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DEDICATIONS IN MEMORIAM

Richard Gallup

Richard Gallup grew up in Connecticut and spent most of his earlier years there. In 1979, Richard and his wife, Esther moved to North Heath where they built a log cabin and began a farm. Over the years, they had many animals from livestock, to bees and guinea hens. Many days in the summer, Richard could be seen out in the fields on his tractor mowing. He was very proud of his award winning racing pigeons and enjoyed being involved in the Western Mass Pigeon Club.



Working in building related industries was just one of the things that was a common thread throughout Richard's life. Among others was his participation in humanitarianism, love of reading as well as his longtime participation in the church.

He started working at his family's lumber business in CT at a young age. Later after moving to Heath, he went to work selling Morton Buildings all over the Northeast. He was one of their best salesmen and would talk about the farms all over New England that he had sold buildings to over the years. Following in the building field, he served on the Heath Board of Assessors for more than a decade bringing his knowledge of construction which was invaluable. He was particularly helpful in the field when measuring houses and doing inspections.

Richard was always reading and could be found almost every Wednesday at the Heath Free Library getting a pile of books for the week. He would catch up on the local news in the Recorder in addition to reading the Wall Street Journal. A lesser known fact was that he had his Series 7 license to buy and sell stocks and liked to keep up an eye on his investments. He was a plethora of information on wines from the South of France and could recommend a good bottle to go with any meal; a skill well served when he worked in the Wine Shop at the Hermitage in Dover, VT. He was a member of the Heath Union Church in addition to serving as treasurer and chairman of the Deacons. His religious ties go back to his earlier years in CT where he was active in the Mossup Baptist Church. Richard never missed an opportunity to sit and talk with a neighbor, checking in on what they were up to and giving a piece of advice. His soft spoken, caring mannerism and world of knowledge were some of his best traits and something missed by all those who knew him.

Pegge Howland

Pegge Howland was a member of the Heath community beginning as a seasonal resident in 1963 and becoming a full-time resident in 1977, when she and husband, Dave, bought and restored "Myrfield," the famous 15-room sanitarium on Avery Brook Road. House restoration being a hobby of theirs, in 2002 they refurbished what had been their original weekend house in Heath center, where she lived until the time of her death. Pegge had a real love of collecting. She furnished her homes with Victorian antiques and developed a collection of over 1,000 pieces of precious Sanded Majolica over the years.



Pegge was very active in the Heath Historical Society, serving as its President for 10 years and then as Curator from 1990 until 2015. While serving as Curator of the HHS, Pegge was instrumental in the digitization of the Society's extensive collection. Pegge also arranged for the restoration of several valuable pieces from the collection while Curator. Pegge was very proud of the collection, enjoying conducting research, and sharing her love of Heath's history through the design of special exhibits, and as a docent during museum Open Houses. While serving on the Board of Directors of the Historical Society, Pegge was also a member of the Heath Historical Commission for several years.

Pegge was one of the founders of the Heath Herald in 1979, serving as its Layout Editor for 20 years. She often wrote articles for the paper, many of them about Heath and its history. This involvement in the Heath Herald was a natural extension of her professional life, as she served as a research librarian for much of her career.



Richard Sumner

Richard Sumner was born and raised in Heath and lived most of his adult life in town. Richard served on the Heath Planning Board and was one of the first members of the Heath Police Department. He was an active member of the Heath Union Church, a little league coach and Boy Scout leader. Richard was a reliable volunteer at work bees in town, including the annual spring clean-up of the South Cemetery. A local businessman, Richard was a self-employed electrician, serving Heath and the surrounding towns. For many years he volunteered his electrical services to the Heath Fair, and in later years he enjoyed selling tickets to fairgoers. Richard celebrated his 80th birthday in October at a surprise gathering of family, friends and neighbors in the church hall. He passed away on January 2, 2020.

DEDICATION
IN HONOR OF

Keith Sherman

Often in our town report, we honor those that have contributed to our community in a very direct way. In the case of Keith Sherman, however, we are proud to honor him for the contributions he has made to our country through both his service in the Navy and for the work he has embarked on since of preserving the legacy of fallen veterans as told by their families.



Keith was in the Navy for 26 years, and retired as Senior Chief Petty Officer. For most of his career he supported the SEAL/SWCC Teams, while serving as a Special Operations Parachute Rigger. It was work he did with pride, working as he puts it “along the side of the most fearless men and women that this nation has to offer”.

Keith endured two wars, in Iraq and in Afghanistan and saw first-hand the pain and suffering of war. Upon retiring from the Navy, he was inspired to take on a very different mission, this time one of peace. He founded the organization Gold Star Dirt, a nonprofit with the purpose of telling the stories of fallen veterans through the eyes of those who loved them, their Gold Star families. The name Gold Star Dirt was inspired by his love of dirt biking, a sport that was instrumental in his own recovery from PTSD.

For 18 months, Keith travelled to every State in the Union, camping out in a roof top car tent and visiting 50 families. Despite the many roadblocks he encountered, he was able to connect with these families on a deeply personal and emotional level. The interviews he produced paint a poignant picture of each service member and their life.

“From these stories, I have personally witnessed fear, heartache, loss and grief. But if you look deeper, you will find resolute lessons of strength, resilience, tenacity, freedom, fortitude, love and healing.” Keith Sherman

All of the interviews have now been preserved in the National Archives’ Veteran History Project at the national Library of Congress.

TOWN OFFICERS 2019

	Term Expires
Select Board (3)	
Brian DeVriese, Chair	2020
Robyn Provost-Carlson, Secretary	2022
Gloria Cronin Fisher	2021
Assessors (3)	
Heather Hathwell	2020
Robyn Provost-Carlson	2021
Heidi Griswold (appointed Sept.)	2020
Margo Newton	2019
Moderator (3)	
Eric Sumner	2020
Constables	
Robert Bourke	2020
Steve Thane	2021
School Committee	
Budge Litchfield	2021
Barbara Rode	2022
Planning Board (5)	
Calvin Carr, Chair	2021
Robert Viarengo	2020
Douglas Mason	2023
Jo Travis	2024
Bill Gran	2022
Finance Committee (3)	
Edwin Wolf, Chair	2021
Jan Carr	2021
Kathy Inman	2020
Ken Gilbert	2021
Alice Wozniak	2022
Library Trustees (3)	
Deborah Porter, Chair	2021
Emily Cross	2020
Maureen O’Malley	2022
Fence Viewer	
Assessors	2020
Tree Warden	
Alanson Nichols	2020

Measurers of Wood & Bark

William Clark	2020
Alanson Nichols	2020

Field Drivers

Christine O'Brien	2020
Michelle Howe	2020
David Freeman	2020
Jonathan Diamond	2020
Karen Brooks	2020
Nina Marshall	2020

Sexton

Matthew Lively	2020
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Burial Agent

Hilma Sumner, Town Clerk	2020
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TOWN BOARDS APPOINTED BY SELECT BOARD**Board of Health (3)**

Betsy Kovacs	2020
Armand Clavette	2021
Henry Godek	2020
Susan Gruen	2022
John Palmer	2021

Zoning Board of Appeals (5)

Dennis Peters	2021
Robert Gruen	2023
Alanson Nichols	2020
Pam Porter	2024
Alice Wozniak	2022

SELECT BOARD APPOINTMENTS

**Hired + Stipend

Chairman, Select board	Brian DeVriese
Secretary, Select board	Robyn Provost-Carlson
Town Coordinator**	Kara Leistyna (Jan-July), Hilma Sumner
Office Assistant**	Margo Newton, Lorena Loubisky
Board of Health Clerk**	Mary Sumner
Treasurer**	Kristi Nartowicz
Accountant**	Tracey Baronas (Jan-Oct), David Fierro
Tax Collector**	Elizabeth Nichols
Americans w/Disabilities Rep.	Maya Jalbert

Animal Inspector+
Animal Inspector (Rabies)+
Animal Control Officer +

vacant
vacant
Kyle Dragon
(FC Sheriff's Office)

Building Maintenance Coordinator**
Carl H. Nilman Scholarship Rep.
Emergency Management Director+
E 911 Coordinator
FRCOG Representative
FRCOG Planning Board Rep.
FRCOG Alternate Planning Board Rep.
FC Regional Dog Kennel Rep.
Franklin County Regional Dog Kennel Rep. Alternate
Three-Town Landfill Committee Rep.
FCCIP Representative
Fire Chief+
Forest Fire Warden
Franklin Regional Transit Authority Rep.
Franklin County Solid Waste Mgmt Dist. Rep.
Fred G. Wells Trustee
Highway Road Superintendent**
Highway Personnel **

Timothy Lively
Eric Sumner
Timothy Lively
Ken Gilbert
Brian DeVriese
David Travers
Brian DeVriese
John McDonough
vacant
Gloria Fisher
Brian DeVriese
Nick Anzuoni
Nick Anzuoni
Brian DeVriese
Hilma Sumner
Dianne Grinnell
Jeffrey Johnston
Michael Shattuck
Dohn Sherman
Jason Lively

Highway Department Liaison
Building Commissioner
Inspector, Electrical
Inspector, Plumbing & Gas
Licensing Board
Local Emergency Planning Committee Rep.
LEPC consists of: Fire Chief, Police Chief Highway Superintendent,
Select board Member, and Emergency Management Director
Police Chief**
Police Officers**

Robyn Provost-Carlson
James Hawkins
Tom McDonald
Andrew K. French
Brian DeVriese
Brian DeVriese
John McDonough
Lee Lively
Clay Herbert
Kyle Shippee
Frances Noyes

Post Office Manager**
Post Office Substitutes**

Charlene Reynolds
Margo Newton
Art Schwenger
Lorena Loubisky
Nancy Thane
Don Dekker
Margo Newton (2019)
Maureen O'Malley
Eileen McVay-Lively
Tracy Schott
Jenna Day
Ruth Ayers

Election Workers+

Alternate Election Workers+

Senior Center Coordinator+
 Select board Correspondent to Heath Herald
 Tax Title Attorney
 Town Counsel
 Town Nurse**
 Town Nurse Substitute**
 Transfer Station Attendant **
 Veterans' Agent
 Veterans' Graves Officer
 Veterans' Representative
 WiredWest Delegate
 WiredWest Alternate

Eileen McVay-Lively
 Gloria Cronin Fisher
 Berenson & Bloom, Esq.
 KP Law, P. C.
 Claire Rabbitt
 Victoria Burrington
 Ken Erho
 Brian Brooks
 Dennis Peters
 Dennis Peters
 Art Schwenger
 vacant

Heath Veteran's Memorial Committee

Jerry Gilbert
 Dennis Peters
 Peter Smith
 Hormidas Lively
 Robert Bourke (2019)
 Scott Peterson
 Heather Hathwell
 Nina Marshall
 Jayne Dane
 Susan Gruen
 Sheila Litchfield
 Jan Carr
 Ned Wolf

Historical Commission

MLP Advisory Committee

Parks and Recreation Committee

Art Schwenger
 Kate Peppard
 Mary Holan
 Lyra Johnson-Fuller
 Shahid Jalil
 Bobby Honeycutt
 Mike Cucchiara
 Jenna Day (2020)
 Pam Porter
 Lyra Fuller-Johnson
 Pat MaGahon
 Mary Sumner (2020)
 Robin Jenkins (2020)
 Larry Sampson (2019)
 Susan Draxler (2019)

School Building Use Committee

Town Facilities Task Force

Dena Briggs
 James Cerone
 Will Emmet
 Bill Gran
 Susan Lively
 Budge Litchfield
 Bob Gruen

Hawlemont-Heath Regionalization Working Group

Mohawk Trail Woodlands Partnership
 Advisory Committee (FRCOG)
 Community Economic Development Strategy
 Representative (FRCOG) (3 year)

Art Schwenger
 Art Schwenger 2020

COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS

Agricultural Commission

Doug Mason
 Jessica Van Steensburg
 Nina Marshall
 Sean Neill
 Lorena Loubsky

Cemetery Commission

Claire Rabbitt
 Jerry Gilbert
 Eric Sumner

Community Hall Committee

Margo Newton
 Kara Leistyna
 Don Dekker
 Tracy Schott
 vacant

Conservation Commission

Dennis Peters
 Brian DeVriese
 Pam Porter
 Henry Josephson
 Buck (Bernard) Den Ouden
 Bill Lattrell, Consultant
 Margo Newton

Council on Aging

Gloria Cronin Fisher
 Teresa Peters
 Jean Lamothe

Cultural Council (3 year)

Eileen McVay-Lively
 Suzanne Hannay 2022
 Jayne Dane 2020
 Jean Gran 2020
 Nina Marshall 2021
 Lyra Johnson-Fuller 2021
 Steve Ryack
 Steve Thane
 Noy Holland
 Bill Lattrell
 Bill Gran

Energy Advisory Committee:

Committees Appointed by Moderator

F. C. Technical School Representative

Art Schwenger

Appointed by Library Trustees

Library Director
 Assistant Library Director

Donald J. Purington
 Lyra Johnson



FINANCIAL REPORTS

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TOWN CLERK'S ANNUAL REPORT

2019 VITAL RECORDS

The following is the number of vital records that have been recorded within the town during 2019.

Births - 1 Marriages - 1 Deaths - 8

2019 DOG LICENSES SOLD

MALE DOGS	12 @ \$10	\$120
FEMALE DOGS	15 @ \$10	\$150
NEUTERED MALE DOGS	67 @ \$5	\$335
SPAYED FEMALE DOGS	55 @ \$5	\$275
KENNEL (4-10 DOGS)	1 @ \$25	\$25

TOTAL: 157 SINGLE LICENSES	\$905.00
LESS FEES RETAINED	-150.00
LESS LICENSE & TAG EXPENSE	-110.00
PAID TO REVOLVING DOG FUND	\$645.00

TOWN OF HEATH FY 2019 – GENERAL FUND REVENUE AS OF 6/30/2019

<u>Taxes and Excises</u>	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-110-000 Personal Property Taxes		201,004.78		201,004.78	200,888.95	115.83
01-4-120-000 Real Estate Taxes		1,745,698.07		1,745,698.07	1,707,133.09	38,564.98
01-4-130-000 Allow. for Ates & Exempt		-9,905.53		-9,905.53		-9,905.53
01-4-142-000 Tax Liens Redeemed					12,276.54	-12,276.54
01-4-150-000 Motor Vehicle Excise		75,000.00		75,000.00	80,330.48	-5,330.48
01-4-150-001 Post Abatement Excise Tax		19,000.00		19,000.00	85.46	-85.46
01-4-170-000 Penalties and int. taxes					12.41	18,987.59
01-4-171-000 Interest on Property Tax					11,505.93	-11,505.93
01-4-172-000 Interest on Motor Veh Ex					1,032.46	-1,032.46
01-4-173-000 Interest on Tax Titles					2,565.98	-2,565.98
Taxes and Excises Totals:		2,030,797.32		2,030,797.32	2,015,831.30	14,966.02
<u>Charges for Services</u>	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-235-000 Transfer station stickers/bag t		22,000.00		22,000.00	22,022.00	-22.00
01-4-250-000 Health School Use Fees					2,100.00	-2,100.00
Charges for Services Totals:		22,000.00		22,000.00	24,122.00	-2,122.00
<u>Fees</u>	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-320-001 Police Fees					2,794.50	-2,794.50

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-320-004 RMV Marking Fees		3,000.00		3,000.00	980.00	2,020.00
01-4-322-000 Fees Retained -Tax Collec				0.00	4,290.40	-4,290.40
01-4-329-000 Town Clerk Fees				0.00	26.00	-26.00

Fees Totals:

		3,000.00		3,000.00	8,090.90	-5,090.90
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Licenses and Permits

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-420-000 Police gun Licenses				0.00	1,025.00	-1,025.00
01-4-456-007 Raffle Permits				0.00	30.00	-30.00
01-4-459-000 Permits - Other		450.00		450.00	140.00	310.00

Licenses and Permits Totals:

		450.00		450.00	1,195.00	-745.00
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Federal Revenue

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-540-000 USPS Contract Revenue		20,500.00		20,500.00	20,642.04	-142.04

Federal Revenue Totals:

		20,500.00		20,500.00	20,642.04	-142.04
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State Revenue

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-611-000 State Owned Land		4,726.00		4,726.00	4,726.00	0.00
01-4-616-000 Elderly Abatements		5,012.00		5,012.00	5,012.00	0.00
01-4-667-000 Veterans Benefits		4,253.00		4,253.00	2,391.00	1,862.00

01-4-671-000 Unrestricted General Gov't

		96,509.00		96,509.00	96,509.00	0.00
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State Revenue Totals:

		100,500.00		100,500.00	98,638.00	1,862.00
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Other Intergovernmental Revenue

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-770-001 CMVI Fines				0.00	73.63	-73.63

Other Intergovernmental Revenue Totals:

				0.00	73.63	-73.63
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Miscellaneous Revenue

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-820-000 Interest on Investments				750.00	2,182.50	-1,432.50
01-4-840-005 Sale of Street Lists				0.00	20.00	-20.00
01-4-840-006 Copier Receipts				0.00	247.00	-247.00
01-4-840-009 ZBA Bylaw Sales				0.00	20.00	-20.00
01-4-841-000 Prior Year Refunds				0.00	4,879.95	-4,879.95
01-4-841-003 Sale of Surplus Equipment				0.00	2,875.00	-2,875.00
01-4-841-004 Various Small Adjustment				0.00	1.30	-1.30
01-4-841-012 Worker's Comp. Reimburse				0.00	86.48	-86.48
01-4-841-013 Comm of MA/Unclaimed Fu				0.00	88.57	-88.57
01-4-841-014 Jury Duty Reimb from MA				0.00	100.00	-100.00

