

# TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD

## 2022

### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OFFICERS



*Apple Blossom Time*

Photograph by Paulette Adams

Small towns like North Brookfield sometimes have a quick turnover on various employed positions. Every so often, someone fills a position with a great deal of professionalism and heart. A person that lives in the town, wants what is best for the town, and strives to be the best that they can be in all they do for the town.

In 1995, North Brookfield had the happy fortune to hire Anne Jannette as a matron to the police department. She worked at the police department for many years aiding in the day-to-day business of that department. In 1997, Anne was hired as the treasurer of the town, from which she retired in June of 2022.

Over the years, Mrs. Jannette has worked diligently with the other members of the town's financial offices. She was part of the insurance committee. As treasurer, Anne performed land and property services for the town regarding purchases as well as tax title loans, etc. Being involved with the insurance aspects of town management, Anne was often the lone participant from the town in hearings regarding insurance claims and payroll issues.

The town treasurer, according to town meeting votes, is responsible for investing the town of North Brookfield's deposits into well-managed accounts. As town treasurer, regarding investments and insurance, Anne Jannette has saved North Brookfield what amounts to millions of dollars over the years. In addition to all her other work, Anne helped write and administer grants which brought in valuable additional capital to help offset our budgets and obtain additional necessary goods and services we would not have been able to afford otherwise.

Perhaps as important to her excellent professionalism and attention to detail in her work, Anne was always willing to help others and offered much assistance and advice to many other town employees and officials in an effort to always remain collaborative and helpful, keeping the town's best interests top of mind always.

Even after retirement, Anne works at the school and advises the town's financial officers. In dedicating this year's town report to Anne Jannette, we hope to relay to her our appreciation and thanks. When she finally does retire completely, we hope she enjoys it fully.

Thank you, Anne, for your valuable service to North Brookfield.

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# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

## **2022**

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## **TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD**

INCORPORATED: 1812

### **LOCATION**

Worcester County, central Massachusetts, bordered by New Braintree and Oakham on the north, Spencer on the east, Brookfield and East Brookfield on the south, and West Brookfield on the west: approximately 25 miles from Worcester, approximately 55 miles from Boston.

### **POPULATION**

2020 Census Figure: 4,789

### **AREA**

21.1 square miles, 12,303 acres, 70.35 miles of paved road and 12 miles of dirt roads

### **TYPE OF GOVERNMENT**

Open Town Meeting with a three-member Board of Selectmen

### **ANNUAL TOWN MEETING & ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION**

The Annual Town Election is held on the first Monday in May of each year and the Annual Town Meeting is held the Friday following the first Monday of May each year.

### **QUALIFICATIONS FOR REGISTRATION AS A VOTER**

Must be 18 years of age, American born or fully naturalized citizen, and a resident of North Brookfield. Register in Town Clerk's office, before elections and town meeting on dates announced by Town Clerk. Absentee voting is available for all elections.

### **WATER BILLS**

Water bills are due September 1<sup>st</sup> and March 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.

### **SEWER BILLS**

Sewer bills are due October 1<sup>st</sup> and April 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.

### **TAX BILLS**

Real Estate Taxes are payable on a quarterly basis on May 1<sup>st</sup>, August 1<sup>st</sup>, November 1<sup>st</sup> and February 1<sup>st</sup>. The bills are due and payable 30 days from the date of mailing.

Motor vehicle excise bills are due 30 days from the date of issue.

### **LANDFILL STICKERS**

Stickers cost \$65. Bags are \$15.00 for a package of 10 33-gallon bags. New residents must provide proof of residency.

## **DOG LICENSES**

Dog licenses expire March 31<sup>st</sup> of each year. All dogs must be licensed at three months with proof of rabies vaccine certificate to be shown at time of licensing.

Fees: \$10.00 for neutered or spayed dogs and \$15.00 for all others.

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**SENATORS IN CONGRESS**

Senator Elizabeth Warren (D)  
317 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510  
(202) 224-4543

2400 JFK Federal Building  
15 New Sudbury Street  
Boston, MA 02203  
(617) 565-8519

Senator Edward J. Markey (D)  
218 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510  
(202) 224-2742

975 JFK Federal Building  
15 New Sudbury Street  
Boston, MA 02203  
(617) 565-8519

**REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS**

James P. McGovern (D) 2<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District  
438 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515  
(202) 225-6101

12 East Worcester Street  
Worcester, MA 01604  
(508) 831-7356

**STATE SENATOR**

Senator Anne M. Gobi (D)  
Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire, and Middlesex District  
State House Room 513  
Boston, MA 02133  
(617) 722-1540

**STATE REPRESENTATIVE**

Representative Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr. (R)  
5<sup>th</sup> Worcester District  
State House Room 540  
Boston, MA 02133  
(617) 722-2090



## **TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD OFFICE HOURS**

### **BOARD OF ASSESSORS:** (508) 867-0209 215 North Main Street

Monday thru Thursday 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM

### **BUILDING INSPECTOR:** (508) 867-0222 215 North Main Street

John Couture, Inspector

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday 5:30PM

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday 5:30PM in East Brookfield

### **TOWN CLERK:** (508) 867-0203 215 North Main Street

Tara Hayes, Town Clerk

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 9:00AM to 2:00PM

Tuesday evening 5:00PM-7:00PM, Wednesday 9:00AM to 12:00PM

### **TOWN COLLECTOR:** (508) 867-0202 215 North Main Street

Lisa Taylor, Town Collector

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 9:00AM to 2:00PM

Tuesday evening 5:00PM-7:00PM, Wednesday 9:00AM to 12:00PM

### **HASTON FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY:** (508) 867-0208 161 Main Street

Amy Vessella, Director

Monday and Wednesday 1:00PM – 7:00PM

Tuesday 10:00AM to 5:00PM

Thursday 1:00PM to 6:00PM

Saturday 9:00AM to 12:00PM

### **BOARD OF HEALTH:** (508) 867-0201 215 North Main Street

Kylie Bulger, Clerk

Monday thru Friday 8:00AM-12:00PM

Tuesday evenings 5:00PM-7:00PM

### **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:** (508) 867-0213 58 School Street

Kim Kort, Administrative Assistant

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:00AM -2:00PM

### **PLUMBING & GAS INSPECTOR:** (508) 509-5595

Troy Allen, Inspector

### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN:** (508) 867-0200 215 North Main Street

Ashley Barre, Administrative Assistant

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 9:00AM – 2:00PM

Wednesday 9:00AM-12:00PM

Meetings: Tuesdays 6:00PM bi-weekly at Police Department

**SENIOR CENTER:** (508) 867-0220 29 Forest Street

Donna Seguin, Director

Monday thru Friday 9:00AM – 2:00PM

**SEWER DEPARTMENT:** (508) 867-0211 59 East Brookfield Road

James Nyberg, Superintendent

Monday thru Friday 8:00AM – 3:00PM

Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday 3:30PM

**WATER DEPARTMENT:** (508) 867-0207 14 Bell Road

Kelly Valeri, Administrative Assistant

Monday thru Friday 8:00AM to 2:00PM

Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday 6:00PM

**VETERAN'S AGENT:** (508) 867-0205 215 North Main Street

Holly Kularski, Director of Veteran's Services

Tuesday 5:00PM – 7:00PM or by appointment

**WIRING INSPECTOR:** (508) 867-0238

Troy Brown, Inspector

**THE FOLLOWING BOARDS MEET ON A MONTHLY BASIS:**

**2<sup>nd</sup> MONDAY OF THE MONTH**

Council on Aging 4:00PM 29 Forest Street

School Committee 7:00PM Elementary School

**2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> TUESDAY OF THE MONTH**

Conservation Commission 7:00PM 215 North Main Street

**1<sup>st</sup> WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH**

Library Trustees 7:00PM 161 Main Street

**3<sup>rd</sup> WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH**

Planning Board 7:00PM 29 Forest Street

**1<sup>st</sup> THURSDAY OF THE MONTH**

Playground Committee 7:00PM 29 Forest Street

**4<sup>th</sup> THURSDAY OF THE MONTH**

Housing Authority 5:30PM 271 North Main Street

**TELEPHONE INFORMATION FOR ANSWERS ON:**

Assessments	
Board of Assessors	508-867-0209
Births, Deaths, Marriages	
Town Clerk	508-867-0203
Building Permits	
Building Inspector	508-867-0222
Cemeteries	
Cemetery Commission	508-867-3384
Conservation	
Conservation Commission	508-867-6409
Dog Licenses	
Town Clerk	508-867-0203
Education	
Supt. Of Schools	508-867-9821
Elderly Information	
Council on Aging	508-867-0220
Elections, Voting & registration	
Town Clerk	508-867-0203
Garbage & Refuse	
Board of Health	508-867-0201
Gas Permits	
Gas Inspector	508-509-5595
Health and Sanitation	
Board of Health	508-867-0201
Landfill & Septic	
Board of Health	508-867-0201
Highway & Streets	
Highway Department	508-867-0213
Housing	
Housing Authority	508-867-2826
Library	
Haston Public Library	508-867-0208
Plumbing Permits	
Plumbing Inspector	508-509-5595
Schools	
Superintendent	508-867-9821
High School	508-867-7131
Elementary School	508-867-8326
Selectmen	
Selectmen's Office	508-867-0200

Sewer	
Sewer Department	508-867-0211
Tax Collections	
Town Collector	508-867-0202
Veterans' Benefits	
Veterans' Agent	508-867-0205
Water	
Water Department	508-867-0207
Wiring Permits	
Wiring Inspector	508-867-0203

**POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Emergency Number 24 hours per day	911
Non-Emergency	508-867-0206
Dispatch	508-867-1170

**FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Emergency Number 24 hours per day	911
Non-Emergency	508-867-0237

## E-MAIL ADDRESSES

Town Accountant	<a href="mailto:accountant@northbrookfield.net"><u>accountant@northbrookfield.net</u></a>
Board of Assessors	<a href="mailto:assessors@northbrookfield.net"><u>assessors@northbrookfield.net</u></a>
Building Inspector	<a href="mailto:buildinginspectornb@gmail.com"><u>buildinginspectornb@gmail.com</u></a>
Town Clerk	<a href="mailto:townclerk@northbrookfield.net"><u>townclerk@northbrookfield.net</u></a>
COA Director	<a href="mailto:coadirector@northbrookfield.net"><u>coadirector@northbrookfield.net</u></a>
Town Collector	<a href="mailto:collector@northbrookfield.net"><u>collector@northbrookfield.net</u></a>
Fire Chief	<a href="mailto:joe.holway@verizon.net"><u>joe.holway@verizon.net</u></a>
Board of Health	<a href="mailto:health@northbrookfield.net"><u>health@northbrookfield.net</u></a>
Highway Department	<a href="mailto:nbhighway@gmail.com"><u>nbhighway@gmail.com</u></a>
Library Director	<a href="mailto:vessellaa@cwmar.org"><u>vessellaa@cwmar.org</u></a>
LPAC Chairman	<a href="mailto:W1JFA@outlook.com"><u>W1JFA@outlook.com</u></a>
Police Chief	<a href="mailto:cms@nbpolice.net"><u>cms@nbpolice.net</u></a>
Board of Selectmen	<a href="mailto:selectmen@northbrookfield.net"><u>selectmen@northbrookfield.net</u></a>
Sewer Department	<a href="mailto:nbsewer@verizon.net"><u>nbsewer@verizon.net</u></a>
Treasurer	<a href="mailto:treasurer@northbrookfield.net"><u>treasurer@northbrookfield.net</u></a>
Water Superintendent	<a href="mailto:jfnbwd@gmail.com"><u>jfnbwd@gmail.com</u></a>
Webmaster	<a href="mailto:webmaster@northbrookfield.net"><u>webmaster@northbrookfield.net</u></a>

**ELECTED OFFICIALS  
2022**

**SELECTMAN**

	<b><u>TERM EXPIRES</u></b>
Elizabeth Brooke Canada	2025
John Tripp	2024
Jason M. Petraitis	2023

**MODERATOR**

James N. Caldwell	2025
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**TOWN CLERK**

Tara M Hayes	2025
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**SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

Christopher Hickman	2025
Ronald Ryel	2024
Christie Omasta	2024
Timothy Canada	2023
Matthew A Grant	2023

**WATER COMMISSIONER**

Christopher Caputo	2025
Tim Nason	2024
James Grace	2023

**ASSESSOR**

Sheila A. Buzzell	2025
Lene Guertin	2024
Priscilla A. Johnson	2023

**BOARD OF HEALTH**

Jillian Phillips	2025
Douglas Borowski	2024
Ethan Melad	2023

**CEMETERY COMMISSIONER**

Jason M. Petraitis	2025
Mary E. Kularski	2024
Kirk Burnham	2023

**CONSTABLES**

Dennis Trela	2025
Michael Splaine	2025
Tim Nason	2025

**LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

David A Maher Jr	2025
Margaret Bodine	2025
Harbour Fraser Hodder	2024
Thomas J. Skowron	2024
Ellen M. Smith	2024
Betty S. Wuelfing	2023
Scott W. Norrie	2023

**PLANNING BOARD**

Brandon Avery	2025
Michelle Petraitis	2026
John Ross Turner	2025
William H. King	2024
John Tripp	2023

**PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE**

Lisa M Kuhne	2025
Savatore Branciforte	2024
Mario Polanco	2023

**HOUSING AUTHORITY FOR 5 YEARS**

Darlene M. Lavin	2026
Mary J. Waytina	2025
Mary B Dolan	2024
Carole E. Ryback	2023

**SOUTHERN WORCESTER COUNTY REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

James N. Caldwell	2024
Donald J. Gillette	2023

## **APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS**

### **FY 2023**

The following persons are appointed by the Board of Selectmen to the offices hereafter named to begin a new term of service effective July 1, 2022:

Administrative Assistant to Selectmen	Ashley Barre
Animal Control Officer	Ofc. Jeff Martin
Assistant Animal Control Officer	Ofc. Jesse Berard
Bell Ringer	Richard Smith
Assistant Bell Ringer	Thomas Miner
Board of Overseers	Lt. Ryan Daley
Building Inspector	John Couture
Local Inspector	Nelson Burlingame
CMRPC Alternate	William King
Caretaker of Town Clock	Vacant
Council on Aging Director	Donna Seguin
E911 Coordinator	Chief Mark Smith
Emergency Management Director	Anne Adams, Interim
Fence Viewers	vacant
	vacant
Fire Chief	Joseph Holway
Deputy Fire Chief	Darin Anderson
Assistant Fire Chief	Keith Marshall
Gas Inspector	Troy Allen
Assistant Gas Inspector	James Bergeron
Gypsy Moth & Elm Tree Supt	Jason Benoit
Hazardous Waste Coordinator	Vacant
Harbormaster	Ryan Daley
Historian	Brandon Avery
Insurance Commissioner	Ashley Barre
Janitor of Town Offices	Thomas Miner
Local Emergency Planning	Chief Mark Smith
	Chief Joseph Holway
	Jason Benoit
	Sergeant Christopher Donais
Lumber Surveyors	Chet Lubelczyk
	Ross Hubacz
Parking Fines Clerk	Lisa Taylor



Plumbing Inspector  
Assistant Plumbing Inspector  
Police Chief  
Lieutenant  
Sergeant  
Officer  
Officer  
Officer  
Part time police officers:  
Officer Erik Bishop  
Officer Matthew Niles  
Officer Kyle Cassavant  
Leon Muraguri

