

2019 Annual Report



Town of Edgartown

MARTHA'S VINEYARD PRINTING CO.

Annual Town Meeting

February 4, 1919

To either of the Constables of the Town of Edgartown,

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Edgartown qualified to vote in town affairs and elections, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Edgartown, on TUESDAY, the fourth day of February next, at eight o'clock and thirty minutes in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, viz:

- 1st. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.
 - 2d. To hear the report of the Auditor and other town officers and committees, and act thereon,
 - 3d. To elect the following named town officers on official ballot, viz:
 - A Town Clerk
 - A Town Treasurer
 - One Selectman and Overseer of the Poor for three years.
 - One Selectmen and Overseer of the Poor for one year to fill a vacancy.
 - One Assessor for three years.
 - One Assessor for one year to fill a vacancy.
 - A Surveyor of Highways.
 - Two Trustees of the Free Public Library, each for three years.
 - A member of the School Committee for three years.
 - A member of the School Committee for two years (to fill a vacancy).
 - An Auditor.
 - Two Constables.
 - A Cemetery Commissioner for three years.
 - A Park Commissioner for three years.
- To vote on official ballot "Yes" or "No" upon the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"
- The polls for voting on official ballots will be opened at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and may be closed at one o'clock in the afternoon.
- 4th. To see if the town will elect one or more Collectors of Taxes and fix their compensation.
 - 5th. To choose all other necessary town officers.
 - 6th. To see if the town will elect a Fish Warden and fix his compensation.
 - 7th. To see if the town will instruct the Assessors to remit all such taxes as cannot, in their judgement, be collected.
 - 8th. To raise and make appropriations of such sums of money as may be necessary for paying town debts, expenses for the ensuing year, and for such other purposes as may be voted at said meeting.
 - 9th. To see if the town will instruct its Selectmen to control, regulate or prohibit the taking of eels, clams, quahaugs and scallops within the limits of said town (including ponds that are now or may be leased by the Commissioners of Inland Fisheries), and fix the amount to be paid for each permit issued, and make such other regulations as may seem expedient, as provided by Chapter 91, Section 85, of the Revised Laws.
 - 10th. To see what course the town will adopt to keep the schoolhouses in good order, and to provide fuel and things necessary for the schools.
 - 11th. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire sums of money, not to exceed three-fifths of the total tax levy, in anticipation of revenue, and to issue a series of bonds therefor to be paid from the taxes assessed during the current financial year.
 - 12th. To see what action the town will take relative to the several matters contained in the Auditor's report.
 - 13th. To see what action the town will take in regards to additional street lights.
 - 14th. To see if the town will pay the firemen for the current year and provide things necessary for the fire department.
 - 15th. To see what action the town will take in reference to the observance of Memorial Day.
 - 16th. To see what action the town will take in reference to spraying the trees for their protection.
 - 17th. To see what action the town will take in regard to employing police and night watchmen.
 - 18th. To see what action the town will take in regard to supporting the poor for the current year.

- 19th. To see if the town will vote to leave the matter of fixing the rental of the Town Hall in the hands of the Selectmen.
- 20th. To see what action the town will take in reference its By-Laws.
- 21st. To see what action the town will take in the matter of placing a sum of money at the disposal of the Committee on Public Safety.
- 22nd. To see if the town will instruct and authorize its Selectmen to buy the Butler Garage property, as called, for the use of the Fire Department, and obtain a deed thereof. (by request)
- 23rd. To see what action the town will take to concrete, or otherwise treat, North Water Street from Daggett Street eastward at least as far as the farther side of Morse Street, said work to be done by contract and to include necessary surveys for grades to carry off surface water and for raising sidewalks. (On petition of Francis A. Foster.)
- 24th. To see what action the town will take in regards to planting trees. (By request of Leroy W. Vose.)
- 25th. To see if the town will rescind the vote passed at the last annual Town Meeting, to wit: Voted, that the By-Laws of the Advisory Committee be amended by the addition of another section, namely; Section 5: The Selectmen shall be members ex-officio of said Committee. (By request of the Advisory Committee.)

And you are directed to serve this warrant by publishing the same in the Vineyard Gazette seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands and the seal of the town of Edgartown this twenty-third day of January A.D. 1918.

ALFRED A. AVERILL
THEODORE S. WIMPENNEY
Selectmen of Edgartown

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IN MEMORIAM

We regret the passing of the following individuals who are remembered for the faithful and unselfish service that they provided to the Town.

Fred B. Morgan, Jr.

Independence Day Committee

1986-2014

Katama Airfield Commission

2005-2014

Affordable Housing Committee

2005-2007

Pennywise Path Affordable Housing Site Alternate Access Committee

2005-2006

Edgartown School Building Project Committee

1999-2005

Surveyors of Lumber

2004-2019

Board of Selectmen

1972-2002

Beautification Advisory Committee

1996-2002

Waterfront Land Purchase Advisory Committee

1992

Dukes County Advisory Committee Representative

1985-1991

Ad Hoc Growth Management Study Group

1986-1987

Veterans Clerk Agent

1981-1983

Board of Health

1972-1975

Zoning Board of Appeals

1970-1972



COFFIN HOUSE AND TOWER OF BAPTIST CHURCH, SCHOOL STREET, EDGARTOWN, MASS.

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IN MEMORIAM

We regret the passing of the following individuals who are remembered for the faithful and unselfish service that they provided to the Town.

Karen A. Kukolich

Park Commission Representative - Land Band Advisory Board

1997-2018

Main Street Mini Park Committee

1997-1998

Financial Advisory Committee

1989-1992

*This Poem is dedicated to all the Town Employees who retired this last year.
It is likewise also dedicated to all those who have stepped up and taken their places.*

Heave To

Heave to you old swabbies and sailors
all ye captains cooks and bosuns
Keep yer eyes peeled fer ole' Martha's Vineyard
for she's sailin' away from our young

Our children are finding it harder
to claim a fair stake on her shores
For her prices they're climbin' to skyward
they'll be leavin' us fer evermore

These daughters and sons of our mothers
need a chance to call MV their home
Tending the seas the fields and the trees
is a blessing we've claimed for our own

This life we all cherish is simple
few frills and lots of hard work
A fair living wage in exchange for our days
a house we afford must come first

Our Island is not that much different
from many small towns by the sea
It's beauty draws lots of rich people
who can buy and can sell you and me

I do not intend to misjudge them
all of us are wash-a-shores
But the field that we tend is uneven
we are bound by our local resource

We've worked all these years to preserve her
beaches, her woods and sweet glens
The water flows clean in our taps and our streams
all year round we've done what we can

Why have we fought to protect her
if our kids can't afford to live here
What is the point of our efforts
if we give up this land we hold dear

If we subsidize housing with fairness
nothing is given for free
Some of this place that we cherish
can be saved for our children you see

Maybe hard drugs will diminish
if some hope can counter the fear
And our kids can come up with real answers
when some of them want to live here

For our future is pacing behind us
it thrives in our schools and our homes
Let's rally around it with kindness
the payback returns to our own

Keeping life simple is crucial
no need to grow out of hand
Fancy should not be our future
no need for flashy and grand

Just as we live on one planet
there is only one island you see
Nature does not respect boundaries
we're really defined by the sea

Let all of the Towns join together
to forward what's good for us all
If we join hands for common solutions
the problems will feel rather small

So heave to ye swabbies and sailors
all ye captains ye cooks and ye mates
Keep yer eyes peeled fer Ole' Martha's Vineyard
once she's gone it might be too late

Steve Ewing
Edgartown Poet Laureate

February
2019

TOWN OFFICERS

ELECTED OFFICERS AND APPOINTED STAFF

Moderator

SEAN MURPHY

Term Expires 2021

Board of Selectmen

MARGARET E. SERPA, Chairman
ARTHUR SMADBECK
MICHAEL J. DONAROMA

Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2022

Town Administrator

JAMES M. HAGERTY

Administrative Assistant to the Selectmen

KRISTY ROSE
KAREN FULLER
LISA LAWSON-YOUNG, Department Assistant

Board of Assessors

ALAN GOWELL, Chairman
S. CHRISTOPHER SCOTT
DONNA GOODALE

Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2022

Assessor/Appraiser

JO-ANN RESENDES, Principal Assessor

Administrative Assistant to Assessors

CINDY SHERMAN
EDWARD PIERCE, Data Collector

Board of Health

MEEGAN LANCASTER
E. GARRETT ORAZEM, D.M.D.
HAROLD T. ZADEH, Chairman
JANET HATHAWAY, Assistant
***KATHLEEN N. CASE

Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2022

Health Agent

MATTHEW E. POOLE

Town Collector

MELISSA A. KUEHNE

Term Expires 2021

Assistant Collector

DEBORAH WILLOUGHBY
HEIDI S. BOYD

Planning Board

JAMES CISEK, Alternate
FRED D. MASCALO, Chairman
MICHAEL MCCOURT
LUCY MORRISON
SCOTT MORGAN
GLEN SEARLE
DOUG FINN, Administrative Assistant

Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2022
Term Expires 2023
Term Expires 2024

School Committee

KIMBERLY S. KIRK
MEGAN ANDERSON, Chairman
KELLY MCCRACKEN

Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2022

Edgartown Library Trustees

DAVID ALAN FABER, Co-Chairman
DENISE SEARLE
JULIE LIVELY, Chairman
HERBERT L. FOSTER, Secretary
JUSTINE SHEMETH DEOLIVEIRA
OLGA MARANJIAN CHURCH, Co-Chairman

Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2022
Term Expires 2022

Library

LISA HORTON SHERMAN, Director
ELYCE RETMIER, Children’s Librarian
NIS KILDEGAARD, Reference Librarian
ALISON LESLIE, Technical Services Librarian
ERIC J. ALEXANDER, Department Assistant
VIRGINIA MUNRO, Programs Coordinator /Library Assistant
TOM IGNACIO, Circulation Coordinator
ROSA PARKER, Library Assistant
CHRISTOPHER LOOK, Library Assistant
**MORGAN STANLEY KOMINERS
**SUSAN BERNIER
**JULISA DIFO

Park Commissioners

JANE M. VARKONDA, Chairman
KEVIN SEARLE
GLEN SEARLE
JESSICA MCGROARTY, Administrator

Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2022

Wastewater Treatment Commission

SCOTT ELLIS
SEAN MURPHY
GLEN SEARLE, Chairman

Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2022

Wastewater Treatment Facility

JOSEPH ROCK, Acting Facilities Manager
SEBASTIAN CORWIN, Plant Operator
MARK CHAGNON, Junior Operator
JASON FLANDERS, Junior Operato
WILLIAM MEADER, Junior Operator
THEODORE M. VANGERVEN, Plant Operator
JENNIFER SMYTH, Department Assistant
PIA WEBSTER, Administrative Assistant
**DAVID THOMPSON, Facilities Manager
***DALE MORGAN, Plant Operator

Water Commissioners

DAVID BURKE, Chairman
JIM KELLEHER
SCOTT ELLIS

Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2022

Edgartown Water Department

WILLIAM CHAPMAN, Superintendent
SHANE BEN DAVID, Assistant Superintendent
PHILIP LEVESQUE, Water Operator 2
ERIC HATHAWAY, Water Operator I

DYLAN THORNTON, Laborer
GORDON BROWN, Operator in Training
SHEILA BEN DAVID, Department Assistant IV
LINDSEY MERCIER, Administrative Assistant II

Constables

SCOTT ELLIS
WILLIAM C. BISHOP IV

Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2022

Financial Advisory Committee

DONNA LOWELL-BETTENCOURT, Co-Chairman
LESLIE BAYNES
ROBERT COAD
MORTON FEAREY, JR.
STEVEN C. JORDAN, Co-Chairman
JIM CARTER
BRIAN BELANGER, Assistant
**JANE CHITTICK
**PAULO DEOLIVEIRA

Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2022
Term Expires 2022

Martha's Vineyard Land Bank Representative

EDWARD W. VINCENT, JR.

Term Expires 2022

OFFICERS ELECTED ON FLOOR OF TOWN MEETING

Surveyors of Lumber

ROBERT AVAKIAN
JAMES HAGERTY
***FRED B. MORGAN, JR.

Measurers of Wood and Bark and Weighers of Coal

MARTHA J. LOOK
JAMES JOYCE
LAURENCE MERCIER

Fence Viewers

PAUL BAGNALL
JAMES JOYCE
M.J. ROGERS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN APPOINTMENTS

Accountant

**KIMBERLY G. KANE

Acting Town Accountant

LAURI MATHER

Affordable Housing Committee

CHRISTINA BROWN
MARK HESS, Chairman
TIMOTHY RUSH, Vice-Chair
MARIA VENTURA
MELISSA NORTON VINCENT
NANCY TRIMPER
CHRISTINE WHITE

Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2022
Term Expires 2022

Affordable Housing Trust

CHRISTINE WHITE, Member Affordable Housing Committee	Term Expires 2020
TIMOTHY RUSH, Chairman, Member Affordable Housing Committee	Term Expires 2021
MARIA VENTURA, Member Affordable Housing Committee, Alternate	Term Expires 2022
MARK HESS, Member Affordable Housing Committee	Term Expires 2022
MARGARET E. SERPA, Board of Selectmen Representative	Term Expires 2022

Airfield Commission

PATRICK BRADLEY	Term Expires 2020
MICHAEL NAGLE	Term Expires 2021
HARALD FINLEY, Chairman	Term Expires 2021
WILLIAM BRINE, III	Term Expires 2022
EDWARD W. VINCENT, JR., Representative for the Conservation Commission	Term Expires 2022

Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator

READE KONTJE MILNE
*LEONARD JASON, JR.

Beautification Advisory Committee

CAROL FLIGOR	Term Expires 2020
GERRET C. CONOVER	Term Expires 2020
CAMMIE NAYLOR	Term Expires 2020
RENEE CLERMONT	Term Expires 2020
ALYSSA STARZYK	Term Expires 2020
JULIET MULINARE	Term Expires 2020
**DORIS WARD	

Board of Fire Engineers

ALEX SCHAEFFER, Fire Chief	Term Expires 2020
PETER G. SHEMETH, Retired Fire Chief	Term Expires 2020
ANDREW KELLY, Deputy Chief	Term Expires 2020
RICHARD J. KELLY, Retired Captain	Term Expires 2020
LAURENCE THOMAS, Retired Deputy Chief	Term Expires 2020
GEOFFREY FREEMAN, Assistant Chief	Term Expires 2020
SCOTT ELLIS, Retired Assistant Chief	Term Expires 2020
TREVOR SCANLAN, Fire Prevention Officer	Term Expires 2020

Fire Department Ambulance Service

KATE FOSTER, Paramedic
JOSHUA BAKER, Paramedic
BRENDAN COONEY, Paramedic
MIKE KLIMEK, Paramedic
BRIAN FOSTER, Paramedic
HALEY KRAUSS, Paramedic
ANITA BILLINGS, Administrative Assistant

Board of Registrars

IRENE RESENDES	Term Expires 2020
CINDY BONNELL	Term Expired 2021
PHYLLIS E. LOOK	Term Expires 2022

Inspector of Buildings & Zoning Inspector

READE KONTJE MILNE
*LEONARD JASON, JR.

Local Building Inspector

**READE KONTJE MILNE

Building Inspector's Assistant

AKEYAH NUNES

By-Ways Committee

ROBERT M. GREEN, JR.
ELLEN BLODGETT
LINDA DEWITT
DOUG JONES
POLLY BASSETT
KARA SHEMETH

Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2020

Capital Programs Committee

JAMES M. HAGERTY
GAIL CROTEAU
DAVID IGNACIO
**NANCY SHEMETH
**JONATHAN LAIRD

Term Expires 2022
Term Expires 2022

Cemetery Commissioners

SUSAN C. BROWN
ELIZABETH VILLARD
DEBRA MANLEY-SMITH, Alternate
ANDREW KELLEY, Chairman

Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2022

Cemetery Assistant

JESSICA MCGROARTY

Local Census Director

KAREN MEDEIROS

Christmas Decorations Committee

GLEN SEARLE
JULIET MULINARE
LES BAYNES

Community Preservation Committee

MARGARET E. SERPA, Chairman, Board of Selectmen Representative
EDWARD W. VINCENT, JR., Conservation Commission Representative
TIMOTHY RUSH, Affordable Housing Committee Representative
MORTON FEAREY, JR., Vice-Chairman, Financial Advisory Representative
ALAN O. WILSON, Planning Board Representative
GLEN SEARLE, Park Department Representative
CHRISTOPHER SCOTT, Historic District Commission Representative
KRISTY ROSE, Administrator
*EDITH BLAKE, Historic District Commission Representative

Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2022
Term Expires 2022

Computer Advisory Committee

WOODY FILLEY
MARGARET E. SERPA
MORTON FEAREY, JR.

Information Technology Manager

ADAM DARACK

Conservation Commission

ROBERT AVAKIAN
CHRISTINA BROWN
STUART LOLLIS
EDWARD W. VINCENT, JR., Chairman
JEFFREY CARLSON
GEOFFREY KONJTE
LIL PROVINCE
LISA C. MORRISON CARBERRY, Assistant
JANE M. VARKONDA, Agent

Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2022
Term Expires 2022
Term Expires 2022

Council on Aging

JAY SIGLER	Term Expires 2020
HEIDI BOYD	Term Expires 2020
MARY JANE CARPENTER	Term Expires 2021
STEPHEN MILLER	Term Expires 2021
MARVENE O'ROURKE	Term Expires 2022
ROSEMARY CUNNINGHAM, Chairman	Term Expires 2022
NANCY IGNACIO	Term Expires 2022
GREG ROLLINS, Administrator	Term Expires 2022
MERIS KEATING, Director of Senior Services	
VICTORIA HAESELBARTH, Outreach Worker and Custodian	
DIANNE WALL, Nutrition/Cook	
DONNA PAULSON, Secretary/ Receptionist	
*PAUL MOHAIR, Administrator	
*WENDY BENEDETTO, Director of Senior Services	

Dredging Advisory Committee

DUDLEY LEVICK, Member at Large	Term Expires 2020
RYAN SMITH, Representative for the Shellfish Committee	Term Expires 2020
PETER J. VINCENT, JR, Representative for the Conservation Commission	Term Expires 2021
RICK HAMILTON, Member at Large	Term Expires 2021
ED HANDY, Representative for the Marine Advisory Committee	Term Expires 2022
JULIET MULINARE, Administrator	

Dukes County Regional Housing Authority Representative

MELISSA NORTON VINCENT	Term Expires 2022
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Emergency Management/Civil Defense

ALEX SCHAEFFER, Director
MICAHA AGNOLI

Energy Committee

ALAN STRAHLER	Term Expires 2021
BONNI WIDDOES	Term Expires 2022
CARLA COOPER	Term Expires 2022
KATHERINE MONTEROSSO	Term Expires 2022

Edgartown Transfer Station Scale Weighers

DON HATCH
DONALD CASEY
MARY DONLAVEY
STEVE DOURIAN
RYAN ROSE
MICHAEL SEDLIER
JAMIE ANN GREENE
HUNTER THOMAS
KRISTEN NORMAN
JOHN CLARKE, MVRD Board of Health Representative
TOM PIERCE, MVRD Board of Health Representative
*JOHN CASEY

Fire Department Inspectors

ALEX SCHAEFFER, Fire Chief
TREVOR SCANLON, Fire Prevention Officer

Gas Inspectors

GEORGE APOSTOLIDES
CHARLES DAY

Harbor Planning Group

JO-ANN TAYLOR, Representative from the MV Commission
CHARLES J. BLAIR, JR., Harbormaster
DOUG FINN, Representative for the Planning Board
SCOTT MORGAN, Representative for the Marine Advisory Committee

Harbormaster

CHARLES J. BLAIR, JR., Harbormaster
RICHELLE O'NEIL, Department Assistant
MICHAEL HATHAWAY, Deputy Assistant
SEAN HEGARTY, Assistant
BRETT O'CONNELL, Assistant
JACKSON CROCKER, Assistant
AUGUSTE PIZZANO, Assistant
JACK SIERPUTOSKI, Assistant
LOUISE LYNN, Assistant

Harbormaster's Clerk/Wharfingers

RILEY BESAW
AALIYAH BIONDO
TAYLOR BLAIR
TRISTAN BLAIR
JOSHUA BROWN
WILLIAM GRESHAM
JOHN HAYES
HOFFMAN HEARN
JACQUELYN HEGARTY
ADAM LISZEWSKI
ABIGAL LIVELY
LEO MCDONALD
PIERS RAJGURU
RYAN SPERZEL

Harbormaster's Special Assistants

WARREN GAINES
PAUL BAGNALL
WILLIAM ROMAN
RYAN RULEY
CRAIG A. EDWARDS
EDWIN B. GENTLE, JR.
JONATHAN SEARLE
ROBERT D. MORRISON
JASON MALLORY

Herring Warden & Deputies

PAUL BAGNALL, Herring Warden
WARREN GAINES, Deputy Herring Warden
ROBERT D. MORRISON

Highway Department

ALLAN deBETTENCOURT, Superintendent
JAMES MASEDA, Foreman
EDMUND WILLOUGHBY
JOHN O'DONNELL
BOBBIE DISTIN
DWIGHT "DJ" KAEKA
GEORGE FAUTEUX
EDWIN ALBARADO ORTIZ
**ANGELO MARIANO

Historic District Commission

KEN MAGNUSON	Term Expires 2020
CARI WILLIAMSON	Term Expires 2020
MINAH WORLEY, Alternate	Term Expires 2020
SUSAN CATLING, Co-Chairman	Term Expires 2021
PETER ROSBECK, JR.	Term Expires 2021
MOLLY COSTELLO	Term Expires 2021
CHRISTOPHER SCOTT, Co-Chairman	Term Expires 2022
JULIA CELESTE	Term Expires 2022
BRICQUE GARBER, Administrative Assistant	
**EDITH BLAKE	
**CASSIE BRADLEY	

Independence Day Committee

JOSEPH SOLLITTO, Chairman
 JAMES CRAIG
 ALFRED NOYES
 WANDA WILLIAMS

Inspector of Animals

CATHERINE BUCK, VMD	Term Expires 2020
*BARBARA PRADA	

Land Bank Advisory Board

MICHAEL J. DONAROMA, Chairman, Planning Board Representative
 ANDREW KELLY, Board of Assessors Representative
 KEVIN SEARLE, Park Commission Representative
 CHRISTINA MILLER, Board of Health Representative
 DONNA GOODALE, Board of Selectmen Representative
 STEVEN EWING, Conservation Commission Representative
 JIM KELLEHER, Water Commissioners Representative
 ***KAREN KUKOLICH

Marine Advisory Committee

CHARLES J. BLAIR, JR., Harbormaster	
SCOTT MORGAN, Chairman	Term Expires 2021
MARTIN V. TOMASSIAN, JR	Term Expires 2021
BRUCE MCINTOSH	Term Expires 2022
ED HANDY, Alternate	Term Expires 2022

Martha’s Vineyard Commission Designee for the Board of Selectmen

JAMES JOYCE	Term Expires 2020
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Martha’s Vineyard Commission Joint Transportation Committee Representative

ALLAN deBETTENCOURT
 MARGARET E. SERPA, Alternate

Martha’s Vineyard Community Television, Inc.

EDWARD W. VINCENT, JR., Member-Director on Board of Directors	Term Expires 2020
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Martha’s Vineyard Cultural Council

LISA SHERMAN	Term Expires 2020
LORI STONE	Term Expires 2020

Martha’s Vineyard Regional Transit Authority

ANGELA GRANT, Administrator
 MARK SNIDER, Board of Selectmen Representative
 LOIS CRANE, Assistant Administrator
 **LOUIS PACIELLO

Plumbing Inspectors

GEORGE APOSTOLIDES
CHARLES DAY

Procurement Officer

BRYAN BELANGER
**JULIET MULINARE

Shellfish Committee

LES BAYNES
CHRISTIAN THORNTON, Chairman
RYAN SMITH
MADELINE FISHER
NICHOLAS TURNER

Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2022

Shellfish Constable

PAUL L. BAGNALL

Shellfish Wardens (Deputies)

WARREN GAINES
ROBERT D. MORRISON
JASON MALLORY
RALPH PECKHAM, Summer Deputy
RALPH SAVORY, Summer Deputy

Shellfish Wardens (Unpaid Deputies)

ROBERT OCY CZ
WILLIAM BASSETT
FLOYD NORTON
PAUL SCHULTZ

Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2020

Sick Leave Bank

JAMES M. HAGERTY, Secretary
SARA TIEMANN, Employee Representative

Term Expires 2021

Sign Advisory Committee

JULIA CELESTE
MARTIN V. TOMASSIAN, JR.
COURTNEY BRADY
GERRET C. CONOVER
CHRISTINE WHITE

Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2020
Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2021
Term Expires 2021

Town Clerk

KAREN R. MEDEIROS

Assistant Town Clerk

KIMBERLY SPEIGHT

Town Counsel

RONALD H. RAPPAPORT

Town Treasurer

PAMELA AMARAL

Treasurer's Assistant

MARISA BONIFACE

Tree Warden and Superintendent of Moth Extermination

ALLAN deBETTENCOURT

Veteran's Agent

BRUCE MONTROSE
*JO ANN MURPHY

Water Resource Management Officer

WILLIAM CHAPMAN

Wire Inspectors

ROBERT A. YOUNG, JR.
MICHAEL C. DOLBY
DAVID A. SCHWAB

Zoning Board of Appeals

TED ROSBECK, Alternate
RICHARD KNIGHT
NANCY WHIPPLE
ROBIN BRAY, Alternate
MARTIN V. TOMASSIAN, Jr., Chairman
CAROL GRANT
GERRET CONOVER, Alternate
LISA MORRISON, Assistant
*JOHN MAGNUSON
**NANCY KELLY, Alternate

Term Expires 2020
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Term Expires 2022
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Term Expires 2022

*Retired
**Resigned
***Deceased

Typical Monthly Meeting Calendar of Edgartown Boards, Committees, And Commissions

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
W	Selectmen 4:00 pm	Beautification Committee 11:00 am	Marine Advisory 4:00 pm	Park Commissioners 10:00 am	Sign Committee 8:30 am
E		Wastewater 2:00 pm	Zoning Board of Appeals 7:00 pm	CPC (as needed) 4:00 pm	
E		Planning 7:00 pm		HISTORIC DISTRICT 4:00 pm	
K		Shellfish 4:30 pm	Personnel Board 1:00 pm	Dredge Advisory 4:10 pm	
1	Selectmen 4:00 pm	Water 3:00 pm	School Committee 7:00 pm		
W		Fire Engineers 4:00 pm	Conservation Commission 5:00 pm		
E		Health 6:00 pm	Marine Advisory 4:00 pm	Council on Aging 8:30 am	
E		Wastewater 4:00 pm	Finance Comm. 4:00 pm	Park Commission 10:00 am	
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4	Assessors 4:00 pm	Shellfish 4:30 pm	Finance Comm. 4:00 pm	Park Commission 10:00 am	

NOTE: MEETINGS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. DEPARTMENTS NOT LISTED MEET AS NECESSARY.
CONSULT THE TOWN HALL BULLETIN BOARD FOR UP-TO-DATE LISTINGS.

LEGISLATIVE LETTER



Dylan Fernandes
State Representative
Barnstable, Dukes & Nantucket

District Liaison
Kaylea Moore
kaylea.moore@mahouse.gov

Dear Edgartown Friends,

We kicked off 2019 by filing 26 bills focused on protecting our environment, expanding access to housing for those most in need, and breaking down barriers to voting, among many other issues. Locally, we filed and passed legislation for the Martha's Vineyard Airport to make much-needed capital improvements and equipment upgrades. As a legislature, we passed significant bills including hands-free driving legislation, major education reform which will infuse \$1.5 billion in new funding for our schools, and funding for women's reproductive healthcare.

This year, I spoke with students at a Youth Climate Summit at Felix Neck, sat on a climate change panel at the Environmental Film Festival and moderated a discussion on climate change at the West Tisbury School with John Kerry and Gina McCarthy, among other meetings focused on climate change adaptation with island towns. These events, all organized by local community groups, show how invested the Vineyard is in identifying solutions to combat climate change and plan for the future of this coastal community.

In the budget, Senator Cyr and I secured \$175,000 for regional shellfish propagation (over \$550,000 over the past

three years), and will continue to support this culturally, economically, and environmentally important industry. We were also able to get \$40,000 for the Dukes County Substance Misuse and Detox Program, to provide medically assisted treatment to Islanders, as well as \$50,000 for the Transportation Access Program, to help with excessive costs of off-island travel for those that need to access healthcare on the mainland, both administered by Martha's Vineyard Community Services. Finally, for the first time in 20 years, the legislature increased Community Preservation Act (CPA) funding by allocating an additional \$36 million for important local projects including affordable housing, restoration of historic sites, and preservation of open space.

My team and I are working for you on-island and at the State House and we will always be here to serve you. Community engagement, transparency, and accessibility were tenants of my campaign and are the foundation of my office. Reach out to me anytime at (617) 722-2013, ext 3 or email me at Dylan.Fernandes@mahouse.gov.

Yours,

Dylan



TALENT BANK

The Board of Selectmen maintains a Talent Bank of names of citizens of Edgartown willing to serve, voluntarily, on boards, commissions and committees. Names in this file will be available for use by all Town departments.

Complete the questions, indicate your areas of interest and return to:

Board of Selectmen
Talent Bank
PO Box 5158
Edgartown, MA 02539

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

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NAME _____ TELEPHONE _____
ADDRESS _____
OCCUPATION _____
BACKGROUND EXPERIENCE _____

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Affordable Housing Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Edgartown Resident Homesite Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beautification Advisory Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Historic District Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> By-Ways Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Marine Advisory Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Capital Programs Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Martha's Vineyard Cultural Council |
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| | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning Board of Appeals |

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

To the Citizens of the Town of Edgartown:

It is my pleasure to report the 2019 activities of the Selectmen.

January and early February are busy times for the Selectmen and all departments, as we meet to review budgets and articles for the Annual Town Meeting in April.

Our weekly meetings generally deal with license renewals, taxi regulations, tree removals, setting shellfish dates for scallops and oysters and addressing concerns from residents.

There were several personnel changes in 2019: Allan deBettencourt was appointed Highway Superintendent, along with James Maseda as Foreman; Sergeant Thomas Smith of the Police Department retired; James Craig and Michael Snowden were promoted to Sergeants; Gary Kovack was appointed a full-time officer and completed training in the Fall; Elizabeth Buck became Animal Control Officer upon the retirement of Barbara Prada; Bryan Belanger was hired as Procurement Officer and the FinCom Assistant; Council on Aging Director Paul Mohair relocated off island and was replaced by Greg Rollins; Wendy Benedetto, Director of Senior Services also relocated off island and was replaced by Meris Keating; Accountant Kim Kane moved to an off-island position after many years of service to Edgartown. We will be hiring her replacement in the new year; Lenny Jason, long time Building Inspector retired and was presented a plaque for his many years of service and the Assistant Building Inspector, Reade Milne was appointed Building Inspector.

The Selectmen approved and voted recommendations from the Marine Advisory Board to approve regulations for two kite boarding licenses including signage and recreation rules.

The Water Commissioners and Staff reported that the Water Department had received “beyond compliance” awards from the Massachusetts DEP. They were pleasantly surprised to receive these awards for which we congratulated and thanked them for their work.

The annual Fourth of July parade paid tribute to Ted Morgan and honored him for his many years of service to the Town, as well as his organization of and parade participation over the past 35 years. Joseph Solitto, Parade Marshal for the Fourth of July parade, recommended changes to the rules for participation that the Selectmen approved for future years. These changes are intended to help keep the patriotic meaning of the parade and to keep the parade safe for everyone and moving along!

The VTA drivers attended multiple meetings to report on the strike. Louis Paciello, Edgartown Representative to the VTA resigned and Mark Snyder was chosen to replace him. Sarah Nevin was appointed Disabled Community Representative.

The Town received the Community Development Grant to help Edgartown home owners who qualify to make repairs to their homes and to assist families with child care expenses.

The year ended with the annual Christmas Parade almost cancelled due to rain, but the weather cleared for the festivities, for all to enjoy.

In closing, I would like to thank fellow board members, Michael Donaroma and Arthur Smadbeck, Also Town Administrator, James Hagerty. Last but not least, Kristy Rose and Karen Fuller for their help to the public and the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET E. SERPA, Chairman

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

I herewith submit the Annual Report for the Town Administrator for the year ended December 31 2019.

The calendar year of 2019 was a time of change for the Town of Edgartown due to the retirements of many longstanding employees and devoted committee members. Nevertheless, the Town has continued to prosper through a continuity of policy and process, coupled with the hard work of many dedicated people. Edgartown continues to offer a wide range of progressive and dynamic services, while still maintaining the third lowest property tax rate in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

As has been past practice, this office coordinated the budget process for Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 in early January. The Board of Selectmen, jointly with the Financial Advisory Committee, met with each and every department representative to discuss budgetary requirements and to make decisions thereon. The hearings culminated in February with a mutually approved budget that was \$600,000 below our proposition 2 ½ levy limit. Although extremely detailed and meticulous, these meetings let policy makers scrutinize over 500 lines of individual funding requests, and then make prioritized decisions in the best interest of the Town's financial health.

In April, the Town approved a Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 operating budget of \$38,389,975 which represented a 3.7% increase from the previous year. Conversely, total appropriation approved at Town Meeting represented a 4.7% decrease from the previous year. Ultimately, the Town's tax rate decreased by \$0.52 per thousand dollars of valuation from \$3.87, to the current rate of \$3.35, during which time the Town-wide property valuation increased by approximately 5.8%.

Shortly after Town Meeting and on the behest of the Board of Selectmen, the Massachusetts Department of Revenue - Technical Assistant Bureau, was contacted for a complete review of the Town's financial policies. The review culminated with a meeting hosted by DOR Consultants and the Town's financial stakeholders. A final product should be voted and approved in the Spring of 2020, with the intent of codifying the most up to date municipal best practices in the annual budgetary process.

I am pleased to report that another initiative will be coming full circle, and the Town's new website will be going

live in the next several weeks. With over 10,000 pages of preexisting content that needed to be transferred and uploaded, the new site will bring the Town up to date with commensurate communities in the Commonwealth. The final product will be a user friendly platform that enables citizens to gather information in a direct and precise manner.

In parallel with the website, this office spent extensive time updating the Town's code book from the previously published 1988 version. I would like to thank the Town Clerk's office for validating and researching every approved Town Meeting bylaw, in order to lay the groundwork for an outstanding and all encompassing document.

Like previous years, steady progress has continued on several major capital projects that are in various stages throughout the Town. Front and center has been the Yellow House Historic Renovation with a likely completion date of Memorial Day; as well as the Katama Airfield Hangar replacement which should commence in April; followed by the repair of the North Wharf bulkheads in January 2021. After multiple working groups and listening sessions, the State certified the Town as a Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness community, in turn opening up grant funding opportunities for climate change and coastal resiliency. This competitive grant program should help offset the future costs of necessary waterfront capital improvements. The Conservation Committee was instrumental in ensuring the Town met the detailed prerequisites to become eligible.

As we look back on the year, it is important to acknowledge the many dedicated Town employees who strive to maintain Edgartown's unique culture and traditions. Their hard work is the backbone of our delivery of critical services, and is highlighted in our monthly online department head reports which detail the qualitative and quantitative actions of nearly every Town organization (<https://www.edgartown-ma.us/department-head-reports>).

Finally, I feel very privileged to serve as your Town Administrator for my second year – and the 348th year of Edgartown. My door is always open with no appointment necessary, and I welcome your input on how we can serve you better.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES M. HAGERTY
Town Administrator

TOWN CLERK

To Honorable Board of Selectmen and
the Citizens of Edgartown:

2019 – This has been yet another busy year in the Clerk’s office!

January and February brought about our usual influx in regards to the Town Census and dog licenses. Then it was onto Town Meetings and Town Election; both of which went smoothly thanks to all the help from our wonderful election workers. A very special thank you to our new Town Moderator, Sean Murphy, for doing an excellent job taking on both the Special and Annual Town Meetings like a pro.

Thank you to the Board of Registrars! We are very fortunate to have Phyllis Look, Irene Resendes and Cindy Bonnell on the Board to assist us with all Town Meetings and Elections. We really do have a great team!

Unlike years past, summer and fall months were very busy; especially on the marriage front. The busiest month for marriages was September with twenty three marriages – five of which took place all on the same day; September 14th. The second busiest month was June with fourteen marriages.

Starting in October, we began preparations for the Annual as well as 2020 Presidential Elections. You can find up to date information on any election questions you may have on our

department’s page on the official Edgartown website. With such a busy election year ahead of us, we’re expecting an exciting next few months.

I am very thankful for our new Assistant Town Clerk, Kimberly M. Speight. Kim came to us from the Federal side of Government with a love for public service. Kim has been a wonderful addition to our office and assists me, as well as the public, with a multitude of tasks.

The following is a list of the events held during 2019 and a report of the licenses sold for the year:

Special Town Meeting - April 9, 2019

Annual Town Meeting - April 9, 2019

Annual Town Election - April 11, 2019

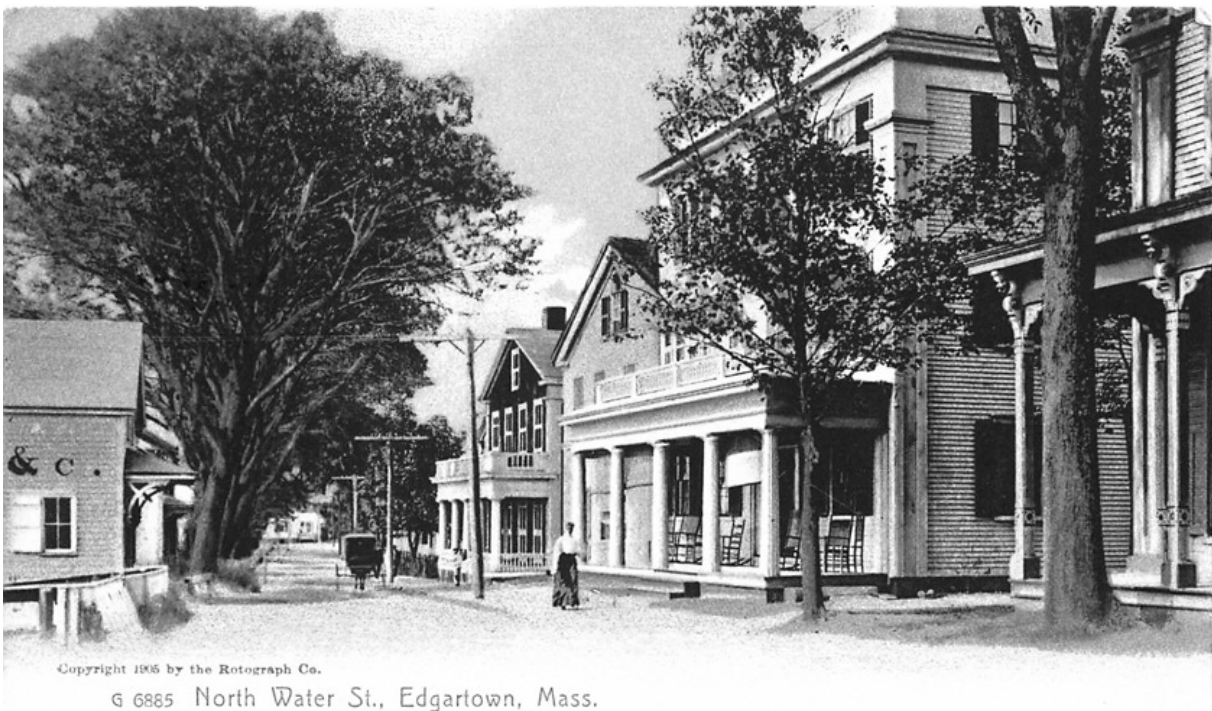
Dog Licenses - 948

Marriage Licenses - 102

The following is a complete report of minutes for all Town Meeting and Elections held in 2019. Included are the Marriage and Death reports for 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

KAREN R. MEDEIROS
Town Clerk



**REPORT FOR
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
APRIL 09, 2019**

Pursuant to the above Warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Edgartown qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs met in the auditorium of the Old Whaling Church (Methodist Church) on Main Street in said Edgartown on Tuesday, the ninth day of April, Two Thousand Nineteen at seven o'clock in the evening, having attained a quorum of one hundred eighty-eight (188), the Moderator called the meeting to order at 7:27 P.M.. The Moderator read the preamble to the Warrant and the Constable's return of service.

ARTICLE 1. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$4,000 to pay for the painting and repair of the Monument Flag Pole at the intersection of Pease's Point Way and Main Street.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 2. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$20,536.48 to be added to the Town's Fiscal Year 2019 workers compensation insurance account.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 3. Moved that the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take all necessary steps to grant an easement to, and enter into an agreement with, Nstar Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy, over a 2' x 6' portion of a Town-owned parking lot located on Dock Street, which will permit an electric box adjacent to Edgartown Yacht Club property to encroach on said parking lot. A copy of the Easement is on file with the Town Clerk.

Moved and seconded; thereafter the Moderator called for a standing vote. Yes 275 – No 0. The Article passed by the required 2/3 majority.

ARTICLE 4. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from free cash the sum of \$199,388.00 to be disbursed to various payroll account to cover benefits owed to several employees who have, or will retire or resign during the current Fiscal Year

Moved and seconded: thereafter Kimberly Kane, Town Accountant made a motion to amend the Article to remove "free cash" and replace it with "employee benefits buyback expense account". The amendment was moved and seconded thereafter voted in favor by a unanimous vote. The article as amended was voted in favor by an unanimous vote.

Submitted by the Personnel Board

RECOMMENDED BY THE FINANCIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

ARTICLE 5. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,300.00 from the Water Department's surplus to cover the cost of replacing the office computers of the Water Department, and for costs incidental and related thereto. This article will have no impact on water user's charges or the tax rate. Water surplus funds will finance this purpose.

Moved and seconded: thereafter Mr. Burke of the Water Department made a motion to amend the Article from \$5,300.00 to \$3,700.00. The amendment was moved and seconded thereafter voted in favor by a unanimous vote. The Article as amended was then voted in favor by an unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 6. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$14,617.00 to cover an increase in the insurance policy that covers injured fire fighters.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 7. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$16,288.00 to pay for upgraded safety equipment, electrical upgrades, and fall protection devices purchased by the Wastewater Facility to comply with the new OSHA standards for municipal facilities.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 8. Moved that the Town transfer from the sale of cemetery lots fund for the expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$20,000.00 to be used to continue the expansion of the New Westside Cemetery.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 9. Moved that the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court, in compliance with Clause (1), Section 8 of Article LXXXIX of the Amendments of the Constitution, to the end that legislation be adopted precisely as follows. The General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approves amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court. The Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized to approve amendments that shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of this petition.

**AN ACT CREATING THE MARTHA'S VINEYARD
HOUSING BANK**

Chapter ___ of the Acts of ___

Section 1. There is hereby established a Martha's Vineyard Housing Bank (the "Housing Bank"), the purpose of which shall be to provide for the preservation and creation of year-round housing on the Island of Martha's Vineyard. The Housing Bank is hereby constituted a body politic and corporate and a public instrumentality and the exercise of the powers herein conferred upon the Housing Bank shall be deemed to be the performance of an essential governmental function.

Section 2. The Housing Bank shall be administered by a Housing Bank Commission consisting of seven (7) persons.

2.1 Membership: There shall be one (1) person who is a legal resident of each of the towns of Aquinnah,

Chilmark, Edgartown, Oak Bluffs, Tisbury and West Tisbury, each person to be elected to a 3-year term, in the same manner as other elected town officials. The initial terms, drawn by lot by the initial six (6) appointed members, shall be staggered so that two (2) members are elected each year, following the initial election of members, and each of the six (6) town boards of selectmen shall, respectively, appoint the initial six (6) members to serve from the effective date of this act until the first elections of the regular members at each town's regular or special town election after the effective date of this act. One (1) member shall be appointed to a 3-year term by the Dukes County Regional Housing Authority.

2.2 Vacancies: Should a vacancy occur during the term of the elected town commissioner, the town's Municipal Housing Trust ("MHT") and the board of selectmen shall jointly appoint an interim member to serve until the next scheduled town election.

2.3 Administration: Members shall serve without compensation. The initial appointed members shall adopt temporary rules and regulations to the extent necessary to conduct business until the regular members are elected. The Housing Bank Commission shall elect from among its regular members a chairman and a vice chairman and a secretary and a treasurer who may be the same person. The members of the Housing Bank Commission shall adopt, after holding a public hearing and after requesting recommendations from the Board of Selectmen of the six member towns that comprise the commission, rules and regulations for conducting its internal affairs and procedural guidelines for carrying out its responsibilities under this act.

2.4 Quorum: A quorum shall be four (4) or more members. Decisions of the Housing Bank Commission shall be by majority vote at a meeting where a quorum is present. The Housing Bank Commission shall make rules regarding attendance. The Housing Bank Commission shall keep accurate records of its meetings and actions and shall file an annual report that shall be distributed with the annual report of each member town.

2.5 Conflict of interest: When members of the Housing Bank Commission hold other public offices and have to act in dual public positions, no conflict of interest shall be assumed in as much as both positions are serving the public interest and no compensation is received. However, if a Housing Bank Commission member or an MHT member also represents an organization that may benefit from a project being considered for a grant from the Housing Bank Commission, the member must declare a possible conflict of interest and shall not participate in the consideration and action on that grant application.

Section 3. Each Town's MHT shall assist the Housing Bank Commission in reviewing projects in their respective towns.

Section 4. The Housing Bank Commission shall, subject to this act, have the power and authority to:

- a) accept and receive real property, personal property or money, by gift, grant, contribution, devise or transfer from any person, firm, corporation or other public or private entity, including but not limited to money, grants of funds or other property tendered to the Housing Bank in connection with any ordinance or bylaw or any general or special law or any other source, including money from Chapter 44B, provided, however that any such money received pursuant to Chapter 44B shall be used exclusively for community housing and shall remain subject to all rules, regulations and limitations of that chapter;
- b) purchase and retain real or personal property, including without restriction investments that yield a high rate of income or no income;
- c) sell, lease, exchange, transfer or convey any personal, mixed, or real property at public auction or by private contract for such consideration and on such terms as to credit or otherwise, and to make such contracts and enter into such undertaking relative to Housing Bank property as the Housing Bank Commission deems advisable notwithstanding the length of any such lease or contract;
- d) execute, acknowledge and deliver deeds, assignments, transfers, pledges, leases, covenants, contracts, promissory notes, releases and other instruments sealed or unsealed, necessary, proper or incident to any transaction in which the Housing Bank Commission engages for the accomplishment of the purposes of the Housing Bank;
- e) employ regular staff, advisors and agents, such as accountants, appraisers and lawyers, as the Housing Commission deems necessary;
- f) purchase and retain and/or lease real property for the Housing Bank's internal administrative purposes and to dispose of same as and when the Housing Commission deems advisable.
- g) pay reasonable compensation and expenses to all employees, advisors and agents and to apportion such compensation between income and principal as the Housing Commission deems advisable;
- h) apportion receipts and charges between income and principal as the Housing Commission deems advisable, to amortize premiums and establish sinking funds for such purpose, and to create reserves for depreciation, depletion or otherwise;
- i) participate in any reorganization, recapitalization, merger or similar transactions; and to give proxies or powers of attorney with or without power of substitution to vote any securities or certificates of interest; and to consent to any contract, lease, mortgage, purchase or sale of property, by or between any corporation and any other corporation or person;
- j) deposit any security with any protective reorganization committee, and to delegate to such committee such

powers and authority with relation thereto as the Housing Commission may deem proper and to pay, out of Housing Bank property, such portion of expenses and compensation of such committee as the Housing Commission may deem necessary and appropriate;

- k) carry property for accounting purposes other than acquisition date values;
- l) borrow money on such terms and conditions and from such sources as the Housing Commission deems advisable, to mortgage and pledge Housing Bank assets as collateral;
- m) make distributions or divisions of principal in kind;
- n) comprise, attribute, defend, enforce, release, settle or otherwise adjust claims in favor or against the Housing Bank, including claims for taxes, and to accept any property, either in total or partial satisfaction of any indebtedness or other obligation, and subject to the provisions of this act, to continue to hold the same for such period of time as the Housing Commission may deem appropriate;
- o) hold all or part of the Housing Bank property uninvested for such purposes and for such time as the Housing Commission may deem appropriate;
- p) extend the time for payment of any obligation to the Housing Bank; and
- q) adopt such regulations and procedures as it deems necessary or appropriate to provide funding for the implementation of any and all programs cited in section 4A of this act.

