

Town of Great Barrington

Annual Town Report

Fiscal Year 2018



IN MEMORIAM

During the year, we were saddened by the passing of the following
former Town officials and dedicate this Annual Report to their memory:

John Beckwith
Selectman
Police Officer
July 2017

John Boddie
Tax Collector
Special Police Officer
September 2017

Alice Horonzy Guidi
Berkshire Hills Regional School District Secretary
October 2017

Elizabeth “Betty” Ann Boddie
Town Secretary
Town Clerk
Tax Collector
Special Police Officer
February 2018

Richard “Dick” Krzynowek
Firefighter
August 2017

John “Zip” Zanin
Wire Inspector
Berkshire Hills Regional School District Custodian
September 2017

Karen Bru Ross
Berkshire Hills Regional School District Teacher
December 2016

Ronald Hastings Race
Department of Public Works
April 2018

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FACTS ABOUT GREAT BARRINGTON

Settled	1726
Incorporated	1761
Location	Southwest Corner of Massachusetts
Population	7000 (Annual Town Census)
Legal Voters	4,561
Form of Government	Selectboard/Town Manger
	Open Town Meeting
Tax Rate	\$15.72 Fiscal 2019
Public Schools	Berkshire Hills Regional School District
Police	Chief, two Sergeants
	Fourteen Patrol Officers
State Forests	7,264 Acres
Altitude	721 feet at Railroad Station
Area	45.86 Square Miles
Web Site	www.townofgb.org
Annual Town Meeting	First Monday in May
Annual Town Elections	Second Tuesday in May

CURRENT UNITED STATES CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION

Governor Charlie Baker

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44 N. Capitol Street
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State Senator Adam Hinds

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State Representative William “Smitty” Pignatelli

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Boston, MA 02133
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Lenox Town Hall
PO Box 2228
Lenox MA 01240
413-637-0631

CURRENT ELECTED OFFICIALS

Selectboard

Stephen Bannon	Term Expires 2019
Daniel Bailly	Term Expires 2019
Edward Abrahams	Term Expires 2020
William Cooke	Term Expires 2021
Kate Burke	Term Expires 2021

Berkshire Hills Regional School Committee

(Voted during State Election)

Diane Singer	Term Expires 2020
Richard Dohoney	Term Expires 2020
Anne Hutchinson	Term Expires 2020
Stephen C. Bannon	Term Expired 2018
William Fields	Term Expires 2018

Board of Health

Michael Lanoue	Term Expires 2019
Dr. Ruby Chang	Term Expires 2020
Peter Stanton	Term Expires 2021

Constables

Walter F. Atwood, III	Term Expires 2021
John Broderick, Jr.	Term Expires 2021

Finance Committee

Thomas Blauvelt	Term Expires 2019
Janet R. Lee	Term Expires 2019
Anne O'Dwyer	Term Expires 2020
Michelle Loubert	Term Expires 2021
Eugene W. Curletti	Term Expires 2021

Great Barrington Housing Authority

James Mercer	Term Expires 2023
Jacqueline Sinico	Term Expires 2023
Karen Smith	Term Expires 2019

Library Trustees

Dana Coleman	Term Expires 2019
Lauren E. Clark	Term Expires 2019
Hilda Banks Shapiro	Term Expires 2020
Kathleen Plungis	Term Expires 2021
G. Patrick Hollenbeck	Term Expires 2021

Moderator

Michael Wise	Term Expires 2019
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Planning Board

Brandee K. Nelson	Term Expires 2019
Jeremy K. Higa	Term Expires 2019
Malcom Fick	Term Expires 2020
Jonathan Hankin	Term Expires 2020
Pedro Pachano	Term Expires 2021

Zoning Board of Appeals

Carolyn Ivory	Term Expires 2019
Ron Majdalany	Term Expires 2020
Michael Wise	Term Expires 2020
Madonna Meagher	Term Expires 2021
Stephen McAlister	Term Expires 2021

CURRENT APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board

Fred Clark	Term Expires 2019
William Cooke	Term Expires 2019
Cara Davis	Term Expires 2019
John Katz	Term Expires 2019
Jonathan Hankin	Term Expires 2020
Samantha Homeyer	Term Expires 2020

Agricultural Commission

Michael Maguire	Term Expires 2019
Vivian Orłowski	Term Expires 2019
Krysia Kurzyca	Term Expires 2020

Animal Control Officer

Shepley Evans	Term Indefinite
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Animal Inspector

L. Locke Larkin	Term Expires 2019
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Assessor, Principal

Christopher Lamarre	Term Indefinite
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Board of Assessors

Christopher Lamarre	Term Indefinite
John Katz	Term Expires 2019
Bruce Firger	Term Expires 2020

Board of Registrars

Marie Ryan	Term Indefinite
Linda A. Coons	Term Expires 2019
Deborah Ball	Term Expires 2020
Ellen Smith	Term Expires 2021

Cable Television Advisory Committee

Thomas Hatch	Term Indefinite
Jim Brown	Term Indefinite

CDBG Citizen Advisory Committee

G. Patrick Hollenbeck	Term Indefinite
Gaetan Lachance	Term Indefinite
Christopher Rembold	Term Indefinite

Cemetery Commissioners

Marilyn Bisiewicz	Term Expires 2020
Walter F. Atwood, III	Term Expires 2020
Stephen Bannon	Term Expires 2021
Edward Abrahams	Term Expires 2021

Chief Procurement Officer

Jennifer Tabakin	Term Indefinite
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Community Preservation Committee

Thomas Blauvelt	Term Expires 2019
Jeremy Higa	Term Expires 2019
Donald Howe	Term Expires 2019
Kathleen Jackson	Term Expires 2019
William Nappo	Term Expires 2019
Patricia Sharpe	Term Expires 2019
Karen Smith	Term Expires 2019
Nan Wile	Term Expires 2019
Edward Abrahams	Term Expires 2020
Daniel Bailly	Term Expires 2021
James Mercer	Term Expires 2023

Conservation Commission

Andrew Mankin	Term Expires 2019
David Shanahan	Term Expires 2019
Jeffrey Cohen	Term Expires 2020
William Boyer	Term Expires 2020
Kate Van Olst	Term Expires 2021

Conservation Commission Agent

Shepley Evans	Term Indefinite
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Council on Aging

Patricia Kinne	Term Expires 2019
Maureen Avery	Term Expires 2019
Jeanne Holcolmb	Term Expires 2020
Barbara Bailly	Term Expires 2021
Eileen Gaarn	Term Expires 2021
Susan Hipwell Morris	Term Expires 2021
Sandra Larkin	Term Expires 2021
Amy Rutstein	Term Expires 2021
David Rutstein	Term Expires 2021

Claire Teague Senior Center

Polly Mann Salenovich	Director
Jennifer Bailly	Assistant Director

Cultural Council

Michael D. Andelman	Term Expires 2019
Rose Tannenbaum	Term Expires 2019
Susan Pettee	Term Expires 2020
Catherine Hancock	Term Expires 2020
Laura Clark	Term Expires 2021

Design Advisory Committee

Edwin May	Ex-Officio
Pedro Pachano	Term Expires 2019
James Mercer	Term Expires 2020
Stephen Dietemann	Term Expires 2020
Jonathan Hankin	Term Expires 2020

Emergency Management Director

William R. Walsh, Jr.	Term Indefinite
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Fence Viewers

Kurt Barbieri	Term Expires 2019
Bernard Drew	Term Expires 2019

Fire Department

Charles Burger	Chief
Terrance Chamberland	Deputy Chief
Steven Hall	Deputy Chief
James Mead	Captain
Robert Hammer, Jr.	Lieutenant
Darryl Marks	Lieutenant
Joshua A. Seile	Lieutenant
Michael Bissaillion	Term Indefinite
Justin Bona	Term Indefinite
Jacob Borden	Term Indefinite
Joseph Bozza	Term Indefinite
James Carr	Term Indefinite
Elias Casey	Term Indefinite
Brandon DeGross	Term Indefinite
Iovan DeRis	Term Indefinite
Robert Gaughran	Term Indefinite
Randall Higgins	Term Indefinite
George Houghtlin	Term Indefinite
Christopher Laramie	Term Indefinite
Christopher Lovett	Term Indefinite
Sean McMahon	Term Indefinite
Adam Mead	Term Indefinite
Brian Mead	Term Indefinite
Mohamed Morell	Term Indefinite
Matthew Pevzner	Term Indefinite
Michael Powell	Term Indefinite
Louis Stark	Term Indefinite
Kayne Wellauer	Term Indefinite
John Woodard	Term Indefinite

Gas Inspector

Robert L. Gennari	Term Indefinite
Robert Krupski, Deputy	Term Indefinite

Health Agent

Rebecca Jurczyk	Term Indefinite
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Health Inspector

L. Locke Larkin	Term Indefinite
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Historical Commission

Donald Howe	Term Expires 2019
David Rutstein	Term Expires 2019
Paul Ivory	Term Expires 2020
William Nappo	Term Expires 2020
Marilyn Bisiewicz	Term Expires 2021
Gary Leveille	Term Expires 2021
Malcolm Fick	Term Expires 2021

Historic District Commission

Marilyn Bisiewicz	Term Expires 2019
James Mercer	Term Expires 2019
Patricia Ryan	Term Expires 2020
Abby Schroeder	Term Expires 2020
Julie Fagan	Term Expires 2021
Donald Howe	Term Expires 2021

Housing Authority Director

Vera Cartier	Term Indefinite
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Inspector of Buildings

Edwin May	Term Indefinite
Matthew Kollmer	Assistant Inspector

Keeper of the Lock-up

William Walsh, Jr.	Term Indefinite
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Lake Mansfield Improvement Task Force

Christine Ward	Term Indefinite
William Cooke	Term Indefinite
Dale Abrams	Term Indefinite
Brandee Nelson	Term Indefinite
Peter Franck	Term Indefinite
Ilana Siegal	Term Indefinite

Library Director

Amanda DeGiorgis	Term Indefinite
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Parking Clerk

Deborah Ball	Term Indefinite
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Parks Commissioners

Paul Gibbons	Term Expires 2019
Karen Smith	Term Expires 2019

Thomas Norton	Term Expires 2020
Patricia Salvi	Term Expires 2020
Llana Siegal	Term Expires 2020
Anthony Troiano	Term Expires 2020
Christopher Wiltshire	Term Expires 2020
Stephen Bannon	Term Expires 2021
Charles Bouteiller	Term Expires 2021

Plumbing Inspector

Robert Krupski	Term Indefinite
Robert Gennari, Deputy	Term Indefinite

Police Officers

William Walsh, Jr.	Chief of Police
Paul Storti	Sergeant
Adam J. Carlotto	Sergeant
Kristopher M. Balestro	Term Indefinite
Daniel Bartini	Term Indefinite
James Bragdon	Term Indefinite
Jonathan Finnerty	Term Indefinite
Andreas Huertas	Term Indefinite
Jason LaForest	Term Indefinite
Christopher Peebles	Term Indefinite
Joseph A. O' Brien	Term Indefinite
Chad Shimmon	Term Indefinite
Samuel Stolzar	Term Indefinite
Timothy Ullrich	Term Indefinite
Victor Zucco	Term Indefinite

Police Officers, Reserve

Brian Arnold	Term Indefinite
Bradley Lupiani	Term Indefinite
Elias Casey	Term Indefinite
Olivia Cobb	Term Indefinite

Police Officers, Special

Daniel Bersaw	Term Indefinite
Paul Harvey	Term Indefinite
Paul Montgomery	Term Indefinite
Timothy Roy	Term Indefinite
Craig Scott	Term Indefinite

Sanitary Inspector

L. Locke Larkin	Term Indefinite
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Sign Officer

Edwin May	Term Indefinite
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Town Accountant

Susan Carmel	Term Indefinite
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Town Clerk

Marie Y. Ryan	Term Indefinite
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Karen Fink Town Collector
Term Indefinite

Michael Peretti Term Indefinite

Kopelman & Paige Town Counsel

Michael Peretti Tree Warden
Term Indefinite

Jennifer Tabakin Town Manager
Term Indefinite

Daniel Bersaw Truck Weighers
Paul Storti Term Indefinite
Term Indefinite

Karen Fink Town Treasurer
Term Indefinite

Laurie Hils Veterans' Agent
Term Indefinite

Tree Committee
JB Brodeur Term Expires 2019
Holly Hamer Term Expires 2019
Hilda Banks Shapiro Term Expires 2019
Lisa Bozzuto Term Expires 2020
Shepley Evans Term Expires 2020
Nan Wile Term Expires 2020

Wire Inspector
Theodore Piontek Term Indefinite

Zoning Board of Appeals
(Associate Members)
Donald Hagberg Term Expires 2020
John Katz Term Expires 2019

Great Barrington MASSACHUSETTS		
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Boards		
Board	Address	Phone
Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board	334 Main Street Great Barrington, MA 01230	413-528-1619 ext 7
Agricultural Commission	334 Main Street Great Barrington, MA 01230	
Board of Health	334 Main Street Great Barrington, MA 01230	(413) 528-0680
Board of Library Trustees		(413) 528-2403 - Mason (413) 274-3738 - Ramsdell
Cemetery Commissioners	Town Hall 334 Main Street Great Barrington, MA 01230	
Community Development Block Grant Citizen Advisory Committee	334 Main Street Great Barrington, MA 01230	(413) 528-1619 ext 7
Community Preservation Committee	334 Main Street Great Barrington, MA 01230	
Conservation Commission	conservation@townofgb.org 334 Main Street Great Barrington, MA 01230	(413) 528-1619 ext 122
Council on Aging	Claire Teague Senior Center 917 Main Street Great Barrington, MA 01230	(413) 528-1881
Cultural Council	334 Main Street Great Barrington, MA 01230	
Design Advisory Committee	334 Main Street Great Barrington, MA 01230	
Downtown Great Barrington Cultural District		
Energy Committee	334 Main Street Great Barrington, MA 01230	
Finance Committee	334 Main Street Great Barrington, MA 01230	
Five Town Cable Advisory Committee	334 Main Street Great Barrington, MA 01230	
Historic District Commission	334 Main Street Great Barrington, MA 01230	
Historical Commission	334 Main Street Great Barrington, MA 01230	
Housing Authority	2 Bernard Gibbons Drive Great Barrington, MA 01230	(413) 274-1142
Lake Mansfield Improvement Task Force		
Parks Commissioners	334 Main Street Great Barrington, MA 01230	(413) 528-3208
Planning Board	334 Main Street Great Barrington, MA 01230	(413) 528-1619 ext 7
Selectboard	334 Main Street Great Barrington, MA 01230	(413) 528-1619 ext 2
Strategic Sustainability and Livability Committee		
Tree Committee	334 Main Street Great Barrington, MA 01230	Tree Warden (413) 329-2057
W.E.B Du Bois Legacy Committee	Town Hall 334 Main Street Great Barrington, MA 01230	413-528-1619 ext 2
Zoning Board of Appeals	334 Main Street Great Barrington, MA 01230	(413) 528-1619 x7

COMMITTEE AND BOARD MEETING INFORMATION

Meetings are held at Town Hall, 334 Main Street, unless otherwise specified

Agricultural Commission	Call of Chair
Board of Assessors	As needed
Board of Health	First Thursday of each month at 6:30 P.M.
Selectboard	Typically 2 nd & 4 th Mondays at 7:00 P.M., call to verify
Cable Advisory Committee	First Monday of each month at 7:30 PM, location varies
Cemetery Commission	Call of the Chair
Community Preservation Committee	Call of the Chair at GB Fire Station, 37 State Rd.
Conservation Commission	Fourth Wednesday of each month at 6:30 P.M.
Council on Aging	Last Wednesday of each month at 1:15 P.M., Claire Teague Center Senior
Cultural Council	Call of the Chair
Design Advisory Committee	Call of the Chair
Finance Committee	Call of the Chair
Historical Commission	Call of the Chair
Historic District Commission	Call of the Chair
Housing Authority	Third Thursday of each month at 2:15 P.M., 2 Bernard Gibbons Drive
Library Trustees	Second Thursday of each month at 5:30 P.M., at the Mason Library
Parks Commission	Second Monday of each month at 5:00 P.M., at the GB Fire Station
Planning Board	Second & Fourth Thursdays of each month at 7:00 P.M.
School Committee	Twice a month at 7:00 P.M., location varies
Tree Committee	First Wednesday of each month at 5:30 P.M. at the Mason Library
Zoning Board of Appeals	Call of the Chair

For more information on all meetings go to www.townofgb.org

The screenshot displays the official website of Great Barrington, Massachusetts. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the town's name and logo, a search bar, and links for 'Contact Us' and 'Home'. Below this, a secondary navigation bar lists categories: Home, Government, Town News Blog, Residents, Visitors, and Forms & Documents. A 'FIND IT Fast' button is also present. The main content area is titled 'Calendar' and shows the month of June 2018. A filter dropdown is set to 'Department/Board/Committee'. The calendar grid lists various meetings, including the Selectboard Meeting on Town Hall (June 3), Zoning Board of Appeals (June 10), Cable Advisory Committee (June 11), Board of Health (June 12), Cemetery Commission (June 19), Historic District Commission (June 20), Joint Meeting - Historical Commission and HOC (June 21), Selectboard Meeting (June 28), and All Town Offices Closed for 4th of July Holiday (July 4). Other meetings listed include the Conservation Commission, Finance Committee, Council on Aging, Planning Board, Board of Library Trustees, Design Advisory Committee, and Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board.

SELECTBOARD & TOWN MANAGER

The Town of Great Barrington has an Open Town Meeting form of government, where all registered voters are members of Town Meeting, the legislative body, and may vote on policy and budget matters. The Town's executive authority is with a five-member elected Selectboard and an appointed Town Manager. The Selectboard sets goals establish policy and formulates long-range plans for the Town and exercises, through the Town Manager, general supervision over all matters affecting the town's interest and welfare. For the fiscal year 2018 (July 2017 to June 2018), Sean Stanton served as Chairman of the Board and Steve Bannon as Vice Chairman. Ed Abrahams was reelected to the Selectboard in the 2017 election.

Summer 2017: The summer season was busy as ever in Great Barrington, with celebrations, concerts, and local festivals. At the freshly painted Town Hall gazebo, many enjoyed Friday night jazz concerts and Saturday morning family music. In Housatonic, Parks Commission planted new trees in the playground, Ramsdell Library started Sunday hours and work continued on the replacement of the Park Street Bridge.

The Board ratified collective bargaining agreements with the Police, Library, and Department of Public Works unions. Our Police Department was recognized in Boston at a ceremony to grant full accreditation. The town's complete streets policy was approved by the Mass DOT, reflecting our commitment to pedestrian-oriented streetscape standards and opening us up to new funding opportunities. The Town received a \$300,000 brownfield remediation grant from the US Environmental Protection Agency, to address barriers to the redevelopment of contaminated buildings.

Fall 2017: Many construction milestones occurred in the fall season. Completed work included: The \$5.2 million wastewater treatment plant upgrade, started in 2015, completed on schedule and under budget; Front Street drainage project; Park Street Bridge; and the Bridge Street Bridge. The Dewey School Courthouse Building renovations which started in 2015, reached substantial completion, and the construction began on the Equipment Storage Facility located at the Transfer Station.

Benchmark Developers prepared the site on Bridge Street to start construct on Powerhouse Square. Work progressed on the reconstruction and elevation of the historic church. Mass Fish and Game reconstructed the boat launch at Lake Mansfield. Beta Engineering began preliminary design work on the pedestrian areas along Main Street.

New Selectboard actions included: Securing competitive default rates for the supply of electricity for residents and businesses, and committing to powering the town with a 100% green sourced power supply; Signing an agreement with Grayhouse Partners and the CDC of the Southern Berkshires to complete a plan for the adaptive reuse of the Housatonic School; Support for continued work to advance high-speed internet in downtown, helped by technical assistance community compact grant provided by Mass IT and a newly formed technology committee and Worked with Project BRIDGE on "not in our town campaign" to affirm our stand for tolerance and equal rights.

Selectboard special permit hearings addressed a wide range of issues including additions in the aviation field within an R4 zone; Auto sales at the bowling alley parking lot; Solar panels on agricultural land; Host agreement for medical marijuana; and renovations to McDonald's. In addition, the Select board addressed concerns about noise and traffic on Rodger Road.

Winter 2018: The Board launched a campaign to alert residents and business of the problem of flushing wet wipes into our sewer system, which results in massive clogs and significant expense. In support of Great Barrington's new designation as "pollinator friendly," the Select Board endorsed the work done by the Agricultural Committee, working with students from the Conway School on a planting plan, featuring flowers to sustain pollinators, essential to our ecosystem. The WEB Du Bois birthday celebration was a major success. The Selectboard approved resolution to designate Great Barrington a culture district and supported the designation of Berkshire County as an economic development district.

In the winter, a comprehensive operational study of the Fire Department began. IT Coordinator, Amy Pulver, obtained a grant to replace the town's aging servers. DPW Director Sean Van Deusen led the plan to combine the building, parks and cemetery divisions into one unit, called Building and Grounds, resulting in better coordination and management.

We welcomed Sue Carmel to our staff as Financial Coordinator who then over saw the selection of a new audit firm as well as a new financial advisor. Bill Ingram was promoted to Wastewater Superintendent, after Tim Drum retired with 27 years of with the Town. Rebecca Jurczyk was promoted to serve as Health Director; Lock Larkin became a full-time Health Inspector and Shep Evans, was promoted into a full time combined role. Since 2015, the Town has hired or promoted over 26 people, reflecting a

wave of retirements, and 2018 started with a fully-trained staff with no vacancies.

Spring 2018: Division Street from Alford Road to Park Street/RT. 183 was repaved. The Police Department completed the update of the Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan. New sidewalks were leading to the Castle Street underpass. Helen Kuziemko oversaw wellness and benefit fair for employees in which trainings were provided by experts in financial management, occupational safety and health. The town's personnel manual was updated and reviewed by town counsel. The 2018 budget process was challenging, due to external cost increases, debt payment increases and a return to a normalized level of free cash. The Selectboard and Finance committee worked to implement significant budget reductions to town operations and at the same time committed to improved coordination of school and town forecasting for subsequent years.

Summer 2018: Newly elected Kate Burke joined the Selectboard, replacing Sean Stanton who retired after ten years of service to the town. Incumbent Bill Cooke was reelected. Steve Bannon was elected Chairman, and Ed Abrahams was elected vice chairman.

Wrap Up: A lot has been achieved over the past six years in Great Barrington, under the leadership of the Selectboard and Town Manager. The town has achieved a bond rating of AAA; generated over \$8 million dollars in new grant revenue and has benefited from over \$120 million dollars in new growth over six years. All town, school, residential and commercial buildings are powered with green energy sources, and eight solar projects, with a combined value of \$16 million have been located in town. Over 257 new housing units have been built, permitted or in construction. A new town charter, a new master plan were approved and implemented. Over \$20 million dollars in design and construction projects were completed. Department operations in all areas were improved with new technology, on line systems, efficient and effective management, and impressive and talented department leadership and staff.

Starting in June 2019, we will all welcome Mark Pruhenski as the new town manager, and proud that he advanced his career in Great Barrington.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jennifer Tabakin, Town Manager

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Fiscal Year 2018 Recapitulation:

A.	Total appropriations to be raised by taxation	\$29,564,091.87
B.	1. Other amounts to be raised by taxation	\$65,247.00
	2. State & county cherry sheet charges	\$71,436.00
	3. Overlay	\$166,790.87
	Total Amount to be raised	\$29,867,565.74
C.	Estimated sources appropriated	
	Total estimated receipts--State (Cherry Sheet)	\$1,077,969
	Total estimated receipts--local	
	1. Motor vehicle	\$470,000
	2. Other excise (Room & Meals)	\$470,000
	3. Penalties & interest on taxes & excise	\$45,000
	4. Payment in lieu of taxes	\$2,000
	5. Rentals	\$117,062
	6. Department of revenue--libraries	\$15,000
	7. Other Department of Revenue	\$372,938
	8. Licenses & permits	\$55,000
	9. Fines & Forfeits	\$8,000
	10. Investment income	\$20,000
	11. Miscellaneous non-recurring	\$4,727
		\$1,529,272
	Enterprise Funds	\$1,743,299

D.	Revenue sources appropriated for particular purposes	
1.	Free cash	\$90,000
2.	Other available funds	\$0
E.	Other revenue sources appropriated to reduce the tax rate	
1.	Free cash appropriated before June 30, 2014	\$2,450,000
2.	Other source	\$0
F.	Total estimated receipts & other revenue sources	\$7,989,600

Tax Rate Summary FY17

A.	Total amount to be raised	\$295,645,091.87
1.	Revenue sources	\$7,989,600.00
2.	Total real & personal property tax levy	\$21,575,491.87

FY18 TAX RATE

Class	Levy By%	Valuation By Class	Tax Rate	Levy By Class
Residential	78.0624%	\$1,124,270,870	\$14.98	\$16,841,577.63
Open Space	0	0	\$14.98	0
Commercial	17.4262%	\$250,975,136	\$14.98	\$3,759,607.54
Industrial	0.9082%	\$13,080,100	\$14.98	\$195,939.90
Pers. Property	3.6032%	\$51,893,645	\$14.98	\$777,366.80
Totals	100.0000%	\$1,440,219,751	\$14.98	\$21,574,491.87

FY17 TAX RATE

Class	Levy By%	Valuation By Class	Tax Rate	Levy By Class
Residential	78.2336%	\$1,116,327,409	\$14.60	\$16,298,380.17
Open Space	0	0	0	0
Commercial	17.4889%	\$249,552,261	\$14.60	\$3,643,468.27
Industrial	0.8287%	\$11,824,900	\$14.60	\$172,643.54
Pers. Property	3.4488%	\$42,910,979	\$14.60	\$718,480.29
Totals	100.0000%	\$1,426,915,909	\$14.60	\$20,832,972.27

FY18 TEN LARGEST REAL & PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXPAYERS IN FY17

Name	Assessed Value	Amount of Tax
Big Y Foods, Inc.	\$12,823,800	\$192,100.52
KIMCO Great Barrington 609, Inc.	\$10,472,200	\$156,873.56
Massachusetts Electric Co.	\$10,513,440	\$157,491.33
Stockbridge Road Realty, LLC	\$9,559,640	\$143,203.41
Educational Consultants	\$7,850,300	\$117,597.49
David Ward, Trustee	\$7,321,300	\$109,673.07
Berkshire Bank	\$6,878,900	\$103,045.92
Butternut Basin	\$6,104,050	\$91,438.67
Susan Frunzi, Trustee	\$6,033,400	\$90,380.33
KSNS Stockbridge Road Realty Trust	\$5,600,730	\$83,989.94

FIRE DISTRICT FY18 TAX RATE

Class	Levy By%	Valuation By Class	Tax Rate	Levy By Class
Residential	67.2416%	\$502,688,267	\$1.00	\$502,688.37
Open Space	0	0	0	0
Commercial	29.6859%	\$221,927,216	\$1.00	\$221,927.22
Industrial	0.5376%	\$4,019,300	\$1.00	\$4,019.30
Pers. Property	2.5349%	\$18,950,186	\$1.00	\$18,950.19
Totals	100.0000%	\$747,584,969	\$14.98	\$747,584.98

FIRE DISTRICT FY17 TAX RATE

Class	Levy By%	Valuation By Class	Tax Rate	Levy By Class
Residential	67.1910%	\$497,825,370	\$1.10	\$546,691.17
Open Space	0	0	\$1.10	0
Commercial	29.7596%	\$220,491,014	\$1.10	\$242,135.55
Industrial	0.4652%	\$3,446,800	\$1.10	\$3,785.16
Pers. Property	2.5842%	\$19,146,596	\$1.10	\$21,026.12
Totals	100.0000%	\$747,584,969	\$14.98	\$747,584.98

Respectfully submitted,
Christopher J. Lamarre, Principal Assessor

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

I am honored to herewith submit my report as Town Accountant for fiscal 2018 which includes the unaudited balance sheet as of June 30, 2018 on the following page. Audited financial statements and other additional financial information will be made available on the Town website www.townofgb.org.

