

TOWN OF BUCKLAND ANNUAL REPORT

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2019



FOR THE YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 2019

DEDICATION

ARTHUR "HENRY" PHILLIPS

This year we dedicate the 2019 Annual Report to Henry Phillips.

Henry was born and raised in Colrain. He graduated with the last class at the Arms Academy in 1967. He served in the United States Army, did a tour in Vietnam, and was awarded the Purple Heart.

Henry and Caroline were married in 1973, and have three children: Tonya (Gnoza), Elizabeth (Ackley), and Clint. They have five grandchildren: Deegan Ackley, William Ackley, Julia Massey, Jack Phillips, and Joshua Phillips.

Henry worked for Agway, as a Laborer for the Town of Buckland Highway Department, and in the Upper Buckland Post Office with Rose Mollison. He transferred to the Shelburne Falls Post Office until he retired. He has served as a Shelburne Falls Water District Commissioner and an EMT.

Henry has held many positions in service to the Town of Buckland: Emergency Management Director, Deputy Emergency Management Director, Deputy Forest Warden, Public Safety Committee. He is also a Constable. Henry can be counted on to post Town, State, and Federal Warrants – and sometimes at short notice.

Thank you, Henry for all the beneficial work you do on behalf of the Town of Buckland. We are grateful, and it is with great pleasure that we dedicate this Annual Report to you.

NATIONAL, STATE, AND COUNTY OFFICIALS

UNITED STATES SENATORS

Elizabeth Warren

Edward Markey

GOVERNOR
Charlie Baker

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR
Karyn Polito

U.S. REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT I
Richard E. Neal

STATE SENATOR
Adam Hinds

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT
Natalie Blais

FRANKLIN REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Jay DiPucchio, Chair, Regionally Elected
Bill Perlman, Vice Chair, Regionally Elected
James Basford, Franklin Regional Planning Board Appointee
Mayor Roxann Wedegartner, Council Appointee
Kevin Fox, Council Appointee

Town of Buckland Transfer Station Information

Transfer Station Hours: Tuesday 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Saturday 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Transfer Station Location: Route 112 South, turn left onto Hodgen Road
(opposite “Recycling Center” sign), go past the Fire
Station and up the hill to the Transfer Station

Transfer Station Telephone: (413) 625-6743

Transfer Station Regulations

1. Transfer Station stickers will be issued after proof of residency is shown. Transfer Station stickers are available at the Town Hall from the Administrative Assistant (Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m). Stickers are to be displayed on lower left or rear window of your vehicle.
2. An attendant will monitor stickers at the Transfer Station; **NO ONE** will be allowed to enter the Transfer Station without a **CURRENT STICKER**.
3. All trash must be disposed of in a trash bag displaying a Town of Buckland green trash bag sticker. Trash bag stickers are \$2.00 each and are available at Buckland Town Hall (Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.), Buckland Public Library, Labelle’s Sales and Service, McCusker’s Market, and Shelburne Farm and Garden. Town of Buckland 25-gallon bags are sold at Town Hall, ten for \$12.50.
4. Recyclable materials may be disposed of free of charge. Shoes are required to be worn.
5. No removal of items from Transfer Station property – person will be prosecuted.
6. No smoking is allowed at the Transfer Station. Children and/or pets must be confined to the vehicle.

Allowable Items: Clean and dry paper and cardboard; junk mail; boxboard; newspapers/inserts; magazines/catalogs; paper bags; white and colored office paper; computer paper; corrugated cardboard; paperbacks and phone books. All paper and cardboard must be clean and dry. Remove wrappings from junk mail. Glass bottles/jars (only clear, green, brown, less than two gallons); aluminum, tin/steel cans and lids and aluminum foil; milk and juice cartons (tent top); drink boxes; plastic bottles, jars, tubs, and microwave trays/containers, clear drink cups, clear plastic egg cartons. **Empty and rinse all containers.** All types of metal, ferrous, non-ferrous, clean waste oil, yard waste (no trash or branches).

Do Not Include: Plastic bags or wraps, pizza boxes, motor oil bottles, Styrofoam, egg cartons, syringes/hypodermic needles, broken glass, soda or beer holders/cartons, ceramics, aerosol cans.

Appliances: A fee of \$5.00 per appliance must be paid at the Town Hall before disposal.

Ranges Stoves Ovens Hot water heaters Compactors
Washers Dryers Dishwashers Gas Grills - without propane

APPLIANCES CANNOT BE SMASHED BUT MAY HAVE SOME DENTS.

Propane Tanks: Fees must be paid at the Town Hall before disposal.

UNALLOWABLE ITEMS: Stereo Sets Television Sets Tree Stumps
Refrigerators Microwaves C&D Material
Salvaging materials by public, Chairs, Tables, Sofas, Rugs, etc.

TOWN OFFICE HOURS

(As of December 31, 2019)

Select Board Meetings are held at 5:30 p.m., on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month, in the Town Hall Selectmen's Meeting Room, and are open to the public. Meetings are broadcast over cable television.

OFFICES are closed from 12:30 – 1:00 p.m. for lunch.

Selectmen's Office

Administrative Assistant – Sherry Clark 625-6330 X1
Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Town Clerk – Janice Purington 625-6330 X4
Hours: Monday and Thursday, 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday, 7:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.; Wednesday, 7:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Assessor's Office 625-6330 X3
Director of Assessing – Pamela Guyette
Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Tax Collector/Treasurer – Lisa Blackmer 625-6330 X2
Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. and by appointment

Town Administrator – Heather Butler 625-6330 X5

Town Accountant – Per Contract FRCOG 625-6330 X6

Buckland Public Library 625-9412
Jane Buchanan

Regional Animal Control Officer – Kyle Dragon, (413) 768-0983

Highway Department – Steve Daby 625-2367

Recreation Area - Cindy Schwartz 625-9555

Transfer Station – Floyd Scott 625-6743

Wastewater Treatment Plant – Dan Fleuriel 625-2300

MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE OF TOWN BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

<u>Board</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>
Board of Health	Second Wednesday	7:00 p.m.
Conservation Commission	First Monday	6:00 p.m.
Planning Board	Second Thursday	7:00 p.m.
Selectmen	Second and Fourth Tuesday	5:30 p.m.

The following Boards, Committees, and Commissions meet "as posted":

- Agricultural Commission
- Board of Assessors
- Buckland Public Library Trustees – Third Tuesday monthly
- Cultural Council
- Energy Committee
- Finance Committee
- Historic Commission
- Personnel Committee
- Public Safety Committee
- Recreation Committee
- Zoning Board of Appeals

ELECTED OFFICIALS

<u>OFFICES</u>	<u>TERM</u>
BOARD OF SELECTMEN (three-year term)	
Barry Del Castillo	2019-2022
Zachary Turner	2017-2020
Dena G. Willmore	2018-2021
BOARD OF ASSESSORS (three-year term)	
Elizabeth Cerone	2018-2021
Pamela Guyette	2017-2020
Marion Scott	2019-2022
BOARD OF HEALTH (three-year term)	
Terry Estes	2017-2020
Martha Taft-Ferguson	2019-2022
Richard Warner	2018-2021
BUCKLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES (three-year term)	
George Dole	2019-2022
Marjorie MacLeod	2017-2020
Catherine Russillo	2018-2021
CONSTABLES (three-year term)	
Paul Herbert	2017-2020
Henry Phillips	2019-2022
Floyd Scott	2018-2021
FINANCE COMMITTEE (three-year term)	
Karen Blom	2019-2022
Paula Consolo	2019-2022
Ciara Hayden	2018-2021
George Langford	2017-2020
Raymond Weil-Lanza	2018-2021
Benjamin Murray	2017-2020
MODERATOR (one-year term)	
Phoebe Walker	2019-2020
MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE (three-year term)	
David Parrella	2017-2020
Martha Thurber	2019-2020
TREE WARDEN (three-year term)	
Jeff Purinton	2019-2022

TOWN CLERK (three-year term)

Janice Purington

2017-2020

SELECTMEN'S APPOINTMENTS

ADA COORDINATOR

Heather Butler

TERM

7/1/19-6/30/20

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

Susan Atherton

7/01/18-6/30/21

Sandra Cardinal

7/01/17-6/30/20

David Lenaerts

7/01/18-6/30/21

Sammy Purington

7/01/18-6/30/21

Christopher Rose

7/01/15-6/30/20

Paul Willis

7/01/14-6/30/20

REGIONAL ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Kyle Dragon

ANIMAL INSPECTOR (one-year term)

Martha Taft-Ferguson (Barn Books)

5/01/19-4/30/20

BOARD OF REGISTRARS (three-year term)

Kathleen Fekete Bauerlein

7/01/17-6/30/20

Lisa Mullen

7/01/19-6/30/22

Janice Purington

7/01/17-6/30/20

Lawrence Wells

7/01/18-6/30/21

BOARD OF TRUSTEES – Will of Fred Wells (five-year term)

Susan Shauger

6/10/19-6/30/24

BUCKLAND CULTURAL COUNCIL (three-year term)

Andrea Bernard (second term)

7/01/19-6/30/21

James Bonham (first term)

10/10/18-6/30/21

Carol Cone (first term)

10/10/18-6/30/21

Laura Cunningham (first term)

9/12/18-6/30/21

Janice Hoberman

7/01/16-12/31/19

Carol Kelshaw

7/01/16-12/31/19

William Knittle

11/8/18-6/30/21

Sarah Neelon (first term)

9/12/18-6/30/21

Nancy Parland

7/01/16-12/31/19

Karen Sheaffer

8/8/17-6/30/20

Clarissa Spawn (first term)

10/10/18-6/30/21

CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

James Sullivan 7/01/19-6/30/20
Rob Riggan 9/10/19-6/30/20
Donald Wheeler 9/10/19-6/30/20

CARE OF VETERANS GRAVES

Les Chadwick 7/01/19-6/30/20

CONSERVATION COMMISSION (three-year term)

Thomas Heinig 7/01/17-6/30/20
Mary Knipe 7/01/19-6/30/22
Kathleen Lytle 11/14/18-6/30/21
Alex Meade 7/25/17-6/30/20
James Sullivan 10/10/17-6/30/20

COUNCIL ON AGING (three-year term)

Ellen Eller 7/01/18-6/30/21
Donna Liebl 10/14/17-6/30/20
Joanne Soroka 7/01/19-6/30/22
Eric Temple 7/1/18-6/30/21

FENCE VIEWER

Edward Grinnell 7/01/19-6/30/20
John R. Riggan 7/01/19-6/30/20

FIELD DRIVER

Edward Grinnell 7/01/19-6/30/20

FOREST WARDEN

Herbert Guyette 7/01/19-6/30/20

DEPUTY FOREST WARDEN

Arthur Phillips 7/01/19-6/30/20

FRANKLIN COUNTY BUILDING INSPECTION PROGRAM

James Bonham 7/01/19-6/30/20

FRANKLIN REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS PLANNING REPRESENTATIVE

Michael Hoberman, Alternate 7/01/19-6/30/20

FRANKLIN COUNTY REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY REPRESENTATIVE

Peter Otten 7/01/19-6/30/20

FRANKLIN COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Andrea Donlon 7/01/19-6/30/20
Dena Willmore, Alternate 7/01/19-6/30/20

GYPSY MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Jeff Purinton 7/01/19-6/30/20

Rob Riggan 9/10/19-6/30/20
Donald Wheeler 9/10/19-6/30/20

HAZARDOUS WASTE COORDINATOR

Dena Willmore 7/01/19-6/30/20

HEALTH AGENT

Randy Crochier 9/01/19-6/30/20

HISTORICAL COMMISSION (3-year term)

Polly Anderson 7/01/17-6/30/20

Michael McCusker 7/01/17-6/30/20

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

Steve Daby 7/01/19-6/30/20

HOUSING FOR THE ELDERLY

Zachary Turner 7/01/19-6/30/20

INSPECTORS – REGIONAL

BUILDING INSPECTOR

James Hawkins, Building Inspector

David Roberts, Local Building Inspector

Telephone: (413) 772-2026

ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR

Thomas McDonald

Telephone: (413) 772-2026 X115

PLUMBING/GAS INSPECTOR

Andrew French

Telephone: (413) 772-2026 X112

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TEAM

Herbert Guyette, Director 7/01/19-6/30/20

Arthur H. Phillips, Deputy 7/01/19-6/30/20

Heather Butler, Assistant 7/01/19-6/30/20

NILMAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Marion Scott 7/01/19-6/30/20

PARKING CLERK

Janice Purington 7/01/19-6/30/20

PLANNING BOARD (three-year term)

Andrea Donlon 7/01/19-6/30/22

Gabriel Colwell-LaFleur 7/01/18-8/13/19

John Gould 7/01/19-6/30/22

Michael Hoberman 7/01/17-6/30/20

Brian Rose 6/25/19-6/30/22

Jon Wyman 8/13/19-6/30/21

POLICE CHIEF

James T. Hicks 7/01/19-6/30/22

VETERANS SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

Barry Del Castillo 7/01/19-6/30/20

RECREATION COMMITTEE (three-year term)

Mark Amstein 2019-2022
Brandon Boucias 2018-2021
Carol Foote 2019-2022
Daniel Fleuriel 2017-2020
Nicole Freeman 2017-2020
Jamie LaRue 2019-2022
Christy Moore 2017-2020
Cynthia Schwartz 2017-2020
Wendy Sweetser Ferris 2019-2022

SELECTMEN'S ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Sherry Clark 7/01/19-6/30/20

SEWER HOOK-UP INSPECTOR

Daniel Fleuriel 7/01/19-6/30/20

STREET LISTER

Janice Purington 7/01/19-6/30/20

SURVEYORS OF WOOD, BARK, AND LUMBER

Dennis Clark 7/01/19-6/30/20

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

FRCOG 7/01/19-6/30/20

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Heather Butler 6/10/19-6/10/22

