

Stoneham Select Board 2021



From left to right:
Clerk David Pignone,
Vice Chair George Seibold, Chair Heidi Bilbo,
Raymie Parker, Shelly MacNeill

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Community Profile

Incorporated: December 17, 1725

Situated: 10.3 miles from Boston

County: Middlesex

Land Area: 6.6 square miles

Population: 23,244 **Registered Voters:** 17096

Tax Rate FY22: *Residential-* \$10.41 *Commercial-* \$19.81

FY22 Town Operating Budget: \$86,043,694

Form of Government: Elected Select Board; Appointed Town Administrator; Open Town Meeting

Annual Town Election: First Tuesday in April

Annual Town Meeting: First Monday in May

Public Schools: Colonial Park School; Robin Hood School; South School; Stoneham Central Middle School; Stoneham High School; Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational School

Private Schools: St. Patrick's School; Greater Boston Academy

Governor: Charlie Baker

Senators in US Congress: Edward Markey; Elizabeth Warren

Representatives in US Congress- Fifth District: Katherine Clark

Sixth District Governor's Council: Terrance Kennedy

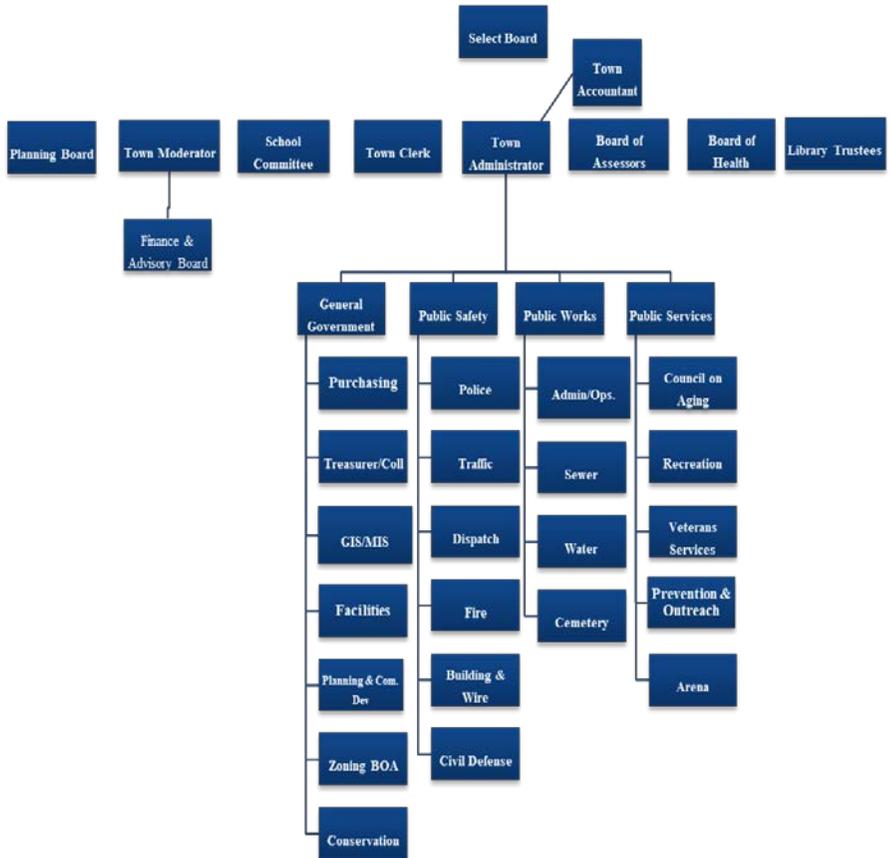
Fifth Middlesex Senatorial District: Jason Lewis

31st Middlesex Representative District: Michael Day

Official Website: www.stoneham-ma.gov

Organizational Chart

Stoneham Municipal Government



Elected Officials 2021

Office

Term

Board of Assessors

Craig Celli	2024
William Jordan	2023
Eric Josephson	2022

Board of Health

Teresa Dean	2022
Carol O'Loughlin	2023
John Scullin	2024

Constables

David Luciano	2024
Robert Nardone	2024
Robert Sweeney	2024

Housing Authority

Thomas Anderson	2023
Kevin McLaughlin	2025
Robert Daniels	2025
Michelle Meagher	2024
Carol Mustone	2024
John Shaughnessy	2025

Library Trustees

Rocco Chiccarell	2023
Patricia DePietro	2022
Kathryn Fitzgerald	2024
Susan Fixman	2022
Jane Francis	2024
Jessica Killilea	2023

Moderator

Jeanne Craigie	2023
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Office

Term

Northeast Metropolitan Vocational School District Representative

Lawrence Means 2023

Planning Board

Kevin Dolan, Vice Chair 2024

Terrance Dolan 2025

Daniel Moynihan, Jr. 2023

August Niewenhous, III, Chair 2022

Joseph Rolli 2024

School Committee

Melanie Fiore 2024

David Maurer 2023

Nicole Fenocchi Nial 2023

Betty Chu Pryor 2022

Jaime Wallace - Chair 2024

Select Board

Heidi Bilbo, Chair 2022

Shelly MacNeill 2023

Raymie Parker, Chair 2024

David Pignone 2024

George Seibold, Clerk 2022

Town Clerk

Maria Sagarino 2022

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.

– Margaret Mead

Boards and Committees 2021

Board

Term

Board of Appeals

Raymond Dufour	2022
Kevin McLaughlin	2022
Eric Rubin	2023
Tobin Shulman, Chair	2023
Robert Saltzman	2024
Lucas Brown, Associate	2022
Mark Russell, Associate	2022

Capital Improvement Advisory Committee

Tom Barry, Chair	2022
Heidi Bilbo, Select Board	
Ryan Brown	2023
Eric Duffy, Town Accountant	
Kara Johnston	2022
John Macero, Superintendent of Schools	
Daniel Moynihan, Planning Board	
Dennis Sheehan, Town Administrator	
Jaimie Wallace, School Committee	
Tim Waitkevitch, Finance and Advisory Board	

Conservation Commission

Domenick Cimina	2024
Jessica Gerke,	2023
Norman L'Esperance	2022
Ellen McBride, Co-Chair	2023
Robert Parsons, Co-Chair	2023
Alexander Rozycki	2024
Megan Day, Associate	2023

Board

Term

Contributory Retirement Board

Eric Duffy, Town Accountant, Ex-Officio	
Janice Houghton	2024
Francis Gould, Jr.	2023
John Scullin	2023
Kathleen Sullivan, Select Board Designee	

Council on Aging – Board of Directors

Maureen Buckley	2022
Jane DiGangi	2023
Kathleen Welch Hudson, Chair	2024
William Kelly	2023
Traci Mello	2024
Connie Rosa	2024
Walter Wolonsavich	2023

Cultural Council

Rica Blahnik	2022
Maria DiGioia	2022
Michelle Joseph	2021
Angela Leo	2022
Dwight Porter	2022
Carlyene Prince-Erickson	2023
Herlinda Charpentier Saitz	2023

Disability Committee

Dennis Sheehan, Town Administrator	
Erin Alacron,	2022
Kathleen Bardell	2022
Robert Meltz	2022
Johnathan Arone	2022

Board

Term

Farmers Market Committee

Julie Boussy	2023
Kathryn Fitzgerald	2023
Ali Gerry	2022
Tammy Golson	2022
Lauren Murphy	2023
Leila Pascale	2024

Finance and Advisory Board

Julianne Bovat	2022
Youlia Bowerman	2024
Jennifer Gray	2022
Andrew Harmon	2022
Ed Hurley	2024
Sachin Joshi	2024
Cory Mashburn	2022
Michael Memmolo	2023
Wendy Smith	2024
David Tammaro	2023
Tim Waitkevitch, Chair	2023

Historical Commission

Anthony Chiappini	2022
Hilary Fotino	2022
Susan Larson	2023
Mindy Pontone	2024
Joan Quigley, Treasurer	2023
Dolly Wilson, Co-Chair	2023
Marcia Wengen, Co-Chair/Secretary	2024

Historical Society

Philip Donovan
Melissa Davidson-Kyle
Stephen Rotundi
Paulene Bee Russo
Joan Quigley
Robert VanTichelt
Donna Weiss

Board

Term

Human Rights Commission

Robert Bardell, Disability Commission Designee	2022
Lindsay Beal	2022
Julie Beliveau	2022
Jane Francis, Council on Aging Designee	2022
Donna Gaffey, Town Administrator Designee	2022
Patricia Kilty	2022
Kevin Merritt, Chair	2022
Sheila Ryder	2022
Belize Balogu, Superintendent of Schools Designee	
Tshilobo Kadima, Superintendent of Schools Designee	
Eduardo Juarez Martinez, Superintendent of Schools Designee	

Memorial Day Parade Committee/Veterans Day Committee & Veterans Memorial Walk/Run

Cameron Bain
Maureen Buckley
Kevin Cantwell
Francis Geary
Jay Humphreys
Melanie Mendel, Veterans Agent
James Lamb
Frank Zhu

Open Space and Recreation Committee

Angelo Colucci	2022
David Goodberg	2022
Stephen McDonough	2023
Cathy Richardson	2023
Stephen Sylvester	2022
Dennis Visconti	2024

Board

Term

Registrars of Voters

Maria Sagarino, Town Clerk, Ex Officio	
George Georgountzos	2022
James Sinclair	2023

Scholarship Fund Committee

Paulette Gerry	2024
Dava Kilbride	2024
John Macero, Superintendent of Schools	
Maria Sagarino	2024

Stoneham Coalition for a Safe and Healthy Community

Shelly MacNeill, School Committee, Chairwoman
Dennis Sheehan, Town Administrator
John Macero, Superintendent of Schools
James McIntyre, Chief of Police
George Seibold, Board of Selectmen
Peg Drummey, Board of Health
Frank Gould, Stoneham Fire Department

Tree Committee

Nhai Cao, Vice Chair	2022
Jeanne Grieve, Secretary	2022
David Goodberg, Open Space & Recreation Committee	
Ellen McBride, Conservation Commission	

300th Centennial Committee

Maureen Buckley	2025
Adam Craigie	2025
Megan Day	2025
Jennifer Gray	2025
Susan Larson	2025
James McLaughlin	2025
Lauren Murphy	2025
Stephen Rotondi	2025
George Seibold	2025
Lauren Taylor	2025
Jaime Wallace	2025
Dolly Wilson	2025

Stoneham Select Board

The Select Board (Board) is pleased to present the 2021 Annual Report to the residents of Stoneham, in accordance with Section 2-31 of the Town Code, which reads as follows: “Every officer in charge of a department shall annually, on or before the tenth day of January, transmit to the Select Board, in writing, a report containing a statement of the acts and doings of his department for the past financial year; such report shall be printed in the Annual Report.”

On April 6, 2021, Raymie Parker and David Pignone were elected to three-year terms as Select Board members. On April 13, 2021, the Board reorganized. Heidi Bilbo was elected as Chair, George Seibold was elected as Vice Chair; David Pignone was elected as Clerk; and Shelly MacNeill and Raymie Parker served as members.

Pursuant to Article VIII, Section 2-45, of the Town Code, Robert Galvin was appointed as Town Counsel on March 2, 2021. He continues to provide excellent service to this Town.

Many applications were processed for the Helen Walcott Stockwell Trust and the Sydney Hill Trust, which cover payment of medical and dental bills for Stoneham Residents who qualify.

The Board met 41 times in 2021, and met 5 times in executive session. There was one Annual Town Meeting that included 21 articles, and one Special Town Meeting that included 3 articles, held this year. The Board met as part of a Tri-Board (Select Board, School Committee, and Finance and Advisory Board) 6 times in 2021, and 2 times as a Bi-Board with the Finance and Advisory Board. In addition, the Board members attended many meetings of other boards, committees, and commissions. Public Hearings were held for site plan approvals, utility installations and grants of location, tax revenue classification, and input on other Town projects. The Board generated over \$55,000 in alcohol and other license revenue in 2021. The Board made numerous appointments to boards and committees, including appointments to the newly formed 300th Centennial Celebration Committee and Scholarship Fund Committee and continues to be encouraged by the spirit of volunteerism in our Town.

This year brought many challenges to the Board including the continuation of the Eversource 345kV, Woburn to Wakefield line project, ongoing litigation and discussions regarding the Weiss Farm development project, the continued challenge of navigating and addressing the impacts of COVID, and refining our outdoor seating permitting and policies in response to state legislation. In June the Board hired a new Town Accountant, former Budget Director Eric Duffy. In January 2022, following overwhelming approval of Town Meeting in October, the Board unanimously approved \$135,000,000 in borrowing to fund the building of a new high school.

On December 1, 2021, the Board and the Stoneham Public Schools held a senior holiday drive-through event. Approximately 140 seniors enjoyed the event which included a drive through lunch provided by the Stoneham Public Schools, a bag of small items provided by Stoneham Bank and the Stoneham Fire Department, televised caroling and entertainment with the assistance Stoneham Television and the Council on Aging, and a televised raffle. The Board wishes to thank John Macero, Stoneham Public Schools, and the Cafeteria staff for donating the luncheon and the use of the Stoneham High School Café; the Stoneham Council on Aging, Stoneham Fire Department, Stoneham Police, Stoneham TV, and the Stoneham Bank, for their assistance with this event and its generous donation; the Stoneham High School Band for playing carols as our seniors picked up their lunches; and the many individuals, departments, associations, and local businesses for their very generous raffle donations. The drive through celebration was a great success and we hope to celebrate in person next year!

The Board members continue to be receptive to resident input at public hearings, meetings, office hours, in-home visits, as well as through email and phone calls. The Board welcomes input and strongly encourages this communication between the Board and the community. The Board wishes to thank the Town Administrator, Town officials, employees, and committee members for their efforts and dedication to this Town. Their continued efforts allow the Town to provide a high level of service, making Stoneham a wonderful place to live and enjoy.

Respectfully,

Dava Kilbride, Office Manager

Town Administrator

In 2021, the Town of Stoneham has continued the High School Building Project, continued to address the impacts of the COVID-19 virus in our community, and this past summer, addressed an armed militia shutting down the highway at our town border. The past twelve months have continued to be a period of uncertainty and change in the Town of Stoneham. The Town continued to manage programs and outreach for vaccination and held several successful vaccination and testing clinics, and as the state revised its COVID-19 guidance, the Town hall is now fully open, the Town worked with the business community during the reestablishment of outdoor dining.

The Town has also hired a new Town Accountant, Town-wide Budget Director, Recreation Director, and Council on Aging Director and coordinated the return of the Building Commissioner. Additionally, the town and schools have relocated and merged accounts payable and payroll functions to Town Hall for better communication and coordination while allowing for more space to be utilized at the school facilities.

Through a number of key transitions in staff, the town continues to develop high quality budget documents and financial presentations for the community. The most recent GFOA award indicates the Town's commitment to continuing these efforts even as Town staff changes. Additionally, the Town was required to be well prepared for its two most recent bond rating phone calls. Leading up to the Town's largest borrowing in history, the Town staff made every effort to provide the required documentation and corresponding narrative to highlight the financial changes that have taken place. Fortunately, the Town went from the Moody's AA2 rating (3rd highest possible) to the S & P AA+ rating (2nd highest possible) and received a favorable 2.34% rate for the initial \$135,000,000 borrowing.

The rating agency cited the Town's very strong economy, very strong management with strong financial policies and practices, strong budgetary performance, strong budgetary flexibility, very strong liquidity, and strong debt and contingent liability position and as positive credit factors.

We have managed our finances during the height of the pandemic and as the town looks to move forward, we have been able to increase services related to mental health as well as adding an additional Lieutenant position within the Police Department which was first cut in 2005.

The Town also initiated an RFP process to evaluate ambulance services in Town and managed the transition, completed the MVP planning process and ADA self-evaluation and transition plan, the downtown parking study, and local rapid recovery process and is continuing fire station feasibility study. The Town is also working with the MAPC on the Spot Pond trail loop and has completed the RFP document which will be out in early 2022.

Public Works completed its water project on the southern section of Main Street (first of 2) as well as completed a sewer improvement project. Our efforts continued with Eversource, and completed the Steele Playground renovation project (seeding in the spring).

The Town is now working towards a multi phased approach towards the improvement of the Route 28 corridor. Stantec Engineering has been engaged for a redesign of the downtown area and has completed initial survey and traffic count work. Representative Day and Senator Lewis secured funding for additional design funds for Route 28 and the town has been in communication with MassDot regarding the resurfacing and striping of the southern portion of Route 28 and the intersection improvement project at South and Main. Along with the paving commitments from Eversource for Elm, sections of Main, and Montvale, the Town is well positioned to see a number of significant roadway improvements in the next 2-3 construction seasons.

In coordination with various boards and committees, the Town Moderator, Town Clerk, Select Board Office Manager and staff, the May Town meeting passed several items to move the Town forward including a structurally balanced budget, an inclusionary zoning article and a capital article that provided additional funding to address the updated MS4

permit, streets and sidewalks in Town and the purchase of a new fire truck. The October Town Meeting also required a number of presentations and coordination meetings. The Town was able to support the High School Project, Northeast Metro Tech Project as well as a capital article which included funding for roads, a police vehicle and improvements to the ice arena (work to begin in the spring).

The collaborative approach that was displayed leading up to the High School votes served the project well. Along with the School Building Committee Chairs, High School Principal, and School Superintendent, the Town participated in presentations, round tables, community forms, interviews and other presentations leading up to the Town Meeting and ballot votes. The shared commitment to working together and creating a coordinated effort was on display during that period and we will work to continue these efforts in 2022.

I would like to thank the Select Board for giving me the opportunity to serve as your Town Administrator and thank the employees and department heads for all of their support.

I would like to especially thank my office staff: Debbie Pettengill, Donna Gaffey and Christine DelRossi for their continued support and dedicated work.

Respectfully,

Dennis J. Sheehan, Town Administrator

Arena

We had a great year here at the Stoneham Arena. We made the entire year with no Covid shutdowns or outbreaks. We also brought in a few new additions: the Valley Hockey Men's League, Power and Edge, Laura Stamm Power Skating, and Eastern Mass Senators.

Throughout the year we hosted numerous tournaments for the following groups:

Stoneham Youth Hockey	Middlesex Yankee Girls
Mass Hockey	Stoneham High School Holiday

We hosted a few free skates for varies departments/groups in town:

Light it Up Blue

We host a multitude of programs here at the Arena:

Edgeworks	Driscoll Skating Camp	Hockey Academy	Public Skating
Poweredge	Northshore Shamrocks	Hockey Sense	Summer Freestyle
Multi Men's League	CN Hockey	Tim Marks Skills	Adult Stick Practice
Boston Jr. Rangers	Twice as Strong	Martian Hockey	Learn to Skate

We have been utilizing a program to shut down the compressors at night (when the outside temps are in our favor).

Total revenue for calendar 2021 was \$600, 601.50, with \$55,370 coming from freestyle skating fees and \$38,889 from public skating/stick practice fees. The remaining revenue received was from contracted ice time.

The Arena hired 2 new part time per-diem positions.

Everything has been working out great with these additions.

In the coming year of 2022, we are looking forward to the replacement of our lower roof which has leaked for years. We also looking forward to seeing more savings from the solar panels. The Stoneham Arena continues to be self-sustaining and is constantly looking to reduce energy costs and increase ice sales that will all help build up our revenue.

Louis Chiulli
Arena Manager

Board of Assessors

Board of Assessors:

Eric Josephson	Chairman
William Jordan	Secretary
Craig Celli	Member

Stoneham Assessors office staff:

Brian C Macdonald	Director of Assessing
Cheryl Kozlowski	Assistant Assessor

The calendar year 2021, the latter half of Fiscal Year 2021, began with the release of the actual tax bills for Fiscal Year 2021. There were 9 applications for abatement received by the office for Fiscal Year 2021 and 7 were granted. There were also 251 statutory exemptions granted by the Board of Assessors including 68 Elderly (41C - \$1,000) Exemptions and 169 Veterans Exemptions (22, 22E, 22D and 22F). Craig Celli was elected to the Board of Assessors in May of 2021.

Fiscal Year 2022, which began on July 1st, 2021, was an Interim Valuation Year. Valuations were adjusted to meet state guidelines and received valuation approval by the Department of Revenue – Division of Local Services on November 3, 2021. The Tax Classification Hearing for Fiscal Year 2022 was held on November 30, 2021 via Zoom at the Select Board Meeting. The Department of Revenue approved the tax rate on December 7, 2021. The Board of Assessors recommended a CIP tax shift of 175 or 175% from the CIP shift of 1 with a single tax rate of \$11.32 to the Select Board. The Select Board approved the recommendation establishing a dual tax rate for the Residential / Open Space and Commercial / Industrial / Personal Property classes of \$10.41 and \$19.81 respectively. The recommendation was approved by the Select Board by a 5 – 0 vote. The total valuation of the community increased by approximately \$323,994,747 or 7.0%, from the previous fiscal year. The average single family home valuation was \$610,402 and new growth for Fiscal Year 2022 totaled \$649,313.

Board of Health

The mission of the Board of Health is to educate, promote, improve and protect the health and well-being of the citizens of Stoneham, while contributing to building a healthy community and environment in which to live. According to the Town's Bylaws, State and Federal Laws, the Board of Health is under a dutiful obligation to develop and implement health policies, standards, bylaws and regulations.

With the continued COVID-19 pandemic into 2021, the Health Department worked under the Board to enforce the Governor's orders and also perform contact-tracing with residents who became infected with the SARS-CoV2 virus. Our part-time public health nurse, Peg Drummey, and administrative assistants, Denise Breen and Rose Sanella, stepped up to provide help as often as possible for the residents of Stoneham, clarifying Federal and State guidance regarding COVID-19 and delivering it to residents as it became available.

BOARD:

Teresa Buckley Dean DNP, MS, RN: Terry joined the Board in November 2012. Terry was a former Public Health Nurse for the Town of Stoneham from 1999 to 2005. She started her nursing education at Northeastern University where she graduated with her bachelor's degree in Nursing in 1986 and then moved on to receive her Master of Science Degree in Nursing in 1992. Terry began her career at Children's Hospital in 1986 and then worked at Winchester Hospital. Terry then started her role as the Pediatric Clinical Nurse Educator for Mass General for Children at North Shore Medical Center in 2005. She then transitioned to a role as the Assistant Dean of Clinical Education and Experiential Learning at MCPHS University School of Nursing. Terry recently received her doctorate degree in nursing in 2018. She currently works at Massachusetts General

Hospital for Children as a clinical nurse manager for a program that cares for children with complex medical and social issues.

Carol O’Loughlin is our newest Board member, elected in 2020. She has worked in healthcare for over 35 years and is the Director of Learning and Development for the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health. She graduated with a Bachelor of Arts from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and earned her Master of Science from the McCormack Institute for Public Policy at U Mass. Boston. She has served on the Stoneham Conservation Commission, the Finance and Advisory Board and the Stoneham Coalition for a Safe and Healthy Community which she currently chairs.

Mr. John J. Scullin: Mr. Scullin the senior member of the Stoneham Board of Health, currently serves as the Chairman.

He also served as a Lieutenant on the Town of Stoneham Fire Department. Mr. Scullin has been certified with the Town of Stoneham Fire Department and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in HAZMAT training and Emergency Medical Training – (EMT) Training. Mr. Scullin, who is now retired, generously and continually contributes his time to the Board of Health in every facet that the Board offers.

The Stoneham Board of Health is a member of the Massachusetts Association of Health Boards (MAHB) and the National Association of City & County Health Officials (NACCHO).

Support staff includes:

Erin Hull, MPH, REHS	Health Agent
Margaret E. Drummey, RN	Public Health Nurse
Denise F. Breen	Office Assistant
Rose Sanella	Office Assistant
Brian Johnston	Animal Control Officer

HEALTH AGENT

Under the direction of and on behalf of the Board of Health, the Health Agent is responsible for maintaining the day-to-day operations of the department. The Agent also keeps the Board of Health updated and works closely with the Town Administrator and other Department Heads within the town. The Health Agent enforces local, state, and federal regulations pertaining to the general public health, safety, and environment. Permits issued for the year 2021 are as follows:

Permits Number

Animal 11

Camps 5

Septic Hauler 3

Disposal Contractors 39

Long Term Dumpsters 142

Infectious Waste 1

Food 115

Funeral Directors 6

Micropigmentation 6

Pools 18

Short Term Dumpsters 203

The Board of Health is a member of the Stoneham Coalition.

The treatment of the catch-basins as part of a town wide mosquito control program began in June. In collaboration with the Department of Public Works, catch basins are cleaned and larvicide tablets are dropped. The Board of Health will apply the extended release tablets to a number of catch basin treatments for the warm season to ensure that the town is safe from any mosquito-borne illness, whereas catch basins and standing water are their primary breeding grounds. Moving forward, the Board of Health looks to expand its Pest Control budget to combat the surging rodent population in Town and the surrounding communities.

The Animal Control Officer continues to be funded by the Board of Health, and looks to receive additional funding for equipment and trainings in 2022.

Erin Hull is the Health Agent appointed by the Board of Health. She holds a Master of Public Health from Northeastern University and is a Registered Environmental Health Specialist. She believes in focusing resources towards prevention.

OFFICE ASSISTANTS:

The office assistant maintains databases and prepares all permits, licenses, and accounts payable/receivable for approval. In addition, this position transcribes the minutes of the Board's monthly meetings, and composes correspondence as directed. They also assemble and prepare a variety of reports for the Health Agent, Public Health Nurses and Board as needed.

Rose Sanella started with the department in October 2021 while Denise Breen started in October of 2000. These positions are responsible for issuing permits and collecting associated fees.

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE:

Peg Drummey RN earned her BSN from Salem State University in 1996. She worked at Malden Hospital as a Med-Surg Nurse for 20 yrs until Malden Hospital closed in 1999 and then began Agency Nursing and covered multiple nursing homes in and around the Northshore. She turned to Public Health in 2003 and joined the Stoneham Board of Health as their Public Health Nurse. As the PHN she cares for the health of the entire community. She monitors, tracks and responds to outbreaks of infectious diseases, conducts case investigations and mass vaccination clinics. Public Health's motto is Prevent-Promote-Protect and the PHN continues to do so.

Public Health Nursing is population based. As the PHN, Margaret (Peg) Drummey, cares for the health of the entire community instead of one patient at a time. Public Health Nurses monitor, track, and respond to outbreaks of infectious diseases, partnering with daycare centers, nursing homes, medical offices, school nurses and city and state officials. PHN's conduct case investigations and mass vaccination clinics to stop the spread of disease, providing community education to help people stay healthy. In addition PHN's collaborate with first responders and other municipal departments to help prepare the community for emergencies.

Blood Pressure Clinics at the Senior Center had been cancelled due to COVID-19 and resumed again by appointment only. 15 residents were seen at the Senior Center and a total of 39 residents were seen for walk-in blood pressure checks at the Board of Health office.

COVID-19:

From January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021, there were 1,424 positive COVID-19 cases and 27 deaths.

The public health nurse performed contact tracing for positive cases and provided a daily report to the Board of Health.

In partnership with Action Ambulance (our ambulance provider up until July 1, 2021), the health department held several COVID-19 vaccination clinics. A total of 876 vaccines were administered at these clinics and an additional 227 vaccines were given to homebound residents of Stoneham.

Other Public Health Nurse Activities:

Home Visits: 36

TB testing: 29

B12 injections: 48

Vivitrol injection given to resident at BOH: 2

Communicable Illnesses (other than COVID-19): 93

Hepatitis B vaccines

(Firemen) 2

(DPW) 14

Flu Vaccine purchased 650 doses

Flu Injections: 322

Flu vaccine for Home Bound: 27

School Based Flu Vaccine Clinics: 132

Total Flu Immunizations: 481

Unused Vaccine 169

The Public Health Nurse continues to have active membership with the Northeast Chapter of Public Health Nurses, The Massachusetts Association of Public Health

Nurse's (MAPHN) and the Mystic Valley Medical Reserve Corps (MRC). A collaborative relationship continues with all of the school nurses.

A collaborative effect continues with the Stoneham Police Department regarding the Expired Prescription Drop-Off Box located in the Police Lobby. This box is available for residents to dispose of unused medications 24/7.

Ms. Drummey has continued to have a working relationship with the Stoneham Independent and the Stoneham Sun to provide Public Health Announcements to keep residents informed of health information. She also contributes to the Stoneham Senior Center's Sentinel by providing a monthly "Ask a Nurse" column.

The PHN is the contact person at Town Hall for the Stoneham Substance Abuse Coalition. The Public Health Nurse also reviews immunizations for children attending summer camp.

The PHN receives immunization updates and surveillance updates, as well as updates on communicable/infectious diseases, vaccine safety and up to date Webinars in order to maintain a high standard of practice and quality assurance. She attends the weekly Massachusetts Virtual Epidemiologic Network (MAVEN) webinar to stay informed on COVID-19 and other communicable disease updates.

All immunizations given to residents are entered into the Massachusetts Immunization Information System (MIIS) as required by state law.

The PHN is a member of the TRIAD council. This term refers to the three founding organizations: AARP, the International Association of Chiefs of Police and the National Sheriffs' Association. The purpose of TRIAD is to build partnerships between senior citizens and law enforcement and to share information on how seniors can avoid becoming victims of crime and enhance the safety and quality of their lives.

Coalition for a Safe and Healthy Community

Vision: The Stoneham Coalition envisions a safe and healthy community—one that embraces substance use prevention, intervention, treatment, and recovery.

Mission: The Stoneham Coalition seeks to address substance use, addiction and their root causes through education, advocacy, and support.

What We've Accomplished:

- Provided free virtual trainings open to the community including:

- “Girls, Women, and Alcohol: Epidemic in the Pandemic?” presented by Ann Dowsett Johnston.
 - Learn a Better Way workshop for parents/caregivers to learn how to improve family dynamics that are impacted by a teen or adult child’s substance use. Delivered by Doug and Bea Duncan.
 - “Healing from Trauma” a community conversation with Janina Fisher, Ph.D.
- Interface
 - The Town of Stoneham, the Stoneham Coalition, and the Boys & Girls Clubs of Stoneham partnered on a new initiative to benefit the health and wellness of all Stoneham residents. The INTERFACE Referral service is a mental health resource and referral helpline that our community has contracted with to help children, adults, and families become connected with mental health and wellness resources. The helpline is open Monday-Friday 9 am-5 pm at **888-244-6843** (toll-free). To learn more visit: interface.williamjames.edu.
 - Hosted a free T.I.P.S. (Training and Intervention Procedures for Servers of Alcohol) Certification training where 14 individuals attended the training.
 - Hosted an International Overdose Awareness Day Vigil at Stoneham Town Common on August 31st.
 - This evening gave the town an opportunity to come together to raise overdose awareness and support those who have lost someone due to an overdose. This event was an opportunity for people touched by addiction to exchange stories of loss, grief, despair, hope, and understanding.
 - Hosted Parent University on March 26th at Central Middle School.
 - With more than ten workshops to choose from, Parent University provided parents and caregivers in Stoneham with knowledge and advice from community experts. Topics focused on students’ educational experiences and well-being, including Thriving in the Midst of Change, Youth Substance Use Prevention: The What, So What, Now What! and Supporting LBGTQ Youth. This year’s keynote speaker Jerry Posner presented “The Practical Power of Gratitude” to help parents leverage gratitude strategies to more effectively parent and express appreciation.

- The Coalition was present at town events including Town Day, Pride Day, and the Farmer’s Market to provide the community with updates on coalition activities and information on substance use and mental health resources.
- Participated in the DEA National Drug Take-Back Days in April and October in partnership with the Stoneham Police Department.
- Updated the Health and Safety guide to update local resources.
 - o The Stoneham Health & Safety guide is a resource created in collaboration with the coalition and our community partners. This guide includes useful health and safety information, including substance use prevention, mental health resources, and overall health promotion. A copy of the guide can be found on the coalition website.
- Hosted a fun and uplifting virtual concert by Grand Theft Audio.
- Donated LGBTQ books to Stoneham Public Library.
- Supported the Health Department in Tobacco compliance checks. The tobacco compliance check program helps enforce tobacco sales regulations by hiring youth as Youth Inspectors to conduct compliance checks to ensure retailers are following the law and not selling tobacco to minors.
- Support the Youth Coalition at Stoneham High School.

Active Coalition Members:

- Anthony Guardia
- Anne Lawrence
- Adam Rodgers
- Becky Jacques
- Chris Apalakis
- Chris Banos
- Chis Dalis
- Carol O’Loughlin
- Dennis O’Hara
- Dennis Sheehan
- Dave Stefanelli
- Erin Hull
- Elizabeth Valett
- Lois Gould
- Frank Gould
- Elizabeth Parsons
- Evan Reppert
- Ben Jacques
- Herlinda Saitz

- Janice Houghton
- John Macero
- Judy Sadacca
- Katie Marek
- Kristen Spence
- Nicole Langley
- Lauren Constantine
- Lauren Engel
- Shelly MacNeill
- Maureen Saltzman
- Maureen Buzby
- Matt Grafton
- Patrick Carroll
- Tracy Ascolillo
- Rob White

Conservation Commission

The primary responsibility of the Stoneham Conservation Commission is to protect and preserve the natural resources and open space of the town including all wetlands through acquisition, management, education, regulations and enforcement. The Commission acts as a liaison between residents and local, state and federal government agencies in protecting the town's natural resources.

The Conservation Commission's powers and responsibilities are derived from several different sources. Land acquisition and protection derive from the original Conservation Commission Act of 1957, Article 97 of the Massachusetts State Constitution, which gives special protection to municipal lands voted to conservation, and G.L. Ch. 184, which allows the creation of permanent restrictions on land. Regulation of work in and near wetlands derives from the state Wetlands Protection Act of 1972 and from local bylaws and regulations or ordinances authorized under Article 89 of the State Constitution. Other local bylaws, regulations and ordinances and state laws give Commission's authority over additional matters such as erosion, groundwater or earth removal.

- Massachusetts Constitution (Articles 89 and 97)
- Conservation Commission Act (G.L. Ch. 40 §8C)
- Wetlands Protection Act (G. L. Ch. 131 §40)
- Municipal General (Non-Zoning) Wetlands Bylaws/Ordinances
- Community Preservation Act (G.L. Ch. 44B)
- Consultant Fee Provisions (GL. Ch. 44 §53G)

- Conservation Restriction Act (GL. Ch. 184 §§31-33)
- Other Bylaws/Ordinances and Statute

The Stoneham Conservation Commission oversees, in partnership with the Whip Hill Trust and the Town of Stoneham, the management of Whip Hill Park. The park is open year round to the public nature walks. Whip Hill Manor accommodates Conservation Commission meetings and civic group functions which promote conservation related activities and projects throughout the year.

Members in 2021 included Co-chairs Robert Parsons and Ellen McBride, Norman L'Esperance, Jessica Gerke, Alexander Rozycki, Robert Fotino, Domenick Cimina, and Megan Day. Members are volunteers appointed by the Board of Selectmen for three year terms. Staff to the Conservation Commission includes Principal Office Assistant Jennifer DeCourcy, and James Previte, Manager of Whip Hill Park. The Commission may retain the services of Jonathan Witten, Attorney; Ingeborg Hegemann, Senior Vice President, BSC Group; and Robert Griffin, Environmental Specialist Consultant of Griffin Engineering, to provide particular expertise to issues that arise throughout the year. Mary Rimmer from Rimmer Environmental is also a consultant that has been commissioned as needs arise.

During the 2021 calendar year the Conservation Commission had 16 meetings, reviewed 7 Notice of Intents, had 1 Extension Request, 24 Items were discussed under Other Business, 4 Enforcement orders issued, had 111 Site Visits and 2 Determinations of Applicability were reviewed.

Council on Aging

The Council on Aging

The mission of the Stoneham Council on Aging is to provide outstanding services with kindness, respect and dignity and to offer outreach services for social, nutritional, medical issues and other unmet needs of Stoneham Seniors.

The Council on Aging is a municipal department of the Town of Stoneham, permitted under Ch. 40, s8B, of the Massachusetts General Laws. The Council on Aging is Stoneham's only public social service agency. Please visit us online at: www.stonehamseniorcenter.org/; or to pick up a copy of *The Stoneham Sentinel* at the Center or at retail locations around town. At your convenience, you will be able to explore the changing services and opportunities now being offered by the Center.

The Council on Aging's Board of Directors role is primarily advisory. We provide assistance, consultation, information and support to Kristen Spence, our Director, in the execution of her duties. We hold neither a managerial nor supervisory position regarding our Director, Senior Center Staff and Volunteers. The Board does have an advocacy role

that recognizes, promotes and supports vital and expanding services for our town's senior citizens.

Please come and visit us on the third Tuesday of each month (except July and December). Our meetings are open to all and are held in the first floor conference room at 3PM at the Stoneham Senior Center. Come in and put the “you” into your Senior Center. We are a lively group. Get involved!

Stoneham Senior Center and COVID 19

As we moved into 2021, the Senior Center still kept up its efforts in dealing with COVID and with the assistance of senior center staff and a small group of staff/volunteers we were able to continue services to meet the needs of the Senior Citizens in Stoneham.

Outreach for our Senior citizen residents of Stoneham:

- Greeting cards
- Monthly grab and go events for seniors.
- Access to virtual programming
- Stoneham TV Programming
- Knitting program
- Socks for senior -over 950 pairs collected for our frailest elders in Stoneham.
- Flu Clinic
- COVID-19 Vaccine Site

Strengthening our connections/partnerships

The partnerships/connections that the Stoneham Senior has established over the years and during the pandemic has continued to be strong. When services were needed or assistance needed, no one hesitated to give a hand.

MVES (Mystic Valley Elder Services):

MVES continues to provide support through Grab and Go meals, Health and Wellness programs and Caregivers support group meetings at the center.

Stoneham Bank:

We are always grateful to the Stoneham Bank for their generosity to Stoneham Senior Center. By supporting several of our Grab and Go's this year for our senior residents with food/masks/information and social/mental support

Winchester Hospital and Melrose/Wakefield Healthcare:

We continue to be grateful for both hospitals continuous support this year to many of our events and services including hybrid trainings and resources. Food bags are delivered each month by Melrose Wakefield Healthcare and are distributed to the food pantry and low income seniors.