Miscellaneous Revenue Totals:

		750.00		750.00	10,500.80	-9,750.80
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Other Financing Sources

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-960-208 Transfer from Rev. Funds				0.00	784.36	-784.36
01-4-970-083 Trans. from Stabilization			12,500.00	12,500.00	12,500.00	0.00
01-4-990-900 Free Cash to Bal.Budget		30,000.00		30,000.00	30,000.00	0.00
01-4-999-901 Funded by Carryovers	35,088.45			35,088.45	35,088.45	0.00
01-4-999-903 Funded with "Free Cash"		78,436.69	302,123.36	380,560.05	380,560.05	0.00
Other Financing Sources Totals:	35,088.45	108,436.69	314,623.36	458,148.50	458,932.86	-784.36
Grand Totals:	35,088.45	2,285,434.01	314,623.36	2,636,145.82	2,638,026.53	-1,880.71

TOWN OF HEATH FY 2019 – GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURE AS OF 6/30/2-019

General Government

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
01-5-114-000 Moderator Stipend		100.00		100.00		100.00
01-5-122-000 Selectmen's Stipend-Membe		2,000.00		2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
01-5-122-001 Selectmen's Stipend-Chair		1,500.00		1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
01-5-122-003 Selectmen Oper. Expenses		3,000.00	-801.65	2,198.35	2,124.38	73.97
01-5-123-004 Salary Town Coordinator		51,961.00		51,961.00	51,889.63	71.37
01-5-123-005 Salary Office Assistant		910.00		910.00	468.00	442.00
01-5-124-000 Office Supplies		1,700.00		1,700.00	1,154.41	545.59
01-5-131-000 Finance Committee Expense		250.00		250.00	135.00	115.00
01-5-131-001 Fin. Comm. Chair Stipend		375.00		375.00	375.00	0.00
General Government Totals:						
01-5-131-002 Fin. Comm. Member Stipend		1,000.00		1,000.00	906.70	91.30
01-5-132-000 Reserve Fund		5,000.00	-3,003.72	1,996.28		1,996.28
01-5-135-000 Salary Town Accountant		13,136.53		13,136.53	13,136.53	0.00
01-5-135-005 Town Accountant Expense		1,575.00		1,575.00	1,524.99	50.01
01-5-135-013 Accountant's Support		497.52		497.52	231.35	266.17
01-5-141-000 Assessors Stipend-Chair		1,500.00		1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
01-5-141-001 Assessors Stipend-Members		2,000.00		2,000.00	1,862.99	137.01
01-5-141-002 Assessor's Expenses		2,500.00	5,000.00	7,500.00	6,877.29	622.71
01-5-141-003 Assessor's Software		2,750.00		2,750.00	2,600.00	150.00
01-5-141-004 Assessor's Mapping		1,500.00		1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
01-5-141-007 Assessor's Consultant Exp		3,000.00	6,010.15	9,010.15	7,500.00	1,510.15
01-5-141-008 Salary Assistant Assessor		12,624.76	1,489.85	14,314.61	14,308.99	5.62
01-5-145-000 Treasurer's Salary		11,903.23		11,903.23	11,903.23	0.00
01-5-145-002 Treasurer's Expense		3,500.00	477.19	3,977.18	3,632.79	344.39
01-5-146-000 Salary Tax Collector		15,530.27		15,530.27	15,530.27	0.00
01-5-146-003 Tax Collector Expense		4,140.00		4,140.00	3,534.75	605.25
01-5-146-004 Tax Taking/Liens		1,900.00		1,900.00	1,168.55	731.45
01-5-151-000 Legal Fees		7,000.00	7,488.26	14,488.26	13,637.10	851.16
01-5-157-001 Salary Post Office Manage		22,022.20		22,022.20	21,930.03	92.17
01-5-157-004 Post Office Oper. Expense		100.00		100.00	54.04	45.96
01-5-157-005 Salary Post Office Substi		1,320.00		1,320.00	1,224.00	96.00
01-5-161-000 Salary Town Clerk		15,074.71		15,074.71	15,074.71	0.00

	Carry-over	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
01-5-161-001		3,000.00	-154.80	2,845.20	2,697.59	147.61
01-5-161-004			154.80	154.80		154.80
01-5-162-000		1,500.00		1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
01-5-171-000		350.00		350.00	226.91	123.09
01-5-171-001		1,500.00		1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
01-5-175-001		500.00		500.00	165.34	334.66
01-5-175-002		187.50		187.50	187.50	0.00
01-5-175-003		500.00	-375.00	125.00	125.00	0.00
01-5-175-004			375.00	375.00		375.00
01-5-176-000		200.00		200.00		200.00
01-5-180-000		500.00		500.00		500.00
01-5-182-000		425.00		425.00	85.26	339.74
01-5-183-000		1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
01-5-191-000		2,000.00		2,000.00	1,672.00	328.00
01-5-192-000		14,361.59		14,361.59	14,115.92	245.67
01-5-192-001		17,400.00	1,750.00	19,150.00	18,808.26	341.74
01-5-192-002		16,000.00	4,477.15	20,477.15	17,127.28	3,349.87
01-5-192-004		2,705.28		2,705.28	2,581.28	124.00
01-5-192-005		15,300.00	-1,700.00	13,600.00	12,962.89	637.11
01-5-192-006		6,300.00	420.00	6,720.00	6,720.00	0.00
01-5-192-011		1,320.00	1.65	1,321.65	1,321.05	0.60

01-5-192-012		650.00		650.00	599.40	50.60
01-5-192-013		500.00		500.00		500.00
01-5-193-000		41,897.36		41,897.36	41,551.00	346.36
01-5-195-000		1,200.00		1,200.00	924.25	275.75
01-5-199-000		10,848.92		10,848.92	10,810.92	38.00

General Government Totals: 331,715.87 21,608.87 353,324.74 335,968.58 17,356.16

Public Safety

	Carry-over	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
01-5-210-000		22,828.38		22,828.38	22,820.25	8.13
01-5-210-001		300.00		300.00	300.00	0.00
01-5-210-004		1,750.00		1,750.00	1,645.12	104.88
01-5-210-005		2,500.00		2,500.00	2,277.15	222.85
01-5-220-000		5,240.00		5,240.00	5,240.00	0.00
01-5-220-001		10,000.00	-80.00	9,920.00	6,688.00	3,232.00
01-5-220-002		12,000.00		12,000.00	10,317.78	1,682.22
01-5-220-003		6,000.00	-500.00	5,500.00	2,942.59	2,557.41
01-5-220-004		6,500.00	300.00	6,800.00	6,711.82	88.18
01-5-220-005		2,500.00	-300.00	2,200.00	1,677.39	522.61
01-5-220-006		3,500.00	500.00	4,000.00	3,941.42	58.58
01-5-220-007			80.00	80.00		80.00
01-5-241-000		4,500.00		4,500.00	4,500.00	0.00
01-5-291-000		1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00

Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
	Carryover			
01-5-291-001	Emer. Mgmt. Expenses	400.00		165.33
01-5-291-002	Alternate EMID Stipend	100.00	234.67	0.00
01-5-291-003	Code RED	1,500.00	100.00	0.00
01-5-291-004	E911 Coord. Stipend	125.00	1,500.00	0.00
01-5-292-000	An. Cont. Officer's Stipend	1,500.00	125.00	0.00
01-5-292-001	AC Officer's Expenses	500.00	1,500.00	153.04
01-5-292-002	Reg. Dog Kennel Assess.	350.00	66.64	66.64
01-5-292-003	Animal Inspector's Exp.	100.00	350.00	0.00
01-5-292-005	Animal Inspector Stipend	250.00	100.00	100.00
01-5-292-006	Wildlife Damage Control Ex	1,200.00	250.00	250.00
01-5-294-000	Tree Removal Expense	8,000.00	1,905.00	0.00
	Public Safety Totals:	92,643.36	271.64	92,915.02
				83,623.15
				9,291.87

Education

Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
	Carryover			
01-5-301-000	School Comm. Stipend	3,000.00		0.00
01-5-301-001	School Committee Expenses	500.00	3,000.00	0.00
01-5-303-000	MTRS Assessment	814,984.00	222.36	277.64
01-5-304-000	FCTS Assessment	157,431.00	814,984.00	0.00
01-5-306-000	MTRS Capital Project	27,542.00	157,431.00	0.00
01-5-307-000	FCTS Capital Projects	2,278.35	67,541.00	0.00
	Education Totals:	1,005,735.35	39,999.00	1,045,734.35
				1,045,456.71
				277.64

Public Works and Facilities

Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
	Carryover			
01-5-421-000	Salary Highway Dept. Wage	173,992.00	174,106.32	0.00
01-5-421-005	Highway Misc Expenses	2,000.00	2,201.03	190.22
01-5-423-000	Machinery Maint./Supplies	63,816.00	64,435.02	5,486.28
01-5-422-002	Vehicle Gas & Oil	40,000.00	30,895.00	2,976.73
01-5-423-003	Hired Equipment/Services	5,000.00	5,000.00	1,340.00
01-5-423-005	Highway Dept. Materials	24,000.00	24,000.00	1,223.56
01-5-423-006	Roadside Mowing	362.35	319.20	0.00
01-5-423-008	Uniforms	2,219.78	-43.15	39.36
01-5-422-009	License Renewals/DOT Phys	400.00	400.00	130.00
01-5-423-000	Salary Winter Hwy. Wages	21,328.20	1,885.68	2,858.11
01-5-423-001	Winter Equip. Maint/Repr	8,000.00	8,000.00	1,025.67
01-5-423-002	Winter Salt/Sand & Other	100,000.00	983.72	168.59
01-5-423-003	Winter Hired Services	3,500.00	2,465.00	2,940.00
01-5-423-009	Salary Winter Temp. Help	1,309.00	-1,128.52	0.00
01-5-423-010	Salary Summer Temp. Help	3,656.00	94.52	846.94
01-5-424-000	Street Lights	1,300.00	180.48	289.10
01-5-430-000	Franklin City Solid Waste	2,590.00	3,750.52	0.00
01-5-431-000	Salary Transfer Station Aten	10,922.40	10,922.40	190.61
01-5-433-002	Dump Transportation/Tippin	30,819.47	-201.03	5,147.62

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
01-5-433-003		500.00		500.00	500.00	0.00
01-5-433-004		200.00		200.00	193.03	6.97
Public Works and Facilities Totals:						
		495,905.20	-1,114.41	494,790.79	469,929.03	24,861.76

Human Services

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
01-5-511-000		375.00	-375.00	0.00		0.00
01-5-511-001			375.00	375.00		375.00
01-5-512-000		1,000.00		1,000.00	635.93	364.07
01-5-512-001		3,749.93		3,749.93	3,727.57	22.36
01-5-512-002		5,200.00		5,200.00	5,200.00	0.00
01-5-513-000		1,500.00		1,500.00	1,055.56	444.44
01-5-522-000		10,041.82		10,041.82	7,966.24	2,075.58
01-5-522-001		1,000.00		1,000.00	562.16	437.84
01-5-523-000		1,200.00		1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00
01-5-541-000		250.00		250.00	250.00	0.00
01-5-541-001		500.00		500.00	95.40	404.60
01-5-542-000		250.00		250.00	190.00	60.00
01-5-542-001		250.00		250.00	250.00	0.00
01-5-543-000		1,401.00		1,401.00	1,401.00	0.00
01-5-544-000		4,000.00	441.36	4,441.36	4,441.36	0.00

01-5-545-000 Health Veterans Memorial Co

		500.00		500.00	100.00	400.00
Human Services Totals:						
		31,217.75	441.36	31,659.11	27,075.22	4,583.89

Culture and Recreation

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
01-5-610-000		26,377.00		26,377.00	26,377.00	0.00
01-5-610-001		5,998.72		5,998.72	5,645.43	353.29
01-5-610-002		1,020.00		1,020.00	180.25	839.75
01-5-610-003		187.50		187.50	187.50	0.00
01-5-610-004		250.00		250.00	250.00	0.00
01-5-611-000		7,810.00		7,810.00	7,810.00	0.00
01-5-611-001		3,149.00		3,149.00	2,649.00	300.00
01-5-613-000		250.00		250.00	250.00	0.00
01-5-650-000		250.00		250.00	250.00	0.00
Culture and Recreation Totals:						
		45,292.22		45,292.22	43,299.18	1,993.04

Debt Service

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
01-5-710-002		7,161.00		7,161.00	7,161.00	0.00
01-5-710-011		206.24		206.24	205.66	0.58
01-5-752-000		1,000.00	-1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
01-5-752-001				0.00	0.00	0.00
01-5-758-000		10,630.00	21,260.00	31,890.00	31,890.00	0.00
01-5-758-011		1,435.05	879.38	2,314.43	2,314.43	0.00

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
01-5-760-001 TS Irene Principal		34,000.00		34,000.00	34,000.00	0.00
01-5-760-011 TS Irene Bond Interest		3,400.00		3,400.00	3,400.00	0.00
01-5-762-000 Safety Complex Land Purchase		5,500.00		5,500.00	5,500.00	0.00
01-5-762-011 Safety Complex Land Interest		1,104.40		1,104.40	1,104.40	0.00
01-5-763-000 2016 Highway Trk Note		5,454.75	20.00	5,474.75	5,474.75	0.00
01-5-763-011 2016 High. Trk Interest		763.66	2.82	766.48	766.48	0.00
01-5-764-000 Compactor Note		13,188.00		13,188.00	13,188.00	0.00
01-5-764-011 Compactor Note Int		1,648.50		1,648.50	1,648.50	0.00
Debt Service Totals:		65,491.60	21,162.20	106,653.80	106,653.22	0.58

Intergovernmental Expenditures

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
01-5-822-000 St Assmnt Air Pollution		218.00		218.00	218.00	0.00
01-5-824-000 Reg Transit Authority Asm		4.00		4.00	4.00	0.00
01-5-827-000 RMV Non-Renewal Surcharg		1,200.00		1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00
Intergovernmental Expenditures Totals:		1,422.00		1,422.00	1,422.00	0.00

Miscellaneous

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
01-5-911-000 Frat. Regional Retirement Sy		56,786.00		56,786.00	56,786.00	0.00
01-5-913-000 Unemployment Compensatio		800.00	2,100.00	2,900.00	2,476.54	421.46

01-5-914-000 Health Insurance		90,125.64	-8.00	90,117.64	90,114.72	2.92
01-5-915-000 Life Insurance		300.00		300.00	191.76	108.24
01-5-916-000 FICA/Medicare Empl. Match		15,000.00		15,000.00	11,351.41	3,648.59
01-5-996-026 Trans. To Fund 26		15,000.00		15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00
01-5-996-039 Trans. To Fund 39			182,000.00	182,000.00	182,000.00	0.00
01-5-996-083 Trans to Fund 83			2,175.50	2,175.50	2,175.50	0.00
01-5-996-966 Trans.to Stabilization			23,000.00	23,000.00	23,000.00	0.00
01-5-999-903 Special Projects in 03	35,088.45	19,000.00	22,987.20	77,075.65	63,006.06	14,069.59

Miscellaneous Totals: 35,088.45 197,011.64 232,254.70 464,354.79 446,103.99 18,250.80

Grand Totals: 35,088.45 2,286,435.01 314,623.36 2,636,146.82 2,559,531.06 76,615.74

TOWN OF HEATH FY 2019 – OTHER FUNDS REVENUE AS OF 6/30/2019

Fund: 21

Cultural Council

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
21-4-680-000 State Cultural Council		4,500.00		4,500.00	4,500.00	0.00
21-4-820-000 rInterest			114.85	114.85	114.85	0.00
21-4-999-901 Funded by Carryovers	5,060.21			5,060.21		5,060.21
Totals:	5,060.21	4,500.00	114.85	9,674.86	4,614.85	5,060.21

Fund: 23

Highway Grants

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
23-4-422-000 Chapter 90 Revenue		209,852.00	41,972.00	251,824.00	272,997.22	-21,163.22
23-4-999-901 Funded by Carryovers	83,968.92			83,968.92		83,968.92
Totals:	83,968.92	209,852.00	41,972.00	335,802.92	272,997.22	62,805.70

Fund: 24

Septic Grants

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
24-4-820-000 rSeptic Bank Interest			21.80	21.80	21.80	0.00
24-4-999-901 Funded by Carryovers	43,714.97			43,714.97		43,714.97
Totals:	43,714.97		21.80	43,736.77	21.80	43,714.97

Fund: 26

Revolving Funds (44 53E1/2)

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
26-4-145-000 Treas. Tax Taking Revolving			3,031.84	3,031.84	3,031.84	0.00
26-4-176-000 rHearings Deposit Revolving			255.00	255.00	255.00	0.00
26-4-292-000 rAnimal Control r Rev.			1,164.50	1,164.50	1,164.50	0.00
26-4-293-000 rBOH Revolving			1,075.00	1,075.00	1,075.00	0.00
26-4-433-000 rRecycling Program: Revolv			3,009.73	3,009.73	3,009.73	0.00
26-4-480-040 F. Burrington Sm. Bus Lea			300.00	300.00	300.00	0.00
26-4-522-000 rVaccine Program			830.84	830.84	830.84	0.00
26-4-541-000 rCOA Meals Revolving			1,438.00	1,438.00	1,438.00	0.00