TREASURER/COLLECTOR

Lisa Blackmer 7/01/19-6/30/20

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION AGENT

Lisa Blackmer 7/01/19-6/30/20

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS (five-year term)

Robin Bestler 7/01/19-6/30/24
Dennis Clark 7/01/17-6/30/22
John Gould 7/01/19-6/30/24
James Rac 7/01/18-6/30/23
Jeffrey Rose 7/01/17-6/30/22

Randy Heminger, Alternate
ASSOCIATE MEMBERS
Open

7/01/18-6/30/23

OTHER APPOINTMENTS AND COMMITTEES

DIRECTOR OF ASSESSING

Appointed by the Assessors

Pamela Guyette

7/01/19-6/30/20

ENERGY COMMITTEE

Ellen Kaufmann

7/01/19-6/30/20

Michael Novack

7/01/19-6/30/20

Penny Novack

7/01/19-6/30/20

Margaret Olin

7/01/19-6/30/20

Harvey Schaktman

7/01/19-6/30/20

Brian Summer

7/01/19-6/30/20

McKNIGHT SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Buckland Board of Selectmen

Lisa Blackmer

OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION PLAN COMMITTEE

Mark Amstein

Susan Atherton

Gabriel Colwell Lafleur

Michael Hoberman

Ellen Kaufmann

Marilyn Kelsey

Rob Riggan

Jeffrey Rose

Jill Selleck

Janet Sinclair

Chris Skelly

Zachary Turner

Phoebe Walker

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Karen Blom (Finance Committee Appointee)

Leslie DeGraff-Grinnell (Moderator Appointee)

Patricia Schmidt (Selectmen Appointment)

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Heather Butler

Steven Daby

Herb Guyette

James Hicks

Anthony Jewell

Henry Phillips

Rob Riggan
Janet Sinclair
REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE
(Three-year term, Moderator's Appointment)
Laura Earl

7/01/19-6/30/22

TOWN EMPLOYEES

MAIN OFFICE

Michael Kociela

Janice Purington

Pamela Guyette

Lisa Blackmer

Sherry Clark

Heather Butler

HIGHWAY/REFUSE DEPARTMENT

Steve Daby

Norman Daby, Jr.

Larry Davis

Michael Lovett

Floyd Scott

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

Daniel Fleuriel

Matthew Ahearn

BUCKLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

Jane Buchanan

Town Accountant, FRCOG

Town Clerk

Director of Assessing

Treasurer/Tax Collector

Select Board Administrative Assistant

Town Administrator

Highway/Refuse Superintendent

Truck Driver/Operator

Truck Driver/Operator

Truck Driver/Operator

Transfer Station Attendant

Chief Operator

Assistant Operator

Library Director

BUCKLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT

POLICE CHIEF

James T. Hicks

SERGEANT

Kurt Gilmore

RESERVE OFFICERS

Jeffrey Belanger

Robert Carmody

Zack Caloon

Oleg Cobileanski

Theodore Hanna

James Helenek

Chris Miner

Shawna Williams

Jacob Wrisley

Joseph Murdock, Auxiliary

ASHFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

Beth Bezio, Chief

Jarek Konopko

Justin Roy

Dan Teibow

CHARLEMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT

Jared Bellows, Officer in Charge

Gordon Cutter

Greg Dekoschak

Melinda Herzig, Sergeant

John McDonough, Sergeant

Fran Noyes

Kyle Sweeney

SHELBURNE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Greg Bardwell, Sergeant/Chief

Timothy Budrewicz, Sergeant

Kurt Wilkins, Patrolman

Jeffrey King

Tucker Jenkins

Brandon Lopez

Christopher Pettengill

Corey Powell

Ed Thurston

SELECT BOARD ANNUAL REPORT 2019

Another year has come to pass, and it has been nothing short of exciting. In the past, the authors of this address have tended to focus on the comings and goings of the past year. This year we will be focusing instead on the future and the direction the Town will be moving. This coming year will see some changes in Town Hall. One of those changes is a positive one in the form of our new Town Administrator Heather Butler. Heather has hit the ground running and is already wildly exceeding all expectations. Another one of those changes will come in the departure of our long-time Town Clerk Janice Purington. Jan has faithfully served this town for 30 plus years. Her departure will surely be felt. Thank you, Janice, for all of your years of service and enjoy retirement.

Now down to business. We have come to a crossroads in the direction we are heading as a community. A concerted effort will be made going forward to make Buckland a greener community. Measures will be taken, and policies will be brought forward that will lessen our impact on the world around us and make us a more environmentally responsible community. We have already begun taking steps in the right direction with the passing of the new single use plastics bylaw in town - the first in the state, and one of the first in the country. Outward thought in line with our new bylaw are vital to keeping our community green and showing the rest of the state that Buckland is not afraid to be a leader. We have other projects in the works to replace the street lights in town with LED bulbs that use approximately one-third of the amount of power that our existing equipment does. A study on potential sites for community solar array are also on the horizon.

Substantial completion of our new highway facility has happened in this last year. The new facility will allow for a focus on how to modernize our operations. Software is being implemented to track not only cost but where inefficiencies exist so that corrective actions may be taken to help the Highway Department operate to their full potential.

This year will see the start of big things at the Recreation Area. Some upgrades to the area have already taken place in the form of a new road and a new playground. A great start to needed revitalization of the area that provides a valuable destination for families, as well as a location for the Buckland Rec. Summer Camp. On top of the new features at the Rec., the fundraising for a new pool will kick off. The new pool will be largely funded from public donations and, hopefully, grant money.

To keep cost of living reasonable in Buckland, we are going to have to find new ways to breathe growth into the Town. Growth is vital to small towns success and ability to keep living costs inclusive to all levels of income. Currently the Planning Board is already taking steps at looking at the bylaws to try and update them to facilitate growth without changing what makes Buckland special. However, zoning bylaw changes will not be enough. The need to open new areas for growth within Buckland are a must. Growth alone will, unfortunately, not be enough. Modernizing how the town operates and changing the "that's the way we have always done it" mindset will be essential, and it will take the efforts of all citizens of this great town. But, I know we can do it. Buckland has never shrunk from a challenge. We have, and will always, find a way to make it work. This will be no different. We are a forward-thinking community that will come together and take the necessary steps to ensure that our town thrives.

I am excited to see what the next year brings us. It will for sure be an exciting one.

Respectfully Submitted,

Select Board
Zack Turner, Chair
Barry Del Castilho
Dena Willmore

BUCKLAND ANIMAL INSPECTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT 2019

The following is a summary of the annual Animal Inspection for 2019:

	Adult	Young
Cattle: (Adult = 2 years and over)		
Dairy	76	54
Beef	33	24
Steers/Oxen	6	3
Goat: (Adult = 1 year and up)	14	2
Sheep: (Adult = 1 year and up)	43	15
Swine:		
Breeders	7	
Feeders	12	
Llamas/Alpacas	1	
Equine:		
Horses, Ponies	24	
Donkeys and Mules	2	
Poultry:		
Chickens	704	
Turkeys	4	
Ratites (Emus)	5	
Waterfowl	29	
Gamebirds	0	
Rabbits	1	
Other Animals: (Guinea Fowl)	11	

Respectfully Submitted,
Martha Taft-Ferguson
Inspector of Animals

FRANKLIN COUNTY REGIONAL ANIMAL CONTROL
2019 ANNUAL REPORT

During the year of 2019, the towns of Buckland, Colrain, Gill, Heath, Monroe, Northfield, and Shelburne join in partnership with the Franklin County Sheriff's Office to create the Franklin County Regional Animal Control program and hire a Regional Animal Control Officer. In August of 2019 after a lengthy selection process, I was hired as the full time Animal Control Officer. I grew up locally in the Town of Ashfield, where I have a background in dairy and chicken farming and I have been in the Animal Control field since 2009.

During the fall of 2019, I was provided the opportunity to attend the Franklin County Regional Reserve Intermittent Training Academy which will run through April of 2020. Upon completion of this program I will be able to enforce all the laws and regulations relevant to animal welfare.

During the period from August 2019 through the end of the year, Franklin County Regional Animal Control logged 188 calls for service or meetings.

Calls for Service:

- 🐾 67 call(s) involving Dogs.
- 🐾 21 call(s) involving Cats.
- 🐾 8 call(s) involving Wildlife.
- 🐾 8 call(s) involving Livestock.
- 🐾 0 call(s) for Inspections.
- 🐾 40 Meetings or Trainings.
- 🐾 16 Assistance Requests.
- 🐾 1 Hearings

Breakdown of calls by

Town:

- 🐾 Buckland: 32
- 🐾 Colrain: 29
- 🐾 Gill: 23
- 🐾 Heath: 9
- 🐾 Monroe: 2
- 🐾 Northfield: 25
- 🐾 Shelburne: 23
- 🐾 Other*: 45

**Other refers to Assistance Requests. (Shelter. MSPCA.*

During the spring of 2020, I will be working with the Town Clerks to bring their dog licensing lists up to date. We would like to remind everyone, that dog licenses are due by April 1 of each year. Please make time to see the Town Clerk for your licensing needs before the deadline to avoid late fees.

In December, a raccoon found in Colrain tested positive for rabies. Please take the time to consult your veterinarian and make sure all your pets are up to date with their rabies vaccines.

Anyone with Animal Control questions can contact me directly by email at kdragon@fcso-ma.us or by phone at 413-768-0983. If you have an urgent or immediate situation, please contact the Shelburne Falls Regional Communications Center at 413-625-8200.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kyle Dragon
Animal Control Officer
Franklin County Regional Animal Control

ARMS LIBRARY ANNUAL REPORT 2019

We all did it! With thanks for the hard work, and generosity, of our communities, town government and library people, we have completed our renovations. The Arms Library has been open for six months in its "new" space that was created out of our still historic town landmark. The beautiful lines and sense of the building remain. We are functioning with new children's and young adult spaces and meeting room, repaired walls and ceilings, much friendlier and energy-efficient lighting, and better and more effective heating and brand-new air conditioning, which was greatly appreciated by patrons and staff alike during its first summer.

We are adding more programming and continuing to solicit innovative ideas for library use.

In another way to meet community needs, we have begun Strategic Planning, where we will be gathering ideas from the community, with small focus groups and a survey, about the library's plans for the next five years.

Based on results from our last Strategic Plan we are approaching the towns of Buckland Shelburne for funding to be open another day of the week. We are looking at another three hours per week.

There were a few comings and goings within the library. We saw our dear friend and volunteer Patty Corsiglia pass; she remains so very present in our hearts. Three of our Trustees, Manat Wooten, Peter Stevens, and Harper Walker-West moved on to other pursuits. They were instrumental with their wisdom and dedication, in getting our fundraising and renovation done. Our Page Grayson Rizzi left for college; Clair Pearson became our new Page. We've also had new trustees and new volunteers join us. (See below for everybody who makes our library run.)

Figures from last fiscal year show that Arms Library card holders increased from 992 to 1,011; 18,396 physical items circulated; 6,979 items received via interlibrary loan from other libraries and 1,192 items sent to other libraries; the library open a total of 882 hours; 58 children's programs held, with attendance of 663; 22 adult programs held, with attendance of 169; volunteer hours (not including our Trustees and Friends), 624. There were 15,792 physical items in the library; this does not include e-materials, which number over 80,000. Interlibrary loan delivery system deliveries averaged 4 delivery bins per twice weekly deliveries; not counted are the many wireless sessions, both inside and out of the library, as people use our wireless service from the surrounding streets.

Our library operations funding comes from the following sources. Our yearly automation fee (approximately \$3,100) is at this point still being paid through the Phyllis Joyce Fund rather than town funds; this fund has been used up as of this year. (Next year we will be approaching both towns for an increase in budget reflecting that.) A portion of the Page position is paid for by the Gavin Memorial Fund. Other sources include State Aid, gifts from the Friends of the Library, the Adopt-A-Magazine Drive, an Annual Trustee Appeal Letter, overdue fines, and bequests to the library.

Our primary sources of income for library operations are from the towns of Shelburne and Buckland, and the Arms Library endowment.

The Trustees meet the third Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. The Pratt Memorial Library Building Committee (PMLBC) oversees the building; maintenance and upkeep are paid for by the Arms Library and the Town of Shelburne. The Pratt now meets every other month on the first Wednesday.

Current Library People:

Staff: Laurie Wheeler (Director), Sharin Alpert (Senior Library Assistant), Claire Pearson (Page).

Trustees: Karen Sheaffer, (Chairperson), Kate Downes (Co-chair), Sheryl Gilmore (Treasurer); Priscilla Tocker-White (Secretary), John Cornman; Liza Graybill, Wolfe Loewenthal, T.L. La Fleur.

Pratt Memorial Library Building Committee: Andrew Baker (Shelburne Selectman), Sheryl Gilmore, Karen Sheaffer, and Laurie Wheeler, advisory.

Friends of the Arms Library Executive Board: Cynthia Caporaso, Christin Couture, Sharon Glazer, Sally Judd, Joan Lawless, and Peter Schriber.

Library Volunteers: Cathy Livingstone, Patricia Corsiglia, Carol Kelshaw, Candace Curran, Cheryl Denton, Libby Hixson, Pat Anderson, Jen West, and Delia West.

The Arms Library is open Mondays 1 – 7 p.m., Wednesdays 11 a.m. – 7 p.m., and Saturdays 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Story Hours are held every Wednesday 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Stop by, call, email or look us up on Facebook or at www.armslibrary.org

Respectfully Submitted,
Laurie Wheeler, Director Arms Library

BUCKLAND BOARD OF HEALTH ANNUAL REPORT 2019

2019 Saw the FRCOG Agent Andrea Crete leave and a new agent come on board. Randy Crochier is the new fulltime agent with Lisa Danek Burke working as back-up.