Library:

The library continued to provide books to homebound seniors with the van driver from the center picking up the books and delivering them as well as returning books to the library. On average there are 8-10 seniors who participate in this program.

Volunteers:

The amount of people who give of their time at the center keeps us going. We have volunteers maintaining the garden and donating the food, organizing books in the small library and keeping the activities going as we reopened in August such as pizza/movie, bingo, trivia and various card games. Volunteer drivers bring seniors to medical appointments. Volunteers organize the Sentinel (monthly newsletter) to be delivered all over town by another volunteer!

Food Pantry:

The third Wednesday of the month the food pantry director sends a list of folks who have ordered food through MVES and a volunteer driver brings the food to their door. The average amount of deliveries is 16.

Boy Scouts:

The winter can be difficult for seniors who live in their own home so the boy scouts work with the center to help shovel a path from their front door to the street in case of emergency.

Socks for Seniors

For the 7th year in a row the Stoneham Senior Center spearheaded this collaborative effort with Stoneham High School and middle school, Town Clerk's office, Stoneham Police and Fire department, UPS, And the Book Oasis, with the goal of providing all seniors in need, shut-ins, nursing home residents & elderly housing residents with a gift of socks for the holidays.

The COA, along with members of Stoneham Volunteers group delivered socks to elderly residents in need here in Stoneham including the Stoneham Housing Authority, Meals on Wheels recipients, Bear Hill nursing home, Lifecare Nursing home/rehab, Arnold house, Fuller House, The Arbors, Stoneham Food Pantry and Mountain View Terrace apartments. When we first started in **2014**, over **150** pairs of socks were collected and distributed. In **2021** we collected over **950** pairs of socks for distribution.

The Senior Center:

We purchased 4 laptops to lend out to seniors in the community. We also purchased hearing devices that can be used to amplify sounds for seniors who have trouble hearing during a presentation. The center installed carpet in the offices and common areas as well.

Public Service Offerings:

The Senior Center continues to offer a multitude of public service programs for the residents of Stoneham, many of these continued on virtually.

Fall Flu Clinic – Stoneham Board of Health and Council on Aging
COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic- Stoneham Board of Health and Council on Aging
SHINE Counseling (Serving Health Information Needs of Everyone) year-round confidential, unbiased professionally trained and certified volunteer counselors from Mystic Valley Elder Services (MVES) providing assistance with information, questions, problems and issues concerning Medicare, health and prescription services .

Tax preparation services offered by AARP volunteers- were able to get their tax returns completed free of charge.

Transportation Services - Providing rides for seniors in our community: to and from the senior center, food shopping, Main Street Quick Stops (i.e., shopping to local businesses, pharmacies, Post office and Town Hall), and medical appointment rides- 683 rides provided.

Assistive Equipment-provide local residents with assistive equipment such as walkers, canes, wheelchairs, commodes, bath seats/benches at no cost. This service helps relieve the burden of purchasing items that may not be needed on temporary basis and not covered by insurance.

Age Friendly Community

The [AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities](#) is an affiliate of the [World Health Organization's Age-Friendly Cities and Communities Program](#), an international effort launched in 2006 to help cities prepare for rapid population aging and the parallel trend of urbanization. The COA has begun outreach regarding the Age Friendly Initiative with a small survey that was sent out to 500 households in 2019. Ninety-three (93) were returned-the focus on the 8 domains of the initiative. Outdoor spaces and buildings, transportation, housing social participation, respect and social inclusion, civic participation, employment, communication and information, community support and health services were some of the topics that came out of this survey.

The Council on Aging is now starting to focus on specific outcomes from the Age Friendly survey that was completed by the UMass Boston in 2021. There are already several committee's and work groups focused on housing, transportation for example. The Council will be focusing on the social participation and communication and information aspects of our senior community in Stoneham and we can improve outcomes in these areas.

The Senior Center Friends of Stoneham, Inc.

The Friends is an all-volunteer, 501(c)(3) federal and state non-profit organization begun in 2010 for the purpose of providing services and activities that enhance the dignity of seniors, support their independence, and encourage their involvement. The Friends help meet the unfunded needs of the Stoneham Senior Center who offer a wide and broadening spectrum of programs to assist, educate, engage and entertain our community's senior citizens.

Friends' funds go to help support a portion of our monthly entertainment activities and educational programs.

A subcommittee of volunteers oversees the Barn Sale, our giant indoor yard sale, which operates the beginning of May through the beginning of October. This Friends project continues to be an outstanding attraction for the Center and draws many interested treasure hunters. Thanks to the generosity of local businesses and the many volunteers, the Senior

Center Friends have helped underwrite many programs and events that would otherwise be unavailable, such as technology workshops, health and wellness presentations, entertainment and other educational programs.

The Friends started a recurring donor program and is grateful to 4 generous donors who support us monthly. Consider joining this easy way to support the Friends. Any and all contributions to the Friends group are tax-deductible. We thank all our kind contributors for their outstanding support of the Stoneham Senior Center and all our senior citizens.

Closing Statement

We have had another year of growth and transition at the Senior Center by welcoming a new Director in July and adding a fulltime Social worker to our staff. We stand committed to meeting the changing needs of all our senior citizens. We will always rely upon community input and our vision. We thank each and every one of you who have organized or attended an event, helped out at the Center, spoken up for us at Town Meetings, donated to the center, had lunch with us or just provided support in your own private way. We would be overwhelmed by our tasks without your personal involvement. With your consistent and generous backing, we will continue to aspire to meet the future needs and challenges of seniors in the Stoneham community as that number continues to grow!

Facilities Department

The Stoneham Facilities Department was created in January of 2020. The department oversees facility maintenance and operations within the 5 town owned schools and 6 municipal buildings. The department provides all maintenance and repairs. The Facilities Department plans for capital projects for major repairs and renovations.

Mission Statement

The Facilities Department mission is to provide all school and municipal buildings with a safe, clean and reliable environment. The Facilities Department will provide quality and timely response with great customer service.

Covid-19 related improvements

The Facilities Department has made a number of improvements in response to Covid-19 in school and town buildings.

Schools- Before the start of the school year, staff in each building were busy setting rooms up to pre-pandemic setups. In accordance to DESE guidelines we were able to remove the distance requirements in classrooms and hallways. Storage trailers and storage areas were filled with extra furniture and storage. They were able to be cleaned out and put back in place. Distance and directional signage was taken down. In the elementary schools separate eating trays for each student remained in the cafeterias. In the high school numerous hinges for the windows were replaced so they could open and

close properly in classrooms. The univent repair in the high school that started in 2020 was finished. This provided all air to circulate properly. All of the elementary schools received bottle fillers. The water fountains remained closed for drinking but adding a bottle filler allowed students to refill their bottles if they were empty. New exhaust fans were installed at Robin Hood elementary. Hand sanitizer dispensers remained in place throughout the district.

Town- an HVAC assessment was done for the Town Hall. The report outlined improvements that could be done for better ventilation bringing in outdoor air and heating/cooling spaces. A number of equipment is nearing the end of its lifespan so this will allow us to formulate a plan for replacement. We also added bottle fillers in each floor of the Town Hall. The current drinking water fountains were removed and in its place was a bottle filler that also has a drinking fountain.

At Rec Park we added a new HVAC system that allows for outside air to circulate. This will provide the Recreation Dept. with another space for programming during the cooler and warmer months.

Department Highlights

The Facilities Department is part of the SSBC (Stoneham School Building Committee) for the new high school. There is ongoing work to design and implement the new high school, which is due to open in the fall of 2024.

A new HVAC technician position was approved and was filled last February. The technician is responsible for routine maintenance of the HVAC equipment in all school and municipal buildings. The tech also recommends replacement/repair projects.

We assessed all roof conditions on all properties. Repair and patchwork has been provided to buildings as necessary. A plan was developed with timelines for replacement or restoration. Bids were solicited and accepted for the lower Ice Arena roof and curtain wall. Work is expected to be completed in the spring of 2022. The Old Central School also had a bid for roof replacement. Work is expected to be completed late summer of 2022.

The Town has partnered with Institute for Human Centered Design to address and document all ADA issues within the school and town buildings as well as outside areas. The report will help us formulate a list and order of repairs.

The Facilities Department worked with the Director of Planning and Community Development on a number of Green Community Grants to improve and reduce energy and gas consumption at school and municipal buildings. Here are the highlights:

- Town Hall- Exterior LED lighting upgrade
- South Elementary School- Interior LED lighting upgrade

- Fire Station- Interior LED lighting upgrade
- Police Department-AHU-2 demand control ventilation (DCV)
- Town Hall- Auditorium air handler re-build

The Facilities Department worked with the Procurement Department to solicit bids and accept bids for the following services. This will allow the Facilities Department to have one vendor for all school and town buildings.

- Fire and life safety systems-Impact Fire Services
- Elevators- Embree Elevator
- Janitorial supplies (school only)- Next Gen Supply Group

Farmers Market



INTRODUCTION

In 2015, the Town of Stoneham re-introduced the Stoneham Farmers Market to the community. In order to do so, the Board of Selectmen established the *Stoneham Farmers Market Committee*. This committee was tasked with assisting the Board of Selectmen

and the Town Administrator to establish, commence and operate by and through the Town or an entity designated by the Board of Selectmen, a farmers market in Stoneham. Seven members are appointed to the Committee by the Board of Selectmen.

The 2021 Farmers Market Committee Members included:

Julie Boussy, Chair
Lauren Murphy, Co-Chair & Secretary
Ali Gerry, Treasurer
Kathryn FitzGerald
Tammy Golson
Lelia Pascale

MISSION STATEMENT

The Stoneham Farmers Market’s mission is to make accessible top quality local produce and farm products, and other local vendor products to the residents of Stoneham and surrounding towns. We strive to showcase the community programs and local organizations within Stoneham, and encourage the values of healthy eating and active lifestyles through children’s activities and music. By gathering on the town common each week of the market, the Stoneham Farmers Market consistently works towards fostering a sense of community.

YEAR SIX

We were so happy to be back for a sixth year of the Farmers Market in Stoneham, held on the Common each Thursday from June through September. We had many returning vendors and some wonderful new ones. Our focus continued to be providing a variety of vendors and attracting community participation. Each week we had a children’s activity, local musician and a community table along with fresh produce, meat, pasta, teas, bread and bakery items. Locating the market on Town Common provided accessibility to all and great use of our common, community space. We are grateful for the Town’s support and happy our selected day and time once again complemented the popular Stoneham Summer Concert Series.

Our goal to support local and neighboring farmers and businesses while making local products accessible to our community was again far exceeded. We were able to showcase a variety of produce and other well curated creations each week. We also provided a variety of activities and music during the market promoting local musicians, which ultimately drew added attention to all that Stoneham-area businesses and organizations have to offer.

VENDORS

The Stoneham Farmers Market Committee reached out to local farms and vendors to ensure a wide variety of offerings at the market. A top requirement included that the

products being sold were local. 100% local is defined as "Massachusetts and any contiguous state. Products shall be 100% vendor grown and produced meaning that all products offered for sale by the vendor must be grown and produced by that vendor or other local/affiliated farm, and not by a supply farmer or from any other source." We are proud of the quality and variety of the vendors we brought to market in 2021. We would also like to acknowledge the generosity of Gaouette for donating unsold items to the Stoneham Food Pantry.

The 2021 List of Vendors:

Aaronap Cellars

DB Cullinary

FM Lobster

Gaouette Farms

Hounding for Treats

Lilybird Coffee

North of Boston Farm

Persian Treat

Q's Nuts

Roma's Bakery

Sauwce LLC

Top Shelf Cookie

Treat 617

Ugly Baby Soap

Wild Fox Piergois

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

The Stoneham Farmers Market is a great way to demonstrate the wonderful sense of community in Stoneham. Organizations in Stoneham were approached with the offer of having a dedicated table at the market to promote their cause. Participants offered activities that are informative and interactive for market customers and children.

The 2021 list of participating community organizations:

Stoneham Arts & Crafts Society

Boys and Girls Club

Stoneham Chamber of Commerce

Cultural Council

DCF

Building Committee

Fuller house

Human Rights Commission

Mass General Brigham's Group

Stoneham Garden Club

Substance Abuse Coalition

SAAV

Stoneham CDC/Stoneham Reads
Stoneham Recreation Dept.

MUSICIANS

In an effort to bring joy and excitement to the market, the Stoneham Farmers Market Committee commissioned musicians to play during the market. Musicians were paid a minimal fee to perform.

The 2021 list of participating musicians:

Ed Grammer
T Maxx
Mark Abruzzese
John Loretz
Jon Waterman
Julie Doherty
Kenny Selcer
Hannah Lopaz
Molly Pinto
Scott Damgaard
Willie T. & Dr. X

ACTIVITIES

The Stoneham Farmers Market understands the importance to giving back to the community and fostering the creativity in children. Each week, there was an interactive activity for children to enjoy at the market. A great big thank you again this year goes to Steve Angelo from Stoneham Recreation for supplying many weeks of free activities for the children (and adults) and for Rachel Overbeck from the Stoneham Library for keeping the children entertained by reading books and singing songs.

ARTISTS

The Town of Stoneham is fortunate to have local artists willing to share their work and crafts at the market. Adding this type of vendor further supports a sense of community and pride. A special thanks to Howard Porter for designing the Stoneham Farmers Market logo, which graces all of our promotional items and literature.

The 2021 list of participating artists:

Carolyn Smith
Lucid Leathers
On the 5 Studio
Ceramica
Flotsam

Mayfly
Just Jen Designs
Howie Porter
Knit N' Things
Jean Gargano
Sandy Kirby
Tamara Lord
Chez New-ChezVous LLC

SPONSORS

The Stoneham Farmers Market could not survive without support from the businesses in the community. The generosity of these businesses confirms the commitment they have to the Town and its residents. Supporting the market enables both children and adults in our town to enjoy music, crafts and access to farm-fresh products while enjoying the gem of our town, the Town Common. The Stoneham Farmers Market Committee offered three levels of sponsorship in 2021. Harvest (lead sponsor) for \$1,000, Sprout for \$500 and Seed for \$100. These donations enabled crafts, music, and funded other administrative expenses for operating a farmers market.

The 2021 list of sponsors:

Harvest:
StonehamBank

Sprouts:
Salem Five

Seeds:
Homeworks Energy
Nutrition & Whole Health Solutions
Stoneham Motor Company
Northern Bank

Other Donations:
Clear Channel – Billboard Advertising
Rod Falkner at The TStop
Brett Gonsalvas and the amazing DPW workers

WINTER MARKET

The Stoneham Farmers Market hosted our fifth annual indoor market on Saturday, November 20, 2021 to provide the residents of the Town of Stoneham and surrounding communities with an opportunity to purchase produce, dairy, pasta, meats, fish, bread and pastries for the upcoming holiday season. It also provided local artisans with an opportunity to sell their wares as the gift-giving season approaches. Music was provided by Julie Dougherty. Stoneham Farmers Market provided a face painter for children; we also collected donations for the Stoneham Food Pantry. The Board of Health was on hand offering flu shots. The day exceeded expectations and a wonderful time was had by all.

The following vendors participated in the winter market:

North of Boston
Bittersweet Herb Farm
Carolyn's Farm Kitchen
Daniella's Dandies
Q's Nuts
Aaronap Cellars
Lilybird Coffee
Roma's Bakery
Gaouette Farms
Jean Gargano
Knit N' Things
Gramma's Got You Covered
Sandy Kirby
Three Little Birds
Top Shelf Cookies
Stitch Design Works
Buds and Blooms
Spin Fluff Cotton Candy
Honey Pot Maple Farm

2021 Farmers Market

Income:

Sponsors: \$1,900.00

Vendors: \$3,280.00

Total \$5,180.00

Expenses:

Musicians: \$1,100.00

Children's Activities: \$365.00

Advertising & Marketing: \$1,299.00

Supplies: \$13.29

Refunds: \$40.00

Total: \$2,817.29

2021 Balance: \$2,362.71

2021 Winter Market

Income: \$320.00

Expenses: \$895.00

Profit/Losses: -\$575.00

Balance after winter market: \$1,787.71

Carryover from 2020 Market: \$6,285.17

2021 Balance: \$10,435.59



Historical Commission

Who We Are

Our Stoneham Historical Commission was established forty-four years ago under Massachusetts General Law (Chapter 40, Section 8D). Our mission is to preserve, protect and develop historical and archaeological assets that are significant to the Town.

Seven members are appointed by the Select Board to three year terms. They are: Anthony Chiappini, Hillary Fotino, Susan Larson, Mindy Pontone, Joan Quigley, Marcia M. Wengen, Co-Chair & Secretary; Dolly Wilson, Co-chair. Currently, there are no Alternate members. In 2021, we held 11 meetings, eight of them by remote participation.

Sharing Our Message

- Two historical markers, measuring 29”x 37” each, were fabricated and are ready for placement in the spring: Stoneham Automobile Industry at the Clara Steele Playground behind Town Hall and the Carnegie Library at the 1904 Public Library at Maple and Main Streets
- The Col J. Parker Gould, Civil War hero, marker is ready for placement at Lindenwood Cemetery.
- The New England Tel & Tel Co/Elks Hall at 471 Main St was demolished on August 27, 2019. An “ON THIS SITE” marker titled “Telephone Exchange Building ST-6” was designed but not yet approved by the developer of the four-story mixed-use building.
- We provided a list of historic sites to the design firm of the proposed Northeast Metro Technical High School in Wakefield who are developing a graphic art piece for the new building. Stoneham students are among pupils from 12 communities north of Boston who attend school there.
- Dolly Wilson was voted to represent the Commission on Stoneham’s 300th Celebration Committee - 2025. Susan Larson applied as a local resident and was accepted.
- Our booth at Town Day on Saturday September 18 was on the Common facing the Post Office with a high rate of incoming foot traffic, giving us an opportunity to discuss preservation efforts with the public.
- For the High School Building Committee, we offered to develop a historic time line for an appropriate wall. Member Susan Larson continued sleuthing for a time capsule in either the 1968 building or 1980 addition at 149 Franklin St., but its whereabouts remains elusive.

Project Presence

- The Town’s American Disability Act Access Report covered entry and barrier issues at Lindenwood Cemetery and the Old Burying Ground (OBG), among other municipal locations.

- For the Town’s Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Survey, HC requested the addition of the OBG to the tree trimming list and described the impact of rain, snow and flooding on historic gravestones, trees and drainage features in the Old Burying Ground and Lindenwood Cemetery.
- A Feasibility Study for the existing Fire Station and creation of a possible sub-station got underway this year. In light of the Preservation Restriction on the 1916 building, architects at Dore+Whittier subcontracted with Spencer & Vogt Architects who are skilled at preservation, restoration, rehabilitation of historic buildings. They documented mortar erosion on the east elevation and rusting of some window lintels and rebar. The final report will be available in 2022.
- The closure of the Bank of America branch at 323 Main Street put into question the fate of the Richard Gibney *Stoneham, Yesterday and Today* mural on the back wall. It is 45’ long with vignettes of town history from 1700 to 1968 (year of installation). The Commission and the Stoneham Historical Society & Museum engaged in an effort to safely remove this artifact from the building before its sale in Q1 of 2022. BoA deeded the mural to the Historical Society free of charge.
- We requested support from our U.S. Congressional representative Katherine Clark for legislation entitled *Historic Tax Credit Growth and Opportunity Act of 2021 (HTC-GO)*, which encourages historic preservation projects and preservation tax credits.
- We began exploring a property tax incentive program adopted by Bedford, MA. It provides homeowners of approved rehabilitation projects with a five-year phase-in of the full tax increase on assessed value due to renovations.

Section 106 Reviews

- Telecommunication carriers licensed by the FCC are required to consider the effects of planned undertakings on cultural resources for compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act 1966.
 - On July 15, the Commission issued a “no adverse effect” letter regarding removal and replacement of 3 antennas and the relocations of 7 antenna for the roof of 7 Stonehill Drive. The Caleb Wiley house at 125 North Street (STN.44) is not in the line of sight.
 - T-Mobile Northeast, LLC requested our comment on proposed modification of antenna on the 1864 Dow Building (STN.37). Given that the planned width of the east and west faux chimneys nearly triples the existing ones, members voted that there would be an adverse effect on the historic structure. A letter was sent on November 15 that we will consider alternative plans.
 - The Massachusetts Historical Commission (MHC) notified us in late November that they received two Project Notification Forms (PNF) dated October 14, 2021 from the Mass Department of Transportation (MassDOT) proposing to lease two lots each about 5,000 sq. feet of state-owned land within the I-93 corridor in Stoneham and Medford. US Wireless proposes to construct two 155’ communication towers. MHC recommended that MassDOT postpone the leasing until US Wireless demonstrates compliance with the FCC’s nationwide Programmatic Agreement for compliance with Section 106. On June 28, 2019, we

issued an “adverse effect letter” on the 120’ Sprint monopole proposed for the Middlesex Fells across from the road to the Sheepfold. No follow-up until this latest proposal.

Historic Properties

- Erratum. In our 2020 report 31 Maple Street (STN.239) on the northwest corner of Chestnut St. was incorrectly identified as the home of Annie Hamilton Brown until her death in 1929. She lived on Maple St at the northeast corner of Chestnut St. in her father’s mansion which he purchased from Hugh H. Mawhinney on 4/10/1880 (see Registry of Deeds 1567/63). The property on the NE corner (now 29 Maple) was at one point numbered as 31 Maple St.
- The circa 1850 Greek Revival (STN.153) house at 22 Wright St once belonging to the Tredick family was brought to the Zoning Board of Appeals in September for variances needed to replace it with four condominiums. Under protest from the neighbors the number was reduced to three. We requested that new elevation drawings be presented to ensure that replacement buildings blend in with the neighborhood character.
- The circa 1880 shoemaker house at 22 Tremont Street (STN.68) was razed on June 4, 2021. NorEast Architectural Antique salvaged the following items: corbels from the front door, 2 glass doors from china cabinet, tin kitchen sink, newel post and railing to the second floor and a small stained glass window.



- We requested in an October 28 letter to the Town Administrator and interested parties that the Old Central School (25 William St.) chimneys be retained and repointed because of the 1901 building’s historic character and place in the Town’s narrative. The Town calculates that it costs less to demolish than to repair the four chimneys. The Capital Improvement Committee voted a lump sum of \$455,000 for general repairs to municipal buildings which was approved at the November Town Meeting, which could include funds for chimney repair.
- We issued a historic house marker to 5 Cedar Avenue, which dates to 1871.
- Joan worked to correct the historic marker for 49 Perkins St. that erroneously attributes the house to Josiah Green rather than to his brother Jesse Green.

Preservation Month Activities

- Dee Morris, local historian and a crowd favorite, gave a tour on June 12 of our 1861 Lindenwood Cemetery.
- Members Joan Quigley and Dolly Wilson researched additions for the OBG podcasts on the following: Peter Hay, the Newhall sisters, Sarah Gerry, Hannah Barjona and burials without markers. Thanks go to member Hillary Fotino for maintaining the podcast. The May 15 open day drew 27 “tombstone tourists”.
- Hillary organized two scavenger hunts for families of all ages to identify local landmarks, one in May and a second in October.
- A joint meeting of the Historical Society & Museum and the Historical Commission featuring a presentation on the Tidd Family of Stoneham was live streamed Thurs. May 13.

Old Burying Ground (OBG)

- The SE corner of the OBG wall in danger of collapse was straightened and repointed using historic mortar type “S” lime with limestone added and 10% to 20% straight Portland mix for additional joint strength and lime mortar retention, as recommended by the National Park Service and approved by the Massachusetts Historical Commission. We are grateful to Gerrior Masonry in Woburn for their fine workmanship.



Retaining wall at the southeast corner of the Old Burying Ground, before and after rehabilitation and repointing with appropriate lime mortar.

- This year, gravestone conservator Rob Surabian repaired and reset 9 headstones in the Spring and 17 headstones and 6 footstones over the Summer.
- Our Halloween Open Day was rained out and rescheduled for Saturday November 6.

Funding our Work

- We submitted two budgets in November for FY’23: a level funded Operating Budget of \$3,400 and a Capital Improvement 5 year request for \$146,200.

“It has been said that at its best, preservation engages the past in a conversation over a mutual concern for the future.”

Dr. William J. Murtagh, (1923-2018) first designated “keeper” of the National Register of Historic Places

Submitted by Co-chairs Marcia M Wengen and Dolly Wilson. Thank you to all HC Members for your energy and enthusiasm.

Historical Society and Museum

The year 2021, our 99th year of existence, was a year of reemergence for us after nearly a full year of lockdown due to the Covid pandemic. Early in the year we decided that enough was enough. With the assistance of StonehamTV and new technologies, we were determined to reclaim our mission of preserving the history of our town and passing that knowledge on to the public.

Our first step was to resume our meetings. Normally, our meetings would be open to the public and were held in the evening on the 2nd Thursdays of March, April, May, June, September, October and November. Due to continued restrictions on public gatherings and people still apprehensive about crowds, we decided on holding virtual meetings. StonehamTV, would prerecord the meeting. It was held as if “live”, complete with our secretary’s reading of the minutes from the previous meeting, treasurer’s report, updating members on the Board’s activities and plans, etc. and followed by the evening’s featured program. These programs were then broadcast by StonehamTV on all 3 of Stoneham’s cable channels on the evening when the public meeting would have been held. For those people who did not have access, a link was provided so they could watch it online. Most of the programs are still available on StonehamTV On Demand.

Our first virtual meeting in March featured a video produced by the late Joanne Harriman in 1993 on “Spot Pond in the 1800’s”. April’s meeting featured our own Ben Jacques. He read excerpts from his new book “If the Shoe Fits: Stories of Stoneham Then and Now”.

In May, as it was also National Preservation Month, we partnered with the Stoneham Historical Commission. Dolly Wilson, from the Commission gave a brief overview of their plans. They also co-sponsored the evening’s program. The speaker was Dee Morris who recounted the story of one of Stoneham’s most prominent families in the 19th

century, The Tidds of Stoneham. May also presented a special challenge as we needed to hold our biennial elections for the Board of Directors and officers. In a “first” for us, we were able to hold them virtually. Re-elected was Stephen Rotondi as President and Donna Weiss as Secretary. Dolly Wilson was elected Vice-President and Bee Russo as Treasurer. Robert Van Tichelt, Joan Quigley and Ben Jacques were re-elected as Directors-at-Large.

While we were disappointed that we were unable for the second year in a row to hold our spring Home Research Day or our 3rd Grade Program, June turned into a turning point. While our June meeting featuring Sheryl Faye portraying Amelia Earhart was still virtual, we also held our first public event in 15 months. We held our 2nd Annual Yard Sale on the grounds of the Museum. It was both a successful fund raiser for us and it also showed that people were ready and thankful to finally be able get out and socialize.

During the summer, we decided that in September, we would return to hosting our meetings “live and open to the public” as well as resuming our monthly Sunday Open Houses. In September, our first meeting was a hybrid. The public could come in person or watch from home via Zoom. While we had a live audience, our speaker also appeared via Zoom. Folksinger Diane Taraz entertained us by using songs to tell the tales of the “factory maids”. These were women who flocked to work in the mills to help support their families. Our Open House allowed people to once again explore our museum while outside Sarah Guerin, an artisan shoemaker, demonstrated how boots were handmade using the same tools and method that our earliest settlers used. In September, the Society also participated with a booth at Town Day.

In October, local author and historian, Anthony Sammarco returned to regale us with the history of molasses and the importance it played from slavery to the great Boston molasses flood. Our November meeting celebrated Veterans Day as our own Dr. Dolly Wilson told of Stoneham’s contributions to fighting and winning WWI. Our November and December Open Houses both featured a display of the men from Stoneham who were killed in WWI as well as an array of WWI artifacts and uniforms loaned to us from the personal collection of Mike Sallese. He is the owner of J. Sallese & Sons, Inc of Woburn and one of our corporate sponsors.

In addition, the Society also started advance planning for our Centennial celebration next year. A number of special programs are being planned throughout 2022.

Efforts by the Society, the Stoneham Historical Commission and other interested individuals, resulted in the Bank of America deeding to the Society a Richard Gibney mural. Gibney was a WWII Marine Combat artist. Later in life, he was commissioned to paint a number of large murals. The one in Stoneham is one of the few if only surviving example of these original murals painted by him. This 45 foot mural graced the back wall of their Stoneham building since 1968. It depicts the history of Stoneham from its colonial past up to the 1960’s. Due to an anonymous donation, the Society was able to professionally remove the mural and properly prepare it for storage. It is currently being

stored in a climate controlled facility until funds can be raised to fully restore the mural and secure a proper location for public display.

The Society was founded in 1922. We are a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization which relies on the participation and dedication of volunteers and the financial support of its members and donors.

Our Museum is located at 36 William Street, Stoneham, MA. Please visit our website at stonehamhistoricalsociety.org and on Facebook. You can contact us at historystoneham@gmail.com or call 781-572-3126.

Human Rights Commission

Mission

The Stoneham Human Rights Commission provides resources and referrals to all to ensure that everyone feels safe and everyone has a voice.

Overview

The Commission's purpose is to promote and encourage respect for the civil and human rights of all of Stoneham's residents. Through educational outreach programs, the Commission will foster awareness and understanding of the town's commonality and diversity. We are a centralized resource for community services and programs in order to provide a quick response with referrals for those with social justice needs.

<u>Members</u>	<u>Appointment</u>	<u>Term</u>
Kevin Merritt (Chair)	Select Board Appointment	2022
Robert Bardell (Vice Chair)	Disability Commission Designee	2022
Donna Gaffey (Secretary)	Town Administrator Designee	2022
Lindsay Beal	Select Board Appointment	2022
Patricia Kilty	Select Board Appointment	2022
Sheila Ryder	Select Board Appointment	2022
Jane Francis	Council on Aging Designee	2022
Erin Tracy Bradley	Select Board Appointment	2023
Eduardo Juarez-Martinez	Superintendent of Schools Designee	2023
Tshilobo Kadima	Superintendent of Schools Designee	2023
Beliz Baloglu	Superintendent of Schools Designee	2023

Activities

In 2021, the Commission set and accomplished a number of objectives aimed at raising awareness and promoting social justice for residents. Despite ongoing COVID disruptions, the Commission held ten regular meetings, all remote. Agendas in the first half of the year focused on active bystander training for Town officers and community group leaders, held in January 2021; support for Stoneham Reads; participation in the annual Pride celebration; and leading Stoneham's first Juneteenth event. In the second half of the year, the Commission had our first table at Town Day; successfully ran a community contest to select an official Commission logo which will be forthcoming in 2022; and furthered our community connections by hosting a well-attended social justice networking event in November. Finally, the Commission grew to include not one but three student members (two ex officio). We are hopeful that greater input from the Town's youth community will enrich our understanding of residents' needs.

For 2022, we hope to expand our involvement in Pride and Juneteenth events, and we continue to investigate options for making active bystander training more broadly available in the community.

Fire Department



Mission Statement:

The mission statement of the Stoneham Fire Department is to protect and preserve life, property, and the environment in the community in the most professional, courteous, safest, and efficient manner possible.

Personnel:

Chief
Matthew Grafton*

Secretary
Ann Burnham

Fire Prevention
Captain Dave Eastman*
Lieutenant Charlie Webber*

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4
Captain Matt Rexrode	Captain James Marshall*	Captain Frank Gould*	Captain Rob Dalis*
Lieutenant Rick Darragh	Lieutenant John Galla	Lieutenant Mark Chabak	Lieutenant Mike O’Sullivan*
Firefighters Chris Humber* Matt Mayo Dan Kelleher* Sean Devlin * Miles Plant * Eric Verhault * Steve Ternullo* Andy Chabak *	Firefighters Scott Greenleaf* Sean Fitzgerald Jim McLaughlin* Jack Sullivan** Mike Rourke * Brian Cronin* Dominic DeSimone** Paul Driscoll	Firefighters Paul Dockery Mike Labriola ** Dan Dawson** Tom Decroteau* Chris Maloney Kyle Bowdidge* Nick Rolli* Arthur Yeomelakis*	Firefighters Paul McIntyre* Brent Last** Mike Coughlin* Dean Blauvelt Will King* Steve Buitkus* Mike Paone* Stefanie Dilendick*

*Indicates Certified EMT
** Indicates in process of becoming certified EMT

Staffing:

The Fire Department is currently receiving funding through the Staffing of Adequate Fire and Emergency Response Grant. This grant known as the SAFER grant is through FEMA and the Department of Homeland Security. The purpose of the grant is to help communities staff their Fire Department and to help meet NFPA 1710 which is the *Standard for the Organization and Deployment of Fire Suppression Operations, Emergency Medical Operations, and Special Operations to the Public by Career Fire Departments*. This grant pays for 75% of salary and benefits for two years, and 35% for

the third year. The grant is designed to help cities and towns staff their fire departments while not having the full burden of the costs up front.

The Stoneham Fire Department currently operates 24/7 with four groups of ten firefighters. The department is budgeted to allow two firefighter positions to go unfilled each day due to vacation, sick, injury, military, and other obligations leaving the shifts at 8 firefighters. This staffing level allows the department to always have the Ladder truck and two Engine companies in service, similar but still lower to all of Stoneham's comparable surrounding communities. This new level of staffing is critical with the state acceptance of OSHA which began in February 2019. OSHA requires a "2 In 2 Out" rule, which basically means that until there are a minimum of 5 firefighters on scene interior firefighting in atmospheres which are Immediately Dangerous to Life and Health (IDLH) cannot be commenced. When there are a total of two fire companies in service, with just under 4,000 calls per year there is a strong possibility that one company will be committed to another emergency. By having three companies in service, interior firefighting can still be initiated with one company not at the scene. The most serious safety issue regarding staffing is when 8 firefighters are on duty, unfortunately the Ladder Truck is staffed with 2 firefighters at that time and without a company officer assigned. The minimum staffing on each company should never be less than 3 firefighters. This practice is completely unacceptable by all industry standards, severely limits the operational capabilities of the ladder company, the fire department wishes to address this issue to help provide a safer improved service to our residents.

Training:

The shifts completed several in service training objectives throughout 2021 to include ice rescue, EMT and First Responder medical training, roof operations, search and rescue, hose line advancement, deck gun and street gun operations, active shooter, extrication and stabilizer techniques, hazmat refresher, pumping operations, SCBA, and building familiarization. We were able to train on properties being razed and would like to thank the property owners for the opportunity.

Firefighter Dominic DeSimone graduated the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy Class # 289 on February 5, 2021.

Firefighter Mike Labriola attended and successfully completed Confined Space Technician, Trench Rescue Technician, Rope Operations Technician, Surface Water and Swift Water Technician, and Company Officer I.

Firefighter Dan Kelleher attended and successfully completed Confined Space Technician, Trench Rescue Technician, Rope Operations Technician, and Rope Rescue Technician.

Firefighter Jack Sullivan attended Confined Space Technician, Trench Rescue Technician, and Rope Operations Technician.

Brian Cronin completed the diver open water dive class.

Fire Suppression:

The Stoneham Fire Department responded to 3735 emergencies in 2021. The responses are coded in series of 100-900 in accordance with the National Fire Incident Reporting system otherwise known as NFIRS. The totals are as follows:

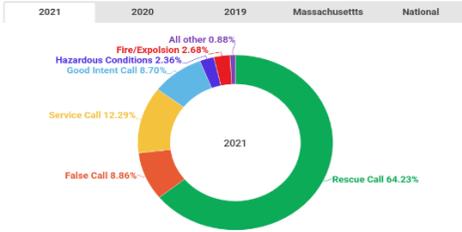
Series	Heading	Total
100	Fires:	100
200	Ruptures, Explosion, Overheat (No Fire)	2
300	Rescue and Emergency Medical Services	2399
400	Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	88
500	Service Calls	459
600	Good Intent Calls	325
700	False Alarm and False Call	331
800	Severe Weather and Natural Disaster	8
900	Special Incident	23
Total Calls		3735

Of the total 3735 calls, several of the calls require multiple apparatus responses. The response volume per company are as follows:

Engine-2	1617
Engine-3	1525
Engine-5 (Reserve)	659
Ladder-1	869
Other (Support) Vehicles	62
Total Responses	4732



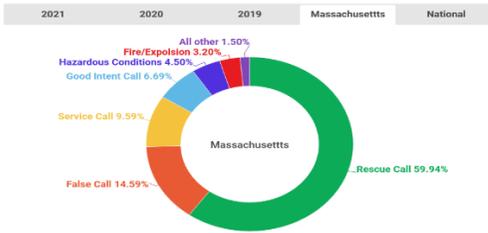
Incident Responses by Category



Stoneham 2019-2021 InfoGraphic Analysis



Incident Responses by Category



Stoneham 2019-2021 InfoGraphic Analysis

Notable fire responses in 2021 were for working fires on Main St, Common St, a 2nd Alarm was struck for a fire in an attic on Country Club Rd, and a 3rd Alarm was struck for 4 family structure fire on Hersam St. Two firefighters sustained injuries at the Hersam St Fire. The Stoneham Firefighters provided mutual aid 12 times to surrounding communities including multiple alarm fires in Wakefield, Woburn, Winchester, Saugus, Revere, Reading, and Lawrence. Stoneham Fire also provided mutual aid in the form of cover assignments to several different communities.

Hazmat:

As a member of the District 2 State Hazardous Material Response Team, Firefighter Jim McLaughlin has completed over 150 Hours of Training both with the district and with other districts in the state, as well as additional Training at the State Fire academy. FF McLaughlin responded to 3 incidents throughout the Metro Fire district in 2021.

FEMA Urban Search and Rescue Deployment (USAR) Team:

Firefighter Mike Labriola deployed with MATF1 team to Louisiana to assist with the rescue and recovery following Tropical Cyclone Ida. He deployed from August 28, 2021-September 10, 2021.

Dive Team:

The Stoneham Fire and Police Dive Team of 9 members (eight firefighters and one police officer). The team is led by Firefighter Labriola. The other members of the team are Captain Eastman, Lieutenant Darragh, Firefighter Kelleher, Firefighter Humber, Firefighter Coughlin, Firefighter Rourke, Firefighter Sullivan, Firefighter Cronin and Police Sergeant Thistle. The team participated in training exercises this year within the Stoneham Fire Department. The team obtained three underwater wireless communication systems. These allow divers working together underwater to talk to each other. We are also able to communicate with area dive teams that utilize a wireless base station, as compared to a “hardwire” base system that the Stoneham Dive Team deploys. The team conducts regular training and is available 24/7/365.