Section 4A. The Housing Bank may provide funding as described in this Act. Upon applications from non-profit and for-profit corporations and organizations and public entities in a competitive process which will include public notice of funding availability, and in a form prescribed by the Housing Bank, funding in the form of grants, loans, loan guarantees, lines of credit, interest subsidies, rental assistance or any other means determined to further the goals of the Housing Bank for eligible housing activities might be provided. Eligible activities shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- Purchase and rehabilitation of existing structures for rental or home ownership;
- Construction of rental or home ownership housing and necessary infrastructure;
- Purchase of land, and any and all improvements including infrastructure and easements to be used for qualified housing;
- Down payment assistance, grants and soft second loans;
- Rental assistance programs;
- Modernization and capital improvements of existing rental and ownership housing;
- Housing counseling, predevelopment costs and technical assistance associated with creating housing projects and programs.

Section 4B. Each member town is hereby authorized to appropriate money to be deposited in the Fund as provided in section 6.

Section 4C. The Housing Bank is authorized to issue bonds and notes to further the purposes of the Housing Bank but only if the issuance of these bonds or notes has been approved by a majority of the Trustees of all member towns' MHTs.

Section 4D. The Housing Bank and all its revenues and income used solely by the Housing Bank in furtherance of its public purposes shall be exempt from taxation and from betterments and special assessments, and the Housing Bank shall not be required to pay any tax, excise or assessment to or for the commonwealth or any of its political subdivisions.

Section 5. All housing units created through funding by the Housing Bank under this act shall be deed restricted in perpetuity for the use approved for funding by the Housing Bank Commission.

Section 6. The Housing Bank Commission shall meet its financial obligations by drawing upon a fund to be set up as a revolving or sinking account of the Housing Bank Commission (the "Fund"). Deposits into the Fund shall include (a) funds appropriated, borrowed or transferred to be deposited into the Fund by vote of the county commissioners of the county of Dukes County or of town meetings of the towns represented in the Housing Bank Commission; (b) voluntary contributions of money and other liquid assets to the Fund; (c) grants of funds tendered to the Housing Bank by each member town in connection with any ordinance or bylaw or any general or special law or any other source, including without limitation state and/or federal grants.

All expenses lawfully incurred by the Housing Bank Commission in carrying out this act shall be evidenced by proper vouchers and shall be paid by the treasurer of the Housing Bank Commission only upon submission of warrants duly approved by the Housing Bank Commission. The Housing Bank Commission treasurer shall prudently invest available assets of the Fund in accordance with the regulations and procedures adopted by the Housing Bank Commission under sections 2.3 and 4(q), and all income from its investments shall accrue to the Fund.

Section 6A. Money from the Fund may be expended by the Housing Bank Commission, subject to approval of a majority of the Trustees of the MHT of the town in which a project is located. In cases of regional housing projects, money from the Fund may be expended subject to the permission of a majority of the Trustees of the MHTs of each town in which the project is located.

Section 7. The Housing Bank Commission shall keep a full and accurate account of its actions including a record as to when, from or to whom, and on what account money has been paid or received under this act. These records or accounts shall be subject to examination by the director of accounts or the director's agent pursuant to section 45 of chapter 35 of the General Laws.

Section 8. This act, being necessary for the welfare of the member towns and the island of Martha's Vineyard and their inhabitants, shall be liberally construed to effect its purposes.

Section 9. Acceptance of this act, by each of the towns of Aquinnah, Chilmark, Edgartown, Oak Bluffs, Tisbury and West Tisbury shall be by the affirmative vote of a majority of the voters at any regular or special town election at which the question of acceptance has been placed on the ballot.

This act shall become effective on the date on which acceptance by no fewer than three (3) towns has been effected. Additional towns may elect to participate in the Housing Bank after the effective date of this act by affirmative vote of a majority of the voters at any regular or special town election at which the question of acceptance has been placed on the ballot.

Section 10. Any time after five (5) years from the date on which a town votes to accept this act in accordance with Section 9, any town that is a member of the Housing Bank may withdraw from it by the affirmative vote of a majority of the voters at any regular or special town election. A town that has withdrawn remains liable for any obligations prior to withdrawal. A town that has withdrawn may renew its membership by the affirmative vote of a majority of the voters at any regular or special town election at which the question of acceptance has been placed on the ballot.

If the Housing Bank is reduced to fewer than three (3) member towns, the Housing Bank shall be dissolved. Upon dissolution of the Housing Bank, title to all funds and other properties held by the Housing Bank shall vest in the towns of the Island of Martha’s Vineyard as herein provided after provision is made for payment of all bonds, notes and other obligations of the Housing Bank.

Moved and seconded; Selectmen Donaroma made a motion to Indefinitely Postpone this article. The amendment was moved and seconded thereafter the amendment to Indefinitely Postpone the Article Passed by a vote of yes 208 – no 63.

ARTICLE 10. Moved that the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for a Special Act substantially in the form set forth below, provided that the General Court may make clerical or editorial amendments to the form of said proposed Special Act, and provided further that the Selectmen shall have the authority to approve and accept any such amendments that shall be within the scope of the objectives of this petition.

**AN ACT PROVIDING FUNDING FOR THE
MARTHA’S VINEYARD HOUSING BANK**

Chapter __ of the Acts of ____

Section 1.The Town of Edgartown has elected to impose a local excise tax upon the transfer of occupancy of a room in a short-term rental, as authorized by Section 3A of Chapter 64G of the General Laws and as further set forth in Section 6 of Chapter 337 of the 2018 Acts of Massachusetts. The

Town has elected to impose said tax at the rate of four (4%) percent of the total amount of rent for each such occupancy.

Section 2. The Martha’s Vineyard Housing Bank is a body politic and corporate, established under Chapter ___ of the Acts of 20___. Said Housing Bank is established under said Act for the sole purpose of the preservation and creation of year-round housing on the island of Martha’s Vineyard, in the County of Dukes, as may be further defined in such Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder. Under Section 4B of said Act, the Town is empowered to appropriate funds for the benefit of said Housing Bank.

Section 3. Fifty (50%) percent of the total amount of tax collected by the Town of Edgartown under G.L. c. 64, as aforesaid, shall be appropriated and transferred to the Martha’s Vineyard Housing Bank, such funds to be restricted for use by the Housing Bank for the preservation and creation of year-round housing on the island of Martha’s Vineyard.

Section 4. This Act shall take effect upon both the effectiveness of the Town’s election under G.L. c. 64G as aforesaid and the passage of the aforementioned Act creating the Martha’s Vineyard Housing Bank.

Moved and seconded; A motion was made to Indefinitely Postpone this article. The amendment was moved and seconded thereafter the amendment to Indefinitely Postpone the Article Passed by a unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 11. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$23,088.14 to pay the following Fiscal Year 2018 unpaid bills:

Airfield Commission		
	AV Fuel -	\$19,500.00
Board of Assessors		
	Law Office of E. Hutchinson-	\$600.00
Highway Department		
	Siemens Company -	\$1,540.98
	Safety Kleen -	\$178.50

Moved and seconded: thereafter Kimberly Kane, Town Accountant made a motion to amend the Article to change the total to \$21,819.48. The amendment was moved and seconded thereafter voted in favor by a unanimous vote. The article as amended was voted in favor by a unanimous vote.

The Special Town Meeting was declared closed by the Moderator.

Attest:

KAREN R. MEDEIROS
Town Clerk

**REPORT FOR
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
APRIL 09, 2019
7:30 P.M.**

The Moderator began the Annual Town Meeting. The quorum of one hundred eighty-eight (188) was still in attendance. Moderator Murphy read the preamble to the Warrant and the Constable's return of service.

ARTICLE 1 being the election of Officers and Four Ballot questions

ARTICLE 2 was taken up at this time. At this time Lisa Sherman, Director of the Edgartown Library, gave a report on the Library. Adam Darack, Information Technology Manager, gave a report on his projects for the year.

ARTICLE 3. To choose all other necessary Town Officers who are elected from the floor of the Town Meeting.

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER

Robert Avakian James Hagerty

A motion was made to appoint the above named persons as surveyors of Lumber. Moved and seconded thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

**MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK AND
WEIGHERS OF COAL**

Martha J. Look Laurence Mercier
James Joyce

A motion was made to appoint the above named persons as Measurers of Wood and Bark and Weighers of Coal. Moved and seconded thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

FENCE VIEWERS

Paul Bagnall M.J. Rogers
James Joyce

A motion was made to appoint the above named persons as Fence Viewers. Moved and seconded thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 4. Move that the Town vote to amend the annual salary scales of the Classification Plan of the Personnel By-law, so that they reflect a 2.3% increase, which is a cost of living adjustment becoming effective July 1, 2019.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 5. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$200,000 to reduce the tax levy in Fiscal Year 2020.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

RECOMMENDED BY THE FINANCIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

ARTICLE 6. Moved that the Town vote to raise the necessary sums of money to defray the general expenses of

the Town for Fiscal Year 2020 and to make appropriations therefore.

The Schedule of Appropriations was presented as a single item of Article 6, and is attached after the last page.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 7. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate and set aside for later expenditure from the Community Preservation Fund established pursuant to Chapter 44B of the Massachusetts General Laws, Fiscal Year 2020 revenues in the following amounts to the following reserves.

\$120,000.00 to be appropriated to the Community Preservation Open Space Reserve Fund

\$120,000.00 to be appropriated to the Community Preservation Affordable Housing Reserve Fund

\$120,000.00 to be appropriated to the Community Preservation Historic Preservation Reserve Fund

\$500,000.00 to be appropriated to the Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve

\$20,000.00 to be appropriated to the Community Preservation Administrative Expenses Account.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 8. Moved that the Town vote to return the following amounts to the specified Community Preservation accounts from the specified Community Preservation project accounts:

\$22,855.00 from the DCRH Rental Assistance FY17 Account (34106094) Art. 7 ATM 2017 into the Community Preservation Affordable Housing Reserve Account.

\$5,355.00 from the DCRH Rental Assistance FY18 Account (34106104) Art. 10 ATM 2018 into the Community Preservation Affordable Housing Reserve Account.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 9. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from the Community Preservation Affordable Housing Fund the sum of \$112,000.00 to be paid to The Dukes County Regional Housing Authority to fund the Rental Assistance Program for Edgartown Families for Fiscal Year 2020.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by the Moderator declaring it CARRIED.

ARTICLE 10. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from the Community Preservation Affordable Housing Fund the amount of \$36,210.00 and from the Fiscal Year 2019 Community Preservation Budgeted Reserve the amount of \$113,790.00 for a total of \$150,000.00 to pay Edgartown's

portion to support and create the building of Aidylberg III, a new five unit building at the Island Elderly Housing's Aidylberg Property to be used for community housing which includes low and moderate income senior housing. The funding agreement will include a condition that preference for one unit be given to a qualifying Edgartown Resident.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 11. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from the Community Preservation Unreserve the amount of \$100,000.00 to go to the Island Housing Trust to support its Mortgage Buy Down Program, which will be used to assist Edgartown families who are eligible for Community Housing with making housing more affordable to them.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 12. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from the Community Preservation Historic Preservation Fund the amount of \$94,500.00 for grading of the Cooke House property to fix drainage issues, which will protect the historic house owned by the MV Museum and will prolong its useful life.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 13. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from the Community Preservation Historic Preservation Fund the amount of \$23,846.00 to make capital improvements to the lighting system at the Whaling Church to improve access, safety, and visibility.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the town will appropriate from the Community Preservation Fiscal Year 2019 Budgeted Reserve the amount of \$230,210.00 and from the Community Preservation Unreserve the amount of \$319,790.00 for a total sum of \$550,000.00 to be used to rehabilitate and to make capital improvements to the tennis court area at the Robinson Road Recreation Area by rebuilding the base and laying four (4) new tennis courts, two (2) new pickle ball courts and one (1) new shuffleboard court. This will be added to the CPC funds appropriated at Annual Town Meeting April '18 in the amount of \$340,000.00 for a total project cost of \$990,000.00.

Moved and seconded; an amendment to strike everything after "April" was then moved and seconded and voted in favor by a unanimous vote; thereafter the article as amended was voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 15. Moved that the town appropriate from the Community Preservation Open Space and Recreation Fund the amount of \$145,000.00 to go toward the restoration of the wooden bulkhead at Northwharf as guided by the engineering study conducted with CPC funds voted at the Annual Town Meeting in April 2017.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 16. Moved that the town appropriate from the Community Preservation Open Space and Recreation Fund the amount of \$200,000.00 for the planning and creation of a park at the Yellow House property at 66 Main St.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 17. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$46,000.00 to pay the cost of the Fourth of July Fireworks.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 18. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$25,000.00 to provide funds for an integrated pest management program as needed by various departments.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 19. Moved that the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell, by silent bid auction, in consideration of an amount equal to or greater than the assessed value of the lots at the time of the auction, the following lots, "As Is", containing an area of less than 5,000 square feet and having an assessed value of less than \$35,000.00, acquired by the town through foreclosure for unpaid taxes, also known as tax possessions properties, only to any person, persons, or other legal entity that own a lot that directly abuts the tax possession properties and to further authorize the Board of Selectmen to impose terms and conditions on the sale of the properties that it deems appropriate, and to advertise and give notice of the auction in such a manner as to give all abutters a fair and equal opportunity to submit a bid. (Note: At least one abutter of each lot, included with this article, has notified the town in writing of their interest in purchasing them.) Map 11A-Lot 455; Map 11A-Lot 456; Map 11-Lot 19; Map 11-Lot 19.2; Map 11A-Lot 442; Map 11A-Lot 213.1, Map 11B-Lot 166; Map 11B-Lot 61

Moved and seconded; an amendment to go out to bid to all, not just abutters was moved and seconded but did not pass. A motion to table the Article did not carry.

The Article as written was voted on yes 193 – no 4. Moderator declared it PASSED.

ARTICLE 20. Moved the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, on the terms and conditions as they deem in the best interest of the Town, to grant a waste water easement under a Town-owned parcel of land identified on Assessors Map 21, as Parcel 70, to benefit the owners of a parcel of land identified on Assessors Map 21, as Parcel 124.115, which has a physical address of 73 Pennywise Path. The Town acquired Parcel 403 by a 1986 tax taking.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in FAVOR by a vote of yes 205 – no 2.

ARTICLE 21. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from overlay surplus, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$30,000.00 to be used for valuation updates of

real and personal property, revaluations, and Department of Revenue recertification.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 22. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from overlay surplus, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$32,000.00 to be used for a critical upgrade of the town's property appraisal software and including the cost of moving to a cloud based system.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 23. Moved that the Town vote to reduce the rate of interest that accrues on property taxes deferred by eligible seniors under G.L. c. 59, s. 5, Clause 41(A) from eight percent to two percent, with such reduced rate to apply to taxes assessed for any Fiscal Year beginning on or after July 1, 2019.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 24. Moved that the Town vote to increase the gross receipts that seniors may have in prior calendar year to be eligible to defer property taxes under G.L. c. 59, s. 5, Clause 41(A) from \$20,000 to \$40,000, with such increases to be effective for deferrals granted for taxes assessed for any Fiscal Year beginning on (or after) July 1, 2019.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 25. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from overlay surplus, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$7,000.00 to be used for the purchase of a voting machine, supplies, and training.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 26. Moved that the Town will vote to appropriate from overlay surplus, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$30,000.00 to enhance the Town accounting system with additional Munis software, implementation, training and other related costs.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 27. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from overlay surplus, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$20,000.00 for the Conservation Commission's Land Acquisition fund.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 28. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from overlay surplus, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$20,000.00 for the Conservation Commission's property maintenance fund.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 29. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum

of \$120,000.00 for the Town's 25% share of the reconstruction of the Katama launch and landing. The State will pay for the reconstruction of the landing; the additional amount that the Town is contributing is to increase the load capacity and length of the landing to accommodate launching the dredge by trailer, instead of by crane.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 30. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$80,000.00 for permitting costs associated with increasing the number of dredging and/or disposal locations on the Ten year Comprehensive Dredge Permit

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 31. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$20,000 to purchase replacement parts and perform routine maintenance on the Department's Front End Loader.

Moved and seconded; thereafter a motion to indefinitely postpone was moved and seconded then voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 32. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash, for expenditure in 2020, the sum of \$26,544.00 to support the CORE program to provide coordinated counseling, outreach, and referral services to our residents who are 55 years and older. The funds will not be available if all six towns do not vote in the affirmative.

Submitted by the Dukes County Commissioners

RECOMMENDED BY THE FINANCIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Free Cash, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$22,710.00 to support Healthy Aging Martha's Vineyard. The funds will not be available if all six towns do not vote in the affirmative.

Moved and seconded; thereafter an amendment to remove the last sentence "The funds will not be available if all six towns do not vote in the affirmative." was Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

The Article as amended was voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Free Cash, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$10,385.00, to support the First Stop Information and Referral Service as recommended by Healthy Aging Martha's Vineyard. The funds will not be available if all six towns do not vote in the affirmative.

Moved and seconded; thereafter an amendment to remove the last sentence "The funds will not be available if all six towns do not vote in the affirmative." was Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

The Article as amended was voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 35. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$187,198.00, to support the Martha's Vineyard Senior Services (MV Center for Living Programs).

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 36. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$116,741.00 to support the Vineyard Health Care Access Program for Fiscal Year 2020.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 37. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$16,590.00, to support the Dukes County Social Services. The funds will not be available if all six towns do not vote in the affirmative.

Moved and seconded; thereafter an amendment to remove the last sentence "The funds will not be available if all six towns do not vote in the affirmative." was Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

The Article as amended was voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 38. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$9,954.00, to support the Substance Use Disorder Prevention Programs on Martha's Vineyard. The funds will not be available if all six towns do not vote in the affirmative.

Moved and seconded; thereafter an amendment to remove the last sentence "The funds will not be available if all six towns do not vote in the affirmative." was Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

The Article as amended was voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 39. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$38,600, to fund the County Other Post - Employment Benefits. The funds will not be available if all six towns do not vote in the affirmative.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 40. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$18,000.00 to hire an engineering firm to conduct a study of how best to dehumidify the Edgartown School Building.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 41. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$65,000.00 to upgrade and maintain building security at

the School, including installation of a new locking system for all interior doors and enhancing the strength of interior windows.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 42. Moved that the Town vote to approve the transfer of the sum of \$316,267.99 in funds from the Excess and Deficiency Fund of the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School (the "District") to the general funds of the District for fiscal year 2020 and, in addition, to appropriate, and/or transfer from available funds of the Town the sum of Two hundred eighty-six thousand one hundred forty-five dollars (\$286,145), all of such sums to be paid to the District and expended under the direction of the School Committee for the District, for the purpose of funding a feasibility study and schematic design work in connection with possible new construction of and/or renovations to the high school building and grounds located at 100 Edgartown – Vineyard Haven Road, Oak Bluffs, Massachusetts, such feasibility study and schematic design work to include, but is not limited to, the hiring of architects, engineers and an owner's project manager; such sums to be in addition to the sums paid by the Town pursuant to the Regional High School Assessments under the FY2020 budget for the School District; or to take any other action relative thereto. The Town's approval of said transfer of funds from the District's Excess and Deficiency Fund and the Town's obligation to pay the additional \$286,145 to the Martha's Vineyard Regional School District is conditioned upon both the approval of the transfer of funds from the District's Excess and Deficiency Fund by the other Member Towns of the District and the appropriation by the other Member Towns of the District of their proportionate share of the overall cost of such feasibility study and schematic design work, after application of the District's Excess and Deficiency Fund monies authorized for transfer hereunder, such proportionate share to be calculated pursuant to the applicable formula in the Regional Agreement

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 43. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$15,425.00 to fund the Town of Edgartown's share of the administrative expenses for the All Island School Committee's contract for Adult and Community Education . The funds will not be available if all six Towns do not vote in the affirmative.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 44. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$31,600.00 to fund the Town of Edgartown's share of the administrative expenses for the All Island School Committee's contract for MV Youth Task Force. The funds will not be available if all six Towns do not vote in the affirmative.

Moved and seconded; thereafter an amendment to remove the last sentence “The funds will not be available if all six towns do not vote in the affirmative.” was Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

The Article as amended was voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 45. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$98,500.00 to purchase and equip two new police cruisers and further, to authorize the Chief of Police and Board of Selectmen to dispose of two cruisers in the best interest(s) of the Town

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 46. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$25,000.00 to build a storage and communications building at the Mill Hill water tower site

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 47. Moved that the Town transfer \$35,379.87 from Article 33 (ATM 17) into the fire truck stabilization fund.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 48. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$115,000.00 to purchase and equip a utility truck meeting minimum firefighting capabilities that is able to respond to remote areas not accessible by existing apparatus.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 49. Moved that the Town vote to authorize the Edgartown Library Board of Trustees to accept any gifts or grants of money from various sources and to expend as the Board deems appropriate.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 50. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$44,000.00 to fund various Shellfish Committee programs to be administered by the Shellfish Department.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 51. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$38,000.00 to fund the Town’s Fiscal Year 2020 membership fee in the Martha’s Vineyard Shellfish Group.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 52. Moved that the Town vote to authorize the Edgartown Shellfish Committee to accept any gifts or grants of money from various sources, to fund participation in

various Shellfish Committee propagation programs during for Fiscal Year 2020.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 53. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from free cash, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$85,000.00 for the maintenance and replacement of moorings, buoys, spiles, tie-off stakes, floats, walkways, and equipment necessary for marine operations on Town owned docks and property.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 54. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Receipts Reserved for Waterways, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$15,000.00 for an Existing Condition Engineering Survey to determine necessary repairs on the Town owned 150’ X 8’ “Loading Zone” pier that runs from the Edgartown Yacht Club to the public access in front of the Atlantic Restaurant.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 55. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Receipts Reserved for Waterways, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$9,000.00 to renovate the three seasonal Yachtsmen showers located at North Wharf, 1 Morse Street.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 56. Moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$900,000.00 to restore the stone bulkhead and wooden walkways on three sides of Town owned property located at 1 Morse Street, and for costs incidental and related thereto, and further, that to raise this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow said sum, under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 8, of the General Laws, or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town thereof, provided that a majority of the voters casting a ballot (Question #1) thereon at the Annual Town Election to be held on April 11, 2019 vote in the affirmative to exempt from the provision of Proposition 2 ½ so-called, the amounts required to pay for the principal and interest on bonds or notes issued for the project or take any other action relative thereto. Any premium received by the Town upon sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this vote in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 57. Moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400,000.00 for the rebuilding and resur-

facing of various Town streets, provided that a majority of voters casting a ballot (Question #2) thereon at the Annual Town Election to be held on April 11, 2019, vote in the affirmative to allow the Town to exceed its Fiscal Year 2020 Proposition 2½ spending cap.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 58. Moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$350,000.00 for the building and repairing of various Town sidewalks, bike paths, and storm water drainage systems, provided that a majority of voters casting a ballot (Question #3) thereon at the Annual Town Election to be held on April 11, 2019, vote in the affirmative to allow the Town to exceed its Fiscal Year 2020 Proposition 2½ spending cap.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 59. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$25,000.00 to clean the catch basins.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 60. Moved that the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and enter into contracts for the expenditure of any funds allotted by the Commonwealth for the construction, reconstruction, and improvements of the Town infrastructure, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to borrow in anticipation of the reimbursement of funds. (Chapter 303, Acts of 2008, in the amount of \$236,529.00).

Moved and seconded; thereafter a motion to amend to \$238,696.00 was voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE. The Article as amended was voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

Submitted by the Highway Superintendent

RECOMMENDED BY THE FINANCIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

ARTICLE 61. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from overlay surplus, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$13,000.00 for new equipment for use in the town cemeteries

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 62. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from overlay surplus, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$45,000.00 to be used for the rental and maintenance of the portable toilets at South Beach, Robinson Road Recreation Area, and Edgartown Park and Ride and further to authorize the Park Commissioners to accept and expend any and all funds that may be received for said purposes.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 63. Moved that the Town vote to authorize the Edgartown Park Commissioners to accept any gifts or grants of money from various sources on behalf of the Town of

Edgartown for use in the Edgartown Park Department for Fiscal Year 2020.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 64. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash, for the expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$14,500.00 to remove three large shade trees at the Robinson Road Recreation Area and replace them with three new shade trees at the Robinson Road Recreation Area

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 65. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash, for the expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$13,000.00 to update lifeguard equipment at South Beach including but not limited to new rescue boards, straps and two-way hand held radios.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 66. Moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$950,000.00 to engineer, demolish, expand, and build a new hangar located at the Katama Airfield, and for costs incidental and related thereto, and further, that to raise this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow said sum, under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 8, of the General Laws, or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town thereof, provided that a majority of the voters casting a ballot (Question #4) thereon at the Annual Town Election to be held on April 11, 2019 vote in the affirmative to exempt from the provision of Proposition 2 ½ so-called, the amounts required to pay for the principal and interest on bonds or notes issued for the project or take any other action relative thereto. Any premium received by the Town upon sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this vote in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount.

Moved and seconded; thereafter a motion to Indefinitely Postpone did not carry. Standing vote of no 56 and yes 187. The article then CARRIED by the required 2/3 majority.

ARTICLE 67. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash, for expenditure in Fiscal Year 2020, the sum of \$65,000.00 for the Wastewater Department's Equipment and Collection System Maintenance account.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 68. Moved that the Town vote to authorize the Water Department to transfer the sum of \$80,000.00 from Water Department's Surplus to the Water Department Expense account for improvements necessary for the town's

water system including: the installation, replacement, cleaning, and relining of water mains and appurtenances; the installation and replacement of water service lines and water meters; construction equipment; construction and restoration of pump stations, wells, water treatment, office, standpipe, and other structures, buildings, facilities, and grounds; water quality improvements; and for costs incidental and related thereto for Fiscal Year 2020. This article will have no impact on water user's charges or tax rate.

Moved and seconded; thereafter an amendment was proposed to have the Article read:

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$80,000.00 from the Water Department's surplus for improvements necessary for the town's water system in FY 2020 including the installation, replacement, cleaning and relining of water mains and appurtenances; installation and replacement of water service lines and water meters; construction equipment; vehicles; construction and restoration of pump stations, wells, water treatment and quality processes; construction and restoration of the office, standpipe and other structures, buildings, grounds and facilities and for costs incidental and related thereto. This article will have no impact on water user's charges or the tax rate. Water surplus funds will finance this purpose.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor. The Article as amended passed unanimously

ARTICLE 69. Moved that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$50,000.00 from the Water Department's surplus to cover the cost of inspecting, cleaning and repairs to a municipal well, and for costs incidental and related thereto. This article will have no impact on water user's charges or the tax rate. Water surplus funds will finance this purpose.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 70. Moved that the Town of Edgartown raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds \$52,382.91 of the Town's proportionate share of the Fiscal Year 2020 maintenance cost of the State-funded development and upgrades of the Dukes County Regional Emergency Communication Center and Radio System, such share based on the apportionment formula equal to an average of 16.67% fixed share of Island-wide maintenance costs of \$237,313.11 plus 27.48% variable share of such costs based on dispatch volume, for the total share of 22.07%, with the corresponding Fiscal Advisory Committee representation; and to authorize the Selectmen to negotiate and execute a Cooperative Agreement with Dukes County Sheriff's Office for annual payment of such costs. The funding is contingent on all Island Towns paying for such maintenance costs in Fiscal Year 20 according to their agreed upon proportionate shares and the creation of an Inter-Governmental Agreement, mutually acceptable to the Towns and the Sheriff, to address the governance of the RECC.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 71. Moved that the Town amend the Edgartown Zoning Bylaw, Section 1.3.D "DEFINITIONS" as follows:

DRIVEWAY: For the purposes of this bylaw, a minor private way used by vehicles and pedestrians for access from a public way to a single lot.

COMMON DRIVEWAY: For the purposes of this bylaw, a minor private way used by vehicles and pedestrians for access from a public way to multiple separate residential lots.

and further, to amend the Edgartown Zoning Bylaw, by adding Section 10.1.J "Common Driveways" as follows:

10.1.J: COMMON DRIVEWAYS

The use of common driveways to provide access may be allowed through the issuance of a Special Permit. The Planning Board shall serve as the Special Permit Granting Authority (SPGA).

All lots associated with the use of a common driveway must provide parking that does not impede or restrict access along the common driveway, in accordance with the criteria established by this Bylaw.

The Town shall not be required to provide construction, reconstruction, maintenance, or snow plowing services, nor provide school bus pick-up, or regular police patrols along a common driveway. The Town shall have in all cases right of passage along the common driveway to respond to emergencies or calls for assistance.

Generally, common driveway design shall, to the greatest extent possible, support the following goals:

- reduce the overall number of curb-cuts onto public ways, preserving the rural character of the Town;
- provide for appropriate sightlines;
- provide safe access to and from public ways;
- minimize adverse impact to wetlands, farmland, or other natural resources;
- allow reasonable, safe, and less environmentally damaging access to lots characterized by slopes or ledges; and
- retain existing vegetation and topography.

The SPGA may establish general conditions for approval of common driveways as it determines are necessary to serve the public interest, and which are in harmony with the purposes and intent of this Bylaw.

The SPGA may impose additional conditions on a case-by-case basis, based on site conditions, site orientation, and lot line configuration.

or take any other action relative thereto.

Moved and seconded; thereafter amendment to strike section 1.3E definition of driveway and common driveway was moved and seconded then voted in favor of. The Article as amended was passed by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 72. Moved that the Town amend the Edgartown Zoning Bylaw, by adding the following section:

14.2. Solar Photovoltaic Installations

14.2.A Definitions

Solar Photovoltaic Installation (“SPI”): A system designed to generate electricity through the use of solar photovoltaic panels and other necessary equipment. An SPI may be ground- or roof-mounted.

Roof-mounted Solar Photovoltaic Installation (“RSPI”): a solar photovoltaic system that is structurally mounted on the roof of another structure, and generates power utilized on- or off-site.

Ground-mounted Solar Photovoltaic Installation (“GSPI”): a solar photovoltaic system that is structurally mounted on the ground, is not mounted on a roof, and generates power utilized on- or off-site.

Nameplate Capacity: The maximum rated output of electric power production of a Photovoltaic system in Direct Current (DC).

with this section, with or without conditions, if it finds that the SPI as proposed represents:

- no negative impact on public safety,
- no negative impact on scenic, natural and historic resources, and
- no negative impact on the welfare of the residents of the Town of Edgartown.

Said findings must be recorded in the proceedings of the SPRA.

14.2.D.6 Timeline. If the SPRA requires a public hearing in accordance with 14.2.D.4, then all procedures and timelines therein specified shall prevail. Otherwise, the decision of the special permit granting authority shall be made and filed with the Town Clerk no more than ninety days following receipt of the application.

14.2.B Roof-mounted Solar Photovoltaic Installation (RSPI)

RSPI Use Table

Nameplate Capacity	R-5	R-20	R-60	R-120	RA-120	B-1	B-2	B-3	B-4
1-36kw	SPR	P	P	P	P	SPR	P	P	P
Over 36kw	SPR	SPR	SPR	SPR	SPR	SPR	SPR	SPR	SPR

“P” = Building Permit Only

“SPR” = Requires Site Plan Review

14.2.C Ground-mounted Solar Photovoltaic Installations (GSPI)

GSPI Use Table

Nameplate Capacity	R-5	R-20	R-60	R-120	RA-120	B-1	B-2	B-3	B-4
Any	SPR	SPR	SPR	SPR	SPR	SPR	SPR	SPR	SPR

“P” = Building Permit Only

“SPR” = Requires Site Plan Review

14.2.D Site Review for Solar Photovoltaic Installations

14.2.D.1 Authority. The Planning Board shall be the Site Plan Review Authority (SPRA) in all SPIs requiring Site Plan Review.

14.2.D.2 Notice. The SPRA shall notify the following of any application for an SPI: Building Inspector, Conservation Commission, Board of Health, Historic District Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals. The SPRA shall not grant approval for an SPI without consideration of all responses received from said entities within thirty (30) days of issuance of notification.

14.2.D.3 Third Party “Peer” Review. The SPRA may engage, at the applicant’s cost, professional and technical consultants, including legal counsel, to assist the authority with its review of the application, in accordance with the requirements of Section 53G of Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws. Failure to comply with this section shall be good grounds for denying the application.

14.2.D.4 Public Notice and Hearing Optional. The SPRA may require, at its option, public notice and public hearing, in accordance with Section 9 of Chapter 40A of the General Laws. Any expense related to said public notice and hearing shall be borne by the applicant.

14.2.D.5 Approval. Pursuant to MGL Chapter 40A §3, the SPRA shall approve an application submitted in accordance

14.2.D.7 Conditions for Approval. The SPRA shall in establish in each case reasonable conditions for approval that address: placement, setbacks, design, construction, operation, monitoring, site control, site security, site lighting, visual screening, noise generation and abatement, reflectivity, landscaping, signage, utility connections, emergency services access, discontinuance of use, and removal.

14.2.D.8 Regulatory Compliance. The construction and operation of all SPI shall be consistent with all applicable local, state and federal requirements, including but not limited to all applicable safety, construction, electrical, and communications requirements. All buildings and fixtures forming part of a solar photovoltaic installation shall be constructed in accordance with all applicable Building Codes and the Edgartown Zoning Bylaw.

14.2.D.9 Permit and SPRA Approval Required. No SPI shall be constructed, or installed or modified except pursuant to a building permit. No existing SPI shall be modified without application and approval from the SPRA. or take any other action relative thereto.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 73. Moved that the Town vote to amend the Edgartown Zoning Bylaw, to allow Marijuana Retail as a conditionally permitted use in the B-II Upper Main Street

District, by amending the Edgartown Zoning Bylaw, Section 3.2.B.1.o as follows:

**3.2.B.1.o – ~~Registered Marijuana Dispensary~~
~~Marijuana Retailer~~**

Further, to allow “Marijuana Establishment” as a conditionally permitted use in the B-III Light Industrial and Service District (located at the Martha’s Vineyard Airport), by amending the Edgartown Zoning Bylaw, Section 3.3.D, by adding the following:

3.3.D.4 –Marijuana Establishment

or take any other action relative thereto.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 74. To see if the Town will vote to regulate Adult Use Marijuana Establishments, by striking Section 10.4.A and Section 10.4.B of the Edgartown Zoning Bylaw entirely, and by adding the following:

10.4.A - ADULT USE MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENTS

10.4.A.1 Definitions:

Any term not specifically defined herein shall have the meaning as defined in 935 CMR 500.00 (for adult use marijuana) and 935 CMR 501.00 (for medical use of marijuana).

Cannabis Cultivation: The use of land and/or buildings for planting, tending, improving, harvesting, processing and packaging, the preparation and maintenance of soil and other media to promote the growth of cannabis by a cannabis cultivator, micro-business, research facility, craft marijuana cultivator cooperative, registered marijuana dispensary or other entity licensed by the Commission for cannabis cultivation. Such use is not agriculturally exempt from zoning. The cultivation and processing of medical marijuana in accordance with these regulations is considered to be a manufacturing use and is not agriculturally exempt from zoning. Note this term is not defined in 935 CMR 500.

Cannabis or Marijuana or Marihuana: All parts of any plant of the genus Cannabis, not excepted in 935 CMR 500.002: Cannabis or Marijuana or Marihuana(a) through (c) and whether growing or not; the seeds thereof; and resin extracted from any part of the plant; clones of the plant; and every compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture or preparation of the plant, its seeds or resin including tetrahydrocannabinol as defined in M.G.L. c. 94G, § 1; provided that cannabis shall not include:

- a) the mature stalks of the plant, fiber produced from the stalks, oil, or cake made from the seeds of the plant, any other compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture or preparation of the mature stalks, fiber, oil, or cake made from the seeds of the plant or the sterilized seed of the plant that is incapable of germination;
- b) hemp; or
- c) the weight of any other ingredient combined with cannabis or marijuana to prepare topical or oral administrations, food, drink or other products.

Cannabis or Marijuana Products: Cannabis or marijuana and its products unless otherwise indicated. These include products that have been manufactured and contain cannabis or marijuana or an extract from cannabis or marijuana, including concentrated forms of marijuana and products composed of marijuana and other ingredients that are intended for use or consumption, including edible products, beverages, topical products, ointments, oils and tinctures.

Ceases to Operate: Marijuana Establishment closes and does not transact business for a period greater than 60 days with no substantial action taken to reopen. The Commission may determine that an establishment has ceased to operate based on its actual or apparent termination of operations.

Commission: The Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission established by M.G.L. c. 10, § 76, or its designee. The Commission has authority to implement the state marijuana laws, which include, but are not limited to, St. 2016, c. 334 as amended by St. 2017, c. 55, M.G.L. c. 94G, and 935 CMR 500.000.

Host Community Agreement: An agreement, pursuant to M.G.L. c. 94G, § 3(d), between a Marijuana Establishment and a municipality setting forth additional conditions for the operation of a Marijuana Establishment, including stipulations of responsibility between the parties and a up to 3% host agreement revenue sharing. Note this term is not defined in 935 CMR 500.

Craft Marijuana Cooperative: A Marijuana Cultivator comprised of residents of the Commonwealth and organized as a limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or cooperative corporation under the laws of the Commonwealth. A cooperative is licensed to cultivate, obtain, manufacture, process, package and brand cannabis or marijuana products to transport marijuana to Marijuana Establishments, but not to consumers.

Hemp: The plant of the genus Cannabis or any part of the plant, whether growing or not, with a delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol concentration that does not exceed 0.3% on a dry weight basis of any part of the plant of the genus Cannabis, or per volume or weight of cannabis or marijuana product, or the combined percent of delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol and tetrahydrocannabinolic acid in any part of the plant of the genus Cannabis regardless of moisture content.

Host Community: A municipality in which a Marijuana Establishment is located or in which an applicant has proposed locating an establishment.

Marijuana Independent Testing Laboratory: A laboratory that is licensed by the Commission and is
a) accredited to the International Organization for Standardization 17025 (ISO/IEC 17025: 2017) by a third-party accrediting body that is a signatory to the International Laboratory Accreditation Accrediting

Cooperation mutual recognition arrangement or that is otherwise approved by the Commission;

b) independent financially from any Medical Marijuana Treatment Center (RMD), Marijuana Establishment or licensee for which it conducts a test; and
c) qualified to test cannabis or marijuana in compliance with 935 CMR 500.160 and M.G.L. c. 94C, § 34.

Licensee: A person or entity licensed by the Commission to operate a Marijuana Establishment under 935 CMR 500.000.

Manufacture: To compound, blend, extract, infuse or otherwise make or prepare a cannabis or marijuana product.

Marijuana Cultivator: An entity licensed to cultivate, process and package marijuana, and to transfer marijuana to other Marijuana Establishments, but not to consumers. A Craft Marijuana Cooperative is a type of Marijuana Cultivator.

Marijuana Establishment: A Marijuana Cultivator, Craft Marijuana Cooperative, Marijuana Product Manufacturer, Marijuana Retailer, Marijuana Independent Testing Laboratory, Marijuana Research Facility, Marijuana Transporter, or any other type of licensed marijuana-related business, except a medical marijuana treatment center. Marijuana establishments permitted in accordance with these regulations are considered to be a commercial and/or manufacturing use and are not considered being subject to any agricultural exemptions under zoning.

Marijuana Microbusiness: A colocated Marijuana Establishment that can be either a Tier 1 Marijuana Cultivator or Product Manufacturer or both, in compliance with the operating procedures for each license. A Microbusiness that is a Marijuana Product Manufacturer may purchase no more than 2,000 pounds of marijuana per year from other Marijuana Establishments.

Marijuana Process or Processing: To harvest, dry, cure, trim and separate parts of the cannabis or marijuana plant by manual or mechanical means, except it shall not include manufacture as defined in 935 CMR 500.002.

Marijuana Product Manufacturer: An entity licensed to obtain, manufacture, process and package cannabis or marijuana products and to transfer these products to other Marijuana Establishments, but not to consumers.

Marijuana Research Facility: An entity licensed to engage in research projects by the Commission.

Marijuana Retailer: An entity licensed to purchase and transport cannabis or marijuana product from Marijuana Establishments and to sell or otherwise transfer this product to Marijuana Establishments and to consumers. Retailers are prohibited from delivering cannabis or marijuana products to consumers; and from offering cannabis or marijuana products for the purposes of on-

site social consumption on the premises of a Marijuana Establishment.

Marijuana Transporter: An entity, not otherwise licensed by the Commission, that is licensed to purchase, obtain, and possess cannabis or marijuana product solely for the purpose of transporting, temporary storage, sale and distribution to Marijuana Establishments, but not to consumers. Marijuana Transporters may be an Existing Licensee Transporter or Third Party Transporter.

Medical Marijuana Treatment Center, also known as a Registered Marijuana Dispensary (RMD): An entity registered under 105 CMR 725.100: Registration of Registered Marijuana Dispensaries, that acquires, cultivates, possesses, processes (including development of related products such as edible cannabis or marijuana products, tinctures, aerosols, oils, or ointments), transfers, transports, sells, distributes, dispenses, or administers marijuana, products containing cannabis or marijuana, related supplies, or educational materials to registered qualifying patients or their personal caregivers for medical use. Unless otherwise specified, RMD refers to the site(s) of dispensing, cultivation, and preparation of cannabis or marijuana for medical use.

Propagation: The reproduction of cannabis or marijuana plants by seeds, cuttings, or grafting.

Provisional Marijuana Establishment License: A certificate issued by the Commission confirming that a Marijuana Establishment has completed the application process.

RMD Applicant: A previously Registered Marijuana Dispensary with a final or provisional certificate of registration in good standing with the DPH.

10.4.A.2. Purposes

It is recognized that the nature of the substance cultivated, processed, and/or sold by Marijuana Establishments may have objectionable operational characteristics and should be located in such a way as to ensure the health, safety, and general well-being of the public as well as legally authorized adult consumer seeking to legally purchase marijuana for their own use. The specific and separate regulation of Marijuana Establishments is necessary to advance these purposes and ensure that such facilities are not located within close proximity of minors and do not become concentrated in any one area within the Town of Edgartown.

Subject to the provisions of this Zoning Bylaw, Chapter 40A of the M.G.L c. 94G and 105 CMR 725.000, Marijuana Establishments will be permitted to provide the opportunity for the legal cultivation, product manufacturing and retail sale of marijuana for non-medical adult marijuana use in a manner that complies with local and state regulations.

10.4.A.3. Applicability

Nothing in this Section shall be construed to supersede federal and state laws governing the cultivation, sale and

distribution of marijuana. This Section shall not be construed to prevent the conversion of a medical marijuana treatment center licensed or registered no later than July 1, 2017 engaged in the cultivation, manufacture or sale of marijuana or marijuana products to a Marijuana Establishment, provided, however, any such medical marijuana treatment center obtains a special permit pursuant to this Section for any such conversion to an adult use Marijuana Establishment.

This bylaw does not apply to the cultivation of industrial hemp as is regulated by the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources pursuant to M.G.L. c. 128 § 116-123.

10.4.A.4. Additional Requirements/Conditions

In addition to the standard requirements for uses permitted by right or requiring a Special Permit or Site Plan Approval, the following shall also apply to all Marijuana Establishments:

a. Use:

- i. Any type of Marijuana Establishment may only be involved in the uses permitted by its definition and may not include other businesses or services.
- ii. No marijuana shall be smoked, eaten or otherwise consumed or ingested within the premises.
- iii. The hours of operation shall be set by the Special Permit Granting Authority, but in no event shall a Marijuana Establishment be open to the public, and no sale or other distribution of marijuana shall occur upon the premises or via delivery from the premises, between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m.
- iv. No Marijuana Establishment may commence operation or apply for a building permit prior to its receipt of all required permits and approvals including, but not limited, to its Final License from the Cannabis Control Commission.
- v. The number of Marijuana Retailers facilities permitted to be located within the Town of Edgartown shall not exceed 20% of the number of licenses issued within the Town for the retail sale of alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises where sold under M.G.L. c. 138, §15 (commonly known as “package stores”). For the purposes of determining this number, any fraction shall be rounded up to the next highest whole number.

b. Physical Requirements:

- i. All aspects of the any Marijuana Establishment (except for the transportation of product or materials) relative to the acquisition, cultivation, possession, processing, sales, distribution, dispensing, or administration of marijuana, products containing marijuana, related supplies, or educational materials must take place at a fixed location within a fully enclosed building (including greenhouses) as defined by 935 CMR 500.002 and shall not be visible from the exterior of the business. A Marijuana Establishment may not be permitted to be located in a trailer, storage

freight container, motor vehicle or other similar type of potentially movable enclosure.

- ii. No outside storage of marijuana, related supplies, or educational materials is permitted.
- iii. No Marijuana Retailer shall have a retail floor area in excess of 2,500 square feet.
- iv. Ventilation – all Marijuana Establishments shall be ventilated in such a manner that no:
 - Pesticides, insecticides or other chemicals or products used in the cultivation or processing are dispersed into the outside atmosphere, and
 - No odor from marijuana or its processing can be detected by a person with an unimpaired and otherwise normal sense of smell at the exterior of the Marijuana Establishment or at any adjoining use or property.
- v. Signage shall be displayed on the exterior of the marijuana establishment’s entrance in plain sight of the public stating that “Access to this facility is limited to individuals 21 years or older.” in text two inches in height. All other signage must comply with all other applicable signage regulations in this Zoning Bylaw and 935 CMR 500
- vi. Cannabis plants, products, and paraphernalia shall not be visible from outside the building in which the Marijuana Establishment is located and shall comply with the requirements of 935 CMR 500. Any artificial screening device erected to eliminate the view from the public way shall also be subject to a vegetative screen and the SPRA shall consider the surrounding landscape and viewshed to determine if an artificial screen would be out of character with the neighborhood.

c. Location:

- i. Marijuana Establishments are encouraged to utilize existing vacant buildings where possible.
- ii. No Marijuana Establishment shall be located on a parcel which is within five hundred (500) feet (to be measured in a straight line from the nearest point of the property line in question to the nearest point of the property line where the Marijuana Establishment is or will be located) of a parcel occupied by a pre-existing public or private school (existing at the time the applicant’s license application was received by the Cannabis Control Commission) providing education in kindergarten or any of grades 1-12.
- iii. No Marijuana Retailer shall be located on a parcel which is within five hundred (500) feet (to be measured in a straight line from the nearest point of the property line in question to the nearest point of the property line where the marijuana retailer is or will be located) of a parcel occupied by another Marijuana Retail facility.
- iv. No Marijuana Establishment shall be located inside

a building containing residential units, including transient housing such as motels and dormitories.

- v. No Marijuana Establishment is permitted to utilize or provide a drive-through service.

d. Reporting Requirements.

- i. Prior to the commencement of the operation or services provided by a Marijuana Establishment, it shall provide the Police Department, Fire Department, Building Commissioner/Inspector and the Special Permit Granting Authority with the names, phone numbers and email addresses of all management staff and key-holders, including a minimum of two (2) operators or managers of the facility identified as contact persons to whom one can provide notice if there are operating problems associated with the establishment. All such contact information shall be updated as needed to keep it current and accurate.
- ii. The local Building Commissioner /Inspector, Board of Health, Police Department, Fire Department and Special Permit Granting Authority shall be notified in writing by the marijuana establishment facility owner/operator/ manager:
 - 1. A minimum of 30 days prior to any change in ownership or management of that establishment.
 - 2. A minimum of 12 hours following a violation or potential violation of any law or any criminal or potential criminal activities or attempts of violation of any law at the establishment.
- iii. Permitted Marijuana Establishments shall file an annual written report to, and appear before, the Special Permit Granting Authority no later than January 31st of each calendar year, providing a copy of all current applicable state licenses for the facility and/or its owners and demonstrate continued compliance with the conditions of the Special Permit.
- iv. The owner or manager of a Marijuana Establishment is required to respond by phone or email within twenty-four hours of contact by a Town official concerning their Marijuana Establishment at the phone number or email address provided to the Town as the contact for the business.

e. Issuance/Transfer/Discontinuance of Use

- i. Special Permits/Site Plan Approvals shall be issued to the Marijuana Establishment owner.
- ii. Special Permits/Site Plan Approvals shall be issued for a specific type of Marijuana Establishment on a specific site/parcel.
- iii. Special Permits/Site Plan Approvals shall be non-transferable to either another Marijuana Establishment owner or another site/parcel.
- iv. Special Permits/Site Plan Approvals shall have a term limited to the duration of the applicant's ownership/control of the premises as a Marijuana Establishment, and shall lapse/expire if:

- the Marijuana Establishment ceases operation (not providing the operation or services for which it is permitted) for 365 days, and/or
- the Marijuana Establishment's registration/license by the Cannabis Control Commission expires or is terminated.

