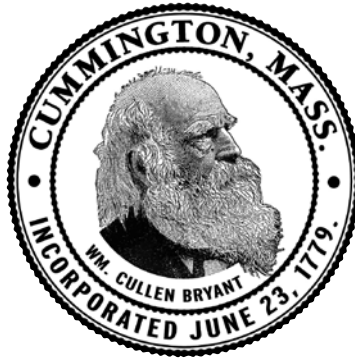




TOWN OF
Cummington
MASSACHUSETTS

ANNUAL REPORT
2021

Town of
**CUMMINGTON
MASSACHUSETTS**



**ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR
ENDING
JUNE 30, 2021**

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MEMORIAM

David Robb, Jr.

David Robb, Jr. passed away October 27, 2020

Dave served the Town of Cummington as a Conservation Commission member and Chairman, as a police officer, EMT, and fire fighter. He also was the coach of the town's PeeWee baseball team for many years. He was an ardent supporter of the Wahconah Warriors.

DEDICATION

Monica M. Vandoloski

To your many years of service to the Town of Cummington on the Selectboard, as Secretary to the Selectboard, as an EMT on the Cummington/Plainfield Ambulance, as Town Clerk and Election Warden, as a Notary Public, Bicentennial Committee member and Parade Committee/float builder, we thank you.

To your dedication to our community as a 4H Leader, Women's Softball team member, Cummington Fair Info Booth volunteer, master raffle ticket seller and the person who brings joy to so many with your treats and goodies throughout the year and especially during the holidays, we are grateful.

Lover of all animals and first to show up with food, flowers or a hug for someone in need of a little kindness. Your deliveries of paczki (polish donuts), marrow bone pup treats or whatever other countless ways you've helped folks is so much appreciated.

You are truly one of a kind.

Thank you.

The cover painting of Monica is by Jeanne Johns.

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
Adam Hinds

MASSACHUSETTS STATE REPRESENTATIVE
Natalie Blais

GOVERNOR
Charlie Baker

TOWN MEETING DATE – First Friday in May

TOWN ELECTION – Second Monday in May

POPULATION – Census 2010 - 872



Elected Officials

Member

Term Expires

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Kenneth Howes	2022
Eliza Dragon	2023
Brian Gilman	2024

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Mark Bevan	2024
Joy Johns	2022
Elliot Ring	2023

MODERATOR

Josh Wachtel	2022
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VOCATIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Sharon Cunningham	2024
Robert Godfrey	2022
Ryan Ernest Strong	2023

ALMONER OF CHARITABLE FUNDS

Joyce A. Wiernasz	2024
Bernard L. Forgea	2022
Susan F. Forgea	2023

COMMISSIONER OF TRUST FUNDS

Amanda Savoie	2024
Scott Keith	2022
Kenneth Howes	2023

WATER COMMISSIONERS

Tomasz Jaracz	2024
Todd Emerson	2022
Dann Emerson	2023

Member***Term Expires*****TRUSTEES OF BRYANT FREE LIBRARY**

Wynne Menna Busby	2025
Gregory Tessier	2022
Eliza Dragon	2023
John Maruskin	2024
Deborah Hoechstetter	2025

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Scott Keith	2024
Maureen Tumenas	2024
Stephanie Bean	2022
Jill Figlozzi	2022
Dennis W. Forgea	2023
June Lynds	2023
Allan Kidston, Treasurer (Ex-officio non-voting member)	2022
Josh Wachtel, Moderator (Ex-officio non-voting member)	2022

BOARD OF HEALTH

John G. Earls	2024
James Wetterau	2022
Judith Bogart	2023

PLANNING BOARD

Dennis Carr	2026
James Wetterau	2022
Kalyan Uprichard	2023
Katherine Eiseman	2024
Ilse Godfrey	2025

Member***Term Expires*****CUMMINGTON RECREATION
AND PETTINGILL MEMORIAL FIELD COMMITTEE**

Donna L. Forgea	2024
Amy Grallert	2024
Nicole Wortis	2022
Geraldine Wilcox	2022
Kristen Laney	2022
Stacy Lynn Mackowiak	2023
Eliza Dragon	2023
Jennifer A. O'Neill	2023

CONSTABLES

Sharon J. Cunningham	2022
Michael A. Perkins III	2022

MUNICIPAL LIGHT PLANT BOARD

Allan Douglas	2024
Maureen Tumenas	2024
Scott Keith	2022
Brenda Arbib	2023
Michael Andrew Perkins II	2023

CENTRAL BERKSHIRE REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Todd Emerson	2022
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Appointed Officials- 2021

APPOINTMENTS MADE BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

<i>Member</i>	<i>Term Expires</i>
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TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Hetal Patel	2022
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TOWN TREASURER

Allan Kidston	2022
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TAX COLLECTOR

Allan Kidston	2022
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AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

H. Sydney O'Leary	2022
Daniel G. Loux	2022
Seva Tower	2023
Loredana Holmes	2023
Tomas Jaracz	2023
Paul H. Streeter	2024
Sara Scanlon-Fournier	2024

APPEALS, ZONING BOARD OF

Carla C. Ness, Chair	2022
Michael Holden, Clerk	2022
Kenneth L. Howes	2023
Ernest T. Strong	2023
Eric Smith	2024
William Hoehne, Associate	2024
Geoff Kenseth, Associate	2024

LOCAL CULTURAL COUNCIL

Alexis Breiteneicher, Chair	2023
Patricia Brundage	2023
Pat Keith	2023
Dawn Klein	2023
Seva Tower	2023
John Bye	2024

Member***Term Expires*****CEMETERY COMMITTEE**

Robert D. Dextraze	2022
Eliza Dragon	2022
Jacob Jordan	2022
Brian Gilman	2022
Kenneth Howes	2022
Joy Johns	2022
Russell Jordan	2022

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Adam Dragon, Director	2022
Bernard Forgea	2022
Sara Fournier-Scanlon	2022
Michael Perkins II	2022

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Sarah Scanlon-Fournier	2021
Matthew Drawe	2021
Alan Douglas	2021
Gerald F. Howes, Jr.	2022
Robert Arbib	2022
Robert D. Dextraze	2023
John D. Eisenhower	2023

COUNCIL ON AGING

Anne Lambert	2021
Kathleen Knox	2021
Nancy Cole	2021
Worth Noyes	2022
Elliot Ring	2022

FENCE VIEWERS AND FIELD DRIVERS

Peter Marcoux	2022
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HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

Alan Taylor	2022
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<i>Member</i>	<i>Term Expires</i>
HISTORICAL COMMISSION	
Karen Westergard, Secretary	2024
Patricia Keith, Co Chair	2024
Leslie Keller, Genealogy	2022
Lawrence Slezak, Maintenance	2022
Carla Ness, Chair	2022
Michael Daniels, Maintenance	2023
Hannah Streeter, Member	2023
INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS	
Kenneth Howes	2022
INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS	
Jason Forgue	2022
INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING AND GAS FITTINGS	
Donald Lawton	2022
INSPECTOR OF WIRING	
William Graham, Inspector	2022
John Lyons, Assistant	2022
POLICE CHIEF	
Michael Andrew Perkins II	2022
POLICE OFFICERS	
Jeffrey Fish	2022
Thomas Hartman	2022
Alexander Rock	2022
Dennis Forgea, Auxiliary Officer	2022
FIRE CHIEF	
Adam Dragon	2022
REGISTRAR OF VOTERS	
Mary Bourdon	2024
Brenda Emerson-Camp	2022
Brenda Arbib	2022
Tara Howes	2024

<i>Member</i>	<i>Term Expires</i>
SELECTMEN'S REPRESENTATIVE TO LIBRARY TRUSTEES	
Eliza Dragon	2022
BRYANT FREE LIBRARY	
Mark DeMaranville, Librarian	2022
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	
Kate Nevins	2022
SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND TIMBER	
Robert D. Dextraze	2022
Chad Howes	2022
TREE WARDEN	
Robert D. Dextraze	2022
Alan Taylor	2022
TOWN COUNSEL	
Michael Siddall	2022
VETERANS' AGENT	
Robert Vigneault, Inter-Municipal Veterans' Services	2022
LOWER PIONEER VALLEY PLANNING COMMISSION	
Kalyon Uprichard, Member	2022
Kathryn Eiseman, Alternate	2022
RIGHT TO KNOW COORDINATOR	
Ernest Strong, Member	2022
SECRETARY TO THE SELECTBOARD	
Denise Banister	2022
HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT PROJECTION COMMITTEE	
Robert D. Dextraze	2022
Peter J. Marcoux, Sr.	2022
Delbert H. Robbins	2022
Ernest T. Strong	2022
Alan Taylor	2022

Member***Term Expires*****PETTINGILL CLOCK COMMITTEE**

Scott Keith	2022
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WESTFIELD RIVER WILD AND SCENIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Amy Pulley	2022
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IT COMMITTEE

Joy Johns	2022
Michael Andrew Perkins II	2022
Allan Douglas	2022

CUMMINGTON COMMUNITY HOUSE COORDINATOR

Brenda Emerson-Camp	2022
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**CUMMINGTON AD HOC
CULTURAL DISTRICT PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Ilse Godfrey, Chair	2022
John Bye, Vice Chair	2022
Kathryn Eisemen	2022
Leslie Ferrin	2022
Robert Godfrey III	2022

CUMMINGTON BTES AD HOC COMMITTEE

Pat Keith, Chair	2022
Holly Dextraze	2022
Eliza Dragon	2022
Eric Driver	2022
Brian Gilman	2022
Beckie Kravetz	2022

**CUMMINGTON CBRSC
REGIONAL AGREEMENT AD HOC COMMITTEE**

Christine Doktor	2022
Todd Emerson	2022
Brian Gilman	2022

Member***Term Expires*****CUMMINGTON BUILDING REVIEW COMMITTEE**

Mark DeMaranville	2022
Todd Emerson	2022
Brian Gilman	2022

STAGE ROAD CULVERT COMMITTEE

Bill Adams	2022
Bill Hoehne	2022
Carol Hoehne	2022
John Bye	2022
Sara Fournier- Scanlon	2022
Amy Pulley	2022
Alan Taylor	2022

CUMMINGTON WEB SITE

<http://www.Cummington-Ma.gov>

Selectboard Report

To the Citizens of Cummington

Time seems to march on and stand still all at the same time through this pandemic. Folks sometimes don't know what day it is as many of us are still working from home or meeting virtually. However, our Town still has to function and I wish to again thank all of our Boards, Committees, Commissions and Departments for their incredible diligence in keeping our community functioning through these hard times.

The Route 112 project has been completed and is a success! So much time and effort has been put into this endeavor by our incredible Highway Department, Bill Adams and Monica Vandoloski, thank you!

The Stage Road Culvert Committee is diligently working on an application for a culvert replacement grant through the Division of Ecological Restoration for the last phase of engineering.

The BTES Adhoc committee has been working hard to focus on the wants and needs of the community to decide how best to utilize both the former BTES building and Community House and applying for grants for feasibility studies for both of these buildings. We wish to thank Dave Christopolis from Hilltown CDC for all his help and guidance in writing the applications for these grants.

The carpets have been replaced and the floors refinished in the foyer, library and selectboard rooms thanks to a generous donation from two wonderful town residents, Fran Henry and Walter Korzec. The results are beautiful.

The Selectboard voted to appoint Eliza Dragon as Chair of the Board. Eliza is the first woman to ever sit as Chair of the Cummington Selectboard.

The Board appointed Alexander Rock as Police Officer for the Town of Cummington. Welcome Alex!

Angelica Desroches has tendered her resignation as the Town Accountant effective September 30, 2020. Thank you Angelica for your service to our town.

The Board appointed Hetal Patel as Town Accountant. Welcome aboard Hetal!

The Board accepted a resignation from Allan Douglas as Chair of the Conservation Commission. Thank you Allan for almost 40 years as a member! Along with Allan's resignation was notification of Donna Douglas resigning as secretary to the Conservation Commission. Thank you both for all your time and dedication in these positions.

The Board received correspondence from Lee Fournier-Lewis regarding her resignation from the Planning Board effective January 6, 2021. We wish Lee well and thank you for serving.

Monica Vandoloski announced she will be stepping down and will not be running for Selectboard this year. The Board respectfully accepted her retirement after many years of service to our community as the first Selectwoman in Cummington (1979). Thank you Monica.

The Board welcomes Brian Gilman as our newest Selectboard member!

The Board received a letter of resignation from Donna Jordan as Town Clerk and Community House Coordinator. We want to thank you Donna for your many years of dedication to our town.

The Board appointed and welcomed Brenda Emerson-Camp as Town Clerk and Community House Coordinator.

And last but certainly not least, the Board would like to extend our deepest sympathy to the family of David Robb, Jr. David was an active member of our community for many years and was involved in many aspects of town life as a firefighter, EMT, police officer and a member of the Conservation Commission as well as coaching baseball to Cummington's youth. He will be greatly missed by all that knew him.

Respectively submitted,

Eliza Dragon
Cummington Selectboard Chair

2021 Condition of Accounts 07/01/2020 to 06/30/2021

001.100.5110.0000

Official Salaries	Appropriation	Expended	Available	% Exp
Salaries Ending Bal	18,820.00	18,805.00	15.00	99.92%

001.100.5400.0000

Administration General				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	5,500.00	2,646.32	2,853.68	98.28%

001.100.5430.0000

Admin. Various Officials				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	800.00	0.00	800.00	0.00%

DEPT 100 GENERAL FUND ENDING BAL

25,120.00 21,451.32 3,668.68

001.122.5240.0000

Cemetery Maintenance				
Maintenance Ending Bal	8,000.00	7,695.00	305.00	96.18%

001.122.5400.0000

Administration Selectmen				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	14,376.00	14,130.00	246.00	98.28%

001.122.5801.0000

Education Committee Account				
Article Ending Bal	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%

001.122.5810.0000

Municipal Light Plant				
Capital Ending Bal	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%

001.122.5820.0000

Cemetery Capital				
Capital Improvements Ending Bal	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%

DEPT. 122 SELECTBOARD ENDING BAL

22,376.00 21,825.00 551.00

001.131.5400.0000

Admin. Finance Committee				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	150.00	135.00	15.00	90.00%

DEPT. 131 FINANCE COMMITTEE ENDING BAL

150.00 135.00 15.00

001.132.5400.0000

Reserve Fund				
Operating Expenses Ending	6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00	0.00%

DEPT. 132 RESERVE FUND ENDING BAL

6,000.00 0.00 6,000.00

001.135.5110.0000				
Accountant Salary	Appropriation	Expended	Available	% Exp
Salaries Ending Bal	20,000.00	19,541.65	458.35	97.70%
001.135.5400.0000				
Administration Accountant				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	12,675.00	12,674.41	0.59	99.99%
DEPT. 135 ACCOUNTANT				
ENDING BAL	32,675.00	32,216.06	458.94	
001.136.5400.0000				
Audit				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%
Dept. 136 Audit				
Ending Bal	0.00	0.00	0.00	
001.141.5111.0000				
Assessor's Clerk				
Hourly Wages Ending Bal	11,497.37	11,497.37	0.00	100.00%
001.141.5200.0000				
Assessor's Consultant				
Purchased Services Ending Bal	7,000.00	6,852.50	147.50	97.89%
001.141.5400.0000				
Administration Assessors				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	5,100.00	4,985.15	114.85	97.74%
001.141.5430.0000				
Assessors Tax Maps				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	2,400.00	2,400.00	0.00	100.00%
DEPT. 141 ASSESSORS				
ENDING BAL	25,997.37	25,735.02	262.35	
001.145.5100.0000				
Treasurer Salary				
Wages Ending Bal	11,000.00	11,000.00	0.00	100.00%
001.145.5400.0000				
Administration Treasurer				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	6,400.00	2,701.68	3,698.32	42.21%
DEPT. 145 TREASURER				
ENDING BAL	17,400.00	13,701.68	3,698.32	
001.146.5100.0000				
Tax Collector Salary				
Wages Ending Bal	11,000.00	11,000.00	0.00	100.00%