Public Weigher  
Quaboag Valley Economic Development  
Safety Inspector  
SCM Elderbus Board of Directors  
Supt of Streets & Highways,  
Sidewalks, Bridges  
Town Accountant  
Town Collector  
Town Counsel  
Town Hall Agent  
Town Treasurer  
Veterans' Agent  
Webmaster  
Wire Inspector  
Assistant Wire Inspector  
Zoning Enforcement Officer

#### AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

Carole Cutrumbes  
Patrick McIntire  
Carl Gustafson  
William King  
James Mendala

#### ARPA ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Ethan Melad

Troy Allen  
James Bergeron  
Mark Smith  
Ryan Daley  
David Churchey  
Jeff Martin  
Mark Sawyer  
John Francis

Officer Jacob Deschamps  
Officer Michael Splaine  
Sp. Officer John Murphy  
Nicholas Newman

Karen Hubacz  
James Metcalf  
Joseph Holway  
Jason Petraitis

Jason Benoit  
Shiela LeBlanc  
Lisa Taylor  
Kopelman and Paige  
vacant  
Allyson Bulger  
Holly Kularski  
Priscilla Johnson  
Troy Brown  
Keith Fontaine  
John Couture

William King  
Robert Locatelli  
Christopher Caputo  
Lene Guertin  
Jason Petraitis ex-officio

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE

Tara Hayes (At large member)	2023
Mikhail Sukharev (At large member)	2025
Jason Petraitis (Selectmen's representative)	2023
Michelle Petraitis (Planning Board representative)	2023
Robert Locatelli (Finance Committee representative)	2023
Patrick Gustafson	Alternate
Vacant	Alternate

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Brandon Avery	2023
Christine Morrison	2024
John Turner	2023
Samuel Biagetti	2025
Sadie Saldana	2025

COUNCIL ON AGING

Florine Martel	2023
Dorothy Revene	2023
Judith Manning	2024
Mary Waytina	2024
Michelle Thayer	2024
Kathleen Crevier	2023
Kate Norrie	Alternate

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Sheila Orsi	2024
Jack McClintock	2024
Marilyn Borst	2022
Ethan Melad	2022
Eva Brown	2023

ELECTION WORKERS, CLERKS & INSPECTORS

REPUBLICANS

Warden: Lisa Kularski

Deputy Warden: Holly Kularski  
Holly Smith

#### DEMOCRATS

Warden: Dorothy Revene  
Deputy Warden: Rita Lemieux  
Deputy Warden: Sheila Buzzell

#### UNENROLLED

Deputy Warden: Susan St. John  
Deputy Warden: Patricia Miller  
Deputy Warden: Beverly Mimeault  
Deputy Warden: Carole Ryback  
Shiela LeBlanc  
Joanne Ford  
Priscilla Johnson  
Anne Jannette  
Mary Catherine Byszek  
Maureen Caramiello  
Christina Portwine

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE & SPECIAL TOWN EMPLOYEES

Michael Zalansky, Chair	2026
Chester Lubelczyk	2025
Michelle Petraitis	2025
Robert Locatelli	2024
Kathleen Crevier	2024
Karen Hubacz	Alternate
Joseph Trentacosta	Alternate

#### TOWN HOUSE COMMITTEE

James Buzzell  
Patricia Miller  
Jean Underwood  
Maureen Wesolaski  
Eva Brown  
Marilynn Borst  
Jack McClintock  
Sue Lewandowski  
Maureen Caramiello

#### HISTORIC COMMISSION

Marilynn Borst  
Jack McClintock  
Sharon Donovan

#### INSURANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Allyson Bulger, ex-officio  
Aram Thomasian  
Lisa Cutrumbes  
Chris Donais  
Priscilla Johnson  
Todd Taylor  
Damien Sarrette  
Vacant-Interim Superintendent

#### LIBRARY BUILDING MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

Thomas Skowron  
Harbour Fraser Hodder  
Helen Foyle  
Robert LaFlamme  
Scott Norrie  
Ellen Smith  
David Maher  
Dawn Thistle, ex-officio

#### LOCAL CULTURAL COUNCIL

Karen Erickson, Secretary  
Sharon Donovan, Treasurer  
Anne Adams  
Connie Moore  
Jillian Phillips

#### LOCAL PUBLIC ACCESS COMMITTEE

Jake Anderson	2025
Paul Leblanc	2025
Ellen Smith	2023
Sheila Orsi	2024
Byron Ake	2024

Additional Videographers  
Corey Macintosh

Christopher Tillotson  
Justin Larue  
Nathan Gershman  
Kjersten Anderson  
Luke Anderson

**NORTH BROOKFIELD EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY**

Anne Adams- Interim Director  
Christopher Marinin-Interim Deputy Director  
Robert Filipkowski  
Suzanne Lewandowski  
Charles Buchanan  
Brenda Lacaire  
Gino Caramiello Sr.  
Larry Walter  
Shaun Adams  
Gino Caramiello Jr.  
Sarah Risotti  
David Messier  
John Magario  
David Holmes  
Nicholas Newman  
George Nolette  
Michael Hinkley  
Andrew Crosby

**NBHELPS**

Stephanie Lachambre, Chair  
Katie Byszek, Vice-Chair  
Rachel Millet Lackovic, Secretary  
Kristen Kularski Depasse, Treasurer  
Volunteers:  
Melissa Seidler  
Katelin Gaines  
Carole Ryback  
Courtney Ashley  
John Tripp ex-officio

**BOARD OF REGISTRARS**

Jennifer Marquis

2023

Susan Toomey  
Stanley Hanson  
Helen Foyle

2025  
2024  
Temporary Registrar

SAFETY COMMITTEE

Mark Smith, ex-officio  
Joe Holway, ex-officio  
Jason Benoit, ex-officio  
James Nyberg  
Jamie Flamand  
Peter Shipman  
Patrick Kiritsy

SEWER COMMISSIONERS & SPECIAL TOWN EMPLOYEES

Donald Smith                      2023  
Charles Haddock                2024  
Kevin Valeri                      2025

Sewer Superintendent	James Nyberg
Asst Sewer Superintendent	Eric Cardenas
Operator WWTP	Michael Mercandante

TOWN BEACH COMMITTEE

Michelle Thayer  
Vacant  
Vacant

TOWN PARK COMMITTEE

Eric Hevy  
Joe Holway  
Andrew Paquette  
Roland Zuidema  
Mark Bombeck  
Andrew Caron

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Karen Hubacz Kiley	2023
Tara Hayes	2024
Michelle Petraitis	2025
Alternates: Carole Ryback	

## **Vital Statistics**

Births Recorded	40
Marriages Recorded	13
Deaths Recorded	46

### **MARRIAGES RECORDED 2022**

#### **January**

- 25 Faith Robbins, North Brookfield  
Timothy Nason, North Brookfield

#### **February**

- 26 Annya Lucky, Miami, FL  
Kristian Keppel, Miami, FL

#### **May**

- 15 Amy Reese, North Brookfield  
Steven Rich, North Brookfield  
21 Carly Wilson, North Brookfield  
Starr Peck, North Brookfield

#### **June**

- 04 Renee Peckham, North Brookfield  
Mark McVaugh, North Brookfield  
11 John Foyle, North Brookfield  
Anne Ramsey, North Brookfield  
11 Gregory Holmes, Georgetown, TX  
Elizabeth Holcomb, Georgetown, TX  
26 Delphin Richard, Gardner, MA  
Agnes Gallant, Gardner, MA

#### **August**

- 03 Deicy Agudelo, North Brookfield  
Christopher Martinez, North Brookfield

#### **September**

- 04 Rebecca Trifone, North Brookfield  
Anthony Vega, North Brookfield  
09 Jeffrey Vandale, North Brookfield  
Karen Orsi, North Brookfield  
10 Steven Thibeault, North Brookfield  
Bayly Robinson, North Brookfield

#### **December**

- 14 Hailey King, North Brookfield  
Joseph Paulino, North Brookfield

# DEATHS RECORDED IN 2022

January		
09	Elaine Marini	75
20	Eda R Oliver	83
21	Ernest J Sharron	69
28	Jacqueline Miller	72
28	Joanna A Michaels	77
February		
01	Jeanne A Mendala	82
06	Richard P Robidoux	79
09	Richard H Boulette	88
09	Maurice Barry	82
11	Winifred A King	79
13	Gerard F Vezina	81
24	Melinda M Pettiford	39
March		
20	Louise Estelle Moore	87
25	Gertrude M Bassett	90
31	Louise Marie vosburg	62
April		
01	Charles Lindgren	48
05	Brian Patrick O'Malley	41
May		
27	Paul M Soucy	56
29	Walter Sherwood Waugh	63
30	Harriet E Hubacz	98
June		
01	Eugenia A Rivers	87
10	Drew Leonard	28
15	Crystal B Bennett	40
July		
05	Charles V Mastrangelo	68
17	Edward R Seidler	75
August		
04	Donna M bove	67
07	Ann Parker Neal	88
08	Catherine Esther Strandberg	88
10	Patrick K McIntyre	66
12	Peter R Ulfves	70
September		
06	Richard Batchelor	84
18	Stephen J Coupe	60
October		
02	Lydia A Niro	94
07	Margaret M Munns	100
09	Arthur Tsatis	72
14	Kathy J MacMillan	51
November		
18	Alan D Fairbrother	81
26	Rita J Buck	96



## DEATHS RECORDED IN 2022

### December

06	Carol Coates Spence	74
11	Jean C Ricardi	89
22	Terrence D Miller	74
22	Robert A Papineau	85
24	Joanne I Cournoyer	84
26	Tina Marie Pong	61

## **ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION**

**MAY 2, 2022**

**715 VOTERS**

The Annual Town Election was held in the Senior Center, 29 Forest Street on May 2, 2022, in accordance with the posted warrant. The polls were opened at 7:00am and closed at 8:00pm. Prior to the opening of the polling place, the following election officers were administered the Oath of Office by the Interim Town Clerk:

Warden: Lisa Kularski

Clerks: Holly Kularski

Carole Ryback

Tellers: Susan St John

Police Officers: David Churchey

Rita Lemieux

Christopher Donais

Beverly Mimeault

Dorothy Revene

The ballot box was publicly opened, declared to be empty and the counter was set at zero. Warden Kularski declared the polls open.

The results are as follows:

### Selectman for 3 years

Dale Kiley	351
All Others	351
Blanks	13

### Moderator for 3 years

James N Caldwell	617
Blanks	98

### Town Clerk for 3 years

Tara M Hayes	454
Katelin Gaines	254
Blanks	7

### Board of Assessors for 3 years

Shiela A Buzzell	648
All Others	1
Blanks	66

### Planning Board for 3 years

Brandon Avery	140
All Others	35
Blanks	540

School Committee for 3 years

Christopher Hickman	450
Tashena Holmes	215
All Others	1
Blanks	49

School Committee for 1 year

Matthew A Grant	557
All Others	5
Blanks	153

Water Commissioner for 3 years

Christopher C Caputo	574
All Others	1
Blanks	140

Board of Health for 3 years

Joanne Carey	269
Jillian E Phillips	336
All Others	26
Blanks	84

Cemetery Commissioner for 3 years

Jason M Petraitis	548
All Others	3
Blanks	164

Library Trustees for 3 years / Vote for Two

Margaret E Bodine	503
David A Maher Jr	450
Joanne Carey	183
All Others	4
Blanks	290

Playground Committee for 3 years

Lisa M Kuhne	477
All Others	107
Blanks	131

Playground Committee for 2 years

Salvatore Branciforte	525
All Others	8
Blanks	182

Playground Committee for 1 year

Mario Polanco Jr	513
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All Others	13
Blanks	189

**Constables for 3 years / Vote for Three**

Tim Nason	578
Michael J Splaine	522
Dennis J Trela	512
Blanks	533

A true copy, attest:

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Tara M Hayes, Town Clerk  
Town of North Brookfield  
June 17, 2022

## STATE PRIMARY & SPECIAL TOWN ELECTION SEPTEMBER 6, 2022

The state primary was held in the Senior Center, 29 Forest St, on September 6, 2022 in accordance with the posted warrant.

Due to the Special Town Election that was held simultaneously, both tabulators were running; one for the primary and one for the STE. In the weeks leading up to the elections, there were 384 Vote by Mail ballots requested with less than 60% returned. There were also 13 voters who voted early in the office. All of these ballots were run through the tabulator during polling hours.

The polls were open at 7:00am and closed at 8:00pm. Prior to the opening of the polling place, the following election officers were administered the oath of office by the town clerk:

Warden: Lisa Kularski

Clerks: Sheila Buzzell & Carole Ryback

Ballot Clerks & Inspectors:

Susan St John  
Rita Lemieux  
Anne Jannette  
Elizabeth Doherty  
Joanne Ford  
Dorothy Revene  
Beverly Mimeault

Police Officers:

Sgt Christopher Donais  
Sgt David Churchey

The ballot box was publicly opened, declared to be empty and the counter set to zero. Warden Kularski read the warrant and declared the polls open.

### DEMOCRATIC PARTY: 506 BALLOTS CAST

Governor:

Sonia Chang-Diaz	84
Maura Healey	404
Blanks	16
All Others	2

Lieutenant Governor:

Kimberly Driscoll	217
Tami Gouveia	84
Eric Lesser	155
Blanks	48
All Others	2

Attorney General:

Andrea Campbell	187
Shannon Liss-Riordan	184
Quentin Palfrey	91
Blanks	44

Secretary of State:

William Galvin	353
Tanisha Sullivan	134
Blanks	19

Treasurer:

Deborah Goldberg	413
Blanks	93

Auditor:

Christopher Dempsey	172
Diana Dizoglio	261
Blanks	73

Representative in Congress:

Richard Neal	428
Blanks	76
All Others	2

Councillor:

Paul Depalo	398
Blanks	108

**REPUBLICAN PARTY: 592 BALLOTS CAST****Governor:**

Geoff Diehl 255  
Chris Doughty 319  
All Others 2  
Blanks 16

**Lieutenant Governor:**

Leah Allen 146  
Kate Campanale 416  
All Others 1

**Attorney General:**

James McMahon 470  
Blanks 120  
All Others 2

**Secretary of State:**

Rayla Campbell 462  
Blanks 130

**Treasurer:**

All Others 5  
Blanks 587

**Auditor:**

Anthony Amore 456  
Blanks 136

**Representative in Congress:**

Dean Martilli 461  
Blanks 131

**Councillor:**

Gary Galonek 452  
Blanks 140

**Senator in General Court:**

James Amorello 470  
Blanks 122

**Representative in General Court:**

Donald Berthiaume 510  
Blanks 82

**District Attorney:**

Blanks 586  
All Others 6

**Sheriff:**

Lewis Evangelidis 492  
Blanks 100

**SPECIAL TOWN ELECTION****1149 BALLOTS CAST****Board of Selectmen:**

Elizabeth Canada 583  
Patrick Gustafson 557  
Blanks 7  
All Others 2

A TRUE COPY, ATTEST

Tara M Hayes, Town Clerk

**STATE ELECTION**  
**NOVEMBER 6, 2020**  
**1,999 VOTERS**

The State Election was held in the Senior Center, 29 Forest Street on November 6, 2022, in accordance with the posted warrant. The polls were opened at 7:00am and closed at 8:00pm. Prior to the opening of the polling place, the following election officers were administered the Oath of Office by the Town Clerk:

Warden: Lisa Kularski

Clerks: Holly Kularski

Carole Ryback

Tellers: Susan St John

Police Officers: David Churchey

Rita Lemieux

Christopher Donais

Beverly Mimeault

Dorothy Revene

The ballot box was publicly opened, declared to be empty and the counter was set at zero. Warden Kularski declared the polls open.