- v. The Marijuana Establishment shall notify the Zoning Enforcement Officer and Special Permit Granting Authority in writing within 48 hours of such lapse, cessation, discontinuance or expiration or revocation.
- vi. Any Marijuana Establishment shall be required to remove all material, plants equipment and other paraphernalia prior to surrendering its state registration/license or ceasing its operation.
 - Prior to the issuance of a Building Permit for a marijuana establishment the applicant is required to post with the Town Treasurer a bond or other form of financial security acceptable to said Treasurer in an amount set by the Planning Board. The amount shall be sufficient to cover the costs of the town removing all materials, plants, equipment and other paraphernalia if the applicant fails to do so. The Building Inspector shall give the applicant 45 days' written notice in advance of taking such action. Should the applicant remove all materials, plants, equipment and other paraphernalia to the satisfaction of the Building Inspector prior to the expiration of the 45 days written notice, said bond shall be returned to the applicant.

10.4.A.5. Application Requirements

Applications for Special Permits and Site Plan Approvals for Marijuana Establishments will be processed in the order that they are filed with the Town. The approval of a Special Permit for any Marijuana Establishment is up to the discretion of the Planning Board who will be making its determination based on selecting the Marijuana Establishments that it finds are in the best interests of the Town and best comply with the standards and intent of this Bylaw. While the Planning Board is authorized to approve Special Permits for Marijuana Establishments in an amount up to, but not exceeding, 20% of the number of licenses issued within the Town for the retail sale of alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises where sold under M.G.L. c. 138, the Planning Board is not obligated to approve an application for a marijuana establishment that it doesn't find is in the best interests of the Town and complies with the standards and intent of this Bylaw just because the maximum number of allowed Special Permits for a marijuana establishment haven't been approved.

In addition to the standard application requirements for Special Permits and Site Plan Approvals, such applications for a Marijuana Establishment shall include the following:

- a. The name and address of each owner and operator of the marijuana establishment facility/operation.
- b. A copy of an approved Host Community Agreement.

- c. A copy of its Provisional License from the Cannabis Control Commission pursuant to 935 CMR 500.
- d. If it's in conjunction with an approved RMD, a copy of its registration as an RMD from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health in accordance with 105 CMR 725.000 or from the Cannabis Control Commission in accordance with 935 CMR 500.
- e. Proof of Liability Insurance Coverage or Maintenance of Escrow as required in 935 CMR 500.
- f. Evidence that the Applicant has site control and right to use the site for a Marijuana Establishment facility in the form of a deed or valid executed purchase and sales agreement or, in the case of a lease a notarized statement from the property owner and a copy of the lease agreement.
- g. A notarized statement signed by the Marijuana Establishment organization's Chief Executive Officer and corporate attorney disclosing all of its designated representatives, including officers, directors, shareholders, partners, members, managers, or other similarly-situated individuals and entities and their addresses. If any of the above are entities rather than persons, the Applicant must disclose the identity of all such responsible individual persons.
- h. In addition to what is normally required in a Site Plan, details showing all exterior proposed security measures for the marijuana establishment including lighting, fencing, gates and alarms, etc. ensuring the safety of employees and patrons and to protect the premises from theft or other criminal activity.
 - i. A detailed floor plan identifying the areas available and functional uses (including square footage).
 - j. All signage being proposed for the facility.
- k. A pedestrian/vehicular traffic impact study to establish the marijuana establishment's impacts at peak demand times, including a line queue plan to ensure that the movement of pedestrian and/or vehicular traffic, including but not limited to, along the public right of ways will not be unreasonably obstructed.
- l. An odor control plan detailing the specific odor-emitting activities or processes to be conducted on-site, the source of those odors, the locations from which they are emitted from the facility, the frequency of such odor-emitting activities, the duration of such odor-emitting activities, and the administration of odor control including maintenance of such controls.
- m. A Management Plan including a description of all activities to occur on site, including all provisions for the delivery of marijuana and related products to marijuana establishment or off-site direct delivery.
- n. Individual written plans which, at a minimum comply with the requirements of 935 CMR 500, relative to the marijuana establishment's:
 - i. Operating procedures

- ii. Marketing and advertising
- iii. Waste disposal
- iv. Transportation and delivery of marijuana or marijuana products
- v. Energy efficiency and conservation
- vi. Security and Alarms
- vii. Decommissioning of the marijuana establishment including a cost estimate taking into consideration the community's cost to undertake the decommissioning of the site.

10.4.A.6 Third Party "Peer" Review

The SPGA may engage, at the applicant's cost, professional and technical consultants, including legal counsel, to assist the authority with its review of the application, in accordance with the requirements of M.G.L. c. 44, § 53G. Failure to comply with this Section shall be good grounds for denying the application.

10.4.A.7. Findings

In addition to the standard Findings for a Special Permit or Site Plan Approval the Special Permit Granting Authority must also find all the following:

- a. The Marijuana Establishment is consistent with and does not derogate from the purposes and intent of this Section and the Zoning Bylaw.
- b. That the Marijuana Establishment facility is designed to minimize any adverse visual or economic impacts on abutters and other parties in interest;
- c. That the Marijuana Establishment facility demonstrates that it meets or exceeds all the permitting requirements of all applicable agencies within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and will be in compliance with all applicable state laws and regulations;
- d. That the applicant has satisfied all of the conditions and requirements of this Section and other applicable Sections of this Bylaw;
- e. That the Marijuana Establishment facility provides adequate security measures to ensure that no individual participant will pose a direct threat to the health or safety of other individuals, and that the storage and/or location of cultivation is adequately secured on-site or via delivery.
- f. **That the Marijuana Establishment facility adequately** addresses issues of traffic demand, circulation flow, parking and queuing, particularly at peak periods at the facility, and its impact on neighboring uses.

or take any other action relative thereto.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 75. Moved that the Town vote to remove an outdated and expired provision of the Zoning Bylaw, by striking Section 17.11 of the Edgartown Zoning Bylaw entirely.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 76. Moved that the Town Meeting will clarify the definition of the “Chappaquiddick Road” section of the “Island Roads District”, by amending the Edgartown Zoning Bylaw, Section 5.2.A.1 , as follows:

“Chappaquiddick Road ~~to and including Wasque Road, School Road and Dyke Road,~~ from the ferry landing to the intersection of Pocha Road, including Dike Bridge Road to the boundary of the Trustees of Reservations' property, Assessor's FY17 data – Map 32 Lot 2, and including Pocha Road to the boundary of the Trustees of Reservations' property, Assessor's FY17 data – Map 49 Lot 1.”

or take any other action relative thereto.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 77. Moved that the Town vote to amend the Edgartown Zoning Bylaw, Section 5.1.C.2 “Permitted Uses”, by requiring a Special Permit for a Guest House in the Inland Zone of the Coastal District as follows:

Inland Zone: All uses permitted in the Shore Zone as well as ~~detached single family dwellings~~ one detached single family dwelling and non-habitable minor accessory structures normally used for personal, family and household purposes; subject to the regulations and restrictions of Sec. 5.1.E. and the underlying zoning district.

Moved and seconded; An amendment to Indefinitely Postpone failed to carry. The Article as written thereafter voted in FAVOR by a vote of yes 155 – no 8.

ARTICLE 78. Moved that the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept a gift of land from Richard and Laura Chasin consisting of approximately 3.1 acres of unimproved land located at 5 Chasin Road, Edgartown, Massachusetts, identified on Edgartown Assessor's Map 34, Parcel 39.3 (the “Premises”), for purposes of affordable housing.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 79. Moved that the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer the care, custody, management and control of said parcel to the Edgartown Affordable Housing Committee for purposes of developing, leasing or conveying the property for affordable housing purposes

Moved and seconded; a motion to amend Article replacing “said parcel” with “5 chasin Road was moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE. The Article as amended was voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 80. Moved that the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer the care, custody, management and control of a parcel of land located at 63 Twenty First Street South, Edgartown, Massachusetts, identified on Edgartown Assessor's Map 11, Parcel 84.2 to

the Edgartown Affordable Housing Committee for purposes of developing, leasing or conveying the property for affordable housing purposes.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 81. Moved that the Town appropriate the sum total of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars \$25,000 for survey and engineering costs necessary for widening of Town Accepted Ways Mill Hill Road which provides the only access to the Town Water Tower and Emergency Communications Equipment for the island. This will begin the process of upgrading the road to Town Accepted Way requirements and benefit public safety.

Moved and seconded; thereafter an amendment to insert “from free cash” was moved and seconded then voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE. The Article as amended was then voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 82. Move that the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to file a petition in the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for special legislation to prevent substances designed to kill vegetation from infiltrating and contaminating watersheds and groundwater sources of drinking water, the better to preserve the public health, welfare, and safety, by requiring all governmental agencies and public utilities intending to employ such substances to undergo review and receive approval from the Edgartown Board of Health prior to such use, so that the Board of Health may prescribe, limit, or prohibit the application of such products on lands in the Town that are designated as watersheds affecting ponds in the Town and/or the sole source aquifers for the Town water supply and/or aquifers for private and community residential wells in the Town.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted in favor by a UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ARTICLE 83. The below signatories, all resident of the Town of Edgartown, urge the Board of Selectmen to investigate the use of Town owned property, including the following parcels: 29 Old Indian Trail (34-247) and/or Cassat Way (35-18), Chappaquidick for such a tower and to thereafter, pursue all necessary action to locate a telecommunications towers in said town owned property.

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted and CARRIED.

ARTICLE 84. (1) No person, nonprofit organization, association, firm or corporation, shall knowingly release, organize the release of or intentionally cause to be released into the atmosphere any helium or other lighter than air gas balloons in the town of Edgartown. Any violation of this bylaw shall result in a fine of \$100. The provisions of section (1) shall not apply to the balloons which are used for the purpose of carrying scientific instrumentation during the performance of an experiment or testing procedure of by a person on behalf of the government agency or pursuant to a governmental contract for scientific or meteorological purposes.

Submitted by Petition

Moved and seconded; thereafter voted and CARRIED.

ARTICLE 85. Moved that the Town vote to mandate that the Edgartown Board of Health obtain written approval from the Board of Selectmen and Board of Water Commissioners prior to future order of adding fluoride to our water system. Submitted by Petition
Moved and seconded; thereafter voted and CARRIED.

That being the final Article requiring action Moderator Murphy dismissed the Meeting at 11:30 P.M..

Attest:

KAREN R. MEDEIROS
 Town Clerk

**REPORT OF ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
 HELD ON
 APRIL 11, 2019**

Pursuant to the Warrant, the Inhabitants of the Town of Edgartown qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs met in the Polling Place, The Fred B. Morgan, Jr. Meeting Room (Town Hall) 70 Main Street, on Thursday the Eleventh day of April, Two Thousand Nineteen at Ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act of Articles One of the Warrant by the election of Officers on the Official Ballot.

Wanda M. Williams, Warden, Jean Andrews, Cindy Bonnell, Registrar, Scott Ellis, Constable, Kimberly Speight, Assistant Town Clerk, Irene Resendes, Registrar, JoAnn Resendes, Pyllis Look, Registrar, Ann Tyra, Kevin Searle were sworn in as Warden Tellers, Checkers, Ballot Clerk and Officers of the Day.

The Polls were declared of at 10:00 A.M. by Karen R. Medeiros, Town Clerk. It was unanimously voted to waive the reading of Article One on the Warrant.

At 8:15 P.M., all ballots having been accounted for and tallied, the Town Clerk announced the result of the Election.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN FOR THREE YEARS VOTE FOR ONE	
Michael J. Donaroma	386
John Krowski	222
Write-Ins	5
Blanks	27

BOARD OF ASSESSORS FOR THREE YEARS VOTE FOR ONE	
Donna L. Goodale	518
Write-Ins	5
Blanks	117

BOARD OF HEALTH FOR THREE YEARS VOTE FOR ONE	
Harold T. Zadeh	503
Write-Ins	4
Blanks	133

CONSTABLE FOR THREE YEARS VOTE FOR ONE	
William C. Bishop IV	537
Writ-Ins	1
Blanks	102

FINANCIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THREE YEARS VOTE FOR TWO	
Steven C. Jordan	453
James K. Carter	486
Write-Ins	8
Blanks	333

LIBRARY TRUSTEE FOR THREE YEARS VOTE FOR TWO	
Justine Shemeth DeOliveira	512
Olga Church	466
Write-Ins	5
Blanks	297

PARK COMMISSIONER FOR THREE YEARS VOTE FOR ONE	
Glen Searle	539
Write-Ins	7
Blanks	94

PLANNING BOARD
FOR FIVE YEARS
VOTE FOR ONE

Glen Searle	511
Write-Ins	11
Blanks	118

SCHOOL COMMITTEE
FOR THREE YEARS
VOTE FOR ONE

Kelly M. McCracken	503
Write-Ins	3
Blanks	134

WASTEWATER COMMISSIONER
FOR THREE YEARS
VOTE FOR ONE

Glen Searle	516
Write-Ins	7
Blanks	117

WATER COMMISSIONER
FOR THREE YEARS
VOTE FOR ONE

Scott Ellis	543
Write-Ins	5
Blanks	92

MV LAND BANK REPRESENTATIVE
FOR THREE YEARS
VOTE FOR ONE

Richard S. Knight Jr.	432
John S. Krowski	148
Write-Ins	2
Blanks	58

BALLOT QUESTION #1

Shall the Town of Edgartown be allowed to exempt from proposition two and one-half, so called, the amounts required to pay for the principal and interest on bonds or notes issued to restore the stone bulkhead and wooden walkways on three sides of Town owned property located at 1 Morse Street?

YES	472
NO	132
BLANK	36

BALLOT QUESTION #2

Shall the Town of Edgartown be allowed to assess an additional \$400,000.00 in real estate and personal property taxes for rebuilding and resurfacing of certain Town streets for the Fiscal Year beginning July first, two thousand and nineteen?

YES	453
NO	164
BLANK	23

BALLOT QUESTION #3

Shall the Town of Edgartown be allowed to assess an additional \$350,000.00 in real estate and personal property taxes for building and repairing of various Town sidewalks, bike paths, and storm water drainage systems, for the Fiscal Year beginning July first, two thousand and nineteen?

YES	479
NO	136
BLANK	25

BALLOT QUESTION #4

Shall the Town of Edgartown be allowed to exempt from proposition two and one-half, so called, the amounts required to pay for the principal and interest on bonds or notes issued to engineer, demolish, expand, and rebuild a new hanger at the Katama Airfield?

YES	354
NO	267
BLANK	19

Attest:

KAREN R. MEDEIROS
Town Clerk

BIRTHS 2019

Births are not published in the Town Report due to the passing of the Acts and Resolves of Massachusetts 1991, which prohibits the sale and distribution of the names of children under the age of seventeen. The total number of births recorded in the town of Edgartown in 2019 was 54.

MARRIAGES - DEATHS

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 2019

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>RESIDENCE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>RESIDENCE</u>
JANUARY			MAY - Continued		
22	Rachel Ann McCue Dejan Dragan Soknic	Edgartown, MA Edgartown, MA	07	Emil Vlahov Darryl Leon Black, Jr.	Edgartown, MA Edgartown, MA
FEBRUARY			26	Rhea Kimberly Ramsey Vincent Justin Barnes	Chicago, IL Chicago, IL
22	Augusto Cesar Bueno Camila Ramos Goncalves	Edgartown, MA Edgartown, MA	26	Craig Warren Cooper Lauren Elizabeth Oswald	Boston, MA Boston, MA
22	Stephen John Woodbury Bohdana Elesova	Edgartown, MA Edgartown, MA	29	James Gerald Kuss Milica Savovic	Edgartown, MA Edgartown, MA
22	Schmeichel Klaydson Oliveria Emelina Weiland	Edgartown, MA Edgartown, MA	JUNE		
26	Arielle DeAnne Hayes Augusto Gabbardo de Bettencourt Faria	West Tisbury, MA West Tisbury, MA	01	Madeline Lois Grunewald Brendan Scott MacDevette	New York, NY Brooklyn, NY
27	Alexis Michelle Dufresne Dexter Wheeler Barrett	E. Falmouth, MA Vineyard Haven, MA	07	Jody Alene Mello Christopher Glenn Shaw	Addison, TX Addison, TX
MARCH			08	Zachary Wayne Niemi Emma Tania Gonzalez	Edgartown, MA Edgartown, MA
04	Weverton Alves Pereira Flavia Ferreira Barbosa	Edgartown, MA Edgartown, MA	14	Stephen Alan Vancour Linda Ann Freedman	Edgartown, MA Edgartown, MA
09	Donald Eric Ethier Nicole Lynn Lattime	Edgartown, MA Edgartown, MA	15	Trey Michael Rasmussen Emilyanne Williston	Tisbury, MA Tisbury, MA
27	Vanusa Conserva DaCruz Fabiana Pacheco	Edgartown, MA Edgartown, MA	15	Kelly Marie Silva Udismar Oaks, Jr.	Tisbury, MA Tisbury, MA
29	Alvaro Miguel da Silva Paiva Claudiane de Franca Alves	Oak Bluffs, MA Oak Bluffs, MA	16	Mara Ann Blanchard Michael Jeffrey Thorne	Easton, PA Lebanon, NJ
29	Isabella Nunis Meyer Otavio Henrique Branquinho Palhares	Edgartown, MA Edgartown, MA	17	Dejan Dojcinovic Vanessa Susan Zielke	Oak Bluffs, MA Oak Bluffs, MA
APRIL			22	Aaron James Tripp Carrie Ann Natusch	Edgartown, MA Edgartown, MA
02	Simonica Cristina deOliveira Rodrigo Silva Honorato	Oak Bluffs, MA Oak Bluffs, MA	22	Abigail Elizabeth Vandenbosch Alexander Calder Gage	Grosse Pointe Farms, MI Grosse Pointe Farms, MI
19	Heather Sharon Hill Razvan Costin Turcu	Oak Bluffs, MA Oak Bluffs, MA	22	Ryan Michael Brush Xinning Zhou	New York, NY New York, NY
20	Timothy Christian Penicaud Zoe Elizabeth Turcotte	Edgartown, MA Edgartown, MA	24	David Nathan Goldberg Caroline Gordon Selfridge	San Jose, CA Saratoga, CA
MAY			25	Bojan Balaban Jovana Mirkov	Edgartown, MA Edgartown, MA
02	Jose Carlos Ferrer Iara Maria Gauer	Edgartown, MA Edgartown, MA	26	Johnny Lee Hoffman Regiane Alves Da Silva	Edgartown, MA Edgartown, MA
04	Alexander Ogden Welles Marianna Clare Hon. Marianna Walker	Greenwich, CT Greenwich, CT			

MARRIAGES - Continued

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>RESIDENCE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>RESIDENCE</u>
JULY			SEPTEMBER - Continued		
06	Anne Constance Zenker John Douglas McCrae	Edgartown, MA Edgartown, MA	14	Timothy James Sedlak Hillary Inge Farrow	Washington, DC Washington, DC
06	Amy Elizabeth Bruce Andrew Herbert Litchfield	Bloomfield, CT Bloomfield, CT	16	Marija Radovanovic Adam David Jackson	Oak Bluffs, MA Oak Bluffs, MA
07	Nikola Vasilic Thaissa Moreira Silva	Oak Bluffs, MA Oak Bluffs, MA	19	Kristine Katherine Kobus Jeremy David Jordan	Friendswood, TX Friendswood, TX
12	Marilyn Greenidge David Scollans	Dorchester, MA Scituate, MA	20	Renata Trajkovic Edward Stephen Christofono	Tisbury, MA Tisbury, MA
19	Leonam Bonour Moreira Gislane Silvano De Souza	Edgartown, MA Edgartown, MA	21	Emmalyn Bonnie Anderson Jacobi Milo Reid	Middleboro, MA Middleboro, MA
19	Irina Aleksandrovna Goltsova David Charles Bernstein	Elkins Park, PA Elkins Park, PA	21	Matthew Creecy Calore Witney Davis Earle	Boston, MA Boston, MA
29	Heather Ann Thompson Carlo Andrea Coppetti	Lausanne, Switzerland Zurich, Switzerland	21	Emma Caroline Brodie Kevin Richard Garcia	Brooklyn, NY Brooklyn, NY
AUGUST			21	Justin Heath Colombo Joanna Elizabeth Derry Kirby	Andover, MA Astoria, NY
09	Edward Gerard Uehlinger, Jr. Alexandria Adeline Rappazzo	Long Beach, NY Castleton, NY	27	Joan Argyle Hurkett Mark Edward Lawrence	Mattapoisett, MA North Attleboro, MA
10	Lucy Bromley Leopold Collins Dettmar Heavener	Edgartown, MA Edgartown, MA	27	Julia Valeria Ferreira Sidney Da Silva	Edgartown, MA Edgartown, MA
22	Christine Leigh Prenez Thomas Joseph Comerford, Jr.	Woodbury, CT Woodbury, CT	28	Pamela Petrakos Jeffrey Thorne	Rye, NH Rye, NH
26	Dominique A. Hendelman Esther Bayla Eckhaus	Edgartown, MA Brooklyn, NY	28	Justine Robyn Gray Trueman Lanham Haskell, III	Cortland Manor, NY Edgartown, MA
27	Alexander Harilaos Tzavalas Ashley Rose Fleming	Glendale, CA Glendale, CA	28	Shayna Ali Nugent Andrew Mark Connaughton	Beach Haven, NJ Beach Haven, NJ
31	Thomas Caiaffa Hanvey Bridgette Olivia Gibbs	Ridgewood, NJ Ridgewood, NJ	OCTOBER		
SEPTEMBER			05	Bruce Jarvis Dew, III Caitlin Denise Nunan	Charlestown, MA Charlestown, MA
01	Dana Angell Leonard Nicholas Reiss Green	Redwood City, CA Redwood City, CA	12	Mary Robyn Butterfield Julia Leigh Ritter	Memphis, TN Memphis, TN
03	Anthony Richard Marcantonio Laura Elena Ion	Edgartown, MA Tisbury, MA	12	Joshua Michael Vag Ruby Rae Hoy	West Tisbury, MA West Tisbury, MA
03	Warren Cecil Morse Gail Farrish	Vero Beach, FL Edgartown, MA	12	Bethany Caroline Cobb Jonathan Maynard Davenport	Edgartown, MA Edgartown, MA
13	Chelsea Lynn Stanovich Jonathan Ryan Duval	Cambridge, MA Cambridge, MA	13	Chad Thornton Wildman Emily Corcoran Purcell	New York, NY New York, NY
13	Elizabeth Marie Bage Bruce William Hicks	Avon, OH Avon, OH	19	Mariah Theresa Brady Cristiano Rangel Fidelis	Oak Bluffs, MA Oak Bluffs, MA
14	Eleanor Erskine Brauer Hoyt Daniel Snodgrass Higgins	Medford, MA Medford, MA	19	Evan Joseph Shai Jessica Yvette Lyon	Oak Bluffs, MA Oak Bluffs, MA
14	Colin Michael Gaul Melissa Beth Denholtz	Madison, NJ Madison, NJ	26	Joseph Louis Monterio Emily Frazar Weedon	Edgartown, MA Duxbury, MA
14	Katherine Woodhouse Canty Christopher Scott Barnard	Torrance, CA Torrance, CA	NOVEMBER		
14	Bradley Harry Scammell Alexandra Kaelin Kirby	Bowie, MD Bowie, MD	02	Carlos Lemos da Silva Bianca Fiel Valerio Noronha	Edgartown, MA Edgartown, MA

MARRIAEGES - Continued

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>RESIDENCE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>RESIDENCE</u>
NOVEMBER					
03	Eugene Langston Jemison Michelle Jocelyn Vivian	Tisbury, MA Tisbury, MA	13	Kelsea Tinkham Silva Tyler Steven Hathaway	Edgartown, MA Edgartown, MA
12	Brianna Lynn Hulmes Joseph James Hernandez	Cutchogue, NY Cutchogue, NY	DECEMBER		
			19	Dhionys Klelton Sampaio Genainna Kassia De Pereira	Edgartown, MA Edgartown, MA

TOWN CLERK DEATHS RECORDED IN 2019

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>AGE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>AGE</u>
JANUARY			JULY		
05	Deborah McCormick Reed	88	12	Martin Leslie Berger	87
FEBRUARY			22	Grace Duarte	101
08	Elizabeth Ellen Sandland	75	24	Robert R. Salamone	69
10	Jacob Tilton Lewis	22	AUGUST		
26	Evelyn Simpson	75	03	Allen Wilkinson Greer	95
MARCH			21	Gerald A. Maciel	85
APRIL			SEPTEMBER		
07	Fred Baxter Morgan, Jr.	97	07	John Joseph Lynch	78
12	Thomas Edward Burke	89	18	Elizabeth Madden Guittar	78
15	Lisa Marie White	59	18	Jane C. Wiley	96
16	Edith M. Radley	80	30	Alexa Landi	71
MAY			OCTOBER		
07	William Edward Carroll, Jr.	83	24	Bruce A. Farland	62
16	Joyce Marie Freeman	72	26	Karen A. Kukolich	75
24	James William Luce	70	NOVEMBER		
25	John Thomas Chirgwin	83	16	Robert George Parkhurst	67
JUNE			DECEMBER		
07	Eric Thorsin Farrish	59	17	Florence Alwina Morgan	95

PERSONNEL BOARD

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

The Personnel Board is composed of five members, four of whom are appointed by the Board of Selectmen and the fifth, a Town employee, serves as the employee representative. The role and intent of the Personnel Board are established in the Town's bylaws. The Board exists to establish, maintain, and deliver a system of personnel administration that promotes a fair and consistent application of personnel policies, recruitment practices and performance management.

With changes in the administration, the Town and its' employees continued to thrive and build on an already solid staff population. As growth of the town increases so does the need for additional staff. Consistent amendments to responsibilities, job descriptions, and procedures meant to maintain departmental functions are an on-going process. Policies effecting staff and staff operations were added and updated in response to current trends and recently revised regulations,

training and educational opportunities for employees were also actively sought as we marched toward the new millennium.

Springtime saw the implementation of the Dependent Verification Audit, an independent audit initiated by health plan administrators, for the purpose of meeting State requirements and adjusting the Town's overall health premium liability.

Personnel Board looks forward to serving the Town and its' employees by proposing updates and changes meant to more efficiently and effectively serve the community.

Respectfully submitted,

MAUREEN HILL, Chairperson
PAUL MOREAU
MARCEL LAFLAMME
JUDITH MURRAY
JOSEPH ROCK

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MANAGER/ PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
the Citizens of Edgartown:

From the time when Information Technology departments consisted of people who perhaps had minimal social interaction and enjoyed programming all day long on a computer nearly the size of the fishing vessel “The Orca” as opposed to being out fishing on a vessel that size, oh how times have changed.

Information Technology is nearly a part of everything, everywhere. Good technology doesn’t solve problems, people solve problems and technology can often be one of their best tools. Town of Edgartown, you have great, intelligent, devoted town employees and much my past year has been spent working with many departments to rework the systems they have in place to help create efficiencies. These departments have been patient and detailed in their answers to my questions about everything ranging from septic pumpouts, the physical makeup of a fire hydrant, how animal control calls are logged, municipal salary structuring, and various permitting processes. Using these conversations and others as research, we are developing systems to more easily use and streamline the access to data that we have, which not only helps us internally, it translates into better systems for the people of Edgartown.

Strictly on the computer side of things, the end of life for Windows 7 prompted numerous computers needing upgrades to Windows 10, as free security updates for Windows 7 are now a thing of the past. This was a fairly substantial project, but was successfully completed and we won’t have to repeat the process until Microsoft comes out with Windows 11, X, or whatever they decide to name the next version.

The Public Information Officer role I have is always interesting. Some of the messages sent out this past year to our 1,987 subscribers included notifications of public burns, power outages, and for a couple of exciting days over the summer, shark sightings. People seem happy with our system and like being “in the know”. We don’t overload people with messages and the general sense is that with our wide spectrum of subjects we message about, these texts are appreciated. If you are not currently on our text notification system, simply text the word Edgartown to 8775508627 and you’ll be automatically added to the list.

Wishing everyone a happy and healthy 2020. Hope to bump into many of you around town and always happy to catch up with our town’s residents and visitors.

Respectfully submitted,

ADAM DARACK
Information Technology Manager

FINANCE

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

The biggest change for the Assessing Department in 2019 was the upgrade of our valuation software. Since the early 1980's, Edgartown has used valuation software from Vision Government Solutions, Inc. This year the town upgraded to the newest version of the software in late June. Version 8 of the software has more flexibility, additional fields for data, better report generating capabilities, and other significant benefits. It was also decided to contract with VGSI for cloud hosting services. Cloud hosting with VGSI is a benefit to the town in several ways:

- Cost savings for the town by reducing the need for additional servers and server maintenance.
- Improved security for town assessment data since it is hosted in a fully secure, professionalized data center to combat increasing ransomware attacks on in-house servers.
- Improved software support since the VGSI support team has instant access to the database which allows for immediate edits and reduces wait time when troubleshooting.

The transition to the new version of the software was time consuming and involved a complete conversion of the existing database. The staff received several hours of individual instruction in using the software and continues to attend the company's frequent webinars which provide additional training.

The Assessors' primary responsibility is to find the full and fair cash value of all property (market value) as set forth in the Massachusetts General Laws. We do that by keeping accurate data on all real estate and personal property in town and reviewing and analyzing property sales annually to determine market changes. The job of the Board of Assessors is not to determine how much the town will spend or levy in taxes. That responsibility belongs to the taxpayers, by approving budgets, and warrant articles at town meetings, and voting on override questions at the annual town election.

Our work includes maintaining ownership records, inspecting properties for which building permits have been issued, inspecting properties that have sold, and analyzing the sales market and adjusting values. Fiscal Year 2020 assessed values (valuation date of 1/1/2019) were determined

by analyzing market sales from calendar year 2018 for an interim adjustment of values. The next recertification by the Department of Revenue will take place for FY2023. The DOR requires towns to adjust values yearly to ensure that values are supported with current market evidence, so interim changes in value will be also be made for fiscal years 2021, and 2022. We also handle abatement and exemption requests and the senior tax work-off credit, and process all aspects of motor vehicle and boat excise taxes.

This department receives and responds to an abundance of information requests by taxpayers and the general public, and we provide convenient access to assessment information, GIS data, tax maps, and various assessors' forms online. General information, including printable copies of the tax maps, and various forms can be accessed on the town website – WWW.EDGARTOWN-MA.US. The town provides online GIS software at [HTTPS://WWW.AXISGIS.COM/EDGARTOWNMA/](https://WWW.AXISGIS.COM/EDGARTOWNMA/). There is also a link to the GIS on the town website. This program displays interactive maps and a good deal of publicly available property information. We are no longer having VGSI host an online database for public access. Instead, in the near future copies of the current fiscal year property record cards will be available on the AxisGis site. Property record cards and monthly sales lists are always available in the Assessors' Office.

Cyclical reinspection is an ongoing program to visit improved properties on a regular schedule. All buildings, residential, commercial and exempt must be reinspected at least every ten years to meet DOR guidelines. Edgartown has approximately 5400 buildings, over 5000 of which are residential. We completed the last cyclical reinspection program for FY2015 and are working on the next cycle, to be completed by FY2025. Those property visits are in addition to the regular field work of inspecting parcels with new or ongoing construction.

Our experience with the number of abatements filed and cases taken to the Appellate Tax Board continues to be excellent, with very few abatement applications being taken to the ATB. There was one hearing in 2019, for two years of filing on the same property (FY17 & FY18), and it was won by the town. Two other FY18 cases were filed, one is still pending and the other was subsequently withdrawn by the applicant. There were only two cases filed for FY19 assessments.

Fiscal Year	Applications-Filed	Applications-Granted	Amount Abated	% of Taxable Value Abated
2015 Reval Yr	40	20	4,430,444	0.06%
2016	28	19	5,122,200	0.07%
2017	48	27	31,835,300	0.41%
2018 Reval Year	44	31	\$11,796,200	0.14%
2019	36	19	\$11,230,080	0.13%

For a historical perspective, please note the change in total town taxable value for the last ten years. Total Taxable value changed only modestly every year from FY2011 through FY2014 and has risen steadily from FY2015 through FY2020 at an average of 6.5% per year.

FY2011	\$6,563,959,740	-2.73%
FY2012	\$6,666,537,995	+1.56%
FY2013	\$6,597,990,238	-1.03%
FY2014	\$6,613,836,438	+0.24%
FY2015	\$7,028,192,628	+6.26%
FY2016	\$7,276,701,078	+3.54%
FY2017	\$7,804,718,137	+7.26%
FY2018	\$8,252,255,423	+5.73%
FY2019	\$8,885,809,240	+7.68%
FY2020	\$9,399,979,752	+

The FY2020 tax rate is \$3.35, a substantial reduction from the FY2019 rate of \$3.87. Please review the comparison of the tax recap sheets below for more information.

We continue to measure and list new construction and update our assessment database for those changes as well as adding parcels created by subdivision. The increase in value from construction for FY2020 is from building permits issued in 2018 and the completion of work on permits from prior years. The allowable increase in the tax levy due to growth from new construction and subdivision, along with new items of taxable personal property, was \$454,051 for FY2020, an increase of \$36,226 from the FY2019 amount of \$417,825. The average over the last five years is \$416,615.

Please visit the office if you would like to know more about what we do; we will be happy to talk with you. Information pamphlets are available which provide a lot of insight into the assessing process. In addition taxpayers are encouraged to ask about possible eligibility for tax exemptions and deferrals.

As always, our goal is to serve the community to the best of our abilities and to fulfill our duties as required by law, keeping in mind at all times the assessors' oath "to truly and impartially, according to our best skill and judgment, neither overvalue nor undervalue any property subject to taxation". Our staff members – Jo-Ann Resendes, Principal Assessor; Cindy Sherman, Administrative Assistant; Ed Pierce, Data Collector – will continue to take advantage of available educational programs with the goal of improving knowledge and abilities, and will continue to use all the tools available to produce fair and equitable values for all. Our office is open daily to assist taxpayers and the general public in any way possible. We look forward to helping you.

Respectfully submitted,

DONNA L. GOODALE
ALAN GOWELL
S. CHRISTOPHER SCOTT

TAX RATE RECAPITULATION SUMMARIES

	FY2019 (7/1/2018 - 6/30/2019)	FY2020 (7/1/2019 - 6/30/2020)
APPROPRIATIONS		
Raise & Appropriate	\$41,684,712	\$39,139,976
Free Cash	\$1,632,879	\$1,992,924
Available Funds	\$488,208	\$410,080
Other--Community Preservation Fund	\$2,092,194	\$2,255,346
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$45,897,993	\$43,798,325
Other Amounts to be Raised:		
Cherry Sheet Offset	\$44,805	\$51,829
Overlay Deficits/Snow Removal Deficits/Other	\$ -	\$ -
State/County Charges (Cherry Sheet)	\$1,752,280	\$1,749,145
Overlay	\$198,925	\$246,985
TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE RAISED	\$47,894,003	\$45,846,284
 ESTIMATED RECEIPTS/OTHER REVENUE		
State Reimbursements (Cherry Sheet)	\$2,312,631	\$2,518,002
Estimated Local Receipts	\$6,780,009	\$6,980,000
Community Preservation Funds	\$2,092,194	\$2,255,346
Appropriations From Free Cash	\$1,632,879	\$1,992,924
Appropriations From Other Available Funds	\$488,208	\$410,080
Free Cash Appropriated to Reduce Tax Rate	\$200,000	\$200,000
TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS/OTHER REVENUE	\$13,505,922	\$14,356,352
 NET TAX LEVY & TAX RATE		
Total To Be Raised	\$47,894,003	\$45,846,284
Less Total Estimated Receipts/Other Revenue	\$13,505,922	\$14,356,352
TAX LEVY	\$34,388,082	\$31,489,932
 TAXABLE VALUE		
Real Property	\$8,714,977,650	\$9,220,838,768
Personal Property	\$170,831,590	\$179,140,984
TOTAL TAXABLE VALUE	\$8,885,809,240	\$9,399,979,752
 TAX RATE	 \$3.87	 \$3.35

ABATEMENTS & STATUTORY EXEMPTIONS GRANTED IN FY2019

REAL ESTATE & PERSONAL PROPERTY ABATEMENTS		
Against Tax Levy of Fiscal Year	2011	\$437.19
Against Tax Levy of Fiscal Year	2012	\$59.08
Against Tax Levy of Fiscal Year	2013	\$61.15
Against Tax Levy of Fiscal Year	2014	\$104.71
Against Tax Levy of Fiscal Year	2015	\$173.14
Against Tax Levy of Fiscal Year	2016	\$186.97
Against Tax Levy of Fiscal Year	2017	\$6,055.11
Against Tax Levy of Fiscal Year	2018	\$6,440.25
Against Tax Levy of Fiscal Year	2019	\$43,850.81
Total Real Estate & Personal Property Abatements Granted in FY2019		\$57,368.41

STATUTORY EXEMPTIONS

Clause 17 D (Senior)	Against Levy of FY	2019	\$350.00
Clause 41 C (Elderly)	Against Levy of FY	2019	\$9,666.66
Clause 18 (Hardship)	Against Levy of FY	2019	\$18,968.81
Clause 22 (Veteran)	Against Levy of FY	2019	\$14,400.00
Clause 37(Blind)	Against Levy of FY	2019	\$500.00
Total Statutory Exemptions Granted in FY2018			\$43,885.47

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION SURTAX ABATED OR EXEMPTED

Against Tax Levy of Fiscal Year	2017	\$157.46
Against Tax Levy of Fiscal Year	2018	\$155.42
Against Tax Levy of Fiscal Year	2019	\$3,201.73
Total CPA abated or exempted in FY2019		\$3,514.61

Total All Abatements & Exemptions Granted In FY2018

\$104,768.49

BOAT EXCISE FISCAL YEAR 2019

Boat Excise Commitments	No. of Boats	
FY 2019 Boat Excise	613	\$28,373.00
Total Boat Excise Issued		\$28,373.00

Boat Excise Abatements

Against Levy of FY	2014	\$25.00
Against Levy of FY	2015	\$25.00
Against Levy of FY	2016	\$65.00
Against Levy of FY	2017	\$163.00
Against Levy of FY	2018	\$208.00
Against Levy of FY	2019	\$2,293.00
Against Levy of FY	2020	\$1,811.00
Total Boat Excise Abatements Granted in FY2018		\$4,590.00

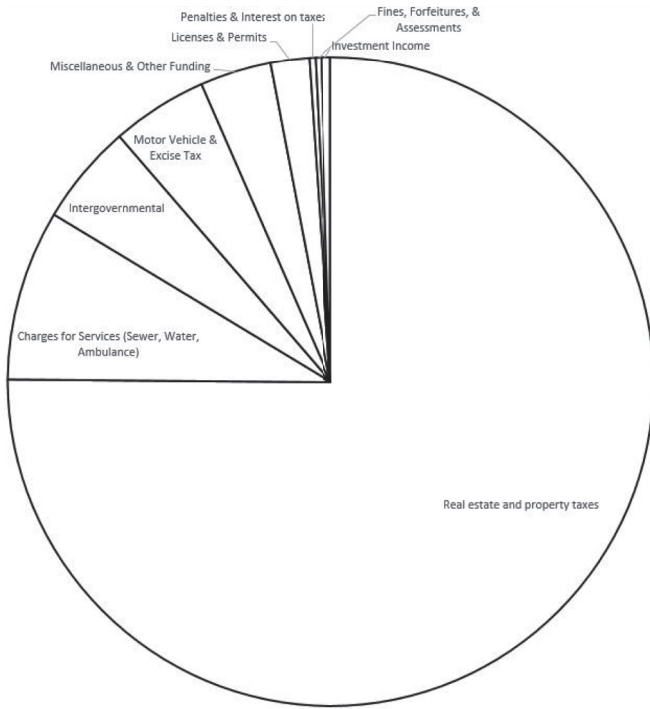
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE CALENDAR YEAR 2019

Issued in Calendar	2019	No. of Vehicles	
2018 Excise		174	\$7,167.58
2019 Excise		8922	\$1,272,353.87
Total Motor Vehicle Excise Issued			\$1,279,521.45

Motor Vehicle Excise Abatements Granted in Calendar 2019

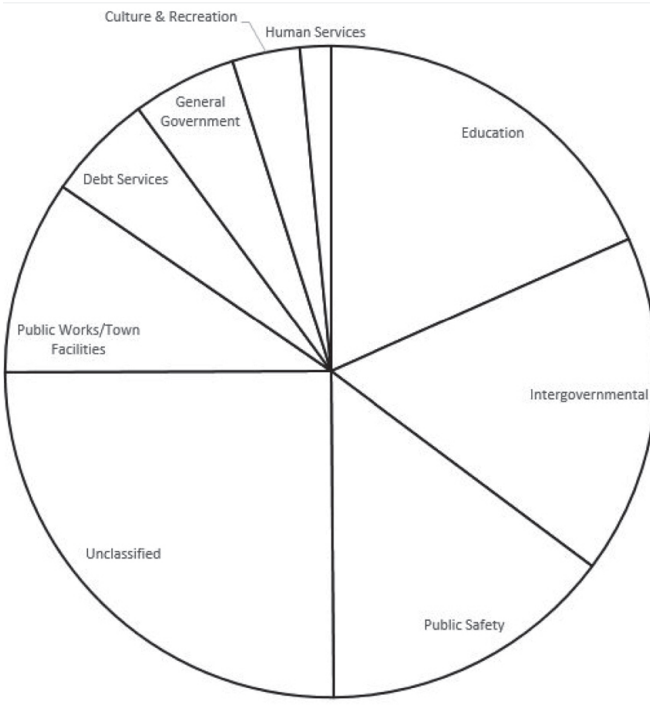
Against Levy of	2010	\$84.38
Against Levy of	2012	\$38.75
Against Levy of	2013	\$47.50
Against Levy of	2014	\$313.33
Against Levy of	2015	\$298.75
Against Levy of	2016	\$1,339.70
Against Levy of	2017	\$702.48
Against Levy of	2018	\$5,657.20
Against Levy of	2019	\$42,028.24
Total Motor Vehicle Excise Abatements Granted in Calendar 2019		\$50,510.33

FY2019 REVENUES



REVENUE	Amount
Real estate and property taxes	\$34,160,803.39
Charges for Services (Sewer, Water, Ambulance)	\$3,854,739.08
Intergovernmental	\$2,280,170.00
Motor Vehicle & Excise Tax	\$2,178,780.67
Miscellaneous & Other Funding	\$1,616,243.56
Licenses & Permits	\$881,782.75
Penalties & Interest on taxes	\$141,056.61
Fines, Forfeitures, & Assessments	\$127,069.49
Investment Income	\$224,924.84
Total	\$42,602,584.00

FY2019 EXPENSES



Expenses	Amount
Education	\$8,190,710.33
Intergovernmental	\$7,535,338.18
Public Safety	\$6,556,719.00
Unclassified	\$11,197,818.47
Public Works/Town Facilities	\$4,314,732.38
Debt Services	\$2,377,828.02
General Government	\$2,314,624.75
Culture & Recreation	\$1,497,863.39
Human Services	\$687,944.50
Total	\$42,181,584.00



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Receipt Estimates Assessments & Charges

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 NOTICE TO ASSESSORS OF ESTIMATED RECEIPTS
 General Laws, Chapter 58, Section 25A

Edgartown

A. EDUCATION

Distributions and Reimbursements

Chapter 70	820,119
School Transportation	0
Charter Tuition Reimbursement	71,262
Smart Growth School Reimbursement	0

Offset Items - Reserve for Direct Expenditure:

School Choice Receiving Tuition	39,630
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Sub-Total, All Education Items: **931,011**

B. GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

Distributions and Reimbursements

Unrestricted General Government Aid	68,873
Local Share of Racing Taxes	0
Regional Public Libraries	0
Urban Revitalization	0
Veterans Benefits	8,154
Exemp: VBS and Elderly	14,656
State Owned Land	1,284,762

Offset Items - Reserve for Direct Expenditure:

Public Libraries	5,175
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Sub-Total, All General Government: **1,381,620**

C. TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS: **2,312,631**

Questions About Local Aid Please Email The Municipal Databank at : databank@dor.state.ma.us



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General Laws, Chapter 59, Section 21

Edgartown

A. COUNTY ASSESSMENTS:

County Tax	194,607
Suffolk County Retirement	0
Essex County Reg Comm Center	0
Sub-Total, County Assessments:	194,607

B. STATE ASSESSMENTS AND CHARGES:

Retired Employees Health Insurance	0
Retired Teachers Health Insurance	0
Mosquito Control Projects	0
Air Pollution Districts	8,772
Metropolitan Area Planning Council	0
Old Colony Planning Council	0
RMV Non-Renewal Surcharge	13,740
Sub-Total, State Assessments:	22,512

C. TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITIES:

MBTA	0
Boston Metro. Transit District	0
Regional Transit	236,380
Sub-Total, Transportation Assessments:	236,380

D. ANNUAL CHARGES AGAINST RECEIPTS:

Multi-Year Repayment Program	0
Special Education	0
STRAP Repayments	0
Sub-Total, Annual Charges Against Receipts:	0

E. TUITION ASSESSMENTS:

School Choice Sending Tuition	237,143
Charter School Sending Tuition	1,061,638
Sub-Total, Tuition Assessments:	1,298,781

F. TOTAL ESTIMATED CHARGES:

1,752,280

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TOWN COLLECTOR

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
the Citizens of Edgartown:

I herewith submit the annual report for the fiscal year
2019 for the Town Collector.

Total Collections Fiscal 2019

	Real Estate & CPA Betterments & Liens	Personal Property	Motor Vehicle
2015		69.66	674.58
2016		685.73	2,916.70
2017		561.88	11,646.77
2018	245,541.58	6,444.65	238,558.40
2019	33,272,960.99	638,629.01	899,747.18
Sewer User Charges			
2018	26,677.76		
2019	1,384,059.22		
Boat Excise Tax			
2019	26,500.00		
Pilot	28,446.32		
MCL's	8,775.00		
Late Fees	30,265.00		
Interest	133,846.62		

I would like to thank my assistants for their continued professionalism and for all of the hard work they do for the Town. Welcome to all of our new Homeowners in Town.

I would like to extend my appreciation to the dedicated taxpayers of the Town, who make our jobs enjoyable. I hope to continue serving you for many years to come.

Respectfully submitted,

MELISSA A. KUEHNE
Town Collector

TOWN TREASURER

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
the Citizens of Edgartown:

Hereby submitted is the Town Treasurer's reconciliation
of cash for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019:

GENERAL ACCOUNTS		TRUST/AGENCY ACCOUNTS	
Rockland Trust	\$13,976,100.87	Rockland Trust	\$619,935.78
MV Savings Bank	32,370.95	MV Savings Bank	24,972.43
Unibank for Savings	114,609.93	Bristol County Savings Bank	918,996.42
Bristol County Savings Bank	536,467.86		
HarborOne Bank	13,196,456.03		
		TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS	\$ 29,419,910.27

For fiscal year 2019 there was no new debt issued and
\$1,840,393.00 was retired. The total outstanding debt as of
June 30, 2019 was \$13,934,485.00.

I would like to thank the Selectmen, employees and
residents of Edgartown for their continued support. I would

also like to thank Assistant Treasurer, Marisa Boniface for
her dedication and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

PAMELA J. AMARAL
Treasurer

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
the Citizens of Edgartown:

I herewith submit the 100th Annual Report of the
Accounting Department of the Town of Edgartown in accordance
with the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 61 of the
Massachusetts General Laws.

Local receipts for FY19 exceed the estimated budget by
\$2,198,000 and the Town finished FY19 with an undesignated
fund balance in its general fund of \$4,033,496. The
Town began FY19 with \$2,748,072 of free cash and ended
with \$3,572,967 of free cash. During FY19, the Town
received in excess of \$1M of federal funds and therefore the
Town was required to have a single audit.

I would like to thank the Selectmen, Town Administrator,
and all department personnel for their support and
cooperation during this fiscal year. I would also, like to thank
Kimberly G. Kane for her 31 years of service and wish her
the best.

