



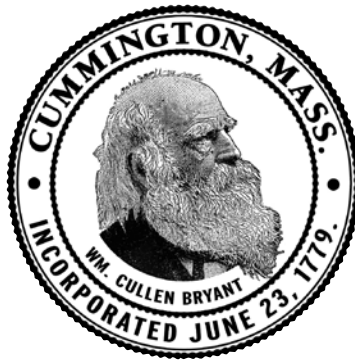
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Cumington
MASSACHUSETTS
ANNUAL REPORT
2025

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Dennis Forgea

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Town of
**CUMMINGTON
MASSACHUSETTS**



**ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR
ENDING
JUNE 30, 2025**

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DEDICATION

Dennis Forgea

The Town of Cummington gratefully dedicates the 2025 Annual Report to Dennis Forgea in appreciation of his many years of devoted service. Through his steady leadership and generous commitment of time and experience, Denny has contributed across nearly every corner of town government, from the Finance Committee and Selectboard to his long tenure as Police Chief, his service with the Fire Department, and countless other acts of support to the community.

His presence and dedication to Cummington's safety, wellbeing, and sound governance will continue to be felt. With sincere gratitude, we honor the lasting difference he has made in the life of our town.

Town of Cummington

Established In 1762 as Township #5
Incorporated June 23, 1779

AREA
23.06 Square Miles

MILES OF TOWN ROADS
49.2

MILES OF STATE HIGHWAYS
9

UNITED STATES SENATORS
Elizabeth Warren
Edward J. Markey

UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE
Richard E. Neal

MASSACHUSETTS STATE SENATOR
Paul Mark

MASSACHUSETTS STATE REPRESENTATIVE
Lindsay Sabadosa

GOVERNOR
Maura Healey

TOWN MEETING DATE – First Friday in May

TOWN ELECTION – Second Monday in May

POPULATION – Town Census 2025 - 800



Elected Officials

<i>Member</i>	<i>Term Expires</i>
SELECTBOARD	
Kenneth Howes, Chair	2028
Brian Gilman	2027
June Lynds	2026
TOWN CLERK	
Brenda Emerson-Camp	2026
BOARD OF ASSESSORS	
Mark Bevan	2028
Karen Howes	2027
Elliot Ring	2026
MODERATOR	
Josh Wachtel	2026
VOCATIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE	
Robert Godfrey	2028
Deborah Hatt	2027
Ryan Ernest Strong	2026
ALMONER OF CHARITABLE FUNDS	
Bernard L. Forgea	2028
Joyce A. Wiernasz	2027
Susan F. Forgea	2026
COMMISSIONER OF TRUST FUNDS	
Scott Keith	2028
Amanda Savoie	2027
Kenneth Howes	2026
WATER COMMISSIONERS	
Todd Emerson	2028
Tomasz Jaracz	2027
Dann Emerson	2026
TRUSTEES OF BRYANT FREE LIBRARY	
Deborah Hoechstetter	2030
John Maruskin	2029
Eliza Dragon	2028
Gregory Tessier	2027
Wynne Menna Busby	2026

<i>Member</i>	<i>Term Expires</i>
FINANCE COMMITTEE	
Troy Howes, Co-Chair	2028
Jill Figlioizzi	2028
Scott Keith	2027
Maureen Tumenas	2027
Dennis W. Forgea, Co-Chair	2026
June Lynds	2026
Allan Kidston, Treasurer	
Ex Officio - non-voting member	2026
Joshua Wachtel	
Ex Officio - non-voting member	2026
BOARD OF HEALTH	
James Wetterau, Chair	2028
Ilene Diamond	2027
Judith Bogart	2026
PLANNING BOARD	
Ilse Godfrey	2030
Lyle Hazel	2029
Kalyan Water, Chair	2028
Laura Sheridan	2027
Dennis Carr	2026
RECREATION AND PETTINGILL MEMORIAL FIELD COMMITTEE	
Geraldine Wilcox	2028
Kristen Laney	2028
Nicole Wortis	2028
Donna Forgea	2027
Michelle Huddy	2027
Emily Loux	2027
Stacey L. Mackowiac	2026
Eliza Dragon	2026
Jennifer A. O'Neill	2026
CONSTABLES	
Sharon J. Cunningham	2028
Michael A. Perkins III	2028
MUNICIPAL LIGHT PLANT BOARD	
Scott Keith, Treasurer	2028
Allan Douglas, Chair	2027
Mikaela Mennen	2027
Brenda Arbib, Secretary	2026
Michael A. Perkins III	2026

Appointed Officials

<i>Member</i>		<i>Term Expires</i>
TOWN ACCOUNTANT		
Hetal Patel		2026
TAX COLLECTOR		
Allan Kidston		2026
TREASURER		
Allan Kidston		2026
AGRICULTURE COMMISSION		
H. Sydney O’Leary		2028
Daniel Loux		2028
Paul H. Streeter		2027
Sara Fournier-Scanlon		2027
Loredana Holmes		2026
Tomasz Jaracz		2026
Seva Tower		2026
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS		
Carla Ness, Chair		2028
Michael Holden, Clerk		2028
William Hoehne, Associate		2027
Kenneth L. Howes		2026
LOCAL CULTURAL COUNCIL		
Alexis Breiteneicher, Chair		2026
Seva Tower		2026
John Bye		2026
Natasha Brooks-Sperduti		2026
Elena Zachary		2026
CEMETERY COMMITTEE		
Robert D. Dextraze		2026
June Lynds		2026
Brian Gilman		2026
Kenneth L. Howes		2026
Joy Johns		2026
Russell Jordan		2026
Jacob Jordan		2026

<i>Member</i>	<i>Term Expires</i>
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	
Adam Dragon, Director	2026
Bernard Forgea	2026
Sarah Fournier-Scanlon	2026
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	
Sarah Fournier-Scanlon	2027
John Bye	2027
Johns Burns	2026
Nathan Buckout	2026
Robert Arbib	2028
Leah Riley	2028
COUNCIL ON AGING	
Chrisoula Roumeliotis	2026
Gail Roberge	2026
Jodee Simard	2026
Ann Eisenhour, Secretary	2027
June Lynds	2027
Worth Noyes, Chair	2028
Brenda Emerson-Camp	2028
Fionnghuala Reagan	2029
FIELD DRIVER AND FENCE VIEWER	
Peter Marcoux	2026
HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT	
Alan Taylor	2026
HISTORICAL COMMISSION	
David Simard	2026
Hannah Streeter	2026
Karen Westergard, Secretary	2027
Carla Ness, Chair	2028
Leslie Keller	2028
Christopher Laney	2028
INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS	
Kenneth L. Howes	2026
INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS	
Jason Forgue	2026

<i>Member</i>	<i>Term Expires</i>
PLUMBING AND GAS INSPECTOR	
Donald Lawton	2026
WIRING INSPECTOR	
William Graham, Inspector	2026
John Lyons, Assistant	2026
POLICE CHIEF	
Michael A. Perkins III	2026
POLICE OFFICERS	
William Bissell	2026
Jeffrey Fish	2026
Thomas Hartman	2026
Dennis Forgea, Auxiliary	2026
FIRE CHIEF	
Adam Dragon	2026
SELECTBOARD REPRESENTATIVE TO LIBRARY TRUSTEES	
June Lynds	2026
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	
Kelli Wainscott	2026
REGISTRAR OF VOTERS	
Brenda Emerson-Camp	2026
Mary Bourdon	2026
Brenda Arbib	2026
Eliza Dragon	2026
SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND TIMBER	
Chad Howes	2026
Robert D. Dextraze	2026
CUMMINGTON COMMUNITY HOUSE COORDINATOR	
Brenda Emerson-Camp	2026
ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK	
Eliza Dragon	2026

Member***Term Expires*****CUMMINGTON AD HOC
CULTURAL DISTRICT PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Ilse Godfrey, Chair	2026
John Bye, Vice-Chair	2026
Leslie Ferrin	2026
June Lynds	2026
Steven Schiff	2026
Laura Sheridan	2026

BERKSHIRE TRAIL BUILDING COMMITTEE

Mark Hoechstetter	2026
June Lynds	2026
Maureen Tumenas	2026
Mark DeMaranville	2026
Peter Tessier	

**CUMMINGTON CBRSC
REGIONAL AGREEMENT AD HOC COMMITTEE**

Todd Emerson	2026
June Lynds	2026
Maureen Tumenas	2026

STAGE ROAD CULVERT COMMITTEE

Bill Adams	2026
Kenneth L. Howes	2026
June Lynds	2026
Brian Gilman	2026
Alan Taylor	2026
Bill Hoehne	2026
Carol Hoehne	2026
Bernie Forgea	2026
John Bye	2026
Jim Wettereau	2026

TREE WARDEN

Robert D. Dextraze	2026
Alan Taylor	2026

TOWN COUNSEL

Michael Siddall	2026
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<i>Member</i>	<i>Term Expires</i>
VETERANS AGENT	
INTER-MUNICIPAL VETERANS' SERVICES	
Dan Nye	2026
LOWER PIONEER VALLEY PLANNING COMMISSION	
Kalyan Water, Member	2026
Kathryn Eiseman, Alternate	2026
RIGHT TO KNOW COORDINATOR	
Ernest Strong	2026
James Martin, Coordinator	2026
SECRETARY TO THE SELECTBOARD	
Denise Banister	2026
HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT PROJECTION COMMITTEE	
Robert D. Dextraze	2026
Peter Marcoux	2026
Alan Taylor	2026
PETTINGILL CLOCK COMMITTEE	
Scott Keith	2026
WESTFIELD RIVER WILD AND SCENIC	
James Wettereau	2026
IT COMMITTEE	
Jonathan Kephardt	2026
Elise Scheidel, Secretary	2026
Harrison Datkowitz, Member	2026
BUILDING REVIEW COMMITTEE	
Mark DeMaranville	2026
Perter Tessier	2026
Elliot Ring	2026

Selectboard

Annual Report 2025

The past year has been one of steady progress, shared effort, and continued commitment to strengthening our community and its future. The Selectboard continues to navigate many complex decisions, some challenging, many encouraging, as we work to support the long-term well-being of the Town of Cummington. Throughout the year, we have been reminded repeatedly that the strength of this community lies in the people who step forward to serve, volunteer, and lend their expertise to the work of local government.

Early in the year, the Selectboard accepted with regret the resignation of Pat Bundridge from the Cultural Council. Pat's contributions helped support arts, culture, and community programming in Cummington, and we extend our sincere thanks for her service.

On March 7, the Town welcomed Lt. Governor Kim Driscoll, Secretary Yvonne Hao, Undersecretary Ashley Stolba, Senator Paul Mark, Representative Lindsay Sabadosa, and Director of Rural Affairs Anne Gobi to celebrate Cummington's \$400,000 Community One Stop for Growth award for the Berkshire Trail Building project. The event also recognized all 49 Rural Development Fund grantees. Before the ceremony, the BTB Committee provided Director Gobi with a tour of the building. Following this milestone, the Town hired OPM Martin Goulet of Liro-Hill and architect Tom Chalmers of Austin Designs to advance the next phase of planning and design.

The Selectboard reviewed and approved the updated Appointed and Elected Officials Handbook, now available on the town website and through the Town Clerk. This resource supports consistency, transparency, and shared understanding across all boards and committees.

The Board also accepted with regret the resignation of Lucille Fandel from the Conservation Commission. Thank you, Lucille, for your service.

Changes also occurred within the Council on Aging. June Lynds stepped down from the COA Board of Directors and was appointed as an associate member, while Fionnghuala Reagan was appointed to the Board through June 30, 2027. Welcome Finny!

The Selectboard received a letter of resignation from Chief Michael Perkins, who had offered to serve through September 30, 2025. On the advice of Town Counsel, the Board accepted his resignation effective July

31, 2025, and appointed Brian Cioffi as Interim Police Chief. The Board also directed Chief Cioffi to conduct a full audit of the Police Department to ensure compliance, accountability, and best practices moving forward

On September 29, the Selectboard hosted a Town Hall meeting with Representative Lindsay Sabadosa at the Community House. Many residents attended and participated in a thoughtful, wide-ranging discussion on state and local issues, demonstrating once again the value of open dialogue and civic engagement.

Work progressed on the Stage Road Bridge project, supported by a \$300,000 MassDOT Small Bridge grant. Westfield River Wild & Scenic secured necessary permits and contracted with the bridge contractor to manage invasive-species removal at the site, ensuring both environmental protection and project readiness.

The Cultural District continued planning for a walking-map kiosk, securing DigSafe approval and identifying a final location in front of the bushes on the island at the Berkshire Trail Building.

The Selectboard appointed Bill Hoehne as a full member of the Zoning Board of Appeals and welcomed Harry (Harrison) Datkowitz as an alternate member of the ZBA and as a member of the IT Committee. We extend our thanks to both Bill and Harry for their willingness to serve.

To support the BTB project, the Selectboard appointed an MVP Grant Ad Hoc Committee (June Lynds, Pam Howland, Steve Schiff, Richard Gooding, and Jan Storm) to prepare a grant request. An Expression of Interest was submitted, and work continues as the Town pursues additional funding opportunities.

The Board reviewed a proposal from Energy Resources to replace lighting in the front rooms of the BTB with energy-efficient LEDs, funded through remaining Green Communities grant dollars. The project is expected to save \$1,838.92 over ten years.

The Board discussed bylaw changes approved at Town Meeting, including the Selectboard name change and the Dark Sky bylaw. These were delayed by the Attorney General's office due to procedural issues. Planning Board Chair Kalyan Water recommended restarting the process rather than pursuing an appeal, and the Board agreed.

Allison Druin and Ben Bederson provided an update on the JS Bryant School's opening on September 2, 2025. A Grand Opening celebration was held on October 18, where Selectboard Member June Lynds offered remarks on behalf of the Board.

The Berkshire Trail Building Committee presented an update on the scaled-back BTB project, now estimated at \$2.3 million. The remaining \$300,000 from the 2024 One Stop grant will fund construction documents, and a \$1 million earmark in the economic bond bill remains pending. The Board voted to send an advocacy letter supporting release of authorized funds and will continue pursuing additional grant opportunities.

With regret, the Selectboard accepted the resignation of John Bye from the Cultural District Committee. We thank John for his service. The Board appointed Steve Schiff to fill the vacancy through June 30, 2025. Welcome, Steve. The Board also appointed Gail Roberge to the Council on Aging Board of Directors through June 30, 2027. Welcome back, Gail.

A major milestone for the community occurred on October 30 with the groundbreaking ceremony for the long-awaited restoration of the historic “Green Bridge.” The event drew an impressive group of state and local leaders, including MassDOT Interim Secretary of Transportation Philip Eng, Undersecretary Jonathan Gulliver, Senator Paul Mark, and Representative Lindsay Sabadosa, as well as Cummington Selectboard Chair Kenneth “Trudge” Howes and Selectboard Member June Lynds. Standing as a landmark since 1939, the Green Bridge has long served as a vital connection for residents, visitors, and local commerce. Its restoration marks an exciting new chapter for our region.

On December 4, Interim Chief Cioffi presented his comprehensive audit of the Police Department, identifying major deficiencies in evidence handling, firearms licensing, financial controls, record-keeping, and compliance with state requirements during former Chief Perkins’ tenure. The report recommends improved evidence and records systems, stronger financial oversight, updated personnel policies, enhanced training, and the appointment of William (Billy) Bissell as full-time Chief along with a full-time patrol officer. The full report has been shared with Town Counsel and legal advisors.

Following prior review by the Board and Town Counsel of the proposed lease presented by HCDC Executive Director Dave Christopolis for approximately 2,100 square feet in the Berkshire Trail Building, the Board voted to sign the lease agreement with HCDC. This action clears the way for work to begin on retrofitting the BTB kitchen and cafeteria into a regional food hub.

The Town was saddened by the passing of Ernest “Ernie” Strong on August 8, 2025. Ernie was a prominent and deeply respected figure in Cummington, known not only for his kindness and steady presence but for the extraordinary amount of volunteer service, through his many roles, that he gave to our community. His commitment to public service, his willingness to step in wherever he was needed, and his unwavering dedication to the well-being of the town made a lasting impact. Ernie will be greatly missed.

As we close out the year, the Selectboard extends its gratitude to the many residents, volunteers, committee members, and partners whose dedication continues to strengthen our town. Together, we have met challenges, made meaningful progress, and laid important groundwork for the year ahead. Cummington depends on the commitment of community volunteers, and we encourage residents to consider joining one of our boards or committees. Anyone interested in getting involved is welcome to reach out to any board or committee chair or to the Selectboard. We remain committed to thoughtful stewardship, transparent decision-making, and supporting the well-being of the entire community.

Budget and Expenditure Summary FY 2025

Category	Appropriated	Expended	Balance
Air Pollutions Districts	\$ 285.00	\$ 285.00	\$ 0.00
RMV Non-Renewable Surcharge	900.00	900.00	0.00
Regional Transit Authority	1,406.00	1,406.00	0.00
Officials Salary 01-110-5110	11,995.00	11,992.50	2.50
General Supplies 01-110-5400	6,175.00	3,559.86	1,894.43
Executive Assistant 01-122-5111	14,710.00	8,735.54	5,972.46
SB - General Expenses 01-122-5420	740.00	737.21	2.79
Finance Committee 01-131-5400	150.00	146.00	4.00
Reserve Fund 01-132-5400	6,000.00	5,026.00	974.00
Accountant - Salary 01-135-5110	21,218.00	21,218.00	0.00
Accountant - Administration 01-135-5400	7,485.00	7,090.18	394.82
Audit - Administration 01-136-5400	8,000.00		8,000.00
Audit - Encumbrance 01-136-6000	8,000.00		8,000.00
Assessor Salary 01-141-5110	15,150.00	15,150.00	0.00
Assessor - Professional Services 01-141-5300	5,950.00	5,588.31	361.69
Assessor - Administration 01-141-5400	7,000.00	6,641.70	358.30
Treasurer - Salary 01-145-5110	21,200.00	21,200.00	0.00

Category	Appropriated	Expended	Balance
Treasurer - Administration			
01-145-5400	8,435.00	5,185.22	3,249.78
Tax Collector Salary			
01-145-5110	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00
Tax Collector - Water Stipend			
01-146-5112	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Tax Collector - Administration			
01-146-5400	11,410.00	11,400.21	9.79
Tax Collector - Tax Title			
01-146-5480	5,370.00	700.00	4,670.00
Town Counsel - Services			
01-151-5300	32,000.00	29,096.25	332.25
Town Counsel - Encumbrance			
01-151-6000	5,527.17	5,527.17	
IT Salary			
01-155-5110	1,720.00	1,690.00	30.00
IT Maintenance			
01-155-5240	23,874.59	23,871.04	3.55
Internet/Telephone			
01-155-5340	11,100.00	11,046.87	53.03
IT - Encumbrances			
01-155-6000	723.91	723.91	0.00
IT Capital			
01-155-5850	19,706.34	5,239.21	14,467.13
Town Clerk Salary			
01-161-5110	15,975.00	15,975.00	0.00
Town Clerk Part-Time			
01-161-5111	7,717.00	6,990.18	726.82
Town Clerk - Administration			
01-161-5400	3,355.00	2,107.52	914.62
Election & Reg			
01-162-5110	3,795.00	1,287.80	2,507.20
Election & Reg-Administration			
01-162-5400	1,050.00	1,008.89	41.11
Con Com - Administration			
01-171-5400	250.00		250.00

