have no detrimental impact upon the surrounding properties or neighborhood, due to the nature of the proposed construction activity or the character of the neighborhood. Any waiver from the time limitations issued by the Building Inspector pursuant to this paragraph shall list the name of the requester, identify the property affected, define the proposed construction activity, include a specific date(s) or time period for the permitted construction activity to take place and include a date of expiration of the waiver. A copy of any waiver issued under this paragraph shall be filed with the office of the Town Clerk, with a copy to the Board of Selectmen and the Police Department.

Construction activities to be performed by the legal homeowner on their place of residence are exempt from the provisions of this By-law.

The Building Inspector and the Police Department are empowered to enforce the provisions of this By-law and may seek enforcement actions in accordance with Section 18 herein. Any person who directly or indirectly engages in or allows construction activities in violation of this By-law shall be subject to a fine of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300) for every hour or portion thereof in which there is a violation.

Motion made by Mr. Stanton to accept article as written with the amendment of “ To amend Section 20 of the General By-laws, entitled “ Burning Permits, Times of Construction Activities and Penalties, “ by replacing Subsection 20.02 therein, in its entirety, with the following text: Seconded by Mr. Sydow. There were no questions. MOTION passes.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote:

To amend the General By-laws by deleting Section 6.07, in its entirety, and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

- 6.07 For all non-exempt operations exceeding 100 cubic yards, the Earth Removal Board may require, as a condition to the granting of Permit to remove earth, that the applicant maintain records and certifications of the amount of earth actually removed from the permitted site. Such records and certifications shall be prepared by a firm or persons

qualified to prepare and provide earth removal calculations and copies of such records shall be filed with the Board in accordance with an approved filing schedule. As a further condition of the approval, the Board may require an applicant to grant to the Town or its designee rights of reasonable access to and inspection of, the permitted site;

Motion made by Mr. Stanton to Passover this article. Seconded by Mr. Sydow. Mr. Stanton explained that more information was needed that is why the article was being passed over. MOTION passed.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote:

To discontinue a portion of Linden Street as a public way, said portion being shown on a plan entitled “Plan of Linden Street in Town of Boylston, Worcester County”, dated May 18, 1971, recorded at the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 348, Plan 45, and as originally laid out by the Worcester County Commissioners by an instrument recorded at said Registry in Book 5116, Page 585; Motion made by Mr. Stanton to Passover this article. Seconded by Mr. Sydow. Mr. Stanton explained that more information was needed that is why the article was being passed over MOTION passed

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote:

To accept as public ways Madera Court and an alteration and extension of Sylvan Lane, both as laid out heretofore by the Board of Selectmen and according to the boundaries and measurements shown on a plan entitled “Road Acceptance Plan of Sylvan Lane & Madera Court, located in Boylston, MA,” dated March 5, 2007, a copy of which layout is on file at the office of the Town Clerk, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept on behalf of the Town a gift of an easement or easements for pubic street purposes in said ways, which shall be known as “Sylvan Lane” and “Madera Court,” as shown on the plan.;

Motion made by Mr. Baker, Planning Board to accept this article as written in the warrant with the amendment of the following conditions: “ Subject to Town Counsel receiving from the developer an acceptable title report and deed to the Town for street purposes; said deed to be recorded by the developer at the Registry of deeds within 120 days from date of termination of this Town Meeting.” Seconded by Mr. Stanton. MOTION passed.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote:

To accept as public ways Pleasant Lane and Maple Way, both as laid out heretofore by the Board of Selectmen and according to the boundaries and measurements shown on a plan entitled “Street Acceptance Plan, Pleasant Lane and Maple Way at Pleasant Hill Farms in Boylston, MA,” dated March 16, 2007, a copy of which layout is on file at the office of the Town Clerk, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept on behalf of the Town a gift of an easement or easements for pubic street purposes in said ways, which shall be known as “Pleasant Lane” and “Maple Way,” as shown on the plan;

Motion made by Mr. Baker to accept this article as written in the warrant with the amendment of the following conditions: “ Subject to Town Counsel receiving from the developer an acceptable title report and deed to the Town for street purposes; said deed to be recorded by the developer at the Registry of deeds within 120 days from date of termination of this Town Meeting.”. Seconded by Mr. Stanton. MOTION passed.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to:

Amend the Zoning By laws as follows:

- 1) In Section 3, “Establishment of District”, delete Paragraph 10 in section 3.01, entitled “Watershed Protection District”, in its entirety and replace it with the following paragraph:

10. Limited Industrial District (LI) . The purpose of the Limited Industrial District is to allow for a broad range of low density industrial uses while also limiting the potential negative impact of these uses upon abutting residential properties.

- 2) Replace the terms “Watershed Protection District” and “(WP)”, in all instances that such appear in the Zoning By-laws, with references to “Limited Industrial District” and “(LI)”, respectively; including but not limited to:

- i. In the Table of Contents, revise “Section 5 – Watershed Protection District” to read: “Section 5 – Limited Industrial District”;
 - ii. In section 3.01, “Classes of Districts”, replace “Watershed Protection” and “WP” with “Limited Industrial” and “LP”, respectively;
 - iii. In section 4.01.01, “Buffer”, replace the term “watershed protection” in all instances it appears with the term “Limited Industrial”;
 - iv. In section 4.02, “Table of Use Regulations” replace the column heading “WP” with the column heading “LI”;
 - v. In Section 5, replace the title “Watershed Protection District” with the title “Limited Industrial District” and in Sections 5.01 and 5.02 replace the term “Watershed Protection District” with the term “Limited Industrial District”;
 - vi. In Section 9, “Dimensional Requirements”, in section 9.02, “Schedule of Dimensional Requirements”, replace the District title “Watershed Protection” with the title “Limited Industrial”;
 - vii. In Section 10, “Special Regulations”, section 10.01.03, “Industrial Districts”, replace the term “Watershed Protection” with “Limited Industrial”;
 - viii. In Section 15.07, “Design Standards”, revise the text of Footnote no. 2 of the second paragraph by replacing the term “Watershed Protection” with the term “Limited Industrial”, in all instances.
- 3) In Section 15.02, entitled “Applicability”, insert the words “Limited Industrial” in the first sentence of the paragraph, such that it reads as follows: “An FBD may be created from any parcel or set of contiguous parcels held in common ownership and located with the Industrial, Limited Industrial, or Commercial Districts, subject to the conditions and specifications set forth herein.”
 - 4) Revise the Official Zoning Map by replacing all references to “Watershed Protection” with references to “Limited Industrial”. (Section 3.14 – update reference to this article)

Motion made by Mr. Baker to accept this article written. Seconded by Mr. Stanton.

Planning Board recommends approval. Mr. Shoemaker, 144 Mile Hill Rd. asked why the changes. Mr. Baker explained that the Planning Board had held a public hearing, which no one showed up to oppose it. He further explained that this would eliminate confusion between the watershed protection and wellhead protection. Mr. Healy, 24 Sewall St. stated that as an engineer that works in the Town this would clarify the zoning on Route 140. The MOTION needed a 2/3 vote to pass. A stand vote was taken and the MOTION passed 197 –yes and 3- no.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to:

Amend the Zoning By-law and revise the Official Zoning Map (Section 3.14) by:

Rezoning the property known as and located at 147 Shrewsbury Street, Boylston, identified as Assessor’s parcel number 17-40, and described in a deed recorded in the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 37023, Page 14, to be designated “Limited Industrial District” on the Official Zoning Map; or act in any other way thereon.

Motion was made by Mrs. Philips, 44 Linden St. to accept this article as written in the warrant. Seconded by Mr. Stanton. Mr. Baker stated Planning Board had a public hearing and they recommend approval. Motion needs 2/3 vote to pass. Motion passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to:

Transfer from available funds in the Treasury and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for the purchase of a used aerial ladder truck from the Town of Northborough Fire Department and for the purchase of other fire fighting equipment for use by the Fire Department; or take any action relative thereto;

Motion made by Mr. Stanton to accept this article as read, with the change in the word for the purchase of to, equip a used aerial ladder truck... Seconded by Mr. Sydow. Finance Committee recommends approval. Mr. Stanton explained that a citizen was donating the money to buy the truck, so this article is to equip the truck. Mr. Lazar, 53 Sewall St. asked where the truck would be kept. Mr. Stanton stated that the Chief was working finding a place for it and that the Town would not receive until the end of the year. MOTION passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to: Borrow and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$5,000,000 to design, construct, furnish and equip a new Public Library on a parcel of town-owned land containing approximately 4.5 acres and described as:

- a) Bounded on the south by the roadway linking the Hillside Municipal Complex, so called, to Paul X. Tivnan Drive;
- b) Bounded on the west by a high tension wire easement;
- c) Bounded on the east by the trees adjacent to the Hillside barn, so-called; and
- d) Bounded on the north by a line running parallel to the road linking the Hillside Municipal Complex to Paul X. Tivnan Drive and set 450 feet north of said road

and that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to raise a sum not to exceed \$5,000,000 by borrowing under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7 of the Massachusetts General Laws (MGL) as amended and supplemented, or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefore (hereinafter called "the bond"), payable in accordance with said c. 44; and to authorize the Trustees of the Library to expend any such funds, or any other funds which may be received for this purpose, and to take any other action which may be necessary to carry out this project; provided that this appropriation and debt authorization shall be contingent upon the passage of a Proposition 2 1/2 debt exclusion referendum under M.G.L. Chapter 59 Section 21C, which voter approval is hereby sought and authorized at a Special Election to be held on Wednesday, March 5, 2008 at the Boylston Town Hall at the Hillside Municipal Complex located at 221 Main Street within the Town of Boylston; provided further that if said election ballot vote is unsuccessful; this said borrowing authorization and appropriation vote of the Town shall be deemed to be disapproved;

Motion was made by Mr. Therriault, Library Trustee to accept this article as written with the amendment of the amount of money being \$4,750,000 instead of \$5,000,000 and a typing error section d) 450 feet. Seconded by Mr. Butler. Finance Committee recommends approval. MOTION made by Mr. Deal to have a paper ballot vote. Seconded Mr. Stanton. MOTION passed. Mr. Barker, Library Trustee gave a background of the library project and how it got to where it is on this article. Mr. Murphy 173 Central St. spoke on why we should vote no on this article. Mr. Lazar, 53 Sewall St. agreed it is the wrong time for the project with the school and everything else the Town needs. Mrs. Butler, Friends of the Library chairman spoke on how much the library means to the children and the community. There were more people for and against it that spoke. Motion was made by Mrs. Healy to move the question. Motion was seconded by Mr. Lazar. Motion passed. The article needed a 2/3 vote to pass. Paper ballots were passed and collected. MOTION failed with 110 –yes and 109 – no.

The Selectmen voted to cancel the Election on March 5th due to the failed article..

Mr. Pojani stated there would be no election. Motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Seconded. MOTION passed

Meeting adjourned at 8:49 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandra L. Bourassa , Town Clerk

WARRANT FOR THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

April 8, 2008

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:

1. **SPECIAL TOWN MEETING – April 8, 2008** on Tuesday the eighth (8th) day of April 2008 AD, at seven o'clock (7:00) P.M., at the Tahanto Regional High School Auditorium, 1001 Main Street, Boylston, MA, to take any action relative to the business of the Town as set forth in Articles one (1) through three (3) of this warrant; and if necessary, at its adjournment which shall be Wednesday, the ninth (9th) day of April 2008 AD at seven o'clock (7:00) P.M. at the Tahanto Regional High School Auditorium; and at the adjournment thereof which shall be

Voters of the town of Boylston, Massachusetts, met in the auditorium of the Tanhanto Regional High School according to legal notice on April 8, 2008. With 70 registered voters. Selectmen, Roger Deal, Ken Sydow, and James Stanton were present. Also, present were Town Administrator, Sue Olsen, Town Council, Adam Costa and Town Clerk, Sandra Bourassa. Dennis Projani, Moderator called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M. Mr. Projani stated we had the required quorum present, Call of the meeting and officer's return of service are in order as required. Motion by Mr. Stanton was made to waive the reading of the warrant. Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Motion passes. He set the bounds of the hall and introduced the Town officials. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

MOTION by Mr. Stanton to place Article 2 before 1 because article 2 needs to pass to have article 1 to pass. Seconded by Mr. Brose. MOTION passes.

MOTION made by Mr. Stanton to accept article as read : To see if the Town will vote to (a) apply to the Economic Assistance Coordinating Council to amen the northern Worcester County Economic Target Area to included the Town of Boylston; and (b) to apply to the Economic Assistance Coordinating Council to designate an Economic Opportunity Area, for a term of twenty (20) years, the property located at 160 Shrewsbury Street in Boylston, Worcester County, Massachusetts, shown as Assessor's Map 12, Lots 18B and 18D, and portions of Assessor's Map 12, Lots 13 and 18, containing 35.2413 acres, more or less (the " 160 Shrewsbury Street Economic Opportunity Area"); and (c) designate the 160 Shrewsbury Street Plan entitled, " Tax Increment Financing Zone and adopt a Tax Increment Financing Subsidiaries and Affiliates, 160 Shrewsbury Street," dated March 21, 2008, as amended , on file with the Board of Selectmen and the Town Clerk (see attached) Seconded by Mrs. Olsen Mr. Brose, Finance Committee recommends approval. Mr. Stanton explained the article, about the tax break that Rand Whitney would get over twenty years and that upon them getting their building permit the Town would receive \$150,000.00 and money would be put in to account to cover Council fees needed for the project. Mr. Soocha, 108 Warren St. asks if this would change the zoning in this area. Mr. Stanton explained it would not change; it is already zoned for commercial use. MOTION passed unanimously.

MOTION by Mr. Stanton to accept Article 1 was read: To see if the Town will vote to: pending approval of Economic Target Area status by the Economic Assistance Coordinating Council to (a) approve the form of Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Agreement between Rand Whitney Group LLC and the Town of Boylston on file with the Board of Selectmen and the town Clerk; (b) authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute the TIF Agreement, and any documents relating thereto: and to take such other actions as are necessary or appropriate to implement those documents; and (c) authorize the Board of Selectmen to approve and certify proposed projects as provided in the TIF Plan and to apply to the Economic Assistance Council of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts under the Economic Development Incentive Program for approval and designation of the Economic Opportunity Area, TIF Zone, TIF Plan,

and any certified projects, and take such other and further action as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes of this article. Seconded by Mr. Sydow. Finance Committee recommends approval. Mr. Stanton explained the TIF Plan. On this project. MOTION passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote:

To see if the Town will vote:

To (a) approve the form of Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Agreement between Rand Whitney Group LLC and the Town of Boylston on file with the Board of Selectmen and the Town Clerk; (b) authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute the TIF Agreement, and any documents relating thereto; and to take such other actions as are necessary or appropriate to implement those documents; and (c) authorize the board of Selectmen to approve and certify proposed projects as provided in the TIF Plan and to apply to the Economic Assistance Council of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts under the Economic Development Incentive Program for approval and designation of the Economic Opportunity Area, TIF Zone, TIF Plan, and any certified projects, and take such other and further action as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes of this article.

or act in any other way thereon.

Sponsor: Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Comments: will be made at the town meeting

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote:

To (a) approve the Board of Selectmen's designation as an Economic Opportunity Area, for a term of twenty (20) years, the property located at 160 Shrewsbury Street in Boylston, Worcester County, Massachusetts, shown as Assessor's Map 12, Lots 18B and 18D, and portions of Assessor's Map 12, Lots 13 and 18, containing 35.2413 acres, more or less (the "160 Shrewsbury Street Economic Opportunity Area"); and (c) designate the 160 Shrewsbury Street Economic Opportunity Area as a Tax Increment Financing Zone and adopt a Tax Increment Financing Plan entitled, "Tax Increment Financing Plan, Town of Boylston & Rand-Whitney Group, LLC, its Subsidiaries and Affiliates, 160 Shrewsbury Street," dated March 21, 2008, as amended, on file with the Board of Selectmen and the Town Clerk;

or act in any other way thereon.

Sponsor: Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Comments:

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 43D of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, pursuant to Section 11 of Chapter 205 of the Acts of 2006, and to approve the filing of an application with the Interagency Permitting Board for the designation of land at 315 Main Street (Map 11, Parcel 2) and Main Street (Map 11, Parcel 2-1) as a Priority Development Site.

or act in any other way thereon.

Sponsor: Board of Selectmen

MOTION by Mr. Stanton to accept this article as read : To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 43D of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, pursuant to Section 11 of Chapter 205 of the Acts of 2006, and to approve the filing of an application with the Interagency Permitting Board for the designation of (a) land at 315 Main Street in Boylston, Worcester County , Massachusetts shown as Assessor's Map11, Parcel 2 and Main Street in Boylston, Worcester county, Massachusetts shown as Assessor's Map 11, Parcel 2-1, containing 18.587, more or less. Seconded by Mr. Sydow. Mr. Hayes, 245 Edgbrook Dr. asked a question about if the land is protected. Mr. Stanton explained it would go through the same process with committees. Mr. Baker, Planning Board asked about what Town official would handle this Permitting Board how it would be funded. Mr. Stanton explained that this article would speed up the application process and Boylston could apply for grant money to help fund the processing that is needed. MOTION passed unanimously.

MOTION by Mr. Stanton to adjourn the meeting. Seconded MOTION passes.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandra L. Bourassa

Town Clerk

WARRANT FOR A SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Monday, May 5th, 2008,

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 2008 town business.

MAY 5, 2008

THE 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 III, Section 1 of the Town of Boylston By-Laws, the following articles will be considered on **Monday, May 5th, 2008, the first Monday of May, at seven o'clock (7:00) P.M. at the Tahanto Regional High School Auditorium, 1001 Main Street, Boylston MA.**

Voters of the Town of Boylston, Massachusetts, met in the auditorium of the Tahanto Regional High School according to legal notice on May 5, 2008. With 172 registered voters. Selectmen, Roger Deal, Ken Sydow, James Stanton were present. Also, present were Town Administrator, Sue Olsen, Town Counsel Stephen Madaus, 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, Calling of the meeting and 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. A 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 transfer an amount not to exceed \$45,000 from Fiscal Year 2008 Highway Salaries and Wages (Acct. # 001-420-5110) to the account for tuition payments to be made to the Assabet Valley Regional Vocational School;

MOTION was made by Mr. Stanton to accept this article as read. Seconded by Mr. Sydow. Finance Committee recommends approval. Vote on MOTION passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer any unexpended balances of Fiscal Year 2008 appropriations, hitherto made to other accounts;

MOTION made by Mr. Stanton to accept the following transfer as read by Town Accountant, Mr. Haynes. Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Mr. Haynes read the following transfers: From- (001-122-5780-000) Selectboard Exp.- \$10,000.00, (001-192-5780-000) Municipal Office Exp.- \$5,000.00, (001-151-5110-000) Town Counsel Retainer- \$5,000.00, (001-320-5510-000)Elementary Education \$29,690.00, (001-420-5780-000) Highway Exp. -\$15,000.00,

(001-752-5915-000)Interest on Temp Loans \$3,000.00, (001-942-5740-000)General Insurance-\$20,000.00,(410-192-3590-000 Digital Property Purchase \$23,955.02- Total \$111,645.02. To: (001-151-5780-000) Town Counsel \$25,162.74, (001-146-5780-000) Tax Collector Exp. -\$4,000.00, (001-197-5780-000) Town Garage Exp. \$2,000.00,(001-345-5320-000) Vocational Tution-\$29,690.00, (001-423-5780-000) Snow & Ice Removal -\$36,792.28, (001-914-5171-000) Group Insurance-\$14,000.00. Total \$111,645.02 Finance Committee recommends approval. MOTION passed.

MOTION by Mr. Stanton to adjourn this meeting. Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. MOTION passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:14 P.M. Mr. Projani stated that the Annual meeting posting stated that it would start at 7:30 P.M. . So there would be a break and the Annual meeting would start at 7:30 P.M.

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

MAY 5, 2008

THE 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:

1. GENERAL TOWN MEETING – MAY 5, 2008

on Monday, the fifth (5th) of May AD, 2008 at seven thirty (7:30) P.M., at the Tahanto Regional High School Auditorium, 1001 Main Street, Boylston MA, to take any action relative to the business of the Town as set forth in Articles one (1) through thirty-one (31) of this Warrant; and at its adjournment, which shall be upon completion of Town Meeting action upon all articles listed on the Warrant.

2. ELECTION AND BALLOT – MAY 12, 2008

on Monday, the twelfth (12th) of May AD, 2008, 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 32. To vote by official ballot for the necessary Town Officers, namely:

One (1) Selectman for three (3) years; One (1) Assessor for three (3) years; One (1) Town Clerk 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; One (1) Parks and Recreation Commission member for five (5) years; One (1) Parks and Recreation Commission member for four (4) years; One (1) Parks and Recreation Commission member for three (3) years; One (1) School Committee member for three (3) years; and vote the following ballot question:

1. Shall the Town of Boylston be allowed to assess an additional \$624,379 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purposes of funding the expenses of the Boylston Elementary School (\$42,393), the assessment from the Berlin-Boylston Regional School District (\$363,925) and for the tuition and transportation costs of students attending the Assabet Valley Regional Vocational School District (\$218,061) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008?

Yes_____ No_____

The results of the question for article #32 were yes – 415 no – 461 blanks – 10

The question was defeated . The school's budget is not balanced. The selectmen voted to have a Special Town meeting on June 30, 2008. If both articles pass then there will be a balanced budget for FY 09.

Voters of the Town of Boylston, Massachusetts, met in the auditorium of the Tahanto Regional High School according to legal notice on May 5, 2008. With 172 registered voters. Selectmen, Roger Deal, James Stanton and Kenneth Sydow were present. Also, present were Town Administrator, Sue Olsen, Town Counsel, Stephen Madaus and Town Clerk, Sandra Bourassa. Moderator , Dennis Pojani called the meeting to order at 7:30 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. Motion by Mr. Stanton was made to waive the reading of the warrant. Seconded by Mr. Brose. Vote on the MOTION passed.

MOTION was made by Mr. Olsen to Passover Article #5. Seconded by Mr. Brose. MOTION passes.

MOTION was made by Mr. Stanton accept article 1-4 and 6-15 as a group. Seconded by Mr. Brose. MOTION passes. MOTION made by Mr. Stanton to accept article 1-4 and 6-15 as written in the warrant. Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Selectmen recommend approval. Finance committee recommend approval Light Dept recommends article #10.. Mr. Projani asked if there were any question. Mark

Edmonds, 71 Sewall St. had a question on the Town's balances, the Town reports were not available. The balance at the present time in free cash is \$477,00.00. Vote on the 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 act in any other way thereon.

Sponsor: Board of Selectmen

***ARTICLE 2.** To hear and act upon the reports of Town officials and committees; or act in any other way thereon.

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 act in any other way thereon.

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, 2008 and ending June 30, 2009, 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 act in any other way thereon.

Sponsor: Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee comments: Finance Committee 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 2009, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53F; or act in any other way thereon.

Sponsor: Tax Collector/Treasurer

Finance Committee comments: Finance Committee 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, 2008, and to fix the compensation therefore, consistent with the Personnel Plan; or act in any other way thereon.

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, 2008, including the appointment of a Cemetery Superintendent, and to fix the compensation therefore, consistent with the Personnel Plan; or act in any other way thereon.

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, 2008, and to fix the compensation therefore, consistent with the Personnel Plan; or act in any other way thereon.

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 act in any other way thereon.

Sponsor: Library Trustees

Finance Committee comments: Finance Committee 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, 2008, 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 act in any other way thereon.

Sponsor: Municipal Light Board

Finance Committee comments: Finance Committee 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 2009, 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 act in any other way thereon.

Sponsor: Highway Superintendent

Finance Committee comments: Finance Committee recommends approval.

***ARTICLE 12.** 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;
- e. To set the expenditure limit as not to exceed \$15,000;
or act in any other way thereon.

Sponsor: Cemetery Superintendent

Finance Committee comments: Finance Committee recommends approval.

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Recommends approval.

***ARTICLE 13.** 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 act in any other way thereon.

Sponsor: Planning Board

Finance Committee comments: Finance Committee recommends approval.

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Recommends approval.

***ARTICLE 14.** 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, 2002 Annual Meeting, established in accordance with Chapter 44 Section 53E½ 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 act in any other way thereon.

Sponsor: Conservation Commission

Finance Committee comments: Finance Committee recommends approval.

Board of Selectmen recommendation: Recommends approval.

***ARTICLE 15.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the office of the Boylston ambulance service to continue its use of the revolving fund established at the May 2, 2005 Annual Meeting, established in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws 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 education services and clerical services needed for the billing of ambulance fees by the Fire Department.
2. To set the expenditure limit of \$42,000; or act in any other way thereon.

Sponsor: Fire Department

Finance Committee Recommendation: will be made at the Town Meeting

Board of Selectmen Recommendation: Recommends approval.