The following is the consolidated balance sheet for the
fiscal year ending June 30, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

LAURI MATHER
Interim Town Accountant

TOWN OF EDGARTOWN
Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups
as of June 30, 2019
(Unaudited)

	Governmental Fund Types			Proprietary Fund Types		Fiduciary Fund Types		Account Groups	
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Enterprise	Internal Services	Trust and Agency	Long-term Debt	(Memorandum Only)	
ASSETS									
Cash and cash equivalents	12,334,020.01	6,300,489.01	5,135,436.07			5,597,858.46		29,367,803.55	0.00
Investments									
Receivables:									
Personal property taxes	34,248.53							34,248.53	
Real estate taxes	515,437.09							515,437.09	
Deferred taxes								0.00	
Allowance for abatements and exemptions	(460,528.81)							(460,528.81)	
Special assessments	124,378.21	28,959.89						153,338.10	
Tax liens	146,619.89							146,619.89	
Tax foreclosures	492,269.40							492,269.40	
Motor vehicle excise	311,193.36							311,193.36	
Other excises	6,765.00							6,765.00	
User fees	51,880.85	59,437.43						111,318.28	
Utility liens added to taxes								0.00	
Departmental	208,766.38							208,766.38	
Other receivables		13,538.28						13,538.28	
Due from other governments								0.00	
Due to/from other funds								0.00	
Working deposit								0.00	
Prepays								0.00	
Inventory								0.00	
Fixed assets, net of accumulated depreciation								0.00	
Amounts to be provided - payment of bonds								0.00	
Amounts to be provided - vacation and sick leave								0.00	
Total Assets	13,765,049.91	6,402,424.61	5,135,436.07	0.00	0.00	5,597,858.46	13,934,484.99	44,835,254.04	0.00
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY									
Liabilities:									
Accounts payable	185,645.69							185,645.69	
Warrants payable	965,905.03							1,314,110.22	
Accrued payroll and withholdings	1,075,863.40	141,055.47	194,864.79			12,284.93		1,075,863.40	
Accrued claims payable								0.00	
IBNR								0.00	
Other liabilities								7.93	

	Governmental Fund Types			Proprietary Fund Types		Fiduciary Fund Types		Account Groups	
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Enterprise	Internal Services	Trust and Agency	Long-term Debt	(Memorandum Only)	
Tailings	3,017,945.05	2,165.10						3,020,110.15	
Prepaid Property Taxes	47.31							47.31	
Agency Funds								0.00	
Deferred revenue:									
Real and personal property taxes	89,156.81							89,156.81	
Deferred taxes								0.00	
Prepaid taxes/fees								0.00	
Special assessments	125,378.21	28,959.89						154,338.10	
Tax liens	146,619.89							146,619.89	
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User fees	51,880.85	59,437.43						111,318.28	
Utility liens added to taxes								0.00	
Departmental	207,766.38							207,766.38	
Deposits receivable								0.00	
Other receivables		13,538.28						13,538.28	
Due from other governments								0.00	
Due to other governments								0.00	
Due to/from other funds								0.00	
Bonds payable							13,934,484.99	13,934,484.99	
Notes payable								0.00	
Vacation and sick leave liability								0.00	
Total Liabilities	6,676,444.31	245,156.17	194,864.79	0.00	0.00	12,284.93	13,934,484.99	21,063,235.19	
Fund Equity:									
Reserved for encumbrances	30,540.00							30,540.00	
Reserved for expenditures	2,081,274.91							2,081,274.91	
Reserved for continuing appropriations	913,619.39							913,619.39	
Reserved for petty cash								0.00	
Reserved for appropriation deficit								0.00	
Reserved for snow and ice deficit								0.00	
Reserved for debt service	29,675.72							29,675.72	
Reserved for premiums								0.00	
Reserved for working deposit								0.00	
Undesignated fund balance	4,033,495.58	6,157,268.44	4,940,571.28			5,585,573.53		20,716,908.83	
Unreserved retained earnings								0.00	
Investment in capital assets								0.00	
Total Fund Equity	7,088,605.60	6,157,268.44	4,940,571.28	0.00	0.00	5,585,573.53	0.00	23,772,018.85	
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	13,765,049.91	6,402,424.61	5,135,436.07	0.00	0.00	5,597,858.46	13,934,484.99	44,835,254.04	

FINANCIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
the Citizens of Edgartown:

The Financial Advisory Committee, a board elected by the voters, administers the Reserve Fund for those departments that require additional funding beyond their budget, for emergency or unforeseen expenses. The town voted the sum of \$40,000.00 as a reserve fund for FY19.

The accounting for said funds is as follows:

ATM appropriation	\$40,000.00
	\$40,000.00

TRANSFERS FY19

IT Department –Town Website:	\$4,460.00
Council on Aging – Salary Shortfall:	\$1,765.00

Council on Aging – Drainage Repair:	\$2,000.00
Parks Department – Cannonball Park Electric Work:	\$5,610.00
Christmas Decoration Committee – additional decorations & electrical work:	\$2,239.05
Waste Water Department – Ruptured Line Repair:	\$13,000.00
Total:	\$37,181.55

Balance Reserve Fund returned to Free Cash 6/30/2019 -	\$10,925.95
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Respectfully submitted,

DONNA LOWELL-BETTENCOURT Chairman
STEVE JORDAN, Vice-Chairman

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

I am pleased to present the 2019 annual report on the activities of our Fire Department.

Personnel: Our membership continues to adapt our training and mission to the ever-evolving scope of progressive pre-hospital care, fire protection and public safety that our community deserves.

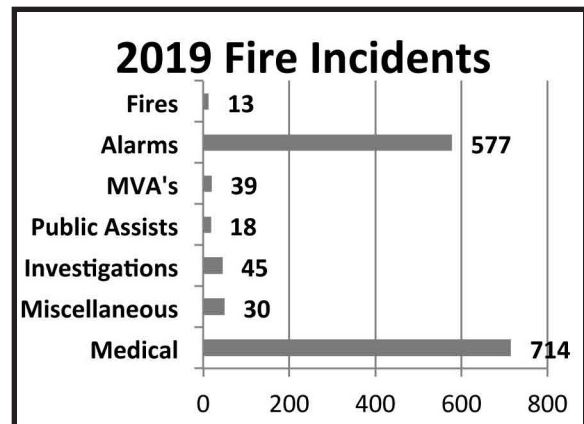
Our administration is continuously adapting to the challenges of recruitment and retention within our community. This past year we were fortunate to have seven new recruits enter our newly formed Fire Department intake process. In addition to that amazing opportunity we saw the addition of two EMTs join our ambulance call force. With these additions we have been fortunate to expand our roster with diversity and technical expertise as we hoped.

Continuing Education & Training: This past year one of our main focuses has been to professionally develop a core group of instructors to provide future training across the Island. The high majority of this group was comprised from last year's Firefighter I/II class. Our long-term goal is to have these instructors contribute in a creditable and sustainable Firefighter I/II program on Martha's Vineyard. This program would be a joint venture between the Dukes County Fire Chiefs and the Massachusetts Fire Academy. We continue to expand the knowledge and professional development through department drills and Fire Academy classes for our entire department. The new probationary firefighter intake process has been further developed to include Emergency Vehicle Operations and Communications. This program has proven to prepare new members for full participation upon completion. We continue to hold 6 department drills and 1 specialized rescue drill each quarter. Most recently, Rescue Task Force drills have been conducted to further our working relationship with the Edgartown Police Department in high risk environments.

Vehicles and Equipment: This past year we procured a small cache of Ballistic protection for our membership. The constant changing scope of our service demanded this type of equipment for our membership to be protected in the event of an active threat. This fall we completed the lighting upgrades to our ladder truck that you supported in a past Annual Town Meeting. These improvements are an effort to keep the truck relevant to one of its missions on the fire ground. I am happy to report that the improvements have

given the 1994 truck a few more years of service to our community. In the spring of 2019 we started the planning and development for a combined small attack and brush unit and hope to see delivery in early 2020. This unit will be used for automatic alarms and respond to brush and wildland fires.

Fires & Call Statistics: This year included responses to Structure fires, brush fires, motor vehicle fires and appliance fires. Additionally, we responded to many other types of emergencies including CO exposures, motor vehicle accidents, missing person searches, oil spills, arcing wires and water emergencies.

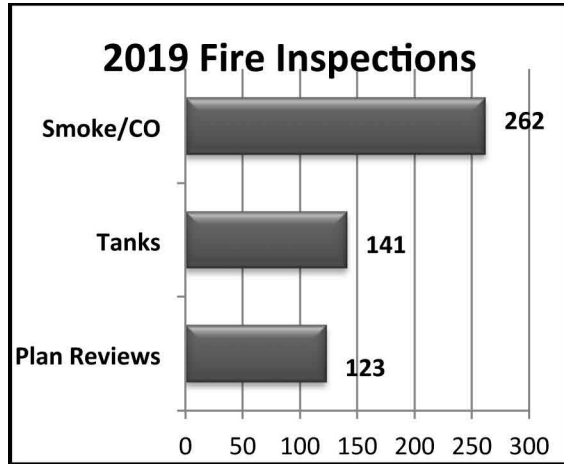


Fire Prevention: Our Fire Prevention branch has been working diligently to provide guidance on the compliance to Massachusetts General Law and the Comprehensive Fire Safety Code. Most recently we have partnered with The Martha's Vineyard Airport to provide commercial inspections to the buildings within the Business Park. Over the next year we will be expanding the operation to work with hotels and lodging houses to increase the fire safety for everyone.

Forestry: Our Department has continued its new approach to forest fire prevention and management. The joint application between the DCR, MVC and Edgartown Fire has been recommended by the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency to FEMA for approval. As reported last year, if approved, it will provide an assessment of high-risk areas and recommendations to mitigate them in the future. We have gained support from all of the Island's conservation agencies and the Dukes County Fire Chiefs to fund the host agencies matching portion of the grant if awarded. Our local support to DCR has proven advantageous as we work together to promote the best management of our portion of

the state park and across the Island.

Ambulance: The ambulance staff is committed to provide the highest quality care to the Town. Nightly training sessions



are conducted at shift change to better prepare us in handling medical, trauma, and environmental emergencies. Monthly classes have been provided by our full time staff to look at important issues more closely. Our emphasis on community outreach has provided multiple home visits that have increased the safety of our more vulnerable community members. This program continues to work under the Department of Public Health certificate of approval for a Community EMS program.

Special note to households: Make sure to test your Smoke and Carbon Monoxide detectors monthly. They provide you and your families with early notification of life-threatening conditions in your home. If your detectors have replaceable batteries, make sure to follow the Massachusetts Department of Fire Services recommendation of replacing them when you change your clocks at daylight savings time. Remember to take the time to create and practice escape routes from every room of your house. It is important to designate a meeting place to account for all your loved ones in the event of an emergency. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or if we can offer assistance.

In Closing: We are grateful for our exceptional working relationships with all of our Town Departments. Above most are the Edgartown Police Department, Building Department, Harbormaster and Edgartown Highway. Without their support and positive working relationship we would not be as successful in our mission. We also owe thanks to all of the Island Fire Departments, as well as the Oak Bluffs, Tisbury and Tri-Town Ambulance Services for their continued support.

Above all I wish to thank the men and women and families of this department. The sacrifices they make every day ensure the safety and wellbeing of our Town.

Respectfully Submitted,

ALEXANDER J. SCHAEFFER
Fire Chief

POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

Mission Statement

The Edgartown Police Department is a team of dedicated professionals working in partnership with our community. We will protect our residents and visitors, endeavor to prevent crime and treat all fairly with respect and dignity. Together we will preserve the quality of life that makes Edgartown an exceptional place to live, work and visit.

Protect • Prevent • Preserve

On behalf of the entire Edgartown Police Department (“EPD”), please accept this annual report for the year of 2019.

The past year saw the passing of former EPD Chief of Police Dominic Arena on 3/Mar/19. Chief Arena served our community for 6 years, and through some particularly difficult times. His leadership and committed service will forever be remembered and appreciated by us all.

The department also saw the retirement of EPD Sergeant Thomas Smith in March, who proudly served our community for 31 years. Sergeant Smith (Ret) continued with his commitment to community service to our town when he was sworn in as an EPD Special Police Officer.

Administrative Assistant Tracy Giacomini also retired from the EPD in April, working with us for 18 years, but for a total of 24 years island-wide in various law enforcement capacities. We all wish her luck in her future endeavors.

The department also welcomed Officer Gary Kovack to the EPD, when he graduated from the Police Academy on November 22nd. Officer Kovack had been a Seasonal Police Officer with the EPD for almost 2 years before being hired to full time status. He has made for a terrific addition to our Patrol Division.

2019 At-A-Glance

In January of this past year a number of officers elected to undergo a lengthy and arduous testing process to evaluate them for the possibility of promotion. Starting with a written exam that took months to prepare for, they then participated in an “assessment center” process which challenged them with scenario-based exercises to test their leadership ability. Finally, each of the applicants faced a panel of off-island Police Chiefs to further evaluate them for their career performance and accomplishments.

With these results, the EPD was pleased to promote the following officers:

- Sergeant James Craig, promoted 25/Feb/19
- Sergeant Michael Snowden, promoted 3/June/19

In March, the EPD was evaluated by a group of off island assessors as we were seeking “State Accreditation”

status. This was a process that determines whether the EPD is meeting a strict list of 300+ ‘best practices’ within the law enforcement community. This entire process was initially undertaken during Chief of Police David Rossi’s tenure when he directed the department to seek the initial “State Certification” status. The achievement of both “Certification,” and later “Accreditation,” took several years in total to complete and puts the EPD within the top 20% of municipal police departments in Massachusetts. The department would like to thank West Tisbury Police Chief Matt Mincone and WTPD Detective Nicholas Wojtkiello for their continued support in helping us to achieve this distinct accomplishment.

This past summer was a busy one for the EPD officers, with the 4th of July being no less demanding than in years past. Our Honor Guard proudly led the parade, and law enforcement officers from across the island came forward to assist us with this terrific, family friendly event. Additionally, our officers assisted with events like The Taste of the Vineyard, MV Food and Wine Festival, Christmas in Edgartown, countless road races and numerous other well-attended public occasions.

In addressing the growing summer crowds at South Beach and Norton Point, an already excellent collaboration was strengthened between the Parks Department and The Trustees of Reservations. These agencies came together to aid the Edgartown Police in facilitating targeted weekend law enforcement patrols on the beaches. These patrols were met with great support by beach goers, and it is hoped that they will continue in the future. The department also went so far as to assign a Seasonal Police Officer exclusively to this area to aid with patrolling both beaches and the Atlantic Drive area.

Community Policing

Department personnel, often through the generous and benevolent efforts of the Edgartown Patrolman’s Association (“EPA”), participated in numerous community policing initiatives in 2019, to include:

- “Edgartown Patrolman’s Association Annual Golf Tournament,” the proceeds of which support the EPA college scholarship program,
- “Stuff a Bus” toy collection in support of the island’s Red Stocking Fund,
- Thanksgiving turkey dinners delivered to 40 area families,
- Curbside lobster roll sales to support the EPA college scholarship program,
- “Bigs in Blue,” a partnership with the “Big Brother/Big Sister” program whereby off duty officers provided mentorship opportunities to local at-risk youth.

Other initiatives include “Coffee with a Cop” at the Anchors, “No Shave November” (fundraising effort in support of disabled veterans), and countless other community friendly events. Lastly, the department also maintains a

vibrant and popular social media presence where timely issues and the efforts of the EPD/EPA can be swiftly shared with our many followers.

Training

The department continued with its comprehensive training efforts to ensure that all of the EPD officers are familiar with legal updates and contemporary best practices. Some of these training opportunities included:

- COBWEB (“Cops on Bikes with Education for Bicyclists”),
- RTF (“Rescue Task Force”), in partnership with the Edgartown FD,
- MV Law Enforcement Council Tactical Responses Team (“TRT,” numerous members of the EPD support this regional law enforcement response group),
- Advanced Sexual Assault Investigation and Victim Services,
- Marine Unit training for area maritime law enforcement agencies,
- “Civilian Response to Active Shooter” training offered to numerous local agencies, and
- “Boat Safety” class was organized in collaboration with the Massachusetts Environmental Police and offered to the public at the EPD.

The Department also received nationwide recognition in November when we trained the majority of our members in advanced tactics for dealing with subjects who are suffering from mental illness. The “One Mind Campaign,” sponsored by the International Chiefs of Police Association, awarded the EPD with a plaque for this accomplishment that is proudly displayed in our lobby. We wish to express our thanks to “NAMI Cape Cod and Islands” for aiding us in achieving this lofty goal.

Edgartown School

The Edgartown Police Department continued to ensure that it worked seamlessly with the Edgartown School as we welcomed new School Principal Dr Shelley Einbinder-Fleischmann at the beginning of the school year. Our assigned School Resource Officer (SRO) maintains an office within the school so as to better facilitate the manner in which we assist students, their families and school staff. The SRO coverage at the school was also expanded this past year, and the two agencies continue to work together to improve the facility’s security features.

Along with our partners at the Edgartown Fire Department, we have also continued to strengthen our ability to respond to critical incidents involving the school through advanced planning sessions and continued training events on the school grounds. Officers have also sustained their support of the community’s youth by acting as escorts and chaperones to school events and functions.

Lastly, in collaboration with the Edgartown School Committee, a new ‘Memo of Understanding’ was crafted between the School and the EPD so as to be compliant with recent changes in the law.

Traffic Safety

Officers have continued to ensure safe conditions for motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists within our community. The past year saw EPD officers respond to 216 motor vehicle accidents (down from last year’s 267 accidents), no pedestrian vs car accidents and 24 bicycle related accidents (up considerably from last year’s 7 bike accidents). Six of the motor vehicle collisions involved significant physical injuries.

In response to these numbers, our patrol officers have increased their efforts to monitor and correct deficient driving habits. The department applied for and was awarded a state grant last year offered by the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (“EOPSS”) to directly target pedestrian and bicyclist safety. Bike helmets were purchased to be given to those in need, and several ‘plain clothes’ crosswalk enforcement patrols were conducted in the downtown area to ensure motorists were operating in compliance with the pedestrian safety laws.

Addiction Response Efforts

The Edgartown Police remain committed to providing services and support to those impacted by addiction issues. Officers are issued “Narcan,” an opioid overdose antidote, and have administered it 3 times this past year, down from last year’s 5 doses.

Also, the EPD remains a very active participant in both the MV Drug Task Force as well as the Martha’s Vineyard Substance Use Disorder Coalition.

The past year saw the EPD enter into a partnership with Island Health Care, whereby specially trained plainclothes police officers and civilian recovery coaches jointly conduct follow up visits with at-risk individuals within our community. To date, a number of these visits have been conducted and all have seen favorable results.

Firearms Licensure

The past year saw the EPD process and issue 128 firearms related permits. This was a considerable increase from last year’s 94 applications. The EPD website has associated scheduling software to facilitate the appointment process for those looking to pursue a firearms license.

Public Records Requests

With recent changes in the public records laws, the EPD received and processed 502 requests for police reports and documents in the past year.

2019 Annual Statistics

Alarms	1275
Disturbance/Fights	37
Medical	431
Suspicious	405
Noise Complaints	120
Mental Health	17
Assist Citizen	283
Domestic Related	76
Disputes/Civil Matters	72

Intoxicated Party	75
Protective Custody	10
Weapons Complaint	16
Elder Assist	8
Suicide Threats	5
Liquor Establishment Calls	57
Sexual Assaults	8
Breaking & Entering	10
Stolen MV	3
Stolen Property	18
Trespassing	25
Vandalism	29
MV Accidents (Includes bicycle and mopeds)	216
MV Complaints	32
MV Stops	752
Lockouts	187
TOTAL CALLS	7282*

(* this represents a 9.7% increase from 2018's annual statistics)

In closing, we of the EPD would all like to express our sincere appreciation for the help and support that we have received from the other Edgartown town departments, especially from our public safety brothers and sisters at the Edgartown Fire and EMS. Thanks also to the Dukes County Sheriff's Department and the Massachusetts State Police, as well as the other island PD's and FD's for their unwavering assistance as we do our best to protect and serve our community.

Respectfully submitted,
 CHIEF BRUCE R. MCNAMEE
 Edgartown Police Department



ANIMAL CONTROL

Honorable Selectmen and
the Citizens of Edgartown,

2019 was certainly the year of change for Edgartown Animal Control. I took over full-time when our excellent ACO Barbara Prada retired in February after 37 years. She did an amazing job in her role as Edgartown's Animal Control Officer. I was pleased to take over a Department that was well run and well organized, making for a smooth transition. I have had some very capable shoes to fill, and have been working hard to do so.

So began the search for new assistants to fill two vacancies. Eventually I was lucky to fill them with Kathryn Kennedy and Maddie Lecoq, both long time residents and animal lovers. Kathryn is a nurse with undergraduate training in animal science and an experienced equestrian. Maddie is a life-long professional pet caregiver with an instinctual understanding of dogs that serves her well in this line of work. They both are passionate and work hard in their roles as Assistant ACOs. Both went off island in September to take the Core Competencies Course in Animal Control, a MA requirement for all new Animal Control Officers. I am pleased to say they both passed and are official ACOs! As I had to go on medical leave in October, they both have faced a steep learning curve when they took over running the department on their own, with my being available only by phone. Maddie has taken over my shift, and Kathryn has taken every weekend despite already working a full-time job. An especially big thanks goes out to both of them for their amazing work and commitment to their jobs and caring for animals of Edgartown.

This year the island had its first confirmed cases of rabies, found in bats. This underscores the importance of keeping our domestic animals vaccinated for rabies, as they are the first line of defense to prevent humans from becoming infected with this deadly virus. We will continue to have the rabies clinic, now centralized at the West Tisbury Fire Station. The plan is to have the clinic in March 2020, a month earlier than usual, so that eventually we can move it to better coincide with the state dog licensing requirement.

It seemed like we had a lot of loose dogs this year, many belonging to visitors and seasonal residents. We sadly had multiple hit-by-car dogs and cats, underscoring the importance to keep our pets safely and humanely restrained and away from the roads.

The strangest call I got this year was an unfortunate incident where someone dumped 17 Guinea pigs in Caroline Tuthill preserve. It was a real rodeo trying to catch all the little critters, but with the help of three very dedicated volunteers 16 Guinea pigs were safely corralled and were brought to the Animal Shelter of Martha's Vineyard. Lisa and Gordon

at the shelter were able to house, care for, and place all 16 of them. There were also three domestic rabbits abandoned at the landing at Edgartown Great Pond this year. I want people to know that there are resources out there and that it costs nothing to give up an animal to one of the local rescues. Please call one of our island rescues or contact Edgartown Animal Control if you have questions about placement of animals in need of a home.

The breakdown of calls for 2019 are as follows:

685 dog calls
189 cat calls
16 skunk calls
3 raccoon calls
98 calls regarding other animals (seals, rabbits, chickens, hawks, guinea pigs, turkeys, swans, songbirds, roosters, coyote, deer, ducks, bats, owls, horses, a bull, a snapping turtle, gulls, a muskrat, rats, and goats)
245 miscellaneous calls
36 dogs impounded
8 cats impounded
6 other animals impounded (4 rabbits, 1 baby skunk, and 1 snapping turtle)
4 dogs taken to the Animal Shelter of Martha's Vineyard
3 cats adopted or taken to the Animal Shelter of Martha's Vineyard
19 other animals taken to the Animal Shelter of M.V. (16 guinea pigs and 3 rabbits)
1 wild animal taken to Gus Ben David (a Red-tailed Hawk)
3 dogs hit and killed
3 dogs hit and injured
2 dogs sick / injured / deceased (not by car)
3 cats hit and killed
2 cats hit and injured
4 cats sick / injured / deceased (not by car)
21 other animals hit/injured/sick (1 unverified "puffin", 2 swans, 1 duck, 1 skunk, 1 squirrel, 1 raccoon, 2 wild rabbits, 1 fawn, 8 gulls, 1 bat, 1 Red-tailed hawk, and 1 turkey)
24 calls other dead animals (1 Coopers or Sharp-shinned hawk, 3 turkeys, 2 "hawks", 5 adult deer, 1 seal, 2 crows, 1 unverified "opossum", 1 skunk, 3 wild rabbits, 1 domestic rabbit, 1 fawn, 1 raccoon, 1 gull, and 1 duck)
20 dogs biting humans reported
20 dogs biting dogs reported
7 dogs attacking dogs reported
4 cats biting humans reported
1 seal biting a human reported
1 at biting a dog reported
6 - 45 day/4 month quarantines issued
No dog versus livestock calls

Money paid for impound fees: \$250.00

Leash Law Violations:

37 total tickets issued:
32 warning tickets
5 money tickets
No tickets voided
Face value of tickets issued: \$360.00
\$ amount paid to date: \$360.00

Farm census:

Cattle: 53
Goats: 14
Sheep: 57
Swine: 19
Horses and ponies: 41
Donkeys: 3
Llamas: 3
Poultry (all domestic and game fowl): 1322
Domestic rabbits (kept outdoors): 3

In closing, I'd like to thank my hard working assistants Madeline Lecoq and Kathryn Kennedy, Town Clerk Karen

Medeiros, Kim Speight, James Hagerty, Kristy Rose, Chief Bruce McNamee, Alan deBettencourt, Paul Bagnall, Pam Amaral, Laurie Mathers for answering all my Munis questions, Adam and Doug for computer help, Lisa Dawley and Gordon Healy of the Animal Shelter of Martha's Vineyard, the Edgartown Police Department for all their wonderful assistance and back up, the Highway Department, the Shellfish Dept., Mike Hathaway, the Communications Center dispatch, and my former supervisor ACO Barbara Prada who has been an ongoing resource for my never ending questions. If I left anyone out it wasn't intentional. Running this town is a group effort, and your support has made me feel welcome and my transition into this position as smooth and easy as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

C. ELIZABETH "BETSY" YOUNG BUCK, V.M.D.
Officer of Animal Control
Inspector of Animals

HARBORMASTER

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

I am pleased to report that we were blessed with great weather this last season making for a full harbor of both, transient visitors and residential vessels. This brought an increase of revenue collected. The number of visiting Yacht Clubs also increased and these clubs brought more vessels with them than in past years.

Mooring rentals were at a premium during July & August and thanks to our Dockwa Reservation Platform we were able to handle the increases. As more skippers preregister with Dockwa it has cut our having to land against these vessels, freeing up patrol vessels to pursue other needed tasks.

At the Annual Town Meeting in April 2019 voters approved several Harbor projects which will improve the Town's properties and infrastructure. Memorial Wharf has started funding for Stage Two (everything below the pavilion)

with construction beginning in 2022. North Wharf Bulkhead Restoration was also funded with work beginning fall of 2020. Funds were also voted in favor for an Existing Condition Survey for the Loading Zone Bulkhead and Pier and this Report will be available in April 2020.

Yachtsmen Showers are being renovated with planned opening by Memorial Day 2020.

I am pleased to report that our team of core employees with now over 67 combined years of Town service, Sara Tiemann, Mike Hathaway, and Shelly O'Neil make it easy for me to plan for the coming season. Without their knowledge and help gearing up for yet another successful season would be an impossible task.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLIE BLAIR
Harbormaster

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Edgartown:

I am pleased to present the annual report for the Edgartown Highway Department for 2019.

2019 was a year of completing projects for the Highway Department. In May the concrete curbing and sidewalk on the north side of Kelley Street from (North Water Street to Dock Street) was removed and replaced with granite curbing and new brick, finishing the sidewalk renewal project for the year. Eversouce finally moved the remaining utility poles which were holding up the completion of the Meetinghouse Way paving project. In October, the remaining top coat of asphalt was laid down on 1.5 miles of road. In the winter, when the weather permitted, the shoulders of the road were filled in allowing for loam and seed in the spring. The department also repaved a 400-foot section of road on the south end of Weeks Lane in Ocean Heights. In November, the department cleaned 254 storm water catch basins throughout the town.

In addition to these and other various projects, the Highway Department staff remained busy with mowing grass

along the road shoulders, tree and bush trimming, trash and litter removal, painting parking lot lines and road stencils, street sweeping, pothole repairs, asphalt patching, sign replacement, dirt road grading and leaf removal. The Highway Department also oversaw all the grounds maintenance in the four town cemeteries and assisted with the final stage of the New Westside Cemetery expansion project.

In closing, I would like to thank the citizens of Edgartown for their support through this transition year. I would also like to thank the Board of Selectmen and all other town boards and departments the Highway Department has worked with throughout the year. It takes a cooperative effort of all the town departments to keep the town running efficiently. I would also like to thank Jessica McGroarty, Cemetery Assistant and the Highway Department staff for their work and efforts throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

ALLAN dE BETTENCOURT
Highway Superintendent

TREE WARDEN

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

During 2019, limb damage and pruning seemed to be the main theme. Due to the windy, rainy spring and fall, many trees in town loss limbs. While this is always a shame, it was a good opportunity to inspect the damaged trees and evaluate their health. Edgartown experienced two tropical storms in the month of October that lead to large leader limbs and trees down. The department responded to 41 reports of damaged shade trees, 12 of which were blocking town-accepted roads.

This Spring Main Street, Cottage Street and Fuller Street shade trees saw structural pruning to remove unwanted growth and dead wood. The program to control Dutch elm disease was continued and we were pleased to again pass out

nearly 800 tree seedlings to the children and staff of the Edgartown Elementary School in honor of Earth Day. With the assistance of Melinda Rabbit-DeFeo, the garden coordinator at the Edgartown School, the students received one concolor fir and one red bud.

In closing, I wish thank the citizens of Edgartown and property owners for caring for the trees, which continue to make our town exceptionally charming, and the tree care professionals who work on and care of trees throughout town.

Respectfully submitted,

ALLAN dE BETTENCOURT
Tree Warden

BUILDING INSPECTOR

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

Submitted herewith is our annual report covering the year ending 31 December 2019.

<u>Building Permits Issued</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>Increase/Decrease</u>
New Single Family Residence	61	(increase of 6)
*Includes 21 Guest Houses/Apartments		
Multi-Family Residence	0	(no change)
Single Family Residence	316	(increase of 57)
Additions/Alterations/Renovations (100 major, 147 minor, 69 insulation/weatherization)		
Garage/Barn	52	(increase of 1)
*Includes 15 Detached Bedrooms & 12 Pool Houses		
Shed/Deck/Porch/Fence	58	(increase of 1)
New Commercial	3	(decrease of 1)
Commercial	66	(increase of 31)
Additions/Alterations/Renovations (16 major, 50 minor, including 1 municipal)		
Swimming Pool/Tennis Court	44	(increase of 16)
Miscellaneous:		
Shingle	77	
Demolition/Move	13	
Foundation	14	
Solar Array	44	
Tent	68	
Total	816	(increase of 120)
Total Building Permits Receipts:	\$321,513.68	(increase of \$65,388.18)
Miscellaneous Permits & Fees		
(Includes Wood Stoves, Sign Permits, Summons, Fines, Additional Inspections, etc.)		
Total Miscellaneous Fees	\$7,681.00	(increase of \$1,781.00)

Trench Permits	\$800.00
	(increase of \$200.00)
Total Building Inspector's Receipts:	329,994.68
	(increase of \$67,369.18)
Fees Collected by the Building Department for:	
Gas Inspector	\$55,550.00
Plumbing Inspector	\$60,525.00
Electrical Inspector	\$113,750.00
Total Receipts Collected by the Building Department:	\$579,819.68
	(increase of \$101,644.18)

Building activity is robust, with modest increases across the board. These projects range in size from small (kitchen and bath remodels, sheds, etc.) to large (new single family residence compounds).

It is with humble gratitude that I step into the role of Inspector of Buildings after Lenny Jason's retirement in November. I had the good fortune to spend three years under the guidance and tutelage of Lenny, and feel prepared for the opportunity of serving the community. Of course, I am not alone in my endeavors – Akeyah Lucas continues to keep the building department on course and offers her own knowledge and understanding from her years in the position with Lenny.

My sincerest thanks to our Plumbing and Gas Inspectors George Apostolides and Charles Day, and Electrical Inspectors Robert Young, Michael Dolby, and David Schwab for their willingness to share their wealth of knowledge, and provide guidance and support as I start in my new position. As always, they continue to serve the department with their expertise and professionalism.

Respectfully submitted,

READE KONTJE MILNE
Inspector of Buildings

BUILDING PERMITS 2008-2019												
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
New Single Family Residence	31	41	45	36	30	41	49	67	42	56	55	61
Multi-Family Building	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Single Family Residence Additions/Alterations	79	91	130	150	191	217	231	235	238	286	259	316
Garage/Barn	14	13	24	27	22	25	38	52	57	46	51	52
Shed/Deck/Porch/Fence	52	53	50	55	63	63	78	70	83	56	57	58
New Commercial	3	0	2	4	2	3	2	3	4	2	4	3
Commercial Additions/Alterations	11	12	18	18	32	28	21	20	34	38	35	66
Swimming Pools	20	12	14	18	23	28	31	34	35	28	28	44
Miscellaneous	15	42	57	66	64	116	74	112	150	140	207	216
TOTALS	227	264	342	365	427	521	524	593	643	654	696	816

PLUMBING & GAS INSPECTORS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
the Citizens of Edgartown:

Submitted herewith is our annual report covering the
year ending 31 December 2019.

Plumbing Permits:	279	\$13,950.00 (increase of 8)	
Plumbing Inspections:	621	\$46,575.00 (increase of 104)	
Total Plumbing Receipts:		\$60,525.00 (increase of \$8,200.00)	

Gas Permits:	303	\$15,050.00 (increase of 21)
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Gas Inspections:	540	\$40,500.00 (increase of 61)
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Total Gas Receipts:	\$55,550.00 (increase of \$5,625.00)
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Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE APOSTOLIDES
CHARLES DAY
Plumbing/Gas Inspector

ELECTRICAL INSPECTORS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
the Citizens of Edgartown:

Submitted herewith is our annual report covering the
year ending 31 December 2019.

Electrical Permits:	528	\$28,600.00 (increase of 18)	
Electrical Inspections:	1402	\$105,150.00 (increase of 226)	
Total Electrical Receipts:		\$133,750.00 (increase of \$20,450.00)	

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT A. YOUNG, JR.
MICHAEL C. DOLBY
DAVID A. SCHWAB
Electrical Inspectors

PUBLIC WORKS

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

This year 6 grave lots were sold in the New Westside Cemetery. We have come to the end of lots for sale on 11th Avenue and will soon be opening 12th Avenue for lot sales. The third phase of this expansion project included pitching and grading 12th, 13th and 14th Avenues. Seeding and fertilizing these areas will move forward in the spring of 2020. We accomplished these projects with the help of the Edgartown Highway Department and Allan deBettencourt.

The Commissioners would like to thank the Community Preservation Committee for their continued support of the gravestone restoration project as well as Alan Gowell and Ta Mara Conde for their expertise in this field.

The Edgartown Highway Department offered unprecedented help with the general maintenance of the cemetery grounds keeping this past year. Aiden Varkonda and

George Leary joined the cemetery foreman Edwin Alvarado on the grounds crew this past summer. This year the Commissioners chose to dedicate one of the seasonal positions to cleaning the oldest stones in Westside Cemetery and found this to be extremely beneficial to the preserving the rich history of Edgartown. The Commissioners hope to fill that position again for the spring of 2020.

The commissioners would like to thank the Edgartown Highway Department and the Selectmen for their continuing support.

Respectfully submitted,

ANDREW KELLY, Chairman
ELIZABETH VILLARD
SUSAN BROWN
DEBRA MANLEY SMITH, Alternate

WASTEWATER COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

“Steady as she goes,” has become the watchword around the Waste Water Treatment Facility, where amid surging flow figures and customer growth, the departure of a Department head and a harrowing personal loss, the work that needed to get done got done, and got done very well indeed.

SUMMARY OF WASTEWATER FLOWS AND TOTAL NITROGEN

2019	FLOW	1ST	2ND	TOTAL
JAN	2,960,527	4.35	6.11	5.23
FEB	2,607,653	2.67	3.50	3.09
MARCH	5,640,145	6.58	2.84	4.71
APRIL	6,335,290	2.22	2.16	2.19
MAY	8,625,435	1.66	1.82	1.74
JUNE	11,307,620	1.59	1.30	1.45
JULY	15,754,311	2.70	1.17	1.94
AUG	15,721,614	1.54	4.95	3.25
SEPT	10,137,225	2.79	1.81	2.30
OCT	5,083,912	3.61	1.64	2.63
NOV	4,639,485	2.30	1.90	2.10
DEC	3,677,215	3.75	3.20	3.48
TOTAL/YR	92,490,432		AVG/YR	2.84

In 2019 the Plant processed more than 92 million gallons of influent – with the effluent at the other end averaging a total nitrogen level of 2.84 milligrams per liter, resulting in 986 kilograms of nitrogen being contributed to the Great Pond Watershed. Why is that a good thing? Because our DEP Discharge Permit has set a 2,200-kilograms-per-year limit for the Facility, and the Plant produced less than half of that limit.

In early 2019 the UMass Dartmouth School of Marine Science and Technology issued a water quality assessment for the Island’s estuaries and salt ponds. The comments on Edgartown Great Pond read in part, “[I]f T[otal] N[itrogen] levels in 2019 and 2020 remain below the M[assachusetts] E[stuaries] P[roject] threshold, *this is a good indication that the opening schedule and the improved WWTP effluent are resulting in a stable TN concentration and that the improved management is having a sustained positive ecological response...The addition of the 2018 monitoring results indicates that if sustained, Edgartown Great Pond may have achieved compliance with the USEPA/MassDEP TMDL [Total Maximum Daily Load] issued under the Clean Water*

Act.” [Emphasis added.] In other words, our 2004 plan to mitigate nitrogen loading by tying properties in the Great Pond Watershed – eventually more than 400 – into the sewer system, combined with regular dredging and opening of the Great Pond, is working, and working well.

At the 2018 Annual Town Meeting, the voters generously approved \$3.7 million toward the Capital Improvements Program developed from the 2016 Plant Evaluation and Condition Assessment done by GHD Inc. Among the projects completed in 2019 were the replacement of the Plant’s air dryers; new programmable logic controllers for the Chase Road Pump Station; and a major upgrade of the Visitors Center Pump Station. Also finished were the engineering and design phases of other large-scale projects in the CIP, including a new SCADA alarm system; a septage treatment and storage tank upgrade and new scum pump at the Plant; and upgrades of the Dunham Road and Chase Road Pump Stations. These projects are shovel-ready for 2020.

The Department’s customer base continued to grow steadily, and with it, its revenue. From FY13 to FY19 Annual Sewer User Revenue rose by 43.0% – from \$930,150 to \$1,329,854 – on a gradual rate rise of 13.8% – from \$65 per drain to \$74. The septage receiving operation, which accounts for less than five percent of the influent entering the Plant, has seen stable growth as well, producing revenue of more than \$530,975 in FY19, an 84.9% increase over \$287,230 in FY13 and without any rise in rates.

After 17 years at the Plant, Facilities Manager David Thompson left the Department for a position in the Town of Tisbury. Dave was a continuous learner and a perfectionist, hard-working and flat out dedicated to the optimal operation of the Plant. He put his heart into the place, and when this beautiful and complicated sewer system runs as it should, it’s because the crew is doing what Dave told them to do.

Sadly, on Sept. 25, after nearly 19 years on the job, Plant Operator Dale Morgan died suddenly, having put in a good day’s labor. Ever the master mechanic, no one knew the workings of the Plant better than Dale, and no one cared for all its parts with more skill and affection. This Department and this Town were lucky to have been in his company.

Respectfully submitted,

GLEN S. SEARLE, Chairman
SCOTT A. ELLIS
SEAN E. MURPHY

WATER DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

The goals and objectives of the Edgartown Water Department remain the same and include the provision of safe drinking water, uninterrupted service, knowledgeable and professional customer service and the best fire protection possible. This responsibility is not to be taken lightly, as the health and safety of the community requires a large degree of commitment and dedication to maintain these services twenty four hours per day for three hundred sixty five days per year. We are proud of the fact that when a faucet is opened, the water provided meets or exceeds all regulatory standards and that when a fire hydrant is operated, there is no question as to the available water supply for fire suppression. In this day and age, these things have become expected and rightfully so. However, there is a lot that happens behind the scenes by a group of highly dedicated and qualified professionals to make this possible.

In addition to water production, we are challenged with ever-increasing regulations, environmental concerns, mechanical failures, newly discovered contaminants and the protection of our sources. These issues must be contended with in a proactive manner for the present and future benefit of the community. That said, it truly takes a well running department and a team of professionals to meet these objectives.

Due to our efforts, the Edgartown Water Department was recognized in 2019 for our level of service, degree of compliance, professionalism and general operational practices. Specifically, and to name only a few, we were recognized by MassDEP, the E.P.A., the Massachusetts House of Representatives and the Massachusetts State Senate for operating for five consecutive years “Beyond Compliance” and for receiving one of the top scores in the state in the medium and large system category of the award program. To receive this award, a water system must have a perfect compliance record, no violations for a period of five years and voluntarily go above and beyond compliance requirements. Additionally, MassDEP inspections, water system capacity rating and the collection and analysis of unregulated samples were taken into consideration. Two facts that I am particularly impressed with are one, that of the 1,649 public water systems in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, only 49 water systems received this recognition and two, we were unaware of the fact that we were a recipient of this award, as we did not advocate for it. The award came as a welcome surprise to us because in all actuality, the team at the Water Department was just doing our job to the best of our abilities, as a team and in the manner that is expected of us.

A basic operational philosophy of the Water Department is to conduct ourselves in a proactive manner, anticipate life expectancies and failures of equipment and to provide the

redundancy to minimize service interruptions. Given the importance of the services we provide to the community, we feel as though this is the best approach for the community and is the best defense against failures. Murphy’s Law would suggest that should there be a failure, it will be at the most inopportune time. We are aware of this fact and strive to correct issues before they become major problems. Preventative maintenance programs, accurate service logs and proper interpretation of operating characteristics are all tools that are utilized to minimize potential issues. Additionally, the provision of alternative means and back-up practices are implemented and an abundance of spare components and parts is kept on hand. This is especially important for a water system in a remote setting, such as ours. Even with every precaution we can think of, there are still the unforeseen and unfortunate failures that occur. In these cases, we can often rectify the problem without the community being noticeably impacted. As previously mentioned, it takes a good team to accomplish this feat.

As in years past, all areas of operation remained active in 2019 to address present and future needs of the department and community. Five water main projects were completed in the past year. Additionally, several maintenance, upgrade and improvement projects were undertaken within the pumping stations, with the equipment and within the facilities. To elaborate, some highlights and accomplishments of the past year include:

- Being ever mindful of environmental conservation and due to the improvements over recent years, power consumption has consistently decreased and is now less than it was five years ago. This operational improvement is attributed to the maintenance and upgrades to the pumping equipment, as well as the installation of power saving controls within the pumping stations. These improvements have also decreased the running time of our critical components, thereby increasing their life service time.
- Improvements and progress was made in the updating of the departmental records of the water system infrastructure. Maps of the distribution system are now current and accurate. The Fire Department is informed of all upgrades to the distribution system that may pertain to their operations, fire flows and hydraulic capacity.
- The Wintucket Well rehabilitation project was completed, including the installation of a higher capacity pump and a variable frequency drive. Upon completion of the project, the well was able to produce an additional 360 gallons per minute. This project, as well as the wells we have addressed in recent years has dramatically improved the pumping capacity of the department, improving the water availability and fire protection of the community. Additionally, these upgrades have essentially created a degree of redundancy with our pumping operations.

- In November, the bid to rehabilitate the Nunnepog Well was awarded. This is the last of our wells to undergo this treatment. Once completed, the comfort level to meet the high demands of the summer season will be further increased.
- Due to their age and questionable reliability, new computers were purchased for the Water Department office, including the addition of upgrades, and redundant features to the S.C.A.D.A. system.
- The contractor for the Mill Hill storage tank rehabilitation project returned to the site to complete punch list items from the one-year project inspection. This completed the project and it is expected that the product we received should be sufficient for thirty to forty years.
- In compliance with regulatory standards, lead and copper samples were collected throughout the distribution system and at the two educational facilities of the community. Even though the sampling protocols have become more difficult, all samples collected were below the action levels for both lead and copper. Though we were still compliant in the past, the most recent results would suggest that our corrosion control operations continue to improve.
- In an attempt to restore the integrity and prolong the service life, the frame and body of our dump truck was reconditioned through in-house operations.
- New well transducers were installed in both the Wintucket and Quenonica pumping stations. This upgrade better enables us to monitor the condition of the well, aquifer and mechanical components of the pumping stations.
- The Parco valves in all of the pumping stations have been maintained and calibrated to current standards. Now a redundant feature, the Parco valves serve primarily as a back-up, should the solid state controls in the pumping stations fail. In keeping with the times and due to numerous requests, customers may now use credit cards to pay their water bills. Credit cards may be processed at the office of the Water Department. Additionally, customers are able to check balances and make payments online using the town website at www.edgartown-ma.us.

The distribution system of the Edgartown Water Department does not yet serve the entire community, but the more densely populated areas are served. Expansions to the remaining areas of the town are generally driven by development and hence, demand. Other factors that require water main installations are aging infrastructure, a reduction in water system hydraulics, to improve water quality and chemistry, to improve the fire protection availability and to replace water mains that have exceeded their useful service life. Depending on the circumstances, some of these projects are privately installed and town projects are installed by the Water Department. Due to the internal design, engineering and construction by the Water Department, town projects are typically completed at a lesser total cost to the community than if the project were privatized. Regardless of the installer of the project, the entire distribution system is operated,

maintained and repaired by the Water Department. Additionally, water main projects that are privately installed are reviewed and approved by the Water Department to assure that the project conforms to all applicable and current construction practices and that they will ultimately benefit the community. The construction of these privately installed water main projects are then overseen and documented by Water Department staff. In all cases, the design, materials and construction practices of the Edgartown Water Department meet or exceed those of the American Water Works Association.

The water main projects of 2019 included: 90' of 8" main on 14th Street North, 180' of 12" main on 18th Street South, 160' 2" pipe on Puwal Lane, 160' of 8" main on Weeks Lane and 600' of 8" main on Anthier's Way. As a result of these projects, one new fire hydrant was added to the distribution system.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY

January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019

Water Use – Wells

Meshacket Well #4 (Start-up 1959)

Water Pumped – .128 MG / 128,000 gallons (gal.)
 Peak Day Demand – .044000 MG / 44,000gal. (6/3/19)
 Minimum Day Demand – 0**
 Average Daily Flow – 351 gal.

Lily Pond Well #5 (Start-up 1978)

Water Pumped – 64.408 MG / 64,408,000 gal.
 Peak Day Demand – .722 MG / 722,000 gal. (8/4/19)
 Minimum Day Demand – 0 **
 Average Daily Flow – 176,460 gal.

Wintucket Well #6 (Start-up 1990)

Water Pumped – 54.998 MG / 54,998,000 gal.
 Peak Day Demand – .917000 MG / 917,000 gal. (10/6/19)
 Minimum Day Demand – 0 **
 Average Daily Flow – 150,679 gal.

Quenonica Well #7 (Start-up 1995)

Water Pumped – 105.640MG/105,640,000 gal.
 Peak Day Demand – 1.409000MG/1,409,000 gal. (8/4/19)
 Minimum Day Demand – 0 **
 Average Daily Flow – 289,424 gal.

Nunnepog Well #8(Start-up 2007)

Water Pumped – 109.706MG/109,706,000 gal.
 Peak Day Demand – .997000MG/ 997,000 gal. (7/20/18)
 Minimum Day Demand – 0 **
 Average Daily Flow – 300,564 gal.

Water Use – All Sources Combined

Total Water Pumped – 334.880 MG/ 334,880,000 gallons
 Peak Day Demand – 3.354MG / 3,354,000 gal. (8/3/19)
 Minimum Day Demand – .139MG/ 139,000 gal.
 Average Daily Flow – 0.917 MG / 917,000 gal.
 Maximum Week of Pumping – 17.138000 MG (7/30/19)
 Winter Average (*October-May*) – 12.880 MG / Month or .424033 MG / Day

Summer Average (June-September) - 57.399 MG / Month or 1.881770 MG / Day

**All sources are rotated and utilized in a manner that stays within the permitted withdrawal limitations of each source.