The problem of nuisance wood smoke from both open burning and wood stoves was discussed at many monthly meetings, with the Fire Chief explaining the rules they comply with, Attorney Alan Sewald giving his interpretation of the State Nuisance Law in support of his client, and the Town Counsel explaining his views. With advice from many sources, the Board took the issue under advisement, continued to respond to each complaint about nuisance smoke, and to pass those on to the Fire Department.

Vacant and Abandoned housing in town has been inventoried and discussed with FRCOG and the State Attorney General's office. Inspections have been made, and actions are ongoing delayed by changes in staffing locally and at the Attorney General's office.

The Board has been dealing with housing rentals of various kinds and arrived at the solution of continuing with current State Law and not making changes locally at this time. There have been many meetings and seminars for Public Health officials for the current and ongoing Vaping and E Cig crisis, with the State issuing bans and the companies selling the banned products finding loop holes in the law as fast as it is written. The latest marijuana laws are now being published and refined and that process is ongoing. The Board has been involved with meetings and seminars on Emergency Planning and received briefings from Greg Lewis from FRCOG.

A new single use plastic bag ban was presented to the board by the Select Board Chair Zack Turner, and was taken under advisement. The Board of Health would be dealing with enforcement if the town passes the ban.

The Board dealt with loud roosters as a public nuisance and questions about quarantine of someone exposed to rabies. The Board had a presentation on the advisability of recommending to the Select Board about joining the Mohawk Trail Woodland Partnership.

Respectfully Submitted,
Richard Warner, Chair
Terry Estes
Marti Taft-Ferguson

BOARD OF ASSESSOR'S ANNUAL REPORT 2019

The Board of Assessors, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 59, Section 38, is required to assess all property at its full and fair cash value as of January 1 of each year. The assessed value for the Fiscal Year 2020 tax bill represents the fair cash value of property as of January 1, 2019. Full and fair cash value is defined as the price an owner is willing, but not under compulsion, to sell ought to receive from a buyer is willing, but not under compulsion, to purchase.

Chapter 40, Section 56 of the Massachusetts General Laws require all cities and town to conduct a revaluation every five years. A recent change in state law moved the revaluation cycle from every three years to every five years. The next revaluation for Buckland is scheduled to take place in FY2022. The Department of Revenue applies a rigorous certification process when a community revalues its property, requiring that assessments meet strict statistical tests to ensure that they accurately reflect the market and are applied consistently. In the years between revaluations, the Town, pursuant to state law, must adjust property assessments consistent with real estate trends. To be in compliance with the DOR's standards, we are constantly conducting inspections of various properties in town on a cyclical basis and ask for your cooperation if your home is in need of inspection.

As always, we welcome any questions or concerns that you may have. Our office is open on a part-time basis; therefore, we suggest that you call (413)625-6330, extension 3 to make sure someone is available to help you.

	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
1. Total Dollars to be Raised	\$5,138,119.00	\$5,435,205.43	\$5,258,116.40
2. Source of Dollars			
a. Estimated From State	\$359,974.00	\$371,705.00	\$391,148.00
b. Estimated Local Receipts	\$504,108.00	\$531,198.00	\$535,438.00
c. Available Funds			
1. Free Cash	\$154,790.00	\$58,465.99	\$126,100.00
2. Other Available Funds	\$219,007.43	\$507,219.97	\$49,058.21
3. Free Cash to Lower Tax Rate	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4. Other Source	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
3. Annual Tax Levy	\$3,900,239.57	\$3,966,616.47	\$4,156,372.19
4. Total Assessment Valuation	\$206,909,261	\$212,915,538	\$224,426,144
5. Tax Rate	\$18.85	\$18.63	\$18.52

Respectfully Submitted,

Marion E. Scott, Chair
Pamela Guyette, MAA
Elizabeth Cerone

BUCKLAND RECREATION COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2019

Cricket Field had a full season of baseball managed by parent volunteer Leah Phillips. We are grateful to her for her efforts on behalf of the league.

Spring brought work on the landscape of the Buckland Recreation Area in preparation for the pool campaign. The main work that was done was running a new electric service underground from the road, rerouting and building a new driveway, and creating appropriate drainage. The weather did not cooperate with us, making the work continue through the summer months. We needed to move fast and be creative. We had an obligation to our community to keep the Buckland Recreation Summer Camp moving forward. Lack of electricity was our biggest hurdle, along with flooding and general upheaval. We were able to borrow a generator, thanks to the Sheriff's Department, to keep us going until camp ended. Many thanks to Camp Director, Raelene Lemoine, and our amazing camp staff. You all stepped up to the challenge, making "Happy Campers".

Finally, we were able to get our electricity back on in late August. Although we needed to turn away many pavilion rentals through the summer months, we were able to get some parties scheduled in the cooler months.

So, what are the next steps with the pool project to keep it moving forward? Installing a new septic system is the next logical project. The Committee engaged Mike Rose again to determine pricing and a design plan. This project is planned for Spring 2021.

It was determined that the entrance sign for the Buckland Recreation Area is in need of being replaced along with a new sign for Cricket Field. The Franklin County Technical School has once again offered assistance in producing a new sign as long as we provide the materials. Under much discussion, the sign style and wording has been chosen, and work will be completed by FCTS students in 2020.

Lastly, working toward being able to run a fundraising campaign for the pool and associated building and systems, the Committee contracted local attorney Will Flanders to assist with establishing a non-profit. Paperwork was submitted December 2019, and the Committee should be hearing about the status in the second quarter of 2020.

Thank you to all who have donated to the swimming pool project thus far. We are grateful for your generosity.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Schwartz, Chair
Mark Amstein
Brandon Boucias
Dan Fleuriel
Jamie LaRue Bishop
Carole Foote
Nicole Freeman
Christy Moore
Wendy Sweetser Ferris

BUCKLAND CULTURAL COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT 2019

Buckland Cultural Council funds West County arts and humanities projects and events through small but meaningful grants to artists and presenters. It is our mission to support the cultural offerings of the area to a wide age range of people (including seniors and youth) and to improve the quality of life for students in, residents of and visitors to west county. Artists, schools and community groups can apply.

In 2019 we had \$6787.00 to distribute to 34 applicants. The details of the funding for this and past fiscal years is available at the Buckland LCC section on the website www.mass-culture.org.

The Buckland Cultural Council would like to thank our three members, whose term has expired, for their service to the Council. Janice Sorensen, Chair, Andrea Bernard, Secretary, and Nancy Parland, Treasurer, have been exemplary leaders of our committee. We need new members to fill their voids so if any citizen is interested, please contact the committee through the Town Hall offices. We meet approximately 4 times a year in the fall.

We hope that our choices will continue to bring interesting and culturally enriching events to our area. Coordinators of funded projects are asked to send information about their event to the Buckland Cultural Council Facebook page. Please join our page to hear of upcoming activities. We welcome community input so let us know of any events you would like to see in our area. You can do this by postal mail via Buckland Cultural Council, 17 State Street, Shelburne Falls MA 01370, or by commenting on our Facebook page.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jim Bonham, Treasurer
Carol Cone, Member
Laura Cunningham, Secretary
Sarah Neelon, Member
Karen Sheaffer, Member
Clarissa Spawn, Member

BUCKLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY ANNUAL REPORT 2019

Fiscal Year 2019 was a year for us to take stock as we approached the 10th anniversary in our renovated and expanded building. It was also time for us to create a long-range plan for the state so that we could continue to be certified. Certification not only allows us to receive state funding, but it also lets us participate in the many benefits of the C/W MARS library network, including access to a shared collection of more than 2.5 million titles including a large number of ebooks. As part of our planning process, we spent time talking with patrons and doing surveys to find out what direction we should take over the next five years.

The results were interesting. What our patrons want most is more programming. As a result, we have committed to focusing more on activities for children and adults. In addition to our annual Soup Nights, Winter Shorts event, Bridge Group, Fiber Friends, and summer reading for children and adults, we began a weekly Preschool Music and Story Time on Friday afternoons, and have received a Mass. Cultural Council Grant to purchase ukuleles and offer ukulele classes. (As of this writing 20 people have signed up to participate.) Coffee and Conversation is held each Saturday from 9 to noon. This is a time for neighbors to gather informally over coffee and newspapers. Nancy Dodson comes to the library every first and third Saturday morning with her certified therapy dog Ellie Mae for our “Read to a Dog” program. Kids have enjoyed reading to Ellie Mae, but perhaps our most enthusiastic participants in the program have been adults, with one exclaiming it is the best program we’ve ever had at the library!

We began a new book group in Fiscal Year 2019. We gather on the second Thursday of the month at 4 p.m. for a book discussion. Books have ranged from current fiction to classics and even one Young Adult nonfiction book that lead to a fascinating Skype visit with the author, M. T. Anderson, about his book, Symphony for the City of the Dead: Dimitri Shostakovich and the Siege of Leningrad.

In March, Buckland resident Michael Hoberman came to the Library for a well-attended program about his book, A Hundred Acres of America: The Geography of Jewish American Literary History. Michael read from the book and answered numerous questions from the audience.

In April, board member Patricia Donohue introduced us to the Barcelona tradition of Books and Roses. With grants from the Mass. Cultural Council, she transformed the library into a Barcelona street fair replete with buckets of roses, books for sale, Spanish food and drink, and music and storytelling. It was a full day of celebration. Our summer reading program kicked off at the end of the fiscal year. We offered the program to all ages and had a total of 50 participants—25 children and 25 adults. We collaborated with the Arms and Shelburne Free Libraries on a raffle for those who registered. Gift certificates to Boswell Books and Mo’s Fudge Factor were the prizes, with Mo’s generously donating certificates for ice cream cones. Children also received weekly prizes for filling out their reading logs.

We installed a people counter in Fiscal Year 2019 and began tracking the number of people who use our library each week. In addition to the increasing numbers of people coming into the library during the 15 hours per week we are open, the figures regularly show several dozen uses of the Community Room during the library’s closed hours. Many of these are various municipal and community boards. The Buckland Fiber Friends uses the room every Wednesday to meet and to create, and the Bridge Club gathers twice a month, for experienced and beginning players to enjoy some friendly, if spirited, competition. Others come in to use the internet, find a quiet place to study, and even to practice musical instruments.

Our circulation for Fiscal Year 2019 was the highest it has been in five years, with about 2,000 more items checked out than in Fiscal Year 2018. We look forward to continuing that growth in FY20.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jane Buchanan, Library Director

SHELBURNE SENIOR CENTER ANNUAL REPORT 2019
Supported by the Towns of Ashfield, Buckland and Shelburne

The Senior Center, located in Shelburne Falls, is supported by the towns of Ashfield, Buckland and Shelburne as well as the Franklin Regional Transit Authority, Lifepath, Executive Office of Elder Affairs, Cultural Councils, the Senior Center Foundation, and private donations. Together, we have made a difference!

Last year, attendance and use of the services offered continued to grow. Over 1,000 individuals participated or were served in some capacity, with over 300 of those individuals being residents of Buckland. Those participants had a combined usage over 7,600. Transportation for medical appointments, food shopping, services and events at the Senior Center was provided using three lift equipped vans for all nine West County towns. Over 3,000 rides were provided last year.

There are two full time staff, six part-time staff and one hundred volunteers who make all this possible. Over 15,000 hours of volunteer service were recorded last year! Thank you so much to all who share their time and talents to cook, lead classes, visit neighbors, serve on committees and boards, answer phones, and so much more. As one participant shared, "I don't know what I would do without the Senior Center. I could not get around, live on my own, or have the social life I do. I am very grateful."

There were many meetings, surveys and public hearings throughout November and early December...all leading up to huge steps forward in our journey toward expanded facilities for the programs and services of the Senior Center. Thanks to all of you who attended, participated and helped us to take these steps!

Because of increased public participation, through conversations at public meetings and many returned surveys, it became clear that the residents of Ashfield, Buckland and Shelburne overwhelmingly support the choice of the Masonic Hall as the home of an expanded Senior Center. Conversations will take place to pursue this site and its renovation as the first choice of the towns, and to determine next steps.

The decision was made to hire P3 Project Planning Professionals to provide expertise as we enter the next major phase of the expansion project by bringing the site, ownership and funding pieces together. They've worked on six successful senior center projects in the state including the one in Greenfield and a new one currently being constructed in Ludlow. The Expansion Committee, Senior Center Board of Directors, and the Shelburne Selectboard all voted unanimously to award them the planning coordinator contract! Watch for more progress in the coming months.

The Senior Center Foundation sent an expanded fall appeal mailing in late November, and many donations have arrived. Thank You! The support that is provided is essential for us to continue taking steps toward our goal of increased services and resources for seniors in our towns and rural communities.

As we look ahead, in 2020 we know that we will continue to take steps together to realize our goals. Please watch carefully for more public hearings and opportunities to learn more about decisions and plans. Invite your friends, especially those who might not know very much about the Senior Center. The more people who understand the importance of our efforts to increase its ability to serve seniors and their families, the more quickly we will be able to make our vision a reality.

Cathy Buntin
Senior Center Director
at the Center in Shelburne Falls

**FRANKLIN REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
FRANKLIN COUNTY
COOPERATIVE BUILDING INSPECTION PROGRAM
2019 ANNUAL REPORT**

Dear Residents of Buckland:

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

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

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

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

Residential Building Permits	96
Commercial Building Permits	9
Electrical Permits	50
Plumbing Permits	21
Gas Permits	15
Sheet Metal/Duct Permits	2
Certificates of Inspection	15
Signs	1
Tents	3
Solid Fuel	4
Fire Protection	1

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

James D. Hawkins
Building Commissioner
jhawkins@frcog.org

David Roberts
Building Inspector
droberts@frcog.org

Tom McDonald
Electrical Inspector
electric@frcog.org

Andy French
Plumbing/Gas Inspector
plumbing@frcog.org

FRANKLIN COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT ANNUAL REPORT 2019

To the Residents of the Solid Waste District:

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

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

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

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

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

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

Jan Ameen - *Executive Director* Jonathan Lagreze, Colrain – *Chair*
Chris Boutwell, Montague - *Vice-Chair* MA Swedlund, Deerfield – *Treasurer*

CARL H. NILMAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND ANNUAL REPORT 2019

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

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

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

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

Once again, the applications are available on line for the graduates and the seniors can pick up their application at Mohawk.