I would like to thank all Town Departments for their support during the year.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Carmel, Town Accountant

TREASURER/COLLECTOR

I respectfully submit the following reports consisting of outstanding tax balances and monies collected by the Great Barrington Tax Collector's Office and Treasurer's Office for the Fiscal Year 2018, on the following page.

I am honored to serve the people of Great Barrington as their Treasurer/Collector, and will continue to do my best to provide them with the best of services.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen D. Fink, Treasurer/Collector

Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups
as of June 30, 2018 (unaudited)

	Governmental Fund Types						Totals
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	WWTP Enterprise	Trust and Agency	Long-term Debt	
<u>ASSETS</u>							
Cash and cash equivalents	5,978,921.89	3,086,314.76	1,736,678.33	4,832,416.85	2,076,248.32	-	17,710,580.15
Receivables: Personal property taxes	41,276.16	-	-	-	-	-	41,276.16
Real estate taxes	638,791.04	-	-	-	-	-	638,791.04
Allowance for abatements and exemptions	(266,218.06)	2,942.38	-	-	-	-	(263,275.68)
Special assessments	-	12,358.48	-	-	-	-	12,358.48
Tax liens	640,666.65	7,994.45	-	88,235.70	-	-	736,896.80
Tax foreclosures	147,033.50	1,504.28	-	17,008.53	-	-	165,546.31
Motor vehicle excise	191,971.73	-	-	-	-	-	191,971.73
Utility Charges	-	-	-	395,577.36	-	-	395,577.36
Departmental	42,725.00	0	-	-	-	-	42,725.00
Other receivables	3,550.00	19,861.36	-	-	-	-	23,411.36
Due from other governments	150,959.71	-	1,045,212.00	-	-	-	1,196,171.71
Amounts to be provided - payment of bonds	-	-	-	-	-	19,244,769.00	19,244,769.00
	<u>7,569,677.62</u>	<u>3,130,975.71</u>	<u>2,781,890.33</u>	<u>5,333,238.44</u>	<u>2,076,248.32</u>	<u>19,244,769.00</u>	<u>40,136,799.42</u>
Total Assets							
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</u>							
16							
Liabilities:							
Real and personal property taxes	413,849.14	15,300.86	-	88,235.70	-	-	429,150.00
Tax liens	640,666.65	7,994.45	-	17,008.53	-	-	736,896.80
Tax foreclosures	147,033.50	1,504.28	-	-	-	-	165,546.31
Motor vehicle excise	191,971.73	-	-	395,577.36	-	-	191,971.73
Utility Charges	-	19,861.36	-	-	-	-	395,577.36
Departmental	42,725.00	-	-	-	-	-	62,586.36
Other receivables	3,550.00	-	-	-	-	-	3,550.00
Due from other governments	113,830.71	-	1,028,570.00	-	-	-	1,142,400.71
Accrued payroll and withholdings	29,641.60	-	-	-	(5,160.00)	-	29,641.60
Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	(5,160.00)
Bonds payable	-	-	-	-	-	19,244,769.00	19,244,769.00
Notes payable	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,106,990.00
	<u>1,583,268.33</u>	<u>44,660.95</u>	<u>2,106,990.00</u>	<u>500,821.59</u>	<u>(5,160.00)</u>	<u>19,244,769.00</u>	<u>24,503,919.87</u>
Total Liabilities							
Fund Equity:							
Reserved for encumbrances	635,781.57	585,588.75	654,672.35	156,716.12	4,682.00	-	2,037,440.79
Reserved for expenditures	1,542,504.00	-	-	-	-	-	1,542,504.00
Reserved for petty cash	300.00	-	-	-	-	-	300.00
Reserved for snow and ice deficit	(16,463.86)	-	-	-	-	-	(16,463.86)
Reserved for premiums	20,123.40	2,731,753.64	(1,008,342.02)	4,675,700.73	827,285.16	-	20,123.40
Reserved fund balance	-	(231,027.63)	(353,669.67)	-	1,249,441.16	-	3,559,038.80
Undesignated fund balance	3,804,164.18	3,086,314.76	-	4,832,416.85	2,081,408.32	-	8,489,936.42
	<u>5,986,409.29</u>	<u>3,130,975.71</u>	<u>2,781,890.33</u>	<u>5,333,238.44</u>	<u>2,076,248.32</u>	<u>19,244,769.00</u>	<u>15,632,879.55</u>
Total Fund Equity							
	<u>7,569,677.62</u>	<u>3,130,975.71</u>	<u>2,781,890.33</u>	<u>5,333,238.44</u>	<u>2,076,248.32</u>	<u>19,244,769.00</u>	<u>40,136,799.42</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity							

SCHEDULE OF TAXES RECEIVABLE

<u>Taxes</u>	<u>Balance 7/1/2017</u>	<u>Commitments</u>	<u>Abatements Adjustments</u>	<u>Transfers Tax Titles</u>	<u>Net Collections</u>	<u>Balance 6/30/2018</u>
Real Estate						
2018 \$	-	\$ 20,797,132.24	\$ (91,454.94)	\$ (148,258.56)	\$ (19,918,652.70)	\$ 638,766.04
2017 \$	<u>756,880.92</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (449.20)</u>	<u>\$ (38,739.77)</u>	<u>\$ (717,691.95)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
	\$ 756,880.92	\$ 20,797,132.24	\$ (91,904.14)	\$ (186,998.33)	\$ (20,636,344.65)	\$ 638,766.04
Personal Property						
2018		\$ 777,366.92	\$ (3,766.50)	\$ -	\$ (755,679.08)	\$ 17,921.34
2017 \$	15,942.70	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (7,498.80)	\$ 8,443.90
2016 \$	8,121.36	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (3,789.57)	\$ 4,331.79
2015 \$	6,360.07	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (3,484.87)	\$ 2,875.20
2014 \$	3,822.88	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (735.42)	\$ 3,087.46
2013 \$	3,621.05	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (419.95)	\$ 3,201.10
2012 \$	1,772.97	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (435.90)	\$ 1,337.07
2011 \$	440.22	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (404.00)	\$ 36.22
2010 \$	34.32	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 34.32
2009 \$	<u>17.76</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 17.76</u>
	\$ 40,133.33	\$ 777,366.92	\$ (3,766.50)	\$ -	\$ (772,447.59)	\$ 41,286.16
Motor Vehicle						
2018 \$	-	\$ 786,411.99	\$ (11,294.10)	\$ -	\$ (699,640.95)	\$ 75,476.94
2017 \$	64,167.98	\$ 81,859.63	\$ (8,756.68)	\$ -	\$ (120,427.78)	\$ 16,843.15
2016 \$	13,990.46	\$ -	\$ (753.65)	\$ -	\$ (4,360.32)	\$ 8,876.49
14/15 \$	11,205.09	\$ -	\$ (1,000.72)	\$ -	\$ (641.07)	\$ 9,563.30
2013 \$	3,485.21	\$ 98.75	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (453.34)	\$ 3,130.62
2012 \$	4,689.81	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,689.81
2011 \$	5,185.33	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (45.00)	\$ 5,140.33
2010 \$	4,466.03	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (184.28)	\$ 4,281.75
2009 \$	5,345.21	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,345.21
2008 \$	7,116.38	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,116.38
2007 \$	6,043.98	\$ -	\$ 26.25	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,070.23
2006 \$	4,496.53	\$ -	\$ 137.75	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,634.28
2005 \$	5,798.97	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,798.97
2004 \$	4,935.74	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (23.75)	\$ 4,911.99
2003 \$	4,404.77	\$ 98.75	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (98.75)	\$ 4,404.77
2002 \$	4,924.30	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,924.30
2001 \$	4,806.58	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,806.58
2000 \$	3,497.94	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (32.50)	\$ 3,465.44
1999 \$	4,178.36	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (32.50)	\$ 4,145.86
1998 \$	<u>8,375.33</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 8,375.33</u>
	\$ 171,114.00	\$ 868,469.12	\$ (21,641.15)	\$ -	\$ (825,940.24)	\$ 192,001.73

REPORT OF RECEIPTS

<u>STATE TREASURER</u>	
State Owned Land	\$ 186,384.00
Abatements to Elderly&Veterans	\$ 11,495.00
Lottery Aid	\$ 752,213.00
Mark & Clear Fees	\$ 4,320.00
Hotel/Motel Tax	\$ 457,617.84
Meals Tax	\$ 275,721.81
Other Revenue	\$ 740.00
Fines & Forfeitures	\$ 8,280.00
Total	\$ 1,696,771.65

<u>TAX COLLECTOR</u>	
Personal Property Taxes	\$ 772,447.59
Real Estate Taxes	\$ 20,636,355.65
Motor Vehicle Excise	\$ 825,940.24
Interest & Penalties	\$ 123,796.96
Collector's Fees	\$ 13,368.67
I & E Penalties	\$ 32,260.81
Payment in lieu of Taxes	\$ 30,399.33
Municipal Lien Certificate	\$ 6,500.00
Tag Sale Permits	\$ 290.00
Research Charges	\$ 701.00
Misc. Other	\$ 28,211.00
Total	\$ 22,470,271.25

<u>TOWN TREASURER</u>	
Tax Liens Redeemed	\$ 170,781.42
Penalties on Tax Liens	\$ 48,436.99
Earnings on Investments	\$ 38,314.49
Bond interest	\$ -
Sale of Foreclosed Land	\$ -
Misc. Other	\$ -
Total	\$ 257,532.90

<u>SELECTBOARD</u>	
Alcohol Licenses	\$ 44,013.67
Other Licenses & Permits	\$ 10,450.31
Total	\$ 54,463.98

<u>LIBRARY</u>	
Fees	\$ 3,521.47
Fines	\$ 14,492.48
Ramsdell Computer	\$ -
Total	\$ 18,013.95

<u>TOWN CLERK</u>	
Birth Certificates	\$ 2,505.00
Marriage Certificates	\$ 1,112.00
Death Certificates	\$ 3,924.00
Dog Licenses	\$ 8,040.00
UCC Filing Fees	\$ 4,630.00
Marriage Intentions	\$ 2,310.00
Other	\$ 1,494.15
Total	\$ 24,015.15

<u>POLICE DEPARTMENT</u>	
Permits	\$ 1,488.00
Alarms	\$ 15,375.00
Mutual Aid	\$ 1,500.00
Insurance Reports	\$ 1,500.00
Revolving Fund Charges	\$ 10,311.98
Parking Tickets & Late fees	\$ 14,880.00
Total	\$ 45,054.98


<u>BUILDING DEPARTMENT</u>	
Building Inspector	\$ 242,957.50
Weights & Measures	\$ -
Total	\$ 242,957.50

<u>INSPECTION FEES</u>	
Gas Inspector	\$ 932.90
Plumbing	\$ 1,176.53
Electrical Inspector	\$ 3,438.82
Total	\$ 5,548.25


<u>OTHER DEPARTMENTS</u>	
Assessors	\$ 812.00
Conservation Commission	\$ 825.00
Historic District Commission	\$ 200.00
Planning Board	\$ 1,375.00
Zoning Board of Appeals	\$ 300.00
Planning/Community Developmt	\$ 2,825.00
Board of Health	\$ 69,429.25
Recycling/Landfill Fees	\$ 47,170.20
Fire Department	\$ 33,039.91
Cemetery	\$ 5,808.81
Vetreans reinbursement	\$ 90,051.00
Retiree insurance premiums	\$ 75,791.32
Rent of Town Building	\$ 149,211.11
Misc	\$ 11,849.63
Total	\$ 488,688.23


<u>GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS TOTAL</u>		<u>WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND</u>	
State Revenues	\$ 1,696,771.65	User Fees	\$ 1,750,523.09
Tax Collector	\$ 22,470,271.25	Connection Fees	\$ 4,200.00
Treasurer	\$ 257,532.90	Septic Nightsoil	\$ 196,167.50
Selectboard	\$ 54,463.98	Sewer liens	\$ 5,679.63
Library	\$ 18,013.95	Interest Income	\$ 16,359.26
Town Clerk	\$ 24,015.15	Interest Penalties	\$ 21,261.33
Police Department	\$ 45,054.98	MWPAT revenue	\$ 8,136.31
Building Department	\$ 242,957.50	Returns & refunds	\$ 2,446.15
Revolving Funds fees	\$ 5,548.25	Sewer Rate Relief	\$ -
Other Departments	\$ 488,688.23	Bond Premium	\$ -
Total Receipts General Fund	\$ 24,814,629.61	Wastewater Total Receipts	\$ 2,004,773.27

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Online Payments

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- Use e-checks to pay bills for *free!*
- You may also use a credit card, but they impose a *sliding fee*.
- Combine multiple payments in your shopping cart and pay several items at once.
- Set up an account to save your preferences and simplify your bill paying.

Tax Collector Payments

- Excise Tax
- Real Estate Tax
- Personal Property Tax
- Sewer Bills

Vital Records

- Birth Certificate
- Marriage Certificate
- Death Certificate

Recycling Center

- Landfill Stickers
- Annual Stickers

Town Clerk Payments

- Dog License
- Dog Officer Tickets

Trash Bag Stickers

- 13 Gallon bag
- 33 Gallon bag

POLICE SALARIES

<u>Name</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Overtime*</u>	<u>Revoloving**</u>	<u>Total Wages</u>
Balestro, Kristopher	\$ 70,718.20	\$ 3,366.31	\$ 9,477.12	\$ 83,561.63
Bartini, Daniel	\$ 50,317.51	\$ 12,298.26	\$ 3,981.72	\$ 66,597.49
Bragdon, James	\$ 68,614.56	\$ 3,384.39	\$ -	\$ 71,998.95
Carlotto, Adam	\$ 80,456.43	\$ 38,469.97	\$ 4,536.72	\$ 123,463.12
Cobb, Olivia	\$ 25,185.41	\$ 1,630.73	\$ 4,357.92	\$ 31,174.06
Finnerty, Jonathan	\$ 71,451.05	\$ 12,070.46	\$ 2,655.72	\$ 86,177.23
Huertas, Andres	\$ 64,312.47	\$ 19,541.15	\$ 7,706.94	\$ 91,560.56
Keefner, Richard	\$ 71,860.72	\$ 17,109.94	\$ 946.08	\$ 89,916.74
Laforest, Jason	\$ 64,762.71	\$ 6,731.88	\$ 1,329.72	\$ 72,824.31
O'Brien, Joseph	\$ 70,180.14	\$ 9,515.98	\$ 4,987.88	\$ 84,684.00
Peebles, Christopher	\$ 66,779.91	\$ 17,075.91	\$ 7,070.04	\$ 90,925.86
Shimmon, Chad	\$ 65,490.73	\$ 25,910.29	\$ 7,935.29	\$ 99,336.31
Stolzar, Samuel	\$ 66,821.38	\$ 36,643.20	\$ -	\$ 103,464.58
Storti, Paul	\$ 87,897.61	\$ 38,480.55	\$ 2,652.00	\$ 129,030.16
Ullrich, Timothy	\$ 72,413.09	\$ 24,354.25	\$ 8,993.36	\$ 105,760.70
Walsh, William	\$ 93,585.23		\$ -	\$ 93,585.23
Zucco, Victor	\$ 74,249.25	\$ 8,465.38	\$ 569.88	\$ 83,284.51
TOTALS	\$ 1,165,096.40	\$ 275,048.65	\$ 67,200.39	\$ 1,507,345.44

<u>Name</u>	<u>Special Detail</u>	<u>Revolving**</u>	<u>Total Wages</u>
Arnold, Bryan	\$ 2,392.98	\$ 562.44	\$ 2,955.42
Bersaw, Daniel	\$ -	\$ 15,885.00	\$ 15,885.00
Casey, Elias	\$ 17,054.15	\$ 13,119.11	\$ 30,173.26
Harvey, Paul	\$ -	\$ 9,276.48	\$ 9,276.48
Hearn, Edward	\$ 1,308.22		\$ 1,308.22
Lupiani, Bradley	\$ 11,817.45	\$ 16,950.34	\$ 28,767.79
Montgomery, Paul	\$ 560.00	\$ 14,888.15	\$ 15,448.15
Scott, Craig	\$ 572.16	\$ 16,826.26	\$ 17,398.42
TOTALS	\$ 33,704.96	\$ 87,507.78	\$ 121,212.74

* Overtime includes State Grants

** Revolving is paid by outside contractors

PERSONS TO WHOM MONEY WAS PAID, NON-SALARY OR WAGES OVER \$600

20 Castle Street LLC	\$	35,622.06	Berkshire Mountain Spring Water	\$	834.00
47 Railroad LLC	\$	1,610.00	Berkshire Public Health Alliance	\$	5,770.75
5-Alarm Fire	\$	1,807.53	Berkshire Record	\$	11,107.98
A & A Memorial Inc	\$	4,800.00	Berkshire Reginal Planning Commission	\$	83,463.89
Aaron Associates Of Ct Inc	\$	6,480.00	Berkshire South Community Center	\$	64,531.90
Adam Carlotto	\$	1,564.91	Berkshire Stump Grinding	\$	3,235.00
Adams Plumbing And Heating	\$	40,799.84	Berkshire Visiting Nurse Association	\$	600.00
Aerial Company	\$	2,220.00	Beta Group, Inc.	\$	11,400.00
AFLAC	\$	46,279.75	B-G Mechanical Service, Inc	\$	1,840.00
AFSCME Council 93	\$	12,109.88	Big Y Foods, Inc.	\$	5,056.76
AL J Allegrone	\$	1,380.12	Blackstone Publishing	\$	6,323.64
Alert Scientific	\$	1,440.00	Blue House Properties LLC	\$	821.98
All American Fence	\$	1,075.00	Bobcat Of Greater Springfield	\$	676.05
Amazon	\$	6,696.41	Borden & Remington Corporation	\$	5,001.27
American Legion Post 298	\$	2,760.00	Boston Marriot Copley Place	\$	709.10
American Safety & Supply, Inc	\$	665.35	Boston Mutual Insurance	\$	4,846.14
Andrus Power Solutions Inc	\$	30,585.25	Boston Mutual Life Insurance Co	\$	5,590.80
Argus Hazco	\$	1,363.04	Boydco, Inc	\$	1,080.00
Arthur P. Jones And Associates Inc	\$	12,535.00	Brien Center for Mental Health	\$	3,000.00
Artie Mathieu	\$	990.00	Brodart Company	\$	1,157.78
Automated Logic Corp.	\$	1,032.00	Buddy Rodgers Services	\$	2,359.00
Axon Enterprise, Inc.	\$	1,919.56	Bulldog Fire Apparatus 2011	\$	13,164.21
Bacher Corporation of Conneticut	\$	4,383.19	C & C Hydraulics Inc & Lubrication	\$	2,333.00
Baltazar Contractors Inc.	\$	42,056.36	C.N. Wood Company, Inc.	\$	3,937.37
Barco Products Compnay	\$	2,511.55	C.W. Mars	\$	24,945.00
Bay State Elevator Company	\$	10,050.36	Caligari's Supply	\$	663.00
Bear Mountain Group	\$	1,350.00	Canaan Auto Supply	\$	19,748.34
Beaver Solutions	\$	924.00	Carlson Auto Body	\$	1,232.50
Ben Funk, Inc.	\$	2,738.65	Carlson Wood Fllors	\$	10,880.00
Benjamin Corbett	\$	1,922.73	Carr Hardware & Supply	\$	15,039.68
Berenson & Bloom	\$	11,022.07	Carr Supply Company	\$	668.56
Berkshire Bike & Board	\$	1,284.99	Carrot Top Industries	\$	2,283.43
Berkshire Center For Justice, Inc	\$	1,400.00	Center For Ecological Technology	\$	4,636.00
Berkshire Communicators, Inc.	\$	975.00	Center Point Large Print	\$	2,746.80
Berkshire County Retirement System	\$	1,115,731.92	Century Aggregates	\$	1,099.22
Berkshire County Sheriff's Dept	\$	1,276.30	CG Grace Properties	\$	3,612.35
Berkshire Fence Company	\$	4,396.00	Chanda Shepardson	\$	705.28
Berkshire Fireworks	\$	2,000.00	Christine Faber	\$	1,170.00
Berkshire Gas	\$	45,479.16	Chubb & Son	\$	60,930.00
Berkshire GMC, Inc.	\$	914.31	Cintas	\$	11,287.23
Berkshire Graphics	\$	655.47	City of North Adams	\$	600.00
Berkshire Health Group	\$	1,569,387.40	Clark & Green, Inc	\$	4,037.50
Berkshire Hills Regional School District	\$	15,329,647.00	Clark Bobcat Company	\$	53,800.07
Berkshire Housing Development Corporati	\$	136,060.50	Clark Solutions	\$	626.56
Berkshire Medical Center	\$	3,395.00	Cleveland Cotton Product	\$	928.48
Clifton Larson Allen, LLP	\$	22,326.85	F.W. Webb Company	\$	762.00
Colarusso Blacktop Company	\$	31,065.35	Fall River Seamless Gutters	\$	2,600.00
Colonial Municipal Group	\$	30,743.95	Fastenal Company	\$	887.64
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	\$	14,950.25	Fiber Connect	\$	2,277.00
Commonwealth Of Mass-Land Court	\$	2,060.00	Fire Tech & Safety	\$	36,437.14
Community Development Corporation	\$	88,572.85	Firematic Supply Compnay, Inc.	\$	6,416.94
Community Health Programs	\$	3,000.00	Fisher Scientific	\$	3,664.40
Community Preservation Coalition	\$	1,750.00	Flags USA	\$	1,264.08
Community Software Consortium	\$	3,775.00	Flint Trading, Inc.	\$	973.00