Water Distribution System

New Mains:

- Installed by Owner / Developer – (1) 90 feet
- Contracted by Town of Edgartown – 0
- Installed by Town Crews – (3) 940 feet

Antiquated Mains Replaced – (1) 160 feet

Total Main Installed – 1,190 feet

Total Main Abandoned – 0

Total Miles of Main in Town of Edgartown – Approx. .73

Fire Hydrants Installed – 1

Fire Hydrants Replaced - 2

Fire Hydrants in Service - 343

New Water Service Activations - 53

Number of Current Water Accounts - 3,395

FIRE HYDRANTS INSTALLED 2019

LOCATION	HYDRANTS
14 th Street North	1
TOTAL	1

WATER MAINS INSTALLED 2019

LOCATION	SIZE/FOOTAGE
14 th Street North	8” 90’
18 th Street South	12” 180’
Puwal Lane	2” 160’
Weeks Lane	8” 160’
Anthier’s Way	8” 600’
TOTAL	1,190’

YEARLY TOTALS

Gallons

2015	398,964,000
2016	370,284,000
2017	339,069,000
2018	358,764,000
2019	334,880,000

WATER CONSUMPTION MAXIMUM DAY

DAY	Gallons
August 1, 2015	3,230,000
July 4, 2016	3,168,000
July 2, 2017	3,176,000
July 1, 2018	3,004,000
August 3, 2019	3,354,000



2019 ACTUAL WATER PRODUCTION						
MONTH	MESHACKET WELL 4 *	LILLY POND WELL 5	WINTUCKET WELL 6	QUENOMICA WELL 7	NUNNEPOG WELL 8	TOTAL PUMPING
January	0	2,758,000	0	5,396,000	8,000	8,162,000
February	0	7,075,000	0	10,000	11,000	7,096,000
March	0	4,101,000	231,000	11,000	4,013,000	8,356,000
April	0	4,000	544,000	2,166,000	10,208,000	12,378,000
May	17,000	573,000	515,000	6,046,000	17,861,000	25,012,000
June	44,000	8,858,000	181,000	15,933,000	19,216,000	47,232,000
July	1,000	12,223,000	13,082,000	25,063,000	17,231,000	67,600,000
August	23,000	17,035,000	10,115,000	28,872,000	12,645,000	68,690,000
September	0	10,093,000	8,047,000	18,155,000	9,759,000	46,054,000
October	0	1,220,000	12,685,000	3,692,000	6,790,000	24,657,000
November	43,000	460,000	7,134,000	11,000	3,878,000	11,526,000
December	0	8,000	8,000	15,000	8,086,000	8,117,000
TOTAL	128,000	64,408,000	54,998,000	105,640,000	109,706,000	334,880,000
Monthly Ave.	10,666	5,367,333	4,583,167	8,803,333	9,142,167	27,906,667
Daily Ave.	21,333	322,040	317,908	596,836	596,228	917,479
Days Pumped	6	200	173	177	267	365

Chemical Definition and Use

Sodium Hydroxide (NaOH) – used to adjust the pH of water as part of the corrosion control program and for the adherence of the Lead and Copper Rule.

CHEMICALS USED 2019					
MONTH	MESHACKET WELL 4* NaOH gal	LILLY POND WELL 5 NaOH gal	WINTUCKET WELL 6 NaOH gal	QUENOMICA WELL 7 NaOH gal	NUNNEPOG WELL 8 NaOH gal
JAN	0	119.0	0	127.0	0
FEB	0	300.0	0	.0	0
MAR	0	177.0	2.0	0	62.0
APR	0	0	0	50.0	192.0
MAY	0	27.0	11.0	140.0	335.0
JUN	0	350.0	58.0	383.0	396.0
JUL	0	473.0	258.0	618.0	352.0
AUG	0	667.0	216.0	749.0	303.0
SEP	0	398.0	173.0	481.0	220.0
OCT	0	43.0	28.0	99.0	154.0
NOV	0	19.0	174.0	1.0	82.0
DEC	0	0	0	1.0	180.0
TOTALS	0	2,573.0	920.0	2,649.0	2,276.0

* Meshacket Well is on line and tested as per all regulatory requirements. However, while the well presently meets all applicable standards, the well is reserved for emergency use only. In 2019, the well was run for testing and analytical purposes only. The water was not chemically treated and did not enter the distribution system.

The management and operation of a municipal water system can be difficult at times and is often like trying to hit a moving target. Regardless of the plans that may be in place, unforeseen complications are not uncommon. That said, prioritizing and alterations to schedules to accommodate immediate or pressing issues is a major requirement for continual success. This is one of the areas of our operations that I believe is noteworthy, as the employees of the Water Department always manage to complete our tasks, but still manage to address our primary focus of providing safe drinking water and fire protection in an uninterrupted manner.

In closing, I would like to say that I am extremely proud of this department and the way it is represented and recognized. The dedication, knowledge and professionalism of the staff are truly evident and I believe the community to be very fortunate for this. My observations of the department would suggest that it is not just a matter of the employees of the Water Department to just do their job, they do it to the best of their ability. I cannot thank the staff enough and am honored to be associated with these men and women. However, the success of a town department requires more than just a good staff. It is the collaboration of many that make this department operate to the degree that is expected and that the community deserves. The Board of Water Commissioners deserve a lot of credit, as they are charged with the ultimate oversight of the operations of the

department and see that the department is operated in the best manner possible for the community. Most impressive, is the fact that they receive no personal benefit by serving in this capacity, with the exception of community involvement. Additionally, the success of the Water Department is contingent on the input and involvement of many others including the residents and businesses of Edgartown, numerous members of other governing agencies of the town and the employees of other town departments. Collectively, all of these people contribute in one way or another and I sincerely thank you all for your contributions to our success. Speaking for the department, it has been a pleasure for us to serve the community in 2019 and we look forward to a collective continued success and to proudly serve the Town of Edgartown in 2020.

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

DAVID BURKE *

JAMES KELLEHER *

SCOTT ELLIS – Commissioner

*Served as Chairman in calendar year 2019

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM R. CHAPMAN
Water Superintendent

MARTHA'S VINEYARD REFUSE DISPOSAL & RESOURCE RECOVERY DISTRICT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
Citizens of Edgartown:

The Refuse District processed and shipped over 8,900 tons in 2019 of waste and construction material. Over 8000 tons of the material was delivered to SEMASS Waste to Energy Facility in Rochester Ma., and the remaining tonnage (900) was recycled Construction Material delivered to various locations throughout the Northeast from Rhode Island to Albany NY. Our recycling efforts also removed over 200 tons of mixed Glass, Plastic and Aluminum cans, 600 tons of cardboard and mixed paper 190 tons of various metals, over 200 batteries, 13 tons of tires, and 400 tons of leaves/brush.

We are proud to announce that over 500 households participated in the District's Hazardous Household Waste Collection program during 2019. After 30 years, the program continues to grow and provide Island residents the opportunity to dispose of hazardous material in an environmentally correct and safe way.

Mercury Elements and Florescent light bulbs accepted free of charge, thanks to our contract with Covanta Waste to Energy, and are accepted during regular business hours.

Rechargeable batteries, Fluorescent and Low Energy bulbs, and Button batteries etc.

Harmful Household Hazardous Waste Collection

Dates are held on Saturday of the following months with no charge to residents.

2020 Schedule

Each event hours are 9am – 12pm

May 2, 2020

July 18, 2020

Oct 17, 2020

The collection location is held at the Refuse District located @ 750 West Tisbury Rd. Edgartown.

All Commercial & Property Management MUST call Safety -Klean to schedule a pick up at your job site @ 800-323-5040

Contact Office for info:

750 WEST TISBURY RD.

EDGARTOWN, MA 02539

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Respectfully submitted,

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MARY DONLAVEY



EDUCATION

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Skip Manter, Chairperson
Martha's Vineyard Superintendency
All-Island School Committee

Dear Mr. Manter:

In accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth, I am pleased to submit my 2019 annual report as Superintendent of Schools to the members of the six school committees of the Martha's Vineyard Public Schools. The schools on the Island continue to strive to provide our students with a quality education that prepares them with the skills necessary to compete in today's world.

There have been minimal personnel changes at the central office. After twenty years of committed service to the district, Janet Sylvia, our Financial Analyst, has retired. We are very fortunate to welcome Bernadette Cormie as Janet's replacement. Bernadette has worked at the high school for several years and has a background in finance. Sheryl Taylor has been hired as our Health Education Coordinator. Sheryl brings extensive experience in health care to the position. We have taken steps to fully implement our Health and Wellness initiative in grades K through 12. This work, along with our partnership with Martha's Vineyard Community Services, has greatly improved the services that we are providing our students and their families. These changes have proven to be very positive for our district.

A large part of our health and wellness initiative is to improve the athletic facilities at our high school. Safe and durable athletic facilities are crucial not only for our high school students but for all the youth organizations that utilize these facilities. This project will provide us with a new track and a reliable playing surface for our lacrosse, field hockey, football, and soccer teams. Huntress Associates, our landscape designer, along with our Owner's Project Manager, are developing the construction documents. We hope to begin construction as early as this spring.

The lead remediation work at the Tisbury School has been completed and the students will be reunited in the building on January 6th. Thanks to the help from the Tisbury Fire Department and the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School we were able to complete the work while still educating our students. The Tisbury Building Committee is continuing to work on a renovation and addition project for the school building that will provide students with a state-of-the-art facility while preserving the historical significance of the current building.

Last year, we completed negotiations with each of our five bargaining units – Teachers, Educational Support Professionals, Administrative Support Personnel, Food Service Workers, and Custodians. Each contract was ratified by the

All-Island School Committee and is in effect for the next three years. Final drafts of each contract are available on the Superintendent's website under the Employment tab.

During the fall of 2019, we had an evaluation completed of our English Language Learner program. Our ELL population has continued to grow across the Island schools and the evaluation will provide us with strategies to meet the needs of this growing school population. We will receive the final report in January and our ELL Action Team will use the recommendations to develop an action plan to make the necessary changes to our program. Additionally, the final part of our special education evaluation was completed this fall. Jim Shillinglaw completed an assessment of our building based special education programs. Each school will receive recommendations on how to make improvements and will develop plans for implementation.

The focus of our professional development over the past year has been the social and emotional well-being of our students, and teaching and learning strategies. In October, we will be providing training for all of our staff on Think-Kids, a program that will provide both our teachers and students with valuable conflict resolution skills. Additionally, we have continued our focus on improving writing instruction and will be offering additional training in the Lucy Calkins writing program for our K-8 teachers. Our high school continues its implementation of restorative justice, and its expansion of a co-teaching model to the benefit of our special education students.

MCAS results show that our students are performing well in English/Language Arts, math, and science. We use the results of these assessments to evaluate our instruction and make changes to both instructional strategies and to the curriculum. Our schools strive to continually improve in these areas so our students are equipped with the skills they need to succeed in school, career, and their personal lives.

Several staff members will be retiring this year and I would like to recognize them for their dedication to our students. At the high school, English teachers Bill McCarthy and Cindy Cowen will be retiring. Also, math teacher Jamie Norton will be leaving us at the end of the year. At the Edgartown School, Special Education Teacher Diane Smadbeck will be missed. West Tisbury Social Studies teacher Robyn Maciel-Wingate has retired. Collectively these staff members have dozens of years of service to the Island's students. Congratulations to you all.

I am truly privileged and honored to be serving as the Island Schools' Superintendent. Happy New Year!

MATTHEW D'ANDREA, LP.D.
Superintendent of Schools

EDGARTOWN SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

It is a pleasure to report the status of the Edgartown School for the 2019-2020 school year in this year's Town Report.

The Edgartown School continues to provide this community's children in grades K-8 a rigorous and challenging educational experience. Students are exposed to research-based curriculums and participate in rich learning endeavors outside of the classroom. Dedicated teachers and support staff work together to deliver balanced instruction and coordinate learning experiences off campus relevant to all learners. The school works closely with the Town and its departments to maintain the campus while receiving support to purchasing and payroll services. The Police Department provides a school resource officer (SRO) at the school five days a week to make the school safe and secure. The SRO is able to become acquainted with students and their families to give true meaning to the concept of community policing. The Fire Department's EMT unit provides regular assistance to the school's clinic. Both departments share their resources as an investment in the overall quality of services to the school community. School Committee members Megan Anderson, Kimberly Kirk, and Kelly McCracken work collaboratively with members of the Finance Committee and Selectmen to analyze the school budget to ensure prudent spending and the proper allocation of resources.

In the spring of 2019, the school administered the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) 2.0 test in grades 3-8. The Edgartown School met 82% of its test improvement targets compared to the previous year's MCAS test. This school ranks in the 65th percentile among all elementary schools in the state. Teachers analyze test data, and instruction is driven by this analysis to ensure that students learn the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks.

Students who are not proficient in the English language are provided specialized instruction according to individualized plans. Learners with special needs are taught by highly-trained teachers in accordance with state and federal laws. An enrichment program challenges students with such engaging experiences as Mock Trial, architecture, robotics, sign language, marine navigation, media production, aviation, and other project-based endeavors. Eligible students in grades 6-8 receive accelerated math instruction. Students in grades 6-8 with special interests are matched with community volunteers in mentorships to expand their interests. The Edgartown School houses an Island-wide special education program in an effort to make specialized programming cost effective. The Bridge Program services students from across the Island with special needs.

The Parent Teacher Association (PTA) continues to provide remarkable support to the school and community under the leadership of Deanna Laird. The Halloween Party, and Pizza and Bingo Night, are traditional events run by the PTA. Teacher grants continue to be offered by the PTA to support instruction. The PTA awards a \$1000 scholarship each year to a graduating high school senior from Edgartown. The School Advisory Council (SAC) meets each month to address and solve important issues. This Council, co-chaired by Alicia Knight and myself, is comprised of a dedicated group of parents, community members, and school staff. The SAC is also responsible for crafting the School Improvement Plan (SIP) each year. The SIP is a blueprint for the school to follow and challenges the faculty to strive for excellence in all areas. A copy of this plan can be found on the school's website at www.edgartownschool.org.

Learning often takes place outside of the classroom. The surrounding community and Island's resources afford many opportunities for enriching experiences. After-school clubs, directed at the primary grades, expose students to photography, cooking, arts and crafts, gardening, yoga, fitness, and educational games. Our students continue to visit the Plimouth Plantation, Felix Neck, Trustees of Reservation properties, Farm Institute, Polly Hill Arboretum, and the Science Museum in Boston. Our fifth graders spend an exciting week on the Shenandoah; sixth graders travel to Camp Alton Jones in Rhode Island to study environmental education and practice team building; seventh graders learn how to ski in New Hampshire and visit the Freedom Trail in Boston; eighth graders spend a week in Washington, D.C. learning about government and our country's history, and also tackle the ropes course with Deputy Sterling Bishop from the Sheriff's Department. The junior high musical production of Frozen, Jr., with Donna Swift, Director, Laura Walton, Music Director, and Ken Romero, Choreographer, along with the fourth and fifth grade plays directed by Donna Swift, enrich our students' educational experiences. These play performances are favorites among fans and give students real experiences managing and acting in drama productions. String and band instrument instruction is offered to students who wish to take up an instrument. Each year, students showcase percussion instruments on a weekly basis. I can earnestly say that our students receive a well-rounded education and are exposed to a variety of experiences, both in and out of the classroom.

The school plant is one of the largest buildings in the town with over eighty-five thousand square feet of space, which demands constant attention and upkeep. Community groups such as a local church, coed adult volleyball, youth soccer, recreational basketball, and lacrosse use our facility regularly. The school also hosts police and fire department

trainings. The Island's Adult and Community Education Program (ACE) has offered carpentry class for adults in the school's shop. We hope to expand adult education classes in the future as a service to the community and a way to maximize the use of the facility.

Technology instruction must be an ever-changing and regular part of education if we are to properly prepare today's students for tomorrow's job market. The tools of technology and their impact on our world are rapidly evolving. All students, K-8, receive computer instruction on a weekly basis. This instruction, provided by a full-time technology teacher, acquaints students with current software and hardware, enabling them to become proficient in accessing information and communicating using modern technology devices. A committee meets yearly to plan for technology expenditures in an effort to stay current with this rapidly-changing science. The school has a fully-equipped and highly-utilized computer lab, six computers on wheels (COWS), twenty-three smartboards for classroom use, fourteen digital projectors, eleven document cameras, and a variety of other technology tools accessible to students and staff.

On any given school day, our cafeteria, under the direction of Gina deBettencourt, serves over three hundred lunches to students and adults. Gina and her kitchen staff have set the bar high for other cafeterias across the Island and the state by offering nutritious lunches that incorporate Island-grown vegetables, meat, and fish, all at an affordable price. Meals are well prepared and often include produce from our school garden. Many thanks to the Martha's Vineyard Derby folks for donating fish to our lunch program, as students enjoy eating fresh fish caught locally.

Melinda Rabbitt Defeo continues to manage our greenhouse and garden. Melinda also collaborates with the teachers

to infuse agriculture and nutrition into the classroom curriculums. Planting, garden maintenance, and harvesting the school garden are all part of this curriculum. In the fall, Gina, from the kitchen, and Melinda lead trips to Morning Glory Farm and other local farms to glean vegetables to be used in the school's lunch program, helping to keep expenses down and providing our students with an appreciation for farm management.

Volunteers in our school provide an invaluable service. From the PTA, to the SAC, to the corps of volunteers who serve the children in so many ways, the school is a better place to learn because of community members who donate their time in support of the school.

Superintendent Matt D'Andrea, Assistant Superintendent Richie Smith, District Administrators, and their staff deliver a wide range of support services. In addition to augmenting payroll, budgeting, curriculum, bilingual education, special education, and personnel services, the Superintendent's office provides Island-wide special education services to needy students in a cost-effective manner.

The school's success relies greatly upon its support from the surrounding community and organizations. The taxpayers and voters continue to support the school and its initiatives by advocating a budget that funds high-quality educational services for the children of Edgartown. It is apparent that the citizens of Edgartown value education as a high priority.

It is my pleasure to serve as your principal, and thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

SHELLEY EINBINDER, Ed.D.
Principal

**STATISTICS
2018-2019**

	Average Daily Attendance	Average Membership	% of Attendance
SEPTEMBER	360.26	378.57	95.16
OCTOBER	364.14	384.33	94.75
NOVEMBER	363.77	382.88	95.01
DECEMBER	353.93	379.60	93.24
JANUARY	350.71	380.76	92.11
FEBRUARY	349.60	378.33	92.41
MARCH	373.15	395.90	94.25
APRIL	374.29	396.52	94.39
MAY	382.77	399.45	95.82
JUNE	381.91	398.00	95.96

**ENROLLMENT
October 1, 2019**

Grade	Boys	Girls	Total
KINDERGARTEN	24	21	45
GRADE 1	26	16	42
GRADE 2	23	14	37
GRADE 3	20	28	48
GRADE 4	17	22	39
GRADE 5	24	35	59
GRADE 6	17	24	41
GRADE 7	20	18	38
GRADE 8	17	19	36
TOTAL	188	197	385

EDGARTOWN SCHOOL

Faculty and Staff Personnel 2019 – 2020

Shelley Einbinder-Fleischmann.....Principal	Melinda Rabbitt DeFeoGarden Coordinator
Anne M. Fligor.....Assistant Principal	Sarah Knight.....ESP – KM
Ken Romero.....Treasurer	Judy Maynard.....ESP – KS
Pamela J. Alwardt.....Administrative Assistant	Liz Stobart.....ESP – KK
Paulee Davies.....Receptionist	Lorna Ashe.....ESP – 1H
Darren Belisle.....Network Administrator	Rich Pease.....ESP – 1M
Nicole Barlett.....School Nurse	Debbie Meyerhoff.....ESP – 2F
Eric Butler.....Guidance	Lizzie Ward.....ESP – 2S
Deborah DeBettencourt.....Guidance	Robin Davies.....ESP – 3K
Nancy Cole.....Librarian	Ebony Goldwire.....ESP – 3B
Katie Kelly.....Grade K	Dan Townes*.....ESP – 3L
Maria MacKenty-Speight.....Grade K	Bill Jacob.....ESP – 4M
Denise Searle.....Grade K	Teresa Temple.....ESP – 4L
Pam Hurley.....Grade 1	Claire Crowell.....ESP – K4
Megan McDonald.....Grade 1	Deneen Convery.....ESP – 5/6
Jennifer Fournier.....Grade 2	Brynn Allen.....ESP – 5/6
Chip Story.....Grade 2	Mary Beth Meehan.....ESP – 5/6
Amy Baldino.....Grade 3	Skyлар Menton.....ESP – 5/6
Alicia Knight.....Grade 3	Tabitha Clark.....ESP – 7/8
Gail LeChappelle.....Grade 3	Penny Hageanon.....ESP – 7/8
Ryan Leandro.....Grade 4	Meaghan Morris.....ESP – 7/8
Heather Majkowski.....Grade 4	Benjamin Waldrop.....ESP – 7/8
Laia Roig.....Grade 4-8 Spanish	Tara Sykes.....ESP – Library
Kara Gelinas.....Grade 5/6 Science	Jennifer Abreu.....Translator/Interpreter
Mary Ellen Guyther.....Grade 5/6 Math/	Dwight Kaeka.....Head Custodian
“ “ “.....Grade 6 Enrichment Math	Jeff Burgoyne.....Custodian
Pati Nelson.....Grade 5/6 Social Studies	Susan Fleming.....Custodian
Erin Simmons.....Grade 5/6 ELA	Marjorie Hayes.....Custodian
Ari Coppola.....Grade 6 All	Gina deBettencourt.....Head Cook/Manager
Nedine Cunningham.....Gr. 7/8 Social Studies	Robin Fortes.....Assistant Cook
David Faber.....Gr. 7/8 Science	Leanna Fisher.....Cook’s Helper
Justen Foster.....Gr. 7/8 Math	Stacey Gouldrup.....Cook’s Helper
Jeffrey Majkowski.....Gr. 7/8 LA/Reading	Stephanie Immelt.....SRO
Connie Leuenberger.....Gr. K-3 Remedial Reading	
Bridget Mello.....Gr. 4-8 Remedial Reading	
Ellen Wannamaker.....Gr. K-4 Remedial Math	
Kate Lefer.....Gr. 5-8 Remedial Math	
Suzanne Costello.....Health & Enrich. Coordinator	
Pam Melrose.....Enrichment	
Gary Smith* (Ken DeBettencourt)	
Grade 7-8 Enrichment Math /Grade 8 Algebra	
Rachel Sellers*.....English Language Learning	
Debra Grant.....English Language Learning	
Nicole Miranda.....English Language Learning	
Gail Gardner.....Gr. K-8 Computer	
Nichole Shank.....Gr. K-8 Art	
Sarah Vail.....Gr. 5-8 Family Consumer	
Gregory Pattison.....Gr. 5-8 Industrial Arts	
Derek Chrebet.....Gr. K-3 Physical Education	
Michelle Pikor.....Gr. 4-8 Physical Education	
Zachary Tileston.....Instrumental Music	
Laura Walton.....Gr. K-8 Vocal Music	
Diane Smadbeck.....Gr. K-2 Special Needs	
Laurie Pereira.....Gr. 3-4 Special Needs	
Janet Hurley.....Grade 5-6 Special Needs	
Kiely Rigali.....Grade 7-8 Special Needs	
	Shared Services
	Rebecca Laird.....String Instruments
	Susan Smith.....School Psychologist
	Bruce Boren.....Occupational Therapist
	Melissa Mahoney.....Occupational Therapist
	Molly Chvatal.....Physical Therapist
	Sarah Norton.....Speech Therapist
	Donna Rhoades.....Speech Therapist
	Emily Burke.....Bridge/Elementary
	Martha MacGillivray.....Bridge/Elementary
	Lyuba Pachico.....Bridge/Elementary
	Katie Phelps.....Bridge/Elementary
	Kim Andrade.....Bridge/Middle
	Renee Habekost.....Bridge/Middle
	Laura Knight.....Bridge/Middle
	Kara Leandro.....Bridge/Middle
	KaraThibodeau.....Bridge/Middle
	Tonya Thomas.....Bridge/Middle
	Edgartown School Committee
	Megan Anderson Kimberly Kirk Kelly McCracken
	*Long term substitute

MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Matthew D'Andrea, LP.D.
Superintendent of Schools
4 Pine Street
Vineyard Haven, MA 02568

Dear Dr. D'Andrea,

It is my pleasure to present to you the accomplishments of our departmental staff at MVRHS in the service of our students and community. There are many reasons to be proud of that are highlighted by each department. As an all-Island school, we strive to represent the best of this unique community through our high-performing academic core, our hands-on career and technical programs, our abundantly-talented performing and visual arts departments, and our very competitive sports teams.

Art, Design & Technology

The MVRHS Art, Design & Technology Department had an engaging and fruitful year in 2019. In addition to the successful annual Evening of the Arts event in May, students showcased their talents in the "Nothing Without Joy" community art show at Featherstone, in the Old Sculpin gallery, in the MVRHS Yearbook (which won a 2019 Highest Achievement Award from the New England Scholastic Press Association), and in our art & literary journal, SEABREEZES. A team of computer technology students placed second and third at Code Quest, an international computer programming competition. 19 students won a total of 24 statewide awards at the Scholastic Art Awards, five of whom advanced to the national competition, and one of whom won a National Silver Medal in New York.

This year, the department introduced a new course, AP Studio Art and fourteen students will be submitting AP portfolios in May, 2020. Drawing & Painting students have been working closely with the leadership class to create art installations and much-needed beautification around the building, while Design & Architecture students held architectural tours of the Campgrounds, Edgartown, and Hutker Architects. Students are illustrating backdrops for this year's musical, "Big Fish." Tech Support, now in its second year, played an important role in supporting the computer-based MCAS tests last year and is also helping the leadership class set up a TV/kiosk system throughout the school. A large contingent of students shared their work at Portfolio Day in Boston in November. Dozens of students participated in the Vineyard Conservation Society's "The Art of Conservation" competition and exhibit and five students won awards in the 2019 Cape Cod Times' "Classroom Times" photography competition, including a first place award.

Athletics

The athletic program had its share of successes this past year. As we entered this year we were first-year members of the Cape and Islands league, a league in which we were

original members during the 60's, 70's, and 80's. This fall, we saw the Cape & Islands take full shape as Falmouth, Barnstable, Sandwich, Dennis Yarmouth, and Nauset joined the league. The new look will see some sports entering the same league as all other sports: sailing, swimming, and girls' hockey will now be Cape & Islands members. It's very exciting to see some of our old rivals return. Our travel will be cut almost in half for our league games. This means less time traveling and earlier boats back at night.

This spring, we saw the girls' tennis team win its 5th straight State title. The girls' lacrosse team won the Cape and Islands, as well as the boys' and girls' tennis and track teams. This fall, the boys' cross country team won the league title, the Eastern Mass D5 championship, and then went on to win the D2 State championship - a first for the program. They were welcomed in Vineyard Haven with the usual champions' welcome as fire trucks and cruisers from each town greeted them.

We're excited with this new beginning in the Cape & Islands, and look forward to more successes on the field and developing young men and women into well-rounded individuals.

Career and Technical Education

This past year has been a busy one and we've had some staffing changes. In Healthcare Assisting, we said goodbye to Susan McHugh and hello to Darcy Neago. Darcy is returning to the position she had several years ago. We welcome her back and look forward to the energy and skills she brings to the program. In Automotive, Mr. Ward and his classes are preparing for Nataf certification. This important certification will allow students to receive hours towards their own individual credentials. In Carpentry, Mr. Seabourne and crew are busy building sheds and friendship benches using locally-sourced wood from the state forest. In Culinary, Chefs Crowell and O'Malley have the students working different local intonates reducing food waste, while supporting local agriculture and school lunch programs. Kyle Crossland, the Horticulture teacher, reports that his team is looking forward to using their new greenhouse to propagate plants for their annual plant sale. In Business, Mr. Jakusik and company are preparing to compete in DECA, a national competition that affords our students the opportunity to compete in regional, state, and, possibly, on a national stage. We look forward to seeing how far this talented group can go.

English

The English department hosted several highly-anticipated annual events this year, including Poetry Out Loud and Writer's Week. Over 150 students participated in Poetry Out Loud, and 15 made it to the school-wide competition where three winners were named by a panel of Island poets and teachers. The Fifth Annual Writers Week featured visits from

over 25 Island writers and poets. The culminating event, the Writers Week Coffeehouse, celebrated both visiting and student writers who shared their work with over 100 attendees. *Seabreezes*, the school's literary magazine, sponsored a coffee house during last spring's Writer's Week in which a gathering of student and community poets performed their work. The 2019 edition of *Seabreezes* has made the first (state) cut in the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE) Awards and is in consideration for national honors.

Additionally, *The High School View* received the "Highest Achievement Award" in its class last May at the annual New England Scholastic Press Association conference. This award honors the outstanding efforts of the newspaper's staff, led by editors-in-chief Henry Hitchings, Mackenzie Condon, and Alexis Condon, all seniors.

As for travels and field trips, the Humanities 11 class visited the MV Museum dressed in Gatsbyesque finery; the AP English 11 class toured Boston and visited the MFA; and English 10 students enjoyed a production of Macbeth at the Trinity Rep in Providence.

ESL

Numbers of new ESL students continues to climb. The school community welcomed between 25-30 newcomers to our ranks during the 2018-2019 school year. Consequently, we welcomed new teacher, David Foley, to the department. David comes to us from the Nantucket school system. He has over 10 years of experience teaching ESL in both the US and Japan. Another addition to the support network for ESL students and their families is a full-time Brazilian Portuguese/English interpreter, Matheus Dos Santos. Again this past year, students were able to connect with an adult mentor in the community, as well as visit Lasell University to meet with both faculty and students in the education department, tour the campus, and learn about all Lasell has to offer diverse students. Other news in the department is that Dianne Norton was re-appointed Department Chair. Finally, members of the department participated in numerous professional development programs focused around keeping students engaged in the classroom, teaching students with interrupted learning, and race identity and implicit bias.

Guidance

The culmination of our four-year developmental guidance program helped 143 graduates develop transitional plans during their post-secondary planning process. As a result, the Class of 2019 had 65% of the students attend a four-year college/university; 8% attended a two-year college; 5% attended trade/technical schools/programs; 4% took a gap year; and 18% entered the workforce. This year's generous donors provided scholarships, grants, and additional items such as computers and book stipends that totaled a remarkable \$2,587,966. 108 students in the 2019 graduating class received 502 awards totaling \$1,074,096. Post-graduates and other Island students received \$1,513,870.

The guidance department continued to work with students to help them be trained as leaders in the school and Island community. Peer Outreach, Race Culture Retreat, SWEAR (Stand With Everyone Against Rape) are examples of the work done to help students be effective leaders.

The guidance department also continued to work with all the Island sending schools to implement a comprehensive transition program for incoming ninth graders. The guidance counselors work with all students to develop an individual post-secondary plan. Students work with their counselors, in groups and individually, to explore personality profiles, career opportunities, and college options.

History

The history department worked on developing a common set of skills for students, building each year upon the skills introduced in the prior year. The department reinforces critical skills of reading, writing, listening, and active engagement. Student progress is assessed using common rubrics across all history classes. Teacher-peer class observations are a central part of the department's vision to ensuring good teaching practice and a cohesive approach across students' history exposure at MVRHS.

The history department strives to make history relevant to students today. The freshmen, studying early American History, attended the new *Harriet Tubman* movie at the Martha's Vineyard Film Society. The AP Modern European history went to Boston, visiting the Museum of Fine Arts, followed by dinner at an Ethiopian restaurant. The Women's Studies class went to Salem to bring life to the struggle of women in the 1600s. The Sophomore Humanities and US II classes participate in mock trials to build speaking skills and analyze social issues of today. Give Back Day, a day when students volunteer across the Island, continued to be extremely popular and we're looking forward to this third annual event in the spring.

This year welcomed Bill Brown to the department, who joined us from Haverhill High School. Bill is dual-certified in social studies and special education. He is currently teaching three sections of Global I and co-teaching two sections of US II. Bill brings a positive energy to the department and the students respect and appreciate him as a teacher.

Library

The library continues to be one of the busiest spaces in the school. So far this year, students have signed into the library over 13,000 times. In addition, classes regularly visit the library for research, to find books, and to work on projects - 246 classes in all since January. Our librarian, Kevin McGrath, regularly visits with classes to teach research skills, including using the library databases, citing sources, and media literacy. He co-teaches the Capstone course, which graduated 10 seniors in June and has 13 enrolled this year.

Students are borrowing books at a higher rate than last year - already over 1,000 books have been checked out. The

library has increased support for our growing ELL population through book talks for emerging English speakers and a growing collection of high-interest, low-reading level books. The library hosted several speakers and special events, including student coffeehouses and speakers on diversity and inclusion. The library is home to the Best Buddies club, which meets weekly during Flex as well as after-school events, and was home to an American Sign Language independent study course created by students and advised by the librarian. The library is a haven for students both during and after school until 5:00 pm.

We won a \$9,250 grant from Mass Humanities, which funded the installation of a Portal in the library over 5 separate weeks in April, October, and November. Portals are live, full-body audiovisual environments hosted by communities around the world that enable face-to-face dialogues between people who will likely not otherwise meet. On average, per visit, students talked for 25 minutes in groups of 6. Since April, students visited over 850 times, either individually or as part of lessons developed by a team of 8 MVRHS teachers. We connected with people in places as diverse as Afghanistan, Iraq, Nigeria, Uganda, Rwanda, Qatar, Gaza, Germany, Mexico, and Milwaukee. The Portal project has led to the development of The Parlour in the Library Lab. The Parlour is a collaborative video-conferencing project facilitated through iEARN (a global network of schools) to connect schools around the world with MVRHS students. The Library Lab continues to function as a recording studio, project development hub, and small-group meeting space. More info about these ongoing projects is available at mvrhs.org/library.

Math

This past year in the Mathematics department has been quite productive. We have spent numerous hours during the school year and the summer months aligning and realigning curricula to the common core with the goal of providing clarity for our students and staff.

We now offer 3 different courses for our incoming and current ESL students, and have written the scope and sequence for these courses to better serve this growing population.

We said goodbye and good luck to Margaret D'Angelo as she moves forward into retirement. Her positive attitude and dedication to the subject and her students will be missed. With Margaret leaving, this meant a new member would be joining our department. We are so lucky to welcome Kelly Magnuson, a young, energetic, and skilled teacher of mathematics. She has proved to be a great addition to our team.

Department member MaryLee Carlomagno continues to enhance our robotics course and extra-curricular activities related to it. She took our robotics team to participate in competition this past spring and reports the students performed well, and, more importantly, learned a lot through this experience.

As a department we are immersing ourselves in the new next generation MCAS Test that is being administered to our 10th graders. This computer-based test is new to our students and we are committed to preparing them and providing them with the necessary technology training and skills to meet with success.

Many of our math department members are also engaged in a Math CoP focusing on the smooth transition for, and proper placement of, our incoming freshmen. Some Faculty from the elementary schools are involved with this process making this experience a positive and collaborative initiative. We are excited about our work going forward.

Performing Arts

In addition to our curricular classes offered to both performing and non-performing students, the Performing Arts Department offered opportunities to students outside the school day. Singers and string players participated in the Southeast District Music Festival (Christian Schmidt, Tripp Hopkins, Josephine Orr, Victoria Scott) last January and the All-Cape and Island Festival in February. Two students, Christian Schmidt and Josephine Orr, went on to audition for, and be accepted to, the All-State Music Festival chorus. Students in the Musical Theatre Production Class presented their annual Cabaret at the PAC.

In February, the entire department was part of the production of the musical, 'As You Like It.' Community instrumentalists, English classes, art classes, and faculty joined the student cast for four performances. Choral students had the opportunity to sing with the elementary school students at the annual All Island Choral Festival. We look at this festival as an opportunity to bring together Island musicians from all the Island towns and celebrate our love of singing.

The Minnesingers travelled to Scotland for a 10-day performing tour. We sang at St. Giles Cathedral, Stirling and Edinburgh Castles, as well as workshopped with the Glasgow Children's Chorus. Our performance at Iona Abbey was unfortunately cancelled due to the boats not running (something we understand all too well). These 26 students represented the Island and the country in fine form. We are planning the next competition in April 2020.

In May, the Pops Concert featured all the performing groups as well as solo and small group numbers. Several singers and instrumentalists performed in the Coffee House and in the hallways at Evening of the Arts. Chorus, Vocal Ensemble, Minnesingers, Concert Band, and Jazz Band participated in the graduation ceremonies at the Tabernacle, celebrating another successful group of seniors leaving the High School. October auditions were held for the upcoming school musical, 'Big Fish the Musical.' Community members and local musicians join the students in rehearsals. 'Big Fish' will run performances in February 2020. 32 singers and string players who auditioned for the All Cape Music Festival this fall were chosen to perform at the festival, and Spencer

Pogue, Linus Munn, Jack Crawford, Skylar Hall, Lily Jones, Caitlin McHugh, and Maddy Tully will represent MVRHS at the Southeast District Festival. Spencer, Linus, and Skylar were selected to audition for the All-State Music Festival in January. The Winter Concert featured the String Orchestra, combined instrumental groups, Concert Band, Jazz Band, Chorus, and Vocal Ensemble. The Minnesingers presented their annual Winter Concerts at the Whaling Church on Dec. 13 and 14. Instrumentalists continue to entertain at the Senior Citizen lunches and the Minnesingers performed for the community several times during the holiday season.

Physical Education

The past year in Physical Education was transformative with new directions in both health education and physical education. On the MVPS district end, health education was given new life for all students Island-wide thanks to the MedStar Report conducted to examine our overall health and wellness in all Island schools.

At the High School this brought the Michigan Model Curriculum to our 9-12 students, which will be instructed in all PE sections by splitting our scheduled time between health and physical education. Additionally, we have divided the block schedule by grade so that there are eight blocks of freshman and sophomores together and eight blocks of juniors and seniors. In January, we added the Catch My Breath curriculum directed at the E-Cigarette - vaping crisis in our school community. Our student body also created and produced a high-quality public service announcement that involved many departments at the High School. A highlight of community building was our basketball, floor hockey, and volleyball student and staff flex tourneys. Together with the Restorative Justice Office (RJO) we collaborated with organizing, officiating, and playing in these tremendously exciting active sports.

Project Vine

Project Vine is proud of the accomplishments of our program members and of the positive growth our program has seen this year. In January, Project Vine welcomed a new class of 12 freshman students and for the first time began a waitlist for those interested in being part of our alternative model. Continuing with our mission to provide regular, intentional academic and non-academic experiences for our students, which build engagement through relationships, Project Vine hosted its annual Chopped For Charity event, raising hundreds of dollars, food donations, and awareness for the Island Food Pantry.

We ran a fourth annual Corn-Hole Tournament and Silent Auction to raise money for both our awesome multi-disciplinary trip to New York City in early May and to build the Jake Sequoia Baird Memorial Outdoor Classroom, now open for use. The outdoor classroom space was dedicated at our end of the year banquet, where we also announced the winners of the first Jake Sequoia Baird Memorial scholarships, given to two of our graduating seniors in June. The award will be given annually in Jake's memory.

In September, students and staff attended a two-night, technology-free retreat at Penikese Island for the second year in a row. In October, our Island Lore Open-Mic Event held at the MV Museum made the front page of the MV Times. As a testament to the positive reputation of our program, three different Cape and Islands Schools have shown interest in the embedded alternative model used here at MVRHS, and have met with our staff or shadowed our program in the hopes of creating similar programs at their respective schools.

Science

In the past 12 months, the teachers in the Science Department actively engaged in education, community outreach, and collaboration. Our science teachers took classes in educating diverse populations and in curriculum design, including general curriculum design, physics curriculum design, and computer-based STEM design. Teachers attended the National Science Teachers Association Conference and an Engineering Design Conference that focused on engaging students in STEAM-based projects. The department has worked with several local groups (on- Island and off-Island), including Biodiversity Works, Felix Neck, the Shellfish Hatchery, Island Grown Schools, and Cape Light Compact to provide project opportunities for students.

Dr. Fyler has continued working on the growing issue of tick-transmitted Lyme disease on Martha's Vineyard. Dr. Fyler and a number of students have been collecting and extracting tick DNA to better understand the transmission of the disease and its spread on the Island.

The department has set goals to improve student work around formal lab writing and organizing data. We continue to try to identify best practice standards and implement common skills, assessments, and overacting ideas that can be incorporated throughout the science curriculum.

MVRHS students continue to do well on the biology MCAS with the percentage of students scoring proficient or advanced well above the state average.

The science department also saw the retirement of long-time science teacher Jackie Hermann last June. Jackie's devotion to her students and hard work on the science fair will be greatly missed. Anna Cotton has moved into the science department full time in Jackie's place. Jason Neago took over the science fair reins last year, and he did a great job organizing the fair and science day. The science department held its science fair and science day in March of last year and received a great deal of positive feedback concerning the student work displayed and projects completed by the students. In response to feedback from students, the science fair is moving back to its February 7th date to allow our students to compete in the regional and state science fair.

Louis Hall and the Protect Your Environment Club have been leading the cause of climate change education and helping to raise awareness of the climate crisis. Students under Mr. Hall's guidance participated in climate strikes locally every Friday and at the state house.

Special Education

The focus of the department is to build a positive, collaborative environment and to be an integral part of the school community at large. The role of the Special Education Department is to identify eligible students and provide them with specialized instruction to help them fulfill their potential towards college and/or career readiness. Specialized instruction and supports are provided on a continuum from academic and transitional support, in-class support, co-teaching, small-group instruction, to our substantially separate programs. These services/programs are designed with the belief that all students can learn together in the same school to prepare for adult living after graduating/transiting from high school.

We continued Unified Sports this past year and became one of sixteen schools in Massachusetts that earned the status of a banner school after exceeding the minimum qualification of 10 national standards. It was noted that MVRHS exceeded the standards in an inclusive culture, youth leadership, and whole-school engagement. The Unified Program consists of basketball, track and field, and bocce.

The Voyager program is a new development and is a program that supports the transitional needs of our young adults with more significant needs who are working on accessing the community and building independence.

The Department meets on a monthly basis to review special education regulations, practices, monitoring of compliance, and to ensure appropriate supports and services are in place to meet the needs of our students with disabilities receiving specialized instruction. We look forward to 2020 as a year to strengthen initiatives already started and to make progress toward meeting the needs of ALL our children!

Wellness Program

This past year, the peer-to-peer programs continued to grow by including more students. Students now have the opportunity to apply to attend workshops, retreats, and trainings in Dialogue Circles, SWEAR (Stand With Everyone Against Rape) and the Race Culture Diversity Retreat. The 14-year-old Peer Outreach Program is now a weekly club co-created with NAMI of MV. NAMI also sponsored a school-wide assembly on Suicide Prevention in May 2019. In Collaboration with CONNECT and the YTF, a DDT (Drunk Driving Task Force) grant was awarded, and together our organizations sponsored 3 school-wide assemblies about substance use/mental health. The grant also paid for an anti-

vaping PSA developed by students. Embedded mental health and substance abuse counseling continued this past year and included individual and group therapy, AI-a-Teen meetings, Recovery Coaching, and counseling for our ELL population. MVRHS and IWYC continued their collaboration by offering case management services to families in need.

World Language

The World Language Department continues to honor and celebrate language and culture with a wide variety of events and opportunities for students including a Festa Junina celebration in collaboration with the Family Center, a forró dance group and Student Immigrant Leadership Club during flex, and a new Spanish for Portuguese speakers' course. Students in the department demonstrated their advanced language skills and seven graduates earned the Massachusetts State Seal of Biliteracy, which was awarded for the first time this year. Also, all students who took the AP Spanish exam passed with flying colors. Teachers in the department had the honor of meeting with Laurie Olsen, one of the people responsible for starting the original Seal of Biliteracy in California. As we move forward with the Massachusetts State Seal of Biliteracy and the soon-to-be-updated state standards for language learning, the department embarked on a shared goal of exploring more proficiency-based strategies. A large portion of the department is also participating in a district-wide Community of Practice where they continue to collaborate with the elementary language teachers and share best practices in order to improve students' proficiency in the languages they are learning and discuss proficiency targets for each level.

Thank you for letting me share this information with you and for your continued support of MVRHS. Our faculty and staff are committed to engaging students with challenging academics and providing additional support and resources to better prepare them for their journey after high school. It is through the dedication and support of our teachers, our administrators, school committee, community partnerships, parents, and our students that all of this is made possible. Without these groups working together as a team we would not have been able to accomplish all that we have on a daily basis.

Respectfully submitted,

SARA DINGLEDY
Principal

**MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
FY19 ASSESSMENT**

DESCRIPTION	FY19 AMOUNT							Total
	Aquinnah	Chilmark	Edgartown	Oak Bluffs	Tisbury	West Tisbury		
Operating & Capital Budget	\$ 21,009,788.50							
Charter School/School Choice Tuition	831,933.00	21,841,721.50						
Less								
Chapter 70 State Aid	2,835,120.00							
Chapter 71 Regional Transportation Aid	285,259.00							
Other Revenues	286,135.00							
E&D Offset	43,377.21	3,449,891.21						
FY18 Net Amount for Assessments	\$	<u>18,391,830.29</u>						
Town Apportionments								
(i) Required Minimum Local Contribution	103,424.00	298,082.00	1,888,137.00	1,944,163.00	1,797,530.00	1,136,584.00	7,167,920.00	
(ii) Excess of NSS over Required Minimum	177,044.39	450,667.85	2,720,089.83	2,848,855.03	2,575,241.92	1,577,337.48	10,349,236.50	
(iii) Transportation	6,515.22	16,584.54	100,099.07	104,837.62	94,768.68	58,045.88	380,851.00	
(iii) Capital	9,147.11	23,284.05	140,535.20	147,187.94	133,051.54	81,494.16	534,700.00	
(iii) Other Costs	42.77	108.87	657.08	688.18	622.09	381.03	2,500.00	
Gross Assessments	296,173.49	788,727.30	4,849,518.17	5,045,731.76	4,601,214.22	2,853,842.56	18,435,207.50	
Less E&D Offset	742.05	1,888.90	11,400.83	11,940.53	10,793.72	6,611.16	43,377.21	
FY19 Assessments Per Statutory Assmt Method	\$ 295,431.44	786,838.40	4,838,117.34	5,033,791.23	4,590,420.49	2,847,231.39	18,391,830.29	
This schedule presents the town apportionments consistent with DESE's Statutory Assessment Methodology format.								
Numbers may be off due to rounding.								
Member Town % Based on Statutory Assessment Method (voted by School Committee)	1.64%	5.22%	25.04%	28.32%	25.78%	14.01%	100.00%	
School Population based on Town Census (10/1/19)	11	35	168	190	173	94	671	

**MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BUDGET AND ACTUAL EXPENDITURES
JUNE 30, 2019**

Expenditure	Original Budget	Actual	Variance
Supt/Shared Services: Administration			
Administration: Salaries	\$ 155,294.71	\$ 151,807.79	\$ 3,486.92
Administration: Expenses	11,535.00	14,689.71	(3,154.71)
Administration Subtotal	<u>166,829.71</u>	<u>166,497.50</u>	<u>332.21</u>
Supt/Shared Services: Instruction			
Instruction: Salaries	282,503.63	276,291.97	6,211.66
Instruction: Expenses	38,700.00	34,949.08	3,750.92
Instruction Subtotal	<u>321,203.63</u>	<u>311,241.05</u>	<u>9,962.58</u>
Supt/Shared Services: Operation and Maintenance of Plant			
Operation and Maint. Of Plant: Salaries	-	1,891.53	(1,891.53)
Operation and Maint. Of Plant: Expenses	24,570.20	20,505.06	4,065.14
Operation and Maint of Plant Subtotal	<u>24,570.20</u>	<u>22,396.59</u>	<u>2,173.61</u>
Supt/Shared Services: Fixed Costs			
Fixed Costs: Salaries	39,261.00	39,261.02	(0.02)
Fixed Costs: Expenses	39,738.74	40,669.54	(930.80)
Fixed Costs Subtotal	<u>78,999.74</u>	<u>79,930.56</u>	<u>(930.80)</u>
TOTAL Supt/Shared Services	<u>591,603.28</u>	<u>580,065.70</u>	<u>11,537.60</u>
High School Programs: Administration			
Administration: Salaries	141,185.00	145,492.00	(4,307.00)
Administration: Expenses	113,657.28	115,863.02	(2,205.74)
Administration Subtotal	<u>254,842.28</u>	<u>261,355.02</u>	<u>(6,512.74)</u>
High School Programs: Instruction			
Instruction: Salaries	10,096,557.09	10,095,506.50	1,050.59
Instruction: Expenses	697,582.73	648,867.45	48,715.28
Instruction Subtotal	<u>10,794,139.82</u>	<u>10,744,373.95</u>	<u>49,765.87</u>
High School Programs: Other School & Community Services			
Other School & Community Services: Salaries	1,797,549.79	1,716,911.70	80,638.09
Other School & Community Services: Expenses	710,419.84	817,493.12	(107,073.28)
Elementary Transportation Reimbursement	(1,033,840.00)	(1,159,313.75)	125,473.75
Other School & Community Services Subtotal	<u>1,474,129.63</u>	<u>1,375,091.07</u>	<u>99,038.56</u>
High School Programs: Operation and Maintenance of Plant			
Operation and Maint. Of Plant: Salaries	632,705.70	655,277.77	(22,572.07)
Operation and Maint. Of Plant: Expenses	1,324,703.26	1,429,710.93	(105,007.67)
Operation and Maint of Plant Subtotal	<u>1,957,408.96</u>	<u>2,084,988.70</u>	<u>(127,579.74)</u>
High School Programs: Fixed Costs			
Employee Retirement	338,889.47	358,186.26	(19,296.79)
Retired Municipal Teachers	615,638.41	584,870.57	30,767.84
Other Post Employment Benefits	838,783.00	838,783.00	-
Employee Separation Costs	13,000.00	35,700.00	(22,700.00)
Insurance - Employee Related	2,653,631.51	2,590,721.19	62,910.32
Insurance - School Related	322,351.14	329,655.85	(7,304.71)
Miscellaneous Fixed Charges	2,500.00	2,000.00	500.00
Bus/Vehicle Capital Purchase	325,000.00	318,399.00	6,601.00
Roof Project Principal	180,000.00	180,000.00	-
Roof Project Interest	29,700.00	29,700.00	-
Residential Care Tuitions	618,171.00	595,965.54	22,205.46
Fixed Costs Subtotal	<u>5,937,664.53</u>	<u>5,863,981.41</u>	<u>73,683.12</u>
TOTAL High School Programs	<u>20,418,185.22</u>	<u>20,329,790.15</u>	<u>88,395.07</u>
TOTAL Operating Expenses	<u>\$ 21,009,788.50</u>	<u>\$ 20,909,855.85</u>	<u>\$ 99,932.67</u>

PUBLIC LIBRARY



The Sounds Like Summer concert series, underwritten by the Friends of the Edgartown Free Public Library, featured live performances by Island bands and drew enthusiastic crowds every week in July and August.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

“Our Mission: We remain responsive and relevant to the needs of both our local and global community by maintaining our tradition of excellence in service, fostering lifelong learning, and enriching the lives of the community we serve. We are committed to maintaining equitable access to information and ideas in a continually-evolving public library that is welcoming to all.

