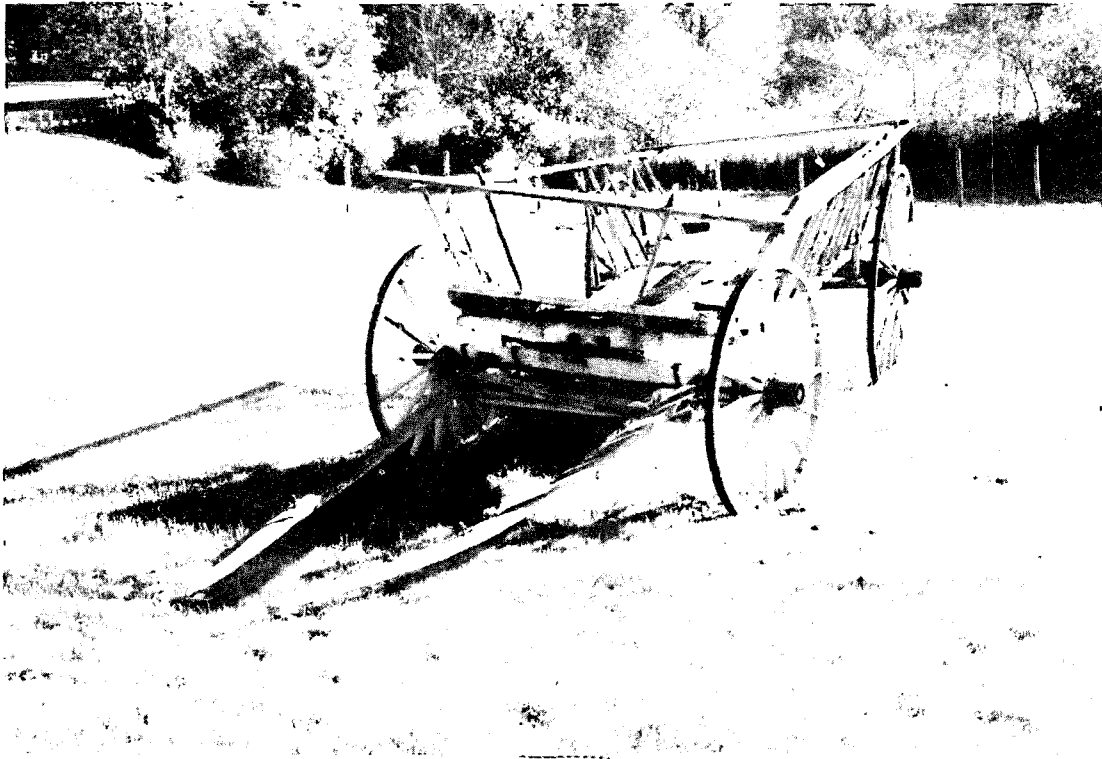


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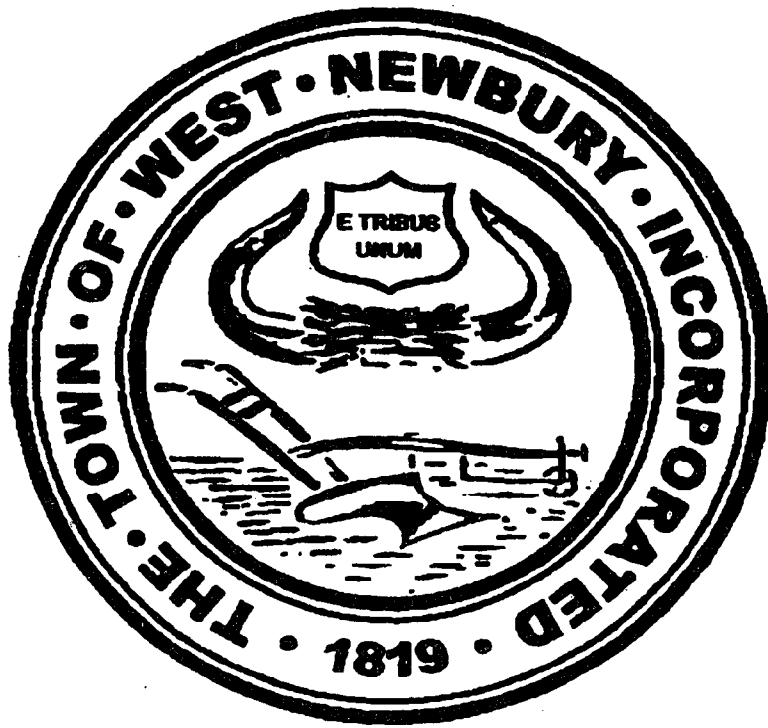
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Massachusetts

381 Main Street, West Newbury, Massachusetts 01985



ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE RECEIPTS
AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING
JUNE 30, 2005

TOWN OF WEST NEWBURY



Together with the reports of the School Committee, Board of Fire Engineers, Board of Water Commissioners, Trustees of the Public Library, Assessors, Finance Director, Treasurer, Collector, Town Clerk, and various departments and committees.

**SELECTMEN
1900-2005**

Charles W. Ordway
Richard Newell
Sam Rogers
Daniel Cooney
Robert S. Brown
George E. Noyes
Parker H. Nason
Robert J. Forsyth
George C. Howard
Joseph Newell
Albert E. Elwell
Albert Beckford
Harold T. Daley
*Francis A. Bartlett
Ralph Woodworth
Fred Knapp

Leonard R. Burrill
Walter Swap
M. Paine Hoseason
*Howard Cox
*Norman L. Brown
Russell Zeaman
A. Neil Gadd
Elsie M. Spalding
Raymond H. Poore
James W. Bingham
Irving A. Burrill
William M. Rowe
Stephen F. Burke, Jr.
Ann S. Reilly
Frank E. Hobson
Merton E. Chute

Thomas E. Pulkkinen
Robinson M. Shively
Patricia W. Knowles
Steven Cashman
Sandra J. Raymond
David W. Cook
Charles A. Robinson
Richard Berkenbush
John S. McGrath
Patricia P. Reeser
Nelson A. Valverde
Albert H. Knowles, Jr.
Ann L. O'Sullivan
Richard J. Cushing
Sherrie H. Gadd

*Died in office

DIRECTORY OF ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS
(As of June 30, 2005)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Richard J. Cushing,, Clerk, 2007

Ann L. O'Sullivan, Chair, 2006

Sherrie H. Gadd, 2008

BOARD OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Blake J. Seale, 2008

Robert P. Janes, Chair, 2006

Kimberly Cole, 2007

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

William J. Krajeski

Paula D. Wolfe, Chair, 2008

Victor A. Gangi, 2007

MODERATOR

Kathleen C. Swallow, 2006

PENTUCKET SCHOOL COMMITTEE – WEST NEWBURY REPRESENTATIVES

Heather Conner, 2007
Charles Littlefield, 2008

Thomas H. Atwood, 2007
Richard Baker, 2006

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Gary J. Bill, 2006

R. Scott Wolke, Chair, 2008

Wendy J. Reed, 2007

CONSTABLES

Charles D. Courtemanche, 2007

Glenn W. Coffin, 2007

Richard J. Connolly, 2007

BOARD OF TRUSTEES, G.A.R. MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Lucile A. Waehling, 2007
M. Dorothy Cavanaugh, 2008
R. Bruce Hamilton, 2008

Alexandra W. Guralnick, Chair, 2007
Judith W. Marshall, 2008
John V. Connolly, 2007

Robert Olsen, 2006
Scott P. Berkenbush, 2006
Virginia J. Selman, 2006

PLANNING BOARD

Ann E. Bardeen, 2008
Brian R. Murphey, 2009

Arthur T. Wallace, Chair, 2007
Peter R. Haack, 2010

Robert S. Phillips, Jr., 2006
Raymond Cook, Associate, 2006

BOARD OF PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSIONERS

Brian T. Carifio, 2006

James P. Sperelakis, Chair, 2007

HOUSING AUTHORITY

W. Lawrence Corcoran, 2010
David S. Houldon, 2007

Nancy J. Barry, Chair, 2007

Nancy L. Szmyt, 2006
Richard Berkenbush, State Appointed,
2006

DIRECTORY OF APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS AND COMMITTEES

FINANCE DIRECTOR/TAX COLLECTOR/TREASURER

Tracy Blais, 2006

**EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE
BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Kristine A. Pyle

TOWN CLERK

Laurel Mackay

CHIEF ASSESSOR

Karen Rassias

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Susan Yaskell

SUPERINTENDENT OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Francis B. Mather

BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS

Raymond S. Dower, III, Chief

Mark Hemingway
Scott P. Berkenbush

Glenn W. Coffin
Michael D. Dwyer

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Jonathon L. Dennis, Chief
W. Lawrence Corcoran, III
Jeffrey P. Durand

Charles D. Courtemanche, Sgt.
David L'Esperance, Det/Cpl.

Lisa A. Holmes, Sgt.
James Gately

RESERVE POLICE OFFICERS

Thomas C. Hennessy
Michael Dwyer
James Riley
Elias Gallup

Patrick Clay
Robert Bishop
Royster Johnson, IV
Barry Coker
Danielle Connelly

Byron Lane
Brian Warne
Christopher Moore
Matthew Cena
D. Alexander Niles

AUXILIARY POLICE OFFICERS

Bruce Hamilton, E.M.A.
William J. Neenan, E.M.A.
George Evans, E.M.A.
Lee Ann Delp, E.M.A.
David Jennell, E.M.A.
Benjamin Jennell, E.M.A.

Charles P. Susen, E.M.A.
Richard J. Cushing, E.M.A.
Carolyn Davies, E.M.A.
Richard Davies, E.M.A.
Fred Beaulieu, E.M.A.
William Donahue, E.M.A.

Frank Otis, E.M.A.
Mark Hemingway, E.M.A.
Richard Berkenbush, E.M.A.
John Connolly, E.M.A.
Brandon Lamson, E.M.A.

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS

Scott P. Berkenbush, E.M.A.

Madelyn L. Cirinna, A.C.O.

FIELD DRIVER AND FENCE VIEWER

Charles D. Courtemanche

HABOR MASTER

Jonathon L. Dennis, 2007

Thomas M. Goodwin, Assistant, 2007

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Madelyn Cirinna

Kim York, Assistant

PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCHER

Judy Romano (Matron)
Bonnie Reed
Barry Coker
Byron Lane
Glenn Coffin

Michael Dwyer
Lee Ann Delp
Matthew Cena

Elias P. Gallup
Royster Johnson, IV
Danielle Connolly
D. Alexander Niles
Bruce Page

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Charles Susen, Deputy Director
Carolyn Davies, Radiological Officer
Richard Davies, Radiological Officer
Fred Beaulieu, Radiological Officer
John Connolly, Communications
Mark Hemingway, Communications
Jonathon Dennis, Police Dept. Rep.
Lisa Holmes, Police Dept. Rep.

Scott P. Berkenbush, Director
William J. Neenan, Staging Officer
George Evans, Staging Officer
David D. Jennell, Staging Officer
Benjamin Jennell, Staging Officer
Brandon Lamson, Staging Officer
Frank Otis, Staging Officer
Raymond Dower, Fire Dept. Rep.

Richard Cushing, Selectmen's Rep.
Bruce Hamilton, Transportation
William Donahue, Transportation
Richard Berkenbush, Special Needs
Michael Dwyer, Special Needs
Lee Ann Delp, Adm. Asst.
Gary Bill, Highway Dept. Rep.
Glenn Coffin, Fire Dept. Rep.

CROSSING GUARD – PAGE SCHOOL

Alexander Krawczyk

FINANCE COMMITTEE

David Archibald, 2008
Jessica G. Schlather, 2007

David Kapturowski, Chair, 2006
Tracy Blais, Ex Officio

Mary Harada, 2007
Joseph Anderson, 2007

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS, TREE WARDEN, MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Gary J. Bill, 2007

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Madelyn L. Cirinna

GRAVES REGISTRATION OFFICERS

Margaret A. Priest, Walnut Hill Cem.

Beatrice Downey, Rural Cemetery
Robert Janes, Merrimack Cemetery

Bernard L. Guilford, Jr., Bridge Street

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Dorothy M. Costain, 2008

Sandra A. Chute, Chair, 2006
Laurel Mackay, Ex Officio

Rosamond B. Veator, 2007

INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

Glenn Clohecy

Kenneth Ward, Alternate

INSPECTOR OF WIRING

David Levesque

Mark Unger, Alternate

GAS AND PLUMBING INSPECTOR

Ronald Caruso

Stanley Kulacz, Alternate

TOWN COUNSEL

Lawrence J. Murphy

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Paul O. Kelly, 2007
Gail Majaukas, 2008

Richard Thurlow, Chair, 2006
Shirley L. Graham, Alternate, 2008

Miriam Brenner, 2006
Richard Berkenbush, 2006

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Peter J. Flink, 2008
N. Dawne Fusco, 2006

Judith H. Mizner, Chair, 2006
Richard J. Spielers, 2008

John R. Dimitry, 2007
Barry P. Fogel, 2007

HARBOR COMMITTEE

Thomas Goodwin, 2007

Jonathon Dennis, Ex Officio
Stephen Burke, 2006

Charles Littlefield, 2008

COUNCIL ON AGING

James J. McCarthy, Vice Chair, 2008
Richard F. Preble, 2008
G. Phyllis Lavoie, 2006
Ursula Diederich, 2007
William Costain, Alternate, 2007

Cornelia M. Freeman, Chairman, 2008
Chester LeBlanc, 2006
J. Patricia Spalding, 2007
Irene E. Kent, Alternate, 2008
Allan P. Jarvis, Alternate, 2007

Sarah L. Robinson, Secretary, 2008
Russell C. Zeaman, Alt., Treas., 2007
Annie Dappolonia, 2007
Luella LeBlanc, Alternate, 2007
M. Dorothy Cavanaugh, Alt.

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Beatrice M. Downey, 2007
Spencer C. Ordway, 2006

Mary C. Cornell, 2006
Peter Haack, 2006

Jane W. Wild, 2008
Richard Berkenbush, 2007

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Margaret I. Dunlap, 2006
Reinelle K. Verschoor, 2008

Beatrice M. Downey, Chair, 2007
Suzanne Wolke, Alternate, 2007

M. Clifton Robinson, 2006
Jeffrey L. Hogan, 2007

MERRIMACK VALLEY PLANNING COMMISSION

Robert S. Phillips, Jr.

David Kapturowski, Alternate

WHITTIER VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Brian Young

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Brian K. Warne

Judith H. Mizner
Tracy Blais, Ex-Officio

Richard J. Cushing

MILL POND COMMITTEE

Paul Delaney
James P. Sperelakis
Barbara L. Raiche, Associate
Deborah Schnappauf, Associate
Amy Bresky, Associate
Susan M. Delaney, Associate

Charles D. Reynolds, Chairman
Cindy Bourquard
Edward Markewicz
Kathleen Krajewski, Associate
Dorothy M. Costain, Associate
Eliabeth Millar, Associate

Deborah R. Hamilton
Nathaniel M. Peirce
Stephen W. Shipps, Associate
Joan M. Reynolds, Associate
Katherine A. Day, Associate

CULTURAL COUNCIL

Erin Seaton, 2006
Mary D. Cavanaugh, 2006
Alice Wahl, 2006

Elizabeth Buckley, Chair, 2006
Beverly Mitchell, 2006
David Fullman, 2007

Katherine M. DeWitt, 2007
Marcia A. Chase, 2006
Faris E. Bennett, 2006
Margo Pullman, 2007

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE

Judith Mizner, 2006
Richard Berkenbush, 2008

Sherrie Gadd, Selectmen's Rep.
David Kapturowski, FinanceCom Rep.
Tracy Blais, Ex Officio

Richard Preble, 2008
Gail Majauckas, 2008

CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Kevin Bowe

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT COORDINATOR

Albert H. Knowles, Jr., Coordinator

Francis B. Mather, Assistant

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES COMMITTEE

Monica Pessina

INSURANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Michael Dwyer
Scott Berkenbush

Kristine A. Pyle
Judy Romano

Albert H. Knowles, Jr., Retiree
Gary Bill
Jennifer Yaskell

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

Mark H. Cosentino
N. Dawne Fusco
Patricia Reeser

Anne B. Madden, Chair
Francis M. Culver
Michael J. Mokrzycki, Associate

Jean T. Lambert, Associate
Janet P. Thibeau
A. Don Bourquard

EMPLOYEE WELLNESS COMMITTEE

Kristine A. Pyle

Joan Vontzalides

Deborah Burke

ACTION COVE COMMITTEE

Rebecca O'Brien
Krista Wesley

Julie Gargas-Mozzar

Jeannie Thompson
Cindy Drislane, Associate

SEXUAL HARRASSMENT COMM.

Ann L. O'Sullivan, Grievance Officer

Shirley Graham, Associate

APARTMENT HOUSE BUILDING
OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Robin Shively

Richard J. Cushing, Selectmen's Rep.

Brian Conn

ROADS COMMITTEE

Bruce Taylor
Robert S. Phillips, Jr.

Philip G. Christiansen
Ann L. O'Sullivan

Gary J. Bill
David Kapturowski, Associate

DIRECTOR OF SENIOR CENTER

Theresa Poore

VETERANS' SERVICE OFFICER

Terry Hart (978-356-3915)
Richard Berkenbush
West Newbury Representative

OVER 55 HOUSING COMMITTEE

Richard Berkenbush
Nancy J. Barry

Gail Majauckas
Patricia P. Reeser

Stephen T. Dewey
John T. Sarkis

WORKFORCE HOUSING TRUST

Gary Bill
Gary Houlden, Housing Auth. Rep.

Rep. Harriet Stanley, Chair

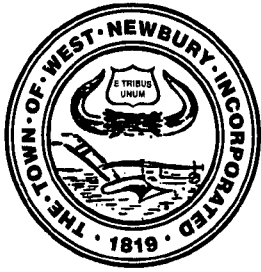
(Served June 2004 through May 2005)
Marjorie Peterson
Tracy Blais, Ex-Officio

WORKFORCE HOUSING TRUST II

Robert S. Phillips, PB Rep.
Francis Culver, OS Rep.
Todd Newman, At Large
John Sarkis, Assoc.

Barry LaCroix, Chair
Richard J. Cushing, Selectmen's Rep.
Sandy Barnes, Assoc.
Phyllis Leonard, Assoc.

(Appointed May 2005 to June 2006)
David Houlden, HA Rep.
Patricia Reeser, Over 55 Rep.
Brian Murphey, Assoc.
Richard G Parker, Assoc.



TOWN OF WEST NEWBURY

**OFFICE OF THE FINANCE DIRECTOR
381 Main Street, West Newbury, Mass. 01985
TEL: 978-363-1100 x113 FAX 978-363-1826**

December 5, 2005

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
West Newbury, Massachusetts

The Annual Financial Report for the Town of West Newbury for the Fiscal Year which ended June 30, 2005, in accordance with Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 41, Section 61, is submitted herewith.

The financial statements have been prepared from the records of the Finance Department. The town operates under accounting procedures established by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which agree in most respects with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) established by the Government Accounting Standards Board.

Citizens seeking additional financial information regarding the status of town resources should contact the Finance Department in the 1910 Town Office Building. Statements of financial position for all town funds, the town's annual Schedule A, departmental expense reports, and other financial information on file will be made available on request.