Category	Appropriated	Expended	Balance
Planning Board Administration			
01-175-5400	900.00		900.00
Planning Board Encumbrance			
01-175-6000	371.94	371.94	
ZBA Administration			
01-176-5400	500.00		500.00
Comm House Salary			
01-192-5110	29,127.00	28,848.94	278.06
Comm House Administration			
01-192-5400	23,900.00	23,897.68	2.32
BT Building - Administration			
01-192-5401	41,815.00	41,812.94	2.06
Comm House Capital			
01-192-5800	4,343.64		4,343.64
Town Reports			
01-195-5400	1,000.00	910.00	90.00
Town Reports - Encumbrance			
01-195-6000	928.50	928.50	0.00
Police Salary			
01-210-5110	843,300.00	74,701.36	9,628.64
Police Administration Asst			
01-210-5111	13,000.00	4,575.00	8,425.00
Police Stipend			
01-210-5112	30,000.00	30,000.00	0.00
Police Training			
01-210-5305	5,000.00	1,570.00	3,430.00
Police Bridge			
01-210-5306	7,200.00	4,100.00	3,100.00
Police - Administration			
01-210-5400	17,270.00	13,688.37	3,580.42
Police Encumbrance			
01-210-6000	3,580.42	3,580.42	0.00
Police Capital			
01-210-5800	79,541.19	75,000.00	4,541.19
Fire Stipend			
01-220-5112	30,000.00	30,000.00	0.00

Category	Appropriated	Expended	Balance
Firefighter Stipend 01-220-5113	16,000.00	12,000.00	4,000.00
Fire - Administrative 01-220-5400	25,934.00	25,431.86	502.14
Fire - Capital 01-220-5800	27,290.89	18,711.27	
Ambulance - Administrative 01-231-5400	57,309.68	57,309.68	0.00
Building Insp. Stipend 01-241-5110	13,458.00	13,455.63	2.37
Building Insp. Administrative 01-241-5400	150.00	147.46	2.54
PSC - Part-Time 01-290-5111	1,005.00	1,005.00	0.00
PSC - Administrative 01-290-5400	18,760.00	18,047.06	712.94
PSC - Capital 01-290-5800	1,002.00		1,002.00
EMD Stipend 01-291-5112	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
EMD - Administrative 01-291-5400	1,281.00	1,281.00	-\$81.00
Animal Control Stipend 01-292-5110	3,200.00	3,200.00	0.00
Animal Control Administrative 01-292-5400	1,000.00	8.09	991.91
Animal Control Encumbrance 01-292-6000	255.75	255.75	0.00
Animal Inspector-Stipend 01-293-5112	300.00	300.00	0.00
Animal Inspector-Administrative 01-293-5400	200.00		200.00
Tree - Administrative 01-294-5400	6,000.00	6,000.00	0.00
CBRS D Transportation 01-300-5330	6,508.00	6,508.00	0.00

Category	Appropriated	Expended	Balance
CBRSD Administrative 01-300-5400	648,527.00	648,527.00	0.00
CBRSD Capital Improve 01-300-5300	19,553.00	19,552.00	1.00
Vocational Tuition 01-301-5320	104,235.00	104,235.00	0.00
Vocational Transportation 01-301-5330	53,100.00	53,100.00	0.00
Highway Salary 01-422-5110	262,141.00	262,138.88	2.12
Highway Overtime 01-422-5130	2,877.00	1,094.74	1,782.26
Highway Administrative 01-422-5400	13,500.00	8,539.31	4,960.69
Highway Tool & Machinery 01-422-5415	76,900.00	69,305.50	7,594.50
Highway General 01-422-5420	113,100.00	112,859.23	14.03
Highway Encumbrances 01-422-6000	200.00	200.00	0.00
Highway Capital 01-422-5800	1,262.21	0.00	1,262.21
Overtime Winter Roads 01-423-5130	14,913.00	13,022.63	1,890.37
Administrative Winter Roads 01-423-5400	80,000.00	79,661.88	338.12
Water Hydrant Administrative 01-455-5400	9,500.00	9,500.00	0.00
Salary Cemetery 01-491-5110	11,950.00	9,595.00	2,355.00
Administrative - Cemetery 01-491-5400	50.00	45.65	4.35
Cemetery Capital 01-491-5800	16,192.50	11,000.00	5,192.50
BOH Salary 01-510-5110	37,285.00	37,276.80	8.20

Category	Appropriated	Expended	Balance
BOH Administrative 01-510-5400	64,440.00	53,872.86	5,765.50
BOH Encumbrances 01-510-6000	2,797.25	2,797.25	
COA Salary 01-541-5110	5,150.00	5,150.00	0.00
COA Administrative 01-541-5400	2,500.00	2,070.90	429.10
Veterans Administrative 01-543-5400	27,257.00	4,093.33	23,163.67
Salary Library 01-610-5110	765.00	765.00	0.00
Library Administrative 01-610-5400	7,545.00	7,540.83	4.17
Recreation Administrative 01-630-5400	4,600.00	3,879.12	638.48
Recreation Encumbrances 01-630-6000	79.14	79.14	0.00
Recreation Capital 01-630-5800	1,444.84	1,200.00	244.84
Safety Complex Loan 01-710-5910	45,435.00	45,434.91	0.09
School Roof Loan 01-710-5910	32,000.00	32,000.00	0.00
Broadband Loan 01-710-5910	85,000.00	85,000.00	0.00
Cat Loader Loan 01-710-5910	25,000.00	25,000.00	0.00
USDA Loan 1 01-710-5910	12,604.08	12,604.08	0.00
USDA Loan 2 01-710-5910	5,975.92	5,975.75	0.17
Safety Complex Interest 01-751-5915	32,139.00	32,139.00	0.00
School Roof Interest 01-751-5915	6,134.99	5,905.55	229.44

Category	Appropriated	Expended	Balance
Broadband Interest			
01-751-5915	35,262.50	35,262.50	0.00
Cat Loader Interest			
01-751-5915	1,351.85	1,351.85	0.00
USDA Loan 1 Interest			
01-751-5915	1,677.32	1,677.32	0.00
USDA Loan 2 Interest			
01-751-5915	1,587.25	1,587.25	0.00
Interest on Loans			
01-752-5920	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
Admin - COG			
01-830-5400	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
LPVPC			
01-830-5401	160.00	155.13	4.87
HC Retirement			
01-911-5780	97,470.00	95,871.00	1,599.00
Unemployment Comp			
01-913-5780	850.00	849.53	0.47
Medical Insurance			
01-914-5780	41,572.16	40,847.80	724.36
Medicare/FICA			
01-916-5780	31,420.00	31,416.47	3.53
Insurance & Bonds			
01-945-5780	64,352.84	64,352.84	0.00
Transfer to Trust Funds			
01-990-5964	419,842.00	419,842.00	0.00
ARPA Expense			
20-122-5400	72,376.15	72,376.15	0.00
Firefighter Safety Equipment			
20-220-5400	10,392.72	10,392.72	0.00
EMPG Grant			
20-220-5400		4,918.75	
ARPA Expense			
21-122-5400	22,811.15	22,811.15	0.00
Elections & Registrations			
21-162-5110	2,216.00	2,216.00	0.00

Category	Appropriated	Expended	Balance
BOH Recycling Grant			
21-510-5400	4,716.41	4,716.41	0.00
COA Formula Grant			
21-541-5110	5,383.81	5,383.81	0.00
State Aid to Library - Salary			
21-610-5110		60.00	
State Aid to Library - Expense			
21-610-5400		305.30	
Cultural Council Grant			
21-692-5400	6,175.00	6,175.00	0.00
Cultural District Salary			
21-693-5110		12,537.00	
Cultural District Expense			
21-693-5400		5,638.01	
Con Com Revolving			
23-171-5400		634.60	
Inspectors Revolving Salary			
23-241-5110		1,675.00	
Inspectors Revolving Expense			
23-241-5400		5,760.00	
Recreation Revolving			
23-630-5400		895.87	
Family Center Gift Expense			
24-122-5400		1,050.00	
Pettingill Memorial Gift			
24-122-5400		39,588.36	
Police Gift Expense			
24-210-5400		5,917.79	
Fire Special Gift			
24-220-5400		10,178.90	
COA Memorial Gift			
24-541-5400		570.00	
Library Special Gift			
24-610-5400		1,789.61	
Historical Comm - Salary			
24-691-5110		1,720.00	

Category	Appropriated	Expended	Balance
Historical Comm - Expense 24-691-5400		92,552.43	
Chapter 90 Expense 30-422-5800		269,038.45	
Stage Road Culvert Expense 30-422-5800		42,675.89	
Water Salary 60-450-5110	1,800.00	920.00	880.00
Water Stipend 60-450-5112	7,850.00	7,850.00	0.00
Water Expenses 60-450-5400	33,755.00	26,940.07	6,737.84
Water Encumbrances 60-450-6000	5,317.54	5,317.54	0.00
Xfer to Gen Fund - Water 60-990-5961	26,246.44	25,486.30	760.14
Xfer to Trust Fund 60-990-5964	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
MLP Salary 65-465-5110	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00
MLP Operating - Chargeback 65-465-5380	38,698.00	26,210.65	12,487.35
MLP Operating-Monthly 65-465-5400	188,126.38	178,443.15	9,683.23
MLP Operating Other 65-465-5420	99,976.30	74,313.47	25,662.83
Transfer to Gen Fund-MLP 65-990-5961	8,162.00	8,162.00	0.00
Transfer to Trust Fund 65-990-5964	161,576.00	161,576.00	0.00
Stabilization - Xfer to Gen 82-122-5961	161,370.40	161,370.40	0.00
Stabilization-Xfer to GF 82-122-5962	0.00	2,500.00	0.00
Historical Comm - Salary 82-691-5110		4,046.25	

Category	Appropriated	Expended	Balance
Historical - Xfer to GF 82-691-5961		3,000.00	
Collector's Fees 89-146-5110		1,864.00	
Deputy Collector Fees 89-146-5400		2,315.00	
Town Clerk Fees 89-161-5110		570.00	
Police Outside Details 89-210-5130		131,648.00	
State FID Permits 89-210-5400		1,212.50	
Fire Outside Duty 89-220-5110		1,675.00	

Town of Cunningham Trial Balance

Fund	01 General Fund	Beg. Bal.	Debits	Credits	Balance
01.000.1040.000000	GENERAL FUND- CASH	578,119.83	3,323,816.86	3,573,153.65	328,783.04
01.000.1210.000000.12	Personal Property Taxes FY 2012	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.02
01.000.1210.000000.13	Personal Property Taxes FY 2013	370.19	0.00	0.00	370.19
01.000.1210.000000.14	Personal Property Taxes FY 2014	392.69	0.00	0.00	392.69
01.000.1210.000000.15	Personal Property Taxes FY 2015	389.10	0.00	0.00	389.10
01.000.1210.000000.16	Personal Property Taxes FY 2016	405.90	0.00	0.00	405.90
01.000.1210.000000.18	Personal Property Taxes FY 2018	-93.75	0.00	0.00	-93.75
01.000.1210.000000.19	Personal Property Taxes FY 2019	557.16	0.00	0.00	557.16
01.000.1210.000000.20	Personal Property Taxes FY 2020	613.87	0.00	171.84	442.03
01.000.1210.000000.21	Personal Property Taxes FY 2021	882.65	0.00	186.94	695.71
01.000.1210.000000.22	Personal Property Taxes FY 2022	1,437.68	0.00	797.64	640.04
01.000.1210.000000.23	Personal Property Taxes FY 2023	1,797.43	0.00	420.39	1,377.04
01.000.1210.000000.24	Personal Property Taxes FY 2024	2,169.20	0.00	1,733.14	436.06
01.000.1210.000000.25	Personal Property Taxes FY 2025	0.00	110,350.40	108,336.50	2,013.90
PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES TOTAL		8,922.14	110,350.40	111,646.45	7,626.09
01.000.1220.000000.18	Real Estate Taxes FY 2018	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01
01.000.1220.000000.19	Real Estate Taxes FY 2019	-0.01	0.00	0.00	-0.01
01.000.1220.000000.22	Real Estate Taxes FY 2022	22,467.96	0.00	18,855.62	3,612.34
01.000.1220.000000.23	Real Estate Taxes FY 2023	28,490.37	0.00	22,933.04	5,557.33
01.000.1220.000000.24	Real Estate Taxes FY 2024	60,963.00	500.71	32,252.93	29,210.78
01.000.1220.000000.25	Real Estate Taxes FY 2025	0.00	2,189,751.84	2,075,675.60	114,076.24
REAL ESTATE TAXES TOTAL		111,921.33	2,190,252.55	2,149,717.19	152,456.69

Fund	01 General Fund	Beg. Bal.	Debits	Credits	Balance
01.000.1230.000000.08	Overlay FY 2008	-4,439.74	0.00	0.00	-4,439.74
01.000.1230.000000.10	Overlay FY 2010	-423.30	0.00	0.00	-423.30
01.000.1230.000000.11	Overlay FY 2011	1,262.19	0.00	0.00	1,262.19
01.000.1230.000000.12	Overlay FY 2012	-4,743.64	0.00	0.00	-4,743.64
01.000.1230.000000.13	Overlay FY 2013	-1,735.29	0.00	0.00	-1,735.29
01.000.1230.000000.14	Overlay FY 2014	-4,288.55	0.00	0.00	-4,288.55
01.000.1230.000000.15	Overlay FY 2015	-813.18	0.00	0.00	-813.18
01.000.1230.000000.16	Overlay FY 2016	-984.74	0.00	0.00	-984.74
01.000.1230.000000.17	Overlay FY 2017	-2,827.80	0.00	0.00	-2,827.80
01.000.1230.000000.18	Overlay FY 2018	-2,940.92	0.00	0.00	-2,940.92
01.000.1230.000000.19	Overlay FY 2019	-4,837.40	0.00	0.00	-4,837.40
01.000.1230.000000.20	Overlay FY 2020	-6,658.49	0.00	0.00	-6,658.49
01.000.1230.000000.21	Overlay FY 2021	-6,148.11	0.00	0.00	-6,148.11
01.000.1230.000000.22	Overlay FY 2022	-7,167.90	0.00	0.00	-7,167.90
01.000.1230.000000.23	Overlay FY 2023	-6,555.90	0.00	0.00	-6,555.90
01.000.1230.000000.24	Overlay FY 2024	-5,271.27	0.00	0.00	-5,271.27
01.000.1230.000000.25	Overlay FY 2025	0.00	13,549.12	14,828.45	-1,279.33
OVERLAY TOTAL		-58,574.04	13,549.12	14,828.45	-59,853.37
01.000.1240.000000	Tax Title	9,993.99	43,280.90	10,552.18	42,722.71
01.000.1260.000000.11	MVE Taxes FY 2011	239.69	0.00	0.00	239.69
01.000.1260.000000.12	MVE Taxes FY 2012	631.98	0.00	0.00	631.98
01.000.1260.000000.13	MVE Taxes FY 2013	111.25	0.00	0.00	111.25
01.000.1260.000000.14	MVE Taxes FY 2014	425.21	0.00	0.00	425.21
01.000.1260.000000.15	MVE Taxes FY 2015	51.25	0.00	0.00	51.25
01.000.1260.000000.16	MVE Taxes FY 2016	217.92	0.00	0.00	217.92

Fund	01 General Fund	Beg. Bal.	Debits	Credits	Balance
01.000.1260.000000.17	MVE Taxes FY 2017	792.82	0.00	0.00	792.82
01.000.1260.000000.18	MVE Taxes FY 2018	772.71	0.00	0.00	772.71
01.000.1260.000000.19	MVE Taxes FY 2019	1,011.90	0.00	34.38	977.52
01.000.1260.000000.20	MVE Taxes FY 2020	136.11	0.00	0.00	136.11
01.000.1260.000000.21	MVE Taxes FY 2021	910.29	0.00	0.00	910.29
01.000.1260.000000.22	MVE Taxes FY 2022	482.90	0.00	139.15	343.75
01.000.1260.000000.23	MVE Taxes FY 2023	1,494.90	32.74	423.54	1,104.10
01.000.1260.000000.24	MVE Taxes FY 2024	13,869.46	12,993.65	24,318.75	2,544.36
01.000.1260.000000.25	MVE Taxes FY 2025	0.00	127,798.20	121,039.96	6,758.24
	MVE TAXES TOTAL	21,148.39	140,824.59	145,955.78	16,017.20
01.000.1880.000000	Tax Possessions	4,277.32	0.00	0.00	4,277.32
	1 TOTAL	675,808.96	5,822,074.42	6,005,853.70	492,029.68
01.000.2120.000000	Federal Tax Withholdings	2,018.18	75,185.30	74,539.96	2,663.52
01.000.2130.000000	State Tax Withholdings	1,048.05	37,765.15	36,082.19	2,731.01
01.000.2140.000000	Retirement Withholdings	8,906.58	37,688.87	37,443.10	9,152.35
01.000.2145.000000	Medicare Withholdings	1,057.32	31,416.48	30,793.06	1,680.74
01.000.2150.000000	Health Insurance Withholdings	6,868.57	17,506.20	17,247.62	7,127.15
01.000.2151.000000	Dental Insurance Withholdings	-3,071.69	1,108.60	1,330.42	-3,293.51
01.000.2152.000000	Life Insurance Withholdings	75.80	99.40	660.36	-485.16
01.000.2154.000000	Ltd Insurance Withholdings	-13.68	0.00	0.00	-13.68
01.000.2155.000000	Retirees Group Insurance	-337.00	0.00	0.00	-337.00
01.000.2156.000000	Retirees Group Insurance - OTC	-2,990.15	4,783.00	4,741.20	-2,948.35
01.000.2190.000000	Child Support	0.00	4,560.00	4,320.00	240.00
	WITHHOLDINGS TOTAL	13,561.98	210,113.00	207,157.91	16,517.07

Fund	01 General Fund	Beg. Bal.	Debits	Credits	Balance
01.000.2520.000000	Tailings	-4,371.31	0.00	0.00	-4,371.31
01.000.2610.000000	Deferred Revenue Property Taxes	-62,269.43	2,262,642.97	2,300,602.95	-100,229.41
01.000.2622.000000	Deferred Revenue Tax Liens	-9,993.99	10,552.18	43,280.90	-42,722.71
01.000.2623.000000	Deferred Revenue Tax Possessions	-4,277.32	0.00	0.00	-4,277.32
01.000.2630.000000	Deferred Revenue MVE	-21,017.26	145,955.78	140,824.59	-15,886.07
	DEFERRED REVENUE TOTAL	-97,558.00	2,419,150.93	2,484,708.44	-163,115.51
2 TOTAL		587,441.63	2,629,263.93	2,691,866.35	341,059.93
01.000.3211.000000	Reserved for Encumbrances	-76,285.79	76,285.79	61,011.76	-61,011.76
01.000.3240.000000	Reserved for Expenditures	0.00	439,842.00	439,842.00	0.00
01.000.3580.000000	Reserve for Petty Cash	-100.00	0.00	0.00	-100.00
01.000.3590.000000	Undesignated Fund Balance	-511,055.84	3,708,934.90	3,477,827.23	-279,948.17
01.000.3910.000000	Revenue Control	0.00	2,967,337.96	2,967,337.96	0.00
01.000.3930.000000	Expenditure Control	0.00	3,357,402.13	3,357,402.13	0.00
3 TOTAL		0.00	10,549,802.7	10,303,421.0	0.00
FUND 01 GENERAL FUND ENDING BALANCE		0.00	19,001,141.1	19,001,141.1	0.00
Fund	20 FEDERAL GRANT	Beg. Bal.	Debits	Credits	Balance
20.000.1040.000000	Federal Grants - Cash	245,694.55	73,276.57	112,478.77	206,492.35
1 TOTAL		245,694.55	73,276.57	112,478.77	206,492.35
20.122.3590.200006.00	FB FEMA- 75% COVID	9,202.33	0.00	0.00	9,202.33
20.122.3590.200008.00	FB CARES 25%	-1,377.65	0.00	0.00	-1,377.65
20.122.3590.200009.00	FB ARPA	-145,142.35	95,187.30	22,811.15	-72,766.20
20.210.3590.200003.00	FB Traffic Enforcement / Equipment	-2,450.00	0.00	0.00	-2,450.00