26-4-970-001 Transfer from General Fund

		15,000.00		15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00
26-4-999-901 Funded by Carryovers	15,619.37			15,619.37		15,619.37

Totals:

	15,619.37	15,000.00	11,105.91	41,725.28	26,105.91	15,619.37
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Fund: 27

Available for Appropriation

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
27-4-491-000 Sale of Lots			1,150.00	1,150.00	1,150.00	0.00
27-4-999-000 Offset to Free Cash		342,102.00		342,102.00	332,123.36	9,978.64
27-4-999-901 Funded by Carryovers	5,815.94			5,815.94		5,815.94

Totals:

	5,815.94	342,102.00	1,150.00	349,067.94	333,273.36	15,794.58
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Fund: 29

Miscellaneous Special Revenue

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
29-4-161-000 extended polling hours			553.00	553.00	553.00	0.00
29-4-192-002 rCommunity Hall Functions			752.00	752.00	752.00	0.00
29-4-192-009 rDOER Green Communities		129,582.00		129,582.00	32,395.50	97,186.50
29-4-291-217 rFFY2017 EMPPG				0.00	1,811.65	-1,811.65
29-4-292-000 rLibrary Dog Fund			680.81	680.81	680.81	0.00
29-4-308-000 rMTRSD Health School Ma			80,000.00	80,000.00	80,000.00	0.00
29-4-421-001 EOAF Bridge & Culvert P1		35,000.00		35,000.00	35,000.00	0.00
29-4-434-001 rRecycling Div. Prog. Grnt		3,500.00		3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00
29-4-491-001 rCemetery Donations			50.00	50.00	50.00	0.00
29-4-541-136 Flu Clinic Donations Rev.			40.00	40.00	40.00	0.00

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
29-4-541-780 rCOA Grant		4,881.21		4,881.21	4,981.21	0.00
29-4-541-783 rFoot Care Grant		1,500.00		1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
29-4-541-784 rFoot Care Clinic Donation			1,375.00	1,375.00	1,375.00	0.00
29-4-541-785 rHome Repair Church St Fu		1,380.00		1,380.00		1,380.00
29-4-610-000 rLibrary State Grant			2,294.60	2,294.60	2,294.60	0.00
29-4-610-001 Library Donations			898.83	898.83	898.83	0.00
29-4-610-007 rFriends Library Gift		588.58		588.58	588.99	0.00
29-4-630-820 Int. Recreation			0.73	0.73	0.73	0.00
29-4-630-821 Parks & Rec Donations			1,104.00	1,104.00	1,104.00	0.00
29-4-999-901 Funded by Carryovers	53,588.47			53,588.47		53,588.47
Totals:	53,588.47	176,223.20	87,759.06	317,570.73	167,227.41	150,343.32

Fund: 39

Large Capital Items

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
39-4-192-001 rSlate Broadband Grant Co		1,462,763.00		1,462,763.00	1,361,072.00	101,691.00
39-4-192-002 rBB Borrowing Proceeds				0.00	500,000.00	-500,000.00
39-4-422-202 rHwy Cub/Chassis 2004 Int		52,000.00		52,000.00		52,000.00
39-4-422-204 rHighway Tractor 2019		58,000.00		58,000.00		58,000.00
39-4-970-001 Trans. From GF/Hwy Equip		55,000.00	127,000.00	182,000.00	182,000.00	0.00
39-4-970-039 Trans. From Stabilization			59,000.00	59,000.00	59,000.00	0.00

39-4-999-901 Funded by carryovers

2,260,534.77

Totals:

2,260,534.77

Fund: 82

Expendable Trusts

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
82-4-300-820 rInt.Read/Carpenter Award			516.58	516.58	516.58	0.00
82-4-401-820 rInt Cemetery			24.60	24.60	24.60	0.00
82-4-510-820 rInt.Hands X Health-Nurse			169.10	169.10	169.10	0.00
82-4-610-820 rInt. Library Trust			12.73	12.73	12.73	0.00
82-4-999-901 Funded by Carryovers	28,349.61			28,349.61		28,349.61
Totals:	28,349.61		723.01	29,072.62	723.01	28,349.61

Fund: 83

Stabilization

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
83-4-820-000 Stabilization Interest			1,397.30	1,397.30	1,397.30	0.00
83-4-820-001 Capital Town Vehicle Inter			236.22	236.22	236.22	0.00
83-4-820-002 Town Building Stab Interest			271.23	271.23	271.23	0.00
83-4-820-003 Parks & Rec Stab interest			51.47	51.47	51.47	0.00
83-4-820-004 Audit Stabilization Interest			258.52	258.52	258.52	0.00
83-4-820-005 Asses. Prop. Tax Mapping			7.06	7.06	7.06	0.00
83-4-820-007 Int. Asses Stab			281.75	281.75	281.75	0.00
83-4-820-008 Int. Tax Collector Software			254.16	254.16	254.16	0.00
83-4-820-009 INT Acct Software Stab			1.26	1.26	1.26	0.00

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
83-4-901-000 Trans. frm General Fund			22,175.50	22,175.50	22,175.50	0.00
83-4-909-004 Trns. From GF/Audit			2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
83-4-999-005 Trans from GF/Acct Softwa			1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
83-4-999-901 Funded by Carryovers	436,819.26			436,819.26		436,819.26
Totals:	436,819.26	27,936.81		464,756.17	27,936.81	436,819.26
Report Totals:		2,375,450.20	356,783.34	5,665,705.06	2,934,972.27	2,730,732.79

TOWN OF HEATH FY 2019 – OTHER FUNDS EXPENDITURE AS OF 6/30/2019

Fund: 03

Special Projects

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
03-5-141-004 Assessors' Deed Project Consulta	2,175.50		-2,175.50	0.00		0.00
03-5-145-001 Tax Pass. Property Mgmt	18,589.08		25,000.00	43,589.08	41,401.83	2,187.25
03-5-192-230 Remedy Inspection Items Conon	7,640.40			7,640.40	8,790.25	850.15
03-5-300-212 Pre School Support	3,630.40	15,000.00	-4,837.30	13,693.10	12,009.80	1,683.50
03-5-421-000 Hwy. Health & Safety Complan			5,000.00	5,000.00		5,000.00
03-5-422-001 Install Ice Guards/PD/Highway	450.00			450.00		450.00
03-5-440-000 Landfill Expenses	2,703.07	4,000.00		6,703.07	2,804.38	3,898.69
Totals:	35,088.45	19,000.00	22,987.20	77,075.65	63,006.08	14,069.59

Fund: 21

Cultural Council

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
21-5-217-002 Health Library/Summer Reading	39.62		-33.62	0.00		0.00
21-5-217-016 Health School/Strings	500.00		-500.00	0.00		0.00
21-5-217-021 Hallman/2017 Heath Artists Exhi	14.82		-14.82	0.00		0.00
21-5-218-001 Sara Campbell	200.00			200.00	200.00	0.00
21-5-218-004 Health Agr. Society	800.00			800.00	800.00	0.00
21-5-218-006 Mohawk Trail Concerts	500.00			500.00	500.00	0.00
21-5-218-007 Poohole Pictures	400.00			400.00	400.00	0.00
21-5-218-009 Franklin Land Trust	150.00			150.00	150.00	0.00
21-5-218-010 Charlemont Forum	200.00			200.00	200.00	0.00
21-5-218-011 Harry Hallman	370.00			370.00	370.00	0.00
21-5-218-012 Hilltown Families	100.00			100.00	100.00	0.00
21-5-218-013 Memorial Hall	300.00			300.00	300.00	0.00
21-5-218-014 The Art Garden	200.00			200.00	200.00	0.00
21-5-218-015 Double Edge Theater	500.00			500.00	500.00	0.00
21-5-218-017 Piti Theatre Company	250.00			250.00	250.00	0.00
21-5-219-001 Ciruen/Weaving		400.00		400.00	400.00	0.00
21-5-219-002 Alpert/Racial Justies		120.00		120.00		120.00
21-5-219-003 Health Library/Summer		150.00		150.00		150.00
21-5-219-004 Art Garden/Exhibit		250.00		250.00		250.00
21-5-219-005 Nolumbecka/Pocumtuck		50.00		50.00		50.00
21-5-219-006 Mohawk Trail Concerts/50th		600.00		600.00		600.00

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
21-5-219-007		100.00		100.00		100.00
21-5-219-008		300.00		300.00		300.00
21-5-219-009		350.00		350.00		350.00
21-5-219-010		800.00		800.00		800.00
21-5-219-011		900.00		900.00		900.00
21-5-219-012		473.00		473.00		473.00
21-5-219-013		300.00		300.00		300.00
21-5-219-014		200.00		200.00	200.00	0.00
21-5-219-015		400.00		400.00		400.00
21-5-219-016		100.00		100.00		100.00
21-5-300-000	541.77		-228.91	311.86	48.79	263.07
Totals:	5,060.21	5,393.00	-778.35	9,674.88	4,618.79	5,058.07

Fund: 23

Highway Grants

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
23-5-222-000		209,862.00	41,972.00	335,802.92	272,987.22	62,805.70
Totals:	83,968.92	209,862.00	41,972.00	335,802.92	272,987.22	62,805.70

Fund: 24

Septic Grants

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
24-5-440-002		43,714.97	21.80	43,736.77		43,736.77
Totals:	43,714.97		21.80	43,736.77		43,736.77

Fund: 26

Revolving Funds (44 53E.1/2)

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
26-5-145-000		30,000.00	-11,988.16	18,031.84	11,995.07	6,038.77
26-5-176-000	1,000.00	1,000.00	-745.00	1,255.00	352.35	902.65
26-5-293-000	2,000.00	2,000.00	-836.50	3,164.50	1,164.50	2,000.00
26-5-293-000	5,000.00	5,000.00	-3,925.00	6,075.00	1,075.00	5,000.00
26-5-294-000	677.22	1,000.00	-1,000.00	677.22	131.78	545.46
26-5-433-000	1,058.83	10,000.00	-6,990.27	4,068.56	1,978.00	2,088.56
26-5-480-000	1,327.64		300.00	1,627.64		1,627.64
26-5-523-000	3,000.00	3,000.00	-2,166.16	3,833.84	852.77	2,978.07
26-5-541-000	1,557.68	3,000.00	-1,581.00	2,966.68	1,175.00	1,821.68
Totals:	15,619.37	55,000.00	-28,064.09	41,725.28	16,724.45	23,000.83

Fund: 27

Available for Appropriation

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
27-5-491-000	5,815.84		1,190.00	6,985.84		6,985.84
27-5-999-000		342,102.00		342,102.00	332,123.36	9,978.64
Totals:	5,815.84	342,102.00	1,190.00	349,067.94	332,123.36	16,944.58

Fund: 29

Miscellaneous Special Revenues

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
29-5-161-000			553.00	553.00	553.00	0.00

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
29-5-171-000 Wetlands Protection	1,057.78			1,057.78		1,057.78
29-5-192-001 Community Hall Donations	25.00			25.00		25.00
29-5-192-002 Comm. Hall Committee Fund	3,722.41		752.00	4,474.41	1,739.59	2,734.82
29-5-192-003 Ins. Reimb. Basement SH 2018	1,154.11			1,154.11	247.40	906.71
29-5-192-006 MA Tech. Collab. Grt. 10	56.07			56.07		56.07
29-5-192-009 DOER Green Communities Grant		129,582.00		129,582.00		129,582.00
29-5-291-211 Ice Storm Donations 2008	428.59			428.59		428.59
29-5-291-217 FFY2017 EMPG	1,270.02			1,270.02	851.67	408.35
29-5-292-000 Library Dog Fund	700.68		680.81	1,381.49	700.68	680.81
29-5-293-000 Health Animal Fund gift	100.00			100.00		100.00
29-5-300-000 MTRSD Health School Maint	10,032.72		80,000.00	90,032.72	48,105.80	43,826.92
29-5-421-001 EOAF Bridge & Culvert Plan		35,000.00		35,000.00		35,000.00
29-5-434-001 Recycling Div. Program Grant		3,500.00		3,500.00	1,783.14	1,716.86
29-5-491-000 North Cemetery Maint.	600.00			600.00		600.00
29-5-491-001 Cemetery Donations	1,304.03		50.00	1,354.03	1,315.00	39.03
29-5-491-002 South Cemetery Donation	500.00			500.00	500.00	0.00
29-5-541-136 Flu Clinic Donations	589.50		40.00	629.50		629.50
29-5-541-780 COA Grant	1,338.79	4,661.21		6,000.00	3,785.73	2,214.27
29-5-541-782 Senior Cntr donations	187.00			187.00		187.00
29-5-541-783 Foot Care Grant		1,500.00		1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
29-5-541-784 Foot Care Clinic Donations	1,166.19		1,375.00	2,541.19	879.00	1,662.19
29-5-541-785 Home Repair-Church St Fund		1,380.00		1,380.00	535.43	844.57
Totals:						
29-5-545-000 Health Veterans Memorial Fund	2,488.38			2,488.38		2,488.38
29-5-610-000 Library State Grant	12,640.80		2,294.69	14,935.49	138.15	14,797.34
29-5-610-001 Library Donations	4,339.58		698.83	5,038.39	212.25	5,026.14
29-5-610-004 Library Construction Gift	8,273.00			8,273.00		8,273.00
29-5-610-007 Friends Library Gift	599.99			599.99	599.99	0.00
29-5-630-000 Recreation Fund	1,413.83		1,104.75	2,518.58	900.00	1,618.58
Totals:						
	53,588.47	178,223.20	87,758.06	317,570.73	62,354.83	255,215.90

Fund: 39

Large Capital Items

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
39-5-192-000 Broadband Network Borrowing	1,450,000.00		-500,000.00	950,000.00		950,000.00
39-5-192-001 State Broadband Grant Construct	810,634.77	1,452,763.00		2,273,297.77	633,322.15	1,639,975.62
39-5-192-002 BB Borrowing Proceeds			500,000.00	500,000.00	147,652.85	352,347.15
39-5-422-019 Backhoe 2019			100,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	0.00
39-5-422-202 Hwy Cab/Chassis 2004 Int		107,000.00		107,000.00		107,000.00
39-5-422-203 Int. 2004 Cab/Chassis Transfer			59,000.00	59,000.00		59,000.00
39-5-422-204 Highway Tractor 2019		50,000.00		50,000.00		50,000.00
39-5-422-213 Hwy Trk 2019			27,000.00	27,000.00		27,000.00
Totals:						
	2,260,634.77	1,627,763.00	185,000.00	4,074,297.77	880,965.00	3,193,312.77

Fund: 82

Expendable Trusts

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
82-5-300-000 Read/Carpenter Award	2,016.87			2,016.87	50.00	2,483.45

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
82-5-491-000 Cemetery	11,082.34		24.60	11,086.94	196.00	10,890.94
82-5-510-000 Hands X Health-Nurse	6,762.47		169.10	6,931.57		6,931.57
82-5-610-000 Library Trust	8,507.93		12.73	8,520.66		8,520.66
Totals:	26,349.61		723.01	29,072.62	246.00	28,826.62

Fund: 83

Stabilization

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
83-5-000-000 Available Stabilization	220,571.71		21,387.30	241,959.01		241,959.01
83-5-135-000 Audit Stabilization	10,253.94		2,258.82	12,512.86		12,512.86
83-5-135-001 Acct Software Stabilization			1,001.26	1,001.26		1,001.26
83-5-141-000 Asses. Property Tax Mapping St.	249.01		7.08	256.09		256.09
83-5-141-218 Assess. Stab. 2018	20,341.43		-10,042.75	10,298.68		10,298.68
83-5-146-218 Tax Coll. Software Stab.	10,170.71		254.18	10,424.89		10,424.89
83-5-192-000 School/Building Cap. Improv. St	90,535.73		271.23	90,806.96		90,806.96
83-5-422-000 Equip/Vehicle Stab. Fund	62,838.22		-58,761.78	23,876.44		23,876.44
83-5-630-000 Parks & Recreation Stabilization	2,058.51		51.47	2,109.98		2,109.98
83-5-993-001 Trans. To Fund 01			12,500.00	12,500.00	12,500.00	0.00
83-5-993-039 Transfer to Fund 39			59,000.00	59,000.00	59,000.00	0.00
Totals:	436,818.26		27,936.81	464,756.17	71,500.00	393,256.17

Report Totals: 2,968,559.97 2,435,343.20 338,877.54 5,742,780.71 1,708,555.71 4,036,225.00

**TOWN OF HEATH FY 2019 – COMBINED BALANCE SHEET
ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS AS OF 6/30/2019 (UNAUDITED)**

	Governmental Fund Types		Fiduciary Fund Types		Account Groups		Totals (Memorandum Only)
	General	Special Revenue	Trust and Agency	Debt	Long-term	Debt	

ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents	128,689.59	1,826,622.43	423,570.29				2,378,882.31
Real estate taxes	67,193.89						67,193.89
Allowance for abatements and exemptions	(13,097.10)						(13,097.10)
Tax liens	76,893.22						76,893.22
Tax foreclosures	45,838.42						45,838.42
Motor vehicle excise	19,453.86						19,453.86
Septic Loan-Tanner		18,126.58					18,126.58
Amounts to be provided - payment of bonds			718,837.23				718,837.23
Total Assets	324,971.86	1,844,749.01	423,570.29				3,310,128.41

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

Liabilities:							
Agency Funds							1,487.50
Deferred revenue:							
Real and personal property taxes	54,096.79						54,096.79
Tax liens	76,893.22						76,893.22
Tax foreclosures	45,838.42						45,838.42
Motor vehicle excise	19,453.86						19,453.86
Other receivables/Tanner Septic		18,126.58					18,126.58
			1,487.50				

	Governmental Fund Types		Fiduciary Fund Types	Account Groups	Totals (Memorandum Only)
	General	Special Revenue			
Bonds payable				716,837.23	716,837.23
Notes payable					0.00
Vacation and sick leave liability					0.00
Total Liabilities	196,282.29	18,126.58	1,487.50	716,837.23	932,733.60
Fund Equity:					
Reserved for encumbrances	984.80				984.80
Reserved for continuing appropriations	34,069.59				34,069.59
Free Cash to Balance Budget	30,000.00				30,000.00
Undesignated fund balance	83,635.20	1,825,622.43	422,082.79		2,332,340.42
Total Fund Equity	128,689.59	1,825,622.43	422,082.79	0.00	2,377,394.81
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	324,971.88	1,844,749.01	423,570.29	716,837.23	3,310,128.43

PROOF THAT BALANCE SHEET IS IN BALANCE 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00

PROOF THAT FUND DETAIL OF FUND BALANCE AGREES TO THE BALANCE SHEET 0.00

AGENCY FUND BALANCE PROOF 0.00

TRUST FUND BALANCE PROOF (0.00)

TOWN OF HEATH FY 2019 – TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

REAL ESTATE	BAL 07/01/18	COMMITTED AFTER 06/30/18	COLLECTED	ABATED	EXEMPTED	REFUNDED	TAX TAKINGS	OVER PAYMENT	PREV OVERTYMT BROUGHT FORWARD	BALANCE
PROPERTY										CALCULATED
FY 2020	\$0.00	\$879,064.87	\$16,102.92	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00			\$963,861.96
FY 2019	\$969,613.55	\$876,084.64	\$1,656,154.82	\$442.84	\$5,362.28	\$12,056.54	\$28,829.80			\$67,193.89
FY 2018	\$57,203.80	\$0.00	\$47,083.95	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,119.85			\$0.00
MOTOR VEHICLE EX										CALCULATED
FY 2020	\$0.00	\$77,393.52	\$61,686.10	\$1,967.00						\$14,788.92
FY 2018	\$12,891.49	\$8,254.58	\$17,912.83	\$529.91						\$3,238.72
FY 2017	\$2,060.03	\$0.00	\$1,656.73	\$0.00						\$517.40
FY 2016	\$626.88	\$0.00	\$301.56	\$0.00						\$325.32
2015	\$567.60	\$0.00	\$217.80	\$0.00						\$350.00
2014	\$386.67	\$0.00	\$154.17	\$0.00						\$232.50
2013	\$432.06	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$432.06						\$0.00

TREASURER'S REPORT OF TRUSTS & OTHER FUNDS

Cemetery Trust

Sarah H. Symonds	50.00	The Whipples	250.00
Ellen N. Fiske	50.00	Elsom Elderidge	250.00
Chenery Fund	500.00	Nelle Porter	250.00
Lucy M. Gale	100.00	Jane Gribbin	100.00
Edwain Chapin	140.00	Barbara Wolf	250.00
Clifford J. Hager	100.00	Ralph Riddle	500.00
Walter S. Benson	200.00	Frances Malone	200.00
William Dickinson	200.00	Richard Hatch	50.00
George H. Gribbin	1,000.00	Michael Peters	250.00
Leon B. Stewart	25.00	Robert & Delores	
Ruth Whipple	250.00	Viarengo	400.00
Truman H. Safford	100.00	Joan & Gerald Gilbert	200.00
Joseph & Pamela Gilbert	200.00	Johs Clausen	225.00
Albert Burkhardt	200.00	Steven Wolf	250.00
Charles Mackie	250.00	Unknown	100.00
Total Cemetery Bequests	7,040.00		

Trust CD's	6,365.95
Trust Checking	4,524.99
Balance 12/31/2018	10,890.94

Library Trust

Felicia Welsh	500.00	Ralph Riddle	165.00
Hugh Maxwell	500.00	Leon Stewart	100.00
Charles Miller	176.00	Helen Nichols	75.00
Elizabeth Wilson	350.00	Thelma Meadon	200.00
Cultural Council Grant	88.36	Harriet Read	702.37
Building Needs - Wilmeth	50.00	Building Needs - Stein	100.00
Mildred Burrington Memorial	50.00		
Total Library Bequests	3,056.73		

Money Market Account	8,520.66
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Other Funds

Cultural Council (Arts Lottery)	5,056.07
Hands Across Heath	6,931.57
Heath General Funds	808,078.00
Park & Recreation Department	1,618.56
Read Carpenter Scholarship	2,483.45
Septic Fund	43,736.77
Stabilization Funds	393,256.17
Last Mile Broadband	1,098,310.12

Total Other Funds **2,359,470.71**

Total of All Funds **2,378,882.31**

Tax Title Accounts

Account Balance	
1/1/2019	49,017.14
Taxes Added	44,0005.09
Payments Received	12,276.54
Town Acquired	
Property	3,852.47
Remove Tax title error	
Account Balance	
12/31/2019	76,893.22



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AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

This report is not available at this time. Check our website for more information.

COVID-19

Most normal activities in Heath and throughout the nation have been altered or disrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Town business is being conducted remotely or under severe restrictions. The Governor has issued emergency measures that allow for relaxation of some Open Meeting Law regulations and has allowed for the postponement of Town Meetings, elections and various filings. Town boards and committees have been meeting by teleconferencing and videoconferencing allowed under the emergency measures. The public is invited to attend remotely by following the instructions included on the posted announcement or agenda.

Broadband Project

Progress on the Broadband project has picked up since the 2019 Annual Town Meeting. We have moved from completing pole surveys to engineering design and make ready work, on to the construction phase. The hub building has been installed in the center of town and we are about to start stringing the fiber optic cable throughout the Town. Some of the cost overruns in the make ready work have been alleviated by additional funds from the state. We are in the process of developing a Town drop policy for the extension of the service from the pole to the dwelling. A portion of the connection costs will be covered by the Town.

School Building Use Committee

The Select Board appointed the School Building Use Committee to manage rentals and other uses of the building. They are charged with keeping a calendar of uses and posting meetings and events at 18 Jacobs Road.

Facilities Task Force

The Select Board appointed a Facilities Task Force to review the condition and current use of all of the Town buildings and to make recommendations on improvements or changes in use.

Town Coordinator Appointment

Hilma Sumner was appointed temporary Town Coordinator upon the resignation of Kara Leistyna who left in August of last year to take a job at the University of Massachusetts. A search committee was appointed to review applicants for the job and recommend candidates to the Select Board. The Board reviewed the finalists and unanimously voted to offer the position to Hilma Sumner.

Remote Meeting Policy

A Remote Meeting policy has been adopted that will allow occasional participation by members of various boards and committees by teleconferencing. The members will be considered present at the meeting and will be able to vote. The policy is intended for extraordinary circumstances and not for regular use. There must be a quorum present at the regular public meeting place including the committee or board chair. A copy of the policy may be obtained from the Town Coordinator or viewed on the Town website.

Animal Control Officer

Heath is now a member of the Franklin County Animal Control Office. Our local Animal Control Officer is Kyle Dragon.

New Town Website

Heath has a newly constructed website with a much more user friendly interface. Committees and boards have their own pages and members may post notices of meetings, meeting minutes and other information without outside assistance.

Former School Building – 18 Jacobs Road

The Town's insurance company added a surcharge of \$13,000 to the premium for maintaining an unoccupied building. In response the Select Board moved a number of functions to the building in an effort to restore it to occupied status, including meetings of the Select Board, Conservation Commission, Finance Committee, School Building Use Committee, Energy Advisory Committee, Heath Fire Department, Heath Fire Fighters Association, Town Facilities Task Force, as well as Special Town Meetings and Annual Town Meeting. In addition to the Town use, there is rental usage including a cooperative home school playgroup, drama club, recovery theater and use of the kitchen for baking for a community food pantry. A recent inspection by the insurance company has found the building to be "occupied" and well maintained.

Tripp's Tree Farm

The Board has negotiated and approved a Host Community Agreement with a group seeking to establish a cannabis production operation in Heath. They are in the process of raising investment capital and do not have firm plans at the moment.

Green Communities

Energy reduction projects are underway in Sawyer Hall, Community Hall, the Highway Garage and Fire Station. The Energy Advisory Committee is working with FRCOG and the state to amend the Town's Energy Reduction Plan to include all town buildings including the former school building.

Heath Online

Take some time to visit the Town's NEW Web site at www.townofheath.org. You'll find Select Board meeting minutes, committee information, school information, and important announcements. Thank you for the diligence and creativity of Eric Holan, Hilma Sumner and Montague Web Works in getting the website transitioned and up and running. Please have a look and let us know what you think. You may contact the Board at BOS@townofheath.org.

Brian De Vriese, Chair
Robyn Provost Carlson
Gloria Cronin Fisher

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

The New Year started out with the Assessors processing abatements for Fiscal Year 2019. As spring came, our office continued conducting inspections of building permits, demolitions and properties on the town's cyclical inspection list. The Department of Revenue (DOR) requires the Assessors of Massachusetts to visit every property in each town once every ten years.

The year of 2019 brought more change to the Assessors' Office. In May, Margo Newton did not seek re-election to the Board leaving an open position on the Assessing Board. August brought the Annual Assessing School at UMass and Alice Wozniak taught Course 200; Cost Approach to Value. In October, Heidi Griswold was appointed to fill the 3rd seat on the Board left vacant by Margo Newton.

Education is very important in the Assessing field as the laws under which we operate continually change. The Board of Assessors is the only elected board that the state requires its members to successfully complete a 30 hour course and examination within two years of taking office. Failure to do so jeopardizes the DOR approval of the town's tax rate.

In Fiscal Year 2019, the office granted 3 abatements totaling \$114,365 of value which translates into \$2,470.28 of tax dollars. Currently, there aren't any Appellate Tax Board cases for 2019 but it's possible that we may see some for the utilities in the coming years. As we inspect properties in town, our property record card accuracy continues to improve which promotes fair and equitable assessments. We encourage all residents to check the information on their property record cards periodically, especially after any building permit or demolition work has been completed.

Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 was an interim year adjustment which typically means a lighter work load but the utility companies again reported significantly less value than in the previous year. Therefore, we hired Muddy River Advisors, LLC an outside consulting firm to value our utilities and they came back with a much higher value than the values of utilities reported.

The Heath tax rate for Fiscal Year 2020 was \$22.25/per \$1,000.00 of valuation. The Town of Heath's parcel count, total assessed values for each major class of properties and their percentage of the Levy Limit is as follows:

Classification	Valuation	% of Value
• Residential [994 parcels]	\$ 79,929,700	88.1421
• Commercial [108 parcels]	\$ 1,228,909	1.3552
• Industrial [1 parcel]	\$ 97,900	0.1080
• Personal Property [5 accounts]	\$ 9,426,216	10.3947

Total amount of 2020 Property Tax Valuation \$ 90,682,725 100.00%

The Town of Heath has finally completed the major remapping project that we began in 2016. All the maps have been renumbered, updated and compatible with GIS (geographic information system) which our emergency services use. We now have them uploaded online at our Heath website www.townofheath.org under Town

Office, Assessors' Office. A second part of this project will be getting our property card information online which should be available by the end of 2020. Most communities have this already and it is helpful for property owners, realtors, etc. especially since our office is open only one day a week.

There are several statutory property tax exemptions for the elderly varying in amounts from \$175 to \$500. Each exemption is based on income guidelines and as economic times become more difficult, the elderly are encouraged to contact the Assessors' office to see whether they may qualify. Any information that is provided to qualify for these exemptions is strictly confidential and is not available to the general public. Also available are exemptions for the blind and veterans.

We want the general public to know that assessing is a very complicated field and the DOR sets forth very strict guidelines with which our office must comply. With that said, our office is open to the public for any questions Wednesdays 9:30-4:00 p.m. Our board meets typically on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 5:00 p.m. in the Assessor's office but this can change due to scheduling conflicts. If you would like to set up an appointment to meet with the Board, please call the office at 337-4934 Ext. 3.

- Robyn Provost-Carlson - Chair**
- Heather Hathwell**
- Heidi Griswold**
- Alice Wozniak - MAA & Assistant Assessor**



BOARD OF HEALTH

The Town of Heath continues to be a comprehensive member of the Cooperative Public Health Service (CPHS), a health district based at the Franklin Regional Council of Governments (FRCOG). As a comprehensive member of the CPHS and FRCOG, we are fortunate to have the support and expertise of the FRCOG staff and are especially grateful for the work of Randy Crochier, Regional Health Agent, Lisa Danek-Burke, part-time Health Agent, Lisa White, Public Health Nurse as well as Phoebe Walker, FRCOG Director of Community Services, who provide guidance to our work. Our membership in the CPHS expands the expertise of our Board beyond what it would be if we had to rely on our BoH members alone. This past year for the Town of Heath, FRCOG Health agents witnessed nine Title-5 Inspections prior to property transfer; conducted various Title-5 (septic) related activities including six Soil Evaluations for septic systems, ten septic system plan reviews (including 3 Local Upgrade Approvals), site visits and final inspections of installations. Health agents also reviewed and issued permits for three new private wells. The BoH with the support of our Health Agent, inspects properties when it receives complaints and negotiates resolutions of infractions of the Sanitary Code and other regulations.

Heath is also a member of the Mohawk Area Public Health Coalition (MAPHCO) which is a regional coalition of 24 Franklin County and two Hampshire County towns for public health emergency preparedness funded by the Federal government. With support of the MAPHCO, the BoH members have designed and distributed information flyers on preventing transmission of and protecting oneself from the new coronavirus. Our Board chairman serves on the Joint Information System subcommittee of MAPHCO which is the spokesperson for the Coalition and which continues to issue information on the virus to our constituents.

The Board of Health (BoH) continues to review and update policies and regulations to continue to secure the health and safety of the residents of Heath. In 2019 the BoH reviewed and updated well regulations, the port-a-potty policy, and proposed changes to the General Bylaws for unregistered vehicles to remove the BoH responsibility for enforcing those bylaws as in Massachusetts boards of health are not responsible for zoning bylaws. The Board also continued to review and discuss the Temporary Occupancy Permitting regulations for temporary dwellings. At present the BoH members have not made any recommendations for amending those regulations. The BoH continues to issue permits for temporary occupancy.

In March, the BoH worked with other regional towns to hold a practice Emergency Operations/Emergency Headquarters Center at the 18 Jacobs Road property. In November, the BoH also participated in an Emergency Dispensing Site (EDS) drill to review emergency planning. Trainings like these help the Board members to be prepared in case an emergency event occurs.

Although we were fortunate to not have to fully activate an emergency shelter due to a storm or other emergency event, the Board was involved in managing an outbreak of Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) in August when Heath was designated at Critical Risk for EEE by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health because of a direct link of an infected individual to the Town of Heath. Eastern Equine

Encephalitis is the deadliest mosquito borne disease in the world, there are no vaccines to prevent infection, there are no cures or medicines to lessen the severity of the effects of the disease, and approximately a third of all people infected with EEE die from the disease. The EEE virus circulates between bird reservoir hosts and mosquitos and is transmitted to humans from a bite of an infected mosquito.

As the Board discussed EEE and our concerns for prevention and having local control in mosquito related decisions, we research the Pioneer Valley Mosquito Control District (PVMCD) and recommended to the Select Board to have Heath join the District. The PVMCD was established by the State Reclamation and Mosquito Control Board (SRB) on October 18, 2017, in accordance with M.G.L. c. 252. The purpose of the District is “to serve our membership communities by suppressing both nuisance and disease-carrying mosquito populations.” The PVMCD provides mosquito control services, disease surveillance, and public education to its member towns. Membership in the PVMCD also allows member towns to get emergency mosquito control such as larvicides (at reduced rates) to prevent the mosquitos from hatching and spreading infectious diseases. Early use of larvicides, if necessary, would also likely prevent the possible need for aerial spraying later in the season. Additionally, if there were evidence of infected mosquitos, member towns would likely get State assistance in managing the mosquitos. Towns which monitor mosquitos have a far higher likelihood of local control over how mosquitos are managed. Armed with the data, towns can be proactive and preclude the possibility of the State MDPH dictating actions. The Board of Health members recommended to the Select Board that an Article to join the PVMCD be put on the Special Town Meeting Warrant for March 24, 2020 so Town voters would have the opportunity to vote for Heath to join the Pioneer Valley Mosquito Control District (PVMCD). Results of that vote were not in at the time of writing this report.