The results are as follows:

Governor & Lieutenant Governor

Diehl and Allen	1110
Healey and Driscoll	827
Reed and Everett	48
All others	2
Blanks	17

Attorney General

Andrea Campbell	804
James McMahon	1164
Blanks	36

Secretary of State

William Galvin	937
Rayla Campbell	995
Juan Sanchez	45
Blanks	27

Treasurer

Deborah Goldberg	1059
Cristina Crawford	723
All Others	4
Blanks	218

Auditor

Anthony Amore	1085
Diana DiZoglio	707
Gloria Caballero-Roca	37
Dominic Giannone	46
Daniel Riek	57
Blanks	72

Representative in Congress

Richard Neal	866
Dean Martilli	1076
Blanks	62

Councillor

Paul DePalo	822
Gary Galonek	1113
Blanks	69

Senator in General Court

Anne Gobi	1015
James Amorello	955
Blanks	34

Representative in General Court

Donald Berthiaume	1552
All Others	26
Blanks	426

District Attorney

Joseph Early	1346
All Others	18
Blanks	640

Sheriff

Lewis Evangelidis	1338
David Fontaine	597
Blanks	69

Question 1 – Additional Tax on Income

Yes	790
No	1186
Blanks	28

Question 2 – Dental Insurance Regulation

Yes	1132
No	842



Blanks 30

Question 3 – Expanded Availability of Alcohol Licenses

Yes 741

No 1233

Blanks 50

Question 4 - Eligibility of Drivers Licenses

Yes 672

No 1296

Blanks 36

A true copy, attest:

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Tara M Hayes, Town Clerk  
Town of North Brookfield

## **TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

A Special Town Meeting was held in the North Brookfield Elementary School Auditorium on Friday, the 6<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2022 at 7:02PM, according to the warrant as posted. Moderator James N Caldwell called the meeting to order with a total of 80 voters present. Tellers for the evening were Michelle Thayer and Trevor Bruso.

Mr. Caldwell gave those in attendance an update on the health of Town Clerk Tara Hayes. Assistant Town Clerk Sheila Buzzell served as clerk for the meeting.

Action was taken on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: A motion was made by Jason Petraitis, seconded by John Tripp and voted favorably by a show of hands to transfer the sum of \$10,000 from Water: Retained Earnings to Water: Building & Equipment Maintenance.

ARTICLE 2: A motion was made by John Tripp, seconded by Jason Petraitis and voted favorably by a show of hands to transfer the sum of \$20,000.00 from Water: Retained Earnings to Water: System Improvement.

ARTICLE 3: A motion was made by Jason Petraitis, seconded by John Tripp and voted favorably by a show of hands to transfer the sum of \$4,000.00 from Water: Retained Earnings to Water: Testing and Research.

ARTICLE 4: A motion was made by John Tripp, seconded by Jason Petraitis and voted favorably by a show of hands to transfer the sum of \$14,000.00 from Sewer: Retained Earnings to Sewer: Electricity Account.

ARTICLE 5: A motion was made by Jason Petraitis, seconded by John Tripp and voted favorably by a show of hands to transfer the sum of \$1,150.00 from Sewer: Retained Earnings to Sewer: Natural Gas Account.

ARTICLE 6: A motion was made by John Tripp, seconded by Jason Petraitis and, after Ron Ryel asked to have the motion read again, voted favorably by a show of hands to transfer \$3,800.00 from Sewer: Retained Earnings to Sewer: Repair and Maintenance account.

ARTICLE 7: A motion was made by Jason Petraitis, seconded by John Tripp and voted favorably by a show of hands to transfer \$26,500.00 of money from Sewer: Retained Earnings to Sewer: Solid Waste Disposal account.

ARTICLE 8: A motion was made by John Tripp, seconded by Jason Petraitis and voted favorably by a show of hands to transfer \$2,400.00 from Sewer: Operator 2 Salary to Sewer: Salary Other account.

ARTICLE 9: A motion was made by Jason Petraitis, seconded by John Tripp and, after a question by Ron Ryel as to the difference between the warrant and motion, voted favorably by a show of hands to transfer a sum of \$67.87 from Board of Selectmen: Telephone account to Prior Year bills and further to transfer the sum of \$200.00 from Board of Selectmen: Office Expenses to Prior Year bills.

ARTICLE 13: A motion was made by Jason Petraitis, seconded by John Tripp and voted favorably by a show of hands to transfer the sum of \$185.00 from Selectmen: Advertising to Selectmen: Telephone Code Red Expense.

ARTICLE 14: A motion was made by John Tripp, seconded by Sue Lyons and voted favorably by a show of hands to transfer the sum of \$670.52 from Fire: Forestry Expense account (001.220.5806.000) to Fire: Vehicles Repair account (001.220.5262.000).

ARTICLE 15: A motion was made by Jason Petraitis, seconded by Sue Lyons and voted favorably by a show of hands to change the intended use of funds in the amount of \$9,528.56 in Fire Department New Building Account from OPM to Architect.

ARTICLE 16: A motion was made by John Tripp, seconded by Jason Petraitis, voted favorably by a show of hands to transfer the sum of \$1,800 from Playground: Purchase of Services (001.630.5200.000) to Playground: Supplies (001.630.5400.000).

ARTICLE 17: A motion was made by Jason Petraitis, seconded by John Tripp, and voted favorably by a show of hands to transfer the sum of \$85,197.89 from Free Cash to Capital Stabilization.

ARTICLE 18: A motion was made by John Tripp, seconded by Jason Petraitis, and voted favorably by a show of hands to transfer the sum of \$15.40 from Free Cash to TNC Rides Account.

ARTICLE 19: A motion was made by Jason Petraitis, seconded by John Tripp, and voted favorably by a show of hands to transfer the sum of \$535.00 from Accountant-GASB Expense to Account-Software Maintenance Expense.

ARTICLE 20: A motion was made by John Tripp, seconded by Jason Petraitis, and voted favorably by a show of hands to transfer the sum of \$58,487.51 from Police Personnel Stabilization Account, \$50,199.60 of which will be transferred to Police Training Salary, \$6,496.00 to Group Health Insurance, \$691.91 to Medicare Expense, and \$1,100.00 to Police Uniform Expense.

ARTICLE 21: A motion was made by Jason Petraitis, seconded by John Tripp, and voted favorably by a show of hands to transfer the sum of \$9,229.00 from the Police Part-Time Salary (001-210-5120-000) to the Gasoline account (001-210-5441-000).

ARTICLE 22: A motion was made by John Tripp, seconded by Jason Petraitis, and voted favorably by a show of hands to transfer the sum of \$2,507.00 from the Police Shift Differential Account (001-210-5118-000) to Police Purchase of Service account (001-210-5200-000).

ARTICLE 23: A motion was made by Jason Petraitis, seconded by John Tripp, and voted favorably by a show of hands to transfer the sum of \$3,220.00 from the Police Part-Time Salary (001-210-5120-000) to Police Uniform account (001-210-5450-000).

ARTICLE 24: A motion was made by John Tripp, seconded by Jason Petraitis, and, after a question by William King about the repeated account number which Atty Brian Riley explained the names of the account would be valid to carry the motion, voted favorably by a show of hands to transfer the sum of \$211.00 from the Police Part-Time Salary (001-210-

ARTICLE 28: A motion was made by John Tripp, seconded by Jason Petraitis, and voted favorably by a show of hands to transfer the sum of \$2,000.00 from Veterans Benefits to Veterans Agent Salary.

ARTICLE 29: A motion was made by Jason Petraitis, seconded by John Tripp, to rescind that portion of the June 5, 2021 Adjourned Annual Town Meeting that appropriated \$22,000.00 to correct problems with stormwater from town streets and adjacent properties that causes flooding to the residence of 94 Summer Street, North Brookfield, MA and the land and streets downstream on Prospect and Summer Street, to be used by the town highway department to contract to correct stormwater problems.

After the motion and second, James Caldwell invited discussion. Bruce Arnold, 94 Summer Street discussed the issue. His goal from last year was to rebuild failed town infrastructure. He said this article was voted twice last year and passed both times. He stated the towns people have empathy but now the town wants to take back the money. Bruce said the Board of Selectmen refused to honor the town's vote and this is unacceptable. He was told by the Chairman of the Board (at the time) that Mass General Law prohibits public money to profit an individual. Bruce said he would be profiting by bringing his house up to its assessed value and stated the blame was placed on him by not doing anything. A former Highway Superintendent fixed the problem, Bruce said he would make noise and Highway would get it resolved.

At 7:36PM James Caldwell called the Annual Town Meeting to order.

Bruce said he requested to discuss the issue with the Board of Selectmen and was respectful but when he asked to discuss the letter sent to him by the Chair, he was told he should understand it. The other Board members agreed that they'd heard enough on the issue and the Chairman asked Bruce to sit down, stop talking, and threatened to have him removed. Bruce said in the letter hazy points were made and Mass General Law was referenced again stating public funds can't be spent on this issue. He said this was a thin excuse to stop support of the article. Bruce said Finance Committee and Board of Selectmen want to rescind the money to use on other things next year but Bruce wants to negotiate and be fair and equitable. Bruce sent bills to the town in January, February, March and April with accruing interest. He said the towns people's vote from last year is not being honored and we the people are ignored. Founds of our democracy said our vote is our voice.

Bruce Arnold then moved to question. James Caldwell said Bruce couldn't do that because he cut off all discussion.

Shiela LeBlanc, Town Accountant, said the amount should be \$22,000, but motion was read as \$22,500.00 James Caldwell corrected the motion to state \$22,000.00.

Trevor Bruso said the money for this repair could come out of ARPA funds as it covers storm water issues and wouldn't affect the tax payer.

Janice King asked if this would set a precedent.

Town Counsel, Attorney Brian Riley spoke about the situation. He stated that when the flooding issue was brought to the town's attention it was concluded that the town's infrastructure was not at fault, and there was no contract between the property owner and the town. DOR (Department of Revenue) says that tax dollars spent on private use is illegal.

think they could, James Caldwell said they could if they adjourn the special and not dissolve it.

Holly Kularski asked for a ballot vote.

Attorney Brian Riley said the motion was to table the article and needs a 2/3 vote.

Jim Caldwell held vote on whether or not to table Article 29 to June 3, 2022. No-46, Yes-25, motion fails.

Bruce Arnold spoke again and read part of a letter from Town Counsel to James Caldwell. Bruce said the work's already done and he saved the Town \$7,000.00. During the 8-day excavation process he asked Jason Benoit (Highway Super) and Jim Nyberg (Sewer Super) to take a look at the pipes running through the yard. Ray Blake had fixed storm water drain in the past. Sewer said to be careful of the cross-country sewer line under the garage. Bruce went over the detailed presentation he did last year explaining how water comes down driveway behind their property and forms a huge pond a foot deep and 20 feet around.

Bruce Arnold moved to question; Deb Arnold seconded. Motion to move to question carried unanimously.

Holly Kularski moved to have a ballot vote, seconded by Ron Ryel. Motion carried unanimously.

James Caldwell read the results, No-55, Yes, 25. Motion does not carry, money is not rescinded.

At 8:13 PM Ron Ryel moved to dissolve the Special Town Meeting, seconded by Chet Lubelczyk. Motion carried unanimously.

A true copy, attest:

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Tara M Hayes, Town Clerk  
Town of North Brookfield  
May 10, 2022

**TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT**

SEAL, WORCESTER, SS.

TO ANY CONSTABLE OF THE TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, to meet at the North Brookfield Senior Center, 29 Forest Street in said North Brookfield, on Monday, the 2nd day of May, 2022 at 7:00 AM, to act upon the following articles, namely:

**ARTICLE 1**

To choose by ballot, one Selectman, one Moderator, one Town Clerk, one School Committee Member, one Water Commissioner, one Assessor, one Board of Health member, one Cemetery Commission member, two Library Trustees, one Playground Committee member, three Constables, all for three-year terms; one School Committee member, and one Playground Committee member for one-year terms; one Playground Committee for a two-year term, and one Planning Board member for a five-year term.

The polls will be opened at seven o'clock in the morning and shall be closed at eight o'clock in the evening.

And you are further required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said North Brookfield, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the North Brookfield Elementary School Auditorium in said North Brookfield, on Friday evening, May 6, 2022 at 7:30 PM, then and there to act on the following articles:

**ARTICLE 2**

To hear and act upon the reports of the Selectmen and Town Officials and Boards, or take any action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 3**

To see if the Town will vote to print the reports of the Selectmen and Town Officials and Boards for the year 2021, or take any action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 4**

To see if the Town will vote to fix the salaries of all elected and appointed officials of the Town and determine what sums of money will be raised, appropriated, borrowed, or transferred in the Treasury to defray the charges and expenses of the Town for the 12-month period beginning July 1, 2022, including a Reserve Fund under the control of the Finance Committee, or take any action relative thereto.

#### ARTICLE 5

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, or transfer a sum of money to operate the Water Department for the 12-month period beginning July 1, 2022, under the provisions of MGL Chapter 44, section 53F½, or take any action relative thereto.

#### ARTICLE 6

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, or transfer a sum of money to operate the Sewer Department for the 12-month period beginning July 1, 2022, under the provisions of MGL Chapter 44, section 53F½, or take any action relative thereto.

#### ARTICLE 7

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept gifts, bequests, and donations of money and real and personal property given to the Town, or take any action relative thereto.

#### ARTICLE 8

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into any and all necessary lease agreements and other dispositions of personal property, or take any action relative thereto.

#### ARTICLE 9

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for and expend funds that may be available from State and Federal grants, or take any action relative thereto.

#### ARTICLE 10

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Water Commissioners to apply for and expend funds that may be available from State and Federal grants, or take any action relative thereto.

#### ARTICLE 11

To see if the Town will vote to give the Town Treasurer the authority to invest Town funds (General Cash, Water Enterprise Funds, and Sewer Enterprise Funds) in short-term investments as the Treasurer deems prudent for income purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

#### ARTICLE 12

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell and transfer titles in the name of the Town of North Brookfield to any properties or lands obtained through legally acquired tax title foreclosures, or take any action relative thereto.

#### ARTICLE 13

To see if the Town will vote pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2, to establish the following FY23 spending limits for revolving funds listed in Chapter II, Section 17 of the North Brookfield Bylaws as follows:

Council on Aging: \$15,000.00  
Council on Aging – Senior Wheels: \$7,000.00  
Fire Training Center: \$7,500.00  
Planning Board – Engineering Services: \$8,000.00  
Cemetery Department: \$15,000.00  
Board of Health – Public Health Services: \$5,000.00  
Board of Health – Vacant Properties: \$25,000.00  
Building Permits: \$10,000.00  
Electrical Permits: \$10,000.00  
Plumbing and Gas Permits: \$10,000.00  
Safety Inspections: \$5,000.00

or take any action relative thereto.

#### ARTICLE 14

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to the North Brookfield Emergency Squad for payment of contracted services, or take any action relative thereto.

#### ARTICLE 15

To see if the Town will vote to accept a sum of money as the Town's apportionment of FY2023 Chapter 90 funds, or take any action relative thereto.