Fund	20 FEDERAL GRANT	Beg. Bal.	Debits	Credits	Balance
20.210.3590.200005.00	FB Police - Triad	-1,040.17	0.00	0.00	-1,040.17
20.220.3590.200001.00	FB Firefighter Safety Equipment	-510.73	0.00	0.00	-510.73
20.220.3590.200001.24	FB Firefighter Safety Equipment Grant	10,500.00	1,980.00	10,500.00	1,980.00
20.220.3590.200001.25	FB Firefighter Safety Equipment Grant	0.00	10,392.72	0.00	10,392.72
20.220.3590.200004.00	FB Fire - SAD	-1,691.77	0.00	0.00	-1,691.77
20.220.3590.200007.24	FB Fire - EMPG 24	5,195.83	2,338.75	0.00	7,534.58
20.220.3590.200007.25	FB Fire - EMPG 25	0.00	2,580.00	0.00	2,580.00
20.291.3590.200002.00	FB Emergency Management Grant	-2,566.25	0.00	0.00	-2,566.25
20.465.3590.200010.00	MLP - CAF II Funding	-115,813.79	0.00	39,965.42	-155,779.21
	3 TOTAL	0.00	112,478.77	73,276.57	0.00
	FUND 20 FEDERAL GRANT ENDING BALANCE	0.00	185,755.34	185,755.34	0.00
Fund	21 STATE GRANT	Beg. Bal.	Debits	Credits	Balance
21.000.1040.000000	State Grants - Cash	441,664.98	144,059.09	93,151.87	492,572.20
	1 TOTAL	441,664.98	144,059.09	93,151.87	492,572.20
21.122.3590.210007.00	FB Green Communities Grant	-14,801.72	0.00	0.00	-14,801.72
21.122.3590.210009.00	FB Solarize Mass Clean Energy	-371.32	0.00	0.00	-371.32
21.122.3590.210016.00	FB December 08 Ice Cream	-1,381.00	0.00	0.00	-1,381.00
21.122.3590.210017.00	FB Right to Know Grant	-57.00	0.00	0.00	-57.00
21.122.3590.210024.00	FB ARPA	0.00	45,622.30	45,622.30	0.00
21.122.3590.210025.00	FB COVID-19	-1,110.13	0.00	0.00	-1,110.13
21.155.3590.210022.00	FB Technology Grant	-5,322.79	0.00	0.00	-5,322.79
21.162.3590.210013.00	FB Elections and Registrations	-2,562.23	2,216.00	864.51	-1,210.74
21.162.3590.210037.24	FB FY 24 Extended Polling Hours	-255.00	0.00	0.00	-255.00
21.175.3590.210019.00	FB Community Development Grant	-644.00	0.00	0.00	-644.00

Fund	21 STATE GRANT	Beg. Bal.	Debits	Credits	Balance
21.175.3590.210020.00	FB MA Rehab Program Grant	-18,667.69	0.00	0.00	-18,667.69
21.175.3590.210021.00	FB MA Rehab Program Town	-68,217.77	0.00	2,442.38	-70,660.15
21.210.3590.210002.00	FB GHSB Grant	-5,036.98	0.00	0.00	-5,036.98
21.210.3590.210003.00	FB Community Policing	-526.42	0.00	0.00	-526.42
21.210.3590.210029.00	FB Police Shared Streets & Spaces	19,729.00	0.00	0.00	19,729.00
21.210.3590.210039.24	FY 24 Police - Byrne Jag Grant	0.00	0.00	30,012.27	-30,012.27
21.220.3590.210028.00	FB Fire Safe Grant	-293.57	0.00	0.00	-293.57
21.220.3590.210035.24	FB Fire VFA Grant	1,642.55	0.00	1,642.56	-0.01
21.291.3590.210001.00	FB Emergency Mgmt - State Emergency M	-12,064.57	0.00	0.00	-12,064.57
21.291.3590.210004.00	FB Police Opid Task Grant	-19.13	0.00	0.00	-19.13
21.302.3590.210030.23	FY 23 Underutilized PP Grant	-8,800.00	0.00	0.00	-8,800.00
UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE TOTAL		-118,759.77	47,838.30	80,584.02	-151,505.49
3 TOTAL		322,905.21	47,838.30	80,584.02	341,066.71
21.422.2730.210026.00	SAAN Payable for Mass Work Grant	0.31	0.00	0.00	0.31
2 TOTAL		322,905.52	0.00	0.00	341,067.02
21.465.3590.210027.00	FB Municipal Light Plant Grant	-266,254.05	0.00	0.00	-266,254.05
21.510.3590.210010.00	FB BoH Recycling Grant	-7,129.61	4,716.41	5,950.00	-8,363.20
21.510.3590.210014.00	FB H1N1 Grant	-296.73	0.00	0.00	-296.73
21.510.3590.210015.00	FB Board of Health Grant	1,168.90	6,442.74	6,442.74	1,168.90
21.541.3590.210011.00	FB COA Formula Grant	-7,245.04	9,133.81	11,250.00	-9,361.23
21.610.3590.210018.00	FB State Aid to Library	-10,362.12	365.30	4,802.88	-14,799.70
21.692.3590.210012.00	FB Cultural Council Grant	-9,076.68	6,480.30	21,196.95	-23,793.33
21.692.3590.210032.23	FY 23 MCC - Art Grant	961.27	0.00	0.00	961.27
21.693.3590.210033.23	FY 23 Cultural Council District Grant	-24,671.46	18,175.01	13,832.50	-20,328.95

Fund	21 STATE GRANT	Beg. Bal.	Debits	Credits	Balance
	UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE TOTAL	-322,905.52	45,313.57	63,475.07	-341,067.02
3 TOTAL		0.00	45,313.57	63,475.07	0.00
FUND 21 STATE GRANT ENDING BALANCE		0.00	237,210.96	237,210.96	0.00
Fund	22 RECEIPTS RESERVED FOR APPROPRI	Beg. Bal.	Debits	Credits	Balance
22,000.1040.000000	Receipts Res for Approp. - Cash	2,500.20	551.10	0.00	3,051.30
1 TOTAL		2,500.20	551.10	0.00	3,051.30
22,122.3590.220001.00	FB Transportation Network	-0.20	0.00	1.10	-1.30
22,491.3590.220002.00	FB Sale of Cemetery Lots	-2,500.00	0.00	550.00	-3,050.00
3 TOTAL		0.00	0.00	551.10	0.00
FUND 22 RECEIPTS RESERVED FOR APPROPRI		0.00	551.10	551.10	0.00
FUND	23 REVOLVING FUNDS OTHER	Beg. Bal	Debits	Credits	Balance
23,000.1040.000000	Revolving Funds Other - Cash	21,550.36	8,076.50	10,165.47	19,461.39
1 TOTAL		21,550.36	8,076.50	10,165.47	19,461.39
23,122.3590.230001	FB Solar Array Installation	-2,687.50	0.00	0.00	-2,687.50
23,171.3590.230003	FB Conservation Commission Rev	-5,116.85	634.60	317.50	-4,799.75
23,241.3590.230004	FB Inspectors Revolving 53E1/	-648.05	7,435.00	6,009.00	777.95
23,630.3590.230002	FB Recreation Revolving	-13,097.96	2,095.87	1,750.00	-12,752.09
3 TOTAL		0.00	10,165.47	8,076.50	0.00
FUND 23 REVOLVING FUNDS OTHER ENDING BALANCE		0.00	18,241.97	18,241.97	0.00

FUND	24 OSR - GIFTS AND DONATIONS	Beg. Bal.	Debits	Credits	Balance
24.000.1040.000000	Os - Gifts and Donations - Cash	371,107.83	10,902.27	153,367.09	228,643.01
<i>1 TOTAL</i>		<i>371,107.83</i>	<i>10,902.27</i>	<i>153,367.09</i>	<i>228,643.01</i>
24.122.3590.240001	FB 250th Celebration	-9,081.23	0.00	2,545.86	-11,627.09
24.122.3590.240002	FB Family Center Gifts	-11,634.19	1,050.00	0.00	-10,584.19
24.122.3590.240003	FB Community House Gift	-18,920.67	0.00	0.00	-18,920.67
24.122.3590.240009	FB Community House Floors Donation	-626.74	0.00	0.00	-626.74
24.122.3590.240011	FB Ann Sears Memorial Donation	-1,000.00	0.00	0.00	-1,000.00
24.122.3590.240012	FB Piano Tuning Gift	-1,104.06	0.00	0.00	-1,104.06
24.122.3590.240013	FB Fowler Gift	-10,944.53	0.00	0.00	-10,944.53
24.122.3590.240015	FB Helen Munich Gift	-121,783.92	0.00	3,514.81	-125,298.73
24.122.3590.240016	FB Family Center Berkshire T	-904.45	0.00	0.00	-904.45
24.122.3590.240017	FB Madelyn Orcutt Gift	-452.33	0.00	0.00	-452.33
24.122.3590.240020	FB Pettingill Memorial Field G	-47,712.05	39,588.36	1,050.00	-9,173.69
24.192.3590.240014	FB Town Clock	-500.00	0.00	0.00	-500.00
24.210.3590.240007	FB Police Gift	-18,115.40	5,917.79	0.00	-12,197.61
24.220.3590.240008	FB Fire Special Gift	-56,293.63	10,178.90	2,000.00	-48,114.73
24.491.3590.240006	FB Cemetery Gift	-60,117.93	0.00	100.00	-60,217.93
24.541.3590.240018	FB CoA Memorial Gift	-2,431.05	570.00	750.00	-2,611.05
24.610.3590.240004	FB Library Gift	-3,082.60	0.00	500.00	-3,582.60
24.610.3590.240005	FB Library Special Gift	-3,850.94	1,789.61	0.00	-2,061.33
24.610.3590.240010	FB Library Building Gift	-436.00	0.00	0.00	-436.00
24.691.3590.240019	FB Historic Commission Donation	-2,116.11	94,272.43	441.60	91,714.72
<i>3 TOTAL</i>		<i>0.00</i>	<i>153,367.09</i>	<i>10,902.27</i>	<i>0.00</i>
FUND 24 OSR - GIFTS AND DONATIONS ENDING BALANCE		0.00	164,269.36	164,269.36	0.00

FUND	25 OSR - OTHER	Beg. Bal.	Debits	Credits	Balance
25,000.1040.000000	OSR - Other Cash	110,043.21	341.77	0.00	110,384.98
25,000.1340.250001	Septic Loans Receivable	2,437.43	104.89	0.00	2,542.32
1 TOTAL		112,480.64	446.66	0.00	112,927.30
25,000.2680.250001	Septic Loan Def. Revenue	-2,437.43	0.00	104.89	-2,542.32
	DEF REVENUE TOTAL	-2,437.43	0.00	104.89	-2,542.32
2 TOTAL		110,043.21	0.00	104.89	110,384.98
25,000.3590.250001	FB Specitic Loan Program	-109,544.05	0.00	104.89	-109,648.94
25,122.3590.250004	FB Opioid Settlement	-499.16	0.00	236.88	-736.04
3 TOTAL		0.00	0.00	341.77	0.00
FUND 25 OSR - OTHER ENDING BALANCE		0.00	446.66	446.66	0.00
FUND	30 CAPITAL FUND	Beg. Bal.	Debits	Credits	Balance
30,000.1040.000000	Capital Fund - Cash	27,267.08	299,270.82	441,955.99	-115,418.09
1 TOTAL		27,267.08	299,270.82	441,955.99	-115,418.09
30,210.3590.300004	FB Med Capital Project	-650.00	0.00	0.00	-650.00
30,290.3590.300002	FB Public Safety Complex	-2,437.55	0.00	0.00	-2,437.55
3 TOTAL		24,179.53	0.00	0.00	-118,505.64
30,300.2720.300003	School Roof Ban	-158,000.00	126,000.00	94,000.00	-126,000.00
2 TOTAL		-133,820.47	126,000.00	94,000.00	-244,505.64
30,300.3590.300003	FB School Roof	148,972.35	188,000.00	220,000.00	116,972.35
30,422.3590.300001	FB Chapter 90	-10,953.88	269,038.45	129,608.00	128,476.57
30,422.3590.300005	FB Stage Road Culvert	-4,198.00	42,675.89	39,421.17	-943.28
30,465.3590.300007	FB MLP - Broad Band Fund Balance	0.00	36,241.65	36,241.65	0.00
3 TOTAL		0.00	535,955.99	425,270.82	0.00
FUND 30 CAPITAL FUND ENDING BALANCE		0.00	961,226.81	961,226.81	0.00

FUND	60 WATER - ENTERPRISE FUND	Beg. Bal.	Debits	Credits	Balance
60,450.1040.000000	Water - Enterprise Fund - Cash	216,445.26	59,291.48	85,124.05	190,612.69
60,450.1310.000000	Water User Fee Receivable	6,604.09	80,864.04	58,018.05	29,450.08
1 TOTAL		223,049.35	140,155.52	143,142.10	220,062.77
60,450.2651.000000	Water User Fee Deferred Revenue	-6,604.09	58,018.05	80,864.04	-29,450.08
	DEF REVENUE TOTAL	-6,604.09	58,018.05	80,864.04	-29,450.08
2 TOTAL		216,445.26	58,018.05	80,864.04	190,612.69
60,450.3211.000000	Reserved for Encumbrances	-5,317.54	5,317.54	77.09	-77.09
60,450.3240.000000	Reserved for Expenditures	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
60,450.3590.000000	FB Water - Retained Earnings	-211,127.72	95,201.14	74,609.02	-190,535.60
60,450.3910.000000	Water - Revenue Control	0.00	58,531.34	58,531.34	0.00
60,450.3930.000000	Water - Expenditure Control	0.00	85,884.19	85,884.19	0.00
3 TOTAL		0.00	254,934.21	229,101.64	0.00
FUND 60 WATER - ENTERPRISE FUND ENDING BALANCE		0.00	453,107.78	453,107.78	0.00
FUND	65 MLP - ENTERPRISE FUND	Beg. Bal.	Debits	Credits	Balance
65,465.1040.000000	MLP - Enterprise Fund - Cash	583,939.90	461,850.53	496,946.92	548,843.51
65,465.1310.000000	MLP User Fee Receivable	0.00	494,197.51	494,197.51	0.00
1 TOTAL		583,939.90	956,048.04	991,144.43	548,843.51
65,465.2651.000000	MLP User Fee Deferred Revenue	0.00	494,197.51	494,197.51	0.00
	DEF REVENUE TOTAL	0.00	494,197.51	494,197.51	0.00
2 TOTAL		583,939.90	494,197.51	494,197.51	548,843.51
65,465.3240.000000	MLP - Reserved for Expenditures	0.00	170,954.38	170,954.38	0.00
65,465.3590.000000	FB MLP - Retained Earnings	-583,939.90	667,901.30	632,804.91	-548,843.51

FUND	65 MLP - ENTERPRISE FUND	Beg. Bal.	Debits	Credits	Balance
65.465.3910.000000	MLP - Revenue Control	0.00	498,092.18	498,092.18	0.00
65.465.3930.000000	MLP - Expenditure Control	0.00	460,705.27	460,705.27	0.00
	3 TOTAL	0.00	1,797,653.13	1,762,556.74	0.00
	FUND 65 MLP - ENTERPRISE FUND ENDING BALANCE	0.00	3,247,898.68	3,247,898.68	0.00
FUND	82 TRUST	Beg. Bal.	Debits	Credits	Balance
82.000.1040.000000	Trust - Cash	2,801,234.86	693,106.07	170,916.65	3,323,424.28
	1 TOTAL	2,801,234.86	693,106.07	170,916.65	3,323,424.28
82.122.3590.820001	FB Stabilization	-1,426,085.50	163,870.40	609,021.71	-1,871,236.81
82.122.3590.820004	FB Community House	-2,622.16	0.00	73.69	-2,695.85
82.122.3590.820005	FB Community House Stock	-191,906.86	0.00	9,699.62	-201,606.48
82.122.3590.820009	FB Whiting Street Charity	-20,851.96	0.00	209.68	-21,061.64
82.122.3590.820010	FB N.F. Orcutt Charity Fund	-23,962.50	0.00	0.00	-23,962.50
82.122.3590.820012	FB Town Clock	-399.66	0.00	4.03	-403.69
82.122.3590.820013	FB Madelyn Orcutt Fund	-38,035.45	0.00	3,284.66	-41,320.11
82.135.3590.820002	FB Compensated Absences	-6,000.00	0.00	0.00	-6,000.00
82.300.3590.820011	FB School Trust	-25,858.90	0.00	260.05	-26,118.95
82.450.3590.820014	FB Water Stabilization	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	-10,000.00
82.491.3590.820003	FB Cemetery Trust	-33,579.12	0.00	319.22	-33,898.34
82.610.3590.820007	FB Library	-3,661.99	0.00	102.85	-3,764.84
82.610.3590.820008	FB Library Building Fund	-4,526.10	0.00	127.19	-4,653.29
82.691.3590.820006	FB Historical	-1,023,744.66	7,046.25	60,003.37	-1,076,701.78
	3 TOTAL	0.00	170,916.65	693,106.07	0.00
	FUND 82 TRUST ENDING BALANCE	0.00	864,022.72	864,022.72	0.00

FUND	89 AGENCY	Beg. Bal.	Debits	Credits	Balance
89,000.1040.000000	Agency - Cash	19,567.79	130,257.79	140,214.50	9,611.08
1 TOTAL		19,567.79	130,257.79	140,214.50	9,611.08
89,000.2580.890001	Tailings	-543.78	0.00	0.00	-543.78
89,146.2580.890004	Collector Fees	-8,340.50	1,864.00	4,959.79	-11,436.29
89,146.2580.890005	Deputy Collector Fees	-1,195.00	2,315.00	2,315.00	-1,195.00
89,161.2580.890006	Town Clerk Fees	114.00	570.00	570.00	114.00
89,210.2580.890003	State FID Permits	1,862.00	1,212.50	2,400.00	674.50
89,210.2580.890007	Police Outside Details	-6,075.01	132,578.00	118,175.50	8,327.49
89,220.2580.890002	Fire Outside Details	-5,389.50	1,675.00	1,837.50	-5,552.00
2 TOTAL		0.00	140,214.50	130,257.79	0.00
FUND 89 AGENCY ENDING BALANCE		0.00	270,472.29	270,472.29	0.00
REPORT TOTAL		0.00	25,404,344.80	25,404,344.8	0.00

Town of Cummington - Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups as of June 30, 2025 (Unaudited)

ASSETS	Governmental Fund Types			Proprietary Fund Types		Fiduciary Fund Types	Account Groups	Totals
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Enterprise	Internal Services	Trust & Agency	Long-Term Debt	(Memorandum Only)
Cash and cash equivalents	328,783.04	1,060,605.23	(115,418.09)	739,456.20		3,333,035.36		5,346,461.74
Investments								0.00
Receivables:								
Personal property taxes	7,626.09							7,626.09
Real estate taxes	152,456.69							152,456.69
Allowance for abatements and exemptions	(59,853.37)							(59,853.37)
Tax liens	42,722.71							42,722.71
Deferred taxes								0.00
Motor vehicle excise	16,017.20							16,017.20
Other excises								0.00
User fees - Water				29,450.08				29,450.08
Utility liens added to taxes								0.00
Departmental								0.00
Special assessments								0.00
Due from other governments								0.00
Other receivables - Septic Loan		2,542.32						2,542.32
Foreclosures/Possessions	4,277.32							4,277.32
Prepays								0.00
Due to/from other funds								0.00
Working deposit								0.00
Inventory								0.00
Fixed assets, net of accumulated depreciation								0.00
Amounts to be provided - payment of bonds			94,000.00				1,726,907.23	1,820,907.23
Amounts to be provided - vacation/sick leave								0.00
Total Assets	492,029.68	1,063,147.55	(21,418.09)	768,906.28	0.00	3,333,035.36	1,726,907.23	7,362,608.01

Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups as of June 30, 2025 (Unaudited, continued)