Sincerely,

Susan J. Yaskell
Town Accountant

**Town of West Newbury
Expenditure Report For All Activity
FY 2005**

Account Numbers		Total Budget	Expended Year to Date
*****TOWN MODERATOR*****			
0100-114-5111-000	Moderator's Salary & Wages	100	100
0100-114-5400-000	Moderator's Expenses	60	20
	Department Total	160	120
*****BOARD OF SELECTMEN*****			
0100-122-5111-000	Selectmen's Salaries	8,532	6,202
0100-122-5112-000	Appointed Personnel-Salary & Wages	48,282	48,275
0100-122-5400-000	Selectmen's Operating Expenses	8,600	8,020
0100-122-5407-000	Operation of Facsimile Machine/Photocopiers	11,000	7,609
0100-122-5409-000	Professional & Technical Services	30,000	30,000
0100-122-5780-000	Unpaid Bills Prior Years	0	0
	Department Total	106,414	100,106
*****FINANCE COMMITTEE*****			
0100-131-5400-000	Finance Committee Expenses	5,000	2,516
	Department Total	5,000	2,516
0100-132-5780-000	Reserve Fund	60,000	48,875
	Department Total	60,000	48,875
*****BOARD OF ASSESSORS*****			
0100-141-5111-000	Assessor's Salaries	3,359	3,079
0100-141-5112-000	Appointed Personnel Salary & Wages	69,544	71,701
0100-141-5400-000	Expenses	28,450	17,926
	Department Total	101,353	92,706
*****FINANCE DEPARTMENT*****			
0100-145-5112-000	Salary & Wages	209,101	215,398
0100-145-5201-000	Annual Audit	18,000	18,000
0100-145-5204-000	Postage Expense	12,200	12,158
0100-145-5205-000	Telephone Expense	28,510	22,771
0100-145-5300-000	Tax Title & Foreclosure	2,783	2,783
0100-145-5400-000	Expenses	40,800	33,758
0100-145-5800-000	Computer Software Install and Training	26,457	13,228
	Department Total	337,851	318,096
*****TOWN COUNSEL/LEGAL*****			
0100-151-5200-000	Town Counsel Retainer and Fees	24,000	30,015

Town of West Newbury
Expenditure Report For All Activity
FY 2005

Account Numbers		Total Budget	Expended Year to Date
*****TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE*****			
0100-159-5400-000	Technology Committee Expenses	25,500	25,491
	Department Total	25,500	25,491
*****TOWN CLERK*****			
0100-161-5112-000	Salary & Wages	45,796	45,005
0100-161-5400-000	Expenses	2,900	2,208
0100-161-5800-000	Preservation of Town Records	1,000	300
0100-161-5802-000	Town Clerk Records Software	2,600	1,800
	Department Total	52,296	49,313
****BOARD OF REGISTRARS/ELECTIONS****			
0100-162-5111-000	Town Clerk Compensation	150	150
0100-162-5112-000	Bd of Registrars Salary & Wages	6,956	6,459
0100-162-5400-000	Bd. Of Registrars Expenses	5,969	5,911
	Department Total	13,075	12,520
*****CONSERVATION COMMISSION*****			
0100-171-5112-000	Salary & Wages	16,453	16,389
0100-171-5400-000	Expenses	1,715	1,555
	Department Total	18,168	17,944
*****PLANNING BOARD*****			
0100-175-5112-000	Salary & Wages	22,000	21,070
0100-175-5400-000	Expenses	10,538	9,253
0100-175-5600-000	MVPC Assessment	2,032	2,032
0100-175-5804-000	Implement Executive Order 418	5,449	(3,200)
	Department Total	40,019	29,155
*****BOARD OF APPEALS*****			
0100-176-5112-000	Salary & Wages	1,000	1,000
0100-176-5400-000	Expenses	700	563
	Department Total	1,700	1,563
LAND PRESERVATION/GROWTH MGMNT			
0100-178-5200-000	Land Preservation/Growth Mgmnt	13,320	3,170

**Town of West Newbury
Expenditure Report For All Activity
FY 2005**

Account Numbers		Total Budget	Expended Year to Date
*****OPEN SPACE & RECREATION*****			
0100-179-5400-000	Expenses	500	25
	Department Total	500	25
*****BUILDINGS & GROUNDS*****			
0100-192-5112-000	Salary & Wages	76,854	71,364
0100-192-5200-000	Town Building Operating Expenses	107,700	98,582
0100-192-5201-000	Custodian Expenses	10,000	9,689
0100-192-5202-000	Town Building Improvements	5,200	5,024
0100-192-5824-000	Repair Town Apartment House	5,849	3,567
0100-192-5829-000	Apartment House Grant Writer	6,500	4,900
0100-192-5830-000	Apartment House Contingency	50,000	0
0100-192-5831-000	Apartment House Grant Audit	3,000	0
0100-192-5832-000	Repair 1910 Building exterior	148,800	0
0100-192-5833-000	Installation of Septic Pipestave Apt Hs	60,000	0
	Department Total	473,903	193,126
*****WATER MASTER PLAN*****			
0100-198-5201-000	Water Hydraulic Study/Analysis	1,517	0
	Department Total	1,517	0
*****CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE*****			
0100-199-5200-000	Expenses	50	0
TOTAL - GENERAL TOWN GOVERNMENT		1,274,826	924,741

**Town of West Newbury
Expenditure Report For All Activity
FY 2005**

Account Numbers		Total Budget	Expended Year to Date
*****POLICE DEPARTMENT*****			
0100-210-5112-000	Salary & Wages	618,688	586,644
0100-210-5400-000	Expenses	74,450	72,462
0100-210-5807-000	Cruiser Purchase	29,793	29,548
0100-210-5808-000	4-Wheel Drive Repair	3,500	3,500
	Department Total	726,431	692,154
*****FIRE DEPARTMENT*****			
0100-220-5112-000	Fire Alarm Wages	61,650	59,778
0100-220-5113-000	Fire Drills	19,570	14,184
0100-220-5114-000	Fire Stipends	33,000	32,012
0100-220-5115-000	Fire Administration	10,300	10,166
0100-220-5270-000	Hydrant Maint & Repair	15,750	15,750
0100-220-5340-000	Fire Alarm & Communications	14,000	13,921
0100-220-5400-000	Expenses	49,676	45,336
0100-220-5805-000	Medical Exams	5,686	0
0100-220-5849-000	Fuel Dispensing System	3,324	3,324
	Department Total	212,956	194,471
*****AMBULANCE*****			
0100-231-5200-000	Ambulance Retainer	20,400	20,400
*****INSPECTOR'S DEPARTMENT*****			
0100-240-5112-000	Salary & Wages	78,888	78,275
0100-240-5400-000	Expenses	9,420	8,200
0100-240-5710-000	Vehicle Allowance	4,400	4,317
	Department Total	92,708	90,792
*****EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT*****			
0100-291-5112-000	Salary & Wages	10,053	9,769
0100-291-5400-000	Expenses	5,035	4,983
	Department Total	15,088	14,752
*****ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER*****			
0100-292-5112-000	Salary & Wages	17,516	17,169
0100-292-5400-000	Expenses	5,400	1,755
0100-292-5801-000	Animal Control Vehicle	14,549	14,317
	Department Total	37,465	33,241

Town of West Newbury
Expenditure Report For All Activity
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Account Numbers		Total Budget	Expended Year to Date
*** HARBORMASTER***			
0100-295-5200-000	Harbormaster Expenses	3,595	(134)
	Department Total	3,595	(134)
*****PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCH*****			
0100-299-5112-000	Salary & Wages	189,607	178,644
0100-299-5400-000	Expenses	15,680	14,355
	Department Total	205,287	192,999
TOTAL - PUBLIC SAFETY		1,313,930	1,238,675
*****ASSESSMENTS*****			
0100-304-5600-000	Pentucket Assessment	3,656,562	3,239,172
0100-305-5600-000	Whittier Assessment	66,523	63,892
TOTAL - EDUCATION		3,723,085	3,303,064
*****HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT*****			
0100-420-5112-000	Salary & Wages	240,455	237,948
0100-420-5113-001	Overtime Wages	10,000	8,681
0100-420-5200-002	Snow & Ice Removal	206,779	206,779
0100-420-5400-000	Expenses	9,800	6,283
0100-420-5450-000	Road Machinery Expense	44,000	42,475
0100-420-5530-000	Highway, Sidewalk & Trees	100,000	100,000
0100-420-5801-000	Highway Capital Outlay	28,340	28,338
0100-420-5817-000	Fuel Storage & Dispensing System	5,781	1,589
0100-420-5819-000	Purchase Truck with Plow	36,846	29,496
0100-420-5820-000	StormDrain, etc	8,000	4,795
	Department Total	690,001	666,384
ROAD RECONSTRUCTION			
0100-422-5800-000	Road Improvement Program	153,018	153,018
0100-422-5807-000	Pave Apt Hs, Fence, etc	25,000	25,000
	Department Total	178,018	178,018
*****STREET LIGHTING*****			
0100-424-5200-000	Expenses	11,205	11,205
*****BEAVER CONTROL*****			
0100-424-5400-000	Beaver Control Expenses	3,000	2,700
TOTAL - HIGHWAY & PUBLIC WORKS		882,224	858,307

**Town of West Newbury
Expenditure Report For All Activity
FY 2005**

Account Numbers		Total Budget	Expended Year to Date
*****HEALTH DEPARTMENT*****			
0100-510-5111-000	Salary & Wages	83,222	78,846
0100-510-5200-000	Newburyport Health Center	4,800	4,781
0100-510-5290-000	Waste Collection	345,916	337,100
0100-510-5292-000	Hazardous Waste Expense	2,500	1,209
0100-510-5400-000	Board of Health Expenses	16,968	16,657
	Department Total	453,406	438,593
*****COUNCIL ON AGING*****			
0100-541-5112-000	Salary & Wages	20,714	17,385
0100-541-5400-000	Expenses	7,347	4,824
	Department Total	28,061	22,209
*****VETERANS*****			
0100-543-5270-000	Rental C. L. Carr Post	200	0
0100-543-5400-000	Assessment	11,772	11,771
0100-543-5460-000	Soldiers' Grave Expenses	1,025	1,025
0100-543-5690-000	Veteran's Retirement-C. Whitcomb	3,960	3,960
0100-543-5770-000	N. Essex Veterans Svs. Benefits	100	0
	Department Total	17,057	16,756
TOTAL - HUMAN SERVICES		498,524	477,558
*****GAR MEMORIAL LIBRARY*****			
0100-610-5112-000	Salary & Wages	158,505	151,106
0100-610-5400-000	Expenses	41,881	40,925
0100-610-5580-000	Books & Periodicals	50,097	49,820
0100-641-5804-000	Air Conditioning	67,115	35,185
	Department Total	317,598	277,036
*****PARKS & RECREATION*****			
0100-630-5112-000	Salary & Wages	8,280	4,300
0100-630-5400-000	Expenses	26,260	26,260
0100-631-5400-000	Mill Pond Operating Expenses	4,450	3,560
0100-634-5200-000	Tree Planting Program	2,864	305
0100-635-5200-000	Bandstand Operating Expenses	4,000	4,000
0100-637-5400-000	Action Cove Committee	1,000	815
	Department Totals	46,854	39,240
*****CULTURAL COUNCIL*****			
0100-695-5200-000	Arts Auction	100	26
	Departmental Total	100	26
TOTAL - CULTURE & RECREATION		364,552	316,302

**Town of West Newbury
Expenditure Report For All Activity
FY 2005**

Account Numbers		Total Budget	Expended Year to Date
*****MATURING DEBT SERVICE*****			
0100-710-5910-000	Maturing Debt	615,000	615,000
0100-750-5915-000	Interest & Paydowns on Long/Short Term Debt	391,384	391,384
TOTAL - DEBT SERVICE		1,006,384	1,006,384
*****STATE & COUNTY ASSESSMENTS*****			
0100-820-5534-000	M.V. Excise Tax Bills	1,060	1,095
0100-820-5640-000	Air Pollution Control District	1,287	9,666
0100-820-5650-000	MA Bay Trnsprt'n Auth Assess	19,898	14,924
0100-820-5660-000	Essex Aggric'ultural Tuition Assessment	37,941	28,456
0100-911-5177-000	County Retirement Assessment	260,399	260,399
TOTAL - STATE & COUNTY ASSESSMENTS		320,585	314,540
*****BENEFITS/INSURANCE*****			
0100-913-5200-000	Unemployment Insurance	27,096	10,909
0100-914-5200-000	Group Insurance	123,000	118,979
0100-916-5200-000	F.I.C.A. Insurance	35,000	22,771
0100-945-5700-000	Insurance & Bonds	104,955	104,955
	Department Total	290,051	257,614
TOTAL - BENEFITS/INSURANCE		290,051	257,614
TOTAL TOWN LINE ITEM BUDGET		\$9,674,161	\$8,697,185

**Town of West Newbury
Revenue Report For All Activity
FY 2005**

Account Numbers		Revenue Year to Date
*****PROPERTY TAXES*****		
0100-000-4110-004	Personal Property 2004	236
0100-000-4110-004	1 Personal Property 2005	66,089
0100-000-4120-003	3 Real Estate 2004	34,120
0100-000-4120-004	Real Estate 2005	7,592,221
	Department total	<u>7,692,666</u>
*****TAX LIENS REDEEMED*****		
0100-000-4142-000	3 Tax Liens Redeemed	13,421
	Department total	<u>13,421</u>
*****EXCISE TAXES*****		
0100-000-4150-000	4 Motor Vehicle 2000	(32)
0100-000-4150-001	5 Motor Vehicle 2001	8
0100-000-4150-002	6 Motor Vehicle 2002	477
0100-000-4150-003	7 Motor Vehicle 2003	7,307
0100-000-4150-004	Motor Vehicle 2004	144,938
0100-000-4150-005	Motor Vehicle 2005	474,331
0100-000-4150-090	8 Motor Vehicle 1990	278
0100-000-4150-091	Motor Vehicle 1991	246
0100-000-4150-092	9 Motor Vehicle 1992	164
0100-000-4150-097	10 Motor Vehicle 1997	28
0100-000-4161-005	Motor Boat Excise 2005	1,647
0100-000-4162-004	13 Farm Animal Excise 2004	1,090
0100-000-4163-004	14 Classified Forest Lands 2004	4
	Department total	<u>630,486</u>
*****PENALTIES & INTEREST*****		
0100-000-4171-000	15 Penalties and Interest	34,353
	Department total	<u>34,353</u>
*****IN LIEU OF TAXES*****		
0100-000-4180-000	16 In Lieu of Taxes	15,135
	Department total	<u>15,135</u>

**Town of West Newbury
Revenue Report For All Activity
FY 2005**

Account Numbers		Revenue Year to Date
*****DEFERRED TAXES*****		
0100-000-4199-001	18 Chapter 41A Deferred Taxes	18,050
0100-000-4199-003	Chapter 61A Rollback Taxes	7,914
	Department total	25,964
****DEPARTMENTAL RECEIPTS****		
0100-000-4270-001	19 Municipal Lien Certificates	4,675
0100-000-4270-002	20 Police Reports	241
0100-000-4270-003	21 Police Service Charges - Details	2,184
0100-000-4270-005	22 Miscellaneous Town Clerk Receipts	3,915
0100-000-4270-006	23 Filing Fees	4,100
0100-000-4270-007	23 Research Fees	594
	Department total	15,709
*****RENTAL FEES*****		
0100-000-4360-002	24 Rental of Town Apartments	17,988
0100-000-4360-003	25 Other Rentals	12,226
	Department total	30,214
*****LICENSE & PERMITS*****		
0100-000-4220-002	26 Other Licenses	726
0100-000-4420-003	27 Dog Licenses	12,659
0100-000-4420-004	28 Firearm and Related Permits	1,778
0100-000-4420-005	29 Smoke, Oil and Blasting Permits	6,940
0100-000-4420-006	30 Building and Occupancy Permits	75,693
0100-000-4420-007	31 Wiring Permits	16,366
0100-000-4420-008	32 Plumbing and Gas Permits	7,998
0100-000-4420-010	33 Septic, Wells, Perc Permits	28,888
0100-000-4220-011	34 Other Permits	1,070
0100-000-4420-012	35 Mooring Permits	520
0100-000-4420-013	36 Alcoholic Beverage License	825
	Department total	153,463

**Town of West Newbury
Revenue Report For All Activity
FY 2005**

Account Numbers		Revenue Year to Date
*****CHERRY SHEET ITEMS*****		
0100-000-4614-000	37 Blind Abatements	13,095
0100-000-4617-000	39 State Owned Land	5,228
0100-000-4661-000	40 Police Career Incentive	37,186
0100-000-4671-000	41 Lottery Distribution	262,509
	Department total	318,018
FINES & FORFEITS		
0100-000-4695-000	42 Court and Parking Fines	32,650
0100-000-4420-014	43 Non-Criminal Disposition Fines	1,015
	Department total	33,665
*****EARNINGS ON INVESTMENTS*****		
0100-000-4820-000	44 Earnings on Investments	70,098
	Department total	70,098
*****MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES*****		
0100-000-4830-000	Other Department Revenue	15,102
0100-000-4840-000	45 Other Miscellaneous Revenue	457
0100-000-4840-001	46 Non-Recurring Miscellaneous Revenue	19,268
0100-000-4840-002	Unanticipated Grant Proceeds	32,086
	Department total	66,913
TOTAL REVENUES		9,100,105

**TOWN OF WEST NEWBURY
DEBT SCHEDULE
FY 2005**

PRINCIPAL	ISSUE DATE	ISSUE	TOTAL	2005
MWPAT	7/3/2003	200,000.00	184,236.71	10,852.24
* LAND PRESERVATION/GROWTH MGMT	05/01/03	1,750,000.00	1,640,000.00	110,000.00
* MILL POND DREDGING	09/01/02	85,000.00	75,000.00	10,000.00
PUBLIC SAFETY COMPLEX	09/01/02	3,400,000.00	3,225,000.00	175,000.00
CRAVEN PROPERTY	09/01/02	575,000.00	540,000.00	35,000.00
BALL FIELDS	09/01/02	600,000.00	555,000.00	45,000.00
LAND PRESERVATION/GROWTH MGMT	09/01/02	2,245,000.00	2,170,000.00	75,000.00
CIVIC CENTER COMPLEX	10/15/98	2,450,000.00	1,775,000.00	135,000.00
* MILL POND DREDGING	10/15/98	150,000.00	75,000.00	15,000.00
MINGO PROPERTY	10/15/98	205,000.00	130,000.00	15,000.00
			10,369,236.71	625,852.24

**STATE PRIMARY ELECTION
SEPTEMBER 2004**

Pursuant to the warrant issued by the Selectmen August 16, 2004, which was properly posted by Charles Courtemanche, who made a legal return of his doings thereon, the State Primary Election was held in the Town Office Building on Tuesday, September 14, 2004. The polls were open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Election materials were turned over to the Warden by the Town Clerk prior to the opening of the polls. The ballot box was inspected by the Warden and Police Officer on duty and a zero report was printed. The following persons served as election officials: Warden: Nancy Mitchell; Clerk: Miriam D. Brenner; Inspectors: Virginia Selman, Diane Faulkner, Vivian Cogswell and Nancy Szymt; Tellers: Mary Jarvis; Jacqueline Johnston; Eleanor Bragg; Beverly Murphy; Susan Berkenbush; M. Dorothy Cavanaugh; and Helen Rooney. There were 115 ballots cast, and 115 names were checked off on the voting list. Fifty-six ballots were cast in the Democratic Primary, and 59 ballots were cast in the Republican Primary. No ballots were cast in the Green-Rainbow or Libertarian Party Primaries. Preliminary results were announced at 8:05 p.m. A return of votes was made after receipt of all overseas absentee ballots as follows:

DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY:

Representative in Congress:

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Ballots Cast</u>
John F. Tierney	50
Write-ins	0
Blanks	6

Councillor:

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Ballots Cast</u>
Mary-Ellen Manning	47
Write-ins	0
Blanks	9

Senator in General Court:

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Ballots Cast</u>
Paul M. McGeary	46
Write-ins	0
Blanks	10

Representative in General Court:

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Ballots Cast</u>
Harrier L. Stanley	53
Write-ins	0
Blanks	3

Sheriff:

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Ballots Cast</u>
William F. Murley	35
Write-ins	3
Blanks	18

REPUBLICAN PRIMARY:

Representative in Congress:

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Ballots Cast</u>
Stephen O'Malley, Jr.	51
Write-ins	1
Blanks	7

Councillor:

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Ballots Cast</u>
Write-ins	15
Blanks	44

Senator in General Court:

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Ballots Cast</u>
Bruce E. Tarr	51
Write-ins	0
Blanks	8

Representative in General Court:

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Ballots Cast</u>
Robert V. Finneran	49
Write-ins	0
Blanks	10

Sheriff:

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Ballots Cast</u>
Frank G. Cousins, Jr.	58
Write-ins	0
Blanks	1

ATTEST:

Laurel A. Mackay, Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

First Session

October 18, 2004

Pursuant to the Warrant issued by the Selectmen on September 29, 2004, which was posted according to Bylaw by Constable Glenn Coffin, who made proper return of his doings thereon, the first session of Special Town Meeting was held on October 18, 2004 at the Town Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:45 p.m. by the Moderator, Ms. K. C. Swallow, and at that time the Board of Registrars reported the presence of 52 registered voters in the hall. The Clerk read the return of service. Ms. Swallow stated that since there was only a quorum of more than 40 voters, only Articles that required a quorum of 40 voters would be taken up until such time as a quorum of 90 voters might be reached. Ms. Swallow introduced town officials and reviewed Town Meeting procedures. There were no objections to having non-residents Tracy Blais, Finance Director; Susan Yaskell, Town Accountant; and Kris Pyle, Administrative Assistant to the Board of Selectmen, speak during the course of the meeting.

ARTICLE 1. Relating to the reports of Town officers and committees was kept open for the duration of the meeting.

Two reports of committees were made during the first session of Special Town Meeting. The Finance Committee commended Mr. John Page and Ms. Sherrie Gadd for their long years of service on the Finance Committee, and wished Ms. Gadd well in her service on the School Committee. The Finance Committee introduced its two new members, Jessica Schlather and Joe Anderson. Mr. John Hutchinson reported on behalf of the Sister City Dalaba program. Mr. Hutchinson reported that participation has dwindled to merely a handful of West Newbury residents. He reported on the needs for support to Dalaba on infrastructure in their community as well as their desire for assistance with exports of textiles. He reported on a recent visit of Dalaba officials, and expressed the willingness to organize a trip for West Newbury students to Dalaba. Mr.

Hutchinson asked for more participation and left information on how to contact him with Town Meeting attendees.

ARTICLE 2. The Moderator set this article aside until such time as a quorum of 90 voters could be reached.

ARTICLE 3. Motion by Assessor Paula D. Wolfe. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted unanimously to accept the provisions of Chapter 184, Section 51 of the Acts of 2002 effective in the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2004 and take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 4. Motion by Assessor Paula D. Wolfe. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted unanimously to accept the provisions of Chapter 73, Section 4 thereof of the Acts of 1986, as amended by Chapter 126 of the Acts of 1988, and take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 5. The Moderator set this article aside until such time as a quorum of 90 voters could be reached.

ARTICLE 6. The Moderator set this article aside until such time as a quorum of 90 voters could be reached.