Press releases were published in both the Independent and the Greenfield Recorder in March containing information about the Carl H, Nilman Scholarship Fund.

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

Officers are: Marge Porrovecchio and Robin Hartnett, Co-Chairs and Marion Scott is Secretary.
Subcommittees are: Finance: Marion Taylor, Robin Hartnett and Eric Sumner. Scholarship: Marge Porrovecchio, Sheila Graves, Michelle Hillman, Marion Scott and Allen Irvine.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marion E. Scott, Secretary

CLIFTON L. MCKNIGHT SCHOLARSHIP FUND 2019

This scholarship, originally set up from a bequest in the will of Clifton L. McKnight, is a Trust Fund made available to high school and college students from the Town of Buckland to help further their education. The Trust Fund was set up in 1930, and after reaching \$5,000.00, the income earned each year has been used for scholarship(s). Because the principal cannot be touched, and the fund has been earning only \$30.00 interest annually, the Board of Selectmen has set up a supplemental McKnight Scholarship Fund. If you would like to donate to this fund, please make your check payable to the Town of Buckland and indicate in the memo area it is for the McKnight Supplemental Scholarship Fund.

The Clifton L. McKnight Scholarship Committee consists of the Buckland Board of Selectmen, the Mohawk Regional District School Committee, a MTRHS Guidance Counselor, and the Buckland Town Treasurer, who is always the Chairman. The Guidance Counselor and the Treasurer are non-voting members. Applications, which are due by April 1, are always available in the Buckland Town Office and the Guidance Office at MTRHS.

Sixteen applications were received by the April 1 deadline. This year's recipient was Dylan Shawn Williams.

Respectfully Submitted,
McKnight Scholarship Committee

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2019

It is my pleasure to present my 20th report regarding the accomplishments of the Town of Buckland's Highway Department for the year 2019.

The team worked hard through the winter months keeping our streets and roads safe for travel - before, during and after winter storms. After winter's end, they continued their efforts by cleaning ditches and culverts, sweeping, filling potholes, repairing and reshaping our gravel roads.

In April, G.E.G. Construction began Phase I of the William Street reconstruction project. The project involved replacing an over 100-year old water main and services, catch basins and drainage pipes, installing under drain, new sidewalk and curb, removing the existing unsuitable road base and replacing it with gravel, and finally new pavement. This project cost roughly \$620,000 and was paid for using the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).

The Town of Buckland applied for and was awarded nearly \$1,040,000 for the reconstruction of Upper Street. G.E.G. Construction was the contractor for the project. This project involved reclaiming the existing surface, replacing and upgrading drainage including catch basins, drainage pipe, and under drain, as well as new sidewalk and curb. The project cost was \$979,633.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Highway Crew. They are responsible for maintaining over 43 miles of roads in Buckland. Their teamwork and problem-solving skills make it possible to get a lot of work done. Often short-handed, and always with limited resources, they make things happen.

Finally, we ask for your help. Please keep catch basins and/or culverts in front of your properties clear of debris as this helps to prevent road damage and maintain travel safety. Please feel free to contact us at 625-2367 with any concerns you may have regarding our roadways. Thank you.

Respectfully Submitted,
Steven L. Daby, Highway Superintendent

POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2019

I am pleased and honored to present my twenty-ninth (29) report to the Town of Buckland as your Chief of Police.

CRIMINAL CHARGES BREAKDOWN

1	Unlicensed MV Operation	1	A&B on Police Officer	1	Resisting Arrest
1	Oper. Under Influence/Alcohol	1	A & B on Family Member	1	Speeding
1	Leaving Scene Prop. Damage	1	Strangulation - Suffocation	4	Fugitive from Justice-Warrant
4	Number Plate Violation	3	Probation Warrant	3	Inspection Sticker Violation
1	Larceny Under \$1,200	1	Oper. Under Influence / Drugs	4	Oper. MV with Susp. License
1	Oper MV w/ Revoked License	1	Fail to Stop for Police	4	Oper. Uninsured Motor Vehicle
1	Use without Authority	1	Oper with Susp. License	5	Un-Registered MV
1	Abuse Order Violation	1	Marked Lane Violation	1	Negligent Oper of MV

ARREST BY AGE GROUP

AGE	00-10 YOA	11-17 YOA	18-24 YOA	25-34 YOA	35-54 YOA	55 Plus YOA
#			6	4	9	2

ARREST BY LOCATION

LOCATION	BAR/CLUB	RESTAURANT	PUBLIC BUILDING	HWY/ST/RD	RESIDENCE	BUSINESS	SCHOOL
#				14	6	1	

2019 Breakdown of Calls/Activity (1,744)

10	209A Restraining Order Service	24	Disturbance	7	Noise Complaint
3	209A Violation	17	Disabled Motor Vehicle	54	Notifications
7	Abandon 911 Calls	1	Domestic	3	Open Door found
36	911 Calls	2	Drunk / Intoxicated person	1	Odor Investigation
18	911 Hang Up Calls	8	Lock Down Drill- Schools	63	Officer Wanted
10	911 Miss-Dial Calls	3	Escort / Transport	105	Paperwork Service
3	Abandon Motor Vehicles	1	Fight Reported	4	Annoying Calls
59	Administrative	103	Firearms Licensing	165	Traffic Enforcement
44	Burglar-Hold Up alarms	3	Fire calls	28	Road Safety Hazard
4	Life Line Alarms	1	Vehicle fire	3	Section 12
11	Fire Alarms	2	Fireworks	1	Shop Lifting
51	Animal Complaints	19	Follow Up Investigations	1	Shots Fired
46	Assist Citizen	10	Fraud Report	5	Sex Offender Registration
24	Assist Other Agency	42	General Info	15	Suspicious Person
1	Assault Reported	8	Harassment	15	Suspicious Activity
6	Articles lost	1	Hazmat Call	1	Suicide Threat
8	Articles Recovered	3	Illegal Burn	9	Suspicious Vehicle
3	Breaking & Entering Reported	4	Illegal Dumping	5	Threats made
4	Past B & E Reported	8	Investigation	32	Traffic Hazard
1	Boating Emergency	1	Juvenile Offense	11	Traffic Control
60	Building Checks	10	Keep the Peace	8	Trespass

5	By-Law Violation	5	Larceny Reports	2	Unwanted Person
53	Check the Welfare	22	Lines down	6	Vandalism
5	Civil Issue	9	Lockout / Motor Vehicle	14	Warrant Service
10	Cruiser Service	76	Medical Emergency		
2	Carbon Monoxide Alarm	2	Missing Person		
3	Community Policing	31	Misc. Calls		
15	Complaints	31	MV Crashes no Injury		
6	Court	8	MV Crash with Injury		
2	Custody Issues	60	Motor Vehicle Complaints		
8	Car vs. Deer Crash	1	Motor Vehicle Stolen		
14	Request Detail Officer	121	Motor Vehicle Violation		

This past year (24) People were apprehended and/or summonsed and charged for (44) violations of the law. Including, (3) people were transported to Franklin Medical Center to be evaluated for their own safety and the safety of others.

Our Department responded to 39 Motor Vehicle accidents. Of those, 24 required investigation/ Crash Reports.

HELPFUL CONTACT NUMBERS

- Buckland Police Department..... 24/7..... 413-625-8200
- Police Emergency 911..... 911
- National Do Not Call Registry... (www.donotcall.gov) 888-382-1222
- Mass Do Not Call Registry..... 866-231-2255
- Consumer Protection (DA's Office) 413-774-3186
- IRS (Many scam calls going on) real contact number... 800-829-1040

Once again as a reminder, if you're going to be away for an extended period, contact the Police Department (413-625-8200), our dispatchers will take your information, and it will be passed onto the officers.

Respectfully Submitted,
JTHicks

James T. Hicks
Chief of Police

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TOWN CLERK'S ANNUAL REPORT 2019

This is my last Annual Report as Town Clerk for the Town of Buckland. Thirty years ago I was elected to my first term as Town Clerk for the Town of Buckland. At that time, my sons were ages 2, 4 and 6 years old. I was able to start this position as Town Clerk with the help of my husband. Thankfully he was farming and was home with the children when I was working. Looking back over the 30 years I have served, I realize how much I have enjoyed my job. I have seen many changes during the past 30 years - changes to the town itself, changes in personnel, boards, and committees. The only current employees that were working for the Town when I became Town Clerk are Dan Fleuriel at the Waste Water Treatment Facility and James Hicks, our Police Chief.

The position of Town Clerk has changed considerably over the last 30 years. It has been a pleasure to serve the Town of Buckland residents, and I thank them for their support at the polls. I have always tried to serve the residents of Buckland to the best of my ability. I know that when I retire I will miss my daily connection with the residents of Buckland and my co-workers in the Town Hall.

There have been many changes and added responsibilities to the position. Election laws have changed frequently and continue to change. Vital records procedures have gone from manual reporting and processing to electronic records. I have attended many Town Clerk Conferences to take education classes to keep up with the changes.

I would like to thank Elizabeth Cerone who has been working with me as my Assistant Town Clerk and has been filling in for me when I am out of the office for vacations, etc.. Elizabeth is very reliable and has been learning the many functions of the Town Clerk's position.

I would like to thank the members of the Board of Registrars for their services conducting voter registration sessions and accepting nomination papers.

I would also like to thank all the residents that completed and returned your annual street listing forms promptly. The annual street listing is very important. It helps to keep our voting lists accurate and up to date. The information is used in many other ways. This information is used to produce school lists, veteran information, senior citizen information and other needs that arise throughout the year. If we do not receive the annual street listing from a resident, the election laws require us to make the voters at that residence all inactive on the voting list.

Please remember that most of the departments in the Town are one-person departments. Some of the departments are part time positions. It might be helpful for you to call first to be sure that someone is in the department you need to contact. We are occasionally out of the office due to illness, appointments, family circumstances, vacations, or to attend meetings, and classes, etc.

ELECTIONS, TOWN MEETINGS, VOTER REGISTRATIONS AND EARLY VOTING

I would like to thank the Election workers for their many hours of working the polls this past year. We had a very busy year with the following:

Town Meetings and local elections were as follows:

Special Town Meeting April 4, 2019
Annual Town Election May 6, 2019
Annual Town Meeting May 8, 2019
Special Town Meeting October 21, 2019

There were 3 (three) Voter Registrations held in 2019:

March 25, 2019 Prior to Special Town Meeting
April 16, 2019 Prior to Annual Town Election and Annual Town Meeting
October 11, 2019 Prior to Special Town Meeting

Annual Year - Dog Licenses

January 1, 2019 thru December 31, 2019

136	Spayed Females @ \$5.00	\$ 680.00
15	Females @ \$10.00	150.00
111	Neutered Males @ \$5.00	555.00
12	Males @ \$10.00	120.00
0	Kennels @ \$100.00	0.00
2	Kennels @ \$50.00	100.00
1	Kennels @ \$25.00	25.00
		\$1,630.00
	Clerk Fees:	<u>- 274.00</u>
		\$ 1,356.00
17	Late Fines @ \$25.00	<u>425.00</u>
	Total:	\$ 1,781.00

VITAL STATISTICS RECORDED IN 2019

BIRTHS	9
MARRIAGES	8
DEATHS	15

Respectfully Submitted:

Janice D. Purington
Town Clerk

SHELBURNE FALLS WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY ANNUAL REPORT 2019

Last year we received the report for Phase 1 of the inflow/infiltration study. Phase 2 should continue in 2020. We should have an assessment of the overall condition of the wastewater collection system when completed. This is required to meet federal mandate.

William Street had more reconstruction and some of the sewer was replaced to allow new water mains and relocated drainage pipes. Also, the new highway garage was connected to the Sears Street sewer.

Precipitation this past year was a little less in comparison to the past 30 years. Averages from 1989 to present put annual precipitation at 54.21 inches and total flow at the treatment facility at 75.965 million gallons. This year the precipitation was 51.52 inches which is about 5% below average. The flow was 69.266 million gallons being 8.8% below average. The level of treatment for the year came out to 97.6% of biochemical oxygen demand and 96.0% of suspended solids removed. The minimum requirement for each of these parameters is at least 85%. The reed beds had applied to them 453,240 gallons of sludge which accounted for 39,692 pounds of solids.

I would like to thank all the homeowners that replaced pipes that will help reduce the inflow and infiltration of clean water entering the sewer system. I would also like to recognize the homeowner that disconnected the roof drains from their sewer as well. It all adds up and less water directly results in better quality treatment and lower costs.

And finally, a reminder that a partial list of things that should **not** be flushed are: **cotton swabs, dental floss, paper towels, moist wipes/towelettes, or dentures.**

Respectfully Submitted,
Daniel M. Fleuriel, Chief Operator
Shelburne Falls Wastewater Treatment Facility

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS ANNUAL REPORT 2019

In 2019, the Buckland Zoning Board of Appeals received two applications:

ZBA 2019-01 – Steven Bell –Application for Special Permit to reduce rear setback to 18’ for garage, at 121 Bray Road, Map 9-0, Lot 10, Buckland MA – Withdrawn.

ZBA 2019-02 – Joshua and Jenna Smith – Application for Special Permit to build deck off back of house, at 2 Old Upper Street, Map 5-1, Block 0, Lot 7, Buckland MA – GRANTED.