#### ARTICLE 16

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of North Brookfield Zoning Bylaws, Section IV. A through G. and add new Section G. and re-letter Sections H. through I. or take any action relative thereto. (Bold/underline type shows the proposed changes.):

IV. A.2. Uses which may be allowed, on special permit, by the Board of Appeals, or in case of "o" **and "s"** below, by the Planning Board, after a public hearing... (Residential Districts)

**s. Drive-through operations; except within 150 feet of both sides of North Main Street from Spring Street north to Maple Street are prohibited.**

IV. B. 2. Uses which may be allowed on special permit by the Board of appeals, **or in the case of "f" below, by the Planning Board** after a public hearing.... (Business Central District)

**Add- f. Drive-through operations; except within 150 feet of both sides of North Main St. from Spring St. north to Maple St.**



IV. C. 2. Uses which may be allowed, on special permit by the Board of Appeals, or in case of "c" below, by the Planning Board, after a public hearing.... (Business General District)

**c. Drive-through operations**

IV. D. Business General District 2

**Add- Drive-through operations may be allowed by special permit by the Planning Board**

IV. E. 1. Industrial

**i. Drive-through operations may be allowed by special permit by the Planning Board**

IV. F. 5. Downtown Overlay District

**e. Drive-through operations; except within 150 feet of both sides of North Main Street from Spring Street north to Maple Street are prohibited.**

**IV. G. Drive-through operations**

**1. Purpose. The purpose of this section is to regulate drive-through operations by requiring certain performance standards to ensure that the design and operation of such uses effectively mitigate problems commonly associated with drive-through operations, such as traffic congestion, excessive pavement, noise from idling cars and amplification equipment, lighting and queued traffic interfering with on-site and off-site traffic and pedestrian flow.**

**2. Applicability. These standards apply to the construction of any drive-through within the Town of North Brookfield allowed by special permit. The size of the site or the size and location of existing structures and abutting structures may make it impossible to meet the requirements of this section.**

**3. General development standards. The development standards in this section are intended to supplement the standards in the underlying zoning district where the drive-through is proposed. In the event of conflict between these standards and the underlying zoning district standards, the provisions of this section shall apply.**

**a. Drive-through lanes shall have a minimum ten-foot interior radius at curves and a minimum twelve-foot width.**

**b. Each drive-through entrance/exit shall be at least 50 feet from an intersection of public rights-of-way, measured at the closest intersecting curbs, and at least 25 feet from the curb-cut on an adjacent property.**

**c. Each entrance to a drive-through lane and the direction of traffic flow shall be clearly designated by signs and pavement markings.**

**d. Each drive-through aisle shall be separated from the circulation routes necessary for ingress or egress from the property, or access to a parking space.**

**4. Stacking Lane standards. These regulations ensure that there is adequate on-site maneuvering and circulation areas, ensure that stacking vehicles do not impede traffic on abutting streets, and that stacking lanes will not have nuisance impacts on abutting residential lands.**

**a. In general, view of the stacking lanes from the street should be minimized.**

**b. Drive-through windows shall provide at least 180 feet of stacking space for each facility, as measured from the service window or unit to the entry point into the drive-up lane. Non-food and/or non-beverage businesses may reduce the stacking space to a minimum of 60 feet.**

**c. Stacking lanes and their circulation may include escape lanes at logical and functional locations for drive-through uses. An escape lane is defined as a lane adjacent to a stacking lane which would allow a vehicle to exit from a stacking lane prior to a needing the service window.**

**d. Stacking lanes must be designed so that they do not interfere with parking and the vehicle circulation and shall be separated from circulation routes necessary for ingress and egress from the property or to access a parking space.**

**e. The entrance to the stacking lanes and the direction of traffic flow shall be clearly identified, through the use of means such as striping, landscaping and signs.**

**f. Double drive-through lanes may be acceptable if they do not interfere with smooth and safe pedestrian and vehicular traffic circulation.**

**5. Hours of operation. When located on a site within 100 feet of any residential property (measured from the nearest property lines), hours of operation for the drive-up/drive-through service may be limited. The special permit granting authority may grant exceptions in the special permit after preparation of a qualified noise study.**

**6. Parking. The provision of drive-through service facilities shall not justify a reduction in the number of required off-street parking spaces for the accompanying use.**

**7. Noise. Any drive-through speaker system shall emit no more than 50 decibels and at no time shall any speaker system be audible above daytime ambient noise levels beyond the property lines of the site. The system shall be designed to compensate for ambient noise levels in the immediate area.**

**8. Conditions. The Special Permit Granting Authority (Planning Board) may impose in addition to any other condition specified in this bylaw such additional conditions as it finds reasonably appropriate to minimize impacts on abutters, safeguard the neighborhood, or otherwise serve the purposes of this bylaw. Such conditions may include but are not limited to the following:**

- a. **Dimensional requirements greater than the minimum required by this bylaw.**
- b. **Screening of parking areas or other parts of the premises from adjoining premises or from the street by specified walls, fences, plantings, or other devices.**
- c. **Modification of the exterior features or appearance of the structure.**
- d. **Limitation of size, number of occupants, method and time of operation, and extent of facilities, or duration of the permit.**
- e. **Regulation of number, design and location of access drives, drive-through windows, and other traffic features.**
- f. **Regulation of off-street parking or loading beyond the standards required by this bylaw.**

**H. Flood Plain District**

**I. Permitted Uses-All Districts**

**J. Prohibited Uses- All Districts**

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

Given under our hands this 19th day of April, 2022.

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Dale R. Kiley

**Jason M. Petraitis**

**John H. Tripp,  
Selectmen of North Brookfield**

**A true copy, Attest:**

I have on this day posted attested copies thereof in at least two public places as directed by Town By-Laws.

Date	Time	Constable
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**TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD**  
**MINUTES OF ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
**June 3, 2022**

The Adjourned Annual Town Meeting was held in the North Brookfield Elementary School Auditorium on Friday, the 3rd day of June at 7:30pm according to the warrant as posted. Moderator James N Caldwell called the meeting to order with a total of 43 voters present. Tellers for the evening were Brandon Avery and Brian Hayes.

Action was taken on the following articles:

ARTICLE 4, Part I: A motion was read by Jason Petraitis, seconded by John Tripp and voted favorably by a show of hands to raise, appropriate and transfer the sums of money for the salaries and expenses to operate the following departments for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022: Town Moderator, Selectmen, Finance Committee, Accountant, Assessors, Treasurer, Collector, Town Clerk, Conservation, CMRPC, Planning Board and ZBA, and further move to transfer the sum of \$13,537.48 from Police Stabilization to Worcester County Retirement.

MODERATOR EXPENSE	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Total Moderator</b>		
SELECTMEN ADMIN ASST SALARY	\$31,212.00	
SELECTMEN SALARY	\$6,000.00	
SELECTMEN EXPENSE	\$2,000.00	
TOWN COUNSEL	\$10,000.00	
TELEPHONE EXPENSE	\$10,000.00	
TOWN OFFICES JANITOR SALARY	\$7,402.14	
TOWN HOUSE EXPENSE	\$3,200.00	
TOWN OFFICES EXPENSE	\$41,500.00	
TOWN REPORT	\$1,800.00	
WEB MASTER STIPEND	\$574.26	
TECHNOLOGY EXPENSE	\$20,000.00	
NBDDP (AZTEC) DEP EXPENSE	\$2,455.00	
STREET LIGHTING	\$33,000.00	
MEMORIAL&VETERANS DAY	\$600.00	
GENERAL INSURANCE	\$200,000.00	
CODE RED	\$4,070.00	
SICK LEAVE BUY BACK	\$17,964.20	
RAIL TRAIL	\$10,000.00	
BEAVER ERADICATION	\$0.00	
<b>Total Selectmen</b>	<b>\$401,777.60</b>	<b>\$401,777.60</b>
RESERVE FUND	<u>\$143,108.92</u>	
<b>Total Finance Committee</b>	<b>\$143,108.92</b>	<b>\$143,108.92</b>
ACCOUNTANT CERTIFICATION SALARY	\$0.00	
ACCOUNTANT SALARY	\$55,080.00	
ACCOUNTANT UNIFUND MAINTENANCE	\$11,000.00	
SINGLE AUDIT	\$23,000.00	
GASB 45	\$4,500.00	
ACCOUNTANT OTHER EXPENSES	\$1,000.00	
NEW ACCOUNTANT TRAINING	\$0.00	
<b>Total Accountant</b>	<b>\$94,580.00</b>	<b>\$94,580.00</b>
ASSESSORS SALARY	\$73,055.00	
ASSESSORS EXPENSE	\$2,500.00	
ASSESSORS REVALUATION EXPENSE	\$7,450.00	
ASSESSORS REVALUATION SALARY	\$0.00	

MATURING DEBT JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL	\$240,000.00	
MATURING DEBT LIBRARY	\$125,000.00	
MATURING DEBT FIRE TRUCK	\$60,000.00	
MATURING DEBT POLICE FACILITY	\$130,000.00	
MATURING DEBT HORSE POND DAM	\$27,556.00	
MATURING DEBT ROOF	\$60,000.00	
INTEREST JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL	\$42,000.00	
INTEREST LIBRARY	\$28,125.00	
INTEREST FIRE TRUCK	\$4,500.00	
INTEREST POLICE FACILITY	\$40,950.00	
INTEREST HORSE POND DAM	\$15,810.00	
INTEREST SCHOOL ROOF	\$34,700.00	
INTEREST HUCK'S	\$4,749.00	
INTEREST SEWER UPGRADE	\$13,088.54	
<b>Total Debt (Override)</b>	<b>\$826,478.54</b>	<b>\$826,478.54</b>

MATURING DEBT: SCHOOL WINDOWS	\$14,580.00	
INTEREST: SCHOOL WINDOWS	\$5,869.00	
CHAPTER 90 INTEREST	\$500.00	
<b>Total Debt (NO Override)</b>	<b>\$20,949.00</b>	<b>\$20,949.00</b>

STATE ASSESSMENT WORC COUNTY RETIREMEN	\$695,612.52	
UNEMPLOYMENT	\$50,000.00	
GROUP INSURANCE	\$2,075,000.00	
MEDICARE	<u>\$123,000.00</u>	
<b>Total Benefits</b>	<b>\$2,943,612.52</b>	<b>\$2,943,612.52</b>

TOWN COLLECTOR CERTIFICATION SALARY	\$1,000.00	
TOWN COLLECTOR SALARY	\$45,917.34	
TOWN COLLECTOR CLERK SALARY	\$20,400.00	
TOWN COLLECTOR SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE	\$6,400.00	
TOWN COLLECTOR COMPUTER BILLING	\$1,700.00	
TOWN COLLECTOR POSTAGE	\$6,700.00	
TOWN COLLECTOR EXPENSES	\$3,150.00	
TOWN COLLECTOR POSTAGE MACHINE	\$2,400.00	
TOWN COLLECTOR TAX TITLE	\$4,000.00	
PARKING CLERK SALARY	\$709.00	
PARKING CLERK EXPENSES	<u>\$100.00</u>	
<b>Total Collector &amp; Parking</b>	<b>\$92,476.34</b>	<b>\$92,476.34</b>

TOWN CLERK SALARY	\$45,583.80	
TOWN CLERK CLERK SALARY	\$0.00	
TOWN CLERK EXPENSES	\$800.00	
ELECTION & REGISTRARS SALARY	\$1,000.00	
ELECTION & CENSUS SALARY	\$9,200.00	
ELECTION & CENSUS EXPENSES	\$8,545.00	
TOWN CLERK DOG LICENSES	<u>\$200.00</u>	
<b>Total Town Clerk &amp; Elections</b>	<b>\$65,328.80</b>	<b>\$65,328.80</b>

CONSERVATION CLERK SALARY	\$2,148.00	
CONSERVATION EXPENSES	\$255.00	
CONSERVATION TRAINING EXPENSE	<u>\$150.00</u>	
<b>Total Conservation</b>	<b>\$2,553.00</b>	<b>\$2,553.00</b>

CENTRAL MASS REGIONAL PLANNING	<u>\$1,425.00</u>	
<b>Total Central Mass. Regional Planning</b>	<b>\$1,425.00</b>	<b>\$1,425.00</b>

PLANNING BOARD CLERK SALARY	\$1,634.04	
PLANNING BOARD EXPENSES	<u>\$1,250.00</u>	
<b>Total Planning</b>	<b>\$2,884.04</b>	<b>\$2,884.04</b>

ARTICLE 4, Part II: A motion was read by John Tripp, seconded by Jason Petratis and voted favorably by a show of hands to raise, appropriate and transfer the sums of money for the salaries and expenses to operate the following departments for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022: Police, Fire, Building Inspector, Plumbing and Gas Inspector, Wiring Inspector, NBEMA and Tree Warden; and further to transfer the sum of \$47,724.77 from Fire Personnel Stabilization and the sum of \$34,257.19 from Lease Stabilization to Fire Truck Lease Expense.

POLICE SALARY	\$310,512.00	
POLICE CLERK SALARY	\$0.00	
POLICE CAREER INCENTIVE SALARY	\$36,633.00	
POLICE OVERTIME	\$44,812.00	
POLICE SHIFT DIFFERENTIAL SALARY	\$11,648.00	
POLICE TRAINING SALARY	\$8,000.00	
POLICE PART TIME SALARY	\$23,072.00	
POLICE CHIEF SALARY	\$97,364.00	
POLICE EXPENSES	\$49,163.00	
POLICE: BULLETPROOF VEST EXPENSE	\$1,700.00	
POLICE OFFICES EXPENSE	\$35,952.00	
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER SALARY	\$7,933.00	
ASS'T ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER SALARY	\$1,173.00	
ANIMAL CONTROL EXPENSE	<u>\$500.00</u>	
<b>Total Police &amp; Animal Control</b>	<b>\$628,462.00</b>	<b>\$628,462.00</b>
FIRE SALARY	\$21,649.50	
FIRE TRAINING SALARY	\$22,730.70	
FIRE CHIEF SALARY	\$10,754.88	
FIRE DEPUTY CHIEF SALARY	\$7,616.34	
FIRE ASSISTANT CHIEF SALARY	\$6,902.34	
FIRE EXPENSES	\$48,061.00	
AIR TANK LEASE	\$29,032.61	
SAFETY INSPECTOR SALARY	\$2,184.84	
TRAINING CENTER ADMIN SALARY	\$379.44	
FORESTRY	\$800.00	
FIRE PREVENTION SALARY	\$372.30	
FIRE TRUCK LEASE EXPENSE	\$3,215.93	
WEEKEND STATION DUTY SALARY	<u>\$12,734.70</u>	
<b>Total Fire Department</b>	<b>\$166,434.58</b>	<b>\$166,434.58</b>
FIRE STATION/AMBULANCE EXPENSE	<u>\$10,000.00</u>	
<b>Total Emergency Squad</b>	<b>\$10,000.00</b>	<b>\$10,000.00</b>
BUILDING INSPECTOR SALARY	\$15,507.00	
ASS'T BUILDING INSPECTOR SALARY	\$479.40	
BUILDING INSPECTOR EXPENSES	\$700.00	
BUILDING INSPECTOR MILEAGE EXPENSE	<u>\$500.00</u>	
<b>Total Building Inspector</b>	<b>\$17,186.40</b>	<b>\$17,186.40</b>
PLUMBING INSPECTOR SALARY	\$3,399.00	
ASS'T PLUMBING INSPECTOR SALARY	\$489.60	
PLUMBING INSPECTOR OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$100.00	
GAS INSPECTOR SALARY	<u>\$1,387.20</u>	
<b>Total Plumbing &amp; Gas Inspector</b>	<b>\$5,375.80</b>	<b>\$5,375.80</b>
WIRING INSPECTOR SALARY	\$4,372.74	
ASS'T WIRING INSPECTOR SALARY	<u>\$570.18</u>	
<b>Total Wiring Inspector</b>	<b>\$4,942.92</b>	<b>\$4,942.92</b>
NBEMA EXPENSES	<u>\$9,500.00</u>	
<b>Total NBEMA</b>	<b>\$9,500.00</b>	<b>\$9,500.00</b>

ARTICLE 4, Part III: A motion was read by Jason Petraitis, seconded by John Tripp to raise and appropriate the following sums of money, as written, for the salaries and expenses to operate the School Department for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022.