Fire Investigation Unit:

The Stoneham Fire and Explosive Investigation Unit is comprised of a member of the Stoneham Police Department (Sgt. David Thistle) and three members from the Stoneham Fire Department (Captain James Marshall, Lieutenant Rick Darragh and Firefighter Michael Labriola). The members of the team have all completed the Basic and Advanced Fire Investigation program at the Massachusetts Firefighter Academy. According to the Massachusetts General Law (MGL 148/266) the local fire chief is charged with determining the origin and cause of each fire or explosion within their community. We work closely with the Massachusetts State Police Fire and Explosive Investigation Unit. Members of the Stoneham Fire and Explosive Investigation Unit are active in the Metro Fire Arson Investigators Association, attending monthly meetings and training classes. Sgt. Thistle is a member of the Metro Fire Arson Investigators Association Executive Board.

Fire Prevention:

Stoneham Fire Prevention Division is required by law to enforce provisions of 527 CMR 1.00 (Massachusetts amendments to NFPA 1); the laws contained in Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 148, the State Building Code; 780 CMR; and the bylaws of the Town of Stoneham. The key responsibilities and elements of a comprehensive fire prevention program include public education, enforcement of fire codes and ordinances, pre-construction plan reviews, issuance of permits, property inspection, follow up on citizen complaints and questions, and evaluating built in fire protection systems.

Fire Safety:

Stoneham fire prevention conduct’s quarterly inspections and/or fire drills as required by law in schools, nursing homes, and day cares in the town. Also in conjunction with the

Fire Main bylaw, fire prevention offers free annual fire safety inspections to businesses, condos, apartments and restaurants, and health care offices

Student Awareness of Fire Education:

Fire Prevention oversees the Student Awareness of Fire Education Program (S.A.F.E.). This successful program teaches fire safety education to grades K-3 in all public and private schools in the Town of Stoneham

Senior Safe:

Senior SAFE is a grant program that supports fire and life safety education for seniors. Education is key to improving the safety of seniors at home. Senior SAFE creates partnerships between agencies that serve seniors and fire departments. Together, these agencies collaborate on local fire and life safety education programs.

Grant Funding:

Through the Department of Fire Service Stoneham was awarded \$7961 for Student Awareness of Fire Education and Senior Safe grants. The grant allows for the purchase of smoke detectors, Fire of Life, flashlights, house numbers, night lights and other safety items that could be identified at the safety visit. Safety visits can be set up by contacting the S.A.F.E. coordinator Lt. Charlie Webber or by calling the Senior Center.

New Building:

New development in commercial and residential properties continued in 2021. Commercial and large residential construction projects require many steps including site plan reviews, which consider requirements such as apparatus access, water supply, exposure to other structures, type of occupancy, etc. The next step is a meeting with Fire Protection Engineers to discuss Fire Alarm, Fire Suppression, Municipal Fire Alarm connections and the issuing of the proper permits. Once the project is started, on-site inspections are required to keep track of the progress being made. The Certificate of Occupancy is issued after a final inspection and all new systems are tested.

Residential Sales:

Fire prevention is tasked with many different inspections in the residences in town including but not limited to smoke/co inspections for housing sales, oil tank and propane tank inspections, and final occupancy

2021 Permits

Oil Tank Removal/Replacement	92
Oil Burner.....	19
Master Box.....	98
Demolition.....	5
Blasting	1
Welding/Hot Work	8
Fire Alarm System.....	20
Sprinkler & Suppression System.....	18

Propane.....	152
Acetylene.....	7
Tank Truck.....	1
Flammable Fluid.....	8
Cannon.....	0
Underground Tank Removal.....	2
Waste Oil.....	8
Energy Storage System.....	1
Total	440

2021 Inspections

Final/Occupancy	44
Fire Drills.....	11
Oil Burner.....	24
Oil Tank Removal/Installation.....	51
Victualer.....	55
Quarterly.....	3
Annual	2
Propane Tank Inspection	45
Smoke Detectors.....	450
Senior Safety.....	0
Flammable Liquid.....	9
Citizen Complaints.....	18
Fire Safety Survey/Business Insp.....	20
Other.....	4
Total	736

Stoneham Fire Department Motorized Equipment

- ENGINE TWO: 2016 Seagrave 1,250 gpm pump with 750 gallons of water.
- ENGINE THREE: 2011 Seagrave 1,250 gpm pump with 750 gallons of water.
- ENGINE FIVE: 2002 Pierce 1,250 gpm pump with 500 gallons of water.
Formerly served and purchased from the Cambridge Fire Department.
- LADDER ONE: 2015 Emergency One Quint, equipped with a 100 ft. medium duty ladder and a 1,250 gpm pump and 450 gallons of water.

SQUAD ONE:	2020 Ford F-350 with utility body, plow, and skid pump for brush fires.
CAR ONE:	2017 Chevy Tahoe.
CAR TWO:	2012 Ford Escape
CAR THREE:	2011 Ford Escape
FIRE ALARM TRUCK:	2001 Ford F450 with a Versa-lift bucket
RESCUE BOAT:	2000 15 foot Boston Whaler with a 40hp Mercury outboard
UTILITY VEHICLE:	2019 John Deere XUV with plow.
LIGHTING-1:	2001 GMC Utility (Excess DCR property)

Grants and Donations:

The Stoneham Fire Department received the following donations and grants in 2021 and would like to thank the following for their generosity and support:

- Department of Fire Services Student Awareness of Fire Education and Senior Safe grants \$7961
- James Curly donated in memory of Late Firefighter Leon Curley a Cummings property gift of \$1000
- MEMA Emergency Management Preparedness Grant \$5100
- FEMA Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response Grant \$500,000
- Department of Fire Services Equipment Grant \$15,000

Projects Accomplished in 2021

Currently, there are renovation projects nearly completed at the fire station by the Northeast Regional Vocational School, which have been approved by the Massachusetts Historical Commission (MHC). The Massachusetts Historical Commission (MHC) holds a perpetual preservation restriction agreement (filed under Chapter 184, Section 31-33 on the Stoneham Fire Station. Under the terms of this agreement, the Town of Stoneham agrees to adequately maintain both the interior and exterior of the property in perpetuity while also seeking prior review and written approval from the MHC for all proposed substantial alterations to the building. All proposed changes must be in keeping with the Secretary of the Interior's, Standards for the Treatment of Historic

Properties in order to maintain the historical integrity of this century old property.
(Dated 9/25/2007; filed in South Middlesex Registry of Deeds Bk: 50143 Pg::411)

Work began in early 2020, but had to cease with the onset of the Covid-19 outbreak. In 2021, the vocational school returned and constructed a new kitchen on the second floor. The former kitchen space will be recreated into a bunker gear storage room. This project is set to be finished in 2022, and separates the work and living spaces within the fire station. Separating these spaces helps provide for a safer work environment due to the carcinogenic byproducts found in firefighting gear and equipment, which will be separated from living areas. We'd like to thank the vocational school staff and students for their hard work and for a job well done. By the vocational school conducting this work it has saved the Stoneham tax payers tens of thousands of dollars in labor costs.

Emergency Management:

The Massachusetts Civil Defense Act requires every city and town in Massachusetts to appoint an Emergency Management Director and establish an emergency management program. The Emergency Management Director (EMD) is responsible for maintaining and managing the activation of Stoneham's comprehensive emergency management plan and operating the emergency operations center. On a day-to-day basis, the EMD: coordinates emergency planning for Stoneham working with the leadership of the fire department, police department, local public health, transportation department (mbta), public works, and others as required to share situational awareness and mobilize needed resources. In emergency response situations, the EMD manages EOC operations, facilitates emergency response coordination, and makes recommendations to and advises the Town Administrator and Decision Team on available courses of action to inform decision-making.

Stoneham Emergency Management is charged with the responsibility to develop and implement Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEM). The heaviest emphasis is on preparedness and response to all risks: human-caused emergencies and natural disasters. In addition to Preparedness and Response, equal emphasis is now placed on Mitigation and Recovery phases of CEM plan. This plan addresses emergency situations in which the actions of many different agencies must be coordinated. This major coordination effort differs from those emergencies handled on a daily basis by local fire, law enforcement, and medical services personnel. The C.E.M. plan was completed in 2021.

**2021
METRO FIRE
RUNNING CARD
STONEHAM**

Alarm	Engine	Engine	Engine	Ladder	Engine Cover Station	Engine Cover Station	Ladder Cover Station
1st	Stoneham Eng-2	Stoneham Eng-3	Winchester RIT Team	Stoneham Ladder-1	Wakefield	Reading	
2ND	Wakefield	Reading	Melrose	Woburn	Saugus	Medford	Malden
3RD	Saugus	Medford	Burlington	Malden	North Reading	Malden	Medford
4TH	N.Reading	Lynnfield	Revere	Somerville	Wilmington		
5TH	Wilmington	Lexington	Cambridge	Chelsea	Arlington		
6TH	Arlington	Everett	Lynn	Revere	Somerville		
7TH	Somerville	Tewksbury	Chelsea	Cambridge	Belmont		
8TH	Belmont	Newton	Winthrop	Everett	Weston		
9TH	Weston	Massport	Boston	Lynn	Watertown		
10TH	Watertown	Waltham	Brookline	Boston	Quincy		

The Stoneham Fire Department always strives to serve the Town to the best of our ability. On behalf of the members and staff of the Department I want to thank the residents, elected officials, boards and committees, as well as local businesses for the continued support throughout 2021.

Respectfully submitted,
Chief of Department
Matthew Grafton

Inspectional Service/Building Department

For the year 2021, the Building Department operated with one full-time Building Commissioner, one full-time Office Assistant, a part-time Plumbing & Gas Inspector and a part-time Electrical Inspector. The full-time Assistant Building Inspector position has been vacant since July 2021.

The inspectors for the Building Department performed approximately 2,601 inspections in 2021. The department collected a total of \$556,135.07 in permit fees. The total value of construction in 2021 was \$34,726,270.00.

The permit issued report of the Inspectional Services Department for the Year 2021 is as follows:

New Single Family Dwellings

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New Two Family Dwellings	1
Building Permits Issued	905
Electrical Permits Issued	578
Plumbing Permits Issued	400
Gas Permits Issued	244
Sign Permits Issued	41
Sheet Metal Permits Issued	84
Certificate of Occupancy/Compliance Certificates of Inspection	24

Memorial Day Parade Committee/Veterans Day Committee



Committee Members:

Maureen Buckley - Chairman

Melanie Mendel - Veterans Services

Jay Humphreys

(Shivani Gupta)

Cameron Bain

Kevin Cantwell - Vice Chairman

Jim Lamb

Frank Zhu

(Dolly Wilson)

The full Memorial Day Parade and ceremonies were canceled again this year, due to the need to protect public health during the COVID-19 pandemic and state regulations on public gatherings.

Grave Decoration with Flags

Flag placing was allowed this year, following protocols in social distancing. The Committee, assisted by Legion Post #115, Stoneham Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts and Girl Scouts, and community volunteers, placed approximately 3,000 flags on veterans' graves in Lindenwood Cemetery, the Old Burying Ground, St. Patrick's Cemetery and Puritan Lawn Cemetery in Peabody. Luminaries were set up over the long weekend in the Veterans Circle at Lindenwood Cemetery and on the Town Hall lawn in front of all monuments, in remembrance of all those Stoneham Veterans who died for our country, in every war.

Procession and Taps on Memorial Day

For the second year in a row, on Memorial Day, the Parade committee traveled in a small procession escorted by Police, to many locations throughout the town. At four locations, the caravan stopped to read portions of the names of Stoneham veterans who passed away in the past year, and a flag raising or wreath placement were done where appropriate. Taps with echo, were played at each location. Special drive by efforts were done at each of the local nursing homes and rehab centers. The Natick Legion Band rode on a decorated flatbed trailer, playing music throughout.

List of Deceased Veterans May 2020 – May 2021

Salvatore Richard Tringale	WWII
Edward Richard Petrone	Korea
Thomas Michael O'Melia, Sr	Army
Baxter Gordon Little	WWII - Army
James Edward Rowe	Korea - Army
Eugene R Nigro	Korea
Joseph V Incatasciato	Peacetime
John P Queeney, Jr	Vietnam
Henry J. Porter, Jr	Korea - Army
Joseph N. Riccardelli	Vietnam Army
Allen J. Minghella	Vietnam - Army
Vincent A. Aliberti	WWII

Thomas J. Murphy, Jr	Korea Navy
Alfred Chiuve	Korea
Paul A. Sadowski	Vietnam Army NG
John B. Duggan, Jr	Korea - Coast Guard
John A. Carchide	Vietnam
Peter A. Nelson	Vietnam Navy
James T. Sadler	Vietnam Navy
Francis Xavier Gillespie	Vietnam
William F. Rosselli	Korea
Ralph L. Rossetti	WWII Army
William J. McCarthy	Vietnam Army
John A. Cerretani	WWII
Francis Peter McGrath	Korea
George E. Geragosian	WWII Navy
Robert Edmund Moreira	WWII Marines
Daniel Joseph Tempesta	Korea
Robert Joseph Johnson	Vietnam Army
James Tringale	Korea
William Holden Round	Korea
Joseph Wayne Quinn	Vietnam
Robert Richard Sullivan	Gulf War
John Perry Gallagher	Korea - Navy
Harold Nasson	Korea - Coast Guard
Robert Doane	Korea

Veterans Week Activities

With some Covid 19 restrictions still in place this year, we were able to host a 2nd Annual Field of Honor Event at the Middle School field the week of Nov 5-12. Along with an opening ceremony on November 7th, which included Kevin Paicos, Pres. Special Forces chapter 54, who spoke about local hero William F Buckley, guest speakers included Senator Jason Lewis, State Rep Mike Day, and special guests, Lt Col David Falvey, Prov Marshall Nat. Guard. MC was Melanie Mendel, Veterans Services.

The Field of Honor event had over 270 full size flags flying this year, all dedicated to active-duty military, veterans, first responders, and Covid -19 heroes remembered in a tangible and visible way. Boy Scout Troop 513 did the field layout and placed the flags. Each flag bore a tag that included the name of a designated hero, loved one, or honoree and were laid out in a grid to make it easy to locate flags. Each night at dusk, Taps were played as the sun went down on the field of flags. Joe Turner Photography took excellent drone footage from the air.

An educational component was added this year and Middle School students were shown memorabilia daily, and learned more about Stoneham's heroes and stories from the past. A successful food drive was taken up for the Helping our Troops group, and retired flags were also collected at the field.

Proceeds from the flag sponsorships went to the Stoneham Veterans Emergency Fund, Skate for the 22, and the Veterans Monument Fund.

On Veterans Day, a ceremony was held at Town Hall Auditorium to recognize our veterans and thank them. Our special honoree veteran this year was Victor Pollock MSGT USMC (Ret) – Vietnam. Dave Gardner was MC. Stoneham TV videoed the event which can be viewed going forward. The Committee continues to collect local Veteran photos to add to our Veterans Photo project. The slideshow is shown each year at the Ceremony. Pins and thank you cards/letters, and small flags were also given out to Veterans. Middle School, elementary students and scouts, created and donated all the cards and letters. The Stoneham High School Band entertained us with music, Local Girl Scouts sang a veteran’s song, and Legion Post #115 held color guard.

The Veterans Road Race was back this year and was well attended. Race Director is Megan Day. The race began outside of Town Hall, immediately following the Veterans Day Ceremony on November 11th. Both 11K and 5K race were offered. The weather was sunny and pleasant, which contributed to making it a successful day.

Submitted by,

Maureen Buckley - Chair

Memorial Day Parade Committee

Planning and Community Development

Mission Statement:

The mission of the Director of Planning & Community Development Department is to collaborate with residents, town officials and business owners by following best practices of urban planning and development to progress short- and long-range plans that identify and prioritize the needs of the municipality while promoting a well-designed, livable and thriving community.

Department Overview:

The Department of Planning and Community Development Department consists of one employee who provides technical support and leadership regarding land use and development to all Town Departments, Committees and Boards as requested. She contributes guidance and expertise with civic-minded volunteers on the Stoneham Square Strategic Action Plan, advocacy through the Transportation Advisory Subcommittee, and leads regionally with conversations about first and last mile mobility solutions for Stoneham residents and employers. Professional involvement, noteworthy department emphasis, and financial awards over the last year are detailed below.

Professional Leadership & Affiliations:

- President, Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC)

- Stoneham Representative, MAPC
- Delegate, North Suburban Planning Council
- Member, Stoneham Transportation Advocacy Committee
- Member, MAPC Executive Committee
- Member, Metro Common 2050 External Advisory Committee
- Chair & Member, MetroFuture Inc. Board of Directors
- Member, Massachusetts Association of Planning Directors
- Member, American Planning Association: Massachusetts Chapter

Department Highlights:

- Professional Planning Review – Oversight and assessment of all proposed special permit requests, zoning language, and site plan applications to the Town of Stoneham.
- Stoneham Commercial Improvement Program – Continued to facilitate the financial program for businesses in the Central Business District to improve its signage, windows and storefront esthetic.
- Green Communities Program – Received and spent \$200,000 from the Massachusetts Green Communities Division of the Department of Energy Resources, and \$55,800 in utility incentives. Projects include Town Hall Auditorium air handler, Police Department AHU-2 Demand Control Ventilation, and LED lighting upgrades at Town Hall exterior, South Elementary School exterior, and inside the Fire Department. Projected annual operating savings is over \$40,000.
- CDBG Microenterprise Program – The Town received \$85,000 through a regional program administered through the Department of Housing and Community Development to help stabilize microbusinesses (5 or fewer employees) that have been negatively impacted by COVID-19 crisis. Thanks to the pooling of funds from other communities, Stoneham was able to grant an additional \$125,000 to eligible organizations.
- PARC Project – The Town received \$100,000 in competitive PARC (Parkland Acquisition Renovation for Communities) funding to update its Clara Steele Playground. This project is the first inclusive playground in town with ADA compliance and new sensory components. Ribbon cutting and celebration occurred in 2021.
- Municipal Energy Technical Assistance – The Town received \$12,500 from the Department of Energy Resources for assistance with soliciting and evaluating bids for a third-party owned solar photovoltaic project on the campus of its new High School at 149 Franklin Street.
- Community Compact IT Grant – The Town was awarded \$25,000 from the Division of Local Services to migrate its existing planimetric geospatial data to an ArcGIS Online driven environment. Work will be completed in early 2022.
- Housing Choice Status – The Town retained its Housing Choice status with the Department of Housing & Community Development. The Housing Choice Initiative provides incentives, rewards, technical assistance, and targeted legislative reform to encourage and empower municipalities to plan and build diverse housing stock.

- Outdoor seating dining review – Worked with department heads to create an outdoor seating permitting process for restaurants during COVID-19.
- Census Precinct Project – Collaborated with the Town Clerk and Director of Public Works to district precincts based on the 2020 Census numbers within the State guidance.
- Stoneham Traffic Commission – Participates in monthly meetings to address traffic and safety issues throughout the municipality. Topics include requests from residents, infrastructure complaints, and larger municipal-wide policy changes and project proposals.
- Stoneham High School Project Sustainability Subcommittee – Participates in bi-weekly standing meeting to discuss green initiatives including but not limited to: rooftop solar, parking lot canopy solar, and on-site battery storage at the proposed, new high school site.
- Downtown Parking Study – The Town, in collaboration with Stantec, began and completed their Downtown Parking Study. The 77-page report included current parking conditions, land use and zoning analysis, extensive public outreach, and recommended actions for a future parking management plan. This project was funded through the Community Compact.
- Downtown Redesign Project – This project continues to progress to design and future implementation of a complete downtown redesign on Main Street from Maple Street to Minot and including the adjacent Central Street area. The project goals are to improve safety at the intersection and surrounding areas of Franklin Street, Main Street/Route 28, and Central Street in Stoneham Square as well as improve pedestrian accessibility.
- Mobility improvements – In conjunction with the Downtown Redesign Project, the Town has submitted a project need form to MassDOT for the intersection at Marble/Summer/Main Street including the stretch of Main Street to Maple Street. If approved, the project will receive a project number and the Town is able to move forward with the intersection redesign and multi-modal improvements in the scope area.
- Rooftop Solar at Central Middle School – Finalized with Solect and received approval at Town Meeting to execute agreements including PILOT, install solar panels, and submit all necessary paperwork to achieve a high performing PPA for the next twenty years.
- Arts & Culture Regional Trail Project – Awarded funding with the towns of Wakefield and Lynnfield to create a regional arts trail project. Project will be conducted in 2022.
- Winchester Hospital Senior Center Grant for Technology – Collaborated with the Senior Center to gain funding to develop a program called Easy Connections with Technology that seeks to help seniors how to use technology to connect with others and reduce social isolation.
- Hazard Mitigation and Municipal Vulnerability Planning Process – Teamed up with Weston & Sampson along with various department heads to facilitate a

Hazard Mitigation and Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Plan. Process included extensive preparation, critical facility inventory, community building workshop, listening sessions, online survey, and recommendation for adoption.

- Mystic Highland Greenway – Meets bimonthly with Senator Lewis’ office, Representative Donato, Representative Lipper-Garabedian, MassDOT, MAPC, and the communities of Melrose, Malden, and Wakefield on the development of a new regional greenway.
- Spot Pond Loop Scoping & Request for Proposals – Received funding for assistance to develop the Request for Proposals on the Spot Pond Continuous Loop Design Project. Successfully worked with the land use, legal, and procurement departments at MAPC, Town Administrator and Town Procurement Agent to finalize packet for advertisement which will be out to advertisement in early 2022.
- Local Rapid Recovery Plan (LRRP) – Stoneham became one of 125 Massachusetts communities to become a RRP municipality. Through this planning process, the town developed actionable, project-based recovery plans to tailor unique economic challenges and COVID-19 impacts to the downtown and adjacent commercial areas.
- LRRP Subject Matter Expertise – Worked with four subject matter experts as phase 2 of the LRRP planning process. These experts gave tangible actions for the town to implement with regard to branding, organizing, infrastructure, and events. Additionally, the Director worked with DHCD on a Funding Assistance Summary Report on a path to implement recommendations from the report.
- EV Stations at Stoneham Arena – Collaborated with Eversource and Voltrek to install electric vehicle charging stations at Stoneham Arena. At this time, charging is free for users as we collect data and build capacity.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Wortman, Director
Planning and Community Development

Police Department

Submitted by Chief James McIntyre

The Stoneham Police Department is committed to providing the highest level of professional police services while respecting the constitutional rights of every person living in or visiting the Town of Stoneham. We achieve this mission by working in partnership with the community and by practicing Community Oriented Policing. Serving with compassion and respect to all members of the public, we remain committed to providing these services with professionalism and integrity.

The Office of the Chief manages the overall operation of the Stoneham Police Department and plans for the future in close collaboration with the Town Administrator.

During the year 2021, personnel changes within the police department began in February when Officer John Curtis left the Department to return to his prior career in the private sector. In March, Officers Emily Dello Russo and Nicholas Palmieri graduated from the Reading Police Academy. In June, Dispatcher Kimberly Hunter left the Department and was replaced by Dispatcher Alex Joseph in September. In July, Vanessa Kraft joined our administrative staff as a part-time office assistant to work with Alyssa Wall, who left her position in September. In October, Sergeant Christopher Apalakis was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant and Officers Lucas Ferraz and Sean O'Grady graduated the Reading Police Academy.

The following is a roster of the Department's sworn personnel as of December 31, 2021: Chief James McIntyre; Lieutenants David Stefanelli, Tony Kranefuss and Christopher Apalakis; Sergeants Robert Kennedy, David Thistle, Kenneth Wilkins, Thomas Heller, Christopher Dalis and Michael DeCroteau; Officers Sheryl Rotondi, Stephen Carroll, Joseph Ponzio, Paul Norton, Thomas Day, Christopher Copan, Edward Fucarile, William Reinold, David Ryan, Patrick Carroll, Kenneth Bowdidge, Laura Engel, Luc Bourgeois, David Szydlowski, Jonathan Mahoney, Derek McShane, Stephen Aprile, Michael Colotti, Brian Raffaello, John Burton, Christopher Murphy, Michael Prudente, Richard Pacini, Joseph Cataldo, Zachary Newell, Sean O'Grady and Lucas Ferraz.

The civilian administrative staff for the Department consists of office manager Erin Sinclair, part-time office assistants Patricia Quinn, Vanessa Kraft, and Linda Leis, our domestic violence advocate.

Located within the police station is the communications center for both the police and fire departments. The Public Safety Dispatch Department is comprised of seven civilian dispatchers who process the emergency and business calls for police, fire or emergency medical services. During the course of 2021, over 16,000 calls for service were processed through the dispatch center, with 7,100 calls received through the 9-1-1 system.

The following is a roster of the Public Safety Department's personnel as of December 31, 2021: David Luciano – Head Dispatcher, Brian Johnston, Nathaniel Powers, Michael Sweeney, Amanda Farrington, Joshua Paciga and Alex Joseph.

The Stoneham Police Department's Domestic Violence Unit, consisting of Sergeant David Thistle and civilian advocate Linda Leis, provide substantial support to victims of domestic violence. From the work of the first responding officers to a call involving domestic violence, through the follow-up with victims conducted by Sergeant Thistle and Ms. Leis, our Department's response has been held as a model for other agencies to follow.

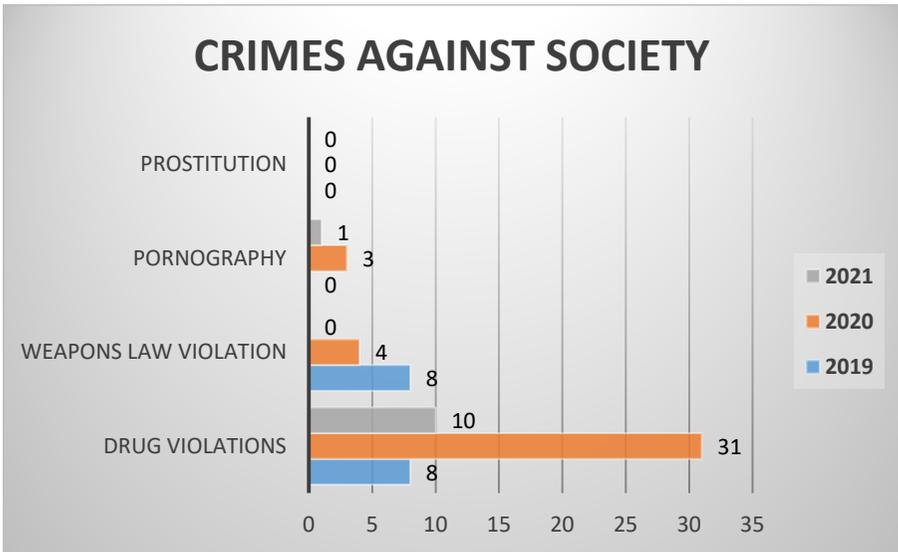
Over the past year, Ms. Leis conducted follow-up with 89 victims from the 178 reports of domestic violence the Department investigated. Of particular concern were 22 deemed

high risk with the potential for lethality to the victim. Aspects of the outreach provided to victims includes, but is not limited to assisting victims in obtaining Abuse Prevention Orders, safety planning, finding emergency shelter, locating legal services, and providing emotional support.

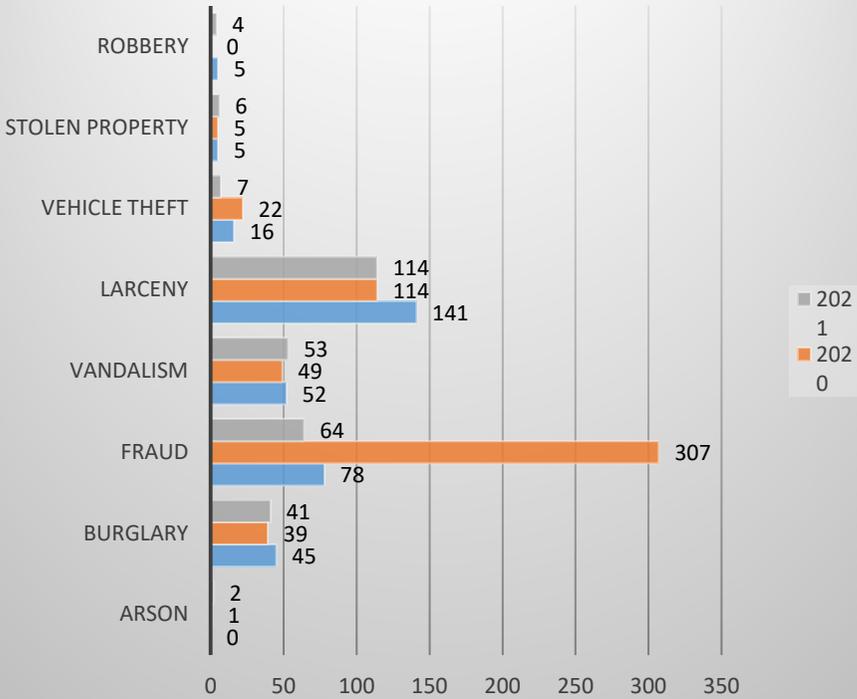
The partnership between the police department and Eliot Community Human Services grew over the past year with the addition of a 20-hour per week jail diversion/mental health clinician. The Stoneham and Melrose Police Departments received funding through a grant from the Department of Mental Health to share the services of a mental health clinician employed by Eliot Community Human Services. The clinician works alongside Sergeant Christopher Dalis, the supervisor for our Crisis Intervention Team, to provide outreach and follow-up with individuals who had interaction with the police department as a result of some form of mental health emergency. Additionally, the clinician can co-respond with officers to calls where someone may be actively in crisis. The mental health clinician in addition to our recovery coach have greatly increased the services our Department is able to offer our residents.

Lastly, on behalf of all the members of the Stoneham Police Department, I would like to extend a sincere thank you to our residents, local businesses and community organizations and elected officials for the support shown to us over the past year.

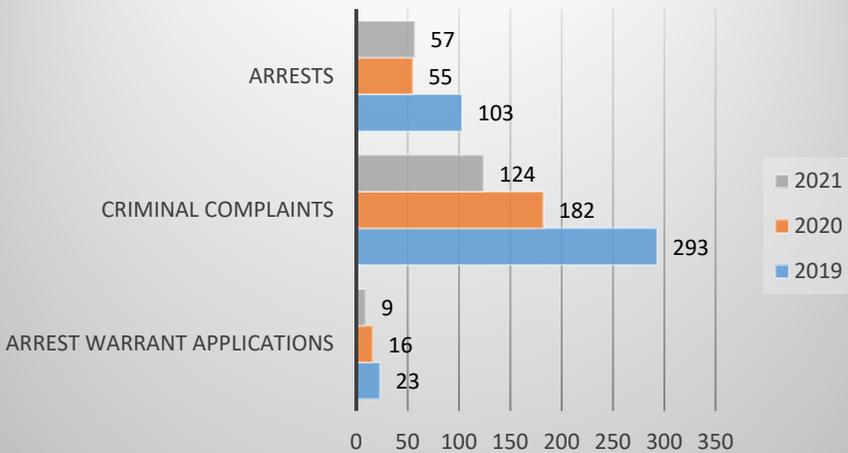
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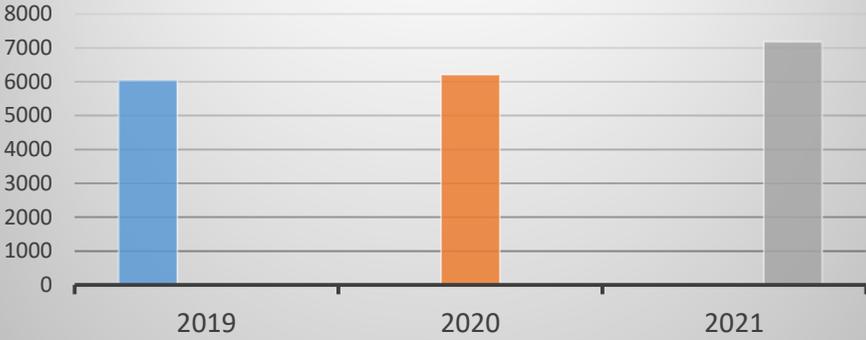
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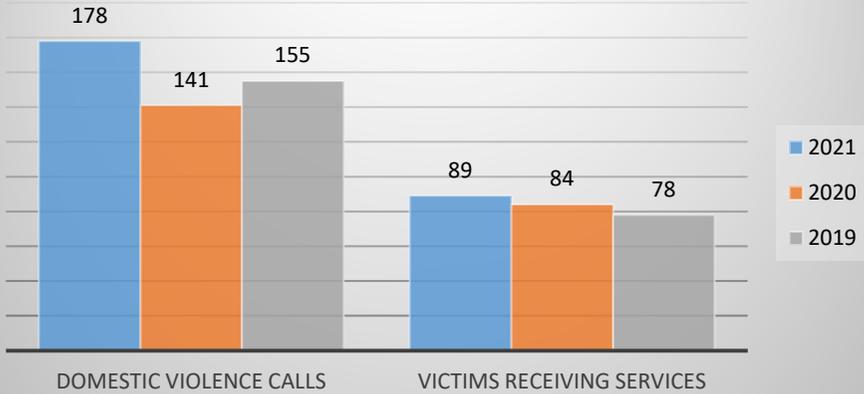
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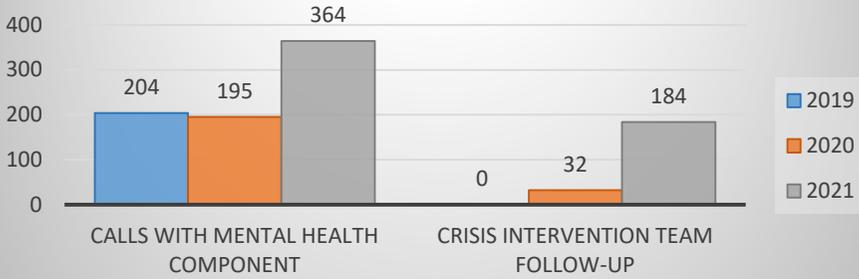
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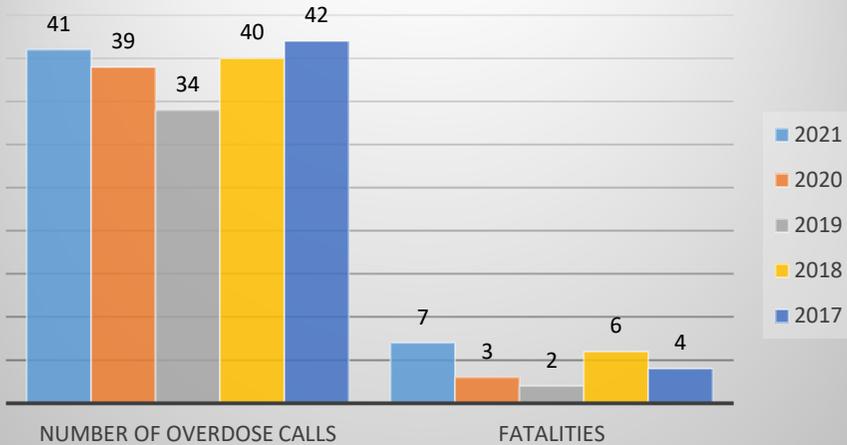
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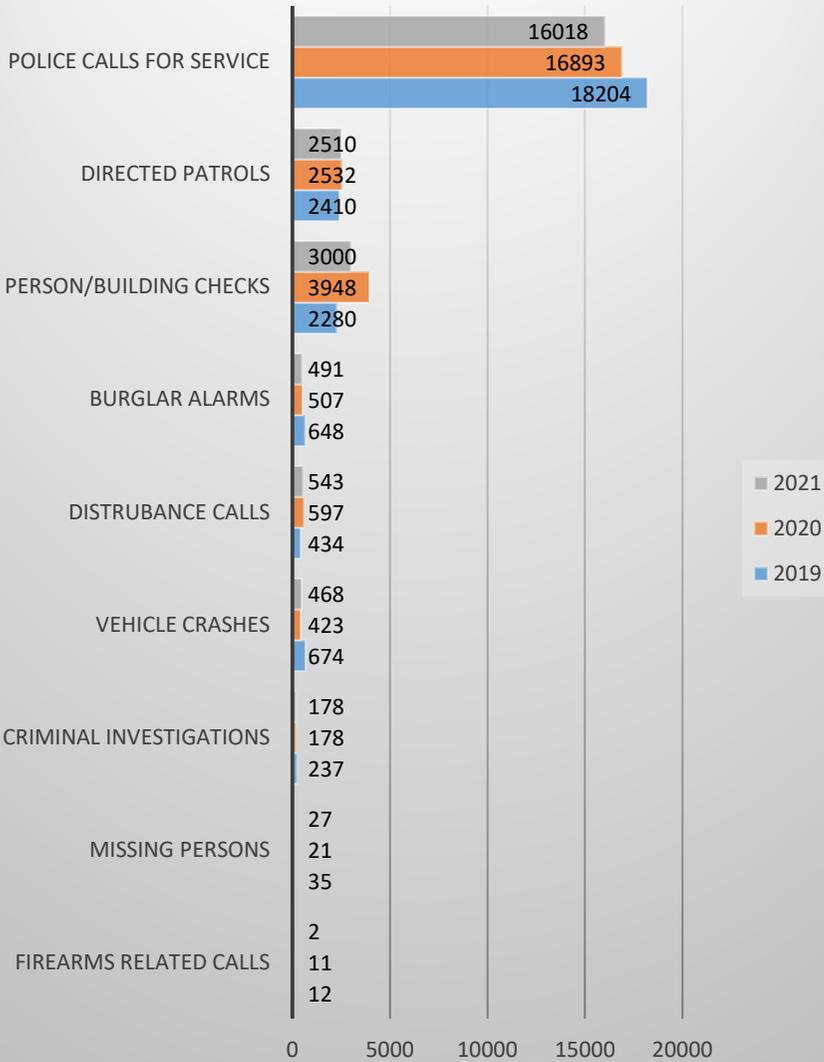
MENTAL HEALTH RELATED CALLS



DRUG OVERDOSE CALLS



SELECTED CALLS FOR SERVICE



Procurement

Mission Statement:

The Procurement Office is committed to supporting all of our municipal and school departments with the acquisition of supplies & services, equipment, public construction and disposal of surplus equipment. We achieve this through an open and fair competitive process that will ensure cost effectiveness and efficient operation of the Town and Schools while maintaining compliance with all related MA general laws, regulations and Town bylaws.