001.146.5400.0000					
Admin. Tax Collector	Appropriation	Expended	Available	% Exp	
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	9,715.00	7,216.73	2,498.27	74.28%	
DEPT. 146 TAX COLLECTOR					
ENDING BAL	20,715.00	18,216.73	2,498.27		
001.151.5200.0000					
Town Counsel					
Purchased Services Ending Bal	10,201.70	3,521.35	6,680.35	34.51%	
DEPT. 151 LEGAL					
ENDING BAL	10,201.70	3,521.35	6,680.35		
001.158.5400.0000					
Tax Title Expenses					
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	7,000.00	1,045.76	5,954.24	14.93%	
DEPT. 158 TAX TITLE					
ENDING BAL	7,000.00	1,045.76	5,954.24		
001.161.5100.0000					
Admin Town Clerk Salary					
Wages Ending Bal	3,792.79	3,614.82	177.97	95.30%	
001.161.5400.0000					
Admin. Town Clerk					
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	1,059.21	1,059.21	0.00	100.00%	
DEPT. 161 TOWN CLERK					
ENDING BAL	4,852.00	4,674.03	177.97		
001.162.5100.0000					
Election and Registration Salaries					
Wages Ending Bal	3,328.00	2,923.62	404.38	87.84%	
001.162.5110.0000					
Elections and Registration Salary					
Salaries Ending Bal	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%	
001.162.5400.0000					
Election & Registration					
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	240.00	137.50	102.50	57.29%	
DEPT. 162 ELECTIONS & REGISTRARS ENDING BAL	3,568.00	3,061.12	506.88		
001.171.5400.0000					
Conservation Commission					
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	250.00	165.78	84.22	66.31%	
DEPT. 171 CONSERVATION COMMISSION					
ENDING BAL	250.00	165.78	84.22		

001.175.5400.0000				
Planning Board Expenses	Appropriation	Expended	Available	% Exp
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	3,000.00	708.79	2,291.21	23.62%
DEPT. 175 PLANNING BOARD				
ENDING BAL	3,000.00	708.79	2,291.21	

001.176.5400.0000				
Zoning Board Expenses				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	500.00	500.00	0.00	100.00%
DEPT. 176 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS				
ENDING BAL	500.00	500.00	0.00	

001.192.5300.0000				
IT/Maintenance				
Professional Services Ending Bal	12,000.00	10,789.89	1,210.11	89.91%

001.192.5340.0000				
Internet/Telephone				
Communications Ending Bal	19,000.00	15,655.67	3,344.33	82.39%

001.192.5400.0000				
Community House				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	16,500.00	16,246.62	253.38	98.46%

001.192.5460.0000				
Lawn Mowing				
Grounds Keeping Ending Bal	6,000.00	1,326.38	4,673.62	22.10%

001.192.5850.0000				
Community House Capital				
Capital Project Ending Bal	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%
DEPT. 192 GENERAL TOWN OFFICE				
ENDING BAL	53,500.00	44,018.56	9,481.44	

001.195.5200.0000				
Town Reports				
Purchased Services Ending Bal	2,163.00	2,163.00	0.00	100.00%
DEPT. 195 TOWN REPORTS				
ENDING BAL	2,163.00	2,163.00	0.00	

001.210.5100.0000				
Police Dept. Salaries				
Wages Ending Bal	19,999.86	19,876.00	123.86	99.38%

001.210.5112.0000				
Police Chief Stipend				
Stipends Ending Bal	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00	100.00%

001.210.5400.0000				
Police Department	Appropriation	Expended	Available	% Exp
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	14,000.14	14,000.14	0.00	100.00%
001.210.5800.0000				
Police Capital				
Capital Ending Bal	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	100.00%
DEPT. 210 POLICE				
ENDING BAL	50,000.00	49,876.14	123.86	
001.220.5112.0000				
Fire Chief Stipend				
Stipends Ending Bal	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	100.00%
001.220.5113.0000				
Firefighter Stipends				
Stipends Ending Bal	8,000.00	6,000.00	2,000.00	75.00%
001.220.5400.0000				
F.D. & Forest Warden				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	26,446.73	26,434.68	12.05	99.95%
001.220.5800.0000				
Fire Dept. Capital				
Capital Ending Bal	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%
DEPT. 220 FIRE				
ENDING BAL	44,446.73	42,434.68	2,012.05	
001.231.5400.0000				
Highland Ambulance				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	49,358.00	49,357.61	0.39	99.99%
DEPT. 231 AMBULANCE				
ENDING BAL	49,358.00	49,357.61	0.39	
001.241.5100.0000				
Building Inspector Wages				
Wages Ending Bal	10,413.00	10,412.50	0.50	99.99%
001.241.5400.0000				
Building Inspector Adm				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	500.00	497.90	2.10	99.58%
DEPT. 241 BUILDING INSPECTOR				
ENDING BAL	10,913.00	10,910.40	2.60	
001.290.5400.0000				
Public Safety Complex Operating				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	18,465.54	18,060.49	405.05	97.80%

001.290.5800.0000				
Public Safety Complex Capital (TS) Appropriation				
Capital Ending Bal	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%
DEPT. 290 PUBLIC SAFETY COMPLEX				
ENDING BAL	18,465.54	18,060.49	405.05	
001.291.5112.0000				
Emergency Management Stipend				
Stipends Ending Bal	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	100.00%
001.291.5400.0000				
Emergency Management				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	5,269.30	1,105.06	4,164.24	20.97%
DEPT. 291 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT				
ENDING BAL	10,269.30	6,105.06	4,164.24	
001.292.5100.0000				
Animal Control Wages				
Wages Ending Bal	2,400.00	2,400.00	0.00	100.00%
001.292.5400.0000				
Animal Control Officer Ex				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00%
DEPT. 292 ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER				
ENDING BAL	3,400.00	2,400.00	1,000.00	
001.293.5400.0000				
Animal Inspector				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00%
DEPT. 293 ANIMAL INSPECTOR				
ENDING BAL	500.00	0.00	500.00	
001.300.5320.0000				
Vocational Tuition				
Tuition Ending Bal	95,000.00	73,600.08	21,399.92	77.47%
001.300.5330.0000				
CBRSD Transportation				
Student Transportation Ending Bal	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%
001.300.5400.0000				
CBRSD Operating Expense				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	688,942.00	688,942.00	0.00	100.00%
001.300.5800.0000				
CBRSD Capital Expense				
Capital Ending Bal	49,263.00	49,263.00	0.00	100.00%
DEPT. 300 EDUCATION				
ENDING BAL	833,205.00	811,805.08	21,399.92	

001.301.5330.0000				
Vocational Transportation	Appropriation	Expended	Available	% Exp
Student Transportation Ending Bal	44,345.00	41,160.00	3,185.00	92.81%
DEPT. 301 VOCATIONAL SCHOOL				
ENDING BAL	44,345.00	41,160.00	3,185.00	
001.302.5400.0000				
Berkshire Trail School Building				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	42,000.00	28,417.60	13,582.40	67.66%
DEPT. 302 EDUCATION				
ENDING BAL	42,000.00	28,417.60	13,582.40	
001.422.5110.0000				
Highway Salaries				
Salaries Ending Bal	185,123.00	185,097.91	25.09	99.98%
001.422.5130.0000				
Highway Overtime Wages				
Overtime Ending Bal	11,820.00	11,224.92	595.08	94.96%
001.422.5150.0000				
Hwy Vac, Hol, Sick & Per				
Fringe Ending Bal	30,850.00	30,726.48	123.52	99.59%
001.422.5400.0000				
Highway Garage				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	12,500.00	10,500.86	1,999.14	84.00%
001.422.5415.0000				
Highway Tool & Machinery				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	70,000.00	48,190.85	21,809.15	68.84%
001.422.5420.0000				
Highway General				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	110,000.00	104,003.26	5,996.74	94.54%
001.422.5430.0000				
Highway Administration				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	1,000.00	97.49	902.51	9.74%
001.422.5800.0000				
Highway Capital				
Capital Ending Bal	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%
DEPT. 422 HIGHWAY				
ENDING BAL	421,293.00	389,841.77	31,451.23	
001.423.5400.0000				
Winter Roads				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	80,000.00	69,079.94	10,920.06	86.34%
DEPT. 423 HIGHWAY WINTER ROADS				
ENDING BAL	80,000.00	69,079.94	10,920.06	

001.450.5100.0000				
Water Wages/Stipend	Appropriation	Expended	Available	% Exp
Wages Ending Bal	12,000.00	5,550.00	6,450.00	46.25%
001.450.5400.0000				
Water Dept. Expenses				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	52,288.10	46,380.86	5,907.24	88.70%
DEPT. 450 WATER ENDING BAL	64,288.10	51,930.86	12,357.24	
001.455.5400.0000				
Water Hydrant Assessment				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	9,500.00	9,500.00	0.00	100.00%
DEPT. 455 WATER HYDRANTS ENDING BAL	9,500.00	9,500.00	0.00	
001.510.5100.0000				
Board of Health Wages				
Wages Ending Bal	19,000.00	20,951.49	-1,951.49	110.27%
001.510.5400.0000				
Board of Health				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	53,300.00	57,325.60	-4,025.60	107.55%
001.510.5850.0000				
Purchase New Compactor				
Capital Project Ending Bal	2,703.00	2,703.00	0.00	100.00%
DEPT. 510 BOARD OF HEALTH ENDING BAL	75,003.00	80,980.09	-5,977.09	
001.541.5100.0000				
Council on Aging Wages				
Wages Ending Bal	3,360.00	1,676.00	1,684.00	49.88%
001.541.5400.0000				
Council on Aging				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	2,000.00	528.15	1,471.85	26.40%
DEPT. 541 COUNCIL ON AGING ENDING BAL	5,360.00	2,204.15	3,155.85	
001.543.5400.0000				
Veterans Benefits				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	20,443.00	18,205.51	2,237.49	89.05%
DEPT. 543 VETERANS ENDING BAL	20,443.00	18,205.51	2,237.49	

001.610.5400.0000				
Library Appropriation	Appropriation	Expended	Available	% Exp
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	7,891.00	7,890.84	0.16	99.99%
DEPT. 610 LIBRARY				
ENDING BAL	7,891.00	7,890.84	0.16	
001.630.5400.0000				
Cummington Recreation				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	4,250.00	4,249.10	0.90	99.97%
DEPT. 630 RECREATION				
ENDING BAL	4,250.00	4,249.10	0.90	
001.710.5915.0000				
Safety Complex Loan				
Long Term Debt Interest Ending Bal	38,273.00	38,272.00	1.00	99.99%
001.710.5916.0000				
Highway Truck Loan				
Long Term Debt Interest Ending Bal	24,000.00	24,000.00	0.00	100.00%
001.710.5917.0000				
School Roof Loan				
School Roof Loan Ending Bal	28,000.00	0.00	28,000.00	0.00%
001.710.5918.0000				
Broadband Loan				
Broadband Loan Ending Bal	75,000.00	75,000.00	0.00	100.00%
DEPT. 710 LONG TERM DEBT				
ENDING BAL	165,273.00	137,272.00	28,001.00	
001.751.5915.0000				
Safety Complex Loan Interest				
Long Term Debt Interest Ending Bal	39,302.00	39,302.00	0.00	100.00%
001.751.5916.0000				
Highway Truck Loan Interest				
Long Term Debt Interest Ending Bal	2,310.00	2,304.00	6.00	99.74%
001.751.5917.0000				
School Roof Interest				
School Roof Loan Ending Bal	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	100.00%
001.751.5918.0000				
Broadband Interest				
Broadband Loan Ending Bal	45,500.00	45,500.00	0.00	100.00%
001.751.5920.0000				
Interest on Loans				
Short Term Debt Interest Ending Bal	10,000.00	6,815.42	3,184.58	68.15%
DEPT. 751 INTEREST LONG TERM DEBT				
ENDING BAL	102,112.00	98,921.42	3,190.58	

001.830.5400.0000				
Council of Governments	Appropriation	Expended	Available	% Exp
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	3,000.00	1,700.00	1,300.00	56.66%
001.830.5401.0000				
LPVP Commission				
Expenses Ending Bal	145.00	145.00	0.00	100.00%
DEPT. 830 COUNTY ASSESSMENTS				
ENDING BAL	3,145.00	1,845.00	1,300.00	
001.911.5400.0000				
Contributory Retirement				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	59,832.00	58,776.00	1,056.00	98.23%
DEPT. 911 RETIREMENT				
ENDING BAL	59,832.00	58,776.00	1,056.00	
001.913.5400.0000				
Unemployment Compensation				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	9,450.00	9,220.56	229.44	97.57%
DEPT. 913 UNEMPLOYMENT				
ENDING BAL	9,450.00	9,220.56	229.44	
001.914.5400.0000				
Medical Insurance				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	36,000.00	32,842.36	3,157.64	91.22%
DEPT. 914 HEALTH INSURANCE				
ENDING BAL	36,000.00	32,842.36	3,157.64	
001.916.5400.0000				
Medicare/Social Security				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	18,300.00	17,323.67	976.33	94.66%
DEPT. 916 MEDICARE				
ENDING BAL	18,300.00	17,323.67	976.33	
001.945.5740.0000				
Insurance & Bonds				
Insurance Premiums Ending Bal	48,000.00	45,120.88	2,879.12	94.00%
DEPT. 945 LIABILITY INSURANCE				
ENDING BAL	48,000.00	45,120.88	2,879.12	
001.992.5400.0000				
Transfer to Stabilization				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	146,880.00	246,880.00	-100,000.00	168.08%
DEPT. 992 TRANSFER TO STABILIZATION				
ENDING BAL	146,880.00	246,880.00	-100,000.00	

001.996.5940.0000

Transfer to Special Revenues	Appropriation	Expended	Available	% Exp
Interfund Transfers Ending Bal	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	100.00%

DEPT. 996 TRANSFER TO SPECIAL REVENUES

ENDING BAL	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	
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FUND 001 GENERAL FUND

ENDING BAL	2,621,390.74	2,537,750.41	83,640.33	
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54052.00**Community House Expenses**

Ending Bal	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00%
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54053.01**Community House Floors Expenses**

Ending Bal	0.00	7,373.26	-7,373.26	100.00%
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100 GENERAL GOVERNMENT

ENDING BAL	10,000.00	7,373.26	2,626.74	
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54009.00**Police Gifts Expense**

Ending Bal	0.00	1,163.89	-1,163.89	100.00%
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54010.00**Fire Dept. Special Expenses**

Ending Bal	0.00	625.00	-625.00	100.00%
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200 PUBLIC SAFETY

ENDING BAL	0.00	1,788.89	-1,788.89	
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54050.00**Cemetery Expenses**

Ending Bal	0.00	2,160.00	-2,160.00	100.00%
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400 PUBLIC WORKS

ENDING BAL	0.00	2,160.00	-2,160.00	
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4054.00**Historical Commission**

Ending Bal	0.00	10,670.65	-10,670.65	100.00%
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600 CULTURE AND RECREATION

ENDING BAL	0.00	10,670.65	-10,670.65	
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DEPT. 5 EXPENDITURE