North Brookfield Schools	\$6,345,926.86	
NB School Medicaid Expense	\$6,000.00	
Bay Path Assessment	\$436,802.00	
<b>Total School Department</b>	<b>\$6,788,728.86</b>	<b>\$6,788,728.86</b>

<b>Total for this part of motion</b>		<b>\$6,788,728.86</b>
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ARTICLE 4, Part IV: A motion was read by John Tripp, seconded by Jason Petraitis and voted favorably by a show of hands to raise, appropriate and transfer the sums of money for the salaries and expenses to operate the following departments for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022: Highway, Board of Health, Cemetery, Council on Aging, Veterans, Library, Playground, Town Beach and Town Park.

HIGHWAY SALARY	\$255,000.00	
HIGHWAY CLERK SALARY	\$13,170.00	
HIGHWAY SUPT. SALARY	\$83,232.00	
HIGHWAY POLICE OFF DUTY DETAIL	\$0.00	
HIGHWAY EXPENSES	\$138,700.00	
TRUCK LEASE	\$0.00	
HIGHWAY LINE PAINTING	\$10,000.00	
SNOW & ICE: SALARY	\$20,000.00	
SNOW & ICE EXPENSES	\$98,500.00	
RHE COOP	<u>\$0.00</u>	
<b>Total Highway &amp; Snow &amp; Ice</b>	<b>\$618,602.00</b>	<b>\$618,602.00</b>

BOH COMMISSIONERS SALARY	\$2,469.00	
BOH ADMIN ASSISTANT	\$17,784.00	
SALARY - ANIMAL INSPECTOR	\$1,500.00	
SALARY - ANIMAL QUARANTINE	\$536.00	
FOOD INSPECTOR SALARY	\$0.00	
BOH CLINICAL SERVICES	\$5,000.00	
BOH EXPENSES	<u>\$14,575.00</u>	
<b>Total BOH</b>	<b>\$41,864.00</b>	<b>\$41,864.00</b>

RECYCLING MONITOR SALARY	\$49,830.00	
RECYCLING EXPENSES	<u>\$134,820.00</u>	
<b>Total Recycling</b>	<b>\$184,650.00</b>	<b>\$184,650.00</b>

CEMETERY SALARY	\$12,322.00	
COMMISSIONERS/ELECTED OFFICIAL	\$1,298.00	
CEMETERY EXPENSES	<u>\$11,801.00</u>	
<b>Total Burials &amp; Cemetery</b>	<b>\$25,421.00</b>	<b>\$25,421.00</b>

COA CLERK/RECEPTIONIST	\$3,631.00	
COA JANITOR SALARY	\$3,277.00	
COA DIRECTOR SALARY	\$20,021.00	
COA PROGRAM ASST.	\$17,353.00	
COA SERVICES EXPENSE	\$16,800.00	
SENIOR WHEELS EXPENSE	<u>\$750.00</u>	
<b>Total COA</b>	<b>\$61,832.00</b>	<b>\$61,832.00</b>

VETERANS AGENT: SALARY	\$8,000.00	
VETERANS EXPENSES	\$3,000.00	
VETERANS BENEFITS	<u>\$25,000.00</u>	
<b>Total Veterans</b>	<b>\$36,000.00</b>	<b>\$36,000.00</b>



TOWN PARK EXPENSES	\$1,000.00	
<b>Total Town Park</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>

<b>Total for this part of motion</b>		<b>\$1,104,799.00</b>
<b>Total for the General Fund Operating Budget</b>	<b>\$13,599,369.76</b>	

ARTICLE 5: A motion was made by Jason Petraitis, seconded by John Tripp and voted favorably by a show of hands to raise and appropriate a sum of money to operate the Water Department for the 12-month period beginning July 1, 2022, under the provisions of MGL Chapter 44, section 53F½.

<b>DIRECT COSTS</b>		
WATER: ADMINISTRATIVE ASST SALARY	\$42,427.00	
WATER COMMISSIONERS SALARY	\$3,130.00	
WATER OVERTIME SALARY	\$3,236.00	
WATER OPERATOR SALARY	\$112,605.00	
WATER OPERATOR SALARY #3	\$0.00	
WATER SUPERINTENDENT SALARY	\$81,039.00	
SUPERINTENDENT SICK LEAVE BUYBACK	\$0.00	
OPERATOR IN-TRAINING	\$0.00	
WATER OTHER SALARY	\$4,500.00	
WATER EXPENSES	\$240,973.00	
WATER IMPROVEMENT CAPITAL OUTLAY	<u>\$189,442.00</u>	
<b>Total Water</b>	<b>\$677,352.00</b>	<b>\$677,352.00</b>

<b>INDIRECT COSTS</b>		
INSURANCE	\$51,813.00	
PENSION	\$65,603.00	
CENTRAL SERVICES	<u>\$15,129.00</u>	
<b>Total Indirect Costs</b>	<b>\$132,545.00</b>	<b>\$132,545.00</b>

**\$667,7352.00 to be raised from Water Enterprise revenues and that \$132,545.00 to be raised and appropriated in the General Fund operating budget and allocated to the enterprise fund for funding.**

<b>Total for this motion</b>	<b>\$809,897.00</b>
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ARTICLE 6: A motion was made by John Tripp, seconded by Jason Petraitis and voted favorably by a show of hands to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to operate the Sewer Department for the 12-month period beginning July 1, 2022, under the provisions of MGL Chapter 44, section 53F½.

<b>DIRECT COSTS</b>		
SEWER CLERK SALARY	\$15,300.00	
SEWER COMMISSIONERS SALARY	\$2,878.68	
SEWER OVERTIME SALARY	\$25,500.00	
SEWER ASSISTANT SUPT SALARY	\$67,192.00	
SEWER SUPERINTENDENT SALARY	\$83,940.00	
SEWER OPERATOR SALARY	\$52,743.00	
SEWER OPERATOR2 SALARY	\$17,800.00	
SEWER SALARY - OTHER	\$2,000.00	
SEWER EXPENSES	\$443,515.00	
SEWER DEBT	\$110,000.00	
SEWER INTEREST	<u>\$45,400.00</u>	
<b>Total Sewer</b>	<b>\$866,268.68</b>	<b>\$866,268.68</b>

<b>INDIRECT COSTS</b>		
INSURANCE	\$ 73,052.09	
PENSION	\$ 53,527.50	
CENTRAL SERVICES	<u>\$ 28,107.58</u>	
<b>Total Indirect Costs</b>	<b>\$154,687.17</b>	<b>\$154,687.17</b>

ARTICLE 14: A motion was made by Jason Petraitis, seconded by John Tripp and voted favorably by a show of hands to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to the North Brookfield Emergency Squad Service Contract Account, and further move that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$68,000.00 to the North Brookfield Emergency Squad for ALS services for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022.

N.B. EMERGENCY SQUAD SERVICE CONTRACT	\$50,000.00	
N.B. EMERGENCY SQUAD ALS	<u>\$68,000.00</u>	
<b>Total NBEMS Contract</b>	<b>\$118,000.00</b>	<b>\$118,000.00</b>
<b>Total for this motion</b>	<b>\$118,000.00</b>	

Jason Petraitis made a motion, seconded by John Tripp and voted favorably by a show of hands to dissolve the meeting at 7:41.

**A TRUE COPY, ATTEST:**

Tara M Hayes, Town Clerk

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## **TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

A Special Town Meeting was held in the North Brookfield Elementary School Auditorium on Friday, the 3rd day of June, 2022 at 7:00PM, according to the warrant as posted. Moderator James N Caldwell called the meeting to order with a total of 43 voters present. Tellers for the evening were Brandon Avery and Brian Hayes.

Mr. Caldwell welcomed back Town Clerk Tara Hayes from her illness and asked the audience to acknowledge Selectmen John Tripp's birthday.

Action was taken on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: A motion was made by Jason Petraitis, seconded by John Tripp and voted favorably by a show of hands to transfer the sum of 184,077.00 from Sewer: Retained Earnings to Sewer: Facilities Capital Planning.

ARTICLE 2: A motion was made by John Tripp, seconded by Jason Petraitis and voted favorably by a show of hands to transfer the sum of 64,150.39 from Free Cash to the following accounts:

Snow & Ice Salary	\$15,835.62
Snow & Ice Vehicle Repair	\$10,677.66
Snow & Ice Diesel Gas	\$7,118.67
Snow & Ice Salt	\$30,518.44

And to further transfer the sum of \$4,499.28 from Snow & Ice: Sand Expense to Snow & Ice: Salt Expense.

At 7:04PM Jason Petraitis moved to dissolve the Special Town Meeting, seconded by John Tripp. Motion carried unanimously.

A true copy, attest:

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Tara M Hayes, Town Clerk  
Town of North Brookfield  
June 6, 2022

## **TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

A Special Town Meeting was held in the North Brookfield Elementary School Auditorium on Thursday, the 1<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2022 at 6:30PM, according to the warrant as posted. Moderator James N Caldwell called the meeting to order with a total of 30 voters present. Tellers for the meeting were Jamie Flamand and Shiela Leblanc. Michael Zalansky, Chair of the Finance Committee gave a recap of the warrant and stated that the committee met with the BOS and was in agreement with the content of the articles.

Action was taken on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: A motion was made by Jason Petraitis, seconded by John Tripp and voted unanimously to transfer \$80,000 from Water: Retained Earnings to Water: System Improvement.

ARTICLE 2: A motion was made by John Tripp, seconded by Elizabeth Brooke Canada and voted unanimously to transfer \$5,000 from Water: Retained Earnings to Water: Salary Overtime.

ARTICLE 3: A motion was made by Elizabeth Brooke Canada, seconded by Jason Petraitis and voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$40.00 from Board of Selectmen: Town Counsel Expense to Prior Year Unpaid Bills.

ARTICLE 4: A motion was made by Jason Petraitis, seconded by John Tripp and voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$ 585.39 from Board of Selectmen: Town Offices Expense to Prior Year Unpaid Bills.

ARTICLE 5: A motion was made by John Tripp, seconded by Elizabeth Brooke Canada and voted unanimously to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,825 for the FY23 Interest Payment for the permanent borrowing for the Municipal Purchase.

ARTICLE 6: A motion was made by Elizabeth Brooke Canada, seconded by Jason Petraitis and voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$200,000 from Free Cash to Stabilization.

ARTICLE 7: A motion was made by Jason Petraitis, seconded by John Tripp and voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$200,000 from Free Cash to Capital Stabilization.

ARTICLE 8: A motion was made by John Tripp, seconded by Elizabeth Brooke Canada and voted unanimously to pass over this article.

ARTICLE 9: A motion was made by Elizabeth Brooke Canada, seconded by Jason Petraitis and voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$50,000 from Free Cash to Highway: Gas Expense for the purchase of diesel and further move to transfer a sum of \$5,000 from Free Cash to Highway: Maintenance for outfitting of diesel tank to enable fuel storage.

ARTICLE 10: A motion was made by Jason Petraitis, seconded by John Tripp and voted unanimously to, in accordance with MGL Chapter 41, Section 110A, to authorize the Town

Clerk's office to remain closed on all Saturdays and to treat Saturdays as a legal holiday for purposes of calculating the time frame for filing matters in that office.

ARTICLE 11: A motion was made by John Tripp, seconded by Elizabeth Brooke Canada and, after discussion clarifying this is a gift and the future purpose, voted unanimously to acquire by gift that property identified as 1 Collins Road, being Assessor's Parcel 19-69-1, containing 1.35 acres, more or less.

ARTICLE 12: A motion was made by Elizabeth Brooke Canada, seconded by Jason Petraitis and voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$17,500 from Free Cash to NBEMA Expenses to upgrade the school generator for the purpose of heating for emergency shelter.

ARTICLE 13: A motion was made by Jason Petraitis, seconded by John Tripp and voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$37.49 from Police: Other Supplies and Expenses to Prior Year Unpaid Bills.

A motion was made by Anne Adams, seconded by Elizabeth Brooke Canada and voted favorably by a show of hands to dissolve the meeting at 6:44pm.

A True Copy, Attest:

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Tara M Hayes, Town Clerk  
Town of North Brookfield  
December 5, 2022

# DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

## 2022

**BOARD OF ASSESORS**  
**2022 Annual Report**

Value of Real & Personal Property	\$ 594,932,444.00
Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2023	\$ 13.36
Total Parcels of Real & Personal Property	2,334
Exempt Value	\$ 56,447,300.00

Our office is located at 215 North Main St.

Office Hours: Monday thru Thursday: 8:00 AM- 12:00 Noon

The Town is on a quarterly billing system for Real & Personal Property.  
Assessing date is January 1<sup>st</sup>

Fiscal year begins: July 1<sup>st</sup> thru June 30<sup>th</sup>

Whoever is the owner of property on January 1<sup>st</sup>, will be assessed for the real estate tax for the next fiscal year. If property is sold during the fiscal year, the real estate tax bill may be sent in care of the new owner, however the name of the grantor will remain on the bill until the end of the fiscal year billing.

Real Estate Exemptions available are: Veterans  
Elderly (67 & over)  
Blind  
Surviving Spouse

Qualifying date for exemptions is by July 1<sup>st</sup> (start of the Fiscal Year)  
Real Estate abatements are due by February 1<sup>st</sup>  
Motor Vehicle Excise: Abatement forms are available in our office or online @  
the North Brookfield Website

Please call our office if you have any questions on the qualifications for the above  
Exemptions, on values of Real Estate, Excise Tax or Abatements at  
508-867-0209

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila A. Buzzell, Chairman  
Priscilla A. Johnson  
Lene Z. Guertin  
Board of Assessors

**2022**

**Report from the Building Inspector**

The following is a list of permits issued for 2022

- 13 Houses
- 3 Garages
- 7 Additions
- 3 Barns
- 20 Renovations
- 14 Decks & Porches
- 38 Window Siding Roofs
- 4 Sheds
- 2 Demo
- 6 Pools
- 6 Repairs
- Sheet Metal
- 14 Mechanical
- 19 Solar
- Solid Burning
- 14 Appliances
- 22 Weatherization
- 3 Commercial
- 188 Total Permits

- Certificates of
- 14 Inspection

**\$48,559.00 Fees Collected**

My Office hours are 1st and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays in the North Brookfield office or 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays in my East Brookfield office located at Connie Mac drive in the East Brookfield Municipal Center. You may apply for a permit at either office. Inspections are conducted Monday thru Saturday, messages returned daily Monday thru Friday.

It has been a pleasure to serve the Town this year. Please feel free to call me with any building questions you may have.

**Respectfully Submitted**

**John Couture  
Building Commissioner**



## **CEMETERY COMMISSION**

We were saddened by the unexpected passing of cemetery employee Brian O'Malley in April 2022. Earl McKay continues to do an exceptional job keeping grounds maintained, repairing equipment, managing burials and stone installations.

We are extremely appreciative of the recent work Joe Klimavich has done to restore and upgrade the Walker Memorial Chimes. Joe raised over \$15,000 needed for the project, found the technology to rebuild the system and coordinated with a contractor for the installation. In addition to the chimes, lighting has been added for the Boy Scout Statue and flag. We look forward to hearing the chimes again this Spring.

Tree and road maintenance will be a focus during the coming year, we received 2 large monetary gifts recently that will go a long way in making improvements.

We would also like to thank the Highway Department and Ed Thibault for their services throughout the year.