ARTICLE 7. The Moderator set this article aside until such time as a quorum of 90 voters could be reached.

ARTICLE 8. Motion by Selectman Albert H. Knowles, Jr. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 for Technology Committee Expenses.

ARTICLE 9. Motion by Town Clerk Laurel A. Mackay. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for the Town Clerk Salary and Wage account.

ARTICLE 10. Motion by Town Clerk Laurel A. Mackay. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the Town Clerk Expense account.

ARTICLE 11. Motion by Town Clerk Laurel A. Mackay. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for Registrar and Election Worker compensation.

ARTICLE 12. The Moderator set this article aside until such time as a quorum of 90 voters could be reached.

ARTICLE 13. Motion by Selectman Albert H. Knowles, Jr. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted unanimously to transfer from the Waterways Maintenance and Improvement account the sum of \$871.00 to the Harbormaster Expense account as set out by Mass. General Laws.

ARTICLE 14. Motion by Animal Control Officer Madelyn Cirinna. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the Animal Care and Control Salary and Wages.

ARTICLE 15. The Moderator set this article aside until such time as a quorum of 90 voters could be reached.

ARTICLE 16. The Moderator set this article aside until such time as a quorum of 90 voters could be reached.

ARTICLE 17. The Moderator set this article aside until such time as a quorum of 90 voters could be reached.

ARTICLE 18. The Moderator set this article aside until such time as a quorum of 90 voters could be reached.

ARTICLE 19. The Moderator set this article aside until such time as a quorum of 90 voters could be reached.

ARTICLE 20. The Moderator set this article aside until such time as a quorum of 90 voters could be reached.

ARTICLE 21. The Moderator set this article aside until such time as a quorum of 90 voters could be reached.

ARTICLE 22. Motion by Selectman Albert H. Knowles, Jr. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$3,000.00 from Free Cash to establish an Apartment House Grant Audit account.

ARTICLE 23. Motion by Town Clerk Laurel A. Mackay. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted unanimously to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$2,600.00 for the purchase and installation of vital and business records and management software for the Town Clerk's office.

ARTICLE 24. Motion by Selectman Albert H. Knowles, Jr. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted unanimously to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$3,500.00 to repair and refurbish the Police Department four-wheel-drive vehicle.

ARTICLE 25. The Moderator set this article aside until such time as a quorum of 90 voters could be reached.

ARTICLE 26. Motion by Selectman Richard Cushing. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted unanimously to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$200.00 to increase the Veterans' Graves account.

ARTICLE 27. The Moderator set this article aside until such time as a quorum of 90 voters could be reached.

At 8:35 p.m. it was moved to adjourn the Special Town Meeting to Monday, October 25, 2004 at the Town Hall for lack of a quorum of 90 voters to complete the voting on the remaining Articles on the warrant.

Attest:
Laurel A. Mackay
Town Clerk

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
Second Session
October 25, 2004**

The second session was called to order at 7:45 p.m. by the Moderator, Ms. K. C. Swallow, and at that time the Board of Registrars reported the presence of 63 registered voters in the hall. Ms. Swallow recessed the meeting temporarily to determine if a quorum could be reached. At 8:03 p.m., Ms. Swallow reconvened the meeting upon a report from the Board of Registrars that more than 90 voters were then present in the hall. Ms. Swallow introduced town officials and reviewed Town Meeting procedures as they related to the remaining articles on the warrant.

ARTICLE 1. Relating to the reports of Town officers and committees was kept open for the duration of the meeting.

Rep. Harriet Stanley delivered a report from the Workforce Housing Trust, a recently appointed town committee with the mission of working with developers to create affordable housing in the Town of West Newbury. Rep. Stanley reported that the Town of West Newbury is now out of compliance with the affordable housing standards of the Chapter 40B law which requires 10% affordable housing. Rep. Stanley reported that the town currently has only about 1.4% affordable housing. This makes the town vulnerable to projects under the Chapter 40B law which do not have to comply with local zoning or other regulations. Rep. Stanley stated that the best course of action as determined by the town was to work proactively with developers to create affordable housing designed in a way that is compatible with the Town's interests and character. Rep. Stanley also noted that the town has completed an Affordable Housing Plan that is available for review by the public at the Library, the Town Clerk's office and the Board of Selectmen's office.

ARTICLE 2. Motion by Selectman Richard Cushing. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,000.00 for the Stabilization Fund.

ARTICLE 5. Motion by School Committee member Thomas Atwood. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted 85 to 6 to approve the sum of \$700,000.00 for replacement of the Pentucket Middle School roof; and that

this project be funded by incurring debt by the issuance of bonds or notes by the Pentucket Regional School District under Section 16 of Chapter 71 of the Massachusetts General Laws as amended.

ARTICLE 6. Motion by Assessor Paula D. Wolfe. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted unanimously to transfer \$10,000.00 from the Assessor's Expense line item to the Assessors Appointed Personnel line item.

ARTICLE 7. Motion by Assessor Paula D. Wolfe. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,456.00 for the Assessors Appointed Personnel item.

ARTICLE 12. Motion by Selectman Albert H. Knowles, Jr. FINCOM was divided on their recommendation. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$29,793.00 to purchase a 2005 Crown Victoria cruiser for the Police Department.

ARTICLE 15. Motion by Superintendent of Streets Gary Bill. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,600.0 for the Highway Department Salary and Wages.

ARTICLE 16. Motion by Library Trustee Alexandra Guralnick. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,059.00 for Library Salary and Wages.

ARTICLE 17. Motion by Selectman Richard Cushing. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$13,596.00 for the Unemployment Insurance line item.

ARTICLE 18. Motion by Selectman Richard Cushing. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,586.00 for the Insurance and Bonds line item.

ARTICLE 19. Motion by Animal Control Officer Madelyn Cirinna. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted to transfer from the Stabilization Fund the sum of \$14,549.00 to purchase a vehicle for the Animal Care and Control Department.

ARTICLE 20. Motion by Selectman Albert H. Knowles, Jr. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted 94 to 5 to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$17,038.00 to pay to Dr. Andreas the interest earnings on the Andreas escrow account.

ARTICLE 21. Motion by Selectman Albert H. Knowles, Jr. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$50,000.00 to establish an Apartment House Contingency Fund.

ARTICLE 25. Motion by Superintendent of Streets Gary Bill. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$8,000.00 to fund Phase II of Federal EPA required Storm Drainage Infrastructure Mapping and Public Education.

ARTICLE 27. Motion by Superintendent of Streets Gary Bill. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted unanimously to appropriate from available funds the sum of \$135,539.00 subject to the provisions of M.G.L., Chapter 90, Sect. 34, Clause 2(a) for road maintenance.

At 9:20 p.m., all articles on the warrant having been voted upon, it was moved to dissolve the Special Town Meeting.

Attest:
Laurel A. Mackay
Town Clerk

**PRESIDENTIAL & STATE ELECTION
NOVEMBER 2004**

Pursuant to the warrant issued by the Selectmen October 12, 2004, which was properly posted by Glenn Coffin who made a legal return of his doings thereon, the Presidential Primary was held in the Town Office Building on Tuesday, November 2, 2004. The polls were open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Election materials were turned over to the Warden by the Town Clerk prior to the opening of the polls. The ballot box was inspected by the Warden and Police Officer on duty and a zero report was printed. The following persons served as election officials: Warden: Nancy Mitchell; Clerk: Miriam D. Brenner; Inspectors: Virginia Selman, Diane Faulkner, Vivian Cogswell and Nancy Szymt; Tellers: Mary Jarvis; Jacqueline Johnston; Eleanor Bragg; Beverly Murphy; Susan Berkenbush; M. Dorothy Cavanaugh; Helen Rooney and Susan Dougherty. There were 2,590 ballots cast, 229 of which were absentee ballots, and 2,590 names were checked off on the voting list. Preliminary results were announced at 8:12 p.m. A return of votes was made after receipt of all overseas absentee ballots as follows:

Presidential & Vice President:

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Ballots Cast</u>
Badnarik & Campagna	18
Bush & Cheney	1183
Cobb & LaMarche	9
Kerry & Edwards	1364
Nader & Camejo	5
Write-ins	3
Blanks	8

Representative in Congress:

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Ballots Cast</u>
John F. Tierney	1536
Stephen O'Malley, Jr.	944
Write-ins	3
Blanks	107

Councillor:

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Ballots Cast</u>
Mary-Ellen Manning	1579
Write-ins	18
Blanks	993

Senator in General Court:

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Ballots Cast</u>
Bruce E. Tarr	1447
Paul M. McGeary	958
Write-ins	1
Blanks	184

Representative in General Court:

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Ballots Cast</u>
Harrier L. Stanley	1739
Robert V. Finneran	786
Write-ins	1
Blanks	64

Sheriff:

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Ballots Cast</u>
Frank G. Cousins, Jr.	1986
William F. Murley	492
Write-ins	2
Blanks	110

ATTEST:

Laurel A. Mackay, Town Clerk

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
FIRST SESSION, APRIL 25, 2005**

Pursuant to the Warrant issued by the Selectmen on April 7, 2005, which was posted according to Bylaw by Constable Glenn Coffin on April 8, 2005, who made proper return of his doings thereon, the Annual Town Meeting was held on April 25, 2005, at the Pentucket Regional High School Auditorium at 22 Main Street. The meeting was called to order at 7:45 p.m. by the Moderator Ms. K. C. Swallow to announce the report by the Board of Registrars of the presence of a line of voters who desired to enter the hall. The Town Clerk read the call of the meeting and the return of service. Ms. Swallow adjourned until 8:05 p.m. to allow voters of the Town to be checked into the room. At 8:05 p.m., Ms. Swallow reconvened the meeting upon report of the Board of Registrars that a quorum was present with 488 voters being admitted to the hall. Ms. Swallow introduced town officials and reviewed Town Meeting procedures. There were no objections to having non-residents Tracy Blais, Finance Director; Susan Yaskell, Town Accountant; Kris Pyle, Administrative Assistant to the Board of Selectmen; Todd Prussman and Randy Newman, both aides to House Representative Harriet Stanley, and Michael Goottee, Water Superintendent, speak during the course of the meeting, if necessary.

At 8:06 p.m., Ms. Swallow recessed Annual Town Meeting to be reconvened later in the evening after the completion of a Special Town Meeting. Ms. Swallow reconvened Annual Town Meeting at 8:47 p.m. Articles 1 through 11 were taken up and resolved at the first session of Annual Town Meeting on April 25, 2005, as follows:

ARTICLE 1. Relating to the warrant for offices for Annual Town Election was held over until the date of such election on May 2, 2005.

ARTICLE 2. Relating reports of Town committees was held open for the duration of the Annual Town Meeting.

The Citizen of the Year award was presented to Cornelia Freeman, an asset to the community for over 50 years. Richard Cushing presented the award and thanked Mrs. Freeman for her pleasant and efficient work for the Town both in the Finance Department and the Senior Center. Mrs. Freeman also has served on the Council on Aging for many years, which committee she also chaired.

Selectmen, Ann L. O'Sullivan noted that retiring Chair Albert H. Knowles, Jr., would be leaving the Board by the close of town meeting. She thanked Chairman Knowles for his fine service to the Town for two terms as Selectmen.

David Houlden, a member of the Workforce Housing Trust, presented information on the affordable housing problem in West Newbury.

ARTICLE 3. (THE BUDGET) Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,986,242.00 for the Total Line Item Budget.

During the course of debates, holds were placed on line items 12, 44, 47, 76 and 77. After debate, each line item passed as originally proposed by a majority, or in the case of line item 76, unanimously.

ARTICLE 4. Relating to instructions for the Board of Water Commissioners resulted in no such instructions being received. No such instructions were given.

ARTICLE 5. Motion by Water Commissioner R. Scott Wolke. FINCOM: Recommends approval. Voted unanimously to raise and appropriate in anticipation of water revenues the sum of \$506,993.00 of which \$139,932.00 is for salaries and wages, \$27,773.00 for Insurances, \$283,404.00 for expenses, and \$55,884.00 is for Debt Services.

ARTICLE 6. Motion by Selectman Albert H. Knowles, Jr. FINCOM: Recommends approval. Voted unanimously to raise and appropriate \$170,000.00 to be added to the Stabilization Fund.

ARTICLE 7. Motion by Selectman Albert H. Knowles, Jr. FINCOM: Recommends approval. Voted unanimously to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$6,131.00 to replace the system by which the computers work in the police cruisers, said money to be expended within three years of this vote.

ARTICLE 8. Motion by Selectman Albert H. Knowles, Jr. FINCOM: Recommends approval. Voted unanimously to raise and appropriate \$1,667.00 for the Police Detail account.

ARTICLE 9. Motion by Fire Chief Raymond Dower III. FINCOM: Recommends disapproval. Voted 200 to 30 to transfer from the Stabilization Fund \$290,000.00 to purchase and equip a new class A NFPA compliant Rescue/Pumper and related equipment, said money to be expended within three years of this vote; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of Engine 24 in the best interest of the Town.

ARTICLE 10. Motion by Superintendent of Streets Gary Bill. FINCOM: Recommends approval. Voted to transfer from Free Cash \$600,000.00 to build a new Highway Garage and pay related expenses near the salt shed, said money to be expended within three years of this vote.

ARTICLE 11. The text of Article 11 as posted in the Warrant was as follows: "To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell all or a portion of the Town owned Craven property, Assessor's Map R-2, Lot 35, in order to develop affordable housing through the Department of Housing and Community Development Local Initiative program, or to see what other action the Town might take for the development of affordable housing in the Town of West Newbury."

David Houlden of the Workforce Housing Trust made a motion to take no action on the article in order for the trust to conduct further investigation into a land-based affordable housing option. This motion was seconded. The motion failed.

William Simmons made a motion as follows: "I move to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell all or a portion of the Town-owned Craven property, Assessor's Map R-2, Lot 35, in order to develop affordable housing through the Department of Housing and Community Development Local Initiative program." This motion was seconded. David Kapturowski of the Finance Committee moved to make a friendly amendment, but the moderator, K. C. Swallow, ruled the motion not to be friendly. Mr. Kapturowski did not renew the motion to amend. After a great deal of discussion and debate, Ms. Swallow called for a vote, and the motion made by Mr. Simmons failed.

At 11:17 p.m. on April 25, 2005, Selectmen Albert H. Knowles, Jr. moved that the Annual Town Meeting be adjourned to Thursday, May 5, 2005, at 7:30 p.m. at Pentucket Regional High School auditorium at 22 Main Street, West Newbury. Such motion was immediately seconded and voted to be approved.

ATTEST:

Laurel A. Mackay
Town Clerk

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
APRIL 25, 2005**

The Special Town Meeting was called pursuant to the Warrant issued by the Selectmen, which was posted on April 8, 2005 according to Bylaw by Constable Glenn Coffin, who made proper return of his doings thereon. The Special Town Meeting was held on April 25, 2005 at the Pentucket Regional High School Auditorium at 22 Main Street. The meeting was called to order at 8:10 p.m. by the Moderator, Ms. K. C. Swallow, and at that time the Board of Registrars reported the presence of 488 registered voters in the room. The Clerk read the call of the meeting and the return of service. Ms. Swallow introduced town officials and reviewed Town Meeting procedures. There were no objections to having non-residents Tracy Blais, Finance Director; Susan Yaskell, Town Accountant; Kris Pyle, Administrative Assistant to the Board of Selectmen, Karen Rassias, Chief Assessor, Todd Prussman and Randy Newman, both aides to House representative Harriet Stanley, speak during the course of the meeting, if necessary.

ARTICLE 1. To hear and act upon the reports of Town officers and committees. This article was kept open for the duration of the meeting as per the custom of the town.

Finance Committee made a brief report on the state of the Town's finances. David Kapturowski reported that the Town is financially very sound, but should not lose vigilance on key financial issues on the horizon. Mr. Kapturowski commended Finance Director Tracy Blais for successfully negotiating for a return of \$1,750,000 from the state in grant funding. He noted that the Water Superintendent, Michael Gootee, has been doing a good job of extracting more water from the system by making it more efficient. Mr. Kapturowski noted the major financial impacts presented by fiscal problems at the school system and from the lack of affordable housing in the town.

Town Cleanup Day was announced for May 1, 2005. All citizens were asked to participate with the Highway Department supporting efforts by picking up bagged trash.

ARTICLE 2. Motion by Buildings and Grounds Superintendent Frank Mather as follows: "I move to transfer the sum of \$148,800.00 from Free Cash to repair the exterior of the 1910 Building." Brian Conn moved to amend the main motion by adding the words "by replacing existing clapboards with clear vertical grain cedar clapboards and taking such other action as is necessary to repair and repaint said exterior" to the end of the pending motion. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted to transfer the sum of \$148,800.00 from Free Cash to repair the exterior of the 1910 Building by replacing existing clapboards with clear vertical grain cedar clapboards and taking such other action as is necessary to repair and repaint said exterior.

ARTICLE 3. Motion by Superintendent of Streets Gary Bill. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$7,000.00 from Free Cash to the Highway Department Road Machinery Expenses account to cover the high cost of fuel and unforeseen repairs.

ARTICLE 4. Motion by Superintendent of Streets Gary Bill. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$131,779.46 to pay for the Highway Department's snow and ice deficit.

ARTICLE 5. Motion by Superintendent of Streets Gary Bill. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted to appropriate from available funds the sum of \$134,673.00, subject to the Provisions of Mass. General Laws, Chapter 90, Section 34, Clause 2A, Fiscal Year allotment.

ARTICLE 6. Motion by Selectman Albert H. Knowles, Jr. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$60,000.00 for installation of the septic system at the Pipestave Hill Apartment House.

ARTICLE 7. Motion by Selectman Albert H. Knowles, Jr. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted to transfer the sum of \$30,000.00 from Free Cash to the Route 113 Traffic Signal account for payment of costs that came in higher than estimated, Police details, and other miscellaneous expenses not covered by the grant.

ARTICLE 8. Motion by Selectman Albert H. Knowles, Jr. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted 488 to 0 to transfer the sum of \$2,460.00 from Free Cash to the Insurance and Bonds account to pay a previous year's bill that was charged to the Town for Workers' Compensation by MIIA, the Town's Insurance Carrier.

ARTICLE 9. Motion by Water Commissioner R. Scott Wolke. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$16,000.00 from the Water Enterprise fund account to the Wellfield Maintenance account for the purpose of relocating the chemical injection point for potassium hydroxide, extending the sample line, and rehabilitating the discharge main at Wellfield #1.

ARTICLE 10. Motion by Water Commissioner R. Scott Wolke. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$31,000.00 from the Water Enterprise Fund account to the Wellfield Maintenance account to purchase and install a new booster pump with variable frequency drive and related pipe fittings, and incorporate the new equipment into the SCADA system at Wellfield #1.

ARTICLE 11. Motion by Water Commissioner R. Scott Wolke. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted to transfer the sum of \$30,000.00 from the Water Department Enterprise Fund to the Operating Expenses account to purchase and install a back-up generator to be located at the Pipestave Booster Station.

ARTICLE 12. Motion by Fire Chief Raymond Dower III. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$3,176.00 from the Fire Department Fuel Dispensing System account to the Operating Expenses account.

ARTICLE 13. Motion by Library Trustee Judith Marshall. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted to appropriate the sum of \$2,738.00 from Free Cash to be transferred to G.A.R. Library's Books and Periodicals account.

At 8:46 p.m. Selectman Ann O'Sullivan moved to dissolve the Special Town Meeting. Such motion was immediately seconded and voted to be approved.

Attest:

Laurel A. Mackay
Town Clerk

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
SECOND SESSION, MAY 5, 2005**

On Thursday, May 5, 2005, Ms. K.C. Swallow called the Second Session of Annual Town Meeting to order at 7:47 p.m. at Pentucket High School Auditorium after a report by the Board of Registrars that a quorum had been reached with 92 voters being admitted to the hall. Articles 12 through 23 were taken up and resolved at the second session of Annual Town Meeting, as follows:

ARTICLE 12. Motion by Superintendent of Streets Gary Bill to take no action on this article. FINCOM recommends no action. This article related to possible Town action on affordable housing. Voted 90 to 3 to take no action on this article.

ARTICLE 13. . Motion by Superintendent of Streets Gary Bill to take no action on this article. FINCOM recommends no action. This article related to possible Town Action on affordable housing. Voted to take no action on this article.

ARTICLE 14. . Motion by Selectman Richard Cushing. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to petition the Legislature to enact legislation to establish a Department of Public Works that will include in part or in whole the Highway Department, Buildings and Grounds Department, and Parks and Recreation Department; provided, that the Legislature may reasonably vary the form and substance of the requested legislation within the scope of the general public objectives of this petition.

TOWN OF WEST NEWBURY – DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

An Act establishing a Department of Public Works in the Town of West Newbury.

SECTION 1. There is hereby established in the Town of West Newbury a Department of Public Works under the jurisdiction of the Board of Selectmen. The department shall have charge of and responsibility for the management of all public works operations of the town not assigned to other departments of the town, including, but not limited to, the following: Highway, Park and Recreation construction and maintenance; Tree and Moth; Building and Grounds maintenance at all municipal buildings, excluding the School Department but including the GAR Memorial Library; and all other related construction and operations as may be assigned from time to time by the Board of Selectmen when deemed necessary or desirable.