ENDING BAL	10,000.00	21,992.80	-11,992.80	
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FUND 18 GIFTS AND DONATIONS

FUND ENDING BAL	10,000.00	21,992.80	-11,992.80	
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219.210.5400.0000 Community Policing Grant Expenses				
	Appropriation	Expended	Available	% Exp
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	0.00	667.00	-667.00	100.00%
DEPT. 210 POLICE				
ENDING BAL	0.00	667.00	-667.00	
FUND 219 COMMUNITY POLICING GRANT ENDING BAL				
	0.00	667.00	-667.00	
230.499.5860.0000 Chapter 90				
Ending Bal	0.00	156,254.40	-156,254.40	100.00%
DEPT. 499 HIGHWAY CH 90				
ENDING BAL	0.00	156,254.40	-156,254.40	
FUND 230 CHAPTER 90				
ENDING BAL	0.00	156,254.40	-156,254.40	
232.422.5400.0000 Mass Works Grant Expenses				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	0.00	1,263,127.31	-1,263,127.31	100.00%
DEPT. 422 HIGHWAY				
ENDING BAL	0.00	1,263,127.31	-1,263,127.31	
FUND 232 MASS WORKS GRANT				
ENDING BAL	0.00	1,263,127.31	-1,263,127.31	
24.122.5100.7024 CARES-25% Salary				
Ending Bal	0.00	986.64	-986.64	100.00%
24.122.5100.7025 FEMA 75% Salary				
Ending Bal	0.00	2,995.89	-2,995.89	100.00%
24.122.5400.7024 CARES-25% Cleaning Supplies				
Ending Bal	0.00	537.25	-537.25	100.00%
24.122.5400.7025 FEMA 75% Cleaning Supplies				
Ending Bal	0.00	1,611.74	-1,611.74	100.00%
24.122.5413.7024 CARES- 25% Signage				
Ending Bal	0.00	434.20	-434.20	100.00%

24.122.5413.7025				
FEMA 75% Signage	Appropriation	Expended	Available	% Exp
Ending Bal	0.00	1,302.53	-1,302.53	100.00%
24.122.5416.7024				
CARES 100% Technology				
Ending Bal	0.00	1,115.26	-1,115.26	100.00%
24.122.5417.7024				
CARES 25% Other				
Ending Bal	0.00	1,097.39	-1,097.39	100.00%
24.122.5417.7025				
FEMA 75% Other				
Ending Bal	0.00	3,292.17	-3,292.17	100.00%
100 GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
ENDING BAL	0.00	13,373.07	-13,373.07	
24.210.5400.7022				
FY21 Justice Assistance Grant				
Ending Bal	0.00	26,218.47	-26,218.47	100.00%
5516.00				
GHSB Grant				
Ending Bal	0.00	185.91	-185.91	100.00%
24.220.5400.7019				
Fire EMPG FY 2019 Expenses				
Ending Bal	0.00	2,438.57	-2,438.57	100.00%
24.220.5400.7020				
Fire EMPG 2020 Expenses				
Ending Bal	0.00	2,500.00	-2,500.00	100.00%
5511.03				
MEMA Grant				
Ending Bal	0.00	-11,557.05	11,557.05	100.00%
200 PUBLIC SAFETY				
ENDING BAL	0.00	19,785.90	-19,785.90	
DEPT. 5 EXPENDITURE				
ENDING BAL	0.00	33,158.97	-33,158.97	
FUND 24 PUBLIC SAFETY GRANTS				
FUND ENDING BAL	0.00	33,158.97	-33,158.97	
249.122.5400.0000				
Green Communities Expenses				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	0.00	4,400.00	-4,400.00	100.00%
DEPT. 122 SELECTBOARD				
ENDING BAL	0.00	4,400.00	-4,400.00	
FUND 249 GREEN COMMUNITIES				
GRANT ENDING BAL	0.00	4,400.00	-4,400.00	

25.192.5400.7021 FY21 Community Compact IT Grant Exp				
	Appropriation	Expended	Available	% Exp
Ending Bal	0.00	3,305.65	-3,305.65	100.00%
100 GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
ENDING BAL	0.00	3,305.65	-3,305.65	
25.210.5400.7018 Police COVID Supp Expenses				
Ending Bal	0.00	12,315.00	-12,315.00	100.00%
200 PUBLIC SAFETY				
ENDING BAL	0.00	12,315.00	-12,315.00	
54302.00 BOH Recycling Grant				
Ending Bal	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%
54302.01 Board of Health Grant Expenses				
Ending Bal	0.00	7,951.58	-7,951.58	100.00%
5514.00 Council on Aging - State				
Ending Bal	0.00	4,733.00	-4,733.00	100.00%
500 HEALTH AND WELFARE				
ENDING BAL	0.00	12,684.58	-12,684.58	
5524.00 Arts Council				
Ending Bal	0.00	2,796.09	-2,796.09	100.00%
600 CULTURE AND RECREATION				
ENDING BAL	0.00	2,796.09	-2,796.09	
DEPT. 5 EXPENDITURE				
ENDING BAL	0.00	31,101.32	-31,101.32	
5650.00 MLP Grant Expenses				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%
DEPT. 650 MUNICIPAL LIGHT PLANT				
ENDING BAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	
FUND 25 GRANTS FUND				
ENDING BAL	0.00	31,101.32	-31,101.32	

5562.00

53E 1/2 Inspec Rev 6000	Appropriation	Expended	Available	% Exp
Ending Bal	10,000.00	3,348.00	6,652.00	33.48%
200 PUBLIC SAFETY ENDING BAL	10,000.00	3,348.00	6,652.00	
DEPT. 5 EXPENDITURE ENDING BAL	10,000.00	3,348.00	6,652.00	
FUND 26 REVOLVING FUND ENDING BAL	10,000.00	3,348.00	6,652.00	

291.510.5100.0000**COVID-19 Wages**

Wages Ending Bal	0.00	1,478.83	-1,478.83	100.00%
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291.510.5400.0000**COVID-19 Expenses**

Operating Expenses Ending Bal	0.00	-385.94	385.94	100.00%
DEPT. 510 BOARD OF HEALTH ENDING BAL	0.00	1,092.89	-1,092.89	
FUND 291 COVID-19 ENDING BAL	0.00	1,092.89	-1,092.89	

292.541.5400.0000**Title III B CARES Act Grant Expense**

Operating Expenses Ending Bal	0.00	3,202.58	-3,202.58	100.00%
DEPT. 541 COUNCIL ON AGING ENDING BAL	0.00	3,202.58	-3,202.58	
FUND 292 TITLE III B CARES ACT FUNDING ENDING BAL	0.00	3,202.58	-3,202.58	

62-5940.00**Transfer to General Fund**

Interfund Transfers Ending Bal	65,000.00	65,000.00	0.00	100.00%
DEPT. 450 WATER ENDING BAL	65,000.00	65,000.00	0.00	

70100.00**Water Department**

Ending Bal	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%
400 PUBLIC WORKS ENDING BAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	
DEPT. 500 EXPENSE ENDING BAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	
FUND 62 WATER FUND ENDING BAL	65,000.00	65,000.00	0.00	

650.465.5100.0000				
MLP Wages	Appropriation	Expended	Available	% Exp
Wages Ending Bal	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%
650.465.5200.0000				
MLP Contract Expenses				
Purchased Services Ending Bal	0.00	7,851.14	-7,851.14	100.00%
650.465.5400.0000				
MLP Operating Expenses				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	0.00	22,979.13	-22,979.13	100.00%
650.465.5800.0000				
MLP Capital Expenses				
Capital Ending Bal	0.00	446,603.58	-446,603.58	100.00%
DEPT. 465 MLP				
ENDING BAL	0.00	477,433.85	-477,433.85	
FUND 650 MUNICIPAL LIGHT				
PLANT ENDING BAL	0.00	477,433.85	-477,433.85	
680.465.5400.0000				
MLP Expenses account				
Operating Expenses Ending Bal	0.00	188,318.60	-188,318.60	100.00%
DEPT. 465 MLP				
ENDING BAL	0.00	188,318.60	-188,318.60	
FUND 680 MLP BROAD BAND				
ENDING BAL	0.00	188,318.60	-188,318.60	
54210.00				
FID State Portion				
Ending Bal	0.00	1,725.00	-1,725.00	100.00%
200 PUBLIC SAFETY				
ENDING BAL	0.00	1,725.00	-1,725.00	
DEPT. 5 EXPENDITURE				
ENDING BAL	0.00	1,725.00	-1,725.00	
FUND 89 AGENCY FUNDS				
ENDING BAL	0.00	1,725.00	-1,725.00	
893.210.5130.0000				
Police Outside Detail Wages				
Overtime Ending Bal	0.00	76,253.00	-76,253.00	100.00%
DEPT. 210 POLICE				
ENDING BAL	0.00	76,253.00	-76,253.00	
FUND 893 POLICE OUTSIDE DETAIL				
ENDING BAL	0.00	76,253.00	-76,253.00	
GRAND TOTAL	2,706,390.74	4,864,826.13	-2,158,435.39	179.75%

2021 Revenue Report 07/01/2020 to 06/30/2021

Account	Actual Revenue
001.100.4110.2020 Personal Property Taxes FY 2020	\$ 73.93
001.100.4110.2021 Personal Property Taxes FY 2021	69,599.86
001.100.4120.2018 Real Estate Taxes FY 2018	2,522.31
001.100.4120.2019 Real Estate Taxes FY 2019	947.40
001.100.4120.2020 Real Estate Taxes FY 2020	21,628.81
001.100.4120.2021 Real Estate Taxes FY 2021	1,840,917.73
001.100.4150.2013 1. MVE Taxes Rev FY 2013	36.25
001.100.4150.2014 1. MVE Taxes Rev FY 2014	36.25
001.100.4150.2015 1. MVE Taxes Rev FY 2015	11.88
001.100.4150.2016 1. MVE Taxes Rev FY 2016	47.50
001.100.4150.2017 1. MVE Taxes Rev FY 2017	85.00
001.100.4150.2018 1. MVE Taxes Rev FY 2018	-182.60
001.100.4150.2019 1. MVE Taxes Rev FY 2019	3,380.96
001.100.4150.2020 1. MVE Taxes Rev FY 2020	24,437.52
001.100.4150.2021 1. MVE Taxes Rev FY 2021	96,852.25
001.100.4170.0000 3. Interest on Taxes	3,908.53
001.100.4172.0000 3. Interest on MVE	2,082.63
001.100.4175.0000 3. RMV Marking Fees	340.00
001.100.4683.0000 State Owned Land	58,206.00
001.100.4684.0000 Elderly Abatements	1,004.00
001.100.4685.0000 Unrestricted Local Aid	88,584.00
001.100.4770.0000 19. Court Fines	228.44
001.100.4820.0000 20. Earnings on Investments	1,902.04
001.100.4844.0000 22. Miscellaneous Receipts	639.42
001.100.4970.0000 Transfer from Special Revenue	68,000.00
001.122.4410.0000 17. Liquor Licenses	600.00
001.122.4425.0000 17. Selectboard Licenses	40.00
001.100.4450.0000 17. Trailer Permits	\$ 360.00

2021 Revenue Report 07/01/2020 to 06/30/2021 (continued)

Account		Actual Revenue
001.146.4320.0000	10. Municipal Lien Certificates	\$ 1,275.00
001.161.4420.0000	10. Dog Licenses	752.00
001.176.4450.0000	17. Zoning Board Permits	300.00
001.210.4840.0000	10. Police Admin Charges and Fees	22,165.59
001.220.4450.0000	17. Fire Dept Permits	75.00
001.241.4450.0000	17. Bldg Inspector Permits	8,196.91
001.300.4625.0000	Chapter 70	72,174.00
001.430.4240.0000	8. Garbage Trash/Open Box	4,428.00
001.510.4320.0000	10. BOH Inspections	980.00
001.510.4370.0000	17. BOH Permits	21,024.30
001.510.4371.0000	8. BOH Transfer Stickers	15,694.00
001.543.4660.0000	Veteran's Benefit Reimbursement	10,203.00
Dept. 0000 General Ending Bal		383,162.86
Fund 001 General Fund Ending Bal		2,441,663.11
Grand Total		\$ 2,441,663.11

Town of Cummington - Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups as of June 30, 2021 (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	293,690.75	1,048,805.66	244,155.10			2,029,807.17			3,616,458.68
Investments									0.00
Receivables:									
Personal property taxes	26,444.74								26,444.74
Real estate taxes	144,244.60								144,244.60
Allowance for abatements and exemptions	(39,578.97)								(39,578.97)
Tax liens	30,152.26								30,152.26
Deferred taxes									0.00
Motor vehicle excise	20,929.71								20,929.71
Other excises									0.00
User fees		9,592.01							9,592.01
Utility liens added to taxes									0.00
Departmental									0.00
Special assessments									0.00
Due from other governments									0.00
Other receivables		10,587.65							10,587.65
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							2,713,130.37		2,713,130.37
Amounts to be provided - vacation/sick leave									0.00
Total Assets	480,160.41	1,068,985.32	244,155.10	0.00	0.00	2,029,807.17	2,713,130.37		6,536,238.37

Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups as of June 30, 2021 (Unaudited, continued)

	Governmental Fund Types			Proprietary 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										
Liabilities:										
Warrants payable										0.00
Accounts payable										0.00
Accrued payroll										0.00
Withholdings	(1,722.78)									(1,722.78)
Accrued claims payable										0.00
Due to/from other funds										0.00
Due to other governments										0.00
Other liabilities	4,371.31									4,371.31
Deferred revenue:										
Real and personal property taxes	131,110.37									131,110.37
Tax liens	30,152.26									30,152.26
Deferred taxes										0.00
Foreclosures/Possessions	4,277.32									4,277.32
Motor vehicle excise	20,798.58									20,798.58
Other excises										0.00
User fees		9,592.01								9,592.01
Utility liens added to taxes										0.00
Departmental										0.00
Special assessments										0.00
Due from other governments										0.00
Other receivables		10,587.65								10,587.65
Deposits receivable										0.00
Prepaid taxes/fees										0.00
Tailings										0.00
IBNR										0.00
Agency Funds						18,024.64				18,024.64

Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups as of June 30, 2021 (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 FUNDEQUITY									
Notes payable			222,000.00					222,000.00	
Bonds payable							2,713,130.37	2,713,130.37	
Vacation and sick leave liability								0.00	
Total Liabilities	188,987.06	20,179.66	222,000.00	0.00	0.00	18,024.64	2,713,130.37	3,162,321.73	
Fund Equity:									
Reserved for encumbrances	1,611.90							1,611.90	
Reserved for continuing appropriations	53,708.58	1,048,805.66				2,011,782.53		3,114,296.77	
Reserved for expenditures	10,000.00							10,000.00	
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	225,752.87		22,155.10					247,907.97	
Unreserved retained earnings								0.00	
Investment in capital assets								0.00	
Total Fund Equity	291,173.35	1,048,805.66	22,155.10	0.00	0.00	2,011,782.53	0.00	3,373,916.64	
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	480,160.41	1,068,985.32	244,155.10	0.00	0.00	2,029,807.17	2,713,130.37	6,536,238.37	
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									
AGREES TO THE BALANCE SHEET	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
PROOF RECEIVABLES DETAIL									
AGREES TO THE BALANCE SHEET	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00				