### **2022 Burials**

9 Standard Interments  
14 Cremation Interments

Respectfully,

North Brookfield Cemetery Commission

## **North Brookfield Conservation Commission**

### **2022 ANNUAL REPORT**

“Rural character” holds great value to the residents of Town. The future value stems from the preservation of ecologically sensitive natural resources and environments, protection of scenic and cultural resources and opportunities for recreation. These can be found in lands preserved as farmland, as natural areas such as woodlands, meadows, wetlands and as planned recreation areas which can range from expansive parklands to the smallest pockets of downtown greenery.

When the State of Massachusetts passed the Wetlands Protection Act in 1972, it laid out specific instructions on the best practices for conserving land and specifies which lands needed special protection. The Commission is charged with the responsibility of regulation and stewardship of resource areas on land for preservation and protection purposes. The Rivers Protection Act grants additional protection for areas up to 200' from a river or stream. This will help to preserve the purity of the waters that we all enjoy.

The Open Space and Recreation Plan is part of the Master Plan and has recently been updated. A special thanks to John Turner for his dedication of planning and coordination with CMRPC, his hard work paid off and finally the lengthy document was completed and will be accepted by the town. This document is designed as a tool to help guide North Brookfield's future by assessing its needs to achieve a balance between the benefits of economic development and environmental protection. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts requires that each municipality file an updated Open Space and Recreation Plan, approved by the Division of Conservation Services, to be eligible for State or federal funds offered through the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs. This document is intended to meet that requirement.

A Conservation Restriction monitoring report, sponsored by East Quabbin Land Trust, for Wendemuth Meadows located on Bates Street. was developed in 2017. This document is used as a management guide for historical land dedicated to the town and a visit will take place annually to assure upkeep and preservation of this valuable land.

If the town designates or puts Conservation in charge of municipally owned land, the question then is it protected under Article 97. The state Atty. General made a broad interpretation of this article. Scenic land, right to farm land, forest land and designated parks are designated Conservation land. An effort in taking the time to find exactly how to go about imposing and the utilization of this law is needed.

A representative from Wildlife & Fisheries was consulted regarding climate change. New England is warming due to winds and hot air carried from the west and is blocked by the ocean to the east. Practices in dealing with these conditions along with climate resiliency relative to this is discussed and informational courses and workshops are made available through Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions. Measures should include buffers along trees that need to protect the 200' riverfront area and stream connectivity allowing wildlife to move north

to a cooler climate. Murphy Road near Sucker Brook and Mill Road are areas where water flow can be improved.

We welcome anyone interested in dedicating their time in this valuable work. A notice will be posted at the town offices to inform residents that a committee of interested board members and town residents is needed to assist in this effort.

Respectfully,

Christine Morrison, Chair

John Turner, Co-Chair

Commissioners Brandon Avery, Samuel Biagetti and Sadie Saldana

Kim George, Secretary

## **COUNCIL ON AGING 2022 ANNUAL REPORT**

The mission of the Council on Aging (COA) is to provide community resources for Senior Citizens (defined as 60+) by developing and advocating the social, health and recreational programs that maintain or enhance the quality of their lives.

We continued to provide ongoing commitment to educate the community concerning the needs of our seniors. The Council on Aging currently consists of seven volunteer members who work with the Senior Center staff to deliver services to our seniors. We are currently working on policies and procedures to help make the center work efficiently.

The Senior Center is open Monday through Thursday from 9am – 2pm. The center offers community fitness programs on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays and continues to encourage visitors to our center and participate in the programs and activities offered at the center.

Our food distribution provided bread and baked goods from Hannaford's each Tuesday and was well attended. During the summer months we also received fresh vegetables from local donations. The center offered home cooked meals weekly to our seniors and we are grateful for the volunteers that cook the lunches.

Our Outreach Services continued to assist our seniors with questions they may have had and to refer them if necessary to outside agencies for assistance. We offered a flu shot clinic that was well attended by North Brookfield residents and our hope is to continue this clinic every year.

Our volunteers are essential to the Senior Center and their continued hard work is appreciated. The committed members of our Friends of the North Brookfield COA continue to help the Senior Center raise funds to help the center with lunches and activities for our seniors to enjoy. We will continue to make the center a place where our seniors feel safe, respected and come to have fun.

For more information about programs and services offered at the center, volunteering or to become a member of our Friends or the COA please call 508-867-0220 for any information you may need.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Seguin  
Director  
North Brookfield Senior Center

## DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

### Annual Report 2022

Since October of 2018 the Downtown Development Committee (DDC) has pursued its mission to rejuvenate the Town Center with a restored Town House as the focal point, thereby creating a vibrant atmosphere for business and cultural and social activities. We work in conjunction with Town Boards and Committees, State and Regional planning and development agencies, and asset owners in the community to identify areas of need and the steps to take to move forward.

We rely on existing, pre-approved recommendations and plans, and appropriate zoning bylaws to foster the growth of small businesses and ensure the safe flow of pedestrians and traffic within the Downtown Overlay District, made especially important with the traffic generated by the new gas station. We may propose new plans and zoning bylaws as the objectives of our projects require.

As we work to achieve the DDC's 2019 North Brookfield Strategic Plan created in partnership with the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission (CMRPC) we look toward achieving five specific goals: 1) A Walkable Downtown; 2) Connected Trail System; 3) Town House Revitalization; 4) Downtown Development; and 5) Business Investment. The Committee remains committed to these goals and is actively engaged in efforts to reach them.

Partnering with the Friends of the Town House to carry out the steps defined by the **Technical Assistance Panel** and the **Local Rapid Recovery Plan** grant, the DDC hosted a breakfast meeting on April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, to report on the findings from both of these initiatives held in 2021. Hannaford donated and the Masonic Lodge prepared the delicious food. Sheila Orsi and Ethan Melad led the discussion which was open to the public and well attended. (Please refer to the DDC page on the Town Website for the complete report from both the TAP and the LRRP.)

The DDC has worked on the following grants during 2022: **Complete Streets** which will make improvements to access, give us parking options, improve sidewalks and crosswalks, and provide calming devices and signage on Main Street by bringing up to \$400,000 to North Brookfield in each cycle for a cost of only 10% to the Town; and **Mass DOT's Shared Streets and Spaces**, applied for by DDC member Ethan Melad when it was decided that the \$400,000 Complete Streets appropriation might not cover all of the work the Town wanted done in Phase 1, which added an additional \$200,000 in grant funds.

Although the \$400,000 Complete Streets grant was secured in August of 2021, the number one topic for the DDC's consideration during 2022 was bringing together the BOS, Highway Department and the BSC engineering group to discuss plan designs and make changes in a timely manner. It was critical to get plans in place and the project out to bid before the grant deadline of December 31, 2022. Once the Town representatives and BSC Group were in contact with each other, DDC's role changed to that of monitor and communicator of progress to the public. On September 28, 2022, the DDC hosted a public awareness evening entitled "Sidewalk Talk." Design maps were presented by DDC chair Sheila Orsi. People in attendance expressed a genuine feeling of support for the plans and relief that improvements were to be made.

Pedestrian safety was emphasized and suggestions such as flashing lights at crosswalks were made by residents and Dawn Thistle, Director of the Haston Library.

Unfortunately, difficulty getting representatives from the Town and BSC Group together caused the pace of design changes to slow, and delays made it necessary to ask the State for an extension of both the Complete Streets and Safe Streets grant contracts to December 2023.

It is the DDC's hope that 2023 will bring a coming together of BSC Group and the fully constituted BOS to complete negotiations and get the Complete Streets plan out to bid to ensure that North Brookfield residents are on their way to having a safer more walkable downtown. Revised designs have been submitted for Phase 1 of Complete Streets, and we are eagerly awaiting news from the BOS on plan finalization.

Other measures addressed by the DDC in 2022 included:

Supporting the Friends of the Town House as they re-applied for the **One Stop for Growth State Grant**, a streamlined package that combines ten funding sources. Applying under the Underutilized Properties portion of the grant, the Friends secured \$225,000 for the development of Town House restoration plans and designs. The architect hopes to have the plans ready for fall 2023.

Reaching out to the Playground Committee for information on their plans and to volunteer help with design and development grants for improvements. Because of the constant change in membership of the committee we were not able to get a meeting with the Playground Committee in 2022 but we will renew our efforts in 2023.

Additional plans for 2023:

As suggested in the 2007 Master Plan, the 2008 Town Government Study Plan, and the updated Master Plan, soon to be unveiled by the Master Plan Committee, the DDC will research the possibility of hiring a Town Manager or Administrator for North Brookfield. A three-member BOS with a hard-working administrative assistant should be given all the direction and support possible. In addition to providing this support, grants written by a manager can add needed revenue to North Brookfield's coffers.

We will keep up our efforts to form a North Brookfield Business Association by hosting the Quaboag Valley Community Development Corporation for an informational meeting and discussion with business owners in the Downtown Area.

We will continue to gather information on downtown vacancies and seek ways to fill them.

The DDC also plans to start work on parking issues within the Downtown area.

We will continue to work closely with the Town House Committee and the Friends of the NB Town House and encourage their efforts to raise funds to restore the Great Hall as a theater and develop the rest of the building as a focal point for a creative economy and venue for their ROAR (Rural Opportunity for Art and Restoration) program.

Now that the updated Open Space Plan has been developed, we will see if PARC grants are available for Common improvements and signage along the Rail Trail which has been extended to East Brookfield and Rt. 9. We will consider the idea of Passive Recreation by tying the rail trail to the Common from a trail on the brownfield to the left of the police station. The trail would be to the most left of the field and lead back toward the Senior Center. The PARC grant opens in January 2023. It looks like a 70/30 reimbursement grant.

We will follow through on grants already in the pipeline and apply for new ones suggested by the CMRPC that further the attainment of our goals for North Brookfield.

New grant opportunities to consider for the Downtown Overlay District may include: PARC Grants with an award up to \$400,000, but with a 50-70% match; ARPA funds to help with sidewalk and downtown street development efforts tying in water/sewer pipes; and Underutilized Building Growth grants to encourage business growth in the downtown and help eliminate empty storefronts.

Already working closely with the Friends of the Town House, we plan to encourage partnerships with NB Helps, the Playground Committee, NB High School students, other town organizations and area nonprofits such as the East Quabbin Land Trust, and appeal to residents to join the DDC team.

Our committee is led by Chair Sheila Orsi, and comprised of the following members: Jack McClintock, Marilynn Borst, Ethan Melad, and Eva Brown. Brandon Avery is awaiting appointment.

We welcome new members. Please contact us at [NorthBrookfieldDDC@gmail.com](mailto:NorthBrookfieldDDC@gmail.com).

And check out our Facebook page by searching North Brookfield Downtown Development Committee, or by using the following link:

[https://www.facebook.com/North-Brookfield-Downtown-Development-Committee-101799524697159/?modal=admin\\_todo\\_tour](https://www.facebook.com/North-Brookfield-Downtown-Development-Committee-101799524697159/?modal=admin_todo_tour)

There you will find a business listing and announcements of events taking place within the community at large and in the Downtown North Brookfield area specifically.

We have posted minutes of our meetings, descriptions of grants, and results from the Technical Assistance Panel (TAP) and the Local Rapid Recovery Planning (LRRP) grant on the Town website.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilynn Borst

## Finance Committee Annual Report 2022

The Finance Committee was informed that the last time it had submitted a narrative for the Annual Report was in 2012. In that report, our predecessors stated: "With fixed costs continuing to rise, maintaining essential services *without raising additional revenue* remained a significant challenge for the Committee." (Emphasis ours)

That challenge continues. From 2012 to 2022, the budget for the town increased by an average of 1.7 percent per year, but inflation, as measured by the Consumer Price Index, increased by 2.6 percent per year, so in real terms, the operating budget is shrinking.

Budgets were balanced by a dependency on free cash, despite a warning in the Financial Management Report conducted for the town in 2007 by the Massachusetts Division of Local Services. The report states, "...the town has been using free cash to fund operational expenses more frequently. This is a dangerous practice, as free cash is not a recurring revenue source, and using it for operational costs merely postpones difficult decisions." Indeed, over the past ten years, free cash has ranged from \$131,230 to \$778,548. For FY 2022, free cash was only \$334,127, hence the special town meeting of December 3, 2021, to make cuts in an already approved budget.

That same 2007 report by the DLS noted that the town had approximately \$848,000 in stabilization funds. At the end of 2022, the stabilization fund balance was \$845,000. The town had an additional \$264,036 in special purposes stabilization funds. The town's outstanding debt was \$8,643,116 on June 30, which Standard & Poor's Global Ratings describes as "manageable." The figure includes \$1.51 million for the purchase of the Huck property which will become the Highway Department facility. The old highway facility will be converted to house the Fire Department. Preliminary estimates suggest that it will take some \$4 million in renovations to outfit the properties for their new purposes. The town has already approved the issuance of \$11.85 million in debt for the sewer treatment plant upgrade. As Standard and Poor's states: "This debt issuance will likely change our view of the debt profile if debt service costs materially rise as a percentage of expenditures, or if rapid issuance results in debt exceeding 3 percent of market value." The "market value" that S&P is referring to is the value of all the property in town that is subject to tax, i.e., residential real estate, commercial and industrial properties, and personal property. At the end of 2022, that value was \$517,349,000. Adding in the new sewer debt and the aforementioned renovation funds, the town's debt-to-value ratio will be approximately 4.7%. Our debt rating, currently AA-, will most likely be downgraded.

To add some perspective to our level of outstanding debt, in 2021 the Division of Local Services reported that North Brookfield's debt-to-current budget was 36.12 percent, *the highest such ratio among all 351 cities and towns in the Commonwealth*. Amongst our neighboring towns, Spencer's ratio is 8.12 and Brookfield's is a mere 0.19 percent.

We would be remiss if we didn't acknowledge our department managers for their continuing efforts to "do more with less." They have become adept at applying for and receiving grant money to help fund their operations and searching for lower-cost sources of materials and supplies. We applaud and are most grateful for their efforts.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Finance Committee

Kathy Crevier  
Karen Hubacz  
Michelle Petraitis  
Robert Locatelli



Chet Lubelczyk  
Joseph Trentacosta  
Michael Zalansky

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT 2022**

The North Brookfield Fire Department (NBFD) hereby submits its annual 2022 to date activities. First, I would like to thank all the citizens, the Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee and all other town agencies for their continued support throughout the year. The NBFD is a major player regarding the everyday well-being of the citizens it serves and is very proud to continue serving.

The North Brookfield Fire Department has had a very progressive year. Maintenance has been ongoing to assure top performance during any response. We would like to acknowledge many of our local vendors and town mechanic who with professionalism resolve our many maintenance needs.

We have instituted a very aggressive fire prevention unit that is extremely active. Please read fire prevention section below. The training division has also been extremely busy training all of our members to National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standards. Please read training section below. The dive team has expanded with local fire personnel from other departments and our local police department. Please read dive team section below.

The fire department and the EMS unit responded to approximately 1,000 calls this past year and approximately 150 inspections. Numerous calls also received through station phone with non-life-threatening services rendered.

Savings for last couple years.

Numerous small repairs by department members.

\$54,000.00 worth of repairs to tower 1 covered by insurance as a result of electrical surge.

New flat roof and windows covered by insurance from damage during severe storms.

Engine 3 was replaced with \$500,000 federal grant funding.

Brush 1 pickup and brush tanker 1 was acquired through federal program at no cost to the town.

Both fire cruisers were purchased from C-Med in Holden at reduced prices through EMS

\$5,000.00 gear washer was purchased through a state grant received.