The Board continues to look for additional ways to support local health and wellness. A flu clinic is held in conjunction with the annual fall EDS drill. Heath’s Town Nurse, Claire Rabbitt continues to provide local, accessible health services in Town including office hours at the community hall, flu shots, home visits, several wellness classes, and a sharps collection service. Low-cost tick tests continue to be offered through a Board of Health subsidy. Twenty (20) Heath residents received low-cost tick tests in 2019, a savings of \$700. Thirty percent (30%) of ticks tested in Heath in 2019 tested positive for the Lyme pathogen, and an additional 5% tested positive for the Babesiosis pathogen.

This year, the BoH compiled a list of residents who might need assistance during an emergency. BoH members call each person on the list prior and/or during emergencies to ask if they need anything and alert them to services which might be available. The Board hopes to continue our work on updating existing policies and exploring services that help to keep our whole Town safe and healthy. We also hope to expand our work on addressing distressed properties in Town through a program the FRCOG has created. If you have any questions or concerns please reach out to any of the members on the Board.

**Betsy Kovacs - Chair, Armand Clavette, Susan Gruen, Henry Godek,
John Palmer, Gene Garland - Ex officio member
Board of Health Clerk: Mary Sumner (appointed)
Health Director: Randy Crochier, Cooperative Public Health Service, FRCOG**

BROADBAND

2019 marked a dramatic change in our long quest for high speed broadband services to Heath residents. We are no longer waiting for a network to be started. We are now waiting for it to be completed! Make-ready work to prepare or replace utility poles throughout town for hanging the town's fiber-optic network cable was nearly done by year's end. This work was being completed by contractors of first National Grid and then Verizon. Westfield Gas and Electric Company (WG&E) as the Heath network construction project manager conducted bidding for a contractor to build our network that WG&E designed. It was won by TriWire Engineering to both install the main cable and then later to build the "drops" to each participating home in town (a drop is the fiber connection between the main cable at the roadside to the house). In early December, the central "Hut" was installed on South Road next to the basketball court near the Community Hall. The hut will house the central electronics and fiber connections for Heath's whole network.

During the year, the Governor agreed to pay for doing the expensive make-ready work for any extra costs above the state's original estimate. In Heath's case this will likely exceed the original estimate by a factor of three. The construction phases of the network are being paid for by the town borrowing approved by voters plus additional state funds.

Heath formed a Municipal Lighting Plant (MLP) Board comprised of the Select Board members. The purpose of the MLP Board is running the broadband network as a business and serving its subscribers. To help the MLP Board oversee the project, an MLP Advisory Committee (MLPAC) was also formed and Bob Bourke was hired to perform duties as Broadband Construction Liaison to work with WG&E during construction of our network.

The MLP advisory committee met every two weeks or so during the first part of 2019 and then weekly as things started demanding more attention including phone conferences with WG&E every two weeks and monthly phone conferences with the State Broadband Coordinator and Governor's Representative Bill Ennen. Additional meetings were held to consider how residences would be served located on the edges of Heath in Charlemont, Colrain, Rowe and Whitingham, VT. Much effort was spent trying to design a way to serve the large number of seasonal residents in Heath. Heath continued to participate with the WiredWest Communications Cooperative and to weigh the benefits of signing to be our network operations and administrative services agent. The work of creating the fiber network will be ongoing through 2020 and is predicted to be complete in early 2021. Marketing and signing up is scheduled to begin in May 2020. As households are "lit up" one service area at a time (there are 4 in Heath) starting sometime in late summer 2020, subscribers will have the option to have high speed internet and phone. Access to the high speed internet will allow purchase of any of the internet services such as TV and streaming. Public information meetings will be scheduled beginning in May 2020.

Art Schwenger, Chair

Sheila Litchfield

Ned Wolf

Jan Carr

Margo Newton was asked to join the committee late in 2019.

CEMETERY COMMISSION

The Cemetery Commission met two times before the last ATM to propose some changes in the bylaws which were approved. The change to 11.8.13 Green burials was to remove the words leak proof because leak proof shrouds are not available. Also, it was added That: The legal representative of the deceased, if there is no funeral director, is responsible for providing transport and lowering the body into the grave. Also increases in fees for lots were requested after looking at fees in the area as Heath was far below other Towns. You may view these changes under the Town bylaws on the Town of Heath website. For any other questions regarding burials or to purchase a lot, call Sexton, Matthew Lively or one of the Cemetery Commissioners.

Claire Rabbitt - Chairperson

Jerry Gilbert - Secretary

Eric Sumner

COMMUNITY HALL COMMITTEE

This report is not available at this time. Check our website for more information.



CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Conservation Commission has been meeting on an as needed basis over the past year. In 2019 the ConCom reviewed six Requests for Determination (RFD) for: a septic system repair; nuisance aquatic vegetation treatment; solar array construction; driveway construction; agricultural shed construction and maintenance for a fire pond. The Commission also reviewed the finalization of a conservation restriction on property sold by the Franklin Land Trust opposite the Crowningshield Conservation Area on West Branch Road. Several building and septic system sites were reviewed for the presence of wetland or other resource areas as part of the required official sign-offs for building and septic permit applications. Bill Lattrell continues to serve as a consultant to the Commission and does most of the permit reviews for the FCCIP building inspection sign-off requirement. The FCCIP online permitting system allows the Conservation Commission to access and sign off on permits online. Comments may also be posted on the permit application regarding the status of the ConCom review.

The Conservation Commission has recently decided to return to regularly scheduled monthly meetings on the 4th Thursday of the month at 7:00 P.M. at the former school building, 18 Jacobs Road. Meetings may be cancelled if there is no pending business.

During the COVID-19 emergency the ConCom will meet only as needed and by remote means such as teleconferencing. Field visits will be scheduled and conducted by Bill Lattrell the consultant to the ConCom.

Henry Josephson has been appointed to the Conservation Commission to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Ned Wolf.

Brian De Vriese - Chair
Buck DenOuden
Pam Porter
Dennis Peters
Henry Josephson

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COUNCIL ON AGING

This report is not available at this time. Check our website for more information.

CULTURAL COUNCIL

For 2019-2020, the Heath Cultural Council (HCC) reviewed twenty-one applications and awarded seventeen grants totaling \$4843.00, of which \$4800.00 was this year's allocation, and \$283.96.00 carried over from previous year for administrative needs.

Our main goal has always been to fund applications that directly affect as many Heath citizens as possible. To that end, this year we provided financial assistance to the Heath Summer Reading Crafts, the Hawlemont Student Weaving Project, Music at the Heath Fair, the Senior Arts Project, Community Yoga Outreach, and the Bat House Project at the Heath Fair.

We hope Heathans will also enjoy valuable projects outside of town. That led us to fund these other projects: Nolumbeka Native American Festival, Racial Justice Rising, Hilltown Families Online Weekly Suggested Events, Collected Poets Series, Hilltown Draw Around, the Art Garden, Charlemont Forum, Pothole Pictures, Footlights at the Falls production of "Dancing at Lughnasa," and the Mohawk Trail Concerts in their 51st year.

Unfortunately, we currently find ourselves in the midst of a pandemic that has brought us to shelter in place and to require social distancing in gathering of a limited number of individuals. The ongoing shutdown of the state and the uncertainty about the summer months threatens many of these projects. We will attempt to update Heath residents when activities are open and available. Please visit our webpage at <https://www.massculture.org/Heath> for more information.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of this year's Council: Jean Gran, Jayne Dane, Nina Marshall, and Lyra Johnson-Fuller. In addition to their willingness to chip in and share various tasks, their insightful and creative suggestions led us to come up with this final list of cultural experiences.

Suzanne Hannay

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

In March a table top drill was held at the Heath school building. This drill went over the operations of each EOC department's role and what action they would take. Those attending included: Select Board members, Fire Chief, Police Chief, Board of Health members, public Information officer, Mental Health worker and Emergency management director and assistant director. Highway department members were also invited, but were unable to attend.

In August emergency management was in communication, along with the Board of Health, involving the notification and response to the town's notification of our critical level of EEE.

The threat of a big Ice storm on Dec 30th had department heads in constant communication, but thankfully no big issues arose.

I attended several regional EMD meetings which provides us updated information and the status of ongoing projects which benefit us in the long run. Again, this year the annual combined EDS drill/Flu clinic (Charlemont, Hawley, Heath, Rowe and Monroe) was held at the Heath school building.

A \$2,220.00 EMPG grant was applied for and received. It was used for Highway signage, such as barricades, signs instructing road closed etc.. The grant also bought some safety equipment (Hard hats, Gloves. Eye and ear protection) and some shelter office supplies.

Timothy Lively - Emergency Management Director

ENERGY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Town of Heath has been awarded a \$129,000 Green Communities Grant from the state Department of Energy Resources. We are in the process of determining how to best allocate those funds to energy reduction projects in town buildings.

At the direction of the Select Board the Energy Advisory Committee (EAC) has been working on revisions to the Energy Reduction Plan to include the former school building at 18 Jacobs Road. The building uses a significant amount of electricity and fuel oil even with reduced usage since the school was closed. It was not included in the initial application for the Green Communities Grant since it was not known if the Town would retain ownership of the property. The 2019 Annual Town Meeting last year rejected an article to allow the Select Board to sell or otherwise dispose of the property. It is Town property and must be maintained as all other town owned properties are maintained. The EAC has requested energy audits of the buildings' electrical, HVAC and building envelope systems to establish a baseline for future improvements to be measured against. The audits have been completed and submitted to Alyssa Larose of the FRCOG to aid in revising the Energy Reduction Plan. The EAC has gathered cost estimates from contractors and consultants to help with information gathering on potential energy improvements. All of the documents will be submitted to the state Department of Energy Resources

(DOER) for approval of our request for revision. Insulation and revisions to the proposed HVAC improvements for the Community Hall are part of the request for revisions to the project narrative and Energy Reduction Plan.

Green Communities work that has been completed includes changing lighting fixtures and lamps to energy efficient LEDs. This work was completed by students from the Franklin County Technical School under the supervision of Todd Weed, the electrical instructor. Asbestos containing material was removed from the Community Hall furnace room by an abatement company so that work could commence on the design and construction of a new HVAC system. The EAC is investigating a heat pump system to replace the existing oil fired furnace.

The Select Board has recently signed a contract with The Solar Store of Greenfield, MA, to conduct a solar feasibility study of Town owned sites for the installation of Town owned PV solar arrays. Work will commence this summer but progress may be affected by the constraints of the COVID-19 emergency.

In spite of COVID related delays, the EAC continues to work toward a revised Energy Reduction Plan that includes all Town owned buildings in the interest of getting the greatest benefit from the Green Energy Grant and setting us up for a favorable position to apply for a Green Communities Competitive Grant of \$200,000.

The Energy Advisory Committee members are: Bill Lattrell, Bill Gran, Steve Thane, Steve Ryack and Brian De Vriese who is EAC chair

Noy Holland was the previous chair but needed to leave Town for a sabbatical and was not able to be a functioning member of the Committee. Our gratitude goes out to her for her diligent work on behalf of the EAC and the Town. The Select Board appointed Brian De Vriese to the EAC.

Brian De Vriese – Chair



FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee continues to work with the Select Board to monitor the Town's finances with the goal of having tax dollars used as wisely as possible. In May we thanked Paul Dabrody for his half year of service on the committee and welcomed Alice Wozniak who was elected to a three year term. The committee voted to continue with Ned Wolf as Chair and with a rotating secretary.

In early 2019 the committee examined the needs of the Highway Department. With the 2004 Ford Escape taken off the road and the 1999 service truck in disrepair, the Finance Committee recommended at the March 5th Special Town Meeting (STM) the use of \$27,000 of Free Cash to purchase a new pickup truck. We also recommended at that STM the use of \$100,000 in Free Cash to purchase a new backhoe to replace the 2001 backhoe requiring more than \$78,000 in repairs. In these cases the Finance Committee was taking advantage of an unusually large amount of Free Cash due to the sale of foreclosed properties.

In 2019 we welcomed the beginning of Heath's broadband project. Heath residents, with the recommendation of the Finance Committee, voted on May 9th for a debt exclusion for broadband. In June of 2015 voters authorized the Town to borrow up to \$1.45 million for broadband. Having the debt exclusion means that loan payments are excluded when determining whether or not Heath's tax rate exceeds \$25.00 per thousand. The DOR will not certify a tax rate over \$25. In December of 2019 Heath's FY2020 tax rate was certified to be \$22.25 which is \$0.65 or 3.0% greater than the FY2019 tax rate of \$21.60.

During the first half of 2019 many meetings were about whether or not the Town should sell the former Heath School building at 18 Jacobs Road to Carnegie Arch, a company wanting to cultivate marijuana in the building and sell it in Massachusetts. At informational meetings the Finance Committee sought answers from representatives of Carnegie Arch and eventually gave PowerPoint presentations explaining how the Town's financial situation would improve with the sale. At the May 10th Annual Town Meeting voters did not approve the Article recommended by the Finance Committee that would have authorized the Select Board to dispose by sale, lease, or otherwise the former Heath Elementary School.

Three other ATM Articles that the Finance Committee recommended were approved by the voters and were related to Highway Department equipment. One was for appropriating \$107,000 using \$60,000 in Free Cash and borrowing \$50,000 to purchase a new cab and chassis for truck #3, a 2004 International 7400. Voters also approved the transfer from Equipment/Vehicle Stabilization of \$59,000 to fund the cost of transferring the existing body of truck #3 to a new cab and chassis. Finally, there was the approval of appropriating \$58,000 for the purchase of a new tractor by borrowing. The replacing of parts for the 1985 tractor would not have been cost effective nor would an OSHA compliant cab with safety glass have been available. In June and July Finance Committee members studied data in the Mohawk Regional School District Transaction Journal on maintenance costs for the Heath School during the fiscal years 2012-2016. We also received expense reports from the Town Accountant on the maintenance costs at 18 Jacobs Road during 2019. The building's custodian was available to answer our questions. The projected cost approved by a majority of the committee for a year of occasional use is \$71,188

which includes \$19,519 for insurance. The \$19,519 may be significantly reduced pending the reassessment by the insurance company inspector. In matters of leasing the Finance Committee urged that an arrangement be sought that brings in sufficient income to cover maintenance costs.

At a Finance Committee meeting on August 6th the 4 members who were present approved of selling the former school for \$250,000 in a new RFP.

On September 24th School Committee member Budge Litchfield visited a Finance Committee meeting to explain how OPEB (other post-employment benefits) affects the plan for Heath to join Charlemont and Hawley in a new school district at the elementary level. Heath now has an OPEB obligation of \$1.2 million to the Mohawk Trail Regional School District (MTRSD). Addressing this obligation is a requirement for joining the new district. One of several options is a blend of annual payments that might be around \$60,000 followed by a 5 year loan for the remaining amount, say after 10 years. It is expected that Heath's assessment in the new district would be less than it would be in the MTRSD. The Finance Committee sent letters to the Heath Select Board as well as to Senator Adam Hinds and Representative Paul Mark seeking help from the State's 2019 surplus in addressing Heath's OPEB obligation.

On October 1 the Finance Committee joined the Select Board in thanking Tracey Baronas for her fine service as Town Accountant.

On October 15 the Finance Committee joined the Select Board for a discussion of Jean and Bill Grans' 'Comparative Analysis of Building Operating Costs for Sawyer Hall, the Community Hall, and 18 Jacobs Road.' Both committees expressed their resolve to track the invoices for fuel oil and electricity.

Beyond July 1, 2020 the costs of operating 18 Jacobs Road will not be covered by the MTRSD. The Finance Committee looks forward to this and other challenges.

Ned Wolf - Chair
Jan Carr
Kathy Inman
Ken Gilbert
Alice Wozniak



FIRE DEPARTMENT

The fire department had a busy year with a total of 65 calls. We would like to remind townspeople to check their smoke and carbon monoxide detectors at least once a year to be sure they are working properly and protecting you. If you have any questions about these and what they do please feel free to contact a member of the fire department and we can answer any questions you may have. This is especially important if you are burning wood or using any appliances that burn fossil fuels. Also be sure to have your chimney cleaned yearly if you are burning wood.

I attended my second Heath Fair as fire chief and it was yet another excellent experience with front row seats for the fireworks. It was great to see a variety of groups work together to produce a top-quality, family friendly event that draws people in from the tri-state area and beyond.

The open burning season is upon us as it opens in January and closes at the end of April. Open burning is regulated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and is for the purpose of burning brush generated from downed limbs from storms, tree and shrub pruning and general yard work. A permit is required and may be obtained by calling 625-8200 or online at fcburnpermits.com. The online version provides you with the rules and regulations. At no time ever is household or commercial trash, building demolition material, furniture, tires or any other such material allowed to be burned. Campfires in contained pits are allowed year-round and reasonably sized bonfires are allowed by obtaining a free permit from the fire chief. Agricultural burning falls under separate regulations and is also limited to onsite brush and material generated from agricultural operations such as maintaining pastures, apple pruning and burning blueberries. When in doubt please call the fire chief at 337-4461.