Special Revenue Fund Balance Detail ***as of June 30, 2021 (Unaudited)***

Fund Number	Fund Name	Accounts Receivable	Deferred Revenue	Fund Balance 6/30/2021	Receipts thru 9/30/2021	BAN's	Remaining Deficit 6/30/2021
184005 / 171	250th Celebration			4,006.52			0.00
183025	Family Center Gifts			11,634.19			0.00
183402	Community House			17,445.67			0.00
183401 / 173	Library Gifts			2,957.60			0.00
183404	Library Special			3,845.64			0.00
183405 / 175	Cemetery Gifts & Donation			6,303.48			0.00
183409	Police Gifts			18,981.82			0.00
183410	Fire Department Special			6,677.02			0.00
183403.01	Community House Floors			626.74			0.00
183414	Library Bldg Fund			436.00			0.00
183415	Ann Sears Memorial			1,000.00			0.00
183416	Piano Tuning Gift			1,104.06			0.00
183417	Fowler Gift			10,944.53			0.00
183420	Town Clock			500.00			0.00
183424	Helen Munich Gift			119,122.37			0.00
183426	Family Center -berkshire Taconic			904.45			0.00
183429	Madelyn Orcutt Gift			452.33			0.00
183472 / 186	COA Memorial Gift			1,190.05			0.00
1834054 / 187	Historic Commission			15,563.54			0.00

Special Revenue Fund Balance Detail as of June 30, 2021 (Unaudited, continued)

Fund Number	Fund Name	Accounts Receivable	Deferred Revenue	Fund Balance 6/30/2021	Receipts thru 9/30/2021	BAN's	Remaining Deficit 6/30/2021
1837023	Petingill Memorial Field Gift			12,959.16			0.00
232.004	Mass Works Grant			(0.31)			(0.31)
243012	Fire Safe Grant			293.57			0.00
243012.01	Emergency Management Grant			2,566.25			0.00
2434007	Traffic Enf/Equip			2,450.00			0.00
2434011	Fire Dept SAD			1,691.77			0.00
2434013	Fire Safety Grant			407.76			0.00
2435511 / 211	State Emergency Management			10,504.57			0.00
2435510	Triad			1,040.17			0.00
2435516	GHSB Grant			5,551.47			0.00
2435517 / 219	Community Policing			1,164.88			0.00
2435518	Police Opiod Task Grant			19.13			0.00
2437019	Fire EMPG 19			0.00			0.00
2437020	Fire EMPG 20			0.00			0.00
2437022	Justice Assistance			0.00			0.00
2435521 & 220	Bullet Proof Vest Grant			1,560.00			0.00
249.004	Green Communities			0.00			0.00
2437024	Cares - 25%			15,529.26			0.00
2437025	FEMA - 75% COVID-19			(9,202.33)			(9,202.33)
2534197	Solarize MASS Grant Clean Energy			371.32			0.00
2534302.01	BOH Grant - Recycling			2.12			0.00

Special Revenue Fund Balance Detail as of June 30, 2021 (Unaudited, continued)

Fund Number	Fund Name	Accounts Receivable	Deferred Revenue	Fund Balance 6/30/2021	Receipts thru 9/30/2021	BAN's	Remaining Deficit 6/30/2021
256500	MLP Grant			237,869.95			0.00
251.004	MLP Grant			28,384.10			0.00
253513	COA HV			0.00			0.00
2535514 / 252	COA State			7,806.34			0.00
2535524	Cultural Council			423.00			0.00
2534008	Elections & Registration			2,021.51			0.00
2534031	H1N1 Grant			296.73			0.00
2534302.01	BOH Grant			4,558.38			0.00
2535501	December 08 Ice Storm			1,381.00			0.00
2535508	Right to Know Grant			57.00			0.00
2535522	State Aid to Library			14,673.26			0.00
255526	Comm Develop Grant			644.00			0.00
2537014	MA Rehab Program			18,667.69			0.00
2537016	MA Rehab Program Town			62,821.62			0.00
2537017	Technology Grant			5,322.79			0.00
2537018	Police Covid Supplemental			0.00			0.00
2537021	Community Compact IT Grant			66,325.35			0.00
2537026	ARPA			45,740.16			0.00
2635197	Solar Array Installation			2,687.50			0.00
2635540 / 150	Recreation Revolving			11,904.78			0.00
2635546	Con Comm Revolving			4,692.96			0.00

Town of Cummington - Special Revenue Fund Balance Detail as of June 30, 2021 (Unaudited, continued)

Fund Number	Fund Name	Accounts Receivable	Deferred Revenue	Fund Balance 6/30/2021	Receipts thru 9/30/2021	BAN's	Remaining Deficit 6/30/2021
2635562	Inspectors Revolving			748.05			0.00
291.004	COVID-19			1,110.13			0.00
61	Septic Fund	10,587.65	10,587.65	106,901.65			0.00
610	Septic Fund- Loan			1,170.40			
62	Water Fund	9,592.01	9,592.01	151,992.51			0.00
Total Special Revenue Fund Balance		20,179.66	20,179.66	1,048,805.66	0.00	0.00	(9,202.64)

***Capital Project Fund Balance Detail
as of June 30, 2021 (Unaudited)***

Fund Number	Fund Name	Accounts Receivable	Deferred Revenue	Fund Balance 6/30/2021	Receipts thru 9/30/2021	BAN's	Remaining Deficit 6/30/2021
230	Chapter 90			10,953.88			0.00
300	Public Safety Complex			2,437.55			0.00
300	School Roof			(212,972.35)		222,000.00	0.00
221	MED Capital Project			650.00			0.00
231	Stage Road Culvert			0.00			0.00
650.004/ 680.004	MLP and MLP Operating			221,086.02			0.00
Total Capital Projects Fund Balance		0.00	0.00	22,155.10	0.00	222,000.00	0.00

Trust Fund Balance Detail *as of June 30, 2021 (Unaudited)*

Fund Number	Fund Name	Accounts Receivable	Deferred Revenue	Fund Balance 6/30/2021	Receipts thru 9/30/2021	BAN's	Remaining Deficit 6/30/2021
600020	Stabilization Trust			755,429.16			0.00
600021	Compensated Absences			6,000.00			0.00
600024	Cemetery Trust			40,855.68			0.00
600026	Community House			2,601.76			0.00
600027	Community House Stock			180,073.04			0.00
600028	Historical			763,456.49			0.00
600030	Library			3,633.48			0.00
600031	Library Building Fund			4,490.87			0.00
600032	Whiting Street Charity			20,374.52			0.00
600034	N.F. Orcutt Charity Fund			20,857.31			0.00
858.004	N.F. Orcutt Charity Fund			2.48			0.00
600036	School Trust			25,266.78			0.00
600038	Town Clock			390.52			0.00
600040	Madelyn Orcutt Fund			41,485.44			0.00
850.004	Stabilization			146,865.00	902,294.16		0.00
Total Expendable Trust Fund Balance		0.00	0.00	2,011,782.53	902,294.16	0.00	0.00

Town Treasurer's Report - Bank Accounts - FYE 2021

Bank	Balance 7/1/20	Balance 6/30/21
ADAMS COMMUNITY BANK		
Cemetery Trust Funds	\$ 30,744.07	\$ 31,027.39
Charitable Trust Funds	66,870.02	66,477.32
Town Clock Fund	386.92	390.50
General Fund - Checking	1,000,047.86	4,818.19
UNIBANK		
Stabilization	200,353.55	200,466.73
Community House Trust	2,600.30	2,601.76
Library Trust	3,630.30	3,632.33
Library Building Fund	4,489.50	4,492.02
Madelyn Orcutt Fund	4,364.60	4,367.11
Arts Council Grant	6,765.06	6,768.89
Rehab Town Program Income Acct	86,201.75	86,250.44
Helen Muchnic Trust	124,052.30	124,122.37
Online Collections - General Fund	175,890.55	110,649.82
Deputy Collector	3,198.50	16,130.71
EASTHAMPTON SAVINGS BANK		
Stabilization	703,626.70	542,932.87
General Fund - Vendor Checking	1,024,480.35	942,082.07
General Fund - Payroll		40,932.82
Municipal Light Plant - Grant	107,213.96	
Celebration		2,006.68
Municipal Light Plant Broadband Recpts		210,695.33
PEOPLE'S UNITED BANK		
Septic System Repair Program	104,668.33	104,650.15
General Fund	41,332.36	41,434.08
BERKSHIRE BANK		
Money Mkt/Pub Safety Complex	100.65	100.65
BARTHOLOMEW & COMPANY		
Community House Trust**	92,000.00	182,362.19
M. Orcutt Fund**	50,183.45	55,402.14
HISTORICAL COMMISSION FUNDS		
Investors Capital	592,784.72	742,907.31
DEPOSITS IN TRANSIT	0.00	0.00
CHECKS OUTSTANDING	(230,664.28)	(120,494.53)
PETTY CASH	100.00	100.00
TOTAL FUNDS	\$ 4,195,421.52	\$ 3,407,307.34

**Funds Invested: At Market total for both trusts as of June 30, 2021 is \$237,764.33.

Commissioners of Trust Funds - July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

	Principal	Balance 07/1/2020	Interest	Add (Withdrawal)	Balance 6/30/2021	Available
BRYANT CEMETERY						
Mary Tower	\$ 297.00	\$ 1,203.62	\$ 11.10	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,214.72	\$ 917.72
Bartlett	107.50	426.63	3.93	0.00	430.56	323.06
Brewster	100.00	370.60	3.38	0.00	373.98	273.98
Donated	775.00	1,844.43	17.01	0.00	1,861.44	1,086.44
Subtotal Bryant Cemetery	1,279.50	3,845.28	35.42	0.00	3,880.70	2,601.20
DAWES CEMETERY						
Whitmarsh	100.00	477.71	4.42	0.00	482.13	382.13
Pratt	50.00	308.07	2.81	0.00	310.88	260.88
Thayer-Gurney	200.00	1,089.52	10.03	0.00	1,099.55	899.55
C.J. Thayer	1,000.00	2,566.92	23.66	0.00	2,590.58	1,590.58
Donated	5,650.00	12,147.76	111.99	0.00	12,259.75	6,609.75
Subtotal Dawes Cemetery	7,000.00	16,589.98	152.91	0.00	16,742.89	9,742.89
GURNEY CEMETERY						
Donated	400.00	2,116.16	19.51	0.00	2,135.67	1,735.67
HARLOW CEMETERY						
Packard	107.50	378.87	3.48	0.00	382.35	274.85
Donated	750.00	1,388.55	12.80	0.00	1,401.35	651.35
Subtotal Harlow Cemetery	857.50	1,767.42	16.28	0.00	1,783.70	926.20
STREETER CEMETERY						
Donated	244.20	522.71	4.81	0.00	527.52	283.32

Commissioners of Trust Funds - July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021 (continued)

	Principal	Balance 07/1/2020	Interest	Add (Withdrawal)	Balance 6/30/2021	Available
VILLAGE CEMETERY						
Adams	100.00	352.59	3.24	0.00	355.83	255.83
Bates	100.00	352.00	3.23	0.00	355.23	255.23
Donated	674.39	2,029.33	18.70	0.00	2,048.03	1,373.64
Subtotal Village Cemetery	874.39	2,733.92	25.17	0.00	2,759.09	1,884.70
GENERAL CEMETERY						
Donated	5,680.00	3,168.60	29.21	0.00	3,197.81	(2,482.19)
TOTAL CEMETERY	\$ 16,335.59	\$ 30,744.07	\$ 283.31	\$ -	\$ 31,027.38	\$ 14,691.79
<i>Withdrawals are for care of cemeteries offset by donations.</i>						
CHARITABLE FUNDS						
N.F. Orcutt	\$ 2,254.63	\$ 20,645.67	\$ 190.35	\$ 0.00	\$ 20,836.02	\$ 18,581.39
Whiting Street	2,071.27	20,188.42	186.11	0.00	20,374.53	18,303.26
Subtotal Charitable Funds	4,325.90	40,834.09	376.46	0.00	41,210.55	36,884.65
EDUCATION FUND						
O. H. Warner	1,221.89	25,035.93	230.85	0.00	25,266.78	24,044.89
TOWN CLOCK FUND						
E. S. Pettingill	200.00	386.92	3.58	0.00	390.50	190.50
TOTAL TRUST FUNDS	\$ 22,083.38	\$ 97,001.01	\$ 894.20	\$ -	\$ 97,895.21	\$ 75,811.83

Town Bonds - Debt Service FY 2021

Bonds Description	Date & Issue	Outstanding 07/01/2020	New Debt Issued	Principal Paid	Principal Balance 06/30/2021	Interest Paid in FY 2021
VILLAGE WATER						
FmHA@6.50% 38-yr debt final payment 11-2023	11/23/1987	\$ 68,983.90	\$ 0.00	\$ 9,797.45	\$ 59,186.45	\$ 4,483.95
VILLAGE WATER						
FmHA@6.125% 40-yr debt final payment 6-2028	6/28/1985	46,561.71	0.00	4,711.09	41,850.62	2,851.91
PUBLIC SAFETY COMPLEX						
USDA@4.5% 38-yr debt final payment est	7/15/2009	877,365.30	0.00	38,272.00	839,093.30	39,302.00
SCHOOL ROOF						
ESB rate set annually BAN expected 10-year term	7/16/2018	250,000.00	0.00	28,000.00	222,000.00	5,000.00
HIGHWAY TRUCK LOAN						
ESB@32% 5-Year Serial	3/9/2018	72,000.00	0.00	24,000.00	48,000.00	2,304.00
BROADBAND						
Adams Comm Bank @ 3.25% 15-Year Serial	10/1/2019	1,400,000.00	0.00	75,000.00	1,325,000.00	45,500.00
HWY Rte. 112 (Mass Works Grant)						
Adams Comm Bank @ 1.255 SAAN paid off on project close out	6/26/2020	1,000,000.00	0.00	1,000,000.00	0.00	5,993.15
HWY Rte.112 (Mass Works Grant)						
Adams Comm Bank@ 1.255 SAAN paid off on project close out	6/26/2020	0.00	263,127.00	263.13	0.00	822.27
TOTALS		\$ 3,714,910.91	\$ 263,127.00	\$ 1,180,043.67	\$ 2,535,130.37	\$ 106,257.28

Tax Collector - as of June 30, 2021

Year of Tax	Type	Committed & Balanced	Tax Paid	Abate/ Exempt	Refunds	Tax Title	Balance Due
2011	Motor Vehicle	\$ 239.69	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 239.69
2011	Personal Prop	109.56					109.56
2012	Motor Vehicle	631.98					631.98
2012	Personal Prop	97.59					97.59
2013	Motor Vehicle	147.50	36.25				111.25
2013	Personal Prop	478.79					478.79
2014	Motor Vehicle	461.46	36.25				425.21
2014	Personal Prop	507.89					507.89
2015	Motor Vehicle	63.13	11.88				51.25
2015	Personal Prop	503.24					503.24
2016	Motor Vehicle	329.17	47.50				281.67
2016	Personal Prop	524.96					524.96
2017	Motor Vehicle	902.82	85.00				845.32
2017	Personal Prop	419.40					419.40
2018	Motor Vehicle	881.57	237.92	52.08			881.57
2018	Personal Prop	463.13					463.13
2018	Real Estate	7,183.45	2,522.31				4,661.14
2019	Motor Vehicle	5,029.63	3,575.25	27.92			1,604.19
2019	Personal Prop	557.16					557.16
2019	Real Estate	22,743.96	46.82		994.22		23,691.36
2020	Motor Vehicle	30,490.03	25,177.14	1,015.38	847.30		5,144.81
2020	Personal Prop	11,382.38	73.93				11,308.45
2020	Real Estate	84,550.60	30,563.30	0.00	7,537.86		41,684.24
2021	Motor Vehicle	108,822.94	98,034.44	1,296.12	1,182.19		10,674.57
2021	Personal Prop	81,195.85	69,599.86	0.00	0.00		11,595.99
2021	Real Estate	1,926,445.89	1,845,097.98	10,477.66	4,180.25		75,050.50
All	Water	107,141.79	97,549.78				9,592.01
TOTALS		\$ 2,372,305.56	\$ 2,172,695.61	\$ 12,869.16	\$ 14,741.82	\$ 0.00	\$ 202,136.92