	Governmental Fund Types			Proprietary Fund Types		Fiduciary Fund Types	Account Groups	Totals
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Enterprise	Internal Services	Trust & Agency	Long-Term Debt	(Memorandum Only)
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY								
Liabilities:								
Warrants payable								0.00
Accounts payable								0.00
Accrued payroll								0.00
Withholdings	(16,517.07)							(16,517.07)
Accrued claims payable								0.00
Due to/from other funds								0.00
Due to other governments								0.00
Other liabilities								0.00
Deferred revenue:								
Real and personal property taxes	100,229.41							100,229.41
Tax liens	42,722.71							42,722.71
Deferred taxes								0.00
Foreclosures/Possessions	4,277.32							4,277.32
Motor vehicle excise	15,886.07							15,886.07
Other excises								0.00
User fees- Water				29,450.08				29,450.08
Utility liens added to taxes								0.00
Departmental								0.00
Special assessments								0.00
Due from other governments								0.00
Other receivables- Septic Loan		2,542.32						2,542.32
Deposits receivable								0.00
Prepaid taxes/fees								0.00
Tailings	4,371.31							4,371.31
IBNR								0.00
Agency Funds								0.00
Notes payable								0.00

Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups as of June 30, 2025 (Unaudited, continued)

	Governmental Fund Types			Fiduciary Fund Types		Account Groups		Totals (Memorandum Only)
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Enterprise	Internal Services	Trust & Agency	Long-Term Debt	
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY								
Bonds payable			94,000.00				1,726,907.23	1,820,907.23
Vacation and sick leave liability								0.00
Total Liabilities	150,969.75	2,542.32	94,000.00	29,450.08	0.00	0.00	1,726,907.23	2,003,869.38
Fund Equity:								
Reserved for encumbrances	61,011.76			77.09				61,088.85
Reserved for expenditures								0.00
Reserved for continuing appropriations								0.00
Reserved for petty cash	100.00							100.00
Reserved for appropriation deficit								0.00
Reserved for snow and ice deficit								0.00
Reserved for COVID-19 deficit								0.00
Reserved for debt service								0.00
Reserved for premiums								0.00
Reserved for working deposit								0.00
Undesignated fund balance	279,948.17	1,060,605.23	(115,418.09)	739,379.11		3,333,035.36		5,297,549.78
Unreserved retained earnings								0.00
Investment in capital assets								0.00
Total Fund Equity	341,059.93	1,060,605.23	(115,418.09)	739,456.20	0.00	3,333,035.36	0.00	5,358,738.63
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	492,029.68	1,063,147.55	(21,418.09)	768,906.28	0.00	3,333,035.36	1,726,907.23	7,362,608.01
PROOF BALANCE SHEET IS IN BALANCE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PROOF FUND BALANCE DETAIL								
AGRES TO THE BALANCE SHEET	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(0.00)		
PROOF RECEIVABLES DETAIL								
AGRES TO THE BALANCE SHEET	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			

Special Revenue Fund Balance Detail *as of June 30, 2025 (Unaudited)*

Fund Number	Fund Name	Accounts Receivable	Deferred Revenue	Fund Balance 6/30/2025	Receipts thru 9/30/2025	BAN's	Remaining Deficit 6/30/2025
20.122.3590.200006.00	FB FEMA- 75% COVID-19			(9,202.33)			(9,202.33)
20.122.3590.200008.00	FB CARES 25%			1,377.65			0.00
20.122.3590.200009.00	FB ARPA			72,766.20			0.00
20.210.3590.200003.00	FB Traffic Enforcement			2,450.00			0.00
20.210.3590.200005.00	FB Police - Traid			1,040.17			0.00
20.220.3590.200001.00	FB Firefighter Safety Equipment			510.73			0.00
20.220.3590.200001.23	FB FY23 Firefighter Safety Equipment			(1,980.00)			(1,980.00)
20.220.3590.200001.24	FB FY24 Firefighter Safety Equipment			(10,392.72)	10,500.00		0.00
20.220.3590.200004.00	FB Fire - SAD			1,691.77			0.00
20.220.3590.200007.23	FB Fire - EMPG 24			(7,534.58)	4,918.75		(2,615.83)
20.220.3590.200007.24	FB Fire - EMPG 25			(2,580.00)			(2,580.00)
20.291.3590.200002.00	FB Emergency Management Grant			2,566.25			0.00
20.465.3590.200010.00	MLP - CAF II Funding			155,779.21			0.00
21.422.2730.210026.00	SAAN Payable Mass Works			(0.31)			(0.31)
21.122.3590.210007.00	FB Green Communities Grant			14,801.72			0.00
21.122.3590.210009.00	FB Solarize Mass Clean Energy			371.32			0.00
21.122.3590.210016.00	FB December 08 Ice Cream			1,381.00			0.00
21.122.3590.210017.00	FB Right to know Grant			57.00			0.00
21.122.3590.210025.00	FB COVID-19			1,110.13			0.00
21.155.3590.210022.00	FB Technology Grant			5,322.79			0.00

Special Revenue Fund Balance Detail as of June 30, 2025 (Unaudited, continued)

Fund Number	Fund Name	Accounts Receivable	Deferred Revenue	Fund Balance 6/30/2025	Receipts thru 9/30/2025	BAN's	Remaining Deficit 6/30/2025
21.155.3590.210023.00	FB Community Compact IT Grant			0.00			0.00
21.162.3590.210013.00	FB Elections and Registrations			1,210.74			0.00
21.162.3590.210037.24	FB FY24 Extended Polling Hours			255.00			0.00
21.175.3590.210019.00	FB Community Development Grant			644.00			0.00
21.175.3590.210020.00	FB MA Rehab Program Grant			18,667.69			0.00
21.175.3590.210021.00	FB MA Rehab Program Town			70,660.15			0.00
21.210.3590.210002.00	FB GHSB Grant			5,036.98			0.00
21.210.3590.210003.00	FB Community Policing			526.42			0.00
21.210.3590.210029.00	FB Police Shared Streets and Spaces			(19,729.00)			(19,729.00)
21.210.3590.210039.24	FB Police Byrne Jag Grant			30,012.27			0.00
21.220.3590.210028.00	FB Fire SAFE Grant			293.57			0.00
21.220.3590.210035.24	FB Fire VFA Grant			0.01			0.00
21.220.3590.210036.24	FB Fire AED Grant			0.00			0.00
21.291.3590.210001.00	FB EMP Mgmt - State Emergency Management			12,064.57			0.00
21.291.3590.210004.00	FB Police Opioid Task Grant			19.13			0.00
21.302.3590.210030.23	FB Underutilized PP Grant			8,800.00			0.00
21.422.3590.210034.24	FB FY24 Shared St and Spaces			0.00			0.00
21.465.3590.210027.00	FB Municipal Light Plant Grant			266,254.05			0.00
21.510.3590.210010.00	FB BOH Recycling Grant			8,363.20			0.00
21.510.3590.210014.00	FB H1N1 Grant			296.73			0.00
21.510.3590.210015.00	FB BOH Grant			(1,168.90)			(1,168.90)

Special Revenue Fund Balance Detail as of June 30, 2025 (Unaudited, continued)

Fund Number	Fund Name	Accounts Receivable	Deferred Revenue	Fund Balance 6/30/2025	Receipts thru 9/30/2025	BAN's	Remaining Deficit 6/30/2025
21.541.3590.210011.00	FB COA Formula Grant			9,361.23			0.00
21.610.3590.210018.00	FB State Aid to Library			14,799.70			0.00
21.692.3590.210012.00	FB Cultural Council Grant			23,793.33			0.00
21.692.3590.210032.23	FB MCC - Art Grant			(961.27)			(961.27)
21.693.3590.210033.23	FB FY23 Cultural Council District			20,328.95			0.00
22.122.3590.220001.00	FB Transportation Network			1.30			0.00
22.491.3590.220002.00	FB Sale of Cemetery Lots			3,050.00			0.00
23.122.3590.230001	FB Solar Array Installation			2,687.50			0.00
23.171.3590.230003	FB Conservation Commission			4,799.75			0.00
23.241.3590.230004	FB Inspectors Revolving 53E 1/2			(777.95)			(777.95)
23.630.3590.230002	FB Recreation Revolving			12,752.09			0.00
24.122.3590.240001	FB 250th Celebration			11,627.09			0.00
24.122.3590.240002	FB Family Center Gifts			10,584.19			0.00
24.122.3590.240003	FB Community House Gift			18,920.67			0.00
24.122.3590.240009	FB Community House Floors Donation			626.74			0.00
24.122.3590.240011	FB Ann Sears Memorial Donation			1,000.00			0.00
24.122.3590.240012	FB Piano Tuning Gift			1,104.06			0.00
24.122.3590.240013	FB Fowler Gift			10,944.53			0.00
24.122.3590.240015	FB Helen Munich Gift			125,298.73			0.00
24.122.3590.240016	FB Family Center - Berkshire Trail			904.45			0.00
24.122.3590.240017	FB Madelyn Orcutt Gift			452.33			0.00

Special Revenue Fund Balance Detail as of June 30, 2025 (Unaudited, continued)

Fund Number	Fund Name	Accounts Receivable	Deferred Revenue	Fund Balance 6/30/2025	Receipts thru 9/30/2025	BAN's	Remaining Deficit 6/30/2025
24.122.3590.240020	FB Pettingill Memorial Field			9,173.69			0.00
24.192.3590.240014	FB Town Clock			500.00			0.00
24.210.3590.240007	FB Police Gift			12,197.61			0.00
24.220.3590.240008	FB Fire Special Gift			48,114.73			0.00
24.491.3590.240006	FB Cemetery Gift			60,217.93			0.00
24.541.3590.240018	FB COA Memorial Gift			2,611.05			0.00
24.610.3590.240004	FB Library Gift			3,582.60			0.00
24.610.3590.240005	FB Library Special Gift			2,061.33			0.00
24.610.3590.240010	FB Library Building Gift			436.00			0.00
24.691.3590.240019	FB Historic Commission Donation			(91,714.72)	95,000.00		0.00
25.000.3590.250001	FB Specfic Loan Program	2,542.32	2,542.32	109,648.94			0.00
25.122.3590.250004	FB Opioid Settlement			736.04			0.00
Total Special Revenue Fund Balance		2,542.32	2,542.32	1,060,605.23	110,418.75	0.00	(39,015.59)

Capital Project Fund Balance Detail *as of June 30, 2025 (Unaudited)*

Fund Number	Fund Name	Enterprise Fund Name (if applicable)	Accounts Receivable	Deferred Revenue	Fund Balance 6/30/2025	Receipts thru 9/30/2025	BAN's 6/30/2025	BAN's / Debt Issued 7/1/2025 - 9/30/2025	Remaining Deficit 6/30/2025
30.210.3590.300004	FB Med Capital Project				650.00				0.00
30.290.3590.300002	FB Public Safety Complex				2,437.55				0.00
30.300.3590.300003	FB School Roof				9,027.65		94,000.00		0.00
30.422.3590.300001	FB Chapter 90			(128,476.57)		269,038.45			0.00
30.422.3590.300005	FB Stage Road Culvert				943.28				0.00
Total Capital Projects Fund Balance			0.00	0.00	(115,418.09)	269,038.45	94,000.00	0.00	0.00

Trust Fund Balance Detail *as of June 30, 2024 (Unaudited)*

Fund Number	Fund Name	Fund Balance 6/30/2025	Receipts thru 9/30/2025	BAN's	Remaining Deficit 6/30/2025
82.122.3590.820001	FB Stabilization	1,871,236.81			0.00
82.122.3590.820004	FB Community House	2,695.85			0.00
82.122.3590.820005	FB Community House Stock	201,606.48			0.00
82.122.3590.820009	FB Whiting Street Charity	21,061.64			0.0
82.122.3590.820010	FB N.F. Orcutt Charity Fund	23,962.50			0.00
82.122.3590.820012	FB Town Clock	403.69			0.00
82.122.3590.820013	FB Madelyn Orcutt Fund	41,320.11			0.00
82.135.3590.820002	FB Compensated Absences	6,000.00			0.00
82.300.3590.820011	FB School Trust	26,118.95			0.00
82.450.3590.820014	FB Water Stabilization	10,000.00			0.00
82.491.3590.820003	FB Cemetery Trust	33,898.34			0.00
82.610.3590.820007	FB Library	3,764.84			0.00
82.610.3590.820008	FB Library Building Fund	4,653.29			0.00
82.691.3590.820006	FB Historical	1,076,701.78			0.00
Total Expendable Trust Fund Balance		3,323,424.28	0.00	0.00	0.00

Agency Funds reported in the fund balance section
of the combined balance sheet:

9,611.08

Total of combined balance sheet trust and agency fund balance column:

3,333,035.36

***Town of Cummington -
Combining Balance Sheet - Enterprise Funds
as of June 30, 2025 (Unaudited)***

	Water Enterprise Fund	MLP Enterprise Fund	Totals (Memorandum Only)
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	190,612.69	548,843.51	739,456.20
Investments			0.00
Receivables:			
User Fees	29,450.08		29,450.08
Special assessments			0.00
Utility liens added to taxes			0.00
Tax foreclosures			0.00
Departmental			0.00
Other receivables			0.00
Due from other governments			0.00
Due to/from other funds			0.00
Prepays			0.00
Inventory			0.00
Fixed assets, net of accumulated depreciation			0.00
Amounts to be provided - payment of bonds			0.00
Amounts to be provided - vacation and sick leave			0.00
Total Assets	220,062.77	548,843.51	768,906.28
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY			
Liabilities:			
Warrants payable			0.00
Accounts payable			0.00
Accrued payroll and withholdings			0.00
Other liabilities			0.00

***Town of Cummington -
Combining Balance Sheet - Enterprise Funds
as of June 30, 2025 (Unaudited, continued)***

	Water Enterprise Fund	MLP Enterprise Fund	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Deferred revenue:			
User Charges	29,450.08		29,450.08
Special assessments			0.00
Utility liens added to taxes			0.00
Tax foreclosures			0.00
Departmental			0.00
Other receivables			0.00
Due from other governments			0.00
Due to other governments			0.00
Due to/from other funds			0.00
Notes payable			0.00
Bonds payable			0.00
Vacation and sick leave liability			0.00
Total Liabilities	29,450.08	0.00	29,450.08
Fund Equity:			
Reserved for encumbrances	77.09		77.09
Reserved for expenditures			0.00
Reserved for continuing appropriations			0.00
Reserved for petty cash			0.00
Reserved for appropriation deficit			0.00
Reserved for debt service			0.00
Unreserved retained earnings	190,535.60	548,843.51	739,379.11
Investment in capital assets			0.00
Total Fund Equity	190,612.69	548,843.51	739,456.20
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	220,062.77	548,843.51	768,906.28

Town Treasurer's Report - Bank Accounts - FYE 2025

Bank	Balance 7/1/24	Balance 6/30/25
ADAMS COMMUNITY BANK		
Cemetery Trust Funds	\$ 31,754.23	\$ 32,073.45
Charitable Trust Funds	42,176.30	42,600.41
School/Scholarship	25,858.90	26,118.95
Town Clock Fund	399.64	403.67
General Fund - Checking	167,074.18	47,593.24
UNIBANK		
Stabilization	202,038.30	207,715.04
Community House Trust	2,622.16	2,695.85
Library Trust	3,660.84	3,763.69
Library Building Fund	4,527.25	4,654.44
Madelyn Orcutt Fund	4,401.34	4,524.99
Arts Council Grant	6,821.96	7,013.61
Rehab Town Program Income Acct	86,926.64	89,369.02
Helen Muchnic Trust	125,095.47	128,610.28
Money Market	0.00	874,508.95
Online Collections - General Fund	561,729.20	68,114.24
Deputy Collector	79,815.19	6,279.52
EASTHAMPTON SAVINGS BANK		
Stabilization	904,369.61	926,389.05
General Fund - Vendor Checking	1,246,046.80	1,015,856.29
General Fund - Payroll	29,139.93	20,213.86
Municipal Light Plant - Grant	111,939.33	112,651.30
Celebration	2,076.55	2,121.98
Municipal Light Plant Broadband Recpts	508,365.16	584,564.69
M & T BANK (fka People's United Bank)		
Septic System Repair Program	104,781.28	104,947.26
General Fund	41,412.45	41,569.58
Greenfield/Northampton Cooperative		
General Fund	0.00	94,619.18
BARTHOLOMEW & COMPANY		
Community House Trust	190,876.36	201,407.83
M. Orcutt Fund	57,988.79	61,188.24
HISTORICAL COMMISSION FUNDS		
Abbey Capital	1,007,042.98	1,001,935.54
PETTY CASH	100.00	100.00
TOTAL FUNDS	\$ 5,549,040.84	\$ 5,713,604.15

Commissioners of Trust Funds - July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

	Principal	Balance 07/1/2024	Interest	Add (Withdrawal)	Balance 6/30/2025	Available
BRYANT CEMETERY						
Mary Tower	\$ 297.00	\$ 1,243.20	\$ 12.50	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,255.70	\$ 958.70
Bartlett	107.50	440.66	4.43	0.00	445.09	337.59
Brewster	100.00	382.72	3.85	0.00	386.57	286.57
Donated	775.00	1,905.07	19.14	0.00	1,924.21	1,149.21
Subtotal Bryant Cemetery	1,279.50	3,971.65	39.92	0.00	4,011.57	2,732.07
DAWES CEMETERY						
Whitmarsh	100.00	493.46	4.96	0.00	498.42	398.42
Pratt	50.00	318.05	3.17	0.00	321.22	271.22
Thayer-Gurney	200.00	1,125.30	11.31	0.00	1,136.61	936.61
C.J. Thayer	1,000.00	2,651.29	26.67	0.00	2,677.96	1,677.96
Donated	5,650.00	12,545.02	126.16	0.00	12,671.18	7,021.18
Subtotal Dawes Cemetery	7,000.00	17,133.12	172.27	0.00	17,305.39	10,305.39
GURNEY CEMETERY						
Donated	400.00	2,185.69	21.97	0.00	2,207.66	1,807.66
HARLOW CEMETERY						
Packard	107.50	391.34	3.91	0.00	395.25	287.75
Donated	750.00	1,434.20	14.41	0.00	1,448.61	698.61
Subtotal Harlow Cemetery	857.50	1,825.54	18.32	0.00	1,843.86	986.36
STREETER CEMETERY						
Donated	244.20	539.88	5.44	0.00	545.32	301.12

Commissioners of Trust Funds - July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025 (continued)

	Principal	Balance 07/1/2024	Interest	Add (Withdrawal)	Balance 6/30/2025	Available
VILLAGE CEMETERY						
Adams	100.00	364.14	3.66	0.00	367.80	267.80
Bates	100.00	363.46	3.64	0.00	367.10	267.10
Donated	674.39	2,096.00	21.09	0.00	2,117.09	1,442.70
Subtotal Village Cemetery	874.39	2,823.60	28.39	0.00	2,851.99	1,977.60
GENERAL CEMETERY						
Donated	5,680.00	3,272.74	32.91	0.00	3,305.65	(2,374.35)
TOTAL CEMETERY	16,335.59	31,752.22	319.22	-	32,071.44	15,735.85
Withdrawals are for care of cemeteries offset by donations						
CHARITABLE FUNDS						
N.F. Orcutt	2,254.63		214.43	0.00	214.43	(2,040.20)
Whiting Street	2,071.27		209.68	0.00	209.68	(1,861.59)
Subtotal Charitable Funds	4,325.90	0.00	424.11	0.00	424.11	(3,901.79)
Education Fund						
O.H., Warner	1,221.89		260.05	0.00	260.05	(961.84)
TOWN CLOCK FUND						
E.S. Pettingill	200.00		4.03	0.00	4.03	(195.97)
TOTAL TRUST FUNDS	\$ 22,083.38	\$ 31,752.22	\$ 1,007.41	\$ -	\$ 32,759.63	\$ 10,676.25