Department Overview:

The Procurement Office consists of one employee, the Procurement Officer, who under the joint supervision of the Superintendent of Schools and the Town Administrator, serves as a professional resource for the procurement and disposition of supplies, services and real property. The Department is responsible for creating and maintaining all bids, contracts, supporting documentation and reporting in accordance with MGL 30B, 30, 39M, and Chapter 149.

Professional Designation & Affiliations:

Massachusetts Certified Public Purchasing Official

Secretary Elect of the Massachusetts Association of Public Purchasing Officials

Department Highlights:

High School Building Project:

Member of the School Building Committee and the following subcommittees:

Green Initiatives

Playfields

Finance

Covid 19:

PPE Procurement continued. Working with Operational Services Division and State Contract HSP41 Category 10 procured 15,000 rapid antigen covid test kits on behalf of the Board of Health to be given out to underserved residents.

Continued to locally procure PPE items from suppliers who were forced to alter their current business model and become a distributor of PPE in order to remain sustainable.

Such vendors include, Sterling Printing and Stoneham Sports Center in Stoneham, J.R. IPP in Wilmington and W.B. Mason in Brockton.

Bids and Proposals: Update on FY 22 Bids:

Fire Department

Fire Station Feasibility Study – Bi weekly meetings between the selection committee and Dore & Whitter took place from Feb 2021 to present. Final recommendations with cost estimates to be presented to the selection committee and Rep Mike Day in March 2022.

Parks and Recreation Department

Clara Steele Playground Renovation Project – Completed on time and within budget.

FY 23 Bids – Working closely with the respective departments, the Procurement Office successfully bid and awarded contracts for the following:

Fire Department:

Although exempt from Chapter 30b procurement laws, the Town conducted its first Request for Services bid for Ambulance Services in 30 years. This bid was thoroughly managed utilizing stringent criteria constructed by the selection committee, which was comprised of myself, Fire and Police Chiefs, Fire Fighter/EMS coordinator and the town's Health Agent. Site tours of all eligible ambulance companies' headquarters and training facilities were conducted by the committee. On recommendation of the committee and approval by the Select Board, Cataldo Ambulance was chosen to service the Town of Stoneham's ambulatory needs for the next three (3) years becoming only the 2nd ambulance company to service the Town in 38 years.

Schools:

Utilizing MA State Contract ITC66, negotiated the next term of the Public Schools copier and lease agreement with Konica Minolta. It was advantageous for the schools to continue their partnership with Konica Minolta through ITC66 for many reasons. The schools have been extremely pleased with the performance and quality of Konica Minolta's products and the service they have provided us over the past 3 years. Especially noted was their ability to adapt to the schools needs during the many versions of teaching that Stoneham transitioned through during Covid. The new contract will provide a monthly cost savings of \$577.55 for a total savings of \$20,790.72 over the 36 month term.

Facilities:

Elevator Maintenance and Services were bid out and awarded to Embree Elevator as the lowest responsive and responsible vendor. Previous to this award these services were

being performed by 4 other vendors, including Embree, at various School and Town buildings. This consolidation of services will result in a first year cost savings of approximately \$4,000.00. The contract as awarded is for one (1) year with two (2) additional one (1) year options to be exercised at the Towns discretion.

Fire Safety Suppression Detection Inspection, Testing, Maintenance and Repair Services were bid out and awarded to Impact Fire Services, LLC. Previous to this bid there were 4-5 different vendors being called upon to perform these services depending upon the school/town building. Impact Fire Services, LLC was awarded the contract as the lowest responsive and responsible vendor, which is for one (1) year with two (2) additional one (1) year options to be exercised at the Towns discretion. This consolidation of services will realize a \$4,700.00 cost savings for the first year of the contract.

Expedited successfully, a bid and new contract for school bus transportation for the next 3 years.

Successfully bid out and awarded a contract for Environmentally Preferable Janitorial and Cleaning Supplies for the next term.

In partnership with GRLA Architects bid out and successfully awarded contracts for the partial replacement of the Stoneham Arena Roof and the full roof replacement of the Old Central School.

DPW:

In partnership with Arcadis Design and Consultancy successfully bid and awarded a contract for Phase 7 – Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation.

Upcoming bids for FY23/24:

Commencing upon the completion of the partial roof replacement at Stoneham Arena, conduct an RFP process for a food and beverage concessionaire to fill the currently unoccupied space that has been vacant for 2 years.

With Capital funding approval, conduct an RFP to furnish and install a modular building to serve as a meeting/break room for golf course personnel. Work will include the demolition and removal of the current structure that is currently uninhabitable.

Food Service Management for the Stoneham Public Schools.

Surplus Property Disposal:

Continued to utilize Municibid, an online auction marketplace for government agencies, schools, authorities and utilities to sell their surplus and forfeitures directly to the public. All auctions take place online and are available to bid 24 hours a day. There is no cost incurred by the Town to utilize this service, as the buyer pays a fee to Municibid when the final bid is accepted. We have been able to repurpose, through auction, town owned vehicles, equipment, and furniture no longer in use or of use from the DPW, Fire

Department and Senior Center. Through auction the Town has realized over \$14,000.00 in unexpected revenue. The auction items included vehicles and equipment no longer in use at the Town's Golf courses.

Community Participation:

Volunteer worker at Town Day representing the Stoneham School Building Committee.

Volunteer for the Senior Center grab and go events throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,
April Lanni, MCPPO

Public Library



This is the 161st Report of the Stoneham Public Library covering the calendar year 2021.

The year had continued struggles but many highlights! In January 2021, Library staff were coordinating Front Door Service for patrons including pickups of books and items requested and of photocopies / computer prints. Patrons began entering the building by appointment in March. By June, the Library was fully reopened, no appointments necessary!

Budget

In 2021, the Library continued recovering from 12% budget cuts in June 2020. The Library received a 'waiver with reservation' for FY21 (July 2020 - June 2021) from the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners. The Town added approximately \$11,000 in the spring of 2021 to ensure enough staff hours to maintain state certification into FY22.

State certification is very important, as it allows Stoneham residents a number of privileges and services, including use of other cities' and towns' libraries, borrowing items from those libraries, and more. Without state certification, the Library would lose approximately \$30,000 per year in State Aid. Once lost, certification takes several years to reclaim, so the financial loss would be substantial.

The Library Director and Board of Trustees have been working closely throughout 2021 with the Finance and Advisory Board, Town Administrator, and Select Board to reinstate the Assistant Director position which was the victim of the substantial 2020 budget cut. The remaining professional Library staff including the Director have shared as many of the Assistant Director's duties as possible, including attempting to maintain a website and social media presence, offering minimal programs for adults, and overseeing and spending funds delineated for the adult nonfiction collections. However, the following AD responsibilities have been paused:

- ongoing grant research and applications,
- planning for the cohesive, comprehensive slate of programs for adults,
- coordinating electronic services and equipment,
- providing staff training,
- managing a current email list to notify residents of programs and services,
- coordinating the Library newsletter,
- maintaining Library website,
- hosting regular volunteers,
- providing backup to the Director and supervision to key staff

An Assistant Director is needed to restart a consistent minimum of expected and necessary services mentioned above.

Hours of Operation

Since June 2021, the Library has been open a full schedule of 51 hours per week. However, no additional hours beyond the 51 have been funded by the Town since budget cuts 10+ years ago. Past strategic plans have indicated that residents want more evening and weekend hours added back, but funding for additional staff will be required.

Facility

There have been continued concerns with a number of major systems in the building.

The remaining 38+ year old carpet and the roof, both mentioned in previous Annual Reports and public meetings, have yet to be replaced. The carpet is stained or worn in many areas, as can be seen below. Capital funds were appropriated several years ago, but much more is needed to complete the project.



The roof, especially over the older side of the building, has been leaking for years. Thousands of dollars have been spent each year to temporarily patch the problem areas, to reduce instances of water intrusion into the building, but there are no funds for regular maintenance. Photos below were taken in 2021 by Garland Roofing and show the significant deterioration.



The current FY23 Capital budget proposal includes a study of the roofs of a few municipal buildings, including the Library, to look at near future replacement options.

The areas of concern are not limited to the roof and carpeting, however. In the summer of 2021, with the repeated heavy rainstorms, the Library paid over \$5,700 in *unanticipated* water mediation due to foundation leaks and need for gutter cleaning, repairs, and upgrades.

Other large-scale facility concerns have continued, including needed repairs to the HVAC system and older drafty windows that need restoration. There are a myriad of smaller projects as well, including painting of peeling window frames and exterior doors and upgrades to the 39 year old elevator.

Because of all of these issues, the Director and Board of Trustees hired Wesley Stanhope and his crew from *Building Evolution* to do a Facility Assessment in the fall of 2021. The Assessment report highlights those structural issues in the Library building and sketches out what repairs should be done over the next 10+ years. This report will be available in the Library in spring 2022 and help the Director and the Trustees plan for the future budget needs and requests.

Finally, the Library Director and professional staff have been analyzing the use of space within the building. Demands on public libraries have changed drastically over the past ten years, especially during the pandemic. Staff have used professional consultants available through the Massachusetts Library System for advice on focusing collection development and on use of space. Through smaller projects funded through donations and State Aid money, there will be small but noticeable improvements in the near future, including new furniture in the Junior Room and in the Reference area.

Programs

Along with a full 51-hour schedule, the Library allowed use of the meeting rooms and hosted programs in 2021. There were a variety of virtual and in-person programs.

For Adult virtual programs, the Library hosted:

- Sean Murphy, *The Life and Times of Saint Patrick*
- Jane Healey, *The Secret Stealers*
- Mallory Mortillaro, *Discovery of a Masterpiece*
- Pam Jenoff with Jane Healey, *Woman with the Blue Star*
- Liv Constantine with Hank Phillippi Ryan, *Stranger in the Mirror*
- James Patterson with Hank Phillippi Ryan, *Jailhouse Lawyer*

The two adult monthly book groups, *Mysteries Around the World* and the *Monday Night Book Group*, remained virtual throughout 2021, with a dedicated group of 15-25 members! Anyone interested in joining the group should contact Maureen at the Library at 781-438-1324.

While most of the in-person programs were held outside during the warmer weather, a handful were held with limited numbers inside! All of these programs were enthusiastically received and enjoyed by all who attended! These included:

- May 2021 - An outdoor concert by *Retro Polatin Duo* on “Women in Country Music”. More than 20 people as well as the Library’s immediate neighbors enjoyed learning about many female country artists.
- Sept 2021 - Dee Morris, local historian, presented a program of her own creation called *Annie Brown: Stoneham’s Mysterious Millionaire*. This program was funded through a grant from the Stoneham Cultural Council that Dee and Library staff were awarded. Because of COVID restrictions, the Library partnered with StonehamTV, who broadcasted the intriguing and informational session describing a Library pioneer.

- In November 2021 a moving and entertaining presentation by nationally-known *Sheryl Faye* of the late Ruth Bader Ginsburg was held in-person! The maximum number of attendees filled the limited chairs in the Marcy Room!
- December 2021 - *Marianne Snow* led a *mindful crafting project* for over 20 people. There was a waiting list too!

The Library's *livestream gaming programs* for all ages continued to be very popular. In FY21, there were 549 participants for three different age groups and over 21,000 minutes viewed! Sadly, the staff person coordinating those programs, Tim, moved out-of-state in early October. In 2022, the Library will transition to in-person gaming programs, for all of the gaming fans who have supported the Library!

Junior Room

The Junior Room programs were similarly successful! Overall, in FY21, the Junior Room had approximately 3,000 attendees at all of its programs! These programs were scheduled virtually and in-person, with a variety of regularly scheduled programs and special, one-time programs and performers.

From April through November 2021, as many programs were held in-person and outside. Despite a rainy June, the weather cooperated overall in the shade of the trees on the Library lawn. The Stoneham Library held in-person programs before many neighboring towns' libraries!



The regularly scheduled programs included:

- Storytimes / Family Fun Days multiple days per week, including Monday evenings, and other weekday mornings
- Lego Club on Thursday afternoons
- Once monthly Spooky Reads Book Discussion for tweens
- Weekly Farmers Market programs from June - October

Summer Reading programs for children witnessed a few changes / additions, including:

- Tuesday morning Lapsit storytime for young children
- Friday morning Dance Party on the Lawn!

- Monday STEM Club for 3rd - 6th graders June-August
- Chalk the Walk
- Friday afternoon, In-Betweeners - for young teens and tweens
- Wednesday morning Walking Club on the Common
- Monthly Chapter Book Book Club for 3rd - 5th graders starting in October
- Monthly Book Club for 5th - 8th graders starting in October
- Monthly Graphic Novel Book Club for 5th grade+

During the year were a number of one-time programs including:

- Sprouting Melodies, an award winning early childhood music program
- Virtual Paint Night with Cristina Lombardo
- Rolie Polie Guacamole (sponsored by Stoneham Cultural Art Council and the North Suburban Child & Family Resource Network)
- Virtual Cartooning program with Rick Stromoski
- Tromp Through the Swamp Concert with Tom Sieling
- Concert with Matt Heaton
- Pumpernickel Puppets puppet show
- Laugh and Learn with David Maloof
- Animal Homes (Annie Brown) with Dee Morris
- Window murals by Kell of Kell Creative

Since late November, the Junior Room has been extremely short-staffed, but staff are hoping to get back to a vigorous program schedule in late spring and summer 2022!

Access and Materials

Before the pandemic, the Library circulation was stable or increasing. While the pandemic did cause a decrease in overall circulation for most public libraries nationwide, the Stoneham Public Library did better than some of its better-funded neighbors.

- Jan 2021 - a 2-3% lower decrease when compared to Jan 2020 - Every public library saw a significant decrease in how many items were checked out, but when compared with other larger North of Boston Library Exchange libraries, *Stoneham's circulation went down less.*
- Nov 2021 - a 13% increase in overall circulation over pre-pandemic Nov 2018 and Nov 2019. *No other NOBLE library showed a similar increase in November comparisons.*
- *Hoopla Digital* is a streaming service the Library provides. Ebooks, videos, audiobooks, movies, tv shows, and comics are available free for patrons.
 - Use increased 10% in 2021.
 - If 2022 use remains consistent, 2022 will increase by another 30%!
 - Most popular feature is that titles are accessible simultaneously. This means one title can be checked out by any number of patrons *at the same time!*
 - Ebooks and audiobooks are the most popular items, accounting for 73% of all Hoopla checkouts.

The Library has also added or changed other services!

- In January 2021, the Library Board of Trustees voted to *eliminate overdue fees*. The frequency of library items returned late dropped dramatically after the institution of automatic renewals in July 2019. Fees are still charged for Lost or Damaged Items as well as photocopying, printing, and other similar services.
- April 2021 - The Library *added a collection of video games* for checkout! Games for the Playstation, Nintendo Switch, and Xbox are included!
- Early 2021 - *Book Delivery for Homebound* - partnership with Stoneham Senior Center to deliver library books to patrons who cannot leave home
- May 2021 - *Niche Academy* - The Library added Niche Academy, a platform that provides professional training videos for many popular databases.
- May 2021 - *Pronunciator* - A new language learning program to learn any of 163 languages with Personalized Courses, movies, music, and more.
- June 2021 - *Graphic novels for adults* - The Library began building a graphic novel collection for adults. Titles are available for checkout now!

2022 and Beyond

In early 2022, the Library Strategic Planning Committee will complete the planning process and further codify the needs of the next five years. A significant need in the future includes increases in staffing to not only add back hours that were cut over 10 years ago but also to bring the staffing levels in the Library up to where they are in other local libraries.

As described above, the Library needs a qualified Assistant Director. There are new services that are not yet available but have been added, including wireless hotspots and mobile printing. These new programs need a professional staff person to train new staff and patrons on usage.

Finally, the Library needs an active Friends of the Library Board. There are a number of dedicated Friends members, but over the past four years, Board members have moved away or have not been able to continue to serve. The Friends of the Library provide additional funds for programs, coordinate major fundraisers, assist in advocating for the Library, and much more. The previous Board has not met since March 2020, and during a time of financial crisis, the Library was without this support. The Trustees of the Library and the Director have held a number of informational meetings, and hopefully these efforts have garnished enough support to resurrect the Friends in 2022 - 2023.

As always, the Library Board of Trustees and I wish to thank the entire staff. They are second to none in their dedication to the public and to the Library, especially over the majority of 2021.

Respectfully submitted,
Nicole Langley
Library Director

Public Works

The Department of Public Works (DPW) is now operating with a total complement of 23 full time positions. The total complement of employees includes Engineering and Administrative personnel as well as Water, Sewer, Highway, Cemetery, and Equipment Maintenance staffing. As noted in recent years, our current complement of employees necessitates use of private contractors for some aspects of our operation.

The Town promoted Joseph Sarno as Deputy Director in November, additionally the Town has Weston & Sampson as a consultant to perform the functions as the Licensed D3 water operator.

ENGINEERING

DPW/Engineering is directly involved in the diverse activities performed by the Department of Public Works and serves as a consultant to every Town Department and committee in regard to technical support. In addition they are responsible for overseeing the planning, design, inspections, construction and rehabilitation of the Town's infrastructure systems including streets, water, sewer and drainage.

The major projects the Department of Public Works was involved in were the Planning Board subdivision/site plan review, the cleaning and lining of the 20 inch water main, and the Eversource project (main transmission line from Woburn to Wakefield). The Division also administered the contracts with various engineering consulting firms including:

1. Sigma Water Safety, Inc. (Cross Connection Control)
2. Arcadis Inc. - Sewer System Evaluation and Improvements, Capacity Management Operation and Maintenance Program Assessment (CMOM) as ordered by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Illicit Discharge, Detection and Elimination (IDDE) Plan as ordered by the EPA.
3. Water & Waste Pipe Testing (water leak detection survey)
4. Weston & Sampson – D3 Drinking Water Operator

WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS

The Town hires N. Granese and Sons to clean and cement line 5,000 linear feet of water main from South Street to Franklin Street. This cleaning and lining process removed tuberculation from the inside of the water main and cement lined it creating a smooth surface which will improve overall water quality.

The Department of Public Works staff also conducted our annual fire hydrant flushing program in April, flushing over

Total backflow tests (Sigma Water Safety) – 429
Building surveys and resurveys – 5

SERVICE INSTALLATIONS BY PRIVATE CONTRACTORS

1.	Water services	1
2.	Sewer services	1

SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM

The Department of Public Works proactively implements an annual infiltration and inflow (I/I) removal program in conjunction with the MWRA Local Financial Assistance I/I Removal Program.

The Town received another grant / interest free loan from the M.W.R.A to continue rehabilitation of the sanitary sewer system. Phases 11, 12 and 13 total \$2,910,000 (total 50% grant and 50% interest free loan). Phase 7 rehab work was completed this fall which included sewer main replacement on a section of Elm Street and Main Street and installing a structural line on Elm Street from Bracket to Main Street and Montvale Ave from Main Street to Lindenwood Cemetery.

Phase 8 sewer rehab will be going out to bid late winter 2022.

STORM WATER DRAINAGE SYSTEM

The Town has continued to make progress on Storm Water Management and MS4 permit compliance, including the Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) program. The IDDE program is aimed at identifying and eliminating cross connections between the sanitary sewer system (which conveys wastewater) and the storm drain systems (which conveys storm runoff). In accordance with the Town’s Final IDDE Plan, the following work was completed in 2021:

- Updated the Town’s Stormwater Bylaws and Regulations
- Stormwater Board met on several projects related to Stormwater Mitigation (Rockville Park, 5 Woodland Road, 95 Maple Street)
- Distributed an annual, Spring season message encouraging the proper use and disposal of grass clippings and encouraging the proper use of slow-release and phosphorus-free fertilize and posted messages on the Town's website and on the Stoneham local TV channel.
- Distributed an annual, Summer season message encouraging the proper management of pet waste and noting existing ordinances. Continued distribution of pet waste flyers with pet licenses and installation of pet waste disposal signs at parks.

- Conducted a structural BMP inventory and stormwater catchment investigations
- Completed construction site plan reviews and inspections for compliance with construction site stormwater runoff
- Continued on-going inspection and cleaning of catch basins
- Continued on-going cleaning of roadways to prevent sediment, debris, and pollutants from entering the storm drain system
- Conducted Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) Training and Good Housekeeping Pollution Prevention Training to Town employees and departments

HIGHWAY

Roadway paving was provided by D&R Paving of Melrose, Massachusetts, following a public bid. The following streets or portions thereof were excavated by cold planer and resurfaced during 2021:

2021 Chapter 90 Paving Program

Erickson Street		1,424'
Pond Street	(Skyewood Drive to Campbell Road)	2,360'
North Street	(Bonad Road to Kirmes Street)	1,850'
Whipple Avenue		1,082'
Summerhill Street		1,407'
Aricia Lane		710'

Non Chapter 90 Roadway Paving

Peters Drive		230'
Unicorn Avenue		597'
Royal Street		200'
Hotin Road		200'

The Town paved 1.9 miles of roadway this year. (3 miles per year would constitute a 25 year replacement cycle.)

SIDEWALK UPGRADING

Sidewalk improvements were conducted by Town forces in 2021 in various locations. (Collincote St, Main Street, Pond Street, Girard Road, and Dewitt Road)

REFUSE AND RECYCLING

The Department is directly involved in the Town’s recycling program.

The drop-off leaf program at the Stevens Street Recycling Center was very active and successful in addressing compliance with current trash regulations which ban yard waste from the general refuse flow. In order to better serve the residents, seven (7) curbside leaf pickups were scheduled during the spring and fall, and a Christmas tree pick-up in early January. After the improvements to the recycling center in 2010 and 2011, all yard waste, brush and tree debris are temporarily stockpiled in concrete-block storage areas as required by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection. ProBark removed approximately 956 tons of waste from the site.

Major changes took place in the Town's trash/recycling policy during July 2014. Recycling became weekly and mandatory and trash was limited to 90 gallons per unit, per week. In 2021 the Town recycled 8,133 tons.

Recycling has increased from 13% to 24%. When they greatly reduced their demand for recycled materials the market dropped drastically. The Town had been receiving monies for its recycled materials and it now costs more per ton to recycle material than to incinerate.

This department works with Mayer Tree for the removal of tree and brush waste. North Coastal Environmental removes the street sweepings and 1,000 catch basin cleanings. This work is performed in accordance with a consent order from D.E.P.

Other services provided by the Town include a textile drop off and a book drop off at the Stevens Street Recycling Center, and mercury drop-off at the DPW office building and Board of Health.

SNOW & ICE OPERATIONS

The total snowfall for the 2020-2021 winter season was 33.6". Measureable snow fell during the months of December through March. The largest single snowfall event was 9.5 inches on February 1st. In addition due to daytime melting and nighttime freezing the Department responded to multiple sanding and salting calls throughout the winter.

TRAFFIC LINE PAINTING, SIGNAL, AND SIGN MAINTENANCE

1. Markings Inc. of Pembroke, Massachusetts provided approximately 121,170 linear feet of traffic line painting and associated, word, and symbol painting.
2. Dagle Electrical of Woburn, Massachusetts, provided traffic signal and streetlight maintenance on 255 signals/street lights.

CEMETERY

The Department is responsible for the Lindenwood Cemetery, which includes the operation and maintenance of roughly 34 acres of land. The cemetery foreman is responsible for prioritizing maintenance and managing laborers in the daily operations. Major maintenance and long-term projects are coordinated by the engineers.

Number of lots sold – January through December 31, 2021 – 80
Number of interments – January through December 31, 2021 – 48

TREE DIVISION

The Town utilized the Town contracted tree company, Northern Tree to assist with removing several large trees in Town. This was essential due to the Town certified arborist was out most of 2020. The Town has been removing more trees than it is planting per year. The Town must take the steps to start an annual planting program to maintain its tree lined streets. The Town hired Thomas Brady as interim Tree Warden/Certified Arborist in December to assist the DPW with tree health and safety.

Trees Planted	5
Trees Removed	6
Stumps Ground	35
Trees Pruned	25

TRUCK MAINTENANCE

The DPW truck maintenance department, under direction of the Director of Public Works, conducts and oversees all maintenance of Town-owned vehicles including the Police Department vehicles and Senior Center van.

The Public Works Department, at the request of the Capital Planning Committee has detailed the capital equipment replacement program in a summary format. The program is designed to replace smaller vehicles on a 10 year cycle and larger or specialized vehicles on a 20 year cycle.

The only equipment purchased this year was an asphalt hot box.

MISCELLANEOUS ON-CALL ISSUES

The Department of Public Works responds to various complaint calls throughout the year. The issues shown below may have been called in by a resident or noticed by Town officials. The DPW change its policy on how homeowner sewer service calls are addressed. Sewer services are the responsibility of the homeowner and the town does not enter into any residents homes to push service plugs. This is the reason for not showing the amount of related issues.

SEWER RELATED ISSUES *(Approximate Values)*

1. Main sewer plugs 23

WATER RELATED ISSUES

(Approximate Values)

1.	Water main break	
2.	Water service break/repair (Town portion)	
3.	Meter repairs/replacements	120+
4.	Radio Meter Readers installed	50+
5.	Water meter readings	26,000+
6.	Water meter final readings	250
7.	Water turn on/off	50
8.	Rusty water calls	1
9.	Hydrant repairs/replacement	3

DRAIN RELATED ISSUES

(Approximate Values)

1.	Catch Basin and Drain Manhole Repairs	25
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HIGHWAY RELATED ISSUES

(Approximate Values)

1.	Sign installations/replacements/repairs	150
2.	Streetlights repaired (Dagle Electric)	60

DPW MISCELLANEOUS WORK

1.	Winterize 687 hydrants	
2.	Sewer segment maintenance program, continuous critical area preventive maintenance of 35 segments (weekly).	
3.	Christmas light installation on the Main Street town shade trees and Town Common.	
4.	Landscaping of certain Town properties	
5.	Water main flushing program at all 687 hydrants locations	
6.	Clearing critical catch basin grates before large storm events.	
7.	Clearing and maintaining 189 headwalls prior to rain events,	
8.	Oversee the maintenance and repair of all public buildings, senior center, library, Town hall other than the schools.	
9.	Dead animal pick-ups as reported – approx. 40-50 per month	
10.	Dig-Safe mark-outs – approx. 50 per month, 600 per year	
11.	Numerous potholes	
12.	Over 100 work orders filled (COVI-19 pandemic reduced the amount of work orders that were filled)	

Recreation Department

Mission Statement:

The mission of the Stoneham Recreation department is to provide educational and enjoyable recreational programming for the youth, adults and seniors of the Stoneham community. The need for continuous growth and expansion of programs will complement the continued growth and recreational expectations of the Stoneham community. The department strives to work with the citizens of Stoneham to develop programming which will help enhance and encourage the sense of community within the town.

Department Overview:

The Stoneham Recreation Department is staffed with one full-time employee. The role of the Recreation Director is to design, construct and implement recreational programs for the members of the Stoneham community. Programs are based upon the needs and desires of the community and are offered for kids, adults and seniors in Stoneham. He also collaborates with different department heads and boards throughout the town to help to enhance and promote programs being offered for the Stoneham community.

The Recreation Director also handles the permitting for athletic fields and playgrounds overseen by the town. These fields include Recreation Park, Pomeworth Fields and Basketball Courts, Cerrone Park and AP Rounds Field. The Recreation Director also works closely with the Open Space and Recreation Committee in Stoneham. He attends monthly meetings with the group and addresses concerns about the open space in town and any ideas which may be brought forth by committee members.

Recreational Program Breakdowns:

Spring / Summer 2021

During the spring and summer of 2021, the Stoneham Recreation Department hosted a full schedule of successful programs for the community of Stoneham. Over 600 participants enjoyed spring and summer programming that included April Vacation 101, Archery, Intro to Golf, Intro to Volleyball, Lego We Do, Memorial Day 101, Premier Hoops, Rocket Science, Soccer Shots, Sports Zone 101, Tennis, Top Secret Science, and Vet School. In the spring of 2021 the department transitioned to the MyRec website platform. The new platform has allowed the department to easily coordinate schedules, programs, and offer the community a calendar that displays program offerings as well as field reservations. During the summer of 2021 the department also welcomed a new director.

Fall/Winter 2021-2022

During the fall and winter of 2021-2022, the Stoneham Recreation Department hosted a wide variety of successful programs for the community of Stoneham. Fall programs were

held at Pomeworth Upper/Lower Fields, Pomeworth Courts, and Recreation Park. During the end of the fall and beginning of the winter months, the department utilized the Town Hall Auditorium and Banquet Room to offer programs for the community. Programs included Archery, Boxing, Columbus Day 101, Holiday 101, Karate, Lego Robotics, MLK Day 101, Premier Hoops, Rec Baseball, Rec Basketball, Rock Climbing, Soccer Shots, Sports Zone 101, Tennis, Test Kitchen, Turkey Trot 101, Veterans Day 101, and Volleyball. Over 300 participants took part in the Recreation Departments fall and winter programs.

Department contributions towards community events:

- **Town Day** – The Stoneham Recreation department hosted a table at the annual Stoneham Town Day. During this event, kids were given an opportunity to win free prizes during a baseball accuracy throwing game.
- **Halloween Stroll** – The Stoneham Recreation department collaborated with the Chamber of Commerce to offer free pumpkin carving and decorating in the Town Common during the Halloween Stroll.
- **Tree Lighting** – The Stoneham Recreation Department offered free train rides through Town Common during the Chamber of Commerce tree lighting festivities. Parents and children had the opportunity to ride the train together making for a special holiday experience for all involved.
- **Farmer Markets**- The Stoneham Recreation Department worked with the Stoneham Farmers Market to offer free recreation activities during the summer of 2021. During the annual fall Farmers Market the Stoneham Recreation Department hosted a table that included crafts and drawings at Town Hall.
- **Holiday Parade**-The Stoneham Recreation Department worked with the Chamber of Commerce to put on the annual holiday parade which included floats and Santa in a well-attended parade around Stoneham.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Blumsack, Recreation Director

School Building Committee

The Stoneham School Building Committee (SSBC) had quite a busy year. On behalf of the members of the SSBC, we want to thank each and every voter who cast their ballot – pro or con – and who took the time and gave thought to what each believed was best for our community.

The Stoneham School Building Committee (SSBC) concluded 2020 after review of design plans and models, cost estimates and energy performance analysis for five high school options as presented to Town boards and organizations, PTO's, the High School Visioning Committee seeking input - with the selection of the one preferred option at their December 16, 2020 meeting. The SSBC then submitted their second submission to the MSBA. The one preferred option includes classrooms, a cafeteria, a gymnasium and a 600 seat auditorium, as well as exciting new areas such as maker spaces, collaboration areas, a pre-k learning center, turf athletic fields, a dedicated Community Presentation space, and walking paths, all of which will provide learning and recreational opportunities for everyone in the community. The building will be constructed to be Zero Net Energy compliant, which will not only conserve natural resources but will ultimately reduce the cost of energy used by the building.

On February 11, 2021, the MSBA Board of Directors approved the project and authorized the SSBC to proceed into the final phase of the Feasibility Study, which included developing the detailed design of the one preferred option, including detailed cost estimates. The SSBC hired the construction management firm, Consigli ConstructionCo., to develop the cost estimates in close collaboration with Perkins & Will, the project architect firm and SMMA, the owner's project management firm.

This phase continued through the spring and early summer and culminated with the submission of the final submission to MSBA on July 7, 2021 and the MSBA Board of Directors voted to approve the project and grant at their August 25, 2021 meeting. The SSBC hosted multiple community presentations during this phase, including Town Board and Department meetings, neighborhood meetings, community meetings, PTO presentations, Police and Fire department meetings, Conservation Commission meetings, Rotary and Stoneham Community Development.

Following MSBA's approval of the project, the SSBC presented the project to the voters at the October 4, 2021 Fall Town Meeting, followed by the debt exclusion Ballot Vote on November 2, 2021, both overwhelmingly approved by the voters.

Since the passage of the votes, detail design has been underway, with construction anticipated to commence the summer of 2022, with the new school opening in the summer of 2024, followed by the existing building demolition and playfields construction, concluding spring 2025.

The SSBC is comprised of municipal employees from the School and Town departments, elected representatives from the Select Board, School Committee and Finance & Advisory Board and citizens with a variety of talents and skills suited to the work of bringing a 21st century high school to the students and community of Stoneham.

Meetings are generally held twice a month on Monday evenings beginning at 7:00 p.m. The Stoneham School Building Committee meetings are open to all and the Committee welcomes community attendance and input. Details for attending meetings virtually or in-person can be found at <https://www.stoneham-ma.gov/hsbc>.

Live online versions of each meeting can be found on Stoneham TV government channels (Comcast 22, RCN 15 and Verizon 36). Recorded meetings can be viewed at any time on <https://www.stonehamtv.org/ondemand> in the Stoneham School Building Committee section. For more detailed information about the SSBC including meeting minutes, presentations and upcoming meetings, visit <http://www.stoneham-ma.gov/hsbc>.

Thank you,

The Stoneham School Building Committee

Marie Christie	Co-Chair
David Bois	Co-Chair
Raymie Parker	Select Board
Nicole Nial	School Committee Member
Cory Mashburn	Finance & Advisory Board
Dennis Sheehan	Town Administrator
John Macero	Superintendent of Schools
Bryan Lombardi	High School Principal
David Pignone	Select Board, Athletic Director
Jeanne Craigie	Town Moderator
Brian McNeil	Town Facilities Director
April Lanni	Town Procurement Officer
Lisa Gallagher	Middle School Administration
Kevin Yianacopolus	High School Facilities
Douglas Gove	Community Member
Stephen O'Neill	Community Member
Josephine Thomson	Community Memeber
Sharon Iovanni	Community Member
Paul Ryder	Community Member

School Department
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021

School Committee members for the year were Jaime Wallace, Chair, Thomas Dalton, Vice-Chair, David Maurer, Rachel Meredith-Warren and Nicole Nial. In October 2020, Rachel Meredith-Warren announced her resignation and Melanie Fiore was appointed by the Select Board and School Committee to fill the vacancy until the April 2021 election. Thomas Dalton did not seek reelection when his term expired in April 2021; Melanie Fiore

was elected to his three-year term and Betty Chu Pryor was elected to complete the one year left in Rachel Meredith-Warren's term. At the annual reorganization meeting in June, Jaime Wallace was again elected chair and David Maurer was elected Vice Chair. The Student Representatives to the School Committee were John Pagliarulo and Sophia Zullo. The recipients of the MASS Superintendent's Award that recognizes academic excellence, community service and other activities that distinguish high school students were John Pagliarulo and Anika Nath.

Thank you to the Stoneham School Committee, Stoneham Select-Board, Finance Advisory Board, Town Administrator, Town Accountant and Town Meeting for approving \$30,963,028.97 FY22 School Operating Budget. The previous FY21 budget went through a dramatic change from its original Town and School proposal of \$31,466,729.00 in March to final Town Meeting appropriation in October, 2020, for \$30,126,729.

Budget Successes:

- Reinstated full time Assistant Principal at Colonial Park
- Transferred the current Grade 4 section to a Grade 1 section at Robin Hood
- Increased Kindergarten sections from 3 to 4 at Robin Hood
- Created full time Drama Specialist at Central Middle School
- Reinstated Accounts Payable position for School Finance
- Increased utility lines at all schools
- Increased Special Education programs at Elementary and Middle School
- Created a Human Resource Department through ESSER III for Stoneham Public Schools starting January 2022
- Reinstated Technology Director through ESSER III for Stoneham Public Schools starting January 2022

Strategic Goals:

- Embed Social and Emotional Learning in all of our professional work
- Increase Continuity and Consistency in teaching and learning by making it visible in our practice; for example:
 - "You belong here"
 - Rigorous outcomes
 - Similar use of materials and expectations across the district
 - Redefine and Reinvalidate Response to Intervention
- Move to a building-based budget system

During the summer of 2020, it was obvious that the upcoming school year would be entirely different than a normal school year. Due to the COVID 19 pandemic, we had to change the direction of how services would be provided, and we created different learning models: Hybrid/Remote Model, Remote by Choice Model, Remote by Closure, Full In-Person Model.

Two distinctive recognition services were held during the year. First, the Committee recognized the following staff members who retired after the 2020-2021 year:

Bill Killilea – Physical Education Teacher, South School
Eileen Wood – Grade 1 Teacher, Robin Hood
Debra DiMarco – Psychologist, Colonial Park School
Kristine Cowal – Adjustment Counselor, Central Middle School
Geeta Barde – Biology Teacher, High School
Tim Cummings – Chemistry Teacher, High School
Elisa D’Amore – Science Teacher, High School
Elise Nicholson – ESP, Central Middle School
Patricia Ciarlante – ESP, Robin Hood

Second, the School Committee awarded Crystal Apples to the following supporters of the schools:

John Bowen – Network Administrator
Martha Bakken – Assistant Superintendent of Student Services
Sarah Hardy – Principal, Colonial Park and Central Office Administrator
Team of School Nurses
Sandra Malzone, Head Nurse

COLONIAL PARK SCHOOL

Colonial Park School opened the 2020-2021 school year with 251 students in Preschool through Grade 4. There were students who began the year in a hybrid model of learning, while other families opted for a fully remote school year. Students in our sub-separate classrooms and preschool attended in person all five days, with the exception of when the district briefly transitioned to a fully remote model. On April 5, 2021, students in grades K through 4 were invited to return to in person learning every day.

Throughout the school year, the Colonial Park community worked tirelessly to offer all students optimum opportunities for academic growth. Staff members adjusted their teaching methods and quickly became proficient with a number of technological tools and learning platforms, including Google Classroom and Seesaw. Classroom teachers, special educators and support staff seamlessly pivoted from virtual to in-person learning, assuring our students continued to receive a high quality education despite challenging circumstances.