Conserve Thru Control	\$	1,339.50	Fords Auto Service, Inc	\$	1,844.85
Construct	\$	112,525.00	Foremost Promotions	\$	1,302.85
Conway School	\$	3,000.00	Foresight Land Services, Inc	\$	59,389.11
Covert Track Group	\$	1,610.00	Frame Shop	\$	2,488.00
Coyne Chemical	\$	9,852.81	Frost Manufacturing	\$	833.41
Cranes Outdoor Power Equipment	\$	7,724.76	Full Circle Technologies, Inc.	\$	7,115.00
CSS Ventures, Inc.	\$	51,155.00	Fuss & O'Neill	\$	6,617.00
Cummins Northeast, Inc.	\$	1,391.63	Galls	\$	10,037.00
D.E. Wilber Electrical	\$	26,836.19	General Code	\$	4,836.18
Daedalus, Inc	\$	1,500.00	Gennari Plumbing & Heating	\$	3,807.56
Dallas Midwest Company	\$	6,674.77	Gilmore's Heating, Plumbing & A/C	\$	15,186.50
D'ascanio Blacktop Sealing Llc	\$	3,165.00	Glendale Botanicals	\$	12,400.00
David & Ellen Emprimo	\$	920.00	Global Equipment Company, Inc.	\$	2,208.68
David Grover	\$	4,000.00	Gorman Group LLC	\$	3,053.74
David Lotto	\$	1,554.00	Graber Manufacturing, Inc.	\$	2,477.00
David Prickett Consulting Llc	\$	71,092.39	Grainger	\$	5,861.46
Demco	\$	3,336.04	Great Barrington Fire District	\$	1,097,975.00
Dept. of Treasury	\$	44,732.36	Great Barrington Historical Society	\$	8,643.80
Dept. of Unemployment Assistance	\$	4,754.20	Great Barrington Land Conservancy	\$	32,861.30
Dept. of Vetrens' Services	\$	31,850.66	Great Barrington Police Association	\$	5,250.00
Deutsch Williams Brooks	\$	27,549.92	Great-West Life	\$	126,306.89
Donald R Dubendorf	\$	12,579.41	Greenagers	\$	2,175.00
Douglas J. Wooliver & Sons	\$	9,375.00	Guardian Uniform And Supply	\$	11,531.46
Dukes Root Control Inc	\$	3,044.13	Guido's Fresh Marketplace	\$	945.00
Eagle Shoe Repair	\$	4,895.31	Haupt Tree Company, Inc.	\$	75,575.50
Eastern Minerals, Inc.	\$	116,692.82	Health Equity	\$	11,627.53
Ed Herrington, Inc.	\$	3,375.82	High Pressure Systems	\$	845.00
Edward And Linda Lucas	\$	4,478.17	Highway Safety Solutions	\$	18,805.61
Edwin May	\$	1,070.54	Holland Company	\$	1,782.00
Elder Services	\$	1,000.00	Housatonic Basin Sampling & Testing	\$	1,350.00
Election Systems & Software	\$	814.26	Housatonic Water Works	\$	44,062.47
Elite K-9, Inc.	\$	615.85	ICMA Membership Renewals	\$	971.85
Elizabeth Freeman Center	\$	2,950.00	Individual Laundry	\$	795.00
Emergency Reporting	\$	6,501.66	Ingersoll Land Care	\$	10,895.00
Emergency Services Marketing	\$	810.00	Ingram Library Services	\$	41,083.24
Envirosystems, Inc.	\$	4,417.00	Int. Acad. of Emergency Dispatch	\$	700.00
Everett J. Prescott, Inc.	\$	2,447.61	Integration Partners Corp	\$	730.00
F.R. Mahony & Associates	\$	2,815.85	International Code Council, Inc.	\$	1,028.32
Interstate Arms Corporation	\$	2,010.45	MA Police Accreditation Comm.	\$	1,575.00
J & J Lock	\$	681.45	MA Town Clerk Association	\$	660.00
J. Donovan & Son, Inc.	\$	2,795.39	Macfarlane Office Products	\$	5,924.00
Jacquier Welding	\$	6,893.50	Madsen Overhead	\$	772.50
Jennifer Tabakin	\$	2,560.59	Maintenance Man, Inc.	\$	7,612.50
Joe Wilkinson Excavating, Inc.	\$	32,155.12	Marcotte Ford Sales Inc	\$	23,323.09
John B. Hull, Inc.	\$	1,142.70	Marie Ryan	\$	1,405.04
John Green	\$	5,855.00	Mark Phillips	\$	800.00
John Guilfoil Public Relations LLC	\$	12,999.64	Matt Kollmer	\$	3,267.24
John S. Lane & Son, Inc.	\$	5,397.27	Matthew Bender & Co	\$	1,326.85
Johns Building Supply, Inc.	\$	799.25	Mayflower Valuation LTD	\$	7,775.00
John's Garage and Autobody	\$	2,645.24	MCVAC Environmental Services	\$	2,231.25
Johnson Ford	\$	32,995.97	Meadow Farm LLC	\$	2,060.00
Joseph Bozza	\$	7,084.00	Melanson, Heath & Co.	\$	25,000.00
Judith A Eddy	\$	2,937.50	MHQ Municipal Vehicles	\$	34,074.71
Junior Library Guild	\$	6,307.50	Michael T Quinlivan	\$	3,000.00
Jwps, LLC	\$	7,299.21	Microbac Laboratories Inc.	\$	2,788.00
Kaeser Compressors, Inc.	\$	1,244.52	Midwest Tapes	\$	16,834.43
Karen Fink	\$	1,445.22	Mig Corporation	\$	48,084.40
Kathi Casey	\$	1,200.00	MIIA Property & Casualty Group	\$	185,402.00

Kelly Dayne	\$	3,325.00	Miller's Petroleum	\$	2,561.17
Kimberly Bolan and Associates	\$	5,000.00	Moore Medical Corporation	\$	1,004.26
KME Fire Apparatus	\$	564,028.76	Moro Loriann	\$	1,000.01
Kofile Preservation	\$	6,800.00	Morton Salt	\$	70,291.47
Komline-Sanderson	\$	811.45	Mount Everett Landscapin	\$	1,337.75
Konica Minolta	\$	725.00	Mount Everett Sanitation	\$	5,430.00
KP Law	\$	26,659.35	Msc Industrial Supply Company	\$	655.58
Kurtz General Contractors	\$	250,628.46	Municipal Emergency Services	\$	4,573.00
KWIK Print, Inc.	\$	8,256.46	Municipal Police Institute Inc	\$	2,000.00
L. Locke Larkin	\$	1,170.81	Murphy & Company	\$	1,367.13
L.B. Corp	\$	655,429.09	N.E. Water Environment Assn.	\$	665.00
Lane Construction Corporation	\$	982.24	NAPA Auto Parts	\$	2,046.64
Lapinski Electric, Inc.	\$	22,145.00	National Grid	\$	185,187.42
Larkin Ltd	\$	7,841.94	National Tactical Officers Assn.	\$	675.00
Larson Fischer Associates	\$	16,380.00	Native Habitat Restoration LLC	\$	4,850.00
Lawson Products Inc.	\$	1,485.52	Nemcia Treasurer	\$	925.00
Lee Audio 'n Security	\$	13,064.80	Neopost USA Inc	\$	20,116.58
Lee Bank	\$	1,344.84	Network Engineering, LLC	\$	609.00
Lee Hardware	\$	9,567.65	New England Newspapers Inc	\$	2,674.99
LHS Associates, Inc.	\$	3,497.50	Northeast Fastners	\$	1,846.77
Lipton Energy	\$	69,390.41	Northeast Rescue Systems	\$	2,499.00
Ll Data Designs Llc	\$	872.20	Northeast Slope Mowing	\$	2,000.00
Locke Lord LLP	\$	13,790.00	Northern Safety Co.	\$	787.65
MA Chiefs of Police Association	\$	889.00	Northern Tool & Equipment	\$	1,796.94
MA Coalition of Police	\$	8,086.00	Nutrition Center	\$	1,500.00
MA Department Of Revenue	\$	27,271.12	O'Connell Oil Association Inc.	\$	49,976.91
MA Municipal Management Assn.	\$	1,920.00	Olde Village Monogramming Inc	\$	671.75
Osterman Propane,Inc	\$	1,211.65	Segal Consulting	\$	4,000.00
Ott To Print Green	\$	2,482.00	Sentry Uniform &	\$	2,312.40
Patriot Freightliner Western Star	\$	172,706.74	Service Matters LLC	\$	1,183.00
PCM-G	\$	5,565.10	Seward's Tires, Inc.	\$	3,037.87
Peggy Barnum	\$	879.42	Shakespeare and Co.	\$	600.00
Penguin Management Inc.	\$	1,548.00	Shannon Chemical Corporation	\$	20,700.02
Penguin Random House Inc.	\$	1,830.00	Shipman's Fire Equipment Co.	\$	6,512.00
Perma Line Of New Entland	\$	10,342.65	Shoppers Guide	\$	4,277.00
Pierce Machine Company	\$	4,976.00	Simplex Grinnell	\$	11,252.45
Pittfield News Company	\$	4,996.54	SJG Emergency Response Training	\$	1,725.00
Pittsfield Communications Systems	\$	18,032.75	Skip's Outdoor Accents, Inc.	\$	4,195.00
Pittsfield Fire &	\$	3,051.95	Sothorn Berkshire Power	\$	1,472.66
Plimpton & Hills	\$	1,272.55	Soudant Builders	\$	2,500.00
PMAM Corporation	\$	600.00	St. James Place	\$	15,000.00
Polly Mann-Salenovich	\$	698.75	Stalker Radar	\$	2,813.50
Polsinello Fuels Inc.	\$	1,877.00	Standard & Poor's	\$	12,000.00
Preffered Print Solutions LLC	\$	2,699.10	STANTEC Consulting Services	\$	109,068.81
Priority Dispatch Corp	\$	1,798.00	Staples	\$	2,853.79
Propet Distributors, Inc.	\$	2,987.90	State Street Bank	\$	36,510.62
Pure Aqua Inc.	\$	860.00	Steve's Auto Repair, Inc	\$	1,588.12
Quill Corporation	\$	6,784.48	Sullivan Associates	\$	856.44
R.I. Baker Company, Inc	\$	21,410.17	Superior Industrial	\$	3,166.57
R.W.'S Inc	\$	2,670.00	Superior Spring & Mgf Co	\$	2,624.81
Railroad Street Youth Project	\$	3,570.00	Surpass Chemical Company	\$	16,904.86
Randy Weinstein	\$	1,700.00	Suzanne Mazzarelli	\$	1,440.00
Real Estate Research Consultants	\$	1,000.00	Suzi Banks Baum	\$	600.00
Recorded Books, Inc.	\$	2,386.45	SWCA Environmental	\$	17,091.50
Republic Services #955	\$	2,036.87	Symbol Arts	\$	660.00
Resource Connection, Inc.	\$	1,763.49	SYNAGRO, Inc	\$	106,344.85
Res-Q-Jack	\$	1,100.00	Teledyne Instruments, Inc.	\$	4,595.80
RH White	\$	4,464.00	Terminix	\$	606.00

Rhode Island Computer Museum	\$	600.00	Thomas Kelly	\$	746.27
RIBCO Supply	\$	1,094.17	Thomson Gale	\$	4,836.03
Richard Eldredge	\$	1,175.00	Tighe & Bond Inc	\$	52,617.63
Robert & Debra Lee Trautmann	\$	2,648.09	Time Warner Cable	\$	9,653.83
Robert Houghtaling	\$	767.87	Toce Brothers Inc.	\$	5,846.02
Rock-N-Rescue	\$	2,859.85	Town of Egremont	\$	6,295.80
Roger Trucking	\$	4,400.00	Town of Great Barrington	\$	8,701.64
RP MA Solar. LLC	\$	186,985.98	Town of Monterey	\$	10,988.14
S & A Wholesalers	\$	8,994.81	Town of New Marlboro	\$	3,031.92
S. Berkshire Elderly Transport	\$	60,889.00	Town of Otis	\$	2,885.02
Safety First	\$	3,839.66	Town of Sheffield	\$	3,164.16
Safety-Kleen Corp	\$	2,393.35	Town of Stockbridge	\$	13,810.48
Salco Construction Company, Inc	\$	61,356.76	Town of Tyringham	\$	3,063.04
Schmidt Equipment	\$	1,202.66	Town of West Stockbridge	\$	5,713.80
Scholastic, Inc.	\$	906.55	Town of Williamstown	\$	7,645.00
Sean VanDeusen	\$	1,137.55	Toyota Lease Trust	\$	611.67
Toyota Motor Credit Corp	\$	1,977.07	Virtual Town Hall Holdings	\$	7,525.00
TRC Environmental Corporation	\$	5,753.61	Volunteers in Medicine	\$	3,250.00
Treyson Racin Power Sports	\$	1,085.60	W.B. Mason Company	\$	13,329.72
TRITECH Software Systems	\$	22,848.75	W.E. Aubuchon Co., Inc.	\$	716.73
Tri-Town Paving, Inc.	\$	740.00	W.M Schultz Construction Inc	\$	926,230.00
Tune Street	\$	1,778.00	Ward's Nursery	\$	1,866.28
Tyler Technologies, Inc.	\$	37,681.62	WATER Cooling Corporation	\$	4,018.00
Uline	\$	3,687.68	Western Mass Fire Chiefs	\$	615.00
Unibank	\$	2,471,071.43	Wheeler & Taylor, Inc.	\$	1,885.00
Unibank Fiscal Advisory Services	\$	20,625.00	William Holliday Or Collector	\$	1,000.01
United States Plastic Corp	\$	635.70	Windy Hill Farm	\$	170,000.00
US Bank NA	\$	2,659,355.28	Wise Company	\$	1,183.14
US Treasury	\$	1,929.60	Witmer Public Safety Group, Inc.	\$	5,428.42
USA Bluebook	\$	3,391.06	Woodard & Curran	\$	59,572.00
Uumsb	\$	28,311.77	WSS, Inc.	\$	83,432.00
Valley Roll-Off	\$	35,295.35	Xavus Solutions	\$	1,200.00
Verizon	\$	27,792.75	Zwack, Inc	\$	49,867.54
Verizon Wireless	\$	11,419.14	Total:	\$	20,994,463.40

SALARIES AND WAGES

Abrahams, Edward	\$ 3,250.00	Fields, William	\$ 156.00
Agar, Eunice	\$ 657.00	Fink, Karen	\$ 75,526.00
Allen, William	\$ 992.00	Firger, Bruce	\$ 600.00
Aloisi, Richard	\$ 2,054.37	Gaughran, Robert	\$ 4,928.51
Anderson, Alan	\$ 8,001.22	Gennari, Robert	\$ 8,400.09
Attarian, Cheryl	\$ 29,848.04	Gibbons, Paul	\$ 20.00
Atwood, Marlene	\$ 124.50	Graham, Phyllis	\$ 708.75
Atwood, Thomas	\$ 1,402.50	Hall, Steven	\$ 7,946.23
Austin, Darryl	\$ 65,514.63	Hammer, Robert	\$ 9,524.90
Avery, Maureen	\$ 1,468.50	Harrison, Laurie	\$ 44,101.08
Bailly, Barbara	\$ 1,421.00	Hassett, Timothy	\$ 750.00
Bailly, Bruce	\$ 145.00	Heady, Merritt	\$ 500.00
Bailly, Daniel	\$ 2,500.00	Higgins, Randall	\$ 1,205.88
Bailly, Jennifer	\$ 42,658.00	Holcomb, Jeanne	\$ 60.00
Ball, Deborah	\$ 54,449.68	Hosier, Timothy	\$ 58,152.20
Ball, Michael	\$ 53,350.85	Houghtlin, George	\$ 2,525.06
Bannon, Stephen	\$ 3,250.00	Hungate, Robert	\$ 40.80
Barnard, Jane	\$ 13,242.40	Hunt Edward	\$ 12,671.87
Barry, Marion	\$ 60.00	Ingram, William	\$ 69,886.77
Bartini, William	\$ 750.00	Ivory, Carolyn	\$ 60.00
Becker, Cara	\$ 41,871.61	Ivory, Paul	\$ 156.00
Beckwith, John	\$ 250.00	Jennings, Harry	\$ 250.00
Bisiewicz, Marilyn	\$ 60.00	Jurczyk, Rebecca	\$ 36,696.42
Blauvelt, Marie	\$ 13,598.25	Katz, John	\$ 600.00
Bona, Justin	\$ 15,544.86	Kelleher, Francine	\$ 657.75
Borden, Jacob	\$ 652.08	Kelleher, John	\$ 565.25
Bozza, Joseph	\$ 2,825.32	Kollmer, Matthew	\$ 47,670.01
Bozzuto, Lisa	\$ 1,098.24	Kotleski, Kathleen	\$ 60.00
Brown, Donna	\$ 45,066.83	Krupski, Robert	\$ 12,854.36
Burger, Charles	\$ 81,107.41	Kujawski, Patricia	\$ 1,557.50
Burke, Kate	\$ 312.53	Kuziemko, Helen	\$ 58,410.00
Burt, Clinton	\$ 750.00	Kuziemko, Matthew	\$ 714.00
Carmel, Susan	\$ 38,259.58	Lagowski, Robert	\$ 11,873.52
Carr, James	\$ 1,024.81	Lamarre, Christopher	\$ 79,078.00
Casey, Elias	\$ 1,481.89	Laramée, Christopher	\$ 9,468.37
Chamberland, Terrance	\$ 6,772.69	Larkin, L. Locke	\$ 43,561.47
Cooke, William	\$ 3,250.00	Larkin, Sandra	\$ 99.00
Coons, Christine	\$ 140.00	Larkin, Steven	\$ 39,986.76
Coons, Linda	\$ 798.00	Lebwohl, Louisa	\$ 637.12
Corbett, Judith	\$ 60.00	Leodari, Talya	\$ 44,866.89
Dawson, Jacqueline	\$ 35,028.40	Locke, Frances	\$ 60.00
Decker, Joseph	\$ 45,246.31	Louison, Barbara	\$ 60.00
Degiorgis, Amanda	\$ 60,315.26	Lovett, Christopher	\$ 3,102.12
Dezieck, Jessica	\$ 4,548.86	Lovett, Thomas	\$ 3,000.00
Drew, Bernard	\$ 1,247.51	Malumphy, John	\$ 63,733.60
Drew, Marlene	\$ 250.00	Marks, Darrell	\$ 54,020.32
Drumm, Timothy	\$ 72,331.40	Martin, James	\$ 8,577.72
Dupont, Ellyn	\$ 34,261.92	May, Edwin	\$ 62,807.97
Dymek, Frederick	\$ 60.00	Mcmahon, Sean	\$ 1,913.10
Dymek, Patricia	\$ 80.00	Mcmeekin, Linda	\$ 1,393.50
Ely, Paula	\$ 64,043.96	Mead, Adam	\$ 532.59
Emerson, Michele	\$ 63.25	Mead, Brian	\$ 5,767.57
Evens, Shepley	\$ 35,470.00	Mead, James	\$ 6,786.29
Farnum, Susan	\$ 426.00	Melluzzo, Richard	\$ 250.00

Meltzer, Leslie	\$ 36,495.65	Sermini, Donna	\$ 210.00
Morell, Mohamed	\$ 842.07	Shaw, Kimberly	\$ 4,641.80
Morelli, Bruce	\$ 60.00	Shepardson, Sheila	\$ 60.00
Morey, Jerry	\$ 59,039.86	Shimmon, Michele	\$ 1,493.75
Moser, Beth	\$ 438.00	Shimmon, Richard	\$ 12,305.70
Nappo, Theodore	\$ 3,311.00	Shimmon, Ryan	\$ 57,775.03
Needelman, Richard	\$ 170.00	Smith, Ellen	\$ 2,026.75
Osak, Justin	\$ 2,075.38	Smith, Karen	\$ 2,555.44
Ostrander, John	\$ 50,968.20	Smith, Terry	\$ 80.00
Parsons, Stephen	\$ 250.00	Soule, Margaret	\$ 296.50
Patterson, Robert	\$ 36,883.26	Soules, David	\$ 67,046.61
Peretti, Michael	\$ 7,500.00	Soules, Lee	\$ 52,801.59
Pevzner, Matthew	\$ 67,825.79	Soules, Peter	\$ 70,781.85
Phillips, Dorothy	\$ 8,585.28	Sparks, Corey	\$ 47,039.18
Pickert, Edward	\$ 10,371.94	Stanton, Sean	\$ 2,687.46
Piontek, Theodore	\$ 35,095.27	Stark, Louis	\$ 2,638.13
Powell, Michael	\$ 3,071.36	Stephenson, Cameron	\$ 39.60
Premarlani, Frances	\$ 60.00	Storti, Connor	\$ 8,654.88
Premarlani, Lawrence	\$ 80.00	Strommer, Carol	\$ 45,459.20
Pulver, Amy	\$ 42,045.80	Strommer, Stephen	\$ 999.00
Raszl, Michelle	\$ 760.32	Tabakin, Jennifer	\$ 128,436.08
Reggio, Samuel	\$ 22,751.60	Tarnawa, Francis	\$ 7,500.00
Rembisz, Donald	\$ 60.00	Thomson, Charles	\$ 65,644.12
Rembold, Christopher	\$ 85,798.00	Timm, Joel	\$ 171.60
Rivenson, Alan	\$ 63.25	Tossavainen, John	\$ 60.00
Rivest, Charles	\$ 54,661.49	Van Deusen, Sean	\$ 83,380.00
Rogers, Courtney	\$ 396.00	Vogel, Terry	\$ 64,671.13
Rogers, Mary	\$ 1,154.50	Warner, Christine	\$ 14,342.24
Ryan, Marie	\$ 58,698.00	Warner, Katherine	\$ 30,632.96
Salenovich, Pauline	\$ 52,725.01	Weigle, Travis	\$ 55,769.36
Sartori Hobgood, Lauren	\$ 250.00	Wellauer, Kayne	\$ 1,569.85
Scapin, Victor	\$ 73,831.97	Wichmann, Carolyn	\$ 36,553.18
Scarbro, Edward	\$ 250.00	Wiltshire, Christopher	\$ 236.07
Seile, Joshua	\$ 8,246.81	Woodard, John	\$ 2,007.62
		Zbell, Graze	\$ 835.00
		Gross Wage Total	\$3,389,185.49

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The mission of the Great Barrington Finance Committee is to provide advice and assistance to the Town Manager, Selectboard and other Town officials on financial matters by efficiently identifying, analyzing and making recommendations on financial matters that have a material impact on the well-being of the Town of Great Barrington. Under the Town's bylaws, the Finance Committee "shall consider any and all financial questions for the purpose of making reports or recommendations to the Town," it shall hold a public hearing before Town meeting on any warrant article that proposes spending money or disposing of any town property, and it "shall meet quarterly to review receipts and expenditures of all departments under its jurisdiction." Under Massachusetts law, the Town finance committee recommends the budget to the Town meeting, and its approval is required to transfer money from the Town's reserve fund. Highlights of the Finance Committee's work this year include:

Reserve fund transfers: At the request of the Town Manager and Town Accountant, the committee met and approved transfers from the reserve fund in the amount of \$26,300 broken down as follows:

\$7,500 to cover a short fall in the Medicare line item budget.

\$800 to cover additional legal fees associated with the Stonegate Condominiums Land Court and Tax Title issues.

\$1,000 to replenish supplies (e.g. ticket books) for the Parking Enforcement Officer.

\$17,500 for legal expenses associated with the Roger Road issue. This money was for negotiations, ZPA hearings and other legal matters.

Town Audit: At a joint meeting with the Selectboard, the Finance Committee reviewed the most recent audit for the town and discussed the findings at length with the partner from Melanson & Heath. The Finance Committee

recommended that Town Accountant reconcile accounts on a quarterly basis to avoid any mistakes going forward.

Budget Policy & CPA Plan: The committee reviewed our current budget policy and Community Preservation Plan and did not recommend any changes or modifications. The budget policy will be reviewed with the Selectboard and signed off on by the respective chairs.

Committee Assignments: Finance Committee members participate in other town wide committees. For this fiscal year, Michelle Loubert was nominated and unanimously voted to serve as the Finance Committee's liaison to the Monument Next Steps committee. Tom Blauvelt was returned to his position on the Community Preservation Committee.

Meetings: Due to the many challenges and complexities facing the town, the committee decided to meet on a more frequent basis. We set the 3rd Tuesday of each month as our regularly scheduled meetings. The Town Manager and Town Accountant will be regular participants at these sessions.

Budget Meetings: The committee met frequently with the Selectboard throughout the budget process. These meetings generated passionate debate around spending initiatives and where the budget might be reduced. Ultimately the voters restored the suggested budget cuts at the annual Town Meeting.

Finance Committee membership: After the May elections, the committee said farewell to Buddy Atwood and extended him thanks and appreciation for his years of service. We welcomed Michelle Loubert to the committee. The committee re-organized and selected Tom Blauvelt as Chair and Janet Lee as Vice-Chair.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas Blauvelt, Chair

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

The Commission continues working with property owners and the community who are our integral partners in the Historic Districts focusing on portions of the Great Barrington Downtown including:

- New Business Signage for Tenant, Lawrence of London, at 271 Main Street which is part of Historic District C, First National/Aldo's Property.

- Replacement of Existing Business Sign for Village Mortgage as the business relocates to 308 Main Street which is part of Historic District A, Sumner Block.
- Replacement of Business Signage for No. 10, at 10 Castle Street which is part of Historic District A, Mahaiwe Block.
- A proposal for restoration of the Front and the right-side brownstone entrance steps at Town Hall were reviewed with Sean VanDeusen of the DPW. This

proposal includes installation of new foundations along with new brownstone treads and risers at the front portion.

- Ordered a replacement stone pedestal base and cap for the center of the exedra seating adjacent to the Winged Victory Liberty Monument. Cleaning and repairs of the seating and terrace areas will be scheduled when base is received.
- Graphics prototype wrapping with a historical theme for the Main Street electrical transformer is being explored.
- Updates for Historic District procedures and by-laws.
- Several Form B Surveys updating changed properties in the Taconic and West Avenues National Register Historic District.

- Review with Town Planner, Chris Rembold, of proposed street and lighting improvements on Railroad Street.
- Signage for Historic Properties and Districts.

We are still looking for candidates for the vacant position on our board as an Alternate Member and now also an open Regular Member position. At the end of this fiscal year, Holly Troiano did not renew her appointment as her Duties at Monument Mountain High School have changed and thus attending regular HDC meetings became difficult. The Board thanks Holly for her service as a Regular Member plus positions as past Chair and current Secretary.

Respectfully submitted,
Donald V Howe, Chair

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

In FY18 the Historical Commission continued to carry out its charges under Massachusetts General Laws. Our activities focused on four strategic areas.

1. Protect and develop Great Barrington's historic resources.
 - Represented historical interests at planning meeting and completed Stakeholder Survey for proposed Great Barrington Cultural District.
 - Reviewed and commented on Hill Engineering plans for installing membrane roofing on the hyphen of ell at the rear of Hazen Paper Co. (former Rising Paper building), Housatonic.
 - Documented through photographs Sedgwick Machine Works elevator mechanism exposed during razing of early 20th century residence, 20 Hollenbeck Ave.
 - Encouraged Powerhouse Square developer to save, preserve and re-use the historic Kellogg Terrace/Searles Castle powerhouse (c. 1886), the first exterior power plant to provide direct current to the estate. It was also the first d-c power station in town. Documented the structure through photographs.
 - Don Howe appointed to first term as Historical Commission's representative to Community Preservation Committee, replacing retiring Bill Nappo.
 - Representatives of Historical Commission, Historic District Commission and the Town Building Inspector met with John Dewey Academy (Searles Castle) Facilities Manager to assess current and future disposition of collapsed section of courtyard walls.