\$26,000.00 to update portable radios at a cost of \$1,200.00 per radio through state grant.

Replaced 3,000 feet of 4-inch hose to the 3 front line trucks at a savings of approximately \$7,000.00 donated by mutual aid towns.

30 sets of brush firefighting clothing and helmets \$13,000.00. State grant received.

Green Gold donated a 5-gas meter and Lucas machine saving the town several thousand.

Thousands of dollars in Mass state grants for fire prevention.

Roughly \$30,000 received from state grants for new helmets, new boots, new brush suits, new hoods, new radios etc.

At this time, I have completed a grant application from Firefighter Assistance program for the replacement of one of our brush trucks at a cost of \$285,000. Will know this fall if we receive the grant.

There are countless hours spent at the station by members of FD and EMS to keep up with the calls and the equipment.

### Members

Chief Joseph Holway  
Deputy Chief Darin Anderson  
Assistant Chief Keith Marshall

Captain of Personnel David Martin  
Captain of Training Don Mailing  
Captain Erick Hevy of Fire Prevention

1<sup>st</sup>. Lieutenant of EMS and Group 3 Patrick Kiritsy  
1<sup>st</sup>. Lieutenant of Group 2 Thomas Bessette  
1<sup>st</sup>. Lieutenant of Training group 4 Ryan Holway  
1<sup>st</sup>. Lieutenant of group 1 Pete Orsi  
2<sup>nd</sup>. Lieutenant of group 1 Brian Charron  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant of Training group 4 Roger McManus

Chaplin Donald Ouellette

Firefighter Joshua Blodgett  
Firefighter Pete Orsi  
Firefighter John Branscombe  
Firefighter Michael Goyette  
Firefighter Austin Grenevich  
Firefighter Lyndon Perkins  
Firefighter James Mayo  
Firefighter Chris Chase  
Firefighter Kevin Tourtellotte  
Firefighter Gino Caramiello  
Firefighter Paul Thompson  
Firefighter Brian Charron  
Firefighter Shane Marrier  
Firefighter Jacob Guertin  
Firefighter Adrianna Dipietro  
Firefighter Joseph Lazarick  
Firefighter Shannon Latour  
Firefighter Joseph Lazarick  
Firefighter Jacob Guertin  
Firefighter Nicholas Chaves

Firefighter George Nolette  
Firefighter Adam Mercurio  
Firefighter Jesse Crockett Sears  
Firefighter Mario Polanco  
Firefighter Shannon Latour  
Firefighter Jackie Gerlowski  
Firefighter Aiden Crawford

North Brookfield Fire continues to staff the station as needed for severe storms, EMS shifts, and weekend summer shifts for June, July and August. These shifts are vital for our summer coverage emergencies and all our NFPA required responsibilities including a host of required testing, such as hose testing, and inspections of fire equipment.

#### Departmental equipment

##### 2 Ford cruisers

- 1 Ariel Raptor 110' with 1500 gpm pump
- 2 attack engines with 1500 gpm pumps
- 4 brush trucks
- 1 4,000-gallon street tanker
- 1 dive boat with dive gear
- 1 14ft. aluminum boat
- 1 heavy duty trailer for building collapse and trench rescue supplies
- 1 hovercraft
- 4 sets of jaws of life 2 were donated
- 2 sets high angle gear
- 1 set rescue air bags

### FIRE PREVENTION

The Fire Prevention Division continues to be an integral part of the North Brookfield Fire Service. It is our mission to work proactively with the public to ensure the safety of our town and its citizens. The Division consists of Deputy Chief Darin Anderson, Assistant Chief Keith Marshall, Captain Eric Hevy, FF Adam Mercurio, FF Shane Marrier, and FF Mario Polanco.

Fire Prevention continues to partner with the Red Cross with the installation of smoke and CO detectors, in which we have consistently installed several this past year. This program has been made available to residences who own their own home that was built before 1975. The Department also loans out smoke and CO detectors to any home we found missing or malfunctioning alarms.

The Fire Prevention Division also visits businesses in town to develop pre-plans for emergencies and to identify any possible hazards. We work with the business owners to form partnerships in educating ourselves and the owners about any concerns with their particular facility. The Fire

Prevention Division also performs after action inspections. Following up on emergency calls that the department has responded to, we work with the property owner to rectify and learn from any issues that may have been encountered.

In times of emergency being able to locate the correct address immediately is invaluable. In recognition of this fact the Fire Prevention Division has initiated the street address program. Since its start in 2020 231 signs have been installed at various residences throughout town.

Deputy Chief Anderson has been working with the school to run the Student Awareness of Fire Education (S.A.F.E.) Program hosting several classes on fire and home safety. The Department participated in several public outreach programs at different locations including schools, churches and businesses. With the assistance of generous donations were able to partner with Santa in delivering pizzas at no charge to several children during the holiday season.

For further information on any of our programs, please contact us at [nbfdfireprevention@gmail.com](mailto:nbfdfireprevention@gmail.com)

### TRAINING

Department members continuously train on a weekly basis. With COVID-19 still around we are training with safety protocols. Members also take part in online programs with the Massachusetts Fire Academy throughout the year. We have 6 newer staff members. We have been training extensively on the basics of fire ground operations, fire attack, and fire suppression. We had 2 staff members graduated from the firefighter 1 & 2 class at fire academy. The department is still training on all of the equipment that has been acquired over the last couple of years. The Rescue 1 truck, air pack, gas meter, portable radios and thermal imaging camera were some of the new pieces of equipment that required additional training. Members also have been cross training with EMS to ensure proficiency in operating the new Ambulance, Lucas CPR machine, and the new power stretcher. There are several members now in EMT class with the goal to help out our Ambulance with staffing. In the ever-changing world of emergency response, no two calls are alike so training remains an imperative part of our job.

Our training center on the East Brookfield Road continues to be a huge asset. In addition to serving as a training center for NBFD, there are twenty-seven other agencies that use this facility as well. Thanks to Chief Holway we have started to do some upgrade to the training centers burn building as some of the props were starting to have rotting issues from all the use over the years. We have gotten a new section for the burn building, a newer car prop, and in the spring, we will be repairing the gas field prop.

### DIVE TEAM

North Brookfield is proud to maintain a dive team to assist those in need with regards to water related emergencies above and below the water's surface. We train in rescue and recovery techniques so that we are prepared to respond to any open water related emergency. For a number of years now, Tantasqua High School has allowed our team to use their pool so that we can perfect our diving skills while working in a safe training environment. Our thanks go out to the Tantasqua High School and especially the pool director for allowing us the use of their

facility. In addition to the pool training sessions, we conduct mock drills doing a variety of search patterns in our local ponds and lakes where the visibility can be next to zero. Along with the divers listed below, the team is assisted by the remaining members of the department to ensure that we can efficiently respond to any of this type of water related emergencies. To aid in our rescue efforts, the department has a fire rescue boat and a hovercraft. These are vital pieces of equipment to assist us in dealing with any rescue or recovery that we may be called to.

**Divers:**

Chief Joseph Holway  
Dive Team Captain David Martin  
LT George Nolette  
LT Thomas Bessette  
FF John Branscombe  
FF Paul Thompson  
Police LT Ryan Daley  
Police Officer Jeff Martin  
FF Tim McKeon  
FF Chris Blood  
FF Brian Charron

These members listed above train throughout the year and maintain thousands of dollars of equipment that they have purchased themselves.

**NEW STATION COMMITTEE**

**Members:**

Chief Joseph Holway  
Deputy Chief Darin Anderson  
FF Eric Hevy  
Police Chief Mark Smith  
Robert Smith  
David Harris  
FINCOM member Chester Lubelczyk  
James Black

As you may know we have shifted gears and are now focused on renovating the present fire station into headquarters. The highway will be moving into the recently purchased Hucks Diesel building on Donovan Rd. and we will be renovating the old highway building for our trucks. This shift in building a new station will save the taxpayers a large sum of money and will take care of needs both for the highway and fire department.

**Chief's comment:** I want to thank all the members for their hard work and time they spent away from their families to help protect this community and assist other communities. North Brookfield FD provides mutual aid to all the local communities and they also support us in times of need. Special thank you to all local towns that support us when needed. Fire prevention has

really made an impact to this community, we see this in the statistics involving different responses. Training for our firefighters continues to prove itself as one of the best at scenes. We report all activities to the state tracking systems and work under the umbrella of our B.O.S. and the fire Department of Fire Services. We take pride in our responses just as this department has for years past.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Joseph Holway

## **Town House Committee**

### **Annual Report 2022**

During 2022 the Town House Committee met, voted on officers and developed a mission statement. The committee make up and mission statement were presented to the Board of Selectman in November and so approved.

Members of the Town House Committee include: James Buzzell - Chair, Marilyn Borst - Vice Chair, Maureen Wesolaski - Clerk, Patricia Miller, Eva Brown, Maureen Caramiello, John McClintock, and Sue Lewandowski.

The Mission of the Committee is: To communicate with the Board of Selectman, Downtown Development Committee and other pertinent town committees and departments, and to work with them to restore the Town House as the focal point of downtown redevelopment

The Town House Committee will work in tandem with the nonprofit Friends of the North Brookfield Town House in the restoration and rehabilitation of the Town House.

Progress to date on the Town House restoration project is reported in the following document mailed to the Board of Selectman January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

#### **UPDATE FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE NORTH BROOKFIELD TOWN HOUSE**

To the BOS and the people of North Brookfield,

Activity within the Friends organization was substantial in 2022, following an equally busy 2021. Over the past 3 years, we have raised over \$50,000 from fundraising efforts and have secured over \$355,600 in grant funding.

One of these grants, a \$35,000 award from the Massachusetts Cultural Counsel, came with a matching requirement. To date, with donations from members and supporters, the Friends are less than \$10,000 short of meeting the match to activate this entire award, resulting in a total of \$70,000 in available funding.

The funds from the Commonwealth Community One Stop grant (\$225,000) received this past fall will be used for final construction documents from the Worcester-based architectural firm who have done valuable work for our project in the past. These construction documents represent an important hurdle to overcome before we can begin our capital campaign. The plans are expected to be completed in the summer of 2023.

As our group meets weekly to plan for multiple fundraising programs and further grant application targets in 2023, we'd like to express appreciation for our members and other helpful townspeople, especially those who continue to support the noble effort of renovating the North Brookfield Town House, either with their wallets or by giving their time and talents.



The active members of the Friends are but a small group of hard-working volunteers. The Town House belongs to the Town of North Brookfield, and when renovated will serve to benefit the people of North Brookfield and surrounding communities. As cost estimates from our final construction documents will show, renovating the Town House is an expensive proposition. While we are confident that our goal is attainable, it is our belief that ultimately successful renovation can only be achieved by widespread involvement of our community members and municipal committees led by the BOS. Perhaps the linchpin in this regard is the Downtown Development Committee, formed in 2018 upon the recommendation of nationally respected preservation professionals. The importance of the DDC was reinforced later by opinion of State funding organizations Mass Development and Urban Land Institute. The DDC has been instrumental in generating opportunities for growth of the entire downtown district. In addition to providing safety for pedestrians, plans called for in the Complete Streets grant won by the DDC eventually will assure handicap access for the Town House. The Friends and the DDC act as codependent 'partners' in the quest to create a healthy, thriving downtown North Brookfield.

In summary, our objectives for 2023 include: obtaining final construction documents, continue ongoing fundraising and project promotion, target suitable grants and complete grant applications, expand the size of Friends membership – especially the number of active members, regularly inform both BOS and townspeople of our activity, and collaborate with town committees in the best interests of the project.

Sincerely,

Jim Buzzell – President of the Friends of the North Brookfield Town House

Town House Committee Report Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Wesolaski, Clerk

## **North Brookfield Board of Health Annual Report 2022**

The North Brookfield Board of Health recognizes Trevor Bruso for six years of service on this Board, including three as Chair. While his work and positive influence spanned a number of years and many projects, most recently Trevor was instrumental in making North Brookfield's COVID-19 response successful and innovative, and everyone in our town is better off for it. Thank you.

Jillian Phillips was elected to a 3-year term and we are very happy to have her, as she brings her background and knowledge of social services to the Board.

Thanks to grant writing by Trevor Bruso, we received approximately \$35,000 from the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO). The grant provided technical assistance to create workforce development and response documents as well as funding for employee health and wellbeing programming. Through a collaborative effort of coordination and implementation, we were able to provide free chair and table massages to all town employees multiple times a week. Additional programming will be continued in 2023.

The North Brookfield Recycling Center operated all throughout 2022. The facility continued to be ahead of the curve in terms of compliance with new waste bans - while mattress and textile bans went into effect in November of this year, we had the infrastructure in place to accept these materials many months before the requirement was put in place. Many thanks to all the employees of the facility for their hard work.

In August we supported the Coalition for a Healthy North Brookfield with the first NB National Night Out, held at the NB Schools. We thank the Coalition for bringing this event to North Brookfield and hope to see it continue.

We were happy to continue our involvement with the Leicester Regional Public Health Coalition, and very much appreciate the services, advice, and assistance we receive through this grant-funded partnership. We acknowledge all the members of the Leicester Health Department for their help.

Jeff Howland continues to serve as our Title V Agent, and Megan Canavan is our Animal Inspector. Thanks to both of them for their work over the course of the year.

### **COVID-19**

The first weeks of 2022 saw the highest rates of COVID-19 infection since the beginning of the pandemic. As a result, we made an increased effort to acquire home tests and distribute them. With increased vaccination rates and decreased virulence of the virus, case numbers dropped by mid-March, but hospitalization rates remained moderate to high. In fact, while case numbers dropped over the course of the year, hospitalization rates increased over the course of the year, as vaccine protection waned and overall vaccination rates stagnated. Masking regulations were updated in February. Over the second half of the year, we continued to see some progress, with most cases being far less severe. Into the Fall and Winter, we saw a steady number of positive

cases, and maintained our stock of free home testing kits for town residents, which were offered at the town offices, Police Station, Senior Center, and Haston Library. In an effort to continue reducing cases and increase the number of vaccinated residents, we held an Influenza clinic at the Senior Center and a combined Covid Booster and Flu clinic in November which were both well attended. Many thanks to Public Health Nurse Cheryl Rawinski, Hannaford Pharmacist Sarah Lamas, and NB Schools Nurse Maureen Floyd for their help with these clinics.

Respectfully submitted by the Board of Health,

Ethan Melad, Chairman  
Doug Borowski  
Jillian Phillips

## **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT 2022 ANNUAL REPORT**

The Highway Department staff includes the Superintendent, three Heavy Equipment Operators, a Department Mechanic, a driver/laborer and a part-time administrative assistant. This primary work force maintains over eighty miles of public and private roadway. The department performs all highway maintenance including paving and resurfacing, sweeping of streets and sidewalks, repairs and/or replacement of subsurface drainage and culverts, plowing, sanding and snow and ice removal.

The department performs maintenance and repairs on town owned vehicles and Highway vehicles and plows including all welding and fabricating repairs at a considerable savings to town taxpayers. Our goal is to continue upgrading our equipment, resulting in the department having a fleet of new and used reliable multi-use vehicles. In addition to routine operations throughout the year the Highway Superintendent plans and coordinates road resurfacing and/or reconstruction projects and infrastructure repairs.

A Town Mechanic position was created and works on all town owned vehicles. Priority is given to Highway Department vehicles, especially during the Snow & Ice plowing season. Vehicles used by the Town's Emergency Services, such as the Police and Fire Departments.

The Superintendent now occupies the Tree Wardens position along with a Deputy Tree Warden. A town vote in favor of the purchase of a 2021 Morbark woodchipper took place and is very much appreciated.