During the 2020-2021 school year, Colonial Park School adopted several initiatives to encourage the social emotional learning of our students. We focused on kindness and ways our community could make someone’s day better. Goldie tickets were written daily by staff members recognizing kind acts, and these tickets were announced each morning over the loudspeaker. Student birthdays were also shared at this time, and volunteers in grades 2 through 4 were invited to lead our school in the Pledge of Allegiance. Colonial Park began using Universal Voice Levels and school-wide expectations were shared in every classroom. While some students remained remote throughout the school year, every effort

was made to include them in our Colonial Park community. All students, both remote and in-person, participated in our Spirit Week at the end of the school year, which included Field Day and Grade 4 Moving-on activities.

The Colonial Park Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) was an invaluable partner during the 2020-2021 school year. While many of the traditional activities were not available due to the pandemic, we worked closely with the PTO to offer different experiences for our families, including the Colonial Park Boo Thru which has now become an annual event. Our PTO provided countless supplies, treats and experiences for our staff and students, and their support and generosity was a critical component of our successful school year.

The 2020-2021 school year was unlike any other we have experienced. Students from all three elementary schools merged to form two remote classrooms at each grade level. These fully remote classes had teachers ranging from reading specialists, to retired educators, to first year teachers. Our staff developed technology skills quickly and efficiently, and despite the extraordinary challenges, we worked as a community to provide our students with a successful learning experience.

ROBIN HOOD SCHOOL

Robin Hood School opened the 2020-2021 school year with 382 students in preschool through grade 4. In September, Robin Hood offered families two learning options, fully remote or hybrid learning, to start the year. The primary goal was to maintain these two learning styles for as long as it was feasible and safe. For a short period of time prior to winter break and until mid-January, we were forced into remote learning. In April students and staff returned to full-time, in-person learning and families were afforded the opportunity to continue with remote learning for the remainder of the year if they so desired.

Remote learning brought about newfangled challenges for students, staff, and families. Although this learning style was new for all involved, Robin Hood School as a whole quickly made adjustments and kept students engaged and focused throughout the school year. One-hundred percent of students received their own school-issued computer from the start of hybrid and remote learning. Robin Hood staff expertly modified their teaching styles and students seamlessly transitioned to online learning platforms, such as Google Classroom and Class Dojo. Newly established classroom expectations and routines for hybrid and remote learning helped to create stability during times of uncertainty. Such efforts speak volumes for the dedication that all of the Robin Hood staff and students have for learning.

During the 2020-2021 school year the Robin Hood School also continued their partnership with the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education by earning a Multi-Tiered System of Support Academy (MTSS) grant focusing on tiered literacy. The MTSS Academy is a three-year project that partnered Robin Hood teacher leaders with experts across the country to dissect current literacy practices and find avenues to improve student learning at every tier. In spite of the numerous obstacles, Robin Hood staff

members were able to continually focus on setting the standards high and meeting the needs of all students.

The Robin Hood PTO continued to generously support us throughout the year by prioritizing the importance of forming connections and making parades and video celebrations the norm. The PTO sponsored two different virtual author visits, Sherri Duskey Rinker author of *Good Night, Good Night Construction Sight* and Vanessa Brantley Newton author of *Just Like Me*, to the delight of all students. The Stone Zoo also provided students with an exciting virtual animal enrichment program that closely aligned with science standards. Between Trunk-or-Treat, teacher appreciation events, and the Scholastic Book Fair, we were incredibly thankful for all that the PTO accomplished to support the students and staff at Robin Hood.

Although the 2020-2021 school year was, without doubt unique and unprecedented in many ways, it was not a wasted one. The efforts of staff, students, and families should be commended and has brought us to the next level of learning as a school and district.

SOUTH SCHOOL

South School began the 2020-2021 school year with approximately 330 students, however, the exact numbers were difficult to pin down due to the very unique year we had. Numerous models of learning took place during the year due to the pandemic. Some students began the year in a hybrid model, while others opted for a fully remote school year. Along the way we transitioned between a hybrid model and a remote model as needed before eventually returning back to full in person learning for those that chose to do so.

South School staff impressed every step of the way. They went above and beyond expectations to educate their students. Whether the students were home as part of the hybrid schedule or when we were all in a remote model, the students had access to their teacher and classmates for the majority of the day. While it was far from “normal”, South School students got a high quality education due to the dedication and determination of the staff.

We were also forced to move staff members into roles that they have never experienced before. Reading specialists became remote classroom teachers. Many teachers had to switch grade levels with short notice and teach remote classes. Students from all 3 schools merged to form remote classrooms. While this was a challenge from start to finish, it was undoubtedly a success considering the circumstances.

Prior to this year the South Staff and students were already pretty tech savvy. This enabled them to have the success that they, but it also helped us evolve as a school. The Chromebooks and online components of the curriculum are now, and will continue to be, a way of life at South School. Google Classroom is no longer just a part of remote learning. It has become the norm in most cases.

Social Media remained an important aspect of South School. This year more than ever it was needed to help keep us connected. Many students spent the year working remotely, so social media was used to keep them connected to their home school during the year.

Whether it was to share out the students participating in special days (pajama day, sports day, etc.), or simply a way of sharing out the learning taking place in class, it kept our students connected during a very disconnected school year.

It was another year of constant uncertainty, but it was undoubtedly a successful year at South School.

STONEHAM CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

Stoneham Middle School is made up of grades 5, 6, 7 and 8. The schedule at the middle school engages students in more than 900 hours of time-on-learning. Core academic offerings include: English Language Arts, math, science, and social studies. Students participate in physical education, art, music, health, world languages (French, Spanish or Italian), reading/ study skills, math enrichment and instructional technology. Additionally, Stoneham Middle School offers chorus and band to its students during its Activity Block which meets every Day Two of its six-day cycle. Students who do not choose to participate in these offerings take part in a directed study or peer tutoring.

In keeping with our mission to provide a safe and drug-free environment, we continue to keep an open line of communication with the police department and the Stoneham Youth Coalition.

The Central Middle School was recognized as one of 64 schools in the state that had the highest student growth on the MCAS test.

The morning check-ins with students checking on students' social emotional well-being has been very successful and has become part of our everyday culture.

The schedule provides teachers with time to meet as a team on three days a cycle and grade alike subject alike to discuss curriculum.

The 1:1 Chromebook program at the middle school continues to be successful. Students in grades 5-8 use the Chromebooks throughout their school day in all disciplines. Students in Grades 5-8 extend the school day by bringing the Chromebook home to work on projects and collaborate with teachers and classmates. This added access to technology supports not only the student in their schoolwork but also increases access to technology for the home.

Our middle school STEM program continues to be an exemplar program. PLTW and MA STEM Hub have once again this year asked us to provide two days when other districts can visit to observe classes and to talk with our staff and students about our STEM program.

The eighth grade has adopted a new Social Studies curriculum. The goal of our 8th Grade Civics curriculum is to get our students more interested in politics and current events, and in particular more knowledgeable about how our government works. By studying topics ranging from the Constitution & Bill of Rights to Civil & Human Rights, students gain insight into a vast array of crucial topics preparing them for high school and

beyond. Ultimately, students will gain an understanding of how our political systems work by allowing them to experience it first-hand and empowering them to address real-world issues.

We continue to provide strong World Language Programs in Spanish, French or Italian.

STONEHAM HIGH SCHOOL

Enrollment at Stoneham High School for the 2020-2021 was 610 students in Grades 9 - 12. The 2020-2021 school year was a school year unlike any SHS has experienced due to the COVID pandemic. To safely educate our students, following all expected COVID safety guidelines, SHS implemented a hybrid academic schedule for those students opting to attend school for in person learning as well as providing students an online educational program through one of the approved state providers (TECCA), for those students who opted for remote learning.

Despite the challenges and ever-changing landscape of the pandemic Stoneham High School was able to offer a safe and educationally sound environment supporting student learning and social and emotional wellbeing. Stoneham High School was also able to provide a rich offering of extracurricular activities and events utilizing remote formats as well as offering three seasons of athletic competition. All faculty and staff are to be commended for their ever present professionalism and commitment to our students and their welfare during these unprecedented challenges.

As in the year before with the onset of the pandemic in 2019, Stoneham High School worked with a variety of parents and community members to provide a variety of Senior Activities, including an on-site Prom. Graduation was an in person event with full guest attendance to watch the 178 graduates receive their Stoneham High School Diploma.

Family Consumer Science Department

Students who take courses in the Family Consumer Science department build crucial life and work skills. Teachers continue to update and vary experiences for students who study food science, fashion and child development. Students in Child Development participated in the Real Care Babies simulation while students in the various culinary classes partnered with the students in the Rise Program to plan and host the mobile Rise and Shine café cart. The Family Consumer Science teachers and students continued to work with Rotary International and many Stoneham Community organizations to offer support with catering dinners of varied size.

English

In the fall of 2020, James Buckley was hired to replace Grade 8 teacher Patrick Gahan who moved to Robin Hood Elementary School as their Assistant Principal. In addition, a Remote Academy team was created at the Middle School; Erica Bobroff was hired as the ELA remote teacher grades 5-8. At the high school, Kate Bowler filled in for a

year for a teacher on leave, and Rebekah Brooks worked with a student teacher in the second semester.

No MCAS were administered in 2020 due to COVID. In 2021, in grades 5-8, only 1 session (out of 2) was administered due to the ongoing pandemic. Grades 5, 7, and 8 were above the state in Exceeding and Meeting Expectations. Grade 6 was above the state in meeting expectations. In grade 10, the full exam was administered; the school scored above the state in both Exceeding (23%) and Meeting Expectations (52%).

- A.P. Language and Composition (Grade 11): 71% of 42 students earned a passing grade of 3 or higher compared to the state's average of 67%
- A.P. Literature and Composition (Grade 12): 66% of 29 students earned a passing grade of 3 or higher compared to the state's average of 52%.

There are not enough accolades to describe how teachers gave their all whether in-person, hybrid, remote or a combination of these scenarios in this second year of the pandemic. Teachers never lost their focus on how to best support and encourage students in learning the skills and content while also meeting their social and emotional learning needs and keeping them physically safe

Mathematics

In the fall of 2020, Central Middle School welcomed Taylor Johnson. Taylor became our first Remote Academy mathematics teacher, instructing students learning at home for the school year. Grades five and six began their first year of a three-year grant for ST Math. Backed by Mass STEM Hub, ST (Spatial Temporal) Math is a language-free online program that helps students improve their problem solving and algebraic thinking skills. At the high school no new teachers joined the department. The math team, led by Mike Luyet, once again competed in the MathWorks Math Modeling Challenge. Throughout what was a very challenging year, all teachers went above and beyond, adapting instruction to both in-person and online learning structures, and working to meet the needs of all students.

No MCAS were administered in 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. In spring of 2021, the Next Generation, online, MCAS were administered. At the middle school, however, students did not take both parts of the two-part assessment. Instead, each student was randomly assigned either Day 1 (no calculator) or Day 2 (calculator) of the MCAS. As a result, testing took place in a single day, instead of over the usual, two-day, period. Grades 5, 6 and 8 scored at or above the state in both categories of Meeting and Exceeding Expectations. At the high school, MCAS testing for grade 10 students occurred over a two-day period, students scoring at the state average in Meeting or Exceeding Expectations.

At the high school, A.P. Exams were completed online. Results included:

A.P. Calculus AB: Of the 18 students taking the exam (50%) earned a grade of 3 or higher.

A.P. Statistics: of the 8 students taking the exam (62.5%) earned a grade of 3 or higher.

Social Studies

In response to the pandemic, studies teachers in grades five through twelve moved all social studies lessons into a virtual format and developed proficiency with a variety of interactive technology tools to build student engagement. They also continued the implementation of the History and Social Science Frameworks focusing primarily on the seven practice standards common to each grade level. Despite the pandemic, work on the state-required, student led, nonpartisan Civic Action Project (CAP) continued for all students in grade 8 and for students in the Civic Action Seminar in grade 11-12. Students in the High School Civics course hosted the first ever, schoolwide stressless day. Students and teachers participated in a variety of activities and initiatives throughout designed to build community and support students' mental health.

Social Studies teachers attended various technology trainings, professional development structured around universal design for learning, and content professional development to build inquiry lessons in the middle school and to develop a new AP Government and politics course at the high school. Additionally, AP Modern World History was added to the High School course offerings with more than 30 students participating. Thirty-five students took the Advanced Placement (AP) United States History course and forty eight percent earned a score of three or higher on the corresponding AP United States History Exam. Twelve students took the AP Psychology test and fifty percent earned a score of three or higher. Twenty-eight students took the Modern World History exam and seventy two percent earned a score of three or higher.

The pandemic forced the cancellation of the National History Day program at both the High School and Middle School.

World Language

Eighteen students took the Advanced Placement Exams in Italian and Spanish. All students did well across the board with many earning college credit. Additionally, we had an Italian AP student receive a scholarship for study abroad due to the performance on the AP exam. Eleven students received the Seal of Biliteracy in the languages of French, Italian, Spanish and Portuguese. Two of our students received the Seal with distinction.

The majority of the academic year was focused on delivering curriculum in a Hybrid model. All world language teachers implemented lessons using creative and meaningful avenues; including the utilization of countless websites and online tools, virtual experiences and engaging activities in the classroom setting.

The French Club held many virtual activities and soirees. Most world language students completed projects and activities outside the classroom, but were able to share and display their work in the school setting.

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

Stoneham High Guidance Department Mission Statement

The mission of the Stoneham High Guidance Department is to work with students, faculty and families to promote learning, goal setting and the development of personal, social and civic responsibility in accord with the school and district goals. We believe that all students can be successful learners and should be aided in the development of a realistic future plan through career and college exploration and self-evaluation.

The goal of the Guidance Department is to assist each student in developing the academic, civic and social skills necessary to be healthy, responsible contributors to society. The major functions of the guidance department are educational, personal, and college and career counseling.

Standardized Testing

The PSAT was offered to 10th and 11th grade students in October 2020. The PSAT provides an opportunity for students to practice for the SAT. Additionally, the PSAT is the qualifying test for entry to the National Merit Scholarship Program for students in the 11th grade. The SAT is typically offered to interested high school students at Stoneham High four times each year. Due to the pandemic that closed schools in March 2020, SAT's were not offered in the spring (March and June), or the fall (October and November). The Class of 2021 was significantly impacted by the cancellations, and only 3 students in the Class of 2021 took an SAT. NCAA and the majority of colleges eliminated standardized testing as a requirement for the Class of 2021.

Developmental Guidance

School counselors meet with students individually, in small groups and in the classroom setting to assist with academic advising, social emotional support, and career and college advising. The school closures and hybrid schedule impacted the delivery of our classroom lessons for the 2020-2021 school year. Classroom curriculum in college planning and career and college exploration were held via Google Meets for 12th and 11th grade students respectively. Evening programs are held for students and their parents in 8th, 11th and 12th grades. These evening meetings were offered remotely and covered transition to the high school, future planning, the college application process and financial aid. The guidance staff, teachers and administrators function as an effective team assisting students in post-secondary planning. The follow-up report of the future plans of the members of the Class of 2021 is shown below:

Future Plans Class of 2021

Four Year Colleges	79%
Two Year Colleges	6%
Other Schools.....	3%
Military Service	0%

Employment.....	8%
Other Plans/Undecided	4%
Total.....	100%

PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND ATHLETICS

The Physical Education and Athletic Department conducts a variety of programs including, but not limited to, required Physical Education, Adaptive Physical Education, and an Interscholastic Athletic program. These programs were planned with attention to equal access to program offerings and facilities.

Our eight physical education teachers and one adaptive physical education teacher, grades K-12, follow the physical education curriculum and present the proper physical conditioning for appropriate activities as well as teach skills in a safe and sequential manner.

The current fitness-testing program consists of the following:

- Screening test - grades K, 1, & 2
- Youth physical fitness test-grades 4, 5, 7, & 8
- Health-related test - grades 3, 6, 9, 10, 11, &12

Our objective is to combine assessment of our fitness program with practical follow-up on why and how to stay fit for a lifetime. The School Department web page has its foundation set to communicate to students and their parents more information about the testing.

Athletics

Our athletic program is made up of 25 varsity interscholastic sports, 14 sports for the girls’ program and 11 sports for the boys’ program. In total, there are 46 high school squads including freshman, junior varsity and varsity. The overall goal of the athletic program at Stoneham High School is to provide equal opportunity for all student-athletes to reach their full potential as members of competitive teams. Each sport and each level of participation has specific goals and objectives, which fit into the framework of the athletic program.

During the past 2020-2021 school year, 670 slots were filled by participants in our sports program (fall, winter and spring season). In our senior class of 176 students, 97 students played a sport in their senior year (60% of the senior class were involved in at least one sport their senior year). 144 students from the class of 2021 participated in at least one sport in their 4-year career at Stoneham High School; at 80 %, this number is impressive, and is consistently high and the trend is growing slightly over the past few years.

2020-2021 Major Accomplishments

Fall Season: With Covid this year we were limited to so many games against our ML-12, we played only in the Freedom Division. Some games had to be cancelled due to Covid

and did not complete the full season. Games were played on Saturdays except for Golf. The sports teams that played in the fall were, Boys & Girls X-Country, Boys and Girls Soccer, Field Hockey and Golf.

Winter Season: Was the same as fall with Covid. We played only in the Freedom Division. The sports teams that played were Boys and Girls Basketball, Boys and Girls Ice Hockey and Gymnastics.

Fall 2 Season: Due to Covid we split the Fall Season. We played only in the Freedom Division. Fall 2 sports played were Football, Volleyball, Swimming and Boys and Girls Indoor Track.

Spring Season: Due to Covid we only played the Freedom Division for spring sports as well. The sports teams that played were Boys Baseball, Softball, Boys and Girls Lacrosse, Boys and Girls Tennis and Boys and Girls Outdoor Track. Baseball went to the Tournament and won against Amesbury, Newburyport, N. Reading and lost to Bishop Fenwick at the end.

End of the year senior awards (voted by all coaches) were the following:

Boys Sportsmanship – Benjamin Donovan, Girls Sportsmanship–Grace Connell, Outstanding Achievement in Boys Individual Sport–Sean Overlan, Outstanding Achievement in Girls Individual Sport–Anne Marie Walsh, Outstanding Achievement in Boys Team Sport–Christopher Dragone, Outstanding Achievement in a Girls Team Sport–Caroline Porter, Outstanding Senior Male Athlete–James Malonson, Outstanding Senior Female Athlete–Alyson Simpson, Athletic Director's Award went to Rose Fotino, Connor Gilmartin, Kaitlyn Oro, Michael Del Trecco and Ty Foley. James Malonson was Boston Heralds All Scholastic in Baseball. The Richard A. Paradiso award went to Kevin Gilmartin and the Ruth A Timpone Award went to Annika Lawson.

Safety - Acknowledgements

Safety is an important part of our athletic program. The major items listed below are some of the highlights insuring the health and welfare of our student-athletes:

- students were equipped well for personal safety
- our equipment received proper maintenance
- Our trainers from Hallmark Health provided excellent medical support to our students as well as our relationship with Agility Sports Medicine continues to grow as they provide us with a Dr. for all of our home football games.
- school maintenance workers gave careful attention to the condition of our fields for practices and games
- A cell phone communication system and emergency plan system are in place for the care of athletic injuries and emergencies. Our Athletic trainers are always equipped with a defibrillator as well having purchased 3 more for teams off campus. No team practices or plays outside of an AED being within 2 minutes from their reach.
- Coaches are asked to watch an informational video on Concussions yearly

- Coaches are continuously updating their CPR certifications.

2020-2021 Athletic team overview

Sport	Season	Athletes	20-21 Record	Coach
Cheerleading	Fall	24	-	Katie LePore
Cross Country (B)	Fall	20	1-2	Jerry Bailey
Cross Country (G)	Fall	23	1-4	Eileen DiLisio
Field Hockey	Fall	23	1-6-1	Katie Morin
Football	Fall	45	3-2	Bob Almeida
Golf	Fall	11	1-6-1	Tom O'Grady
Soccer (B)	Fall	36	2-1-2	Jeff Kirkland
Soccer (G)	Fall	40	5-2	Sharon Chapman
Swimming	Fall	18	4-2	Alex Penacchio
Volleyball	Fall	39	3-8	Paul Hardy
Basketball (B)	Winter	34	1-11	Jim Bakeman
Basketball (G)	Winter	24	0-10	Lynley Paratore
Cheerleading	Winter	N/A	-	N/A
Gymnastics	Winter	11	3-4	Annemarie McNeil
Ice Hockey (B)	Winter	40	6-2-1	Paul Sacco
Ice Hockey (G)	Winter	17	0-8	Cassandra Connolly
Track – Winter (B)	Winter	25	1-4	Bob Sargent
Track – Winter (G)	Winter	34	2-3	Jerry Bailey
Baseball	Spring	41	12-4	Kevin Yianacopolus
Softball	Spring	11	3-8	Gia Raczkowski
Tennis (B)	Spring	13	3-9	Ken Beltram
Tennis (G)	Spring	14	1-11	Sara Swett-Zizzo
Track – Spring (B)	Spring	37	2-3	Chris Yancey
Track – Spring (G)	Spring	44	2-3	Bob Sargent
Lacrosse (B)	Spring	21	0-12	Matt Dabenigno
Lacrosse (G)	Spring	25	0-12	Katie Morin
TOTAL PARTICIPATION		670		

THE ATHLETE ROSTER NUMBER IS BASED ON HOW MANY KIDS SIGN UP AT THE START OF THE SEASON. IT IS NOT REFLECTIVE OF KIDS WHO QUIT OR GET CUT.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

The Office of Special Education's mission is to work collaboratively with faculty, staff and families to ensure all students' full access and participation in the general education curriculum, classrooms and their school community. We serve students, ages three through twenty-two by providing a range of accommodations, modifications, specialized instruction, support and services depending on each child's individual strengths and needs. Federal law (IDEA) and MA state regulations are adhered to and decisions are made with the intention of providing every student a Free and Appropriate Education (FAPE) within the Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) possible to meet their individual needs.

Stoneham Public Schools offers a continuum of special education services. The district is committed to moving toward more fully inclusive best practices. Presently, special education and related service personnel provide specialized instruction to students within their general education classrooms as well as outside of the classroom. All Team members collaborate to maximize effectiveness in accomplishing identified goals and objectives. Such an approach requires ongoing consultation among staff and common planning.

We are fortunate to be members of the SEEM Collaborative, a partnership among a group of neighboring districts, which provides a range of cost-effective programs for low incidence student populations who typically present with the most intensive needs. The Collaborative also provides specialized contractual services to support Stoneham with in-district programs, helps coordinate specialized transportation services, and ongoing professional development activities.

Stoneham Public Schools also operates specialized classroom programs within our district. These programs typically serve children who present with complex profiles and whose needs require that they receive highly specialized instruction for a significant portion of their day outside of the general education classroom. Currently, we have specialized classrooms designed to meet the needs of students with students on the autism spectrum, students with social/emotional needs, and students with significant language-based learning disabilities. Special Education program staff work with general educators to ensure that students have access to the general education curriculum and opportunities for inclusion.

The full continuum of special education services is available to children beginning at three years of age. The Stoneham school district engages in proactive Child Find screening and evaluation activities to identify children who may exhibit an educational disability at an early age. Personnel work closely with Early Intervention service providers and families to ensure a smooth transition of services and, for some, participation in our Integrated Preschool program when they turn three years of age.

During the 2020-2021 school year, the district and Office of Special Education adhered closely to guidance from DESE regarding service delivery during the COVID pandemic. This required significant planning and flexibility as guidance changed over the course of the school year. Review of our efforts during this challenging school year showed that we were successful in providing in-person, hybrid and remote services throughout the school year for even our youngest and most vulnerable students. Special Education Coordinators and special education personnel met with families to determine whether some students were owed compensatory services and to ensure that those services were provided, as well.

Extended School Year services were provided during the summer of 2021, in person. Additional grant funded programs were also offered during the summer months. These programs were well attended and parent feedback was positive.

While the 2020-2021 school year presented many unexpected challenges it also provided opportunities for review and reflection on successes. The Office of Special Education will

continue to review successes related to service delivery methods, materials and programming as we move forward with efforts to embrace more fully inclusive best practices and provide ongoing professional development, training and support for SEL and specialized reading instruction, at all levels.

Graduation . . . Class of 2021

Pramesh Adhikary	Grace Elizabeth Connell
Grant Alexander Albrecht	Nora Carroll Conway
Jasmine Marie Allan	Sevannah Grace Corcoran
Pedro Ulisses Gomes Almeida	Ashley Rose Costa
Ferreira	Hannah Louise Costa
Wilson Leonardo Alvarez-Guevara	Alexandria Janice Crowley
Nicholas Pereira Alves	Jacqueline Marie Cullen
Sophia Rose Aresco	Jacob Hayden Curley
Batu Ekrem Atlamaz	Joshua Ronald Davis
Nicholas Dominic Bamforth	Erin Marie Dean
Bryce Evann Bardell	Jessica Susan Degnan
Sebastien Joel Berniac	Michael Carmine Del Trecco
McKenna Payton Betti	Marissa Caroline DiPlacido
David Jason Blout	Kelsey Elizabeth DiScipio
Erin Elizabeth Bouthiller	Kevin Michael Doherty
Ryan Joseph Bouthiller	Benjamin Maxwell Donovan
Meghan Jacome Branco	Christopher Joseph Dragone
Dylan Tyler Breslin	Valerie Marie Drew
Erin Mary Brown	Joseph Alan Etienne-Guzzi
Molly Elizabeth Buckley	Mehrob Pasha Fatemi
Anne Elizabeth Buffo	Salvatore Joseph Fazio
James Filippo Buonopane	Eva Marie Feliciano
Felicia Antonia Burgos	Isabella Rose Ferranti
Samantha Nancy Calisi	Christian Joseph Ferrara
Gavin James Carlson	Paul Nicholas Fino
Giuliana Antonietta Carpentieri	Riccardo Mario Firicano
Alyssa Colby Chiodi	Jake William Fleming
Jared Francisco Christie	Daniel Flores-Arroyave
Matthew Domenick Cimina	Ty Michael Foley
Joseph Augustine Clapp	Rose Kang Fotino
Daniel DiRado Cohn	

Hannah Elisabeth Fray
Ryan Anthony Giacchetto
Shaan Singh Gill
Connor Day Gilmartin
Melisa Gjergji
Tyler Michael Godding
Robyn Suzanne Goldenberg
Lindsey Mae Gorham
Jeena Marie Granata
Caitlin Mary Henaghan
Brynn Asia Hespeler
Daniela Iebba
Kelsey Elizabeth Barsanti Innocenti
Tyce Anthony Jackson
Leah Ray Johnson
Maya Pascale Johnson
Anthony Silvio Johnson
Adam Russell Josephson
Peytn Jayms Kilty
Robert Elsworth Kilty
Jake Michael Krasco
Maria Rose La Terza
Nicole Michelle LaFauci
Jacob-Gage Derek Lane
Patrick James Langill
Adam Robb Larzelere
Emily Rene Lauretano
Filipe Lemos
Victoria Carmen Leone
David Marvin Levine
Abigail Elizabeth Lewis
Jessica Ferreira Lima
Aaron Y. Lin
Lauren Ashley Linn
Marco Reno LoGrasso

Victor Enrique Lopez Socop
Travis Andrew Lopinsky
Meghan Marie Lotti
Lucas Costa Machado
Emily Claire Maestri
Grace Josephine Magazzu
Fiona Rose Mahoney
Victoria Isabel Maignan
James Curtis Malonson
Brendan Christopher Marks
Elise Anne McAllister
Marijane Louise McAllister
Schuyler Rose McCullough
Allison Elizabeth Meade
Sessina Isabella Mele
Michael Vincent Migliore
Jason Michael Milonopoulos-Veazie
Yairlennys Melania Minlley Cabral
Tiffany Amber Miranda
Jacey Priscila Morales
Charles Donovan Morey
Hunter Han Morgan
Aidan Michael Murphy
Jack Joseph Murray
Malik Abdul Nafah
Anika Nath
Nathan Toros Nazarian
David Michael Nicoletti
Matthias Eloy Noceda
Nicholas John O'Brien
Jack Michael O'Connell
Justin Thomas O'Connor
Cameron John O'Keefe
Mary-Rose O'Melia
Kaitlyn Rose Oro

Sean Matthew Overlan
John Logan Pagliarulo
Brenna Leigh Pignone
Olivia Rose Pignone
Richard Joseph Pignone
Caroline Claire Porter
Max Andrew Ramrikhi
Elizabeth Catherine Raymond
Jake Alfred Reed
Jack Robert Reilly
Samantha Frances Rexrode
Colleen Elizabeth Riley
Olivia Theresa Rizzo
Sencere Jalen Rodriguez
Carly Margaret Rosa
Menal Jan Saleem
Caroline Raizel Santos
Gabriella Marie Sarro
Tyler Douglas Schmidt
Morgan Diane Schofield
Catherine Dominique Scire
Nicholas Anthony Sgarzi
Tre Daniel Shaw
Tara Aislin Shea
Steven Anthony Sillari
Alyson Rose Simpson
Tajvir Singh
Christian Michael Spadorcia
Joanna Spiro
Anthony Dunn Stancato
Brandon Cole Stewart
Jacob Anthony Tamayo
Alexander Ilan Tavares
Arianna Mia Taylor
Isabella Nichole Terry

Darline Rosier Val
James Robert Valeriani
Daniil Nicholas Vallesio
Christian Alexander Verderese
Emily Vilorio
Annemaire Siobhan Walsh
Ezra Matthew Walsh
Olivia Kathryn West
Helena Kim Wong
Jessica Kristen Zipper
Rachel Olivia Zipper

Town Accountant

As management of the Town of Stoneham, we offer readers of these financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2021. We encourage readers to consider the information presented in this report.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the Town of Stoneham's basic financial statements. These basic financial statements are comprised of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other required supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements.

Government-wide financial statements. The *government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of finances, in a manner similar to private-sector business.

The *statement of net position* presents information on all assets and deferred outflows and liabilities and deferred inflows, with the difference between them reported as *net position*. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the Town's financial position is improving or deteriorating.

The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the government's net position changed during the most recent year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, *regardless of the timing of related cash flows*. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave).

Both of the government-wide financial statements distinguish functions that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (*governmental activities*) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion of their costs through user fees and charges (*business-type activities*). The governmental activities include general government, public safety, education, public works, human services, culture and recreation, and interest. The business-type activities include the activities of the sewer department, and the water department.

Fund financial statements. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or

objectives. Fund accounting is used to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds can be divided into three categories: governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds.

Governmental funds. *Governmental funds* are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund statements focus on *near-term inflows of spendable resources*, as well as on *balances of spendable resources* available at the end of the year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for *governmental funds* with similar information presented for *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between *governmental funds* and *governmental activities*.

The Town of Stoneham adopts an annual appropriated budget for its general fund. A budgetary comparison schedule has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget. The budgetary comparison schedule is reported following the notes to the basic financial statements as required supplementary information.

Proprietary funds. The Town maintains one type of proprietary fund. *Enterprise funds* are used to report the same functions presented as *business-type activities* in the government-wide financial statements. The Town uses enterprise funds to account for its sewer department and water department activities.

Fiduciary funds. Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are *not* reflected in the government-wide financial statement because the resources of those funds are *not* available to support the Town's own programs. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds. The Town maintains three different fiduciary funds. The pension trust fund is used to account for resources held in trust for members of the Stoneham Contributory Retirement System. The private purpose trust fund is used to account for resources held in trust which principle and investment income exclusively benefit individuals, private organizations, or other governments. The agency fund is used to account for assets held in a purely custodial capacity.

Respectfully submitted,
Eric Duffy
Town Accountant

**TOWN OF STONEHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2021**

	General	Highway Projects	State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund	COVID-19 CARES Grant	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS						
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 12,825,065	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,825,065
Investments	1,902,653	-	-	-	-	1,902,653
Receivables, Net of Allowance for Uncollectible Amounts:						
Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes	1,134,832	-	-	-	-	1,134,832
Tax and Trash Liens	173,683	-	-	-	15,453	189,936
Motor Vehicle and Other Excise Taxes	360,631	-	-	-	-	360,631
Departmental and Other	-	-	-	-	135,205	135,205
Intergovernmental	715,310	-	-	-	-	715,310
Due from Other Funds	714,099	-	-	-	-	714,099
Restricted Assets:						
Cash and Cash Equivalents	312,440	-	1,262,617	731,497	5,895,072	8,201,626
Investments	-	-	-	-	1,095,819	1,095,819
Total Assets	\$ 16,156,713	\$ -	\$ 1,262,617	\$ 731,497	\$ 7,051,639	\$ 27,204,466
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES						
LIABILITIES						
Warrants Payable	\$ 1,086,980	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,312	\$ 95,567	\$ 1,190,869
Accrued Payroll	266,345	-	-	-	31,723	298,068
Unearned Revenue	-	-	1,262,617	723,165	-	1,985,802
Other Liabilities	467,609	-	-	-	272,860	740,469
Tax Refunds Payable	164,912	-	-	-	-	164,912
Due to Other Funds	-	-	-	714,069	-	714,069
Short-Term Notes Payable	-	-	-	-	206,000	206,000
Total Liabilities	1,985,846	-	1,262,617	1,445,596	606,160	5,303,239
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
Unavailable Revenue	1,955,891	-	-	-	150,746	2,106,637
FUND BALANCES						
Nonspendable	-	-	-	-	1,152,078	1,152,078
Restricted	512,440	-	-	-	5,448,890	5,961,330
Committed	2,127,169	-	-	-	-	2,127,169
Assigned	666,078	-	-	-	-	666,078
Unassigned	11,111,289	-	-	(714,099)	(306,655)	10,087,535
Total Fund Balances	14,216,976	-	-	(714,099)	6,291,713	19,794,590
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Fund Balances	\$ 16,156,713	\$ -	\$ 1,262,617	\$ 731,497	\$ 7,051,639	\$ 27,204,466

**TOWN OF STONEHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

	General	Highway Projects	State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund	COVID-19 CARES Grant	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES						
Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes	\$ 53,595,393	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 53,595,393
Motor Vehicle and Other Excise Taxes	3,648,010	-	-	-	-	3,648,010
Meals Tax	308,775	-	-	-	-	308,775
Tax and Trash Liens	23,283	-	-	-	79,781	103,044
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	2,736	-	-	-	-	2,736
Charges for Services	-	-	-	-	807,560	807,560
Intergovernmental	20,170,116	376,341	-	1,161,719	4,942,417	26,650,633
Penalties and Interest on Taxes	178,887	-	-	-	10,664	189,551
Licenses and Permits	773,141	-	-	-	-	773,141
Fines and Forfeitures	34,016	-	-	-	200	34,216
Departmental and Other	1,842,945	-	-	-	4,440,264	6,283,209
Contributions	-	-	-	-	68,834	68,834
Investment Income	398,535	-	-	-	89,507	488,042
Total Revenues	80,881,817	376,341	-	1,161,719	10,279,257	92,699,134
EXPENDITURES						
Current:						
General Government	2,724,542	-	-	1,031,220	954,655	4,710,417
Public Safety	8,890,923	-	-	736,805	2,058,597	11,686,325
Education	31,296,728	-	-	-	3,853,788	35,150,516
Public Works	2,522,509	376,341	-	-	2,200,355	5,169,205
Health and Human Services	734,767	-	-	-	142,725	877,492
Culture and Recreation	1,213,916	-	-	-	393,194	1,607,110
Pension Benefits	15,430,141	-	-	-	-	15,430,141
Employee Benefits	9,852,066	-	-	-	15,400	9,867,466
State and County Charges	2,488,091	-	-	-	-	2,488,091
Debt Service:						
Principal	3,378,000	-	-	-	-	3,378,000
Interest	778,276	-	-	-	-	778,276
Total Expenditures	79,290,959	376,341	-	1,768,025	9,708,714	91,134,040
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES						
	1,800,858	-	-	(606,307)	570,543	1,565,094
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Proceeds of Bonds and Notes	-	-	-	-	545,550	545,550
Transfers In	959,066	-	-	-	269,316	1,228,382
Transfers Out	(265,319)	-	-	-	-	(265,319)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	693,750	-	-	-	814,866	1,504,616
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES						
	2,264,608	-	-	(606,307)	1,381,409	3,069,710
Fund Balances - Beginning of Year, as Restated	11,922,368	-	-	(107,752)	4,910,304	16,724,880
FUND BALANCES - END OF YEAR	\$ 14,216,676	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (714,059)	\$ 6,291,713	\$ 19,794,590

**TOWN OF STONEHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2021**

ASSETS	Business-Type Activities - Enterprise Funds		
	Sewer	Water	Total
	Enterprise	Enterprise	
Current Assets:			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,780,784	\$ 2,233,551	\$ 4,014,335
Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents	1,342,764	1,337,352	2,680,116
Receivables, Net of Allowance for Uncollectible Amounts:			
User Charges	2,570,848	1,954,302	4,525,150
Utility Liens	41,691	37,500	79,191
Total Current Assets	5,736,087	5,562,705	11,298,792
Noncurrent Assets:			
Capital Assets not being Depreciated	215,801	-	215,801
Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	6,281,493	7,736,937	14,018,430
Total Noncurrent Assets	6,497,294	7,736,937	14,234,231
Total Assets	12,233,381	13,299,642	25,533,023
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Related to OPEB	177,097	142,963	320,060
Related to Pension	55,981	45,998	102,979
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	234,078	188,961	423,039
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities:			
Warrants Payable	3,513	363,226	366,739
Accrued Payroll	8,044	10,577	18,621
Compensated Absences	2,890	1,158	4,048
Total OPEB Liability	43,304	34,957	78,261
Long-Term Bonds and Notes Payable	69,700	377,786	447,486
Total Current Liabilities	127,451	787,704	915,155
Noncurrent Liabilities:			
Compensated Absences	26,007	10,420	36,427
Net Pension Liability	223,914	180,756	404,670
Total OPEB Liability	1,628,780	1,314,844	2,943,624
Long-Term Bonds and Notes Payable	286,550	2,206,731	2,493,281
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	2,165,251	3,712,751	5,878,002
Total Liabilities	2,292,702	4,500,455	6,793,157
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Related to OPEB	198,653	160,364	359,017
Related to Pension	34,116	27,541	61,657
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	232,769	187,905	420,674
NET POSITION			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	7,483,808	6,489,772	13,973,580
Unrestricted	2,458,180	2,310,471	4,768,651
Total Net Position	\$ 9,941,988	\$ 8,800,243	\$ 18,742,231