ARTICLE 16. 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 act in any other way thereon.

MOTION by Mr. Deal was made to accept this article written in the warrant Seconded by Mr. Olsen .Finance Committee recommends approval. MOTION passes.

Finance Committee comments:

Selectmen, Chair	\$ 1,354	2 members each at \$ 1,137		
Town Clerk	\$	27,704	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			

ARTICLE 17. 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 2008 - Effective July 1, 2008

Hourly Rates

Classification	Position Status	Grade	Min	Max
Library Page	Hourly		8.10	8.36
Election Worker	Hourly		8.10	8.36
Town Meeting Checker	Hourly		8.10	8.36
Election Clerk	Hourly		9.02	9.02
Election Warden	Hourly		9.02	9.02
Clerical	Special Temp		8.10	10.85
Library Housekeeper	Special Part Time		9.00	9.82
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 Coord/Community Outreach	Reg. Part Time	5		
P&R Program Coordinator	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

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Min</u>	<u>Mid</u>	<u>Max</u>
1	9.34	10.99	12.66
2	10.08	11.91	13.68
3	10.92	12.88	14.84
4	11.77	13.86	15.93
5	12.74	14.98	17.21
6	13.78	16.19	18.61
7	14.87	17.40	20.09
8	16.05	18.87	21.69
9	17.36	20.37	23.40
10	18.74	22.01	25.31
11	20.26	23.76	27.33
12	21.84	25.66	29.49
13	23.59	27.71	31.85
14	25.48	29.92	34.39
15	27.52	32.33	37.14
16	29.72	34.92	40.11
17	32.08	37.72	43.33
18	34.63	39.68	46.79

Schedule C: Salary Compensation Schedule-

<u>Job Title</u>	<u>Annual Salary</u>
Chairman, Registrar of Voters	\$ 693
Council on Aging, Meal Coordinator	\$ 941
Director of Veteran's Services	\$ 979
Electrical Inspector	\$ 7,464
Assistant Electrical Inspector	\$ 515
Plumbing Inspector	\$ 8,010
Assistant Plumbing Inspector	\$ 667
Gas Inspector	\$ 2,410

Assistant Gas Inspector	\$ 206
Registrar of Voters	\$ 269
Health Agent	\$ 34,967
Town Counsel	\$ -----
Dog Officer	\$ 1,966
Animal Inspector	\$ 1,131
Nurse	\$ 1,500
Vital Stat Clerk	\$ 200
Tree Warden	\$ 1,061

MOTION was made by Mr. Deal to accept this article was written in the warrant with the amendment to Town Treasurer/Collector from Reg. Part Time to Reg. Full Time. Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Finance Committee recommends approval .Vote on the MOTION passes.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money not to exceed \$250,000 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; or act in any other way thereon.

MOTION was made by Mr. Stanton to accept this article as read with the change of the dollar amount being \$215,000.00. Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Vote on the MOTION passes.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury an amount not to exceed \$120,000 for the purchase and installation of a replacement HVAC system for the Municipal Office Building; or act in any other way thereon.

MOTION was made by Mr. Sydow to accept article as read, as a transfer of \$120,000. from “free cash.” Seconded by Mr. Stanton. Finance Committee recommends approval. Capital Planning Committee recommends approval. Mr. Edmonds had questioned what was being bought. Mrs. Olsen answered the question that this was the last steps on the project that has been going on to replace the heating/air conditioning in the municipal building. Vote on MOTION passes.

ARTICLE 20. 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 the purpose of making the basement level of the Municipal Office Building suitable for leased space to be retrofit by a tenant; or act in any other way thereon.

MOTION was made by Mr. Deal to accept this article as read, as a transfer of \$40,000.00 from “free cash”. Seconded by Mr. Stanton. Finance Committee recommends approval. Capital Planning recommends approval. Mr. Edmonds asked what work was going to be done. Mr. Olsen answered his question about the scope of the project. Vote on MOTION passes.

ARTICLE 21. 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 for expenses related to post-closure landfill monitoring, including engineering and testing; or act in any other way thereon.

MOTION was made by Mr. Costello, Sanitation Agent to accept this article as read, as a transfer of \$50,000.00 from “free cash” Seconded by Mr. Stanton. Finance Committee recommends approval. Mr. Costello stated that this transfer was requested because in the past years this was a line item each year and the land fill needs to be monitored and it is ¾ done on the closing, so they are asking for one lump sum to finish the project. Vote on MOTION passes.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$42,000 from the Ambulance Receipts Reserved Account and appropriate said sum for the purpose of paying clerical fees for ambulance billing services and for funding a portion of the salary of a full-time emergency medical technician/firefighter/ inspector/fire education officer; or act in any other way thereon.

MOTION was made by Chief Flanagan to accept this article as read. Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Finance Committee recommends approval. Mr. Edmond asked what the break down was, Mr. Flanagan stated \$4,300.00 was clerical and the remainder was for the Fire fighter. The Ambulance Receipts balance is \$80,000.00. Vote on the MOTION passes.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of money not to exceed \$9,000 from the Ambulance Receipts Reserved Account and appropriate said sum for the purpose of paying for Nextel communications equipment used by Fire Department Emergency Medical Technicians while responding to or at emergency scenes; or act in any other way thereon..

MOTION by made Chief Flanagan to accept this article as read. Seconded by Mr. Stanton. Finance Committee recommends approval. Vote on MOTION passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$20,000 from the Ambulance Receipts Reserved Account and appropriate said sum 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; or act in any other way thereon.

MOTION was made by Chief Flanagan to accept this article as read. Seconded by Mr. Stanton. Finance Committee recommends approval. Vote on the MOTION passes.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$10,000 from the Ambulance Receipts Reserved Account and appropriate said sum for the purpose of upgrading fire department ambulance radio communication equipment; such sum may be used for the Town's matching portion of the Assistance to Firefighter's Grant Program; or act in any other way thereon.

MOTION was made by Chief Flanagan to accept this article as read. Seconded by Mr. Stanton. Finance Committee recommends approval. Mr. Stanton stated that the grant that the fire Dept had received was \$125,000.00. Vote on the MOTION passes unanimously.

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 \$140,000 for the purpose of commissioning a Tahanto Regional High School and Middle School Building Feasibility Study as required by The Commonwealth of Massachusetts School Building Assistance Program; or act any other way thereon.

MOTION was made by Mr. Perrone, School Committee to accept this article as read with the following amendment:

That the Town transfer and appropriate from available funds in the treasury the sum of One Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars (\$140,000.00), for the purpose of funding Boylston's apportionment share of a feasibility study for the renovation and /or new construction of Tahanto Regional Middle-High School, located at 1001 Main Street, Boylston, MA, said sum to be expended under the direction of the School Building Committee, provided that the Town of Boylston acknowledges that Massachusetts School Building Authority's grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any costs the Town incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the Town and further provided that the amount authorized for expenditure pursuant to this motion shall be reduced by the Town's apportioned share of any amounts received or expected to be received from the MSBA, or by all of such amount if the grant is made directly to the Town. Seconded by Mr. Stanton. Finance Committee recommends approval. Mr. Connelly, Superintendent of School, gave an update of the school report. Mr. Edmonds asked if this passes will the project move forward? Mrs. Dono-Healy stated that the process is different from when we did the Elementary School project., the Town would have more control over the project. Vote on the MOTION passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds an amount not to exceed \$19,507 for the purpose of purchasing mobile computer labs, replacement desktop computers and other hardware as part of an established five-year technology capital plan; or act in any way thereon.

MOTION by Mr. Perrone to accept this article as a transfer from "free cash" for the amount of \$19,507.00 .Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Finance Committee recommends approval. Vote on MOTION passes unanimously.

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 \$30,000 for the purchase and installation of two (2) two-thousand (2,000) gallon above-ground fuel tanks and Dispensing Management System(s) to service town department vehicles; or act in any other way thereon.

MOTION by Mr. Stanton to accept this article as read, as a transfer from “free cash” of \$30,000.00. Seconded by Mr. Perrone. Finance Committee recommends approval. Capital Planning recommends approval. Mr. Stanton explained that his tank would save the Town money on fuel. Mrs. Murphy, 3 Clearview Ave. asked where the tank would go. Mr. Stanton stated that it would be at the highway /fire Dept. Vote on MOTION passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$25,000 from the Assessor’s Overlay Surplus and appropriate said sum for the Town-wide appraisal/re-evaluation; or act in any way thereon.

MOTION was made by Mr. Stanton to accept this article as read. Seconded by Mr. Olsen. Finance Committee recommends approval. Vote on MOTION passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and 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 2009, 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 2009 Report of the Finance Committee; or act in any other way thereon.

MOTION was made by Mr. Butler, Finance Committee to accept this article as read. Seconded by Mr. Olsen. Finance Committee recommends approval. Mr. Butler stated that his budget does include the over ride. Mrs. Carter, Tower Hill Rd. asked why the Town Administrator salary had increased by 30%. Mr. Sydow stated that Mrs. Olsen was retiring and that her replace would be hired at a higher salary. Vote on MOTION passes unanimously.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation and appropriate an amount not to exceed \$624,379 for the following purposes: for funding expenses of the Boylston Elementary School and thereby increasing line 5510 in the Town Budget by \$42,393; for funding the assessment from the Berlin-Boylston Regional School District and thereby increasing line 5651 in the Town Budget by \$363,925; and for funding the tuition and transportation costs of students attending Assabet Valley Regional Vocational School District and thereby increasing line 5380 in the Town Budget by \$218,061; provided that this appropriation is contingent upon the passage of a Proposition 2-1/2 override question under MGL Chapter 59 section 21C, as set forth on the ballot for the Annual Town Election to be held on May 12, 2008; or act in any other way thereon.

MOTION was made by Mr. Perrone to accept this article as read. Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Finance Committee recommended approval. Dr. Connelly gave a power point presentation that explained the school’s budget and the need for the override. Mr. Cravedi, Assessor stated that with the over ride the increase in taxes would be .71 After a few questions and answers there was a MOTION to move the question MOTION was seconded by Mr. Stanton. Vote on MOTION passes. Vote on MOTION passes with a voice vote taken.

MOTION made by Mr. Stanton to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Vote on MOTION passes

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandra L. Bourassa, Town Clerk

Annual Town Meeting May 5, 2008

Appropriations

Article #	Total Appropriation	From Tax Levy	Source of fund	
#18				
Hillside Exp.	\$215,000.00`		Hillside Receipts	\$215,000.00
#19				
Hillside HVAC	\$120,000.00		Free cash	\$120,000.00
#20				
Hillside Exp.	\$40,000.00		Free cash	\$40,000.00
\$21				
Board of Health	\$50,000.00		Free cash	\$50,000.00
#22				
Ambulance/Clerical Salary	\$42,000.00		Ambulance Receipts	\$42,000.00
#23				
Nextel	\$9,000.00		Ambulance Receipts	\$9,000.00
#24				
Ambulance Exp. Equipment	\$20,000.00		Ambulance Receipts	\$20,000.00
#25				
Fire Dept Exp. Radios	\$10,000.00		Ambulance Receipts	\$10,000.00
#26				
Tahanto Feasibility Study	\$140,000.00		Free cash	\$140,000.00
#27				
Tahanto Computer Lab	\$19,507.000		Free cash	\$19,507.00
#28				
Fuel Tanks Exp.	\$30,000.00		Free Cash	\$30,000.00
#29				
Re-evaluation	\$25,000.00		Assessor's Overlay	\$25,000.00
#30				
Fy09 Budget	\$11,327,445	\$11,327,445		

Special Town Meeting May 5, 2008
Appropriations

Article #	Total Appropriation	From Tax Levy	Source of fund	Amount
#1				
Tuition –Assabet	\$45,000.00		Highway salaries & wages	\$45,000.00
#2				
Town Counsel	\$4,000.00		Selectboard Exp	\$5,000.00
Town Garage Exp.	\$2,000.00		Mun.Office Exp	\$5,000.00
Vocational Tuition	\$29,690.00		Town Counsel Retainer	\$5,000.00
Snow & Ice removal	\$36,792.28		Elementary Education	\$26,690.00
Group Insurance	\$14,000.00		Highway Exp	\$15,000.00
Total	\$111,645.02		Interest on Temp Loans	\$3,000.00
			General Insurance	\$20,000.00
			Digital Property Purchase	\$23,955.02
			Total	\$111,645.02

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

MAY 5, 2008

WARDEN : Bill Richardson

CLERK: Sandra L. Bourassa

CHECKERS: Carol Anderson, Gert Peterson, Phyllis Gaucher Mary Jasper, Mary Seed

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 2,997 registered voters in Boylston; 886 turned out to vote. The Counter on the ballot box, computer printout of results, and check-lists concurred that 886 ballots, including absentee ballots, were cast. The results were:

BOARD OF ASSESSOR THREE YEARS

BLANKS	835
WRITE-INS	51

LIBRARY TRUSTEE THREE YEARS

BLANKS	1714
WRITE-INS	58

BOARD OF HEALTH THREE YEARS

LORIE MARTISKA	604
BLANKS	280
WRITE-INS	2

MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD THREE YEARS

EDWARD H. KIMBALL	600
BLANKS	279
WRITE-INS	7

CEMETERY COMMISSION THREE YEARS

KENNETH FRANZ	594
BLANKS	287
WRITE-INS	5

SELECTMEN THREE YEARS

JAMES STANTON	626
BLANKS	249
WRITE-INS	11

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION THREE YEARS

BLANKS	797
WRITE-INS	89

PARKS & RECREATION COMISSION FOUR YEARS UNEXPIRED

BLANKS	851
WRITE-INS	35

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION FIVE YEARS

RUDY LAMBRACHT	597
BLANKS	278
WRITE-INS	11

TOWN CLERK THREE YEARS

SANDRA BOURASSA	673
BLANKS	209
WRITE-INS	4

PLANNING BOARD
FIVE YEARS

BLANKS	829
WRITE-INS	57

SCHOOL COMMITTEE
THREE YEARS

LAURENCE BRENNER	556
BLANKS	323
WRITE-INS	7

1. Shall the Town of Boylston be allowed to assess an additional \$624,379 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purposes of funding the expenses of the Boylston Elementary School (\$42,393), the assessment from the Berlin-Boylston Regional School District (\$363,925) and for the tuition and transportation costs of the students attending the Assabet Regional Vocational School District (\$218,061) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008?

YES 415 No 461 BLANKS 10

WRITE- IN VOTE RESULTS WERE AS FOLLOWS:

KIM AMES – 5 year term –Planning Board

JOSEPH DICELIE – 3 year – Parks & Recreation

RICHARD READON – 3 year – Library Trustee

ELECTION RESULTS REPORT FOR THE TOWN OF BOYLSTON, MASSACHUSETTS STATE PRIMARY – SEPT.16, 2008

WARDEN: Bill Richardson

CLERK: Sandra L. Bourassa

CHECKERS: Carol Anderson, , Mary Seed, , Gert Peterson , Phyllis Gaucher and Priscilla O'Connor

Notice to the Town of Boylston Voters was posted and Specimen Ballots were posted as required by law. The voting machine was tested at least three (3) days prior to Election as required by law. The ballot box was examined by the Clerk. The polls were declared open by the Warden at 0700 hours and were closed at 2000 hours.

A total of 520 voters turned out to vote (including absentee ballots). The counter on the ballot box and checklists concurred that 520 ballots, including absentee ballots were cast. The results were:

SENATOR IN CONGRESS

JOHN F. KERRY	317
EDWARD J. O'REILLY	160
BLANKS	8
WRITE-INS	0

REP. IN CONGRESS –DISTRICT 3

JAMES P. McGOVERN	409
BLANKS	74
WRITE-IN	1

COUNCILLOR – DISTRICT 7

THOMAS J. FOLEY	366
BLANKS	118
WRITE-INS	1

SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT –1ST WORCESTER

HARRIETTE L. CHANDLER	394
BLANKS	88
WRITE-INS	2

REP. IN GENERAL COURT –12TH DISTRICT

HAROLD P. NAUGHTON, J	374
STEPHEN J. KERRIGAN	110
BLANKS	1
WRITE-INS	0

REGISTER OF PROBATE – DEM

STEPHEN G. ABRAHAM	376
BLANKS	108
WRITE-INS	0

SENATOR IN CONGRESS – REP

JEFFREY K. BEATTY	33
BLANKS	2
WRITE-INS	0

REP. IN CONGRESS –REP

BLANKS	30
WRITE-INS	5

COUNCILLOR – REP

BLANKS	31
WRITE-INS	4

SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT – REP

BLANKS	30
WRITE-INS	5

REP. IN GENERAL COURT – REP

BLANKS	22
WRITE-INS	03
WILLIAM HIGGINS	10

REGISTER OF PROBATE –REP

BLANKS	31
WRITE-INS	4

SENATOR IN CONGRESS – GRN

BLANKS	0
WRITE-INS	0

REP IN CONGRESS – GRN

BLANKS	0
WRITE-INS	0

COUNCILLOR - GRN

BLANKS	0
WRITE-INS	0

REP IN GENERAL COURT – GRN

BLANKS	0
WRITE-INS	0

SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT –GRN

BLANKS	0
WRITE-INS	0

REP IN GENERAL COURT – GRN

BLANKS	0
WRITE-INS	0

REGISTER OF PROBATE – GRN

BLANKS	0
WRITE-INS	0

SENATOR IN CONGRESS - WRK

BLANKS	0
WRITE-INS	0

REP IN CONGRESS – WRK

BLANKS	0
WRITE-INS	0

COUNCILLOR – WRK

BLANKS	0
WRITE-INS	0

SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT –WRK

BLANKS	0
WRITE-INS	0

REP IN GENERAL COURT – WRK

BLANKS	0
WRITE-INS	0

REGISTER OF PROBATE – WRK

BLANKS	0
WRITE-INS	0

WARRANT FOR THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

June 30, 2008

THE 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 – June 30, 2008 on Monday the thirtieth (30th) day of June, 2008 AD, at seven o'clock (7:00) P.M., at the Tahanto Regional High School Auditorium, 1001 Main Street, Boylston, MA, to take any action relative to the business of the Town as set forth in Articles one (1) through two (2) of this warrant.

Voters of the town of Boylston, Massachusetts, met in the auditorium of the Tanhanto Regional High School according to legal notice on June 30, 2008. With 149 registered voters. Selectmen, Roger Deal, Ken Sydow, and James Stanton were present. Also, present were Town Administrator, Sue Olsen, Town Council, Stephen Madaus and Town Clerk, Sandra Bourassa. Dennis Projani, Moderator called the meeting to order at 7:01 P.M. Mr. Projani stated we had the required quorum present, Call of the meeting and officer's return of service are in order as required. Motion by Mr. Stanton was made to waive the reading of the warrant. Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Motion passes. Mr. Projani set the bounds of the hall and introduced the Town officials. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote

To transfer the sums specified in the table set forth below, labeled "Budget Transfers", from the line items identified therein, as approved in the Town Budget under Article 30 at the Annual Town Meeting on May 5, 2008, and re-appropriate such sums as follows:

\$ 48,009 to line item 5651, "Regular Assessment" under the heading "Regional District (340)" in the department "Education"

\$ 110,000 to line item 5320 "Tuition" under the heading "Vocational Education (345)" in the department "Education"

MOTION was made by Mr. Stanton to accept this article as read. Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Mr. Stanton explained the article. Finance Committee recommends approval. Dr. Connelly, Superintendent of School explained where the cuts were made and how the amount of money in the article was reached. There were questions on how these cuts would effect the Library and others departments. After a few more questions a MOTION to move the question was made, seconded and passed. Vote on the article was taken and the MOTION passed.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote:

To withdraw from and terminate participation in the Central Massachusetts Mosquito Control Project, and to appropriate the sum of \$22,000 from the funds that would have otherwise been assessed against the Town for such participation to line item 5651, "Regular Assessment" under the heading "Regional District (340)" in the department "Education" of the Town Budget, as approved under Article 30 at the Annual Town Meeting on May 5, 2008.

MOTION was made by Mr. Deal to accept this article as read. Seconded by Mrs. Olsen. Finance Committee recommends approval. Mr. Seiler, 198 Linden St. recommended making a motion to amend the amount of money in this article. Mr. Pojani explained that the article amount could not be changed. Mr. Lazar, 53 Sewall St. stated that it took many years to get this program approved and now we are dropping it. Why? Mr. Costello, Sanitation Agent explained the Board of Health view on the program. After more discussion A MOTION to move the question was made, seconded and passed. A vote on the article was taken and the MOTION passed.

MOTION was made to Adjourn the meeting, Seconded, MOTION passed. Mr. Pojani adjourned the meeting at 8:21 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandra L. Bourassa, Town Clerk

<i>Account Number</i>	<i>Department</i>	<i>FY 2009 Budget Approved 5/5/08</i>	<i>Budget Transfers per Article 1</i>	<i>FINAL FY 2009 budget with changes</i>	<i>% change from 5/5/08</i>
<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>					
SPECIAL TOWN MEETINGS (113):					
5780	Special Town Meeting Notices	2,225		2225	0%
Total Special Town Meetings		2,225		\$2,225	0%
MODERATOR (114):					
5110	Moderator Salary	15		\$15	0.0%
Total Moderator		15		\$15	0.0%
BOARD OF SELECTMEN (122):					
5110	Selectmen Salary	3,637		3,637	0.0%
5111	Assistant Town Administrator	39,861		39,861	0.0%
5112	Town Administrator Salary	90,000		90,000	0.0%
5112	Project Manager	15,000	(\$5,000)	10,000	-33.3%
5113	Clerical	12,500		12,500	0.0%
5780	Selectmen General Expenses	25,050	(\$9,000)	16,050	-35.9%
5385	Town Audit	15,000		15,000	0.0%
Total Board of Selectmen		201,048	(\$14,000)	\$187,048	-7.0%
FINANCE COMMITTEE (131):					
5780	Finance Committee Expenses	400		400	0.0%
Total Finance Committee		400		\$400	0.0%
RESERVE FUND (132):					
5785	Reserve Fund	45,000	(\$5,000)	40,000	-11.1%
Total Reserve Fund		45,000	(\$5,000)	\$40,000	-11.1%
TOWN ACCOUNTANT (135):					
5300	Accountant Salary	0			
5780	Accountant Expenses	26,250		26,250	0.0%
Total Town Accountant		26,250		\$26,250	0.0%
BOARD OF ASSESSORS (141):					
5110	Members Salaries	3,500		3,500	0.0%
5111	Clerk Salary	24,193		24,193	0.0%
5112	Clerical Wages	19,232		19,232	0.0%
5780	Expenses	20,405	(\$1,500)	18,905	-7.4%
5301	Appraisal Expense	7,500		7,500	0.0%
5302	Property Revaluation (Assessor's Overlay Account)	0		0	
Total Board of Assessors		74,830	(\$1,500)	\$73,330	-2.0%
TREASURER (145):					
5110	Treasurer Salary	25,827		25,827	0.0%
5111	Clerical Wages	11,812		11,812	0.0%
5780	Expenses	11,550	(\$1,500)	10,050	-13.0%
Total Treasurer		49,189	(\$1,500)	\$47,689	-3.0%
TAX COLLECTOR (146):					
5110	Tax Collector Salary	25,827		25,827	0.0%
5111	Clerical Wages	11,812		11,812	0.0%
5780	Expenses	24,217	(\$1,500)	22,717	-6.2%

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Total Tax Collector					
		61,856	(\$1,500)	\$60,356	-2.4%
TOWN COUNSEL (151):					
5110	Town Counsel Retainer	0			
5780	Town Counsel Expense	85,000	(\$5,000)	80,000	-5.9%
Total Town Counsel					
		85,000	(\$5,000)	\$80,000	-5.9%
PERSONNEL BOARD (152):					
5780	Personnel Board Expense	50		50	0.0%
Total Personnel Board					
		50		\$50	0.0%
TAX TITLE CUSTODIAN (158):					
5780	Tax Title Custodian Expense	1,175		1,175	0.0%
Total Tax Title Custodian					
		1,175		\$1,175	0.0%
TOWN CLERK (161):					
5110	Town Clerk Salary	27,705		27,705	0.0%
5111	Clerical Wages	12,355		12,355	0.0%
5111	Parking Clerk	260		260	0.0%
5780	Expenses	2,530		2,530	0.0%
Total Town Clerk					
		42,850		\$42,850	0.0%
ELECTIONS/REGISTRATIONS (162):					
5110	Salaries	4,250		4,250	0.0%
5780	Expenses	8,805		8,805	0.0%
Total Elections/Registrations					
		13,055		\$13,055	0.0%
CONSERVATION COMMISSION (171):					
5111	Salary	14,115		14,115	0.0%
5780	Expenses	1,850	(\$500)	1,350	-27.0%
	Stormwater Management (from Selectmen FY2008)	20,000		20,000	0.0%
5300	Engineering Fees	0			
Total Conservation Commission					
		35,965	(\$500)	\$35,465	-1.4%
PLANNING BOARD (175):					
5110	Members Salaries	582		582	0.0%
5111	Official Clerk Salary	53		53	0.0%
5112	Administrative Assistant Wages	7,735		7,735	0.0%
5350	Consulting Services	0			
5780	Expenses	2,500	(\$200)	2,300	-8.0%
Total Planning Board					
		10,870	(\$200)	\$10,670	-1.8%
OTHER GENERAL GOVERNMENT:					
5780	Earth Removal Board Expense (173)	500		500	0.0%
5780	Appeals Board Expense (176)	1,000		1,000	0.0%
5780	Cable T.V. Committee Expense (186)	0			
5780	Stormwater Management (Moved to Cons. Comm)	0			
5780	Tri Town Hazardous Waste Project	15,000		15,000	0.0%
5780	Affordable Housing Comm.	50		50	0.0%
5780	Open Space Committee exp	0			
5780	Municipal Office Expenses (192)	40,800	(\$1,500)	39,300	-3.7%
5780	Town Buildings-Hillside (193)	0			
5380	Town Reports (195)	2,000		2,000	0.0%