Report of Vital Statistics for the Town of Cummington

July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021

BIRTHS

July 4, 2020	Hazel Victoria Shaw, daughter of Stephen Michael Shaw and Connie Vann Shaw, at Pittsfield, MA
August 4, 2020	Haisley Rose Dibrindisi, daughter of Elizabeth Christina Lashway, at Greenfield, MA
August 23, 2020	Paisley Jane Noel, daughter of Jesse Lee Noel and Rebecca Anne Noel, at Springfield, MA
August 29, 2020	Raelynn Marie Lovern, daughter of Christopher Michael Lovern and Ashley Nicole Lovern, at Pittsfield, MA
February 16, 2021	Sofia Lorraine Marciano, daughter of Andrew Douglas Marciano and Kelsey Anne Bourdon, at Greenfield, MA
March 25, 2021	Violet Rose Ouimet, daughter of Owen Louis Ouimet and Liza Jean Powers, at Northampton, MA
April 2, 2021	Silas Gordon Loux, son of Nathan Paul Loux and Emily Lynn Loux, at Northampton, MA
June 30, 2021	Jakob Burke Loux, son of Aaron Mathieu Loux and Lindsey Katherine Burke. at Springfield, MA

MARRIAGES

- August 1, 2020 Victor Mark Morrill and Karen Johanna Westergaard,
both of Cummington, MA,
at 17 Pleasant Street, Cummington, MA,
by Justice of the Peace, Paul F. Gariepy
- September 26, 2020 Nathan Keith Buckhout and Mackenzie Starr Pierce,
both of Cummington, MA,
at 16 Jordan Road, Cummington, MA,
by Solemnizer, Elizabeth C. Ouimette
- March 10, 2021 Troy Jacob Sewell and Natasha Jean Jacobs,
both of Chesterfield, MA,
at 89 Bryant Street, Chesterfield, MA,
by Solemnizer, Sofia Adele Frydman
- May 8, 2021 Antoni Joseph Sakowicz and Catherine Elizabeth Sakowicz,
both of Cummington, MA,
at 605 Berkshire Trail, Cummington, MA,
by Solemnizer, Nye Moon Winston-Corradino

DEATHS

- October 27, 2020 David Fairweather Robb Jr., age 72,
of 61 Nash Road, at Northampton, MA
- January 16, 2021 John Porter Northington, age 63,
of 26 N Moore Street #7, New York, NY, at Cummington, MA
- March 9, 2021 Jane Emerson, age 96,
of 32 W Main Street, at Pittsfield, MA
- March 26, 2021 Peter G. Cerreta, age 80,
of 3 High Street, Williamsburg, MA at Cummington, MA

State Primary Results

September 1, 2020

368 voted, out of 673 voters in Cummington.

Senator in Congress

Democrat	Edward J Markey	231
Democrat	Joseph P. Kennedy, III	92
Republican	Shiva Ayyadurai	22
Republican	Kevin J. O'Connor	20

Representative in Congress

Democrat	Richard E. Neal	124
Democrat	Alex B. Morse	197

Councillor

Democrat	Mary E. Hurley	275
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Senator in General Court

Democrat	Adam G. Hinds	289
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Representative in General Court

Democrat	Natalie M. Blais	288
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Register of Probate

Democrat	Michael J. Carey	275
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Special Town Meeting Minutes - October 22, 2020

This Special Town Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Moderator Joshua Wachtel at the Community House on Main Street with a quorum (according to COVID-19 Guidelines), 14 registered voters present. With the absence of Town Clerk Donna Jordon and Assistant Town Clerk Brenda Emerson-Camp, a motion to elect & voted unanimously for Monica Vandoloski acting Town Clerk for the Meeting.

Article 1: Motion made, seconded and voted unanimously to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$100,000.00 to the Stabilization Account.

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

Attest:

Monica M. Vandoloski
Acting Town Clerk
October 23, 2020

Town of Cummington Annual Town Meeting

May 7, 2021

The Town meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Moderator Joshua Wachtel at the Community House on Main Street. Nineteen registered voters present and one non-resident. The warrant was properly returned.

Article 1: was read aloud by moderator. There was a motion made, seconded to adjourn Annual Town Meeting to date certain which is June 4, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. at Pettingill Memorial Field on Main Street, Cummington. Vote was unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:02.

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

Attest:



Brenda Emerson-Camp
Cummington Assistant Town Clerk
May 10, 2021

Annual Town Election Results - May 10, 2021

Selectman for three years		Trustee Bryant Library for five years	
Brian Joseph Gilman	66	Wynne Menna Busby	69
Holly Dextraze (write-in)	1	Blanks	7
Blanks	9		
Assessor for three years		Finance Committee	
Mark G. Bevan	69	two for three years	
Blanks	7	Scott B. Keith	72
		Maureen L. Tumenas	69
Moderator for one year		Blanks	14
Joshua Wachtel	54		
Donna Forgea (write-in)	5	Board of Health for three years	
Blanks	12	John G. Earls	66
		Blanks	10
Vocational School Committee for three years		Planning Board for one year	
Sharon Strong Cunningham	72	James Oswald Wettreau	65
Blanks	4	Blanks	11
Almoner of Charitable Funds for three years		Planning Board for five years	
Joyce A. Wiernasz	65	Dennis P. Carr	60
Blanks	11	Blanks	16
Commissioner of Trust Funds for three years		Recreation Committee	
Amanda J. Savoie	62	three for three years	
Blanks	14	Donna I. Forgea	44
		Amy G. Grallert	72
Water Commissioner for three years		Laurie A. Freitag	60
Tomasz Jaracz	64	Joshua Wachtel	39
Blanks	12	Blanks	14
		Municipal Light Plant Board	
		two for three years	
		Allan J. Douglas	67
		Maureen L. Tumenas	67
		Blanks	18

Such are the results of this Annual Town Election.

Attest:



Brenda Emerson-Camp, Assistant Town Clerk

May 24, 2021

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.

Town of Cummington Annual Town Meeting

Friday, June 4, 2021

The Annual Town Meeting was called to order by Moderator Joshua Wachtel at 7:00 p.m. at the Pettingill Memorial Park, at 14 Main Street, with over the required town quorum. Present total was 44 registered residents, 4 unregistered residents, and 5 non-residents. This was the second year to have an outside Annual Town Meeting in the Town of Cummington.

Joshua opened with introducing Elliot Ring, Chairman of Council on Aging Board of Directors. He introduced Millie Stevens. Millie is the oldest citizen in the Town of Cummington. With a standing ovation, she received the Golden Head Cane award.

There was a second introduction and ovation, Massachusetts State Representative Natalie Blais was there to honor Monica Vandoloski, with the Commonwealth of Western Massachusetts certificate. Monica has served 25 years of service as a selectman. Monica was the first woman in Cummington elected in 1979 to be on the Selectboard.

Before continuing with the articles, Monica Vandoloski made an announcement that the 2019 Town Report, complete with pictures, was dedicated to: Bernard Forgea, 36 years as Fire Chief and over forty years a firefighter; Russell L. Sears, III (Kip) with 26 years as Selectman, Finance Committee member, CBRSD School Committee member for a total of 40 plus years; and Susan L. Warriner, our retired Tax Collector/Treasurer for over 21 years. This comes to more than 100 years of service to the Town of Cummington. Bernie was also the first Emergency Medical Technician for the Town of Cummington serving on the Cummington Fire Association Ambulance. That is unselfish giving to help the Town of Cummington run smoothly. That is what we call true volunteers.

Article 1: Motion was made, seconded, and vote unanimously to fix the salaries and compensation of all **Elected Officials** of the Town for Fiscal 2022, as provided in Section 108 of Chapter 41 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as follows:

Selectboard, Chair	\$ 1,500.00
Selectmen 2	1,300.00
Selectmen 3	1,300.00
Assessor, Chair	1,200.00
Assessor	1,100.00
Assessor 3	1,100.00
Town Clerk	8,000.00

Moderator	100.00
Tree Warden	50.00
Board of Health, Chair	1,000.00
Board of Health 2	500.00
Board of Health 3	500.00
Vocational School Committee, Chair	40.00
Vocational School Committee 2	15.00
Vocational School Committee 3	15.00
Water Commissioner, Chair	500.00
Water Commissioner, 2	300.00
Water Commissioner, 3	300.00
TOTAL:	\$ 18,820.00
Constable	\$ 17.00/hr.
Mileage reimbursement for Town Officials	50 cents/mile

Article 2: Motion was made, seconded, and voted unanimously to Raise and Appropriate the following amounts for the **General Government Accounts:**

Official Salaries	\$ 18,820.00
Administration General	5,500.00
Administration Various Officials	800.00
Town Counsel	10,000.00
Administration Selectboard	17,200.00
Administration Finance Committee	150.00
Accountant Salary	20,000.00
Administrative Accountant	5,300.00
Administrative Assessors	4,710.00
Assessor's Clerk	11,300.00
Assessor's Consultant	7,200.00
Assessor Tax Maps	2,400.00
Treasurer Salary	15,000.00
Administration Treasurer	6,400.00
Tax Collector Salary	12,500.00
Administration Tax Collector	9,750.00
Tax Title Expense	5,000.00
Administration Town Clerk	1,000.00
Assistant Town Clerk Salary	7,280.00

Election & Registration Salaries	732.00
Election & Registration	0.00
Election & Registration Expense	295.00
Conservation Commission	300.00
Planning Board Expense	1,400.00
Zoning Board of Appeals	500.00
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTS:	\$ 163,537.00

Article 3: Motion was made, seconded, and voted unanimously to Raise and Appropriate the following sums to the following **Highway Department Accounts:**

Highway Garage	\$ 12,500.00
Highway Administration	1,000.00
Highway General	110,000.00
Highway Tool & Machinery	70,000.00
Highway Vac., Holiday, Sick & Personal	32,749.00
Highway Salaries	181,971.00
Highway Overtime	19,914.00
Winter Roads	80,000.00
TOTAL HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS:	\$ 508,134.00

Article 4: Motion was made, seconded, put on hold so that we could hear from the CBRSD personnel in attendance. Todd Emerson (our CBRSD representative) introduced: Leslie Blake-Davis, Superintendent, who spoke a few words and how children and staff were coping during COVID. A motion was made, seconded, and voted unanimously to Raise and Appropriate the following **Schools & Libraries Accounts:**

CBRSD Operating Expense	\$ 637,945.00
CBRSD Capital Expense	42,389.00
CBRSD Transportation	13,718.00
Vocational Tuition	93,395.00
Vocational Transportation	45,069.00
Library Appropriation	7,990.00
TOTAL SCHOOLS & LIBRARIES:	\$ 840,506.00

Article 5: Motion was made, seconded, and voted unanimously to Raise and Appropriate the sum of **\$24,356.00** to the **Veterans Account.**

Article 6: Chief Michael Perkins was called upon to explain about the new training that is required with the new Police Reform signed by the Governor effective July 1, 2021. The training required is free but we need to pay officers for their time. Mike went into some detail explaining the Police Reform. A motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to Raise and Appropriate **\$157,185.00** for **Protection of Persons and Property Accounts:**

Police Department	\$ 14,000.00
Police Department Salaries	20,000.00
Police Chief Stipend	15,000.00
Police Training	7,000.00
Police Bridge Program	13,000.00
F.D./Forest Warden	22,539.00
Fire Chief Stipend	12,000.00
Firefighter Stipend	9,000.00
Building Inspector	10,500.00
Building Inspector Administration	500.00
Safety Complex	17,500.00
Emergency Management Stipend	5,000.00
Emergency Management	1,446.00
Animal Control Officer Expenses	1,000.00
Animal Control Salary	2,700.00
Tree Account	6,000.00

TOTAL PROTECTION OF

PERSONS & PROPERTY ACCOUNT

\$ 157,185.00

Article 7: Motion was Made, seconded and voted unanimously to transfer **\$65,000.00** from **Water Revenue** to the **Water Operating** and **Water Stipend/Wage Account** and to Raise and Appropriate the following amounts to **Health and Sanitation Accounts:**

Water Operating	\$ 53,000.00
Water Stipend/Wages	12,000.00
Fire Hydrant Assessment	9,500.00
Board of Health Operating	59,200.00
Board of Health Wages	21,200.00
Highland Ambulance	46,429.00

TOTAL HEALTH & SANITATION

\$ 201,329.00

Article 8: Motion was made, seconded voted unanimously to Raise and Appropriate the following amounts to the **DEBT and INTEREST ACCOUNTS:**

Safety Complex Loan	\$ 39,807.00
Safety Complex Loan Interest	37,768.00
Highway Truck Loan	24,000.00
Highway Truck Loan Interest	1,536.00
School Roof Loan	32,000.00
School Roof Loan Interest	2,442.00
Broadband Loan	80,000.00
Broadband Loan Interest	43,063.00
Interest & Loans	5,000.00
TOTAL DEBT & INTEREST	\$ 265,616.00

Article 9: Motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to Raise and Appropriate the following amounts to the **Unclassified Accounts:**

Insurance and Bonds	\$ 45,000.00
Transfer from Historical Commission	3,000.00
Lawn Mowing	6,000.00
Community House	17,000.00
Phone/Internet	14,000.00
Information Technology (IT)	12,937.00
Town Reports	3,400.00
Council on Aging	2,000.00
Council On Aging Wages	3,360.00
Cummington Recreation	4,000.00
Contributory Retirement	71,598.00
Council of Government – FRCOG	3,000.00
Unemployment Compensation	12,800.00
Medical Insurance	35,200.00
Medicare & Social Sec.	18,700.00
Audit	8,000.00
Lower Pioneer Valley Planning Commission	152.00
Reserve Fund	6,000.00
Berkshire Trail School Building	40,000.00
Animal Inspector	500.00
Cemetery Maintenance	8,000.00
TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED ACCOUNTS	\$ 314,647.00

- Article 10:** Motion made, seconded and voted unanimously to set the cap of **\$10,000.00** for **Community House Revolving** and **\$10,000.00** for the **Inspectors Revolving Accounts**.
- Article 11:** Motion made, seconded and voted unanimously to accept the Annual 2019 Town Report as printed.
- Article 12:** Motion made, seconded and voted unanimously to transfer from **Free Cash** the sum of **\$5,000.00** for the **Fire Department Capital** (\$2,500 Turnout gear and \$2,500 for Radio).
- Article 13:** Motion made, seconded and voted unanimously to transfer **\$5,000.00** from the **Cemetery Fund** (recent donation from the Sultz Family of \$10,000) and transfer **\$5,000.00** from **Free Cash** to the **Cemetery Capital** (tombstone restoration).
- Article 14:** Motion made, seconded and voted unanimously to purchase a new Bucket Loader for the **Highway Department**, \$54,500.00 from Stabilization account and borrow the amount of \$100,000.00 for a total of **154,500.00**.
- Article 15:** Motion made, seconded and voted unanimously to authorize the Board of Selectman to apply for any Federal, State or grants that may be available and to expend any monies received.
- Article 16:** Motion made, seconded and voted unanimously in accordance with the provision of Chapter 41, Section 4A of the General Laws to authorize the employment of the members of the Board of Selectman by the Selectmen, Selectmen by the Highway Department, the members of the Board of Health by the Health Department, the Water Commissioners by the Water Department, the Assessors by the Board of Assessors, the Historical Commission members by the Historical Commission and to fix the rate of \$18.00 per hr. as compensation for such employment; and vote to pay the Highway Department employees hired by the Water Commissioners at their Highway Department rate of pay from the Water Department Account.
- Article 17:** Motion made, seconded and voted unanimously to accept any available funds relating to highway including without limitations so-called Chapter 90 type construction monies and further voted to authorize the Selectman to enter into contracts for the expenditure of the monies received.