**TOWN OF STONEHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
 PROPRIETARY FUNDS
 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION
 YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

	Business-Type Activities - Enterprise Funds		
	Sewer Enterprise	Water Enterprise	Total
OPERATING REVENUES			
Charges for Services	\$ 6,872,460	\$ 5,671,114	\$ 12,543,574
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Cost of Service and Administration	516,759	738,612	1,255,371
MWRA Assessment	4,988,619	2,877,738	7,866,357
Pension and OPEB Benefits Adjustments	(14,093)	(234,583)	(248,676)
Depreciation	224,641	238,709	463,350
Total Operating Expenses	5,715,926	3,620,476	9,336,402
OPERATING INCOME	1,156,534	2,050,638	3,207,172
NONOPERATING REVENUES			
Investment Income	3,297	3,294	6,591
INCOME BEFORE TRANSFERS	1,159,831	2,053,932	3,213,763
Transfers Out	(517,189)	(441,877)	(959,066)
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	642,642	1,612,055	2,254,697
Net Position - Beginning of Year	9,299,346	7,188,188	16,487,534
NET POSITION - END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 9,941,988</u>	<u>\$ 8,800,243</u>	<u>\$ 18,742,231</u>

**TOWN OF STONEHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

	<u>Business-Type Activities - Enterprise Funds</u>		
	<u>Sewer Enterprise</u>	<u>Water Enterprise</u>	<u>Total</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Receipts from Customers and Users	\$ 5,960,299	\$ 5,424,890	\$ 12,085,189
Payments to Vendors	(5,100,045)	(2,919,043)	(8,019,089)
Payments to Employees	(423,169)	(347,872)	(771,040)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	<u>1,137,085</u>	<u>2,157,975</u>	<u>3,295,060</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Transfers Out	(517,189)	(441,877)	(959,066)
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds from the Issuance of Bonds and Notes	-	1,800,000	1,800,000
Acquisition and Construction of Capital Assets	(100,318)	(942,023)	(1,042,341)
Principal Payments on Bonds and Notes	(74,700)	(296,786)	(361,486)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Capital and Related Financing Activities	<u>(175,018)</u>	<u>571,191</u>	<u>306,173</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Investment Income	3,297	3,294	6,591
NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	<u>448,175</u>	<u>2,290,583</u>	<u>2,738,758</u>
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year (Includes \$1,371,316 and \$164,716 in the Sewer and Water Enterprise Funds, Respectively)	<u>2,675,373</u>	<u>1,280,320</u>	<u>3,955,693</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR (Includes \$1,342,764 and \$1,337,352 in the Sewer and Water Enterprise Funds, Respectively)	<u>\$ 3,123,548</u>	<u>\$ 3,570,903</u>	<u>\$ 6,694,451</u>
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) TO NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Operating Income	\$ 1,156,534	\$ 2,050,638	\$ 3,207,172
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:			
Changes In Assets and Liabilities not Requiring Current Cash Flows:			
Depreciation	224,641	236,709	461,350
Net Pension Liability	(37,529)	(58,193)	(95,722)
Total OPEB Liability	23,436	(176,390)	(152,954)
Effect of Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities:			
User Charges	(205,109)	(236,882)	(444,991)
Utility Liens	(7,052)	(6,342)	(13,394)
Warrants Payable	(27,725)	347,719	319,994
Accrued Payroll	98	3,440	3,538
Compensated Absences	9,791	(1,724)	8,067
Total Adjustments	<u>(19,449)</u>	<u>107,337</u>	<u>87,888</u>
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	<u>\$ 1,137,085</u>	<u>\$ 2,157,975</u>	<u>\$ 3,295,060</u>

**TOWN OF STONEHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2021**

ASSETS	Pension Trust Fund (as of December 31, 2021)	Private Purpose Trust Funds	Custodial Funds
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 65,782	\$ 1,537,538	\$ 24,956
Investments:			
Equity Mutual Funds	45,238,871	-	-
Fixed Income Mutual Funds	16,716,443	-	-
External Investment Pool (PRIT)	47,630,555	-	-
Receivables, Net of Allowance for Uncollectible Amounts:			
Other	10,927	-	-
Total Assets	<u>109,662,578</u>	<u>1,537,538</u>	<u>24,956</u>
LIABILITIES			
Warrants Payable	1,300	2,000	-
NET POSITION			
Restricted for:			
Pension Benefits	109,661,278	-	-
Individuals, Organizations, and Other Governments	-	1,535,538	24,956
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 109,661,278</u>	<u>\$ 1,535,538</u>	<u>\$ 24,956</u>

**TOWN OF STONEHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

	Pension Trust Fund (as of December 31, 2021)	Private Purpose Trust Funds	Custodial Funds
ADDITIONS			
Contributions:			
Employer	\$ 6,465,692	\$ -	\$ -
Plan Members	1,677,755	-	-
Private Donations	-	34,964	-
Total Contributions	<u>8,143,447</u>	<u>34,964</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Investment Income:			
Net Appreciation in Fair Value of Investments	5,478,442	-	-
Interest	2,482,265	97,676	-
Total Investment Income	<u>7,960,707</u>	<u>97,676</u>	<u>-</u>
Less: Investment Expense	<u>(656,292)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Investment Income	<u>7,304,415</u>	<u>97,676</u>	<u>-</u>
Fees Collected for Other Governments	-	-	26,550
Intergovernmental	<u>75,286</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Additions	<u>15,523,128</u>	<u>132,640</u>	<u>26,550</u>
DEDUCTIONS			
Administration	258,931	-	-
Retirement Benefits, Including Reimbursements and Refunds	8,832,828	-	-
Scholarships Awarded	-	56,049	-
Fees Remitted to Other Governments	-	-	23,525
Total Deductions	<u>9,091,759</u>	<u>56,049</u>	<u>23,525</u>
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	6,431,369	76,591	3,025
Net Position - Beginning of Year, as Restated	<u>103,229,909</u>	<u>1,458,947</u>	<u>21,931</u>
NET POSITION - END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 109,661,278</u>	<u>\$ 1,535,538</u>	<u>\$ 24,956</u>

**TOWN OF STONEHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
GENERAL FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS – BUDGET AND ACTUAL
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

	Prior Year Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations	Original Budget	Supplemental Appropriations and Transfers	Final Budget
REVENUES				
Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes	\$ -	\$ 53,665,741	\$ -	\$ 53,665,741
Motor Vehicle and Other Excise Taxes	-	3,400,000	-	3,400,000
Hotel/Motel Tax	-	177,000	-	177,000
Tax Liens	-	-	-	-
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	-	55,000	-	55,000
Intergovernmental	-	11,067,030	-	11,067,030
Penalties and Interest on Taxes	-	175,000	-	175,000
Licenses and Permits	-	560,000	-	560,000
Fines and Forfeitures	-	45,000	-	45,000
Departmental and Other	-	973,000	-	973,000
Investment Income	-	65,000	-	65,000
Total Revenues	-	70,182,771	-	70,182,771
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
General Government	405,648	2,569,170	282,140	3,276,958
Public Safety	24,794	9,062,429	66,000	9,173,223
Education	254,445	31,109,024	286,000	31,649,469
Public Works	315,790	2,620,516	450,000	3,386,306
Health and Human Services	2,800	695,237	68,000	766,037
Culture and Recreation	79,559	1,302,141	-	1,381,700
Pension Benefits	-	6,273,630	-	6,273,630
Employee Benefits	25,479	10,050,775	70,000	10,146,254
State and County Charges	-	2,523,819	-	2,523,819
Debt Service:				
Principal	-	3,375,000	-	3,375,000
Interest	-	779,276	-	779,276
Total Expenditures	1,108,515	70,401,017	1,222,140	72,731,672
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES				
	(1,108,515)	(218,246)	(1,222,140)	(2,548,901)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers In	-	959,066	-	959,066
Transfers Out	-	(823,000)	-	(823,000)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	-	136,066	-	136,066
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE				
	(1,108,515)	(82,180)	(1,222,140)	(2,412,835)
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	7,038,184	7,038,184	7,038,184	7,038,184
FUND BALANCE - END OF YEAR	\$ 5,929,669	\$ 6,956,004	\$ 5,816,044	\$ 4,625,349

**TOWN OF STONEHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
GENERAL FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS – BUDGET AND ACTUAL (CONTINUED)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

Actual	Current Year Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations	Actual and Encumbrances and Continuing Appropriations	Variance Positive/ (Negative)
\$ 53,861,368	\$ -	\$ 53,861,368	\$ 195,627
3,648,010	-	3,648,010	248,010
306,775	-	306,775	129,775
23,263	-	23,263	23,263
2,736	-	2,736	(52,264)
11,011,346	-	11,011,346	(55,684)
178,887	-	178,887	3,887
773,141	-	773,141	213,141
34,016	-	34,016	(10,984)
1,842,945	-	1,842,945	869,945
14,054	-	14,054	(50,946)
<u>71,696,541</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>71,696,541</u>	<u>1,513,770</u>
2,724,542	430,709	3,155,251	121,707
8,890,923	158,878	9,049,801	123,422
31,268,728	382,777	31,651,505	(2,036)
2,522,509	615,211	3,137,720	248,566
734,767	5,080	739,847	26,190
1,213,916	89,148	1,303,064	78,636
6,271,371	-	6,271,371	2,259
9,852,066	-	9,852,066	294,188
2,489,091	-	2,489,091	34,728
3,375,000	-	3,375,000	-
779,276	-	779,276	-
<u>70,122,189</u>	<u>1,681,803</u>	<u>71,803,992</u>	<u>927,680</u>
1,574,352	(1,681,803)	(107,451)	2,441,450
959,066	-	959,066	-
(868,316)	-	(868,316)	(45,316)
<u>90,750</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>90,750</u>	<u>(45,316)</u>
1,665,102	(1,681,803)	(16,701)	2,366,134
7,036,184	-	7,036,184	-
<u>\$ 8,703,286</u>	<u>\$ (1,681,803)</u>	<u>\$ 7,021,483</u>	<u>\$ 2,366,134</u>

Town Clerk

We began the year by sending out the Annual Street List to approximately eleven thousand households in Stoneham and processing them as they were returned. We ended 2021 with 17,507 registered voters. That voter total is made up of 4,836 registered Democrats, 1,696 registered Republicans, 10,777 Unenrolled voters (those voters not registered in a specific political party or political designation-formerly known as Independent). There were 198 voters registered under party designations. Designations are often formed around a particular cause or ideology, are not considered officially as parties and do not have primaries.

The Annual Town Election took place on April 6, 2021. There were 2,028 voters casting their ballots for municipal offices on this first Tuesday in April. In the odd numbered calendar years, we usually hold just one election, but this year the Town held a Special Election on November 2nd in order to ask the voters to fund the new High School Building project. There was a 20.6% turnout with 3,594 voters casting their ballots in overwhelming support of the project and the necessary debt exclusion to fund it.

On May 3rd only 55 voters turned out to the Annual Town Meeting to act on twenty articles including the Town's operating budget for the upcoming fiscal year. Unfortunately, we were over a year into the COVID-19 Pandemic and still feeling the effects which may have accounted for the extremely low turnout. The pandemic, however, didn't stop voters from coming out for the Special Town Meeting on October 4, 2021. The meeting was held at Stoneham High School with 904 voters in attendance. There were only three articles on the warrant. Most of the voters came out on this rainy night to support the appropriation vote necessary to allow the Treasurer to borrow money to fund a new Stoneham High School. The article passed almost unanimously.

In 2021 the Town Clerk's Office recorded and reported 264 births to residents, 269 deaths and 115 marriages to the State Registry of Vital Records & Statistics.

The Town Clerk's Office had hundreds of over the counter, online and mail in transactions. For the calendar year we took in almost \$130,000 in revenue from vital records, dog licenses, permits and passport fees.

Our Elections & Registration staff members/passport acceptance agents executed 615 passport applications in 2021 which is down substantially from pre-pandemic numbers.

As always it was a pleasure serving the residents of Stoneham. We look forward to helping you in 2022!

Respectfully,



Maria Sagarino
Town Clerk

APRIL 6, 2021 ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION RESULTS

Office/Candidate								
	Pct.	Totals						
2 Select Board	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Blanks	98	67	124	70	106	88	97	650
Raymie Glass Parker	201	152	244	142	175	173	186	1273
Robert J. Lawler	140	92	185	134	161	167	176	1055
David P. Pignone, Jr.	145	117	197	130	188	146	142	1065
Write-in	0	0	4	2	4	2	1	13
Write-in								0
Total	584	428	754	478	634	576	602	4056
								4056

2 School Committee	Pct.	Totals						
Blanks	113	83	106	82	126	100	96	706
Jaime M. Wallace	200	150	301	163	193	167	218	1392
Melanie Fiore	177	119	224	142	177	160	165	1164
George Georgountzos	92	76	122	90	137	148	122	787
Write-in	2	0	1	1	1	1	1	7
Total	584	428	754	478	634	576	602	4056
								4056

School Committee-1 yr	Pct.	Totals						
Blanks	56	32	51	29	72	47	45	332
Rati Chadhoury-Murray	81	93	97	96	116	108	121	712
Betty Chu Pryor	155	89	228	114	128	130	133	977
Write-in	0	0	1	0	1	3	2	7
Total	292	214	377	239	317	288	301	2028
								2028

2 Library Trustees	Pct.	Totals						
Blanks	221	145	272	142	220	176	181	1357
Kathryn Acton Fitzgerald	179	142	237	164	202	191	203	1318
Jane F. Francis	180	141	245	171	210	205	218	1370
Write-in	4	0	0	1	2	4	0	11
Total	584	428	754	478	634	576	602	4056

4056

Moderator	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	81	59	118	65	94	78	84	579
Jeanne Elizabeth Craigie	204	154	254	171	207	204	215	1409
Write-in	7	1	5	3	16	6	2	40
Total	292	214	377	239	317	288	301	2028

2028

Board of Assessors	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	94	56	114	67	100	80	71	582
Craig J. Celli	198	158	262	169	216	204	229	1436
Write-in	0	0	1	3	1	4	1	10
Total	292	214	377	239	317	288	301	2028

2028

Planning Board	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	102	71	140	80	109	91	82	675
Frank A. Vallarelli	190	143	236	157	206	196	217	1345
Write-in	0	0	1	2	2	1	2	8
Total	292	214	377	239	317	288	301	2028

2028

Board of Health	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	106	77	135	73	111	94	88	684
John J. Scullin	186	137	242	165	203	192	210	1335
Write-in	0	0	0	1	3	2	3	9
Total	292	214	377	239	317	288	301	2028

2028

3 Constable	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	309	221	383	234	329	298	283	2057
David B. Luciano	157	117	205	128	161	156	178	1102
Robert W. Nardone	154	128	211	142	177	159	171	1142
Robert W. Sweeney	160	103	194	129	185	143	173	1087
Jon Michael Chiavelli	91	73	137	80	97	106	98	682
Write-in	5	0	1	4	2	2	0	14
Total	876	642	1131	717	951	864	903	6084

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MINUTES FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 3, 2021

For consideration of the following Articles, the meeting shall be adjourned to meet in the Town Hall, 35 Central Street, at seven o'clock in the evening on Monday, May 3, 2021 in accordance with provisions of Article II, section 2-3 of the By-Laws of the Town of Stoneham.

Tellers were appointed to check the names of voters entering the Town Hall and the checklist showed 55 voters were inside the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Jeanne Craigie at 7:00 PM in the Town Hall Auditorium. Moderator Craigie welcomed the town meeting body. Fire Chief Matt Grafton was asked to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. A motion was made, seconded and passed to allow non-resident department heads to sit on the floor of town meeting. Mrs. Craigie gave a brief explanation of consent agenda and the meeting began.

For articles requiring a majority vote:

Voted that the Town take out of order Articles 1, 2, 3, 4, 11, 13, 16, 17, 18 and 19 that they be "passed by consent" in accordance with the motions shown on the "2021 Stoneham Annual Town Meeting Consent Agenda" as made available to Town Meeting attendees.

Passes Per Moderator

Article 1. To choose the following officers:

Two Select Board Members for three (3) years. Raymie Parker & David Pignone Jr.

Two School Committee Member for three (3) years. Jaime Wallace & Melanie Fiore

One School Committee Member for one (1) year. Betty Chu Pryor

One (1) Town Moderator for two (2) years. Jeanne Craigie

One Board of Health Member for three (3) years. John Scullin

One Planning Board Member for (5) years. Frank Vallarelli

One Board of Assessors Member for three (3) years. Craig Celli

Two Library Trustees for three (3) years. Kathryn Fitzgerald & Jane Francis

Three Constables for three (3) years. David Luciano, Robert Nardone & Robert Sweeney

Article 1. Voted that the Town choose the officers at municipal election as written in the May 3, 2021 Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

Article 2. To choose all other necessary Town officers for the ensuing year in such a manner as the Town may determine.

Select Board

Article 2. Voted that the Town choose necessary Town Officers for Fiscal Year 2022.

Article 3. To hear reports of Town officers and committees and to act thereon and to choose committees, or do anything in relation thereto.

Select Board

Article 3. Voted that the Town receive the reports of Town officers and committees.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salaries of the several elected officers and the Boards of the Town for Fiscal Year 2022 as follows:

Town Moderator	\$200
Board of Assessors	\$1,200
Select Board	\$3,000
Town Clerk	\$82,904

or do anything in relation thereto.

Select Board

Article 4. Voted that the Town fix the salaries of the Town Moderator at \$200, members of the Board of Assessors at \$1,200, members of the Select Board at \$3,000, and Town Clerk at \$82,904.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to dissolve the Bike and Greenway Committee as established at the October 2009 Town Meeting or do anything in relation thereto.

Town Moderator

After the consent agenda vote was taken Mrs. Craigie acknowledged Article 5 to explain that we were dissolving the Bike & Greenway Committee as their charge had been met. This should be voted at a future Town Meeting.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Administrator to negotiate and execute a PILOT (Payment in Lieu of Taxes) agreement to be negotiated by the Town Administrator with the successful proposer of a solar facility on the premises at Central Middle School, 101 Central Street, Stoneham, for the purposes of a solar array, or do anything in relation thereto.

Town Administrator

Article 11. Voted that the Town authorize the Town Administrator to negotiate and execute a PILOT (Payment in Lieu of Taxes) agreement to be negotiated by the Town Administrator with the successful proposer of a solar facility on the premises at Central Middle School, 101 Central Street, Stoneham, for the purposes of a solar array and to execute such other and further documents as may be necessary to effectuate the terms hereof.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Administrator to negotiate and execute a PILOT (Payment in Lieu of Taxes) agreement to be negotiated by the Town Administrator with the successful proposer of a solar facility on the premises at Colonial Park Elementary School, 30 Avalon Road, Stoneham, for the purposes of a solar array, or do anything in relation thereto.

Town Administrator

Article 13. Voted that the Town authorize the Town Administrator to negotiate and execute a PILOT (Payment in Lieu of Taxes) agreement to be negotiated by the Town Administrator with the successful proposer of a solar facility on the premises at Colonial Park Elementary School, 30 Avalon Road, Stoneham, for the purposes of a solar array, and to execute such other and further documents as may be necessary to effectuate the terms hereof.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation or by transfer from available funds, such sums as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year, including debt and interest and a reserve fund, or do anything in relation thereto.

	Department Requested FY22	Administrator Recommended FY22	Select Board Recommended FY22	Finance Committee Recommended FY22
<u>PEG Access Enterprise Fund</u>				
Expenses	600,000	600,000	600,000	600,000
Total Expenses	600,000	600,000	600,000	600,000
Total PEG Access Budget	\$ 600,000	\$ 600,000	\$ 600,000	\$ 600,000

Select Board

Article 16. Voted that the Town appropriate the sum of \$600,000 to the PEG Access Enterprise Fund for the purpose of monitoring compliance of the Town's cable operator(s) with their franchise agreements and providing local cable access services and programming for the Town of Stoneham in Fiscal Year 2022, as set forth in the chart set forth in Article 16 of the Annual Town Meeting Warrant and to meet this appropriation raise \$600,000 from Cable Access Fees.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$300,000 from the Water Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings to the account of Current Water Revenue to be used and applied by the Town Administrator to reduce water rate(s), or do anything in relation thereto.

Select Board

Article 17. Voted that the Town transfer the sum of \$300,000 from the Water Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings to the account of Current Water Revenue to be used and applied by the Town Administrator to reduce water rates.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$350,000 from the Sewer Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings to the account of Current Sewer Revenue to be used and applied by the Town Administrator in the reduction of sewer rate(s), or do anything in relation thereto.

Select Board

Article 18. Voted that the Town transfer the sum of \$350,000 from the Sewer Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings to the account of Current Sewer Revenue to be used and applied by the Town Administrator to reduce water rates.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to fix the maximum amount that may be spent during Fiscal Year 2022 beginning on July 1, 2021 for the revolving funds established in the town by-laws for certain departments, boards, committees, agencies or officers in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2, or do anything in relation thereto.

Revolving Fund	Department, Board, Committee, Agency or Officer	FY2022 Spending Limit
Recreation	Recreation Director	\$ 100,000
Farmers' Market	Farmers' Market Committee	\$ 20,000
Council on Aging	COA Director	\$ 85,000
Health Services	Health Director	\$ 25,000
Energy	Director of Planning & Community Development	\$ 100,000
Prevention & Outreach	Stoneham Coalition	\$ 20,000

Select Board

Article 19. Voted that the Town approve the maximum amount that may be spent during Fiscal Year 2022 beginning on July 1, 2021 for the town's bylaw authorized revolving funds as set forth in Article 19 of the Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

Revolving Fund	Department, Board, Committee, Agency or Officer	FY2022 Spending Limit
Recreation	Recreation Director	\$ 100,000
Farmers' Market	Farmers' Market Committee	\$ 20,000
Council on Aging	COA Director	\$ 85,000
Health Services	Health Director	\$ 25,000
Energy	Director of Planning & Community Development	\$ 100,000
Prevention & Outreach	Stoneham Coalition	\$ 20,000

Consent Agenda

Articles 1, 2, 3, 4, 11, 13, 16, 17, 18, 19

Majority Vote Required

Passes Per Moderator

For articles requiring a $\frac{2}{3}$ vote:

Voted that the Town take out of order Articles 8, 9, 10, 12 and that they be “passed by consent” in accordance with the motions shown on the “2021 Stoneham Annual Town Meeting Consent Agenda” as made available to Town Meeting attendees.

$\frac{2}{3}$ Vote Required

$\frac{2}{3}$ Vote Passes Unanimous

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 15, Zoning By-law by adding Section 4.23 and Section 6.12 as follows:

4.23 DIVISION OF LAND INTO TEN OR MORE LOTS OR CONSTRUCTION OF TEN OR MORE DWELLING UNITS

4.23.1 Applicability

The division and/or subdivision of land held in single ownership as of January 1, 2021 into eight (8) or more lots or the construction of ten or more dwelling units whether on one or more contiguous parcels held in single ownership as of January 1, 2021 shall require a special permit from the Planning Board. In cases where the proposed division of land is for eight (8) or more lots and said division is proposed as a division of land not requiring Planning Board approval (G.L. c.41, s.81-P), the Planning Board’s special permit powers shall be limited to enforcing the provisions of Section 6.12 of the Zoning Bylaw.

4.23.2 Multiple Special Permits

The special permit requirements of Section 4.23 may be subsumed by the special permit requirement of 6.12 such that only one special permit shall be required of an applicant dividing land into eight or more lots or constructing eight or more dwelling units.

and

6.12 INCLUSIONARY HOUSING

6.12.1 Purpose and Intent

The purpose of this Bylaw is to outline and implement a coherent set of policies and objectives for the development of affordable housing in compliance with G.L. c. 40B §20-23 and ongoing programs within the Town of Stoneham to promote a reasonable percentage of housing that is affordable to moderate income buyers (“affordable housing units”). It is intended that the affordable housing units that result from this Bylaw meet the programmatic requirements for the same as specified by the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) and, that said units count toward and are placed on, the Town’s Subsidized Housing Inventory as maintained by DHCD.

6.12.2 Definitions

1. **Affordable housing unit.** A dwelling unit available at a cost generally of no more than 30% of gross household income of households at or below 80% of the Middlesex County median income as reported by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, such that the dwelling unit is included in the Town of Stoneham’s Subsidized Housing Inventory.
2. **Qualified affordable housing unit purchaser or tenant.** An individual or family with household incomes that do not exceed 80% of the median income, with adjustments for household size, as reported by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and DHCD or as otherwise established by DHCD such that the housing unit is included in the Town of Stoneham’s Subsidized Housing Inventory.

6.12.3 Applicability

1. **Division of Land.** This Bylaw shall apply to the division of land into eight (8) or more lots and shall require a special permit from the Planning Board under Section 7.4 et seq. of the Zoning Bylaw. A special permit shall be required for land divisions under G.L. c.40A §9 as well as for “conventional” or “grid” divisions allowed by G.L. c.41 §81-L and §81-U, including those divisions of land that do not require subdivision approval.
2. **Multiple Units.** This Bylaw shall apply to the construction of eight (8) or more dwelling units, whether on one or more contiguous parcels, and shall require a special permit from the Planning Board pursuant to Section 7.4.

6.12.4 Mandatory Provision of Affordable Units

1. The Planning Board shall, as a condition of approval of any development referred to in Sections 6.12.3 (1) and 6.12.3 (2), require that the applicant for special permit approval comply with the obligation to provide affordable housing pursuant to this Bylaw and more fully described in Section 6.12.5.

6.12.5 Provision of Affordable Units

1. The Planning Board shall deny any application for a special permit for development under Sections 7.0 of the Zoning Bylaw if the applicant for special permit approval does not comply, at a minimum, with the following requirements for affordable units:
 - (a) At least twelve (12) percent of the housing units in a division of land or multiple unit development subject to this Bylaw for developments up to thirty (30) dwelling units, and at least fifteen (15) percent of the housing units in a division of land or multiple unit development subject to this Bylaw for developments greater than thirty (30) dwelling units, shall be established as affordable housing units either through new construction or rehabilitation of an existing structure(s) on the locus subject to the special permit.
 - (b) If the percentages applied to the required number of affordable units results in a fraction, the required number of affordable units shall be rounded up to the next whole number. Example: A twenty dwelling unit development requires 2.4 affordable housing units (20 multiplied by 12%). Rounding up to the next whole number is 3. Three (3) affordable dwelling units are required.
 - (c) The applicant may offer, and the Planning Board may accept, up to a fifty (50) percent reduction in the total number of affordable dwelling units required to be constructed on the locus subject to this Bylaw where the required number of affordable housing units is greater than ten (10), if and only if, the applicant pays, upon receipt of the special permit issued pursuant to this Bylaw and the expiration of all appeal periods governing the same, fees in lieu of each affordable housing unit not constructed in the amount of \$200,000 per dwelling unit. The fees shall be paid to the Town of Stoneham for the dedicated use by the Town for affordable housing purposes. Example: An eighty (80) dwelling unit development requires twelve (12) affordable housing units (80 multiplied by 15%). The applicant may offer and the Planning Board may accept a reduction of six (6) affordable housing units provided the applicant pays, upon receipt of a special permit and the lapse of relevant appeal periods, \$1,200,000 to the Town for affordable housing purposes.

- (d) The Planning Board may, as part of any Special Permit decision, modify the number of affordable units as required by Section 6.12.5. (1)(a) upon a finding that due to unique conditions affecting the property, project location, or other beneficial site designs, that the affordable unit requirements of this section would unreasonably restrict the use of the property or would be detrimental to the orderly development of the area or would create a better project. In granting such modifications, the Board may impose conditions it deems necessary to protect the purpose of this section. In no case shall the percentage of affordable units be reduced to less than twelve (12) percent.

6.12.6 Provisions Applicable to Affordable Housing Units On- and Off-Site

1. Siting of affordable units. All affordable units constructed or rehabilitated under this Bylaw shall be situated within the development so as not to be in less desirable locations than market-rate units in the development and shall, on average, be no less accessible to public amenities, such as open space, as the market-rate units.
2. Minimum design and construction standards for affordable units. The exterior of the affordable shall be integrated with the rest of the development and shall be compatible in design, appearance, construction and quality of materials with other units.
3. Timing of construction or provision of affordable units or lots. Where feasible, affordable housing units shall be provided coincident to the development of market-rate units, but in no event shall the development of affordable units be delayed beyond the schedule noted below:

<u>MARKET-RATE UNIT %</u>	<u>AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNIT %</u>
Up to 30%	None required
30% plus 1 unit	At least 12%
Up to 50%	At least 30%
Up to 75%	At least 50%
75% plus 1 unit	At least 70%
Up to 90%	100%

Fractions of units shall be rounded to the higher numerical value in counting the number of affordable units.

6.12.7 Local Preference

The Planning Board shall require the applicant to comply with local preference requirements, if any, as established by the Board of Selectmen or Stoneham Housing Authority pursuant to applicable law.

6.12.8 Marketing Plan for Affordable Units

Applicants under this Bylaw shall submit a marketing plan or other method approved by the Planning Board, to the Planning Board for approval, which describes how the affordable units will be marketed to potential homebuyers or tenants. This plan shall include a description of the lottery or other process to be used for selecting buyers or tenants.

6.12.9 Maximum Incomes, Sale and Rental Prices

1. The maximum sale or rental price for an affordable housing unit shall be as established by DHCD for the type, size and tenancy of the housing unit.

6.12.10 Preservation of Affordability; Restrictions on Resale and Rental

1. Each affordable unit created in accordance with this Bylaw and made available for sale, shall have limitations governing its resale. The purpose of these limitations is to preserve the long-term affordability of the unit and to ensure its continued availability for affordable income households. The resale controls shall be established through the execution of an affordable housing restriction pursuant to G.L. c.184, ss.31-32 and shall be in force in perpetuity or for the longest period permitted by law.
 - (a) Resale price. The resale price of any affordable housing units created pursuant to this Bylaw shall be determined based upon then current formulas set by the Department of Housing and Community Development such that the resold unit will remain on the Town's Subsidized Housing Inventory.
 - (b) The Planning Board shall require, as a condition for special permit under this Bylaw, that the applicant comply with the affordable housing unit requirements and accompanying restrictions on affordability, including the execution and recording of an affordable housing restriction pursuant to G.L. c.184, ss31-32. The Building Commissioner shall not issue an occupancy permit for any affordable unit until an affordable housing restriction for each relevant dwelling unit has been recorded at the Middlesex County Registry of Deeds.

- (c) For developments subject to this Bylaw where the affordable housing units are made available for rental purposes, the Building Commissioner shall not issue an occupancy permit for any affordable unit until an affordable housing restriction pursuant to G.L. c.184, ss.31-32 has been recorded against the affordable unit at the Middlesex County Registry of Deeds.

or do anything in relation thereto.

Planning Board

Article 8. Voted that the Town amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 15, Zoning By-law by adding Section 4.24 and Section 6.12 as follows:

4.24 DIVISION OF LAND INTO EIGHT OR MORE LOTS OR CONSTRUCTION OF EIGHT OR MORE DWELLING UNITS

4.24.1 Applicability

The division and/or subdivision of land held in single ownership as of January 1, 2021 into eight (8) or more lots or the construction of eight (8) or more dwelling units whether on one or more contiguous parcels held in single ownership as of January 1, 2021 shall require a special permit from the Planning Board. In cases where the proposed division of land is for eight (8) or more lots and said division is proposed as a division of land not requiring Planning Board approval (G.L. c.41, s.81-P), the Planning Board's special permit powers shall be limited to enforcing the provisions of Section 6.12 of the Zoning Bylaw.

4.24.2 Multiple Special Permits

The special permit requirements of Section 4.24 may be subsumed by the special permit requirement of 6.12 such that only one special permit shall be required of an applicant dividing land into eight or more lots or constructing eight or more dwelling units.

and

6.12 INCLUSIONARY HOUSING

6.12.1 Purpose and Intent

The purpose of this Bylaw is to outline and implement a coherent set of policies and objectives for the development of affordable housing in compliance with G.L. c. 40B §20-23 and ongoing programs within the Town of Stoneham to promote a reasonable percentage of housing that is affordable to moderate income buyers ("affordable housing

units”). It is intended that the affordable housing units that result from this Bylaw meet the programmatic requirements for the same as specified by the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) and, that said units count toward and are placed on, the Town’s Subsidized Housing Inventory as maintained by DHCD.

6.12.2 Definitions

1. Affordable housing unit. A dwelling unit available at a cost generally of no more than 30% of gross household income of households at or below 80% of the Middlesex County median income as reported by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, such that the dwelling unit is included in the Town of Stoneham’s Subsidized Housing Inventory.
2. Qualified affordable housing unit purchaser or tenant. An individual or family with household incomes that do not exceed 80% of the median income, with adjustments for household size, as reported by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and DHCD or as otherwise established by DHCD such that the housing unit is included in the Town of Stoneham’s Subsidized Housing Inventory.

6.12.3 Applicability

1. Division of Land. This Bylaw shall apply to the division of land into eight (8) or more lots and shall require a special permit from the Planning Board under Section 7.4 et seq. of the Zoning Bylaw. A special permit shall be required for land divisions under G.L. c.40A §9 as well as for “conventional” or “grid” divisions allowed by G.L. c.41 §81-L and §81-U, including those divisions of land that do not require subdivision approval.
2. Multiple Units. This Bylaw shall apply to the construction of eight (8) or more dwelling units, whether on one or more contiguous parcels, and shall require a special permit from the Planning Board pursuant to Section 7.4.

6.12.4 Mandatory Provision of Affordable Units

1. The Planning Board shall, as a condition of approval of any development referred to in Sections 6.12.3 (1) and 6.12.3 (2), require that the applicant for special permit approval comply with the obligation to provide affordable housing pursuant to this Bylaw and more fully described in Section 6.12.5.

6.12.5 Provision of Affordable Units

1. The Planning Board shall deny any application for a special permit for development under Sections 7.0 of the Zoning Bylaw if the applicant for special permit approval does not comply, at a minimum, with the following requirements for affordable units:

- (a) At least twelve (12) percent of the housing units in a division of land or multiple unit development subject to this Bylaw for developments up to thirty (30) dwelling units, and at least fifteen (15) percent of the housing units in a division of land or multiple unit development subject to this Bylaw for developments greater than thirty (30) dwelling units, shall be established as affordable housing units either through new construction or rehabilitation of an existing structure(s) on the locus subject to the special permit.
- (b) If the percentages applied to the required number of affordable units results in a fraction, the required number of affordable units shall be rounded up to the next whole number. Example: A twenty dwelling unit development requires 2.4 affordable housing units (20 multiplied by 12%). Rounding up to the next whole number is 3. Three (3) affordable dwelling units are required.
- (c) The applicant may offer, and the Planning Board may accept, up to a fifty (50) percent reduction in the total number of affordable dwelling units required to be constructed on the locus subject to this Bylaw where the required number of affordable housing units is greater than ten (10), if and only if, the applicant pays, upon receipt of the special permit issued pursuant to this Bylaw and the expiration of all appeal periods governing the same, fees in lieu of each affordable housing unit not constructed in the amount of \$200,000 per dwelling unit. The fees shall be paid to the Town of Stoneham for the dedicated use by the Town for affordable housing purposes. Example: An eighty (80) dwelling unit development requires twelve (12) affordable housing units (80 multiplied by 15%). The applicant may offer and the Planning Board may accept a reduction of six (6) affordable housing units provided the applicant pays, upon receipt of a special permit and the lapse of relevant appeal periods, \$1,200,000 to the Town for affordable housing purposes.
- (d) The Planning Board may, as part of any Special Permit decision, modify the number of affordable units as required by Section 6.12.5. (1)(a) upon a finding that due to unique conditions effecting the property, project location, or other beneficial site designs, that the affordable unit requirements of this section would unreasonably restrict the use of the property or would be detrimental to the orderly development of the area or would create a better project. In granting such modifications, the Board may impose conditions it deems necessary to protect the purpose of this section. In no case shall the percentage of affordable units be reduced to less than twelve (12) percent.

6.12.6 Provisions Applicable to Affordable Housing Units On- and Off-Site

1. Siting of affordable units. All affordable units constructed or rehabilitated under this Bylaw shall be situated within the development so as not to be in less desirable locations than market-rate units in the development and shall, on average, be no less accessible to public amenities, such as open space, as the market-rate units.

2. Minimum design and construction standards for affordable units. The exterior of the affordable housing units within market rate developments shall be integrated with the rest of the development and shall be compatible in design, appearance, construction and quality of materials with other units.

3. Timing of construction or provision of affordable units or lots. Where feasible, affordable housing units shall be provided coincident to the development of market-rate units, but in no event shall the development of affordable units be delayed beyond the schedule noted below:

<u>MARKET-RATE UNIT %</u>	<u>AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNIT %</u>
Up to 30%	None required
30% plus 1 unit	At least 12%
Up to 50%	At least 30%
Up to 75%	At least 50%
75% plus 1 unit	At least 70%
Up to 90%	100%

Fractions of units shall be rounded to the higher numerical value in counting the number of affordable units.

6.12.7 Local Preference

The Planning Board shall require the applicant to comply with local preference requirements, if any, as established by the Select Board or Stoneham Housing Authority pursuant to applicable law.

6.12.8 Marketing Plan for Affordable Units

Applicants under this Bylaw shall submit a marketing plan or other method approved by the Planning Board, to the Planning Board for approval, which describes how the affordable units will be marketed to potential homebuyers or tenants. This plan shall include a description of the lottery or other process to be used for selecting buyers or tenants.

6.12.9 Maximum Incomes, Sale and Rental Prices

1. The maximum sale or rental price for an affordable housing unit shall be as established by DHCD for the type, size and tenancy of the housing unit.