“Our Vision: The library will be recognized as a civic anchor of the town, a partner with other agencies, organizations, and services, and a dynamic contributor to the town’s cultural and educational well-being.”

These core statements frame the Edgartown Free Public Library’s Strategic Plan for years 2020 to 2024, a document formally adopted in October by the Library Board of Trustees. The 27-page plan, available on the “About Us” page of the library website, charts strategies that will enable the library to grow, evolve, and continue to respond to the needs of our community for the next five years and beyond.

The opening of Edgartown’s new library building in March 2016 was a milestone in the history of this 128-year-old institution. Now, as we look to the completion of our first four years in this new facility and the beginning of the fifth, is the time to heed the words of Henry David Thoreau: “If you have built castles in the air . . . that is

where they should be. Now put the foundations under them.”

Maintaining the high standard of professional service that our patrons have come to expect is a central goal for the Edgartown Public Library. From training newly hired staff, to preparing technical manuals for such library resources as AV equipment, to providing opportunities for professional development, this will continue to be a primary focus. In 2019, the library began offering scheduled weekly sessions of one-on-one help for patrons with questions about use of their personal computers, phones and other technology. At year’s end, the library was making plans together with its sister institutions across the Island to institute fine-free lending for all materials. Looking ahead, the library plans to bolster its presence online with its monthly email newsletter, its website, and on social media platforms.

Youth services is the fastest-expanding front for the library staff, which is still growing into the possibilities presented by our proximity to the Edgartown School next door. The Children’s Room is a bustling center of activity every day after school, and all through the day during the busy summer season. The library continues to connect with collaborating organizations in the community, from Felix Neck Wildlife Sanctuary and the FARM Institute to the Family Center at Community Services, offering programs that enrich the lives of our youngest patrons. And Young Adult Game Night has become a fixture of the week for a number of teens who happily



Story hour with Children’s Librarian Elyce Retmier.



Virginia Munro leads her popular winter class, Adventures in Slow Cooking.

turn their phones off and engage each other in play, the old-fashioned way.

Programming for all ages is another important focus, as we continue to explore the possibilities offered by the library's Program Room. In 2019 the library offered a series of gallery displays by Island artists, book talks and poetry readings by Island authors, and informative workshops on topics from the college admissions process to marketing on Facebook and Instagram. The library partnered with AARP to provide counseling at tax time, and with the Edgartown Council on Aging to provide tutoring for iPad users. Library music programs ranged from choral music to a Celtic duo, from the Scottish Society Singers to the MV Spirituals Choir and The Pinkletinks, a favorite Island band that gives concerts for children. And as always, the Sounds Like Summer series of concerts on the library lawn (and indoors when it rains) was a popular favorite with all ages.

In the Program Room, there were curated movies presented almost every week, cake-decorating classes for children, guitar and ukulele lessons, slow-cooker classes for adults, public forums sponsored by the Vineyard Mediation Project and the League of Women Voters, and a wide variety of meetings involving outside community groups, from Island educators to police officers, from neighborhood associations to Edgartown town hall staff. The Martha's Vineyard Vegan Society distributed free food on all but the busiest summer months of the year, and the Island Grown Initiative served several free family lunches during the winter season. And for one weekend day in November, the Program Room became a shopper's paradise for hundreds of visitors to the library's fourth annual Clothing Swap event.

Continuing to build high quality, innovative and diverse programming for all ages that entertains, educates, sparks dialogue, and brings our community together is an important goal of the library's Strategic Plan for the next five years.

At the public forums that launched the library's strategic planning process back in June 2018, many citizen participants were surprised to learn that the Edgartown Library maintains such a diverse collection and offers such a broad array of services and programs at a cost that represents only a bit over 2 percent of the town's total operating budget. In fact, the richness of the library's programming throughout the year is made possible by the Friends of the Edgartown Free Public Library, who raise essential financial support with events, fund drives and fund-raising sales throughout the year. The

Friends entirely underwrite such vital library programs as the Sounds Like Summer concert series and the children's summer reading program. The Edgartown Library's calendar would be much sparser without the support of this dedicated group, and their work is greatly appreciated by the staff and trustees.



Painting lantern globes in a summer crafts program.

The reach of the Edgartown Library extends far beyond our physical building, thanks to the increasing richness of the materials offered to our patrons online. The Overdrive service of the CLAMS library network, at year's end, included 7,855 downloadable audiobooks and 30,883 e-book titles. And in 2019, eight of the Commonwealth's largest library networks agreed to share electronic materials—



A cozy nook of the Children’s Room makes the perfect spot to enjoy a picture book together.

which means an Edgartown patron’s card now gives access to digital titles from across the state. On behalf of our patrons, the Edgartown Library also subscribes to Kanopy, an excellent source of curated films from around the world; to Hoopla, a digital media provider with a rich catalogue, and to Mango, a powerful language learning service.

On any given day at the Edgartown Public Library, a college student may be taking a proctored exam in one of the upstairs study rooms while the weekly knitting group meets in another. Old friends might be catching up over coffee (provided by the Friends) at one of the tables downstairs, while children enjoy a creative crafts project or story hour and adult patrons read today’s newspapers. Upstairs, the public computers are busy with patrons checking mail, printing and scanning documents. One staff member might be setting out chairs in the Program Room for the evening’s documentary or international film—perhaps an Opera Club program—while another steps from behind the circulation desk to lead a patron to a book they were seeking. At a table by the front entrance, a parent and child might be deep into a game of chess while other patrons browse the giveaway shelves of free books and videos.

Each day at the library in 2019 was unique and filled with opportunities to assist and educate, to foster social connections, to enrich the lives of the community we serve. For seizing each of these opportunities, for creating such a consistently welcoming space at the center of Edgartown’s civic life, we are deeply grateful to the staff, to the Friends, and to all the supporters of the Edgartown Public Library.

Respectfully submitted,

Edgartown Free Public Library Board of Trustees
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Facts at a Glance

fiscal year ending 6/30/2019

Collection size.....	86,510
Books	35,661
Subscriptions.....	104
Audio CDs	2,515
Video	8,376
Downloadable audio	7,855
Downloadable books.....	30,883
Circulation	88,878
Edgartown residents holding library cards	2,419
Edgartown library cards total	6,674
Volunteers	32
Volunteer hours	1,010
Total number of programs held at the library	712
Total attendance at programs.....	13,789
Total annual foot traffic.....	97,143



HUMAN RESOURCES

BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

The Board of Health respectfully submits the following calendar year 2019 report to the voters and taxpayers of the Town of Edgartown.

The year 2019 passed with a broad span of activity within our jurisdiction ranging from being the custodian of permitting records dating back to the late 1970s for on-site water supply and wastewater disposal systems to permitting and overseeing approximately annual 100 food service permits. A significant part of each day is spent responding to records requests, researching permit records held by the department and providing copies of these public documents to interested parties. Additionally, significant time is spent throughout the year responding to a variety of proponents of new and innovative approaches to activities governed by the Board of Health. Often these innovative approaches originate in the food service industry and include topics such as food trucks, production of packaged food for wholesale distribution, shared commercial kitchen use by more than a single operator and temporary and special food events. As such, the office experiences a lot of foot traffic each day as project proponents and others with a good idea, some ingenuity and an entrepreneurial spirit all seek guidance as they develop and submit proposals for much of the construction and food service activity and growth in Edgartown.

Office Hours

In response to the volume of inquires the office receives balanced against the need for scheduled uninterrupted time to focus on larger topics, the Board of Health revised their office hours in 2019. We are now open to serve the public from 9:00 AM until 3:30 PM; Monday through Friday with the exception of Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 1 PM to 4 PM when the office will be closed to non-urgent inquires and will be open by appointment only during those two afternoons. We appreciate your patience and understanding our goal to serve the public's needs as well as perform some of our duties without interruption by non-

urgent matters. We are always available for any matter that arises that needs immediate attention as well as by appointment on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons.

Tick Borne Illness Reduction Program

The six-town Board of Health effort to reduce the incidence of tick borne illness that began in 2011, funded by a grant from the Martha's Vineyard Hospital, continued to operate through 2019. The hospital's grant funding expired in 2017 and the program is now funded almost entirely by private sector donations supplemented by a small contribution from the six Vineyard town boards of health. Richard Johnson continued his diligent work on our behalf running the island-wide program with the assistance of three interns; Spencer Binney, Jonah Rehak and Celena Guimaraes. The program focuses on education, awareness and prevention to avoid being bitten by a tick(s), the importance of seeking prompt treatment if bitten as well as supporting and collaborating other island organizations and efforts to combat the plentiful tick population. This past year the program focused on the increasing presence of the newly arrived on MV Lone Star tick while continuing ongoing work on the more established deer tick and wood tick. We are fortunate to continue to benefit from the support and assistance of Sam R. Telford, SD, MS. Professor, Department of Infectious Disease at Tufts University. Yard Surveys, where an assessment of potential tick habitat is performed during a site visit along with a sample of the actual number of ticks in a representative sample area, supports data collection to assess risk on each property surveyed. Each site visit is an opportunity to educate the property owners and share the message of tick avoidance and bite prevention. A modest donation of \$50 is suggested but not required to underwrite the cost of the service. Donations are tax deductible and are processed for us by the Permanent Endowment for Martha's Vineyard. If you would like to contribute or are interested in arranging a survey please contact the Board of Health office for more information. The table below illustrates the results of Edgartown yard surveys for Lone Star ticks.

Location	# of Surveys	# of Survey w/ Lone Star Ticks	% of Surveys w/ Lone Star Ticks
Chappaquiddick	58	56	97%
"Mainland" Edgartown	24	6	25%

In Brief

- Island Health Care, Inc., based in Edgartown, was contracted by the Board of Health to provide prevention and wellness focused human health services to town residents for the second year. We continue to be pleased with what we have been able to accomplish within the budget for this service and continue to explore ways to connect with more town residents. IHC also provides similar services to the other five island towns which enable us all to benefit from the economies of a combined effort.
 - There were three confirmed illnesses in Edgartown food service establishments from *Vibrio parahaemolyticus*, a naturally occurring marine organism that is most common in oysters. Statewide, Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) inspectors perform an oyster focused inspection from harvest to consumption each time an illness is confirmed anywhere in the state. As a result, DPH inspectors visited Edgartown 3 times last summer. No handling issues were identified in the Edgartown establishments and the occurrence of this illness is largely attributed to consuming oysters during the warmest summer months.
 - Bathing beach water testing and the summer drinking water courier system both concluded another season that runs from the end of June until Labor Day. If you would like to have your well water tested the Board of Health will transport samples to the lab weekly during the summer bathing beach-testing season. Please contact us for a sample bottle and additional information if you're interested.
- As noted in last year's report, the increase in application fees implemented last year, aimed at helping offset office expenses, brought in approximately \$7,000 in additional revenue. This represents approximately an 11% increase in revenue through fees for services directly linked to permits.

Thanks to staff, volunteers and contributions from Board Members

Thanks are due again to John Clark and Tom Pierce who serve as Edgartown's appointed representatives to the Martha's Vineyard Refuse District. Janet Hathaway and Matt Poole continue as Assistant to the Board and Health Agent, respectively. Together they have a combined service to the town of nearly 50 years. Thank you to Kathe Kiley who completed her work as food service inspector for the town in the spring of 2019. Kathie N. Case completed her long tenure as an elected member of the Board of Health in January of 2019. Meegan Lancaster filled the board vacancy in April and we welcome her aboard and appreciate her immediate contributions.

Please feel free to contact us at any time throughout the year if you have any questions or concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD T. ZADEH, Chairman
E. GARRETT ORAZEM, D.M.D.
MEEGAN M. LANCASTER

QUICK FACTS AND STATISTICS

Activity	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Septic permits (total, could tally in multiple categories below)	118	113	121	124	95	101
Septic permits (new construction)	31	29	33	28	37	22
Septic repair or up-grade (total, could tally in multiple categories)	64	60	60	67	30	45
Enhanced Treatment septic system with nitrogen removal	21	20	17	16	10	8
Septic system abandonment permit	21	22	26	28	28	32
Septic application withdrawn prior to action or denied	2	2	2	1	0	2
Septic Permit Variance Hearings (total)	<i>18</i>	<i>new</i>	<i>category</i>	<i>added</i>	<i>in</i>	<i>2019</i>
Variations for repairs or renovations to existing homes	<i>13</i>	<i>new</i>	<i>category</i>	<i>added</i>	<i>in</i>	<i>2019</i>
Variations for new construction	<i>5</i>	<i>new</i>	<i>category</i>	<i>added</i>	<i>in</i>	<i>2019</i>
Sale and Transfer septic system inspection reports received	122	123	126	76	108	97
Passing transfer inspections	108	109	117	72	103	88
Failed transfer inspections	7	7	6	3	3	5
“Needs further evaluation” transfer inspections	4	4	1	0	2	2
“Conditionally passes” transfer inspections	3	3	2	1	0	2
Well Construction permits (new, replacement & irrigation)	18	10	27	28	23	32
Food Establishment permits	103	103	99	95	94	94
Temporary Food Event permits	21	29	25	24	23	30
Tobacco sale permits	11	10	10	12	12	12
“Verified Under-age tobacco sale violations via compliance check or other violation”	3	2	2	4	n/a	n/a
Residential Pool Const.	41	27	21	33	33	27
Body Art Establishment (tattoo)	0	0	0	1	1	1
Fertilizer Applicator Permit (2015 first year required, 3 yr. lifespan)	0	20	0	0	30	n/a
Department revenue from fees	\$67,625	\$60,886	\$53,930	\$48,937	\$49,575	\$45,332

COUNCIL ON AGING

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Edgartown:

The Council on Aging (COA), known as The Anchors, added new members, guests, visitors, and participants to programs and events in 2019, continuing to expand services to our Edgartown elders. ***Overall, in 2019, 923 seniors participated over 10,207 times in an Anchors sponsored meal, activity, program, or event. This includes the number of elders served by the Anchors outreach team in the Edgartown community.***

Additionally, on 566 separate occasions, people signed in as “guests” and attended one program or another at the Anchors in 2019.

Moreover, the generosity of the Friends of the Edgartown COA and Edgartown residents contributed to improvements to our senior center, making it more safe, appealing, and inviting for staff and guests. We cannot adequately express our gratitude and appreciation to our Friends for helping make this all possible.

COUNCIL ON AGING BOARD ACTIVITY

The COA seven-member supervisory Board is comprised of volunteers, all Edgartown residents. The Board meets monthly, except July and August, on the third Friday of each month at 8:30 a.m., at The Anchors. This year, the Board continued to focus on outreach and services to the Edgartown senior community, particularly our home-bound elders.

Rosemary Cunningham has assumed the role of Chair while former Chair **Jay Sigler** continues to serve and provide guidance to the new Chair. The other Board members are **Heidi Boyd, Marvene O’Rourke, Stephen Miller, Nancy Ignacio,** and **Mary Jane Carpenter**. All come with combined educations, skills, and experience that make them wonderful assets to our Board.

The Anchors would not be the popular, successful senior center it is without the generous donations of time, energy, and resources from our dedicated Board members.

STAFF

The COA experienced turnover in two of its permanent positions due to the retirement of Administrator, **Paul Mohair** and Director of Senior Services, **Wendy Benedetto** in 2019. **Paul** and **Wendy** were huge assets to the COA and will be greatly missed. On July 1, the COA was fortunate to hire **Meris Keating** to a full time position as the new Director of Senior Services. She fit in quite easily due to the fact that she had worked as the Grant funded part – time outreach worker previously at the Anchors and has an extensive background working with seniors. In October, **Greg Rollins** took over as the Administrator of the Council after working for 23 years both on and off the Island in Boys and Girls Clubs and other social service organizations. **Donna**

Paulson, our secretary/receptionist is in her eleventh year of employment at the COA. **Donna** continues to greet all visitors, answer the phone, and respond to community needs, as well administering our Open Cupboard (food surplus) program. Her cheery presence at the reception area adds to the welcoming atmosphere of the COA.

Cook **Diane Wall** has been running the Anchors’ kitchen over ten years. **Diane’s** delicious Tuesday and Friday lunches provide nutrition and opportunities for seniors to linger, mingle, and socialize at their leisure in our pleasant dining room overlooking the Edgartown harbor. **Diane’s** tasty home-made frozen soups “to go” are available every day and a staple in many an Edgartown senior’s fridge.

One of the most important components of the Department is community outreach. In 2019, our outreach worker, Edgartown resident **Victoria Haeselbarth**, increased services and the number of seniors served both in the Anchors and at their homes. **Victoria** links seniors with programs and services that will help them remain well and independent. She provides case management for the most vulnerable seniors, providing them with support and guidance. This includes, but is not limited to, assistance with benefits applications, such as housing, fuel assistance and SNAP (food stamps), developing care plans, facilitating family meetings regarding age-related concerns or simply supplying emotional support. In addition to outreach, **Victoria** is webmaster of the COA website; she is also a member of the Dukes County Health Council, Harbor Homes homeless prevention, Healthy Aging MV, and co-leader of the island’s Memory Support Group.

NOTABLE NEW PROGRAMS AND OTHER EVENTS IN 2019

The following are some of the Council on Aging activities, events, and programs for 2019. It is not all inclusive.

Exercise classes include Tai Chi, Qigong, strength training, yoga and chair yoga; programming includes Stress Management Class with MV Partnership for Health, two Elder Mediation and Conflict Resolution Workshops with MV Mediation; a six-week class, “Powerful Tools for Caregivers,” with MV Partnership for Health; twice weekly bridge, movies, weekly Art Club, SHINE appointments (Serving Health Insurance Needs for Everyone), Elder Law appointments, cooking classes, new monthly Women’s and Men’s Book Club; ear wellness and hearing tests, visits from our Selectmen, Fall Prevention with our Fire Department, Coffee with a Cop, iPad classes, intergenerational programs with high school students, bowling at Barn Bowl & Bistro, Antibiotics Awareness Program, annual MV Hospital Health Fair, monthly newsletters, memory screenings, monthly art exhibits, senior off-island trips, music performances, derby fish distribution, Open Pantry (surplus food) distribution, dental hygiene and foot clinics, fuel assistance, home

delivered holiday meals, Conversation Group, Poetry Group, games and crafts, Mah Jong, Needlepoint, Needlework for Charity, Mindful Knitting, AARP Tax Assistance Program, screenings by our town public health nurse, Veterans Services, VTA senior bus pass distribution, Christmas in Edgartown Open House, notary public services, Memory Support Group, and karaoke.

VOLUNTEERS

The COA and our Volunteer Coordinator, Meris Keating, give thanks to the dozens of volunteers who donated their time in 2019. These include our Board members, fish distribution assistants, friendly visitors, Gleaners, kitchen helpers, cooks, dining room set up assistants, reception and telephone assistants, club and group leaders, newsletter team, drivers, meal deliverers, surplus food handlers, craft class leaders, our SHINE (Serving Health Information Needs to Everyone) representative, and tax prep helpers. The benefits of volunteering are *economic*: almost 1,500 hours of volunteering provided \$22,500 of services to our town; *social*: our volunteers visited with many seniors helping to bridge services and build a more cohesive and stable community; *individual*: our volunteers met new people, gained work experience and put their talents to use by helping and teaching others. We salute our hard working volunteers. Thank you all!

COMMUNITY SUPPORT AND DONATIONS

Donations were received from the following businesses and individuals: Chilmark Chocolates, MV Bass & Bluefish Fishing Derby, Murdick's Cafe, Murdick's Fudge, Katama General Store, The IGI Gleaners, Slip Away Farm, Island Food Products, Edgartown Pizza, farmer Bob Daniels, and the many individuals, gardeners, farms, and farmers who brought us fresh vegetables and flowers. Also, thank you for the donations from many, many Edgartown residents who gave food, produce, books, and cash. We are extremely grateful to our local businesses, friends and neighbors, and many more who make the Anchors special.

FRIENDS OF THE ECOA

The Friends of the Edgartown COA meet regularly to assist the COA in serving and supporting our community's seniors. Our Friends continue to be a tremendous financial and spiritual resource. This year, the Friends contributed over \$11,000, supporting and subsidizing such programs as: food for our monthly surplus food program, classes at Featherstone Center for the Arts and COMSOG, yoga, tai chi, bowling, and strength training classes; purchased roses for our monthly birthday party luncheons and planning calendars for our holiday open house; funded several presentations and musical performances and subsidized an off-island trip. Moreover, the Friends also donate to seniors' heating and energy costs, as well as gift cards for the Stop and Shop supermarket. In collaboration with our EMTs and outreach, the Friends created an account which funded smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, fire extinguishers, and lock boxes. In 2019 the Friends also purchased a commercial dishwasher

for the Anchors with a total cost of \$6,000 in addition to their annual contribution. It has been greatly beneficial keeping the kitchen running smoothly.

TOWN DEPARTMENTS WORKING TOGETHER

We are grateful for the town departments that help meet the needs of the Anchors and town seniors. The Town Assessor's office continues the Senior Tax Work-Off Program that allows seniors to work and receive property tax credit. Our Board of Health funds our public health nurse and blood pressure clinics, case management, and home visits. The Police Department assists with outreach and distributes emergency call phone number listings to seniors. The Fire Department and EMTs updated seniors' personal information. Our Library donated rooms for Anchors-sponsored programs. Our COA is part of the Emergency Management Team coordinating emergency responses to storms, hurricanes, and inclement weather events.

PARTNERSHIPS

We have maintained our partnership with the Trustees of Reservations, providing educational tours of its island properties. We have partnerships with the Martha's Vineyard Museum and Featherstone Center for the Arts and Community Solar Greenhouse (COMSOG) which are subsidized by our Friends. Most importantly, as a member of Healthy Aging MV, our COA supports and makes valuable contributions to island-wide programs and initiatives benefiting seniors.

PROGRAM AND SERVICES STATISTICS

The COA served 1,010 individuals, mostly Edgartown seniors. Not incidentally, over 566 "guests" attended one program or another at the Anchors in 2019.

According to our town street list, Edgartown's aged sixty plus population is about 1,741 seniors. Of the 1,052 individual seniors served, 62% were women and 38% men; or 656 women, 396 men. This population was served or participated in Anchors programming more than 8,400 times.

Statistics below reflect numbers on individuals participating in different Anchors programs; the numbers do not include how many times each individual attended each program and/or event. Moreover, these numbers do not reflect all attendees of all programs, but show attendance for our most popular activities, events, and outreach. These numbers, or data, are entered into our MySeniorCenter data base and reported in various ways, depending on the statistics sought.

OUTREACH / ADVOCACY

511 received advocacy for support services
37 received health insurance counseling
95 individuals received visits in their homes
158 received assistance, including fuel subsidy, family support, hospital visits

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

13 received legal services and financial management consulting

276 received mental health support

SUPPORT SERVICES

104 received friendly visits

564 received telephone reassurance calls

26 borrowed medical equipment

16 purchased senior VTA bus passes

WELLNESS

18 attended COA sponsored memory support group

172 attended yoga, strength training, walking, cycling, and other exercise groups

104 attended various programs, including blood pressure screening, dental, and foot clinic

NUTRITION, LUNCHESES

81 received monthly Open Cupboard/surplus food, including fish derby distribution

458 attended Anchors lunches*

*2,012 lunches were served by our kitchen to the 458 seniors who came for lunch in 2019

OTHER

80 attended educational programs, including computers, cooking, and crafts

200 attended cultural events, such as movies, poetry, music performances

Respectfully submitted,

ROSEMARY CUNNINGHAM

Chairperson, Board of Directors

GREGORY ROLLINS

Administrator

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ELDER SERVICES OF CAPE COD & THE ISLANDS INC.

Honorable Board of Selectmen and
Citizens of Edgartown:

Elder Services of Cape Cod & the Islands Inc. is a private not-for-profit community-based organization serving the changing needs of the older adult population in the twenty two towns of Barnstable, Dukes, and Nantucket counties. Since 1972, we have been dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for elders in the community and help assist them to maintain maximum independence and dignity. We are the federally designated Area Agency on Aging (AAA), the state designated Aging Services Access Point (ASAP), and the Aging Disability Resource Consortium (ADRC).

In FY 19 Elder Services Nutrition program (Meals on Wheels, Senior Dining) served 43,995 meals on MV. There were 204 seniors served at Elder Services Dining sites, and 259 seniors received meals delivered to their homes by a corps of over 100 Meals on Wheels volunteers. Under the oversight of the Elder Services registered Dietitian, all meals are prepared through our contract with the Martha's Vineyard Hospital and are delivered to homes and dining sites in all six towns by our volunteers. Our Senior Dining sites are located at the Oak Bluffs, Tisbury, and Up Island Councils on Aging. Our Nutrition program coordinator also participates in the Island Food Equity Network Summit that meets to collaborate on food access for Martha's Vineyard residents.

Our Home Care Program provides eligible elders the supportive services they need to live safely and independently at home. Professional Care Managers assess needs, develop a service plan, arrange for necessary support, and see elders on going to ensure continuous management of services. In FY 19, The Home Care Program served 271 elders on MV. There were 24,846 hours provided through; personal care assistance, medication management, light cleaning, meal prep, shopping, chore, and laundry services. In addition, 93 elders were enrolled with the Personal Emergency Response System (PERS) and the cost for our consumers to attend the Martha's Vineyard Center for Living Supportive Day Program was covered by our Home Care Program.

Senior Corps RSVP volunteers are providing transportation services for Vineyard Village at Home. A volunteer Nursing Home Ombudsman regularly visits residents of Windemere Nursing and Rehabilitation Center to provide advocacy and support. Elder Services of Cape Cod and The Islands has also been an active member of The Dukes County Health Council since its inception. We also serve on the Oversight Committee of its Healthy Aging Martha's Vineyard as well as the Falls Prevention sub-committee. Our Protective Services unit has joined Martha's Vineyard Community Services' Connect to End Violence elder abuse prevention effort and Safe Seniors collaboration. We look forward to active and ongoing participation in these local initiatives.

In addition to the Elder Services' in-house programs that serve the elder population, the AAA distributes Older America Act Title III funds to other community agencies/organizations to provide needed care and assistance. Martha's Vineyard was awarded funds for programs offered through Martha's Vineyard Community Services. Martha's Vineyard Community Services provides bi-monthly support groups for caregivers of elders. MVCS also provides some funding for respite needs while caregiver attends the support group. This program was awarded \$7,500. Martha's Vineyard Community Services also provides home/community short-term assessment, intervention, and referral for mental health and substance abuse issues for elders 60 and over. This program was awarded \$8,000.

Elder Services of Cape Cod and the Islands uses federal, state, town, and private funds to provide services and maintain programs. The value of these funds is greatly enhanced by Town support, the cooperative efforts of the Councils on Aging, and the many Island residents who volunteer their time and skills. We appreciate the value of the community support we receive and expect to continue to work collaboratively and productively with local resources to meet the challenges of the future.

MEGAN PANEK, MV Director

Programs and Services

Information & Referral: A central source of information on all services available to older adults on Cape Cod and the Islands as well as the entry point for referral to Elder Services' many programs. All referrals Call 1-800-244-4630. For additional information visit our website at www.escci.org. Martha's Vineyard Office- 508-693-4393.

Protective Services: Help is available 24/7 for anyone over the age of 60 who has been abused, neglected, financially exploited or is at risk of harm due to self-neglect. Call 1-800-922-2275 to report 7 days a week 24 hours a day.

Home Care Program: Services are provided to help an elder remain safely in the community; Care Managers assess the needs, develop a service plan, arrange for supports, and see elders on going to manage services, and help with resources. To qualify, individuals must be sixty or older, meet financial eligibility guidelines, and have specific unmet care needs.

Senior Nutrition Program: Senior Dining Centers are located at Tisbury, Oak Bluffs, and Up-island Senior Centers; Meals on Wheels are delivered by volunteers in every town for any elder who is homebound. Delivery is Mon-Fri usually between 10-Noon.

Family Caregiver Support Program: Provides education, advocacy, and connections to community resources that will enable the caregiver to better care for their loved ones as well as themselves.

Money Management Program: Volunteers, trained and certified, meet with elders in their homes to help them balance their checkbooks, pay bills, and oversee other routine financial management tasks.

Senior Community Services Employment Program: Provides training and part-time employment to individuals fifty-five and older.

Senior Service Corps: A corps of volunteers who enhance the community by participating in a wide variety of service activities.

Options Counseling: Provides information and short-term counseling to assist consumers (elders aged 60 and older or individuals over the age of 18 with any disability) in making informed choices about long term care services, support, and settings.

Long Term Care Ombudsman Program: Ombudsmen are trained and certified advocates with the authority to make weekly unannounced visits to facilities to monitor the condition of the home and meet with residents and/or their families to discuss any concerns they might have about the quality of their care.

Long Term Care Screening: Registered nurses assess an individual's health and functional abilities in order to determine medical eligibility for Medicaid funding of nursing home care.

MARTHA'S VINEYARD CENTER FOR LIVING

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

Mission statement:

“Martha’s Vineyard Center for Living strives to improve the quality of life for those impacted by issues of aging and impairment.”

“This is beautiful. What a wonderful, warm place to come to” is the overwhelming reaction of clients and family members who come to the Center every day, as well as those who drop in for the first time. MV Center for Living (MVCL) continues to grow and adjust to our new location and surroundings. We are providing new and engaging programs along with many of the old favorites. Lots of talented and interesting community members have joined us for lunch, sharing their talents and engaging in the fun and vitality. The Center is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. A 501c3 non-profit, we are generously supported by all six island towns, and governed by a Board of Directors consisting of 13 members, 2 from each island town and one County representative. Current board members are: Gail Barmakian, President (OB); June Manning, Clerk (Aqu); Shirley Dewing, Treasurer (Edg); Jane Keenan (Edg); Miki Badnek, (Tisb); Jay Grande, (Tisb); Risë Terney, (WT)); Mary Breslauer, (Chil); Martina Thornton (Dukes County). We have openings on the board for members from Aquinnah, Chilmark, West Tisbury and Oak Bluffs.

Programs & Services:

Supportive Day Program:

The Supportive Day Program (SDP) is a professionally run social program for individuals who would be at risk if left alone and unable to participate independently in community activities and programs such as those offered at local Senior Centers.

Equally important is respite provided for families and caregivers of SDP participants. Many of our clients have multiple medical conditions or chronic illnesses, including Alzheimer’s disease or other dementias. None of this changes the fact that most folks wish to live at home in the care of their families, and are eager to spend time with peers and friends. The Center is a place where all can engage in their community, regardless of ability, enjoying the company of others in a safe environment free of stigma. The Supportive Day offers companionship and a wide range of engaging activities tailored to individual capacity, including exercise and yoga, music and dancing, arts and crafts, a book group, history club and more. Most importantly, careful attention is paid to the physical and emotional needs of our clients. We provide a nutritious, home-made noon meal served family style, and morning and afternoon snacks. Some meals are provided through generous donations from several restaurants and caterers including Linda Jean’s, Bite on the Go, Island Fresh Pizza, the Black Dog Bakery, Johnny Smiles catering, and one donor who wishes to remain anonymous.

Daily transportation to and from the Center is available and provided by the Vineyard Transit Authority (VTA).

In 2019, 42 individuals joined us at the Supportive Day Program for a total of 2543 units of service (days). The Center is a place for folks who are otherwise isolated, to meet their peers, develop friendships and enjoy the company of others. Respite for caregivers is critical. Schedules are arranged according to the needs of individual participants and caregivers, full or half days are an option. In comparison, in-home, private duty care, (if you can find it!) is \$25-\$35 per hour. The cost to a family for private care would be \$150-\$350 per day, or between \$37,000 and \$90,000 annually. Supportive Day Program rates are \$50 for a full day (9am-3pm) and \$35 for half day (11:00-3pm), a cost effective, affordable alter-native to private in-home care, or long term care (nursing home) costs which can be as much as \$9000 per month. The new building at 29 Breakdown Lane also gives us the ability to expand the Supportive Day Program to 5 days; Thursday was added to the schedule as of October 2019 (FY20).

Dementia Family Support:

Dementia Family Support Services began as a pilot program and continues to be supported with grant funding and donations. In 2018, we received \$7,100 from United Way of Cape Cod & the Islands. Dementia Family Support Services has two components;

- Dementia Caregiver Support Group - meets twice monthly
- Family Support Services - for individualized support, care management, planning and referrals (as funding allows).

In FY19, 12 caregivers attended the Support Group over the course of the year, some regularly and others as needed. Family Support Services met with 20 families/caregivers. Referrals for Family Support are initiated by family caregivers and other agencies or professionals involved with the client or family. Most families meet with the clinician for a 1-2 hour consultation, some for an additional 1 hour follow up. The DFS clinician is available to do cognitive assessments, refer to a Neurologist for further diagnostic testing, and to local agencies including Elder Services of Cape Cod and the Islands, the CORE program at MV Community Services, the Center for Living Supportive Day Program and the Memory & Music Café for additional supports and services.

“There is no book on how to transition your family’s entire life to care for someone with dementia. We need all the support we can get. Until you have experienced it yourself you can’t imagine how terrifying it is. We were drowning until the Dementia Family counselor was kind enough to throw us a lifeline. She was there when we needed her most. Please keep up the good work at MVCL and continue to offer these essential services.” DFS Family.

Memory and Music Café:

The Memory & Music Café brings elder community members, their caregivers, and adults with developmental

and cognitive challenges together every Thursday from 10am to 12n, to socialize, sing and enjoy the company of their peers. Memory Cafés are a national movement in community based services for older adults with memory loss, their family members and caregivers. Memory Cafés are also increasingly open to older adults with developmental disabilities. A portion of our funding for the Memory and Music Café comes from the state Department of Disability Services (DDS). There are over 100 Memory Cafés across Massachusetts and the movement is rapidly going national and international. Memory Cafés differ, but are all welcoming places where people can socialize and enjoy the company of others without fear of stigma. There is no charge to participants and each week 15 to as many as 30 participants join us for two hours of music, song, conversation and camaraderie.

Cape Medivan Service (formerly the Medi-cal Taxi Program):

In October of 2018, the Vineyard Transit Authority (VTA) began a one year pilot program, the Cape Medivan Service. Available on Wednesdays with a handicapped accessible VTA mini bus it left on the 8:15 am boat with passengers going to medical or dental appointments on Cape Cod and in Plymouth for a fee of \$20/round trip, \$10/one way. Unfortunately, this pilot program ended in as of October 2019 and MV Center for Living, along with other community organizations will continue to work with the VTA to find solutions to the growing gap in availability of transportation for Vineyard residents, both on and off-island.

Emergency Food Program:

MVCL is a sponsoring agency of the Greater Boston Food Bank emergency food distribution program Martha's Vineyard, coordinating five Emergency Food Pantries (four Senior Centers and the Serving Hands Pantry, at the Baptist Church Parish House on Williams St. in Vineyard Haven). Each pantry orders a variety of nutritious foods monthly from the Greater Boston Food Bank in Boston. MV Center for Living coordinates with Island Food Products (IFP) to pick up and deliver these orders for distribution to food insecure islanders of all ages.

Island Food Products (IFP) donates a truck & driver and storage space twice a month to pick the food up in Boston, transport it back to the Vineyard and store overnight. It is delivered on-island the next day to the 5 pantry sites mentioned above by one of the local highway departments. Steamship Authority costs for these trips are reimbursed to IFP with grant funding and donations. Island Grown Initiative also distributes fresh produce at the emergency pantry sites, through their gleaning program. The local Stop & Shop stores have designated the Center for Living Emergency Food Program as the recipient organization for their "Meat the Needs" program, as well as their "Food for Friends" program.

The Emergency Food Program serves an average of 250 households monthly, including children and elders and up to 450 families during the mid-winter and holiday seasons. Through the Greater Boston Food Bank we also have access to grant funding to increase capacity by providing additional

refrigeration and/or freezer and dry storage space at sites where this is feasible.

55PLUS Times-Information and Referral:

The 55PLUS Times is a comprehensive resource with information pertaining to programs and services available to all 55+ Islanders and their families. It is published in the Martha's Vineyard Times on the last Thursday of each month at a cost of \$8000 annually. MVCL is responsible for editing and submitting the information published in the 55Plus Times. It is a valuable source of information and we look forward in 2019 to working with the MV Times editors and staff to make this publication an even better resource for islanders 55 and over.

Martha's Vineyard Regional High School Luncheon Program:

Martha's Vineyard Center for Living coordinates with the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School Culinary Arts Department to offer a three course gourmet meal for \$12 per person once a month in the Culinary Arts dining room at the High School. Under the direction of Chefs Jack O'Malley and Kevin Crowell, the culinary arts students plan, prepare and serve this delicious meal. Students from the Music Department, under the direction of Michael Tinus, provide musical entertainment. Between 25 and 40 seniors attend these luncheons each month. Proceeds go to the Culinary Arts Department.

Home Delivered Holiday Meals:

MVCL coordinates with the Councils on Aging and Chris Porterfield at the Martha's Vineyard Hospital kitchen to provide a home delivered holiday meal to seniors who are alone or homebound on the Thanksgiving, December and Easter holidays. The Martha's Vineyard Hospital food service prepares and packages the meals and the Councils on Aging coordinate volunteers to deliver the meals in their towns. In March 2019, 78 Easter meals were delivered, and during the 2018 holidays, 85 meals were delivered on Thanksgiving Day, and on Christmas Day, 86 meals were delivered to homebound seniors.

Older Americans Act / Senior Nutrition Program:

The Elder Services Nutrition Program, through the Older Americans Act (Meals on Wheels and Senior Dining Centers), is supported financially by the six Vineyard towns through the MVCL's annual budget. In FY2019, the island towns on contributed a combined total of \$36,750 to Elder Services of Cape Cod & the Islands in support of this vital nutrition program.

We are grateful for the generous support, both financial and in spirit, of the town Boards of Selectmen, Finance Committees, Councils on Aging, other municipal agencies and the community at large. This support and generosity makes a positive impact on the lives of many islanders and is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

LESLIE CLAPP, Executive Director

MARTHA'S VINEYARD CULTURAL COUNCIL

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Oak Bluffs:

The mission of the Martha's Vineyard Cultural Council (MVCC) is to promote excellence, access, education, and diversity in the arts, humanities, and interpretive sciences to improve the quality of life for all Island residents. Our grants may be modest, but their effects resound mightily through the Vineyard community.

Each year the Council meets in November to vote on the distribution of grants for the current fiscal year. Grant applicants must be residents of the Commonwealth and at work on a project in the arts, humanities, and interpretive sciences. Instruction, program guidelines, and application forms are available at www.mass-culture.org as well as in each public library. The Martha's Vineyard Cultural Council gives priority to projects originating on the island and benefiting the year-round Island community.

In December 2019, the Commonwealth allocated the MVCC \$28,800 for local re-granting. The six Island Towns also contributed generously: Aquinnah (\$1,500), Chilmark (\$3,500), Edgartown (\$3,500), Oak Bluffs (\$1,500), Tisbury (\$3,500), and West Tisbury (\$3,500). Together the total amount available for grants was \$45,800.

For FY 2020, the MVCC received 68 applications requesting a total of \$151,892. Fifty-six grants awarded at the MVCC Annual Meeting in November 2019 are listed below:

Applicant	Title	Award (\$)
Tisbury School First Grades		
Attend Theater Production at Wheelock College		\$261
Martha's Vineyard Chamber Music Society		
Cello Fest Concert Support		\$748
Grace Episcopal Church Messiah Community Sing		\$617
Abby Bender/Built on Stilts Built on Stilts		\$1,639
Friends of the Edgartown Free Public Library		
Sounds Like Summer - Music on the Lawn		\$1,309
Garden Gate Child Development Center		
Early Childhood Music Studio		\$245
Martha's Vineyard Playhouse, Inc.		
OUR TOWN		\$1,059
Martha's Vineyard Chamber Music Society		
Intensive Ensemble Support		\$384
Martha's Vineyard Chamber Music		
Sound-Energy		\$444
Abby Bender/SchmantzeTheatare		
Abby Bender Schmantze Theatre		\$1,250
Ryan Schwab-Doyon		
Annual Adrenaline Music Project (AMP)		\$723
Memorial Day Picnic Committee -		
Memorial Day Picnic - Town of Tisbury		\$381

West Tisbury Free Public Library		
Interactive viewing of Harry Potter at the MV Film Center		\$298
West Tisbury Free Public Library		
Choro Das Tres Concert		\$833
Steve Henderson		
Mabel and Jerry - a play		\$210
Minnesinger Parent Group		
Choral Festival Competition Field trip		\$1,308
Roberta Kirn		
Winter Concert and Community Sings		\$1,751
Molly Coogan - Membership Down!		\$292
Martha's Vineyard Center for Living		
The Drama in Our Stories		\$738
Dean Rosenthal - 2nd Annual Daykah Concert		\$517
Caitlyn Clark - Summer Reading Kick Off 2020		\$945
Robert Dutton - Out of the Woods		\$458
Vineyard Arts Project - Women's Voices		\$648
The Yard - MAKING IT with Godfrey Muwulya		\$1,302
Tessa Permar		
W.I.L.D. (Working Islanders Local Dance) Co		\$505
Island Children's School Creative Drama at ICS		\$469
Janet Holladay Islanders Dance Series		\$890
ACE MV - Humanities Lecture Series		
"Living and Working on Martha's Vineyard"		\$497
African American Heritage Trail		
Lighting the Trail for Children		\$1,495
Aquinnah Cultural Center, Inc.		
14th Annual Artisans Festival		\$1,900
Carolina Cooney		
Sankofa Festival of African American Literature		\$791
Corinne de Langavant - Art on Ice Ballet		\$638
Daniel Waters - Photographic Time Capsule of Martha's Vineyard		\$1,213
Danielle Charbonneau		
Boston Spring: Immersive City Experience		\$1,692
Donald Nitchie Poetry Drop-in		\$564
Dyer Maker Studio - "Dyeing to Wear It: Creating Community through Color		\$237
Elise LeBovit - Spring Egg Hunt		\$485
Heidi Carter - MV Museum Oral History Project		\$501
Ken Wentworth - Short Film		
About Pioneering Marine Mammal Acoustics		\$1,152
Liz Witham - North Atlantic Right Whale Awareness		\$482
Lynn Thorp - MV Signs Then & Now		\$635
Mabelle Felipe - The News & Weather with Bella		\$915
Marine and Paleobiological Research Institute		
NATIONAL FOSSIL DAY CELEBRATION		\$597
Martha's Vineyard Film Festival - Cinema Circus		\$1,304
Martha's Vineyard Mediation Program		
Each One Teach One		\$627

Martha's Vineyard Regional High School - FBO West Tisbury School	
Creative Drama for WTS	\$1,211
Mary Holmes - Art & Music Therapy at MVC4L	\$851
Noepe Center for Literary Arts	
Weekend Writing Workshops	\$522
PathwaysARTS	
A Celebration of MV Artists/Grant Recipients	\$1,133
Richard Skidmore - Three Short Films	\$548
Sassafras Earth Education	
Presentation "Thanksgiving Myth Busted"	\$1,011
Stephen Power - ISLAND PEOPLE	\$461
Susan Klein - Stories in the Kitchen	\$1,376
The Martha's Vineyard Film Festival	
Vineyard Shorts Program	\$794
The Martha's Vineyard Film Society	
The Martha's Vineyard International Film Festival	\$1,255
Union Chapel Educational and Cultural Institute, Inc.	
Public Forums - Program Support	\$688

As always, the members of the MVCC wish to thank West Tisbury Town Accountant Bruce Stone and Town Treasurer/Collector Katherine Logue, who have processed

the financial transactions of the Council since it became a regional entity in 2003. We are grateful as well to Joyce Albertine and the Up-Island Council on Aging for allowing us to use the Howes House as our meeting place.

Respectfully submitted,

ROB HAUCK, Chair

**Martha's Vineyard Cultural Council
2019 Membership**

Aquinnah

Macey Dunbar
Penny Weinstein

Chilmark

Heather Goff
Wendy Weldon
Margaret Emerson

Edgartown

Claire Chalfoun
Lisa Sherman

Oak Bluffs

Marianne Goldsmith
Abby Remer

Tisbury

Julia Kidd
Lara O'Brien

West Tisbury

Linda Vadasz, Sec.
Irene Tewksbury, Tres.
Rob Hauck, Chr

PLANNING

PLANNING BOARD

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

The following report details the projects and activities of the Edgartown Planning Board for the 2019 calendar year.

Presentations:

In 2018 the Planning Board continued to review and update the Edgartown's Zoning Bylaw. After review and deliberation, the Board approved the following proposed amendments to the Zoning Bylaw, for consideration at Annual Town Meeting:

- The Board received a presentation regarding the proposed Housing Bank under consideration at Annual Town Meeting.
- The board received a presentation from Mr. Philippe Giordi, Island Housing Trust, in regard to a proposal for "Pocket Neighborhoods", a method of permitting cluster-style affordable housing on small (1-1.5 acre) lots.
- The Board received a presentation from Mr. James Hagerty, Town Administrator, who provided a brief report and update on current activities.
- The Board met with members of the Edgartown Byways Committee, who presented an update on Committee business, and a preview of work ahead. Byways Committee Members were recommended for reappointment to the Board of Selectmen.
- Ms. Katrina Nevin and others made a noteworthy presentation to the Board, detailing her concerns regarding vehicle and pedestrian traffic concerns on Chase and Pinehurst Roads, as well as potential solutions for same.
- Mr. Ivan Bradbury presented concerns to the Board about the impact of Summer Construction in Downtown Edgartown.
- Mr. Bill Venno from the MV Commission made a presentation in regard to options for local training, offered by and through the Citizen Planners Training Collaborative.
- The board met with Mr. Dan Doyle from the MV Commission, who provided a presentation on a potential "reimagining" of the 66' Right Of Way on Edgartown-Vineyard Haven Rd, west of the Triangle.
- The Board voted to endorse and support a proposal for reconstruction of drainage structures along Edgartown-Vineyard Haven Road, in accordance with 75% designs prepared by MassDOT.
- The Board received a presentation in regard to proposed renovations to the Martha's Vineyard Airport, and provided comments and feedback.