- Historical Commission advocated for the preservation of the early 20th century hatches to the historic street vault elevators as part of the scheduled Railroad Street improvement project. These are important visually and historically as evidence of early 20th century commercial infrastructure. Submitted letters of support for Clinton Church Restoration's applications for grants from the National Park Service and Community Preservation Committee.
2. Manage and Care for Town Museum Collection. Town Historical Collection Archivist Bernie Drew completed the initial phase of organizing and cataloguing the Don Victor collection, comprising a total of 199 regular and over-size banker boxes of black-and-white and, from later years, color photographs of people, businesses and events in Great Barrington and surrounding towns, 1976-2015. Bernie also completed a Finding Aid, which includes a Victor biography, a box-by-box description of contents, and an alphabetized index of folder contents (including cross-references).
 - Bernie Drew donated to the Town Historical Collection a complete and loosely bound run of the *Berkshire News*, a newspaper published in Great Barrington from 1889-1895. and completed a history of the publication and a finding aid
 - In response to an alert from Selectboard member Ed Abrahams, Commission member Gary Leveille coordinated the gift of visual and audio recordings of Great Barrington Selectboard, Annual and Special

Town, Planning Board, Finance, School District and other miscellaneous meetings during the 2003 to 2016 period. Archivist Bernie Drew created a Finding Aid.

- Daedalus Art Conservators, Watertown, MA, completed the scheduled annual maintenance of the Newsboy statue and fountain (1895).
 - Market Historic Assets: develop programs that heighten public appreciation of the town's rich architectural and historical resources.
 - Commission member David Rutstein published A History of Searles High School, 1898-1967, Great Barrington, Massachusetts. Troy, NY: The Troy Book Makers, 2017.
 - Presented sixth year of smartphone walking tour of Great Barrington's Main Street business district.
3. Historic Preservation, promote the preservation of significant structures in town.
- Funded with \$30,000 in grants from the Community Preservation Act and the Massachusetts Historical

Commission, Larson Fisher Associates, Woodstock, NY, completed area forms for the Brooklyn neighborhood (135 sites) in Great Barrington and Risingdale neighborhood (45 properties) of mill houses, as well as 45 individual sites not included on the previous (1985) survey, and a base map depicting locations, as Phase 1 of a project to update the town's Historic Resources Survey.

- As part of a Community Preservation Committee requirement, Historical Commission voted to hold a historic preservation restriction on the St. James Place buildings to protect their architectural character.
- Participated in preservation activities of Clinton Church Restoration, a non-profit group—formed to purchase, preserve and create a program of use for the Clinton AME Zion Church, an important local landmark and National Register site.

Respectfully Submitted,
Paul W. Ivory, Chairman

SOUTHERN BERKSHIRE DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICES

We have made great strides in reaching out to our veterans in our local area, letting them know the various services available to them from Elderly Services, Community Action and also the local senior centers. During FY 2018 we have seen a slight increase in all areas of operation and currently have 43 active Chapter 115 claims.

Chapter 115 Submissions and Return from the State:

FY 2018 Submitted 7/01/17-6/30/18	Payment Due in FY 2019 -FY 2018 - 75%
\$86,392.41	\$64,794.31

Over the last year we have completed the following for our member town's veterans:

- Applications for VA Health Care 35
- ALS/Disability/A&A/Appeals/Life Insurance 66

- Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (Form DD 214) 55
- Request for Grave Markers 12
- Tax Abatements/SS help/Other requests 54
- Flags to funeral homes for veterans 46
- Assisted with Dr. Appointments 20
- Home and Office Visits 438
- Veterans Services Phone Calls 1445

For FY18 district budget was reduced by the reserve resulting in a smaller assessment for the member towns. During these trying financial times all veterans and widows are encouraged to contact this office or the US Department of Veterans Affairs and review current entitlements as many changes have taken place. Great Barrington's apportionment towards the FY 2018 DVS budget was \$31,850.66 – this number was based on population percentage on the 2010 Census.

Respectfully Submitted,
Laurie J. Hils, Veteran Services Director

REPORT OF THE CULTURAL COUNCIL

The purpose of the Cultural Council is to provide grants to support the arts, humanities and interpretative sciences for the direct benefit of the residents of Great Barrington. Sources of revenue come from the Massachusetts Cultural Council. The council receives no financial support from the town of Great Barrington. Grants, typically from \$50 to \$500, are awarded after being reviewed by the council.

During the fall of 2018 the council considered 41 applications, of which 16 were awarded grants totaling \$4,600.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Andelman, Susan Pettee, Co-Chairs

SOUTHERN BERKSHIRE ELDERLY TRANSPORTATION CORPORATION

S.B.E.T.C. has been providing transportation to seniors, 55 years of age and older and to persons with a disability of any age for 34 years. We are a life-line for many people in Southern Berkshire County helping residents stay in their homes, enhancing their quality of life and emotional well-being. Our service north is still going strong, we provided 624 trips this year.

We cannot thank Elder Affairs, its Executive Director Mr. Emmett Schmarsow, the Great Barrington Rotary, and Lee Bank enough for all their support in providing us with a new fuel efficient van which has a ramp.

The towns we serve in Southern Berkshire County are: Alford, Egremont, Great Barrington, Housatonic, New Marlborough, Sandisfield and Monterey. SBETC would like to thank the towns for their continued support and for giving their residents a very special service that others in the Berkshires do not have. We are like an insurance policy, there when you need it.

Our annual mailing has been a success for another year, thank you all for your donations. A special thanks goes out to: Berkshire Health Systems and Mr. Bill Jones, The Barrington Foundation, Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation, The Thursday Morning Club, Kiwanis Club of Sheffield, Great Barrington Rotary Club, Katharine & Winthrop Crane Foundation, Exxon Mobil and C. O'Toole, Lee Bank, Case Manage Team at Fairview Hospital, the

Estate of Bernice M. Olsen and A. Ruststein. All of the individuals and local businesses who support us and we didn't have room to mention, thank you! We received a grant from the Berkshire Bank Foundation, the Berkshire Life Charitable Foundation, the Service Incentive Grant and the MarTap Grant.

Again this past year we were very busy, making 10,881 trips, a 4% increase from last year and covering 43,319 miles. We are a true door to door service; we call ourselves "caregivers on wheels". We will shovel your path if needed, tie shoes, button coats, carry groceries, etc. Most of our travels are taking seniors, persons with a disability of any age and nursing home residents to doctor and dentist appointments, physical therapy, hairdressers, shopping, to the hospital, even bringing a pet to the vet and to the Adult Day Care at Fairview Commons. We also deliver the Brown Bag, pick up prescriptions, do a little shopping and always give a helping hand when needed.

We enrich the lives of our riders by providing transportation for trips such as, Manchester Vt., Herkimer NY, Bright Lights and the Saratoga Casino and Racetrack to name a few. We cannot thank the Town of Great Barrington enough for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,
Dawn Valinaggi, E.D.

CLAIRE W. TEAGUE SENIOR CENTER

The Claire W. Teague Senior Center is available to seniors over the age of 55 and offers a wide variety of services, programing and events. The Center is staffed by its Director and Assistant Director/Outreach Coordinator and depends heavily on volunteers, Senior Citizen Property Tax Work Off workers, Council on Aging board members and the Friends of the Claire W. Teague Senior Center to keep the center running on a daily basis. The center is open

Monday through Friday from 8:00 am - 3:30 pm. Meals are served Monday through Friday from 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM, with a suggested donation of \$2.00. Meals are prepared and served through Elder Services of Berkshire County with the exception of summer cookouts or meals prepared on site or brought in by other agencies for special events.

The Senior Center provides many programs for seniors including, free tax preparation, foot nurse visits, blood pressure clinics, flu clinics, informational presentations on many important topics, Balance your weight, Matter of Balance classes, Sand for Seniors, sponsored by TRIAD, the Brown Bag Program Berkshires Bounty donations, Medicare Health Insurance counseling and monthly Senior Safety meetings (TRIAD). Eleven exercise classes are available for a nominal fee which includes Tap Dancing, Tai Chi, Strength Training, Cross Training, Balance and Movement, Pilates, Breathing and Movement, Yoga, Chair exercises, and Feldenkrais and Healthy Moves. Learning opportunities include keyboard lessons, art classes, a computer class, discussion groups and genealogy research. We have a community garden that seniors are welcome to use each year which fill to capacity.

We like to have lots of fun at the senior center. There are cook-outs, trips, monthly lunch and dinner outings, live entertainment, Bingo, Bridge for both beginners and established players, dominoes, cards, crossword puzzles, musical performances, community entertainment from local schools and daily coffee & treats donated by Big Y.

This year we hosted our first ever intergenerational senior to senior prom which was a great success. The Monument Mountain High School students from the Pathways Program worked very hard to make this event possible. We also held our third annual Tap-Fest. Seventeen senior tap dancers

performed a flash mob and musical variety show to a packed house.

We offered a senior fitness week to encourage seniors to attend the different exercise classes. We offered two different style informative bird programs, mobile farmer's truck. In partnership with Great Barrington Healthcare we offered a Latino Lunch as outreach to the Latino senior population, and A.G.E. TRIAD held a self-defense tactic program and picnic. We also held a fun Oktoberfest open house

The Senior Center continues to provide space for a number of groups including a women's breast cancer support group, caregivers support group and grief support groups. We offer space to five AA meeting groups, the Great Barrington Historical Society, art groups and other Town sponsored events and meetings.

This year's senior trips included: Friday morning rehearsals at Tanglewood; Tanglewood on Parade; Bennington Museum and Bennington Pottery; Saratoga Casino; Hildene in Manchester Vermont; Hancock Shaker Village; Bright Nights in Springfield and the Erie Canal in Herkimer NY

Respectfully Submitted,
Polly Mann Salenovich, Director

Activity or Service Provided	2017	2018	Forecasted for 2019
Meals served and or delivered through Elder Services	4000	5250	4200
Brown bags distributed	864	780	880
Exercise participants	90	90	90
Health Clinic participants	80	90	90
Support group participants	240	245	250
Participants in educational programs	140	150	150
Participants in social programs	280	270	280
One on one insurance counseling sessions	850	900	1140

LIBRARIES

Materials Purchased in 2018 for Mason					
Adult Books	1,577	Children's Books	1,660	YA Books	226
Adult Audio Books	209	Children's Audio Books	53	YA Audio Books	226
Adult DVDs	358	Children's DVDs	264	YA DVDs	20
Adult Serials	796	Children's Serials	51	YA Serials	10
Materials Purchased in 2018 for Ramsdell					
Adult Books	599	Children's Books	407	YA Books	16
Adult Audio Books	58	Children's Audio Books	12	YA Audio Books	7
Adult DVDs	160	Children's DVDs	40	YA DVDs	-
Adult Serials	295	Children's Serials	-	YA Serials	7

Both the Friends of The Great Barrington Libraries and the Library Trustees continue hosting events and raising awareness of the libraries. The Friends purchased passes to the local museums for use by library patrons and started a monthly Saturday documentary film series. We greatly value their support and input.

2018 saw the departure of James Martin, Adult Circulation Supervisor, and the arrival of Samuel Reggio to fill the vacancy. Thanks to the tireless work of all the staff, our patrons have had the excellent service they have come to expect from our libraries.

The libraries have continued to serve as a regular meeting space for Town and local organizations including the Town's Parks and Recreation Commission and Tree Committee, Berkshire Center for Justice, and Great Barrington Trails and Greenways. Our meeting rooms and quiet rooms were used over 2,068 times this year. Our computers were used 356 times at Ramsdell and 15,207 times at Mason Library. Both libraries serve as important technological resources in their respective communities.

The Great Barrington Libraries joined the Massachusetts Library System sponsored national CSLP (Collaborative Summer Library Program) for our seventh year. We had 209 registered children who read over 137,674 minutes. The theme for this year was "Build a Better World", which encouraged children to explore how to improve the world around them through reading. There were weekly activities where children created Minecraft keychains, visited with animals from the Forest Park Zoo, experimented with computer programming by building a Raspberry Pi robot and viewed the Solar Eclipse. In total, the libraries offered 69 children's summer reading programs with 1,484 persons attending.

Great Barrington Libraries total circulation for FY 2018 was 138,408 items.

Holdings: Total Holdings: 178,244 (this includes eBooks and eAudio available via C/W MARS)

- Mason Library holds 59,989 physical items.
- Ramsdell Library holds 21,392 physical items
- Both Libraries have access to 96,863 eBooks and eAudio

Hours and Visitors: Ramsdell Library was open Sunday 1-4pm, Tuesday 1-5pm, Wednesday 1-8pm, Friday 1-6pm and Saturday 10-3pm. Ramsdell Library was open a total of 1,216 hours and had 7,016 patrons visit. Mason Library was open Monday-Wednesday 10-7pm, Thursday-Friday 10-6pm and Saturday 10-3pm. Mason Library was open a total of 2,412 hours with 120,492 visitors.

Programs/Events: The Great Barrington Libraries sponsored a total of 424 events/programs and had approximately 5,986 people attend these events.

Finances: On July 1, 2017, GB Libraries had \$41,826.36 in State Aid money. We spent \$16,669.46 last year and received \$11,882.10. As of July 1, 2018 we have \$37,039 in that account. This account largely pays for programs, advertising for programs and special projects. These funds paid for a consultant to help the Board and Library Director with a vision for Ramsdell in FY 2018. It is governed by the Trustees of the Great Barrington Libraries. Through fines and fees the Libraries were able to turn back to the town \$18,014.

I want to express my sincerest thanks to all the employees and volunteers of the libraries for their support, cooperation and hard work throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,
Amanda M. DeGiorgis, Director

FIVE TOWN CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The quarterly meetings of the Five Town Cable Advisory Committee include a report from CTBS, representatives of Charter/Spectrum and a discussion of problems and concerns from the committee. During this past year CTBS has completed origination sites in each member town hall as well as in the four high schools. This enables CTBS to offer live programming from these sites.

This past year also saw Spectrum transition to an encrypted system requiring all subscribers to have some kind of cable box. This led to a great deal of confusion among subscribers who had just plugged the cable into their set. There were problems with equipment failure, poor communication from Spectrum and long lines at the Lee Spectrum office which also had confusing lunch hours. The concerns regarding this roll out have generally been mitigated as time has gone on.

Last year Spectrum removed WWLP-Springfield from our channel lineup. During this year they removed WCVB-Boston. Many years ago, the FCC placed Berkshire County in the Albany television market. While previous cable companies continued to broadcast these stations, Spectrum has used their legal right to remove them because they are not in the Albany market. The Committee has consistently complained about these removals, but Spectrum remains adamant in their decision. Sen. Markey is working on a bill that will place the county in the Springfield market and the

current Chairman of the FCC has stated that he would work with stations regarding Market Modification which could put stations in our market. We are following these options. According to Spectrum reps, these stations were removed because of the cost to keep them on our system. According to Charter/Spectrum's second quarter 2018 financial report "Net income attributable to Charter shareholders totaled \$273 million in the second quarter, compared to \$139 million during the same period last year."

Currently the only Massachusetts based stations available to Basic subscribers are WSHM-Springfield (a CBS affiliate) and WGBY-Springfield (a PBS affiliate). Subscribers above Basic also receive New England Cable News.

Spectrum also moved the three PEG channels from 16, 17 and 18 to 1301, 1302 and 1303. This move was also confusing to viewers and again, Spectrum has stated that this is a decision that will not change. Spectrum is working to make these channels easier to find on the guide.

The committee will soon begin working on a subscriber questionnaire for next year. We hope more than the 75 subscribers who responded last year will participate.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas Hatch, Great Barrington Representative

GREAT BARRINGTON HOUSING AUTHORITY

The Great Barrington Housing Authority (GBHA) administers state subsidized housing programs and manages housing properties for low-income seniors, families, and people with special needs. The properties are state assisted, therefore state regulations, local preference, priorities and eligibility requirements apply. Anyone who works or lives in Great Barrington or Housatonic receive local preference. There is also priority status for emergency applicants per state regulations. GBHA manages Brookside Manor, located at 909 South Main Street, Great Barrington, as well as Flag Rock Village located at 2 Bernard Gibbons Drive, Housatonic and Dewey Court located on Dewey Way, Sheffield. All of the properties have state assisted housing for low income elderly (defined as age 60 in Massachusetts), and disabled adults (under 60 years of age).

Brookside Manor consists of 31 one bedroom apartments for seniors and is located by the Senior Center. Flag Rock

Village consists of 32 one-bedroom apartments. There are eighteen units of family apartments, three wheel-chair accessible, housing 53 adults and their dependents. There is one four-bedroom house for people with special needs at Flag Rock Village. Dewey Court consists of 22 one bedroom apartments and 8 family apartments located on Dewey Way, Sheffield. Waitlists for elderly and family housing are in place through the state newly implemented CHAMP system. Applications & eligibility requirements regarding housing at Brookside Manor, Flag Rock Village and Dewey Court are available at the office at 2 Bernard Gibbons Drive Housatonic and soon applicants can apply directly on the state CHAMP system. If you need further information contact us at (413) 274-1142.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tina Danzy, Interim Executive Director

PLANNING BOARD

Over the year, the Planning Board endorsed 9 ANR (subdivision Approval Not Required) plans that created a total of 5 new building lots. The Planning Board made 7 site visits, conducted 8 Site Plan Reviews, made recommendations on 17 special permits, and issued 2 special permits.

A new commercial scale ground-mounted solar energy system was permitted by Planning Board Special Permit for West Plain Road. This was the first such system permitted under the solar energy zoning bylaw passed by Town Meeting in May 2017. Additionally, several large scale roof mounted solar systems were permitted by-right after receiving site plan approval under the new law—one at Berkshire South Community Center, 4 separate systems at Bard College at Simon's Rock, and one at the Berkshire Mountain Bakery.

Other applications reviewed included the site plans for the redevelopment of the former Dolby Florist site on Humphrey Street for several residential units, as well as the site plan for adult-use marijuana retail store on Stockbridge Road, co-located with the existing medical marijuana facility.

The Board worked closely with the Town Planner to craft several amendments to the Zoning Bylaw for the May 2018 Annual Town Meeting, including regulations for the marijuana establishments including retail stores, manufacturing, and growing. A new zoning district for State Road was proposed to and approved by Town Meeting. It removed the outdated B-2 zone from this area and replaced it with a new zone, the B2X. The B2X allows retail and commercial establishments but caps their size and allows a variety of residential and mixed uses. It also allows buildings to be built closer together and closer to the street line, reflecting how most buildings in that area were built pre-1960.

The Board considered rezoning for several downtown side streets, which are currently zoned R-1-B and B-3, but could not arrive at a workable solution. The Board will consult with residents of that area in the coming year, with the goal of making a proposal to Town Meeting in 2019.

Respectfully submitted,
Brendee Nelson, Chair

PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

This Department provides support and technical assistance to applicants, homeowners, businesses, and to Town staff and Boards regarding planning, zoning, and community and economic development matters. The work includes analyzing permit applications with staff and boards as well as promoting conservation and development in accordance with our Town's Master Plan. This year the Department is also involved in capital improvement planning and supporting other boards and commissions. Highlights for Fiscal Year (FY18) include:

The department continues to coordinate the Town Manager's Development Review Team (Building Inspector, Conservation Agent, DPW Superintendent, Fire Chief, Health Agent, and Police Chief) to provide technical project reviews. The most visible projects reviewed this year included designs for downtown street improvements to Bridge, School, Church, Elm, and Railroad Streets. Improvements will be funded by the \$2.1 million Mass Works grant received last year and are scheduled to begin construction in the fall of 2018. The design work includes substantial coordination with private developments including the new Co-Op Market development at 34-42 Bridge Street and the redevelopment of the old New England Log Homes site at 100 Bridge Street.

Zoning bylaw amendments approved in May of 2018 included a new zoning district on State Road to replace the outdated B-2 zone. The new zone, called B2X, allows retail and commercial establishments similar to the old B-2, but it caps their size, and it also allows a variety of residential and mixed uses that were not previously allowed. It also allows buildings to be built closer together and closer to the street line, reflecting how most buildings in that area were built pre-1960. Amendments to the bylaw governing marijuana establishments were also approved by the May 2018 Town Meeting. These amendments control retail stores, manufacturing, and growing operations. Numerous applications for adult-use marijuana retail stores are expected in Fiscal 2018. These will be coordinated with the Selectboard, which will be responsible under the State law for approving host community agreements.

Economic Development efforts this year included the implementation of our latest grant, a brownfields assessment grant from the US EPA. These funds will be targeted at assessing contamination at five properties throughout Town, including Housatonic, with the goal of providing cleanup and re-use strategies so that abandoned or unused properties can be put back into productive use for housing, businesses, and to generate tax revenue. We

also began planning for a downtown Cultural District. Per the goals of the Master Plan and a resolution endorsed by the Selectboard in March, this office has been working with downtown arts and cultural organizations and downtown businesses to apply to the Commonwealth to be designated a Cultural District. Such a designation will help highlight our existing cultural offerings and will increase economic activity by attracting local and regional tourists and supporting businesses.

In terms of parks and open space planning, the Lake Mansfield Improvement Task Force has continued its implementation of the Comprehensive Plan for Lake Mansfield Recreation Area. Engineering of Lake Mansfield Road began in 2017 and will result in concept plans and cost estimates to be reviewed by the Town, and

for a new outlet pipe structure at the stream. Due in large part to our continued planning efforts, the Town received an Office of Fishing and Boating Access grant to reconstruct the boat launch to improve access and reduce stormwater pollution, as well as a \$288,925 Mass DEP grant to make stormwater improvements on Knob Hill. Both projects should be done by the end of 2018. Finally, the design, permitting, and easement documents are in place so that our nonprofit partner the Great Barrington Land Conservancy can begin the construction of the riverfront trail south from Bridge Street.

Respectfully submitted,
Christopher Rembold, AICP

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

The CPC is the Town board that implements the Community Preservation Act (CPA), which was adopted by the voters of Great Barrington in 2012. Through the CPA, state and local funds are collected to fund open space, affordable housing, historic preservation, and recreation projects. The CPC is comprised of nine members: two citizens-at-large and one member each from the Conservation Commission, Historical Commission, Parks Commission, Housing Authority Board, Planning Board, Select Board, and Finance Committee. The CPC administers the Community Preservation Fund, writes and adopts a Community Preservation Plan based on community input, receives proposals from the community for expenditures from the fund, and recommends projects to Town Meeting to be considered for funding. The voters at Town Meeting must approve all CPA funding.

The CPC met 10 times in Fiscal Year 2018, and in the fall and winter dedicated itself to reviewing CPA applications and preparing for the 2018 Town Meeting. In the two-step application process, the CPC reviewed 11 Step 1 applications for eligibility, and received 9 Step 2 applications. After thorough review the CPC recommended eight projects to Town Meeting for funding. In its recommendations, the CPC determined, among other things, that these projects meet the goals of the Community Preservation Plan, provide a needed public benefit and comply with the CPA law, and demonstrate strong community support. The CPC prepared a report for Town Meeting that was included with the May 7, 2018 Annual Town Meeting Warrant, and made a presentation to the assembled voters. All eight projects were approved by Town Meeting. They are:

COMMUNITY HOUSING

Great Barrington affordable housing trust – down payment assistance	\$100,000
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HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Town Hall – restoration of historic steps	\$120,000
Clinton Church Restoration – restoration of the former church	\$100,000

OPEN SPACE & RECREATION

Old Route 7 Greenway Phase 1	\$25,000
Lake Mansfield Accessible Loop Trail	\$15,000
McAllister Wildlife Refuge Project	\$18,950
HVA: Housatonic River Access Project	\$19,676
GBLC – Riverfront Greenway Trail	\$115,000

TOTAL:	\$513,626
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Since its inception in Great Barrington, the CPA has generated \$2.7 million, and voters have appropriated \$2.3 million to affordable housing, historic preservation, and open space/recreation projects. The projects are spread all across Town and will result in 87 new units of affordable housing, 8 historic sites preserved, including rare structures, significant Town properties, and unique

buildings, 7 walking trails built or planned and 34+ acres of open space and recreation areas preserved.

For the Community Preservation Committee,
Thomas Blauvelt, Chair

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Conservation Commission is charged with administering and upholding the Mass Wetlands Protection Act, The Great Barrington Wetland Bylaw, and the Berkshire Scenic Mountains Act. Educate and assist homeowners, business owners and land owners regarding regulations and help them navigate the decision making and permit granting process within jurisdictional areas. Carefully review all applications utilizing assistance from the Department of Environmental Protection and other third party specialists when needed. To maintain ongoing contact with engineers, landscape architects, land owners and contractors to ensure site stabilization and permit compliance. Ensure a timely response to all emergencies and complaints. Issue Stop Work Orders and Enforcement Orders as needed to uphold the Wetlands Protection Act and the Scenic Mountains Act. Maintain ongoing communication and coordination with other Town Departments. Manage Conservation Properties: Lake Mansfield and the Lake Mansfield Conservation Forest and the McAllister Wildlife Refuge.