6.12.10 Preservation of Affordability; Restrictions on Resale and Rental

1. Each affordable unit created in accordance with this Bylaw and made available for sale, shall have limitations governing its resale. The purpose of these limitations is to preserve the long-term affordability of the unit and to ensure its continued availability for affordable income households. The resale controls shall be established through the execution of an affordable housing restriction pursuant to G.L. c.184, ss.31-32 and shall be in force in perpetuity or for the longest period permitted by law.
 - (a) Resale price. The resale price of any affordable housing units created pursuant to this Bylaw shall be determined based upon then current formulas set by the Department of Housing and Community Development such that the resold unit will remain on the Town's Subsidized Housing Inventory.
 - (b) The Planning Board shall require, as a condition for special permit under this Bylaw, that the applicant comply with the affordable housing unit requirements and accompanying restrictions on affordability, including the execution and recording of an affordable housing restriction pursuant to G.L. c.184, ss.31-32. The Building Commissioner shall not issue an occupancy permit for any affordable unit until an affordable housing restriction for each relevant dwelling unit has been recorded at the Middlesex County Registry of Deeds.
 - (c) For developments subject to this Bylaw where the affordable housing units are made available for rental purposes, the Building Commissioner shall not issue an occupancy permit for any affordable unit until an affordable housing restriction pursuant to G.L. c.184, ss.31-32 has been recorded against the affordable unit at the Middlesex County Registry of Deeds.

⅔ Vote Passes Unanimous

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 15, Zoning By-law by amending the Zoning Map and adding Section 4.23 as follows:

MAPLE STREET RESIDENTIAL OVERLAY DISTRICT

4.23 *Maple Street Residential Overlay District*

4.23.1 *Purpose:* The purpose of the Maple Street Residential Overlay District is to encourage the development of residential use within the Commercial 1 District on Maple Street, and this bylaw is adopted as an overlay district for all properties within the Commercial 1 District that abut Maple Street and sets forth the design and dimensional standards that apply to all developments in the Maple Street Residential Overlay District. These standards shall apply to any development proposing a new building or any redevelopment that will require the alteration of an existing building and parking area. All applications under this Maple Street Residential Overlay District shall comply with

Section 6.8 “Performance Standards” and Section 7.4 “Special Permit”, of the Zoning By-Laws.

4.23.2. *Uses in the Maple Street Residential Overlay District:* Uses within the Maple Street Residential Overlay District are permitted on a Special Permit granted by the Planning Board and Site Plan Approval by the Select Board as follows:

4.23.2.1 *Apartment Buildings or Garden Style Dwelling Units*

- (a) Each structure shall be connected to and serviced by municipal water and sewer.
- (b) All existing or proposed utilities shall be installed underground at the time of initial construction
- (c) The applicant must provide documentation to the Town of Stoneham Department of Public works that the site is satisfactory in regard to drainage, water supply, and sewage disposal for the number of units to be constructed, such documentation to be prepared by a registered professional engineer and approved by the Town Engineer.

4.23.2.2 *Application of Maple Street Residential Overlay District Regulations*

- (a) *Application Process:* The Planning Board shall be the Special Permit Granting Authority and the Select Board shall be the Site Plan Granting Authority for developments proposed under Section 4.23 “Maple Street Residential Overlay District.” Applicants shall comply with the procedures for Site Plan and Special Permit review as listed elsewhere in this by-law.
- (b) *Waivers:* The Planning Board may, as part of any Special Permit decision, modify or waive any dimensional requirement of the Maple Street Residential Overlay District unless otherwise noted, upon a finding that due to unique conditions effecting the property, project location, or other beneficial site designs, that the dimensional requirements of this section would unreasonably restrict the use of the property or would be detrimental to the orderly development of the area or would create a better project. In granting such modifications or waivers, the Board may impose conditions it deems necessary to protect the purpose of this section.

4.23.3 *General Requirements:*

- (a) *Design:* The site layout shall utilize appropriate building placement and landscape design to reasonably protect project residents from excessive noise, lights, and traffic, emanating from adjacent properties.
- (b) *Infrastructure:* The proposed site shall be serviced by municipal water and sewer services and shall comply with all utility design standards imposed by the Town Department of Public Works and Town Engineer.
- (c) The proposed site is an appropriate location for such use, structure, or condition

- (d) The proposed use as developed and operated will not adversely affect the neighborhood
- (e) There will be no nuisance or serious hazard to vehicles or pedestrians.
- (f) Adequate and appropriate facilities will be provided for the proper operation of the proposed use
- (g) Access to the site over streets is appropriate for the type of vehicles involved.

4.23.4 *Signage:*

- (a) Developments constructed under the Maple Street Residential Overlay District By-law shall comply with the signage requirements of the Commercial 1 District, as described within Section 6.7 “Signs” contained elsewhere within this By-law.

4.23.5 *Dimensional Requirements and Additional Regulations:*

- (a) *Dimensional Restrictions:* Dimensional restrictions shall be consistent with the limitations specified for the Commercial 1 District, as described within Section 5.2.1 “Table One – Dimensional Requirements”, of this By-law, subject to the following requirements below and waiver provisions as detailed in Section 4.23.2.2(b) of this By-Law.
- (b) *Building Height:* If some or all of the required parking spaces for the proposed dwelling units are enclosed within the structure of the building, the height requirement specified within Section 5.2.1 “Table One – Dimensional Requirements”, is permitted to be raised by ten (10) feet for that specific structure.
- (c) *Multiple Structures;* The Maple Street Residential Overlay District allows for the construction of multiple structures on one lot in order to minimize sprawl and to encourage the creation of useable open space for residents. In all cases, the buildings shall maintain a minimum separation of thirty (30) feet and shall be subject to applicable Massachusetts State Building Code requirements. The building locations shall be designed to ensure that adequate emergency vehicle access is provided.
- (d) *Connections:* Buildings may be connected by a series of covered walkways, pursuant to applicable Massachusetts State Building Code requirements.
- (e) *Common Open Space:* The development shall provide an area of useable common open space which will be accessible by residents of the development for passive recreational opportunities. Qualifying useable common open space shall mean (i) Existing vegetated areas which are left substantially in a natural state; (ii) areas improved by such landscaping as required in Section 6.5 and primarily designed and intended for passive recreational opportunities; or (iii) enclosed common space (i.e., clubhouse), available for use only by residents of the facility and their guests.

Useable common open space shall not include a public or privately owned right-of-way, open parking or service areas, or driveways.

- (f) *Base Unit Density*: subject to the dimensional requirements and restrictions outlined within this By-law, the base number of units permitted within a Maple Street Residential Overlay development shall be limited to 1 unit per 1,000 square feet of total land area, inclusive of wetlands or other land areas regulated by the Conservation Commission.
- (g) *Density Bonus*: Notwithstanding the limitations set out above, the Planning Board may, at their discretion, authorize an increase in the permissible intensity of a Maple Street Residential Overlay District development for the Base Unit Density, provided the applicant offers one or more of the following public benefits: (In no event shall the Density Bonus increase the Base Unit Density more than 10%)
 1. Traffic or pedestrian improvements (such as, but not limited to, bike path connections, off-site sidewalks, or pedestrian improvements; traffic mitigation).
 2. Landscaped open space which adds unusual value or character to the community or provides enhanced protection to an environmentally sensitive area.
 3. Any other benefits as determined by the Planning Board in its reasonable discretion.

4.23.6 *Off-Street Parking, Layout and Loading Requirements*: Off-Street parking, layout and loading requirements for Maple Street Residential Overlay District shall be in accordance with section 6.3 Off Street Parking Requirements except as follows:

- (a) Minimum required parking of 1.7 parking spaces per dwelling unit.
- (b) Parking spaces shall be a minimum of eight (8') feet by sixteen (16') feet.
- (c) Minimum aisle width of twenty-two (22') feet.
- (d) No minimum or maximum for the number of driveways permitting entrance to and exit from a lot to a street.
- (e) Parking spaces shall be on the same lot as the principle use except that parking spaces may be provided on an adjacent lot provided there is a special permit granted for said parking by the Planning Board.
- (f) One level of parking within the building footprint is allowed beneath the uses permitted as described in 4.16.2.1 above in which case the height regulations of Section 5.2.1 Table One will be raised ten (10') feet for that building.
- (g) No requirement for off-street loading area for apartment buildings or garden style dwelling units.

or do anything in relation thereto.

Planning Board

Article 9. Voted that the Town amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 15, Zoning By-law by amending the Zoning Map and adding Section 4.23 as follows:

MAPLE STREET RESIDENTIAL OVERLAY DISTRICT

4.23 *Maple Street Residential Overlay District*

4.23.1 *Purpose:* The purpose of the Maple Street Residential Overlay District is to encourage the development of residential use within the Commercial 1 District on Maple Street, and this bylaw is adopted as an overlay district for all properties within the Commercial 1 District that abut Maple Street and sets forth the design and dimensional standards that apply to all developments in the Maple Street Residential Overlay District. These standards shall apply to any development proposing a new building or any redevelopment that will require the alteration of an existing building and parking area. All applications under this Maple Street Residential Overlay District shall comply with Section 6.8 “Performance Standards” and Section 7.4 “Special Permit”, of the Zoning By-Laws.

4.23.2. *Uses in the Maple Street Residential Overlay District:* Uses within the Maple Street Residential Overlay District are permitted on a Special Permit granted by the Planning Board and Site Plan Approval by the Select Board as follows:

4.23.2.1 *Apartment Buildings or Garden Style Dwelling Units*

- (a) Each structure shall be connected to and serviced by municipal water and sewer.
- (b) All existing or proposed utilities shall be installed underground at the time of initial construction
- (c) The applicant must provide documentation to the Town of Stoneham Department of Public works that the site is satisfactory in regard to drainage, water supply, and sewage disposal for the number of units to be constructed, such documentation to be prepared by a registered professional engineer and approved by the Town Engineer.

4.23.2.2 *Application of Maple Street Residential Overlay District Regulations*

(a) *Application Process:* The Planning Board shall be the Special Permit Granting Authority and the Select Board shall be the Site Plan Granting Authority for developments proposed under Section 4.23 “Maple Street Residential Overlay District.” Applicants shall comply with the procedures for Site Plan and Special Permit review as listed elsewhere in this by-law.

(b) *Waivers:* The Planning Board may, as part of any Special Permit decision, modify or waive any dimensional requirement of the Maple Street Residential Overlay District

unless otherwise noted, upon a finding that due to unique conditions effecting the property, project location, or other beneficial site designs, that the dimensional requirements of this section would unreasonably restrict the use of the property or would be detrimental to the orderly development of the area or would create a better project. In granting such modifications or waivers, the Board may impose conditions it deems necessary to protect the purpose of this section.

4.23.3 *General Requirements:*

- (a) *Design:* The site layout shall utilize appropriate building placement and landscape design to reasonably protect project residents from excessive noise, lights, and traffic, emanating from adjacent properties.
- (b) *Infrastructure:* The proposed site shall be serviced by municipal water and sewer services and shall comply with all utility design standards imposed by the Town Department of Public Works and Town Engineer.
- (c) The proposed site is an appropriate location for such use, structure, or condition
- (d) The proposed use as developed and operated will not adversely affect the neighborhood
- (e) There will be no nuisance or serious hazard to vehicles or pedestrians.
- (f) Adequate and appropriate facilities will be provided for the proper operation of the proposed use
- (g) Access to the site over streets is appropriate for the type of vehicles involved.

4.23.4 *Signage:*

- (b) Developments constructed under the Maple Street Residential Overlay District By-law shall comply with the signage requirements of the Commercial 1 District, as described within Section 6.7 “Signs” contained elsewhere within this By-law.

4.23.5 *Dimensional Requirements and Additional Regulations:*

- (a) *Dimensional Restrictions:* Dimensional restrictions shall be consistent with the limitations specified for the Commercial 1 District, as described within Section 5.2.1 “Table One – Dimensional Requirements”, of this By-law, subject to the following requirements below and waiver provisions as detailed in Section 4.23.2.2(b) of this By-Law.
- (b) *Building Height:* If some or all of the required parking spaces for the proposed

dwelling units are enclosed within the structure of the building, the height requirement specified within Section 5.2.1 “Table One – Dimensional Requirements”, is permitted to be raised by ten (10) feet for that specific structure.

- (c) *Multiple Structures*; The Maple Street Residential Overlay District allows for the construction of multiple structures on one lot in order to minimize sprawl and to encourage the creation of useable open space for residents. In all cases, the buildings shall maintain a minimum separation of thirty (30) feet and shall be subject to applicable Massachusetts State Building Code requirements. The building locations shall be designed to ensure that adequate emergency vehicle access is provided.
- (d) *Connections*: Buildings may be connected by a series of covered walkways, pursuant to applicable Massachusetts State Building Code requirements.
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- (d) No minimum or maximum for the number of driveways permitting entrance to and exit from a lot to a street.
- (e) Parking spaces shall be on the same lot as the principle use except that parking spaces may be provided on an adjacent lot provided there is a special permit granted for said parking by the Planning Board.

- (f) One level of parking within the building footprint is allowed beneath the uses permitted as described in 4.16.2.1 above in which case the height regulations of Section 5.2.1 Table One will be raised ten (10') feet for that building.
- (g) No requirement for off-street loading area for apartment buildings or garden style dwelling units.

2/3 Vote Passes Unanimous

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Superintendent of Schools, with the approval of the School Committee, to lease for a term of years a portion of the premises known as Central Middle School and located at 101 Central Street, Stoneham, Massachusetts, including but not limited to a portion of the roof area, in compliance with Mass. Gen. L. c. 30B, for a roof-mounted solar photovoltaic facility, and to execute such other and further documents as may be necessary to effectuate the terms hereof, or do anything in relation thereto.

Superintendent of Schools

Article 10. Voted that the Town authorize the Superintendent of Schools, with the approval of the School Committee, to lease for a term of years a portion of the premises known as Central Middle School and located at 101 Central Street, Stoneham, Massachusetts, including but not limited to a portion of the roof area, in compliance with Mass. Gen. L. c. 30B, for a roof-mounted solar photovoltaic facility, and to execute such other and further documents as may be necessary to effectuate the terms hereof.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Superintendent of Schools, with the approval of the School Committee, to lease for a term of years a portion of the premises known as Colonial Park Elementary School and located at 30 Avalon Road, Stoneham, Massachusetts, including but not limited to a portion of the parking lot area, in compliance with Mass. Gen. L. c. 30B, for a ground-mounted solar photovoltaic facility, and to execute such other and further documents as may be necessary to effectuate the terms hereof, or do anything in relation thereto.

Superintendent of Schools

Article 12. Voted that the Town authorize the Superintendent of Schools, with the approval of the School Committee, to lease for a term of years a portion of the premises known as Colonial Park Elementary School and located at 30 Avalon Road, Stoneham, Massachusetts, including but not limited to a portion of the parking lot area, in compliance with Mass. Gen. L. c. 30B, for a ground-mounted solar photovoltaic facility, and to execute such other and further documents as may be necessary to effectuate the terms hereof.

Consent Agenda
Articles 8, 9, 10 & 12
2/3 Vote Required
2/3 Vote Passes Unanimous

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 11, Wetlands Protection Bylaw, by amending the provisions relating to a 25' continuous no-touch strip by inserting the underlined text in the existing bylaw as follows:

A continuous strip no less than twenty-five (25) feet in width, untouched and in its natural state, shall be left undisturbed adjacent to those areas meeting the description of a "wetland" as identified in the Wetlands Protection Act, G.L. Ch. 131§40, and regulations thereunder (310 CMR 10.00) and areas meeting the description of a "wetland" under this Ch. 11, Wetland Protection Bylaw and the regulations thereunder. No person shall remove, fill, dredge, alter or build upon or within this strip.

Establishment of this strip shall be accomplished in the same manner as the buffer zone boundary is established as described in the Wetlands Protection Act, G.L. Ch 131,§40, and regulations thereunder (310 CMR 10.00) and under this Ch. 11, Wetland Protection Bylaw and the regulations thereunder. or do anything in relation thereto.

Conservation Commission

Article 6. Voted that the Town amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 11, Wetlands Protection Bylaw, as set forth in Article 6 of the Annual Town Meeting Warrant, and further, that the Town Clerk be authorized to make clerical, editorial or other adjustments to effectuate the purposes hereof.

Passes Unanimous

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to amend the Fiscal Year 21 departmental budgets approved under Article No. 8 of the June 29, 2020 Annual Town Meeting, as amended, or do anything in relation thereto.

Select Board

Article 20. Voted that the Town indefinitely postpone Article 20.

Passes Per Moderator

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 11A, Stormwater, by amending certain sections of the existing bylaw as follows:

1. By amending Section 11A.1.(a) by inserting the words "and associated fees" after the word "regulations" prior to the end of subsection (a).
2. By inserting the following new paragraph after the existing first paragraph of Section 11A.3.3 as follows:

“The SSB shall have the authority to seek remedies as described within this Bylaw and the stormwater regulations to enforce the Bylaw, Regulations, and/or the terms and conditions of permits issued thereunder.”

3. By deleting the existing paragraph under Subsection 1 Rules and Regulations in Section 11A.3.3 and inserting the following new paragraph:

“The SSB may adopt, and periodically amend, rules and regulations to effectuate the purposes of Section 11A.3 or to implement any requirements of the Town’s NPDES stormwater discharge permit. Said regulations may include but shall not be limited to provisions regarding administration, application requirements, fees, permitting procedures, design standards, surety requirements, inspection and site supervision requirements, waivers and exemptions, and enforcement procedures.”

4. By adding new subsections (e) to (g) under Section 11A.3.4, Applicability, Section 1, Regulated Activities, as follows:

(e) No person shall dump, discharge, cause or allow to be discharged any pollutant or non-stormwater discharge into the Municipal Storm Drain System, into a watercourse, or into the waters of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

(f) No person shall construct, use, allow, maintain or continue any illicit connection to the Municipal Storm Drain System, regardless of whether the connection was permissible under applicable law, regulation or custom at the time of connection.

(g) No person shall obstruct or interfere with the normal flow of stormwater into or out of the Municipal Storm Drain System without prior written approval from the SSB.

5. By inserting a new Subsection 2 into Section. 11A.3.4 “Subsection 2. Allowable Discharges” as follows:

Subsection 2 Allowable Discharges

Discharge or flow resulting from firefighting activities are exemptions applicable to Sec. 11A.7 of this chapter.

The following non-stormwater discharges or flows are exempt from the prohibition of non-stormwater discharges provided that the source is not a significant contributor of a pollutant to the Municipal Storm Drain System:

- (a) Waterline flushing;
- (b) Flow from potable water sources;
- (c) Springs;
- (d) Natural flow from riparian habitats and wetlands;

- (e) Diverted stream flow;
 - (f) Rising groundwater;
 - (g) Uncontaminated groundwater infiltration as defined in 40 CFR 35.2005(20), or uncontaminated pumped groundwater;
 - (h) Water from exterior foundation drains, footing drains (not including active groundwater dewatering systems), crawl space pumps, or air conditioning condensation;
 - (i) Discharge from landscape irrigation or lawn watering;
 - (j) Water from individual residential car washing;
 - (k) Discharge from dechlorinated swimming pool water (less than one ppm chlorine) with written authorization to discharge received from the SSB, provided the water is allowed to stand for one week prior to draining and the pool is drained in such a way as not to cause a nuisance;
 - (l) Street wash water by methods approved by SSB;
 - (m) Water used for dyed water testing, provided verbal notification is given to the SSB prior to the time of the test;
 - (n) Non-stormwater discharge permitted under a NPDES permit or a Surface Water Discharge Permit, waiver, or waste discharge order administered under the authority of the United States Environmental Protection Agency or the Department of Environmental Protection, provided that the discharge is in full compliance with the requirements of the permit, waiver, or order and applicable laws and regulations; and
 - (o) Discharge for which advanced written approval is received from the SSB as necessary to protect public health, safety, welfare or the environment.
6. By renumbering the existing Subsection 2 of Section 11A.3.4 entitled "Exempt Activities" as Subsection 3 Exempt Activities leaving the remainder of the existing Subsection.

7. By inserting a new Subsection 4, Notification of Spills in Section 11A.3.4 as follows:

Subsection 4 Notification of Spills

Notwithstanding other requirements of local, state or federal law, as soon as a person responsible for a facility or operation, or responsible for emergency response for a facility

or operation has information of or suspects a release of materials at that facility or operation resulting in or which may result in discharge of pollutants to the Municipal Storm Drain System or waters of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the person shall take all necessary steps to ensure containment, and cleanup of the release. In the event of a release of oil or hazardous materials, the person shall immediately notify the Fire and Police Departments, Board of Health, and the Department of Public Works. In the event of a release of non-hazardous material, the reporting person shall notify the SSB no later than the next business day. The reporting person shall provide to the SSB written confirmation of all telephone, e-mail, facsimile or in-person notifications within three business days thereafter. If the discharge of prohibited materials is from a commercial or industrial facility, the facility owner or operator of the facility shall retain on-site a written record of the discharge and the actions taken to prevent its recurrence. Such records shall be retained for at least three (3) years.

8. By inserting the words “land disturbing” before the word “activity” in Subsection 1 of Section 11A.3.5 and amending the first and second paragraphs of said section to read as follows:

“Prior to the commencement of any land disturbing activity regulated by Section 11A.3, a stormwater permit application shall be filed with the SSB.

Permit procedures and requirements shall be defined and included as part of any rules and regulations promulgated as permitted under this Bylaw.”

9. By deleting the existing Subsection 2 of Section 11A.3.5, renumbering existing Subsection 3 Public Hearing as Subsection 2 and amending its language as set forth below, by deleting existing Subsection 4 Information Requests and Subsection 5 Action by the SSB, and inserting in a new Subsection 3 as set forth below:

Subsection 2 Public Hearing

The SSB shall hold a public hearing on each stormwater permit application that satisfies the requirements of Sec. 11A.3.5 Subsection 1. The hearing may be combined with the hearing for any other permit or approval for the same project that is within the jurisdiction of the SSB.

Subsection 3 Fee Structure

Each stormwater permit application shall be accompanied by the appropriate application fee established by the SSB which shall not be less than five hundred (500) dollars. In addition, the SSB may retain a Registered Professional Engineer or other professional consultant to advise it on any aspects of the stormwater permit application. The SSB may require the applicant to pay the reasonable costs of such engineer or consultant pursuant to rules promulgated by the SSB pursuant to this Bylaw and MGL Chapter 44 Section 53G. The SSB shall not be required to act on the stormwater permit application until the costs of such engineer or consultant have been paid.

10. By inserting a new Section 11A.3.6 Authority to Enter, Inspect, Sample, Establish Sampling Devices, and Test as set forth below:

Sec. 11A.3.6 Authority to Enter, Inspect, Sample, Establish Sampling Devices, and Test

To the extent permitted by law, or if authorized by the owner or other party in control of the property, the SSB, or other agents, officers, and employees of the Department of Public Works may enter upon privately owned property for the purpose of performing their duties under this Bylaw and may make or cause to be made such examinations, surveys or sampling as the SSB deems reasonably necessary. During any inspection as provided herein, the SSB may take any samples and perform any testing deemed necessary to aid in the pursuit of the inquiry or to record site activities.

The SSB may require by written notice that any person engaged in any activity and/or owning or operating any facility which may cause or contribute to stormwater pollution, Illicit Discharges, and/or non-stormwater discharges to the Municipal Storm Drain System or waters of the Commonwealth, undertake at said person's expense such monitoring and analyses and furnish such reports to the Town as deemed necessary to determine compliance with this Bylaw.

The SSB may suspend municipal storm drain system access to any person or property without prior written notice when such suspension is necessary to stop an actual or threatened discharge of pollutants that presents imminent risk of harm to the public health, safety, welfare or the environment. In the event any person fails to comply with an emergency suspension order, the Authorized Enforcement Agency may take all reasonable steps to prevent or minimize harm to the public health, safety, welfare or the environment.

11. By deleting the existing Section 11A.3.6 Erosion and Sediment Control Plan.

12. By deleting the existing Section 11.A.3.10 Surety and inserting a new Section 11A.3.7 Surety as follows:

Sec. 11A.3.7 Surety

The SSB may require the permittee to post before the start of any land disturbance activity, a surety bond, irrevocable letter of credit, cash, or other acceptable security. The form of the bond shall be approved by the Town Counsel, if necessary, and be in an amount deemed sufficient by the SSB to ensure that the work will be completed in accordance with the permit. If the project is phased, the SSB may, in its sole and absolute discretion, release part of the bond as each phase is completed in compliance

with the permit but the bond may not be fully released until the SSB has received a final report and As-Built Plan demonstrating compliance with the terms and conditions of the stormwater permit.

or do anything in relation thereto.

Director of Public Works

Article 7. Voted that the Town amend the Stoneham Town Code, 11A, Stormwater, as set forth in Article 7 of the Annual Town Meeting Warrant and further, that the Town Clerk be authorized to make clerical, editorial or other adjustments to effectuate the purposes hereof.

Passes Unanimous

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation or transfer from available funds, such sums as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year, including debt and interest and a reserve fund, or do anything in relation thereto.

Select Board

Article 14. A. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$73,883,332 for a total General Fund Operating Budget, to provide for a reserve fund and to defray the expenses of the Town, and for the purposes as itemized in Exhibit A, and to meet said appropriation transfer the sum of \$40,000 from the Overlay Reserve Account, the sum of \$630,210 from Free Cash, and raise the sum of \$73,213,122 from the FY2022 Tax Levy.

B. Voted that the Town appropriate the sum of \$6,858,756 for costs of operations of the Sewer Enterprise Fund as itemized in Exhibit A, and to meet said appropriation raise \$6,508,756 from Sewer Receipts.

C. Voted that the Town appropriate the sum of \$5,301,606 for costs of operations of the Water Enterprise Fund as itemized in Exhibit A, and to meet said appropriation raise \$5,001,606 from Water Receipts.

Exhibit A

Town of Stoneham Summary of Revenues and Expenditures July 1, 2021					
	APPROVED TAX RATE FY21	DEPARTMENT REQUEST FY22	ADMINISTRATOR RECOMMENDED FY22	SELECT BOARD RECOMMENDED FY22	FINANCE & ADVISORY RECOMMENDED FY21
I. REVENUES					
TAX LEVY	51,765,771	53,671,242	53,671,242	53,671,242	53,671,242
DEBT EXCLUSION	1,914,125	1,542,622	1,542,622	1,542,622	1,542,622
NEW GROWTH	596,416	450,000	450,000	450,000	450,000
SUBTOTAL	54,276,312	55,663,864	55,663,864	55,663,864	55,663,864
LOCAL RECEIPTS	5,450,000	6,175,000	6,175,000	6,175,000	6,175,000
MSBA REIMBURSEMENT	1,148,092	341,826	341,826	341,826	341,826
EST CHERRY SHEET	9,824,563	9,992,887	9,992,887	9,992,887	9,992,887
FREE CASH		-			
INTERGOVERNMENTAL	959,066	1,039,766	1,039,766	1,039,766	1,039,766
SUBTOTAL	17,381,721	17,549,479	17,549,479	17,549,479	17,549,479
TOTAL REVENUE	71,658,033	73,213,342	73,213,342	73,213,342	73,213,342
II. EXPENSES					
TOWN BUDGETS	16,647,797	17,868,151	17,394,803	17,394,803	17,526,818
SCHOOL BUDGET	30,126,729	31,540,480	30,963,029	30,963,029	30,963,029
VOCATIONAL SCHOOL	1,445,229	1,570,229	1,570,229	1,570,229	1,485,880
SHARED EXPENSES					
HEALTH INSURANCE	8,322,140	8,822,472	8,822,472	8,822,472	8,822,472
RETIREMENT	6,273,630	6,880,229	6,880,229	6,880,229	6,880,229
MEDICARE	550,000	575,000	575,000	575,000	575,000
PROPERTY & CASUALTY INSURANCE	529,147	554,147	554,147	554,147	616,781
WORKER'S COMPENSATION	365,267	420,057	420,057	420,057	309,537
UNCOMPENSATED BALANCES	-	-	-	-	-
RESERVE FUND	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000
DEBT	4,154,276	2,964,572	2,964,572	2,964,572	2,964,572
TOWN AUDIT	78,800	85,000	85,000	85,000	85,000
CAPITAL STABILIZATION(Non Operational)	183,500	203,037	203,037	203,037	203,037
STABILIZATION (Non Operational)	319,500	327,173	327,173	327,173	327,173
OPEB TRUST FUND(Non Operational)	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
OVERLAY PROVISIONS	215,475	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000
ASSESSMENTS/OFFSETS	2,441,412	2,673,804	2,673,804	2,673,804	2,673,804
STM		-	-	-	
AMOUNT RAISED ON TAX RATE					
PRINCIPLE PAYMENT					
TAX TITLE					
TOTAL EXPENSES	71,877,902	74,934,351	73,883,552	73,883,552	73,883,332
BALANCE AVAILABLE	(219,869)	(1,721,008)	(670,210)	(670,210)	(669,990)
ONE TIME REVENUES					
FREE CASH	603,000	630,210	630,210	630,210	630,210
OVERLAY SURPLUS		40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
EXCESS/(DEFICIT)	383,131	(1,050,798)	(0)	(0)	220
ENTERPRISE FUNDS					
WATER RECEIPTS	4,483,458	5,301,606	5,301,606	5,301,606	5,301,606
SEWER RECEIPTS	6,203,334	6,858,756	6,858,756	6,858,756	6,858,756
SEWER EXPENSES	6,203,334	6,858,756	6,858,756	6,858,756	6,858,756
WATER EXPENSES	4,483,458	5,301,606	5,301,606	5,301,606	5,301,606
TOTAL BUDGET	82,564,694	87,094,712	86,043,914	86,043,914	86,043,694

DEPARTMENTAL BUDGET

July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022

Actual FY20	Approp. FY21	It. No.		Department Requested FY'22	Administrator Recommended FY'22	Select Board Recommended FY'22	Finance & Advisory Recommended FY'22
<u>114 MODERATOR</u>							
200	200	1	Elected Salary	200	200	200	200
\$ 200	\$ 200	2	Expenses	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 200
\$ 400	\$ 400		Total Moderator Budget	\$ 400	\$ 400	\$ 400	\$ 400
<u>122 SELECT BOARD</u>							
66,044	67,930		Full-Time Salaries	71,933	71,933	71,933	71,933
12,000	12,500		Elected Official Salaries	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
\$ 78,044	\$ 80,430	3	Total Salaries	\$ 86,933	\$ 86,933	\$ 86,933	\$ 86,933
5,468	7,000		Advertising	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000
2,202	2,600		Printing Services	2,600	2,600	2,600	2,600
725	4,000		Other Purchased Services	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
343	1,200		Office Supplies	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
845	2,500		In State Travel	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
9,583	17,300	4	Total Expenses	17,300	17,300	17,300	17,300
\$ 87,627	\$ 97,730		Total Select Board Budget	\$ 104,233	\$ 104,233	\$ 104,233	\$ 104,233
<u>123 TOWN ADMINISTRATOR</u>							
336,433	339,781		Full-Time Salaries	351,373	351,373	351,373	351,373
60,071	61,435		Part-Time Salaries	63,429	63,429	63,429	63,429
9,420	-		Interns	10,000	-	-	-
-	-		Car Allowance	-	-	-	-
\$ 405,924	\$ 401,216	5	Total Salaries	\$ 424,802	\$ 414,802	\$ 414,802	\$ 414,802
4,697	2,800		Professional Services	3,080	3,080	3,080	3,080
6,878	8,000		Medical Services	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000
3,576	3,000		Advertising	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
400	1,000		Printing Services	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
4,286	6,500		Office Supplies	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500
1,253	2,000		In State Travel	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
1,348	3,000		Dues & Subscriptions	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
22,438	26,300	6	Total Expenses	26,580	26,580	26,580	26,580
\$ 428,362	\$ 427,516		Total Town Administrator Budget	\$ 451,382	\$ 441,382	\$ 441,382	\$ 441,382
<u>131 FINANCE & ADVISORY BOARD</u>							
280	500	7	Dues & Subscriptions	500	500	500	500
\$ 280	\$ 500		Total Finance & Advisory Budget	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500
<u>132 RESERVE FUND</u>							
100,000	125,000	8	Expenses	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000
\$ 100,000	\$ 125,000		Total Finance & Advisory Budget	\$ 125,000	\$ 125,000	\$ 125,000	\$ 125,000

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135 Town Accountant						
265,640	254,130		243,270	243,270	243,270	243,270
39,305	42,100		48,470	48,470	48,470	48,470
304,945	296,230	9	291,740	291,740	291,740	291,740
2,212	7,500		11,190	11,190	11,190	11,190
3,696	1,000		1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
67	1,300		1,850	1,850	1,850	1,850
1,320	1,260		1,260	1,260	1,260	1,260
-	9,750		10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
7,295	20,810	10	25,300	25,300	25,300	25,300
\$ 312,240	\$ 317,040		\$ 317,040	\$ 317,040	\$ 317,040	\$ 317,040
138 Purchasing/Procurement						
36,624	42,823	11	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000
2,089	2,000	12	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
\$ 38,713	\$ 44,823		\$ 47,000	\$ 47,000	\$ 47,000	\$ 47,000
141 ASSESSOR'S						
139,900	146,660		151,886	151,886	151,886	151,886
3,600	3,600		3,600	3,600	3,600	3,600
\$ 143,500	\$ 150,260	13	\$ 155,486	\$ 155,486	\$ 155,486	\$ 155,486
1,259	1,500		1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
945	1,000		1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
2,355	-		40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
-	200		200	200	200	200
953	1,500		1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
5,512	4,200	14	44,200	44,200	44,200	44,200
\$ 149,012	\$ 154,460		\$ 199,686	\$ 199,686	\$ 199,686	\$ 199,686
145 TREASURER/COLLECTOR						
238,919	241,697		266,532	261,776	261,776	261,776
33,949	32,086		32,579	32,579	32,579	32,579
272,868	273,783	15	299,111	294,355	294,355	294,355
-	200		1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
14,933	15,000		15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
174	1,200		1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
1,862	2,700		8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000
60,351	70,000		65,500	65,500	65,500	65,500
999	1,760		1,760	1,760	1,760	1,760
355	355		355	355	355	355
78,674	91,215	16	92,815	92,815	92,815	92,815
\$ 351,542	\$ 364,998		\$ 391,926	\$ 387,170	\$ 387,170	\$ 387,170
151 Town Counsel						
82,460	100,000	17	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
\$ 82,460	\$ 100,000		\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000
155 GIS/MIS						
166,681	166,792		174,793	174,793	174,793	174,793
166,681	166,792	18	174,793	174,793	174,793	174,793
157,335	162,653		162,653	162,653	162,653	162,653
5,191	6,000		6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000
16,663	18,000		18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000
9,572	3,800		3,800	3,800	3,800	3,800
4,995	10,000		10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
18,325	10,000		10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
-	2,400		2,400	2,400	2,400	2,400
212,081	212,853	19	212,853	212,853	212,853	212,853
\$ 378,762	\$ 379,645		\$ 387,646	\$ 387,646	\$ 387,646	\$ 387,646

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161 TOWN CLERK						
19,504	38,445					
797	800		39,029	39,029	39,029	39,029
78,445	71,767		850	850	850	850
79,130	80,495		55,141	55,141	55,141	55,141
			84,193	82,904	82,904	82,904
\$ 177,876	\$ 191,507	20	\$ 179,213	\$ 177,924	\$ 177,924	\$ 177,924
3,226	2,600		2,600	2,600	2,600	2,600
3,435	3,100		2,200	2,200	2,200	2,200
8,099	10,800		13,600	13,600	13,600	13,600
1,123	1,500		500	500	500	500
1,083	1,300		1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300
-	1,500		1,500	500	500	500
370	400		400	400	400	400
17,336	21,000	21	22,100	21,100	21,100	21,100
\$ 195,212	\$ 212,507	Total Clerk Budget	\$ 201,313	\$ 199,024	\$ 199,024	\$ 199,024
171 Conservation						
-	-		-	-	-	-
-	-		23,000	23,000	23,000	23,000
-	-		-	-	-	-
\$ -	\$ -	Total Salaries	\$ 23,000	\$ 23,000	\$ 23,000	\$ 23,000.00
-	-		-	-	-	-
-	-		250	250	250	250
-	-		1,233	1,233	1,233	1,233
-	-		-	-	-	-
-	-		574	574	574	574
-	-		2,057	2,057	2,057	2,057
\$ -	\$ -	Total Expenses	\$ 2,057	\$ 2,057	\$ 2,057	\$ 2,057.00
\$ -	\$ -	Total Conservation Budget	\$ 25,057	\$ 25,057	\$ 25,057	\$ 25,057.00
182 Planning Bd/BOA						
68,043	72,253		49,253	49,253	49,253	49,253
68,043	72,253	22	49,253	49,253	49,253	49,253
-	-		100	100	100	100
691	960		342	342	342	342
448	1,000		1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
748	1,250		950	950	950	950
1,744	2,465		1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800
242	574		-	-	-	-
3,873	6,249	23	4,192	4,192	4,192	4,192
\$ 71,916	\$ 78,502	Total PLN/CONS/ ZBA Budget	\$ 53,445	\$ 53,445	\$ 53,445	\$ 53,445
185 ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEV.						
85,317	85,646		115,082	96,746	96,746	96,746
85,317	85,646	24	115,082	96,746	96,746	96,746
30,876	31,700		31,700	31,700	31,700	31,700
505	1,000		1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
415	1,020		1,020	1,020	1,020	1,020
514	1,020		1,020	1,020	1,020	1,020
90	1,000		1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
32,400	35,740	25	35,740	35,740	35,740	35,740
\$ 117,717	\$ 121,386	Total Planning Budget	\$ 150,822	\$ 132,486	\$ 132,486	\$ 132,486
192 PUBLIC PROPERTY MAINTENANCE						
59,458	137,970		163,880	137,954	137,954	137,954
13,192	-		-	-	-	-
72,650	137,970	26	163,880	137,954	137,954	137,954
30,273	33,500		36,850	36,850	36,850	36,850
16,709	15,000		16,500	16,500	16,500	16,500
-	1,000		1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
119,457	100,000		102,500	102,500	102,500	102,500
1,191	7,770		7,700	7,700	7,700	7,700
\$ 167,630	\$ 157,270	27	\$ 164,550	\$ 164,550	\$ 164,550	\$ 164,550
\$ 240,280	\$ 295,240	Total Budget - Public Property Maintenance	\$ 328,430	\$ 302,504	\$ 302,504	\$ 302,504