The Board of Selectmen may make all policy decisions relating to the Department of Public Works except as may be reserved to the trustees of the GAR Memorial Library, and the Park and Recreation Commission, respectively.

SECTION 2. The Board of Selectmen shall appoint a Director of Public Works, who shall recommend to the Board of Selectmen all employees of the Department of Public Works. The compensation of such employees shall be set in the same manner as for other employees of the town, except as provided in section 5.

SECTION 3. The Director of Public Works shall supervise and direct the operations and employees of the Department of Public Works. The Director of Public Works shall be especially qualified by education, training, and experience to perform the duties of the office and shall have such other qualifications as the town may from time to time provide. While employed by the town, the Director of Public Works shall hold no elective office, nor engage in any other business or occupation, relating to public works unless approved in advance by the Board of Selectmen. Nothing in this section shall prevent the Director of Public Works from serving on special ad hoc committees in order to represent the Department of Public Works.

SECTION 4. On the effective date of this act, the appointed position of Highway Superintendent, Tree Warden, and Moth Superintendent in the town shall be abolished, and its powers, duties, responsibilities, and compensation shall be transferred to the Director of Public Works.

SECTION 5. No person in the regular permanent full time or part time service or employment of the town shall forfeit rate of compensation, grade, step, or time of service on account of the establishment of the Department of Public Works. Each such person shall be retained in a capacity as similar to the person's former capacity as is practical. No collective bargaining agreement, contract, or liability in force on the effective date of this act shall be affected by this act.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

ARTICLE 15. Motion by Assistant Harbormaster Thomas Goodwin. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted to amend the Town of West Newbury Bylaws, "General Harbor Regulations," Section XXVI – "Fee Structure for Mooring Permits" to read:

- A. Mooring Fees: The minimum fee for a mooring permit is \$50.00
- B. Floating Docks or Rafts: The minimum dock or float fee is \$50.00

ARTICLE 16. Selectman Richard Cushing moved as follows: "I move to amend the Town Bylaws by deleting in its entirety the existing Capital Improvement Committee Bylaw that was established by a motion under Article 23 at the Special Town Meeting on October 14, 1987, and amended by motion under Article 5 at Special Town Meeting on January 25, 1993." FINCOM recommends approval. The motion failed.

ARTICLE 17. Motion by Selectman Richard Cushing moves to take no action on this article. FINCOM recommends no action. This article related to a proposal to accept Cortland Lane as a public way. Voted to take no action on the article.

ARTICLE 18. Motion by John McGrath. FINCOM recommends will of the Town. Voted to name the driveway from Route 113 to the Page School "Eugene 'Shike' Willis, Jr. Way," and direct installation of a street sign reflecting same.

ARTICLE 19. Motion by School Committee member Heather Conner. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted to amend the Pentucket Regional School District Agreement by deleting Section I-1-A MEMBERSHIP OF THE REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE and Section I-2-C QUORUMS, VOTES AND GOVERNANCE in their entirety and inserting in place thereof the following:

Section I-1

- A. The Regional District School Committee shall consist of nine members, three from each member town, who shall be elected by the voters of that town; each member so elected shall serve a three-year term.

Section I-2

- C. Any action voted by the Regional District School Committee which directly and specifically affects the elementary school(s) in only one town requires that two of the three members of the Regional District School Committee from the town in which the affected elementary school is located vote in support of that action. In order, however, for a school to be closed in any member town where there is more than one elementary school, all three committee members from the affected town are required to vote in favor of the proposed closure after a public hearing is held in the affected town.

This amendment to become effective with the May 2006 Town Elections and would be implemented in all three Towns in a legal manner as determined by the Pentucket Regional School Committee.

ARTICLE 20. Motion by School Committee member Heather Conner. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted to amend the Pentucket Regional School District Agreement by deleting Section I-2-A QUORUMS, VOTES AND GOVERNANCE in its entirety and inserting in place thereof the following:

- A. A quorum to conduct business at regular meetings shall consist of a simple majority of its members and special meetings shall require not less than two members from each of the towns.

This amendment to become effective after the May 2005 Town elections.

ARTICLE 21. Motion by Selectman Ann O'Sullivan. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted to amend the Pentucket Regional School District Agreement by deleting Section X-A-1 & 3 BUDGET and renumbering the remaining paragraphs accordingly and inserting in place thereof the following:

- A-1. The budget process shall be initiated annually on or about January 1st and shall provide opportunity for the Selectmen and Finance Committee of each member town to have input into its preparation. On or about February 1st, the Regional District School Committee shall complete its proposed budget for the ensuing year, and said proposed budget shall be posted in the Town Hall of each member town, shall be provided to each member town's public:

library, and shall be submitted to the Selectmen, Finance Committee members and Finance Directors of each member town.

- A-3. Prior to March 1st of each year the Regional District School Committee shall adopt by a two-thirds vote of all its members a budget with such changes as may have resulted from conferences and an open hearing. Within ten (10) days from the date on which the budget is adopted, the Treasurer of the District shall certify to the Treasurer of each member town its assessed share of such budget.

This amendment to become effective for the Budget Year beginning July 1, 2006.

ARTICLE 22. Motion by School Committee member Heather Conner. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted to amend the Pentucket Regional School District Agreement by deleting Section X-A-5 & 6 BUDGET and renumbering the remaining paragraphs accordingly and inserting in place thereof the following:

- A-5. A majority vote of the voters present and voting on the question at an annual town meeting in two (2) out of the three (3) towns is needed to approve a budget.

This amendment to become effective for the Budget Year beginning July 1, 2006.

ARTICLE 23. Motion by School Committee member Heather Conner. FINCOM recommends approval. Voted to amend the Pentucket Regional School District Agreement by deleting Section XIII-A AMENDMENTS in its entirety and inserting in place thereof the following:

- A. Amendments to the agreement must receive a majority vote of approval by each member town at any town meeting. Amendments may be initiated by the Regional District School Committee or by the Board of Selectmen of any one of the member towns.

This amendment to become effective for the Budget Year beginning July 1, 2006.

At 9:20 p.m. Selectman Ann O'Sullivan moved to adjourn the Annual Town Meeting. Such motion was immediately seconded and voted to be approved.

Attest:

Laurel A. Mackay
Town Clerk

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION MAY 2, 2005

Pursuant to Articles 1 and 2 of the Warrant issued by the Board of Selectmen on April 7, 2005 for the Annual Town Meeting, the Annual Town Election was held Monday, May 2, 2005, in the Town Office Building. The constable, Glenn Coffin, duly posted the warrant on April 8, 2005, in accordance with Town Bylaw, and made a proper return of his doings on April 8, 2005. The polls were opened at 7:10 a.m. and closed at 8 p.m. The Town Clerk, prior to opening of the polls, turned over election materials to the Warden. The Warden, Clerk and Police Officer inspected the ballot box, and a zero report was printed. The Warden and the Clerk signed the zero report, and it was posted. Keys to the ballot box were turned over to the Police Officer. The Town Clerk read the warrant and swore in the election workers. Election officers sworn to the faithful performance of their duties were: Warden: Nancy Mitchell; Clerk: Miriam D. Brenner; Inspectors: Dianne Faulkner, Marjorie Peterson; and Tellers: Jacqueline Johnston, Beverly Murphy, Susan Berkenbush, Susan Dougherty, Virginia Selman, Margaret Dunlap, Frederick Faulkner, Eleanor Bragg, Helen Rooney, .

There were 965 ballots cast and 965 names checked off the voting list, representing 32% of the total number of registered voters of 3,044. The Town Clerk announced the following results at 11:30 p.m. on May 2, 2005:

Selectman	
Sherrie Gadd	424*
Glenn Kemper	420
Write-ins	8
All Other	0
Blanks	113

*NOTE: This election result was appealed, with the Salem Superior Court that reversed the result of the election to declare Glenn Kemper the winner. Mr. Kemper was sworn in on August 1, 2005.

Board of Health—3 year	
Blake J. Seale	687
Write-ins	2
All Other	0
Blanks	276

Board of Health—2 year	
Kimberly A. Cole	661
Write-ins	2
All Other	0
Blanks	302

Planning Board	
Peter R. Haack	670
Write-ins	8
All Other	0
Blanks	287

Water Commissioner	
R. Scott Wolke	696
Write-ins	3
All Other	0
Blanks	266

Trustees of the Public Library	
M. Dorothy Cavanaugh	708
R. Bruce Hamilton	713
Judith W. Marshall	680
Write-ins	2
All Other	0
Blanks	792

Housing Authority—5 Year	
W. Lawrence Corcoran	715
Write-ins	3
All Other	0
Blanks	247

Housing Authority—1 Year	
Irene Durkin	664
Write-ins	1
All Other	0
Blanks	300

The following results were finalized and announced at 12 noon on May 3, 2005:

School Committee—3 Year

Charles Littlefield	76
Richard Baker	37
Write-ins	49
All Other	0
Blanks	803

School Committee—1 Year

Richard Baker	58
Charles Littlefield	8
Write-ins	27
All Other	0
Blanks	872

Park & Recreation Commissioner**

Terrance Beaton	3
Lary O'Keefe	3
Write-ins	32
All Other	0
Blanks	927

****NOTE:** There was a failure to elect a candidate for this Commission. Authority reverted to the Board of Selectmen and remaining members of the Park & Recreation Commission to appoint a person to serve.

Assessor

William J. Krajewski	70
Write-ins	15
All Other	0
Blanks	880

ATTEST:

Laurel A. Mackay
Town Clerk

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FY06 ADOPTED BUDGET

*****TOWN MODERATOR*****

1	Moderator's Salary & Wages	200
2	Moderator's Expenses	60
	Department total	260

*****BOARD OF SELECTMEN*****

3	Selectmen's Salaries	8,873
4	Appointed Personnel-Salary & Wages	50,215
5	Selectmen's Operating Expenses	8,800
6	Professional & Technical Services	10,000
7	Technology Expenses	29,150
	Department total	107,038

*****FINANCE COMMITTEE*****

8	Finance Committee Wages	0
9	Finance Committee Expenses	5,000
10	Reserve Fund	60,000
	Department total	65,000

*****BOARD OF ASSESSORS*****

11	Assessor's Salaries	3,494
12	Appointed Personnel Salary & Wages	93,571
13	Expenses	19,950
	Department total	117,015

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FY06 ADOPTED BUDGET

*******FINANCE DEPARTMENT*******

14	Salary & Wages	235,605
15	Annual Audit	18,000
16	Postage Expense	12,200
17	Telephone Expense	20,000
18	Tax Title & Foreclosure	2,500
19	Expenses	40,800
	Department total	329,105

*******TOWN COUNSEL/LEGAL*******

20	Town Counsel Fees	24,000
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*******TOWN CLERK*******

21	Salary & Wages	47,816
22	Expenses	4,380
23	Operation of Facsimile Machine/Photocopiers	11,000
24	Preservation of Town Records	1,500
	Department total	64,696

BOARD OF REGISTRARS/ELECTIONS

25	Town Clerk Compensation	150
26	Salary & Wages	2,850
27	Expenses	5,480
	Department total	8,480

*******CONSERVATION COMMISSION*******

28	Salary & Wages	17,112
29	Expenses	1,715
	Department total	18,827

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FY06 ADOPTED BUDGET

*****PLANNING BOARD*****

30 Salary & Wages	22,500
31 Expenses	9,400
32 MVPC Assessment/Pictometry/GIS	2,232
Department total	34,132

*****BOARD OF APPEALS*****

33 Salary & Wages	1,000
34 Expenses	700
Department total	1,700

OPEN SPACE & RECREATION

35 Expenses	500
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BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

36 Salary & Wages	79,929
37 Town Building Operating Expenses	122,750
38 Custodian Expenses	10,000
39 Town Building Improvements	5,200
Department total	217,879

*****CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE*****

40 Expenses	50
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TOTAL - GENERAL TOWN GOVERNMENT	988,682
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FY06 ADOPTED BUDGET

*****POLICE DEPARTMENT*****

41 Salary & Wages	649,181
42 Expenses	78,475
43 Capital Outlay	29,793
Department total	757,449

*****FIRE DEPARTMENT*****

44 Alarms	76,650
45 Drills	24,570
46 Stipends	33,000
47 Administration	20,300
48 Hydrant Mapping, Maintenance & Repair	15,750
49 Fire Alarm & Communications	14,000
50 Expenses	39,600
Department total	223,870

*****AMBULANCE*****

51 Ambulance Retainer	20,400
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*****INSPECTION DEPARTMENT*****

52 Salary & Wages	82,040
53 Expenses	9,420
54 Vehicle Allowance	4,940
Department total	96,400

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FY06 ADOPTED BUDGET

*****EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT*****

55 Salary & Wages	10,455
56 Expenses	5,035
Department total	15,490

*****ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER*****

57 Salary & Wages	18,220
58 Expenses	5,470
Department total	23,690

*****HARBORMASTER*****

59 Salary & Wages	2,000
60 Expenses	500
61 Capital Outlay	0
Department total	2,500

*****PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCH*****

62 Salary & Wages	198,702
63 Expenses	16,680
Department total	215,382

TOTAL - PUBLIC SAFETY	1,355,181
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FY06 ADOPTED BUDGET

*****ASSESSMENTS*****

64	Pentucket Base Assessment	3,108,591
65	Pentucket Supplemental Assessment	384,090
66	Pentucket Capital Assessment	48,151
67	Pentucket Stabilization	
	Department Total	3,540,832
68	Whittier Minimum Contribution	28,806
69	Whittier Other Assessments	10,601
70	Whittier Debt/Capital Assessments	7,769
		47,176
	TOTAL - EDUCATION	3,588,008

*****HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT*****

71	Salary & Wages	252,311
72	Overtime Wages	10,000
73	Snow & Ice Removal	100,000
74	Expenses	4,000
75	Road Machinery Expense	40,000
76	Highway, Sidewalk & Trees	250,000
77	Beaver Control	5,000
78	Capital Outlay	15,000
	Department total	676,311

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FY06 ADOPTED BUDGET

*****STREET LIGHTING*****

79 Expenses	11,000
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TOTAL - HIGHWAY & PUBLIC WORKS	687,311
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*****HEALTH DEPARTMENT*****

80 Salary & Wages	85,920
81 Newburyport Health Center	5,136
82 Waste Collection	310,824
83 Hazardous Waste Collection	2,500
84 Expenses	10,000

Department total	<hr/> 414,380
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*****COUNCIL ON AGING*****

85 Salary & Wages	49,170
86 Expenses	17,347

Department total	<hr/> 66,517
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*****VETERANS*****

87 Rental C. L. Carr Post	200
88 Assessment	12,358
89 Soldiers' Grave Expenses	1,500
90 Veteran's Retirement-C. Whitcomb	1,980
91 N. Essex Veterans Svs. Benefits	100

Department total	<hr/> 16,138
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TOTAL - HUMAN SERVICES	497,035
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FY06 ADOPTED BUDGET

*******GAR MEMORIAL LIBRARY*******

92 Salary & Wages	167,208
93 Expenses	32,873
94 Books & Periodicals	50,021
Department total	250,102

*******PARKS & RECREATION*******

95 Salary & Wages	5,780
96 Expenses	27,435
97 Mill Pond Operating Expenses	4,450
98 Bandstand Operating Expenses	4,000
99 Action Cove Committee	1,000
Department total	42,665

*******CULTURAL COUNCIL*******

100 Expenses	100
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TOTAL - CULTURE & RECREATION	292,867
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FY06 ADOPTED BUDGET

*******MATURING DEBT SERVICE*******

101	Maturing Debt	620,853
102	Interest & Paydowns on Long/Short Term Debt	378,847

TOTAL - DEBT SERVICE		999,700
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*******BENEFITS/INSURANCE*******

103	Essex Regional Retirement	293,533
104	Unemployment Insurance	13,000
105	Group Insurance	147,600
106	F.I.C.A. Insurance	25,000
107	Insurance & Bonds	98,325

Department total	577,458
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TOTAL TOWN LINE ITEM BUDGET		\$8,986,242
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VITAL STATISTICS RECORDED IN WEST NEWBURY DURING FISCAL YEAR 2005

Births Recorded 40
 Deaths Recorded 21
 Marriages Recorded 6

Note: In accordance with the intent of MGL, CH 51, Sec. 6, the births recorded will not be listed.

DEATHS RECORDED BETWEEN 7/1/2004 through 6/30/2005

DATE	NAME	AGE	RESIDENCE	PLACE OF DISPOSITION	RECORDED
5/27/2004	Herbert C. Janvrin	75	22 Chestnut Street	Belleville Cemetery, Newburyport	9/14/2004
7/26/2004	Vincent J. Caggiano	72	17 Robin Road	Linwood Cemetery, Haverhill	7/28/2004
9/9/2004	Judith P. Smith	75	18 Maple Street	Bayview Crematory, Seabrook NH	11/15/2004
10/14/2004	Joanne D. McCarthy	68	49 Maple Street	Holy Angels Cemetery, Plaistow, NH	10/19/2004
10/17/2004	John W. Lukaszka	49	6 Felton Lane	Linwood Crematory, Haverhill	10/25/2004
10/18/2004	Carol A. Derro	68	10 Stewart Street	Bridge St. Cemetery	10/20/2004
11/14/2004	Virginia M. Burbank	96	215 Crane Neck Street	Puritan Lawn Cemetery, Peabody	12/16/2004
11/20/2004	Eugene M. Willis, Jr.	71	14 Merrill Street	Bridge St. Cemetery	11/22/2004
12/15/2004	Richard M. Brown	83	201 Jewett St., Georgetown	Temple Beth-EL, Peabody	12/20/2004
12/24/2004	William B. Beard, III	34	4 Windy Ledge Lane	Walnut Hill Cemetery	12/29/2004
1/5/2005	Faith E. Tatro	79	17 Mechanic Street	Bridge St. Cemetery	1/25/2005
2/14/2005	Infant	0		Winthrop Cemetery, Winthrop	6/15/2005
2/26/2005	Viola Antinarelli	84	7 Cortland Lane	Duxbury Cemetery, Duxbury	2/28/2005
3/14/2005	Matthew B. Levesque	27	772 Main Street	North Purchase Crematory, Attleboro	4/20/2005
3/15/2005	Elizabeth A. Platts	77	87 River Road	Linwood Crematory, Haverhill	3/22/2005
3/30/2005	Mary E. Ordway	83	35 Turkey Hill Road	Silver Lake Cemetery, Athol	4/5/2005
4/27/2005	Paul Ringenbach	94	111 River Road	Bridge St. Cemetery	5/23/2005
4/29/2005	Walter P. Hendrick	91	89 Church Street	Linwood Crematory, Haverhill	5/2/2005
5/2/2005	Bemo A. Spinelli	98	8 Waterside Lane	Puritan Lawn Cemetery, Peabody	5/23/2005
5/21/2005	Genevieve J. Stevens	79	28 Browns Lane	Dell Park Cemetery, Natick	5/25/2005
6/5/2005	Gualdino S. Marques	69	7 Cortland Lane	St. Mary's Cemetery, Newburyport	6/13/2005

MARRIAGES RECORDED DURING FISCAL YEAR 2004

DATE	NAME	RESIDENCE	PLACE OF MARRIAGE	OFFICIANT
7/10/2004	Michael W. Deveau Frederick P. Gabriel, Jr.	West Newbury West Newbury	West Newbury	George J. Spanos Justice of the Peace
8/1/2004	Doris Marie Bailey Eliseo Marciano Jones	West Newbury West Newbury	West Newbury	Rev. Joel Grossman Interfaith Minister
9/17/2004	Eric James Beard Kristen Lee Kozacka	West Newbury West Newbury	Princeton	Donna A. McMillan Justice of the Peace
12/19/2004	Esau Daniel McCaulley Amanda Colleen Waters	South Hamilton Norwich, VT	West Newbury	Michael G. Morse Priest
5/14/2005	Kathryn Jeanne West Gordon James McLeod	West Newbury West Newbury	West Newbury	Joyce L. Scherer-Hoock Priest
6/26/2005	Keri Yvonne Doughty Kenneth Edward Fowler	West Newbury West Newbury	Groveland	Ricky J. Pinciario Justice of the Peace

**LICENSES AND PERMITS ISSUED BY THE TOWN CLERK
(Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2005)**

DOG LICENSES ISSUED

Total Licenses Issued **709**

Total amount turned over to the Town Treasurer (including late fees): **\$ 13,102.50**

FISH AND WILDLIFE

Fishing, Trapping, Hunting, and Sporting Licenses issued: **89**

Primitive Firearms, Waterfowl, and Archery Stamps issued: **39**

Paid to Division of Fisheries and Wildlife, Commonwealth of
Massachusetts **\$ 2,403.75**

RAFFLE & BAZAAR PERMITS

Total number issued: **0**

Total amount turned over to the Town Treasurer: **\$ 0.00**

Respectfully submitted,

Laurel A. Mackay
Town Clerk

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS - FISCAL YEAR 2005

The Board of Assessors respectfully submits the following report to the Honorable Board of Selectmen. Although FY 2005 was not a re-certification year for the Town of West Newbury, all values were reviewed and updated according to Massachusetts Department of Revenue standards. The Average Assessed Value for FY05 was \$512,096, with an average tax bill of \$5,208.02. The tax rate was certified at \$10.17 per thousand.