Last year, FY 2018, the Conservation Commission reviewed and/or issued:

- 14 Wetland Protection Act Requests for Determination of Applicability
- 14 Wetland Protection Act Notices of Intent
- 0 Berkshire Scenic Mountains Act Requests for Determination of Applicability
- 0 Berkshire Scenic Mountains Act Notice of Intent
- 9 Enforcement Orders

- 2 Special Permits
- 2 Beaver Permits
- 1 Emergency Certification
- 6 Certificates of Compliance
- 3 Amended Orders of Conditions
- 16 Recommendations to various Town Departments or Boards
- 139 Non permit related outreach, letters, site visits and consultations

The Commission continues to have active membership on the Lake Mansfield Alliance and we support the Lake Mansfield Improvement Taskforce whenever possible. A member of the Commission serves on the Community Preservation Committee, and the Commission collaborates with numerous local conservation councils, boards and citizen groups to fulfill our role in open space planning and the long term clean-up and restoration of the Housatonic River. We look forward to an increase in recreational trail development and important habitat improvements at the McAllister Wildlife Refuge in fiscal 2019 and to an overall enlightened ecological future for Great Barrington.

As always, we continue to offer administrative support to homeowners, small businesses, farmers and environmental organizations to make the Wetland and Scenic Mountain permitting process as smooth as possible.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeffrey Cohen, Chair

LAKE MANSFIELD IMPROVEMENT TASK FORCE

This year's focus has been implementing three important projects critical to the long term health of the lake, safe access to the lake's recreation opportunities, and to understanding the permitting and construction challenges of the lakeside environment.

- Water Quality Improvements – The Town received a nonpoint source pollution stormwater mitigation grant from Mass DEP for \$288,925, to install a stormwater drainage catchment system on Knob Hill Road. This work is scheduled to begin in the fall of 2018 and will be substantially completed by the end of 2018. It will

tie into the Boat Launch improvements which will be completed in the summer of 2018 by the Mass. Office of Fishing and Boating Access. The boat launch improvements will not only improve the lake access for boaters, it will also reduce stormwater runoff pollution of the lake. Together, these two construction projects will help protect the water quality and health of the lake by collecting and treating stormwater before it reaches the lake.

- An important engineering project began this fiscal year and will be completed in the summer of 2018. It

is mapping the upland wetland areas, conducting road and property surveys (measurements), and studying how to best preserve the lake edge buffer zone as well as access on Lake Mansfield Road. The report is also studying how best to replace or supplement the outlet pipe to control flooding on the north end of the road. The results of the report will show how and whether the road can be properly repaired or reconstructed while also protecting the health of the lake and the safety of all people who use the roadway.

- Protecting the Buffer Zone and Sensitive Habitats – Great Barrington Land Conservancy through its project Lake Mansfield Alliance (GBLC/LMA) installed a pollinator garden in the beach area, enhancing the habitat and strengthening the buffer zone. The Task Force continues to monitor growth of invasive aquatic plants in the lake as well as along the lake edges and will work with the Conservation Commission and watershed partners, including Simon's Rock, to conduct plant inventories and removals of invasive species.
- Use and Accessibility – Recreational use of the lake, beach area, forest trails and Lake Mansfield continues to increase annually with number of users noted in the summer season. Diaper-changing stations were added to the changing rooms this year, thanks to donations from GBLC/LMA. LMA continues to work with the Parks Commission to promote use of the area and in the summer of 2018 will continue the popular weekday morning yoga program. The Town, through the Community Preservation Act and with

GBLC/LMA support, funded the completion of the forest trail system. That work is scheduled for the fall of 2018.

- Public Safety – While summer use increases dramatically each year, the safety of all to be a priority for the Task Force. Concern over the continuing road degradation, flooding and freezing at the outlet area and whale rock, and the imperative of supporting safe use along Lake Mansfield Road are of primary concern to the task force and is a focal point for the upcoming efforts as outlined in the approved improvement plan.
- Work in the Coming Year – Fiscal Year 2019 will be a very important year of construction (Knob Hill, the Boat Launch, the Forest Trail, and possible replacement of the outlet pipe) and review of designs for Lake Mansfield Road and the beach parking lot area.

In conclusion, the Lake Mansfield Improvement Task Force will continue to work to provide for the health and safe recreational use of the Lake Mansfield Recreation Area. We appreciate the Town's dedication to this invaluable natural resource and recreation area. We welcome and invite community input as we confront the complex issues inherent in the care and improvement of this much valued open space.

Respectfully submitted by the Lake Mansfield Improvement Task Force

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

The Great Barrington Agricultural Commission continues to advance the Great Barrington Master Plan's vision to create a thriving local food economy and environment. During fiscal year 2018, we focused on promoting agricultural awareness and education in the community as well through collaboration with other town boards, town officials and the state legislature. Based on the "Keep Berkshires Farming" collaborative approach used by the Great Barrington Master Plan and by the Sustainable Berkshires report of Berkshire Regional Planning Commission, the Agricultural Commission sought opportunities for multi-sector and regional cooperation.

One key initiative has been to encourage town planning and voluntary community action in support of pollinators. Bees, butterflies and other pollinators are vital parts of our ecosystem, with three quarters of flowering plants relying on pollinators to reproduce. Pollinators provide essential

services for fruit and vegetable crops and thus contribute to our food security and agricultural economy.

Specific activities included:

- Following the 2016 Town Meeting resolution declaring the Town of Great Barrington to be a Pollinator-Friendly Community, the Agricultural Commission has collaborated with State Representative Smitty Pignatelli on pending state legislation to support pollinator protection throughout the Commonwealth. In 2018, An Act to Protect Massachusetts Pollinators was unanimously passed by the Joint Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture, chaired by Representative Pignatelli.
- Fall 2017 – Discussions with the Town Manager and with The Conway School of Landscape Planning +

Design about how they could help the Town plan for more pollinator-friendly landscaping practices, focusing on low-maintenance, low-cost improvements on Town properties. Great Barrington Selectboard approved the appointment of local CSA farmer Krycia Kurzyca as a new member of the Agricultural Commission and former farmer Hilda Banks Shapiro from alternate to full member, as unanimously recommended by the Commission.

- Winter 2018 – In cooperation with Public Works Superintendent Sean VanDeusen and Town Manager Jennifer Tabakin, the Agricultural Commission organized two public forums on pollinator planning with the Conway School graduate student team. A total of 32 people participated from community organizations and from town government including Town Manager, Public Works, Libraries, Conservation Commission, Parks & Recreation Commission, Lake Mansfield Improvement Task Force and Agricultural Commission.

- Spring 2018 – The Great Barrington Pollinator Action Plan was published with free access on the Town of Great Barrington website and paper copies in town libraries. The Plan proposes an interconnected pollinator habitat pathway throughout the town to help local pollinators thrive. Along with describing positive practices for town properties, the Pollinator Action Plan also offers suggestions for residential, institutional, commercial and agricultural properties such as homes, schools, cemeteries, golf courses and farms. Assisted the Egremont Agricultural Commission to develop their town meeting resolution declaring Egremont to be a pollinator-friendly community, inspired by Great Barrington Town Meeting’s approval in 2016 of the first such resolution in New England.

Respectfully submitted,
Vivian Orlowski, Chair

TREE COMMITTEE

During Fiscal year 2018, the Tree Committee met regularly on the 1st Wednesday of the month at the Mason Library. Individual members also met in groups of 2 or more to work on projects, and to conduct an inventory and an Ash Tree assessment. The Committee has again successfully met requirements for re-application for Tree City USA status. We have now been awarded this designation 6 years in a row, and will re-apply in the fall of 2018. At the end of the fiscal year, Beth Moser resigned her position on the committee after serving for the past 7 years. The Committee is grateful for Moser’s particular contribution in writing our press releases. Shep Evans was approved by the Selectboard to replace her.

Hilda Banks-Shapiro spearheaded a poetry contest to commemorate Arbor Day. Twenty-seven poets entered the contests and the winning poems were published in the Berkshire Record and were placed on display in the Mason Library. Tree Warden Michael Peretti again worked closely with National Grid to identify and remove

hazardous trees. He was also involved in the planting of two Arbor Day trees in Olympia Stadium, a pin oak and a red maple.

Lisa Bozzuto, Michael Peretti and Mollie Frelicheer (DCR) conducted an assessment of Town Ash trees for the Emerald Ash Borer. This assessment will be used by the Tree Warden to inform treatment and further monitoring. In addition, Lisa Bozzuto, Michael Peretti, Nan Wile, JB Brodeur, Tom Ingersoll and Mollie Frelicheer (DCR) completed an inventory and assessment of trees on the southern portion of Main St. Mollie has added this data to the existing tree inventory in I-Tree. It will be used to inform future tree planting and maintenance. The Great Barrington Tree Committee will continue its’ efforts in appreciation of the beautiful natural resource that our Town trees provide.

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Bozzuto, Chairperson

DESIGN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Design Advisory Committee (DAC) is responsible for reviewing changes to the exterior of buildings, including additions, changes in or installation of signage, changes in the painting of facades, and changes in lighting within the Village Center Overlay District (VCOD) to ensure that any

changes conform to the general principles as outlined in the Great Barrington Zoning Bylaws. The goal is to “encourage improvements of 1900’s buildings and new buildings to be of complementary height and style for mixed use (commercial, retail and residential).” In the past

year, the DAC reviewed 5 sign applications, reviewed and made recommendations on HVAC screening at 47 Railroad, reviewed lighting design for the Railroad Street renovation and reviewed and made recommendations to design changes at 198 Mainstreet (Flying Church). We have also started a process to revise the DAC mandate in order to make the committee's process expeditious and to

clarify the scope of responsibilities so as not to overlap with other committees, namely Historic District Commission. These efforts have been made to streamline the process for citizens and the business community.

Respectfully submitted,
Pedro Pachano, Chairman

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

During the year the Great Barrington Zoning Board of Appeals acted on two appeals:

- Appeal by GJO, LLC Gary O'Brien of the Building Inspector's Cease and Desist Order regarding the property at 11 Roger Road. The ZBA upheld the Order and issued an additional Order, which GJO subsequently appealed to Court. The case is currently pending in Court.
- Appeal by Marc Fasteau, Anne Fredericks and Joe Krummel of the Building Inspector's response to their request to enforce the Great Barrington zoning bylaw regarding the Great Barrington Airport at 70 Egremont

Plain Road, specifically regarding installation of a new underground fuel storage tank. The ZBA denied the Appeal based on information from Town Counsel.

After several years of service to the ZBA, member Kathy Kotleski did not run again in 2018. We thank her for her service, and we welcome back Madonna Meagher and Steve McAlister.

We would also like to thank Bernard Drew who served for many years as the ZBA's recording secretary.

Respectfully submitted,
Ron Majdalany, Chairman

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The following is a list of activities by the Great Barrington Police Department.

• 911 Calls	2,298
• Arrests	113
• Protective Custody	33
• Accidents Responses	406
• Accidents Reports	230
• Breaking & Entering	20
• Larcenies	106
• Malicious Destruction	15
• Assaults	25
• Sexual Assaults	7
• Parking Tickets	890
• Stolen Vehicles	4
• Summons Arrests	104
• Missing Persons	25
• Noise Complaints	124
• Motor Vehicle Complaints	227
• Domestic Disturbances	60
• Alarms	482
• Lock Outs	187
• Disturbances	142
• Trespass Complaints	116
• Parking ticket fines	\$14,430
• Firearm licenses fees	\$2,050
• Misc. court fees & fines	\$8,280

• Administrative fees	\$10,311
• Regional dispatching	\$1,500
• Alarm related fees	\$1,500

GRANTS:

- Federal grant for body armor \$2,142
- Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency Grant to purchase a GPS tracker \$2,400
 - State 911 Department to be put toward dispatcher's salary \$31,633
 - State 911 Department for Emergency Medical Dispatching Training \$2750

We anticipate a donation of \$2500 to be used toward a projector screen in our emergency operation center and toward the cost of Mental Health First Aid training class for officers.

The President's Task Force on 21st Century Policing Report established 59 recommendations on community policing and building community trust for law enforcement agencies to follow. We began the task of reviewing the recommendations described and have bi-monthly meetings to plan implementation of many of them into our department. We launched an open data portal with a variety of statistics on our website to

increase transparency. This can be found on the police page <https://greatbarringtonpolice.com> under open data portal.

The GBPD has taken the One Mind Campaign Pledge which seeks to ensure successful interactions between police officers and persons affected by mental illness. The commitment requires 100% of our officers to be trained in Mental Health First aid. We are well on our way to fulfilling that requirement. Officers continue to make several saves through the use of Narcan. We have made Narcan available for our K-9 in case of exposure.

We began a new partnership with Muddy Brook Elementary School, Monument Valley Middle School and Monument Mountain High School called 'Park and Walk'. Officers stop in at the schools periodically on an informal basis to walk the hallways to mingle with students and staff. Sometimes we eat at the cafeteria or play basketball outside. It's been a huge success in establishing closer relationships with all.

Community Policing Programs: TRIAD; National Prescription Take Back Day; Gun Lock Program;

Summer DARE Ropes Challenge Course; School Internships' House Checks; bi-weekly lunches at the Senior Center. We invite local groups to use our Community Room by calling us to reserve it. We have been an active member of the Southern Berkshire Health Coalition; supporting their parent education programs and grant program. We have a representative on the Fairview/Great Barrington Opioid Abuse Prevention Task Force. Complaint Procedures: The procedures that the public may follow to file an employee complaint can be found on the GBPD website or in the lobby of the police station.

We invite everyone to check out our new website greatbarringtonpolice.com. You can find information on firearms licensing, sex offender information, identity theft, department activities, various forms, and press releases. The future holds many challenges but the ability to meet those challenges is what makes us strong and vital. To all our residents and visitors, thank you for allowing us to serve and protect a GREAT community.

Respectfully submitted,
William R. Walsh, Jr., Chief of Police

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

We continued to collaborate with local schools, colleges and other institutions in developing safety plans to better respond to critical incidents. This includes obtaining and updating Emergency Operation Plans for institutions. The fire and police departments participated in two training exercises with Fairview Hospital and the Southern Berkshire Volunteer Ambulance Squad.

With a \$2,400 grant from the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency we purchased a GPS system. All applicable new town employees were trained in the Incident Command System 100 and the National Incident Management System 700 classes. We participate in monthly meetings with the Southern Berkshire Regional

Emergency Planning Committee to coordinate critical incident response with eleven other towns.

GBPD hosts periodic meetings of a School Emergency Management Team which is comprised of Berkshire Hills Regional School District representatives, police, fire, ambulance, and others to review and evaluate issues and policies related to school safety and response to critical incidents. The Town's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan was updated.

Respectfully submitted,
William R. Walsh, Jr., Emergency Management Director

FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Great Barrington Fire Department responded to 591 incidents in Fiscal Year 2018. The breakdown by category is shown:

• Structure Fires	13
• Motor Vehicle Accidents	29
• Rescues	10
• Spills, Leaks, & Hazmat	29
• Service & Good Intent	73

• Other Fires	23
• Rescues	10
• Medical	119
• Electrical Problems	11
• False Alarms	284

The most notable fires were an attic fire on Highland Drive in Housatonic in December and a structure fire at Pizza House in January. Also, civilians were burned by a cooking

fire on State Road and a bed fire ignited by a candle on Lake Ave. Firefighters also extricated a patient from a fatal vehicle crash on Maple Ave and rescues several parties off of Monument Mountain over the course of the year.

Fire prevention continues to be a priority for the Department. A total of 686 inspections were performed in accordance with Massachusetts General Law. The following breakdown shows the inspections by type:

• Periodic Safety	289
• Smoke & CO Detectors	127
• Fire Suppression Systems	17
• Blasting/Fireworks	1
• Oil Furnaces	27
• Plan Reviews	53
• Liquor License	40
• Certificate of Occupancy	43
• Fire Alarm Systems	11
• Tank Removals	12
• Propane Tanks	45
• Complaints	12

Safety Education continues to be a focus. Muddy Brook Elementary School hosted us during Fire Prevention Week in October. As always, the students were enthusiastic and engaged in discussions on how they can prevent fires and what to do if an emergency situation arises. We returned again in the spring for Safety Day. Firefighters volunteered their time to team up with the Police Department and Southern Berkshire Ambulance for an interactive day with the students. The objectives were to teach a wide variety of safety awareness, provide hands on activities relating to our jobs, and initiate positive relationships with emergency responders at a young age. We had multiple students state it was the best day of the school year!

The Department believes well trained firefighters are the most important component of providing quality services to the community. In total 3,500 hours were dedicated to training by Great Barrington firefighters. Training consists of night and weekend programs from the Massachusetts Fire Academy and conferences lead by nationally recognized experts, along with weekly Department drills.

In March we placed in service a new Engine 4 which is stationed in Housatonic. The apparatus replaced two old engine which had become unreliable and expensive to maintain. It was designed to duplicate the primary engine in Great Barrington to simplify training and increase operational efficiency.

Another big project was beginning a complete operational study of the fire department. A consultant was selected and the extensive process of providing years of data was begun. The study should be complete this year and will hopefully help lay the foundation for a long term plan for the department to continue to provide the high level of service is has for over 150 years.

I would like to thank the community for its support and the Officers and Firefighters for their hard work and dedication. This is what makes the Great Barrington Fire Department a truly outstanding resource for the community. We are always looking for more call/volunteer firefighters. We believe this is one of the most fun, challenging, and rewarding jobs there are. We encourage anyone interested in joining to talk to a firefighter, stop by the station, or call 413-528-0788 for more information.

Respectfully Submitted,
Charles Burger, Fire Chief

GREAT BARRINGTON BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board of Health and Health Department provide high quality public health services to the Town of Great Barrington with a wide and constantly growing scope of responsibilities. In addition to conducting inspections and issuing permits for a variety of activities related to public health, we also take the lead on public health issues such as; providing annual flu clinics, actively limiting tobacco use by teens and adolescents, tracking/preventing communicable diseases, and maintaining an up to date, effective regional emergency dispensing site plan.

The Health Department dedicates many hours throughout the year to ensure that each restaurant, kitchen, and temporary food event meets the standards of the Federal Food Code and local regulations. Restaurants, markets, festivals, and fundraising community dinners are an important part of the Great Barrington Community,

arguably one of the top recreational activities that bring people from neighboring towns, cities, and states to visit our vibrant town. In FY18 Health Department staff conducted 397 food related inspections and issued 304 Food Establishment permits. We continue to develop policies and procedures to make our department more efficient and effective at protecting against food borne illnesses. Another notable achievement, 31 housing inspections took place in FY18, which is 14 more than in the previous fiscal year. The Health Department and Board of Health are committed to ensuring safe and healthy housing for the residents and property owners of Great Barrington.

The following is a comprehensive list of the responsibilities under the Board of Health's jurisdiction:

- Animal and barn inspections
- Beaver nuisances

- Body art establishments
- Summer camps
- Demolition inspections
- General complaints
- Emergency management
- Flu clinics
- Food establishments
- Funeral directors
- Garbage haulers
- Housing inspections and complaints
- Infectious disease monitoring
- Lodging
- Nail and tanning salons
- Public Health Nuisances
- Private Wells
- Public & semipublic pools
- Public beaches & Water Quality
- Rabies
- Septic Haulers

- Septic systems
- Temporary food events
- Tobacco

In total, the Health Department issued 400 permits and conducted 560 inspections during the previous year. In addition, the Animal Inspector responded to 14 animal bites, including, quarantines, coordination with hospitals and other health departments, and the submissions of samples to the state lab for rabies testing. Mr. Larkin conducted 21 Barn Inspections as part of the Animal Inspector's duties. During FY18 the Health Department generated \$69,429.25 in revenue from the collection of permitting and inspectional fees, an increase of \$18,824.00 from the previous fiscal year.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rebecca Jurczyk, Health Agent

PLUMBING INSPECTOR

During the year this department did 210 inspections and collected \$12,600 in fees.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Krupski, Plumbing Inspector

GAS INSPECTOR

During the year this department did 148 inspections and collected \$8,880.25 in fees.

Respectfully Submitted,
Robert Gennari, Gas Inspector

WIRE INSPECTOR

During the year this department did 530 inspections and collected \$31,825.19 in fees.

Respectfully submitted,
Ted Piontek, Wire Inspector

BUILDING INSPECTOR

During the year this department made the following inspections:

Building Permits	Total	Total Permit Fee	Construction Cost
New Structure	15	\$57,127	\$7,943,630
Addition/Alteration/Repair	89	\$34,847	\$5,496,547
Insulation	21	\$749	86,150
Windows	25	\$1,505	\$248,594
Siding	3	\$175	\$34,359
Roofing	28	\$1,456	\$361,498
Photovoltaic	15	\$2,016	\$357,717
Sign	76	\$1,995	\$62,470
Commercial	103	\$144,350	\$23,658,891
Shed	1	\$560	\$11,700
Selective Demo	5	\$301	\$50,706
Demo	4	\$318	\$38,400
Tent	17	\$500	
Sheet Metal	15	\$2,674	\$524,099
COI/CO	169	\$10,060	-
Trench	64	\$1,920	
Solid Fuel	17	\$585	\$46,908
Pool	3	\$250	\$130,608
Foundation	3	\$308	\$58,650
Alarm/Sprinkler	2	\$70	\$7,295
Fence	2	\$70	\$12,600
Chimney Liner	7	\$245	\$27,730

Respectfully submitted,
Ed May, Building Inspector

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

The Highway Division operations include winter road maintenance (approx. 98 miles), pavement repairs, roadside mowing, clearing road sides, street sweeping, litter removal, line painting (70 miles \pm plus 50+ cross-walks), traffic sign maintenance, re-establishing drainage ditches, reconstructing catch basins (1000 \pm), servicing and maintaining all equipment. Unscheduled work included answering emergency calls for automobile accidents and oil spills, fallen trees, flooding, washouts, and road icing. The division is also responsible for the overseeing of all roadway capital improvement projects. The department is on call "24/7".

The Public Grounds Division includes cemeteries, parks, and public building grounds, maintains approximately 130 acres \pm of cemeteries (7), parks and green areas and building grounds throughout the Town. The Division also provides support to the Highway Department during winter weather events and road cleanup activities. Other work done by the division includes building picnic tables for park areas, erecting bleachers and repairing facilities in and around park areas. The Division is responsible for the sale of cemetery lots and provides assistance during services.

The Public Buildings Division maintains the public buildings in town including; Town Hall, Mason Library, Ramsdell Library, Claire W. Teague Senior Center, Southern Berkshire District Court, Police Station, Great Barrington Fire Station, Housatonic Fire Station and Housatonic Community Center. The staff of the division provides daily support and responds to building emergencies and alarms when necessary. The staff provides additional support for the highway division during winter maintenance activities.

The Solid Waste Transfer and Recycling center is open Friday (8:00 AM – 3:00 PM), Saturday (7:00 AM – 3:00 PM) and Sunday (10:00 AM – 3:00 PM). The Town continues to hold two Bulky Waste Collections days during the year for the residents. The Town also participates in the Southern Berkshire Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program with continued support and participation from Great Barrington residents. Comprehensive collection days for south county residents and several mini collection days are held throughout the year.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sean VanDeusen, DPW Superintendent

WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY

During the 2018 fiscal year, the Town's Wastewater Treatment Facility processed approximately 338.46 million gallons of wastewater, 2.34 million gallons of septic tank waste, and disposed of 1,149 tons of sludge. During this period, the treatment facility discharged a high quality, very clean effluent to the Housatonic River. There were no violations of the Town's federal discharge permit.

All pumps, motors and other equipment were maintained throughout the year. Any equipment failures were quickly addressed. The wastewater collection system and the six sewage pumping stations, located throughout Town, were regularly inspected and maintained.

We are currently conducting a study of the collection system to identify significant sources of extraneous water

(Inflow and Infiltration) entering the system. Upon completion of the study, a priority list will be generated, and from the list, a phase removal of the sources can begin.

We are again asking the public to please dispose of sanitary and cleaning wipes in the trash and not the toilet. These items have become a serious issue at the wastewater pumping stations by clogging pumps and equipment. Wastewater Treatment Facility staff are spending numerous man hours per week addressing pump failures that are directly attributed to wipes. These costs affect the wastewater treatment facility's budget and, ultimately, the sewer rates.

Respectfully submitted,
William Ingram, Wastewater Superintendent

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

The Parks and Recreation Commission's responsibility is oversight of programming, development and budgeting for the various parks and playgrounds of the town. None of it could be accomplished without the excellent work by Sean Van Deusen and his crew at the DPW.

In FY18 the Parks and Recreation Committee finished the following projects:

- Installed a BIKE FIX IT Stand in front of Town Hall.
- Had an ADA Assessment from the State Commission for Handicapped Accessibility of the Parks.
- New Wood Chips and infield mix was installed at Ball Fields.
- Berkshire South continued as the management for Lake Mansfield and the Housatonic Playground programing. Memorial Field is managed by Railroad Street Youth Project. Both locations had a very successful summer season. A training program for staff dealing with confrontation was also provided.
- Great Barrington Land Conservancy provided changing stations at the Lake and the Alice Brubriski Park in Housatonic.

- Benchmark Development has delayed the redo of Memorial Field until Spring of 2019 with the project at the COOP market.
- 2 trees were donated by National Grid and another from the Aigner family for the gazebo.
- Planned and designed the of the ball fields at Olympian Meadows.
- Planned and secured bids for the enhancement of Giggle Park with a slide and swings.
- Upgraded the weed barrier and expanded the swimming area at Lake Mansfield.
- Ordered and assigned 5 new bike racks throughout Great Barrington and Housatonic.
- Great Barrington Land Conservancy installed a pollinator garden.
- Flag Pole at GB Park was lit.
- Creation and implementation of a 5 year capital plan.

Respectfully Submitted,
Karen Smith, Chair

TOWN CLERK

During the year there was one Election and one Annual Town Meeting.