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210 POLICE DEPARTMENT						
3,496,963	3,679,765					
107,251	115,190		3,978,907	3,849,035	3,849,035	3,871,035
362,216	360,000		140,130	140,130	140,130	140,130
17,901	35,000		390,000	360,000	360,000	360,000
29,227	64,140		35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000
30,004	22,400		64,140	64,140	64,140	64,140
			29,400	22,400	22,400	22,400
4,043,562	4,276,495	28	4,637,577	4,470,705	4,470,705	4,492,705
59,621	65,000		65,000	65,000	65,000	65,000
30,237	30,000		32,000	32,000	32,000	32,000
22,790	21,250		21,250	21,250	21,250	21,250
-	-		-	-	-	-
13,796	14,500		18,275	18,275	18,275	18,275
2,291	12,000		12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000
-	200		200	200	200	200
10,892	27,500		28,500	28,500	28,500	28,500
17,094	11,500		13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000
4,403	5,500		5,500	5,500	5,500	5,500
6,341	13,000		13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000
4,370	6,500		6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500
567	1,000		1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
627	5,000		5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
45,209	37,500		37,500	37,500	37,500	37,500
19,203	38,000		38,000	38,000	38,000	38,000
3,759	4,000		4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
12,124	11,290		11,290	11,290	11,290	11,290
-	7,200		4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
253,324	310,940	29	316,015	316,015	316,015	316,015
145,000	-	30	145,000	-	-	-
			-	-	-	-
			8,000	-	-	-
\$ 4,441,886	\$ 4,587,435		\$ 5,106,592	\$ 4,786,720	\$ 4,786,720	\$ 4,808,720
Total Police Budget						
211 TRAFFIC DIRECTORS						
126,540	150,605		154,684	154,684	154,684	154,684
126,540	150,605	31	154,684	154,684	154,684	154,684
1,770	4,500		4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500
1,770	4,500	32	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500
\$ 128,310	\$ 155,105		\$ 159,184	\$ 159,184	\$ 159,184	\$ 159,184
Total Traffic Budget						
212 Dispatch						
357,873	384,575		399,659	399,659	399,659	399,659
600	13,000		13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000
38,093	70,000		70,000	70,000	70,000	70,000
4,869	8,750		8,750	8,750	8,750	8,750
401,435	476,325	33	491,409	491,409	491,409	491,409
13,534	13,500		13,500	13,500	13,500	13,500
244	2,500		2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
156	200		200	200	200	200
239	450		450	450	450	450
1,213	4,000		4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
119	200		200	200	200	200
125	400		400	400	400	400
13,200	8,800		8,800	8,800	8,800	8,800
28,830	30,050	34	30,050	30,050	30,050	30,050
\$ 430,265	\$ 506,375		\$ 521,459	\$ 521,459	\$ 521,459	\$ 521,459
Total Dispatch Budget						

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220 FIRE DEPARTMENT						
2,810,871	3,091,925		3,300,325	3,300,325	3,300,325	3,300,325
7,100	10,000		10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
219,794	245,000		300,000	245,000	245,000	245,000
279	15,000		15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
3,038,044	3,361,925	35	3,625,325	3,570,325	3,570,325	3,570,325
15,278	16,500		16,500	16,500	16,500	16,500
11,948	13,000		13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000
14,166	15,000		15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
29,862	22,500		22,850	22,850	22,850	22,850
8,848	8,000		8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000
2,509	3,000		3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
4,721	5,000		5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
6,621	5,000		5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
75,394	50,000		50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
48,667	25,000		25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
7,589	7,500		7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500
18,679	22,100		22,100	22,100	22,100	22,100
29,708	21,000		21,000	21,000	21,000	21,000
3,935	6,000		6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000
277,925	219,600	36	219,950	219,950	219,950	219,950
\$ 3,315,969	\$ 3,581,525		\$ 3,845,275	\$ 3,790,275	\$ 3,790,275	\$ 3,790,275
221 BUILDING INSPECTION SERVICES						
197,652	199,493		207,943	207,943	207,943	221,083
63,866	59,603		60,403	60,403	60,403	60,403
2,913	6,300		6,300	6,300	6,300	8,675
264,431	265,396	37	274,646	274,646	274,646	290,161
2,899	3,000		3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
1,265	5,000		5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
1,487	3,000		3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
-	500		500	500	500	500
-	-		-	-	-	-
5,651	11,500		11,500	11,500	11,500	11,500
\$ 270,082	\$ 276,896	38	\$ 286,146	\$ 286,146	\$ 286,146	\$ 301,661
291 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT						
2,000	2,000		2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
2,000	2,000		2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
9,500	5,000		5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
9,500	5,000	40	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
11,500	7,000		7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000
Schools						
30,298,496	30,126,729	41	31,540,480	30,963,029	30,963,029	30,963,029
\$ 107,267	\$ 110,000		\$ 110,000	\$ 110,000	\$ 110,000	\$ 110,000
\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 1,038,573	\$ 1,335,229		\$ 1,460,229	\$ 1,460,229	\$ 1,460,229	\$ 1,375,880
\$ 1,145,840	\$ 1,445,229	42	\$ 1,570,229	\$ 1,570,229	\$ 1,570,229	\$ 1,485,880
\$ 31,444,336	\$ 31,571,958		\$ 33,110,709	\$ 32,533,258	\$ 32,533,258	\$ 32,448,909

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Public Works						
400 DPW Administration						
854,401	903,320			953,502	953,502	953,502
14,228	25,500			26,500	26,500	26,500
33,064	45,000			45,000	45,000	45,000
\$ 901,693	\$ 973,820	43	Total Salaries	\$ 1,025,002	\$ 1,025,002	\$ 1,025,002
5,390	14,700		Electric	14,700	14,700	14,700
-	1,000		Gas	1,000	1,000	1,000
2,939	5,000		Heating Oil	5,000	5,000	5,000
74,821	121,000		Repairs & Maintenance	121,000	121,000	121,000
-	500		Rentals & Leases	500	500	500
10,000	10,000		Public Safety Services	10,000	10,000	10,000
-	2,000		Other Communications	2,000	2,000	2,000
34,280	55,000		Other Purchased Services	55,000	55,000	55,000
1,600	1,600		Office Supplies	1,600	1,600	1,600
38	1,000		Custodial Supplies	1,000	1,000	1,000
9,895	17,500		Groundskeeping Supplies	17,500	17,500	17,500
40,000	40,000		PW General Supplies	40,000	40,000	40,000
8,185	8,000		PW Signs	8,000	8,000	8,000
-	-		MS4 Drainage	81,000	81,000	81,000
5,000	5,000		Uniform & Clothing Expenses	5,000	5,000	5,000
213	500		In State Travel	3,400	500	500
500	500		Dues & Subscriptions	1,265	1,265	1,265
192,861	283,300	44	Total Expenses	367,965	365,065	365,065
\$ 1,094,554	\$ 1,257,120		TOTAL DPW ADMIN	\$ 1,392,967	\$ 1,390,067	\$ 1,390,067
423 DPW Snow & Ice						
3,629	10,000		Repairs & Maintenance	10,000	10,000	10,000
131,204	195,000		Snow Removal Contracts	195,000	195,000	195,000
-	1,000		Public Safety Services	1,000	1,000	1,000
340	1,000		Other Purchased Services	1,000	1,000	1,000
-	2,000		Groundskeeping Supplies	2,000	2,000	2,000
26,119	10,000		Vehicular Supplies	10,000	10,000	10,000
60	1,500		Food Service Supplies	1,500	1,500	1,500
139,242	75,000		Snow & Ice Supplies	75,000	75,000	75,000
300,594	295,500	45	Total Expenses	295,500	295,500	295,500
\$ 300,594	\$ 295,500		TOTAL DPW Snow & Ice	\$ 295,500	\$ 295,500	\$ 295,500
424 DPW Street Lighting						
90,088	133,000		Electricity	133,000	100,000	100,000
135	22,500		Underground Street	22,500	22,500	22,500
\$ 90,223	\$ 155,500	46	TOTAL DPW Snow & Ice	\$ 155,500	\$ 122,500	\$ 122,500
433 DPW REFUSE						
24,576	20,000		Overtime	20,000	20,000	20,000
448	-		Stevens Street Additional Hours	-	-	-
\$ 25,024	\$ 20,000	47	Total Salaries	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000
EXPENSES						
67,050	70,000		Other Purchased Services	108,000	108,000	108,000
-	500		PW General Supplies	500	500	500
67,050	70,500	48	Total Expenses	108,500	108,500	108,500
\$ 92,074	\$ 90,500		TOTAL DPW Refuse	\$ 128,500	\$ 128,500	\$ 128,500
490 DPW MOTOR VEHICLE						
14,116	15,000		Electricity	15,000	15,000	15,000
12,669	12,000		Gas	12,000	12,000	12,000
27,500	27,500		Repairs & Maintenance	27,500	27,500	27,500
491	500		Custodial Supplies	500	500	500
69,560	85,000		Vehicular Supplies	85,000	85,000	85,000
93,838	100,000		Vehicular Gasoline	100,000	100,000	100,000
\$ 218,174	\$ 240,000	49	TOTAL DPW Motor Vehicle	\$ 240,000	\$ 240,000	\$ 240,000
491 DPW Cemetery						
188,419	199,382		Full-Time Salaries	214,788	214,788	214,788
9,037	20,000		Part-Time Salaries	20,000	20,000	20,000
10,398	10,000		Overtime	10,000	10,000	10,000
\$ 207,854	\$ 229,382	50	Total Salaries	\$ 244,788	\$ 244,788	\$ 244,788
670	670		Electric	670	670	670
1,800	1,800		Heating Oil	1,800	1,800	1,800
564	400		Repairs & Maintenance	400	400	400
-	50		Printing Services	50	50	50
6,313	6,500		Other Purchased Services	6,500	6,500	6,500
-	50		Office Supplies	100	100	100
-	50		Custodial Supplies	50	50	50
2,555	2,000		Groundskeeping Supplies	2,000	2,000	2,000
-	200		Food Service Supplies	200	200	200
5,000	5,000		PW General Supplies	5,000	5,000	5,000
16,902	16,770	51	Total Expenses	16,770	16,770	16,770
\$ 224,756	\$ 246,152		TOTAL DPW Cemetery	\$ 261,558	\$ 261,558	\$ 261,558
\$ 2,020,375	\$ 2,284,772		Total Budget - DPW General Fund	\$ 2,474,025	\$ 2,438,125	\$ 2,438,125

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WAGES - Sewer						
389,975	418,526		Full-Time Salaries	400,429	400,429	400,429
12,957	23,000		Part-Time Salaries	23,000	23,000	23,000
30,268	30,000		Overtime	30,000	30,000	30,000
\$ 433,200	\$ 471,526	52	Total Salaries - Sewer	\$ 453,429	\$ 453,429	\$ 453,429
29,602	34,000		Electric	34,000	34,000	34,000
1,730	2,000		Gas	2,000	2,000	2,000
262	1,000		Heating	1,000	1,000	1,000
57,459	50,000		Repairs & Maintenance	50,000	50,000	50,000
300	300		Office Supplies	300	300	300
234	500		Maintenance Supplies	500	500	500
-	500		Custodial Supplies	500	500	500
-	4,000		Vehicle Supplies	4,000	4,000	4,000
-	8,000		Gasoline	8,000	8,000	8,000
20,615	21,000		Sewer Supplies	21,000	21,000	21,000
5,000	5,000		Uniform & Protective Clothing	5,000	5,000	5,000
4,804,861	4,988,619		MWRA Assessment	5,624,810	5,624,810	5,624,810
79,700	74,700		MWRA Sewer DEBT Service (P&I)	69,700	69,700	69,700
4,999,763	5,189,619	53	Expenses Subtotal	5,820,810	5,820,810	5,820,810
-	25,000	54	SEWER RESERVE FUND	25,000	25,000	25,000
845,489	517,189	55	Indirect Costs	559,517	559,517	559,517
\$ 5,845,252	\$ 5,731,808		Subtotal Expenses - Sewer	\$ 6,405,327	\$ 6,405,327	\$ 6,405,327
\$ 6,278,452	\$ 6,203,334		Total Budget - Sewer Enterprise Fund	\$ 6,858,756	\$ 6,858,756	\$ 6,858,756
WAGES - Water						
326,182	359,190		Full-Time Salaries	339,297	339,297	339,297
34,377	23,000		Part-Time Salaries	23,000	23,000	23,000
39,802	50,000		Overtime	50,000	50,000	50,000
\$ 400,361	\$ 432,190	56	Total Salaries - Water	\$ 412,297	\$ 412,297	\$ 412,297
2,342	1,500		Electricity	1,500	1,500	1,500
5,577	7,000		Gas	7,000	7,000	7,000
39,450	45,000		Water Expense	45,000	45,000	45,000
51,093	40,000		Repairs & Maintenance	40,000	40,000	40,000
-	1,000		Rentals & Leases	1,000	1,000	1,000
706	4,000		Public Safety Services	4,000	4,000	4,000
-	100		Postage	100	100	100
-	1,000		Other Communication	1,000	1,000	1,000
190,133	210,000		Other Purchased Services	210,000	210,000	210,000
1,622	2,000		Office Supplies	2,000	2,000	2,000
-	500		Maintenance Supplies	500	500	500
346	400		Custodial Supplies	400	400	400
6,474	9,000		Vehicle Supplies	9,000	9,000	9,000
-	20,000		Gasoline	20,000	20,000	20,000
-	500		Food Service	500	500	500
64,291	70,000		Water Supplies	70,000	70,000	70,000
2,294	5,000		Uniforms	7,500	7,500	7,500
3,018,426	2,870,605		MWRA Assessment	3,576,774	3,576,774	3,576,774
6,695	10,000		DEP Assessment	10,000	10,000	10,000
311,186	286,786		MWRA Water Debt Service (P&I)	377,786	377,786	377,786
3,700,635	3,584,391	57	Expenses Subtotal	4,384,060	4,384,060	4,384,060
-	25,000	58	WATER RESERVE FUND	25,000	25,000	25,000
749,915	-		STM Article Water Capital Projects	-	-	-
-	441,877	59	Indirect Expenses Subtotal	480,249	480,249	480,249
\$ 4,450,550	\$ 4,051,268		Subtotal Expenses - Water	\$ 4,889,309	\$ 4,889,309	\$ 4,889,309
\$ 4,850,911	\$ 4,483,458		Total Budget - Water Enterprise Fund	\$ 5,301,606	\$ 5,301,606	\$ 5,301,606
\$ 11,129,363	\$ 10,686,792		TOTAL WATER & SEWER BUDGET	\$ 12,160,362	\$ 12,160,362	\$ 12,160,362
\$ 13,149,738	\$ 12,971,564		TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS	\$ 14,634,387	\$ 14,598,487	\$ 14,598,487

Actual FY20	Approp. FY21	It. No.	Department Requested FY'22	Administrator Recommended FY'22	Select Board Recommended FY'22	Finance & Advisory Recommended FY'22
610 LIBRARY						
462,483	441,223		483,735	483,735	483,735	483,735
107,433	107,773		126,769	126,769	126,769	126,769
-	6,500		6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500
569,916	555,496	70	617,005	617,005	617,005	617,005
22,986	32,000		32,000	32,000	32,000	32,000
13,881	14,000		14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000
27,788	25,000		30,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
-	1,000		1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
-	240		240	240	240	240
2,669	3,500		3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500
2,240	3,200		5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
41,540	50,000		5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
60,000			60,000	53,000	53,000	53,000
111,104	128,840	71	150,740	138,740	138,740	138,740
75,220	138,000	72	144,248	156,398	156,398	156,398
\$ 756,240	\$ 822,436		\$ 911,993	\$ 912,143	\$ 912,143	\$ 912,143

Actual FY20	Approp. FY21	It. No.	Department Requested FY'22	Administrator Recommended FY'22	Select Board Recommended FY'22	Finance & Advisory Recommended FY'22
631 ARENA						
146,793	170,310		179,034	179,034	179,034	179,034
55,670	72,564		66,000	66,000	66,000	66,000
202,463	242,874	73	245,034	245,034	245,034	245,034
136,753	152,000		152,000	152,000	152,000	152,000
21,419	38,000		38,000	38,000	38,000	38,000
-	-		-	-	-	-
34,684	25,000		25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
5,113	2,400		2,400	2,400	2,400	2,400
9,611	7,400		7,400	7,400	7,400	7,400
638	500		1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
11,131	8,000		14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000
4,419	3,000		3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
1,266	500		500	500	500	500
867	300		1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
175	150		175	175	175	175
226,076	237,250	74	244,975	244,975	244,975	244,975
\$ 428,539	\$ 480,124		\$ 490,009	\$ 490,009	\$ 490,009	\$ 490,009

Actual FY20	Approp. FY21	It. No.	Department Requested FY'22	Administrator Recommended FY'22	Select Board Recommended FY'22	Finance & Advisory Recommended FY'22
Maturing Debt						
DEBT SERVICE (P&I)						
3,285,000	3,375,000		2,300,000	2,300,000	2,300,000	2,300,000
907,532	779,276		664,572	664,572	664,572	664,572
\$ 4,192,532	\$ 4,154,276	75	\$ 2,964,572	\$ 2,964,572	\$ 2,964,572	\$ 2,964,572

Actual FY20	Approp. FY21	It. No.	Department Requested FY'22	Administrator Recommended FY'22	Select Board Recommended FY'22	Finance & Advisory Recommended FY'22
911 Contributory Pension						
6,611,111	6,273,630		6,880,229	6,880,229	6,880,229	6,880,229
\$ 6,611,111	\$ 6,273,630	76	\$ 6,880,229	\$ 6,880,229	\$ 6,880,229	\$ 6,880,229

Actual FY20	Approp. FY21	It. No.	Department Requested FY'22	Administrator Recommended FY'22	Select Board Recommended FY'22	Finance & Advisory Recommended FY'22
912 Health Insurance						
421,891	425,000		330,600	330,600	330,600	330,600
23,685	8,500		8,500	8,500	8,500	8,500
1,044,574	1,102,440		1,140,000	1,140,000	1,140,000	1,140,000
1,551,698	1,581,350		1,676,231	1,676,231	1,676,231	1,676,231
3,354,616	3,300,000		3,498,000	3,498,000	3,498,000	3,498,000
1,824,962	1,904,850		2,019,141	2,019,141	2,019,141	2,019,141
299,996	-		150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000
8,521,422	8,322,140	77	8,822,472	8,822,472	8,822,472	8,822,472

Actual FY20	Approp. FY21	It. No.		Department Requested FY'22	Administrator Recommended FY'22	Select Board Recommended FY'22	Finance & Advisory Recommended FY'22
919 UNCLASSIFIED							
125,000	215,000	78	Reserved for Contractual Negotiations	165,000	165,000	165,000	184,500
327,318	365,267	79	Workers Compensation	420,057	420,057	420,057	309,537
9,559	75,000	80	Unemployment Payments	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500
44,180	51,500	81	Life Insurance	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000
556,955	550,000	82	Medicare Tax	575,000	575,000	575,000	575,000
77,734	82,400	83	Fire & Police Injured on Duty	90,000	90,000	90,000	90,000
-	5,000	84	FD & PD IOD R/X & MED Coverage	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
78,615	78,800	85	Annual Audit/OPEB Study	85,000	85,000	85,000	85,000
53,652	65,000	86	Postage	65,000	65,000	65,000	65,000
437,119	529,147	87	Multi Peril/Liability/Auto	554,147	554,147	554,147	616,781
5,478	11,700	88	UNCLASSIFIED	11,700	11,700	11,700	11,700
175,000	120,000	89	Trash Subsidy	125,000	125,000	125,000	200,000
\$ 1,890,610	\$ 2,148,814		Total Unclassified Budget	\$ 2,163,404	\$ 2,163,404	\$ 2,163,404	\$ 2,210,018
920 NON-DEPARTMENTAL							
25,000	319,500	90	Stabilization	327,173	327,173	327,173	327,173
25,000	183,500	91	Capital Stabilization	203,037	203,037	203,037	203,037
5,392	5,200	92	Mass Municipal Association	5,392	5,392	5,392	5,392
-	400	93	Veterans Graves	400	400	400	400
2,893	3,400	94	Historical Commission	3,400	3,400	3,400	3,400
4,821	8,000	95	Memorial Day Parade	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000
40,000	40,000	96	MVES-Resident Coordinator	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
\$ 103,106	\$ 560,000		Total Unclassified Budget	\$ 587,402	\$ 587,402	\$ 587,402	\$ 587,402
50,000	100,000		OPEB Expense	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
\$ 50,000	\$ 100,000	97	Total OPEB	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000
\$ 67,929,945	\$ 69,221,018		TOTAL FY2021 GENERAL FUND BUDGET	\$ 72,035,547	\$ 70,984,748	\$ 70,984,748	\$ 70,984,528
2,295,733	2,441,412		State Assessments	2,641,635	2,641,635	2,641,635	2,641,635
26,078	26,808		Offsets	32,169	32,169	32,169	32,169
235,157	200,000		Overlay Reserve	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000
\$ 2,556,968	\$ 2,668,220		Total Other Budget Items	\$ 2,898,804	\$ 2,898,804	\$ 2,898,804	\$ 2,898,804
\$ 70,486,913	\$ 71,889,238		Grand Total FY2020 Budget	\$ 74,934,351	\$ 73,883,552	\$ 73,883,552	\$ 73,883,332
\$ 11,129,363	\$ 10,686,792		TOTAL WATER & SEWER BUDGET	\$ 12,160,362	\$ 12,160,362	\$ 12,160,362	\$ 12,160,362
\$ 81,616,276	\$ 82,576,030		Total Budget Incl. Water & Sewer	\$ 87,094,712	\$ 86,043,914	\$ 86,043,914	\$ 86,043,694

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow the sum of \$1,030,505 for the capital projects set forth below, including all incidental and related costs and to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Select Board, to borrow all or a portion of said sum under the applicable provisions of M.G.L. c. 44 or any other enabling authority, or do anything in relation thereto.

Department	Amount	FY22 Funded Projects (Bonding)	Funding Source
Public Works	\$ 100,000.00	Streets and Sidewalks	Bonding
Public Works	\$ 64,000.00	Drainage MS4	Bonding
Fire	\$ 820,000.00	Fire Engine	Bonding
Golf Course	\$ 21,505.00	Rebuild Hole 9	Bonding
Public Facilities	\$ 25,000.00	Design study: Ice Arena Lower Roof and Envelope Replacement	Bonding
Total	1,030,505.00	General Fund Funding	

Select Board

Article 15. Voted that the Town appropriate the sum of \$1,030,505 for the capital projects set forth in Article 15 of the Annual Town Meeting Warrant, and to meet said appropriation, authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Select Board, to borrow a sum not to exceed \$1,030,505 including all costs incidental and related thereto, and to issue bonds and notes therefor under G.L. c.44, Section 7(1) or any other enabling authority, said funds to be expended under the general supervision of the Town Administrator and supervision of the department head for which the sums have been appropriated, and further any premium received by the Town upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of project costs approved by this vote in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount.

Department	Amount	FY22 Funded Projects (Bonding)	Funding Source
Public Works	\$ 100,000.00	Streets and Sidewalks	Bonding
Public Works	\$ 64,000.00	Drainage MS4	Bonding
Fire	\$ 820,000.00	Fire Engine	Bonding
Golf Course	\$ 21,505.00	Rebuild Hole 9	Bonding
Public Facilities	\$ 25,000.00	Design study: Ice Arena Lower Roof and Envelope Replacement	Bonding
Total	1,030,505.00	General Fund Funding	

2/3 Vote Required

2/3 Vote Passed Per Moderator

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to clean out a ditch system, sketched by Town DPW Engineer M.J. Markham and installed in September of 1935 and entitled North Meetinghouse Brook, over which the Town has Easement rights and runs Westerly from land of/formerly of Samuel Weiss (also known as Weiss Farm). No funds shall be expended from said money appropriated or transferred pursuant to the motion for this warrant article if said funds are otherwise available to the Town pursuant to applicable state law or Town bylaw or regulations, including, but not limited to, M.G.L. c. 44, sec. 53G. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Martin H. Wantman

20 Gerald Road

Article 21. Voted that the Town approve Article 21 as set forth in the Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

Fails Per Moderator

Motion to Dissolve
Meeting Dissolved at 7:51PM

Respectfully submitted:

Maria Sagarino

Maria Sagarino
Town Clerk

**MINUTES FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2021**

To either of the Constables of the Town of Stoneham in the County of Middlesex,

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Stoneham qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet at Stoneham High School, 149 Franklin Street, Stoneham, on

Monday, October 4, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.

to act upon the following articles of this Warrant:

Tellers were appointed to check the names of voters entering the Stoneham High School Gymnasium and the checklist showed 904 voters were inside the meeting.

Moderator Jeanne Craigie led the Pledge of Allegiance. She then took a moment of personal privilege to recognize the passing of former Selectman Darin Leahy.

The meeting was called to order in the High school Gym at 7:34 PM and the warrant was read.

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow the sum of \$625,000 for capital projects, including all incidental and related costs, all as set forth below, or take any other action relative thereto.

Department	Amount	FY22 Funded Projects (Bonding)	Funding Source
Public Works	\$ 100,000.00	Streets and Sidewalks	Free Cash
Police	\$ 70,000.00	Marked Vehicle	Free Cash
Facilities	\$ 455,000.00	Town Wide Building and Roof Improvements	Free Cash
Total	625,000.00		

Select Board

Article 1. Voted that the Town transfer from surplus revenue (Free Cash) a sum not to exceed \$625,000 (six hundred twenty-five thousand) for the Capital Projects set forth below, said funds to be expended under the general supervision of the Town Administrator and supervision of the department head for which the sums have been appropriated.

Department	Amount	FY22 Funded Projects (Bonding)	Funding Source
Public Works	\$ 100,000.00	Streets and Sidewalks	Free Cash
Police	\$ 70,000.00	Marked Vehicle	Free Cash
Facilities	\$ 455,000.00	Town Wide Building and Roof Improvements	Free Cash
Total	625,000.00		

Majority Vote Required
Passed per Moderator

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds, an amount of money to be expended under the direction of the Stoneham School Building Committee for planning, designing, constructing, originally equipping and furnishing the New Stoneham High School located at 149 Franklin Street, Stoneham, Massachusetts, which school facility shall have an anticipated useful life as an educational facility for the instruction of school children of at least 50 years, and for which the Town may be eligible for a school construction grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"). The Town acknowledges that the MSBA's grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any project costs the Town incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the Town. Any grant that the Town may receive from the MSBA for the Project shall not exceed the lesser of (1) fifty-five and one-tenth percent (55.10%) of eligible, approved project costs, as determined by the MSBA, or (2) the total maximum grant amount determined by the MSBA, or do anything in relation thereto.

Select Board

Article 2. Voted that the Town appropriate the amount of one hundred eighty-nine million five hundred ninety-three thousand five hundred ninety-four dollars (\$189,593,594) for the purpose of paying costs of planning, designing, constructing, originally equipping and furnishing the New Stoneham High School located at 149 Franklin Street, Stoneham, Massachusetts, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto (the "Project"), which school facility shall have an anticipated useful life as an educational facility for the instruction of school children for at least 50 years, and for which the Town may be eligible for a grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"), said amount to be expended under the direction of the Stoneham School Building Committee; and further, to meet this appropriation the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Select Board, is authorized to borrow said amount under M.G.L. Chapter 44, or pursuant to any other enabling authority; and further, that the Town acknowledges that the MSBA's grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any project costs the Town incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the Town; provided further that any grant that Town may receive from the MSBA for the Project shall not exceed the lesser of (1) fifty-five and one-tenth percent (55.10%) of eligible, approved project costs, as determined by the MSBA, or (2) the total maximum grant amount determined by the MSBA; provided that any appropriation hereunder shall be subject to and contingent upon an affirmative vote of the Town to exempt the amounts required for the payment of interest and principal on said borrowing from the limitations on taxes imposed by M.G.L. 59, Section 21C (Proposition 2½); and that the amount of borrowing authorized pursuant to this vote shall be reduced by any grant amount set forth in the Project Funding Agreement that may be executed between the Town and the MSBA. Any premium received by the Town upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to project costs in accordance with G.L.

c.44, Section 20, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed for the project by a like amount.

Motion to Move the Question
Question is Moved
 $\frac{2}{3}$ Vote Required
 $\frac{2}{3}$ Vote Passed Per Moderator
Motion for Reconsideration
Cannot be Reconsidered

Article 3. To see if the Town will approve the \$317,422,620 borrowing authorized by the Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational School District Committee, for the purpose of paying costs of designing, engineering, constructing and equipping the New Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational School and related athletic facilities located at 100 Hemlock Road in Wakefield, MA 01880, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto (the "Project"), which school facility shall have an anticipated useful life as an educational facility for the instruction of school children of at least 50 years and for which the District may be eligible for a school construction grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"), said amount to be expended at the direction of Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational School Committee. The Town's estimated share of the District's debt for this purpose, exclusive of interest, and based upon current enrollments, is approximately \$19,823,427, which amount will be reduced to the extent of MSBA grants received by the District, resulting in an estimated net share of principal allocable to the Town, exclusive of interest, of approximately \$11,027,054. The MSBA's grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any Project costs the District incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the District and its member municipalities. Any grant that the District may receive from the MSBA for the Project shall not exceed the lesser of (1) seventy-six and eighty-four one hundredths percent (76.84%) of eligible, approved project costs, as determined by the MSBA, or (2) the total maximum grant amount determined by the MSBA; or take any other action relative thereto.

Select Board

Article 3. Voted the Town hereby approves the three hundred seventeen million four hundred twenty-two thousand six hundred twenty dollars (\$317,422,620) borrowing authorized by the Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational School District Committee, for the purpose of paying costs of designing, engineering, constructing and equipping the New Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational School and related athletic facilities located at 100 Hemlock Road in Wakefield, MA 01880, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto (the "Project"), which school facility shall have an anticipated useful life as an educational facility for the instruction of school children of at least 50 years and for which the District may be eligible for a school construction grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"), said amount to be expended at the direction of Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational School Committee; that the Town's estimated share of the District's debt for this purpose, exclusive of interest, and based upon current enrollments, is approximately nineteen

million eight hundred twenty-three thousand four hundred twenty-seven dollars (\$19,823,427) which amount will be reduced to the extent of MSBA grants received by the District, resulting in an estimated net share of principal allocable to the Town, exclusive of interest, of approximately eleven million twenty-seven thousand fifty-four dollars (\$11,027,054); that the Town acknowledges that the MSBA's grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any Project costs the District incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the District and its member municipalities; provided further that any grant that District may receive from the MSBA for the Project shall not exceed the lesser of (1) seventy-six and eighty-four one hundredths percent (76.84%) of eligible, approved project costs, as determined by the MSBA, or (2) the total maximum grant amount determined by the MSBA; and that the amount of borrowing authorized by the District shall be reduced by any grant amount set forth in the Project Funding Agreement that may be executed between the District and the MSBA.

Motion to Move the Question
Question is Moved
Majority Vote Required
Passed per Moderator

Meeting Dissolved at 8:52PM.

Respectfully submitted:



Maria Sagarino
Town Clerk

Special Town Election

November 2, 2021

QUESTION

“Shall the Town of Stoneham be allowed to exempt from the provisions of Proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bonds issued in order to pay the costs of planning, designing, constructing, originally equipping and furnishing the New Stoneham High School located at 149 Franklin Street, Stoneham, Massachusetts?”

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
Yes	344	371	500	362	430	471	428	2906
No	90	73	93	97	113	123	99	688
	434	444	593	459	543	594	527	3594

YES 2,906 NO 688

3,594 of 17,397 eligible voters voted for a 20.6% turnout

Town Counsel

To the Citizens of Stoneham and the Honorable Select Board of Stoneham:

The office of Town Counsel provides general legal services and representation to the town of Stoneham in its corporate capacity, to town officials and department heads, and boards, commissions and committees in their performance of their official duties. The office of Town Counsel is a collaborative effort of consisting of Robert W. Galvin, Esq., of Galvin & Galvin, PC, as well as associate, Attorney Anthony Riley, as well as

Jonathan Witten, Esq. of KP Law, PC. Also serving in the capacity of Labor Counsel for Stoneham are John Clifford, Esq. and Jaime Kenny, Esq. of Clifford & Kenny, LLP.

The specific duties of Town Counsel are described in the Stoneham Town Charter and Code involve the provision of the following types of legal services: (a) prosecution of claims and defenses on behalf of the Town, (b) advisory services designed to guide officials and boards through the intricacies of legal system and legal requirements in order to prevent litigation, (c) review of policies, procedures and bylaws, (d) review of all contracts for form and substance, (e) assistance with the Annual and Special Town Warrant and Town Meeting articles, and (f) issuance of advisory opinions and ethical opinions to public officials and employees.

During the past year, the town's most significant legal matters have continued involve, albeit to a more manageable level, the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Outbreak which posed and continues to impose the most significant, immediate threat to the public health, safety, and welfare of people of Stoneham.

We also have been involved in the continuing appeal that concerns Weiss Farm and the proposed affordable housing project proposed there and is now pending in the Superior Court where a decision approving the project by the MA Housing Appeals Committee is at issue.

Last year also culminated in the approval of the new Stoneham High School which is always an exciting time in which community resolve was most apparent.

Lastly, the new Housing Choice legislation that impacts Stoneham has been given some attention after guidance by the state. Stoneham which is considered a "bus service community" is proceeding to submit community information to the state DHCD and reviewing and updating its zoning to allow certain multi-family housing goals to be met in time to maintain eligibility for certain state grant programming.

In addition to these matters, I continued to handle the more routine Town Counsel Matters, including:

- * Assisting with the drafting of Warrant Articles, Town Meeting Motions and attended Annual Town Meeting, including a review of the bonding articles and working with bond counsel. Consult with moderator and town clerk on procedures and processes including on a Consent Agenda.

- * Copy Town Administrator and Select Board Chair (as well as anyone else that wanted to be copied on most Town Related Matters).

- * Advise Town Administrator and Chair of Select on select issues.

- * Provided some formal and informal ethics opinions to Town Officials.

* Assisted during some meetings of various Boards, including the Select Board, the Zoning Board, Planning Board and Conservation Commission.

* Reviewed a dozen or more municipal contracts for form and substance some of which are annual contracts and others than are the product of competitive bids;

* Responded or assisted with the responses to Public Record Requests and provided advice with respect to Open Meeting Law issues.

* Provide Annual Certifications regarding the Town's Financial Statements.

I commend the town's elected and appointed officials, boards and commissions who, once again this year, have volunteered their time by spending hundreds of hours of their free time to make Stoneham a wonderful place to work and live.

During the reporting period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, there have been a number of cases that have concluded or remain active.

A complete listing of all these cases is available through the Town Administrator or Select Board's office.

In addition to litigation, I render legal services in the following manner: (a) provide written and oral opinions, (b) examined titles and/or completed land acquisition or disposition projects, including review of licenses and easements, (c) appeared before state administrative agencies, including the ABCC, (d) rendered ethics opinions and advice, (e) prepared and recorded deeds and easements, (f) assisted in the preparation of Town Meeting Warrants and attended town meetings.

In conclusion, I wish to express my gratitude in particular to each of the members of the Select Board, including chair, Heidi Bilbo, past chairs, Raymie Parker, Shelley MacNeill and George Seibold. I would also like to recognize Debbie Pettengill, and Dava Kilbride, for their incredible efforts on behalf of the Town and Select Board. I would also like to express my thanks to Police Chief James McIntyre, and Fire Chief Matt Grafton, the entire membership of the Zoning Board of Appeals and Planning Board and their support staffs, Town Planner, Erin Wortman, Building Inspector, Cheryl, Noble, the Town Accountant, Dave Castellarin, as well as our Moderator, Jeanne Craigie, and our Town Clerk, Maria Sagarino, as well as their staffs for their support.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert W. Galvin, Town Counsel

Town Treasurer/Tax Collector

Treasurer The primary function of this office is the management of the Town's funds. We are responsible for collecting and depositing all revenue, as well as dispersing all payroll and vendor payments. Investment management and bond indebtedness are also functions of the Treasurer. My main objective is to keep the Town's funds safe, liquid and invested at the highest possible yield.

Treasury has had another year of challenges and changes. Our Assistant Treasurer, decided to move on, and our search was on for her replacement and who better to meet the challenge but Wendy Neil, the Town's Accounts Payable Clerk. With Wendy's Accounting background and determination she stepped into roll of Assistant Treasurer effortlessly.

In addition to bringing on a new Assistant Treasurer, the office took on the Payroll Department, bringing Jill Anderson, from the school and Karen Brown, from the town together. This collaboration will bring the two senior payroll staff members the opportunity to work together on payroll issues and challenges, in addition to developing a more efficient way to implement the payroll process.

The Treasurer's office also went out to borrow several times this year including the borrowing of \$135M for the High School Building Project. The Town received ten competitive bids from bond underwriters for this project with the winning bid going to J.P. Morgan Securities with an average interest rate of 2.344 for a 30-year term.

As always we continue to encourage our residents to utilize our online bill payment platform, Invoice Cloud. The system allows for payments to be scheduled, reminders sent and text alerts along with access to one's payment history. This year we added PayPal, Apple Pay, Google pay and Venmo as additional payment options for paying Utility bills, Real Estate, and Excise tax.

In closing, I would like to thank my amazing staff for without them this office would not be able to process the volume of work it does on a daily basis. Michele Collins for her expertise with online payments and processing. Kathy Sullivan for her dedication and her extensive knowledge of this Town's history. Sandy Snyder who greets every customer with a smile and willingness to help and Wendy Neil, who has effortlessly taken on the role of Assistant Treasurer, and has shined. I also would like to thank Jill Anderson who brings her payroll expertise along with a willing to help in all areas and Karen Brown for her thoroughness in making sure everyone gets paid. These women are essential to the operations of this office and the Town is fortunate to have them. I am sure our residents appreciate them as much as I do.

Sincerely,

Paulette M. Gerry

Treasurer/Tax Collector