The Department continues to actively recruit in attempt to have a stronger team of dedicated volunteers. It is extremely hard to find volunteers that can make the time commitment as an active member, plus attend trainings necessary to stay compliant to regulations. Adjacent towns are experiencing the same challenges so we all rely heavily on each other for mutual aid. That may be why you see so many fire trucks at what may seemingly be a small fire. If you have the time and interest, please call the department as we need more members that can fill these requirements. We especially invite the youth of Heath to join the department, and encourage anyone to become a member of the association. You do not need to be a member of the department to be an association member. Anyone is welcome. On the first Thursday of the month at 6:30 P.M. are the Fire Association meeting followed by

Incident type	Total by type
Chimney fires	3
Fire in motor home, camper, recreational vehicle	1
Passenger vehicle fire	1
Forest, woods or wildland fires	1
Illegal burn	2
Medical assist, assist EMS crews	37
Emergency medical service incidents, other	4
Vehicle accident without injuries	1
Heat from short circuit wiring	1
Power lines down	9
Cover assignment, other fire stations	1
Dispatched & cancelled enroute	3
Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	1
Total number of incidents	65

training and every Tuesday of the month at 6:30 P.M for fire department training. We continue to do our best to provide a safe and workable environment for our volunteers serving Heath, its residents, and the mutual aid communities.

Last, but certainly not least, I want to thank all of the members (firefighters, EMTs and association members) for their contributions in helping to keep the Fire Department functioning and ready to respond to help those in need.

Nicholas Anzuoni - Fire Chief

HEATH FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

We try to provide something for all ages at our library. Picture books and toys, young adult books and magazines, as well as best-seller novels, poetry, classics, a wide range of non-fiction books, new-release movies on DVD, and audiobooks. If we don't have what you are looking for we will request a copy from another library and it will be delivered here. Visit our website www.heathlibrary.org to find the online library catalog, information about current library events, and links to online resources. Use your smartphone, tablet, e-reader, or computer and download e-books, audio books and videos.

We have museum passes for free admission to the Clark Art Institute, MASS MoCA, Eric Carle Museum of Picture Book Art, and Brattleboro Museum & Art Center, or plan an outdoor adventure and use one of the two parking passes valid at many of the Massachusetts State Parks.

The library has a desktop computer, two laptop computers and a printer available for use by patrons. People may also bring their own laptops, tablets, or smartphones and use the Wi-Fi provided by the town from a wireless router in Sawyer Hall.

Preschool Story Hour meets two or three times per month from September through early June. Lyra Johnson-Fuller reads stories to the children, then works on a craft project with them. Thank you to the Friends of the Library for funding preschool story hour this year.

"A Universe of Stories!" was the theme for the 2019 summer reading program. Twenty-four children signed up to keep a reading log, and many participated in the craft sessions, bottle rocket building and launching, and a hike in Heath lead by Art Schwenger, all coordinated by Lyra Johnson-Fuller. An all-ages star-gazing party on July 26 was held at the Heath School Building, a perfect dark location for nighttime sky viewing! Thank you to the Friends of the Library and the Heath Cultural Council for providing the program funding. The slogan for the summer of 2020 is "Imagine Your Story," giving us the opportunity to explore myths, fairy tales, and imagination.

The library hosted an art exhibit of paintings and drawings by Don Dekker that he made in the Heath Senior Art Class facilitated by Eileen McVay-Lively. We also took part in presenting a Winter Solstice Celebration at the Heath School Building.

Material circulation figures: FY2019 – 13,014, FY2018 – 14,212, FY2017 – 14,959. Inter-library loans received from other libraries: FY2019 – 2,345, FY2018 - 2,636, FY2017 – 2,697. Inter-library loans provided to other libraries: FY2019 – 2,275, FY2018 – 2,367, FY 2017 - 2,158. Patron visits averaged 83 per week. Twenty-one children's programs and three adult programs were held.

I thank the Board of Library Trustees, library assistant Lyra Johnson-Fuller, and the Friends of the Heath Free Public Library for their help and support this year.

Library hours are Mondays from 3 PM to 7 PM, Wednesdays from Noon to 7 PM, and Saturdays from 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM.

Donald J. Purington - Library Director

Board of Library Trustees:

Maureen O'Malley (term expires 5/2022)

Deborah Porter - Chair (term expires 5/2021)

Emily Cross (term expires 5/2020)

HEATH HISTORICAL COMMISSION

The Heath Historical Commission has been re-invigorated thanks to new commission members Susan Gruen, Jayne Dane and Nina Marshall who joined existing members Heather Hathwell and Scott Peterson in late 2019. Scott will resign his membership in favor of Jordan Lively effective if/when Jordan is officially appointed by the Select Board and sworn in.

The Commission looks forward to building upon the prior hard work of Del Viarengo and Margaret Freeman. After a period of relative quiet following the 2017 boundary increase for the Heath Center Historic District (which included adding the Fairgrounds), the Commission is looking into various grants that are designed to cover the renovations or other capital needs of the type that would promote long term viability for the town's contributing historic resources.

Heather Hathwell and Jayne Dane - Co-Chairs

HEATH VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

In 2019 we had a member resign and a new member sworn in. Thank you Hormidas Lively for offering your service and welcome. The Committee members now consist of Dennis Peters, Peter Smith, Hormidas Lively and Jerry Gilbert.

As soon as conditions allow, we will have a meeting to organize and move forward with trying to get lighting to the flag and maybe an electric outlet to the Common. At present the Heath Veteran's Memorial Account Fund balance is \$2,488.39.

I want to thank the neighbors of the Memorial, and anyone else, for their efforts in controlling the weeds growing in the path and stone area of the Memorial.

Jerry Gilbert - Secretary

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

2019 (FY20) was a trying one to say the least. It started in spring time with an unexpected long duration mud season due to the heavy rains of the fall along with the average snow fall. We lost a part of South Road due to the mud, deemed it impassible and had to go into emergency mode. We brought in various sizes of rock and gravel to repair that area along with other portions of our gravel roads that didn't hold up. The total cost for material brought in was \$9,000 and we finally were able to control the mud in early May.

Once we were happy with the conditions of the road, we started our spring grading throughout town and were able to accomplish this and finish by the end of June. This opened up the opportunity for the highway crew to start cutting banks back and cleaning out ditches where ice jams occurred over the winter. This process worked out well and we had a great turn around due to the introduction of the new John Deere backhoe. In addition to the new backhoe we introduced our new John Deere tractor and crew truck to the fleet. The crew did a great job getting the tractor fitted with the flail mower so that mowing operations went well and roadside mowing was completed in town.

In July we completed the second phase of the West Branch Road project with 1 ½ inches of top coat HMA. We as a crew also laid down shoulder material to support the outer edges of the newly paved road. The second phase of work done was \$160,000 bringing total expenditures on this project to \$424,112.29. Following this construction, we did an emergency culvert replacement on a section of Route 8A due to an old decayed steel culvert that fell apart and the road way became a sink hole.

We then moved our attention to replacing old or broken culverts on Bassett Rd, Knott Rd, and Sadoga Rd. As we finished up with these small but important jobs, we then worked with Pantermehl Land clearing on tree and brush removal on a section of Route 8A, Number Nine Rd, and Dell Rd. With the big saplings removed and good weather ahead this will allow us to clean these areas up even further by using highway personnel and allowing more natural light to keep those roadways drier. In winter this will help with the melting of ice and snow.

In FY21 you will see more ditch work, tree and brush removal throughout our town, and some temporary paving on Burrington Road to smooth out some of the rougher spots to make the ride a little more enjoyable. We are also planning on smaller secondary culvert replacements to keep our ditches flowing properly. Some crack sealing will take place on Route 8A and Number Nine Road. I'd like to say thank you to my crew members at the Highway Department and the residents alike for allowing me to serve you as the Highway Superintendent in 2019.

Jeff Johnston

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

FY2019-20 was a year of transition for the Heath Parks and Rec Committee. Our chair (Bob Bourke) stepped down in May after the town voted to keep the school. Mary Holan stepped into the leadership role in July, but in October resigned her post as Chair without notice. Kate Peppard assumed leadership in December 2019.

Due to the various leadership transitions, we were not able to sink our proverbial teeth into many new projects, however we did sponsor our annual Memorial Day Ice Cream social as well as a stargazing night in the summer.

In November, representatives from Parks & Rec met with the Conservation Commission and FRCOG to review the Open Space and Recreation plan being developed for Heath. We determined we will organize our priorities based upon the needs expressed by the community in the Open Space and Recreation Plan polling, hiking and swimming are two items we are looking to address.

This winter (February 2020), the Parks and Rec Committee (Kate Peppard and Mike Cucchiara) applied for the Mohawk Trail Woodlands Partnership grant and received \$20,000 in funding to develop a trail from Burnt Hill to Catamount. The funding will go towards materials for a parking area, map kiosk, trail signage, picnic tables, and trail clearing. Materials must be purchased by June, however COVID-19 impact may delay this. Purchasing ability is now in place, the next step is to review the parking site with the Conservation Commission's environmental impact consultant (Bill Lattrell).

Projects Underway:

- Parks & Rec sponsored 5 mile bike race during the Heath Fair (Leadership by Shahid Jalil, supported by the Heath Ag Society)
- Development of a town trail map for distribution at town hall and at the Burnt Hill – Catamount trail head kiosk (Leadership by Jenna Day, with support of other committee members).
- Shapiro Land project (needs leadership)
- Ongoing maintenance of the central park area (including pollinator garden and playground) will happen through work bees over the course of the year. The Parks and Rec chair advises that the school parks continue to be managed by the school use committee until the school use is fully determined/realized.
- Memorial Day Ice Cream Social – on hold due to COVID-19
- Stargazing night (Lyra Johnson Fuller) – TBD
- Open Gym Nights (needs leadership) – TBD
- Swimming Access (leadership by Kate Peppard)

Kate Peppard - Committee Chair

Select Board Appointed Committee Members:

Mike Cucchiara

Jenna Day

Bobby Honeycutt

Shahid Jalil

PLANNING BOARD

This year the Heath Planning board worked on quite a few solar project site plan reviews and a few special permits for projects such as a wedding facility and a marijuana grower. We also helped with the division of property and map corrections for Franklin county.

Calvin Carr - Chair

Doug Mason

Bill Gran

Jo Travis

Bob Viarengo

POLICE DEPARTMENT

In 2019, the police department increased staffing to 5 part time officers, including chief. We were trained in the computer dispatch, call tracking program. For a small town with a limited hours/budget, we kept busy. Beside the calls listed below, office hours every week were covered. Scheduling of detail officers for National grid, and Verizon for the broadband project, as well as billing for the officers takes place. Firearms permits were processed and delivered to many residents. Meetings with the County chiefs/FRCOG for new radio system, to replace the aging system, may come to fruition this year. Work with the building use, fire chief, and whoever else has a concern over the needs of the town departments. Below are a list of calls for service, some are handled by the state police. Office hours remain Tuesday eve 6:00pm-8:00pm. Please feel free to stop in, visit, or express concerns If you need an officer immediately, please call the dispatch 413-625-8200.

2019 Police calls for service

209A SERVICE	1	KEEP THE PEACE	1
209A VIOLATION	1	LARCENY	2
ABANDONED 911 CALL	1	LINE DOWN, POWER,	
911 CALL	21	PHONE OR CABLE	11
911 HANG UP	7	MEDICAL EMERGENCY	6
911 MIS DIAL	4	MISCELLANEOUS	5
ALARM BURGLAR OR HOLDUP	6	MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT	
EMS ALARM - LIFELINE ACTIVATED	1	NO INJURY	8
ANIMAL COMPLAINT	10	MOTOR VEHICLE COMPLAINT	3
Breaking and Entering Past	1	MOTOR VEHICLE VIOLATION	3
CHECK WELFARE	10	NOTIFICATION	7
COMPLAINT	2	OPEN DOOR	2
CUSTODY ISSUE	1	OFFICER WANTED	5
DISTURBANCE	3	PAPERWORK SERVICE	1
DISABLED MV	3	ANNOYING PHONE CALLS	1
DRUG OFFENSE	1	SAFETY HAZARD	7
DETAIL REQUEST	10	SUSPICIOUS PERSON	1
ESCORT/TRANSPORT	1	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	1
FOLLOW UP INVESTIGATION	1	THREAT	1
FRAUD	1	TRAFFIC HAZARD	5
GENERAL INFO	5	TRESPASS	1

Grand Total: 162

John McDonough - Chief of Police

— SCHOOL BUILDING USE COMMITTEE —

The committee was instituted by the Select Board in June of 2019, to assist them in managing the former school property in coordination with the Building Manager, Tim Lively. The Committee is tasked with managing short term rentals and ensuring the building is used responsibly, keeping a calendar of events, organizing volunteers to assist with seasonal cleaning and gardening, and investigating town uses or activities for both ongoing and one-time events. (Long term rentals and leases remain under the Select Board's sole jurisdiction.)

The former Heath School Building is available for municipal and community use, and for short- and long-term private rental. In these initial months the SBUC has worked to develop building use policies, procedures and rental rates for the Select Board's review and approval.

The building currently has two longer term renters, the Branch School, which is a home-school play group serving about eight families and The Hilltown Drama Club, an after-school program that runs from December to the beginning of March. In FY 2020 the combined revenue from these renters will be more than \$13,000. The building is available for short term and regular rentals for everything from weddings and family parties to work stations and office space, commercial kitchen projects and exercise classes. In the coming months, the Committee will work to increase revenue from the building.

The town now uses the building for several regular meetings and community events. The Select Board, Finance Committee, Facilities Committee, Conservation Commission, and School Building Use Committee hold weekly or monthly meetings in the space. The Library has hosted some children's library hours and used the grounds for an astronomy night. The building has been used for one town wide municipal training and for Annual and Special Town Meetings. The Heath Fire Fighters Association and the Mohawk Estates Association meet at the building on a monthly basis.

Since the beginning of this fiscal year there have been several special community events at the former school, sponsored by various town groups: a work bee to clean up the grounds, a flu clinic, a Winter Solstice Celebration and series of talks on the environment, sponsored by the Library and School Building Use Committee, a pancake breakfast put on by the Firefighters Association and a Saturday morning Community Café and Day of the Dead celebration.

Except when the Building Manager is called out, the building is open to the public during his regular hours, Monday through Friday between 12:00 P.M. and 2:00 PM. There is WIFI availability, an open gym, and space for games and visiting. The gym is available by application at other times to residents looking for some indoor recreation.

Anyone interested using the building or in being on a volunteer list is encouraged to contact any of the committee members or Heath Town Coordinator, Hilma Sumner.

**Pam Porter - Chair, Lyra Johnson - Requests Manager, Robin Jenkins,
Pat McGahan, Mary Sumner**

— SENIOR CENTER —

The Senior Center had the addition of Cathy Tallen, a Certified Shine Information person, this year. Cathy is a great asset to the folks of Heath needing assistance with Medicare and other information. This opportunity is private and secure in its meetings and is available to any resident of Heath. The foot clinic is operating every month with a few open spots available. The senior art program is expanding with people showing their work here in Heath and in neighboring towns.

Eileen Lively - Senior Center Coordinator

— TOWN FACILITIES TASK FORCE —

The Heath Town Facilities Task Force was appointed by the Select Board in September of 2019, with the charge to assist the Select Board in assessing the condition, the current needs and potential uses of all Town buildings and property, to develop a ten year plan to meet the town needs, now and into the future, to reduce our carbon foot print and energy consumption, and, through grants, efficiencies and revenue generation, reduce the burden of ownership to our tax payers.

The seven meetings held in the remainder of 2019, led by Chair, Dena Briggs, were used, primarily, in gathering information. Town employees and committees were surveyed for their opinion on how their space met their needs and the needs of the community. Reports of five previous building and planning committees were reviewed and summarized. The task force visited all town-owned buildings to determine how the buildings were being used, what repairs were needed, and how the occupants felt about the space. A list of all observed needed repairs and improvements was presented to the Select Board.

The task force then composed a list of what its members thought was essential to any plan for the continued or change of use of any Town buildings. Potential plans were formulated and a SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats) analysis was applied to each. The task force then began to compile and categorize operational expenses for the buildings and consider the probable costs of various plans.

The Facilities Task Force is continuing its work into 2020, and hopes to wrap up its duties with a final report to the Select Board and communications to the townspeople by June 30, 2020.

**Dena Briggs - Chair
Susan Lively
Will Emmet
Jim Cerone
Bill Gran (2019)**

TOWN NURSE

The Town Nurse Office located in the Senior Center/Community Hall, is open Tuesdays from 12:00 to 1:00 and Thursdays from 11:00 to 1:00 for assistance with health issues such as blood pressure checks, injections, flu vaccine, dressing changes and questions regarding medical problems. There is a walker and wheelchairs that may be borrowed. If someone is unable to come to the office during regular office hours, I will arrange to see them at another time or make a home visit if necessary.

This past year I saw an average of 14 people a month, mostly for blood pressure checks, but also for B12 injections, INR checks, and occasional illness or injury. A flu clinic was held September 28th and 22 injections of flu vaccine given. I have given a total of 48 flu shots this season. I also participated in an EDS drill and volunteered at the Mohawk clinic. All vaccines were reported to the MIIS, Massachusetts Immunization System, which enables health care providers to see what immunizations have been given to their patients. The Town purchases the flu vaccine, as State supplied vaccine is only available to children without insurance. We were billed \$822.67 for the vaccine but given a credit of \$153.96 for returned vaccine from last season. The vaccine, syringes, and medications needed in case of reaction are paid for by the vaccine revolving account. I can submit the vaccine and administration costs to insurance companies and Medicare for reimbursement through UMASS Medical School. The expenses are so far being covered by the reimbursements.