Ongoing Projects

- The Board continued a public hearing related to an application to subdivide 54.26 acres in R-20 residential district into 36 lots (the so-called "Meetinghouse Place" subdivision). At the end of 2019, the proposal for subdivision continues to be reviewed by the Martha's Vineyard Commission.
- The Board received a revised application for reconfiguration of traffic at the Martha's Vineyard Refuse, Recycling and Refuse Recovery District, located on Edgartown-West Tisbury Road. At the end of 2019, the application is still under review and the public hearing is still open.
- The Board applied for a CPA grant, to be considered by the Town at Town Meeting in April, 2020. The grant would provide funds to survey a section of Swimming Place Path between Herring Creek Road and Road to the Plains. A completed survey is a necessary first step towards improvement of this rough ancient way to that of a more accessible Shared Use Path.
- The board hosted an All Island Planning Board meeting at the Town of West Tisbury Public Library, with representatives of five of six island towns in attendance. The conversation was focused on a proposed revision to the MV Commission's DRI Checklist, and related issues. The conversation was cordial and lively, with many positive outcomes noted by all participants.
- The Planning Board office continues to work with CAI Technologies on a new feature to the Assessors GIS system that will allow residents to directly access Planning Board records from the Assessors GIS system. The Planning Board anticipates the system going live in the first quarter of 2020.
- The Planning Board office also updated its legal library with new copies of Mark Bobrowski's "Massachusetts Handbook of Land Use and Planning Law", as well as a copy of the Massachusetts Zoning Manual, which provide easy and up-to-date reference materials for better adjudication of applications.
- The Planning Board also purchased a non-commercial copy of ArcGIS, and have directed staff to become fluent in its use and operation.
- The Board voted to form a Steering Committee to oversee the revision and drafting of an updated Master Plan for the Town. A warrant article for an appropriation to fund the project has been submitted for consideration at Annual Town Meeting in April 2020. Committee appointments are

anticipated to be made in January, 2020. A final draft of the updated Master Plan should be complete by December, 2021, and presented to the Town for adoption at Town Meeting in April, 2022.

Meetings and Applications:

The Planning Board opened twenty-five meetings, and opened or continued 48 public hearing sessions.

The following is a list of applications considered by the Planning Board (Map and Lot included for reference).

Administrative Review

29A-96: Installation of diesel-powered generator on a new 4' x 8' concrete slab, within the existing compound.

29A-96: Remove six antennas, install two antennas at the same level (118'), and associated equipment within an existing shelter at the site on the existing tower.

Build At Risk Approval

20A-91, 92, 93: Request for approval to build at risk

Curb Cut Permit Request

11B-148.1: A proposed dwelling will face Tenth Street South; the lot has frontage on both Edgartown/Vineyard Haven road and 10th Street.

29A-71: Curb Cut request, formalizing an existing driveway.

De Minimis Determination

20A-90: De Minimis determination in relation to the enclosure of an area below and outside staircase.

46-13: Installation of a self-contained acrylic hot tub in a 10' x 10' square vault, 16" deep below grade.

46-33: Modification to Special Permit to place pool equipment outside pool shed.

Land Division / Lot Line Adjustment

12-34: Division of one parcel into three lots.

11A-308: Combine 17 non-conforming parcels, each about 2,985 feet; divide into two conforming parcels of 25,367.

12B-151.3: Lot Line Adjustment.

20C-134.1: Division of Land into three lots. (Withdrawn by applicant)

20D-125, 20D-127: Lot Line Adjustment. No new lots created.

21-129.141: Division of Land into two lots.

28-5.22, 28-5.23: Lot Line Adjustment. No new lots created.

47-107.13: Lot Line Adjustment. No New lots created.

Repetitive Petition

20D-147: Request for Consent for a Repetitive Petition

29A-19: A Repetitive Petition for a Special Permit to the Zoning Board of Appeals for the removal and replacement of an existing dwelling.

Site Plan Review

45-431: Renovation of existing guest house, in accordance with Zoning Bylaw 5.3.I.

Special Permit

11A-415: Request for one-year extension of original Special Permit to April 27, 2019.

12-18.1: Exceed maximum height for structure as described in Coastal District regulations in order to add a cupola on a garage roof; structure will extend no more than 30 feet from mean grade.

19B-10: Construct a 12' x 16' shed on a non-conforming lot in the shore zone of the coastal district.

20A-57.1: Modification of Special Permit to allow outdoor displays of seasonal merchandise.

20A-65.2: 342 s/f addition to the existing structure for use as a pizza and prep room and to allow an extension of the pergola to the new pizza room. All improvements would be located within the zoning setbacks. (Proposal modified to include no addition to existing building)

20A-78.1, 20A-78.2: Place a mobile food trailer that will serve food prepared on site for public consumption either on or off site. (Denied)

20A-91, 92, 93: Install a vestibule on an entry door, enclose a delivery location at the rear of the kitchen, and create an expanded parking field.

20A-95: Modification to conditions of Special Permit to allow commercial, retail, office, or residential use in the basement. (B-II)

20D-71.12: Construct a Swimming Pool (Coastal District)

Addition / Modification to Pre-Existing Non-Conforming Structure

21-10.6: Full-service Buffet-style restaurant (withdrawn)

21-34.223: Modification to original special permit to allow installation of to install one (1) skylight and one (1) sun tunnel.

25-4: Reroute existing accesses to recycling and weighing in for refuse. No new structures to be constructed.

29-137: Special Permit to construct a garage / pool house on a pre-existing, non-conforming lot in the inland zone of the coastal district.

29B-78.1: Construct a pool in the inland zone of the Coastal District, and to construct additions to pre-existing non-conforming structures on a pre-existing non-conforming lot.

30-20: Construct a 12' x 16' non-habitable storage shed for the purpose of storing bikes, kayaks, boating gear, yard equipment, tools, etc., in the inland zone of the coastal district.

30-38: Remove existing dwelling and construct new dwelling in the Inland Zone of the Coastal District on a pre-existing, non-conforming lot.

30-73: Construct addition to house, replace existing garage with barn and detached bedroom (Coastal District)

31-32.2, 31-32.3, 31-32.4: A cluster development to create a conforming parcel of about 1.58 acres +/-, conserving an area of about 18.16 acres +/-.

36-303.15: To license and maintain an existing, private, non-commercial, timber pier and to add a 9.5' x 6.7' extension to the existing pier and a 20' float between the existing pier and an existing spile.

38-3.18: Construct a swimming pool in the Inland Zone of the Coastal District, and the Ponds District.

44-3: A swimming pool in the inland zone of the coastal district.

45-25: Extension of Special Permit for construction of new Hanger to May 3, 2020.

46-33: Modification to original special permit to allow placement of pool equipment on a concrete pad on the east side of the proposed pool house (Approved with Conditions.)

52-26.1: Addition to Special Permit to allow 2019 MV Food & Wine Festival at the Winnetu Resort

Subdivision

20C-110: Divide a single existing lot into three conforming lots, served by a private way off of West Tisbury Road.

31-32.2, 31-32.3, 31-32.4: Combine three existing parcels, totaling 19.74 acres combine three parcels (19.74 acres +/-), then to divide the area into two parcels of about 1.58 acres +/- and 18.16 acres +/-

37-47: A Definitive Subdivision Plan. Subdivide 54.26 acres in R-20 residential district into 36 lots.

Subdivision - Release of Lots

27-15.6, 28-249: Final release of covenant and all lots.

Outgoing and Incoming Members

The Board was presented with a gavel emblazoned with the name Robert “Coo” Cavallo, in memory of his many years of service to the Board, including as chairman.

The Board wishes to extend its gratitude to Mr. Sam Sherman, who concluded his term of service in April, 2019. His service on the Planning Board, most especially his term as Chairman for the 2018-2019 year, greatly benefitted the Board, and the Town of Edgartown.

The Board also welcomed Mr. Glen Searle, who was elected to a five year term, commencing in April.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED MASCOLO, Chairman
MICHAEL MCCOURT
LUCY MORRISON
SCOTT MORGAN
GLEN SEARLE
JAMES CISEK (alternate)

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

The following is a list of cases heard by the Edgartown Zoning Board of Appeals during the calendar year 2019:

[The numbers that appear in brackets after the applicant's address represent the town's assessor's map and lot numbers]

51-18 SAFAR – 40 OLD PURCHASE [21-134.27] a special permit to construct a farmer's porch was granted.

52-18 SILVA/DOS SANTOS – 5 LAURA'S WAY [11-3.14] a special permit to construct a farmer's porch, mudroom, and dormers was granted.

53-18 ANGELILLI – 9 CASSANDRA PATH [34-71] a special permit to construct a screen room was granted.

1-19 HAJJAR/EDGARTOWN INN– 56 NORTH WATER ST. [20D-226] a special permit for renovations and additions to a business in a residential district was granted.

2-19 HABERL – 6 ACORN CIRCLE [10-1.113] a special permit for a swimming pool was granted.

3-19 LITTLEJOHN - 11 MULLEN WAY [29A-49] a special permit for additions to an existing dwelling was granted.

4-19 COLLINS – 253 KATAMA ROAD [36-305] a special permit for accessory structures was approved.

5-19 JUBIN/ARAGONA - 49 DAVIS LANE [20D-135.2] a special permit to construct a two-story addition to an existing residence was approved.

6-19 MERCIER– 3 HUCKLEBERRY HILL LANE [21-127.1] a special permit to convert a one-family dwelling to a two-family dwelling was approved.

7-19 GIORDANO – 62 SOUTH SUMMER STREET [20D-147] a special permit to construct a carriage house with detached bedroom above and a covered porch was approved.

8-19 STUDLEY – 3 DUNCAN CLOSE [22-133.19] a special permit for a swimming pool was approved with conditions.

9-19 CASSIDY – 359 W. TISBURY RD [28-247.3] a special permit for an addition was approved.

10-19 STELLWAGEN - 70 CURTIS LANE [20A-12] a special permit to add a second story was approved.

11-19 LINTON – 64 WHALER'S WALK [21-97] a special permit for a swimming pool was approved with conditions.

12-19 FARM INSTITUTE – 14 AERO AVENUE [45-MULTI LOTS] a special permit to allow a limited number of fund raisers was granted with conditions.

13-19 RANKOW – 41 S. WATER ST. [20D-328] an appeal of the building inspector's decision relative to the use of a pier was denied. This decision was appealed to Land Court.

14-19 HARBOR VIEW HOTEL – 131 N. WATER ST. [20B-107] a special permit to construct a pool bar in a new location was approved. This decision was appealed to Superior Court.

15-19 TELLER – 4 DOWN HARBOR RD [36-309] a special permit for additions to an accessory structure was approved with conditions.

16-19 DAULA/TORCIA – 147 S. WATER ST [29A-19] a special permit to demolish an existing one-story residence and construct a new two-story residence and pool was denied.

17-19 THE CHAPPY KITCHEN – 3 JEFFERS LAND [31-30] a request for a variance for a sign larger than 4 sq. ft. in a residential area was withdrawn.

18-19 OLDERSHAW – 27 CURTIS LANE [29A-112.2] a special permit to demolish an existing dwelling and construct a new single family dwelling was granted.

19-19 AMARAL – 74 SADDLE CLUB RD [22-1.224] a special permit to construct a garage with an apartment above was granted with conditions.

20-19 BERLUTTI – 86 SCHOOL ST [20C-199] a special permit for the renovation and construction of minor additions was granted.

21-19 REED-DEFEO & FRIGOLETTO – 41 S. WATER ST [20D-238] a request to reinstate a special permit issued in 2009 was approved with conditions.

22-19 ALLEGAERT ET AL./HARBOR VIEW HOTEL – 131 N. WATER STREET [20D-238] an appeal of the building inspector's decision to issue a building permit for the relocation of the pool bar was denied. This decision was appealed to Superior Court. Appeal subsequently dismissed by Superior Court in December 2019.

23-19 VILLA – 32 & 38 CLAY PIT RD [21-53 & 54] a decision of the building inspector relative to a business operating in a residential neighborhood was overturned.

24-19 WHIPPLE – 82 N. SUMMER ST [20D-91] a request for a special permit to construct additions, an accessory apartment, and a swimming pool was withdrawn.

25-19 LAROCHE – 53 SADDLE CLUB [22-1.238] a request for a variance to construct an addition was withdrawn.

26-19 BLUM d.b.a. ADB TRUST – 99 COOKE ST [20C-171] a special permit for a pool was approved with conditions.

27-19 WHIPPLE – 82 N. SUMMER ST [20D-91] a special permit to renovate and construct additions – including an accessory apartment and a pool was granted with conditions. This decision was appealed to Superior Court.

28-19 RJH REALTY – EDGARTOWN INN – 56 N WATER ST [20D-226] a request to demolish and rebuild an existing structure was approved.

29-19 LOOMIS – 93 SCHOOL ST [20D- 401] a special permit to renovate and add to an existing residence and to construct a carriage house with detached bedroom above was approved with conditions.

30-19 GREAT PLAINS WAY LLC – 1 GARDEN COVE [44-52] a special permit for a swimming pool was approved.

31-19 BERGER – 31 N SUMMR ST [20D-347.12] a special permit for minor exterior additions and interior reconfiguration was granted with conditions.

32-19 PERKINS – 31 OLD DUNHAM’S CORNER WAY [37-157.36] a special permit for a 3-bay garage with storage above was granted with conditions.

33-19 BUEHLER – 55 TENTH ST [11A-275] a request for an accessory apartment is pending.

34-19 PERAINO d.b.a. JUICE BY THE SEA – 18 N WATER ST [20D-118] a special permit for a restaurant was granted with conditions.

35-19 DUALA/TORCIA – 147 S WATER ST [29A-19] a special permit to demolish an existing one-story structure and construct a new two-story structure was granted with conditions.

36-19 REGAN – 24 MESHACKET RD [37-4] a special permit for an addition was granted.

37-19 GORDON – 20 TWENTIETH ST [12B-55] a special permit to convert the second story of an existing garage to a detached bedroom was granted.

38-19 BONVENTRE – 84 N SUMMER ST [20D-90] a request for a special permit to demolish and rebuild a guest house was continued indefinitely.

39-19 ALLEGAERT ET AL./HARBOR VIEW HOTEL – 131 N. WATER STREET [20D-238] an appeal of the building inspector’s decision not to allow the appellants’ request to enforce the zoning bylaws relative to the use of a pool bar was denied.

40-19 JANECEK – 75 WEST TISBURY RD [20C-127] a special permit to construct a second story on an existing garage to be used as a detached bedroom was granted.

41-19 MULLIN – 6 OLD DUNHAM’S CORNER WAY [36-157.39] a special permit to renovate and add to an existing dwelling was granted.

42-19 HOLZWORTH/BLOMMER – 40 KNOLL DRIVE [36-56] a special permit for a swimming pool was approved with conditions.

43-19 RIBEIRO – 8 TWENTIETH ST NORTH & 471 VINEYARD HAVEN RD. [12B-58] a special permit to relocate an existing structure and construct a garage with an apartment above was granted with conditions.

The Board was saddened to accept the resignation of John Magnuson, who served on the board for over twenty-five years. His good humor, common sense, and steady fairness will be greatly missed by both his fellow board members and all the applicants who benefited from his good judgment and ability to home in on the facts.

Respectfully submitted,

LISA MORRISON
Assistant

MARTHA'S VINEYARD COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

Martha's Vineyard Commission (MVC or Commission) is the Regional Planning Agency (RPA) for Dukes County, offering planning services to the seven towns in Dukes County (including Gosnold); and to the County itself. The Commission's enabling legislation also allows Island towns to adopt special regulations targeting Districts of Critical Planning Concern (DCPCs), and requires the Commission to review Developments of Regional Impact (DRIs) on the Vineyard.

The 17-member Commission includes nine members elected Island-wide biennially, and one appointed member each from the Dukes County Commission, each Island Board of Selectmen, and the Governor of Massachusetts. Commission officers in 2019 were Doug Sederholm of West Tisbury, Chairman; Josh Goldstein of Tisbury, Vice-Chairman; and Ernie Thomas of West Tisbury, Clerk-Treasurer. The Commission is supported by a professional staff of ten. More detail is provided below and is available on the Commission's website, www.mvcommission.org.

COMMISSION FOCUS 2019

Removal of Nitrogen from Island Ponds: The Commission continues to focus on the development of a robust pond monitoring program, and participating in innovative technologies designed to address nitrogen contamination. In 2019, Commission staff completed a fourth year of extensive testing. Since 2016, multiple samplings have been conducted in 16 Island ponds. Samples are used to examine nutrient and chlorophyll content, pond visibility, temperature, salinity, and other factors. The testing was conducted using the same locations and methods as those used in the Massachusetts Estuaries Project, which ensures comparable results. Comprehensive reports between 2016 and 2018 detail the results of the testing and evaluate the current trends for each pond. A similar report will be completed for the data obtained over the summer of 2019, along with a report evaluating the changes observed over the prior period of study. The MVC has created one-page pond summaries for each of the ponds, and is in the process of updating the MVC website to make data and reports more accessible.

Healthy Aging: The Commission continued its collaboration with Healthy Aging Martha's Vineyard (HAMV) and Martha's Vineyard Community Services (MVCS), completing a survey and analysis of the Island's elder-service network. The results are included in the MVC's 2019 Elder-Service Database, which is designed to be easily updated in the future; and a narrative report, Martha's Vineyard Elder-Service Mapping, which summarizes the data and explores key issues. The project offers a foundation for additional data collection and analysis in the future.

The Commission also worked with the Vineyard Transit Authority (VTA) and the Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority (Cape RTA) to create a pilot program for transporting seniors from the Woods Hole Ferry Terminal directly to the door of their Cape-based medical provider and back to the Island.

Martha's Vineyard Statistical Profile: In February 2019, the MVC released its first Martha's Vineyard Statistical Profile, which highlights trends in demographics, land use, economy, health, education, housing, real estate, transportation, energy, environment, and taxes and town services in Dukes County. The report compiles hundreds of data sets from 70 different sources, including Island towns and organizations, and State and Federal agencies. The report will be updated every two years starting in 2021 when the 2020 Census becomes available. The profile is available on the MVC's website, and paper copies are available for reference at every Island library and town hall.

Climate Action Task Force: The climate crisis has become a top priority for the MVC, which formed a Climate Action Task Force in 2019 to focus on mitigating the effects of global warming and adapting to the changes that are projected or already underway. In addition, the MV Commissioners adopted a resolution to 1) incorporate climate impacts into the MVC's regulatory and planning activities, 2) support the non-binding resolution mentioned above, and 3) draft both an energy and adaptation master plan to help guide the Commission's work in the future.

Permanent Traffic Counters: In November 2019, six traffic counting stations were constructed and came online. The MVC worked with Weymouth-based Bell Traffic; consultant TrafInfo; the Towns of West Tisbury, Edgartown, and Oak Bluffs; the State Police; and the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (DOT) to obtain the necessary approvals for the project. The data is updating daily, and a range of reports detailing the direction, speed, and length of vehicles can now be generated. The installation culminated an 18-month process initiated by the Island's Joint Transportation Committee (JTC). The MVC managed the \$139,715 contract funded through the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), and automated data collection commenced in mid-November. Data can be found on the public-facing MS2 portal.

Finances: The Commission's FY19 income was \$1,676,580, of which 63.3% came from town assessments, 31% from grants and contracts, and 5.7% from other sources. The Commission received \$519,355 in grant funding, a 16.3% increase over the previous fiscal year. FY19 expenses were \$1,753,418, of which 53.4% was for salaries, 23% for salary-related costs, 5.4% for legal costs, 5.4% for mortgage payments for two MVC-owned properties, and 12.8% for

other expenses. The annual audit by Anstiss Certified Public Accountants showed fiscal soundness. The FY19 budget and FY18 audited financial statements are available on the website.

SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES FOR EDGARTOWN

Geographic Information Systems: The MVC mapping office prepared maps for various Edgartown Town Departments and supplied spatial data to consultants for Edgartown projects upon request.



An aerial map of South Beach created for the Edgartown Parks Department

Coastal Management:

- **Edgartown Harbor Plan:** MVC staff serves as the Edgartown Harbor Planning Representative to the Massachusetts Secretariat of Energy and Environmental Affairs. MVC staff continued to communicate with EOEa to seek approval of the Edgartown Harbor Plan.
- **MEPA Review:** MVC staff participated in the MEPA review of a proposed Tower Hill Road Estate Plan, the Martha's Vineyard Airport Capital Improvements Plan, and the Vineyard Wind Undersea Cable project through Edgartown waters.
- **Felix Neck Saltmarsh Elevation Monitoring:** MVC staff took measurements at an elevation monitoring station in the Felix Neck saltmarsh. This area of study will help plan for sea level rise impacts to Edgartown's marshes. Enough measurements have been made for a preliminary observation that the marsh is keeping up with sea level rise.

Economic Development / Affordable Housing: MVC staff worked with the Edgartown consultant to provide supplemental materials and coordinated the Public Hearings for the FY 2019 Community Development Block Grant Application for approximately \$1.1 million, which was awarded in August 2019. Staff will continue to assist Edgartown with the FY 2020 CDBG Application.

MVC staff also worked with The Resource Inc. (TRI), which received funding for an Island-wide Community Preservation Act Application, to create an Island-wide interest free housing loan program. TRI received CPA funding for a third year in 2019.

Transportation:

- **Developments of Regional Impact:** MVC Staff provided traffic impact analyses for the following DRIs: Clarion/Shiretown, Wavelengths Basement, Post Office Square Restaurant, Meeting House Place Subdivision, MVRRRD, MV Airport Business Park, and the MV Boys & Girls Club.
- **Performance Measures:** MVC staff began collecting its annual performance measure data for the congestion management program. The travel-time runs were collected each month along both the Edgartown-Vineyard Haven Road Corridor between the times of 7-9 AM, 11-2 PM, and 4-6 PM. The data will be compiled and a Congestion Management Report will be put together in 2020.
- **Data Collection:** Installation of the permanent traffic counting stations has been completed as of November 2019. These traffic volumes will provide comprehensive traffic counts for each site, 365 days per year. With this data, island planners can better understand seasonal fluctuations in vehicle volume and infer some circulation patterns. There are two permanent counters located on Edgartown-West Tisbury Road, one between the Refuse District and Barnes Road, and one just east of the Meshacket Road intersection; another is located on Edgartown-Vineyard Haven Road just before the town border with Oak Bluffs. There is also a counter located on Beach Road near the Big Bridge, just beyond the Edgartown border with Oak Bluffs.
- **Local Technical Assistance:** The MVC is working with the Town's Highway Superintendent, Town Administrator, and Board of Selectmen on drainage improvements along Edgartown-Vineyard Haven Road (MassDOT ID #607586). The project is currently at 75% design and a meeting between Town officials, the MVC, and MassDOT District 5 will take place in early 2020 to discuss next steps towards the advancement of this project that will be funded through the Martha's Vineyard Transportation Improvement Program in FFY 2023.

Water Quality: The Commission continued its scientific and community work helping to protect Edgartown's water quality, especially the threatened coastal ponds.

- **Water Sampling:** In cooperation with the Edgartown Shellfish Warden and the Edgartown Great Pond Foundation, water quality samples and on-station field data were collected from Sengekontacket Pond, Katama Bay, Cape Pogue, Pocha Pond and Edgartown Great Pond. This data forms a baseline understanding of the ponds and helps determine whether the water quality

goals from the Massachusetts Estuaries Project's study are achieved. Water Resource Planner collaborates and shares sampling data with Great Pond Foundation.

- **Coastal Ponds:** MVC Staff is assisting the Planning Board and the Edgartown Ponds Advisory Committee to identify and evaluate options to achieve the nitrogen reduction called for by the MEP for the great ponds. The Water Resources Planner participates in, and advises as needed, the Friends of Sengekontacket, Chappaquiddick Island Association, Edgartown Shellfish Committee, Water Alliance, and the Vineyard Golf Club Review Committee. The Water Resource Planner regularly meets with and collaborates with staff from the Edgartown Great Pond foundation.

Developments of Regional Impact

12 Edgartown projects were reviewed by the MVC in 2019:

Clarion/Shiretown Modification (DRI 165-M2) *Request to convert Shiretown Meats to four rooms adjoining the Clarion Inn.* Approved as a minor modification without a Public Hearing on January 17, 2019.

Wavelengths Basement (DRI 623-M4) *Proposal to create storage and a staff apartment in the basement.* Modification approved without a Public Hearing on February 7, 2019.

Mariner's Way Landscape & Lighting (DRI 648-L) *Landscape, Lighting & HVAC placement plans.* Plans approved by the LUPC on February 11, 2019.

Clarion/Shiretown Kitchen Modification (DRI 165-M3) *Request modify the kitchen with a vestibule enclosure.* Approved as a minor modification without a Public Hearing on February 21, 2019.

Vineyard Transit Authority Solar Array (524-M4) *Installation of rooftop solar voltaic panels and solar canopies at the VTA site in the Airport Business Park.* Modification approved without a Public Hearing on February 21, 2019.

Clarion/Shiretown Parking Modification (DRI 165-M4) *Request add a parking lot on a newly acquired parcel.* Withdrawn by the Applicant.

Chambers ANR (C.R. 2-2019) *Proposal to divide two narrow lots on 2.63 acres into four lots.* On hold at the request of the Applicant.

Restaurant at Post Office Square (DRI 170-M5) *Proposal to add a 30-seat year-round restaurant with a buffet in Building C.* Modification remanded to the Town on March 7, 2019. (Applicant later withdrew their application at the Edgartown Planning Board on April 2, 2019.)

Vineyard Wind Undersea Cable (DRI 688) *Proposal to install two undersea cables to pass through Edgartown waters offshore of Chappaquiddick with two 220-kV export cables installed underneath the sea floor to a depth of 5-8 feet using a hydroplow or mechanical plow installation methods.* Public Hearings held on February 21 and March 21; approved with conditions on May 2; written decision approved on May 16, 2019.

Norton Property Subdivision/Boys & Girls Club (C.R. 7-2019) *Proposal to divide approximately 30.75 acres into four lots through an ANR plan.* On hold at the request of the Applicant.

Martha's Vineyard Refuse & Resource Recovery District Expansion (DRI 391-M4) *Expansion of the District facility with 6.5 acres of woods clearing and 3 acres of additional pavement.* Public Hearings held on September 5 and September 19; approved with conditions on October 17; written decision approved on November 21, 2019.

Meeting House Place Subdivision (DRI 682 & 682A) *Proposal to create 28 residential lots and up to 10 townhouses on 54 acres.* Public Hearings held on February 7, April 4, April 25, May 16, and August 22, 2019. Public Hearing will be re-opened in 2020 to receive new information from the Applicants.

Respectfully submitted,

ADAM TURNER, Executive Director
LUCY MORRISON, Executive Assistant
CHRISTINA BROWN
JAMES JOYCE

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

The Community Preservation Act (CPA) was passed in Edgartown in 2005 establishing a funding source to create/preserve/support affordable housing, open space and historic preservation in Edgartown.

In 2006 a 3% surcharge was added to taxes assessed on real property. The Commonwealth has matched the money raised locally each year. This started at 100% when there were less towns that had adopted the Act, but has declined as more have joined and the State has to spread out the same amount of money. There has been work to increase the funding in some way. Until that is established, it is not certain what the state's portion will be each year. This year a 17.9% match of \$169,945 was received at the usual time in November for April 2020 articles. In an unprecedented move, the Commonwealth then conducted an additional distribution in January of 2020 from a different source to which the Town of Edgartown received another 12.7% or \$120,072 making the total percentage match 30.6% or \$290,017 for FY20.

The CPA committee (CPC) is composed of members recommended by various town boards and appointed by the Selectmen. The committee requests applications in the fall and meets to consider them for the following April Town Meeting. All meetings are public and one advertised public hearing in early December to seek input before the committee votes to place the articles before the voters.

The April 2019 Town Meeting approved the following articles:

- \$880,000 appropriated and set aside for further expenditures.
- \$112,000 for Dukes County Regional Housing Authority rental assistance for Edgartown residents.

- \$150,000 for Island Elderly Housing to go toward a new building in the Aidylberg Property with preference for one unit to an Edgartown resident.
- \$100,000 for the Island Housing Trust Mortgage Buy Down Program.
- \$94,500 for the Historic Preservation of the Cooke House to fix drainage issues to preserve to integrity of the historic house.
- \$23,846 for upgrading of the lighting system in the historic Whaling Church.
- \$550,000 to go toward capital improvements for the Robinson Road Recreation Area.
- \$145,000 for bulkhead restoration at North Wharf.
- \$200,000 toward the design and creation of a town park at the Yellow House Property.

The townspeople and visitors are able to enjoy these projects accomplished with the Community Preservation funds through the tax assessment and the state contribution for many years to come.

I would like to thank the other members of the committee for their input and participation at the meetings. I also thank our assistant Kristy Rose for her work with this committee.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET E. SERPA, Chairman
GLEN SEARLE, Vice Chairman
MORTON FEAREY, JR.
TIMOTHY RUSH
EDWARD W. VINCENT, JR.
CHRISTOPHER SCOTT
MICHAEL MCCOURT

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

The number of applications for a Certificate of Appropriateness within the Historic District continued to increase in 2019. The Historic District Commission (HDC) received 163 applications for Certificates of Appropriateness, an increase of 52% from the previous year. Fifty-nine applications for routine repairs and maintenance were granted expedited approvals, six applications were withdrawn after presentation and discussion, four were denied and 105 applications for new work were reviewed by the HDC at public meetings, with a 97% approval rate.

The HDC engages residential and commercial property owners in detailed discussions during the project review process, balancing the individual's interest in making improvements to their property with the need to preserve Edgartown's architectural heritage for present and future generations. This collaborative approach has proven successful in guiding the record-setting growth in projects within the Historic District.

Looking ahead, we anticipate that the present pace of new construction, renovation and restoration will continue. This private investment in properties in the District is significant and we look forward to working with owners, their architects and their builders on preserving the essential historic character of Edgartown.

In early 2019, the first phase of the Yellow House restoration was completed with the opening of a new, histor-

ically appropriate retail building on South Summer Street between the Yellow House and Rosewater Market. Construction on the landmark Yellow House commenced in the fall and by the spring of 2020, a newly restored mixed-use commercial and residential building will open, along with improved public parking and a new public open space. The Commission commends the public-private partnership which has made possible this long-needed improvement to the vitality of Main Street.

We wish to acknowledge the long-term efforts of former Commission members Edith Blake and Cassie Bradley who stepped off the Board this year and we welcome back James Cisek who has re-joined the Board. All provide valuable insights, balanced reasoning and a commitment to preservation; their participation is much appreciated.

The Commission meets in the Selectmen's Meeting Room as posted, on the first and third Thursdays of each month. All HDC meetings are open to the public.

Respectfully submitted,

SUSAN CATLING, Chairman
CHRISTOPHER SCOTT, Vice Chairman
JULIA CELESTE
MOLLY COSTELLO
KEN MAGNUSON
PETER ROSBECK
CARI WILLIAMSON
JAMES CISEK, Alternate
MINAH WORLEY, Alternate

AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
Citizens of Edgartown:

The goal of the Affordable Housing Committee is to facilitate affordable homes at less than market price, for people who are unable to establish homes in Edgartown due to the high real estate prices. The program is intended to lessen situations of hardship, and to retain a stable and diversified year-round community and workforce in Edgartown.

In 2019, The Affordable Housing Committee continued to plan and design a development of affordable and community rental and ownership opportunities on a town owned parcel located off Meshacket Road. The Committee is in the last phase of developing the Request For Proposals and will soon be in the stage of final reviews. The Committee has acquired two small lots which will be developed for future affordable home-ownership opportunities and have

prepared multiple resales that will be offered to residents in 2020.

This Committee continues to work to create unique opportunities for affordable housing in Edgartown. As your appointed committee, we wish to thank the townspeople of Edgartown for their consistent support of all our affordable housing efforts.

Respectfully submitted,

MARK HESS, Chairman
TIM RUSH, Vice-Chair
CHRISTINA BROWN
MARIA VENTURA
NANCY TRIMPER
MELISSA VINCENT
CHRISTINE WHITE

AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
Citizens of Edgartown:

The Edgartown Affordable Housing Trust was established as the financial arm of the Edgartown Affordable Housing Committee. The Trust has an active board, who carefully manage and appropriate funds for the purpose of developing affordable and community housing within the Town of Edgartown. As new affordable and community housing plans are created, the board of the Housing Trust will continue to diligently oversee and monitor the funds that are used to fulfill the town's affordable and community housing goals.

As your appointed Board, we wish to thank the townspeople of Edgartown for their consistent support of the Town's affordable and community housing efforts.

Respectfully submitted,

TIM RUSH, Chairman
MARK HESS
MARGARET SERPA
CHRISTINE WHITE
MARIA VENTURA

DUKES COUNTY REGIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
the Citizens of Edgartown:

The 6 towns of Martha's Vineyard established the Dukes County Regional Housing Authority through State Public Charter in 1986 in response to the Island's growing need for stable year-round affordable & community housing. The Island-wide Housing Forum of 2000 resulted in several significant housing efforts including the 6-town agreement to proportionately share the administrative costs of the Housing Authority. Fully funded by the towns since 2005, the staff of the Housing Authority collaborates with town, state, and island-wide efforts to provide year-round rentals, rental assistance and homelessness prevention; homebuyer training, lottery support and affordability monitoring; and advocacy and planning for future housing program development, management and support.

The Housing Authority's work on homeownership in 2019 included management of a re-sale process for an Island Housing Trust home in Tisbury; assistance with application and lottery preparation for resale of a home in Edgartown; preparation and opening of a lottery process for 6 townhouses being developed by the Island Housing Trust on Greenwood Ave in Tisbury; support of Trust development of ownership opportunities at Daggett Ave in Tisbury; service as affordability monitor for properties in 6 towns including support of 3 affordable home re-finances and 6 re-sale requests including assistance to 2 towns faced with difficult resale and affordability maintenance issues; 26 referrals through Edgartown's Demolition Delay by-law; and maintenance of the Homebuyer Clearinghouse used to publicize homebuyer opportunities and currently numbering over 400 island households.

2019 saw the Housing Authority managing 94 rentals on 16 properties in 5 island towns. Each apartment requires initial and annual income and tenant certification and apartment inspection, attention to service requests throughout the year, work on household and apartment turnovers, and compliance with multiple funding source requirements including program and household income audits and Fair Housing policy strictures. During this past year, the Housing Authority has supported needed development of new rentals by the Island Housing Trust at the Perlman House, the Hanover House, and Kuehn's Way in Tisbury; Meshacket Road by the Town of Edgartown; the Town of Chilmark's planning of housing development at Peaked Hill; the Town of West Tisbury's effort on Old Courthouse Road; the Town of Oak Bluff's replacement of the commercial tenant at the Noyes Building; and the Town of Aquinnah's revisit of rental development in the Town center. The Housing Authority maintains a rental housing waitlist currently numbering over 240 households.

In this time of a near total absence of 12-month leases on the Island, the Housing Authority is particularly appreciative of town voters who continue to dedicate Community Preservation Act funding to the Rental Assistance program which helps stabilize an annual average of 65 working island households. Since 2002, the Housing Authority has administered these funds to work with over 300 tenant households and 260 landlords who have utilized Rental Assistance for an average of 3 years. Each Rental Assistance situation requires initial and annual income certifications and apartment inspections, support contracts, and lease addendums. Beginning each fall, the Housing Authority provides town Affordable Housing and Community Preservation committees the figures of usage, need, cost and landlord availability necessary for thorough deliberation before Annual Town Meeting funding votes.

Island-wide, the Housing Authority provides income certifications and administrative assistance for town programs such as accessory apartments, resident homesite subdivisions and multi-family density allowances. The Housing Authority actively partners with Harbor Homes, the Housing Assistance Corporation, The Resource Inc, the County Manager's office, the Tower Foundation and other organizations that assist with rent, utilities, emergency support and apartment rehabilitation for island tenants and their landlords.

The staff of the Housing Authority is available to work on individual and community housing needs and opportunities at its office at 21 Mechanic St. off State Road in Vineyard Haven. For more information please stop by, call (508) 693-4419 or check our website at <https://housingauthoritymarthasvineyard.org/>

Respectfully submitted,

The DCRHA Board of Directors and Staff:

HARVEY BETH: *Oak Bluffs*

ANN WALLACE: *Chilmark*

DAN SEIDMAN: *Tisbury*

MELISSA NORTON VINCENT: *Edgartown*

RICHARD SKIDMORE: *Aquinnah*

MICHAEL BELISSIMO: *West Tisbury*

LINDA MOTT-SMITH: *Governor's Appointee*

LUCY MORRISON: *At-Large*

DAVID VIGNEAULT: Executive Director

TERRI KEECH: Finance Manager

BARBARA HOFFMAN:

Operations Coordinator

KARIN KUGEL: Administrative Assistant

CAPE LIGHT COMPACT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

Cape Light Compact JPE is an intergovernmental organization consisting of the 21 towns on Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard and Duke's County. The Compact's mission is to serve our 205,000 customers through the delivery of proven energy efficiency programs, effective consumer advocacy, and renewable competitive electricity supply.

Effective July 1, 2017, the Cape Light Compact reorganized and reconstituted itself as a joint powers entity pursuant to Massachusetts General Law Chapter 40 Section 4A1/2, becoming the first joint powers entity in Massachusetts. Reorganizing as a joint powers entity protects member towns from potential liabilities and mandates greater financial accountability through expanded reporting requirements to the Massachusetts Department of Revenue and member Towns, and designation of Treasury functions to an independent entity.

POWER SUPPLY

During the year 2019, the Compact's power supplier for all residential, commercial, and industrial customers was NextEra Energy Services of Massachusetts (NextEra). The Compact is pleased that our residential price in 2019 was lower on average than the utility's basic service residential price. The Compact has been a green aggregation since January 2017, meaning 100% of Compact's power supply customers' annual electricity usage is met with renewable energy certificates (RECs). Each REC represents the generation of 1 megawatt hour (1,000 kilowatt hours) of electricity produced by a renewable resource, such as wind or solar. By retiring RECs to match the Compact's customers' usage, Compact customers are financially supporting renewable energy resources, including resources located on Cape Cod and southeastern Massachusetts.

In March, the Compact launched two new power supply options, CLC Local Green 50 and CLC Local Green 100. The CLC Local Green program gives customers the ability to support local renewable energy development by opting to pay a small premium on their monthly electric bill. The Compact uses this premium to purchase and retire Massachusetts Class 1 RECs to match either 50% or 100% of customers' annual electricity usage, in addition to the RECs retired as part of the Compact's standard power supply product. These RECs are sourced from renewable energy projects in New England, including several solar installations on Cape Cod. By participating in CLC Local Green, customers are driving the market to bring new renewable energy resources online at home in New England.

At a regional level, New England continues to face electricity pricing spikes during the winter months. Over the last fifteen years, New England has greatly increased its reliance on natural gas for electricity production, and now over 50% of the electricity is generated with natural gas. However, natural gas pipeline capacity has not substantially increased during that same period. As a result, during winter cold snaps, demand for natural gas to generate electricity competes with natural gas demand for heating purposes. Allocation of natural gas for heating has priority over natural gas for generating electricity. This creates a supply shortage of natural gas for electricity production, and therefore increases prices for electric generators, which is passed on to all New England power supply customers. Until this issue is resolved, either through additional natural gas or electric transmission infrastructure, demand reduction, or other targeted programs, the possibility of future high winter pricing remains, and as such, consumers should still expect seasonal pricing fluctuations for the foreseeable future. The Compact will continue to seek ways to help customers mitigate the impacts of higher winter electricity pricing through innovative energy efficiency programs.

As of December 2019, the Compact had approximately 4,495 electric accounts in the Town of Edgartown on its power supply.

CONSUMER ADVOCACY

Since 1997, Cape Light Compact has advocated for the ratepayers of Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard at the local and state level.

In 2019, the Compact continued its focus on grid modernization, joining with other parties to submit a letter to the Department of Public Utilities (DPU) urging the opening of an investigation on the grid-facing grid modernization investments, including advanced metering infrastructure. This follows the DPU's last set of grid modernization orders in May 2018, which approved some of the utilities' requests but deferred decisions on customer-facing technologies (such as advanced metering infrastructure) to future proceedings. The Compact and other parties are now asking the DPU to begin where their last orders left off and start investigating how customer-facing grid modernization technologies will be deployed.

The Compact also participated in regulatory proceedings at the DPU related to the retail electric market, pushing for policies that promote a competitive power supply market while ensuring common-sense protections for consumers.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Funding for the energy efficiency programs (i.e. energy assessments for homes and businesses, rebates on the purchase of energy efficient appliances and energy education in our schools) comes from the monthly customer “energy conservation” charge on each customers’ electric bill, which is multiplied by the number of kilowatt hours used during the

month (\$0.02113 for residential customers and \$0.00545 for commercial and industrial customers).

Respectfully submitted,

ALAN STRAHLER
Edgartown Representative

Jan - Dec 2019	# of Participants	Customer Savings	kWh Saved	Rebates/ Incentives Paid to Customers
Low Income	10	\$2,612	13,059	\$31,760
Residential	298	\$53,900	269,501	\$338,076
Commercial	41	\$68,724	343,618	\$56,702
Total	349	\$125,236	626,178	\$426,537

Note: Please note that this data does not include activity that occurred in December 2019 due to the date of this publication. Please visit www.capelightcompact.org/reports for more information. Also, in the Residential Retail Initiative, several measures may reduce energy use from one fuel source but may increase use of another fuel resulting in negative kWh savings. Strategic electrification for example is primarily focused on the adoption of Heat Pump technology which may reduce the use of oil or propane but increase the use of electricity and increase peak demand. The Program Administrators have determined that these measures are still cost effective, and provide benefits to customers in a more holistic, integrated approach that helps customers address their energy use and associated costs based on their individual needs and goals, while aligning with the broader Commonwealth energy and greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals.

NATURAL RESOURCES AND RECREATION

SHELLFISH DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

The 2019 Wild Commercial Shellfish catch was worth \$806,560 in the following categories :

Bay Scallops-3,160Bu.....	Valued at \$556,160.00
Clams(Steamers)-187Bu.....	\$56,100.00
Oysters- 1,645Bu.....	\$20,100.00
Quahogs- 871Bu.....	\$174,200.00

Total wholesale value of wild commercial shellfisheries\$806,560.00

Oyster farmers in Edgartown harvested 11,700 bushels of oysters that sold for an average of 50 cents a piece. The oyster aquaculture area outside Eel Pond in an area of Nantucket Sound called Middle Flats was utilized again this summer. Oyster farmers also donated 250,000 one year old oysters to the Town's Shellfish Propagation Program.

Total Wholesale value of Farm Raised Oysters\$3,510,000.00

The following are the landings for Recreational Shellfishing Permit holders and the retail value of the shellfish landed.

Bay Scallops-558 Bu.....	Valued at \$167,400
Clams(Steamers)-161Bu.....	\$48,300
Oysters-818Bu.....	\$163,600
Quahogs-943Bu.....	\$471,500

Total Retail Value of Recreational Shellfish Caught in 2019.....\$850,800.00

This is a breakdown by area and species of shellfish harvested both recreational and commercial:

Area	Bay Scallops	Clams	Oysters	Quahogs
Cape Pogue	2,560	28	0	1,152
Calebs Pond	9	2	15	12
Edg.Harbor	198	5	0	7
Edg.Great Pond	0	7	1,209	0
Eel Pond	7	3	19	9
Katama Bay	687	213	357	423
Oyster Pond	0	0	0	0
Poucha Pond	3	3	74	8
Sengekontacket	254	87	789	203
Trapps Pond	0	0	0	0

All reporting is in U.S. 8 gallon Bushels. Edgartown Harbor includes both inner and outer harbor areas.

January 2019 started out with 10-20 boats a day harvesting bay scallops primarily from Cape Pogue by late February some scallops were found in the Outer Harbor & Katama areas and the season was extended until April 15, 2019. In November 2019 we started commercial harvest of oysters from Sengekontacket it was decided to give commercial oystering a break on Edgartown Great Pond to give the oyster seed found there a chance to grow.

During the spring and summer of 2019 most of the commercial quahogging was done in Sengekontacket and Cape Pogue with the recreational fishers going to the family areas in Katama and Sengekontacket. Steamer clam fisheries continued to improve slightly especially in Katama and Cape Pogue. The oyster farms in Katama Bay & and a summer areas off of Eel Pond called Middle Flats had a good season with good growth and survival. Only 4 cases of Vibrio parahaemolyticus, Vp for short, were reported. These cases were spread out During the Summer months so no closures were necessary. Vp is a bacteria that can cause stomach distress.

The Shellfish Department's oyster farm on Majors Cove was productive again this year 600,000 1.5mm oysters were purchased from Musgungis Bay Aqua Farms to give us an early start on the oyster growing season. Last year's oysters were planted in Sengekontacket, Calebs Pond and Poucha Pond, primarily for recreational harvest, with the exception of Sengekontacket, where a limited commercial harvest was permitted to aid in the Nitrogen removal for that pond.

October 2019 started another recreational scallop harvest which unfortunately was a poor one, with few scallops being found in Cape Pogue and Katama Bay. Mostly scallops were found in deep water. November 2019 saw the bay scallop season start with only 20- 30 boats a day harvesting due to the reduced supply of scallops found in Cape Pogue. Some scallops were found in the Inner-Harbor and the Katama area but still it was no banner year for scalloping.

The Martha's Vineyard Shellfish Group had another productive year and the seed was cared for in the usual fashion. The quahog seed was placed in 24 nursery rafts, located in Sengekontacket for grow out. After the first summer they are planted in Katama, Sengekontacket, Calebs' Pond and Cape Pogue. The rafts had excellent growth and survival and approximately 2.5 million 10mm quahog seed were planted this year. The bay scallop seed we received were placed in spat bags in Katama Bay and Cape Pogue these spat

bags were thinned and moved to larger mesh shellfish grow out bags and then planted in Cape Pogue in the fall. Additionally, Bay Scallops were Spawmed on Chappy and fertilized eggs released into Sengekontacket and Cape Pogue. Oyster Propagation on Edgartown Great Pond was continued in 2017. The MVSG provided eyed oyster larvae for a remote set at Great Pond again this year at the property of John O'Keefe and Toni Shute many Thanks for the use of their property and electricity. There was no commercial Soft-shelled clam harvest, on Edgartown Great Pond, this year with hopes to have one next year.

The Department continues to monitor Cape Pogue's bay scallop populations with Clyde Mackenzie of the NMFS we found that there are some seed available for next year's harvest but it will not be as good as two years ago (2016-2017 Bay Scallop season). The Rusty Tide appeared briefly in the fall but was not as prolific as in years past. Cape Pogue continued to be one of the top Bay Scalloping areas in the Commonwealth.

The Department continued its' work with Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries. All shellfishing areas of the Town are tested at least five times annually to insure public health. Under this program Trapps Pond remained closed as well as summer closure for parts of Sengekontacket and Eel Pond. All of Sengekontacket was closed periodically due to excessive rain. In Sengekontacket 0.2 inches of rain in July and 1 inch in August through October closes the pond for 5 days. With this protocol Sengekontacket was closed from July 12-24, August 14- 19, September 7-12 and October 28-November 2, 2019.

MDMF continued the Vibrio monitoring program again this year looking at Vp levels in the water and in the oysters and continued its work with safely air drying oysters to get rid of fowling. Middle Flats aquaculture area was used again during the summer as well. With this type of testing we hope to develop a Vp monitoring program that is similar to the Fecal bacteria monitoring program in that it is a predictive closure rather than a reactionary closure that occurs now with Vp.

The Martha's Vineyard Commission continued its' water quality monitoring program in all our shellfishing areas. This program provides the Town with chemical analysis of our surface waters. The Shellfish Department assist's as necessary to provide up to date information on our water quality.

The Great Pond Foundation ended its' dredging program and used their dredge Nessie to clean out the channel by the opening at Edgartown Great Pond one last time. Hopefully the Town dredge will be able to pick up that work. Many Thanks to the Great Pond Foundations contributions to the health of Edgartown Great Pond and their continuing work in water quality monitoring and outreach.

Edgartown Great Pond was opened, to the ocean, on the following dates in 2019:

- March 25 through April 22 Salinity raised from 12 to 28 parts per thousand (o/oo).
- June 29 - July17 Salinity raised from 12 o/oo to 27 o/oo
- November 16 - Dec 31 (Still Open) Salinity raised from 16 o/oo to 29 o/oo

The Department continues to work with the Edgartown Dredge Committee on various projects.