VALUATION

Real Estate	758,622,479.00
Personal Property	<u>6,527,480.00</u>
Total Taxable Value FY 2005	765,149,959.00

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAX

Motor Vehicle Tax 2003	4,708.86
Motor Vehicle Tax 2004	144,009.54
Motor Vehicle Tax 2005	521,343.75

APPROPRIATIONS AND ASSESSMENTS

Town Appropriation	10,191,845.28
State and County Appropriations	60,186.00
Overlay	89,158.08
Other Amounts to be Raised	<u>8,355.00</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE RAISED	10,349,544.36

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

Cherry Sheet	311,884.00
Local Estimated Receipts	1,504,678.00
Free Cash	412,750.04
Available Funds	<u>338,657.24</u>
TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS & AVAILABLE FUNDS	2,567,969.28

TAXES FOR COUNTY, STATE AND TOWN

On Real Property	7,715,190.61
On Personal Property	<u>66,384.47</u>
TOTAL	7,781,575.08

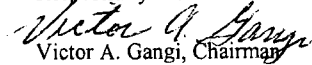
NUMBER OF PARCELS

On Real Property	1,698
On Personal Property	16
On Farm Animals	9
On Forest Products	2
On Boats for excise	52

NUMBER OF ACRES

7,532

Respectfully submitted



Victor A. Gangi, Chairman

Paula Wolfe, Member

William Krajewski, Member

M. Dorothy Cavanaugh, Member

We would like to note in memory of Paula Wolfe, that she was a member of the Board of Assessors for 5 years and was Chairman thru FY 2005, until her passing in August of 2005. She was an asset to the Board and will be missed. In August, Member Victor Gangi was voted Chairman and Dorothy Cavanaugh was appointed to fill the term.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF REGISTRARS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The following Census data was compiled as of January 1, 2005:

Number of Residents:	4,415
Number of Registered Voters:	3,049

The State Primary was held in September, and the Presidential Election was held in November of 2004. The Town Election was held in May, 2005. Annual Town Meeting in April 2005 required only two sessions, and there were two Special Town Meetings, one in October of 2004 and one in April of 2005.

The Board of Registrars was at each Town Meeting session for voter check-in and conducted voter registration sessions prior to each Town Meeting and Election. The Registrars certified signatures on absentee ballot applications and nomination papers.

Respectfully submitted,


Sandra Chute
Chairman

REPORT OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY

To: The Honorable Board of Selectmen
From: The West Newbury Housing Authority
Re: Annual Report

Dear Board:

The West Newbury Housing Authority has experienced a number of changes this past year. Patricia LaForte has recently accepted the position of permanent director of the West Newbury Housing Authority. Dick Berkenbush has been appointed as the state representative to the Board. We look forward to offering four more units of housing to our community when the town apartment renovations are completed.

The Authority also thanks Mr. Don Hatt for his many years of dedicated service to the elderly community of West Newbury.

Respectfully submitted,
N.J. Barry, Chairman

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY TRUSTEES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen;

During the Fiscal Year completed June 30, 2005 the Library Trustees instituted various policies including;

**The proper use of Library Computers and related equipment
The procedures for attending to children left unaccompanied at the Library
at closing time**

The major maintenance issue continued to be the Air Conditioning system and all the remaining problems have since been resolved .

The staffing has been increased to accommodate the growth of the Library functions and we have also experienced changes in Personnel. Best Wishes to Sheryl LaSala who has retired from her Library position after having been here for many helpful years.

The Library Trustees elected the following members to the Board of Directors:

Chairman	Alexandra W. Guralnick
Vice Chairman	Judith W. Marshall
Recording Secretary	M. Dorothy Cavanaugh
Corresponding Secretary	Robert Olson
Treasurer	Lucille W. Waehling

The Trustees thank the community for its' continuous support, especially for the generous donations and endowments that the Library receives from its' patrons.

Respectfully submitted

**M. Dorothy Cavanaugh
Recording Secretary**

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LIBRARY DIRECTOR

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Circulation for FY 2005 was 100,067. The average daily circulation was 350, and the average daily traffic count was 140. Non-resident circulation was 16,067.

The State Incentive Grant was \$6,272.96 which included a non-resident offset of \$2,151.35.

After many years of great service to the town Ms. Sheryl LaSala retired as assistant librarian and she is sorely missed. Joan Tranfaglia also left us about the same time which made for a very short-staffed summer! I am most grateful to Kate Gove and Dottie Carr for service above and beyond expectations.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Money Market Account	Balance 6/30/2004	18,204.18
	Gifts	2,810.00
	Interest	<u>252.82</u>
	Balance 6/30/2005	21,267.00
	Sparkling Concepts	-791.00
	Facts on File	<u>-645.75</u>
	Balance 6/30/2005	19,830.25
Invested Funds	Balance 6/30/2004	358,774.41
	Capital Gain	<u>43,839.89</u>
	Balance 6/30/2005	402,614.30

IN MEMORIAM

Hazel Hammond Albertson	Marjorie I. Bardsley	Dorothy M. Johnson
Lawrence & Alice Dodge	Eleanor J. Cook	Albert E. Elwell
Christopher Blunt	James Durgin	James H. Durgin
Barbara F. Carbone	Jennie M. Foss	Thomas Kennett
Georgiana Emery	Bessie Sawyer Koebele	Sylvia McGrath
J. Winston Popplewell	Norman Hobson	Esther Thurlow
Valerie Leary Berkenbush	Margaret M. Nichols	Frank Hobson
The Laing Family	Margaret Coit Elwell	

Respectfully submitted,
Katharine M. Gove

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHILDREN'S LIBRARIAN

To the Honorable Board of Selectman:

The summer reading program for FY 2005 was "Explore other worlds@your Library". 368 children read for 3,137 hours. Hours read evens up the playing field for all the readers. I'm proud to report whoopee cushions, exploding cans of nuts and cockroach-loaded gum (don't ask) were the favorite rewards.

Story hours were popular with 75 children registering for the Summer session. Fall had 72, Winter 71, and Spring had 83 children attending. They listened to stories, did a craft and learned to play together.

This year the Children's Room had 144 programs with a total attendance of 3,205. I was able to do some of my favorite programs with the older kids, i.e. Christmas crafts. We try to make the Library a place where everyone feels comfortable and can find what they need.

Respectfully submitted
Kate Gove
Children's Librarian

ANNUAL REPORT
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
July 1, 2004 - June 30, 2005

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The ZBA held five hearings resulting in the granting of four variances and the dismissal of one request for zoning clarification.

The ZBA also held its first pre-application screening meeting for a proposed 40-B project on Main Street.

The net result was:	Petitions granted	4
	Petitions denied	0
	Petitions withdrawn	0
	Petitions dismissed	1
	Ch. 40-B applications	0
	Pre-application (40-B) screening	1

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Majauckas, Secretary
July 1, 2005

**Annual Report of the Planning Board
July 1, 2004 - June 30, 2005**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

During fiscal year 2005, The Planning Board conducted the following activities:

The Planning Board reviewed one pre-application for Open Space Development:

1. 10 Dole Place pre-application conference for proposed 9-lot OSPD

Preliminary Discussions:

1. 568 Main Street conceptual plan for common drive and reduced frontage special permits
2. 21 Mechanic Street conceptual plan B to utilize existing Mechanic Street right-of-way and land of Amberg to extend Mechanic Street
3. 442 Middle Street proposal for 3-lot subdivision with 2 reduced frontage lots and common driveway
4. 117 Main Street for 2-lot subdivision of land and reduced frontage lot
5. 103 Stewart Street proposed residential subdivision
6. Main Street (Burnim property) options for residential housing development

Definitive Subdivision: The Planning Board approved three applications.

1. Off Steed Avenue (Map R-13, Lot 110) (3 building-lots plus 2 open space lots) - approved 10/5/04
2. Property off Kimball Lane/Whitegate Farms (Map R-9, Lot 12) Definitive OSPD Subdivision (4 building-lot plus 1 open space lot) approved – 11/16/04
3. Bailey's Lane (Map R-13, Lots 82B, 82C, & 82D) 3-lots – approved 11/16/04

Withdrawal Without Prejudice: On 5/17/05, the Planning Board approved a withdrawal of the 3 building-lots plus 2-lot OSPD and Definitive Subdivision for Property off Steed Avenue (Map R-13, Lot 110)

Common Driveway, Reduced Frontage Lot, and Open Space Preservation Development (OSPD)

Special Permits: The Planning Board reviewed special permits for seven properties.

1. Common Driveway and Reduced Frontage Lot for 38 & 40 Bachelor Street (Map R-14, Lots 11 & 11A) – approved 7/20/04
2. Reduced Frontage Lot for 420 Middle Street (Map R-27, Lot 27A) – denied 2/15/05
3. Modification to a Reduced Frontage Lot for 420 Middle Street (Map R-27, Lot 27A) – denied 2/15/05
4. Reduced Frontage Lot for property off Steed Avenue (Map R-13, Lot 110)OSPD - approved 5/17/05
5. Common Driveway for 109 Moulton Street (Map R-6, Parcels 10 & 10C) – approved 4/19/05
6. OSPD for a 56 unit over-55 housing condominium development for 823 Main Street (Map R-26, Lot 4) – approved 4/5/05
7. Common Driveway and two Reduced Frontage Lots for Bailey's Lane (Map R-13, Lots 82B, 82C, & 82D) 3-lots – approved 11/16/04

Ongoing Definitive Subdivisions:

1. OSPD Definitive Subdivision for a 56 unit over-55 housing condominium development for 823 Main Street (Map R-26, Lot 4)
2. Modification to Definitive Subdivision for Bailey's Lane - Long Hill (Map R-13, Lots 82B, 82C & 82D)

Ongoing Common Driveway and Reduced Frontage Lot Special Permits:

1. Modification to Common Driveway and Reduced Frontage Lot for Bailey's Lane - Long Hill (Map R-13, Lots 82B, 82C & 82D)

Scenic Roads Bylaw: The Planning Board approved one application.

1. On 5/3/05, the Board approved the removal of up to 4 trees within the right-of-way at 109 Moulton Street to improve sight distance requirements.

Approval Not Required Plans: The Planning Board endorsed twelve plans resulting in the creation of nine additional lots.

1. Mirra Way & Norino Drive (Map R-28, Parcels 9, 3A & 35) to consolidate 3 parcels into 1 lot - approved 8/3/04
2. Intersection of Middle Street & Indian Hill Street (Map R-16, Lot 9) to create 1 lot - approved 9/7/04
3. Property on southwest side of Indian Hill Street (Map R-16, Lots 8E & 8A) a land swap between abutters to square off a lot - approved 9/21/04
4. 38 & 40 Bachelor Street (Map R-14, Lots 11 & 11A) to create 3 lots from 2 - approved 10/5/04
5. 12 Norino Drive (Map R-28, Lot 3) to divide 1 lot into 2 - approved 10/5/04
6. 694 Main Street (Map R-23, Lot 23) to create 2 lots from 1 - approved 3/1/05
7. 71 Church Street (Map R-13, Lot 26) to create 2 lots from 1 - approved 3/15/05
8. 750 Main Street (Map R-25, Lot 3) & 756 Main Street (Map R-25, Lot 3A) to increase a 30' corridor back from Main Street to 50' wide - approved 4/5/05
9. 28 Bailey's Lane (Map R-13, Parcel 70C) to create 2 lots from 1 - approved 4/19/05
10. 109 Moulton Street (Map R-6, Parcels 10 & 10C) create 3 new lots - approved 4/19/05
11. Way to the River Road (Map R-25, Parcel 17F) create 2 non-buildable lots from 1 - approved 5/3/05
12. 158 Crane Neck Street (Map R-4, Lot 8) to create 2 lots from 1 - approved 5/3/05

Other work accomplished by the Planning Board includes:

1. Executive Order 418 Community Development Grant: review and adoption of final report
2. Ongoing review and follow-up of various projects to ensure compliance with approvals (i.e., Public Safety Complex, Applewood Farm Subdivision, Indian Hill Subdivision, Bachelor Street, Ironwood, Whitegate Farms, 823 Main Street, 109 Moulton Street)
3. Ongoing review of Roads Committee proposed Subdivision Regulation changes
4. Ongoing discussions with consultants (i.e., North Shore Housing Trust, Susan Moses) regarding zoning reform and how to implement it, zoning issues in general, and other planning issues
5. Consultant Engineer Bob Puff resigned in May. He was replaced by Larry Graham of H.L. Graham Associates and Charles Wear of Meridian Associates, Inc.

Membership and personnel:	Position	Term Expiration
Ann E. Bardeen	Chairman	2008
Arthur T. Wallace	Vice Chairman	2007
Robert S. Phillips, Jr.	Member	2006
Peter R. Haack	Clerk	2010
Brian R. Murphey	Member	2009
Raymond A. Cook	Associate Member	2006
Joan Vontzalides	Planning Administrator	

At its meeting on May 3, 2005, the Board nominated and approved Arthur T. Wallace as Chair, Brian R. Murphey as Vice Chair, and Peter R. Haack as Clerk for the next year.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur T. Wallace, Chairman
Brian R. Murphey, Vice Chairman
Peter R. Haack, Clerk

Ann E. Bardeen
Robert S. Phillips, Jr.
Raymond A. Cook, Associate Member

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

During the Fiscal Year 2005, the Board of Health approved applications for seventeen (17) new construction septic systems and thirty-seven (37) repair systems. Inspections for the installation of systems are done by the Health Agent ensuring compliance with Title V and West Newbury's Local Regulations.

On December 18, 2005, Carol Cena resigned from the Board of Health and moved to the Town of Merrimac. The Board and staff would like to thank Carol for eight years of service on the Board as well as welcome Kimberly Cole, our new member.

In an effort to continue to address environmental issues, our office is still collecting button batteries, mercury thermometers and thermostats, and in August 2004, the Board of Health started a recycling program for cellular telephones. We now accept all types of cell phones – which can be dropped off at the BOH office in the Town Office Building during office hours (8–1pm, Monday through Thursday; and 8-12 pm Friday).

Our Annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection event was held on September 18, 2004 in conjunction with the City of Newburyport. Approximately 110 West Newbury households participated in this collection.

Pipestave Hill Recycling area continues to be open Saturday 10:00 am through 4:00 pm for residents to drop off their recycling and white goods. Any assistance from the town residents in keeping this area clean would be appreciated. As a reminder to residents, TVs, computers, propane tanks and gasoline tanks from mowers and automobiles, etc., contain hazardous waste, and are **NOT** a curbside recyclable and **CANNOT** be recycled at Pipestave Hill.

The Board would like to thank all the residents who recycle - when you recycle you save the Town money. Approximately 348.2 tons of material was recycled this year from curbside and Pipestave which saved the town nearly \$30,000 in tipping fees.

RECEIPTS

Percolation Testing	\$10,090.00
New Septic Systems Plans	4,800.00
Repair Septic Systems Plans	4,750.00
Septic Revision Plans	1,650.00
Wells	800.00
Licenses and Permits	6,055.00
Miscellaneous	226.60

Total \$28,371.60

Respectfully Submitted:

Robert Janes, Chairman
Blake Seale, Member
Kimberly Cole, Member

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 14, Section 49, of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Board of Water Commissioners herewith submits a report of activities of the Water Department for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2005.

Installations:	892
Dwellings in Town: (per Assessors)	1,467
% On Town Water:	60%
Town Population: (per Town Clerk)	4,415
Gallons Billed:	64,377,712
Average residential daily gallons:	198
Hydrants:	182
Street Valves:	126
Feet of Main:	143,006

The Water Dept wishes to thank former Water Commissioner Gary Bill, who was legally required to resign his seat on the Board when he was recently made head of the new DPW. Gary's common sense, managerial ability and deep knowledge of West Newbury made his contribution to the Board significant. The pain of this loss is eased by the Selectmen's appointment of Rick Thurlow, a former Commissioner, to his old seat on the Board. We also welcome Jodi Bertrand to the Administrative Assistant's desk, where her cheerful competence has made the office a little brighter for everyone.

We remind everyone that water bills should now be paid upstairs in the Water Dept office, not at the Finance Dept window on the first floor. The Water Dept office is open regularly from 8am to 2 pm Monday through Thursday. If the office is closed, there is a secure dropoff box in the outer building lobby off the parking lot.

During the past year, we have made good progress in deploying our new Badger radio-read meters. Almost 100 meters and retro-fitted radio "registers" have been installed, and all the related software has been installed on the office computers. We have now gone through two billing cycles with the mix of old and new meters, and everything is working fine. The remainder of the town's meters will all be upgraded over the next few years.

A partial reconfiguration of the town's existing Wellfield is complete, and appears to be enhancing the yield as hoped. Funding is in place for additional work that will allow us to variably blend Newburyport's and our water, but we are waiting for a final report from our engineers to demonstrate that this project will achieve the promised goals of further increasing the yield of our wellfield.

At the Fall Town Meeting in 2005, the town approved the re-delineation of the Zone II protection area for our wellfield. This was necessary as we work with DEP to increase the permitted "safe yield" for the wellfield.

As this report is written, a propane generator is being installed at the Pipestave Booster Station across Main St. from the Page School. This project has been planned for several years, but became more urgent when we considered the upgrade to the Wellfield's pumps. This generator ensures that we can pump water during a power outage from the east end of town to the Brake Hill storage tank in the west end.

The most vexing long range problem for the department continues to be Water Supply. During the past year we followed up on the possibility of another gravel packed wellfield on the property of the Brothers of St. John, across Route 113 from the existing wellfield. After meetings, site walks and deliberation, the Brothers have determined that this will not be possible. However, the town approved funding for the purchase of the Mullen property at the Fall Town Meeting. This is a 34 acre parcel bordered by Main, Church and Prospect, and there is some possibility of wellfield potential within the site. Even though there may be a conflict with the town's development plans, the Water Dept will try to sink some test wells soon, to provide more information to the town as it decides how to best use this parcel.

COMMITMENTS TO WATER FUND (CHARGES TO USERS)

TWELVE-MONTH PERIOD JULY 1, 2004 TO JUNE 30, 2005

Water Usage (semi-annual):		
October 25, 2004	\$ 251,083.80	
May 5, 2005	<u>221,415.29</u>	
		\$ 472,499.09
<u>Water Usage: (special bills):</u>		
Addl. Water & Municipal Liens	10,292.77	
<u>Services:</u>		
Unscheduled Reading Fee	720.00	
Labor & Inspection Charges	251.66	
Tapping Fee	850.00	
<u>Materials:</u>		
New Meters	834.00	
New Installation	1,251.40	
Other	728.83	
Hydrant Rental: (Fire Dept.)	<u>15,750.00</u>	
		\$ 30,678.66
<u>TOTAL COMMITMENTS FISCAL YEAR 2005</u>		<u>\$ 503,177.75</u>
<u>ADDITIONAL REVENUE</u>		
<u>Misc. Revenue (Cross Connection, etc)</u>	1,325.00	
<u>Systems Development Charge</u>	<u>18,000.00</u>	
		<u>\$ 19,325.00</u>

ITEMIZED OPERATING ACCOUNT EXPENDITURES

July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005

A.D Instruments	698.50	MIIA Health Benefits	13,076.94
ARC Source	43.13	New England Instrument	699.00
AT&T	276.31	New England Water Works	3,662.00
Amesbury Industrial	1,875.97	Newburyport Water	100,628.50
Amiable Networks	975.00	Nextel	1,080.27
Assoc. Measure	3,994.60	Payroll	122,190.32
Assured Air Flow	23.70	Petty Cash	282.13
Bay State Water Works	1,041.00	Pollard Water	607.06
Belmont Springs	45.50	Postage	834.32
California Contractors	1,636.30	Prescott, EJ	3,545.86
Chem Serve	660.00	Process Instrumt.	410.50
Chesterton, AW	554.58	Reliable Office Prod.	1,104.54
Classified Connection	121.42	Rockingham Elect.	5.52
Connolly, Peter	1,500.00	Rock, Shawn	1,015.00
Dell	117.28	Salisbury Auto	37.26
Dick's	218.64	Smith, Jay	1,065.00
Eastern Lumber	404.22	Siemens	967.67
Eastern Propane	2,168.69	Spaulding Electric	582.50
Exxon-Mobil	2,937.58	Stiles	3,935.55
Eagle Tribune	365.21	Stronkus	2,237.90
Food Mart	6.00	Sverker, Beverly	1,875.00
Gibson Tools	122.92	Tata & Howard	1,984.41
Gootèe, Mike	767.26	Tatarczuk, Janet	4,005.00
Grainger	296.56	Thorstensen Labs	3,430.00
Hach, Inc.	2,088.00	Thurlow Cust. Farming	640.00
HF Scientific	161.49	TI-Sales	1,876.13
Home Depot	209.86	USA Blue Book	363.34
Ingersoll-Rand	1,377.60	USDA Rural Dev.(debt)	63,549.99
Keyspan Energy	794.16	Univar	8,469.38
Keane Fire Safety	312.90	USI Insurance(bonding)	100.00
Lab Safety	250.32	VWR Int'l	4,353.78
Mass. Comm. of DEP	660.76	W.Newbury Food Mart	17.57
Mass Electric	20,067.55	Yeo Chevrolet	343.88
Merrimac Valley Plan.Comm. 1,300.00	1,300.00	Zip Type	494.85
		TOTAL	\$ 397,544.18

The Water Department would like to thank all Town Officials and residents for their co-operation and assistance this past year.
Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

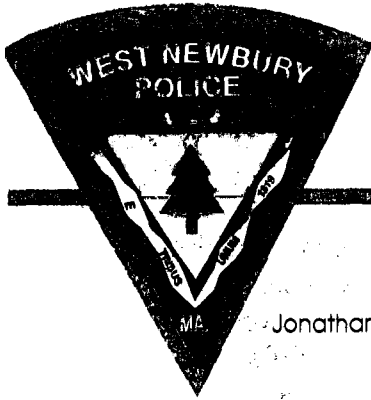
R.Scott Wolke, Chairman

Wendy Reed

Richard Thurlow

Michael E. Gootèe, Manager/Superintendent

Jodi Bertrand, Administrative Assistant



TOWN OF WEST NEWBURY

POLICE DEPARTMENT, 401 Main St., West Newbury, MA 01985

Jonathan Dennis, Chief

Annual Report of the West Newbury Police Department

To: The Honorable Board of Selectmen

The West Newbury Police Department continues to log a tremendous amount of activity for this past year with 20,387 calls for service and total activity. The new Public Safety building has provided us with the proper facilities to meet our needs. Enforcement production for the Department has increased with the number of arrests more than doubling; citations and motor vehicle stops are on the rise. However, the Police Department's function continues to be more Community oriented in servicing the Town's people. This year in conjunction with the Council on Aging the Department will be implementing a TRIAD program. This program seeks to form a partnership with the Town's senior citizens to deal with issues unique to seniors. The police department will also be partnering with the Council on Aging to provide used medical equipment to those in the Community.