Before the town meeting dissolved Brian Gilman provided us an update about what the BTES Ad-Hoc Committee are working on. There will be a meeting on Wednesday, July 14, at 7:00 p.m. at Pettingill Field to discuss the update. Katie Eiseman talked about what the Planning Board is up to with the survey that was put out for the town's people.

Monica Vandoloski gave a big Thank You to the Highway & Fire Departments for doing a tremendous job with our roads and keeping us safe. In the end, Lucy Fandel thanked Monica for all of her hard work over the years. Lucy also thanked Sara Fournier-Scanlon for her hard work with the CERT group during the past one and half years of COVID. Eliza Dragon thanked Monica once again for all of her hard work she did for The Town of Cummington! Monica received a big basket full of her favorite foods and beautiful flowers and a thank you card, signed by townspeople.

**Motion was Made, seconded and voted unanimously
to dissolve this meeting at 8:00 p.m.**

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

Attest:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brenda Emerson-Camp".

Brenda Emerson-Camp

Assistant Cummington Town Clerk

June 17, 2021

Special Town Meeting Minutes - June 25, 2021

The Special Town Meeting was called to order by Brenda Emerson-Camp, the Town Clerk, at 7:06 p.m. The first order of business was to nominate a temporary moderator. Motion was made, seconded, and voted unanimously for Jane Crosby to fill in as Moderator. The meeting was held at the Community House on Main St. with the appropriate town quorum of 15 registered voters.

- Article 1:** Motion was made, seconded, and voted unanimously to transfer from **Free Cash** the sum of **\$7,575.00** and transfer to the **Town Accountant Account**.
- Article 2:** Motion made, seconded and voted unanimously to transfer the sum of **\$3,852.00** from **Free Cash** to the **Assistant Town Clerk Salary Account**.
- Article 3:** Motion made, seconded and voted unanimously to transfer the sum of **\$9,000.00** from **Free Cash** to the **Town Accountant Salary Account**.
- Article 4:** Motion made, seconded and after a quick question and answer voted unanimously to transfer the sum of **\$10,000.00** from **Free Cash** to the **Education Committee Account**.
- Article 5:** Motion made, seconded and after a little discussion voted unanimously to transfer the sum of **\$9,000.00** from **Free Cash** to the **Unemployment Compensation Account**.
- Article 6:** Motion made, seconded, and voted unanimously to transfer the sum of **\$2,000.00** from **Free Cash** to the **250th Anniversary Account**.
- Article 7:** Motion made, seconded, and voted unanimously to transfer the sum of **\$146,880.00** from **Free Cash** to the **Stabilization Account**.
- Article 8:** Motion made, seconded, and voted to unanimously accept the donation of **33,075 square feet of land** from **Bryant Farm Realty Trust**, to enlarge the **Bryant Cemetery** shown as Parcel A of a Plan of Land for the Town of Cummington, May 21, 2018, a portion of Land is referenced in Book 2413, page 82.

Article 9: Motion made, seconded and after some discussion voted unanimously to transfer **a parcel of land 5.128 acres on West Cummington Road** to the **Cummington Conservation Commission**. This was acquired by the Town through tax taking in 2011 shown in Hampshire Registry of Deeds Book 10528 page 162. Parcel B on Plan of Land in Plan Book 115 page 34.

**Motion made, seconded, and voted unanimously
to dissolve this meeting at 7:18 p.m.**

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

Attest:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brenda Emerson-Camp". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

**Brenda Emerson-Camp
Cummington Town Clerk
July 1, 2021**

Board of Assessors

Assessors Report

Fiscal year (FY) 2021 tax rate was set December 14, 2020, at \$15.24 per \$1,000 of real and personal property value. This was an increase of fifty-five cents, up from \$14.69. The Town of Cummington had a single tax rate that applied to residential, commercial, industrial, and personal property. The average single-family real estate tax bill increased by \$133, going from \$3,548 (FY 2020), to \$3,681 (FY 2021). The average valuation of a single-family property (including house, outbuildings, and land) went up \$749 from \$240,811 (FY 2020), to \$241,560 (FY 2021).

Due to COVID-19, the Community House was closed to the public, and all meetings were conducted online. The board continued to do only exterior viewings on all property inspections.

We encourage people to check out the Assessor's webpage at:
<http://www.cummington-ma.gov/Boards.php?4>

One of the best features is our GIS maps. There you can look at many different layers and views including: parcel dimension text, zoning, tax exempt land, state owned land, contours, streams wetlands, Google Earth view, etc.

The board continues to inspect properties to keep our assessment data up to date. Personal property will also be viewed along with our regular real property inspections. Please feel free to contact the Board of Assessors to schedule a viewing.

The clerk's hours are Monday mornings from 9:30 am-11:30 am, except on holidays, when they will be held on Tuesday instead. The board meets intermittently. Please contact the Assessors' Clerk to find out when the next meeting will be. You can also check the town website for scheduled meeting dates.

We welcome all questions and comments.

Respectfully submitted,

Elliot Ring
Mark Bevan
Joy Johns, Chair and Clerk

Assessor's Financial Report

RECAPITULATION

	Fiscal 2019	Fiscal 2020	Fiscal 2021
Appropriations voted for Fiscal Year	\$ 2,494,412.07	\$ 2,572,870.21	\$ 3,096,516.00
Appropriations voted for previous fiscal year after previous fiscal year tax rate was set			
	2,494,412.07	2,572,870.21	3,096,516.00
Other Local Expenditures:			
Total Overlay deficit of prior years	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Offsets	2,065.00	2,248.00	2,713.00
Other: Water Department Deficit	6,691.17	-	-
TOTAL LOCAL EXPENDITURES	8,756.17	2,248.00	2,713.00
State Assessments	1,945.00	1,705.00	1,510.00
County Assessments	-	-	-
Overlay	14,238.82	14,858.49	16,625.77
GROSS AMOUNT TO BE RAISED	2,519,352.06	2,591,681.70	3,117,364.77
Estimated Receipts & Available Funds			
Estimated Receipts - State	227,486.00	232,513.00	232,223.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS	227,486.00	232,513.00	232,223.00
Local Estimated Receipts			
Motor Vehicle Excise	97,000.00	101,500.00	101,500.00
Penalties & Interest on Taxes and Excise	10,000.00	9,000.00	1,000.00
Payments in lieu of taxes	1,000.00	1,000.00	9,000.00
Trash Disposal Charge	23,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
Other Charges for Services	-	-	-
Fees	8,000.00	10,000.00	9,000.00
Rentals	8,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Other Department Revenue	-	-	-
Licenses & Permits	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,500.00
Fines & Forfeitures	1,000.00	500.00	
Investment Income	500.00	500.00	500.00
Miscellaneous recurring	-	-	-
TOTAL LOCAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS	\$ 158,500.00	\$ 153,500.00	\$ 152,500.00

Assessor's Financial Report (continued)

	Fiscal 2019	Fiscal 2020	Fiscal 2021
Other Revenue Sources			
Free Cash	\$ 202,737.07	\$ 170,504.63	\$ 250,000.00
Other Available Funds	73,000.00	108,282.58	475,000.00
Overlay Surplus	-	-	-
TOTAL OTHER REVENUE SOURCES	275,737.07	278,787.21	725,000.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND OTHER REVENUE SOURCES	661,723.07	664,800.21	1,109,723.00
NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED	1,857,628.99	1,926,881.49	2,007,641.77
(Gross amount to be raised minus Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds)			
TOTAL PERSONAL PROPERTY VALUATIONS	4,131,070.00	5,154,560.00	5,327,810.00
TOTAL REAL PROPERTY VALUATIONS	124,513,597.00	126,015,044.00	126,407,214.00
TOTAL PERSONAL & REAL PROPERTY VALUATIONS	128,644,667.00	131,169,604.00	131,735,024.00
TAX EXEMPT VALUATION	\$ 26,285,100.00	\$ 24,612,500.00	\$ 24,609,900.00
Tax Rate per 1,000.00 Valuation by Class			
Class I - Residential	\$ 14.44	\$ 14.69	\$ 15.24
Class II - Open Space	14.44	14.69	15.24
Class III - Commercial	14.44	14.69	15.24
Class IV - Industrial	14.44	14.69	15.24
Class V - Personal Property	\$ 14.44	\$ 14.69	\$ 15.24

Board of Health

Annual Report for FY 2021

BOH Activities for Fiscal Year 2020 (July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021)

This fiscal year there were various changes taking place at the Transfer Station. Due to the COVID Pandemic, the Transfer Station had to make many adjustments to operations. However, due to the diligent work of the Transfer Station employees and all Town residents, the year worked well. As part of the BOH's constant effort to make the station more efficient and cost effective, the Board went back to a "Dual Stream" system with the addition of a separate container for recyclables and a separate compactor for paper and cardboard. This has allowed the Board to realize further revenue by having "clean" paper for which there is a market. Currently the amount of money coming back from the recycled material is approaching the cost of the hauling. Unfortunately, the "Single Stream" did not prove to be viable as proposed by the state.

We again earned praise from the State for the overall condition of the station. We continue to be the Town within the HRMC which receives the largest amount of grant funding. This grant money is used toward the furtherance of our recycling and our operations, as required by the State.

Respectfully submitted

James Wettereau, Chair	2022
Jack Earls	2024
Judith Bogart	2023

Bryant Free Library

Total number of patrons	196
Total circulation of library materials	745
Interlibrary loans	0
Acquisitions	117
Periodical subscriptions	13

FY21 at the BFL was, like the rest of the world, heavily influenced by the pandemic. The library had been forced to close in early March of 2020, and remained closed until the final weekend of June 2020, when we reopened on Saturdays for curbside delivery only. FY21 began with these limitations in place, and they continued that way during the summer. Before the cold weather set in, state guidelines allowed us to begin letting a limited number of patrons back into the building, but no more than two at a time based on its size. This Saturday-only service lasted throughout the winter and into the spring of 2021. Finally, at the beginning of May, we reopened on Wednesday evenings, and then Monday evenings followed at the start of June. So, it wasn't until the final weeks of FY21, more than a year after we'd been forced to close completely, that we were once again back to our full slate of regular hours. As with the joyless 2020 Town Caucus held on a blustery evening alongside the Community House, this was all about muddling through ... but muddle through we did.

There were no real highlights related to the BFL in FY21. Dealing with this restrictive and unpleasant situation made us appreciate all the more the vitality of the library during the prepandemic days and the broad range of enjoyable special events that seem even more special now.

2022 marks the 150th anniversary of this unique institution so generously donated to Cummington by native son William Cullen Bryant, and we hope that some of the festivities that we're planning, along with a book-in-progress about it (special photos anyone?) can help take some of the sting out of what we've all been living through.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark DeMaranville
Librarian

Building Department

Annual Report Fiscal Year 2021

The Inspector of Buildings reports that for Fiscal Year 2021 Thirty-eight (38) Building Permits were issued having a total construction value of \$839,903.00

Single Family Dwellings	1
Window / Door Replacement	3
Additions/Accessory Structures	5
Re-roof	6
Renovations	5
Weatherization	8
PV Solar Installations	3
General Repair	5
Wood / Pellet Stove	2
Certificates of Inspection	2
Building Permit Fees collected	\$ 6,818.31
Certificates of Inspection	\$ 130.00
Total Fees collected	\$ 6,948.31

The Building Department currently serves the Town with office hours Tuesdays from 8:30 to 10:00 a.m. with inspections made by appointment. Other times may be available based on schedule and emergency circumstances. I can be reached any time at (413) 205-6504.

I would like to thank all of our mostly volunteer departments for their continued cooperation and dedication to the town. It is my goal to be available, fair, and impartial in the enforcement of the Building Code and Zoning Bylaws. Please feel free to call anytime or drop in with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason Fogue
Building Commissioner

Central Berkshire Regional School Committee

Fiscal 2021

I'd like to take a minute to introduce myself. My name is Todd Emerson and I have served as the CBRSD School Committee representative for the town since 2018. I have also been a member of the Wahconah Building Committee since 2016. I've had three children graduate from the district and have two children currently attending school in the district, one at Nessacus Middle School and one at Wahconah High School. I also serve on the CBRSD Finance subcommittee, Safety & Wellness subcommittee and the Regional Agreement AdHoc Committee. My goal is to ensure that the students and families of Cummington that attend CBRSD schools have a voice at the table.

2021 was another difficult school year due to the COVID pandemic. Schools opened in the fall of 2020 in a hybrid format with two cohorts, meaning students went to school two days a week and had remote learning three days a week. All Cummington students were in the same cohort to simplify transportation. The district was able to secure Chromebooks for all students as well as internet hotspots for nearly every student with inadequate internet service. Fortunately the arrival of the fiber internet in town really helped our students with remote learning.

During the 2020-2021 school year the CBRSD School Committee met often to discuss COVID metrics and data and we had to return to full remote learning briefly due to rising cases in the district. These decisions were not made lightly and the safety of all students and staff were always the first consideration. CBRSD continues to focus on social-emotional well being as well as academic progress as we try to get back to normal after 2 years of the pandemic.

One bright spot in the past year was the completion and opening of the new Wahconah High School. This building was completed on time and on budget and is truly an amazing place dedicated to modern learning and education. The layout promotes collaborative learning and is well set up for the next 60 years, which is how long the original Wahconah lasted. I urge anyone who is able and interested to tour the building.

In closing, I would like to let you know that if there are any questions or concerns regarding CBRSD that I can be reached at: temerson@cbrsdk12.org.

Respectfully yours,

Todd Emerson
CBRSD
School Committee Representative

Central Hampshire Veterans' Services

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic many of the goals and objectives for our department district-wide have either been canceled or postponed. Much of the work of our office has been done remotely, which has been a significant challenge for my staff and our benefit processes, but we've managed to keep operating with very few interruptions in service. Back in the end of March of 2020, as all of our offices ended up closing to the public, we faced a huge challenge: how do we keep track of our vulnerable population and keep up communication on their needs if they are unable to come to our town offices. Our solution was to bring our support to them. We collaborated with the Salvation Army of Massachusetts, Massachusetts Military Support Foundation and One Call Away to provide monthly boxes of both nonperishable food items, and beginning in October 2021, prepacked boxes of fresh dairy, protein and produce which we have been delivering on Wednesdays and Saturdays throughout the district. At the time of this writing, 1 year from the pandemic shutdown, we have delivered over 1,050 of these food boxes. To date we have delivered 13 from the Salvation Army and 25 from Food4Vets to our recipients in Chesterfield. Great thanks goes out to each of these organizations for their help and support.

Tom Geryk, VSO on our staff, participated in the SHINE training that occurred the fall of 2020 and has become a certified SHINE Representative. Our objective for this is to more directly assist Veterans and families to access the ever-changing medical insurance challenges. The federal government has made significant changes (Mission Act) to the VA Healthcare system nationally and in Western Mass., and we will need to provide the best information as possible as our older veterans are being compelled to use more and more health services in the community.