The Annual Town Meeting was held May 7, 2018 with voters (8%) acting on 27 warrant articles, including several bylaw changes. The most notable article was the creation of the Marijuana establishment Zoning Bylaws which passed. There was approved borrowing for a police cruiser, dump truck, DPW service truck and police speed trailer.

	Registered Voter	Ballots Cast	% Voted
Annual Town Meeting May 2018	4574	380	8%
Annual Town Election May 2018	4574	1031	23%

There were 70 marriages, 138 births and 128 deaths recorded during the fiscal year. We also issued 997 dog licenses and 112 business certificates. The Annual Census was 7000 with 4561 registered voters in the Town of Great Barrington.

I would like to recognize and thank all the poll workers whom I could not run my elections or town meetings without. You are all awesome and I appreciate all your help. I would especially like to also thank Michael Ball for his assistance. He is invaluable to me in the set-up of every election.

Respectfully submitted,
Marie Ryan, Town Clerk

BOARD OF REGISTRARS

During the fiscal Year there were three voter registration sessions. As of June 30, 2018 there were 4,561 registered voters in Great Barrington. Registered voters by party affiliation were:

PARTY	# of VOTERS	PARTY	# of VOTERS
Conservative	1	Libertarian	12
Pizza Party	1	MA Independent Party	1
United Independent Party	40	Republican	310
Democratic	1,927	Independent 3 rd Party	1
Green Party USA	3	Unenrolled	2,256
Green Rainbow	9	Total Registered Voters:	4,561

The annual census/street list was completed in June. Based on the forms that were returned to the office, our resident count as of June 30, 2016 was 7000.

Respectfully submitted,
Marie Ryan, MMC/CMMC
Town Clerk




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How do I register to vote?

When is the Annual Town Election/Town Meeting held?

Who may register to vote?

What is the purpose of the annual town census/street list?

What must I do if I have changed my address since January 1 or since registering to vote?

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Town Clerk

The Town Clerk is responsible for maintaining records for the Town as well as being the point of dissemination of information to citizens of the town. Vital statistics, licenses, public notices, town meeting information, Zoning Board decisions, business certificates, and fuel storage permits are all issued from this office as well as the issuing of recycling and tag sale permits are handled through this office.

The other chief function is elections. Voting lists, ballot preparation, certification of nomination papers and initiative petitions, voter registrations, and annual census are all handled from this office.

Staff Contacts

Name	Title
Marie Y. Ryan, MMC/CMMC	Town Clerk and Justice of the Peace
Ellen N. Dupont	Assistant Town Clerk

Board of Registrars

Name	Term Expires
Marie Y. Ryan	Indefinite
Ellen Smith	2021
Deborah Ball	2020
Linda Coons	2019

Town Clerk Calendar

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August 6, 2018
- Town Meeting Minutes 2018
May 7, 2018
- Town Meeting Minutes
May 1, 2017

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GREAT BARRINGTON ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES

MAY 7, 2018 AT 6:00 PM

MONUMENT MOUNTAIN REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, STOCKBRIDGE ROAD

In pursuance of the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the Town of Great Barrington qualified to vote in Town Meetings proceeded to vote at the above named meeting place with the following results. The meeting was duly called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Moderator Michael Wise who welcomed everyone to the Town Meeting. He noted that he hoped to conclude all business this evening. Mr. Wise stated that there was a quorum present and noted the return and service of the warrant. He announced that the meeting is being taped for broadcast at a later date and any use of social media during the meeting is prohibited. He also asked that cell phones be shut off as well. Mr. Wise requested that everyone stand and join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Wise introduced the Town Officials seated on the stage; Town Clerk Marie Ryan, Town Council David Doneski, Town Manager Jennifer Tabakin, Town Accountant Susan Carmel, Selectboard Chair Sean Stanton, Selectboard Chair Sean Stanton, Selectboard members: Stephen Bannon, Daniel Bailly, Edward Abrahams and William Cooke. Then he introduced the Finance Committee; Chair, Thomas Blauvelt, Walter Atwood, Eugene W. Curletti and Janet Lee.

The rules of the meeting were explained by Mr. Wise. The meeting will be governed by the Massachusetts General Laws, the Bylaws of the Town of Great Barrington and Town Meeting Time. More specifically, Mr. Wise reminded everyone of the fire/safety regulations and requested that there be no standing or sitting in the aisles. Only registered voters of the town may participate in the meeting unless permission is granted by the moderator. Before anyone addresses the Town Meeting, he/she must proceed to the microphone and when recognized by the moderator state their name and address. Mr. Wise requested that voters speak only once per motion and limit their comments to three minutes. Comments should be limited to the merits of the motion and should not be repeated. All motions and amendments must be made in writing and any motion to reconsider must be made within 15 minutes of the announced vote. All questions are to be addressed to the moderator who will ask the appropriate person to respond. Each voter has received a warrant, a yellow card and a packet of yes/no cards. Mr. Wise will instruct voters when these are to be used and what color to use if needed. He noted that a counter has been assigned to each section of the auditorium and will report their numbers to the Town Clerk.

A motion was made by Mr. Wise, seconded by Sean Stanton to dispense with the reading of the warrant.

MOTION PASSED VOTED AT 6:06 PM

Mr. Wise introduced Town Manager Jennifer Tabakin who presented a power point slide presentation in regards to the budget articles.

ARTICLE 1: Authorize Revolving Fund Limits (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote, to fix the maximum amount that may be spent during fiscal year 2019, beginning on July 1, 2018, for the revolving funds established in the Town's by-laws for certain departments, boards, committees, agencies and officers in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ as follows, or take any other action relative thereto.

Revolving Fund	Department, Board, Committee, Agency or Officer	FY2019 Spending Limit
Plumbing Inspections	Building Department	\$13,000
Wiring Inspections	Building Department	\$40,000
Gas Inspections	Building Department	\$12,000
Cemetery	Public Works Department	\$5,000
Town Code Printing	Town Clerk	\$0
Parks and Recreation	Public Works Department	\$0
Recycling/Green Product Sales	Public Works Department	\$0
Fire Inspections	Fire Department	\$0

Recommended by the Finance Committee and the Selectboard

On a motion by Tom Blauvelt and seconded by someone in the audience that the Town set the FY2019 spending limits for such revolving funds as set forth in the Warrant, namely, Plumbing Inspections \$13,000; Wiring Inspections \$40,000; Gas Inspections \$12,000; Cemetery \$5,000; Town Code Printing 0; Parks and Recreation 0; Recycling/Green Product Sales 0; and Fire Inspections 0.

MOTION PASS VOTED AT 6:17 PM

ARTICLE 2: Elected Officials' Salaries (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to fix the salaries of all elected officials for the period of July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019 as indicated below:

Elected Officials Salaries:
Selectboard: \$12,500 (\$2,500 per Selectboard member)

Recommended by the Finance Committee and the Selectboard

On a motion by Tom Blauvelt and seconded by someone in the audience that the Town fix the salaries of all elected officials for the period of July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019 as indicated below:

Elected Officials Salaries:
Selectboard: \$12,500 (\$2,500 per Selectboard member)

MOTION PASSED VOTED AT 6:18 PM

ARTICLE 3: MassDOT Highway Funds (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to accept any and all funds being provided by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Division of Transportation (MassDOT), under the provisions of Chapter 90 of the Massachusetts General Laws, to pay for such costs as allowed by appropriate legislation in connection with the maintenance, repair, and construction of Town ways and bridges, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by the Finance Committee and the Selectboard

On a motion by Walter Atwood, III and seconded by Karen Smith that the Town accept any and all funds being provided by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Division of Transportation (MassDOT), under the provisions of Chapter 90 of the Massachusetts General Laws, to pay for such costs as allowed by appropriate legislation in connection with the maintenance, repair, and construction of town ways and bridges.

MOTION PASSED VOTED AT 6:19 PM

ARTICLE 4: Barrowing for Capital Items (2/3 majority secret ballot vote)

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$3,047,045, or any other sum of money, in the following approximate amounts and for the following purposes:

Street/Road/Sidewalk Improvements	\$290,000
Building Improvements	\$2,384,545
Police Cruisers (1)	\$53,000
Highway Dump Truck	\$180,000
Highway Service Truck	\$50,000
Cemetery Mower	\$16,500
Cemetery Leaf Blower	\$10,000
Police Speed Trailer	\$15,000
Parks and Open Space Improvements	<u>\$48,000</u>
Total Capital:	\$3,047,045

and for the payment of all other costs incidental and related thereto, and to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by taxation, transferred from available funds, borrowing or otherwise; or to take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by the Finance Committee and Recommended by the Selectboard

On a motion by Walter Atwood, III and seconded by Sean Stanton that the sum of \$3,047,045 is appropriated to pay costs of undertaking various capital projects, and acquiring various items of capital equipment, as follows:

(i) making various street, road and sidewalk improvements at an approximate cost of \$2,384,545, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, and that to meet this appropriation, \$420,000 shall be transferred from Chapter 90 funds, so-called, \$40,000 shall be transferred from the Community Preservation Fund, \$1,574,545 shall be transferred from available grant funds, and \$350,000 shall be transferred from the unexpended balance of prior street and road improvements capital borrowing under Article 4 of the May 1, 2017 Town Meeting.

(ii) making various building improvements at an approximate cost of \$290,000, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectboard, is authorized to borrow \$215,000 under and pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44, §7(1), or any other authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, and \$75,000 shall be transferred from the unexpended balance of prior capital library borrowing under Article 7 of the May 1, 2017 Town Meeting.

(iii) purchasing and equipping one new police cruiser at a cost of approximately \$53,000, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectboard, is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44, §7(1), or any other authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor.

(iv) acquiring a new highway dump truck at a cost of approximately \$180,000, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectboard, is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44, §7(1), or any other authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor.

(v) acquiring a new highway service truck at an approximate cost of \$50,000, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectboard, is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44, §7(1), or any other authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor.

(vi) acquiring a new cemetery mower at an approximate cost of \$16,500, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectboard, is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44, §7(1), or any other authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor.

(vii) acquiring a new cemetery leaf blower at an approximate cost of \$10,000, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectboard, is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44, §7(1), or any other authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor.

(viii) acquiring a new police speed trailer at an approximate cost of \$15,000, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, and that to meet this appropriation, the sum of \$15,000 shall be transferred from grant funds to be received from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Transportation.

(ix) making park and open space improvements of approximately \$48,000, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectboard, is authorized to borrow \$10,000 under and pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44, §7(1), or any other authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, and \$38,000 shall be transferred from unexpended DPW operating funds under the FY 2018 operating budget.

The amounts authorized to be borrowed by this vote are necessarily estimates, and as such, the Selectboard is authorized to borrow more for any project and less for another, so long as, in its judgment, each project to be funded in whole or in part by a borrowing can be completed within the total amount authorized to be expended by this vote. 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 costs approved by this vote in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the Massachusetts General Laws thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount.

Mr. Wise asked if there were any holds to be placed as he read each item and there were holds placed on the following:

(iv) New highway dump truck

- Steve Farina and Sean VanDeusen spoke on this item.
 (vii) New cemetery leaf blower
 Steve Farina and Sean VanDeusen spoke on this item.
 (viii) New police speed trailer
 Michael Andelman and Police Chief Walsh spoke on this item.

Mr. Wise then told the audience that this article needs to be voted as a 2/3rds majority secret ballot. He then instructed the voters to vote using the green yes/no tickets attached to their warrants.

VOTED by 2/3rds SECRET BALLOT AT 6:46 PM
 YES – 274 NO - 34

ARTICLE 5: FY19 Operating Budget (majority; 2/3 if any sums from Stabilization used)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds such sums of money necessary for the operation of the several departments in the Town for the ensuing year for the purposes outlined below, or to take any other action relative thereto.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT	
Town Manager/Selectboard	\$371,619
Finance Committee/Reserve Fund	\$100,300
Town Accountant	\$118,900
Technology	\$175,130
Assessor	\$147,845
Treasurer/Collector	\$191,348
Town Clerk/Elections	\$122,458
Conservation Commission	\$23,520
Historic District Commission	\$2,500
Various Boards/Commission	\$4,000
Planning Board	\$5,250
Zoning Board of Appeals	\$1,350
Office of Planning/Community Development	\$102,185
PUBLIC SAFETY	
Police Department	\$1,590,343
Fire Department	\$490,553
Communications/Emergency Management	\$26,985
Building Inspector	\$158,920
Weights and Measures	\$4,500
Animal Control	\$11,750
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	\$2,159,240
BOARD OF HEALTH	\$113,355
COMMUNITY SERVICES	
Council on Aging	\$168,498
Veterans' Affairs	\$171,851
Human Services	\$32,000
Community Services	
CULTURAL/RECREATION	
Libraries	\$537,410
Parks & Recreation	\$75,750
MISCELLANEOUS	
Insurance	\$1,931,250
Debt Service	\$1,673,650
Retirement	\$818,263
Celebrations/Seasonal/Events/Band Programs	\$12,000
TOTAL GENERAL FUND BUDGET	\$11,342,723

- Parking Enforcement Officer (Police Department)
Recommended by the Finance Committee \$10,000
Recommended by the Selectboard \$15,000
- Libraries
Recommended by the Selectboard
The Finance Committee Vote was a tie, resulting in no recommendation.

On a motion by Will Curletti and seconded by Sean Stanton that the Town raise and appropriate such sums of money necessary for the operation of the several departments in the Town for the ensuing fiscal year for the purposes outlined below.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT	
Town Manager/Selectboard	\$371,619
Finance Committee/Reserve Fund	\$100,300
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TOTAL GENERAL FUND BUDGET	\$11,342,723

Mr. Wise asked if there were any holds to be placed as he read each line item and there were holds placed on the following:

Town Manager/Selectboard – Ellen Lahr and Patricia Ryan spoke on this item.
Town Accountant – James Harris spoke on this item.
Technology – Patrick Fennell spoke on this item.
Town Clerk/Elections – James Harris spoke on this item.
Treasurer/Collector – James Harris spoke on this item.

Police Department, Building Inspector, Libraries and Parks/Recreation all had amendments as follows:

Police Department – On a motion by Peter Drucker and seconded by Karen Smith to increase the Police Department Budget to \$1,595,343. This is an increase of \$5000.00 for the Parking Enforcement Officer. Steve Farina, Walter Atwood, III and Chief Walsh all spoke on this amendment.

AMENDMENT VOTED AT 6:56 PM

Building Inspector – On a motion by Joseph Grochmal and seconded by Karen Smith to increase the Building Inspector's budget to \$162,220. This is to increase the Education line item under the Building Inspector's budget. Edward Abrahams spoke on this amendment.

AMENDMENT VOTED AT 6:58 PM

Libraries – On a motion by Holly Hamer and seconded by Karen Smith to increase the Library budget to \$548,375. This is an increase the following line items: office supplies up to \$9800, programming supplies up to \$3000, non-print materials up to \$34,000, books and subscriptions up to \$75,000 and travel and training up to \$1400. Kathy Plungis, Amanda DeGiorgis, David Rosenberg and Patrick Hollenbeck all spoke on this amendment.

AMENDMENT VOTED AT 7:08 PM

Parks/Recreation – On a motion by Karen Smith and seconded by someone in the audience to increase the Parks/Recreation budget to \$85,750. This is to increase the Parks/Rec Management line item.

AMENDMENT VOTED AT 7:11 PM

Mr. Wise asked if anyone requests this to be by secret ballot and more than 20 people raised their hands for a secret ballot. Mr. Wise then instructed the voters to vote using their beige yes/no tickets attached to their warrants to vote on this article as amended.

VOTED BY SECRET BALLOT AT 7:31 PM

YES – 223 NO – 113

ARTICLE 6: FY19 Wastewater Treatment Budget (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the receipts of the Wastewater Treatment Plant such sums of money necessary for the operation of the Sewer Division for the ensuing year for the purposes outlined below, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Wastewater Treatment Plant	
Salaries	\$437,355
Expenses	\$601,976
Insurance/Benefits	\$233,622
Miscellaneous/Transfers	\$172,529
Debt Service	\$835,598
Total Wastewater:	\$2,120,706

Recommended by the Finance Committee and the Selectboard

On a motion by Will Curletti and seconded by Sean Stanton that the Town appropriate from the receipts of the Wastewater Treatment Plant such sums of money necessary for the operation of the Sewer Division for the ensuing fiscal year for the purposes outlined below.

Wastewater Treatment Plant	
Salaries	\$437,355
Expenses	\$601,976
Insurance/Benefits	\$233,622
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Total Wastewater:	\$2,120,706

It was noted by someone in the audience that the slide presentation by Town Manager Jennifer Tabakin was not the same numbers as written in the warrant. Mr. Wise asked for a motion to table this article so that Jennifer Tabakin may look over this issue. On a motion by someone in the audience and seconded by someone in the audience, this article was placed on hold at 7:04 PM.

Mr. Wise asked for a motion for to open up this article again and was made by someone in the audience and was seconded by someone in the audience. Town Accountant Susan Carmel stated that the numbers listed for Expenses should have been listed as \$631,800 and the number for Debt Services should have been listed as \$645,400. However, the overall total of \$2,120,706 was correct for this article.

MOTION PASSED VOTED AT 7:50 PM

ARTICLE 7: FY19 Regional School Assessment (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of Fifteen Million, Five Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand , Three Hundred and Seventy-Eight Dollars (\$15,532,378) for the operating assessment, and Six Hundred Twenty-Two Thousand, Nine Hundred and Nineteen Dollars (\$622,919) for the capital assessment, for a total assessment of Sixteen Million, One Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand, Two Hundred and Ninety-Seven Dollars (\$16,155,297) of the Berkshire Hills Regional School District, or take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by the Finance Committee and the Selectboard

On a motion by Janet Lee and seconded by Sean Stanton that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Million, Five Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand , Three Hundred and Seventy-Eight Dollars (\$15,532,378) for the operating assessment, and Six Hundred Twenty-Two Thousand, Nine Hundred and Nineteen Dollars (\$622,919) for the capital assessment, for a total assessment of Sixteen Million, One Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand, Two Hundred and Ninety-Seven Dollars (\$16,155,297) of the Berkshire Hills Regional School District.

School Superintendent Peter Dillon gave a short power point presentation on the school district. The following people spoke on this article:

Patrick Fennell Sean Stanton Charles Williamson Dan Bailly Kate McTeigue Susie Fowle

Patrick Fennell asked for this to be voted by secret ballot. Mr. Wise asked the audience and less than 20 people agreed so the motion for a secret ballot failed.

MOTION PASSED VOTED AT 7:44 PM

ARTICLE 8: Authorize use of Free Cash (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the use of Free Cash to reduce the tax levy for Fiscal Year 2019, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by the Finance Committee and the Selectboard

On a motion by Janet Lee and seconded by Karen Smith that the Town authorize the use of \$1,542,504 in Free Cash to reduce the tax levy for Fiscal Year 2019.

MOTION PASSED VOTED AT 7:51 PM

ARTICLE 9: Authorize Appropriation from the Stabilization Fund (2/3 majority secret ballot)

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$100,000 from the Stabilization Fund to reduce the tax levy for Fiscal Year 2019, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by the Finance Committee and the Selectboard

On a motion by Anne O'Dwyer and seconded by Karen Smith that the Town appropriate \$100,000 from the Stabilization fund to reduce the tax levy for Fiscal Year 2019.

Mr. Wise then told the audience that this article needs to be voted as a 2/3rds majority secret ballot. He then instructed the voters to vote using their green yes/no tickets from their warrants.

VOTED BY 2/3RDS SECRET BALLOT AT 8:03 PM

YES – 298 NO - 20

ARTICLE 10: Rescind Authored but Unissued Debt (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to rescind the following amounts that have been authorized to be borrowed, but which are no longer needed for the purposes for which they were initially approved:

Unissued Amount	Date of Town Meeting Approval	Warrant Article	Original Purpose
\$ 1,464	5/4/15	5	Dump Truck
\$155,000	5/9/16	4	Fire Air Packs
\$ 29,000	5/9/16	4	Dump Truck
\$ 10,000	5/1/17	4	Dump Truck

or to take any other action relative thereto.

Recommended by the Finance Committee and the Selectboard

On a motion by Anne O'Dwyer and seconded by Sean Stanton that the Town hereby rescinds the following amounts that have been authorized to be borrowed, but which are no longer needed for the purposes for which they were initially approved:

Unissued Amount	Date of Approval	Warrant Article	Original Purpose
\$1,464	5/4/15	5	Dump Truck
\$155,000	5/9/16	4	Fire Air Packs
\$29,000	5/9/16	4	Dump Truck
\$10,000	5/1/17	4	Dump Truck

Jack Crance spoke on this article.

MOTION PASSED VOTED AT 7:57 PM

ARTICLE 11: Community Preservation Fund Reserves/Appropriations (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or reserve for future appropriation, from the community preservation fund, the following amounts recommended by the Community Preservation Committee for fiscal year 2019, with each item considered a separate appropriation; or to take any other action relative thereto.

Reserves:	
From FY2019 revenues for historic resources reserve	\$43,050
From FY2019 revenues from community housing reserve	\$43,050
From FY2019 revenues for open space reserve	\$43,050
Appropriations:	
From FY2019 revenues for administrative expenses	\$19,178
From undesignated fund balance for 2019 budgeted reserve	\$250,000

Recommended by the Community Preservation Committee and the Selectboard

On a motion by Karen Smith and seconded by someone in the audience that the Town appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund annual revenues the following amounts recommended by the Community Preservation Committee for committee administrative expenses in fiscal year 2019 and for Budgeted Reserve, and reserve for future appropriation for community preservation projects the following reserve amounts, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation:

Reserves:	
From FY2019 revenues for historic resources reserve	\$43,050
From FY2019 revenues from community housing reserve	\$43,050
From FY2019 revenues for open space reserve	\$43,050
Appropriations:	
From FY2019 revenues for administrative expenses	\$19,178

From undesignated fund balance for 2019 budgeted reserve

\$250,000

Karen Smith made a presentation to summarize the insert in the warrant on this article.

MOTION PASSED VOTED AT 8:03 PM

ARTICLE 12: Community Preservation Projects (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund for fiscal 2019 the following amounts recommended by the Community Preservation Committee with each item to be considered a separate appropriation, or to take any other action relative thereto.

PROJECTS	TOTAL APPROPRIATION	Source of Appropriation		
		BUDGETED RESERVE	RESERVED FUND BALANCES	FY 19 REVENUES
AFFORDABLE HOUSING				
Affordable housing trust fund: rehab and/or downpayment assistance	\$100,000			\$100,000
HISTORIC PRESERVATION				
Town Hall steps restoration project	\$120,000			\$120,000
Clinton Church Restoration	\$100,000			\$100,000
SUBTOTAL	\$220,000			
OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION				
Old Route 7 Greenway Phase 1	\$25,000		\$25,000	
Lake Mansfield accessible loop trail	\$15,000		\$15,000	
McAllister wildlife refuge project	\$18,950		\$18,950	
HVA: Housatonic River access project	\$19,676		\$19,676	
GB Land Conservancy: construction of trail	\$115,000		\$5,000	\$110,000
SUBTOTAL	\$193,626			
			\$83,626	\$430,000
TOTAL	\$513,626	\$513,626		

Recommended by the Community Preservation Committee and the Selectboard

On a motion by Karen Smith and seconded by Sean Stanton that the Town appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund for fiscal year 2019 the following amounts recommended by the Community Preservation Committee with each item to be considered a separate appropriation:

PROJECTS	Source of Appropriation			
	TOTAL APPROPRIATION	BUDGETED RESERVE	RESERVED FUND BALANCES	FY 19 REVENUES
AFFORDABLE HOUSING				
Affordable housing trust fund: rehab and/or downpayment assistance	\$100,000			\$100,000
HISTORIC PRESERVATION				
Town Hall steps restoration project	\$120,000			\$120,000
Clinton Church Restoration	\$100,000			\$100,000
SUBTOTAL	\$220,000			
OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION				
Old Route 7 Greenway Phase 1	\$25,000		\$25,000	
Lake Mansfield accessible loop trail	\$15,000		\$15,000	
McAllister wildlife refuge project	\$18,950		\$18,950	
HVA: Housatonic River access project	\$19,676		\$19,676	
GB Land Conservancy: construction of trail	\$115,000		\$5,000	\$110,000
SUBTOTAL	\$193,626			
			\$83,626	\$430,000
TOTAL	\$513,626		\$513,626	

Town Planner, Chris Rembold spoke on this article.
MOTION PASSED VOTED AT 8:13 PM

ARTICLE 13: Authorize the Selectboard to acquire certain permanent easements and temporary easements, in order to implement downtown street improvements on Bridge Street, Bentley Road, Elm Street, Railroad Street, and School Street (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to acquire certain permanent easements and temporary easements through all legal means including donation, purchase, or eminent domain, in order to implement downtown street improvements on Bridge Street, Bentley Road, Elm Street, Railroad Street and School Street, said easement areas being shown on the nine pages of plans entitled “Downtown Street Improvements Easements 2018”, prepared by Martinez Couch & Associates, Rocky Hill, CT, dated 3/5/18 and 4/9/18, which are on file with the Town Clerk, or to take any other action relative thereto.

On a motion by Dan Bailly and seconded by someone in the audience that the Town authorize the Selectboard to acquire certain permanent easements and temporary easements through all legal means including donation, purchase, or eminent domain, in order to implement downtown street improvements on Bridge Street, Bentley Road, Elm Street, Railroad Street and School Street, said easement areas being shown on the nine pages of plans entitled “Downtown Street Improvements Easements 2018”, prepared by Martinez Couch & Associates, Rocky Hill, CT, dated 3/5/18 and 4/9/18, which are on file with the Town Clerk.