At the Pentucket Regional School, the police department continues to run our DARE program for the 14th year at the Page School. We deliver parts of this program at the Middle and High School to educate our youth against the use of drugs and alcohol and to promote self-confidence and good decision-making. We wish to thank Sgt. Charles Courtemanche for his years of service and dedication to the students of Pentucket. Sgt. Chuck retired this year after 35 years of service to the Town. Officers Jim Gately and Larry Corcoran will continue the DARE program. Officer Jay Johnson will be replacing Chuck in the regular work rotation.

The Regional School system presents the police department with a unique challenge to meet the needs of 1800 students, faculty and employees who come into West Newbury every school day. As a result, the department has been very busy insuring that students and faculty arrive safely, have a safe environment from which to learn and to leave safely at the end of each day. We continue to work with the school on responses to potential critical situations which may arise.

Another successful Public Safety Day was held in August in conjunction with the Fire department and EMA. Fire trucks, police cruisers, ATV's, and the Town boat were on display. The Animal Control Officer provided important information, and bicycle helmets were given out free to those that needed them. K-9 units from the Sheriff's Department put on a demonstration and the State Police mounted unit was also a highlight. Many thanks to those who helped to organize the event and all Safety personnel and citizens who participated.

I would like to thank the members of the Public Safety Agencies, Police, Fire, EMA, and Dispatch who have worked so well together over the past year. I would also like to thank the Town's people for providing us with a modern facility to help us do the best job possible.

Sincerely,

Chief Jonathon Dennis





ACTIVITY TABULATION FOR FY2005

<u>Investigations:</u>	FY04	FY05
Aggravated Assault	1	4
Simple Assault	10	14
Intimidation	9	14
Burglary/Breaking and Entering	8	6
Theft from Building	17	7
Theft from Motor Vehicle	1	1
All Other Larceny	17	13
Vandalism	28	38
Drug/Narcotic Violations	22	20
Weapon Law Violations	2	1
Arson	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	9	6
Driving Under the Influence	26	21
Family Offenses	12	1
Liquor Law Violations	13	7
Missing Person	9	0
Trespass of Real Property	16	4
All Other Offenses	70	76
Traffic/Town By-Law Offenses	347	237
TOTAL	619	470
 <u>Motor Vehicle Accidents:</u>		
Investigated by Police	64	78
Reported	9	8
TOTAL	73	86

<u>Arrests:</u>	FY04	FY05
Aggravated Assault	3	5
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	0	0
Stolen Property	1	1
Drug/Narcotic Violations	14	16
Driving Under the Influence	23	18
Liquor Law Violations	4	8
Trespassing	3	2
All Other Offenses	28	55
Traffic, Town By-Law Offenses	31	111
Protective Custody	3	5
TOTAL	110	221
<u>Traffic Citations</u>	1230	1617
<u>Verbal Warnings</u>	1190	1347
<u>Parking Tickets</u>	93	153
TOTAL	2513	3117
<u>Other Activity</u>		
Motor Vehicle Checks	2380	2964
Vandalism Investigations	52	72
Disturbance Investigations	72	77
Harrasing Complaints	8	18
Suspicious Activity	108	186
Confer with Civilians	619	630
Lockouts	27	30
Transport Civilians	58	103
Medical Calls	99	201
Assist Fire Dept.	234	370
Burglar Alarms	240	259
Assist Other Police Depts.	120	64
Open Doors	117	155
Building Checks	4766	4743
Message Deliveries	15	16
Animal Complaints	313	348
Well Being Checks	32	18
TOTAL	9260	10254
<u>Total Calls for Service</u>		
Includes all activity	20329	20387

<u>E-911 Calls</u>	FY04	FY05
Totals	674	672
 <u>Income to Town:</u>		
Court/Traffic	\$29,823.00	\$32,650.00
Reports/Permits	\$2,931.00	\$2,019.00
Administrative Fees	\$5,273.00	\$2,184.00
Totals	\$38,027.00	\$36,853.00

Respectfully Submitted: Chief Jonathon Dennis



WEST NEWBURY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

401 Main Street
West Newbury, MA 01985

Telephone: 978-363-1103 FAX 978-363-2409

Director Scott P. Berkenbush

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The West Newbury Emergency Management Agency participated in the bi-annual Graded Nuclear Exercise in conjunction with the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and Seabrook Station. The town demonstrated its ability to handle an event at Seabrook Station. I am pleased to report that the town performed very well and received zero deficiencies, showing that the town is able to respond to this type of event as well as other town emergencies. This was the first graded exercise in the new public safety complex. I am happy to report that the facility met and exceeded the expectation of all involved with the exercise. Staff from the Emergency Management Agency attended trainings and drills during the year to facilitate the town's needs should a nuclear event occur. Transportation routes were driven and analyzed in conjunction with the regional response for an event in the fall.

I would like to use this opportunity to remind residents that we live in an area that is subject to hurricanes, flooding, and severe thunderstorms. Haz-Mat incidents can occur on our state highways. Having a family emergency plan in place before disaster strikes will help to avoid confusion for families during any type of emergency. This plan should include medications needed, important papers, and a preplanned meeting place. Having a common contact phone number outside of the area, in case local phone systems are not working, may also assist family members in letting others know they are okay. Having a family disaster supply kit ready is also suggested. A plan is also needed for families' pets and livestock. The annual Seabrook Calendar has a Personal Planning Guide section that should be completed for families to reference.

EMA staff continues to donate their time to assist with traffic and communication duties at town events. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the talented individuals who continue to support this agency. Without the help and dedication of members, responding to a town wide emergency would be difficult.

Sincerely,

Scott P. Berkenbush
Director of the Emergency Management Agency

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Fire Department responded to 332 calls in fiscal year 2005 including 152 rescue calls.

As the Fire Department has now completed our first year in the Public Safety Building, we were able to host a meeting of the Essex County Fire Prevention Association. Due to construction, this annual meeting had been postponed for several years. The Association members were very impressed with the new building.

At the Annual Town Meeting of 2005 the Town voted to replace Engine 4, a 1969 Brush Truck, with a new Class A Fire Engine with 1000 gallons of water and a rated pump. This new Engine 4 will be stationed at the Garden Street Station. The new truck contract was awarded to K.M.E., Inc. of Nesquehoning, PA. for \$290,000. This company had built Engine 3 and with this addition to our force, both fire stations will have equally built fire engines. A Commonwealth of Mass. State Fire Grant for \$15,000 was applied toward equipment for the new engine. The Fire Company also received a generous anonymous gift of money to purchase extra equipment for the new engine.

A PUBLIC SAFETY DAY was held and a combined sponsorship by the Fire Dept., Police Dept., Emergency Management Dept. and the Public Safety Dispatchers provided for a very successful event. The State Police, Essex County Sheriffs Dept, West Newbury Animal Control and the State Forest Fire Control Service were on hand to lend their expertise to the delight of all.

In April 2005 the Board of Selectmen reduced the Board of Fire Engineers from 7 to 5 members. Stephen Arnold and Kenneth Berkenbush were not re-appointed to the Board, but were retained as chief officers by the Fire Engineers retaining the rank of Deputy Chiefs.

This year the Fire Department had 4 firefighters state certified as Firefighter 1+2. This course was sponsored by the Essex County Fire Chiefs Association and administered by the State Fire Academy at Stow Ma. The classes were held locally, at night and on Saturdays for call firefighters. The firefighters are Benjamin Jennell, Brandon Lamson, George Evans and Gregory Jennell. The Board of Fire Engineers congratulates them and thanks them for their time and efforts in completing this course.

The Board will be looking to replace the "Jaws of Life" tool with a more updated model and all the personal protective equipment for the fire fighters. Personal protective equipment usually has a life expectancy of 10 years with normal wear and tear. The Board had applied for a Federal Grant for personal protective gear but was turned down due to the pressing needs of other fire departments in the country.

As always the Board of Fire Engineers will continue to strive to bring to the Town of West Newbury the best in firefighting protection and emergency medical services possible. As the town has grown and the demands of the department have increased the board of engineers are looking into manning a fulltime position. This position would be under the direction and administered by the board of fire engineers.

The Board of Fire Engineers would like to thank the members of the Fire Department for their continued effort and dedication this past year. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Police Department, the Public Safety Dispatchers, Emergency Management and the Townspeople for their continued support and cooperation.

Lastly, we thank the surrounding towns for their mutual aid help.

Sincerely,

Chief Raymond S. Dower, III
Glenn Coffin, Assistant Chief
Scott Berkenbush, Deputy Chief

Mark Hemingway, Lieutenant
Michael Dwyer, Lieutenant

Annual Report of the Board of Fire Engineers

The West Newbury Fire Department responded to 332 calls during fiscal year 2005.

Arcing Wires/Wires Down	18	Hazardous Materials	2
Assist the Public	25	Illegal Burn	8
Brush, Grass or Woods	11	Investigate odor or Smoke	12
Building fire	1	Lightning Strike	3
Car	2	Mutual Aid	7
Chimney or Stove	2	Oil Burner	4
Co Detector	4	Natural Gas	2
Dumpster or Trash	0	Rescue / Accident	42
Electrical	3	Rescue / Medical	110
False Alarm	17	Standby / Power Failure	6
Faulty Alarm System	36	Water Problem	11
Food on the Stove	6		
		Total Alarms	332

Organization of the West Newbury Fire Department 2004 - 2005

Raymond S. Dower III, Fire Chief

Glenn Coffin, Assistant Chief

Deputy Scott Berkenbush

Deputy Stephen Arnold

Deputy Kenneth Berkenbush

Carl Babendreier, Capt.
Brett Burkinshaw
Scott Cimino
John Connolly
Peter Connolly
Charles Courtemanche
Richard Davies, Capt
Jonathon Dennis
William Donahue, Lt.
Brett Duncan
Michael Dwyer, Lt
George Evans
Steve Evans

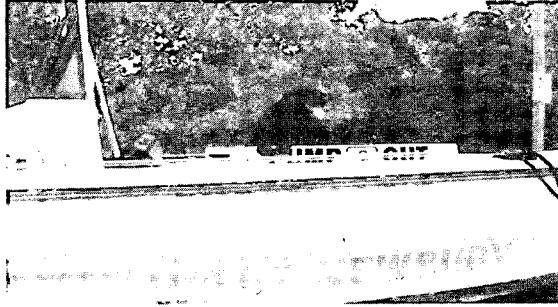
Tammy Evans
Charles Fowler
Kenneth Fowler, Lt.
Keri Fowler
Alexander Gallup
Elias Gallup
Mark Hemingway, Lt.
Richard Hills
Robert Janes, Lt
Benjamin Jennell
David Jennell, Lt.
Gregory Jennell, Lt.
Brandon Lamson

MaryAnn MacDonald
Thomas McCraine
Thomas Natario
Allen Osgood, Lt.
Jamie Osgood
Kara Osgood
Frank Otis
Robert Pierce
James Riley
Kevin Samson
Sean Thresher
David West

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Fire Engineers

Raymond S Dower, III
Glenn Coffin
Scott Berkenbush
Mark Hemingway
Michael Dwyer



Annual Report of the West Newbury Harbormaster

To: The Honorable Board of Selectmen
Harbormaster: Jonathon L. Dennis
Assistant Harbormaster: Thomas Goodwin

Harbor Commission: Thomas Goodwin
Phillip Littlefield
Stephen Burke

Volunteers: James Riley
Robert Bishop
David L'Esperance
Nathaniel Dennis
Benjamin Jennell
Brandon Lamson
Alex Niles
Matt Cena
Kara Osgood
Myla

I would like to thank the members of the Harbor Commission and all the volunteers who assisted this year. Especially, I would like to thank James Riley and Myla who were on the river every weekend this past boating season. Jim's presence with the assistance of several volunteers made this an enjoyable and safe year for many boaters. An increase patrol on the river slowed boats and made boaters more aware of the "No Wake Zones" and the rules of safe navigation.

The goal and the purpose of the West Newbury Harbormaster's office is to maintain our 7 miles of river frontage as a beautiful natural resource which can safely be enjoyed by the boating public and the Town residents. We thank those who contributed to a safe year of boating.

Sincerely,

Jonathon Dennis
Harbormaster

Harbormaster Department Information sheet

I. Activity

1). Assist to other Harbormasters:	5
2). Warnings issued for No Wake violations:	37
3). Speeding Violations:	28
4). Assist disabled boaters:	3
5). Rescue/Medical:	1
6). Citations:	2

II. Pumpout Service

1). Since June of 2005 53 boats were pumped out and 1,679 gallons of effluent were properly disposed of and did not go into the river.

III. Dock and Mooring Permits

1). Moorings	22	\$5.00 *(\$50.00 as of 7/1)	\$160.00
2). Docks	19	\$20.00 * (\$50.00)	\$400.00

Total: \$560.00

IV. Volunteer Hours

1). Tom Goodwin	20
2). James Riley	120
3). Ben Jennell	47
4). Brendan Lamson	41
5). Nathan Dennis	12
6). Jonathon Dennis	20
7). Alex Niles	11
8). Matt Cena	2
9). Kara Osgood	7
	total 280 hrs.

V. Monies Spent

Gas	\$ 189.74
Labor	\$2,835.00
Reimbursement from State	\$2,268.56

Net Expense \$756.18

ANNUAL REPORT OF ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL OFFICER

Activities of the Animal Care and Control Officer July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005

Total number of dogs licensed for the license year of April 1, 2004 to March 31, 2005 was 776 and 4 kennel licenses. Dogs licensed by June 30, 2005 were 681. New this year was a tear-off form on the bottom of the Town Census, which acted as a reminder to license a dog and also explained how the form could be used and a dog license obtained by mail. The Annual Rabies Clinic was held on April 27, 2005. Destroyed under suspicion of rabies were two raccoons.

The number of dog bites was 5: 2 Doves, Mastiff, Aussie, Border Collie. Quarantined were 1 cat & 1 dog for scratching people. 2 cats were quarantined for 45 days because of a wound, but with a valid rabies vaccination. Dogs & cats are quarantined, even with a valid Rabies vaccination, because there is always the possibility of a vaccine failure. Report all bites and scratches.

Dead Animals: 4 dogs, 5 cats, 2 skunks, 6 raccoons, 1 fox, 9 deer, 2 beaver, 2 woodchuck, 1 each goose & turkey, and 2 seagulls. Injured were 4 dogs, 3 cats, and one dog was stuck in the river which the fire department rescued with their boat. Many animals do get hit and run off. There were 10 barking dog complaints and ninety-two nuisance complaints concerning dogs.

Twenty-seven dogs were picked up and returned to their owners. Two red-boned coonhounds and one terrier mix were picked up and after 10 days were declared strays and adopted. Two black kittens were picked up and adopted and 1 adult tiger cat was picked up and adopted. Two cats were euthanized due to being too wild and dangerous to place as pets.

Wildlife calls as always were interesting and many involved educating the caller and attempting to eliminate the threatening elements of the situation. The goal is to eliminate the problem not the animal. Many calls for baby birds and most could be placed in a basket and hung back in a tree; 2 fawns needed rescuing as one was in a fenced yard and the other fell down a basement stairwell; 2 crows caught in the batting cage, a skunk in the High School gym office, woodpeckers eating a house, flying squirrels in houses (there really are as many as grey squirrels we just don't see them as they are nocturnal), sightings of coyotes, foxes, moose, turkeys; something in chimney; beaver concerns; raccoon & squirrels in attics; squirrels in AC unit and walls; and snakes in yard (most people needed help identifying, as unless an illegal drop-off, there are no poisonous snakes in West Newbury and snakes are protected and useful for rodent and bug control).

The Animal Care and Control Department has a new vehicle: a 2005 Ford Freestar which arrived the end of March 2005.

Respectfully submitted, Madelyn Cirinna

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Permits for the following building activities were issued during the Fiscal Year **1 July 2004 to 30 June 2005**

15	New Single Family Homes
17	Foundations for New Single Family Houses
11	Decks & Porches
13	Other Additions
16	Outbuildings, garages, barns & sheds
41	Alterations & Renovations
4	Pools
44	Reroof, Siding or Windows
4	Demolition
8	Wood Stoves/Chimneys
4	Misc
1	Waived Fee Permits
11	Foundations for additions

TOTAL NUMBER OF PERMITS ISSUED	189
Estimated Value of New Homes	\$6,405,871.00
Estimated Value of Other Construction	3,545,575.00
Estimated Value of Fees Waived Permits	<u>690,000.00</u>
Total Value of Construction	\$10,641,446.00
 TOTAL FEES COLLECTED	 \$ 71,413.00

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn Clohec
Inspector of Buildings

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE INSPECTION DEPARTMENT

TOTAL COLLECTED FOR BUILDING PERMITS	\$71,413.00
TOTAL COLLECTED FOR PLUMBING & GAS PERMITS	6,925.00
TOTAL COLLECTED FOR ELECTRICAL PERMITS	6,414.00
 FY DEPT. TOTAL	 <u>\$84,752.00</u>

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PLUMBING AND GAS INSPECTOR

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

PLUMBING PERMITS issued during the Fiscal Year **1 July 2004 to 30 June 2005**

9	New Homes	\$1,480.00
49	Remodel & Additions	3,365.00
2	Water Heater Systems	110.00
	Fee Waived	

Total Number of Plumbing Permits Issued 60

Total Plumbing Fees Collected \$4,955.00

GAS PERMITS issued during the Fiscal Year **1 July 2004 to 30 June 2005**

Total Number of Gas Permits Issued 43

Total Gas Permit Fees Collected \$1,970.00

COMBINED TOTAL OF PERMITS ISSUED 103

TOTAL COMBINED FEES PLUMBING & GAS \$6,925.00

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Caruso
Plumbing & Gas Inspector

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

ELECTRICAL PERMITS issued during the Fiscal Year **1 July 2004 to 30 June 2005**

11	New Homes	\$5,156.00
128	All Other	1,258.00
	Fees Waived	

TOTAL NUMBER OF ELECTRICAL PERMITS ISSUED 139

TOTAL ELECTRICAL FEES COLLECTED \$6,414.00

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Levesque,
Electrical Inspector

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Over the past year the Conservation Commission has continued its efforts to protect the wetlands under the Wetlands Protection Act, the Rivers Protection Act and Town by-law. The Commission is charged with regulating activities in, or within 100 feet of, wetlands resource areas in order to prevent damage to these often fragile and often irreplaceable resources. The Commission is also charged with regulating activities beyond those areas that do, in fact, alter the resource areas. The regulations under the Rivers Protection Act provide for regulating activities within 200 feet of a river or perennial stream flowing into a river in order to protect these resources. Wetlands serve many functions. These include filtering and cleansing water (which helps protect groundwater and drinking water supplies), providing flood storage, preventing storm damage and providing wildlife habitat.

The Commission held hearings on Notices of Intent, Notices of Resource Area Delineation and Requests for Determinations of Applicability for new projects, discussed potential projects on an informal basis with landowners, and investigated and responded to wetlands related issues brought to its attention. The Commission monitored ongoing projects for compliance with orders of conditions through site inspections and follow up with parties involved.

The Commission supports the goals of protecting drinking water supplies and preserving both centrally located open space and the Town's rural and agricultural character. Our goal is to protect and preserve irreplaceable natural resources and to work to ensure that growth and development is done in ways that are consistent with environmental protection and preservation of open space for the benefit of all residents. As part of the effort to preserve open space the Commission has participated in obtaining conservation restrictions and supports the goals and objectives of the Open Space Plan.

Respectfully submitted,
Judith H. Mizner, Chair

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

For the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2005, the following work was carried out by the Highway Department:

Brush cutting, roadside mowing, catch basin cleaning, street sweeping, pruning trees, cutting dead and hazardous trees, drainage repairs and upgrades, patching pot holes, sign repair and placement, picking up rubbish and debris from roadsides, and crack sealing. The Highway Department also mowed the grass on all the new playing fields, and all other town owned property. The department also plowed and sanded town roads and all other town property, and sidewalks, and hauled away snow from the town center.