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5780	Employee Physical Examinations (919)	500		500	0.0%
5780	Town House Expense (196)	10,000	(\$500)	9,500	-5.0%
5780	Town Garage Expense (197)	7,650		7,650	0.0%
5240	Repairs to Town Buildings (198)	3,500		3,500	0.0%
Total Other General Government		81,000	(\$2,000)	\$79,000	-2.5%
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT		730,778	(\$31,200)	\$699,578	-4.3%
<u>PUBLIC SAFETY</u>					
POLICE (210):					
5110	Salaries and Wages	769,581		769,581	0.0%
5780	Expenses	86,400	(\$1,500)	84,900	-1.7%
5850	Police Cruiser	0			
Total Police		855,981	(\$1,500)	\$854,481	-0.2%
FIRE (220):					
5110	Salaries and Wages	192,744		192,744	0.0%
5780	Expenses	26,650	(\$2,500)	24,150	-9.4%
Total Fire		219,394	(\$2,500)	\$216,894	-1.1%
FIRE/POLICE/AMB. DISPATCH (230):					
5110	Salaries and Wages	197,980		197,980	0.0%
5780	Expenses	16,215	(\$3,500)	12,715	-21.6%
Total Dispatch		214,195	(\$3,500)	\$210,695	-1.6%
BUILDING INSPECTOR (241):					
5110	Building Inspector Services	50,923		50,923	0.0%
5111	Clerical Wages	10,609	(\$5,609)	5,000	-52.9%
5780	Expenses	5,400		5,400	0.0%
Total Building Inspector		66,932	(\$5,609)	\$61,323	-8.4%
GAS INSPECTOR (242):					
5110	Gas Inspector Salary	2,615		2,615	0.0%
5780	Gas Inspector Expenses	850		850	0.0%
Total Gas Inspector		3,465		\$3,465	0.0%
PLUMBING INSPECTOR (243):					
5110	Plumbing Inspector Salary	8,677		8,677	0.0%
Total Plumbing Inspector		8,677		\$8,677	0.0%
WIRING INSPECTOR (245):					
5110	Wiring Inspector Salary	7,979		7,979	0.0%
5780	Expenses	960		960	0.0%
Total Wiring Inspector		8,939		\$8,939	0.0%
Total Building Department					
DOG OFFICER (292):					
5110	Dog Officer Wages	1,967		1,967	0.0%
5780	Expenses	1,200		1,200	0.0%
Total Dog Officer		3,167		\$3,167	0.0%

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OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY:					
5780	Homeland Security Expense (291)	90		90	0.0%
5110	Tree Warden Salary (294)	1,061		1,061	0.0%
5780	Tree Warden Expense (294)	11,500	(\$500)	11,000	-4.3%
5785	Tree Replanting Expense (294)	0			
5780	Elm Tree Control Expense (296)	0			
5780	Moth Inspector Expense (297)	0			
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Total Other Public Safety		12,651	(\$500)	\$12,151	-4.0%
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TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY		1,393,401	(\$17,109)	\$1,379,792	-1.2%

EDUCATION

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (320):					
5110	School Committee Salary	200		200	0.0%
5510	Elementary Education	3,141,344	(\$123,306)	3,018,038	-3.9%
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Total Elementary School		3,141,544	(\$123,306)	\$3,018,238	-3.9%
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REGIONAL DISTRICT (340):					
5651	Regular Assessment	2,873,968	\$63,254	2,937,222	2.2%
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Total Regional District		2,873,968	\$63,254	\$2,937,222	2.2%
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VOCATIONAL EDUCATION (345):					
5320	Tuition	230,860	\$211,142	442,002	91.5%
5380	Transportation	16,863	\$6,919	23,782	41.0%
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Total Vocational Education		247,723	\$218,061	\$465,784	88.0%
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TOTAL EDUCATION		6,263,235	\$158,009	\$6,421,244	2.5%

PUBLIC WORKS

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT (420):					
5110	Salaries and Wages	300,815		300,815	0.0%
5780	Expenses	113,250		113,250	0.0%
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Total Highway Department		414,065		\$414,065	0.0%
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SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL (423):					
5780	Snow and Ice Removal Expenses	108,000	(\$13,000)	95,000	-12.0%
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Total Snow and Ice Removal		108,000	(\$13,000)	\$95,000	-12.0%
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STREET LIGHTING (424):					
5210	Street Lighting Expense	30,000	(\$15,000)	15,000	-50.0%
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Total Street Lighting Expense		30,000	(\$15,000)	\$15,000	-50.0%
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CEMETERY (491):					
5110	Salaries and Wages	530		530	0.0%
5780	Materials and Expenses	3,000		3,000	0.0%
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Total Cemetery		3,530		\$3,530	0.0%
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LANDFILL (434):					
5301	Landfill Engineering Expense	0			

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Total Landfill					
		0			
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS					
		555,596	(\$28,000)	\$527,596	-5.0%
<u>HUMAN SERVICES</u>					
BOARD OF HEALTH (510):					
5110	Salaries and Wages	648		648	0.0%
5111	Clerical Wages	16,879		16,879	0.0%
5112	Vital Statistic Wages	200		200	0.0%
5113	Animal Inspector Wages	1,131		1,131	0.0%
5114	Sanitation Inspector Salary	34,967		34,967	0.0%
5780	Expenses	3,000	(\$400)	2,600	-13.3%
5786	Special Projects	3,000	(\$800)	2,200	-26.7%
Total Board of Health					
		59,825	(\$1,200)	\$58,625	-2.0%
NURSING (522):					
5110	Nurse's Salary	1,500		1,500	0.0%
Total Nursing					
		1,500		\$1,500	0.0%
COUNCIL ON AGING (541):					
5110	Coordinator Salary-Meals	941		941	0.0%
5780	Expenses	5,485	(\$500)	4,985	-9.1%
5110	Coordinator Salary	14,200		14,200	0.0%
Total Council on Aging					
		20,626	(\$500)	\$20,126	-2.4%
VETERANS SERVICES (543):					
5110	Veterans Agent Salary	979		979	0.0%
5300	Veterans Benefits	1,000		1,000	0.0%
5780	Veterans Services Expenses	175		175	0.0%
Total Veterans Services					
		2,154		\$2,154	0.0%
OTHER HUMAN SERVICES:					
5780	Right to Know Coordinator Expense (514)	90		90	0.0%
5780	Hazardous Waste Committee Expense (515)	180		180	0.0%
Total Other Human Services					
		270		\$270	0.0%
TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES					
		84,374	(\$1,700)	\$82,674	-2.0%
<u>CULTURE & RECREATION</u>					
LIBRARY (610):					
5110	Salaries and Wages	100,390		100,390	0.0%
5780	Expenses	57,100	(\$15,000)	42,100	-26.3%
Total Library					
		157,490	(\$15,000)	\$142,490	-9.5%
PARKS AND RECREATION (650):					
5112	Clerical Wages	0			
5780	Equipment and No Fee Programs Expense	13,500	(\$7,500)	6,000	-55.6%
Total Parks and Recreation					
		13,500	(\$7,500)	\$6,000	-55.6%
HISTORICAL COMMISSION (670):					

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5780	Expenses	5,000		5,000	0.0%
5785	Project Expenses	1,200		1,200	0.0%
5780	Building Maintenance	3,500		3,500	0.0%
Total Historical Commission		9,700		\$9,700	0.0%
HISTORICAL DISTRICT (671):					
5780	Expenses	0			
Total Historical District		0			
CELEBRATIONS (640):					
5780	Memorial Day	4,000	(\$1,000)	3,000	-25.0%
Total Memorial Day		4,000	(\$1,000)	\$3,000	-25.0%
TOTAL CULTURE AND RECREATION		184,690	(\$23,500)	\$161,190	-12.7%
<u>MATURING DEBT</u>					
5910	Maturing Debt-Principal (710)	565,000		565,000	0.0%
5915	Maturing Debt-Interest (750)	292,460		292,460	0.0%
5915	Interest on Temporary Loans (752)	2,000		2,000	0.0%
TOTAL MATURING DEBT		859,460		\$859,460	0.0%
<u>EMPLOYEE BENEFITS AND INSURANCE</u>					
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS:					
5171	Pension Expense (911)	287,411		287,411	0.0%
5171	Unemployment Compensation (913)	5,000		5,000	0.0%
5171	Group Health Insurance (914)	795,000		795,000	0.0%
Total Employee Benefits		1,087,411		\$1,087,411	0.0%
WORKERS COMP/GENERAL INSURANCE (942)					
5740	Workers Comp & General Insurance	168,500	(\$60,000)	108,500	-35.6%
Total Workers Comp & General Insurance		168,500	(\$60,000)	\$108,500	-35.6%
TOTAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS/INSURANCE		1,255,911	(\$60,000)	\$1,195,911	-4.8%
GRAND TOTAL ALL BUDGETS		11,327,446	\$0	\$11,327,446	0.0%

WARRANT FOR THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

December 8, 2008

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:

2. **SPECIAL TOWN MEETING – December 8, 2008** on Monday the eighth (8th) day of December 2008 AD, at seven o'clock (7:00) P.M., at the Tahanto Regional High School Auditorium, 1001 Main Street, Boylston, MA, to take any action relative to the business of the Town as set forth in Articles one (1) through five (5) of this warrant; and if necessary, at its adjournment which shall be Wednesday, the tenth (10th) day of December 2008 AD at seven o'clock (7:00) P.M. at the Tahanto Regional High School Auditorium; and at the adjournment thereof which shall be

Voters of the town of Boylston, Massachusetts, met in the auditorium of the Tanhanto Regional High School according to legal notice on December 8, 2008. With 64 registered voters. Selectmen, Roger Deal, Ken Sydow, and James Stanton were present. Also, present were Intern Town Administrator, Joseph Connelly, Special Town Council, Adam Costa, Town Council, Stephen Madaus and Town Clerk, Sandra Bourassa. Dennis Projani, Moderator called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M. Mr. Projani stated we had the required quorum present, Call of the meeting and officer's return of service are in order as required. Motion by Mr. Stanton was made to waive the reading of the warrant. Seconded by Mr. Sydow. Motion passes He set the bounds of the hall and introduced the Town officials. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote:

To (a) apply to the Economic Assistance Coordinating Council to designate as an Economic Opportunity Area, for a term of fifteen (15) years, the property located at 141 Shrewsbury Street in Boylston, Worcester County, Massachusetts, shown as Assessors Map 17, Parcel 40, containing 3.51 acres, more or less (the "141 Shrewsbury Street Economic Opportunity Area"); and (b) designate the 141 Shrewsbury Street Economic Opportunity Area as a Tax Increment Financing Zone and adopt a Tax Increment Financing Plan entitled, "Tax Increment Financing Plan, Town of Boylston, Phillips Precision, Inc., The Pitbull Clamp Co., Inc. and Phillips Realty Trust and Steven E. and Catherine M. Phillips, 141 Shrewsbury Street," dated October 27, 2008, as amended, on file with the Board of Selectmen and the Town Clerk;

MOTION made by Mr. Stanton to accept this article as read, Seconded by Mr. Sydow. Finance Committee recommends approval. Mr. Stanton explained the article. Vote on the MOTION, passed unanimously

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote:

To see if the Town will vote to (a) approve the form of Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Agreement between Phillips Precision, Inc., The Pitbull Clamp Co., Inc., Phillips Realty Trust, Steven E. And Catherine M. Phillips and the Town of Boylston on file with the Board of Selectmen and the Town Clerk; (b) authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute the TIF Agreement, and any documents relating thereto, and to take such other actions as are necessary or appropriate to implement those documents; and (c) authorize the Board of Selectmen to approve and certify proposed projects as provided in the TIF Plan and to apply to the Economic Assistance Council of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts under the Economic Development Incentive Program for approval and designation of the Economic Opportunity Area, TIF Zone, TIF Plan, and any certified projects, and take such other and further action as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes of this article;

MOTION made by Mr. Stanton to accept this article as read. Seconded by Mr. Sydow. Finance Committee recommends approval. After a few questions and answers, vote on the MOTION passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote:

To accept the provisions of Chapter 43D of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, pursuant to Section 11 of Chapter 205 of the Acts of 2006, and to approve the filing of an application with the Interagency Permitting Board for the designation of land at 141 Shrewsbury Street (Assessors Map 17, Parcel 40) as a Priority Development Site;

MOTION made by Mr. Stanton to accept this article as read. Seconded Mr. Sydow. Finance Committee recommends approval. Mr. Stanton explained the article. Vote on the MOTION passed unianmously

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote:

To transfer the sum of \$76,943 from the FY2009 Boylston Elementary School appropriation, line item 5510 in the Town Budget, to the FY 2009 Regional Regular Assessment appropriation, line item 5651 in the Town Budget, and thereby increasing that line item by said sum

MOTION made by Mrs. Healy, School Committee, Chairperson, to accept this article as read. Seconded by Mr. Sydow. Finance Committee recommends approval. Mr. Stanton explained the article was just a line item transfer it does not change the budget. Vote on the MOTION passed unianmously.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote:

To accept as a public way a roadway known as Rachel Road, as laid out heretofore by the Board of Selectmen and according to the boundaries and measurements shown on a plan on file at the office of the Town Clerk, entitled "Plan of Acceptance of Rachel Road in Boylston, Massachusetts," prepared by Connorstone Engineering, dated November 7, 2007 and revised on October 31, 2007, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept on behalf of the Town a deed of easement for pubic street purposes in said way, as shown on said plan;

MOTION made by Mr. Baker, Planning Board, Chairman to accept this article as read. Seconded by Mr. Sydow. Planning Board recommends approval. There was a question on where this road was and how many houses were on it. Vote on the MOTION passed unianmously.

MOTION made to adjourn the meeting with all articles voted on. Seconded. MOTION passed unianmously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra L. Bourassa, Town Clerk

December 8, 2008 Special Town Meeting Appropriations

Article	Total Appropriation	From Tax Levy	Source of Fund	
Article #4				
Line 5510	\$76,943.00		Line 5651	\$76,943.00
Boylston Elem. School Appro.			Regional Reg. Appro.	

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Finance Committee report for the Boylston Annual Report as of February 2009

Because the town's fiscal year ends in June, and this report is written in January, it spans 3 fiscal years. This report provides a statement on the actual results from FY2008, the most recently completed fiscal year, a brief statement on FY2009, the current fiscal year, and comments on FY2010, the upcoming budget year that will be voted on in May. The benefit of this overview is that it provides us with background from recent history that helps put in context some of the considerations and challenges for the upcoming budget year.

Perhaps it's helpful to also begin by explaining that generally we have about \$300,000 in new money each year to help cover cost increases in the town's budgets. This comes primarily from the 2 ½ percent increase in tax valuation of residential and commercial real estate, new growth and other receipts. The town allocates half of that figure to the town and half to the schools. Each year this figure stays about the same (though it's going to be lower this year) yet since the town's budget increases each year, it becomes a smaller and smaller percentage relative to the overall budget. What we are seeing is that since it gets smaller, and the requests stay the same on percentage basis, it doesn't provide us with the revenue to account for the increase in budget requests. We'll address the implications of Boylston only having \$200,000 in new revenues for FY2010.

From an operating budget standpoint, the fiscal year that ended in June 2008 (FY2008) turned out to be satisfactory despite the fact that we used free cash to stave off what was a potentially difficult budgeting year for the schools. The school's budget request was about a 9% increase, which required an override. This was the 3rd year in a row that we had an override on the ballot to help balance the town's budget to meet spending requests. It was during this budget year that the Selectmen requested the school committee to come up with a 3-year projection of costs: the purpose was to increase transparency in the expected future costs associated with the school cost increases. For FY2008 we attempted to pass an override for FY2008 that would account for the cost increases expected over the 3-year period in the amount of roughly \$1.4MM. The override did not pass; as a result the town passed a transfer of free cash to help cover some of the cost increases in the school budget, with \$100,000 apportioned to the Region, and \$50,000 to the Elementary School. Additionally the town voted to transfer \$150,000 to the elementary school to cover cost overrides in the, then current school year FY2007.

The current year (FY2009) marks a year of very strict budget analysis, implementation of cost savings measures and a painstaking review of budgeting procedures that has helped bring greater clarity to the budgeting process for both the town and the schools. With the leadership of the Selectmen and Joe Connelly as our interim Superintendent, it is now possible to understand more specifically what income is available and what expenses can be expected. Additionally, it helped clarify budgeting procedures for future contingencies, and why certain funding is necessary to help cover those future costs. The school committees, with Joe Connelly's leadership, managed to evaluate all aspects of the budgets and available funds, and were able to change some long standing accounting processes to help address the budget challenges. This was the third year in a row that an override was rejected by the town for additional funding to cover school costs. Additionally, in March, the town voted down a request by the Board of Library Trustees to consider a townwide vote on the funding of a new library to be constructed on the Hillside property.

The free cash figure for FY2009 was only \$487,764. With some critical expenses to cover, mainly putting some money aside for repairs to the Municipal Office Building, funding the feasibility study for the schools, funding for the closing of the landfill, we were left without enough money to help build our stabilization fund. The hope is that each year we are able to use some of our free cash to build the stabilization fund in anticipation of some of the larger and more expensive projects that we have not yet had a chance to address due to budget challenges.

This year's free cash figure is higher than FY2008, but not as high as in the recent past. The main reason that it's as high as it is, is that Joe Connelly, as interim town administrator, helped to analyze appropriated funds and close out accounts that no longer needed those funds for the approved projects. This bookkeeping added about \$300,000 to the free cash figure which stands at \$643,000 for FY2009. If we had not performed this bookkeeping task, we would only have had about \$340,000.

During the budget process for FY2009 it was apparent that there were some significant challenges ahead of us, specifically related to special education costs (state requirements) that would significantly impact our budget. We also were looking at a greater outflow of students to Assabet. These two costs accounted for most of the increases at the school, above and beyond the usual salary and other operating cost increases. On the town side, many of the departments experienced cost cuts to their budgets of as much as 15%, including the Library, the Highway Department and the Police Department.

The budget process for FY2010 began much earlier than it has in the recent past. Recognizing that we would be looking at an even more difficult situation for FY2010 than in FY2009, the Selectmen and Joe Connelly began the process of budget evaluation and cost cutting early in the fall of 2008. It was fully expected that we could expect less from the State and with new growth figures stagnant, revenues would be down. Although we did not know the specific figure, the expectation was for 6% declines in state aid. As it turned out, the total comes to about 8%. School aid appears to be mainly in tact but without the necessary increases, and the town can only offer up \$100,000 to the school budget to help with cost increases from last year. This amount represents just a 1.56% increase, and given that the town's proportion of the budget is higher than that for Berlin, it comes to just about 1% of the entire school budget.

It is not possible, however, for the town to contribute more at this point. Our revenues are predictable. And one additional challenge is that we are considered a wealthy town, and therefore receive less in Chapter 70 state aid than comparable towns. We are hopeful that the Rand Whitney project will come online, as that would add significant income to the town towards our budget. We are also hopeful that we can attract additional business to the town over the next few years in an effort to bolster our revenue stream.

One additional challenge that exists is the possibility that during the course of the year we will experience some revenue reductions from the state as we experienced this spring. We are hopeful that we do not need additional reserves just so that we can maintain our services for the year, as we maintain very little in emergency funding. We will be watchful as we continue on in the budgeting process this year and seek to manage matching tight revenues to tight budgets.

Eric Brose, Chairman

Dave Butler

Herb Cronin

Tim Houlihan

Karen McGahie

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Board has started fiscal 2011 cyclical revaluation, Phase 1 is in progress. Many residents in the northern section of town have received a letter from the Board requesting a day and time for an interior and exterior inspection. The inspection is done on Tuesdays, and if enough homeowners request, a Saturday can be made available.

Andy Bunikis left the Board due to illness. He was pleasure and asset to our board and the community.

James Holyoak was appointed to the Board in October. He comes to the board having taken the mandatory course required by Department of Revenue.

James has already represented the Board at the Appellant Tax Board.

Values were reduced by approximately 8% due to the declining real estate market.

The total value assessment for the current year is 729,054,740 and the taxes were \$8,340,386.22.