Administratively it was a busy year with enforcement and aquaculture transfers. Personnel in 2019: Shellfish Constable Paul Bagnall Year round Deputies Warren Gaines, Rob Morrison and Jason Mallory Summer Deputies were Ralph Peckham and Ralph Savery. I would like to thank the Friends of Sengekontacket for the summer Interns Emma Galante and Maddie Latimore who were very helpful this year. Also I would like to thank the Shellfish Committee, the Board of Selectmen and the Edgartown Taxpayers for their guidance and support in 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL L. BAGNALL
Shellfish Constable,
Marine Biologist,
Herring Warden

SHELLFISH COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

The Edgartown Shellfish Committee meets at the Edgartown Library at 4:30PM on the first and third Tuesday of each month. The Committee's goal is to monitor and improve the shellfish resources in the Edgartown Town waters for all citizens to enjoy. All are welcome to attend the meetings.

The Shellfish Committee is currently represented by commercial shellfishermen, agriculturists and family shellfish license holders. It is a rotating term and any town citizen is welcome to join the committee.

Efforts to expand the Chappaquiddick Nursery continued this year with important maintenance and repair work. The Nursery is instrumental in the successful spawning of millions of bay scallops and the prolongations of steamers and quahogs. The Committee expresses its gratitude and appreciation to the Martha's Vineyard Land Bank and the Martha's Vineyard Shellfish Group for use of the property.

2019 has proved to be a banner year in aquaculture with 12 active oyster farms in Katama Bay. The Shellfish Department has been working with state officials to be proactive for the future of public consumption and oyster farmers during the summer months. Edgartown continues to be a national model for aquaculture.

Members of the Shellfish Committee have heard a very positive response from family license holders both new and old over the abundance of shellfish in our town waters. This has proven possible by the the extraordinary efforts of the Edgartown Shellfish Department in both propagation and

enforcement. With efforts by the Shellfish Department, aquaculture provides for this community both commercially and recreationally with millions and millions of scallops, quahogs and oysters raised by the department each year.

With multiple years of the Major's Cove Oyster Project, the Shellfish Departments tireless work has proven successful with a 90% survival rate of oyster seed. The deputies reported that oyster seeds were now 3 to 4 inches in size and approximately 600,000 oysters were planted along Beach Road and Eel Pond for the family license holders. This program has proven successful beyond any measure in both oyster propagation and nitrogen remediation. An additional 600,000 oyster seeds are currently being cultivated for planting in 2020.

Compared to the past few years the 2019 fall commercial bay scallop season in Cape Pogue has been only moderately successful with lower yields but high market value. Due to a drop off in commercial scalloping the committee voted to open Sengekontacket to commercial harvesting of wild oysters.

The Committee continues their priority commitment to the strict enforcement of daily limits and the protection and growth of future shellfish harvests and the aquaculture.

Respectfully submitted:

RYAN SMITH
NICHOLAS TURNER
MADELINE FISHER
LES BAYNES
CHRISTIAN THORNTON, Chair

MARTHA'S VINEYARD SHELLFISH GROUP

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
Citizens of Edgartown:

In 2019, the Martha's Vineyard Shellfish Group, Inc. continued programs to fulfill its mission of enhancing shellfish resources for the wellbeing of the entire Island community. MVSG received funding from all six Island towns, the MA Division of Marine Fisheries, the Wampanoag Tribe of Aquinnah, the Jewish Communal Fund, Edey Foundation, Lagoon Pond Association, Slough Farm Foundation, Permanent Endowment for Martha's Vineyard, Farm Neck Foundation, Proud Pour, Cardinal Brook Trust, The Boston Foundation, and many private donors. Town funding ensures each member town an equal portion of the shellfish seed we grow.

Seed Shellfish Production for Municipal Enhancement

MVSG operates the Richard C. Karney Solar Shellfish Hatchery in Vineyard Haven; The John T. Hughes Hatchery and Research Station in Oak Bluffs; and the Chappy Point nursery on Chappaquiddick. Although the Solar Hatchery is "home base", each site has its strengths and each is important to maximizing the quantity and quality of seed we grow. In 2019 we used these 3 facilities to produce 13.5 million quahogs, 27.5 million scallops and 12.5 million oyster seed for the Shellfish Departments of our six island towns. We also released over 146 million scallop eggs and larvae and 45 million oyster eggs to help supplement the wild populations.

We spawn local shellfish and grow the seed in our hatcheries to an average of 1mm. At that point we distribute them evenly to the Shellfish Departments. West Tisbury receives only oyster seed because there is no quahog or scallop habitat in West Tisbury. The remaining 5 towns receive quahog and scallop seed only. Edgartown Great Pond hosts an oyster restoration project which is funded by a private grant, and therefor receives a fraction of the oyster seed. The Constables grow the seed in nursery systems such as floating cages, bags and rafts where they are safe from boats, people and predators. At the end of the summer they are released to good shellfish habitat where they can improve water clarity and be harvested by recreational and commercial fisherpeople.

Oyster Restoration and the Shell Recovery Partnership

MVSG has managed oyster restoration projects in Tisbury Great Pond (funded largely by the Town of West Tisbury) and Edgartown Great Pond (funded by a private grant) for 30 and 12 years, respectively. The primary restoration strategies are production of spat-on-shell and planting of loose shell. Spat-on-shell yields clumps of oysters that are better protected

from predators and creates habitat for many other estuarine creatures. The addition of shell to the ponds helps to harden the bottom of the pond, so that oysters do not perish into soft mud; provides calcium-based substrate for wild oyster larvae to set on, and acts like a natural TUMS® by buffering against increasingly acidic conditions. Both of these tools depend on shell. In the past, we have purchased clam shell from off-island; only as of recently, we are able to rely solely on scallop shell and shells that have been saved from the trash by our Shell Recovery Partnership.

Since 2011 the Shell Recovery Partnership has committed to rescuing this valuable resource from the waste stream by collecting it from Island restaurants, letting it age, then returning it to the Great Ponds. Thanks to l'etoile, The Port Hunter, Offshore Ale, Noman's, The Lookout Tavern, Chowder Company, Beach Road, the Oyster Bar and the Edgartown Yacht Club, we collected more than 3 times our previous benchmarks in 2019.

Pilot Eelgrass Propagation Project

Eelgrass, *Zostera marina*, is an important nursery habitat for many species, especially bay scallops. It is sensitive to summer heat and poor water quality. On a global scale, seagrass meadows contain 10-40 times more carbon than forests, and are an effective carbon sink. On an ecosystem scale, eelgrass buffers acidic water which helps shellfish produce shell. This summer we planted dislodged eelgrass into biodegradable containers at the Hughes Hatchery. In the spring we will plant them in to Lagoon and Menemsha Ponds. The two main goals are to 1. 'Rehabilitate' plants that would perish otherwise; and 2. Plant re-established, potted plots instead of bare root plants.

Updated edition of the Island Blue Pages

Almost 15 years ago, a committee of the Water Alliance, lead by Amandine and Rick of MVSG, published an illustrated environmental booklet to teach Islanders to be kind to our watersheds and our sole source aquifer, every day. In 2019, with contributions from many organizations and the Edey Foundation, an updated edition was printed by the MV Commission. A Portuguese edition will be printed, pending available funds. Pick up a copy at your Town Hall, Library, pond group, MV Commission or access online at www.mvshellfishgroup.org/island-blue-pages.

Respectfully submitted,

EMMA GREEN-BEACH
AMANDINE SURIER HALL
Co-Directors and Biologists

Shellfish Seed Produced in 2019

Quahog Seed	Town	Amount
	Aquinnah	2,700,000
	Chilmark	2,700,000
	Edgartown	2,700,000
	Oak Bluffs	2,700,000
	Tisbury	2,700,000
	Total	13,500,000

Scallop Eggs	Pond	Amount
	Tashmoo	32,800,000
	Sengekontacket	32,800,000
	Lagoon Pond	38,400,000

Scallop Larvae	Pond	Amount
	Lagoon Pond	400,000
	Cape Pogue	15,100,000
	Menemsha Pond	30,895,000

Scallop Seed	Town	Amount
	Aquinnah	5,466,000
	Chilmark	5,466,000
	Edgartown	5,466,000
	Oak Bluffs	5,466,000
	Tisbury	5,466,000
	Wampanoag Tribe*	150,000
	Gosnold**	100,000
	Total	27,580,000

Oysters	Tisbury Great Pond	Edgartown Great Pond***	Other	Total
Eggs	45,000,000	-	-	45,000,000
Larvae	2,500,000	4,350,000	-	6,850,000
Remote set	7,952,500	4,480,000	-	12,432,500
Singles	274,261	152,288	800	426,549

Provided by: *contract; **State funding; ***private grant funding



Scallop seed grew and survived very well in the hatchery, although wild seed sets were low across the island.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

In its primary capacity as administrator and enforcer of the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and the Edgartown Wetlands Protection Bylaw, the Conservation Commission reviewed 37 notices of intent and 19 requests for determinations in 2019. These applications covered a wide variety of projects under the Commission's jurisdiction including: dredging and beach nourishment, vegetation management plans, and all construction and landscaping activities within 200 feet (300 in the Ponds District) of a resource district.

From May through July, the Commission spent many hours in public hearings reviewing the proposal by Vineyard Wind to install undersea cables in Muskeget Channel that would service off-shore wind turbines. The Commission listened to many hours of testimony from members of the fishing community - who were opposed to the project - and from the scientific community and climate change activists - who were proponents of the proposal. Ultimately the Commission made the very difficult decision to deny the project. After various appeals and a superseding order from DEP, the Commission reached a compromise with Vineyard Wind that was satisfactory.

The Commission's Agent, Jane Varkonda, issued a number of enforcement and restoration orders for violations of the bylaw and the act over the course of the year. These included unauthorized activities at North Water Street, Chappaquiddick Road, and Butler's Cove.

The Nature Conservancy, in cooperation with the town, was able to conduct the first fall burn at Katama in 30 years. Generally, the state does not like burns to be conducted in the summer or fall because of increased population and air-quality concerns. However fall burns are more effective in reducing woody vegetation and reestablishing the grassland habitat, and the Nature Conservancy was able to obtain a waiver from DEP.

For the second year, Ms. Varkonda, in association with the Woods Hole Group, secured a Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness grant from the Commonwealth to assess the town's infrastructure and prioritize those areas and structures that need the most protection from flooding due to climate change.

The Commission also worked closely with the Marine Advisory Committee monitoring on-going public access issues with the Harborside Inn.

The Commission is pleased to report that one Piping Plover chick hatched on Lighthouse Beach this year. The Commission contracts with Biodiversity Works to monitor the nesting birds and to assist with management activities.

2019 marked the 20th anniversary of the Farm Institute, which originally began at Herring Creek Farm as an independent nonprofit. Sixteen years ago the Farm Institute moved to its current location at the town-owned Katama Farm. The institute has been part of the Trustees of Reservations for the past five years.

In July the institute opened a state-of-the-art teaching kitchen and launched a series of both summer and off-season cooking classes. Engagement Site Manager Lindsay Brown reports that the kitchen helps make the farm a year-round community hub for farm-based education. The institute continues to offer other farm-based programs such as the Summer Farm Camp, Sheepalooza, Fall on the Farm, weekly summer farm dinners, programs for island schools, and a sold-out Meals in the Meadow. The institute continues to offer field trips for island school children as well as residential programs for inner-city school children. In 2020, the institute plans to launch a playgroup, Farm Tots, or younger children aged 2.5 to 5 years.

Ms. Brown reports that the institute is currently home to 42 cows - 12 of which are new fall calves, 17 sheep, 75 chickens, 3 ducks, and 5 goats - 3 of which were born on Mother's Day.

The Commission would like to thank Ian Peach and the Land Bank staff for installing two new sets of beach access stairs at North Neck and for their continued assistance in maintaining the walking paths at Katama Farm and for maintenance of the town-owned Gardner and North Neck properties.

The Commission would also like to thank Alan deBettencourt and the Highway Department for help maintaining property under the Commission's jurisdiction.

The Commission meets twice monthly on Wednesdays on the second floor of the Town Hall. The public is always welcome to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT AVAKIAN
CHRISTINA BROWN
JEFF CARLSON
GEOFFREY KONTJE
STUART LOLLIS
LIL PROVINCE
EDWARD W. VINCENT, JR., Chairman

LISA MORRISON, Administrator
JANE VARKONDA, Agent

DREDGE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

After three seasons of dredging since the delivery of the Town's new dredge, the dredge program has more than made back the cost of the machine. Through the sale of sand in 2017, a stint in the Tashmoo Channel in 2018, and again with the sale of sand to Oak Bluffs this season, the dredge program has brought in over \$600,000, completely offsetting the price of the new dredge in under three years.

The dredge has spent the season dredging in Sengecontactet, helping to increase the circulation of the pond. There has been enough sand to not only sell approximately 16,000 cubic yard to Oak Bluffs, for the nourishment of North Neck Beach, but also to place another 5,000 cubic yards on Fuller Street Beach, as well as a few hundred cubic yards to nourish Collins Beach.

The Committee continues to work towards completion of the Katama Landing Project: the plans for the expansion of the ramp were approved by the Conservation Commission over the summer and are now being reviewed by the State. The Committee hopes to begin work on this project next winter, which will allow us to pursue the purchase of a trailer for the dredge, eliminating the need for it to be launched and hauled by a crane each year.

The Committee also continues to work towards permitting the entrance channel to the Harbor. The channel is slowly getting narrower and shallower and needs to be added to the Town's comprehensive permit as a location eligible for dredging to ensure access to the Harbor is maintained. The channel is a federal navigation channel maintained by the Army Corps of Engineers. The proximity of the proposed dredge area to the channel makes the permitting process more complicated; currently, the Corps

has given preliminary approval for engineering work to be performed that will illuminate the existing conditions and pave the way for the rest of the permitting process.

The Dredge Program relies heavily on the dedication and expertise of many who contribute to its success, including Harbormaster Charlie Blair, Shellfish Warden and Marine Biologist Paul Bagnall, Highway Superintendent Allan DeBettencourt, Town Administrator James Hagerty, and the Board of Selectmen. The Committee would especially like to thank Jane Varkonda, the Town's Conservation Agent, who continues to be an incredible asset to the Committee and the Dredge Program; she successfully maintains the Town's 10 year comprehensive permit, as well as our relationships with State and Federal Regulatory agencies.

The Committee would also like to thank the Dredge Crew: Foreman Greg Bettencourt, Leverman Donny Benefit and Anchorman Peter Jackson. These three brave the elements year after year, working in harsh conditions, to maintain Town beaches and waterways for the public to enjoy all year round. The Committee would also like to thank Administrator Juliet Mulinare for keeping the Committee organized.

Last but not least, thank you to the Citizens of Edgartown; without your generous support, the dredge program would not be possible.

Respectfully submitted,

ED HANDY
DUDLEY LEVICK
PETER VINCENT
RICHARD HAMILTON
RYAN SMITH

PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
Citizens of Edgartown:

The Park Commissioners are pleased to report another uneventful year at South Beach, Bend in the Road Beach, Robinson Road Recreation Area, Cannonball Park and Wilson's Landing.

This summer we were pleased to welcome back Brian Jordan as our Head Lifeguard. Brian, a guard for the past six summers and one of the most dedicated lifeguards to ever serve at South Beach, mentored a new wave of young and eager lifeguards. Along with the help of John Henry O'Shaughnessey as the Assistant Head Lifeguard, South Beach and the Bend in the Road Beach saw few emergencies while setting record high attendance numbers. The waters were calm for the most part with no beach closures due to tropical storms or extremely high tides. This summer, we did have the rare confirmed shark sighting off South Beach. With advice from towns located on the outer Cape, we put up warning signs at the entrances to the beach in hopes of educating beach visitors that we share the ocean with these creatures. This incident helped us firm up shark sighting and water closure policies. In June, the Edgartown Fire Department assisted with a drill to familiarize the Beach Staff and the Fire Department Staff with a new over- sand rescue trailer. This rescue trailer was purchased with a joint warrant article between the Park Department and the Fire Department approved at Annual Town Meeting and will be a valuable asset for beach rescues. We would like to thank our lifeguard staff: Brian Jordan, Head Lifeguard; John Henry O'Shaughnessey, Assistant Head Lifeguard; Alex Vasilidias; Alana Morris; Beatrice Pforr; Bryce Nelson; Cameron Cook; Chloe Blanc; Dillon McAndrews; Elizabeth Williamson; Brooks Jordan; Flynn Coffey; Griffin Coffey; Harrison Rodrigues; Jack Holmes; Jessica Sonia; Megan Sonia; Nevin Wallis; Nate Newcomer; Paulo Perriera; Suzanne More- Straton and Tristian Scheller for another great year. Gene Townes was

again at the helm of the Park Patrol this summer. Dan Townes, Donald Herman and Brain Usher joined him again. S. Blake Axtell joined the team for his first year as a park patrol employee. Thanks everyone for another great year!

With the calmer waters of a North-facing beach, the Bend in the Road was again a very popular spot for families this summer. While the guards were participating in a training day at the Bend this year, they actually had to perform a rescue and help a couple kayaking who had tipped over and were unable to get back in to shore. Bend in the Road Beach is being nourished with sand in conjunction with nourishment of Cow Bay and dredging in Sengekontacket Pond. This sand will help keep the beach a place we can all enjoy.

The Robinson Road Recreation Area was busy again this past summer. Swim lessons and tennis lessons were open to residents and visitors island wide again this year. We would like to thank our Recreation Director Lynn Silvia and the staff: Cody McCarron, Chase Sylvia, Masie Sherman, Emily Tierney, Aiden Rogers and Allison Daigle. The tennis instructors were Ben and Wyatt Belisle this summer. The Park Department was able to offer swim lessons again with Galya Walt as the swim instructor.

The Commissioners would like to thank the Edgartown Highway Department, the Edgartown Police Department; Edgartown Fire & EMS Department; the Harbormaster; the Edgartown Dredge Department and our Administrator Jessica McGroarty, the Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown.

Respectfully submitted,

GLENN SEARLE
KEVIN SEARLE
JANE VARKONDA, Chairman
JESSICA MCGROARTY,
Park Administrator

BEAUTIFICATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

The Edgartown Beautification Committee welcomes the year, 2020, with enthusiasm to begin a number of exciting projects over the next year.

The "Yellow House", on Main Street, is undergoing massive renovations which will be completed by early summer. This has been a long awaited improvement on this historical building. The space between that and the Town Hall will be nicely landscaped and maintained.

Although the plans for the expansion of the Stop & Shop are still in the works, when the time comes we look forward to sharing in the design and plantings of this expanded location.

The Committee will introduce plans for the beautification of the Cannonball Park, focusing on this large, in town area, for new plantings, benches and walkways, all to enjoy.

The plantings at the downtown parking lots and the Wharf lot will be refined and additional plantings will be added.

The annual budget is used for the plantings and maintenance of the Triangle's beautiful Welcome to Edgartown, the

plant materials for the Main Street hanging baskets and the whiskey barrel seasonal plantings. There will be additional areas added to this list.

The Committee continues to install engraved bricks at the Whale's Tail park, at Edgartown Wharf. These bricks are a meaningful and affordable way to honor friends and family.

Benches and lampposts in downtown Edgartown have plaques honoring someone special. Please inquire about availability.

The town of Edgartown web site is www.edgartown-ma.us It contains information on how to order bricks, plaques and lamp posts.

The Beautification Committee welcomes your suggestions and participation in these projects.

Respectfully submitted,

CAROL FLIGOR
RENEE CLERMONT
GERRY CONOVER
CAMMIE NAYLOR
ALYSSA STARZYK
JULIET MULINARE

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

The Christmas Committee would like to extend its gratitude to the many individuals and businesses who transform Edgartown into the festive landscape we all enjoy each Holiday Season. From the Welcome to Edgartown triangle which looked especially lovely this season with colorful lights covering the hedge, to the classic tree stands and garland wrapped lampposts that decorate downtown, Edgartown was abundant with spirit. A couple of December snowfalls added even more beauty to the season.

Christmas in Edgartown weekend was a huge success, despite some less than ideal weather for the parade, but that didn't stop many from enjoying a favorite Christmas tradition. Thank you to the Edgartown Board of Trade for

arranging this weekend with so many different activities for residents and visitors alike to enjoy.

The Committee would especially like to thank the Highway Department, who graciously transports and erects the tree stands all over downtown, Kate DeVane and her crew for all the beautiful decorations, Tom Bassett for keeping everything lit, and Bob Hagerty for adorning the tall trees in Cannonball Park.

If anyone would like to join the Committee and help in planning for next year, we would love to have you!

Respectfully submitted,

GLEN SEARLE
LES BAYNES
JULIET MULINARE



EDGARTOWN LAND BANK ADVISORY BOARD

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
Citizens of Edgartown:

Whale Jaw Farm was conserved in 2019. Zachary Pinerio, in a cooperative acquisition with the Land Bank, purchased the 1.6-acre farmstead and the Land Bank acquired the remaining 18.2 acres. The Land Bank paid \$950,000; the seller was Judith Tucker. The property will be incorporated into the Land Bank's now 305-acre Three Ponds Reservation, on the Chappaquiddick Road.

The Land Bank gratefully accepted the donation of a critical trail easement, from brothers Andy and Jeff Norton. It will allow a link between the Edgartown School and the Clevelandtown Road, and fits directly into a planned Cross-Edgartown trail.

The Board — in concert with the other Land Bank advisory boards across the Vineyard — approved a series of management plan amendments designed to protect Land Bank beaches. Overnight storage of personal items is not permitted, except in the case of commercial shellfishermen acting in the course of their business.

The Board approved the Land Bank budget, which is subject to annual review by each of the town advisory boards.

Board members paid tribute to long-time member Karen Kukolich and acknowledged her many contributions. She had served on the Board since 1997 and passed away in 2019.

Anyone wishing to make recommendations or suggestions is invited to join the Board at one of its monthly meetings, which take place at 167 Main Street at 4:30 pm on the first Thursday of the month.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL DONAROMA,
Planning Board appointee, Chairman
STEVEN EWING,
Conservation Commission appointee
DONNA GOODALE,
Selectmen appointee
JAMES KELLEHER,
Water Commission appointee
ANDREW KELLY,
Board of Assessors appointee
CHRISTINA MILLER,
Board of Health appointee
KEVIN SEARLE,
Park and Recreation Commission appointee

MARTHA'S VINEYARD LAND BANK

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Edgartown:

3476 acres, representing 6% of Martha's Vineyard, have been conserved by the Land Bank since voters created it in 1986. Please visit them; maps are available at town halls and libraries; online at www.mvlandbank.com; and at the Land Bank office in Edgartown.

ACQUISITIONS

The Sheriff's Meadow Foundation (SMF) began, decades ago, a significant conservation effort in the area of Cedar Tree Neck in West Tisbury. The Land Bank tried to complement this work in its 1986 acquisition, on the eastern flank of the SMF holdings, of its *Christiantown Woods Preserve*. In 2019 the Land Bank was able to add to its preserve with a purchase of 7.3 acres from the Jonathan Rose family. The price was \$550,000.

The old Whale Jaw Farm in Edgartown was conserved via a cooperative acquisition with Zachary Pinerio. He purchased the 1.6-acre farmstead and the Land Bank acquired the remaining 18.2 acres. The Land Bank paid \$950,000; the seller was Judith Tucker. The property will be incorporated into the Land Bank's now 305-acre *Three Ponds Reservation*.

Two beach lots were donated to the Land Bank. Charles Hotchkiss et al. donated a 0.1-acre lot to be included in the *Chilmark Pond Preserve*; Joseph Kapell et al. donated a 0.3-acre lot to be appended to Moshup Beach at the *Aquinnah Headlands Preserve*.

The environs of existing Land Bank properties are natural priorities, as conserving them expands the protected area. The Land Bank purchased 4.5 acres adjacent to the *Pecoy Point Preserve* from the estate of Jerome Kenney for \$890,000.

In addition, the Land Bank continued to pursue and purchase partial interests in properties across the island.

Land Management

Ecological inventories and studies continued at many land bank properties: Aquinnah Headlands Preserve, Beech Tree Preserve, Edgartown Great Pond Beach, Gay Head Moraine, Great Rock Bight Preserve, Manaquayak Preserve, Paint Mill Brook Preserve, Pecoy Point Preserve, Poucha Pond Reservation, Quammox Preserve, Sepiessa Point Reservation, Tashmoo Beach, Tiasquam Valley Reservation,

Tisbury Great Pond Beach, Tisbury Meadow Preserve, Waskosim's Rock Reservation and Wilfrid's Pond Preserve.

7.5 acres of woodland crowding the island's highest point — Peaked Hill, at 311 feet above sea level — were returned to an open state. Boulders were exposed and native grasses were planted. Hikers now experience a nearly panoramic view including Nomans Land Island, the Aquinnah peninsula, Buzzards Bay and Cuttyhunk Island and, in the far distance, the Sakonnet River estuary. A lottery was conducted to distribute the firewood to the public.

Similarly reclaimed was the portion of the Tashmoo peninsula comprising the Tashmoo Preserve: the Land Bank removed two beach-cottages and restored the dune. The Commonwealth's Energy and Environmental Affairs Secretary approved a management plan for the property and it was opened to public use. This added 400 feet of Vineyard Sound beach to the existing public lands at the end of the Herring Creek Road. Under consideration is removal of the revetment, so as to further renaturalize the dune system there.

Staff removed, per an off-premises view easement, trees that had grown and blocked the view of the Tisbury Great Pond from the Middle Ridge Preserve's summit.

As usual, the Land Bank field crew continued ongoing general maintenance on various Land Bank properties across the island. In particular, the crew reconstructed boardwalks at the Blackwater Pond and Poucha Pond Reservations. Progress in realizing the Cross-Chilmark trail — specifically, the creation of a link between the Peaked Hill Reservation and the Trustees of Reservations' Menemsha Hills Reservation — occurred when the staff installed a new trail connecting Peaked Hill and the North Road.

Cross Island Hike

The Land Bank's twenty-seventh annual Cross Island Hike (XIH) celebrating National Trails Day — the first Saturday in June — extended from Blackwater Pond Reservation in West Tisbury to Big Bridge in Edgartown, touching 13 conservation lands. A record 120+ hikers started in the morning and nearly 60 people arrived at the finish. All told, about 140 people participated in all or part of the hike. The 16.2-mile hike was completed by 52 people, far surpassing the record set the previous year of 39 people. Almost half of the through-hikers, evenly split between islanders and visitors, had never before been on an XIH

Budget and Related Matters

The following chart synthesizes the Land Bank’s annual finances. Anyone wishing to read the budget in its entirety, which includes a narrative describing the purpose of each line item expenditure, is welcome to obtain a copy at the Land Bank office:

	FISCAL YEAR 209 BUDGETED	FISCAL YEAR 2019 ACTUAL	FISCAL YEAR 2029 BUDGETED
Revenues	\$10,075,000	\$13,387,307	\$10,075,000 *
Administrative expenses	(\$ 576,051) 6%	(\$ 545,776) 4%	(\$ 589,441) 6%
Land Management Expenses	(\$ 1,392,998) 14%	(\$ 1,261,698) 9%	(\$ 1,510,936) 15%
Debt Service Expenses	(\$ 4,926,173) 49%	(\$ 4,627,562) 35%	(\$ 4,466,907) 44%
Reserve Expenses	(\$ 55,000) 1%	(\$0) 0%	(\$ 75,000) 1%
Unencumbered New Receipts	(\$ 3,130,277) 30%	(\$ 6,925,271) 52%	(\$3,432,716) 34%

-As of December 1, 2019, the Land Bank treasury contained some \$14.6 million in cash, to fund all expenses including new acquisitions and the payment of debt service for existing properties.

-The asterisk (*) indicates the land bank’s revenue projection.

Transfer Fee Revenues

Fiscal Year 2019 transfer fee revenues were:

Aquinnah Fund	\$224,211	2 %
Chilmark Fund	\$712,403	5 %
Edgartown Fund	\$3,020,655	23 %
Oak Bluffs Fund	\$979,191	7 %
Tisbury Fund	\$865,642	6 %
West Tisbury Fund	\$891,551	7 %
Central fund	\$6,693,653	50%
Total	\$13,387,307	100%

-This represented a 1% decrease over the previous year.

Gifts

The Land Bank gratefully accepted a gift of \$100 in memory of Wayne Kallman; and \$8,900 from multiple donors for the erection of a deer fence to protect croplands at the Poucha Pond Reservation.

Commissioners and Staff

The Land Bank bade farewell, with appreciation, to long-time Commissioners Priscilla Sylvia (Land Bank Study Committee 1984-1986; Land Bank Commission 1986-2019) and Edward Vincent, Jr. (Edgartown Land Bank Town Advisory Board 1986-1996; Land Bank Commission 1996-2019). The Land Bank Commission currently comprises the following members: Pamela Goff, Chilmark; Richard Knight, Jr., Edgartown, Wesley Mott, Commonwealth; Mary Robin Ravitch, West Tisbury; Kristen Reimann, Oak Bluffs; Sarah Thulin, Aquinnah; and Nancy Weaver, Tisbury. The year-round Land Bank staff comprises the following individuals: Jean-Marc Dupon, Conservation Land Assistant; Maureen Hill, Administrative Assistant; Harrison Kisiel, Crew Manager; Antone Lima, Conservation Land Assistant; Jeffrey Komarinetz, Conservation Land Assistant; Cynthia Krauss, Fiscal Officer; James Lengyel, Executive Director; Ian Peach, Land Superintendent; and Julie Russell, Ecologist.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES LENGYEL
Executive Director

MARTHA'S VINEYARD TRANSIT AUTHORITY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
Citizens of Edgartown:

AGENCY OVERVIEW

The Martha's Vineyard Transit Authority (VTA) provides fixed-route bus and ADA demand-responsive van service to the six towns on the Island of Martha's Vineyard. The VTA was created by the Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 161B and is funded through local, state, and federal sources.

Leadership

Per MGL Chapter 161B, the VTA is managed by an Administrator, who is appointed by an Advisory Board. The Advisory Board is composed of one representative from each member community, one Rider Community Representative and one Disabled Community Representative.

Mission

We believe that public transportation is essential to the economic vitality, environmental stability and quality of life on the Island of Martha's Vineyard. We provide safe and secure environment for our customers, community and employees through consistent training, enforcement and allocation of resources. We continuously strive to improve the cost efficiency of our services and approach our financial relationships with integrity and transparency.

Description of Services

The VTA operates twelve year-round routes, plus two additional summer peak season routes and paratransit service in accordance with Americans with Disability Act (ADA). The fixed routes are organized into a hub and spoke system around four hubs, which are located in the Vineyard's largest communities (Vineyard Haven, Oak Bluffs, Edgartown and West Tisbury). With one exception, all VTA routes serve at least one hub. Connecting to and between hubs allows passengers to transfer between routes and increases accessibility to the Island's major services and destinations. The VTA also interlines buses to offer one-seat rides between key destinations. The VTA's annual operating budget for FY19 was \$5.99 million, plus \$1.967 million in capital funds. This investment supports 1.30 million riders and 1.28 million miles of service.

FUNDING UPDATES

MassDOT Discretionary Funding Program

Section 74 of the Fiscal Year 2019 Massachusetts Budget created an additional \$4 million of funding for Regional Transit Authorities that (1) provide best practice services and/or (2) seek to initiate, maintain or expand service to a priority population. The VTA applied for this competitive grant and was awarded \$83,500 to restore fixed route service on Routes 1 and 13 during the in-season, which often exceed capacity during peak periods. Service along these two routes will be restored to 15-20 minute headway during peak season.

The receipt of the additional funds is contingent on meeting the performance criteria as set forth in the Memorandum of Understanding. The first round of performance evaluations will take place in October 2019.

Advancing Commonwealth Energy Storage (ACES)

In August 2018 the VTA was awarded an ACES grant from the Massachusetts Clean Energy Technology Center (MassCEC) to fund a lithium ion energy storage project. The lithium ion battery storage units will be located at the VTA Operations and Maintenance Facility and will be paired with solar PV to enable the electrified transit fleet to charge in accordance with the fleet's schedule and minimize or eliminate demand charges incurred from charging buses during peak hours.

SERVICE MODIFICATIONS

The VTA made numerous modifications to the service offering throughout FY 2019, as compared to the previous year. Nearly all of the modifications were reductions of service. These changes were either the elimination of trips or a shortening of the periods during which they run. The reasons were a combination of budget constraints and the results of ridership analysis - complying with MassDOT's directive to eliminate any underperforming service that cannot be reasonably expected to improve to meet performance standards.

Changes to Off-Season 2018-2019 as Compared to Off-Season 2017-2018

Largely due to the differences in traffic delays between seasons, the VTA operated a completely different set of timetables in the Off-Season Winter than the Off-Season Fall and Spring periods. The Off-Season Winter operated December 31, 2018 – March 29, 2019. This was the first time this was done during the Off-Season. The two sets of timetables were presented on the two sides of the VTA's System Route Map publication.

Changes to the In-Season 2019 as Compared to In-Season 2018 for May and June

The extended trips of Route 4 and 5 were further scaled back, with trips that historically ran Fridays and Saturdays (before becoming daily in the peak season) were eliminated for the In-Season Spring. These trips continued to be offered daily in the peak season starting June 22, 2019. The first and last trips of the Route 10A schedule were trimmed. For Route 11, the start of evening service was delayed one week from the last week of June to the first week of July.

Much of the VTA's success over the past two decades was founded on providing service to serve potential latent travel demand on the Vineyard. The eliminated trips represented cases where VTA services were requested, but not used consistently enough to performance standards to warrant the continuation of those particular trips. The selective

scaling back keeps available resources focused on the VTA's productive service. The VTA continues to monitor and accept requests for unmet travel needs in the region, and will seek ways to provide these trips if sufficient demand exists. Further service cuts are anticipated for FY 20 in order to fund a collective bargaining agreement, an increase in insurance premiums and an increase in rent from the MV Airport Commission.

CLEAN TRANSPORTATION INITIATIVES

In 2017, the VTA commenced an ambitious project to electrify its transit fleet and fuel the fleet with renewable solar energy and integrated energy storage. This system of locally generated renewables, storage and vehicle charging will create a first-of-its-kind fully integrated, clean, resilient, and flexible public transportation system.

To date, the VTA has made great strides in its electrification project. The VTA has 10 all electric battery buses two six more are slated to arrive in the spring of 2020. The upgraded operations and maintenance facility to support the electric buses will have solar canopies installed this year. In route inductive charging stations are being designed, and the infrastructure has been ordered.

PARTNERSHIPS & COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The VTA continues to partner with the Island's councils on aging, elderly and disabled housing authorities, and schools to provide reduced fare annual passes for the Island's elderly, disabled and youth. Reduced fare passes are available for purchase through the councils on aging and all Island schools. The VTA also offers a Military reduced fare.

For the past 14 years, the VTA has maintained the Island's school bus fleet, saving the school district money and the complications of getting vehicles to the mainland for repair services, as viable and affordable alternatives do not exist in the private sector on the Island.

The VTA leases office space within their building to the Registry of Motor Vehicles (RMV) to operate a local branch for the Island. Every two years, the VTA hosts a boat and recreational vehicle registration event, a joint event sponsored by the RMV and Mass Energy and Environmental Affairs. This event is designed so members of the community can easily obtain proper registration for recreational boats and vehicles without having to travel to the mainland.

The VTA maintains its own fuel island on the property, with above-ground diesel and

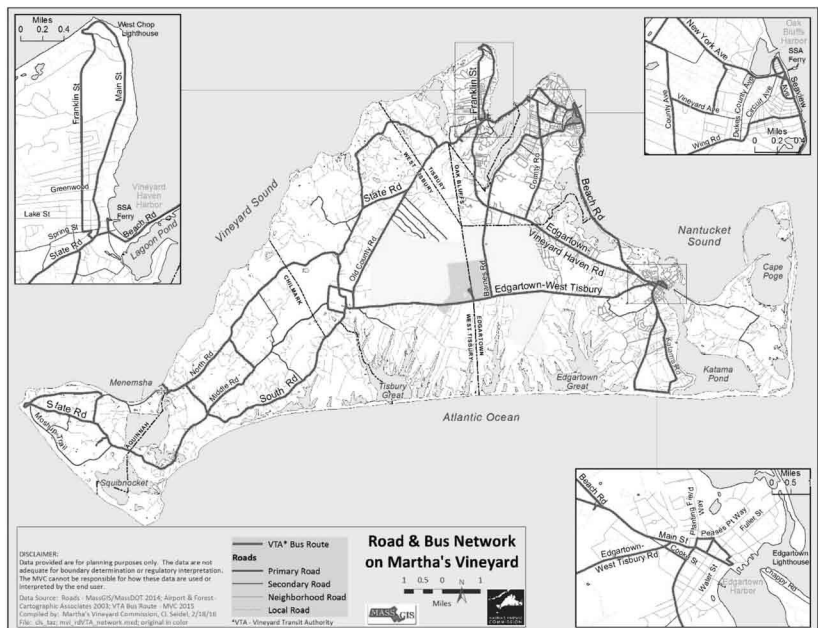
unleaded fuel tanks. We are the largest consumer of fuel on the Island. We allow other public agencies to fuel at our facility which, with the pooling of our fuel purchases saves tens of thousands of dollars annually for these public agencies: the Martha's Vineyard School District, the Airport, Dukes County Sheriff's Department, several Towns police, fire and highway departments, Island Elderly Housing, the Land Bank and the County. A computerized fuel authorization system allows access for these agencies to fuel twenty-four hours a day.

The VTA property is host to training exercises for MV Tactical Response Team and fire department drills. The VTA has provided vehicles and drivers, as needed, to the Airport so they can coordinate their MCI Drills, as required by FAA. We are a member of the County and all Island Towns' Emergency Management plans for evacuations, transportation and cooling/warming rehabilitation vehicles in the event of an emergency.

The VTA is home to the only Commercial Driver's License (CDL) course. The VTA allows private, as well as other public agencies, to train on and use the course for licensing.

Respectfully submitted,

- Oak Bluffs – ALICE BUTLER, Chairman
- West Tisbury - JOHN ALLEY
- Aquinnah - JUNE MANNING
- Tisbury - ELAINE MILLER
- Chilmark - LEONARD JASON
- Edgartown - LOUIS PACIELLO
- Rider Community Representative – Vacant
- Disabled Community Representative - Vacant
- Administrator - ANGELA E. GRANT



Operational Facts and Figures

Fixed Route

Facts:

Annual Ridership
 Annual Farebox & Other Revenue
 Annual Cost of Operations
 % of Fare Box Recovery of Operating Costs
 Fleet Size

FY19	FY18
1,305,195	1,347,337
1,666,065	1,683,544
4,695,938	4,425,849
35.48%	38.04%
32	33

Fixed Route:

Number of Fixed Routes
 Annual Passenger Trips
 Annual Revenue Hours
 Annual Revenue Miles
 Annual Vehicle Hours
 Annual Vehicle Miles

14	14
1,305,195	1,347,337
67,047	68,528
1,097,108	1,087,337
71,025	72,905
1,162,191	1,156,742

Performance Measures:

Operating Expense Per Passenger Trip
 Operating Expense Per Revenue Hour
 Operating Expense Per Revenue Mile
 Passenger Trips Per Revenue Hour
 Passenger Trips Per Revenue Mile
 Required Subsidy Per Passenger Trip

\$3.60	\$3.28
\$70.04	\$64.58
\$4.28	\$4.07
\$19.47	19.66
1.19	1.24
\$2.32	\$2.04

Fare Information:

Fixed Routes Fares:

Adult Base
 Elderly Fare
 Disabled Fare
 Under 12
 Under 6
 Student Pass
 Incremental Zone Fare
 Free Fare - describe

\$1.25/zone	\$1.25/zone
\$0.75/zone	\$0.75
\$0.75/zone	\$0.75
\$1.25/zone	\$1.25/zone
Free	Free
Reduced Fare	Reduced Fare
\$1.25/zone	\$1.25/zone
6 and under	6 and under

ADA - Demand Response

Facts:

Annual Ridership
 Annual Farebox & Other Revenue
 Annual Cost of Operations
 % of Fare Box Recovery of Operating Costs
 Fleet Size

12,298	13,160
\$32,384	\$30,787
\$549,408	\$584,893
5.89%	5.26%
6	6

Demand Response Statistics:

Annual Passenger Trips
 Annual Revenue Hours
 Annual Revenue Miles
 Annual Vehicle Hours
 Annual Vehicle Miles

12,298	13,160
7,321	6,776
106,696	85,966
7,788	7,209
118,551	91,451

Performance measures:

Operating Expense Per Passenger Trip
 Operating Expense Per Revenue Hour
 Operating Expense Per Revenue Mile
 Passenger Trips Per Revenue Hour
 Passenger Trips Per Revenue Mile
 Required Subsidy Per Passenger Trip

\$44.67	\$44.44
\$75.05	\$86.32
\$5.15	\$6.80
1.68	1.94
0.12	0.15
\$42.04	\$42.11

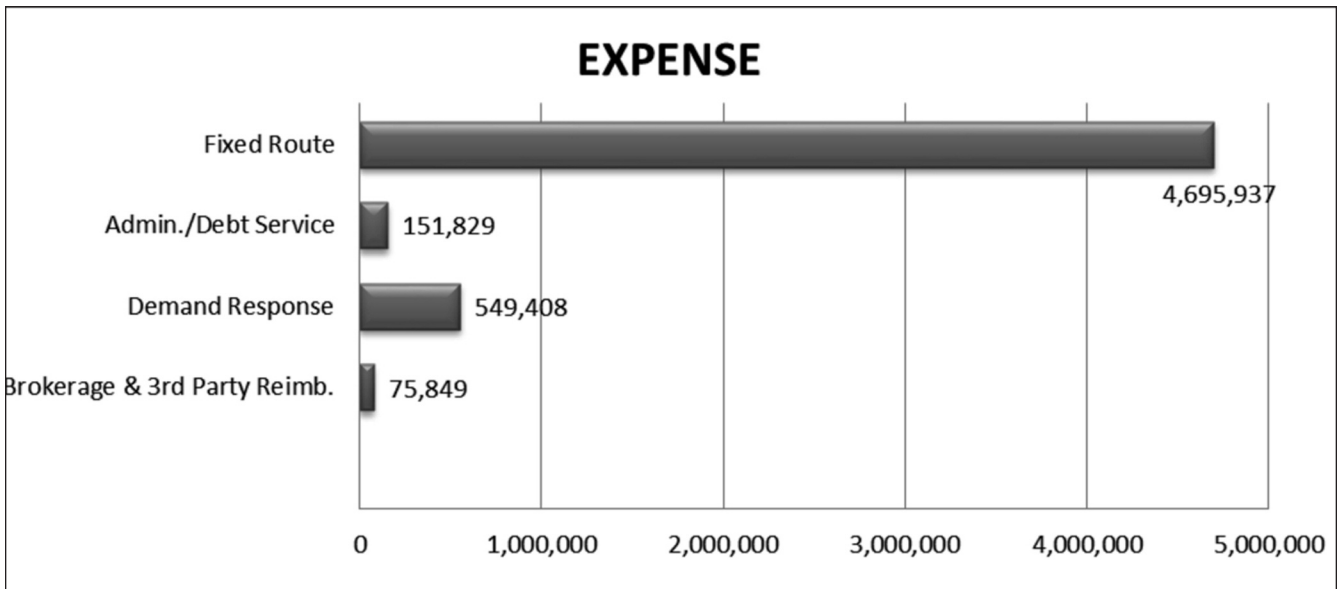
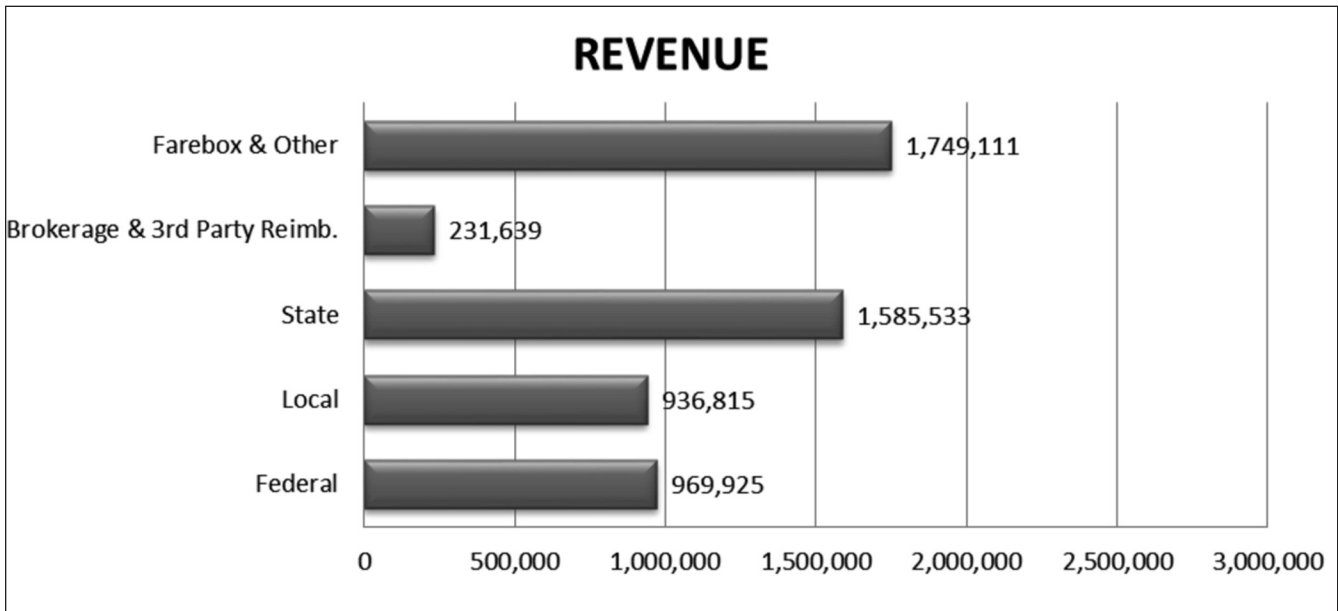
Fare Information:

Paratransit:

Elderly
 Disabled
 Pass Program
 Ticket Program

\$2.00/town	\$2.00/town
\$2.00/town	\$2.00/town
N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A

FINANCE
Revenue and Expenses



Statement of Net Position

ASSETS	2019	2018
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 966,967	\$ 645,431
Receivable for operating assistance	# 2,020,467	\$ 1,869,833
Other current assets	\$ 452,436	\$ 534,830
Prepaid fuel hedge	\$ -	\$ -
Total current assets	\$ 3,459,870	\$ 3,050,094
Restricted & Noncurrent Assets		
Restricted assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 221,136	\$ 221,136
Receivable for capital assistance	\$ 1,442,525	\$ 4,361,861
Total restricted assets	\$ 1,663,661	\$ 4,582,997
Receivable for operating assistance	\$ 465,195	\$ 438,784
Capital assets, net	\$ 15,763,867	\$ 14,696,379
Net OPEB asset	\$ 326,777	\$ 348,950
Total restricted assets & noncurrent assets	\$ 18,218,500	\$ 20,067,110
Total assets	\$ 21,78,370	\$ 23,117,204
Deferred Outflows of Resources		
Deferred outflows of resources related to pension	\$ 174,473	\$ 53,888
Deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB	\$ 15,562	\$ 39,104
Total assets & deferred outflows of resources	\$ 21,868,405	\$ 23,210,196
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued expense	\$ 279,868	\$ 231,670
Total current liabilities	\$ 279,868	\$ 231,670
Restricted and noncurrent liabilities		
Liabilities payable from restricted assets		
Accounts payable and accrued expense	\$ 1,437,623	\$ 4,036,516
Total liabilities payable from restricted assets	\$ 1,437,623	\$ 4,036,516
Other post-employment benefits	\$ -	\$ -
Net pension liability	\$ 421,760	\$ 226,827
Revenue Anticipation Notes	\$ 1,762,820	\$ 1,500,284
Total restricted and noncurrent liabilities	\$ 3,622,203	\$ 5,763,627
Total liabilities	\$ 3,901,071	\$ 5,995,297
Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Deferred inflows of resources related to pension	\$ 21,132	\$ 58,003
Total liabilities & deferred inflows of resources	\$ 3,923,203	\$ 6,053,300
NET POSITION		
Invested in capital assets	\$ 15,763,867	\$ 14,696,379
Restricted	\$ 226,038	\$ 546,481
Other current assets	\$ 1,955,297	\$ 1,914,036
Total net position	\$ 17,945,202	\$ 17,156,896

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