All Zoning Board of Appeals hearings are open to the public. Citizens are welcome to attend and take an active part in the permit process.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robin Bestler
Dennis Clark
John Gould
Randy Heminger
James Rae
Jeffrey Rose

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL 2019

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

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

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

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

Through the Mass IDEAS Planning Grant, we partnered with national education organizations: Next Generation Learning Challenges (NGLC) and EL Education. NGLC and EL Education have been working with MTRS teachers and administrators to transform classrooms to be more student-centered and to develop rigorous and diverse ways in which students can demonstrate their learning. In addition, EL Education will assist teachers in the development of interdisciplinary, hands-on activities that will engage students in rigorous community-based projects. NGLC will support our Instructional Leadership Team and Portfolio Working Group to develop a comprehensive portfolio model. Teachers will help to guide students through the compilation of an individualized portfolio that demonstrates who they are as a learner and goals they set for themselves. NGLC will also work with teachers to develop assessments that connect to 21st century skills and the real world.

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

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

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

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

Respectfully Submitted,
Marisa Mendonsa, Principal

MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2019 GRADUATES

Taylor Ball
Bennett Boucias
Rachael Cairns
Bianca Cavanaugh-Green
Walker Gibson
Grace Gokey
William Guyette
Reality McCallister
Casey Millane
Melissa Purinton
Elliot Sargent
Nicolas Sinaiko
London Summers
Ryan Walker

SPECIAL EDUCATION AND PUPIL SERVICES ANNUAL REPORT 2019

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

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

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

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

Respectfully Submitted,
Leann Loomis, Director of Pupil Personnel Services

MARY LYON FOUNDATION ANNUAL REPORT 2019

Innovative Support for Local Education

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

BUCKLAND-SHELBURNE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ANNUAL REPORT 2019

It is with distinct pleasure that I submit my **tenth** report as principal of BSE to the communities of Buckland and Shelburne. This has proven to be a productive and successful year which is, in part, highlighted below.

STAFFING:

Jacqueline Goodman received well wishes from staff, students and community members as she departed her professional career for retirement. Jacqui touched lives that spanned thirty-three years of service at BSE.

New hire David Conlon replaced Mrs. Goodman at the start of the 2019-2020 School Year and is teaching sixth grade.

FACILITY:

Following towns approval, the second phase of asbestos floor abatement was completed.

The south wing including preschool, grades two and three, and our Title I classroom along with the office suite were packed and stored in the gymnasium throughout the summer so this project could be started and completed in time for school reopening in September.

In addition, the BSE front porch has a new look. A glass vestibule was installed to offer additional security to our main entrance. Students have found it to be a safe and warm haven during the cold mornings while waiting for the opening bell.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT:

I am very proud to announce that BSE is in high standing with the Massachusetts accountability system. Following spring MCAS assessments, schools are measured on student performance. Indicators for performance include achievement and student progress over time. We are then compared to other schools across the state and categorized using a 7-point rubric. On this 7-point rubric (7: highest), BSE is categorized as a 6 (6: meeting or exceeding targets).

We have achieved this status, in part, by continuing to design curriculum and instruction that is organized around an RtI (Response To Intervention) model. This design ensures that we are focused on student data, both academically and behaviorally. This data is used to drive behavioral and instructional decisions. With continual monitoring of student progress, we are able to make adjustments to meet the individual needs of all students.

NEW ACADEMIC PROGRAM:

As part of the greater Mohawk System, BSE teachers engaged in professional study that focused on new and improved ways to teach mathematics. At the end of the 2018-2019 school year, the district unanimously chose *Bridges in Mathematics* a comprehensive program that aligns to the Common Core State Standards for Math in a way that is very different from the traditional algorithm style of learning. Math classes now focus on developing a deep understanding of concepts, skills and problem solving. The program includes direct instruction, structured problem solving and encourages open investigation and exploration. This program enhances learners style of learning including material that is visual, kinesthetic rich and mathematically powerful.

Students look forward to their Number Corner and Math Block which takes 90 minutes of each school day. Our winter math assessments were powerful in the significant growth in understanding and application of mathematical performance.

BSE PBL(Project Based Learning) INITIATIVE:

For the past three years, BSE has studied and built upon our understanding and implementation of this method. PBL allows students to work for an extended period of time, investigating, engaging, creating meaning from a

chosen topic. Teachers, in this model, act as facilitators and coaches to guide students through their inquiry on a topic.

This spring, BSE has designed a school-wide unit that includes two vertical teams PK-6. We have chosen Water as our topic. Please expect to see our students out and about as we learn the details of our Deerfield River in town. As the year draws to an end, you will find around town free brochures that highlight the uses of the river from both a working and recreational view. If you have time, you can visit the school to view a rather large model of our immediate Deerfield River. Hands from Preschool through sixth grade will be the constructors of these end-of-study projects.

STUDENT ENROLLMENT:

In 2015 BSE had many classrooms that were unoccupied. However, we have experienced a steady increase in enrollment since then and we are now back to using all available classrooms and spaces. For three years now, our count hovers around 300 students PK through grade 6. We continue to be a popular school choice school and currently have 41 students registered under this district initiative.

VOLUNTEER PROGRAM:

The BSE Local Education Council focused attention to recruiting parent volunteers to be a part of our vibrant school day. We designed a training session for volunteers and have trained 15 parents since the onset of this idea. I would like to expand this work and extend an invitation to you, our community members. If you would like to spend some time with us in volunteer service, I invite you to contact me directly to discuss the possibilities.

In closing, I am hopeful I was able to provide you with a snapshot of a few of our school's highlights. I am sorry to limit this report as there is remarkable work going on here at 75 Mechanic Street. I'm so proud to be a part of the community where we believe in Safety, Responsibility and Compassion.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joanne Giguere, Principal

Franklin County Technical School District 2019 Annual Report to Towns

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

Enrollment for member towns as of October 1, 2019 was 485 students with town breakouts as follows:

Bernardston	28	Erving	26	Montague	105	Sunderland	10
Buckland	6	Gill	12	New Salem	7	Warwick	6
Colrain	25	Greenfield	100	Northfield	27	Wendell	11
Conway	5	Heath	5	Orange	66	Whately	12
Deerfield	17	Leyden	3	Shelburne	14		

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

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

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

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

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

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

Collision repair continues working to provide body work for town vehicles and State Trooper cars. Culinary Arts regularly serves the local Community Senior Center, Chamber of Commerce, Ice carving for Greenfield Winter Fest, and the community Car Show. Cosmetology serves the local Senior Centers, while also providing free hair-cuts, nails, and hand massage service. Health Technology students regularly perform blood pressure,

heart rate and health checks for the community. Our Veterinary students work with the Mass Division of Fishery and Wild Life, Franklin County Sheriff's Animal Shelter, work with farm animals, and provide grooming for animals and pets. FCTS is open during the evening by working in collaboration with REB and GCC to provide adult training for Advanced Precision Machining and Welding & Metal Fabrication. Franklin County Technical School Staff provide evening community events, like Halloween at Tech and Polar Express, which serve hundreds of kids and families.

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

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

Respectfully,



Mr. Richard J. Kuklewicz
School Committee Chairman



Mr. Richard J. Martin
Superintendent-Director



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

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

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

The FRCOG’s Municipal Service Programs

<i>Program</i>	<i>Description of Service</i>	<i>Participating Towns</i>
Collective Purchasing and Procurement	Bidding, bulk purchase and contracting of products and services including highway products and services; fuel; dog tags; elevator and other maintenance. Procurement assistance to ensure compliance with Chap 30b.	All Franklin County municipalities and, as of 2019, most Hampshire County municipalities.
Cooperative Public Health Service	Public health services including community sanitation, food safety, Title 5 work, private well water safety, communicable disease control, and public health nursing.	Bernardston, Buckland, Charlemont, Colrain, Conway, Deerfield, Erving, Gill, Hawley, Heath, Leyden, Monroe, Rowe, Shelburne.
Franklin County Cooperative Inspection Program	Building, plumbing, gas, and electrical inspection services and zoning enforcement.	Ashfield, Bernardston, Buckland, Charlemont, Conway, Erving, Gill, Greenfield, Hawley, Heath, Leverett, Leyden, Rowe, Shelburne, Shutesbury, Whately.
Town Accounting	Comprehensive municipal accounting services and shared software.	Ashfield, Bernardston, Buckland, Conway, Gill, Leverett, New Salem, Shelburne, Sunderland, Wendell, Whately, and Williamsburg in Hampshire Co.

Franklin County Emergency Communication System	At the request of all Franklin County communities, the FRCOG owns and maintains the emergency communication equipment for Franklin County.	All emergency response units in and/or serve Franklin County municipalities.
Regional Emergency Planning Committee	Fulfills the federal mandate that all communities have a hazardous material response plan; all hazards planning and training for emergency responders.	All Franklin County municipalities.

The FRCOG's **planning, prevention and preparedness** work is varied, and evolves as the needs of the region and its municipalities change and funding sources become available. All of the work in this category is grant funded.

The FRCOG is the state-designated Regional Planning Agency for Franklin County. **Planning**, as a discipline, is the work of ensuring that the region's, and each town's, land use and infrastructure will meet future housing, environmental protection, economic development, and quality of life needs.

Sample Projects by Planning Discipline

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

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

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

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



Public Health
Prevent. Promote. Protect.

Cooperative Public Health Service Activities in Buckland – 2019

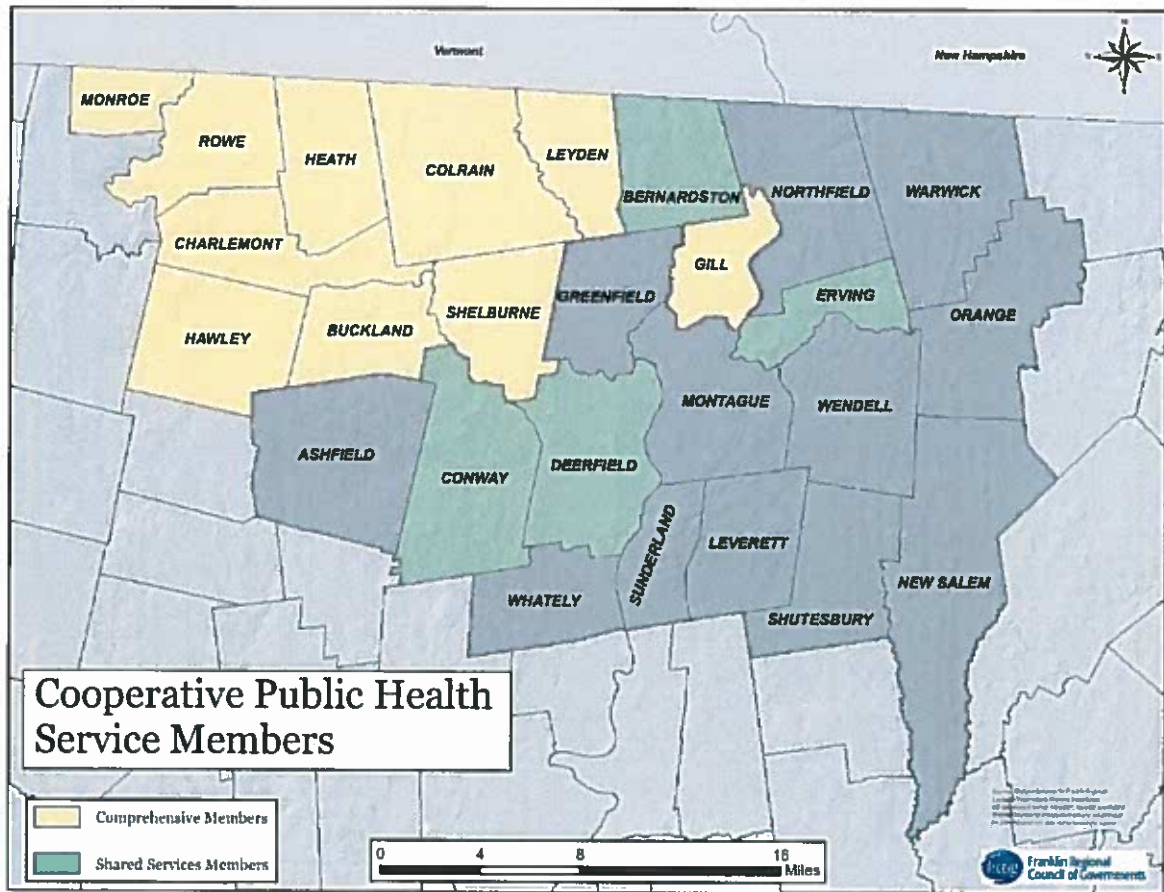


The Town is a comprehensive member of the CPHS, a health district based at the Franklin Regional Council of Governments. Other neighboring towns sharing the same public health staff include Bernardston, Charlemont, Colrain, Gill, Hawley, Heath, Leyden, Monroe, Rowe and Shelburne. In 2019 the Regional Health Director Andrea Crete resigned. Randy Crochier was hired as The Full Time Regional Health Agent. With the addition of Colrain and Bernardston, a Part Time Agent was added. The District was fortunate to hire Lisa Danek-Burke as the Part Time Health Agent. CPHS activities in Buckland during 2019 included:

- The CPHS Staff conducted Title-5 (septic) code enforcement for the town, including 4 Soil Evaluations for septic systems, 6 septic system plan reviews including site visits and final inspections of installations, witnessing 14 Title-5 Inspections prior to property transfer, issuing Local Upgrade Approvals and DSCP (septic) permits, and preparing Certificates of Compliance.
- The CPHS Staff conducted 12 retail food inspections, permitted 2 wells, and continued to assist Buckland businesses and residents with Sanitary Code compliance.
- CPHS staff attended 8 regular Board of Health meetings.
- The Public Health Nurse held 11 monthly walk-in wellness clinics at the Senior Center making 92 visits with 32 individual clients. The Nurse worked collaboratively with Shelburne Senior Center staff to address resident needs arising over the year, making home visits as needed.
- The CPHS staff assisted the Board with appropriate follow-up on housing complaints, including investigation into abandoned and distressed properties.
- The Public Health Nurse offered Files of Life, medication lock boxes, pill sorters, mercury thermometer collection and exchange, and sharps disposal and container exchange to residents. One hundred thirty-six (129) sharps containers were exchanged for CPHS residents over the year.
- Seven Buckland residents received low-cost tick tests offered through a state subsidy through a district program. None of the Buckland ticks tested positive for disease pathogens this year. The Public Health Nurse provided tick prevention materials and helped residents access grant funded tick testing online.
- The Public Health Nurse completed state-mandated infectious disease surveillance and reporting for 283 CPHS district cases, 14 of which were from Buckland. Three Buckland cases required in-depth case investigation and reporting.
- Through a FDA Food Safety Grant the district provided low-cost 3-in-1 ServSafe, Allergens Awareness and ChokeSaver classes for Buckland residents and business owners.