Real estate abatements	52,072.96
Exemptions	22,975.00
Supplemental	7,698.69
MV Commitments	\$743,695.01

Board of Assessors meetings:

Carl Cravedi	11	4 Special Meetings
Paul O'Connor	11	4
Andy Bunikis	0	
James Holyoak	3	

I. TAX RATE SUMMARY

la. Total estimated receipts and other revenue sources (from IIe)	12,658,242.96
lb. Total estimated receipts and other revenue sources (from IIIe)	4,069,561.02
lc. Tax levy (la minus lb)	8,588,681.94
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	89.8914%	7,720,486.44	622,620,121	12.40	7,720,489.50
Exempt					
Open Space	0.0000%	0.00	0		
Commercial	5.2713%	452,735.19	36,511,119	12.40	452,737.88
Exempt					
Industrial	2.6852%	230,623.29	18,598,500	12.40	230,621.40
SUBTOTAL	97.8479%		677,729,740		8,403,848.78
Personal	2.1521%	184,837.02	14,905,900	12.40	184,833.16
TOTAL	100.0000%		692,635,640		8,588,681.94

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

TOWN TREASURER

2008 ANNUAL REPORT

JULY 1, 2007 – JUNE 30, 2008

	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds	Trust Funds	Municipal Electric Funds	TOTAL
Balance 7/1/07	3,186,031.37	65,402.81	1,192,415.69	1,439,944.91	5,883,794.78
Receipts	12,664,610.93	94,736.85	88,344.47	3,779,976.43	16,627,668.68
Payroll Withholdings	1,618,069.38				1,618,069.38
Transfers In	14,456,452.55	16,320.36	170,862.63	16,113.79	14,659,749.33
Transfers Out	(14,106,509.25)	(128,141.29)	(40,941.30)	(384,157.46)	(14,659,749.30)
Warrants Payable	(14,826,028.36)	(41.64)	(15,865.54)	(3,379,353.28)	(18,221,288.82)
Balance 6/30/08	2,992,626.62	48,277.09	1,394,815.95	1,472,524.39	5,908,244.05
Interest Earned	114506.42	922.13	64623.9	33764.58	213,817.03

Respectfully Submitted,

*F. Ellen McKay
Town Treasurer / Tax Collector*

SALARIES OF TOWN EMPLOYEES - CALENDAR 2008

Light Dept.:

Barakian	Mark	\$82,658.44
Gates	Alden	\$300.00
Harmon	Kevin	\$75,926.71
Harrington	John G.	\$93,134.15
Johnson	Shane	\$15,609.08
Kimball	Edward	\$300.00
Lucia	Michael	\$79,404.45
McQuade	John T.	\$300.00
Miller	Sheila	\$38,307.56
Seed	Barbara	\$34,879.13

\$420,819.52

Highway Department:

Haddad	Rodney	\$2,538.00
Barakian	Mark	\$960.00
Boudreau	Nicholas	\$4,416.00
Fallon	Frances	\$2,022.84
Franz	Kenneth	\$14,072.88
Ginese	Mark	\$3,967.50
Harmon	Kevin	\$330.00
Mero	Steven R	\$39,978.45
Noonan	Ruth	\$16,916.00
Osterberg	Steven	\$40,350.46
Parker	Donald	\$72,955.80
White	Steven	\$40,116.30

\$238,624.23

Library

Brigham	Ashley	\$2,354.63
Freibert	Judith	\$22,959.01
Langhart	Nicholas	\$40,079.90
Lupien	Michelle D	\$1,286.56
Newcomb	Cheryl	\$127.40
O'Connor	Priscilla	\$3,025.46
Peterson	Paula	\$29,508.70
Sokolowski	Linda	\$1,653.93
Velleco	Nancy	\$1,776.24

\$102,771.83

Selectmen and General Administration:

Bardsley	Rose L	\$11,516.83
Colbert	Nancy T.	\$1,725.97
Connelly	Joseph J.	\$36,435.18
Deal	Roger	\$1,136.00
Esposito	Lori	\$41,449.02
Goodwin	Kenneth W.	\$37,326.38
Olsen	Suzanne	\$44,840.83
Stanton	James	\$1,365.00
Sydow	Kenneth G	\$1,136.00

\$176,931.21

Assessors:

Bunikis	Andrew	\$625.00
Cravedi	Carl	\$1,875.00
Holviak	James A.	\$416.67
Morrill	Mary	\$19,119.72
O'Connor	Paul A.	\$1,250.00
Richardson	Margo	\$26,868.16

\$50,154.55

Board of Health:

Bourassa	Sandra	\$200.00
Costello	Dennis	\$35,740.03
Gleich	Gerald	\$277.00
Golas	Steven	\$1,114.10
Martiska	Lorie	\$185.50
Mecum	Matthew	\$185.50
Rich	Melanie	\$16,860.42
Solimini	Larry	

\$54,562.55

Cemetery:

Doyle	Robert	\$154.50
Franz	Kenneth R.	\$154.50
Jasper	Mary	\$206.00

\$515.00

<u>School :</u>	(excluding teachers)	
Ament	Janet	\$11,724.92
Anderson	Cynthia R.	\$65.00
Aspero	Jeanne M	\$812.50
Ballard	Robin	\$21,735.46
Banks	Joan A.	\$1,235.00
Barber	Karen	\$229.50
Beaupre	Rebecca L.	\$3,724.50
Beischel	Greta A.	\$65.00
Benson	Hilary F	\$5,254.65
Bjorn	Karen O	\$18,342.20
Bokankowitz	Sharon	\$21,254.50
Boyer	Beverly A	\$12,680.00
Brenner	Jennifer	\$20,274.35
Brenner	Susan	\$22,764.05
Buchanan	Kathleen	\$50.00
Callan	Carolynne	\$237.50
Cashin	Kathleen	\$90.00
Collecton	Ryan D	\$12,351.34
Fogarty	Kathryn A.	\$285.00
Giguere	Robin	\$21,270.84
Glazier	Virginia	\$1,570.00
Healy	Rebecca D.	\$50.00
Iorio	Linda A	\$65.00
Jasiewicz	Hazel	\$2,487.50
Kelly	Jennifer	\$21,724.36
Kohberger	Anthy S.	\$90.00
Koogler	Joan	\$590.00
LaValle	Denise M	\$11,061.13
Lavin	Joseph	\$155.12
Lewis	Gina B	\$65.00
MacQueen	Elleen M	\$20,859.38
Maley	Jessica M	\$180.00
Manning	Karen	\$1,300.00
May	Patricia H	\$2,860.00
McGrath	Jennifer	\$265.00
McGrath	Robin	\$65.00
Morin	Bonnie	\$15,275.77
Murphy	Kathleen	\$19,387.50
Nelson	Cheryl	\$14,082.24
Noel	Richard R.	\$3,915.29

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School (excluding teachers) Continued:

O'Connor	Nancy	\$5,289.00
Pendergast	Sondra M.	\$130.00
Perreault	Sarah M.	\$13,123.34
Perrone	Vincent	\$100.00
Purcell	Irene H	\$7,061.20
Roy	John	\$25,504.29
Scheinfein	Sarah E.	\$785.00
Sharon	Cheryl A	\$9,853.06
Silvia	Pamela M	\$17,932.68
Solomonides	Deana M	\$1,677.50
Staras	Carol	\$18,580.23
Stewart	Joan H.	\$97.50
Sullivan	Tara L	\$1,005.00
Sullivan	John	\$29,491.35
Suminski	Michael	\$19,864.72
Sweed	Barbara	\$520.00
Taintor	Michelle P Nathaniel	\$6,087.50
Taylor	B.	\$680.00
Toles	Susan K	\$3,645.00
Tufts	Sandra C	\$3,298.68
Wentzell	Carolyn D	\$195.00
Wheeler	Lisa	\$40,534.94
Wheeler	Wendy J.	\$18,580.23
Wilson	Michael	\$23,523.26
		<u>\$538,054.08</u>

School Lunch:

Fryburg	Mary Ellen	\$8,389.15
Hunt	Bonnie	\$21,321.71
Perro	Paula	\$17,117.29
Prunier	Teresa	\$10,387.03
Tedford	Desiree	\$6,457.85
Wilhelmy	Susan	\$2,350.51
		<u>\$66,023.54</u>

Teachers:

Andrews	William	\$69,948.39
Barsamian	Sarah	\$22,499.18
Belbin	Julie	\$21,761.02
Benson	Laurie	\$61,817.58
Buchanan	Maureen	\$63,157.02
Carter	Karen	\$81,935.57
Comeau	Linda	\$58,521.49
Cooper	Jessica	\$63,176.25
Deneen	Daniel	\$44,500.06
Daley	Peter J.	\$49,145.50
DiFonso	BethAnne	\$60,805.74
Dlott	Stephen P	\$49,373.52
Fiorillo	Paula	\$39,557.47
Fitzgerald	Susan J	\$22,233.19
Fletcher	Beverly S	\$32,869.93
Giguere	Jean	\$50,915.47
Gostyla	Lynn	\$42,635.08
Hughes	David	\$54,358.64
Keane	Anne	\$70,824.52
Kelleher	Gail	\$63,583.66
Koziak	Tara	\$58,015.13
Kuppens	Lauren	\$44,223.24
LaMontagne	Jennifer	\$62,418.33
LaPierre	Nancy L	\$36,599.08
Leonard	Matthew C	\$52,149.05
Lindquist	Sue Ann	\$50,679.36
Mara	Paul	\$21,549.28
McDermott	Brian	\$15,200.05
Moskovitz	Terry	\$63,176.25
Olszak	Carole	\$74,819.02
Petrell	Lisa	\$47,185.72
Pierce	Kimberly	\$73,223.49
Pascoal	Briana	\$60,580.64

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Teachers: Continued

Rodman	Donna-Lu	\$195.00
Ruane	Eileen	\$81,224.80
Sabourin	Ellen	\$63,157.02
Somes	Christine	\$63,060.08
Sparks	David	\$57,096.96
Sullivan	Fayne	\$51,815.44
Thaler	Carolyn	\$45,105.99
Trudeau	Elizabeth	\$33,993.10
Vaillancourt	Judith	\$25,816.75
Withers	Julie	\$73,746.01

\$2,178,649.07**Tax Collector/ Treasurer:**

McKay	F. Ellen	\$49,755.20
Daigneault	Joseph P	\$23,337.47
		<u>\$73,092.67</u>

Town Clerk:

Bourassa	Sandra	\$31,622.92
Jasper	Mary	\$12,966.98
		<u>\$44,589.90</u>

Planning Board:

Baker	Richard	\$370.00
Drobner	Howard	\$70.00
Hucknall	Julia	\$70.00
McNeil	Daunielle	\$277.68
Webster	Christine	\$3,422.51
		<u>\$4,210.19</u>

Veteran's Agent

Aucoin	Paul	<u>\$950.00</u>
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Parking Clerk

Bourassa	Sandra	<u>\$260.00</u>
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Voter Registrars:**Fire/Ambulance**

Baker	Nikito	\$709.92
Bradford	Jason	\$50,228.84
Bradford	Joel	\$1,456.20
Brown	John	\$468.00
Buchanan	David	\$327.24
Buddenhagen	Michael W	\$1,420.32
Byrne	Jarrett	\$7,849.88
Consiglio	Gino	\$1,479.96
Cox	Cheri	\$5,338.64
Duca	Brent	\$11,785.56
Flanagan	Joseph	\$68,460.92
Flanagan	Patricia	\$345.60
Gaucher	Brian	\$1,846.24
Healy	John S.	\$439.56
Johnson	Luke S.	\$1,012.80
Krause	Jay C.	\$1,065.96
LeBlanc	Paul	\$1,806.00
Lindsay	James	\$871.20
MacKenzie	Donald	\$52,301.92
MacKenzie	Robb	\$945.84
Maneggio	Michael	\$265.80
McCormick	John	\$180.00
McCubrey	Scott	\$1,941.88
Osterberg	Paul	\$3,248.64
Richardson	William	\$1,570.60
Ronn	Matthew	\$4,504.64
Rotando	Peter	\$144.00
Rudge	Lisa A	\$5,012.68
Savoie	Steven	\$813.00
Shircliff	Leigh	\$3,192.36
Stanton	Jeffrey	\$1,330.44
Starkey	Robert	\$735.00
Young	David	\$1,873.32
Young	Roger Jr.	\$2,147.44
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		<u>\$237,120.40</u>

Anderson	Carol	\$528.88
Barbato	Robert M.	\$682.50
Bourassa	Sandra	\$1,165.06
Collins	Marjorie E	\$37.05
Gaucher	Phyllis E	\$554.42
Groleau	Mary I	\$44.46
Jasper	Mary	\$1,882.25
Morrill	Mary	\$305.25
O'Connor	Priscilla R	\$251.94
Peterson	Gertrude	\$407.55
Rajotte	Ronald R.	\$1,354.50
Seed	Mary	\$407.55
Thomas	Robert C.	\$336.00
Welch	Thomas E.	\$651.00
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		<u>\$8,608.41</u>

Conservation:

Rich	Melanie	<hr/>
		<u>\$14,841.90</u>

Police:

Barbato	Robert	\$63,430.77
Bazydlo	Philip	\$54,022.67
Bissonnette	Christine	\$29,278.92
Christensen	Carl	\$1,916.43
Donahue	Michael	\$84,992.47
Parker	Russell	\$76,133.24
Piche	Jared	\$52,795.64
Pignataro	Vincent	\$2,535.12
Rajotte	Ronald	\$73,351.87
Sahagian	Anthony	\$94,309.28
Shepard	Mark	\$58,725.79
Szymkiewicz	Scott	\$88,209.90
Thomas	Robert	\$86,804.39
Welch	Thomas E	\$3,644.24
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		<u>\$770,150.73</u>

Inspectors

Barber	Karen	\$332.50
Johnson	Eric	\$10,279.92
LaPan	Richard	\$848.00
Morrill	James	\$7,362.96
O'Connor	Thomas	\$500.00
Bertonassi	Mark C.	\$52,040.92
Bourassa	Sandra L	\$2,688.71
		<u>\$74,053.01</u>

Senior Lunch Coordinator:

Ressiquie	Janice	\$1,019.46
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Council on Aging Coordinator:

Meegan	Jane	\$15,977.86
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COA Total	<u>\$16,997.32</u>
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Police Revolving:

Baird	Francis D.	\$336.00
Barbato	Robert M	\$168.00
Barry	Michael Jr.	\$336.00
Bazydlo	Philip	\$1,218.00
Christenson	Carl	\$756.00
Fazio	Michael J	\$252.00
Gibbons	Anthony F.	\$672.00
Hurwitz	Maxwell	\$168.00
Parker	Russell	\$1,207.50
Piche	Jared	\$4,037.00
Pignataro	Vincent	\$168.00
Punecki	David	\$493.50
Rajotte	Ronald	\$1,165.50
Sahagian	Anthony G.	\$2,625.00
Santimore	Jonathan	\$588.00
Saunders	Matthew S	\$1,890.00
Shepard	Mark	\$2,846.00
Szymkiewicz	Scott	\$168.00
Thomas	Robert	\$7,124.00
Westerman	David	\$1,837.50

Detail Total	<u>\$28,056.00</u>
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Dispatch:

Collins	Sonja	\$34,451.20
Gonelli	Tara	\$2,364.16
Martin	Daniel T.	\$10,415.47
Paladino	Rina M	\$18,525.01
Purcell	Lynn F	\$47,457.13
Rudge	Pamela	\$57,406.23
White	Bonnie	\$10,910.29
		<u>\$181,529.49</u>

Parks & Recreation

Barber	Karen	<u>\$9,927.19</u>
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Dog Officer

Golas	Steven	<u>\$1,938.96</u>
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Tree Warden:

Parker	Donald	<u>\$1,030.00</u>
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GRAND TOTAL**\$5,294,461.75**

TAX COLLECTOR

JULY 1, 2007 - JUNE 30, 2008

FY 2008 Real Estate:

Commitments	8,249,099.24
Collections	8,069,496.46
Amounts paid in FY 07	5,390.75
Abatements & Exempt	54,402.19
Refunds	26,335.32
Tax Titles Remitted to Treasurer	25,364.78
BALANCE 6/30/08	120,780.38

FY 2008 Supplemental Real Estate:

Commitments	5,988.92
BALANCE 6/30/08	5,988.92

FY 2008 Title V Lien:

Committed Principal	3,969.55
Committed Interest	3,711.67
Collected Principal	3,969.55
Collected Interest	3,711.67
BALANCE 6/30/08	0.00

FY 2008 Light Lien:

Commitments	2,747.35
Collections	711.35
BALANCE 6/30/08	2,036.00

FY 2008 Personal Property:

Commitments	108,750.77
Collections	105,656.36
Abatements	644.49
Refunds	153.91
BALANCE 6/30/08	2,603.83

FY 2008 Motor Vehicle:

Commitments	592,859.58
Collections	564,926.49
Abatements	7,958.43
Refunds	5,943.45
BALANCE 6/30/08	25,918.11

FY 2007 Real Estate:

Balance 7/1/07	120,460.07
Collections	90,407.46
Abatements	3,880.26
Refunds	3,880.26
Tax Titles Remitted to Treasurer	29,777.93
Tax Titles Disclaimed	852.01
BALANCE 6/30/08	1,126.69

FY 2007 Personal Property:

Balance 7/1/07	1,697.90
Collections	44.48
BALANCE 6/30/08	1,653.42

FY 2007 Motor Vehicle:

Balance 7/1/07	22,499.87
Commitments	115,665.78
Collections	132,103.38
Abatements	7,638.93
Refunds	6,522.08
BALANCE 6/30/08	4,945.42

FY 2006 Real Estate:

Balance 7/1/07	1,891.03
Collections	1,533.31
Abatements	237.41
Refunds	203.96
BALANCE 6/30/08	324.27

FY 2006 Personal Property:

Balance 7/1/07	1,605.16
BALANCE 6/30/08	1,605.16

FY 2006 Motor Vehicle:

Balance 7/1/07	4,331.60
Commitments	31,462.64
Collections	32,087.76
Abatements	3,229.57
Refunds	974.05
BALANCE 6/30/08	1,450.96

FY 2005 Motor Vehicle:

Balance 7/1/07	1,774.87
Commitments	3,707.01
Collections	3,770.76
Abatements	2,002.04
Refunds	325.09
BALANCE 6/30/08	<u>34.17</u>

FY 2004 Motor Vehicle:

Balance 7/1/07	1,269.23
Abatements	1,234.23
BALANCE 6/30/08	<u>35.00</u>

FY 2003 Motor Vehicle

Balance 7/1/07	534.06
Abatements	410.00
BALANCE 6/30/08	<u>124.06</u>

FY 2002 Motor Vehicle

Balance 7/1/07	129.89
Abatements	129.89
BALANCE 6/30/08	<u>0.00</u>

FY 2000 Motor Vehicle

Balance 7/1/07	363.61
Abatements	363.61
BALANCE 6/30/08	<u>0.00</u>

FY 1999 Motor Vehicle:

Balance 7/1/07	9.69
Abatements	9.69
BALANCE 6/30/08	<u>0.00</u>

1997 Personal Property

Balance 7/1/07	1.00
BALANCE 6/30/08	<u>1.00</u>

FY 1983-96 Motor Vehicle

Balance 7/1/07	<u>1,336.72</u>
Collections	0.08
Abatements	716.49
BALANCE 6/30/08	<u>620.15</u>

RECAPITULATION OF TAX REVENUE

Balance outstanding 7/1/07	157,904.70
Commitments	9,117,962.51
Collections	9,008,419.11
Amounts Paid in FY 07	5,390.75
Abatements & Exemptions	82,857.23
Refunds	44,338.12
Tax Titles Remitted to Treasurer	55,142.71
Tax Titles Disclaimed	<u>852.01</u>
Balance 6/30/07	<u><u>169,247.54</u></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 Abatements Collected	1,979.89
Tax Title Ad Exp Reimbursement	128.52
Payment for Copies of Bills	28.50

Total Other Sources	<u><u>48,823.18</u></u>
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Respectfully Submitted,

F. Ellen McKay, Tax Collector

TOWN ACCOUNTANT 2008 ANNUAL REPORT

TOWN OF BOYLSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Annual Report

For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

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Hirbour & Haynes, P.C.
Certified Public Accountants

November 28, 2008

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, 2008, 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, 2008
(See Accountant's Compilation Report)

EXHIBIT B-1

ASSETS

	Governmental Funds			Fiduciary Fund	Account Group	Total (Memorandum Only)
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Project	Trust and Agency	General Long-Term Debt	
Pooled Cash and Equivalents	2,011,995.56	1,088,320.61	541.87	78,560.88		3,179,418.92
Marketable Securities		292,807.73		964,030.63		1,256,838.36
Receivables:						
Real Estate Taxes	128,220.24					128,220.24
Personal Property Taxes	5,863.17					5,863.17
Less Allowance for Abatements and Exemptions	(32,336.81)					(32,336.81)
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	33,389.85					33,389.85
Deferred Taxes Receivable	2,877.16					2,877.16
Tax Liens and Possessions	281,811.80					281,811.80
Septic Loans		71,243.85				71,243.85
Other				10,451.08		10,451.08
Due From Other Governments	90,572.23	146,975.19				237,547.42
Amount to be Provided for Long-Term Obligations					5,899,457.00	5,899,457.00
Total Assets	2,522,393.20	1,599,347.38	541.87	1,053,042.59	5,899,457.00	11,074,782.04

**TOWN OF BOYLSTON
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET
ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUP
June 30, 2008
(See Accountant's Compilation Report)
(Continued)**

EXHIBIT B-2

LIABILITIES

	Governmental Funds			Fiduciary Fund	Account Group		Total (Memorandum Only)
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Project		General	Long-Term Debt	
Warrants and Accounts Payable	513,696.93	27,852.34	66.71	5,049.00			546,664.98
Withholdings and Other Liabilities	46,431.87			19,912.95			66,344.82
Deposits Payable				27,812.03			27,812.03
Deferred Revenue:							
Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes	101,746.60						101,746.60
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	33,389.85						33,389.85
Deferred Taxes Receivable	2,877.16						2,877.16
Tax Liens and Possessions	281,811.80						281,811.80
Septic Loans		71,243.85					71,243.85
State Aid Highway		109,082.00					109,082.00
Bonds and Notes Payable					5,899,457.00		5,899,457.00
Total Liabilities	979,954.21	208,178.19	66.71	52,773.98	5,899,457.00		7,140,430.09

FUND BALANCES

Fund Balances:							
Reserved for Expenditures	429,644.78	1,391,169.19	475.16	424,400.36			2,245,689.49
Reserved for Endowment				95,814.53			95,814.53
Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditure	424,507.00						424,507.00
Undesignated Fund Balance	688,287.21			480,053.72			1,168,340.93
Total Fund Balances	1,542,438.99	1,391,169.19	475.16	1,000,268.61	0.00		3,934,351.95
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	2,522,393.20	1,599,347.38	541.87	1,053,042.59	5,899,457.00		11,074,782.04

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, 2008
(See Accountant's Compilation Report)

	Governmental Funds			Fiduciary Funds		Total
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Trust Funds	(Memorandum Only)	
REVENUE:						
Real estate Taxes	8,270,043.66	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,270,043.66	
Personal Property Taxes	106,191.66				106,191.66	
Less: Abatements and Exemption:	(61,837.55)				(61,837.55)	
	8,314,397.77	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,314,397.77	
Federal Grants & Aid		116,770.00			116,770.00	
State Aid, Reimbursements and Grants						
Lottery Aid	426,309.00				426,309.00	
Education	843,491.84	233,918.66			1,077,410.50	
Highway		105,000.00			105,000.00	
Other	49,183.60	57,755.64			106,939.24	
Local Receipts:						
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	720,579.02				720,579.02	
Licenses, Fines, Permits and Fees	180,708.82	173,254.74			353,963.56	
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	509,071.18				509,071.18	
Interest and Penalties on Taxes	42,351.11				42,351.11	
Interest on Investments	123,004.94	19,245.17	409.58	55,387.52	198,047.21	
Charges for Services:						
Ambulance		70,061.27			70,061.27	
School Lunch		92,197.53			92,197.53	
Other	193,247.70	258,447.14		130.00	451,824.84	
Total Revenue	11,402,344.98	1,126,650.15	409.58	55,517.52	12,584,922.23	
EXPENDITURES:						
General Government	2,242,031.26	70,270.07		7,036.06	2,319,337.39	
Public Safety	1,339,256.34	141,532.21			1,480,788.55	
Public Works and Facilities	520,772.39	108,215.35		32,034.27	661,022.01	
Education	6,320,907.97	375,728.22			6,696,636.19	
Human Services	75,725.86	4,995.80			80,721.66	
Culture and Recreation	208,507.81	33,061.03	16,895.35	6,970.00	265,434.19	
Debt Service:						
Principal Retirement	565,000.00	8,721.00			573,721.00	
Interest(Including Temporary Loans	320,310.00	5,879.32			326,189.32	
Total Expenditures:	11,592,511.63	748,403.00	16,895.35	46,040.33	12,403,850.31	
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(190,166.65)	378,247.15	(16,485.77)	9,477.19	181,071.92	

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, 2008
 (See Accountant's Compilation Report)
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TOWN OF BOYLSTON

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

EXHIBIT C-2

	Governmental Funds			Fiduciary Funds		Total
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Trust Funds	(Memorandum Only)	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Unrealized gain/(Loss)				(13,820.44)	(13,820.44)	
Transfer from Special Revenue Fund	286,360.00					286,360.00
Transfer from Capital Projects Fund	23,955.02					23,955.02
Transfer to General Fund		(286,360.00)	(23,955.02)			(310,315.02)
Transfer to Trust Funds	(150,000.00)					(150,000.00)
Transfer from General Fund				150,000.00		150,000.00
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	160,315.02	(286,360.00)	(23,955.02)	136,179.56		(13,820.44)
Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	(29,851.63)	91,887.15	(40,440.79)	145,656.75		167,251.48
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	1,572,290.62	1,299,282.04	40,915.95	854,611.86		3,767,100.47
Fund Balance, End of Year	1,542,438.99	1,391,169.19	475.16	1,000,268.61		3,934,351.95

**TOWN OF BOYLSTON
SCHEDULE OF LOCAL RECEIPTS-GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008
(See Accountant's Compilation Report)**

EXHIBIT D

Description	Amount
Licenses, Fines, Permits and Fees	
Fees-Board of Appeals	504.00
Fees-Assessors	796.50
Fees-Municipal Liens	3,760.00
Fees-Police	1,872.00
Fees-Fire	3,822.00
Fees-Town Clerk	5,883.82
Fees-Planning	2,893.00
Fees-Other	1,289.00
Selectboard Licenses	11,248.50
Board of Health Permits & Fees	20,575.00
Building Permits	86,648.00
Police Gun Permits	1,525.00
Plumbing Permits	9,648.00
Electrical Permits	9,402.50
Earth Removal Permits	1,800.00
Library Fines	826.50
Court Fines	18,215.00
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Total Licenses, Fines, Permits and Fees	180,708.82
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Interest and Penalties on Taxes	
Penalties and Interest-Property Taxes	17,857.73
Penalties and Interest-Tax Liens	11,724.07
Penalties and Interest-Excise Taxes	12,769.31
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Total Interest on Penalties and Taxes	42,351.11
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Other	
Municipal Light Reimbursements	186,291.92
Sales of Inventory	2,500.00
Off-Duty Surcharge	2,025.32
Miscellaneous Revenue	2,430.46
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Total Other	193,247.70
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TOWN OF BOYLSTON
SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008
(See Accountant's Compilation Report)