Town Bonds - Debt Service FY 2025

Bonds Description	Date & Issue	Outstanding 07/01/2024	New Debt Issued	Principal Paid	Principal Balance 06/30/2025	Interest Paid in FY 2025
VILLAGE WATER						
FmHA @ 6.50% 38-year Debt Final Payment 11-2023	11/23/1987	\$ 25,804.84	\$ 0.00	\$ 12,604.08	\$ 13,200.76	\$ 2,446.58
Village Water						
FmHA @ 6.125% 40-year Debt Final Payment 6-2028	6/28/1985	25,914.23	0.00	5,975.75	19,938.48	1,932.14
Public Safety Complex						
USDA @ 4.5% 38-year Debt Final Payment Est.	7/15/2009	714,202.90	0.00	45,434.91	668,767.99	34,096.00
School Roof						
Esb Rate Set Annually Ban Expected 10-Year Term	7/16/2018	126,000.00	0.00	32,000.00	94,000.00	5,530.00
BROADBAND						
Adams Comm Bank @ 3.25% 15-Year Serial	10/1/2019	1,085,000.00	0.00	85,000.00	1,000,000.00	37,862.50
Highway - Cat Loader						
ESB @ 4-Year Serial Note		50,000.00	0.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	2,013.64
TOTALS		\$ 2,026,921.97	\$ 0.00	\$ 206,014.74	\$ 1,820,907.23	\$ 83,880.86

Tax Collector - as of June 30, 2025

Year of Tax	Type	Committed & Balance July 1, 2024	Tax Paid	Abate/ Exempt	Refunds	Tax Title	Balance Due June 30, 2025
2011	Motor Vehicle	\$ 239.69					\$ 239.69
2012	Motor Vehicle	631.98					631.98
2013	Motor Vehicle	111.25					111.25
2014	Motor Vehicle	425.21					425.21
2015	Motor Vehicle	51.25					51.25
2016	Motor Vehicle	217.92					217.92
2017	Motor Vehicle	792.82					792.82
2018	Motor Vehicle	772.71					772.71
2018	Personal Prop	0.00					0.00
2019	Motor Vehicle	1,011.90	34.38				977.52
2019	Personal Prop	557.16					557.16
2019	Real Estate	0.00					0.00
2020	Motor Vehicle	136.11					136.11
2020	Personal Prop	613.87					613.87
2020	Real Estate	0.00					0.00
2021	Motor Vehicle	910.29					910.29

Tax Collector - as of June 30, 2025 (continued)

Year of Tax	Type	Committed & Balance July 1, 2024	Tax Paid	Abate/ Exempt	Refunds	Tax Title	Balance Due June 30, 2025
2021	Personal Prop	882.65					882.65
2021	Real Estate	0.00					0.00
2022	Motor Vehicle	482.90	139.15				343.75
2022	Personal Prop	1,425.06	785.02				640.04
2022	Real Estate	22,467.96	9,971.32			8,884.30	3,612.34
2023	Motor Vehicle	1,494.90	423.54		32.74		1,038.62
2023	Personal Prop	1,797.43	420.39				1,377.04
2023	Real Estate	28,490.37	13,274.74			9,658.30	5,557.33
2024	Motor Vehicle	26,434.70	23,978.20	340.55	428.41		1,687.54
2024	Personal Prop	2,169.20	1,733.14				436.06
2024	Real Estate	60,963.00	22,984.67		500.71	9,268.26	28,209.36
2025	Motor Vehicle	127,691.42	120,627.14	412.82	106.78		6,544.68
2025	Personal Prop	110,350.40	108,336.50				2,013.90
2025	Real Estate	2,187,137.10	2,052,014.82	13,549.12	2,614.74	10,111.66	108,846.76
All	Water	31,283.35	2,172.87	1,090.75			28,019.73
TOTALS		\$ 2,609,542.60	\$ 2,356,895.88	\$ 15,393.24	\$ 3,683.38	\$ 37,922.52	\$ 195,647.58

Vital Statistics for the Town of Cummington

July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025

BIRTHS

July 21, 2024	Hazel Grace Higgins, daughter of Cameron Mark Connally and Autumn Breeze Higgins, at Northampton, MA
July 28, 2024	Liev Fishel Kessler-Skloot, son of Jules Rose Skloot and Pippi Kate Cohen Kessler, at Northampton, MA
September 9, 2024	Henry Thomas Noel, son of Dalton Thomas Noel and Lauren Alice Noel, at Springfield, MA
September 10, 2024	Silas Alasdair Emrys Water, son of Kalyan Shivram Richard Water and Saraseva Tower Water, at Cummington, MA
October 15, 2024	Ivey-Mae Rose Marie Ryan, daughter of Joseph Christopher Ryan III and Claire Danielle Streeter, at Springfield, MA
December 7, 2024	Vivian Lenore Pecoraro, daughter of Michael Frederick Pecoraro and Lauren Elise Pecoraro, at Northampton, MA
March 17, 2025	Natalie Anne Noel, daughter of Jeese Lee Backes Noel and Rebecca Anne Noel, at Springfield, MA

DEATHS

- November 17, 2024 Chester E. Gorski, age 93,
of 81 Shaw Rd, at Cummington, MA
- November 26, 2024 Geoffrey A. Kenseth, age 78,
of 216 Bryant Rd, at Cummington, MA
- December 5, 2024 Bertha Gladys Higgins, age 98,
of 291 West St, at Pittsfield, MA
- February 13, 2025 Marilyn Marie Ridel, age 61,
of 226 Powell Rd, at Pittsfield, MA
- March 23, 2025 Gregor Boyd Prentice, age 84,
of 335 Berkshire Trl, at Springfield, MA
- April 20, 2025 Bruce Drummond Larkin, age 89,
of 48 Packard Rd, at Cummington, MA
- April 25, 2025 Sheila Lee Tower, age 71,
of 10 Bush Rd at Cummington, MA
- June 2, 2025 William Henry Carver, age 89,
of 6 Snow Rd at Northampton, MA
- June 15, 2025 Lawrence Gustaf Tower, age 77,
of 10 Bush Rd at Fitchburg, MA

MARRIAGES

- August 31, 2024 Adam Nathaniel Barham of McKinney, TX and
Melanie Anne Griffith of Cummington, MA,
in Northampton, MA by Solemnizer Mark F. Rowe
- September 21, 2024 Joseph Christopher Ryan III and Claire Danielle Streeter
both of Cummington, MA,
in Cummington, MA by Minister Stephen Philbrick

State Primary Results - September 3, 2024

145 voted, out of 712 voters in Cummington

Total number of persons voted as Democrat	118
Total number of persons voted as Republican	27
Total number of persons voted as Libertarian	0

<u>Senator in Congress</u>		<u>Representative in General Court</u>	
Democrat		Democrat	
Elizabeth Ann Warren	114	Lindsay N. Sabadosa	114
Republican		Republican	
Robert J. Antonellis	3	No Votes	
Ian Cain	2	<u>Clerk of Courts</u>	
John Deaton	22		
<u>Representative in Congress</u>		Democrat	
Democrat		Daniel R. Carey	
Richard Neal	109	Republican	
Republican		No Votes	
Nadia Miller (<i>Write-In</i>)		<u>Register of Deeds</u>	
1		Democrat	
<u>Councillor</u>		Mark K. Olberding	
Democrat		106	
Tara J. Jacobs	107	Republican	
Republican		No Votes	
No Votes		<u>Register of Probate</u>	
<u>Senator in General Court</u>		Democrat	
Democrat		Mark Smith Ames	
Paul W. Mark	113	102	
Republican		Republican	
David Rosa	21	No votes	

This is a true record to the best of my knowledge.

Attest:

Brenda A. Emerson-Camp
Cummington Town Clerk
September 9, 2024

State Presidential Election - November 5, 2024

Out of 730 registered voters, 587 voted on November 5, 2024,
in the State Presidential Election.

Electors of President and Vice President

Harris and Walz	399	Democrat
Trump and Vance	158	Republican
Ayyadurai and Ellis	3	Independent
Oliver and Ter Maat	2	Libertarian
Stein & Caballero-Roca	14	Green-Rainbow Party
De La Cruz and Garcia	4	Socialism and Liberation
All Others	1	
Blank	6	

Senator in Congress

Elizabeth Ann Warren	396	Democrat
John Deaton	184	Republican
All Others	0	
Blanks	7	

Representative in Congress

Richard E. Neal	335	Democrat
Nadia Donya Milleron	222	Republican
All Others	1	
Blank	29	

Councillor

Tara J. Jacobs	450	Democrat
All others	1	
Blanks	136	

Clerk of Courts

Daniel R. Carey	449	Democrat
All Others	0	
Blanks	138	

Register of Probate

Mark Smith Ames	453	Democrat
All Others	0	
Blanks	134	

Register of Deeds

Mary K. Olberding	453	Democrat
All Others	0	
Blanks	134	

Senator in General Court

Paul W. Mark	415	Democrat
David Rosa	141	Republican
All Others	0	
Blanks	31	

Representative in General Court

Lindsay N. Sabadosa	464	Democrat
All Others	0	
Blanks	123	

Regional School Committee for CBRSD

<i>Becket (All Others)</i>	5	<i>Peru</i>	
Blanks	582	Kimberly Wetherell	297
Jake Eberwein (<i>Dalton</i>)	4	All Others	0
Sara Tucker (<i>Dalton</i>)	4	Blanks	290
All Others	5	<i>Washington</i>	
Blanks	574	All Others	2
<i>Hinsdale (All Others)</i>	3	Blanks	585
Blanks	584	<i>Windsor</i>	
		Elizabeth Lounsbury	310
		All Others	0
		Blanks	277

Question 1 Audit the Legislature

Yes 369 No 171 Blank 47

Question 2 Students Have Skills That MCAS Replaces

Yes 412 No 159 Blank 16

Question 3 Unionize Transportation Network Drivers

Yes 358 No 203 Blank 26

Question 4 Regulation of Psychedelic Substances (A)

Yes 321 No 251 Blank 15

Question 5 Full Minimum Wage for Tipped Workers

Yes 213 No 338 Blank 36

This is a true record to the best of my knowledge.

Attest:

**Brenda A. Emerson-Camp
Cummington Town Clerk**

Caucus Results - March 13, 2025

The Town Caucus was held in the Community House, on March 13, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. for the purpose of nominating candidates for the Town Officers to be elected at the Annual Town Election to be held on May 2, 2025. Quorum was present, at 6:40 p.m.

Moderator (1 Year)

Joshua Wachtel

509 Stage Road

Mark DeMaranville

6 Bryant Road

Selectmen (3 Year)

Kenneth Howes

35 Nash Road

Assessor (3 Year)

Mark Bevan

83 Porter Hill Road

Vocational Sch. Comm. (3 Years)

Robert Godfrey

336 Berkshire Trail

Vocational Sch. Comm. (3 Years)

Deborah Hatt Jenkins

54 Bryant Road

**Alm. of Charitable Trust Funds
(3 Years)**

Bernard Forgea

585 Berkshire Trail

Comm. of Trust Funds (3 Years)

Scott Keith

44 Main Street

Board of Health (3 Years)

James Wettereau

523 Stage Road

Board of Health (2 Years)

Ilene Diamond

63 Harlow Road

Water Commissioner (3 Years)

Todd Emerson

13 Main Street

Constable (3 Years)

Michael Perkins

94 Fairgrounds Road

Constable (3 Years)

Sharon Cunningham

25 Main Street

Finance Committee (3 Years)

Troy Howes

6 Potash Hill Road Ext.

Finance Committee (3 Years)

Jill Figlozzi

156 Nash Road

Planning Board (5 Years)

Ilse Godfrey

336 Berkshire Trail

Planning Board (2 Years)

Laura Sheridan

47 Main Street

**Trustee for the Bryant Free Library
(5 Years)**

Deborah Hoechstetter

63 Luther Shaw Road

Recreation Committee (3 Years)

Nicole Wortis

71 TroubleStreet

Recreation Committee (3 Years)

Geraldine Wilcox

142 Porter Hill Road

Recreation Committee (3 Years)

Kristen Laney

28 MainStreet

Recreation Committee (2 Years)

Michelle Huddy

332 Berkshire Trail

**Municipal Light Plant Board (3
Years)**

Vacant

This is a true record to the best of my knowledge.

Attest:

Brenda A. Emerson-Camp, Cummington Town Clerk

March 20, 2025

Annual Town Meeting - Friday, May 2, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Joshua Wachtel at 7:00 p.m. at the Community House on Main St. with over the required town quorum. The total present was 41 registered voters and 3 non-residents.

Article 1: Motion was made, seconded, and voted unanimously to fix the salaries and compensation of all **Elected Officials** of the Town for Fiscal 2026, as provided in Section 108 of Chapter 41 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as follows:

Selectboard, Chair	\$ 1,600.00
Selectman 2	1,400.00
Selectman 3	1,400.00
Assessor Chair	1,300.00
Assessor 2	1,200.00
Assessor 3	1,200.00
Town Clerk	16,454.00
Moderator	100.00
Tree Warden	500.00
Board of Health, Chair	1,000.00
Board of Health 2	500.00
Board of Health 3	500.00
Vocational School, Chair	40.00
Vocational School 2	15.00
Vocational School 3	15.00
Water Commission, Chair	1,500.00
Water Commission 2	600.00
Water Commission 3	600.00
TOTAL:	\$ 30,924.00
Constables	\$ 25.00/hr.
Mileage reimbursement for Town Officials	70 cents/mile

Article 2: Motion was made, seconded, and voted unanimously for FY26 to raise and appropriate or transfer the following amounts for the **General Government Accounts:**

Official Salaries	Raise & Appropriate	\$ 28,224.00
	Transfer from Water	2,700.00
Administration General Supplies		6,300.00
Selectboard Executive Assistant		15,914.00
Administration Finance Committee		160.00
Reserve Fund		6,000.00
Accountant Salary	Raise & Appropriate	19,451.00
	Transfer from the MLP	1,748.00
	Transfer from Water	656.00
Admin Accountant	Raise & Appropriate	6,942.00
	Transfer from the MLP	624.00
	Transfer from Water	234.00
Administrative Audit	Raise & Appropriate	7,120.00
	Transfer from MLP	640.00
	Transfer from Water	240.00
Administrative Assessors		7,905.00
Assessor's Salary:		19,000.00
Prof. Services Assessors		8,100.00
Assessor Capital	Transfer from Stabilization	1,800.00
Treasurer Salary	Raise & Appropriate	19,433.00
	Transfer from MLP	1,747.00
	Transfer from Water	656.00
Administration Treasurer	Raise & Appropriate	8,139.00
	Transfer from MLP	732.00
	Transfer from Water	274.00
Tax Possession Expense Treasurer		5,000.00
Tax Collector Salary		15,450.00
Assistant Tax Collector	Raise & Appropriate	2,522.00
	Transfer from Water	78.00
Stipend - Tax Collector - Water Billing		
	Transfer from Water	1,030.00
Admin Tax Collector	Raise & Appropriate	12,232.00
	Transfer from Water	378.00
Tax Title Expense – Tax Collector		5,370.00

Town Counsel - Legal Services	15,000.00
IT Salary	1,360.00
IT Internet/Telephone	14,400.00
IT Maintenance	20,290.00
IT Maintenance Capital Transfer from Stabilization	8,448.00
Administration Town Clerk	3,171.00
Town Clerk Part-Time	7,949.00
Election & Registration Salary	875.00
Administration Election & Registration	320.00
Administration Conservation Commission	250.00
Administration Planning Board	900.00
Administration Zoning Board	500.00
CH Coordinator	2,678.00
CH Cleaning	4,499.00
Building Maintenance Salary	23,406.00
Building Maintenance Administration	15,000.00
Administration Community House	30,000.00
Administration Berkshire Trail School Building	
Raise and Appropriate	38,353.00
Transfer from MLP	2,687.00
Town Reports	1,000.00
Total General Government Accounts:	\$ 400,685.00

Article 3: Motion was made, seconded, and put on hold for the Police Chief Salary. The rest of **Public Safety Accounts** was voted unanimously before the discussion on the Police Chief Salary. A registered voter in the audience is concerned about LTC's not being taken care of at an appropriate time and withholding money for LTC's. This has been a long ongoing problem. It was asked to hold the Police Chief Salary until this is cleared up. Selectboard member, Kenneth Howes said, "This matter is in litigation. We cannot discuss this at this time." There was a vote on moving the question. After the discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and voted with a majority with a standing count of 27 yeas and 6 nays to carry the motion to raise and appropriate the \$30,000 for Police Chief Salary.

Police Salary	\$ 80,134.00
Police Administrative Assistant - Part-Time	5,356.00
Police Chief Salary	30,000.00

Police Training		3,000.00
Administrative - Police		18,500.00
Police Capital	Transfer from Stabilization	6,000.00
Fire Chief Salary		30,000.00
Firefighter Stipend		14,000.00
Administrative - Fire		26,000.00
Fire Dept. Capital	Transfer from Stabilization	16,000.00
Administrative - Ambulance		61,710.00
Building Inspector Stipend		13,331.00
Administrative - Building Inspector		500.00
Public Safety Complex - Part-Time		2,000.00
Administrative - Public Safety Complex		23,090.00
Emergency Management Stipend		5,000.00
Administrative - Emergency Management		2,500.00
Administrative - Animal Control		1,500.00
Animal Control Stipend		3,200.00
Administrative - Animal Inspector		500.00
Administrative - Tree		6,000.00
Total Public Safety:		\$ 348,321.00

Article 4: Motion was made, seconded, and put on hold for Leslie Blake-Davis Superintendent for CBRSD, to talk about how the school year is going. The superintendent also commented on the upcoming revote on the regional agreement. Leslie mentioned that she is retiring after the school year is over and that Dr. Michael Henault, Assistant Superintendent, will be taking over her position. Selectboard Chair, Kenneth Howe amended the requested amount for vocational transportation from \$100,000 to \$60,000. After discussion, motion was made, seconded and voted to raise and appropriate or transfer the following amounts to the **Education Accounts**:

Administrative-CBRSD	\$ 630,511.00
Capital-CBRSD	38,518.00
Transportation-CBRSD	7,179.00
Vocational Tuition	151,851.00
Transportation-Vocational	60,000.00
Total Education Accounts	\$ 888,059.00

Article 5: Motion was made, seconded, and put on hold. Allan Taylor, Cummington’s Highway Superintendent, wanted to explain that the Highway Capital is for a new plow truck. It was then voted to raise and appropriate or transfer the following amounts to the **Public Works Accounts:**

Highway Salary		\$ 262,694.00
Highway Overtime		10,239.00
Highway Garage		13,905.00
Highway General		113,300.00
Highway Tool & Machinery		82,400.00
Winter Roads Overtime		15,358.00
Highway Capital	Transfer from Stabilization	330,000.00
Administrative - Winter Roads		82,400.00
Fire Hydrant Assessment		10,260.00
Cemetery Salary		15,000.00
Administrative Cemetery		100.00
Cemetery Capital	Transfer from Stabilization	10,000.00
Total Public Works Accounts		\$ 945,656.00

Article 6: Motion was made, seconded, and put on hold on the Board of Health Salary. Before the decision, it was voted unanimously to raise and appropriate on the rest of Article 6 of the **Human Services Accounts.** The Board of Health and the employees had three meetings with the Finance Committee about their hours and pay. An agreement was reached at the last meeting. The Board of Health employees are still unhappy with that agreement. In the end of the long discussion, there was a counted vote to amend to raise and appropriate, 6,000 to add to the Board of Health salary of 34,460.00 with the vote of 15 yeas and 14 nays.