- The Public Health Nurse coordinated vaccine, supplies and staff support for flu clinics held at community sites throughout the CPHS district with the help of Medical Reserve Corps members, GCC nursing students and community volunteers, serving 1,083 area residents. A flu clinic held at the Shelburne Senior Center served 127 area adults, and 93 adults and children were vaccinated at a Flu Clinic/Emergency Dispensing Site Drill at Mohawk Trail Regional School.

Buckland's representatives to the CPHS Oversight Board are Martha Taft-Ferguson and Terry Estes, Board of Health Members. For more information: www.frcoq.org



TOWN OF BUCKLAND
General Fund Budget/Expense Report
June 30, 2019

Account Code	Account Title	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Total Budget	YTD Actual	Balance	% Exp
114	Moderator						
5100	Salaries, Elected Officials	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00	0.00	100.00%
Total 114	Moderator	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00	0.00	100.00%
122	Selectboard						
5100	Salaries, Elected Officials	6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	0.00	100.00%
5110	Salaries & Wages	41,592.00	0.00	41,592.00	41,017.73	574.27	98.62%
5350	Advertising Expense	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	380.67	619.33	38.07%
5360	Safety/Drug Testing	400.00	0.00	400.00	318.31	81.69	79.58%
5400	General Expenses	1,000.00	22,900.00	23,900.00	21,696.26	2,203.74	90.78%
5420	Other Expense	0.00	19,000.00	19,000.00	19,000.00	0.00	100.00%
Total 122	Selectboard	49,992.00	41,900.00	91,892.00	88,412.97	3,479.03	96.21%
123	Town Administrator						
5110	Salaries & Wages	59,777.00	2,000.00	61,777.00	61,983.06	(206.06)	100.33%
5400	General Expenses	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	1,161.25	838.75	58.06%
5499	Prior Year Encumbrances	0.00	140.79	140.79	140.79	0.00	100.00%
Total 123	Town Administrator	61,777.00	2,140.79	63,917.79	63,285.10	632.69	99.01%
132	Reserve Fund						
5400	General Expenses	20,000.00	(4,000.00)	16,000.00	0.00	16,000.00	0.00%
Total 132	Reserve Fund	20,000.00	(4,000.00)	16,000.00	0.00	16,000.00	0.00%
135	Accountant						
5400	General Expenses	21,871.00	0.00	21,871.00	21,871.00	0.00	100.00%
5410	Office Supplies	500.00	0.00	500.00	114.94	385.06	22.99%
5470	Auditing Expense	5,000.00	18,700.00	23,700.00	16,000.00	7,700.00	67.51%
Total 135	Accountant	27,371.00	18,700.00	46,071.00	37,985.94	8,085.06	82.45%

141	Assessors									
5100	Salaries, Elected Officials	3,900.00	0.00	3,900.00	3,900.00	3,900.00	0.00	100.00%	0.00	100.00%
5110	Salaries & Wages	31,956.00	0.00	31,956.00	32,078.19	(122.19)		100.38%		
5400	General Expenses	9,485.00	(300.00)	9,185.00	8,838.90	346.10		96.23%		
5435	Tax Mapping	4,100.00	0.00	4,100.00	4,100.00	0.00		100.00%		
Total 141	Assessors	49,441.00	(300.00)	49,141.00	48,917.09	223.91		99.54%		
142	Revaluation									
5800	Capital Expenses	14,000.00	9,418.26	23,418.26	4,950.00	18,468.26		21.14%		
Total 142	Revaluation	14,000.00	9,418.26	23,418.26	4,950.00	18,468.26		21.14%		
145	Treasurer									
5445	Tax Title	2,000.00	4,194.96	6,194.96	214.00	5,980.96		3.45%		
Total 145	Treasurer	2,000.00	4,194.96	6,194.96	214.00	5,980.96		3.45%		
146	Collector									
5110	Salaries & Wages	42,581.00	0.00	42,581.00	42,418.34	162.66		99.62%		
5111	Board/Clerk Salaries	75.00	0.00	75.00	75.00	0.00		100.00%		
5400	General Expenses	15,210.00	(500.00)	14,710.00	11,694.56	3,015.44		79.50%		
5403	OPEB Account	1,000.00	5,500.00	6,500.00	0.00	6,500.00		0.00%		
5499	Prior Year Encumbrances	0.00	412.52	412.52	412.52	0.00		100.00%		
Total 146	Collector	58,866.00	5,412.52	64,278.52	54,600.42	9,678.10		84.94%		
150	Operations Support									
5111	Board/Clerk Salaries	2,160.00	1,500.00	3,660.00	3,813.75	(153.75)		104.20%		
5400	General Expenses	950.00	0.00	950.00	816.47	133.53		85.94%		
5421	Postage	2,400.00	1,500.00	3,900.00	3,400.00	500.00		87.18%		
5431	Office Equip Maint	4,500.00	2,000.00	6,500.00	6,294.30	205.70		96.84%		
Total 150	Operations Support	10,010.00	5,000.00	15,010.00	14,324.52	685.48		95.43%		
151	Legal									
5400	General Expenses	10,000.00	5,000.00	15,000.00	12,209.36	2,790.64		81.40%		
Total 151	Legal	10,000.00	5,000.00	15,000.00	12,209.36	2,790.64		81.40%		
159	CDBG									
5400	General Expenses	3,500.00	0.00	3,500.00	22,720.00	(19,220.00)		649.14%		

5440	Matching Funds	12,500.00	0.00	12,500.00	0.00	12,500.00	0.00%
5442	Engineering & Consulting Costs	5,000.00	18,108.65	23,108.65	8,119.27	14,989.38	35.14%
Total 159	CDBG	21,000.00	18,108.65	39,108.65	30,839.27	8,269.38	78.86%
161	Clerk						
5100	Salaries, Elected Officials	38,706.00	0.00	38,706.00	38,543.05	162.95	99.58%
5111	Board/Clerk Salaries	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	970.00	530.00	64.67%
5400	General Expenses	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,546.51	(546.51)	127.33%
5411	Street Lists	550.00	0.00	550.00	550.00	0.00	100.00%
5423	Town Report	500.00	0.00	500.00	211.15	288.85	42.23%
5424	Town Clerk Record Book	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00	100.00%
Total 161	Clerk	44,756.00	0.00	44,756.00	44,320.71	435.29	99.03%
162	Elections						
5400	General Expenses	10,500.00	0.00	10,500.00	10,500.00	0.00	100.00%
5401	Registrars Expense	400.00	0.00	400.00	400.00	0.00	100.00%
Total 162	Elections	10,900.00	0.00	10,900.00	10,900.00	0.00	100.00%
171	Conservation Commission						
5400	General Expenses	1,700.00	0.00	1,700.00	358.69	1,341.31	21.10%
Total 171	Conservation Commission	1,700.00	0.00	1,700.00	358.69	1,341.31	21.10%
175	Planning Board						
5400	General Expenses	150.00	0.00	150.00	150.00	0.00	100.00%
Total 175	Planning Board	150.00	0.00	150.00	150.00	0.00	100.00%
176	Zoning/Appeals Board						
5400	General Expenses	200.00	0.00	200.00	51.00	149.00	25.50%
Total 176	Zoning/Appeals Board	200.00	0.00	200.00	51.00	149.00	25.50%
182	Energy Committee						
5412	Energy Comm Exp	250.00	0.00	250.00	0.00	250.00	0.00%
Total 182	Energy Committee	250.00	0.00	250.00	0.00	250.00	0.00%

192	Public Buildings													
5110	Salaries & Wages	3,981.00	0.00	3,981.00	1,990.30	1,990.70	49.99%							
5400	General Expenses	18,700.00	3,000.00	21,700.00	19,401.65	2,298.35	89.41%							
5425	Town Hall Communications	18,100.00	0.00	18,100.00	22,379.30	(4,279.30)	123.64%							
5801	Town Hall Repairs	0.00	37,199.46	37,199.46	36,850.00	349.46	99.06%							
Total 192	Public Buildings	40,781.00	40,199.46	80,980.46	80,621.25	359.21	99.56%							
193	Property Insurance													
5400	General Expenses	56,000.00	0.00	56,000.00	45,691.00	10,309.00	81.59%							
Total 193	Property Insurance	56,000.00	0.00	56,000.00	45,691.00	10,309.00	81.59%							
210	Police													
5110	Salaries & Wages	167,439.00	0.00	167,439.00	162,337.69	5,101.31	96.95%							
5400	General Expenses	31,660.00	0.00	31,660.00	30,381.71	1,278.29	95.96%							
5426	OUI/Speed enforcement	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00%							
5427	Building Maintenance	11,790.00	0.00	11,790.00	5,826.14	5,963.86	49.42%							
5499	Prior Year Encumbrances	0.00	483.80	483.80	483.80	0.00	100.00%							
Total 210	Police	212,889.00	483.80	213,372.80	199,029.34	14,343.46	93.28%							
241	Building Inspections													
5400	General Expenses	7,500.00	0.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	0.00	100.00%							
Total 241	Building Inspections	7,500.00	0.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	0.00	100.00%							
291	Civil Defense													
5111	Board/Clerk Salaries	2,600.00	0.00	2,600.00	2,600.00	0.00	100.00%							
5400	General Expenses	2,150.00	0.00	2,150.00	1,210.80	939.20	56.32%							
5499	Prior Year Encumbrances	0.00	1,553.18	1,553.18	653.18	900.00	42.05%							
Total 291	Civil Defense	4,750.00	1,553.18	6,303.18	4,463.98	1,839.20	70.82%							
292	Animal Control Officer													
5112	Animal Inspector	2,600.00	0.00	2,600.00	1,950.00	650.00	75.00%							
5400	General Expenses	900.00	0.00	900.00	680.00	220.00	75.56%							
Total 292	Animal Control Officer	3,500.00	0.00	3,500.00	2,630.00	870.00	75.14%							
294	Tree Service													
5100	Salaries, Elected Officials	1,200.00	0.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00	100.00%							

5113	Forest Fire Warden Stipend	150.00	0.00	150.00	150.00	0.00	100.00%
5400	General Expenses	6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00	5,550.00	450.00	92.50%
Total 294	Tree Service	7,350.00	0.00	7,350.00	6,900.00	450.00	93.88%
310	Regional School						
5433	Operating Assessment	2,295,046.00	0.00	2,295,046.00	2,295,046.00	0.00	100.00%
5802	Capital Assessment	80,802.00	0.00	80,802.00	76,100.28	4,701.72	94.18%
Total 310	Regional School	2,375,848.00	0.00	2,375,848.00	2,371,146.28	4,701.72	99.80%
320	Vocational/Technical Schools						
5432	Smith Voc Tuif/Trans	56,000.00	0.00	56,000.00	54,929.60	1,070.40	98.09%
5433	Operating Assessment	103,582.00	1,588.00	105,170.00	106,240.61	(1,070.61)	101.02%
5499	Prior Year Encumbrances	0.00	33,128.75	33,128.75	33,128.75	0.00	100.00%
5802	Capital Assessment	5,637.00	0.00	5,637.00	5,636.27	0.73	99.99%
Total 320	Vocational/Technical Schools	165,219.00	34,716.75	199,935.75	199,935.23	0.52	100.00%
422	Highway Expenses						
5110	Salaries & Wages	152,159.00	0.00	152,159.00	134,965.95	17,193.05	88.70%
5400	General Expenses	50,000.00	0.00	50,000.00	55,030.70	(5,030.70)	110.06%
5428	Road Machinery Maint	39,400.00	(10,000.00)	29,400.00	19,183.82	10,216.18	65.25%
5804	Highway Repaving	50,000.00	0.00	50,000.00	20,206.13	29,793.87	40.41%
5805	Public Works and Safety Bldg	0.00	110,020.32	110,020.32	47,902.55	62,117.77	43.54%
5808	Highway Truck	140,000.00	30,000.00	170,000.00	0.00	170,000.00	0.00%
Total 422	Highway Expenses	431,559.00	130,020.32	561,579.32	277,289.15	284,290.17	49.38%
423	Snow & Ice Removal						
5110	Salaries & Wages	83,873.00	0.00	83,873.00	61,221.73	22,651.27	72.99%
5400	General Expenses	130,000.00	49,791.00	179,791.00	202,441.96	(22,650.96)	112.60%
Total 423	Snow & Ice Removal	213,873.00	49,791.00	263,664.00	263,663.69	0.31	100.00%
424	Street Lighting						
5400	General Expenses	14,000.00	0.00	14,000.00	13,100.44	899.56	93.57%
Total 424	Street Lighting	14,000.00	0.00	14,000.00	13,100.44	899.56	93.57%
429	Town Garage						
5400	General Expenses	35,450.00	0.00	35,450.00	35,448.82	1.18	100.00%