I continue to lead a free for people 55 and older, exercise class called Healthy Bones and Balance, using hand and ankle weights to improve muscle mass and strength and maintain or improve bone mass, as well as exercises to improve balance and prevent falls. This is a federally funded program through RSVP, Retired Senior Volunteer Program of Hampshire, Hamden, and Franklin Counties. This happens Tuesdays from 11:00 to 12:00 and Thursdays from 10:00 to 11:00 at the Senior Center. I may be reached at 337-4847 during office hours and messages may be left at 337-4934 Ext. 109 or 337-8309.

Claire Rabbitt, RN

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Zoning Board of Appeals did not hold any meetings nor hold any hearings for variance requests in 2019. There were two pre-requests and informal site visits completed which did not necessitate further action. The Board continues to meet as needed.

Dennis Peters - Chair
Robert Gruen
Alan Nichols
Pam Porter
Alice Wozniak



Hawlemont Elementary School's vision is a community of learners where everyone will flourish. To flourish, we will work together to foster positive emotions, active engagement, strong relationships, meaning in our work, and acknowledge accomplishments. Our mission statement is: Hawlemont Elementary School provides students with high quality authentic learning experiences in partnership with families and community. Currently, our enrollment is 145 students, which includes preschool through Grade 6. For the June 2020 graduation we have 7 students that will be graduating from Hawlemont Elementary School.

As I continue into my second year as the principal at Hawlemont we are continuing our work on building core values which are based on GRIT (Goodwill, Responsibility, Integrity and Teamwork). This work has benefited both staff and students as we work together to support children as they grow.

The teaching assignments for the 2019-2020 school year are as follows: Preschool ½ day: Bridget Lilly Preschool Full Day: Olivia Baron, Kindergarten: Sue Mead, First Grade: Marieanne Dambrov, Second Grade: Margaret Miller, Third Grade: Sarah Ricko and Abby Clark, Fourth Grade: Kim Shippee-Hicks, Fifth Grade: Jennifer Sinistore, Sixth Grade: Stephen Bechtel, HAY Agriculture Coordinator: Amber Tulloch, Part time Agricultural Consultant: Jeanne Bruffee, Reading Specialist: Michelle Gajda, Special Education: Alyssa Collins & Valery Lively, Music Teacher: Rick Page, Art/PE: Kylee Bourassa, ELL: Barbara Page and Psychologist/School Counselor: Autumn Jillson. We have many wonderful paraprofessionals who provide additional support in classrooms including one 1:1 paraprofessional. Susan Annear is our secretary, Jeffery Rau is the custodian, the nurse is Sherry Hagar, and Rachel Gammell and Heather Lengieza are the cafeteria staff. Mary Boehmer is our librarian.

Hawlemont Elementary School is fortunate to offer many after school options including 4-H clubs, theater, dance, fitness and seasonal sports. This year there continues to be a 5-day extended day program that runs from 8:00 – 8:30 in the morning and 3:15 to 5:00 in the afternoon.

Hawlemont has been working to give students opportunities both inside and outside the classroom. Six grade and fifth grade students have gone to Nature's Classroom in Rhode Island. The fifth grade works hard in our building to promote recycling and they are working on a biome project. They have a community volunteer that comes in to help the class collect the recycling. In the spring fifth graders will also travel to Red Gate Farm. Fourth grade is studying states as well as learning about wind and wind turbines. The third grade classes just completed their annual play, this year the focus was around the history of Charlemont. Second grade is researching different animals and their environments. Our first graders have learned about season changes along with the position of the sun in the sky. Kindergarten and preschool classes continue to explore nature on a daily basis. One exciting project that Kindergarten does in the spring is they design their own barn yard to display at the All School Celebration on May 8th.

Hawlemont's Local Educational Council (LEC) is comprised of three parents/grandparents, a community member, two teachers, and myself. Together we approved a School Improvement Plan (SIP) that focuses on the following areas: Effective Instruction focusing on Educational Space, Student Empowerment and Meaningful Assessment, Professional Learning Communities and Ongoing Communication. During professional development times, teachers are able to focus on the set goals and help to improve our school.

The H.A.Y. (Hawlemont Agricultural and You) program continues to flourish with many new and exciting initiatives this year. The H.A.Y. program has continued its weaving program for students to learn to weave as well as teaching students many different outdoor education topics. The program has a new space. A room was cleaned out in the basement to make room for the ten+ looms that we have. This year we have our 5th and 6th graders working in the new weaving room during part of their H.A.Y. class and 4H weaving club also uses this. Over the summer H.A.Y. initiated a very successful summer camp where day campers from around the hill towns participated in many different agricultural activities. The H.A.Y. program continues to be financially stable by selling goods we grow and prepare at our Thursday farmers market, holding fundraisers like our Apple Squeeze (Previously Apple Cider Days) and flower sale and through very generous donations from local community members and charitable foundations supporting agricultural initiatives. The H.A.Y. program allows us to provide an authentic, innovative and dynamic science-based education to all Hawlemont Elementary students. We would also like to express tremendous amount of gratitude for your continued community support. The Annual H.A.Y conference is April 4, 2020 which anyone is welcome to sign up and join us. We also invite anyone to come to the All School Celebration on May 8, 2020.

I would like to thank the teachers, staff, parents, students, and community members for making this a great school where everyone shows goodwill, responsibility, integrity and teamwork. I look forward to next year and continued growth towards educational excellence at Hawlemont.

Lindsay Rodriguez - Principal

MOHAWK TRAIL SCHOOL DISTRICT

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

In January 2019, the Mohawk Trail Regional School (MTRS) was awarded a \$150,000 Implementation Grant from Mass IDEAS, a Massachusetts non-profit organization committed to "innovating design in education for all students." This grant allowed MTRS to consider initiatives and curricular programming to redesign the school experience for all students. Over the course of the past year, students, staff, and community members have engaged in a series of conversations and working groups in order to design a school that meets the needs of 21st century learners. In doing so, we have determined that:

Mohawk Trail Regional School is tailoring the most innovative work in the field of education to fit our rural district as we design the Trailblazer Model. We are building on the best of what we have while challenging the status quo to make education relevant and meaningful for our students. They will acquire 21st century skills while pursuing their individual passions, as they blaze a trail to graduation. Students will lead their own learning, break down the boundaries of traditional classes, and learn by doing. Experiences at MTRS will move our students beyond textbook knowledge. They will use research to solve real problems, intern at local businesses, design independent projects, and take courses at local colleges. In return, our community will flourish from the increased partnership with our school. MTRS graduates will be curious, adaptable, independent, and motivated citizens who seek to do good work in the world.

This January, we were invited to apply for a Mass IDEAS Implementation Grant for up to \$375,000 to implement the MTRS Trailblazer Model. This model will engage all stakeholders in a transformational school experience including:

- Internships and work study opportunities, on campus and off
- Interdisciplinary courses such as STEM, Bioethics, Artglish, and American Democracy
- Social Emotional Learning supports including: Advisory model for all grades 7-12, site based therapeutic services, and college and career planning
- Portfolio of student work and student led conferences
- Year-long Senior Capstone project culminating with a site based internship
- Community outreach including a monthly Trailblazer Community Group comprised of staff, parents, and community members

Through the Mass IDEAS Planning Grant, we partnered with national education organizations: Next Generation Learning Challenges (NGLC) and EL Education. NGLC and EL Education have been working with MTRS teachers and administrators to transform classrooms to be more student-centered and to develop rigorous and diverse ways in which students can demonstrate their learning. In addition, EL Education will assist teachers in the development of interdisciplinary, hands-on activities that will engage students in rigorous community-based projects. NGLC will support our Instructional Leadership Team and Portfolio Working Group to develop

a comprehensive portfolio model. Teachers will help to guide students through the compilation of an individualized portfolio that demonstrates who they are as a learner and goals they set for themselves. NGLC will also work with teachers to develop assessments that connect to 21st century skills and the real world.

In addition to student-centered learning, co-teaching was implemented to support a diverse learning community as well as to support the social and emotional needs of students. Through co-teaching, classroom educators can plan lessons together, be more hands on and present with students, and provide stronger support for the diversity of their students. While most co-teaching occurs when a special education teacher is assigned to a general education classroom, we also have a few courses where general education teachers collaborate on a single course together. An example of this is our Bioethics course designed and co-taught by a biology and English teacher. Co-teaching has occurred in the following courses:

- Grade 7 STEM
- Grade 7 & 8 Math
- Grade 8 Social Studies
- Integrated Arts 9
- World History
- Geometry
- Algebra I and II
- Biology
- Bioethics
- English 10

Our Athletics Department had a successful 2019 Fall Sports season. MTRS hosted a co-op football team with Turners Falls, bringing together two football programs which would have been eliminated without the partnership due to a lack of numbers. Coach Doug McCloud worked hard to build a community both on and off the football field, and we were proud of their accomplishments! Additionally, our boys' soccer team was awarded the 2019 Sporting Conduct Award for their outstanding sportsmanship this season and made the post-season playoffs this year. We congratulate Coach Nick Brown and our athletes for this award. Lastly, former MTRS Field Hockey Coach Lynn Anderson was named one of the "Massachusetts Women in Athletics Distinguished Service Award" winners. This award recognizes the contributions made by a select few women who have "devoted their time and energy to guide and nurture female athletes." We extend our deepest gratitude to Lynn for her many years of dedication to MTRS athletes!

At the mid-point of the 2019-2020 school year, student enrollment in grades 7-12 is 335. Current enrollment numbers for middle school include approximately 74 students in seventh grade and 68 students in eighth grade. Enrollment for ninth grade is 34 students; 10th grade with 49 students; 54 members of the junior class, and 51 MTRS seniors. We have five students enrolled in our post-graduate program.

Marisa Mendonsa - Principal

—FRANKLIN COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOL—

We submit this annual report for 2019 on behalf of the Franklin County Technical School District and its administration, faculty, staff and students.

Enrollment for member towns as of October 1, 2019 was 494 students with town breakouts as follows:

Bernardston	28	Erving	26	Montague	105	Sunderland	19
Buckland	6	Gill	12	New Salem	7	Warwick	6
Colrain	25	Greenfield	100	Northfield	27	Wendell	11
Conway	5	Heath	5	Orange	66	Whatley	12
Deerfield	17	Leyden	3	Shelburne	14		

Franklin County Technical School awarded 121 diplomas to our seniors in June of 2019. Massachusetts students are required to pass the MCAS in order to receive a high school diploma and once again our students were very successful in meeting this high academic standard. The state has adjusted their measures for evaluating district/school accountability and FCTS maintained the equivalent of a Level 2 accountability status. Additionally, the district is meeting targets set by the Department of Education for passing rates of students of high risk with disabilities.

FCTS has the advantage of utilizing vocational students and licensed instructors from carpentry, electrical, plumbing and landscaping to provide maintenance and repairs to our school grounds and facility saving member towns tens of thousands of dollars annually. These shop programs also saved member towns an estimated \$100,000 with the bond authorization projects.

Franklin County Technical School students are learning the value of paid work opportunities through a newly revamped Cooperative Education Program (Coop). There are approximately 50% of our seniors involved in paid Coop jobs related to their vocational field of study.

During the last year, Franklin County Technical School's Advanced Placement (AP) test scores, were recognized by National Advanced Placement Center as one of the Commonwealth's top 18 school districts. The AP District Honor Roll recognizes school districts who have demonstrated significant increases with their AP scores for all areas. Franklin County Tech offers AP courses in Computer Science, Statistics, and English Language and Composition.

Franklin County Technical School's technical programs have been busy with community-based projects that are used as learning opportunities. Each year the shop programs, with instructors and students, embrace the authentic work that is done in the communities. Due to the instructional nature of the work, duration of a project may increase, but costs associated with a project to our cities and towns are significantly decreased.

Franklin County Tech's Carpentry, Electrical, Plumbing, and Landscaping programs established a foundation in collaboration with the Greenfield Savings Bank to build a new home for the community on an annual basis. FCTS is finishing its second new home in Erving and will be starting a new one next year in Greenfield. In Heath, Electrical Students have been upgrading the electrical structure for municipality buildings. In Turners Falls, our Electrical students installed all of the lighting for the new JaDuke's Performing Arts Center, while Welding students have welded steel supports and frames for JaDuke's external AC and HVAC units. Here at FCTS, Electrical students wired our new Veterinary Science Program as well as installing LED lighting, while Auto Technology saves the district a substantial amount of money by maintaining the school's vehicle fleet. Many of our school vehicles are used for our various construction jobs within Franklin County and also provide for athletic transportation, which significantly reduces our overall transportation costs.

Collision repair continues working to provide body work for town vehicles and State Trooper cars. Culinary Arts regularly serves the local Community Senior Center, Chamber of Commerce, Ice carving for Greenfield Winter Fest, and the community Car Show. Cosmetology serves the local Senior Centers, while also providing free hair-cuts, nails, and hand massage service. Health Technology students regularly perform blood pressure, heart rate and health checks for the community. Our Veterinary students work with the Mass Division of Fishery and Wild Life, Franklin County Sheriff's Animal Shelter, work with farm animals, and provide grooming for animals and pets. FCTS is open during the evening by working in collaboration with REB and GCC to provide adult training for Advanced Precision Machining and Welding & Metal Fabrication. Franklin County Technical School Staff provide evening community events, like Halloween at Tech and Polar Express, which serve hundreds of kids and families.

Franklin County Tech is forward thinking as it continues to review labor demand and market analysis to add new programs and skills to support students to obtain competencies and training to make them competitive in the workplace, college, and career.

Our partnerships with our communities are important for our programs, and we thank those which allow our students the opportunity to practice their trades out in the field.

Richard J. Kuklewicz - School Committee Chairman
Richard J. Martin - Superintendent-Director

2019 GRADUATES

Bryan Allen
Jennifer Boyle
Gwyneth Clark
Kirsten Griswold
Taylor Williams



— SPECIAL EDUCATION & PUPIL SERVICES —

The Mohawk Trail Regional and Hawlemont Regional Special Education Department serves students in the Sanderson, Colrain, Hawlemont, Buckland-Shelburne, and Mohawk Trail Regional Middle and High Schools. The primary function is to ensure that students with an IEP (Individual Education Plan) or a 504 are being serviced at a level required to make effective progress with supports outlined in their IEP or 504. According to state data, The Mohawk Trail and Hawlemont district have about 21.9% and 29.9% respectively of their student population receiving special education services. Those services are in several areas; speech and language, occupational therapy (OT), physical therapy (PT), counseling and academics. Every school has at least one special education teacher. The OT and PT spend about one day in each school. All of our schools now have a full time Speech Language Pathologist vs sharing a SLP and an assistant. This model has increased consistency and support for our students, while being cost effective. With an increased need for counseling services for all students, each school has begun to increase this level of support. BSE and Sanderson have a full time school psychologist, Colrain and BSE share an Adjustment Counselor, Hawlemont has a full-time School Psychologist, the Middle and High School have a full time Adjustment Counselor and School Psychologist. The level of services in each building is based on population, need and level of services legally required by an IEP.

The district is legally obligated to support a SEPAC (Special Education Parent Advisory Committee). The meetings have not been well attended. The focus has been on providing workshops to parents such as: transition to middle school, internet safety and rights and responsibilities in special education. The district will continue to support workshops and informational sessions to parents.

The district continues to support several substantially separate programs for students:

- Students requiring the support of a BCBA (Board Certified Behavior Analyst). The program is located at BSE and currently serves six students. When the program began, students spent more than 50% of their time within the program. Currently those students are in their mainstream classes more than 80% of the time.
- Mohawk Supported Classroom, located in the Middle and High School. The program supports students with social emotional needs. Students receive educational support both in the program and within the general education setting.
- Mohawk Vocational Program. Services students with Intellectual Disabilities who require a higher level of support. The program also supports those students who are eligible to remain in school until age 22. The focus is on transition and vocational skills. MVP students participate in community job sites such as Berkshire East, Charlene Manor and Aubuchon. We are grateful to the local businesses for supporting our students.

Leann Loomis - Director of Pupil Personnel Services

— CARL H. NILMAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND —

The Fund was established under the provisions of the will of Carl H. Nilman for the purpose of providing scholarships. Recipients shall reside in the School District and be graduates of the Mohawk Trail Regional High School who desire and are deemed worthy of post high school education or training and who are in need of financial assistance.

This year the Awards Subcommittee read 51 applications, 20 were from seniors and 31 were from graduates. We used 30% for seniors and 70% for graduates of our allotment for scholarships. The Committee feels that seniors have multiple scholarship opportunities from other sources while graduates have fewer resources. 20 scholarships totaling \$11,600.00 were awarded to seniors and 29 scholarships totaling \$27,400.00 were given to graduates.

From 1991 - 2019 a total of \$1,013,225 .00.00 has been awarded in scholarships. Mohawk seniors have received \$311,475.00 and \$701,750.00 has been awarded to graduates.

The formula for determining what percentages of the fund should be distributed as scholarships has been changed slightly. This year we had \$36,000.00 plus the amount of the unclaimed awards from 2018.

Once again, the applications are available on line for the graduates and the seniors can pick up their application at Mohawk Regional School. Press releases were published in both the Independent and the Greenfield Recorder in March containing information about the Carl H, Nilman Scholarship Fund.