Our office, as a member of the Western MA Veteran's Outreach Project, participated in coordinating and presenting at our February 10th webinar: *Adapting and Thriving in the Era of COVID-19*. This was co-sponsored with the Smith College School of Social Work. We had nearly 90 registered, and almost 70 were still present when the webinar ended. We believe that since most stayed until the end of a 2-hour webinar, they obviously found the material and the speakers credible and valuable.

The holiday season during a pandemic was also a big concern for our population. So many of our veterans and surviving spouses do not live with their families and in some cases their families live far away. To address this isolation we contacted those who live alone and brought them a full holiday meal right to their door. We worked with the VFW in Florence to help prepare over 60 meals that were delivered by volunteers from the VA medical center

and members of the Northampton Kiwanis club throughout Northampton, Williamsburg, Hadley and Amherst. As we had done on Veterans Day, we included bags with small gifts of goodies and activities such as word puzzles and jigsaw puzzles. We also worked with the Amherst Police Department to provide Home Depot buckets with winter coats and other goodies to some of our most needy in the community.

We were unable to participate in most all of our traditional outreach events i.e. the Western Mass. Stand Down, Cummington Fair, 3-County Fair, the Big E, and the University sporting events due to the pandemic. Therefore, information about veterans' benefits has been hard to get out to the veterans and their families who could assist them in a time of great need or for ongoing support. The Department's objective is ongoing and efforts to find new and innovative methods of outreach will be important to ensure all who need assistance receive it.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the restrictions that came with it, the majority of our community objectives for FY 21 were unmet and we hope that most of them will be addressed in fiscal year 22. In so many ways it's been a lost year for our community.

Memorial Day 2020 was an experience like none other. Unfortunately, the traditional ceremony was closed to the public. However, a recording of the ceremony was available on the town website.

In CY 2020, VA compensation and pension benefits were issued to some Cummington veterans and dependents in the amount of \$36,617. In FY 2020, the Town of Cummington helped veterans and their families by providing \$11,603 in M.G.L. CH 115 veterans benefits. Seventy-five percent of those benefits (\$8,702) were reimbursed by the state.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas J. Geryk
Veterans' Services Officer

Conservation Commission

Annual Report 2021

The Cummington Conservation Commission is charged with enforcing the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act. The law protects wetlands, land open to flooding (100 year flood plains), the riverfront area, and land under water bodies and waterways. The Con Comm is also responsible for upholding the Westfield River's Wild and Scenic designation. The main objective of all of the legislation/acts is protection of the Town's precious water resources.

The law regulates many types of work in resource areas, including vegetation removal, regrading, and construction of houses, additions, decks, driveways, and commercial or industrial buildings. If you want to work in a wetland resource area or within 100 feet of a wetland/ 200 feet from a perennial stream or river, please contact the Conservation Commission before you start work.

If you are unsure whether your proposed work site is in a resource area or whether the work will alter a resource area, you can apply for a Request for Determination of Applicability. If the conservation commission determines that the work will alter a resource area, you must file an application, called a Notice of Intent (NOI), and pay an application fee.

Our monthly regular meetings were primarily discussion of proposed building projects, certificates of compliance, and site visits. Two Request for Determination hearings were held as follows: the building of an agricultural pond on Porter Hill Road; new septic system on West Main Street.

Alan Douglas stepped back from the Conservation Commission in 2021 after many years as our splendid Chair. Donna Douglas also departed as our much loved Secretary. John Eisenhower and Matthew Draw also completed their time on the Commission. Many thanks to the years of service, from everyone; you are appreciated and missed.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Fournier-Scanlon
Chair

Conservation Commission Members:

Sarah Fournier-Scanlon, Chair	2024
Robert Arbib	2022
John Burns	2023
John Bye	2024
Lucy Fandelle	2023
Nathan Buckhout	2024
Gerald Howes, Jr.	2022

Cummington Council on Aging

July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

The Cummington Council on Aging makes available programs and services to those who are 60 and over (343 people) and their families. Funding comes from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs, 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 which keeps us apprised of State and National issues.

While Fiscal Year 2021 presented many challenges, we worked diligently and creatively to ensure that we were available to meet the needs of the older residents in Cummington. We continued to be available to help in any way needed - including connecting you to services we offer, as well as other services that are offered locally and regionally. Although our in-person activities were on hold during most of this year, once the weather improved, we were able to host some outdoor activities in the spring and summer of 2021, including a yarn give-away, and a dinner made and distributed by the Creamery. Moreover, we were fortunate to receive grant money through Highland Valley Elder Services which allowed us to update our office technology and purchase tablets that are available for loan. A different BVES grant allowed us to purchase several folding pedal exercisers, which are also available to be borrowed, and which allowed many - including those who were missing our in-person exercise classes - to remain active and fit.

In December of 2021, through the generosity of COVID-related funds that the town earmarked for the COA, we distributed grocery bags of “essential” items to residents of Cummington ages 75 and over. The COA’s enthusiastic board of directors delivered these bags to the recipients’ homes. These bags contained various cleaning supplies, as well as chocolate bars, locally-made soap and masks. Masks were also mailed to those between the ages of 60 and 75.

We also learned how to use and be comfortable with online programming and offered a music performance, as well as a play and an Elder Law presentation, via Zoom. We started a virtual coffee and chat hour, which moved to the park once the weather allowed for it. The Living Fully, Aging Gracefully discussion group thankfully made a seamless transition to Zoom and continued every month. Moreover, we worked diligently to ensure that our outreach efforts provided information and assistance to all who needed help accessing food and vaccinations.

We continue to manage a medical equipment lending program, which offers loans of canes, Crutches, walkers, rollators, wheelchairs, transport chairs, commodes, raised toilet seats and bath/shower chairs.

A monthly newsletter continues to provide information to residents on both the local and regional level. It is available via mail or email to all in Cummington who are 60 and over. We make every effort to keep our newsletter recipient list up-to-date, but if for some reason you are not receiving it, please let us know.

Towards the end of Fiscal Year 2021, we began to make plans to re-start some indoor in-person activities.

You are always welcome to reach out to the COA at 634-2262 with a request for a service, offer of a medical equipment donation, suggestion for a program, offer to volunteer for our board or to lead a program, or any other concern or question you may have.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Chrisoula Roumeliotis
Coordinator

Board of Directors

Elliot Ring
Chairman

Anne Parsons
Recording Secretary

Ann Eisenhour
Foot Care Coordinator

Gail Roberge

Kathleen Knox

Worth Noyes

Education Committee

2020-2021

This year the Education Committee became a permanent committee, shedding its Ad-Hoc status.

The committee developed a new budget to help the town understand projected costs should Cummington leave Central Berkshire Regional School District (CBRSD).

The committee shared the budget in a joint meeting with the Finance Committee and Select Board.

From that conversation, we formulated a number of questions which have been submitted to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE). We have received a written response to questions about school governance, and we await a meeting with their finance team to better understand the flow of state and other education funds for a town that is not part of a regional school district.

We have decided as a committee that we need to hire an education consultant to assist us in understanding the many financial issues and navigate our negotiations with DESE and CBRSD.

Respectfully submitted,

Joshua Wachtel
Chair

Jill Figlozzi
Co-Secretary

Nicole Wortis
Co-Secretary

Kathryn Eiseman
Archie Fenton

Finance Committee

July 1 2020 thru June 30 2021

There were no transfers made from the \$6,000 Reserve Fund this Fiscal year. Again taking the time and effort to craft a realistic budget up front with all concerned parties pays off in the end and limits the number of unexpected expenditures encountered during the year.

There remains a serious concern that the town cannot continue to fund needed future projects without new growth or an increase in the existing tax rate.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Forgea
Chairman

Allan Kidston
Treasurer/Collector

Joshua Wachtel
Moderator

Maureen Tumenas

Scott Keith

Jill Figlozzi

Stephanie Bean

June Lynds

Fire Department

FY21 was a different year for the Cummington Fire Dept. This was the first year in decades that there was no Cummington Fair to provide coverage for, no Mass Renaissance Faire, no summer camps, the roads were quiet, and all available homes, regardless of condition, sold. CFD responded as usual to a wide variety of calls with the majority being EMS calls. We continue to respond using our COVID-19 safety protocols - masks, gloves, safety goggles and gowns (when necessary) and limited personnel entering homes. We have been very fortunate to have no FD members contract COVID-19.

In the month of July, we responded to a call to the swimming area in the Gilbert Bliss State Forest in Swift River for a person who fell off a ledge approximately 20-30 feet. This particular day was 90+ degrees with very high humidity, and the exact location and injuries of the person was unknown. Once on scene, we discovered the person was located approximately three-quarters to one mile out in the woods on the opposite side of the river. We then requested mutual aid from Plainfield and Goshen because we were going to need to carry this person out and across the river.

Highland Ambulance was on scene and quickly waded into the river and set out down the trail to start tending to the patient. Once patient contact was made, the Highland Paramedic immediately requested a Life Flight helicopter. Chesterfield Fire was then called to set up a landing zone at the Ballfield. One and a half hours, 18+ firefighters, 2 paramedics and 1 EMT carried this patient three-quarters to one mile over a 1-person wide trail with a stone wall on one side, upslope rocky terrain on the other side, on one of the hottest, most humid days that summer. Responders then carried the patient back across the river where they hoisted the patient up the bank with our aerial lift truck (bucket truck). Truly an extraordinary rescue! Thank you to all that participated that day.

CFD had 2 new members join during this time: Thomas Kane, Jr., who had recently moved to town; and Joanna Jaracz, who has grown up here in town. Both have been a great asset to our department and have started their basic fire and EMS training.

During the summer months, the Wolf Fire Pond on Stage Road was dredged and a dry hydrant installed. This dry hydrant was designed for use with our vacuum tanker along with a conventional pumper truck. We would like to thank Jane Crosby for spearheading this project; this is a huge asset for this area of town.

We would also like to thank the Wolf family for supporting this project and the use of the pond. I would once again like to thank Sarah Fournier-Scanlon and Cummington Cert for the extraordinary services to our community. Thank you for the time you spend making the daily wellness calls, picking up prescriptions and food for our residents during these difficult and uncertain times.

We are always looking for new members, if you are interested in joining us please stop in any Tuesday evening.

Respectfully submitted,

Adam Dragon
Cummington Fire Chief

Highland Ambulance EMS, Inc.

FY 2021

We continue to be challenged this year with the evolving COVID situation. It seems this virus is here to stay in some form or another. It requires special precautions to keep our staff and patients safe. We must use full PPE equipment on each call as well as careful decontamination of the ambulance and equipment after each transport.

We have received our new ambulance that is state of the art and ready to provide the most up-to-date emergency services to all our communities. This is possible with the help of our towns' annual assessment to our capital fund and the generous donations that have come in from our citizens. We have already begun to plan for our next ambulance.

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 in the town of Worthington in support of Hilltown Ambulance of Huntington. Paramedics are on duty at Highland's station in Goshen from 6 a.m. until midnight seven days a week. During the midnight to 6 a.m. time periods, Highland EMTs are occasionally assisted by Paramedics from other ambulance companies when the service of a Paramedic is required. Highland's active roster as of June 30, 2021, consisted of 26 members, including 11 Paramedics and 15 EMTs. Our Service Director and Assistant Service Director are two full-time paramedics, and we have one full-time EMT to solidify our staffing pattern. We have increased our administrative assistant's hours to help with increasing clerical and bookkeeping duties. Highland's affiliate medical direction is provided by Cooley Dickinson Hospital and 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:

- Providing training and certification for first responders.
- Developing and practicing emergency response plans with the schools and camps in member towns.
- Conducting health and safety classes for the schools.
- Working with the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA), 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 such as the Chesterfield Parade, the Ashfield Fall Festival and the Cummington Fair.
- Responding to all 911 calls that may require emergency medical services.
- Providing CPR programs to community members.

Emergency Responses:

During FY 20/21 Highland responded to 689 emergency calls. These calls are broken down by town as follows:

Ashfield	148	Chesterfield	64
Cummington	53	Goshen	94
Plainfield	75	Williamsburg	234
Other: Mutual Aid Requests			21

Training:

The following is a partial list of special training events held:

- Participated in giving vaccinations at the Northampton Senior Center
- Staff training in a hybrid format
- Driver training of the new ambulance
- Handtevy Pediatric Provider Course
- Cummington Fair COVID response
- Power stretcher and load system training
- Surgical cricothyrotomy course
- Obstetrics and birthing class

Community Involvement:

(Due to Covid most of the events listed below did not happen.)

Here are some of the ways Highland would normally have 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 20/21: \$ 785,348.20

Cash on hand June 30, 2021:

Operating Fund:	\$ 148,433.25
Ambulance Fund:	1,260.14
Memorial Fund:	43,090.57
Dresser Fund:	4,100.49
Donations:	\$ 180,785.00

Our six towns contributed \$460,416.90 of our total operational budget, based upon town assessments. The balance came from billings to insurance companies, Medicare, Medicaid and contributions.

Respectfully submitted,

Highland Ambulance Board of Directors:

Ashfield	Patricia Thayer
Goshen	Cassandra Morrey
Chesterfield	Spencer Timm
Plainfield	Edward Morann
Cummington	Amanda Savoie
Williamsburg	Denise Banister
At Large	Bernard Forgea (Cummington)
At Large	Nate Rosewarne (Goshen)
At Large	Douglas Mollison (Ashfield)

Highway Department

FY 2021

This year the Highway Capital Expense was a new Caterpillar bucket loader. The Highway Crew repaved Mount Road, Dodwells Road, and Porter Hill Road. The funds for the repaving came out of Chapter 90 money in the amount of \$160,000.

The highway crew did yearly maintenance such as spring tree clean-up, grading of dirt roads, sweeping, catch basin cleaning, pothole patching, and roadside mowing.

I would like to give a big thank you to the highway personnel Robert Dextraze, Chris Allard, and Cameron Lacey for their hard work and dedication.

I must say a genuine thank you to you, the Citizens of Cummington, for your patience, understanding and support of the Highway Department.

If you have concerns, the telephone number to the Highway Garage is 413-634-8818.

Respectfully submitted,

Alan Taylor
Highway Superintendent

Hilltown Resource Management Cooperative

2021 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 2021 included: Joe Kearns, Chair (Middlefield); John Chandler, Vice Chair (Chesterfield); Paul Wetzel, Treasurer (Williamsburg: January - September) and Tom Poissant (Ashfield) for the remainder of the year.

In 2021, HRMC services included:

- Conducting annual DEP transfer station inspections and work as a liaison between Towns & MADEP on transfer station compliance matters.
- Work with regional entities to challenge increased prevailing wage rates for hauling.
- Execution of an annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection event.
- 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.
- Submittal of member-Town DEP annual surveys, grant applications, and reports.
- Financial administration of HRMC programs and services.

The day to day business and program operations of the HRMC are managed by a contracted Administrator, who also serves as a representative to the Springfield Materials Recycling Facility (MFR) Municipal Advisory Board (Vice-Chair), the State Solid Waste Advisory Committee, the Western Mass Regional Recycling Coordinator group; and interfaces with local, regional, and State officials. Board meetings are held on alternate months. The January, March, May, and July meetings were all held virtually to meet Covid-19 social distancing protocols.

The HRMC has an annual operation's assessment that is approved by each Town at their annual Town Meeting. The annual Assessment Budget is based on tonnage and population. In FY21, the combined assessment for all ten towns was \$64,886. The Assessments offset base operating expenses. HRMC recycling program collection costs are pass-thru 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 2021, 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 \$49,350.00 in grant funds to be used to further enhance recycling programs. Cummington was awarded \$6,300.