Total 429	Town Garage	35,450.00	0.00	35,450.00	35,448.82	1.18	100.00%
433	Transfer Station						
5110	Salaries & Wages	20,305.00	0.00	20,305.00	17,592.25	2,712.75	86.64%
5400	General Expenses	48,600.00	(2,100.00)	46,500.00	44,797.83	1,702.17	96.34%
5499	Prior Year Encumbrances	0.00	4,817.70	4,817.70	4,817.70	0.00	100.00%
5800	Capital Expenses	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00	100.00%
5809	Transfer Station Landfill Cap	0.00	29,800.00	29,800.00	4,115.59	25,684.41	13.81%
Total 433	Transfer Station	83,905.00	32,517.70	116,422.70	86,323.37	30,099.33	74.15%
439	Hazardous Waste						
5400	General Expenses	950.00	0.00	950.00	622.50	327.50	65.53%
5429	Franklin Cnty Solid Waste	6,418.00	0.00	6,418.00	4,813.50	1,604.50	75.00%
5506	Landfill Testing	3,000.00	4,975.00	7,975.00	6,704.50	1,270.50	84.07%
Total 439	Hazardous Waste	10,368.00	4,975.00	15,343.00	12,140.50	3,202.50	79.13%
512	Board of Health						
5100	Salaries, Elected Officials	1,350.00	0.00	1,350.00	1,350.00	0.00	100.00%
5112	Animal Inspector	600.00	0.00	600.00	600.00	0.00	100.00%
5400	General Expenses	500.00	0.00	500.00	364.24	135.76	72.85%
5413	Regional Health Prog	13,979.00	0.00	13,979.00	13,500.00	479.00	96.57%
Total 512	Board of Health	16,429.00	0.00	16,429.00	15,814.24	614.76	96.26%
541	Council on Aging						
5400	General Expenses	52,302.00	0.00	52,302.00	52,214.29	87.71	99.83%
5807	Senior Center	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00	100.00%
Total 541	Council on Aging	67,302.00	0.00	67,302.00	67,214.29	87.71	99.87%
543	Veteran's Services						
5400	General Expenses	40,000.00	(5,000.00)	35,000.00	35,149.74	(149.74)	100.43%
5414	Deceased Veterans Benefits	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00%
5441	Veterans Serv Ctr	3,499.00	0.00	3,499.00	3,723.71	(224.71)	106.42%
Total 543	Veteran's Services	43,999.00	(5,000.00)	38,999.00	38,873.45	125.55	99.68%
610	Library						
5400	General Expenses	40,505.00	0.00	40,505.00	40,505.00	0.00	100.00%

5415	Arms Library	21,531.00	0.00	21,531.00	21,531.00	0.00	100.00%
Total 610	Library	62,036.00	0.00	62,036.00	62,036.00	0.00	100.00%
630	Recreation Activities						
5110	Salaries & Wages	7,500.00	0.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	0.00	100.00%
5400	General Expenses	8,750.00	0.00	8,750.00	8,750.00	0.00	100.00%
5800	Capital Expenses	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00	14,491.06	508.94	96.61%
Total 630	Recreation Activities	31,250.00	0.00	31,250.00	30,741.06	508.94	98.37%
692	Celebrations						
5416	Fourth of July	150.00	0.00	150.00	150.00	0.00	100.00%
5417	Band Concerts	800.00	0.00	800.00	800.00	0.00	100.00%
5418	250th Anniversary	250.00	2,500.00	2,750.00	0.00	2,750.00	0.00%
5419	Bridge of Flowers	300.00	0.00	300.00	300.00	0.00	100.00%
Total 692	Celebrations	1,500.00	2,500.00	4,000.00	1,250.00	2,750.00	31.25%
710	Retirement of Debt						
5900	Int-Maturing Debt	0.00	(90.22)	(90.22)	0.00	(90.22)	0.00%
5901	Debt Landfill Capping	44,112.00	0.00	44,112.00	44,021.78	90.22	99.80%
5902	Town Hall Renovation	14,279.00	0.00	14,279.00	14,279.00	0.00	100.00%
5904	Highway Truck	12,000.00	0.00	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00	100.00%
Total 710	Retirement of Debt	70,391.00	(90.22)	70,300.78	70,300.78	0.00	100.00%
751	Interest on Long-term Debt						
5900	Int-Maturing Debt	16,385.00	0.00	16,385.00	15,822.71	562.29	96.57%
Total 751	Interest on Long-term Debt	16,385.00	0.00	16,385.00	15,822.71	562.29	96.57%
752	Interest on Short-term Debt						
5900	Int-Maturing Debt	8,444.00	(3,409.78)	5,034.22	5,010.00	24.22	99.52%
Total 752	Interest on Short-term Debt	8,444.00	(3,409.78)	5,034.22	5,010.00	24.22	99.52%
820	State Assessments & Charges						
5640	Air Pollution District	0.00	546.00	546.00	546.00	0.00	100.00%
5646	RMV Marking Surchg	0.00	2,920.00	2,920.00	2,920.00	0.00	100.00%
5663	Reg Transit Authority	0.00	7,413.00	7,413.00	7,413.00	0.00	100.00%

Total 820	State Assessments & Charges	0.00	10,879.00	10,879.00	10,879.00	0.00	100.00%
830	County Assessments & Charges						
5310	Core Assessment	13,318.00	0.00	13,318.00	13,318.00	0.00	100.00%
5330	FRCOG Statutory Assessment	902.00	0.00	902.00	902.00	0.00	100.00%
5340	Procurement Services	2,522.00	0.00	2,522.00	2,460.00	62.00	97.54%
Total 830	County Assessments & Charges	16,742.00	0.00	16,742.00	16,680.00	62.00	99.63%
911	Retirement Contribution						
5400	General Expenses	110,095.00	0.00	110,095.00	110,094.55	0.45	100.00%
Total 911	Retirement Contribution	110,095.00	0.00	110,095.00	110,094.55	0.45	100.00%
913	Unemployment Compensation						
5400	General Expenses	900.00	100.00	1,000.00	670.86	329.14	67.09%
Total 913	Unemployment Compensation	900.00	100.00	1,000.00	670.86	329.14	67.09%
914	Health Insurance						
5400	General Expenses	169,620.00	(47,291.00)	122,329.00	117,988.82	4,340.18	96.45%
5402	Retirees Group Ins	28,080.00	0.00	28,080.00	30,062.26	(1,982.26)	107.06%
Total 914	Health Insurance	197,700.00	(47,291.00)	150,409.00	148,051.08	2,357.92	98.43%
916	Medicare						
5400	General Expenses	10,800.00	0.00	10,800.00	8,118.59	2,681.41	75.17%
Total 916	Medicare	10,800.00	0.00	10,800.00	8,118.59	2,681.41	75.17%
970	Transfer To						
5962	Transfer to Stabilization Fund	30,000.00	0.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	0.00	100.00%
Total 970	Transfer To	30,000.00	0.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	0.00	100.00%
Report Totals		4,729,628.00	357,520.39	5,087,148.39	4,649,208.73	437,939.66	91.39%

**TOWN OF BUCKLAND
GENERAL FUND REVENUE REPORT
FISCAL YEAR 2019**

Account Code	Account Title	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Total Budget	Actual	Balance	% Rec
001	Non-Departmental						
4110	Personal Property Taxes	101,080.01	(1,030.40)	100,049.61	102,349.57	(2,299.96)	102.30%
4120	Real Estate Taxes	3,865,536.46	(39,405.07)	3,826,131.39	3,803,240.33	22,891.06	99.40%
4142	Tax Liens Redeemed	0.00	0.00	0.00	159.37	(159.37)	0.00%
4150	Motor Vehicle Excise	170,000.00	0.00	170,000.00	206,970.90	(36,970.90)	121.75%
4170	Pen & Int on Prop Taxes	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00	19,598.86	(4,598.86)	130.66%
4171	Pen & Int on Excise Taxes	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,888.61	(2,888.61)	0.00%
4173	Penalty and Interest on tax Titles	0.00	0.00	0.00	452.63	(452.63)	0.00%
4180	Pmts In Lieu of Taxes	0.00	0.00	0.00	875.40	(875.40)	0.00%
4450	Permits	0.00	0.00	0.00	60.00	(60.00)	0.00%
4610	Reimb for Loss of Taxes	2,540.00	0.00	2,540.00	2,540.00	0.00	100.00%
4613	Veterans Abatements	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,788.00	(7,788.00)	0.00%
4616	Elderly Abatements	11,983.00	0.00	11,983.00	5,020.00	6,963.00	41.89%
4620	Chapter 70	10,478.00	0.00	10,478.00	10,478.00	0.00	100.00%
4661	Lottery Aid	316,595.00	0.00	316,595.00	316,595.00	0.00	100.00%
4665	Veterans Benefits	26,730.00	0.00	26,730.00	26,330.00	400.00	98.50%
4680	Other State Revenue	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,531.94	(3,531.94)	0.00%
4682	Local Option Meals Tax	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,463.83	(8,463.83)	0.00%
4685	Fines - Court	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	1,734.87	1,265.13	57.83%
4771	Fines - District Court	0.00	0.00	0.00	212.50	(212.50)	0.00%
4772	Dog Fines	0.00	0.00	0.00	375.00	(375.00)	0.00%
4773	Parking Violations	0.00	0.00	0.00	585.00	(585.00)	0.00%
4775	Marijuana Violations	0.00	0.00	0.00	790.00	(790.00)	0.00%
4820	Earnings on Investments	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	3,552.25	(2,052.25)	236.82%
4840	Miscellaneous Revenue	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,156.20	(3,156.20)	0.00%
4975	Tr Fr Stabilization	155,000.00	59,800.00	214,800.00	214,800.00	0.00	100.00%
Total 001	Non-Departmental	4,679,442.47	19,364.53	4,698,807.00	4,742,548.26	(43,741.26)	100.93%
122	Selectboard						
4410	Alcoholic Beverage Licenses	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,498.00	(498.00)	109.96%
4420	Other Licenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	420.00	(420.00)	0.00%
Total 122	Selectboard	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	5,918.00	(918.00)	118.36%
141	Assessors						
4320	Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	30.00	(30.00)	0.00%

Total 141	Assessors	0.00	0.00	0.00	30.00	(30.00)	0.00%
146	Collector						
4320	Fees	7,000.00	0.00	7,000.00	9,270.33	(2,270.33)	132.43%
Total 146	Collector	7,000.00	0.00	7,000.00	9,270.33	(2,270.33)	132.43%
161	Clerk						
4320	Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	30.00	(30.00)	0.00%
4450	Permits	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,239.00	261.00	82.60%
Total 161	Clerk	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,269.00	231.00	84.60%
210	Police						
4320	Fees	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	4,113.75	(3,113.75)	411.37%
4450	Permits	0.00	0.00	0.00	725.00	(725.00)	0.00%
Total 210	Police	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	4,838.75	(3,838.75)	483.88%
433	Transfer Station						
4320	Fees	35,000.00	0.00	35,000.00	40,585.00	(5,585.00)	115.96%
4380	Other Charges for Service	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,085.58	(4,085.58)	0.00%
Total 433	Transfer Station	35,000.00	0.00	35,000.00	44,670.58	(9,670.58)	127.63%
512	Board of Health						
4320	Fees	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00%
Total 512	Board of Health	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00%
TOTALS		4,730,942.47	19,364.53	4,750,307.00	4,808,544.92	(58,237.92)	101.23%

**Town of Buckland
Special Revenue Funds
June 30, 2019**

Fund	Description	Beginning Balance	Revenue	Expenses	Ending Balance
001	General Fund				
	General Fund	497,250.35	4,808,544.92	(4,649,208.73)	656,586.54
001	Total General Fund	497,250.35	4,808,544.92	(4,649,208.73)	656,586.54
200	Special Revenue Funds				
231	Wetlands Protection Fund	1,613.65	0.00	0.00	1,613.65
232	Recreation Revolving	7,805.72	6,018.94	(7,254.48)	6,570.18
233	Board of Health Revolving	1,854.49	0.00	0.00	1,854.49
234	Recreation Summer Camp Revolv	12,582.13	24,787.07	(21,756.75)	15,612.45
235	Town Hall Revolving	175.00	0.00	0.00	175.00
236	Parking Clerk Revolving	947.50	0.00	(292.50)	655.00
237	Zoning Board	205.50	425.68	(655.10)	(23.92)
238	Planning Board	70.00	350.00	(474.97)	(54.97)
271	Recreation Donations	20,293.37	417.19	(19,632.46)	1,078.10
272	Recreation Trusse	292.60	0.00	0.00	292.60
273	Conservation Donations	248.40	0.00	0.00	248.40
274	Police Donations	20.00	0.00	0.00	20.00
275	DARE Donations	32.04	0.00	0.00	32.04
276	Highway Donations	20.00	0.00	0.00	20.00
277	Quasibicentennial	1,859.17	30.00	0.00	1,889.17
278	Swimming Pool Donations	472,792.63	29,744.21	(55,629.63)	446,907.21
279	FRCOG BOH Grant	46.60	0.00	0.00	46.60
281	Insurance Claims	11,672.57	5,467.06	0.00	17,139.63
283	Camp Donation Account	9,307.13	4.73	0.00	9,311.86
284	MADEP Grant	(347.14)	0.00	347.14	0.00
285	Town Beautification Fund	941.65	0.00	(500.00)	441.65
287	Solarize Grant	6,093.62	0.00	0.00	6,093.62
288	Library Donations	503.94	0.24	0.00	504.18
405	Bulletproof Vest Grant	3,360.00	0.00	(2,000.00)	1,360.00
406	Drug Forfeiture Grant	61.74	0.00	0.00	61.74
407	Gov Highway Safety Grant	913.07	0.00	0.00	913.07
408	Local Preparedness Grant (EMPG)	855.00	0.00	0.00	855.00
411	FEMA Storm Emergency Funds	(170,787.85)	170,787.85	0.00	0.00
412	Council on Aging Grant	647.19	5,975.64	(5,975.64)	647.19
414	Library State Aid	11,759.31	2,896.65	(3,486.75)	11,169.21
415	Cultural Council	4,645.07	4,642.43	(4,105.00)	5,182.50
418	Wellness Grant	0.00	600.00	(416.73)	183.27
423	SFBA Grant	2,530.61	0.00	0.00	2,530.61
424	Complete Streets Prioritization Plan	(13,511.82)	24,295.25	(10,783.43)	0.00
425	NRCS Clesson Brook Grant	(357,081.07)	357,081.07	0.00	0.00
426	Mass DOT Grant	(15,205.04)	15,205.04	0.00	0.00
427	CDBG Block Grant	4,932.93	514,227.65	(518,817.79)	342.79
428	Recycling Dividend Program	5,592.29	3,500.00	(5,264.00)	3,828.29
429	Community Compact Grant	175.65	0.00	0.00	175.65
430	Green Communities Grant (PARC)	1,169.96	27,707.00	(58,324.60)	(29,447.64)
432	Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness	3,600.50	7,460.00	(10,772.58)	287.92