MOTION PASSED VOTED AT 8:15 PM

ARTICLE 14: Authorize the Selectboard to acquire certain permanent easements and temporary easements on Knob Hill Road (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to acquire certain permanent easements and temporary easements on and/or in Knob Hill Road, through all legal means including donation, purchase, or eminent domain, said easement areas being shown on a plan entitled “Proposed Easement Plan and Summary” prepared by Foresight Land Services, Pittsfield, MA, and dated 4/20/2018, and which is on file with the Town Clerk, or to take any other action relative thereto.

On a motion by Steve Bannon and seconded by someone in the audience that the Town authorize the Selectboard to acquire certain permanent easements and temporary easements on and/or in Knob Hill Road, through all legal means including donation, purchase, or eminent domain, said easement areas being shown on a plan entitled “Proposed Easement Plan and Summary” prepared by Foresight Land Services, Pittsfield, MA, and dated 4/20/2018, and which is on file with the Town Clerk.

MOTION PASSED VOTED AT 8:16 PM

ARTICLE 15: Authorize the Selectboard to transfer or gift the property totaling approximately 8.34 acres on East Mountain to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (2/3 majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the care, custody, management and control of the approximately 8.34 acres of property on East Mountain, shown on Assessors' Map 37 as Parcel 53, to the Selectboard for the purpose of transfer or conveyance, and authorize the Selectboard to transfer or donate the property to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and to take all action and execute all documents necessary in connection therewith, or to take any other action relative thereto.

On a motion by Bill Cooke and seconded by someone in the audience that the Town transfer the care, custody, management and control of the approximately 8.34 acres of property on East Mountain, shown on Assessors' Map 37 as Parcel 53, to the Selectboard for the purpose of transfer or conveyance, and authorize the Selectboard to transfer or donate the property to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and to take all action and execute all documents necessary in connection therewith.

Mr. Wise stated that this article needs to be passed by a 2/3rds majority vote.

MOTION PASSED VOTED 2/3rds MAJORITY AT 8:17 PM

ARTICLE 16: Authorize the Selectboard to grant a Natural Area and Trail Use Agreement in perpetuity to the Great Barrington Land Conservancy in connection with the construction, use, and maintenance of a recreation trail (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to grant to the Great Barrington Land Conservancy certain perpetual land use rights, under a Natural Area and Trail Use Agreement with the Great Barrington Land Conservancy in connection with the construction, use and maintenance of a recreational trail, as shown on six pages of plans entitled "Easement Plan Prepared for the Great Barrington Land Conservancy Riverfront Trail," prepared by Foresight Land Services, Pittsfield, MA, which are on file with the Town Clerk, or to take any other action relative thereto.

On a motion by Bill Cooke and seconded by Sean Stanton that the Town authorize the Selectboard to grant to the Great Barrington Land Conservancy certain perpetual land use rights, under a Natural Area and Trail Use Agreement with the Great Barrington Land Conservancy in connection with the construction, use and maintenance of a recreational trail, as shown on six pages of plans entitled "Easement Plan Prepared for the Great Barrington Land Conservancy Riverfront Trail," prepared by Foresight Land Services, Pittsfield, MA, which are on file with the Town Clerk.

MOTION PASSED VOTED AT 8:18 PM

ARTICLE 17: Vote to discontinue as a town way a portion of Manville Street (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue as a public way the westerly portion of Manville Street, as shown on a Site Plan prepared by SK Design Group Inc. dated March 23, 2018, on file with the Town Clerk, and which portion is described as follows: Beginning at a point in the northerly line of Manville Street 568 feet westerly in said northerly line from the westerly line of Main Street; Running thence westerly in said northerly line a distance of 261 feet, more or less, to land now or formerly of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company; Running thence southerly along land now or formerly of said Railroad Company a distance of 40 feet, more or less, to the southerly line of Manville Street; Running thence easterly in said southerly line a distance of 263 feet, more or less to a point; and Running thence northerly across Manville Street a distance of 40 feet, more or less, to the place of beginning, or to take any other action relative thereto.

On a motion by Edward Abrahams and seconded by Karen Smith that the Town discontinue as a public way the westerly portion of Manville Street, as shown on a Site Plan prepared by SK Design Group Inc. dated March 23, 2018, on file with the Town Clerk, and which is described by metes and bounds in Article 17 of the warrant for this Town Meeting.

Town Planner Chris Rembold, Ian Rausch, John Polizzi and Charles Williamson all spoke on this article.

MOTION PASSED VOTED AT 8:23 PM

ARTICLE 18: Zoning: Rezone State Road between the Housatonic River and Belcher Square (2/3majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw by adding a new Section 9.14, State Road Mixed Use; amending Section 2.1.2, List of Business Districts; amending Section 3.1.4, Table of Use Regulations, amending Section 4.1.2, Schedule of Dimensional Requirements, as proposed below, and amending the Zoning Map as shown below, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Purpose of the Amendment: This amendment is proposed pursuant to the recommendations of the 2013 Master Plan to update the zoning in certain commercial areas within walking distance of a village center, to preserve and enhance the mix of residential and retail uses, and to reflect the context of the built fabric. This amendment would affect the area of State Road approximately between the Housatonic River and Belcher Square, as shown on the accompanying map, most of which is currently zoned B-2. Most of the B-2 parcels would be rezoned to B2X, while some would be rezoned to reflect their adjacent residential districts, e.g., R3 or R1B.

The existing B-2 designation allows for a wide variety of business and retail uses, but it is more restrictive with regards to residential and mixed-uses. The B-2 designation also sets strict building setback and lot size requirements. Few of the lots and existing structures meet the dimensional requirements of the B-2 zone, and many of the uses, which predated the B-2 designation, would not be permitted today under the B-2 regulations. Some lots with business uses are currently zoned residential. Many lots, which are residential in use and character, are nonconforming under current zoning because they are zoned for business. These include some lots on East Street, Avery Lane, Everett Street, Gilmore Avenue, Mechanic Street, and Hillside Avenue. Making improvements or modifications to properties that do not conform to their zoning designation requires a potentially onerous and expensive permitting process, which discourages owners from investing in their properties.

The Planning Board is proposing to address these issues by rezoning the area, to reflect more closely the mix of business and residential uses that already exists. The new zone would continue to allow retail and commercial establishments, like the current B-2, but it would also allow for a variety of residential and mixed uses. It would also allow buildings to be built close together and close to the street line, in much the same way they exist now. The overarching goal of this effort is to bring currently nonconforming structures and uses into conformance to the extent possible, allow for mixed-uses and a variety of housing options, and reduce parking requirements.

Proposed additions are underlined.

Proposed deletions are ~~struck through~~.

Add a new Section 9.14, as follows:

9.14 State Road Mixed Use (B2X)

9.14.1 Purpose. The State Road Mixed Use district (B2X) is hereby established to preserve and enhance the mix of business and residential uses, to enhance the existing character of the area, and to bring existing uses and structures more into compliance with the Zoning Bylaw, thereby facilitating a variety of business and housing opportunities.

9.14.2 Location. The B2X shall consist of the land shown on the 2016 Town of Great Barrington Assessors' Map 11 as Parcels 69, 71, 72, 74, 97, 105-111, 114-116; on Map 12 as Parcels 75, 75A, 79, 81, 84, 85, 88 and 89; on Map 14 as Parcels 8-24, 43, 44, 57, 57A; and on Map 15 as Parcels 1-6, and that portion of parcel 57 within 300 feet from the centerline of State Road.

9.14.3 Permitted Uses. Permitted uses in the B2X are set forth in Section 3.1.4, the Table of Use Regulations.

9.14.4 Dimensional Requirements. Minimum setback and dimensional requirements for the B2X shall be as set forth in Section 4.1.2, Schedule of Dimensional Requirements except as follows:

1. Existing structures, or those for which valid building permits have been issued, as of May 7, 2018, with front, side, and rear setbacks that do not meet the requirements herein shall be permitted to maintain those setbacks.

9.14.5 Parking. The off-street parking requirements in Section 6.1 shall not apply in the B2X except as provided in this section. Off-street parking requirements in the B2X shall be as follows:

1. For new buildings, no off-street parking spaces shall be located within the front yard area.
2. Only one space shall be required for any dwelling unit, whether in residential-only or in mixed-use buildings.
3. For permitted uses in buildings in existence as of May 7, 2018 that are not substantially expanded, no new spaces shall be required. A substantial expansion is defined, for the purpose of this subsection, as one which involves

- increasing the gross floor area of a structure by more than 25% or 500 square feet, whichever is less.
4. For permitted uses in new buildings or existing buildings that are substantially expanded, as defined in this subsection, or for any building greater than 5,000 square feet gross floor area, parking is required as follows:
 - (a) one parking space shall be required for each dwelling unit;
 - (b) the parking requirements for business or industrial uses in Section 6.1.2 through 6.1.6 shall be calculated as follows: the sum of the required parking for each use multiplied by 0.5, with the product rounded down to the nearest whole number, plus handicapped parking as may be required by law or building code (Example: 3 spaces required for retail, 4 spaces required for offices: $(3 + 4) \times 0.5 = 3.5$, so 3 spaces, + 1 handicapped space, = 4 spaces are required); and
 5. The parking requirements of paragraphs 2, 3, or 4 of this subsection may be waived if the SPGA grants a special permit pursuant to section 6.1.9.

Amend Section 2.1.2 to add the B2X district, as follows:

2.1.2 Business Districts.

B	Downtown Business
B1	Neighborhood Business
B2	General Business
B2A	Transitional Business
<u>B2X</u>	<u>State Road Mixed Use</u>
B3	Downtown Business Mixed Use
HVC	Housatonic Village Center
MXD	Mixed Use Transitional

Amend Section 3.1.4, Table of Use Regulations, to add a new column, B2X, as follows:

Permitted Use	ZONING DISTRICT ¹															ADDITIONAL APPLICABLE REGULATIONS
	R1A	R1B	R2	R3	R4	B	HVC	B1	B2	B2A	B2X	B3	MXD	I	I2	
A. Residential uses																
(1) Dwelling, Single family	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	<u>Y</u>	Y	Y	SB	SB	
(2) Dwelling, Two-family	Y ²	Y ²	Y ²	Y ²	Y ²	Y ²	Y ²	Y ²	Y ²	Y ²	<u>Y²</u>	Y ²	Y ²	Y ²	Y ²	See also 8.1 , 8.7 .
(3) Dwelling, multifamily 3 to 8 units	SB	SB	SB	SB	N	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	<u>Y</u>	Y	Y	N	SB	See also 8.3
9 units or more	N	N	N	N	N	SB	SB	N	SB	SB	<u>SB</u>	Y	SB	N	SB	See also 8.3
(4) Assisted living residence	PB	PB	PB	PB	PB	PB	PB	PB	PB	PB	<u>PB</u>	PB	PB	PB	PB	See also 8.8
(5) Live/work units	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	<u>Y</u>	Y	Y	Y	Y	See also 9.4 , 9.6 .
(6) Lodging house or tourist home for transient guests	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	N	SB	SB	<u>SB</u>	SB	SB	SB	SB	See also 7.16
(7) Mixed use	N	N	N	N	N	SB	Y	SB	SB	SB	<u>Y</u>	SB	Y	Y	Y	See also 8.4 , 9.6 .
(8) Open Space Residential Development	N	N	PB	N	PB	N	N	N	N	N	<u>N</u>	N	N	N	N	See also 8.7
(9) Planned unit residential development (PURD)	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	N	N	SB	SB	<u>SB</u>	SB	SB	N	N	See also 8.5
(10) Publicly Financed Nonprofit Age-Restricted Housing	N	N	N	SB	N	SB	SB	N	SB	SB	<u>SB</u>	SB	SB	N	N	See also 8.9
(11) Trailer or mobile home	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	N	SB	SB	SB	<u>SB</u>	N	N	SB	SB	See also 8.6
B. Community, educational, & recreational uses																
(1) Camping facilities	N	N	SB	N	SB	N	N	N	N	SB	<u>SB</u>	N	N	N	N	See also 7.4
(2) Cemeteries	N	N	SB	N	SB	N	N	N	N	N	<u>N</u>	N	N	N	N	
(3) Child care center	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	<u>Y</u>	Y	Y	Y	Y	
(4) Clubhouses or fraternal lodges not conducted for profit	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	<u>SB</u>	SB	SB	SB	SB	

Permitted Use	ZONING DISTRICT ¹															ADDITIONAL APPLICABLE REGULATIONS
	R1A	R1B	R2	R3	R4	B	HVC	B1	B2	B2A	B2X	B3	MXD	I	I2	
(5) Commercial amusements, fairgrounds	N	N	N	N	N	SB	SB	N	SB	N	N	N	SB	SB	SB	
(6) Community center operated by a municipal or private not-for-profit organization	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	
(7) Educational use, exempt	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
(8) Educational use, nonexempt	N	N	SB	N	SB	SB	SB	N	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	See also 7.6
(9) Golf or country clubs	N	N	SB	N	SB	N	N	N	N	SB	N	N	N	SB	SB	
(10) Hospitals, sanitariums, nursing or convalescent homes or philanthropic institutions, provided that no principal building so used shall be within 50 feet of any lot line	N	N	SB	N	SB	SB	SB	N	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	
(11) Municipal parks and playgrounds, including recreational buildings therein	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
(12) Public libraries, public museums, municipal buildings and facilities	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
(13) Riding stables on less than 5 acres, provided that any buildings or structures are set back not less than 50 feet from any lot line	N	N	SB	N	SB	SB	N	N	SB	SB	N	N	N	SB	SB	
(14) Ski tows, provided that any buildings or structures are set back not less than 50 feet from any lot line	N	N	SB	N	SB	SB	N	N	SB	N	N	N	N	SB	SB	
(15) Summer camps operated for children on sites not less than 10 acres in area	N	N	SB	N	SB	N	N	N	N	SB	N	N	N	N	N	
(16) Use of land or structures for religious purposes	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	

Permitted Use	R1A	ZONING DISTRICT ¹														ADDITIONAL APPLICABLE REGULATIONS
		R1B	R2	R3	R4	B	HVC	B1	B2	B2A	<u>B2X</u>	B3	MXD	I	I2	
C. Office, retail and consumer service establishments																
(1) Banks and other financial institutions	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	<u>Y</u>	Y	Y	Y	Y	
(2) Fast-food eating establishments	N	N	N	N	N	SB	SB	N	SB	N	<u>SB</u>	N	SB	N	N	See also 7.7 , 7.9
(3) Fuel storage and sales, excluding motor vehicle fuel stations	N	N	N	N	N	SB	N	N	SB	N	<u>N</u>	N	SB	SB	SB	
(4) Garages, public	N	N	N	N	N	SB	SB	N	SB	N	<u>SB</u>	SB	SB	SB	SB	See also 9.7
(5) Garden centers, including associated landscaping services	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	<u>Y</u>	Y	Y	Y	Y	
(6) General service establishment	N	N	N	N	N	SB	Y	N	Y	N	<u>Y</u>	SB	Y	Y	Y	
(7) Greenhouses, commercial, on less than 5 acres, provided that no heating plant for a greenhouse shall be within 50 feet from any side or rear lot line	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	<u>Y</u>	Y	Y	Y	Y	
(8) Hotels	N	N	N	N	N	SB	SB	N	SB	SB	<u>SB</u>	SB	SB	SB	SB	See also 7.10
(9) Institutional administrative offices or planned professional office developments or research centers, provided that in R2 & R4 Districts such uses are subject to special requirements	N	N	SB	N	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	<u>SB</u>	SB	SB	SB	SB	See also 7.13
(10) Kennel	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	<u>SB</u>	SB	SB	SB	SB	See also 7.17
(11) Large-scale commercial development	N	N	N	N	N	Y	SB	SB	SB	N	<u>N</u>	SB	N	SB	SB	See also 7.9 , 7.12 , 9.6
(12) Lumberyards	N	N	N	N	N	SB	N	N	SB	N	<u>N</u>	SB	SB	SB	SB	
(13) Motels or overnight cabins	N	N	N	N	N	SB	SB	N	SB	N	<u>SB</u>	SB	SB	SB	SB	See also 7.10
(14) Motor vehicle fuel station	N	N	N	N	N	SB	SB	N	SB	N	<u>SB</u>	N	SB	SB	SB	See also 7.8

Permitted Use	ZONING DISTRICT ¹															ADDITIONAL APPLICABLE REGULATIONS
	R1A	R1B	R2	R3	R4	B	HVC	B1	B2	B2A	B2X	B3	MXD	I	I2	
(15) Motor vehicle general and body repair	N	N	N	N	N	SB	SB	N	SB	N	<u>SB</u>	N	SB	SB	SB	
(16) Motor vehicle sales rooms including used car lots	N	N	N	N	N	SB	SB	N	SB	N	<u>SB</u>	N	SB	SB	SB	
(17) Offices	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	<u>Y</u>	Y	Y	Y	Y	
(18) Parking lots, commercial	N	N	N	N	N	SB	SB	N	SB	N	<u>SB</u>	SB	SB	SB	SB	
(19) Personal service establishment	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	<u>Y</u>	Y	Y	Y	Y	
(20) Professional offices	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	<u>Y</u>	Y	Y	Y	Y	See also 7.14
(21) Registered Marijuana Dispensary	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	<u>Y</u>	Y	N	Y	Y	See also 7.18
(22) Restaurants and other places for serving food, other than fast-food eating establishments	N	N	N	N	N	Y	SB ⁴	SB	SB	SB	<u>SB</u>	SB	SB	SB	SB	See also 7.3 See also footnote 4, below.
(23) Retail stores or centers and/or wholesale sales and service with total aggregate floor area less than or equal to 20,000 square feet	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y ⁵	Y	Y	SB	<u>Y⁵</u>	Y	Y ⁵	Y	Y	See also footnote 5, below.
(24) Retail stores and shops for custom work or making of articles sold on the premises	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	SB	Y	SB	<u>Y</u>	Y	Y	Y	Y	
D. Agricultural uses																
(1) Agriculture, as defined by MGL c. 40A, s. 3, on tracts larger than 5 acres, including sales of products raised on premises on stands or structures erected in accordance with front yard setback requirements, provided that soil fertilizer shall be stored not less than 100 feet from any lot line, unless kept in air-tight	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	<u>Y</u>	Y	Y	Y	Y	

Permitted Use	ZONING DISTRICT ¹															ADDITIONAL APPLICABLE REGULATIONS
	R1A	R1B	R2	R3	R4	B	HVC	B1	B2	B2A	B2X	B3	MXD	I	I2	
containers																
E. Utilities, communication and transportation																
(1) Aviation field, public or private	N	N	N	N	SB	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	See also 7.2
(2) Essential services	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
(3) Freight terminals, truck or rail	N	N	N	N	N	SB	N	N	SB	N	N	N	SB	SB	SB	
(4) Low-power FM broadcast radio licensed by FCC																See also 7.15
(a) Studio	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
(b) Antenna	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	
(5) Passenger stations	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	
(6) Personal wireless tower or structure as a principal (or accessory) use in the Overlay District, and the initial and any subsequent personal wireless service facility located upon that tower or structure (see Section 9.3 of this Bylaw)																See also 9.3
(7) Solar Energy Systems:																
Roof-mounted (any size)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	See also 9.12
Accessory use, up to 750 sf project area ⁶	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	PB	PB	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	See note ⁶ and 9.12
Accessory use 750 sf project area or larger ⁶	PB	PB	Y	PB	Y	PB	PB	Y	Y	PB	PB	Y	Y	Y	Y	See note ⁶ and 9.12
Commercial scale	N	N	PB	N	PB	PB	N	N	PB	N	N	PB	N	Y	PB	See also 9.12
F. Industrial, manufacturing and storage uses																
(1) Contractor's and Landscaper's yards	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	SB	Y	Y	
(2) Gravel, loam, sand and stone removal for commercial purposes	N	N	SB	N	SB	SB	N	N	SB	N	N	N	N	SB	SB	See also 7.5

Permitted Use	ZONING DISTRICT ¹															ADDITIONAL APPLICABLE REGULATIONS
	R1A	R1B	R2	R3	R4	B	HVC	B1	B2	B2A	B2X	B3	MXD	I	I2	
(3) Light manufacturing	N	N	N	N	N	N	SB	N	N	N	<u>SB</u>	SB	SB	Y	Y	See also 6.4
(4) Saw (log) mill and manufacture of forest products, provided that any saw (log) mill shall be located at least 200 feet from any lot line, and no piles of sawdust or other refuse shall be maintained within 100 feet of any lot line	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	<u>N</u>	N	N	SB	SB	
G Accessory uses																
(1) Any structure or use customarily incidental and subordinate to the principal permitted use in the district	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	<u>Y</u>	Y	Y	Y	Y	See also 3.2 , 7.1
(2) Home occupation (low impact)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	<u>Y</u>	Y	Y	Y	Y	See also 3.3
(3) Adult day care	PB	PB	PB	PB	PB	PB	PB	PB	PB	PB	<u>PB</u>	PB	PB	PB	PB	See also 8.8
(4) An accessory use to a by-right use, whether or not on the same parcel, which is necessary in conjunction with scientific research or development or related production, provided that the Board of Selectmen finds that the proposed accessory use does not substantially derogate from the public good	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	<u>SB</u>	SB	SB	SB	SB	See also 3.2
(5) Drive-up or drive-through facilities	N	N	N	N	N	SB	N	SB	SB	SB	<u>SB</u>	SB	SB	SB	SB	See also 7.9 , 9.6
(6) Family day care (small)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	SB	Y	SB	SB	SB	Y	SB	SB	SB	SB	
(7) Family day care (large)	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	<u>SB</u>	SB	SB	SB	SB	
(8) Home occupation (moderate impact)	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	<u>Y</u>	SB	Y	SB	SB	See also 3.3

Permitted Use		ZONING DISTRICT ¹														ADDITIONAL APPLICABLE REGULATIONS
	R1A	R1B	R2	R3	R4	B	HVC	B1	B2	B2A	<u>B2X</u>	B3	MXD	I	I2	
(9)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	<u>Y</u>	Y	Y	Y	Y	
(10)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	<u>Y</u>	Y	Y	Y	Y	
(11)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	<u>Y</u>	Y	Y	Y	Y	
(12)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	SB	Y	SB	SB	SB	<u>Y</u>	SB	Y	SB	SB	
(13)	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	SB	<u>SB</u>	SB	SB	SB	SB	

⁵ NOTE: In the B1, HVC and B2X zones, wholesale sales and service facilities as well as retail stores are permitted by right up to 6,500 gross square feet (GSF). Such uses may also be permitted by special permit from the Select Board up to 10,000 GSF in the B1, HVC and B2X zones. Such uses greater than 10,000 GSF are prohibited in the B1 zone. Retail stores up to 20,000 GSF in the HVC may be allowed by special permit from the Select Board, however, if the use is proposed as a component of a project that redevelops or reuses historic structures. Said structures are those listed on the State or National Register of Historic Places, a designated property in a Local Historic District, or determined in writing by the Great Barrington Historical Commission as historically, culturally, or architecturally significant to the Town. [5-4-2015 ATM, Art. 18.] In the MXD zones, retail stores and wholesale sales and service facilities are permitted by right up to 9,000 GSF, and by special permit from the Selectboard up to 20,000 GSF. [5-9-2016 ATM, Art. 21.]

Amend Section 4.1.2, to add a new row, B2X, and amend footnote 9, as follows:

4.1.2 Schedule of Dimensional Requirements

District	Minimum lot area (sq. ft.)	Width (ft.)	Minimum front yard¹ (ft.)	Minimum side yard (ft.)	Minimum rear yard (ft.)	Maximum lot coverage by buildings (percent)	Stories^{2, 6}	Height (ft.)^{2, 6}
<u>B2X</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>0⁹</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>75</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>40</u>

9. Zero front setbacks are encouraged for the purpose of maintaining the integrity and continuity of the street facade. The maximum front setback in the B District shall be five feet. The maximum setback in the B2X District shall be 12 feet.

And rezone certain other land as follows:

Rezone the land shown on the 2016 Town of Great Barrington Assessors' Map 11, Parcels 73, 75, 76, 78, and 90-93 and on Map 14, Parcel 40, to R3; and, rezone the land shown on Map 14, Parcels 48, 58, and 59 and Map 15 Parcels 58, 58A, and 59A to R1B.