Board of Health Salary	\$ 35,460.00
Administrative Board of Health	62,500.00
Salary-Council of Aging	5,650.00
Administrative - Council of Aging	2,500.00
Administrative - Veterans	16,323.00
Total Human Services Accounts	\$ 122,433.00

Article 7: Motion was made, seconded, and voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the following amounts to the **Culture and Recreation Accounts:**

Administrative-Library	\$ 8,415.00
Administrative Recreation	4,600.00
Total Culture And Recreation Accounts	\$ 13,015.00

Article 8: Motion was made, seconded, put on hold on **Safety Complex Loan.** Before discussion, there was a vote on the rest of Article 8 unanimously to raise and appropriate or transfer the following amounts to the **Debt and Interest Accounts.** There were questions about how much longer the town needs to pay off the Safety Complex Loan. After it was voted and passed unanimously, for the **Safety Complex Loan.**

Safety Complex Loan	\$ 47,479.00
School Roof Loan	32,000.00
Broadband Loan	85,000.00
USDA Loan - 1	Transfer from Water 13,201.00
USDA Loan - 2	Transfer from Water 6,342.00
CAT Loader Loan	Transfer from Stabilization 25,000.00
CAT Loader Interest	Transfer from Stabilization 675.00
Safety Complex Loan Interest	30,395.00
School Roof Interest	4,320.00
Broadband Interest	32,500.00
USDA Loan - 1 Interest	Transfer from Water 858.00
USDA Loan - 2 Interest	Transfer from Water 1,222.00
Interest on Loans	5,000.00
Total Debt And Interest Accounts	\$ 283,992.00

Article 9: Motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the following amounts for **Intergovernmental Expenditures:**

Administrative - Council of Government	\$ 3,000.00
LPVP Commission	160.00
Total Intergovernmental Expenditures	\$ 3,160.00

Article 10: Motion was made, seconded, and voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the following amounts for **Unclassified Accounts**:

Contributory Retirement		\$ 118,554.00
Unemployment Compensation		775.00
Medical Insurance		67,704.00
Medicare/Social Security	Raise and Appropriate	23,359.00
	Transfer from Water	256.00
	Transfer from MLP	175.00
Insurance & Bonds	Raise and Appropriate	59,400.00
	Transfer from	
	Historical Comm	3,000.00
Total Unclassified Accounts		\$ 273,223.00

The funds to operate the Water Department and the MLP (Broadband) come from user fees. In addition to operating costs, the enterprise funds pay for the town services used, which are transferred as noted in those accounts.

Article 11: Motion was made and seconded and voted unanimously on a sum of money to operate the **MLP** (Broadband) enterprise to be collected from the **MLP** (Broadband) user fee receipts for **MLP Enterprise Funds**. It was moved to appropriate \$317,954 for Salaries-\$12,000, Operating-\$316,754 to be funded by user fee receipts and plus, \$8561 indirect costs to be appropriated to the general fund and funded by **MLP** revenues.

Salaries and Stipends	\$ 12,000.00
Operating Monthly	159,596.00
Operating Expenses Other	107,660.00
Operating Chargeback	38,698.00
Indirect Costs	8,561.00
Total MLP Enterprise Funds	\$ 326,515.00

Article 12: Motion was made, seconded, and voted unanimously for a sum of money to operate the **Water Department** to be collected from the receipts for **Water Enterprise Funds**. It was moved to an appropriate Salaries-\$17,971, Operating-\$33,350 and Reserve Funds \$5,000 to be funded by user fee receipts and in addition, \$28,203 indirect costs to be appropriated in the general fund and funded by **Water Department** revenues.

Water Operating	\$ 33,350.00
Water Salaries and Stipends	17,971.00
Water Department Reserve	5,000.00
Indirect Costs	28,203.00
Total Water Enterprise Funds	\$ 84,524.00

Article 13: Motion was made, seconded, and put on hold. It was further explained by the MLP manager what the money is for and what we're doing with it. It was then voted unanimously to transfer from the **MLP, \$155,779.21** from **MLP CAFII** funds to Stabilization.

Article 14: Motion was made, seconded, and voted unanimously to set a cap for the following revolving accounts:

Community House Revolving	\$ 10,000.00
Inspector's Revolving	\$ 10,000.00

Article 15: Motion was made, seconded, and voted unanimously to transfer a sum of money for the 250th Celebration Account:

Transfer from Stabilization	\$ 2,500.00
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Article 16: Motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to approve the Board of Selectmen to apply for any Federal, State, or other grants that may be available and to expend any money received.

Article 17: Motion was made, seconded, and voted unanimously pursuant to Mass General Law chapter 268a, section 21A and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 4A of the General Laws to authorize the employment of the members of the Board of Selectmen by the Selectmen, Selectmen by the Highway Department, the members of the Board of Health by the Health Department, the Water Commissioners by the Department, the Assessors by the Board of Assessors, the Historical Commission members by the Historical Commission, the Municipal Light Plant members by the Municipal Light Plant Board, and the Council on Aging by the Council on Aging board, and to fix the rate of compensation for such employment at \$20./hour, and to vote to pay the Highway Department employees hired by the Water Commissioners at their Highway Department rate of pay from the Water Department Account, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 18: Motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously voted and accepted any available funds relating to highways including without limitations, so called Chapter 90 type construction monies and further voted to authorize the Selectmen to enter contracts for the expenditure of the monies received or any other action in relation thereto.

**Motion was made, seconded, and voted unanimously
to dissolve this meeting at 8:24 p.m.**

This is a true record to the best of my knowledge.

Attest: *Brenda A Emerson-Camp*

Brenda A. Emerson-Camp
Cummington Town Clerk
May 21, 2025

Annual Town Election Results - May 12, 2025

The polls were open, the ballot box declared empty and working properly. Voting began at 1 p.m. and ended at 8 p.m., after 50 voters voted, resulting in the following elected officials:

Selectman for three years		Finance Comm., one for three years	
Kenneth Howes	49	Troy Howes	48
Blanks	1	Jill Figlozzi	45
		Blanks	7
Assessor for three years		Board of Health for three years	
Mark Bevan	48	James Wettereau	42
Blanks	2	Blanks	8
Moderator for one year		Board of Health for two years	
Joshua Wachtel	39	Ilene Diamond	43
Donna Forgea (write-in)	2	Blanks	7
Mark DeMaranville (write-in)	1		
Blanks	8	Planning Board for five years	
Vocational School Committee for three years		Ilse Godfrey	45
Robert Godfrey	49	Blanks	5
Deborah Hatt	47	Planning Board for two years	
Blanks	4	Laura Sheridan	44
		Blanks	6
Almoner of Charitable Funds for three years		Recreation Comm., three for three years	
Bernard Forgea	42	Nicole Wortis	46
Blanks	8	Geri Wilcox	49
		Kristen Laney	46
Commissioner of Trust Funds for three years		Blanks	9
Scott Keith	44	Recreation Comm., one for two years	
Blanks	6	Michelle Huddy	45
		Blanks	5
Water Commissioner for three years		Municipal Light Plant Board for three years	
Todd Emerson	50	Blanks	50
Trustee Bryant Library for five years		Constables for three years	
Deborah Hoechstetter	46	Michael Perkins	42
Blanks	4	Sharon Cunningham	46
		Blanks	12

Such are the results of this Annual Town Election.

Attest:

Brenda A. Emerson-Camp, Town Clerk

May 14, 2025

Note 1: Being a town election and not a federal election all registered names that were written-in have been listed, with counts below 10.

Special Town Meeting Minutes - June 26, 2025

The special town meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Moderator, Joshua Wachtel. The meeting was held at the Community House on 33 Main Street with the appropriate town quorum of 43 registered residents and 4 non-residents.

Article 1: Motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to transfer \$10,000.00 from the **Water Commission Retained Earnings Account** to the **Water Commission Stabilization Account**.

Article 2: Motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to transfer \$419,842.00 from **Free Cash** to the **Stabilization Account**.

Article 3: Motion was made, to approve the **Central Berkshire Regional School District Amended Regional Agreement**. Before voting, there were questions from the audience about the overview of the updated Regional Agreement. **CBRSD** personnel were there to answer any questions about the agreement. Gregory Boino, Director of Finance, and Operations, Michael Henault, the new Superintendent, David Stuart, Vice Chair of the **CBRSD** School Committee and Chair of the Regional Agreement Committee and Richard Peters, Chair of the **CBRSD** School Committee. After the discussion there was a standing counted vote. It passed, 21 Yea, 18 Nay.

Article 4: Motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to approve a payment from the **MLP/Broadband Retained Earnings** in the amount of **\$9,378.38** to **SHI International** for an invoice from **FY24**.

Article 5: Motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to transfer **MLP/Broadband Retained Earnings**, \$161,576.00 to the **Town Stabilization Account**.

Article 6: Motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to raise and appropriate or transfer from **Stabilization Account**, \$20,000.00 for legal services.

**Motion was made and seconded and voted unanimously,
to dissolve the meeting at 7:27 p.m.**

A true record of this meeting to the best of my knowledge.

Attest: *Brenda A Emerson-Camp*

Brenda Emerson-Camp
Cummington Town Clerk, June 27, 2025

Animal Control & Inspection

2025 Annual Report

2025 CALLS FOR SERVICE & ACO ACTIVITY:

Alleged Neglect Reports	5	Licensing Enforcement	2
Animal Bites & Quarantines	4	Loose Livestock	0
Assist Other Agency Calls	0	Missing Domestic	3
Kennel Inspections	1	Sick/Injured Wildlife	3
Court Hearings/Trials	0	Stray Domestic	0
Dog Complaints /Leash Law	55	Hit & Runs	0
Domestic Animal Surrender	0	Wildlife Complaints	5
Follow-up Invests	33	Emails & social media:	45
Meetings & Reports	15		

TOTAL: 171

KENNEL LICENSES:

Beginning in 2020, anyone with 5 or more dogs is required to obtain a kennel license in town (even if it is for private/personal use). Prior to obtaining a kennel license from the Town Clerk, a kennel inspection must be conducted by the Animal Control Officer. Anyone needing to schedule a kennel inspection should contact the ACO at aco@townofchesterfieldma.com to schedule an appointment or to have any questions or concerns answered prior to licenses expiring this spring.

Please be mindful of the new Ollie's law that requires all facilities and homes that have more than five dogs at any time to acquire a kennel license. <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/ollies-law-information>

DISEASE/RABIES CONTROL:

All quarantines were successfully completed. More information on rabies can be found at www.mass.gov/rabies. A Rabies Clinic was successfully completed for all hilltowns.

REPORT WRITING AND INVESTIGATIONS:

The total number of incidents does not reflect the amount of hours put into each call and scenario. One dog complaint call can total 8 hours of work, while another investigation could take 3 hours. Every call is different and the follow

ups are unique. I am pleased to report that even though not all calls had happy endings, we had many cases where pets were reunited with owners and sick animals were treated and became healthy again.

CONTACTING ANIMAL CONTROL:

In the event of an emergency, residents should dial 911. For urgent situations requiring immediate attention or assistance, residents are asked to call Mass State Police Dispatch (Northampton Control) who will page out the ACO and/or Police Department. Routine inquiries can be e-mailed to the ACO at: aco@townofchesterfieldma.com. Animal Control can also be found on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/chesterfieldanimalcontrol> where lost & found pets are frequently posted, along with helpful tips for residents.

Respectfully submitted,

ACO Kelli Wainscott
Animal Control Officer / Animal Inspector
(413) 586-1508 (24/7 Dispatch)
aco@townofchesterfieldma.com

Board of Assessors

Town of Cummington, Massachusetts — Fiscal Year 2025

FY 2025 Tax Rate

- A Tax Classification Hearing was held with the Selectboard on December 5, 2024. At that time, the town adopted a single tax rate for residential, commercial, industrial, and personal property.
- The FY 2025 tax rate was set on December 16, 2024, with tax bills mailed on December 20, 2024.
- The tax rate was set at \$12.76 per \$1,000 of valuation, a decrease of \$0.74 (-5.5%) from the FY 2024 rate of \$13.50.
- The average single-family tax bill increased to \$4,281, up \$299 (7.5%) from FY 2024.
- The average single-family property valuation rose to \$335,483, an increase of \$40,500 (13.7%) from FY 2024.
- Total Raise and Appropriate increased by \$145,637 (6.8%), from \$2,151,757 to \$2,297,394.

FY 2025 Assessor's Budget

- The Assessors' operating budget was set at \$28,100, with an additional \$5,000 capital request, for a total of \$33,100. This represents an increase of \$6,100 (22.6%) over the FY 2024 budget of \$27,000.
- The Assessors' budget accounts for 1.4% of the town's total Raise and Appropriate.

Property Valuations

- Based on analysis of arm's-length sales occurring between July 1, 2022, and June 30, 2024, the board adjusted valuations as follows:
 - Land: +5%
 - Dwellings: +15%
 - Outbuildings: +4%

Property Record Cards (PRCs)

- Property Record Cards contain the assessment data maintained for each parcel.
- Copies are available upon request at any time.

Chapter 61, 61A, and 61B Programs

- Applications are due on the first of December each year.
- Property owners with questions about eligibility or program requirements are encouraged to contact the Assistant Assessor, Joy Johns.

CAMA Software Transition

- Catalis began phasing out the Patriot Classic CAMA (Computer-Assisted Mass Appraisal) program.
- The Board submitted a capital request to convert to the AssessPro5 platform, and the conversion was completed in January of 2025.
- The Assistant Assessor, Joy Johns has received training on the new software through Catalis.

Board Membership and Staffing

- During FY2025, Joy Johns concluded her service as Board Chair but continued as Assistant Assessor.
- Mark Bevan was elected in May of 2025, and the Assessors voted to appoint him as Board Chair.
- The Board reclassified Assessor's Clerk to Assistant Assessor to better reflect the scope and responsibilities.

Assessor's Webpage and Property Inspections

- Property owners are encouraged to visit the Assessors' webpage at: <http://www.cummington-ma.gov/Boards.php?4>
- The site includes access to the town's GIS mapping system, offering multiple layers such as parcel dimensions, zoning, tax-exempt and state-owned land, contours, wetlands, and aerial imagery.
- The Board continues to conduct property inspections to maintain accurate assessment data.
- Personal property inspections are conducted alongside real property reviews.
- Property owners who prefer not to allow on-site access may submit a written request for roadside-only inspections.
- Appointments for inspections may be scheduled at any time.

Office Hours and Meetings

- Assistant Assessor hours: Monday, 9:30-11:30 a.m. (Tuesday when Monday is a holiday).
- Board Meetings: Held monthly; contact the Assistant Assessor, Joy Johns for specific dates.

The Cummington Board of Assessors welcomes questions, comments, and feedback from residents.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Bevan
Chair
Elliot Ring
Karen Howes

Assessor's Financial Report

RECAPITULATION

	Fiscal 2025	Fiscal 2024	Fiscal 2023
Appropriations voted for Fiscal Year	\$ 3,584,228.37	\$ 3,304,249.00	\$ 3,184,660.00
Appropriations voted for previous fiscal year after previous fiscal year tax rate was set			
	3,584,228.37	3,304,249.00	3,184,660.00
Other Local Expenditures:			
Total Overlay deficit of prior years	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Offsets	4,792.00	4,176.00	3,755.00
Other	-	-	-
TOTAL LOCAL EXPENDITURES	4,792.00	4,176.00	3,755.00
State Assessments	2,591.00	1,641.00	636.00
Overlay	14,828.45	15,008.77	15,673.23
GROSS AMOUNT TO BE RAISED	3,606,439.82	3,325,074.77	3,204,724.23
Estimated Receipts & Available Funds			
Estimated Receipts - State	272,850.00	266,402.00	256,443.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS	272,850.00	266,402.00	256,443.00
Local Estimated Receipts			
Motor Vehicle Excise	104,500.00	104,500.00	104,500.00
Penalties & Interest on Taxes and Excise	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Trash Disposal Charge	18,000.00	18,000.00	20,000.00
Fees	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
Building Permits	7,000.00	9,000.00	7,000.00
Other Licenses & Permits	6,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
Investment Income	500.00	500.00	500.00
TOTAL LOCAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS	\$ 152,500.00	\$ 152,500.00	\$ 152,500.00

Assessor's Financial Report (continued)

	Fiscal 2025 Fiscal 2024 Fiscal 2023		
Other Revenue Sources			
Enterprise Funds	\$ 414,325.00	\$ 433,962.00	\$ 371,808.00
Free Cash	322,404.00	317,454.00	185,002.00
Other Available Funds	146,870.40	3,000.00	34,077.00
TOTAL OTHER REVENUE SOURCES	883,599.40	754,416.00	590,887.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND OTHER REVENUE SOURCES	1,308,949.40	1,173,318.00	999,830.00
NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED	2,297,490.42	2,151,756.77	2,204,894.23
(Gross amount to be raised minus Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds)			
TOTAL PERSONAL PROPERTY VALUATIONS	8,648,130.00	8,497,170.00	7,320,330.00
TOTAL REAL PROPERTY VALUATIONS	171,405,978.00	150,892,220.00	149,500,028.00
TOTAL PERSONAL & REAL PROPERTY VALUATIONS	180,054,108.00	159,389,390.00	156,820,358.00
TAX EXEMPT VALUATION	\$ 30,387,000.00	\$ 27,954,500.00	\$ 27,608,400.00
Tax Rate per 1,000.00 Valuation by Class			
Class I - Residential	\$ 12.76	\$ 13.50	\$ 14.06
Class II - Open Space	12.76	13.50	14.06
Class III - Commercial	12.76	13.50	14.06
Class IV - Industrial	12.76	13.50	14.06
Class V - Personal Property	\$ 12.76	\$ 13.50	\$ 14.06

FY 2025 Assessor Community Information

SOCIOECONOMIC		
Billing Cycle	Semi-Annual	
Form of Government	Open Town Meeting	
School Structure	No data	
Population	819	2023
Population Density	36	2023
Land Area	22.90	2009
Total Road Miles	61.19	2018
DOR Income Per Capita	79,502	2022
State Average Income Per Capita	57,679	2022
EQV Per Capita	214,923	2024
State Average EQV Per Capita	279,838	2024

FY 2025 TAX RATE DATA

	Assessed Value by Class	Tax Rates by Class	Tax Levies by Class
Residential	158,025,639	12.76	2,016,407
Open Space	0	0.00	0
Commercial	11,678,739	12.76	149,021
Industrial	1,701,600	12.76	21,712
Personal Property	8,648,130	12.76	110,350
Total Assessed Value	180,054,108		2,297,490
R/O as a % of Total	87.77%		87.77%
CIP as a % of Total	12.23%		12.23%

Average Single Family Tax Bill

Total Single Family Value	113,393,300
Single Family Parcel Count	338
Average Single Family Value	335,483
Residential Tax Rate	12.76
Average Single Family Tax Bill	4,281
Average State SFTB	7,703

Commercial, Industrial & Personal Property (CIP) Shift

CIP Value	22,028,469
Total Value	180,054,108
Lowest Residential Factor Allowed	0.93030
Max CIP Shift	1.50
Residential Factor Selected	1.00
CIP Shift	1.00

Proposition 2½ Levy Capacity

New Growth Applied to Levy Limit	15,650
Override	0
Debt Excluded on the DE-1	255,526
Maximum Levy Limit	2,635,851
Excess Levy Capacity	338,361
Excess Levy Capacity as % of Max Levy	12.84%
Levy Ceiling	4,501,353
Override Capacity	2,121,028
Override Capacity as % of Levy Ceiling	47.12%

FY 2025 REVENUES

	Revenues by Source	Revenues as a Percent of Total Budget	Revenues Per Capita
Tax Levy	2,297,490	63.71%	2,805
State Aid	272,850	7.57%	333
Local Receipts	152,500	4.23%	186
Enterprise Funds	414,325	11.49%	506
CPA	0	0%	0
All Other	469,274	13.01%	573
Total Budget	3,606,440		

Board of Health

The Board of Health has continued to add material recycling programs over the past year. Metal recycling is hugely successful. Currently we request users to separate metals from other trash and place them in the metal dumpster. This not only reduces the amount of material entering landfills, but it also generates income by paying the Town by the pound, with no hauling fee. Previously, metals went directly into the waste stream, adding costs. An average income we receive for the metal is around \$250.00 per haul.