433	FCRHA Housing Rehab Reimbursement	19,519.64	17,238.20	0.00	36,757.84
434	Mass. Div. of Fish & Game-Nilman Road Culvert	0.00	0.00	(63,700.00)	(63,700.00)
435	MassDEP Mat's Recovery Prog Muni Grant	0.00	7,500.00	(7,500.00)	0.00
436	MassWorks Upper Street Project	0.00	12,900.00	(12,900.00)	0.00
	Total Special Revenue	52,207.75	1,239,261.90	(809,895.27)	481,574.38
	Funds				
600	Enterprise Fund				
610	Sewer Enterprise Fund	217,099.87	303,043.10	(234,081.82)	286,061.15
	Total Enterprise Fund	217,099.87	303,043.10	(234,081.82)	286,061.15
700	Capital Project Funds				
215	Chapter 90	6,756.82	42,114.28	(76,605.05)	(27,733.95)
740	Town Highway Facility Capital Project Fund	0.00	0.00	(755,472.81)	(755,472.81)
	Total Capital Project	6,756.82	42,114.28	(832,077.86)	(783,206.76)
	Funds				
800	Trust & Agency Funds				
811	McKnight Scholarship Fund	5,586.13	75.76	0.00	5,661.89
820	OPEB Trust	2,015.83	16.89	0.00	2,032.72
830	Stabilization Fund	433,334.47	5,079.21	(57,978.96)	380,434.72
831	Transfer Station Stabilization	24,937.74	151.44	(24,000.00)	1,089.18
832	Highway Stabilization	135,209.02	23,353.77	(155,000.00)	3,562.79
833	Police Stabilization	30,384.55	10,585.23	0.00	40,969.78
834	Election Stabilization	4,812.44	75.05	0.00	4,887.49
835	Technology Stabilization	6,731.23	104.95	0.00	6,836.18
836	Emergency Management Stab	1,037.85	16.20	0.00	1,054.05
891	Off Duty Police Detail	(1,681.25)	68,552.50	(66,787.50)	83.75
892	Firearm ID Cards	3,607.25	4,550.00	(3,300.00)	4,857.25
893	Clerk Fees	(25.25)	2,415.50	(2,426.00)	(35.75)
898	Deputy Collector's Fees	1,287.58	4,585.00	(4,195.00)	1,677.58
	Total Trust & Agency	647,237.59	119,561.50	(313,687.46)	453,111.63
	Funds				
	Total Fund Balance	1,420,552.38	6,512,525.70	(6,838,951.14)	1,094,126.94

TREASURER'S REPORT
7/1/18 to 6/30/19

Peoples United General Funds		
7/1/2018	Beginning Balance	\$30,332.58
	Interest Earned	\$45.40
	Deposits / Transfers In	\$0.00
	Expenditures / Transfers Out	\$0.00
6/30/2019	Ending Balance	\$30,377.98
Greenfield Cooperative - General Fund		
7/1/2018	Beginning Balance	\$259,007.08
	Interest Earned	\$2,313.29
	Deposits / Transfers In	\$7,591,966.53
	Expenditures / Transfers Out	-\$6,863,834.73
6/30/2019	Ending Balance	\$989,452.17
Adams Community - General Fund		
7/1/2018	Beginning Balance	\$26,142.88
	Interest Earned	\$867.61
	Deposits / Transfers In	\$2,061,810.15
	Expenditures / Transfers Out	-\$1,582,930.46
6/30/2019	Ending Balance	\$505,890.18
UniBank General Funds		
7/1/2018	Beginning Balance	\$30,743.98
	Interest Earned	\$646.75
	Deposits / Transfers In	\$932,416.48
	Expenditures / Transfers Out	-\$862,535.53
6/30/2019	Ending Balance	\$101,271.68
TD Bank General Funds		
7/1/2018	Beginning Balance	\$44,397.56
	Interest Earned	\$55.96
	Deposits / Transfers In	\$14,410.00
	Expenditures / Transfers Out	-\$35,000.00
6/30/2019	Ending Balance	\$23,863.52
MMDT General Funds		
7/1/2018	Beginning Balance	\$9,295.62
	Interest Earned	\$256.92
	Deposits / Transfers In	\$120,000.00
	Expenditures / Transfers Out	-\$10,000.00
6/30/2019	Ending Balance	\$119,552.54
Berkshire Bank General Funds		
7/1/2018	Beginning Balance	\$2,728.82
	Interest Earned	\$2.73
	Deposits / Transfers In	\$0.00
	Expenditures / Transfers Out	\$0.00
6/30/2019	Ending Balance	\$2,731.55
Country Bank General Funds		
7/1/2018	Beginning Balance	\$13,290.71
	Interest Earned	\$39.83
	Deposits / Transfers In	\$0.00
	Expenditures / Transfers Out	\$0.00
6/30/2019	Ending Balance	\$13,330.54

Vendor & Payroll		
7/1/2018	Beginning Balance	\$28,153.15
	Interest Earned	\$1.23
	Deposits / Transfers In	\$6,518,303.70
	Expenditures / Transfers Out	-\$6,507,070.29
6/30/2019	Ending Balance	\$39,387.79
Recreation Revolving		
7/1/2018	Beginning Balance	\$11,768.10
	Interest Earned	\$28.94
	Deposits / Transfers In	\$5,678.00
	Expenditures / Transfers Out	\$0.00
6/30/2019	Ending Balance	\$17,475.04
Recreation and Pool Donation		
7/1/2018	Beginning Balance	\$507,157.50
	New Donations	\$39,472.61
	Expenditures / Transfers Out	-\$61,105.16
6/30/2019	Ending Balance	\$485,524.95
Recreation Summer Camp Revolving		
7/1/2018	Beginning Balance	\$43,135.51
	Interest Earned	\$66.97
	Deposits / Transfers In	\$25,082.75
	Expenditures / Transfers Out	-\$20,008.50
6/30/2019	Ending Balance	\$48,276.73
Recreation Summer Camp		
7/1/2018	Beginning Balance	\$11,807.13
	Interest Earned	\$4.08
	Deposits / Transfers In	\$0.00
	Expenditures / Transfers Out	-\$11,811.21
6/30/2019	Ending Balance	\$0.00
Enterprise Fund		
7/1/2018	Beginning Balance	\$380,189.23
	Interest Earned	\$1,968.08
	Deposits / Transfers In	\$284,587.07
	Expenditures / Transfers Out	-\$47,687.50
6/30/2019	Ending Balance	\$619,056.88
Hurricane Irene Storm Damange		
7/1/2018	Beginning Balance	\$1,692.97
	Interest Earned	\$11.48
	Loans / Reimbursements	\$0.00
	Expenditures	-\$1,500.00
6/30/2019	Ending Balance	\$204.45
Stabilization Fund		
7/1/2018	Beginning Balance	\$433,306.14
	Interest Earned	\$4,211.60
	Town Meeting Votes	\$0.00
	Expenditures	-\$32,105.00
6/30/2019	Ending Balance	\$405,412.74

Transfer Station Stabilization Fund		
7/1/2018	Beginning Balance	\$24,937.80
	Interest Earned	\$151.44
	Town Meeting Votes	\$0.00
	Expenditures	-\$24,000.00
6/30/2019	Ending Balance	\$1,089.24
Police Stabilization Fund		
7/1/2018	Beginning Balance	\$30,384.55
	Interest Earned	\$585.23
	Town Meeting Votes	\$10,000.00
	Expenditures	\$0.00
6/30/2019	Ending Balance	\$40,969.78
Highway Department Stabilization Fund		
7/1/2018	Beginning Balance	\$135,209.02
	Interest Earned	\$3,353.77
	Town Meeting Votes	\$0.00
	Expenditures Net	-\$120,000.00
6/30/2019	Ending Balance	\$18,562.79
Election Equipment Stabilization		
7/1/2018	Beginning Balance	\$4,812.44
	Interest Earned	\$75.05
	Town Meeting Votes	\$0.00
	Expenditures	\$0.00
6/30/2019	Ending Balance	\$4,887.49
Technology Stabilization		
7/1/2018	Beginning Balance	\$6,731.23
	Interest Earned	\$104.95
	Town Meeting Votes	\$0.00
	Expenditures	\$0.00
6/30/2019	Ending Balance	\$6,836.18
Emergency Management Stabilization		
7/1/2018	Beginning Balance	\$1,037.85
	Interest Earned	\$16.20
	Town Meeting Votes	\$0.00
	Expenditures	\$0.00
6/30/2019	Ending Balance	\$1,054.05
Cultural Council		
7/1/2018	Beginning Balance	\$5,700.07
	Cultural Council Grant Received	\$0.00
	Interest Earned	\$142.43
	Grants Awarded	\$0.00
6/30/2019	Ending Balance	\$5,842.50
Clifton L. McKnight Scholarship Fund		
7/1/2018	Beginning Balance	\$5,586.13
	Interest Earned	\$75.76
	New Donations	\$0.00
	Scholarship Award	\$0.00
6/30/2019	Ending Balance	\$5,661.89

Library Donations

7/1/2018 Beginning Balance		\$503.94
Interest Earned	\$0.24	
Donations Received	\$0.00	
Expenditures	\$0.00	

6/30/2019 Ending Balance \$504.18

CDBG - Disaster Recovery

7/1/2018 Beginning Balance		\$73.93
Interest Earned	\$102.29	
Drawdowns	\$514,088.36	
Expenditures	-\$514,088.36	

6/30/2019 Ending Balance \$176.22

OPEB

7/1/2018 Beginning Balance		\$2,015.83
Interest Earned	\$16.89	
Deposits	\$0.00	
Expenditures	\$0.00	

6/30/2019 Ending Balance \$2,032.72

Total of all bank accounts \$3,489,425.78

Summary of Properties in Tax Title

7/1/2018 Seven (7) properties in tax title	\$35,289.95
New Liens Recorded	\$0.00
FY 2018 Subsequent Taxes Added	\$9,469.23
Payments - partial (1)	-\$159.37
Land Court Judgments (0)	\$0.00

6/30/2019 Five (5) properties in tax title \$44,599.81

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa M. Blackmer
Treasurer/Collector
Town of Buckand

TAX COLLECTION REPORT

The following list represents money collected from
1/1/19 to 12/31/19

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

2018	1,797.22	
2019	55,815.90	
2020	49,791.72	
Total Personal Property Taxes Collected		\$107,404.84

REAL ESTATE TAXES

2016	7,549.54	
2017	13,518.48	
2018	31,845.94	
2019	2,001,252.50	
2020	1,865,054.10	
Total Real Estate Taxes Collected		\$3,919,220.56

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES

Older Years Collected		
2013	43.75	
2014	89.69	
2015		
2016	677.19	
2017	5,055.45	
2018	10,907.70	
2019	203,778.92	
Total Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes Collected		\$220,552.70

SEWER USE CHARGES

2018	20.88	
2019	138,464.74	
Total Sewer Use Charges Collected		\$138,485.62

OTHER MONEY COLLECTED

Interest on Taxes	\$29,896.69
Demand Fees Collected	\$7,180.00
MLC Fees Collected	\$1,200.00
Duplicate Bill Fees Collected	\$460.00
Other Fees Collected	\$852.41
Deputy Collector Fees Collected	\$5,767.00
Registry Mark Fees Collected	\$2,720.00
Sewer Interest Collected	\$314.69
Sewer Liens Collected	
Sewer Demand Fees Collected	\$180.00
Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT)	\$875.40
Tax Title Expense Reimbursement	\$0.00
Total Other Money Collected	\$49,446.19
TOTAL COLLECTED	\$4,435,109.91

The following list represents outstanding 2017, 2018, 2019 Real Estate Taxes due to the Town of Buckland as of the close of business on December 31, 2019.

Fiscal Year 2017	2	\$3,196.50
Fiscal Year 2018	15	\$17,546.77
Fiscal Year 2019	29	\$47,460.10
Total Outstanding Real Estate Taxes		\$65,006.87

Respectfully submitted,

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UPPER PIONEER VALLEY VETERANS' SERVICES DISTRICT

Veteran Resource and Referral Center located in Greenfield, satellite locations throughout the district

Member Towns

- Ashfield
- Bernardston
- Buckland
- Charlemont
- Colrain
- Conway
- Deerfield
- Erving
- Gill
- Greenfield
- Hawley
- Heath
- Leverett
- Leyden
- Monroe
- Montague
- New Salem
- Northfield
- Plainfield
- Rowe
- Shelburne
- Shutesbury
- Sunderland
- Warwick
- Wendell
- Whately

Buckland Annual Report CY19

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

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

We have continued to work hard helping veterans and dependents file for VA benefits due them. Buckland now has around \$48135.56 in monthly Federal VA payments being paid to approximately 34 Buckland residents. This is tax-free income paid due to service-connected injuries, low-income or survivor status.

We forecast Buckland's M.G.L. Ch115 caseload to remain flat for the foreseeable future. This is the states low income assistance program for veterans' and their dependents. Although reimbursed back to the towns at 75%, this takes over a year to get back from the state, so reducing payouts up front has freed up funds for Buckland. This budget item has been reduced from \$6035.31 per month to \$3000.00 in the 4 ½ years Buckland has been in the district by thorough investigations and helping clients file for alternative source of income

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

Timothy Niejadlik, Director
Upper Pioneer Valley Veterans' Services District

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