There are fifteen members on the Carl H. Nilman Scholarship Fund, one from each of the nine member towns in the district; Sheila Graves(Ashfield), Marion Scott (Buckland), Marge Porrovecchio (Charlemont), Michelle Hillman (Colrain), Eric Sumner (Heath), Alice Parker Pyle (Hawley), Allen Irvine (Plainfield), Marion Taylor (Shelburne), and (Rowe) vacant; three at large members appointed by the School Committee; Hussien Hamdan, David Engle and one vacant, a past School Committee member, Robin Hartnett, current School Committee member, Suzanne Crawford and Chairman of the School Committee, Martha Thurber .

Marge Porrovecchio and Robin Hartnett - Co-Chairs

Marion Scott - Secretary

Marion Taylor, Robin Hartnett and Eric Sumner - Finance

Marge Porrovecchio, Sheila Graves, Michelle Hillman, Marion Scott and Allen Irvine. - Scholarship

— MARY LYON FOUNDATION, INC. —

The Mary Lyon Foundation is a 501(c)(3) community-based, non-profit organization that provides innovative support for education in our nine West County towns. Named in honor of Buckland-born educator Mary Lyon (1797-1849), who founded Mount Holyoke College, the organization continues to provide programs and services that greatly enhance the quality of local education. We remain happily ensconced in our office at Mohawk Trail Regional School, appreciating the opportunity to work closely with students and staff.

It was a year of positive change and exhilarating growth. A Capacity Grant from the Community Foundation of Western Massachusetts allowed us to develop a strong strategic plan which is currently being implemented. From optimizing programs to executive transition, the strategic plan is all encompassing and will guide us far into the future.

Among the many highlights of 2019 was the 14th annual Community Spelling Bee held at Mohawk Trail Regional School on Thursday, November 14. Thirty teams of three adults competed for the highly coveted Grand Championship, ultimately won by the Boardvarks from the Academy at Charlemont. The team was co-sponsored by Smith Kelleher and Dillon Chevrolet. Their winning word was “xeric”. The Best Dressed Team trophies were presented to Piti Theatre which was sponsored by Premier Bath Systems, LLC.

Another highlight of the year was a gala June event, the Lyonnaise, held at the Warfield House in Charlemont in celebration of excellence in local education. The George Needham Business Award was presented to Calvin and Joan Clark of Clark’s Corvair for support of local education; the Spirit of Adventure Award was presented to Phil Lussier of Ashfield, Jon Van Guilder ’76 received the Outstanding Mohawk Graduate Award, and the Pat Kerrins Career Award was presented to Angela Varilly, Branch Manager of the Greenfield Savings Bank in Shelburne Falls. Lynn Dole was recognized for her 22 years of outstanding service to the school district and Senator Stanley Rosenberg received a standing ovation. Senator Adam Hinds along with Representatives Natalie Blais and Paul Mark provided updates on legislation for rural schools. The long anticipated launch of the newly established Guardian Angel Fund, “for children and their families in difficult circumstances” was announced.

The Board of Trustees joins us in thanking the many generous individuals and businesses in our community for making 2019 a highly successful year. We are especially appreciative of support from the Myrtle Atkinson Foundation as well as Mayhew Steel, Titan Roofing, Greenfield Savings Bank, the United Way of Franklin County, Bristol Myers Squibb, Greenfield Cooperative Bank and the many generous individuals and businesses that support the work of the foundation.

Members of the Board of Trustees in 2019 were Sylvia Orcutt (Past Chair), Laurie Benoit (Chair), Peter Stevens (Vice Chair), Katherine McKay (Recording Secretary), Karen Fairbrother (Treasurer), Marion Taylor, John Cornman, Joni Sessions and Mohawk Trail Regional School student representatives Ella Seward and Lillian VanVleet. Business Manager is Phil Gilfeather-Girton and Sandy Gilbert is the Office Manager. Rita Jaros is our treasured office volunteer.

Sheila Damkoehler and Susan Samoriski, Ed.D. - Co-Executive Directors





COLRAIN VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION, INC.

The goal of the Association as a nonprofit charitable organization has always been to provide state of the art emergency medical services for our communities and to facilitate and encourage positive and beneficial education for our members.

2019 once again saw new and exciting changes and improvements to the services provided by Colrain Ambulance and their incredible members.

After years of planning and a 6 month period of development, we purchased a new ambulance to carry us into the next decade. This equipment will see its first calls sometime in March 2020. The ambulance was designed to further improve the care of our patients and to enhance the level of safety for our clinicians as they provide that care. The ambulance was paid for with proceeds from ambulance activities over the past 10 years or so, at a cost of about \$300,000.00, with no direct cost to the taxpayer for this wonderful addition.

Other changes have been in response to continued pressures in the industry as a whole. As EMS services continue to attempt to improve the care we provide while being asked to do more with less, both from a financial and staffing side we will persevere. Changes locally over the past year have seen the largest provider of EMS care in Franklin County changing hands as private for-profit EMS continues to consolidate the already limited resources available. This has increased the volume of calls, often to other surrounding communities who are attempting to maintain a high level of care by utilizing our Paramedics.

This was one of the facts that motivated the Association, as a non-profit organization, to study the benefits and downside of changing our core structure from one of an unpaid Paramedic level volunteer service to a paid service providing Paramedic level care. This change took effect on 09/01/2019. The net effect is that there is now a manned Paramedic ambulance at the station 7 days a week during the day-time hours when the majority of our calls occur. The downside of this change in structure is the immense responsibility of being an employer vs. a facilitating organization. These responsibilities are long term, and dedicated to supporting our providers from a professional and educational standpoint, and the organization as a whole as it continues to grow in a healthy manner.

We have and continue to welcome your input as our friends, neighbors and patients. If you have any questions please feel free to contact us at 413-223-9212 or via email at colrainambulance@outlook.com. And of course, you can always stop by and say HI!

Gary W. Ponce, NRP - CEO/Director

FRANKLIN COUNTY
COOPERATIVE BUILDING INSPECTION PROGRAM

As you know, your town receives building, plumbing, gas, and wiring inspection and zoning enforcement services through the Franklin County Cooperative Inspection Program (FCCIP), a forty-five-year-old shared service housed at the Franklin Regional Council of Governments (FRCOG). We thank your town for your continued participation in the FCCIP, which allows small towns to have access to professional staff and state-of-the-art technology.

In 2019 we issued 2,222 permits, including a significant number of insulation upgrade, solar array and wood/pellet stove permits. A total of 23 new dwelling units were constructed in our 15 member towns.

Our online permitting program went live on July 1, 2011 and has issued 20,758 building, electrical & plumbing/gas permits since then. The program allows you to apply, pay for, and track the progress of any permit online, saving you time and visits to our office in Greenfield. The program has 5,517 registered users. You can find it at www.frcog.org under the Franklin County Cooperative Inspection Program. Our website also includes helpful information on inspection requirements, permit costs, and contractor licensing.

In 2019, the FCCIP processed the following permits for Heath:

Residential Building Permits	33
Commercial Building Permits	2
Electrical Permits	25
Plumbing Permits	4
Gas Permits	11
Sheet Metal/Duct Permits	0
Certificates of Inspection	4
Signs	0
Tents	2
Solid Fuel	3
Fire Protection	0

We would like to remind all residents of the importance of applying for permits for work done. Building, Electrical and Plumbing/Gas permits are required by law and are an essential step in ensuring the safety of our communities. Please feel free to call our office with any building or zoning questions at 774-3167, extension 113.

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FRANKLIN COUNTY REGIONAL DOG SHELTER

For information visit www.fcrdogkennel.org

FRANKLIN COUNTY REGIONAL HOUSING &
REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

For information visit www.fcrhra.org

FRANKLIN COUNTY REGIONAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Current reports and information at www.FRRSMA.com

MOHAWK TRAIL WOODLANDS PARTNERSHIP (MTWP)

For information contact Peggy Sloan, Director of Planning & Development, FCRCG at psloan@frcog

FRANKLIN COUNTY
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

The Solid Waste District was formed in 1989 to help Franklin County towns manage all aspects of their solid waste – recyclables, organics, hazardous waste, wastewater treatment sludge, and trash. We continue to provide assistance to twenty-one member towns through administrative support, professional consultation, trainings, and outreach to residents and businesses.

A review of recycling tonnage for 2019 shows a decrease in recycling tonnage compared to 2018. District residents recycled just over 2,700 tons of paper and containers. The recyclables were processed at the Springfield Materials Recycling Facility and sold for reuse at domestic and international mills. Towns continued to be paid \$6 per ton of recyclables through calendar year 2019.

In 2019, the District sponsored spring and fall “Clean Sweep” collections for bulky items, electronics, tires, appliances, and anything too big to fit into a trash bag. Over 66 tons of material were recycled or disposed of from the two collections. A total of 664 households participated in these collection events. That is 6% more participation than in 2018.

We held our annual household hazardous waste collection in September 2019. This event allows residents to properly dispose of toxic cleaners, automotive products, pesticides, and other toxic products. A total of 380 households participated in this event. 44% of participants were using the collection for the first time.

We applied for and received grants from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection worth \$123,000 for District towns. Some grant funding is a result of a town's successful waste management infrastructure. Other grants include equipment to make town transfer stations more efficient.

If you have questions about District programs, call us at 413-772-2438 (MA Relay for the hearing impaired: 711 or 1-800-439-2370 TTY/TDD), visit our website at www.franklincountywastedistrict.org or visit us at 117 Main St., 2nd Floor in Greenfield.

Jan Ameen - Executive Director
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FRCOG SERVICES TO HEATH

Franklin Regional Council of Governments

The Franklin Regional Council of Governments was created in 1997 with the dissolution of county government. The founders of the FRCOG envisioned a municipal voluntary membership organization that uses a membership fee model to provide regional and municipal services to the small governments of Franklin County and to the region as a whole. But what does the FRCOG actually do?

The FRCOG provides two broad categories of service to Franklin County: municipal service delivery, and planning, prevention and preparedness. The programs and services we provide are developed in response to needs expressed by municipal officials or boards and/or to take advantage of a funding source that benefits Franklin County. Most programs, projects and services are optional; municipalities choose the services they need and want.

All municipal service delivery programs but two have voluntary municipal participation, where the town “buys into” work that is difficult to fill with part time expertise. Each program develops a service fee that sensibly and equitably covers the cost of the program. Internally, the COG manages municipal service programs like a municipal enterprise fund, in that revenues and expenses for the program are tracked separately from our general fund.

The FRCOG's Municipal Service Programs

Program	Description of Service	Participating Towns
Collective Purchasing and Procurement	Bidding, bulk purchase and contracting of products and services including highway products and services (e.g. dog tags, cleaver and other maintenance. Procurement assistance to ensure compliance with Chap 330.	All Franklin County municipalities and, as of 2019, most Hampshire County municipalities.
Cooperative Public Health Service	Public health services including community sanitation, food safety, Title 5 work, private well water safety, communicable disease control, and public health nursing.	Barnardston, Buckland, Charlemont, Colrain, Conway, Deerfield, Erving, Gill, Hawley, Heath, Leyden, Monroe, Rowe, Shelburne.
Franklin County Cooperative Inspection Program	Building, plumbing, gas, and electrical inspection services and zoning enforcement.	Ashfield, Barnardston, Buckland, Charlemont, Conway, Erving, Gill, Greenfield, Hawley, Heath, Leverett, Leyden, Rowe, Shelburne, Townsend, Westbury, Winsted.
Town Accounting	Comprehensive municipal accounting services and shared software.	Ashfield, Barnardston, Buckland, Conway, Gill, Leverett, New Salem, Shelburne, Sunderland, Winsted, Whately, and Williamsburg in Hampshire Co.
Franklin County Emergency Communication System	At the request of all Franklin County communities, the FRCOG owns and maintains the emergency communication equipment for Franklin County.	All emergency response units in and/or serve Franklin County municipalities.
Regional Emergency Planning Committee	Fulfills the federal mandate that all communities have a hazardous material response plan, all hazards planning and training for emergency responders.	All Franklin County municipalities.

The FRCOG's planning, prevention and preparedness work is varied, and evolves as the needs of the region and its municipalities change and funding sources become available. All of the work in this category is grant funded. The FRCOG is the state-designated Regional Planning Agency for Franklin County. Planning, as a discipline, is the work of ensuring that the region's, and each town's, land use and infrastructure will meet future housing, environmental protection, economic development, and quality of life needs.

Sample Projects by Planning Discipline

Planning Discipline	Example of Local Project	Example of Regional Project
Economic Development	Brownfields assessment and cleanup	Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for Franklin City
Land Use	Zoning, Open Space & Recreation Plans	Analysis of regional housing needs
Natural Resources	Hazardous response plans, climate vulnerability planning	Watershed based climate resiliency plan
Transportation	Complete Streets analysis; culvert and drainage analysis	Expansion of north-south passenger rail
GIS (computerized data analysis and mapping)	Municipal zoning maps	Franklin County Bikeway maps

Most of the FRCOG's emergency preparedness work is on the regional scale, which includes all of Franklin County, and, in a few cases, the four counties of western Massachusetts. The FRCOG is the fiduciary for Homeland Security funding allocated to western Massachusetts on behalf of the Western Region Homeland Security Advisory Council (WRHSAC). In this capacity, the FRCOG prioritizes and manages the expenditure of funds for emergency response equipment and other capital and for small and large-scale training events. The FRCOG also serves as the sponsoring organization of the Western Massachusetts Health and Medical Coordinating Coalition (HMCC). The HMCC coordinates public health and medical emergency preparedness in Berkshire, Franklin, Hampden, and Hampshire Counties. And the FRCOG coordinates the Mohawk Area Public Health Coalition (MAPHCO), a public health emergency preparedness coalition serving 24 Franklin County towns and two Hampshire County towns.

The final service in this category area is the Partnership for Youth (PFY). The mission of the Partnership for Youth is to prevent substance use and other risky behaviors, and increase healthy eating and active living to improve young people's ability to reach their full potential and thrive. PFY collaborates with school and community partners to establish and support effective youth development and health-promotion programs, provide training and technical assistance with emphasis on evidence-based practices, and involve and empower youth. PFY works closely with the Opioid Task Force to reduce addiction and death by overdose.

Beyond the services described above, the FRCOG represents Franklin County at state and federal levels through advocacy and by serving on boards and commissions, organizes training and workshops for municipal officials, and tries to respond to municipal needs when called upon. To learn more about FRCOG 2019 regional projects and services in your town, look for the FRCOG 2019 Annual Report at frcog.org.

FRED W. WELLS TRUST FUND

This trust fund was established under the will of Fred W. Wells. Mr. Wells, a former resident of Greenfield, directed that a portion of income from the fund be used for awarding scholarships in agricultural, mechanical or professional fields. Funds available for the Fiscal Year 2019/2020 were \$247,766.40 (inclusive of unused scholarship money from previous years that was reallocated to be granted this year).

EDUCATION

The Trustees received 235 applications and approved 224 of those received. Trustees awarded a total of \$198,277.00. This amount includes two \$1,000 scholarships in honor of Ralph and Hilda Haskins. The Trustees worked diligently throughout the year to provide all eligible applicants an award to assist in their education.

HEALTH

Five applicants were provided grants totaling	\$37,117.05
The Care Collaborative	\$ 5,000.00

Community Action Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program	\$ 8,000.00
Life Path Inc. for Meals on Wheels Program	\$ 7,000.00
New England Learning Center for Women in Transition (NELCWIT)	\$ 7,000.00
Community Health Center of Franklin County (CHCFC)	\$10,117.05

AGRICULTURE

Three applicants were provided grants totaling	\$12,372.35
Franklin County Agricultural Society	\$ 6,186.00
Heath Agricultural Society	\$ 5,320.00
Shelburne Grange Fair	\$ 866.35

Dianne Grinnell

UPPER PIONEER VALLEY VETERANS' SERVICES

HEATH

Our district has now been in operation for 4 ½ years. We are the largest district by community count and square miles covered in the state. Below are just some of the programs and services we help veterans' and their dependents with:

- M.G.L. Ch 115 benefit – Needs based program of financial and medical assistance to eligible veterans and their dependents
- Assistance to veterans and dependents to help file for VA health care, pensions, and service-connected disabilities
- Homeless prevention assistance to veterans and their families
- Employment help with job searches, resumes, and job interview skills
- Burial assistance to include government markers, flag holders, internment, and VA burial reimbursement
- Veterans records retrieval and storage
- Referral to other public and private agencies to include housing, fuel assistance, employment, training, education
- Attend area outreach events(fairs, festivals, health care expos)

We have continued to work hard helping veterans and dependents file for VA benefits due them. Heath now has around \$12291.03 in monthly Federal VA payments being paid to approximately 5 Heath residents. This is tax-free income paid due to service-connected injuries, low-income or survivor status.

We forecast Heath's M.G.L. Ch115 caseload to remain flat for the foreseeable future. This is the states low income assistance program for veterans' and their dependents. Although reimbursed back to the towns at 75%, this takes over a year to get back from the state, so reducing payouts up front has freed up funds for Heath. This budget item is currently paying out around \$400.00 per month to eligible clients.

For the coming year we will continue to assist veterans, and will emphasize programs for the dependents of veterans, particularly the elderly population. Our long-term goals include up dated hardware and expanding satellite hours in the district.

Timothy Niejadlik, Director

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