Textile recycling averages 15,000 lbs. per year, keeping it out of the waste stream, turning this material into wearable clothes or other form of useable material. This clothing is distributed to people in need around the world.

Starting April 1, food scrap composting has been available at no cost to Town residents. Food scraps include meat, bones, vegetables, shells, etc.. This program has already proven very successful with the community.

The town has seen new growth. Building permits and septic permits are up. With the new revenue from metal and clothing, the Board was able to keep the Transfer Station's annual fee at last year's rate, afford occasional extra staff, and overall improve our service to the town.

The Take it or Leave it Shed is a huge success. The DEP supports the ongoing operation of the shed in the form of a grant. Items which are not taken from the shed after a certain length of time are then removed by CMRK, our used book and textile contractor.

Linda Cernik of the HRMC reported the following to us:

Congratulations Town of Cummington! Your "Take It or Leave It" [program] is being recognized by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection for Best Practices! ... Your town's recycling program is being recognized by the state as a model program for other municipalities to follow! Thank you to the team at the Cummington transfer station.

We are proudly staffed by efficient, friendly, hard-working people.

If you currently do not use the Transfer Station but use an alternative service, we invite you to give us a try!

Bryant Free Library

Total number of patrons	543
Total circulation of library materials	546
Interlibrary loans	20
Acquisitions	123
Periodical subscriptions	10

FY25 saw a number of interesting developments at the BFL. Now hanging opposite of the extraordinary oil painting of William Cullen Bryant during his later years that hangs over our fireplace (purchased by private donations to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the library in 2022), we've added a smaller oil painting of him as a younger individual that luck brought our way. These bookend our central space in a most appropriate manner, striking lifelike images of the great man whose vision and generosity produced this fabulous institution he bestowed upon the town of his birth.

We also added a handsome and comfortable fine leather wingback chair to our furnishings. It should display a classy, well-earned patina by the time the 250th anniversary rolls around.

The BFL hosted a memorable special event at the Cummington Community House on September 21st, 2024 entitled "An Evening with Jazz Royalty." Our guest of honor was Joe Hunt, drummer for the Stan Getz Quartet featuring Astrud Gilberto, the Bill Evans Trio, the Gary Burton Quartet, and many other famous jazz artists including Wes Montgomery, Dizzy Gillespie, and Zoot Sims. I interviewed Joe for forty minutes about his most noteworthy experiences, and afterwards, in front of the "Cool Jazz" artistic backdrop arranged by John Maruskin, the Joe Hunt Quintet took the stage. Joe was joined by Yuka Hamano-Hunt on piano, Dave Christopolis on double bass, Charlie Tokarz on reeds and flute, and Richard Downs on trumpet and fluegelhorn. Over the next ninety minutes they presented an exceptional performance of modern jazz standards,



earning a standing ovation for their efforts. The auditorium, transformed into a hip, dimly-lit jazz club for the occasion, never felt more comfortable.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark DeMaranville
Librarian

*Librarian Mark DeMaranville
interviews Joe Hunt during
"An Evening with Jazz Royalty."*

Building Department

Annual Report Fiscal Year 2025

Sixty five permits were issued by the Building Department in 2025 which is above average for the previous few years. One of these permits was for a new single family dwelling, while twelve more were for major home renovations, additions, or large garage/barn projects.

Sixteen energy conservations permits were pulled this year including solar installations, window/ replacements, and insulation and air sealing upgrades. Seven permits were also issued for wood or pellet stoves. Please note that the installation of any solid-fuel burning appliance (wood stoves, pellet stoves, etc.) requires a permit, regardless of the installer. The fee for this permit is reasonable, required by all home insurance companies, and important to the safety of the inhabitants of the structure. If you have already installed one of these devices, you can still apply for a permit and have a quick inspection.

A large thank you goes out to all of the other town departments and boards for their assistance and cooperation when requested. The dedication of these numerous, primarily volunteer, individuals is greatly appreciated and a testament to their commitment to the betterment of our town.

Under normal circumstances, office hours are every Monday afternoon from 3:00-4:30 pm, however I am readily available to meet with you in the office, at your home, or at the jobsite as needed. As a hill town resident myself, I am consistently in the area so please feel free to reach out to me anytime at (413) 205-6504. Copies of each type of building permit application are located on the website for you to access at your convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason Forgue
Inspector of Buildings

Cemetery Committee

Annual Report FY 2025

The Town of Cummington maintains six cemeteries:

- Bryant Cemetery
- Dawes Cemetery
- Gurney Cemetery
- Harlow Cemetery
- Streeter Cemetery
- Village Cemetery

Tree Damage and Maintenance

The past two winters brought significant tree-related concerns across several cemeteries:

- Winter 2024: A pine tree broke and became lodged in nearby maple branches over the cemetery driveway.
- Winter 2025: A large pine limb fell onto several graves but fortunately caused no gravestone damage.
- At Dawes Cemetery, the Committee arranged removal of the hung-up pine, the pine with the damaged limb, and one additional maple tree to address safety concerns.
- At Bryant Cemetery, limbs from two maple trees fell into the burial area; again, no gravestones were harmed.

The Committee continues its long-term work of removing hazardous trees to protect gravestones, cemetery visitors, and historic features.

Green Burial

In the winter of 2025, a green burial was conducted in Bryant Cemetery, continuing the Town's commitment to offering environmentally sustainable burial options.

Rules, Regulations, and Right of Burial

The Committee completed a comprehensive set of Rules and Regulations for all town cemeteries, including a defined process for reserving a Right of Burial. This information is available on the Town website.

Plot Reservations

- Bryant Cemetery currently has a waiting list.
- Work continues to prepare the new section of Bryant, including seeding and site stabilization, before it can be placed into active use.

We request that families with reserved plots notify the Committee when a burial occurs so our records can be kept up to date.

Corner Stones

Corner stones are essential for identifying reserved plots and burial boundaries. Families are asked to:

- Install corner stones that are large, durable, and clearly marked with initials, and
- Clean and uncover them annually to ensure continued visibility.

Recordkeeping and Mapping

The Cemetery Committee is working to:

- Digitally map all town cemeteries,
- Update records in a central spreadsheet, and
- Improve the overall accuracy of burial locations and plot reservations.

These efforts include a long-term goal of digitizing our cemetery records when our budget allows, to ensure historical information is preserved and more easily accessible to the public.

Residents seeking the location of a loved one's burial are encouraged to contact the Committee. An additional public resource, FindAGrave.com, also includes many entries for Cummington's cemeteries.

Historic Preservation and Tree Management

Cummington's cemeteries serve as an outdoor museum, with gravestones carved by the Swift River Carvers dating back to the late 1700s. Protecting these historic markers is a high priority.

Many of the trees in our cemeteries show significant internal decay and rot. The Committee will continue evaluating and addressing trees that require pruning or removal and will also focus on necessary gravestone repairs and stone wall maintenance.

Contact Information

For any questions regarding burials, plot reservations, cemetery records, or maintenance concerns, please contact:

Cemetery Committee

cemeterycommittee@cummington-ma.gov

Phone: 413-634-5354, ext. 110 (Joy Johns)

We welcome all questions and comments from residents and families.

Respectfully submitted,

Joy Johns, Chair

Robert Dextraze
Brian Gillman

Kenneth Howes
Russell Jordan

Jacob Jordan
June Lynds

Central Berkshire Regional School District



**Fiscal Year 2026
Operating & Capital Budgets**
Adapted March 13, 2025



Message from the Superintendent

The FY 2026 Budget represents a collaborative effort by the Central Berkshire administrative team, School Committee Members, and staff. It demonstrates our commitment to providing high-quality education to all students in our community, encompassing both academic and social-emotional learning support. Our schools also function as community hubs, assisting students and their families in various ways, such as offering meals, enrichment activities, and mental health support. Notably, we take pride in the partnerships we have built among community members, especially with the Seven Member Towns. Without your support, we could not provide students and families with valuable resources, expert skills, and unwavering dedication to high-quality instruction. Ultimately, our goal is for all students and families to feel they belong and have a place in our schools.

This past year, we successfully provided essential services in early literacy, reading comprehension, early numeracy, math problem-solving, science applications, and other important content area skills. Additionally, we offered enrichment programming in the arts and skill development for career readiness—all thanks to your support for the FY25 budget.

The budget for the FY26 school year will continue to provide programming that meets the varying needs of our learners. We are proud of the high-quality instructional programming we offer, which includes multi-tiered systems of support such as (but not limited to) reading intervention, math intervention, special education support for students with disabilities, and social and emotional support. We call this multi-tiered because it is designed to match the individualized needs of our students, which can change from year to year as well as throughout the year.

This year has been particularly challenging due to a decline in revenue sources and an increase in health insurance costs. Consequently, we have been strategic about examining class size, scheduling, and student enrollment. We made adjustments accordingly, such as slightly reducing our full-time employees (FTEs) and reallocating resources. We take our responsibility to the towns seriously, ensuring we serve our communities while offering a fiscally responsible budget.

Once again, I want to thank you for your continued support. It is valued by our learning community of parents, caregivers, students, families, teachers, and staff.

Respectfully,

Leslie Blake-Davis

Superintendent of Schools

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FY 2026 EDUCATIONAL GOALS

1. Provide all students with educational programming and instruction that upholds the District's high standards and continues to support strategic and efficient tiered intervention that fosters student achievement academically, socially and emotionally.
2. Create a budget in collaboration with administrators, teachers, the Finance Subcommittee, and the towns that is fiscally responsible and supporting high quality standards-based instruction and aligns district resources to include time, funding sources, human resources, and infrastructure.

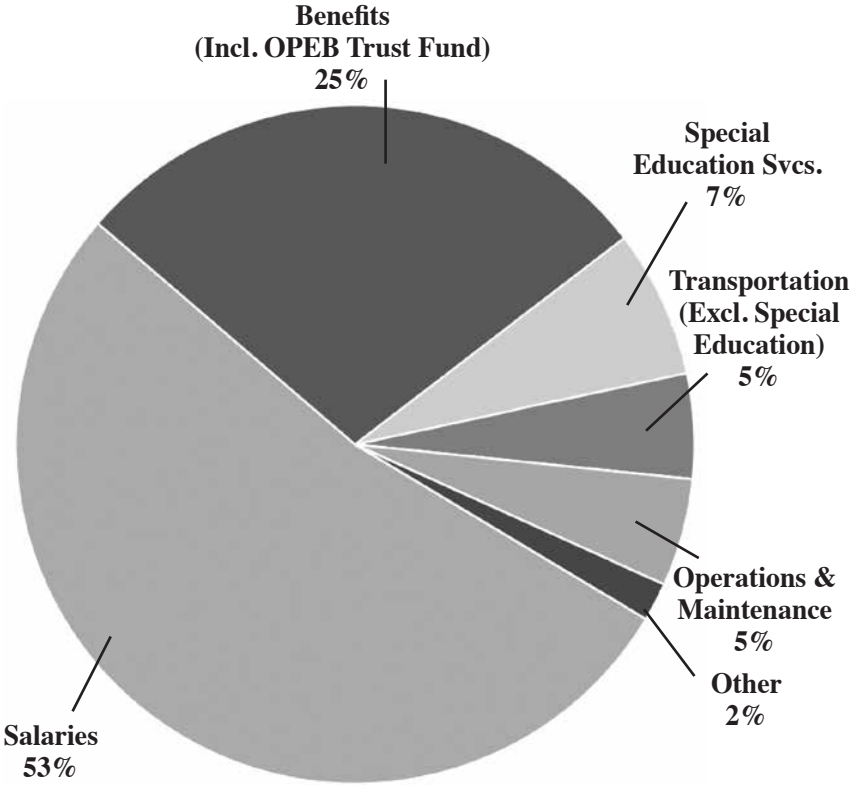


OPERATING BUDGET REVENUE SOURCES

The Central Berkshire Regional School District has developed the FY2026 Operating Budget based upon the educational Strategic Plan developed to meet the needs of our students and maintain the quality of our schools. The revenue sources that support these expenditures are detailed in the chart below.

State Aid	FY 2025 Adopted	FY 2026 Adopted	Variance	% Change
Chapter 70	9,833,858	10,058,466	224,608	2.28%
Chapter 70 Contingency	250,000	250,000	0	0.00%
Chapter 71 (Transportation)	988,906	1,083,872	94,966	9.60%
Transportation Revolving Fund	600,000	500,000	(100,000)	(16.67%)
Charter School Reimbursement	25,000	75,000	50,000	200.00%
Total State Aid	11,697,764	11,967,338	269,574	2.30%
Local Revenue	FY 2025	FY 2026	Variance	% Change
Earnings on Investment	35,000	35,000	0	0.00%
Medicaid Reimbursements	135,000	135,000	0	0.00%
Miscellaneous Income	5,000	5,000	0	0.00%
Excess & Deficiency	1,262,796	1,524,035	261,239	20.69%
Total Local Revenue	1,437,796	1,699,035	261,239	18.17%
Town Assessments	FY 2025	FY 2026	Variance	% Change
Becket	2,654,842	2,710,436	55,594	2.09%
Cummington	655,035	637,690	(17,345)	(2.65%)
Dalton	9,209,094	9,547,153	338,059	3.67%
Hinsdale	2,778,398	2,965,083	186,685	6.72%
Peru	943,938	1,021,339	77,401	8.20%
Washington	745,077	775,265	30,188	4.05%
Windsor	871,804	910,159	38,355	4.40%
Total Town Assessments	17,858,188	18,567,125	708,937	3.97%
Total Operating Budget	30,993,748	32,233,498	1,239,750	4.00%
All Revenue Sources	FY 2025	FY 2026	Variance	% Change
State Aid	11,697,764	11,967,338	269,574	2.30%
Local Revenue	1,437,796	1,699,035	261,239	18.17%
Town Assessments	17,858,188	18,567,125	708,937	3.97%
Grant Funds	3,134,426	2,453,893	(680,533)	(21.71%)
Revolving Funds	1,551,617	1,955,610	403,993	26.04%
Total Budget All Funds	35,679,791	36,643,001	963,210	2.70%

OPERATING EXPENDITURES BY CATEGORY



Total FY26 Budget: 81% = Salaries & Benefits
19% = Other Operational



TOWN ASSESSMENTS: FY 2026 OPERATING BUDGET

Town	FY 2025 Assessment	5-Year Enrollment Average %	FY 2026 Required Local Contribution (set by State)	Budget Balance Assessment	Trans- portation Assessment	FY 2026 Total Town Assessment	\$ Variance to FY 2025	% Variance to FY 2025
Becket	2,654,842	9.50%	2,182,755	476,622	51,059	2,710,436	55,594	2.09%
Cummington	655,035	1.34%	563,499	67,012	7,179	637,690	(17,345)	(2.65%)
Dalton	9,209,094	61.61%	6,125,137	3,090,901	331,115	9,547,153	338,059	3.67%
Hinsdale	2,778,398	13.28%	2,227,329	666,368	71,386	2,965,083	186,685	6.72%
Peru	943,938	6.62%	653,714	332,053	35,572	1,021,339	77,401	8.20%
Washington	745,077	3.75%	566,857	188,242	20,166	775,265	30,188	4.05%
Windsor	871,804	3.90%	693,420	195,767	20,972	910,159	38,355	4.40%
TOTAL	17,858,188	100%	13,012,711	5,016,965	537,449	18,567,125	708,937	3.97%

Enrollment:

Date	Becket	Cummington	Dalton	Hinsdale	Peru	Washington	Windsor	Total	Other*	Grand Total
Oct. 1, 2020	133	17	823	169	87	53	43	1,325	214	1,539
Oct. 1, 2021	131	18	804	166	80	51	51	1,301	241	1,542
Oct. 1, 2022	131	17	826	169	85	49	58	1,335	230	1,565
Oct. 1, 2023	120	16	837	183	92	49	52	1,349	240	1,589
Oct. 1, 2024	118	21	815	198	97	48	56	1,353	209	1,562
Five Year Average	127	18	821	177	88	50	52	1,333		
FY26%	9.50%	1.34%	61.61%	13.28%	6.62%	3.75%	3.90%	100.00%		

*Other: School Choice and State Wards

TOWN ASSESSMENTS: FY 2026 CAPITAL BUDGET

	WRHS RENOVATION (FY29)		WRHS BUILDING PROJECT (FY47)		TOTAL FY25	TOTAL FY26	DIFFER- ENCE
	Stu- dents	Assess- ment	Stu- dents	Assess- ment			
BECKET	31	7,137	31	191,818	232,331	198,955	(33,376)
CUMMINGTON	6	1,382	6	37,136	19,552	38,518	18,966
DALTON	247	56,863	247	1,528,355	1,327,950	1,585,218	257,268
HINSDALE	40	9,209	40	247,510	220,398	256,719	36,321
PERU	25	5,755	25	154,682	117,707	160,437	42,730
WASHINGTON	9	2,072	9	55,692	103,443	57,764	(45,679)
WINDSOR	15	3,453	15	92,805	73,469	96,258	22,789
	373	85,871	373	2,307,998	2,094,850	2,393,869	299,019



DEBT SERVICE PROJECTIONS

PROJECT	FINAL PAYMENT	TOTAL BALANCE DUE	
WRHS Renovation	FY 2029	Principal	245,000
		Interest	24,500
		269,500	
WRHS Building Project	FY 2047	Principal	29,730,000
		Interest	11,6668,200
		41,398,200	
Principal Only		29,975,000	
Interest Only		11,692,700	

Balances shown as of June 30, 2025



Thank you to all
Central Berkshire Regional School District
member towns for your continued support.

**Becket, Cummington, Dalton,
Hinsdale, Peru, Washington, Windsor**

*Complete Final Maintenance & Operating Budget, Capital Budget,
and Presentations are available online on the school district website:*

http://www.cbrsd.org/district_information/finance_and_operations



Cummington Council on Aging

July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025

The Cummington Council on Aging makes available programs and services to those who are 60 and over (approximately 380 people) and their families, as well as connects our older residents to services offered throughout the region. Funding comes from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Aging and Independence, the Town of Cummington, generous donations from our community, and other grants such as through Highland Valley Elder Services. The Cummington COA belongs to the Northern Hilltowns Consortium of COAs, as well as the Massachusetts Councils on Aging.

During fiscal year 2025 we continued and increased many popular programs, including our now three times per week Healthy Bones and Balance exercise class, twice weekly coffee hour, weekly needlework group, and subsidized foot care clinic. The “Living Fully, Aging Gracefully and Befriending Death” group continued its monthly meetings. We offered a weekly acrylic painting class, provided weekly boxed meals prepared by Highland Valley Elder Services, and enjoyed potluck luncheons every other month.

During this year, we distributed farmers market coupons and managed lending programs of various supplies and equipment, including medical equipment, folding pedal exercisers and weight sets. We offered a vaccine clinic and partnered with the Fire Department to deliver 5-gallon buckets of sand to those who needed it. We worked with the Hilltown CDC to ensure our town’s older residents could access transportation and other needed social services, such as cleaning and grocery shopping. We also referred people to the local SHINE counselor for health insurance questions.

We continued our resource cart, which is located to the left of the COA office and is stocked with games, puzzles, greeting cards, as well as walking maps, and file of life forms. There is also information on assorted relevant issues, services, resources, and programs.

Through the Northern Hilltowns Consortium of COAs, we offered computer classes, drop-in tech support, individual tech support, broadband installation and free devices, such as laptops and tablets.

We continued to provide local and regional information to Cummington’s over 60 residents via our monthly newsletter. We distribute the newsletter by email, as well as by paper copy to key locations around town (including the

Community House, Hillside Terrace, the Post Office, and the library). We continue to mail paper copies to those who are 80 and over and to those who have difficulty leaving their homes. If you are not receiving the newsletter, and would like to, please let us know.

You are always welcome to reach out to the COA at 634-2262, option 8, or croumeliotis@cummington-ma.gov with a request for a service, suggestion for a program, offer to volunteer for our board or to lead a program, offer of a donation, or any concern or question you may have.