EXHIBIT E-1

General Fund		Account	appropriations	appropriations	transfers	appropriations	budget	expenditures	balance
General Government		Town Moderator Salary	15.00			0.00	15.00	0.00	15.00
		Special Town Meeting Notices	2,225.00				2,225.00	2,225.00	0.00
		Selectboard Salaries	3,637.00				3,637.00	3,637.00	0.00
		Selectboard Assistant Town Administrator	38,700.00		818.83		39,518.83	39,518.83	0.00
		Selectboard Clerical Wages	2,300.00				2,300.00	2,300.00	0.00
		Selectboard Expenses	26,900.00		5,000.00		24,400.00	21,785.53	2,614.47
		Selectboard Art#39 5/3/04 DEP Stormwater				2,272.20	2,272.20	2,150.00	122.20
		Selectboard Art#27 5/7/07 Grant Writing	5,000.00				991.25	991.25	0.00
		Selectboard Art#28 5/7/07 Traffic Study	25,000.00				0.00	0.00	0.00
		Town Administrator Salary	68,923.00		1,250.21		70,173.21	70,173.21	0.00
		Finance Committee Expense	400.00				400.00	149.00	251.00
		Reserve Fund	45,000.00		(37,500.00)		7,500.00	0.00	7,500.00
		Town Accountant Services	25,750.00				25,750.00	25,750.00	0.00
		Town Accountant Expenses	500.00				500.00	349.25	150.75
		Town Accountant Art#39 5/1/06 Accounting Software				28,718.00	24,201.32	24,201.32	0.00
		Town Audit	10,000.00		2,500.00		14,500.00	14,500.00	0.00
		Assessors Stipends	3,500.00		750.00		4,250.00	4,250.00	0.00
		Working Assessor Salary	23,488.00		2,847.46		26,335.46	26,335.46	0.00
		Assessors Clerical Wages	18,672.00		(805.64)		17,866.36	17,866.36	0.00
		Assessors Special Appraisal Expenses	7,500.00				7,500.00	6,318.00	1,182.00
		Assessors Art#34 5/7/07 Revaluation	25,000.00				17,982.25	17,982.25	0.00
		Assessors Expenses	22,455.00			650.00	23,105.00	19,421.92	3,683.08
		Town Treasurer Salary	25,074.00				25,074.00	23,628.80	1,445.20
		Town Treasurer Clerical Wages	11,468.00				11,468.00	11,093.36	374.64
		Town Treasurer Expense	12,250.00				12,250.00	8,849.82	3,400.18
		Town Collector Salary	25,074.00				25,074.00	23,628.80	1,445.20
		Town Collector Clerical Wages	11,468.00				11,468.00	11,093.35	374.65
		Town Collector Expenses	24,767.00		4,000.00		1,362.45	27,926.01	2,203.44
		Town Collector Art#35 5/5/03 Software				1,430.00	790.00	0.00	790.00
		Town Counsel Retainer	5,000.00		(5,000.00)		0.00	0.00	0.00
	Legal Expense	70,000.00		25,407.23		95,407.23	95,407.23	0.00	
	Personnel Board Expense	100.00				100.00	0.00	100.00	
	Tax Title Expenses	21,175.00				19,628.48	19,628.48	0.00	
	Town Clerk Salary	26,898.00			(21,546.52)	26,898.00	26,898.04	(0.04)	
	Town Clerk Clerical Wages	11,995.00				11,995.00	11,995.00	0.00	
	Town Clerk Expense	2,530.00				2,530.00	2,530.00	0.00	
	Elections/Registrars Wages	5,850.00			44.46	5,894.46	5,878.74	15.72	
	Elections/Registrars Expenses	7,205.00			660.00	7,865.00	4,973.10	2,891.90	
	Conservation Commission Clerk	13,704.00		522.60		14,226.60	14,226.60	0.00	
	Conservation Expenses	1,850.00		(946.25)		903.75	903.75	0.00	

TOWN OF BOYLSTON
SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008
(See Accountant's Compilation Report)

EXHIBIT E-2

Account	2008		Reserve Fund and Other Transfers	2007		2008	Adjusted	2008		Unexpended Balance
	Appropriations	Supplemental Appropriations		Carryover Appropriations	Carryover Appropriations			Budget	Expenditures	
General Fund										
General Government										
Earth Removal Expense	500.00							500.00	0.00	500.00
Planning Board Stipends	582.00							582.00	580.00	2.00
Planning Board Clerk	53.00							53.00	0.00	53.00
Planning Board Administrative Assistant	7,510.00							7,510.00	3,591.80	3,918.20
Planning Board Consulting Services	10,000.00							10,000.00	1,271.50	8,728.50
Planning Board Expenses	2,500.00							2,549.10	755.77	1,793.33
Appeals Board Expense	1,000.00			49.10				1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
Cable TV Committee Expenses	250.00							250.00	0.00	250.00
Storm Water Management	100.00		18,500.00			(18,600.00)		0.00	0.00	0.00
Affordable Housing Committee Expense	100.00							100.00	0.00	100.00
Open Space Committee Expense	100.00							100.00	0.00	100.00
Municipal Office Expenses	42,800.00		(5,000.00)			(7,500.00)		30,300.00	29,470.65	829.35
Town Building Art#6 9/29/03 Emergency Repair				7,054.84		(3,700.00)		3,354.84	0.00	3,354.84
Town Buildings Hillside	200,000.00					(7,349.18)		192,650.82	192,650.82	0.00
Town Buildings Hillside Art#39 5/2/05 Repair System				7,079.50				7,079.50	7,079.50	0.00
Town Buildings Hillside Art#38 5/1/06 Carpet				3,234.00				3,234.00	3,234.00	0.00
Town Buildings Hillside Art#40 5/1/06 HVAC				44,439.55				44,439.55	44,439.55	0.00
Town Buildings Hillside Art#41 5/1/06 Asbestos/Mold				28,204.00		(28,204.00)		0.00	0.00	0.00
Town Buildings Hillside Art#45 5/1/06 Barn				1,500.00		(1,500.00)		0.00	0.00	0.00
Town Buildings Hillside Art#25 5/7/07 HVAC Second Floor	130,000.00					(35,007.75)		94,992.25	94,992.25	0.00
Town House Expense	9,900.00		537.69					10,437.69	10,437.69	0.00
Town Garage Expense	7,650.00		2,283.88					9,933.88	9,933.88	0.00
Repairs to Town Buildings	3,100.00							3,100.00	2,704.11	395.89
Town Report	2,225.00							2,225.00	2,000.00	225.00
County Retirement	260,631.00							260,631.00	260,631.00	0.00
Unemployment Compensation	5,000.00							5,000.00		5,000.00
Employee Benefits	742,000.00		16,555.90					758,555.90	758,555.90	0.00
Employee Physical Exams	1,000.00							1,000.00	172.00	828.00
General Insurance	168,500.00		(20,000.00)					148,500.00	144,269.27	4,230.73
Regional Planning Commission	919.11							919.11	919.11	0.00
School Choice Assessment	5,000.00							5,000.00	15,000.00	(10,000.00)
Charter School Assessment	11,008.00							11,008.00	22,710.00	(11,702.00)
Mosquito Control Charges	31,292.00							31,292.00	31,266.00	26.00
County Tax	7,179.00							7,179.00	7,179.00	0.00
Air Pollution Districts	1,255.00							1,255.00	1,255.00	0.00
RMV Non-Renewal Charges	2,660.00							2,660.00	2,480.00	180.00
Regional Transit	7,169.00							7,169.00	5,887.00	1,282.00
Total General Government	2,293,356.11	0.00	11,721.91	148,698.10	(172,090.63)			2,281,685.49	2,242,031.26	39,654.23

TOWN OF BOYLSTON
SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008
(See Accountant's Compilation Report)

EXHIBIT E-3

General Fund	Account	2008 Appropriations	2008 Supplemental Appropriations	Reserve Fund and Other Transfers	2007 Carryover Appropriations	2008 Carryover Appropriations	2008 Adjusted Budget	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance
Public Safety	Police Department Salaries	750,053.00		(5,000.00)	0.00		745,053.00	712,748.82	32,304.18
	Police Expenses	87,500.00					87,500.00	83,927.20	3,572.80
	Fire/Ambulance Salaries & Wages	166,361.00					166,361.00	153,974.68	12,386.32
	Fire/Ambulance Expenses	24,650.00		4,000.00	130.00		28,780.00	25,651.68	3,128.32
	Fire/Ambulance Art#21 5/7/07 Billing Clerk	5,000.00				(192.00)	4,808.00	4,808.00	0.00
	Fire/Ambulance Art#24 5/7/07 EMT Wages	46,360.00				(1,080.84)	45,279.16	45,279.16	0.00
	Fire/Ambulance Art#35 5/3/04 Emergency Generator				1,499.14		1,499.14	1,484.31	14.83
	Fire/Ambulance Art#24 5/2/05 Upgrade Disposable Equip						0.00		0.00
	Fire/Ambulance Art#19 5/1/06 Nextel Equipment				516.55		516.55	516.55	0.00
	Fire/Ambulance Art#20 5/1/06 Ambulance Equipment				554.20		554.20	554.20	0.00
	Fire/Ambulance Art#25 5/1/06 Repair Engine 4				1,670.66		1,670.66	1,652.98	17.68
	Fire/Ambulance Art#26 5/1/06 SCBA Upgrade				7,500.00		7,500.00	7,290.00	210.00
	Fire/Ambulance Art#22 5/7/07 Nextel Equipment	9,000.00				(637.68)	8,362.32	8,362.32	0.00
	Fire/Ambulance Art#23 5/7/07 Ambulance Equipment	20,000.00				(1,586.40)	18,413.60	18,413.60	0.00
	Fire/Ambulance Art#24 5/7/07 Diesel Exhaust Filter	6,000.00				(4,530.54)	1,469.46	1,469.46	0.00
	Fire/Ambulance Art#9 3/3/08 Used Aerial Ladder Truck		10,000.00			(10,000.00)	0.00		0.00
	Dispatch Salaries & Wages	193,087.00					193,087.00	175,075.94	18,011.06
	Dispatch Expenses	17,715.00					17,715.00	11,224.71	6,490.29
	Building Inspector Services	49,440.00		189.27			49,629.27	49,629.27	0.00
	Building Inspector Clerical	10,300.00		(5,000.00)			5,300.00	3,171.25	2,128.75
	Building Inspector Expenses	5,400.00					5,400.00	4,590.21	809.79
	Gas Inspector Salary	2,539.00					2,539.00	2,538.92	0.08
	Gas Inspector Expenses	850.00					850.00	175.00	675.00
	Plumbing Inspector Salary	8,425.00					8,425.00	8,424.96	0.04
	Electrical Inspector Salary	7,747.00					7,747.00	7,746.92	0.08
	Electrical Inspector Expenses	960.00		35.78			995.78	995.78	0.00
	Civil Defense Expenses	90.00					90.00	0.00	90.00
	Dog Officer Wages	1,910.00					1,910.00	1,910.00	0.00
	Dog Officer Expenses	1,200.00					1,200.00	0.00	1,200.00
	Parking Clerk Salary	260.00					260.00	260.00	0.00
	Tree Warden Salary	1,030.00					1,030.00	1,030.00	0.00
	Tree Warden Expenses	10,900.00					10,900.00	6,350.42	4,549.58
Total Public Safety		1,426,777.00	10,000.00	(5,774.95)	11,870.55	(18,027.46)	1,424,845.14	1,339,256.34	85,588.80

TOWN OF BOYLSTON
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EXHIBIT E-4

General Fund	Account	2008 Appropriations	2008 Supplemental Appropriations	Reserve Fund and Other Transfers	2007 Carryover Appropriations	2008 Carryover Appropriations	2008 Adjusted Budget	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance
Public Works and Facilities	Highway Department Salaries & Wages	334,998.00		(48,964.51)	0.00	(35,855.07)	286,033.49	230,792.16	55,241.33
	Highway Department Expenses	111,400.00		(15,000.00)			60,544.93	60,544.93	0.00
	Highway Department Art#29 5/6/02 Truck/Plow				641.02		641.02	0.00	641.02
	Highway Department Art#30 5/6/02 Truck/Plow				1,582.23		1,582.23	0.00	1,582.23
	Highway Department Art#37 5/3/04 Backhoe				3,234.56		3,234.56	0.00	3,234.56
	Highway Department Art#36 5/2/05 Truck/Plow/Sander				1,583.00		1,583.00	0.00	1,583.00
	Highway Department Art#38 5/2/05 Highway Repairs				9,667.91	(9,667.91)	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Highway Department Art#3 5/7/07 Dump Truck				130,000.00		130,000.00	90,107.00	39,893.00
	Highway Department Snow & Ice Removal Expenses	74,000.00		36,837.54			110,837.54	110,837.54	0.00
	Street Lighting	28,620.00				(2,343.91)	26,276.09	26,276.09	0.00
	Cemetery Salaries	515.00					515.00	115.00	400.00
	Cemetery Expenses	3,000.00					3,000.00	2,099.67	900.33
	Cemetery FY'99 Road Repair				24,141.31	(24,141.31)	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Total Public Works & Facilities	552,533.00	0.00	(27,126.97)	170,850.03	(72,008.20)	624,247.86	520,772.39	103,475.47

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SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
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EXHIBIT E-5

General Fund	Account	2008 Appropriations	2008 Supplemental Appropriations	Reserve Fund and Other Transfers	2007 Carryover Appropriations	2008 Carryover Appropriations	2008 Adjusted Budget	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance
Education	School Committee Salary	200.00					200.00	200.00	0.00
	Elementary Education	3,141,344.00		(29,690.00)	67,136.65	(42,005.38)	3,136,785.27	3,123,768.05	13,017.22
	Vocational Tuition	230,860.00		74,690.00			305,550.00	305,550.00	0.00
	Vocational Transportation	16,863.00					16,863.00	16,501.65	361.35
	Tahanto Assessment	2,898,968.00					2,898,968.00	2,867,945.00	31,023.00
	Education Art#23 5/6/02 Tahanto Repairs				44.20		44.20	0.00	44.20
	Education Art#34 5/3/04 Elementary Math Program				1,599.74	(1,599.74)	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Education Art#21 5/2/05 Ad Hoc Regional Study				10,000.00	(10,000.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Education Art#21 5/2/05 Elementary Projector/Computer				2,434.00		2,434.00	2,434.00	0.00
	Education Art#44 5/1/06 School Feasibility Study				26,680.00	(26,680.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Education Art#29 5/7/07 Regional School District Review	15,000.00				(15,000.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Education Art#30 5/7/07 HV/AC Elementary School	25,000.00				(23,520.00)	1,480.00	1,480.00	0.00
	Education Art#44 5/7/07 Roof Leak Elementary School	16,500.00				(13,470.73)	3,029.27	3,029.27	0.00
	Education Art#44 5/7/07 Library Carpet Elementary School	13,500.00				(13,500.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Education		6,358,235.00	0.00	45,000.00	107,894.59	(145,775.85)	6,365,353.74	6,320,907.97	44,445.77

TOWN OF BOYLSTON
SCHEDULE OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008
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EXHIBIT E-6

Account	2008 Appropriations	2008 Supplemental Appropriations	Reserve Fund and Other Transfers	2007 Carryover Appropriations	2008 Carryover Appropriations	2008 Adjusted Budget	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance
General Fund								
Human Services								
Board of Health Stipends	648.00					648.00	648.00	0.00
Board of Health Clerical Wages	16,387.00					16,387.00	16,109.00	278.00
Board of Health Expenses	3,000.00					3,000.00	2,657.58	342.42
Board of Health Special Projects	3,000.00					3,000.00	1,200.00	1,800.00
Vital Statistics Wages	200.00					200.00	200.00	0.00
Sanitation Inspector Wages	33,949.00		130.28			34,079.28	34,079.28	0.00
Animal Inspector Wages	1,098.00					1,098.00	1,006.50	91.50
Landfill Engineering Expense	3,500.00				(3,500.00)	0.00	0.00	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	900.00	600.00
Council on Aging Coordinator Salary	13,500.00					13,500.00	13,500.00	0.00
Council on Aging Coordinator Salary-Meals	941.00					941.00	941.04	(0.04)
Council on Aging Expenses	5,325.00					5,325.00	3,534.46	1,790.54
Veterans Agent Salary	950.00					950.00	950.00	0.00
Veterans Services Benefits	1,000.00					1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
Veterans Service Expense:	175.00					175.00	0.00	175.00
Total Human Services	85,443.00	0.00	130.28	0.00	(3,500.00)	82,073.28	75,725.86	6,347.42

TOWN OF BOYLSTON
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FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008
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EXHIBIT E-7

Account	2008 Appropriations	2008 Supplemental Appropriations	Reserve Fund and Other Transfers	2007 Carryover Appropriations	2008 Carryover Appropriations	2008 Adjusted Budget	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance
General Fund								
Culture and Recreation								
Library Salaries & Wages	97,466.00			0.00		97,466.00	97,466.00	0.00
Library Expenses	55,100.00					55,100.00	55,095.64	4.36
Library Art#33 5/7/07 Repairs	40,000.00				(17,093.64)	22,906.36	22,906.36	0.00
Memorial Day	4,000.00		2,680.35		(1,149.00)	5,531.35	5,531.35	0.00
Recreation	15,200.00			2,285.06		17,485.06	17,485.06	0.00
Historical Commission Expenses	8,500.00		324.40			8,824.40	8,824.40	0.00
Historical Commission Project Expenses	1,200.00					1,200.00	1,199.00	1.00
Historical District Expense	50.00					50.00	0.00	50.00
Total Culture and Recreation	221,516.00	0.00	3,004.75	2,285.06	(18,242.64)	208,563.17	208,507.81	55.36
Debt Service								
Debt Service Principal	565,000.00		0.00	0.00		565,000.00	565,000.00	0.00
Debt Service Interest	320,310.00					320,310.00	320,310.00	0.00
Interest on Short Term Loans	3,000.00		(3,000.00)			0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Debt Service	888,310.00	0.00	(3,000.00)	0.00	0.00	885,310.00	885,310.00	0.00
Total General Fund	11,826,170.11	10,000.00	23,955.02	441,598.33	(429,644.78)	11,872,078.68	11,592,511.63	279,567.05

TOWN OF BOYLSTON
SCHEDULE OF OUTSTANDING DEBT
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008
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EXHIBIT F

Descriptor	Interest Rate	Original Loan Date	Final Due Date	Principal			Interest Paid							
				Balance July 1, 2007	Funds Borrowed	Principal Payments								
Account Group-General Long Term Debt														
School Construction	4.97%	06/15/99	06/15/19	4,960,000.00		(425,000.00)	4,535,000.00	245,795.00	P	425,000.00	425,000.00	425,000.00	425,000.00	2,410,000.00
Digital Property	5.32%	06/01/97	04/01/17	1,400,000.00		(140,000.00)	1,260,000.00	74,515.00	I	225,607.50	205,420.00	185,232.50	164,832.50	435,695.00
Title V									P	140,000.00	140,000.00	140,000.00	140,000.00	560,000.00
									I	67,095.00	59,675.00	52,255.00	44,835.00	75,145.00
									P	8,721.00	8,721.00	8,790.00	8,790.00	60,645.00
Total General Long-Term Debt									I	5,441.10	5,002.88	4,554.46	4,099.01	11,873.75
									P	573,721.00	573,721.00	573,790.00	573,790.00	3,030,645.00
				6,473,178.00	0.00	(573,721.00)	5,899,457.00	326,189.32	I	298,143.60	270,097.88	242,041.96	213,766.51	522,713.75
									SBAB Subsidy	(474,789.00)	(474,789.00)	(474,789.00)	(474,789.00)	(2,848,734.00)
									MWPAT Subsidy	(5,441.10)	(5,002.88)	(4,554.46)	(4,099.01)	(11,873.75)

TOWN OF BOYLSTON
 SCHEDULE OF TAXES RECEIVABLE-GENERAL FUND
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008
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EXHIBIT G

Description	Uncollected July 1, 2007	Commitments	Refunds	Add/(Deduct)			Uncollected June 30, 2008
				Adjustments	Abatements	Transfers to Tax Title	
Real Estate							
2008		8,255,088.14	26,335.32		(57,279.35)	(22,487.62)	126,769.28
2007	120,460.07		3,880.26		(3,880.26)	(28,925.92)	1,126.69
2006	1,891.03				(33.45)	(1,533.31)	324.27
	<u>122,351.10</u>	<u>8,255,088.14</u>	<u>30,215.58</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>(61,193.06)</u>	<u>(51,413.54)</u>	<u>128,220.24</u>
Personal Property							
2008		108,750.77	153.91		(644.49)		2,603.59
2007	1,697.90					(105,656.60)	1,653.42
2006	1,605.16					(44.48)	1,605.16
2005 and prior	1.00						1.00
	<u>3,304.06</u>	<u>108,750.77</u>	<u>153.91</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>(644.49)</u>	<u>(105,701.08)</u>	<u>5,863.17</u>
Motor Vehicle Excise							
2008		592,859.58	5,943.45		(7,958.43)	(564,926.49)	25,918.11
2007	22,493.62	115,665.78	3,385.63		(7,638.93)	(128,966.93)	4,939.17
2006	4,331.60	31,462.64	1,222.49		(3,229.57)	(32,336.20)	1,450.96
2005	1,774.87	3,707.01	325.09		(2,002.04)	(3,770.76)	34.17
2004	1,269.23				(1,234.23)		35.00
2003	534.06				(410.00)		124.06
2002 and prior	2,108.14	1,455.22			(1,219.68)	(1,455.30)	888.38
	<u>32,511.52</u>	<u>745,150.23</u>	<u>10,876.66</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>(23,692.88)</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>33,389.85</u>
Tax Liens	<u>224,522.87</u>	<u>11,207.60</u>				<u>42,121.92</u>	<u>213,383.89</u>
Tax Possessions	<u>48,563.13</u>					<u>14,145.22</u>	<u>62,708.35</u>

MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT

	2005	2006	2007
Gross Revenue:	3,477,210.00	3,400,000.00	3,578,710.00
Operating Expense:	3,578,143.00	3,138,500.00	3,648,765.00
Misc. Sales:	28,574.00	55,940.00	27,183.00
Profit:	(24,407.00)	111,971.00	150,981.00
Physical Plant Cost:	2,706,339.00	2,808,694.00	2,854,661.00
KW of Demand:	6,713	7,308	6,764
KWH Bought	32,166,225	31,194,483	32,881,622
KWH Sold:	30,297,27	29,516,841	31,131,534
Customers:	2243	2248	2252
Purchase Power Avg. Cost:	.093	.109	.115

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 2008 with the following attendance:

Alden Gates	11
Ed Kimball	11
John McQuade	10

The Boylston Light Dept. would like to take this opportunity to thank its customers for their patience, understanding and support given to the Light Dept. during the December 11th ice storm.

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

Gary Harrington

General Manager

POLICE DEPARTMENT

On behalf of the entire Boylston Police Department, thanks to so many of you for your continued support, especially in these fiscally challenging times.

BPD's personnel departures this year consisted of Permanent-Part Time Dispatcher Rina Paladino, On-Call Dispatcher Tara Gonnelli, and Police Service Aide/long-time former Reserve Officer Mary Jasper. Additionally, with the abolishment of the Department's Reserve Police Officer Program due to associated costs, effectiveness/return, and participation, Reserve Officers Welch, Pignataro, and Christensen, the Department's last remaining Reserve Officers, were bid farewell on July 1st. To all of you, thanks for your service to the Town.

Management of the vehicle fleet once again resulted in my not requesting Town funding for any replacement police cruisers in 2008. The replacement cruiser that was purchased this year was once again, completely funded with grant money. No cruisers currently in the BPD inventory were bought with Town funds.

The D.A.R.E. Program, eliminated by many Towns due to funding constraints, 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 included the submission and award of the \$25,481.28 CP/CT Grant, conduct of the annual D.A.R.E. Halloween Party, conduct of the annual D.A.R.E. Graduation, and the issuance of Halloween, "glow necklaces," for Boylston Elementary School students. We also continued to upgrade our webpage, receiving high marks from many, on its content.

It gives me great pleasure to report that a review of our criminal statistics for 2008, when compared against communities of similar size and demographics, reflects that Boylston continues to be a very safe community in which to live, work, and play. Pro-activity, visibility, and the community working in close concert with law enforcement makes a difference! My thanks to so many of you who have chosen to get involved by reporting suspicious activity to your police. Lastly, and while speaking of crime prevention, in response to requests by our business community, you should know that we increased our after hours business checks by over a thousand from last year – now that's a lot of door shaking!!!

Incidents of significance this year include the surveillance and felony take down of a major drug dealer and the subsequent seizure of his automobile, the arrest (and seizure of \$4700 in cash) of an out of state drug dealer who was found by evening patrols sleeping in his car off Route 140, the identification of individuals who were subsequently charged with larceny/embezzlement from both public and private institutions, the identification of a Subject in the Dunkin Donuts break-in, and the identification of Subjects involved in the thefts of cell-phones and IPODs from Tahanto students. BPD Detectives also investigated and where identified, charged Subjects in house and car breaks, child pornography, and, in the thefts of wallets, purses, checkbooks, laptops, GPSs, and radar detectors from cars, homes, and businesses. Individuals identified dumping items illegally throughout the Town were also identified, as were Subjects in mailbox/house vandalism cases. Detectives continue to spend long hours in the investigation of Identity Theft/money scam cases; understand that the frequency of these type crimes is growing by leaps and bounds. Remember, safeguard your personal information, check your credit report periodically, and report suspicious activity to your police. If something seems too good to be true, it probably is!