The Highway Department did the following road work:

Paved Prospect Street, Steed Avenue, Coffin Street, and Pipestave Hill Apartment House parking lot using Town and Chapter 90 funds.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary J. Bill
Superintendent of Streets

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

This year saw many changes in the Buildings and Grounds Department. After more than ten years the Knoll Edge Pre-School gave up their lease of the space at the rear of Town Hall. A new tenant has signed on to start a pre-school in the fall. Learning Tree Pre-School repainted the interior of the space. A re-inspection of lead paint was conducted, and after corrections were performed the Town received a new Compliance Certificate.

Our part-time assistant, Fred Faulkner, notified us that he will no longer be available for snow removal duties. We have arranged to have Ben Jennell assist with snow removal for this coming winter season.

A new glass entrance door from an interior hallway was installed at the Senior Center. New stair railings were installed on outside cement stairs at the side of the 1910 Office Building. A chainlink fence was installed between Bachelor Street and the ball fields to control bike traffic entering Bachelor Street unexpectedly.

Bidding documents are being prepared for the residing of the 1910 Office Building.

The biggest change to come will be for the Buildings and Grounds Department to become part of the new Department of Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Mather, Superintendent
Buildings and Grounds

COUNCIL ON AGING

Town of
WEST NEWBURY, MASSACHUSETTS 01985

Annual Report of the Council on Aging

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Council on Aging is excited about new programs that are being introduced as well as the old favorites that keep us all busy. There are many activities that are offered at our site. Some include our Monday/Wednesday Bingo games, Tai-Chi, Art Classes, Scrapbooking and Knitting.

Our monthly trips to different destinations such as Portland Maine, Castle in the Clouds, a Clam Bake, the Topsfield Fair and Indian Head Resort are enjoyed by the many that are partaking in them. It is an opportunity for many who don't drive to be able to go on the trips.

The Birthday Party continues to bring a large crowd to the lunch room. On the third Thursday of every month we offer a celebration for those that have celebrated a birthday. Cake and Ice Cream is served after our regular lunch meal.

We have continued to celebrate holidays by having parties around them. We are also pleased to announce that our Cookout has become an Annual event thanks in large part to the fire department. This year we offered an Ice Cream Social that we hope will continue to be an annual success.

Many clinics were offered this year. The most popular being the blood pressure clinic that is offered after the birthday party. A registered nurse from the VNA will come and check your blood pressure as well as answer any medical questions that you might. With Medicare Part D coming to light we have offered clinics in order to gain more information about the program that will affect so many of us. Our Flu Clinic was a huge success this year. We had our largest number yet. Our hope is that it will continue to grow every year.

In May, a new Director, Theresa Poore, was hired. Since that time we have started a newsletter that is produced on a monthly timeline and distributed to all the seniors in town. She has started to work closely with our outreach program and the West Newbury Police Department in order to start the TRIAD Program.

We were saddened by the retirement of Gena Poore. Gena worked as the site manager for the lunch program for over ten years. With her departure comes a new face to the center. Nancy Kozera was hired as the new site manager for the lunch program.

All of our senior citizens are welcome to drop in at the Senior Center or to call our director, Theresa Poore, to learn what services are available to them. The number at the center is 978-363-1104.

Respectfully submitted,
Cornelia Freeman, Chairperson



**Mill Pond Committee
West Newbury, Massachusetts 01985**

**Report of the Mill Pond Committee
Fiscal Year 2005**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Mill Pond Committee is charged with managing the many varied activities that take place in the Mill Pond Recreational Area while maintaining its natural, aesthetic beauty. The Committee wishes to thank the many other individuals and town officials who contribute to the success of our activities.

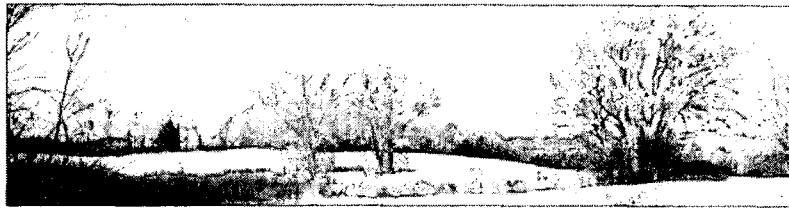
Recreational fishing at Mill Pond has improved substantially in the five years since the pond was dredged. Increased numbers of anglers turned out to catch trophy-sized Largemouth Bass and Chain Pickerel.

Significant events that occurred during the past fiscal year were:

- Two, Troop 26, Eagle Scout Projects were completed. A nature trail was constructed, which included placing five educational signs and twenty three identification tags along a scenic trail. Three additional projects were approved and are currently under construction.
- A successful winter carnival was held featuring Frosty the Snowman and The Cat in the Hat. Activities included winter nature tracking along with sledding, skating, and a snowshoe clinic.
- Four weeks of children's nature days were held during the summer months.
- Four equestrian events were held on Pipestave Hill.
- Three Pentucket cross-country track meets were held.
- Essex County Greenbelt Association held a Pipestave Hill Day.
- The Mill Pond Building was used for six private activities.
- A Girl Scout sleepover and a year-end Cub Scout cookout and award ceremony were held.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charles Reynolds, Chair



WEST NEWBURY OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

West Newbury, Massachusetts 01985

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,

In fiscal year 2005, the Open Space Committee focused energy in four areas: affordable housing, the Community Preservation Act, trails and land management

Regarding **affordable housing**, the committee closely followed the initial Workforce Housing proposal for the Craven property, and currently member Mickey Culver contributes representation to the reconfigured Workforce Housing Committee. We participated in the first formal 40B hearings on the Daley property. Though our focus remains on open space issues, we as a committee are committed to the goals of working toward a greater number and variety of housing options for townspeople and toward compliance with Chapter 40B.

We initiated an investigation of the possible benefits of the **Community Preservation Act** for the town of West Newbury. Along with the Workforce Housing Trust and the Historical Society, we planned and hosted an informational forum on January 19th, 2005 which was well attended and well publicized. The committee, being convinced of the merits of the program, held discussions with the Finance Director, the Finance Committee and the Board of Selectmen with a goal of placing the CPA on the Special Town Meeting warrant in the fall.

The Open Space Committee's **trails** subcommittee, led by Don Bourquard, continued its work on linking existing town trails into a permanently protected town wide system of trails. The committee worked with MVPC to map the trails at Riverbend, Craven Woods and Millpond, and with ECTA to achieve 3 new trail easements with many more in the planning stages. The Riverbend and Millpond and Craven Woods Trail Maps are now available with plenty of other information and links on our website at westnewburyopenspace.net. The OSC website is now linked to the town website, and is web-mastered by OSC member Mike Mokrzycki.

In preparation for future work on **management plans for town owned open space**, we have created initial inventories. The Priority Parcel List was updated in June of 2005. In addition, we continued our coordinated work with the Planning Board, with Don Bourquard acting as liaison. We revised an extensive protocol for making expenditures from the Land Preservation and Growth Management Bond. We heard a complaint regarding compliance with the restrictive covenants at Cherry Hill, and made recommendations to the Board of Selectman for improved enforcement of such covenants.

The Open Space Committee meets on the first Wednesday of the month in the Town Office Building. We welcome anyone who is interested.

Respectfully submitted,

Annie Madden, Chair

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

During 2005, the Capital Improvement Committee reviewed and coordinated the planning and proposed financing of West Newbury capital improvements (items over \$10,000) and updated the twenty year plan for the Stabilization Fund.

Meetings were conducted with each Town Department that was requesting funds over the amount of \$10,000. Six items were reviewed with all of them requesting funds for Fiscal Year 2006. After review, each of the items were prioritized using the litmus test. The order of prioritization is shown below.

Below is a summary of Fiscal 2006 items and Exhibit A is an updated Stabilization fund overview.

Fiscal 2006 Budget Items

		FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS					
	Priority	2006	Water	Free	Stabilization	Approved	
		Requested	Fund	Cash	Fund	2005 Mtg	
WATER DEPARTMENT							
Booster pump w/variable drive	1	\$ 31,000	\$ 31,000			\$ 31,000	
Chemical injection point	2	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000			\$ 16,000	
Backup generator at Pipestave	3	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000			\$ 30,000	
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT							
New Highway Garage	4	\$600,000		\$600,000		\$600,000	
FIRE DEPARTMENT							
Replace Engine 24	5	\$300,000			\$ 300,000	\$300,000	
BUILDING AND GROUNDS							
Reside 1910 Building	6	\$148,800		\$148,800		\$148,800	

Respectfully Submitted:

Richard Berkenbush	Tracy Blais	Albert Knowles	David Kapturowski
Gail Majauckas	Judy Mizner	Richard Preble	Glenn Kemper

EXHIBIT A

CAPITAL ASSET REPAIRS/REPLACEMENTS
 STABILIZATION FUND SUPPORTED
 FY 2005

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Buildings & Grounds											
1910 Town Office Building			20,000								
1992 Ford F150 Pickup Truck			13,050								
Town Hall	20,000						11,000			16,500	
GAR Memorial Library											12,000
Main Street Fire Station					11,000						
Garden Street Fire Station											
Page School						5,500					
Highway Garage											
Apartment House											
Highway Department/Salt/Sand Shed							11,000				
Mill Pond Recreation Building					11,000						
Action Cove Playground Annex		10,000	10,000	8,500				3,000			
Park and Recreation Building			20,000								
Unanticipated Repairs	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	13,000	13,000	13,000
Total Building & Grounds	31,000	21,000	74,050	19,500	34,000	17,500	34,000	15,000	13,000	29,500	25,000
Fire Department											
1980 Seagrave Aerial Ladder Truck											
1985 Ford Tanker-Pumper											
1976 Warner-/Swa Farrar Pump (Eng 23)											
1969 Ford Combo F-16(Eng 24)		180,000									
1989 Ford L8000 Chassis Fire Engine (Eng 22)										375,000	
1994 Ford Rescue											
Jaws of Life			25,000								
Air Equipment											
Total Fire Department	0	180,000	25,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	375,000	0
Animal Care & Control											
1991 Ford U340 Explorer		18,500									
Highway Department											
1982 Caterpillar Grader				Do not replace							
1998 Caterpillar Backhoe						95,000					
1998 Ford Dump Truck	45,000								47,000		
1997 Ford Truck L8000			90,000								
1999 Caterpillar Loader								100,000			
1990 Ford Sander L8000										92,000	
1986 Ford Tractor 1310				Do not replace							
1999 Ford 4X4 F350 Dump		45,000					46,000				
2000 International Dump							92,000				
1982 Bombadier Sidewalk Plow						40,000					
2000 John Deere Tractor Mower											40,000
2002 John Deere Tractor Mower											
2002 Kubota Mower		15,000									
Total Highway Department	45,000	60,000	90,000	0	0	135,000	138,000	100,000	47,000	92,000	40,000
Board of Health											
1995 Dodge Ram Truck				Do not replace							
TOTAL ASSET REPLACEMENTS	76,000	279,500	189,050	19,500	34,000	152,500	172,000	115,000	60,000	496,500	65,000
ANNUAL APPROPRIATION	170,000	170,000	170,000	170,000	170,000	17,000	170,000	170,000	170,000	170,000	170,000
Other Special Article Appropriations											
STABILIZATION FUND BALANCE	259,221	353,221	243,721	224,671	375,171	511,171	375,671	373,671	428,671	538,671	212,171

Workforce Housing Trust Activity Summary

September 2004 - May 2005

September

Appointments made September, 2004

Posted WHT Meetings: 9/30/04

Additional Fact Finding

- Conference with DHCD regarding Planned Production document

Monthly activity 1 WHT meeting

October

Posted WHT Meetings: 10/05/04, 10/12/04, 10/19/04, 10/26/04

Site visits - Craven property 10/19/04, Daley/Burnim properties 10/26/04

Community Outreach - WHT report to Town Meeting 10/18/04

Additional Fact Finding

- Multiple conferences, conversations with DHCD regarding planned production document, potential funding.

Monthly activity 4 WHT meetings, 2 site visits
1 community outreach activity, 1 additional fact finding activity

November

Posted WHT Meetings: 11/9/04, 11/12/04, 11/16/04, 11/17/04,
11/18/04, 11/23/04, 11/30/04

Site visits - Dunn property 11/9/04, North Pipestave Hill property 11/30/04

Development of site evaluation matrix

Community Outreach

- Informational meeting afternoon 11/12/04
- Informational meeting evening 11/17/04
- Informational meeting evening 11/18/04

Additional Fact Finding:

- Multiple contacts with DHCD regarding final approval of planned production document.

Monthly activity 7 WHT meetings, 2 site visits, 3 community outreach activities,
1 Additional fact finding activity

December

Posted WHT Meetings: 12/14/04, 12/28/04

Site Visits - Harris/Illsley/Bachelor Street properties 12/7/04

Further development of site evaluation matrix

Offers of land received from Dee Brenner, Vin Brienze

Draft Town Meeting Articles

Monthly activity 2 WHT meetings, 3 site visits

January

Posted WHT Meetings: 1/04/05, 1/11/05, 1/18/05

Develop FAQ

Community Outreach

- Comprehensive WHT Board-to-Board meeting 1/11/05
- Finance Committee meeting 1/24/05

Meet with Lisa Schwarz, Andover Planner, and Susan Stott, Andover Housing Partnership as part of peer-to-peer review 1/18/05

Additional Fact Finding:

- Meeting with RSH Development
- Meeting with Ahern Brothers Developers
- Visit to package treatment plant at Longview Apartments, Georgetown
- Consultation with Burnim family about property

Monthly activity 3 WHT meetings, 2 community outreach activities,
4 additional fact finding meetings

February

Posted WHT Meetings: 2/1/05, 2/8/05, 2/10/05, 2/15/05

Community Outreach Activity

- Public Safety officials meeting 2/1/05
- Hilltop Circle neighbors meeting 2/10/05
- Planning Board meeting 2/15/05

Additional Fact Finding

- Conversation with Beacon Properties, apartment and mixed used developers.
- Conversation with Winn Properties, affordable developers

- Conversation with LISC officials about citizen lead affordable housing initiatives
- Meeting with Avalon Bay Developers, rental housing developers
- Follow-up consultation with Mirra Company, apartment developers, on package treatment plants.
- Conversation with Mt. Hope Engineering about equipment specifications for package treatment plants
- On-going discussions with Burnim-family about property
- Conversation with DHCD about priority development fund eligibility

Monthly activity 4 WHT meetings, 3 community outreach activities,
8 additional fact finding activities

March

Posted WHT Meetings: 3/2/05, 3/6/05, 3/8/05, 3/9/05, 3/12/05,
3/15/05, 3/21/05, 3/29/05

Community Outreach

- Housing Authority meeting 3/1/05
- Dunn property neighbors meeting 3/06/05
- Affordable Housing Informational Forum with DHCD (Toni Hall) and Massachusetts Housing Partnership (Clark Ziegler) 3/09/05
- Site analysis presentation by Richard Gardiner 3/12/05
- Board of Selectmen meeting 3/21/05
- Conservation Commission meeting 3/21/05

Additional Fact Finding

- Conversation with Wellspring House, non-profit developers
- Conversation with potential developer about Burnim property options
- Consultation with Doug Storey, Planning Board member and chair, Affordable Housing Partnership, Bolton MA.
- Attend information session on Affordable Housing Trusts, Worcester
- Attend Smart Growth and Rural Communities forum, Middleboro
- Conversation with Hawthorne Development Corporation
- 2 meetings with city of Haverhill about potential sewer hook-up to Craven property.

Finalized population impact analysis

Monthly Activity 8 WHT meetings, 4 community outreach activities,
2 public information sessions, 7 additional fact finding activities

April *Posted WHT Meetings:* 4/6/05, 4/12/05, 4/19/05, 4/21/05, 4/25/05

Community Outreach

- Multi-family housing forum with DHCD (Fred Habib) and MassHousing (Tom Gleason) 4/6/05
- Board of Health meeting 4/12/05
- West Newbury Water Commission 4/14/05
- West Newbury ZBA meeting 4/14/05
- Craven Neighbors meeting 4/21/05
- West Newbury ZBA Ahern Brothers Presentation 4/21/05
- Presentation at Town Meeting 4/25/05

Additional Fact Finding

- Meeting with local proponent about land based approach
- Consultation with Housing Appeals Committee about density requirements
- Conversation with Weymouth officials about land-based approach
- Follow-up meeting with city of Haverhill about hook-up fees for potential sewer service to Craven property.

Land-based calculation analysis

Monthly activity 5 WHT meetings, 4 community outreach activities,
3 public information sessions, 4 additional fact finding activities

May *Posted WHT Meeting:* 5/3/05 *Monthly Activity-* 1 WHT meeting

Summary of WHT Activity September, 2004 through May, 2005:

Posted WHT meetings	35
Sites visited	7
Community outreach activities	17
Public information sessions	5
Additional fact finding activities	25

Rep. Harriet Stanley, Chairman
Marjorie Peterson
David Houlden
Gary Bill
Tracy Blais, Ex-officio

**Workforce Housing Trust
Report to Town Meeting
October 17, 2005**

The WHT, as presently constituted, was convened by the Board of Selectmen after the Spring 2005 Town Meeting to devise an approach for bringing the town into compliance with the Commonwealth's affordable-housing law, known as Chapter 40B. The 12-member group, which has 7 voting members and 5 non-voting members, purposefully includes representatives of other town boards and committees whose work has relevance to the mission of the WHT, as well as citizens not otherwise involved in town government. Since beginning its work in May of this year, the WHT has endeavored to gain a broad understanding of the affordable-housing issue and its impact on West Newbury. Toward that end, the group has studied compliance strategies employed by other communities and has explored such topics as zoning changes that encourage affordable housing and potential sources of funding, both public and private. The Selectmen have asked us to make recommendations on complying with Chapter 40B that can be incorporated, in whole or in part, into one or more warrant items to be presented for your consideration at the spring town meeting. Given the importance of this issue and the impact that the development of affordable housing will have on all of us, we invite and encourage input from interested citizens. To facilitate such input, we will be furnishing the town website with updates on our work and links to pertinent resources, and all of our meetings will continue to be open to the public, with the meeting dates and times posted at Town Hall.

The mandates of Chapter 40B can be met either by having 10% of the housing units in town affordable or by having affordable housing on 1.5% of qualified land. The WHT will work towards compliance by proposing the development of affordable housing units consistent with the Town's approved Planned Production goals. We further believe the goal of achieving permanent compliance with Chapter 40B will be in accordance with its land-use provision.

The WHT will propose specific affordable housing that brings the Town into compliance with Chapter 40B consistent with our understanding of Town needs and values. We believe that these interests would be best served by a number of small and medium projects, located throughout the Town.

We believe the Town will achieve compliance through publicly sponsored projects, private 40B developments, the construction of affordable units in conjunction with potential changes to zoning bylaws, and the conversion of market rate units into affordable units.

Our goal is to provide a diversity of affordable housing options, including rentals and opportunities for home ownership for first time home-buyers, citizens over 55 years of age and seniors, and municipal and other employees. Although this goal may be tempered by economical and logistical considerations, we will strive to make proposals that serve as many of these constituent groups as possible.

The WHT is committed to providing citizens, boards and committees with an opportunity to furnish meaningful input in any affordable housing proposals. In furtherance of this commitment, the WHT Committee will hold community "listening and visioning" forums to gather input from interested citizens, boards and committees to brainstorm the types of projects that may meet community needs.

Over the next several months the WHT will continue to explore funding sources; to discuss with other communities their experiences with smaller, town-sponsored affordable projects; and to explore the creation of a non profit trust or housing corporation to accept donations of property and cash for the purpose of developing affordable housing. On behalf of the WHT, I wish to thank you for allowing me to make this presentation and, once again, to invite the citizens of West Newbury to become further involved in our work.

Barry LaCroix, Chairman
David Houlden
Robert S. Phillips
Francis Culver
Patricia Reeser
Richard J. Cushing
Todd Newman

Sandy Barnes
Brian Murphey
John Sarkis
Phyllis Leonard
Richard Pakrer

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE OVER 55 HOUSING COMMITTEE

To: The Honorable Board of Selectmen

From: The Over 55 Housing committee

Re: Progress of the Committee

Dear Board Members:

The members of the Over 55 Housing Committee continue to work toward the construction of housing for our senior town residents. The goal of the committee is to construct both reasonably priced and affordable senior housing on an appropriate parcel of town land. Such housing will provide needed homes for residents who wish to downsize their living quarters and still maintain a residence in their hometown.

Our extensive completed senior survey strongly indicated a desire of our seniors to remain in West Newbury and continue the rural lifestyle that we all enjoy.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy J. Barry, Member

REPORT OF THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

The Personnel Committee met periodically to review requests from Department Heads and/or Town employees regarding various aspects of employment with the Town of West Newbury. The Personnel Committee assists the Board of Selectmen in interpreting and developing policy that enhances an individual's ability to perform the job for which they were hired. As the Board of Selectmen's representative to the Personnel Committee, I commend Judy Mizner, Brian Warne, and Tracy Blais for a job well done.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard J. Cushing, Selectman

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This West Newbury Annual Report of the School Department activities for FY 05 has been developed by the Principals of the Dr. John C. Page School, Pentucket Regional Middle School and Pentucket Regional High School on behalf of the Superintendent of Schools and the Pentucket Regional School Committee.