Lastly, we are grateful to the Town for the use of office space in the Community House and the use of the kitchen and dining room. We appreciate the many services the Town provides that enable us to best serve our older population.

Respectfully submitted,

Chrisoula Roumeliotis
Coordinator

Board of Directors

Worth Noyes
Chairman

Ann Eisenhour
Recording Secretary

Gail Roberge
Treasurer

June Lynds

JoDee Simard

Brenda Emerson-Camp

Finance Committee

Our responsibility as the Town Finance Committee is to review annual departmental budget requests and work with the Selectboard to create a balanced budget that satisfies the planned future needs of the town, and then present it to the voters at Annual Town Meeting.

It is the department heads' responsibility to monitor their expenditures from the fixed budget that was voted at Town Meeting.

The Town Accountants and Treasurer are required by established best practices to reconcile their cash balance each month and then produce a condition of accounts to each department head. This procedure results in a much smoother and transparent process for vendors to be paid in a timely manner. It also would result in a much more efficient process for closing the books at year's end.

The department heads and Finance Committee are frustrated by the lack of adherence to the above procedure and encourage the Selectboard to work with the Finance Office to accomplish this goal.

The reserve fund is funded at Annual Town Meeting in the amount of \$6,000. This fund is controlled by the Finance Committee and is established to cover emergency or unforeseen costs.

This year's transfers were as follows:

IT Maintenance	\$ 1,230.00
Community House Admin	1,900.00
BDSB Admin	1,815.00
Emergency Mgmt Admin	81.00
Total:	\$ 5,026.00
Returned to free cash:	\$ 974.00

Thanks to our department heads for staying within their budgets.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Forgea
Chair
Jill Figlozzi
Scott Keith
Allan Kidston
Treasurer

Maureen Tumenas
Secretary
Troy Howes
June Lynds
Josh Wachtel
Moderator

Fire Department

FY 2025 Annual Report

We began FY25 providing coverage for the Massachusetts Renaissance Faire and the annual Cummington Fair. The Fairs were both well-attended and successful. The Cummington Fire Department would like to thank all our Mutual Aid partners that provide coverage at these events and to our community. Thank you, Plainfield FD, Goshen FD, Chesterfield FD, Ashfield FD, Worthington FD, Hawley FD, Windsor FD, Savoy FD, Williamsburg FD, and Huntington FD.

Cummington Fire Department responded to 181 calls for service during FY25. Calls varied in nature from medical, motor vehicle accidents, fire alarms, mutual aid, safety hazards, search and rescue, chimney fires, and structure fires.

The fall brush fire season was very active throughout the state. With critical drought conditions and unusually high temperatures, Massachusetts had a record number of brush fires in October (213) and November (433) with over 3,600 acres burned. Luckily, the majority of those fires were east of Interstate 91 with 1 significant fire in Great Barrington. We were very lucky not to have had any in Cummington during these times. Thank you to all of you for being very conscious of the conditions and understanding of the outdoor burn ban that was put in place.

CFD responded to 2 chimney fires in Chesterfield, 1 in Hawley, and 1 in Cummington. CFD responded to all of these with L1 otherwise known as the Bucket truck. This is the only piece of equipment like that in the Hilltowns and is called on often. All the chimney fires were contained to the chimneys with no damage to the structures.

We had a very successful open burning season (January 15 - May 1). Over 80 permits were issued with no out of control fires. Information on the open burn season is available on the town website. Thank you to all who called or texted to get your permits.

CFD responded Mutual Aid to 1 brush fire in Goshen and 1 in Worthington. Cummington Engine 3 and Brush 1 responded to both fires to supply water at both fires.

We continue to work with our Mutual Aid partners by testing our equipment together and providing inter-department training. Inter-department training has shown us that multiple departments can work and flow as 1 department on an

emergency scene. Our firefighters have developed new skills, friends, and trust between each other, which allows them to work so well together. I am very proud of all of them for their time and dedication.

We are always in need of new members and often must rely on Mutual Aid assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

Adam Dragon
Chief
Cummington Fire Department

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Asst. Chief Bernie Forgea	Lieutenant Bob Ely
Lieutenant Austin Savoie	

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Michal Dragon	Mike Cunningham
Joanna Jaracz	Dylan Tanner
Nathan Farrington	Julia Dragon
Coffee Lady- Martha Emerson	

Highland Ambulance EMS, Inc.

Annual Report 2025

The year 2025 made it our 21st year providing care for our communities. Along with 21 years of dedicated service the past year has proven to be busy. Our call volume has continued to increase especially for critical care responses. This, in some ways, reflects our aging population in our hill towns.

Our new ambulance arrived last summer and is performing well. This is all in thanks to the generous donors from our communities as well as from our past annual town capital assessments.

Operations

Highland Ambulance is the primary ambulance service provider for the Towns of Ashfield, Chesterfield, Cummington, Goshen, Plainfield, and Williamsburg. Highland also provides primary back-up service to the Town of Worthington in support of Hilltown Ambulance of Huntington. We also provide mutual aid services to several other surrounding communities. Highland is staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Paramedics are on duty at Highland's station in Goshen from 6 AM until midnight each day. During the midnight to 6 AM time periods Highland Basic EMTs are assisted by our local Paramedics or other ambulance services when the service of a Paramedic is required.

Highland's active roster as of June 30th, 2025 consisted of 27 members of which there are 14 Paramedics and 13 Basic EMTs. Our 14 Paramedics consist of our Service Director, Assistant Service Director, a full time training officer/CQI assistant, and part-time staff. Two of our 13 Basic EMTs are full-time and 11 are part-time.

Highland's affiliate medical direction is provided by Cooley Dickinson Hospital, Dr. Peter Morse is our current Medical Director.

Mission

The mission of Highland Ambulance EMS, Inc. is to provide the full range of emergency medical services to our member communities. These services include:

- Responding to all 911 calls that may require emergency medical services.
- Providing training and certification for first responders.
- Developing and practicing emergency response plans with the schools and camps in our towns.
- Conducting health and safety classes for the schools.

- Working with the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA), the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), and Homeland Security to develop emergency response plans for member towns.
- Providing mutual aid and paramedic intercept services to the neighboring communities.
- Providing transport services.
- Providing standby service for major emergency situations such as structure fires.
- Providing standby service for major community events.
- Providing CPR / First Aid programs to community groups and businesses.

Emergency Responses

During FY 24/25 Highland responded to 1,145 Emergency calls. Calls broken down by towns are as follows:

Ashfield	164	Goshen	135
Cummington	131	Williamsburg	290
Plainfield	211	Chesterfield	138
Mutual Aid Requests		76	

Training

The following is a partial list of training events held:

- PALS (Pediatric Advanced Life Support)
- ACLS (Advanced Cardiac Life Support)
- Paramedic Recertification Course
- Basic EMT Recertification Course
- ASHER training (active shooter / hostile event response training)
- CPAP / BIPAP training
- 12 Lead EKG & Advanced Cardiology
- Medical Management review (MD call reviews)
- Power stretcher and load system training
- Surgical cricothyrotomy course
- CPR/AED
- First Responder training
- Response to the Active Fire Scene

Community Involvement

Here are some of the ways Highland participated in our communities in support of them:

- Ashfield Fall Festival
- Chesterfield 4th of July Parade
- School safety programs
- Junior Olympics

Operating Expenses in FY 24/25 **\$ 1,039,050.93**

Cash on hand June 30, 2025

Operating Fund	\$ 235,528.99
Capital Amb. Fund	61,791.97
Memorial Fund	10,795.67
Dresser Fund	4,129.61
Donations:	\$ 514,708.32

Our six towns contributed **\$537,871.00** of our total operational budget, based upon town assessments. The balance came from billings to insurance companies, Medicare, Medicaid and contributions.

Respectfully submitted for FY 24/25

Highland Ambulance Board of Directors:

Ashfield	Patricia Thayer
(Ashfield) At Large	Douglas Mollison
Chesterfield	Roger Fuller
Cummington	Amanda Savoie
(Cummington) At Large	Bernard Forgea
Goshen:	Cassandra Morrey
Plainfield	Edward Morann
(Plainfield) At Large	Rob Shearer
Williamsburg	Denise Banister

Honorary Member	Spencer Timm <i>(retired after 20 years on the board)</i>
Associate Member	Mary Cushman (Ashfield)
Associate Member	Phil Lussier (Ashfield)
Associate Member	Robert F. Goff (Cummington)

Hilltown Resource Management Cooperative

2025 Annual Report

The Hilltown Resource Management Cooperative (HRMC) was created in 1989 by a group of dedicated volunteers who had the vision to seek a regional solution to help small towns attain sustainability and environmental objectives through solid waste and recycling programs.

The member-towns that comprise the HRMC include Ashfield, Chesterfield, Cummington, Goshen, Huntington, Middlefield, Plainfield, Westhampton, Williamsburg, and Worthington. Each Town appoints two representatives to serve on the HRMC Board. Board Officers for 2025 included: John Chandler, Chair (Chesterfield); Gordon Luce, Vice Chair (Williamsburg); and Thomas Poissant, Treasurer (Ashfield).

In 2025, HRMC services included:

- Conducting annual DEP transfer station inspections and work as a liaison between Towns and MADEP on transfer station compliance matters.
- The HRMC Administrator has been certified as a third-party inspector with MassDEP maintenance and operations of a Transfer Station. The Administrator conducted HRMC pre-inspections and third-party inspections, completed all official paperwork, reviewed the same with Towns, and all reports were signed and uploaded on the new MassDEP reporting portal EEA.
- The HRMC Mattress Recycling “HUBs” diverted 358 mattress/boxsprings from the waste stream. The Towns of Huntington and Williamsburg are the 2 “HUBS.”
- Collectively HRMC town Textile Recycling collection boxes diverted 75,240 pounds of textile, including clothes, materials such as sheets, towels, and shoes. Re-use opportunities are open to ALL.
- Introduced “Green Team” Mass DEP Program CY25 and is still engaged with these programs.
- Execution of an Annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection event, over 135 households took part in this regional event in CY25. This much needed event helps the residents divert household chemicals from the waste stream to re-use programming and proper disposal.
- Program management of transfer station recyclables including collection, hauling, and recycling of tires, electronic waste, universal waste (including free recycling of mercury thermostats and re-chargeable batteries), books, and Freon evacuation.

- Outreach on transfer station operations and recycling initiatives.
- Our Annual Shred Fest will be held on May 16, 2026, at the Town of Williamsburg DPW yard.
- Submittal of member-town DEP annual surveys, grant applications, and reports.
- HRMC’s Annual Household Hazardous Waste event will be held Saturday, October 17th, 2026, 9 am to noon; pre-registration is required to attend. View HRMC website, Town’s website, and Transfer Stations for detailed pre-registration information.
- Financial administration of HRMC programs and services.

The HRMC has an annual operation’s assessment that is approved by each Town at their annual Town Meeting. Program operations of the HRMC are managed by a contracted consultant. The annual Assessment Budget is based on tonnage and population. In FY25, the combined assessment for all ten towns was 73,215.00. The assessments offset base operating expenses. HRMC recycling program collection costs are pass-through expenses from the HRMC to the Towns to best maximize economy of scale and to enable the HRMC administrator to have review and oversight of vendor relations and program operations.

In 2025, all HRMC member-towns were eligible for, and received, Recycling Dividend Program Grants (RDP) under the DEP Sustainable Materials Recovery Program (SMRP). Applications were submitted for them through the HRMC. In total, the HRMC Towns received \$72,400 in grant funds to be used to further enhance recycling programs.

During the past year, the HRMC member-Towns collectively diverted 846 tons of recyclable materials to the Springfield Materials Recovery Facility. Towns have adopted recycling goals of 50% with the intent of increasing quantity and improving the quality of materials being recycled.

Towns recycling ratios are:

• Ashfield	39%	• Middlefield	27%
• Chesterfield	35%	• Plainfield	49%
• Cummington	52%	• Westhampton	52%
• Goshen	41%	• Williamsburg	40%
• Huntington	33%	• Worthington	46%

**Thank you to the residents
for your continued support within recycling regulations.**

CY25 Mattress and Box Spring Recycling “HUBs”

- Town of Williamsburg Hub
281 mattress/boxsprings recycled, **Raw Materials Recovery**
- Town of Huntington Hub
77 mattress/boxsprings recycled, **Dream Green Recycling**
(facility located in Adams MA)

CY25 Food Waste Collections for Composting

Food waste collection has really grown in tonnage collected! Three HRMC communities continue to thrive in this program:

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| • Williamsburg | 21 tons |
| • Plainfield | 7 tons |
| • Worthington | 6 tons |

A total of **34 tons** of food waste diverted from the waste stream and composted through **Second Chance Composting**.

New This Year

The Town of Chesterfield installed a paper compactor which helps with reducing the number of hauls and maximizing the number of tons that can be stored. This, over time, will save the town money on hauling expenses. They also opened their new Swap Shop for residents to leave and take an item. This helps with our Reuse goals.

Thank you for your continued support in Recycling!

Sincerely,

Linda Cernik
HRMC Consultant

Historical Commission

July 2024 - June 2025

We had a very busy and successful year. Our exhibit *Courage in Cummington; Abolition* was a great success. It was thoroughly researched and organized by Carrie Streeter Cranston with some help from our Archival Assistant Grayson Hawthorne. We thank them both for the hard work on this high-quality and informative exhibit. Please be on the lookout for Carrie Streeter Cranston's upcoming book on the subject which we will hopefully have for sale in 2026. Carrie and Carla Ness also gave a 15-minute speech about Bryant and Anti-Slavery at the Friday Night Café. Carla gave a tour of Dawes Cemetery and the top of Potash Hill Road with a focus on sites and graves of abolitionists.

It was also a very busy year for us in doing work to maintain and improve our buildings and our continual work to better preserve our collection. I think many of you noticed that we resided two sides of the barn. Thank you Eric Driver and his crew from Sustainable Builders for all the hard work they did on this. What the public did not see is the work the commissioners did to make this happen. First everything up against the walls downstairs had to be moved to the center of the room. We had the siding and counters, the ox shoeing apparatus, and the cider mill all sprayed for powder post beetles. We are looking for new stray to put in the cider press. Upstairs, we also had to remove items from the west and north walls that were being resided. As we put everything back, we cleaned it as much as we safely could, and did a little reorganizing. Thanks to Beth Marie Gardner, Bliss Rufo, Cyrus and Oliver Cranston, and all the commissioners who helped move items, and clean. Please come take a look the barn looks great.

We also insulated, and sheetrocked on the second floor of the Old Parsonage. Thank you, James Bowles, of Hilltown Plaster for this work. We are also adding another air-sourced heat pump for heating and cooling in the space, and did the necessary electrical work. The commissioners will paint the space with low VOC paint and we will use the space to house our paper and fabric archives and other highly perishable items. We continue to bring our archives up to the standards given to us by the Roving Archivist. We are working hard to modernize our preservation practices and cataloging to modern museum standards.

Thank you to commissioner Leslie Keller who continued scanning and digitizing items in the Museum Collection. She has made many updates to findagrave and has fulfilled requests for individual histories.

We participate again in the Hilltown History Tour which brought in about 70 visitors in one day! We also participated in the town-wide tag sale. We have made huge progress in organizing and going through items in the attic of the Kingman Tavern. Any items, that were sold were either never officially entered into the collection or was an item that we have multiple examples of.

We also worked hard in the spring for the our new exhibit: *Watershed, The Westfield in Cummington*. We would like to thank the Cummington Cultural District for their financial help in making these exhibits possible. Thanks also to all our hard working docents: Grayson Hawthorne, Sam Hopper, Miranda Bemis, Renate Kovac, and volunteer in the 19c general store Laura Sheridan.

PLEASE come see your museum! There is something here for everyone. We have an extensive and well-regarded collection. It is a town treasure that should not be ignored.

Municipal Light Plant

Annual Report Fiscal Year 2025

Board Members:

Allan Douglas, Manager
Brenda Arbib, Secretary
Scott Keith
Michael Perkins
Mikaela Minnan

At the beginning of the year, Cummington had 390 subscribers and 7 Life Line customers. There were 9,062 subscribers total for all towns; Whip City monthly charges vary with the number of subscribers. The number of subscribers stayed fairly steady during the year; there were 385 in April.

Installations, for all residents at 37 Main Street, were completed.

The Municipal Network worked with the Water Department and Board of Health to connect to the network.

In 2024 there were 212 trouble calls.

The mesh network was updated with an uninterrupted power source.

The larger battery backup in the Hub was replaced.

The MLP authorized Whip City to update Dig Safe maps regularly. As of February 2025, the cost of maintenance repairs was \$25,406.45.

At the Annual Town meeting, \$331,770.00 was transferred from the MLP into the town Stabilization Fund. The 2026 Budget submitted in the Spring of 2025 included-indirect costs for the Town Accountant, audit, and electricity at the Hub \$8,343.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Arbib

Central Hampshire Veteran Services

This year Central Hampshire Veterans' Services continued its essential work of assisting the community's veterans and their survivors in obtaining or maintaining the state and federal benefits they have earned. In 2025, twenty-nine veterans or their survivors in Cummington received a total of \$750,185.88 in federal VA compensation and pension benefits, or approximately \$62,515.49 a month.

With this, Central Hampshire Veterans Services has also maintained a strong commitment to outreach and community support throughout the year. Our primary focus has been ensuring veterans receive accurate and timely information about their benefits, while also organizing impactful commemorative events.

Staff members actively participated in numerous outreach events, including Central Western Mass VAMC Vocational Resource Fair, the Council of Social Agencies of Hampshire County Providers Fair, and the Big E. These events provided opportunities to connect with veterans and inform them about available programs and benefits. Additionally, following up on the success of prior events in Hadley and Huntington), the office planned and facilitated a "Know It Before You Need It" event at the Northampton Senior Center in February. This successful event drew veterans, their families and caregivers from Northampton and the surrounding communities, helping to educate elderly veterans and their families/caregivers about relevant benefits and services and featured staff members and specialized service providers from nine different agencies.

Our community support efforts included assisting with the preparation and distribution of hot Thanksgiving meals in Northampton, Hadley, Amherst, and Williamsburg, as well as ensuring our clients in all towns received Thanksgiving turkeys and food bags, if desired. We also coordinated and led Veterans Day and Memorial Day events in Amherst, Northampton, and Williamsburg, and participated in events in Hadley, Hatfield, Chesterfield, Worthington, and Huntington. We provided support to the town of Hadley with its Honor Banner Project and their designation as a Purple Heart Community, and also began working with the Town of Amherst and the Military Order of the Purple Heart to gain the same designation for Amherst. Furthermore, we coordinated the purchase of cemetery flags for all communities, distributed them, and assisted with flagging efforts in multiple locations around the district.

Additionally, in order to stay current on policy changes and best practices, our staff attended training sessions at Massachusetts Veterans Service Officers Association (MVSOA) and Executive Office of Veterans Services (EOVS) and National Association of County Veteran Services Officers (NACVSO) conferences.



Zoning Board of Appeals

July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025

During FY 2025 the ZBA held only one meeting; it was a request from Gail and Rich Roberge to place a shed in their backyard that would encroach on the setback. On August 16th a meeting was held, and following the Roberge's presentation, the ZBA found that "the house presently encroaches on the setback on two sides, and the lot itself is about half the area that would be required present-day for a buildable lot. The ZBA finds that the proposed slight increase in nonconformity, by placing the shed partially within the setback, is not substantially more detrimental than the preexisting non-conforming use." This was unanimously approved by the five voting members present at this meeting: Ness, Howes, Strong, Holden, and Kenseth.

Sadly, on November 26th, Geoffrey Kenseth passed away suddenly. His insight and service was appreciated, and he will be missed. Current ZBA membership is now: Carla Ness, Chair; Michael Holden, Clerk; Kenneth Howes, Ernest Strong, and William Hoene.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Holden
Clerk, Zoning Board of Appeals

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