I wish you a happy, safe, and prosperous 2009. Should you need to contact the Boylston Police Department, please call (508) 869-2113, or, in the event of an emergency, call 911. To contact/visit the Boylston Police Department on-line, please visit www.boylston-ma.gov and locate us under Town Departments.

Anthony G. Sahagian , Chief of Police

SYNOPSIS OF SELECTED
ACTIVITY

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
911 Emergency Calls	68	63	65	79	73	52	64	46	40
Assault and Battery	2	3	2	2	3	2	10	6	2
Alarm Response (Home/Business)	294	241	216	234	242	237	236	204	259
Ambulance Response/Support	139	177	190	161	186	184	197	180	200
Animal	52	75	42	33	33	27	36	20	53
Assault	1	1	4	3	1	1	1	2	3
B&E, Building	1	1	4	6	6	2	4	1	6
B&E, Dwelling	5	2	7	8	3	6	7	6	7
Check Well-being	41	49	49	40	31	40	38	51	35
Civil Dispute	29	10	23	33	18	10	8	8	20
Destruction of Property	27	25	28	41	32	39	38	26	13
Disturbance	55	45	30	31	31	26	22	42	27
Disabled Motor Vehicle	110	145	135	104	120	160	107	113	129
Dog Complaint	34	13	19	19	22	7	13	7	14
Domestic Disturbance	17	23	17	24	16	26	23	23	14
Drug Offense	9	10	9	9	9	18	8	7	13
Erratic Operator	38	37	45	32	51	33	55	61	13
Fire Response/Support	43	36	48	28	32	30	45	34	17
Harrassing Phone Call	15	16	15	14	13	8	8	10	8
Larceny Over \$250	13	8	11	24	24	15	27	9	19
Larceny Under \$250	18	16	17	22	25	28	16	16	13
Miscellaneous Calls	377	634	1269	1861	1448	1307	800	256	384
Motor Vehicle Lock-out	15	14	21	21	10	22	16	10	11
Mutual Aid Call	87	73	96	73	74	83	71	66	89
Motor Vehicle Accident (Personal Injury)	24	22	18	14	12	20	28	32	21
Motor Vehicle Accident (Property Damage)	133	83	128	89	90	102	53	67	72
Motor Vehicle, Recovered	3	3	4	4	3	2	1	1	2
Motor Vehicle, Traffic Stop	1918	1953	2419	1947	1732	1910	1663	1210	1284
Operating Under the Influnce of Alcohol	6	2	6	4	6	8	7	5	2
Parking Violation	14	19	18	28	9	20	9	16	9
Safety Hazard	51	82	80	50	54	68	55	43	69
Serve Summons	69	67	50	46	77	61	41	43	38
Suspicious Person, Investigate	42	65	49	55	53	58	59	81	65
Suspicious Vehicle, Investigate	80	85	109	83	111	92	93	107	125
Traffic Study/Watch	34	57	190	124	61	29	35	87	60
Trespassing	4	2	13	10	8	7	9	3	2
Unsecured Building	13	16	23	32	32	22	23	10	18
Warrant Arrest	22	22	16	18	16	16	12	9	10
TOTAL CALLS INCLUDES ABOVE "SELECTED" CALLS	4682	5079	6507	6452	5802	5957	6802	6309	7742

SAFETY OFFICER AND D.A.R.E. REPORT

This year, the Boylston Police received traffic complaints concerning speeding on the following streets: Mile Hill Road, Duffy Road, Green Street, Stiles Road, Intervale Street, Rocky Pond Road, South Sewall Street, Warren Street, Cross Street, and Melrose Street. The Boylston Police Department conducted speed compliance enforcement and checked speed by radar in posted school zones and on these and other existing paved roadways.

In 2008, the Boylston Police Department responded to a total of 68 motor vehicle accidents. The intersection with the highest frequency of accidents appears to be School Street and East Temple Street. The majority of motor vehicle accidents in Town appear to occur between 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. followed by 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., rush hour times.

Please feel free to contact me regarding any safety issues such as speeding, hazardous road conditions, faded signs and requests for new signs.

The Boylston D.A.R.E. program is currently in its seventeenth year, with the current core program being taught every Friday at B.E.S. for seventeen weeks. The D.A.R.E. middle school program at Tahanto is ten weeks in duration and is taught on a weekly basis consistent with both my and student scheduling.

The D.A.R.E. Halloween party fundraiser was again successful this year. All monies will be applied to purchase D.A.R.E. graduation t-shirts, certificates, and other education related supplies. I would like to thank the volunteers, local businesses, and town officials for their support of this very worthwhile program.

In closing, with available funds repeatedly being reduced, I would like to thank the Chief for keeping our D.A.R.E. program alive.

Respectfully submitted,

Det./Ptlm. Ron Rajotte, Badge #5

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

GENERAL HIGHWAY

Maintenance & Repair of Buildings
 Ledge Removal
 Catch Basin Cleaning & Repair
 Managing western part of Town designated as Beetle Zone
 Chip Brush
 Clean Waterways
 Custodial Services:
 Maintenance from Dec. 11, 2008 Ice Storm
 Town House
 Cemetery Maintenance & Internments
 Maintenance of Equipment
 Fall & Spring Leaf Clean-up
 Install Drainage
 Maintenance of Playground
 Maintenance of Town Fields for youth sports
 Plow Snow-Sand & Salt Roads
 Roadside Mowing & Brush Cutting
 Maintenance of Road Shoulder
 Patched & Repaired Roads
 Resurfacing of Town roads
 Setting up for Senior Activities/Town House
 Street Sweeping
 Repair & Replacement Street Signs
 Tree Cutting & Pruning
 Attended Classes for "Beetle" Certification

MONIES SPENT

LABOR:	\$234,450.65
EXPENSE:	\$80,084.67

SANDING & PLOWING:

Sand Used	1,476CY
Salt Used	720 Tons
Plowing Days	13
Sanding Days	19
Guard Rail Markings	
Snow Stakes Installed	
Waterway Marking & Maintenance	
 Days Sanded-Tahanto	 2

EXPENSES:	\$114,543.45
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Donald C. Parker
 Highway Superintendent

FIRE CHIEF AND FOREST WARDEN

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. In 2008 the fire department received a Student Awareness of Fire Education (SAFE) grant through the MA Department of Public Safety and was able to begin an advanced fire education program with students in the third grade at Boylston Elementary School.

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.

The fire department continues to enforce the requirements of Nicole's Law; this law requires the installation of carbon monoxide detectors in all residential and commercial structures that use oil, natural gas, propane or wood or have attached garages. The fire department staff is available to assist residents with proper placement of carbon monoxide detectors and/or smoke detectors and reminds all residents to change detector batteries at least twice a year. The fire department also recommends testing these detectors on a regular basis as part of a comprehensive in home fire prevention program.

The fire department was also successful in obtaining a grant from the Department of Conservation and Recreation and the MA Department of Public Safety for the purchase of an all terrain vehicle and related equipment to be used in response to brush fires and medical emergencies on DCR property and other wooded areas in the community where vehicle access is limited.

The Boylston Fire Department, along with the Holden, Sterling and West Boylston Fire Departments continue to be involved in a Regional Emergency Planning Committee; 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 and trained a regional Community Emergency Response Team (CERT). The CERT 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. The CERT team receives training areas such as CPR and First Aid, Search and Rescue, Weather Emergencies and Shelter Management. The regional CERT team played a very active role in the December ice storm; CERT team members set up and staffed shelters in West Boylston, Sterling and Holden. 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 fourth annual \$500 scholarship to a graduating Tahanto High School senior. This money is made available from various community fund raising activities sponsored by the Boylston Firefighters Association.

During 2008, the Fire Department responded to the following calls:

Motor vehicle accidents	63
Carbon monoxide alarms:	18
Chimney fires	4
Fire alarms	55
Brush fires	10
Mutual aid	12
Fires in a structure	10
Vehicle fires	4
Investigations	20
Flooded basements	46
Public assist	50

During 2008, the following permits were issued:

Above Ground Storage (LPG)	25
Blasting	2
Certificate of Compliance	72
Fireworks	0
Oil Burner	30
Oil Tank	42
Tank Truck Inspections	10
Underground Storage	4
Burning Permits	247
Tank Removal	5
Woodstove	30
Sprinkler Systems	2

The Fire Department continued to operate its Emergency Medical Services division in 2008. 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 2008, the Fire Department EMS responded to the following calls:

Residential Calls (total)	327
Basic Life Support	301
Advanced Life Support	26
Industrial Calls	5
Motor Vehicle Accidents	63
Mutual Aid	12

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. These pamphlets have been donated by the Boylston Firefighters Association and are available free of charge to all residents.

Our community experienced one of the most serious and damaging ice storms in history in December of 2008. Over one hundred homes suffered damage as a result of falling trees and the majority of the town was without power for several days. Twenty-three members of the fire department worked a total of 537 hours within a four day span in response to the storm clearing roads, pumping water from basements, setting up and staffing an emergency shelter at the Town House and providing temporary power to residents in need. These firefighters left their own homes and families to work to help the town recover from the storm. Several townspeople worked alongside emergency crews to aid in this effort and all should be applauded for their work. It is difficult times such as these that make one realize why it is that we enjoy living in a small town. On behalf of the entire fire department we would like to thank all of our residents for their patience and assistance in response to the December ice storm.

Joseph P. Flanagan, Fire Chief

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

It is with great pleasure that I submit this 2008 Annual Report to the citizens of Berlin and Boylston as the Superintendent of the Berlin and Boylston Public Schools. Even though I have only just started as the Superintendent in July of 2008, I have come to know both communities as being supportive of their schools, of the educational programs we provide and most importantly, understand the value of quality education and expect that even with limited resources we provide excellent educational programs for all the students throughout the Berlin and Boylston Public School System.

Upon taking on the responsibility of becoming the Superintendent, I knew of the many challenges that were facing the district. A few of the most critical challenges include:

- The development of an appropriate and town approved plan to upgrade the Tahanto Regional Middle/High School.
- Re-organization of the district's administrative team.
- Work across all three schools to provide consistent, standards-based curriculum and instructional practice that enhances the high quality education that is already being provided.
- Manage the FY09 budgets and ensure the level of funding provided at the 2008 Annual Town Meetings adequately supports the schools and develop FY10 budgets based on the educational needs of the district's students while being responsive to the reality of fiscal constraints and capabilities.
- Ensure the voice of the Berlin-Boylston Public School System is heard by our local government representatives so there is recognition that the goal of the Commonwealth to provide "adequate" funding for the education of our students is not enough. We are interested in excellent educational systems not adequate educational systems and we need the help of the state to provide the appropriate funding to get us there.

So, needless to say, there was much to do during this first year of my employ by the district. The School Committee annual reports have provided a good set of information about the first half of 2008. Allow me to provide some information about the second half and the work that is underway related to these challenges and opportunities.

The work to develop a plan for an appropriate upgrade to the Tahanto Regional Middle/High School had once again become active. The new state agency, the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) had approved the commencement of a feasibility study and schematic design plan in June 2007. At the May 2008 Annual Town Meetings of both Towns, funds were approved to conduct a Feasibility Study and Schematic Design for the upgrade to the Tahanto Middle/High Regional High School. As a result, the total amount available from the two towns is \$250,000.

In October 2008, PMA Construction Services was hired to be the "Owner's Project Manager" (OPM) for the Tahanto building project. The OPM is a new role that has been established by MSBA as part of their new charge to be more actively involved in school construction projects. The OPM is not only responsible to the local authorities, in this case the Berlin-Boylston Regional School Committee and Building Committee, but also to the MSBA. In addition to this, the MSBA is very involved in the selection of the Architect/Designer. The Architect will be responsible for producing the Feasibility Study and the Schematic Design due to be completed in late spring of 2009.

The work of the Building Committee during this past year has been important but not necessarily extensive. In 2009 this will change dramatically. Members of the Building Committee carried out process to select and recommend the OPM to the Regional School Committee. In 2009 the Architect will be selected, with the direction of the MSBA. I'd

like to thank all the members of the Building Committee for their work up to this point and look forward to working with the Committee throughout this next exciting phase of the project.

Beginning in July 2008, two of the three principals were new to the district and since then, Carol Bryngelson, the Tahanto principal, has announced her retirement. As a result, within one year's time, all three school principals will be new to these very important positions. With the hiring of a new Superintendent in July 2008, it also means that over the course of one year, 50% of the administrative team will be new.

The Berlin-Boylston Public Schools are not new to administrative changes and have seen many in the past few years. Nevertheless, we are intent on bringing stability to these important roles and this provides an opportunity to reinvent the school system's Leadership Team with a focus on providing consistency in our curriculum and instructional practices across all schools in the district.

We have certainly started that process and look forward to continuing our cross-district work in curriculum development, instructional practice and improved student learning. More specifically, over the past two years early literacy has been a priority in both of the elementary schools and during the 2008 fall semester a district wide team was established to review mathematics curriculum and instructional practices across all three of our schools. There is more information about each of these initiatives in the Principals' annual reports. The work of the administration and the teachers on these efforts is important, progressing nicely and very much appreciated.

Given the economic times and the increased pressures on local communities to take on more of the burden to fund public services, there has been increased pressure at the state level to "fix" the state education funding formula. And, although we have yet to see any substantial movement, we are hopeful that this work becomes an actual priority for our politicians for 2010 and the funding for education is no longer a strain on local taxpayers but added value for every community.

Thanks to the hard work of the School Committees and the local Town Officials, an FY09 budget was passed during the 2008 Annual Town Meetings which provided the schools with adequate funding. However, the concept of "adequate" funding is not enough to provide the quality of education that we want for our students. It is very evident that the state formula for providing educational funding has not kept up with the needs of our schools. In fact, the current level of Chapter 70 funding is still less than the amount that was provided prior to the reductions made for the 2003-2004 school year. And the amount of FY09 and FY10 Chapter 70 funding for Boylston Elementary is below the minimum the state should be providing.

Until such time as the state funding for education is revised, we will do all we can to maintain our excellent educational programs and work to be as efficient and effective as possible. We will, of course, need to continue to rely on the excellent community organizations that have brought so much to our students like LINK, our PTO's, SEPAC, TMPO, BBRAVO, and the Athletic Boosters to name a few. We will also work to develop budgets that are financially responsible and that address the many variations in school spending that occur during the school year.

There was a call to continue the good work of the members of each School Committee and Dr. Joseph Connolly, interim Superintendent during the FY08 school year, to ensure a collaborative budget planning process with the goal of reaching financial stability for all the schools into the future.

In terms of the budgets for FY09, in May of 2008, Berlin Town Meeting approved a \$2,693,884 budget for the Berlin Memorial School and \$1,401,349 assessment for the Berlin share of the Tahanto Budget. The Town of Boylston ultimately approved a \$2,941,025 appropriation for Boylston Elementary School, \$3,025,463 for the assessment for the Boylston share of the Tahanto budget and \$465,784 for vocational education.

The FY10 budgeting process started early in the 2008-2009 school year. With two new principals and a new superintendent, a good deal of time was spent learning about the intricacies of how a school system operates with three separate and isolated budgets. We worked to develop three budget scenarios that included 1) program improvement, 2) level service and 3) level funded, each of which were provided to the town government committees in December 2008. We have restructured the way we manage the unanticipated costs and expenses that are not within our control due to mandates by utilizing revolving funds.

Even in July 2008, there were clear signs of difficult financial times ahead, albeit, no one forecasted the upcoming economic crisis that was finally fully acknowledged in November 2008. We continue to work to ensure the eventual proposed budgets for FY10 are appropriate for our school system while being responsive to the available revenues of our local communities.

It is obvious that the townspeople of Berlin and Boylston value their schools and appreciate the importance of high quality education for our students. The members all the School Committees are particularly focused on ensuring each school provides the best education possible and that there are appropriate resources to do so. I appreciate all their time and effort and look forward to our continued work to establish a long term vision and direction for the Berlin Boylston Public School System.

In this, my first Annual Report, I would be remiss if I did not acknowledge and thank the Central Office team. They are conscientious, they know how to do their jobs and they are a pleasure to work with. To the entire team, thanks for your help with my transition, you help to make the work worthwhile and you contribute so much to making this school system work.

Once again, I am delighted to be your Superintendent of Schools and I look forward to our working together to provide excellent education to all the students of the Berlin-Boylston Public School System.

Respectfully Submitted

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brian G. McDermott".

Dr. Brian G. McDermott

Superintendent of Schools

OFFICE OF PUPIL PERSONNEL SERVICES

The Pupil Personnel Services Office of Berlin and Boylston continues its efforts to insure excellent services to students who have learning differences and disabilities. Our three districts have participated in exciting activities on behalf of our students that will be described below. 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.

During the course of the last year, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) returned to our districts to conduct their mid-cycle review of our performance in achieving regulatory compliance in the areas of special education and English as a Second Language (ESL) services. Specifically, DESE liaisons examined all areas for which the districts were found to be in partial compliance in its 2005 Program Review. They also examined new criteria for compliance that have been passed since our last review. It is a pleasure to report that the results of this mid-cycle review were *outstanding* and that our DESE liaisons reflected on the significant progress made within the districts in all areas of the evaluation. As evidence of commendation, they referenced our success identifying two certified ESL teachers to work with our second language learners. This is significant both in terms of district commitment to our English language learners but also in this climate of shortage of such credentialed staff. Further, our DESE liaisons recognized the excellence of the districts' individualized educational programs (IEPs) as well as the superior contributions and activities of our Special Education Parent Advisory Council (SEPAC). The list of positive comments was long and well deserved. Were it not for the exceptional and professional efforts of all members of the pupil personnel staff, we would not have achieved such kudos and recognition from our DESE representatives.

Yet another exciting initiative resulted in an exceptional collaboration between regular education and special education personnel. Our two elementary principals, Daniel Deneen and Carol Bradley, along with our Curriculum Coordinator, Paula Fiorillo, selected a team of educators, one special education teacher and one classroom teacher, from each building, to participate in a working session on "Data Driven Decision Making". This professional development workshop was sponsored by the Assabet Valley Collaborative at the initiation of local area special education directors and supported by the area superintendents. The purpose of the work of the school-based teams is to help guide schools in the identification and collection of data to be used to guide instruction and assist in the determination of the existence of specific learning disabilities. There were three cohorts of area schools represented in these workshops and the cohort to which Boylston Elementary and Berlin Memorial belonged offered fascinating and spirited discussions of excellent data gathering practices being initiated at each elementary school. It is anticipated that these teams of professionals will bring their discussions back to the schools to expand practice and support continuous improvement in the delivery of educational services to students.

Tahanto Regional Middle/High School has developed a relationship with Community Healthlink, Inc.'s Youth & Family services, an organization that offers counseling for youngsters and parents, as well as family therapy. Via their school support team, Community Healthlink works with area schools to place a counselor at the school on a regular basis. In this way, therapy opportunities are facilitated for students who may not have the ability to obtain these services via a clinic based model. These services are funded through traditional health insurance mechanisms. The "wrap around" aspect of clinical services for students benefits all: the school, the student, the family and the therapist. The interagency collaboration works for all involved.

Yet another exciting initiative that is in its third year is Tahanto's membership in the Inclusive Concurrent Enrollment (ICE) Partnership Grant with Quinsigamond Community College (QCC). Through this grant opportunity, students who are 18-22, who have not met the MCAS requirement for graduation and who have significant special needs are eligible to take courses, use the facilities and attend social events at Quinsigamond. Students are eligible for the services of social navigators, educational coaches and job advisory services. Thus far, we have four students who have accessed this wonderful opportunity and who report back to us with high praise for the experiences.

The continuing, unflagging efforts of school administration, teaching staff, pupil personnel services staff and parents to work together on behalf of our students have led us to exciting work that is on-going and beneficial to all of our students. These are exhilarating times in all of our schools. Our curriculum initiatives, professional development opportunities, brainstorming and team work all combine to provide excellent educational opportunities for our students.

Respectively submitted,

Judith Vaillancourt

Director of Pupil Personnel Services

BOYLSTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

It is my privilege to deliver this Annual Report on behalf of Boylston Elementary School for the 2008 – 2009 school year. An exciting and busy year it has been!

Boylston Elementary has had several changes in leadership in recent years. In 2006, Dr. Stephen Dlott was appointed Interim Principal as a search committee began interviewing candidates for a permanent administrator. Dr. Dlott remained in the position for the 2007 – 2008 school year, until Mr. Daniel Deneen assumed the permanent role of Principal on July 1, 2008. Mr. Deneen spent twenty years teaching at the elementary level before becoming a full-time administrator, a role that he filled in the towns of Easton and Chatham before coming to Boylston.

Besides the departure of Dr. Dlott, BES also saw the departure of longtime teacher Mr. David Hughes, who retired in June. Mrs. Julie Belbin joined the classroom teaching staff with Mr. Hughes' departure.

Boylston Elementary has put great focus on improving literacy instruction in the new school year, having adopted the Literacy by Design program, developed by the Rigby Company. This is a comprehensive approach to literacy, including intensive instruction in the various genres of literature, the many components of reading comprehension, phonics, spelling, and narrative writing. Teachers have received extensive professional development to assist in the implementation of this program.

We continue to seek ways to improve in mathematics, particularly for students transitioning to the middle school level. This year, we have brought together teachers of mathematics in grades 5 – 8 to examine and discuss curriculum in terms of vertical articulation and consistency of materials. Boylston Elementary teachers will soon embark on the mission of finding and developing a mathematics program that will better serve the needs of our students while also keeping in line with Massachusetts State Standards.

Our student enrollment has grown significantly this year, to a total of 389 children ranging in grades from Pre-School through Grade Six. This year, we were able to offer two sessions of tuition-based full-day Kindergarten, as well as one half-day, tuition-free program. It is our hope to maintain enough interest in the successful full-day program to be able to offer two sessions next year as well.

The Grade Six team of teachers and students participated with their Berlin counterparts in a most beneficial trip to Nature's Classroom during a full week of school in September. Other wonderful opportunities for students this year have included the Grade Five Living Wax Museum of U.S. Presidents, Mad About Math, a visit from scientists Mr. and Mrs. Fish, and a most delightful band / chorus concert during the holiday season. The Pencil Factory, our school store, opens once a month to offer students the opportunity to learn to shop responsibly and budget their money. United States Veterans were honored in a moving assembly in November, and we look forward to visits that will enlighten students on the lives of President Abraham Lincoln and Marie Curie.

A successful launch of a before-school drop-off program has offered parents the opportunity to have quality, teacher-supervised child care should they require morning assistance. A wide variety of after-school clubs have also been made available, involving skill ranging from cooking to painting and beyond. Upper-grade students also benefit from the opportunity that our Homework Club provides, offering a structured setting and one-on-one or small-group tutoring in every subject area.

We continue to build a positive partnership with various town agencies, including the fire department which offers programs on fire prevention, and with the police department offering safety programs related to other types of emergency situations. The Boylston Highway Department continues to assist us by caring for our roads and driveways

during the difficult winter we have experienced. The Town Recreation Department has been a great resource for students wishing to pursue athletic opportunities outside of school.

As we move further into the twenty-first century, the teachers and staff of Boylston Elementary School look forward to providing the best education possible in a setting that celebrates children, learning, and the wonderful opportunity we have to work as a community.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Deneen

Principal

BOYLSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

It is my honor and duty to present the 2008 Boylston School Committee report to the citizens of Boylston.

Organization

By School Committee policy, the School Committee's reorganization meeting takes place at the first meeting following the May Town election. In June 2008, Rebecca Dono Healy was elected to serve as Chairman of the Boylston School Committee, Vincent Perrone as Vice-Chair and Larry Brenner as Secretary. Mr. Brenner was elected in May to replace Kathleen Buchanan, who decided not to run for reelection. The Committee thanks Mrs. Buchanan for her years of dedicated service to the schools and the Town.

In 2008, the Boylston School Committee held 17 meetings. Vincent Perrone was present for 13; and Rebecca Dono Healy was present for 16. Kathleen Buchanan was in office for 5 of those meetings and present for 4; Larry Brenner was in office for 12 and present for 12.

Community Support

The highlight of 2008 was the dedication of the Boylston Library Mural painted by Ralph Masiello, a graduate of Boylston Elementary and best-selling children's book author and illustrator of the Icky Bug Alphabet. This multi-year project was started by reading instructor Kim Pierce who dreamed of a visual representation of what reading can mean for kids in the library. This project was made possible with funds for supplies raised by parents led by Gigi Lewis, a team of teachers coordinated by school library tutor Sharon Bokankowitz, and many hours of time donated by Mr. Masiello. In December Boylston Elementary School held a Ralph Masiello appreciation night and dedication ceremony. The event was attended by hundreds of students, parents and community members. The evening included interpretive plays written and performed by the students, a parade of students costumed to represent characters from books included in the mural, musical performances and student artwork. Mr. Masiello was presented with a giant key to the library.

During the past year, the Boylston Education Foundation, Inc. awarded 8 grants for a total of \$12,188. 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.