During the past year, the HRMC member-Towns collectively diverted 902 tons of recyclable materials to the MRF; the Town of Cummington recycled 63 tons in 2021. Eight of the ten member-Towns have adopted recycling goals of 50% with the intent of increasing quantity and improving the quality of materials being recycled at their transfer stations and to reduce waste being landfilled. In 2021, the Town of Cummington had a recycling rate of 32.4% compared with 33.6% in 2020.

Kathleen A. Casey
HRMC Administrator

Historical Commission

The Kingman Tavern Museum Complex was closed due to COVID-19 but private tours were given. Also, the lawn was made available to the mobile market on Thursday afternoons.

The Commission has received donations of note: the papers of Helen Chillman and the “ripper” sled.

Leslie Keller is doing extensive research for FindAGrave. New and updated information for Cummington and the surrounding Hilltowns has been submitted. Family history requests have been fulfilled, and digitizing of Commission files and Town records are ongoing. Thank you, Leslie for all your hard work.

Those interested in touring the Museum in small groups are encouraged to contact the Cummington Historical Commission. Files are available to those doing research and family histories upon request.

Please call Carla Ness at: 413 634-8081
or email at: cness@cummington-ma.gov

Cummington Municipal Light Plant

Fiscal Year 2020-2021

In July 2020, the make-ready was wrapping up and we had moved into the building of the network! The town was divided into four fiber areas, FSAs. Work began first in FSA 3. Underground Trenching was subcontracted to TriWire; there were 152 underground services. The Hub with a generator was ready to go. A local electrician was hired to service the generator and exercise it monthly. Security at the hub included a keypad on the outside entrance and for the office door.

We began weekly meetings with Westfield Gas and Electric, (WG&E) and TriWire to problem-solve and to communicate about next steps; these meetings continued through the spring of 2021. Monthly all town meetings were held with WG&E.

A communication newsletter was sent out monthly to share information about our progress, streaming services, steps for underground trenching, billing information, and to keep residents updated about the build. Policies for paying bills and temporary turn-off of services were posted in coordination with WG&E. Information was also posted on the town website Cummington Connect. In May, the federal subsidy programs Lifeline and Emergency Benefit Program application became available; information was put in newsletters and on the town website.

Allan Douglas, the MLP manager, completed the quarterly reports for state grants for the make-ready work. Working with WG&E, an Emergency Restoration Network contract was completed. The MLP moved to using money from state grants for make-ready work, to the town bond for building the network. Allan met with the Town Accountant and Treasurer, as he set up and managed our month-by-month operating budget with the income revenue and expenses. The 2021 operating budget corresponded to the town's fiscal year and included: monthly fees for our ISP/WG&E, backhaul and crew retainer, operations management, and licenses and insurance. As of February, the cost of the build was \$2,242,998. In February we received reimbursement from the state for the installation of drops.

The MLP had voted to cover the costs for any new drops, not previously included in our design, through October 1st. It was also decided to pay for the conversion from a cold drop to in-home installation until December 1st. Letters were sent out to inform residents who had not signed up for services. In November, email blasts and calls were made to people, who had not yet subscribed, to inform them of the December 1st cut-off.

By January 2021, everyone who had signed up was connected, with a total of 358 customers. The Pod used by TriWire at the Berkshire Trail building was removed in February. 10 connections were on hold because of new homes and seasonal residents; the MLP budgeted for those expenses; installations were to be completed by March 15, 2021. By April the state certification of the system was complete.

Mike Perkins began to pursue a Community Compact IT Grant for funds for the municipal network, and received permission from the Selectboard for the MLP to oversee the grant. The MLP would oversee the building on the network. The grant application was completed October 15, 2020. The Municipal network connections to town buildings - Community House, the Public Safety Complex, Water buildings/Pettingill Field, the Parsonage and Museum, and the Bryant Free Library - were completed by the MLP. The MLP had submitted and was awarded a Community Compact Grant of \$69,631 to build out the head-end of the network. It will leave a cost of \$17,993.75 to bring the network online. The Community House, Highway Department and Safety Complex would be the first priorities. The MLP made a presentation to the Selectboard about the design of the municipal network. An RFQ for the installation of the network was awarded to Haas Networks. Requests for bids for the procurement of the equipment were put out in June. The only complete quote received was from Insight, a state approved contractor.

In April, the network was down for a day due to a fallen tree in the Heath/Colrain area. WG&E advocated for a 1-gig backup for towns, as an immediate but temporary solution. As more towns came on line, the total number of Hilltown subscribers reached 5,000 from the combined towns, reducing our monthly costs and providing an opportunity to connect with other towns for redundancy. We began looking for a temporary and then a permanent fix with WG&E and MBI; however, we did not have funds for the project.

Respectfully submitted,

Allan Douglas, MLP Manager
Brenda Arbib, Secretary
Scott Keith
Michael Perkins
Maureen Tumenas

Planning Board

FY 2020 and FY 2021

During the first year of the pandemic, the Planning Board worked with the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission (PVPC) to design and circulate a community survey to help discern the direction the Board should take with future bylaw amendments. The survey results were posted on the Town website. We learned, among other things, that there is significant interest in the creation of a dark skies provision in our zoning bylaws.

The Planning Board also used a DLTA (District Local Technical Assistance) grant from PVPC to assist in integrating recently approved zoning bylaw changes and developing a new version for future approval that contains housekeeping changes such as updates to citations, state laws and similar minor changes. These minor revisions can be adopted before the Town considers substantive changes to the zoning bylaws after further discussion with the Town.

Due to our inability to have regular in-person informational meetings, the Planning Board postponed proposing any bylaw revisions during Fiscal Year 2020 or 2021.

As the Town body overseeing the “Green Communities” activities for the Town, the Planning Board has explored several options for the Green Communities Designation Grant of \$127,245 awarded by the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources (DOER). The Planning Board oversaw the completion of an energy audit conducted by Bowman Engineering, paid for by a separate META-7 grant from DOER. Based on this energy audit of the Community House, former Berkshire Trail Elementary School building, Public Safety Complex, and Highway Garage, the Planning Board concluded that the highest energy savings will be achieved by focusing on energy efficiency measures at the Community House. These energy and cost-saving measures will be funded by the Designation Grant.

We are also working with PVPC on the municipal Green House Gas Emissions Inventory for DOER.

The Planning Board thanks Lee Fournier-Lewis for her service to the Town as a Planning Board member and chair. Lee stepped down from the Planning Board last January, and the Planning Board welcomed Jim Wettereau as a new member.

Respectfully submitted,

Katy Eiseman
Ilse Godfrey
James Wettereau

Kalyan Water
Dennis Carr

Police Department

Dept. Members: Michael Perkins
Jeffrey Fish
Alexander Rock
Dennis Forgea (Reserve)

This year brought about a host of changes for the police department.

Sharon Cunningham retired after serving the community for over two decades. Sharon served the department in various capacities throughout her career. Thank you for your service and enjoy a well-deserved retirement!

We welcomed Officer Alexander Rock, who recently graduated from Western Mass Chief's of Police Reserve Intermittent Academy. Officer Rock persevered through many delays in academy training brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic.

On December 31, 2020, Governor Baker signed the *Act Relative to Justice, Equity and Accountability in Law Enforcement*. This act established sweeping changes in all aspects of law enforcement throughout the Commonwealth. Of note, it establishes one single level of training for ALL sworn police officers. Officers will be required to undergo extensive training and a certification process every three years. The full impacts of this legislation will be felt on small communities for years to come.

This year also brought a transition to a new records management system, IMC/Central Square. Cummington Police was a recipient of a regional information sharing grant from the Western Regional Homeland Security Advisory Council. This program works in concert with the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) software used by our 911 center, allowing for greater information sharing between dispatchers and responders. In addition, this program offers a connection to a statewide information sharing hub, allowing access to information from departments across the state.

As a reminder – PLEASE DIAL 911 for all emergencies. Please follow **Cummington Emergency Services** on Facebook and **@CummingtonPD** on Twitter. Social Media has become an import way for information to be delivered to the community in real time.

(Accounts are not monitored 24/7)

PLEASE DIAL 911 FOR ALL EMERGENCIES!

POPULAR CALLS FOR SERVICE

(Include, but not limited to)

Alarms:	32
Medical Emergencies:	82
Traffic/Safety Hazards:	29
Motor Vehicle Crashes:	14
Motor Vehicle Stops/Complaints:	30
Suspicious Person/Vehicles:	21
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Total Calls for Service:	500

I welcome any comments, questions, suggestions and complaints!!

Please do not hesitate to contact the Police Department Business Line at 413-634-0056 or email me: chief@cummingtonpolice.com

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Perkins
Chief of Police

Water Commissioner's Report

Fiscal Year 2021

2021 was another year of dealing with the COVID pandemic but for the Water Commission it was fairly uneventful. The Town of Cummington operates and maintains two water systems, one for Cummington and one for West Cummington. There are a total of 107 metered connections to both systems. The Water Commission consists of three elected members and we employ a certified operator to operate and maintain the systems. The Water Commission is responsible for setting the water rates and ensuring that our bills are paid. We pay for electricity, chemicals, loan payments, repairs, testing, licenses, training, parts, labor, telephone call systems and memberships to various associations as well as the Department of Environmental Protection.

Again, our rates did not increase this past year and we are still on track to getting our two Farmer's Home USDA loans paid off. The Cummington loan final payment is in 2026 and the West Cummington loan is in 2028. We are still below the average rates for the size of our systems. The average user is paying a minimum of \$500.00 per year.

Thomaz Jaracz is continuing his training to become an operator and will hopefully complete it soon.

Testing the water is vital to keeping our water systems in compliance with the DEP. Testing regularly ensures that our systems are free of bacteria, measures both lead and copper levels, and further checks for any other intrusions that could occur. Housatonic Basin Sampling and Testing continues to do that for us. We continue to have some of the cleanest water systems around.

I would like to thank Water Operator Dennis Forgea again for all of his dedication and hard work in operating and maintaining both systems and for all of his behind the scenes work. His work enables our water systems to operate nearly trouble free. Jacob Jordan should also be recognized for his hard work. Jacob takes care of the mowing at our facilities. As always, feel free to reach out to a Commissioner with any questions.

Sincerely,

Your Water Commissioners

Todd Emerson, Chair

Dann Emerson, Commissioner

Thomaz Jaracz, Commissioner

Dennis Forgea, Water Operator

Zoning Board of Appeals

July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021

The ZBA had only one hearing In FY 2021, for Jasa Farms LLC.

The hearing was called to order at 7:03 p.m. on May 12, 2021, by Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) Chair, Carla Ness. Additional ZBA members in attendance were Members Kenneth Howes, Ernest Strong, Mark Bevan, and Eric Smith, and Alternate Member and Clerk Michael Holden.

Also in attendance were: Dan Glissman, Attorney, representing Jasa Farms and making the presentation; Kyle Thayer, Trustee of the subject parcel; and other officers and owners of Jasa Farms, LLC: Rich Rainone, Pete Kasablan, Chris Morgan, and Chris Vianello. About 40 members of the general public were present, and an additional 9 attended by “virtual” means.

Glissman made a very thorough and professional presentation, complete with large format drawings and photos on easels for all to see. After about 30 minutes the public began voicing their concerns.

So much of the proposal was dependent on being granted “waivers” from the requirements of the existing bylaw. As Attorney Tom Lessor (representing Lisa and Tom Kane, abutters) pointed out, there is no provision for granting waivers in Section 10-50 (the Adult Use Marijuana section) of the bylaw.

Another concern was that because these requests for waivers deviated so far from the plain language of the bylaw, if granted, how would the town ever be able to deny another applicant of a similar or perhaps even larger sized project?

Questions over odor, safety, pesticides and chemicals, and the unsightliness of chainlink fencing and security lighting were asked. The applicant reassured that no pesticides would be used, and lighting would be kept low.

It was not all one sided. Many spoke in support, either for the potential of additional tax revenue, or simply to support farmers who want to use their land in a new way. A reminder was made that under state law, marijuana cultivation is not considered an agricultural use for the purposes of zoning. Although the majority of town is zoned Residential/Agricultural, marijuana cultivation does not qualify as a “by right” use, hence the special permit process.

The Board too, expressed skepticism that such a large project would be “consistent with and does not derogate from the purposes and intent of this Section and the Zoning Bylaw” (Sec. 10-50.5).

Carla also read a letter from Lee Fournier-Lewis who was a member of the Planning Board during the drafting, revising, and passage of the marijuana use bylaws. She spoke of the clear intent to disallow outdoor cultivation (copy attached).

Discussion, and questions and answers continued for nearly two hours. Everyone had an opportunity to speak their opinion. Bevan made a motion, “I move to deny the application from Jasa Farms on the basis that the bylaw does not allow outdoor cultivation.” Before the motion was seconded it was suggested to the applicant that perhaps they might want to ask for a continuance and make modifications to their proposal. Glissman accepted the offer. The motion to deny failed, for lack of a second, and a new motion was made to continue the hearing until June 23, 2021, seconded, and voted unanimously by the five voting members Ness, Howes, Strong, Bevan, and Smith.

Just before 9:00 p.m. the hearing was adjourned until 7:00 p.m. on June 23, 2021, at the Community House.

Continuance on June 23, 2021

Carla Ness reopened the hearing at 7:00 p.m., other board members present were Kenneth Howes, Ernest Strong, Eric Smith, and Michael Holden. other attendees were Lisa and Tom Kane, Geoff Kenseth, Kip Sears, Scott Keith, and 3-4 others. No one representing Jasa Farms was present.

Carla read, in its entirety, an email that she received on June 17, 2021, from Chris Vianello of Jasa Farms. “Jasa Farms has made the decision not to move forward with the project in Cummington. Thank you for the opportunity and consideration. If anyone has any questions or if there is anything further, please let us know.”

Board members were surprised that the email did not request a withdrawal. Having the open application before us, that then left the ZBA with only two choices, approve or deny.

“Given the following considerations;

1. that Chris Vianello, representing Jasa Farms communicated by email on June 17, 2021 that Jasa Farms had made the decision to no longer pursue the project in Cummington (and no one representing Jasa Farms was present at the continuance of the hearing), and;

2. that the project as proposed did not conform to the zoning bylaw In the following ways:
 - a. Sec. 10-50.3.a.6 caps the canopy at 20,000 sq. ft.; 100,000 sq. ft. was proposed, and;
 - b. Sec. 10-50.3.b.1 requires all marijuana establishments to be in an enclosed building; outdoor cultivation was proposed, and;
 - c. Sec. 10-50.3.b.4.b requires abatement of odors, which would not be possible with outdoor cultivation, and;
 - d. Sec. 7-30.3 requires that access to a lot must be via its frontage on a public way; the access as proposed was via an adjacent lot.

For these reasons I move that the request for a special permit by Jasa Farms for a recreational cannabis cultivation facility on Bryant Road be denied.”

- Holden, seconded - Strong

Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of the five voting members: Ness, Howes, Strong, Smith, and Holden.

During FY 2021, after many years of service, Mark Bevan resigned to focus his skills on the Board of Assessors, and the IT Committee where he also serves. The board appreciated, and will miss, his insight and thoughtfulness. I moved up to a full Member, and the Select Board appointed two new Alternate Members. The ZBA membership is now: Carla Ness, Chair; Michael Holden, Clerk; Kenneth Howes, Ernest Strong, Eric Smith, Members; and Geoffrey Kenseth, William Hoene, Alternate Members.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Holden
Clerk
Zoning Board of Appeals

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