And amend the Zoning Map as shown below to reflect the above actions:

Existing Zoning Map:

Proposed Zoning Map:

4.1.2 Schedule of Dimensional Requirements

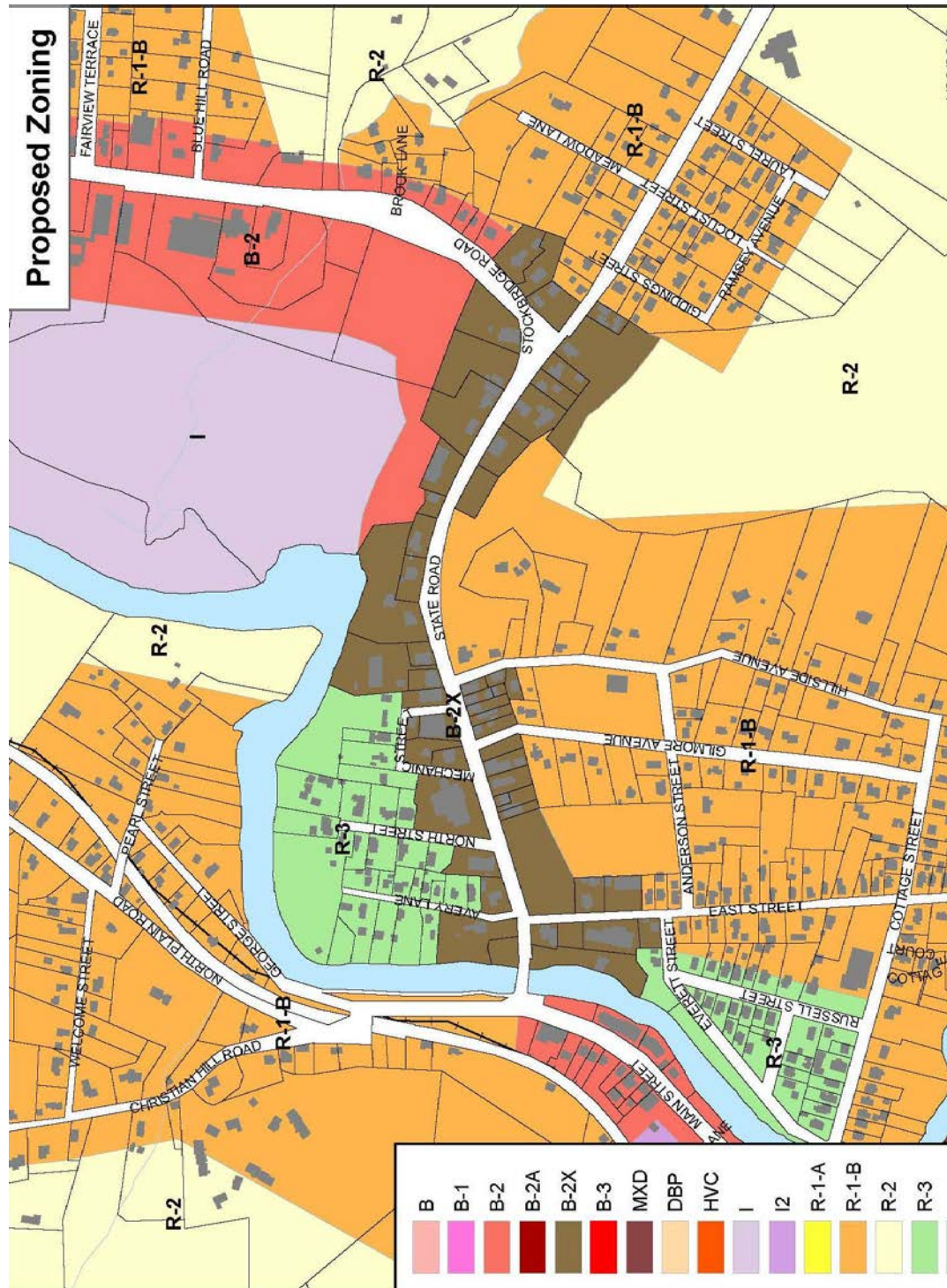
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Existing Zoning Map:



Proposed Zoning Map:



On a motion by Pedro Pachano and seconded by someone in the audience that the Town amend the Zoning Bylaw by adding a new Section 9.14, State Road Mixed Use; amending Section 2.1.2, List of Business Districts; amending Section 3.1.4, Table of Use Regulations, amending Section 4.1.2, Schedule of Dimensional Requirements, and amending the Zoning Map, all as described and shown in Article 18 of the warrant for this Town Meeting.

Mr. Wise noted that this article needed to be a 2/3rds majority vote.

MOTION PASSED VOTED 2/3rds MAJORITY AT 8:28 PM

ARTICLE 19: Zoning: Revised the Bylaw to Regulate Marijuana Establishments including Marijuana Retail Stores (2/3 majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw to regulate both medical and recreational marijuana establishments, as proposed below, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Purpose of the Amendment: This amendment is proposed to provide for the placement of marijuana establishments, licensed by the Commonwealth in accordance with General Laws, in suitable locations in the town. Without this amendment, it may be possible to locate a marijuana retail establishment anywhere that retail uses might be allowed in the town. This proposal limits marijuana establishments to appropriate districts and sets additional requirements for the location of the establishments.

Proposed additions are underlined.

Proposed deletions are ~~struck through~~.

Amend Section 7.18, as follows:

7.18 ~~REGISTERED MARIJUANA DISPENSARY~~ MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENTS AND MEDICAL MARIJUANA TREATMENT CENTERS

7.18.1 Purposes. To provide for the placement of ~~Registered Marijuana Dispensaries (RMDs)~~ Establishments and Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers in recognition of and accordance with ~~the Humanitarian Medical Use of Marijuana Act, G.L. c.94C, and the implementing regulations, 105 CMR 725~~ G.L. c.94I, Medical Use Of Marijuana, and G.L. c.94G, Regulation of the Use and Distribution of Marijuana Not Medically Prescribed, in suitable locations in Great Barrington, in order to minimize potential adverse impacts of ~~RMDs~~ such facilities.

7.18.2 Definitions. Terms are defined in Section 11 and in the applicable governing statutes and regulations, including said chapters 94I and 94G of the General Laws and the regulations of the Cannabis Control Commission.

7.18.3 Site Plan Review Required. All proposed ~~uses under this Section, including those that qualify for the agricultural use exemption under G.L. Ch. 40A, s.3,~~ Marijuana Establishments and Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers shall be subject to Planning Board Site Plan Review as set forth in Section 10.5.

7.18.4 Locational Requirements. Marijuana Establishments may be located in accordance with Section 3.1.4, Table of Use Regulations, except as follows:

1. No ~~RMD-Marijuana Establishment or Medical Marijuana Treatment Center~~ may be located closer than 200 feet from ~~any school, daycare center, or other similar facility where minors may commonly congregate~~ a pre-existing public or private school providing education in kindergarten or any of grades 1 through 12.
2. The distance in paragraph 1 is to be measured in a straight line from the nearest point of the property line of the proposed ~~RMD-Marijuana Establishment or Medical Marijuana Treatment Center~~ and the nearest point of the property line of the protected uses stated above in paragraph 1.
3. The Planning Board may, by special permit pursuant to Section 10.4, authorize a deviation from this distance requirement if it finds ~~specific circumstances or barriers adequately separate the RMD and a protected use. The burden shall be on the applicant to satisfy the Planning Board that these barriers are adequate to serve the purpose of this Section.~~ the Marijuana Establishment or Medical Marijuana Treatment Center will not be detrimental to a protected use.
4. Outdoor marijuana cultivation may be located by right in the I district, and by right in the R2 and R4 districts only on parcels of not less than five acres.
5. Indoor marijuana cultivation may be located by right in the I district. In the R2 and R4 districts, only on parcels not less than five acres, indoor cultivation in structures totaling 10,000 square feet or less may be by right, but in structures totaling more than 10,000 square feet may be permitted by special permit by the Planning Board.
6. Other types of marijuana establishments licensed by the Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission may be permitted in accordance with the appropriate use category in the Table of Use Regulations.

7.18.5 Physical Requirements. In addition to pertinent requirements of implementing regulations of ~~105 CMR 725, RMDs the~~ Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission, Marijuana Establishments and Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers shall comply with the following:

1. All aspects of a ~~RMD Marijuana Establishment or Medical Marijuana Treatment Center~~ relative to the acquisition, cultivation, possession, processing, sales, distribution, dispensing, or administration of marijuana, products containing marijuana, marijuana accessories, related supplies, or educational materials shall take place at a fixed location within a fully enclosed building or fenced area dedicated to the cultivation of marijuana and shall not be visible from the exterior of the business.
2. No ~~outside~~ unprotected storage of marijuana, related supplies, or educational materials is permitted.
3. Marijuana not grown inside a securable structure shall be enclosed within a six (6) foot fence, and inasmuch as possible the plants shall be screened from view, at grade, from a public way or from a protected use.
4. No outdoor cultivation of marijuana shall be allowed within fifty (50) feet of any property line.

7.18.6 Use Regulations. In addition to pertinent requirements of implementing regulations of ~~105 CMR 725, RMDs the~~ Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission, Marijuana Establishments and Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers shall comply with the following:

1. Uses under this Section may only consist of the uses and activities permitted by ~~its~~ their definition as limited by state law, ~~and may not include other businesses or services in the same building.~~
2. No marijuana shall be smoked, eaten or otherwise consumed or ingested on the premises, ~~except as permitted by 105 CMR 725.000~~ unless specifically authorized by the Town pursuant to G.L. 94G.
3. ~~The hours of operations for sales, delivery and dispensing purposes, and that the facility is open to qualifying patients, shall be between the hours of 8:00 AM and 8:00 PM, Monday through Saturday. Retail sales of marijuana products and opening of the premises to the public shall not occur earlier than 8:00 AM or later than 11:00 PM.~~
4. ~~The agricultural component of an RMD operation may be allowed in any zone on lots of five acres or more, or two acres or more if the sale of products produced from the agricultural use on the parcel annually generates at least \$1,000 per acre based on gross sales dollars, pursuant to the agricultural use exemption under G.L. Ch. 40A, s.3. The dispensing of medical marijuana, however, is permitted only in locations specified in the Table of Use Regulations~~

§ 4. Additional regulations may be imposed as Site Plan Review or Special Permit conditions.

7.18.7 Submittal Requirements. Above and beyond the standard application for Site Plan Review, an application under this section shall include the following:

1. Copies of all required ~~RMD Marijuana Establishment or Medical Marijuana Treatment Center~~ licenses or registrations issued to the applicant by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and any of its agencies for the facility;
2. Evidence that the applicant has site control and the right to use the site for a facility in the form of a deed, valid lease, or purchase and sale agreement, and a signed statement from the property owner;
3. In addition to what is normally required in a site plan pursuant to Section 10.5, submittal shall also include details showing all signage, exterior proposed security measures for the premises, including cameras, lighting, fencing, gates and alarms, etc. ensuring the safety of employees and patrons and to protect the premises from theft or other criminal activity.

7.18.8 Discontinuance of Use

1. Any ~~RMD Marijuana Establishment or Medical Marijuana Treatment Center~~ permitted under this section shall be required to remove all material, plants, equipment and other paraphernalia in compliance with ~~105 CMR 725~~ implementing regulations of the Cannabis Control Commission prior to expiration of its ~~DPH Registration~~ operating

license or permit issued by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts or immediately following revocation or voiding of its DPH Registration such license or permit.

Amend Section 11, Definitions, as follows:

MEDICAL MARIJUANA TREATMENT CENTER (MMTC): ~~See Registered Marijuana Dispensary.~~ A premises approved under a medical use marijuana license by the Cannabis Control Commission or as otherwise authorized by state law, also known as a Registered Marijuana Dispensary (RMD).

REGISTERED MARIJUANA DISPENSARY (RMD): ~~A use operated by a not for profit entity registered, approved, and regulated by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health in accordance with 105 CMR 725.000, and pursuant to all other applicable state laws and regulations, to be known as a Registered Marijuana Dispensary (RMD), that acquires, cultivates, possesses, processes (including development of related products such as food, tinctures, aerosols, oils, or ointments), transfers, transports, sells, distributes, dispenses, or administers marijuana, products containing marijuana, related supplies, or educational materials to registered qualifying patients or their personal caregivers. See Medical Marijuana Treatment Center.~~

MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENT: A marijuana cultivator, independent testing laboratory, marijuana transporter, marijuana product manufacturer, marijuana retailer or any other type of licensed marijuana-related business registered, approved, and regulated in accordance with the regulations of the Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission and/or pursuant to all other applicable state and local laws and regulations.

Amend Section 3.1.4, Table of Use Regulations, by renaming existing row C (21), Registered Marijuana Dispensary, to “Marijuana Establishment, Retail and Medical Marijuana Treatment Center” inserting it into the Table as row C (13), and renumbering subsequent rows accordingly, as follows:

Permitted Use		ZONING DISTRICT ¹														ADDITIONAL APPLICABLE REGULATIONS	
		R1 A	R1 B	R 2	R 3	R 4	B	HV C	B1	B2	B2 A	B2 X	B3	MX D	I		I2
C. Office, retail and consumer service establishments																	
(21) (13)	Registered Marijuana Dispensary <u>Marijuana Establishment, Retail and Medical Marijuana Treatment Center</u>	N	N	N	N	N	N <u>Y</u>	N <u>Y</u>	N	Y	N	<u>Y</u>	Y	N	Y	Y	See also 7.18. For <u>cultivation</u> , see <u>7.18.4.</u>

On a motion by Jack Musgrove and seconded by someone in the audience that the Town amend the Zoning Bylaw, Section 7.18, Section 11, and Section 3.1.4 – Table of Use Regulations, to regulate both medical and recreational marijuana establishments, as described and shown in Article 19 of the warrant for this Town Meeting.

Planning Board Member Jack Musgrove gave a presentation to explain this article.

Selectboard Chair Sean Stanton made a motion for an amendment to this article and it was seconded by Dan Bailly. The amendment is as follows:

Proposed Amendment to Article 19

Voted by Selectboard 4/23/2018 and revised 5/2/2018

Move to amend Article 19 as follows:

-In section 7.18.4, item 3, change Planning Board to Selectboard.

-Delete items 4 and 5 and renumber item 6 to be number 4.

-Add a second row, "Marijuana Establishment, Cultivation," under the proposed c(13) in the table of uses so that Cultivation would not be allowed by right in any zone, allowed by Selectboard by Special Permit in the I one, and in R2 and R4 zones but only on parcels of 5 acres or more, not permitted in R2 and R4 on parcels of less than 5 acres, and not permitted in any other zones, as shown below.

-Add a third row, "Marijuana Establishment, Manufacturing", as shown below.

-In the I-2 column, change to "N".

The following people spoke on this amendment:

Malcolm Fick
Marybeth Merritt

Patricia Ryan
Aine Unger

Dan Bailly
Carol Diehl

Sharon Gregory

Jonathan Hankin

On a motion by Andrew Moro and seconded by Karen Smith to call the vote. Mr. Wise asked for a vote to call the vote on the amendment. This passed and Mr. Wise called for a vote on the amendment. He then asked for the counters to do a hand count.

AMENDMENT VOTED AT 9:14 PM

Mr. Wise then stated that the vote on this article had to be a 2/3rds majority.

VOTED 2/3rds MAJORITY AT 9:15 PM

ARTICLE 20: Marijuana/Cannabis: Accept MGL c. 64N, sec. 3 to impose a 3% local tax on retail marijuana sales (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to accept MGL chapter 64N, section 3 to impose a local sales tax on the retail sales of marijuana for adult use within the Town, at the rate of 3% of the total sales price, or to take any other action relative thereto.

On a motion by Sean Stanton and seconded by Karen Smith that the Town accept MGL chapter 64N, section 3 to impose a local sales tax on the retail sales of marijuana for adult use within the Town, at the rate of 3% of the total sales price.

MOTION PASSED VOTED AT 9:17 PM

ARTICLE 21: Authorize Special Tax Agreement in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) for a Ground Mounted Solar Photovoltaic Installation(s) (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to enter into a Tax Agreement pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 59, section 38H(b), and Chapter 164, Section 1, and/or any other enabling authority with Kearsarge Solar LLC for personal property taxes associated with the 2.7 megawatts ("MW") solar photovoltaic facility to be located on property at West Plain Road and described in a deed recorded with the Southern Berkshire Registry of Deeds in Book 1178 Page 17, for a term of up to twenty (20) years, on such terms and conditions as the Selectboard deems to be in the best interest of the Town, and to take any and all actions as may be necessary or convenient to accomplish the purpose of this article, or to take any other action relative thereto.

On a motion by Edward Abrahams and seconded by Sean Stanton that the Town authorize the Selectboard to enter into a Tax Agreement pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 59, section 38H(b), and Chapter 164, Section 1, and/or any other enabling authority with Kearsarge Solar LLC for personal property taxes associated with the 2.7 megawatts ("MW") solar photovoltaic facility to be located on property at West Plain Road and described in a deed recorded with the Southern Berkshire Registry of Deeds in Book 1178 Page 17, for a term of up to twenty (20) years, on such terms and conditions as the Selectboard deems to be in the best interest of the Town, and to take any and all actions as may be necessary or convenient to accomplish the purpose of this vote.

Town Assessor Christopher Lamarre, Pedro Pachano, James Brown and Mike McGuire all spoke on this article.

MOTION PASSED VOTED AT 9:24 PM

ARTICLE 22: It Shall be Unlawful to Sell Non-Sparkling, Unflavored Drinking Water in Single-serve Containers of 1 liter (34 ounces) or less in Town of Great Barrington on or after January 1, 2019, and to Amend Chapter 1-5.1, Noncriminal Disposition Bylaw (submitted by citizen petition, majority vote)

Town of Great Barrington, Massachusetts Sale of Drinking Water in Single-Serve Containers Bylaw

Section 1. Sale of Drinking Water in Single-Serve Containers

It shall be unlawful to sell non-sparkling, unflavored drinking water in single-serve containers of 1 liter (34 ounces) or less in the Town of Great Barrington on or after January 1, 2019.

Section 2. Exemption for Emergencies

Sales occurring subsequent to a declaration of an emergency adversely affecting the availability and/or quality of drinking water to Great Barrington residents by the Emergency Management Director or other duly-authorized Town, Commonwealth, or United States official shall be exempt from this Bylaw until seven days after such declaration has ended.

Section 3. Enforcement Process

Enforcement of this Bylaw shall be the responsibility of the Town Manager or his/her designee. The Town Manager shall determine the inspection process to be followed, incorporating the process into other town duties as appropriate. Any establishment conducting sales in violation of this Bylaw shall be subject to a noncriminal disposition fine as specified in Chapter 1, General Provisions, Section 5.1, of Town Bylaws under M.G.L. Chapter 40, §21D. Any such fines shall be paid to the Town of Great Barrington.

Section 4. Suspension of the Bylaw

If the Town Manager determines that the cost of implementing and enforcing this Bylaw has become unreasonable, then the Town Manager shall so advise the Board of Selectmen, and the Board of Selectmen shall conduct a Public Hearing to inform the citizens of such costs. Subsequent to the Public Hearing, the Board of Selectmen may continue this Bylaw in force or may suspend it permanently or for such length of time as they may determine.

And to amend Chapter 1-5.1, Noncriminal Disposition Bylaw, by adding the following:

Bylaw	Fine Schedule	Fine Allowed	Enforcement Agency
Drinking Water in Single-Serve Bottles Bylaw	1st offense	\$50.00/day	Town Manager's Designee
	2nd offense	\$100.00/day	
	3rd & each subsequent offense	\$200.00/day	

On a motion by Terrance Flynn and seconded by someone in the audience, that he moves to adapt the bylaw in Warrant Article 22 in the form printed in the Warrant, except for the following changes:

In section one, replace “single-serve containers” with “single-use PET plastic bottles”. Do this twice: once in the title and once in the body of the paragraph. Add at the end, “Enforcement will begin May 1, 2019”.

In section two, add at the end, “Also, emergency services (fire, police and EMS) are exempt”.

In the chart at the end (amending Chapter 1-5.1, Non-Criminal Disposition Bylaw), replace “Single-Use Plastic Bottles” with “Single-Use PET Plastic Bottles”.

Three high school students gave a power point presentation. Andrew Moro, Dale Abrams, Steve McAlister, and Patricia Ryan all spoke on this article.

MOTION PASSED VOTED AT 9:41 PM

ARTICLE 23: BYLAW AMENDMENT: To amend the Polystyrene Bylaw and include the polypropylene plastic to the restricted products (majority vote)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's Bylaws, Chapter 102 Section 2, Garbage, Rubbish and Refuse, by inserting the words "or polypropylene" in the first sentence so that section 2 reads as follows (proposed additions are underlined):

Effective September 1, 1990, polystyrene or polypropylene food or beverage containers shall not be used in the Town of Great Barrington to package food or beverages if that packaging takes place on the premises of retail sale. This provision shall not apply to the packaging of uncooked meat, uncooked poultry and/or uncooked fish, or to take any other action relative thereto.

On a motion by Sean Stanton and seconded by someone in the audience that the Town amend the Town Bylaws, Chapter 102 Section 2 Garbage, Rubbish and Refuse, as described and shown in Article 23 of the warrant for this Town Meeting.

MOTION PASSED VOTED AT 9:42 PM

ARTICLE 24: To consider political activity and political activism are an essential and necessary elements of the democratic process (submitted by citizen petition)

To see if the Great Barrington Annual Town Meeting of 2018 will approve the following proposed article as written, amended or take any other action thereto in accord with the rules of town meeting procedure:

We the Town Meeting of 2018 hereby consider the following political activity and political activism are an essential and necessary element of the democratic process.

Therefore be it resolved at this day and time present that discrimination based on political activity is a threat to democracy.

The term political activity here means political organizing, the promotion of issues, signing petitions, supporting candidates for election, voting for candidates for election, as well as, expressing your own opinion via any form of communication including attendance at public meetings and verbal communication by speaking your own opinion on public issues at public hearings held by local boards for public comment and also state agencies seeking public comments on various issues which may include newly proposed regulations.

The term discrimination here means any activity or action considered discriminatory under existing civil rights laws, including lack of access to housing and lack of access to employment, and refusal of public accommodations.

On a motion by David Magadini, and seconded by someone in the audience, the motion is to approve the article as written. Mr. Wise asked for the vote and then asked for the counters to do a hand count.

MOTION PASSED VOTED AT 9:50 PM
YES – 80 NO - 72

ARTICLE 25: To approve the following principle and article: Homeless persons are entitled to equal civil rights with other groups designated as protected classes to prevent discrimination against them under existing laws and regulations of the commonwealth of Massachusetts and United State of America (submitted by citizen petition)

To see if the Annual Town Meeting of 2018 will approve the following principle and article:

Homeless persons are entitled to equal civil rights with other groups designated as protected classes to prevent discrimination against them under existing laws and regulations, of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the United States of America.

The Annual Town Meeting of 2018 in Great Barrington therefore affirms this principle and establishes homeless persons and homelessness as a protected class in Great Barrington and recommends to the State Legislature and to the Congress of the United States of America that they also likewise adopt this principle and policy and enact it as law.

On a motion by David Magadini, and seconded by someone in the audience, the motion is to approve the article as written.

MOTION FAILED AT 9:51 PM

ARTICLE 26: To amend and add the following to the Great Barrington bylaw: The acceptance period of citizen petition will be no less than thirty (30) days (submitted by citizen petition)

That the Great Barrington Bylaws be amended to add the following: The acceptance period for Citizen Petitions will be no less than thirty (30) days.

On a motion by Michelle Loubert and seconded by someone in the audience, voted that the Great Barrington Bylaws be amended to add the following: The acceptance period for Citizen Petitions will be no less than thirty (30) days.

MOTION PASSED VOTED AT 9:53 PM

ARTICLE 27: To Vote and approve the following resolution: To invite brief questions and comments on specific agenda items throughout the meetings (submitted by citizen petition)

To see if the Town will vote to approve the following:

WHEREAS:

The 2015 Town Meeting voted to make Citizens Speak time a mandatory item on all public Town agendas to enable general comments on new or current issues. To further encourage citizen participation:

BE IT RESORVED:

That Town committee, boards and their chairs are encouraged to invite brief questions and comments on specific agenda items throughout their respective meetings, even if those agenda items are not subject to a public hearing.

On a motion by Michelle Loubert and seconded by someone in the audience, to adopt the article as written.

MOTION PASSED VOTED AT 9:56 PM

Motion to adjourn by Sean Stanton, seconded by Dan Bailly.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:56 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Marie Y. Ryan, Town Clerk

TELEPHONE DIRECTORY OF TOWN SERVICES

All Emergencies

911

Great Barrington Fire Department:	528-0788
Housatonic Fire Department	274-3391
Ambulance	528-3900
Police (non-Emergency)	528-0306
State Police	243-0600

DEPARTMENT:

CALL:

TELEPHONE:

Board of Health	Health Inspector	528-0680
Cemeteries	Steven Larkin	528-1800
DPW Superintendent	Sean VanDeusen	528-0867
Emergency Communications	William R. Walsh, Jr.	528-0306
Fence Viewers:	Bernard Drew	528-4953
	Kurt Barbieri	528-6278
Fire Chief	Charles Burger	528-0788
Gas Inspector	Robert Gennari	274-0267
Highway	Peter Soules	528-2500
Housatonic Community Center	Francis Tarnawa	274-8375
Housatonic Water Works Company	James Mercer	528-1780
Housing Authority	Karen Smith	274-1142
Inspector of Buildings	Edwin May	528-3206
Libraries: (Mason Library, GB)	Amanda DeGiorgis	528-2403
(Ramsdell, Housatonic)		274-3738
Plumbing Inspector	Robert Krupski	229-8019
Recycling Center	Friday (8 AM - 3 PM)	528-5011
	Saturday (7 AM - 3 PM)	
	Sunday (10 AM - 3 PM)	
Schools- Berkshire Hills Regional School District		
	Monument Mountain High School	528-3346
	Monument Valley Middle	644-2300
	Muddy Brook Elementary	644-2350
School Superintendent	Peter Dillon	298-4017
Senior Center/Council on Aging	Polly Mann Salenovich	528-1881
Sewer Treatment Plant	Bill Ingram	528-0650
TOWN HALL:		528-1619
Assessor's Office	Shaun McHugh	x 5
Conservation Commission	Shepley Evans, Agent	x 122
Selectboard	Helen Kuziemko	x 2
Town Accountant	Robert Patterson	x 6
Tax Collector/Treasurer	Karen Fink	x 4
	<i>*Parking Clerk, Tag Sale Permits, Tax Bills (Real Estate & Motor Vehicle), Sewer Bills</i>	
Town Clerk	Marie Ryan	x 3
	<i>*Birth/Marriage/Death Certificates, Dog Licenses, Voter Registration</i>	
Town Manager	Jennifer Tabakin	x 2
Town Planner	Christopher Rembold	x 7
Tree Warden	Michael Peretti	528-5552
Veteran's Services	Laurie Hils	528-1580
Water Department (G.B. Fire District)	Cindy Ullrich	528-0133
Wire Inspector	Theodore Piontek	274-6605