The Boylston Elementary School also benefits from the tireless efforts of the Boylston Special Education Parent Advisory Committee (SEPAC). The organization brings speakers and events to the school each year for the benefit of all students.

Boylston Elementary School received several other donations including a roof for each softball field dugout from Mr. David Butler and a mural on the playground hard-top of a map of all 50 states from Telephone Pioneers. The Playground Committee held a fundraiser in February and raised \$10,000 for Phase 2 of the playground.

The Boylston School Council is a school building-based committee composed of the principal, parents, teachers, and community members. Each year it does a tremendous amount of work reviewing school policies and recommends a School Improvement Plan. The 2008-2009 School Improvement Plan included the following goals: Improve **Communications** between staff, parents, administration, and the community; incorporate civic activities into the day to foster **Citizenship**; improve student achievement in **Mathematics** and replace the current math program; align all grades in **English Language Arts** with common curriculum materials and instructional strategies. The School Committee voted unanimously to accept the 2008-2009 School Improvement Plan as presented and also conveyed their appreciation to Council Members for their work in preparing these goals.

On behalf of the Boylston Elementary School Committee, I extend my appreciation to all the parents, volunteers, staff and community members for their continued generosity and support of our school. Their dedication truly represents the heart of the school.

Administration

In 2008, the Boylston School Department needed to fill its two key administrative positions, the Superintendent of Schools and Boylston Elementary Principal. Dr. Joseph J. Connelly served as the interim Superintendent of Schools through June 2008. Dr. Connelly's extensive experience provided the district with stability and much wisdom during the period of transition.

The School Committee conducted a search for a permanent Superintendent with its partners in Superintendent Union #60, the Berlin School Committee and the Tahanto Regional School Committee. The successful outcome was the hiring of Dr. Brian McDermott as Superintendent. Dr. McDermott's candidacy stood out due to his extensive experience with school finance. He comes to the Berlin-Boylston School District after 8 years with the Ayer Public Schools where he worked as Assistant Superintendent, Business Manager and Director of Technology. He has earned the degrees of masters of educational technology and a doctorate in curriculum and instruction from Texas A&M University. Dr. McDermott has had a very successful start and the School Committee looks forward to a productive and successful relationship in the coming years.

In 2008, Boylston Elementary School said good-bye to Dr. Stephen Dlott who served 2 years as interim principal. Dr. Dlott was greatly appreciated by students, parents and staff. The School Committee thanks him for all his efforts on behalf of Boylston Elementary School. The search for a new principal was lead by Dr. Connelly and included a committee of parents, teachers and community members. Dr. Connelly selected Daniel F. Deneen to be principal of Boylston Elementary School, who started on July 1, 2008. Mr. Deneen was principal of Chatham Elementary School from 2006-2008 and of Easton Elementary School from 2004-2006. Prior to serving as principal, Mr. Deneen was an elementary school classroom teacher for 20 years in all grades from first to fifth. The Committee welcomes Mr. Deneen and wishes him success during his tenure here.

Budget

The 2008 school year could best be described as very challenging, due in large part to the continuing financial constraints faced by the Town of Boylston and the need to meet escalating operational costs driven by heat and utilities, special education and wages. A further burden on the Town of Boylston is that the Commonwealth does not meet its own minimum requirements in the amount Chapter 70 state aid it sends to fund the Boylston schools. Although the state has agreed to a five year plan to meet the minimum level, this plan does not make up the discrepancy. This is a revenue loss to the Town each year and is a detriment to our students. The Commonwealth's failure to meet even its minimum obligations leaves the Town even more dependent upon its residential taxpayers and its limited commercial base.

Dr. Connelly and Mr. Roy presented the proposed budget for fiscal year 2009. The School Committee worked for several months in a collaborative effort with the school administration and Town officials to present at the Annual Town Meeting a budget for Boylston Elementary of \$3,183,937. This budget called for an increase of \$72,393 or 2% over fiscal year 2008. This budget, dependent upon a successful Proposition 2 ½ override of \$624,379, was passed at the Annual Town Meeting on May 5, 2008. At the Annual Town Election held May 12, 2008, the override was defeated.

At the Special Town meeting held on June 30, 2008, with support from the Board of Selectmen and the Boylston Finance Committee, the Town voted to reduce the Boylston Elementary School budget by \$123,306 and transfer \$15,245 of it to fund the Tahanto Regional School Assessment and \$108,061 to fund the Assabet Vocational School Assessment. At a special town meeting on December 8, 2008 the last step of the approved budget was taken by having

the Town vote to transfer \$76,943 from the Boylston Elementary line to the Tahanto Regional Assessment. This was a line item transfer and did not impact the already approved budgets. A total of \$200,249, or 6.4%, was decreased from the Boylston Elementary School budget, approximately \$150,000 of which was due to the transfer of Special Education expenses from Boylston Elementary to Tahanto.

New/Expanded Programs

In 2008 the Full-Day Kindergarten Program increased from one section to two while leaving one section half-day. This move was in response to parent demand for the additional full-day slots. More importantly, it is revenue neutral and does not impact the budget. The Full-Day Kindergarten Program is funded by state grants and tuition for the extended portion of the day. There is no charge for the traditional half-day portion of the program. In addition, the School Committee started a before school drop-off program which allows parents to bring their children to Boylston Elementary at 7:15 a.m., where they are supervised by staff until the start of the school day. This program is also self-funded.

In closing, on behalf of the Boylston Elementary School Committee, I convey my deep appreciation to all the 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 personnel and administrative staff for a job well done.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Dono Healy

Chairman, Boylston School Committee

TAHANTO REGIONAL MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL

In January 2008, school administration and members of the Tahanto Building Committee were invited to meet with representatives of the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA). There were 423 school building project requests submitted across the state and Tahanto was one of only 49 selected to continue in the process. The next step was to conduct a feasibility study in order to find the right sized, most fiscally responsible and appropriate solution for the school's facility problems. In recent months the building committee interviewed and chose as a project manager PMA of Braintree, MA. They will collaborate with the MSBA, the Tahanto building committee and the soon-to-be selected architectural firm in order to design the new Tahanto. Previously the Tahanto facility was recommended for renovation or replacement in the 2005 New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) reaccreditation report.

Three new full-time faculty members were hired in order to replace retirees Judi Masters (Guidance), Patricia Kerrigan (English) and Jean Shuman (English). Kelley Ouellette (Math) took another position closer to home. These veterans were replaced by Priya Phillips, Alexis Eliadi, Bill Whitehead, and Brian Hoffses respectively.

In the 10th grade MCAS, Tahanto students once again performed well. In English Language Arts 88% achieved Advanced or Proficient status. In mathematics 80% achieved Advanced or Proficient scores. With the inclusion of the Science MCAS as a requirement for a diploma at graduation, 95% of Tahanto students in the 10th grade qualified.

Of the graduating class of 2008, 95% chose to go on to college; two students went into military service and three to the work force. The mean SAT scores for the class of 2008 were 507 verbal, 504 mathematics and 496 in the writing portion. .

Abigail Adams Scholarship winners in 2008 totaled 31% of the senior class and these students are entitled to receive free tuition at Massachusetts State Colleges and Universities.

Eight students at Tahanto earned the designation of AP Scholar by the College Board in recognition of their exceptional achievement on Advanced Placement Program® (AP®) Exams in May 2008. Two students qualified for the AP Scholar with Honor Award by earning an average grade of at least 3.25 on all AP Exams taken, and grades of 3 or higher on four or more of these exams. These students are Lindsay Johnson and James Ricciardi. Six students qualified for the AP Scholar Award by completing three or more AP Exams with grades of 3 or higher. The AP Scholars are Jacklyn Babowitch, Calvin Clark, Brittany Dellasanta, Matthew Polnerow, Rachel Smith and Nathaniel Wheeler. Of this year's award recipients at Tahanto one is a junior, Brittany Dellasanta.

For the class of 2008, the Superintendent's Award went to Lauren MacQueen of Boylston and the Principal's Award for outstanding leadership went to Amy Waller of Berlin.

The Tahanto History Club traveled to the Grand Canyon with 52 students to explore the American southwest. Once again, the History Club sponsored a Veteran's Day Assembly in which almost 80 veteran's were honored guests.

Students in Mrs. Barry's French classes traveled to France this year combining the study of language with an extensive experience in travel around France.

The 2008 Lion's Club Speech Contest winner was Katie Giguere from Boylston. She won the school zone and regional competitions. The Lion's Club also helped to sponsor the Tahanto students who attended Boys and Girls State. Representatives were: Hayley Lyon, Nicole Morin, Conrad Juergens and Xavier Miller.

February and March were exciting months for the music department and the BBRAVO theater group. Ten Tahanto middle school students auditioned successfully at the Junior Central District Music Festival, including an unprecedented 7 students from the middle school chorus. This prestigious event included 90 other schools. Tahanto chorus students were Ali Zagame, Ali Cosimini, Chandler Walsh, Gabriella Wilsker, Allison Zinsli, Joanna Flanagan and Vinny Bonina. Band students included Daniel Hall, Daniel Lazour, and Julia Knowles.

The High School Jazz Band participated in the IAJE and UNH jazz festivals. In the high school District competition, Xavier Cosme and Heather Viola were selected for the chorus and John Gifford and Christian Tremblay were selected for band.

In May, BBRAVO performed Disney's High School Musical.

The MIAA selected Tahanto once again for the sportsmanship award for 2008. In other sports outcomes for 2008, the softball team, field hockey team, and boys and girls soccer teams all qualified for districts.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Bryngelson

Principal

BERLIN BOYLSTON REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

In June of 2007 the Regional School Committee voted unanimously to hire Dr. Joseph Connelly as our Interim Superintendent with his contract running through June 2008.

The Committee used the services of the New England School Development Council (NESDEC) to assist with the Superintendent search process which culminated in the hiring of Dr. Brian McDermott as our new Superintendent of Schools in the spring of 2008. The goal of the Regional School Committee and one of the criteria used during this hiring was to bring stability to this position. The Regional School Committee would like to thank all the members of the screening committee and NESDEC for their contributions to the process. We would also like to thank those residents who filled out the survey, the results of which assisted the Regional School Committee in choosing candidates, finalists, and eventually Dr. McDermott whose contract began on July 1, 2008. Brian worked previously in Ayer, where he was the Assistant Superintendent/Business Manager.

In Policy, the Regional School Committee voted to approve an updated version of the Berlin, Boylston, and Tahanto Policy Manual. The work of reviewing and updating our Policy Manual has been done over the last three years with Field Director Michael Gilbert from MASC (Massachusetts Association of School Committees).

In May, Kathy Buchanan finished her second three year term on the Boylston and Berlin Boylston Regional School Committees. We thank her for her educational expertise and the many hours she has voluntarily devoted to both school committees and wish her well. She continues to be a member of the Tahanto Building Committee. We welcome Larry Brenner who was elected to fill Kathy's position on both School Committees.

Although the attempt to pass an override was not successful in the Town of Boylston, ultimately, the budgets for all the schools were passed and we started the 2009-2010 school year with approved budgets. We want to thank all of the town residents who supported these requests.

At the annual May Town Meeting, both towns supported the funding for a feasibility study and the development of schematic plans for the building project for Tahanto Regional Middle/High School. As a result, the total funds available for this effort are \$250,000. Berlin also voted to support an article based on the recommendation of the Capital Assessment sub-committee to split the difference between foundation and actual enrollment apportionment costs, based on capital costs on a four year average. At this point, Boylston has not brought the article forward to a town meeting.

The School Committees voted to recognize BBRAVO (Berlin Boylston Regional Art Voice Organization) as an additional school group to provide opportunities in music, acting, and dance performance to the students in our districts.

In April, Dr. Connelly summarized the exit surveys received from Berlin, Boylston, and Tahanto students who have left our districts for other schools in the area. He cited Berlin Memorial students' preferences for Charter and private schools and exiting Tahanto students, many of whom have chosen to attend Assabet, as having concerns for poor building facilities and budget issues. Many expressed appreciation for the quality of teaching staff in all three schools. It was difficult to identify any other trends with so few survey returns.

In November, with the help of the Building Committee, PMA Construction Services was hired as the Owner's Project Manager (OPM). The Owner's Project Manager position is now required by the new Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) for any school building construction project. The intent is that the OPM will provide both the Regional School Committee, through the Building Committee, oversight over the day to day work of the Architect/Designer and Construction activities throughout the entire project.

PMA Construction Services began work immediately with the Building Committee to work out a new schedule and plan for hiring the Architect/Designer and Feasibility Study/Schematic Plan development.

As a reminder to residents of Berlin and Boylston as the Tahanto project gets closer to becoming a reality, the priorities cited by the School Building Committee in the Statement of Interest submitted back in 2006 are:

- Prevention of the loss of accreditation-cited by NEASC (New England Association of Schools and Colleges).
- 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 educational requirements.

The Regional School Committee is still studying the educational and financial benefits of moving the 6th grades at both elementary schools to Tahanto to possibly be incorporated in the Tahanto Building Project.

The possibility of a cell tower on the Tahanto property as a revenue source is still being studied.

In December, Carol Bryngelson, Principal of Tahanto Regional Middle/High School and an employee of the Berlin Boylston Regional School district for 28 years gave notice of her retirement, effective June 30, 2009. We wish her the very best in her retirement. Dr. McDermott will be organizing a search committee to look for a suitable replacement in the spring of 2009.

Many thanks go to Patricia Kerrigan, Judith Masters, and Jean Shuman for their many years of service as teachers at Tahanto Regional Middle/High School. The School Committee wishes them the very best in their retirements.

Four of the six members of the Regional School Committee attended the annual MASC/MASS conference along with Dr. McDermott. Once again, the conference provided many helpful sessions on school financing, educational leadership and school committee operations and policies.

We are very fortunate to have been able to implement a new automated communication system called School Messenger for all three schools this fall. This phone calling feature will be used to communicate school closings due to weather, etc. and/or cancellations of events. It came in very handy during the December ice storm as one more means of informing parents of the school days' status.

The School Committee would like to thank the student members of the School Committee for 2008. Tom Gibson (for the first part of the year) and Molly Goguen (presently) 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.

Our regular meetings have changed to the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 7:00 PM. The School Committee member attendance record appears below.

Please visit the School districts' website(s) created at www.bbrsd.org. The Tahanto newsletter is now online.

Respectfully submitted,

Vincent Perrone, Chairman

Judy Booman

Chris Keefe, Vice Chair

Larry Brenner

Ruth Blandin, Secretary

Rebecca DonoHealy

Berlin-Boylston Regional School Committee Meetings

ATTENDANCE RECORD

January – December 2008

21 Meetings Held

Attendance Source: Approved Minutes of Meetings

<u>Members</u>	<u>Meetings Attended</u>
R. Blandin	20
J. Booman	21
L. Brenner (elected May 2008)	10
K. Buchanan (term expired May 2008)	8
R. DonoHealy	19
C. Keefe	21
V. Perrone	16

BERLIN-BOYLSTON REGIONAL SCHOOL SALARIES 2008

Teachers:

Adams	Natalie	\$ 59,112.00
Anderson	Abigail	\$ 60,211.00
Apostolou	Alice	\$ 71,428.00
Baer	Mary	\$ 56,036.00
Bagshaw	Elizabeth	\$ 12,867.00
Ball	Barbara	\$ 61,103.00
Barry	Irene	\$ 69,450.00
Blackler	Lindsay	\$ 47,208.00
Caffrey	Jennifer	\$ 56,873.00
Cain	Richard	\$ 71,527.00
Comesana	Marijah	\$ 59,373.00
Covino	Christopher	\$ 54,784.00
Derderian	Kathy	\$ 51,764.00
Doherty	Peter	\$ 71,801.00
Eiermann	Richard	\$ 49,191.00
Eliadi	Alexis	\$ 17,513.00
Fitzgerald	Susan	\$ 43,978.00
Garbin	Marylynn	\$ 69,256.00
Gardner	Danielle	\$ 43,642.00
Gleason	Francene	\$ 67,939.00
Greenwald	Neil	\$ 62,171.00
Gustavson	Lizbeth	\$ 43,326.00
Hoffses	Brian	\$ 17,931.00
Karpicus	Thomas	\$ 59,832.00
Kerrigan	Patricia	\$ 41,008.00
Kwederis	Steven	\$ 70,898.00
Lish	Rebekah	\$ 53,844.00
Maki	Peter	\$ 77,647.00
Maresca	Linda	\$ 58,261.00
Masters	Judith	\$ 46,708.00
Milano	John	\$ 66,997.00
Minihan	Patrick	\$ 22,427.00
Mutti	Jane	\$ 51,618.00
Neusch	John	\$ 54,766.00
Ouellette	Kelley	\$ 33,705.00
Pacheco	Steven	\$ 74,580.00
Phillips	Pryia	\$ 17,566.00
Porcaro	Matthew	\$ 58,331.00
Shuman	Jean	\$ 41,364.00
Starsiak	Richard	\$ 41,579.00
Svenning	Ellen	\$ 70,674.00
Tarallo	Lori	\$ 47,355.00
Thurston	Myrtle	\$ 27,972.00
Trudeau	Elizabeth	\$ 3,791.00
Velazquez	Madeline	\$ 58,286.00
Wells-Dufresne	Kimberly	\$ 67,162.00
Whitehead	William	\$ 25,096.00
Wolf	Avi	\$ 42,344.00
Zaleski	Barbara	\$ 70,207.00
Zywiem-Follett	Katherine	\$ 64,433.00

School:

Alwis	Jane	\$ 34,360.00
Ament	Janet	\$ 19,779.00
Anderson	Patricia	\$ 711.00
Angiulo	Kathleen	\$ 20,892.00
Anttila	Delia	\$ 19,977.00
Atkinson	Kim	\$ 768.00
Augustine	Rony	\$ 35,634.00
Baird	Michelle	\$ 92.61
Baker	Nikito	\$ 455.00
Barber	Karen	\$ 423.00
Bartsch	Janine	\$ 19,864.00
Bennett	Elizabeth	\$ 162.81
Berger	Alexander	\$ 650.00
Blais	Debra	\$ 16,559.00
Boatwright	Margaret	\$ 6,326.00
Bokankowitz	Sharon	\$ 1,920.00
Boudreau	Nick	\$ 16,044.00
Boudreau	Susan	\$ 25,563.00
Brenner	Jennifer	\$ 3,713.00
Brown	Rebecca	\$ 710.00
Bryngelson	Carol	\$ 86,282.00
Campo	Sandra	\$ 585.00
Chamberlain	Megan	\$ 12,609.00
Chamberland	Christine	\$ 11,366.00
Chyoghly	Karen	\$ 13,365.00
Comeau	Linda	\$ 8,379.00
Connor	Lisa	\$ 17,018.00
Connors-	Mary	\$ 384.00
Craig	Christiana	\$ 694.00
Cross	Julia	\$ 1,832.00
DeCastro	Eileen	\$ 1,155.00
Deal	Stephen	\$ 1,090.00
Ducat, Jr.	John	\$ 3,950.00
Ellis	Debra	\$ 249.00
Erle	Benjamin	\$ 260.00
Faucher	David	\$ 65.00
Fiorillo	Paula	\$ 7,996.00
Flanagan	Diane	\$ 11,060.00
Flanagan	Maura	\$ 4,300.00
Frybug	Maryellen	\$ 14,749.00
Giguere	Robin	\$ 733.00
Hastings	Courtney	\$ 65.00
Holyoak	James	\$ 1,265.00
Hovey	Laura	\$ 4,120.00
Howard	Paul	\$ 5,675.00
Howley	Kevin	\$ 195.00
Hughson	Denise	\$ 11,813.00
Isgro	Paula	\$ 1,755.00
Janecek	Judith	\$ 2,240.00
Kilcoyne	Sean	\$ 37,052.00

School (continued)

Klein-Mack	Carol	\$ 15,813.00
Kohberger	Anthy	\$ 96.00
Koogler	Joan	\$ 390.00
LaValle	Denise	\$ 20,685.00
Lavelle	Jane	\$ 33,337.00
Lavin	Joseph	\$ 310.00
Lentz	Christine	\$ 694.00
MacKinnon	Charles	\$ 6,306.00
MacQueen	Eileen	\$ 1,250.00
Maki	Dale	\$ 2,303.00
Malo	Debora	\$ 453.00
Manning	Karen	\$ 569.00
Mara	Paul	\$ 43,105.00
McClellan	Andrea	\$ 1,952.00
McDermott	Brian	\$ 25,647.00
McGovern	Joan	\$ 163.00
Meichelbeck	Joseph	\$ 10,895.00
Moore	Susan	\$ 617.00
Moskovitz	Terry	\$ 4,125.00
Murphy	Richard	\$ 1,920.00
Murphy-Finn	MaryAnn	\$ 384.00
Nelson	Cheryl	\$ 22,337.00
Noel	Richard	\$ 50,774.00
Norvold	Maureen	\$ 1,834.00
Pendergast	Sondra	\$ 553.00
Petrell-Delude	Lisa	\$ 1,536.00
Purcell	Irene	\$ 18,225.00
Ramstrom	Janet	\$ 49,632.00
Romer	Patricia	\$ 2,240.00
Roy	John	\$ 46,378.00
Scheinfein	Sarah	\$ 288.00
Shankle	Raymond	\$ 398.00
Sharon	Cheryl	\$ 14,891.00
Sokolowski	Linda	\$ 10,895.00
Tappin	Donna	\$ 18,963.00
Tasker	Carol	\$ 184.00
Tedford	Desiree	\$ 3,253.00
Trafecante	Rossella	\$ 17,917.00
Tremblay	Jesse	\$ 2,982.00
Tremblay	Marsha	\$ 43,082.00
Tsombakos	John	\$ 6,960.00
Tucceri	Diane	\$ 86,101.00
Tucci	Jean	\$ 64.00
Vallaincourt	Judith	\$ 45,645.00
Wentzell	Carolyn	\$ 4,338.00
Wheeler	Felicia	\$ 1,475.00
Whitehead	Diana	\$ 15,813.00
Wilhelmy	Richard	\$ 1,832.00
Zakarian	Richard	\$ 2,240.00

BOYLSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

For 2008, the Boylston Library endured, as did the national economy, a year of retrenchment. We are doing more with less and we are grateful for the generous community support we have enjoyed throughout the year.

After a year of careful planning and design, detailed financial analysis and town-wide publicity, the Trustees sponsored an article at the Special Town Meeting on March 3rd to fund a new library building at Hillside. Although disappointed that the proposal was narrowly defeated, the Trustees created a new library planning committee, capably led by Trustee Brad Barker, to focus on the potential of the current building and ways to increase its efficiency and attractiveness.

The defeat of the Proposition 2-½ override for support of the schools at the Annual Town Meeting in May required substantial cuts to the budgets of several municipal departments for FY2009. The library's operating budget was reduced by \$15,000 (9.5%) for the July 2008 – June 2009 period forcing the deferral of the planned automation of book circulation, discontinuation of the semi-annual newsletter, reduction of the book and materials budget by 11%, and elimination of the program budget. This significant reduction in our budget also jeopardizes the library's state certification which is based, in part, on a sustained annual municipal appropriation to support the library. The Trustees applied for a waiver of decertification for 2009 - 2010 and presented its case to the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners in early 2009. Decertification would end our participation in the regional inter-library loan program and deny Boylston residents borrowing privileges at other public libraries. Because we meet all the other requirements, we are hopeful that a waiver will be granted.

Despite our budget difficulties and the defeat of the Hillside building project, we are pleased with the town's support for the library. In May, the Friends of the Library organized a clean-up day focused on the downstairs workroom. In June, Girl Scouts Troop #973 conducted a work-weekend that involved 40 hours of volunteer community service at the library to earn its Silver Award. The troop chose to clean the whole library with a special concentration on the children's room. The eight enthusiastic young women invested many more than the required hours shampooing carpets, washing bookshelves, dusting books, dry-cleaning the curtains, reorganizing the children's media collection, and washing all the toys. They cleaned with environmentally-friendly products and installed low-wattage lamps. The improvement was immediately noticeable to patrons and staff alike. The Scout project was coordinated through the Library Foundation and Friends who hosted an appreciation event with the Trustees at its July meeting.

The Library Foundation continued to support the library's building project through town-wide publicity and by offering a donation of \$350,000 toward the new library contingent on voter approval. The Foundation also offered to provide the \$2,400 start-up cost for the automation of circulation contingent upon the town providing the annual fees. In the end, the Foundation donated a variety of Great Courses (DVDs and CDs) to the library collection. The selected courses cover 11 in-depth historical and current events topics and substantially strengthen our non-fiction offerings. We are grateful for the many and varied ways in which the Foundation supports the Boylston Library; they keep us grounded in our purpose and goals.