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Dr. John C. Page Elementary School Annual Report Fiscal Year 2005

The 2005 school year at the Dr. John C. Page School was a productive one. The prek-6 student enrollment was five hundred seventy students. The enrollment comprised of fifteen intra-district students, twenty-six students through the school choice program along with sixty-six preschool students, twenty-eight of whom were West Newbury residents. The balance of the preschool enrollment reflects Groveland's share of the District's program housed at the Page School.

The School Improvement Plan focused on the strategic goals related to student achievement, student social competences, school safety, and the maintenance of the physical plant. The progress made in addressing the goals is described below.

Annual reporting of the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) for the Page School continued to be strong. Students in grades three through six consistently placed in the top decile in the state in mathematics, English language arts, and science and technology. We continued to use other measures of academic progress through student projects and building based assessments to provide the most complete picture of what our students know and can do.

The staff piloted the nationally endorsed violence prevention program, *Second Step*. Staff were trained in the features of the curriculum with school-wide implementation. All staff that worked with the students was trained in the program's features so that a common language was used in helping students to manage themselves well in the school setting.

Steps were taken to standardize the emergency response protocols. An Incident Command Team has been established at the school to interface with community based responders in the event of an emergency protocol needing to be implemented at the site.

There continues to be facilities issues at the school that need resolution. The winter months present a challenge with snow build-up falling from the roof and creating a hazard for staff and students alike. Water leaks in the northwest section of the building have been addressed in the past, however persist. The building public address system needs attention to assure that all rooms in the building have the capacity to hear announcements from the principal's office, particularly in times of an emergency.

Fiscal challenges have emerged in recent years for funding the school budget. The Page School staff would like to express our sincere appreciation for the continued commitment of West Newbury citizens in their support of education via the town meeting process.

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To: Dr. William G. Compton, Superintendent of Schools

From: Renzo A. Binaghi, Principal *RMB*

Date: October 25, 2005

Subject: Town Report

The following reflect notable events / changes at the middle school:

1. Significant technology upgrades continued to be implemented last year. We now have a number of links added to our website which provide parents, community members and other interested public parties with an excellent source of communication related to virtually all aspects of the middle school. Included on our website are links pertaining to activities / events, school lunches, calendars, curriculum maps, student homework (Homework Now), Ed. Line (providing secure access for parents and students to the teacher electronic rankbook which is upgraded each week). Parents are automatically e-mailed through the program whenever teachers make a change or addition to the rankbook. It is detailed to the extent that parents know which assignments have and have not been turned in along with up-to-date grades and averages. On our Homepage we have "Library Spots" and "Great Websites" which provide students with numerous websites to facilitate research. Other sites are also made available for the purpose of offering study skills assistance.
2. As we had provided new computers for our Computer Lab, we had taken those previously used in the lab and placed them in classrooms to increase the number of available student workstations. Those computers have been installed with upgraded programs. This will be an annual task. These tools are vital as support mechanisms for

curriculum delivery and for the purpose of addressing various student learning styles. We have also begun the process of providing teachers with "Smart Boards." This equipment allows for use of DVD's and interactive programs along with manipulation of the teacher computer screen with internet connection which is displayed to all students in the classroom. The "Smart Board" which looks like a "White Board" can be touched and manipulated just as one would their own computer screen. This item significantly intensifies the teaching and learning experience.

3. The Community Service Team, which was begun three years ago, continues to grow as we have become engaged with a wider variety of community agencies. We have been averaging 70 – 80 students per year. This is reflective of those who remain with the program and fulfill all their obligations.
4. The remainder of our co-curricular activities continue to remain strong and we continue to develop a variety of opportunities from which students may choose: art club, intra-murals that are season-appropriate, tennis, and numerous performing arts clubs including strings and percussion instruction. We are expecting a significant impact on these programs this year as we will shortly be curtailing the availability of late busses for students.
5. We continue to work on maintaining impetus as it pertains to curriculum development and adjustment. We continue to be engaged in a 7 - 12 initiative to bring mathematics instruction more in line with NCTM and TIMSS Study recommendations (upon which are based our state standards). The elementary schools have adopted a curriculum to address those recommendations and the middle school continues to be engaged in the text series selection process which will result in smooth transition from the elementary curriculum to the middle as it pertains to methods of teaching Math (a more integrated approach) and sequence of content. The text selection portion of the project was placed on hold last year by our former superintendent and we are looking at re-engaging this year.
6. Due to the special needs of elementary students entering the middle school, we continue to expand our complement of "Phonic Ear" amplification systems for both grade levels and Special Education programs.

7. We have had a dramatic increase in the number of various learning disabilities with which we must contend and had added to our programs (Functional Skills and Language Based Learning Center) a new program called Resource Academic Intervention (RAI) that is designed to assist students whose overall functioning is significantly below grade level. This program continues to be a viable and integral addition to our special needs services.
8. We completed the process of having a new roof installed over the middle school. Thus far, there have been no leaks and we continue to be engaged in the process of replacing damaged ceiling tiles. We also have been and continue to work on contracting for fabrication of new hoods / cowlings which protect ventilation fans on the roof.
9. We did have the entire school calibrated as part of a computer controlled heat management system. Though we still grapple with the need to replace a number of valves that have "frozen", (a costly project, the upgrades to our heating system have resulted in a savings of 100 gallons of oil per day during heating season. It is unfortunate that said budgetary savings have been, in a way, offset by the significant increase in cost of fuel.

Pentucket Regional High School 2005-2006

Despite serious budget cuts in 05-06, the high school continues to work on fulfilling the recommendations made by the NEASC visiting team in March of 2002. All high schools must complete this process every ten years in order to maintain their accreditation. The Commission on Public and Secondary Schools has voted to continue Pentucket's accreditation. As we focus on becoming a Mission driven school, all aspects of student learning are driven by our goal of fostering academic excellence, civic responsibility and social awareness by providing students with a strong foundation of knowledge and skills as well as developing a life long quest for learning. We have set high expectations for student learning and have developed a set of rubrics to assess whether students have met those standards. Our goals this year are to continue to map our curriculum in every course and compare our maps with the curriculum maps K-12 and to increase the use of technology across the curriculum. These will insure that student achievement continues to be a focus of Pentucket High School while providing access to the curriculum for all students.

Despite the continuation of a fee structure for extra-curricular activities and athletics, our programs continue to be very strong with high student participation. Our concern is that many students may be opting out of participation due to financial difficulties. We have tried our best to insure that all students have access to athletics and extra-curricular activities but our fees are the higher than any in the surrounding communities.

Class sizes have increased dramatically especially in our eleventh and twelfth grade classes. We have made a commitment to provide smaller class sizes in our ninth and tenth grade classes. However, budget cuts have limited the number of course offerings and seniors and juniors were given preference in taking elective courses. Most ninth grade students have a directed study for one semester.

We are piloting a ninth grade team approach to ease the transition from eighth to ninth grade. Students in grade nine are divided into two teams and the teams share the same teachers for English, Math, Science and Social Studies. Teachers in each team meet to discuss and share ideas during a common planning time. We have also begun a Peer Mentoring Program. Sixty eleventh and twelfth grade students trained over this summer and have monthly mentoring programs with every ninth grade student. Each mentor has five ninth grade students they are responsible for mentoring over the school year. Mentoring topics include: time management, stress, setting goals and making positive choices. We believe that both of these initiatives along with Peer Tutoring and Peer Mediation will insure a smoother transition to high school.

Our Fine and Performing Arts students continue to be recognized for their outstanding achievements in all of the arts throughout the state. The Community Service Team has grown with over 400 students volunteering thousands of hours in a wide variety of community service projects that include the Boys and Girls Club in Salisbury, volunteering at the Page School's Apple Harvest, cleaning up along the Merrimack River

and helping with Feline Rescue. Our students continue to learn how important it is to give back to the community in which they live. These are valuable life lessons that will enrich their lives and the lives of the people they touched with their community service.

Our MCAS scores continue to place our students in the top eighteenth percent statewide. The Class of 2006 scored 98% passing on the first try of the English Language Arts, 90% scored in the Proficient and Advanced categories and 94% passed the Mathematics with 80% scoring the Proficient and Advanced categories. Our SAT and Advanced Placement scores continue to place Pentucket above the national and state averages.

The members of the Class of 2005 were admitted to competitive colleges and post secondary programs that indicate that our courses are rigorous and prepare our students for the world outside of Pentucket High School.

Listed below are the members of the Class of 2005 from West Newbury

Amer, Max
Andreas, Jason
Barreiros, Nicole
Bauer, Christopher
Boyle, Kaitlyn
Brunault, Ryan
Bryant, Austin
Campbell, Robert
Card, Adam
Cavallaro, Patrick
Cosentino, Maryse
Costa, April
Crawford, Conor
Dennett, Katelyn
Doherty, Kayla
Elmi, Steffen
Fallavollita, John
Fisette, Molly
Francescone, Katrina
Germain, Carissa
Griskiewicz, Brett
Hall, William
Hambrecht, Keith
Hamilton, Eliza
Harris, Christie
Iola, Michael
Jennell, Gregory
King, Heather
Knowles, Margaret
Knowles, Samuel
Krzcuik-Locke

Lambert, Trescott
Leonard-Solis, Peter
Libby, Maddison
Markewicz, Oliver
McCarron, Peter
Metrakas, Maria
Monaco, Alivia
Murphy, Joseph
O'Donnell, Brittany
O'Hara, Daniel
Owen, Bryan
Parker, Robert
Radville, Laura
Ragaglia, Alyse
Shea, Celia
Smaila, Jonathan
Tadokoro, Kimiya
Thomas, Gregory
Tonry, Jessica
Wahl, Henry
Wallace, Patrick
White, Colin
Young, Erinn

KAREN SARKISIAN
Superintendent

DAVID E. IRVING
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September 15, 2005

ANNUAL OPERATIONAL REPORT

TO: The Honorable Board of Selectmen

FROM: Brian Young, Whittier Representative
Karen Sarkisian, Superintendent

Whittier offers 19 vocational technical career areas designed to provide the necessary training and skills for personal and work force success.

Whittier's academic program is designed to offer students a broad base in fundamental skills through its core curriculum in English, Math, Science and Technology, Social Studies, World Languages, Physical Education/Health, and Elective subjects and to afford students with varying abilities the opportunity to succeed.

Courses are designed in a sequential format and are integrated with the vocational-technical areas, wherever practicable and mutually beneficial. All academic courses offer advanced sections for students who desire to further their education. Moreover, a Tech Prep program is offered to eleventh and twelfth grade students which parallels the College Prep program and provides students with the opportunity for college credit and/or advanced college placement.

Since all programs are open to both females and males, we encourage our students to explore and to specialize in non-stereotyped, non-traditional vocational-technical areas and to strive for the maximum realization of their goals and potential.

Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School is entering its thirty-third year. To date we have graduated 7,877 students from the day school.

The enrollment for the Evening School from West Newbury: 13

Honorable Board of Selectmen
September 15, 2005
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The October 1, 2004 Day School Enrollment:

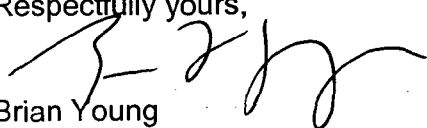
	Boys	Girls
Grade 9	0	0
Grade 10	2	0
Grade 11	1	0
Grade 12	0	0

Total – 3

2005 Graduates – 0

The cost to West Newbury for the school year 2004-2005 was \$66,523.00.

Respectfully yours,



Brian Young
West Newbury Representative



Karen Sarkisian
Superintendent

KS/lr

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION
and TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

PUBLIC SAFETY

Emergency

911

Police Department	(978) 363-1213	Fax 363-1114
Fire Department	363-1111	
Emergency Management Agency	363-1103	
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Assessors Dept. - Clerk	363-1100	Ext. 117
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Board of Health Agent	363-1100	Ext. 119
Board of Health - Admin. Assist.	363-1100	Ext. 118
Superintendent of Highway Dept., Trees, Moth	363-1100	Ext. 120
Building Inspector	363-1100	Ext. 122
Building Inspector's Admin Assist.	363-1100	Ext. 122
G.A.R. Memorial Library	363-1105	Fax 363-1116
Water Dept. Superintendent	363-1100	Ext. 128
Water Dept. Admin. Assist.	363-1100	Ext. 127
Superintendent of Buildings & Grounds	363-1100	Ext. 129
Conservation Commission	363-1100	Ext. 126
Planning Board	363-1100	Ext. 125
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Dr. John C. Page School – Principal Lizabeth Perry	363-2672
Pentucket Regional Middle School – Principal Renzo Binagi	363-2957
Pentucket Regional High School – Principal Arlene Townes	363-5507

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Council on Aging - Senior Aid	978-363-1104
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Merrimack Valley Concert Band (formerly the WN Firemen's Band) http://www.mvcband	president@mvcband.org e-mail address (David Beckwith, President)
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West Newbury Cemetery Information*

Locations:

Rural Cemetery (Chase St.)
Walnut Hill (Bachelor St.)
Bridge Street Cemetery
Merrimack Cemetery (Pleasant St.)

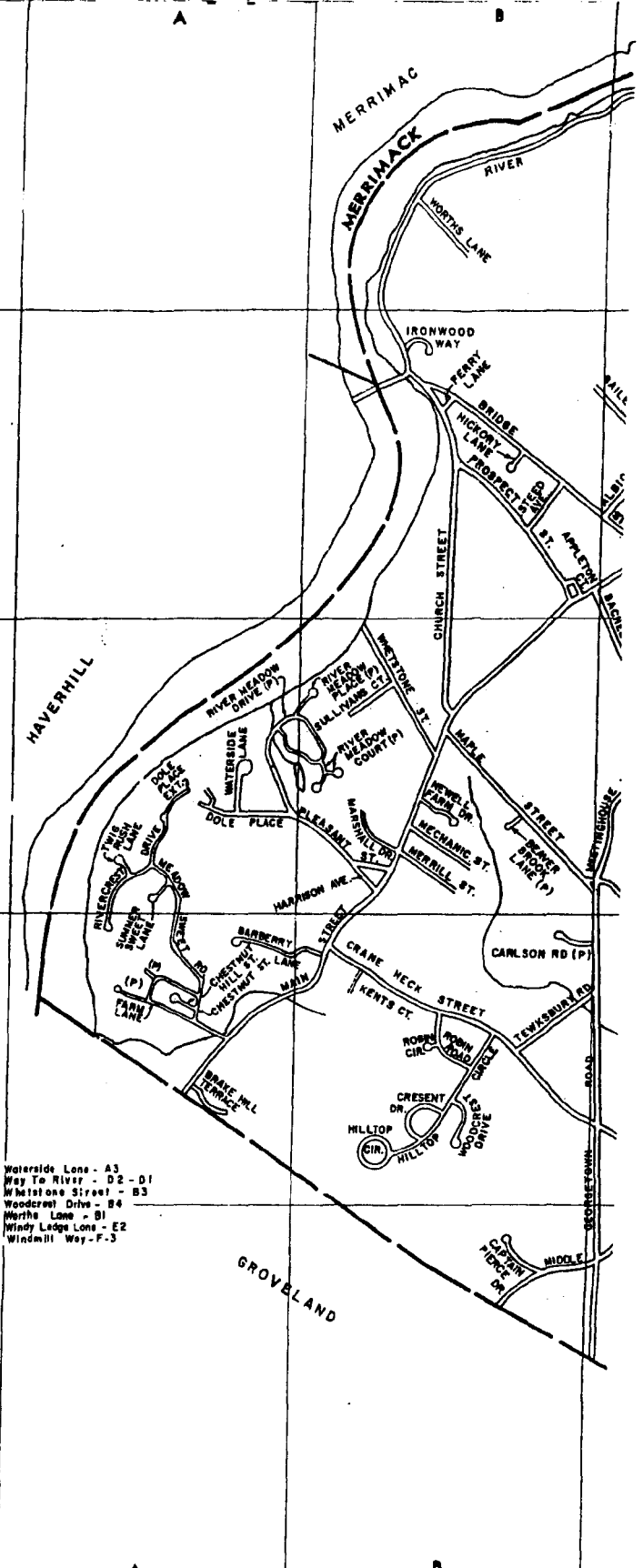
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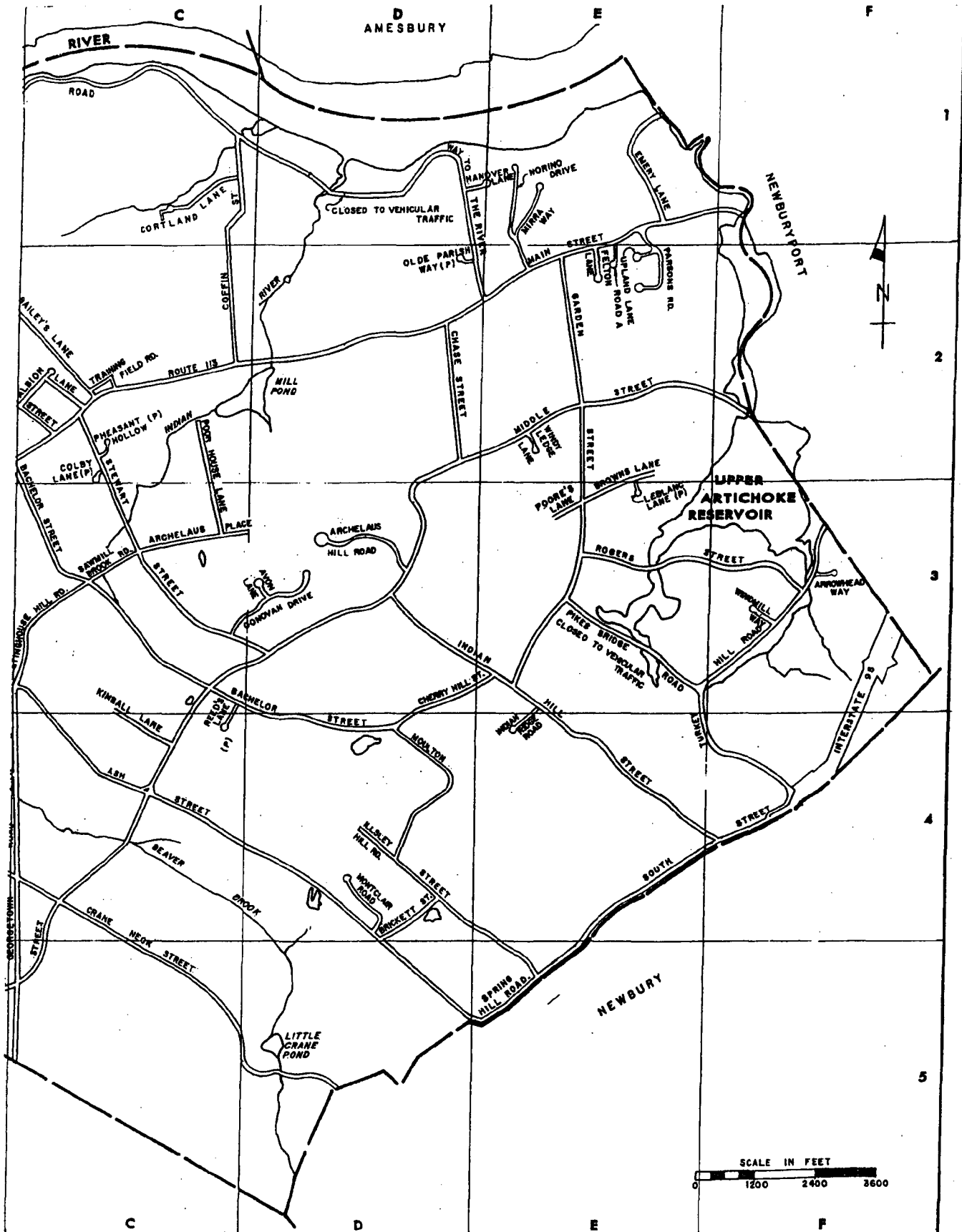
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WEST NEWBURY COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Board of Selectmen	Monday	7:30 p.m.	Town Office Bldg.
Board of Assessors	As Posted		Town Office Bldg.
Board of Health	2 nd & 4 th Tuesday	4:30 p.m.	Town Office Bldg.
Planning Board	1 st and 3 rd Tuesday	7:30 p.m.	Town Office Bldg.
Housing Authority	As Posted	7:00 p.m.	Community Room 379 Main Street
Board of Water Commissioners	1st Thursday or as posted	9:00 a.m.	Town Office Bldg.
Park & Recreation Commissioners	As Posted		
Pentucket School Committee	1 st & 3 rd Tuesday	7:30 p.m.	Middle School
Board of Appeals	2 nd Tuesday	7:30 p.m.	Town Office Bldg.
Emergency Management Agency	As Posted		Central Fire Station
Finance Committee	As Posted		Town Office Bldg.
Council on Aging	1 st Thursday	12:30 p.m.	Sr. Drop-In-Center
Conservation Commission	1 st & 3 rd Monday	7:30 p.m.	Town Office Bldg.
Fire Engineers	As Posted		Fire Stn. – Public Safety Building

In accordance with the Open Meeting Law, Acts of 1975, Chapter 303, a notice of every meeting of any governmental body shall be filed with the Town Clerk and the notice publicly posted on the official board at least forty-eight hours prior to such meeting.

Annual Town Meeting
Annual Town Election

Last Monday in April
First Monday in May

Town Hall
Town Office Building