The Friends of the Library had an active year supporting children's programs, celebrating holidays at the library, and most visibly, conducting the annual used book sale on Memorial Day, which was once again a great success. They have also supported the building campaign, the library clean-up efforts, partnered with Wicked Good Cookies, a local baker, on our 'Create-A-Cookie' program, and continued the 'Adopt-A-Highway' clean-up along Rt. 70 in conjunction with the Mass Department of Highways. We are thrilled with the creativity and energy contributed by the Friends throughout the year; they bring the library to life.

Library Director Nick Langhart has provided strong support and leadership to the Trustees and Staff on managing more with less. Dealing with a reduced annual budget and the potential for state decertification has been challenging but Nick continues to find the most cost-effective ways to keep a 104-year old building in shape to deliver library services to Boylston residents.

In an effort to find more space within our current building, both the adult and children's book and audio-visual collections have been extensively weeded. Reference works, periodicals and older fiction have been thoroughly evaluated during this year. Assistant Director Paula Peterson with her volunteer Susan Nordberg deserves special recognition for their dedicated efforts while continuing to serve the public with cheer and good humor.

In the children's room, Children's Librarian Judy Frieber and her staff have been doing more with less, i.e. more in-house programs and crafts due to the reduced program budget. The Summer Reading Program (SRP) was particularly successful with 85 young participants completing their reading goals. In August, the SRP finale was a children's talent show at the Town House that was the most successful ever. Visits to local farms and continued participation in Tower Hill's "Shade of Autumn" festival held over the Columbus Day weekend were also highlights of the year.

We are pleased that the website, www.boylstonlibrary.org showed a 30% increase in usage this year. "In The Loop," the library's email newsletter, has also continued to grow in its number of monthly recipients. The site itself has been ably managed by our webmaster Jean Therriault and we thank him for continually creating site improvements along with posting current information on library doings and new material releases.

During 2008 two Trustees retired from the Board: Treasurer Angelo Scola, serving since 1999 and Secretary Marcia Priestley, serving since 2002. They are missed. We welcomed Richard Reardon and David Bottom as our newest members. Board officers, chosen in June, are: Chair Susan Therriault, Vice-chair Ken Linell, Secretary Rich Reardon and Treasurer Letty Ridinger.

There were 16 meetings of the Board in 2008 and attendance was as follows: Brad Barker, 15; David Bottom, 3 (of 3); Ken Linell, 15; Marcia Priestley, 5 (of 6); Richard Reardon, 10 (of 10); Letty Ridinger, 12; Angelo Scola, 4 (of 6) and Susan Therriault, 15.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Therriault, Chair

Board of Trustees

Boylston Public Library

BOYLSTON HISTORIC COMMISSION

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 Historic 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 Historic 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 following items were purchased during 2008:

- An old water heater was replaced
- Six old windows were replaced
- A new Dehumidifier was purchased to replace an old one

The Commission continues to support the Boylston Historical Society.

The Commission met five times during 2008. Bruce Symonds (5), Dave Bottom (4), Paul Malinowski (4), Ken Linell (5), Judy Haynes (4), and Judith Bottom (4).

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce Symonds, Chairman

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

The Mission of the Boylston parks & Recreation Department is to offer the residents of our Community Programs, Services and facilities that will enrich their lives.

We are an all Volunteer board with 1 part time Program Coordinator. We meet on the first Thursday of each month all year in the Municipal office building. We held 12 regular meetings in 2008 with attendance as follows:

Rudy Lambracht attended all but 1, Debra Murphy attended all but 1, Penny Rickel attended all but 5, Joe Dicelie attended all but 1, Paul Johnson attended all but 6 & Karen Barber attended all but 2.

Paul Johnson resigned in October from the Board. Thank you Paul for your time served on the board.

Also, we would like to Thank Rich Zammitti for his many years served on the board. Rich resigned in February 2008.

The Success of our department depends on the many volunteers who dedicate their time to our community. To all our volunteers, we say Thank You!

We would also like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the support of our Town Administration, along with the Boylston Police & Fire Departments and the Highway department.

In 2008 we continued to offer the following programs:

- * The Boylston Fun Club is available to children in Kindergarten thru grade 6 and is offered through Camp Harrington. Children

enjoy Crafts, sports, drama, science and much more.

- * The Youth Basketball program is open to children in grades 1-6. Games are played on Friday nights and Saturday afternoons at Hillside Gym, and on Saturday mornings in West Boylston. The success of this program is due to the many parents who volunteer their time to coach.

- * The Learn to Ski program through Ski-Ward in Shrewsbury is offered to children ages 4 & up. Lessons start the first Saturday in January and run for 5 consecutive weeks.

- * The pick-up basketball league plays from September thru March on Monday evenings at Hillside Gym. Thank you to Michael Tremblay for your continuing to champion this program!

- * In January each year, located on the Tennis Courts in the Center of town Residents can enjoy Ice Skating.

- * The adult monthly scrap-booking nights meets once a month October thru March, and continues to grow in popularity.

Memorial Day on the common offered a Tug of war, a giant obstacle course with a slide and bungee run.

Refreshments included the ever popular Cotton Candy, Fresh pop-corn, & Slush drinks.

Making a comeback this year was the 5K Road Race. Dedicated to the Memory of Katie Chalifoux, a Boylston resident whose life was cut short when she passed suddenly in January. A fabulous turnout that included more than 250 runners/walkers! Proceeds from the Race were donated to the Massachusetts Veterans. We look forward to continue the Road Race going forward. Thanks goes out to Margot McGimpisie, Katherine Pittinger and all volunteers.

Various programs and classes were added to the Recreation agenda in 2008 including:

- * Classes held included Paint your own pottery, Stuff your own critter, beading, & yoga.
- * We were thrilled to add Tennis to our line-up this year. With a 6 week session during the months of July & August as well as a 4 week session during September & October. Due to the overwhelming popularity, Tennis will continue in 2009.
- * Also new in 2008, Parks & Rec joined forces with the Friends of the Library during their annual Fall Harvest Festival to offer our 1st ever Town-Wide Scarecrow Decorating Contest. Our common was decorated with more than 25 original scarecrows during the month of October for all to enjoy.
- * We were pleased to sponsor Tahanto Regional High School's Envirothon Team with Boylston Nature Quest. An adventurous and fun way to explore the natural resources and open spaces in the Town of Boylston through the international technique of letterboxing. During the May 31st quest, activities included fishing, Canoeing, Butterfly catching, kite flying and a hike to Wachusett Reservoir and cranberry picking on the Tahanto Nature Trail.

Parks & Rec is happy to support 3 youth Sport Associations. For additional information on the leagues, registration information etc., please log onto their website.

Boylston Youth Baseball & Softball: Eteamz.com/bybsb

Boylston Youth Soccer: Boylstonyouthsoccer.org

Boylston-West Boylston-Berlin Youth Football: Lionsyouthfootball.com

The Parks & Recreation Board welcomes all ideas on how to further our commitment to support sports and activities. For additional information on what we do, or if you have an idea, please contact us to get on an agenda. We can be reached at 508-869-6009 or email to KBarber@Boylston-ma.gov. Always on the web at: Boylston-ma.gov/parks

Respectfully submitted by the Parks & Recreation board.

BOYLSTON CULTURAL COUNCIL

Meetings: The Council held public meetings on September 24 and November 5. All members were present.

Membership: Cheryl Clinton became a member of the Council in 2008, joining the existing members: Susan Boucher, Carrie Crane, Eileen deCastro, Randy Feldman, Sue Filsinger and Carolyn Zagame. Cynthia DuVal resigned from the Council due to her move to another state, and was replaced as Chair by Susan Boucher. The Council thanks Ms. DuVal for her contributions during her time on the Council.

Publicity & Promotions: A press release was issued on January 31 announcing the winners of the 2007/2008 grants. Coverage was received in *The Banner* and *Boston Globe West*.

A press release was issued on September 25 announcing the 2008/2009 applications process and deadline, generating coverage in *The Banner* and *OnTheCommon* (Worcester T&G supplement).

The Council staffed a table at the Fall Harvest event held by the Boylston Public Library and the Parks & Recreation Department, to raise awareness of the Council. Note cards with images by Boylston artists were created, and sold at the event, generating \$194.50.

2008/2009 Grants: State funding was preserved through a round of early 2009 budget cuts. For this grant cycle, Boylston received \$4,300 from the Massachusetts Cultural Council, up from \$4,000 the previous year. We received 29 grant applications and awarded the following grants (in early 2009):

Boylston Historical Society – Gilded Cage	\$250
Boylston Historical Society – Golden Days of TV	250
Boylston Memorial Day Committee	600
Boylston Public Library – Jungle Encounters	150
Boylston Public Library – Night Sky	280
Boylston Senior Society	125
Calliope Youth Theatre Program	370
Calliope Productions 2009 Season	300
Straw Hollow Engine Works	100
Tower Hill/Boylston Day	300
Reading is Magic (Boylston Elementary)	375
Buck Expeditions Explorers (Boylston Elementary)	500
Boston Blues Society performance (Tahanto)	500
Administrative Funds	<u>200</u>
	\$4,300

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Boucher, Chair

BOARD OF HEALTH

This year marked our second town wide Flu Clinic. The clinic was held at Tahanto Regional High School and over 250 vaccines were administered over a five hour period with the assistance of representatives from the VNA Care Network. In addition to helping to keep town residents healthy for this year's flu season, we learned important lessons about our capacity to use the high school as an emergency dispensing site and how to effectively manage the flow of residents in and out of the school at peak times. We are looking forward to providing flu vaccine to even more of our town's residents next year.

Last year the town voted to discontinue participation in the Central Mass Mosquito Control Program. The program ran through June 30. 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. Although we are no longer part of the larger mosquito control surveillance program, the Board plans to continue to supply residents with information on prevention of West Nile and other mosquito borne illnesses.

In conjunction with the Town Administrator and Board of Selectmen, the planning for a permanent Recycling/Hazardous Waste collection site is moving forward. Boylston joined with six other local towns to support the development of this regional resource. The site, which is slated to be 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.

Working with the Stormwater Management Committee, the Board voted to co-sponsor the Boylston Storm Drain Bylaw and be the enforcement authority for the Bylaw.

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.

After careful review by the Board of Health and Town Counsel, a Mutual Aid Agreement with a number of towns within Region 2 was signed. This Agreement will enable us to receive and give aid to the towns during an emergency, resulting in a better response to a public health emergency.

Residential building, which slowed in 2007, remained at a similar slow rate in 2008. Fewer homes being built and sluggish 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.

The Board reviewed the latest Massachusetts Department of Public Health reports on cancer incidences as shown in town, and will continue to review as more information becomes available.

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. 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.

A final note, on December 11th, we experienced Mother Nature's fury with the ice storm. The Board of Health worked with other departments and together opened the Town House as a shelter for residents without heat or power. Throughout the emergency, the Board met with other town officials to monitor and offer assistance when and where needed. The emergency team met for the last time December and declared the emergency over and closed the shelter.

Fees collected during 2008 amounted to \$20,390.00. Fees were derived from the following number of activities:

SOIL TESTING - 16

OTHER

PLANS REVIEWED - 13

CONSTRUCTION PERMITS - 19

Septic Installer's Permits	29
Component Repair Permits	6
Septage Hauler Permits	8
Trash Hauler Permits	3
Well Permits	4
Food Establishment Permits	22
Recreational Camp Permits	2
Beach Permit	1
Tobacco Sales Permits	5
Certificates of Compliance	16

During the year, the Board held eleven (11) Regular Meetings. The meeting attendance was as follows:

Lorie Martiska - 10

Gerry Gleich - 11

Matt Mecum - 11

Dennis Costello (Health Agent) - 11

Respectfully submitted by the Board of Health

TREE WARDEN REPORT

In 2008, a tree that was approximately 300 years old was taken down. It was 5 feet in breadth with a 3 foot hole running through the center.

The Asian Long Horned Beetle was discovered in the Worcester area. The western side of Boylston (From Rte. 140 west) was included in the “Beetle Zone”. Workshops were attended and Certifications were granted to work with trees in the restricted area. It is illegal to remove wood from the restricted area, but burning of wood is allowed.

The Ice Storm of December 11, 2008 caused many trees to fall, as well as leaving large branches hanging from trees. Approximately 30 dead trees were removed from the roadside. A power outage throughout the Town lasted several days. A “State of Emergency” was declared for Boylston, as well as surrounding towns. The clean-up will continue for many months to come.

Donald C. Parker

Donald C. Parker

Tree Warden

CEMETERY COMMISSION

In the year 2008 there were 34 burials, 11 of which were cremations. A total of nine lots were sold, bringing in a total of \$6,310. Maintenance of the cemetery grounds was performed, including the following: mowing of grass, plowing of roads in Pine Grove Cemetery, removal of overgrown bushes and shrubs. Shrubs removed had serious storm damage.

Meetings attended:	Mary L. Jasper	9
	Bob N. Doyle	9
	Kenneth Franz	9

Meetings are held on the fourth Monday of each month at the Municipal Office Building, 221 Main St. at 7:30 PM.

Donald C. Parker

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Cemetery Superintendent

COUNCIL ON AGING

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. Our outreach coordinator 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 focused on current needs and concerns. Her dedication to the elderly citizens of this community remains appreciated and unwavering. We also have a meal site coordinator who has unselfishly dedicated her time and energy for many years to make this program work. We appreciate her work. 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. This year the council has been faced with the need to reduce its budget but we remain committed to these core services and will not let these cuts affect them. We again were able to help pay for transportation for leisure activities for seniors and will continue to try to provide this along with rides in partnership with the WRTA. We hope to be able to do more when we are more fiscally able. 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 program. State budgetary constraints will not allow any increase this year in this grant so we will need to be efficient to maximize what we can provide to the seniors of Boylston.

The council was able to send out quarterly newsletters, prepare and administer a Flu Shot Clinic, arrange for help with Medicare D issues, financial issues and other such informational sessions.

It organized a volunteer recognition program, helped with holiday socials at Sunbanke Apartments and worked together with the Senior Citizen Society on issues and programming for our 839 seniors, per last census. These were a few of the activities the council sponsored. A web page has been developed and can be accessed @www.boylston-ma.gov/coa. This, along with regular business hours and answering machine has improved our availability to all. We are also providing more 1 on1 service to seniors in their homes through our outreach coordinator. This position has proven to be the backbone of our services. Budget cuts will affect our ability to broaden our scope of service but we will advocate and try our best. We continue to have lofty goals but these will need funding from a grant or source other than this municipality. If we can plan with the town, maybe our goals can be reached.

ATTENDANCE AT COA MEETINGS – 2008

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
<u>Dennis Goguen</u>	Y	C	Y	Y	Y		NM	NM	Y	Y	Y	Y
<u>Eugene Dodd</u>	Y	C	Y	Y	Y		NM	NM	Y	Y	Y	Y
<u>John Faucher</u>	Y	C	N	Y	N		NM	NM	Y	Y	Y	Y
<u>Jean Gates</u>	N	C	Y	Y	Y		NM	NM	Y	N	Y	N
<u>Gert Peterson</u>	Y	C	Y	Y	Y		NM	NM	Y	Y	Y	Y
<u>Oswald Sauer</u>	Y	C	Y	Y	Y		NM	NM	Y	Y	Y	Y

Mary Seed	Y	C	Y	N	Y		NM	NM	Y	N	Y	Y
Karen Tremblay	N	C	Y	Y	N		NM	NM	Y	Y	Y	N
David Wheeler	N	C	Y	N	Y		NM	NM	Y	Y	N	Y

Coordinator Outreach Worker

Jane Meegan	Y	C	Y	Y	Y	N	NM	NM	Y	Y	Y	Y
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Scale: Y = Yes
 N = No
 C = Mtg. Cancelled
 NM = No meeting scheduled

Meeting dates:

January 2, 2008
 February 6, 2008
 March 5, 2008
 April 2, 2008
 May 7, 2008
 June 4, 2008

July no mtg. sched.
 August no mtg. sched.
 September 3, 2008
 October 1, 2008
 November 5, 2008
 December 3, 2008

PLANNING BOARD

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, 2008 the Board consisted of: Richard Baker (Chairman), Howard Drobner (Vice Chairman), Raymond Duffy (Clerk), Julia Hucknall, and Jennifer McGrath. Mr. Drobner's term expired in May, and Kim Ames was elected in the May Town Election to fill the vacancy. At the June meeting, the Board re-elected Mr. Baker and Mr. Duffy Chairman and Clerk, respectively. Ms. McGrath was elected Vice Chairman.

In 2008, the Board held 12 regular meetings and 3 special meetings. Seven public hearings were held, three of which continued over multiple sessions. Members' attendance was:

Member	Regular Meetings (12)	Special Meetings (3)	Public Hearings (7 + 5 continuances)
Baker	12	3	12
McGrath	12	3	12
Duffy	10	1	9
Hucknall	11	3	12
Drobner*	5	1	8
Ames**	5	2	4

*term expired in May

**term commenced in June

Capping a trend starting late in 2006 and continuing through 2007, residential building lot creation essentially ceased in 2008. No new subdivision applications were received, and only one new lot was created by ANR (the process for subdividing parcels with the required frontage on existing public ways). Approval of the failed Longley Hill subdivision, located at the eastern end of Central Street, lapsed in 2007, and the developer applied for re-approval in November of that year. While technically a new application, the plan was essentially unchanged, with no additional lots created. The Board approved the application in May, adding new conditions.

Two amendments to the Zoning Bylaw were made in 2008. The former Watershed Protection District was renamed "Limited Industrial" in order to eliminate duplication and ongoing confusion with the Wellhead Protection Overlay District. No changes to allowed uses or dimensional requirements were made. The second change was put forward on behalf of landowners Steve and Cathy Phillips, who petitioned to have their residential land on Rt. 140 added to the newly created Limited Industrial District. Both Zoning Bylaw amendments were approved at the Special Town Meeting in March.

Acting as Special Permit Granting Authority, the Board approved two commercial developments on land along Rt. 140 between Rt. 70 and I-290: a 9,600-sq. ft. expansion of the Butler-Dearden facility at 80 Shrewsbury St. (Rt. 140); and, a new, 7,500-sq. ft. light manufacturing building at 141 Shrewsbury St. (Rt. 140) for Philips Precision. Both contribute to the Town's goal of increasing the commercial tax base.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

In 2008, the Conservation Commission held 12 Regular Meetings and one (1) Special Meeting. Twelve (12) new Public Meetings and nine (9) 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 (30) 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 – 9
Extended Order of Conditions – 2
Enforcement Orders – 2
Certificates of Compliance – 5
Stormwater Control Permits – 5

The Commission's 2008 Regular and Special Meeting attendance was as follows:

Mark Coakley	11
Dan Duffy	11
Jeffrey Walsh	10
Charlene Franz	9
Chip Burkhart	6
Wendy Lonstein	8
Joe McGrath	5

Joe McGrath was appointed in June 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

In 2008, the Board of Appeals held 7 hearings on requests for Variances, Special Permits, Comprehensive Permits, and Administrative Meetings. The details are as follows:

02/11/08	John Healy	Variance	Approved
03/10/08	Maintenance Free Landscapes	Special Permit	Approved
03/10/08	Butler-Dearden Paper Service, Inc.	Variance	Approved
04/14/08	Calliope Productions Inc.	Variance	Approved
04/14/08	Nicholas and Rita Aoude	Variance	Denied
04/14/08	Exxon – Mobil Corporation	Extension of Permit	Approved
05/14/08	Delphic Associated	Extension of Permit	Approved

Membership changes on the Board this year were as follows:

Members Bonnie Johnson and Chuck Mackinnon resigned from the Board.

Attendance at ZBA hearings in 2008 was as follows:

	Date	Filsinger		MacKinnon		Johnson		Murphy		Cotter		Campo		Lombardi	
		Present	Absent	Present	Absent	Present	Absent	Present	Absent	Present	Absent	Present	Absent	Present	Absent
	2/11/2008	1		1				1		1		1		1	
	3/10/2008	1		1				1		1		1		1	
	4/14/2008	1						1		1		1		1	
	5/14/2007	1						1		1		1			1
TOTALS		4	0	2	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	4	0	3	1
NOTES	Arlene Murphy is an associate member - attendance at the call of the chairman														
	Larry Campo is an associate member - attendance at the call of the chairman														
	Chuck Mackinnon Resigned from the Board in March 2008														
	Bonnie Johnson Resigned from the Board in January 2008														

The ZBA current has two vacancies for Members. Anyone interested in serving on the Board should contact either the Board of Selectmen or the Chairman of the ZBA.

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

WIRING INSPECTOR

The following is my report for the year 2008.

The total of Electrical permit that were issued was 133. All were inspected and completed, with a total of \$10,813.50 being collected in fees, which was turned over to the Town Treasurer.

Applications can be downloaded from the Boylston web site or picked up Hillside Town Hall. Applications and the fees are to be submitted to the Town Clerk's Office during regular business hours. Permit applications are not a request for an inspection. To schedule an inspection call the Town clerk's Office at 508-869-2234, please leave a message and include the location of the job.

Note: that there were many changes in the Electrical codes that went into effect as of January 1, 2008.

Jay Morrill
Wiring Inspector

GAS AND PLUMBING INSPECTOR

The following is my report for the year 2008:

The total number of Gas and Plumbing permits issued was 125. All applications were accepted, inspected and completed in a timely manner. Permit fees totaling \$8,074.00 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 note my new phone number: 508-869-2704, please leave a message for an inspection.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Johnson
Plumbing and Gas Inspector

BUILDING INSPECTOR

The following is my report of activity in the calendar year 2008.

The total number of permits issued was 200 and breakdown as follows:

Residential

Additions/renovations	73
Roof/siding/windows	61
New single family home	10
Demo building	6
Miscellaneous	34

Commercial

New Buildings	8
Renovation	8

This represents an 8% increase in permits over last year.

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

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

498 inspections were made.

The above represents a total declared construction value of \$7,378,801.00. This represents a decrease of 11%.

Permit fees & fines of \$84,560.00 were collected and turned over to the Treasurer for deposit to the General Fund. This represents a decrease of .85%

I have maintained my required continuing education credits for 2008.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Mark C. Bertonassi CBO
Building Commissioner

BOYSLTON HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

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.

A meeting was held on September 9, 2008. All members were present

Members of the commission are Bruce Symonds, Peter Haynes, Gerald Jones, Cathy Richard, Marjorie O'Connell, and Karen Perry.

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce Symonds, Chair.

BOYLSTON TOWN OFFICES

For Emergencies - Police, Fire, Ambulance: CALL 911

Boylston Town Hall	Main phone #
Municipal Offices	221 Main Street
	508-869-0143

Fax: 508-869-6210

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday: 8:00am-2:00pm

Monday evening: 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Town Administrator:	Nancy Colbert Puff	Ext. 221
Selectmen's Admin Assist:	Lori Esposito	Ext. 228
Admin. Clerk	Rose Bardsley	Ext. 238
Town Clerk:	Sandra Bourassa	Ext. 231
Asst. Town Clerk	Mary Jasper	Ext. 232
Treasurer/Tax Collector:	Ellen McKay	Ext. 225
Asst.Treasurer/Collector:	Joe Daigneault	Ext. 224
Bd of Assessors Admin Asst.	Margo Richardson	Ext. 234
	Mary Morrill	Ext. 233
Town Accountant:	Dan Haynes	508-869-6041
Board of Health:	Dennis Costello	508-932-0226
	Melanie Rich	Ext. 222
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

Town Counsel: Stephen Madaus

Mirick O'Connell

100 Front St Worcester, MA 01608-1477

Public Library: 695 Main St.

Director: Nicholas Langhart 508-869-2371
fax 508-869-6195

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

fax 508-869-2360

Chief: Tony Sahagian
Admin. Asst: Chris Bissonnette 508-869-2453

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Steve Golas 508-869-2904

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main 508-869-2837

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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

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main 508-869-2200

fax 508-869-6914

Principal Daniel F. Deneen x.1

Custodian: John Sullivan 508-869-2200

Elected & Appointed Board Chairmen

Affordable Housing	Mike Borsuk	508-869-2884
Board of Health	Gerry Gleich	508-869-6822
Board of Selectmen:	Jim Stanton	508-869-2447
Board of Assessors:	Carl Cravedi	508-869-2408
Board of Appeals:	Bill Filsinger	508-869-6950
Business Devel. Cte:	Jim Stanton	508-869-2447
Conservation Comm:	Mark Coakley	508-869-0246
Council on Aging:	Dennis Goguen	508-869-6022
Earth Removal Board:	Dennis Costello	508-932-0226
Finance Committee:	Eric Brose	508-869-2853
Hillside Restoration:	Nel Lazour	508-869-0338
Parks & Recreation:	Rudy Lambracht	508-869-2010
Personnel Board:	vacancy	
Planning Board:	Dr. Richard Baker	
School Comm. (Elementary):	Rebecca Dono Healy	
School Comm. (Regional):	Chris Keefe	

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Capt. Don MacKenzie

Lt. Jason Bradford

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