In 2022 Mass DOT approved \$310,000 in Chapter 90 funding, state aid reimbursement program. Ayer St., Brown St., Mill Rd. and King Rd. Reclamation of Ayer St. from Bates St. to Bigelow St. and Brown St. Mill Rd. and King Rd. starting at the King and Downey Rd. intersection. Earlier in the year a topcoat was applied to North St.

In meeting great challenges placed on the Highway department the hard work and dedication of the Highway crew does not go unnoticed. The success of the department is attributed to teamwork and accomplishments of the department employees. Special thanks to supporting departments, the Police Department, Dispatch Center and boards and committees.

Part-time employees called upon to help in the long and enduring task of snow removal operations are also very much appreciated.

In the upcoming year we look forward to the challenges of providing our community with the best service possible for public safety on our roads.

Respectfully,  
Jason Benoit, Superintendent

## **North Brookfield Historical Commission**

After several months of planning, the North Brookfield Historical Commission is excited to partner with the North Brookfield Historical Society on a variety of projects beneficial to preserving our local heritage, including the completion of the Survey and Inventory Project which was started by the members of the North Brookfield Historical Commission in the early 1980s.

This important project helps identify the unique areas, buildings, objects, burial grounds, structures, bridges, parks and landscapes of historic significance in North Brookfield through a searchable database of the Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System (MACRIS.)

The MACRIS database separates the physical listing of places, yet remains inseparable as it represents the very heart of historical North Brookfield as a whole. In fact, what is this information but the sum of all its parts; the who, what, where, and why these places even exist?

An excerpt from the History of North Brookfield, Massachusetts... With a Genealogical Register, by J. H. Temple, published by the Town of North Brookfield in 1887, reads:

“The desirability of publishing a Town History having been in the minds of the older inhabitants for several years, and after the destruction of the Town Records by fire in 1862, the propriety, and even the necessity, of such a work becoming more apparent, in 1864 the North Brookfield Historical Society was formed, with Hon. Charles Adams, Jr., as Corresponding Secretary and Librarian. This organization resulting in the collection of considerable material for a Town History.”

The result of this incredible undertaking provides us with an accurate accounting of our early history through personal memoirs, marriages and deaths, old wills and deeds, genealogical records and so much more. This vital information also provides the foundation of each North Brookfield record listed in MACRIS by providing a detailed overview and meaning to each place.

It is in recognition of the many contributions of individuals and families who founded this community over two hundred years before us that we continue their legacy of North Brookfield historic preservation through our work with the Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System (MACRIS), and other important projects to come. And we need YOUR help!

We encourage the participation of All in the opportunities to contribute, together, our own history and build upon the legacy on the Town of North Brookfield for future generations.

Please visit the Town Website at <https://www.northbrookfield.net/historical-commission> and the North Brookfield Historical Society Facebook Page to learn more.

Sincerely,  
The North Brookfield Historical Commission



ASHLIE E. WOLF  
Executive Director

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## ***NORTH BROOKFIELD HOUSING AUTHORITY***

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### **North Brookfield Housing Authority Annual Report -2022**

The North Brookfield Housing Authority continues to participate in a Management Agreement with the Southbridge Housing Authority, allowing for the North Brookfield Housing Authority to maintain one 24 hour per week administrative staff member and an Executive Director. The office hours are Monday through Thursday 7:30 am to 12:30 pm and Friday 7:30 am to 11:30 pm.

The Current members of the Board of Commissioners are as follows:

Darlene Lavin, Chairman  
Mary Waytina, Vice Chairman  
James Meccariello, State-Appointee  
Carole Ryback, Commissioner  
Mary Dolan, Commissioner

Ashlie E. Wolf is our Executive Director and Darin A. Anderson is responsible for the maintenance of the North Brookfield Housing Authority properties. Jane Proulx, who worked in the office for the last four years, retired at the end of the year.

The Housing Authority hosted a cookout for the residents around the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Residents participated by providing desserts for the party. The beautiful weather and delicious spread of food resulted in another wonderful gathering of residents and staff. For the winter holiday season, the Housing Authority hosted its annual holiday celebration catered by Annie's Kitchen again. The holiday party was a huge success with a great resident turn out. Residents were happy to be able to gather to celebrate over a warm, delicious meal. The North Brookfield Housing Authority has begun hosting monthly Podiatry Clinics at the community building at Herard Lane Estates and is looking into mobile veterinarian services for 2023.

In 2022, the following projects were completed at the North Brookfield Housing Authority; automatic doors were installed at the community building at Herard Lane Estates, buildings 9 & 10 had their roof replaced, the sidewalk at Grove Street Family Housing was replaced. The following is a list of projects that are currently in construction; updating the doors and thresholds of the handicap accessible units at Herard Lane Estates and replacing the retaining wall along the rear of the property that borders the church.

The North Brookfield Housing Authority has identified the following upcoming projects; Gove Street Family Housing roof replacement, porch replacements through ARPA funding at Herard Lane Estates and installing a generator for the community building through ARPA funding.

**Monthly Board Meetings** are typically held on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 2pm in the Community Room at 271 North Main Street.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Darlene Lavin, Chairman**

# **Haston Free Public Library**

## **Annual Report 2022**

This year marks a full year of “back to normal,” as far as library hours and services go. It has been great to welcome back many patrons who had stayed away during the worst of the pandemic.

The library was fortunate to receive funds from the Robert T. Salem bequest, as well as funding from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), which enabled us to pay for some special items, including the renewal of our subscription to the Worcester Telegram; addition of a part-time staff member, Lisa Testa, on Saturdays; a storage cart for LEGOs, and other helpful acquisitions.

Director Dawn Thistle announced her retirement to begin March 1, 2023.

### **Circulation:**

Circulation has continued to increase, though it is not yet back to pre-pandemic levels. During 2022, North Brookfield library users borrowed 18,875 items from our library and other libraries within the state. Our own North Brookfield items circulated 17,931 times. Of those items, 19% went to patrons from other libraries. North Brookfield users downloaded 4,791 e-books, e-magazines and e-audio, a 15% increase over last year’s usage. Patrons may also access more than Gale and ProQuest reference databases offered through the state and CW MARS for school or personal research. There are currently 2,190 registered cardholders, significantly fewer than reported last year. This decrease is due to CW MARS’s purging of the database of patrons who have moved or who have not used the system in many years.

### **Holdings:**

The Haston Library owns 29,224 items, including books, DVDs, books on CD, magazines and “miscellaneous” items, such as ukuleles, museum passes and the Aldrich telescope. Haston Library cardholders can also access and download more than 150,000 e-books, audio books and magazines through our C/W MARS membership, via Overdrive. [If you haven’t downloaded the Overdrive Libby app to try out these online books, etc., just go to your favorite app store and search for Libby. You’ll need your library card number and password before you can place holds or borrow e-items, but that’s all!]

### **Library Building:**

As is typical with old buildings and aging infrastructure, we regularly deal with issues with the HVAC system. Renaud HVAC has been responsive and proactive in addressing these issues. We continue to work with the NB Fire Department to address fire safety issues, and I’m happy to report that we have resolved most of their concerns. The leak on the second floor persists when it rains hard and the wind is blowing a certain way, but we believe we are making progress in determining the source.

### **Library Communications:**

The library publishes a monthly newsletter, *Haston Highlights*, featuring articles about upcoming events, people, library services and C/W MARS news. If you would like to subscribe, just send an email to the library at [illnb@cwmar.org](mailto:illnb@cwmar.org). Youth Services Librarian Brianna Lamb has begun publishing a Children’s e-Newsletter each month. If you’d like to subscribe, contact her at [blamb@cwmar.org](mailto:blamb@cwmar.org). We also share information via our website (<https://northbrookfieldlibrary.org>), Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/northbrookfieldlibrary>), and Instagram



(<https://www.instagram.com/hastonfreepubliclibrary>), and Wowbrary. Many thanks to Ellen Smith and Gabby Holmes for their efforts in getting our news and event information out to all of you.

### **Technology:**

The library provides 9 computers for internet access and office productivity software. In addition, there are two computers for accessing the C/W MARS Evergreen catalog.

Wi-Fi service is now available throughout the building as well as outside, thanks to funding from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and the Salem bequest. This network (LibraryPublicHotspot) requires no password, but users must acknowledge the library's internet policies before being passed on to the website of choice.

After some wrangling, we were able to reconnect our old fax line, and we once again have fax service!

### **Programs:**

During the year 214 programs and meetings took place in the library or virtually, attended by 2,712 people. Youth Services Librarian Brianna Lamb offered regular Tuesday morning story times as well as Summer Reading "STEAM Mondays" and "Wild Wednesdays." Special programs for the "Read Beyond the Beaten Path" Summer Reading Program included collaborations with East Quabbin Land Trust and popular storyteller, Davis Bates. Other programs for children included "Asian Folktales," and LEGO club.

After a pandemic hiatus, Community Connections (Wachusett CFCE) returned to the library on Wednesday mornings with Read, Build, Play; Bee Ready; and Books & Blankies programs for young children.

Adult programs included "No-Till Gardening," "Food for Thought," "Medicare," Judge Maura McCarthy, "Laugh & Learn," and authors Kathryn Sherbrooke and Robert Young. The monthly adult Book Discussion Group continues to meet in hybrid fashion, allowing some members to join via ZOOM, while others meet face to face at the library. The Adult/YA Coloring Group also met most weeks. The Haston Art Club met 8 times, making lanterns, fused glass pendants, greeting and Christmas cards, primitive oval boxes, and jezyki ornaments. Classes in drawing and watercolor painting were also popular.

Library staff participated in town events, including National Night Out, NB Elementary School Community Reading Day and Summer Reading kickoff, NBES Cakewalk, and NB Spookfest. Three 3<sup>rd</sup> grade classes came to the library for a tour in June.

Various local organizations such as the Friends of the Town House, the Coalition for a Healthy North Brookfield, Council on Aging, North Brookfield Planning Board, North Brookfield Cultural Council, and the NB Democratic Town Committee used our meeting rooms over the course of the year.

### **Friends of the Library:**

The Friends of the Haston Free Public Library is a group dedicated to supporting the library, its collections and programs. They raise funds to purchase library materials, museum passes and other things that the library needs, supplementing the library's municipal budget. Their financial assistance is critical to the services that the library provides, because state certification requires that we spend about four times our town allocation on library materials. Without state certification we would not receive state aid grants or be able to participate in regional interlibrary loan. We truly appreciate all that the Friends do for the Haston Library, and we thank everyone who has donated to their various fundraisers.

After a two-year break, the Friends coordinated the [Almost] May Festival on the last weekend of April. It was wonderful to see so many local vendors and organizations set up on the church lawn with so many townspeople out enjoying themselves. In August, the annual Friends' Book Sale was held outdoors in front of the library and continued for several weeks on the lower level of the library. Once again, people were generous and bought a lot of books! Letters for Santa took place the first weekend of December, along with the Town's holiday parade. Students from the On Q music studio provided holiday music, and this year the Friends added a cookie walk fundraiser. The variety of cookies was amazing, and attendees took advantage of the opportunity to reduce their own holiday baking by a bit.

The Friends of the Library is a dedicated, creative group of people who are devoted to helping the library serve North Brookfield. Donations and new members are always welcome, and dues are still only \$10!

#### **Volunteers:**

Our 11 volunteers contributed more than 600 hours of work this year: shelving, shifting, processing and inventorying the collections; cleaning, managing the website; assisting with circulation; and helping with displays, among other duties. They all contribute their skills and talents, and we thank them for all their efforts on the library's behalf.

#### **Acknowledgements:**

As I prepare for retirement, I would like to express my gratitude for all the support and friendship I have received from the people of North Brookfield. It has been a wonderful and fulfilling job. I am so glad to have been able to get to know so many of you, and I will miss you!

I would like to thank our faithful volunteers and the Friends of the Library who together supplement and enhance library services, and the Board of Library Trustees whose support is vital to the successful performance of the library's operations.

We appreciate the generous support of businesses and organizations, including Country Bank, the Brookfield Lions Club, Hannaford Supermarket, North Brookfield Savings Bank and the Knights of Columbus.

Finally, I would like to thank our wonderful and dedicated library staff: Roger Davis, Gabrielle Holmes, Brianna Lamb, and Lisa Testa. Your work and collegiality make this library the exceptional place it is.

For more information about library services and events, please visit our web site

<https://northbrookfieldlibrary.org>; Facebook, <https://www.facebook.com/northbrookfieldlibrary>; or Instagram, <https://www.instagram.com/hastonfreepubliclibrary>, or simply call the library at 508-867-0208.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn R. Thistle  
Library Director



**LIBRARY BUILDING MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE (LBMC)  
ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2022**

*The following building and grounds issues were addressed in 2022:*

- Renaud HVAC and Controls continues to provide services under contract.
- Worcester Elevator corrected the problem with the Fire Service Stop Switch at a cost of \$2,762.50 (which includes a 15% discount)
- The Fire Dept. conducted an inspection on Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Their report included suggestions for additions to the draft of the Emergency Action Plan which have been incorporated.
- The library passed the annual elevator inspection which was done Feb. 11. This was actually the 2021 inspection follow-up after the Stop Switch repair.
- Peter McFadden attached the library address number—161—to the front of the building so we meet the Fire Dept. requirement.
- Renaud came July 28 and Aug. 3 and replaced the actuator in the ceiling of the Local History Room at a cost of \$1,764.75.
- CW MARS technical staff came October 6 and installed a new network and switch. As a result, the wireless network functions in all parts of the building, including the Meeting Rooms which had not previously had internet access. The upgrade was funded with American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant funds and some of the funds from the Salem bequest.
- The Fire Dept. conducted an inspection on October 22 with members of the Library Building Maintenance Committee (LBMC) attending.
- The elevator passed the 2022 elevator inspection which was done on Nov. 4.
- The fire extinguishers and sprinkler systems were inspected Nov. 30
- Renaud completed the fall inspection and replaced all filters.
- Staff from the MA Dept. of Corrections came Dec. 1 and verified measurements for shelving that will be constructed by workers in the Corrections program and delivered in January. The cost will be \$420 to cut and finish 11 shelves.
- The LBMC completed their annual walk through/inspection Dec. 10.
- The Fire Dept. determined that ongoing issues with the fire alarm alert system were being caused by one of the phone lines for the system. Verizon came out very promptly and fixed the line. Verizon came again to check the fax line which had stopped working. They determined that National Grid work at the corner of N. Main and Spring Streets had damaged a line. It has been repaired and the fax machine and alarm system are functioning properly.
- A new charger for the AED (defibrillator) has been ordered but has not yet arrived.
- The Building Committee again wants to recognize Custodian Roger Davis for his ongoing thorough maintenance of the library.

Submitted by: Ellen Smith

## **North Brookfield Emergency Management Agency**

### **2022 Town Report**

The year 2022 saw change for NBEMA. Sgt. Christopher Donais retired from his positions in town, including Emergency Management Director. NBEMA would like to thank Sgt. Donais for his many years of service to the town and for his leadership of NBEMA during the pandemic.

In October, long-time Deputy Director Anne Adams was appointed Interim Emergency Management Director. Christopher Marinin was appointed to the position of Deputy Director. Both positions are six-month probationary with the intent to be appointed full-time in April 2023.

NBEMA met as a department in October to discuss the mission and vision of the members. Members discussed their desire to engage in more comprehensive training in order to feel more prepared to serve the town. As a result of this discussion, five members received their First Responder certification. NBEMA now has 11 members who hold a minimum of first responder certification, which includes CPR/AED/First Aid.

On December 24th, 2022 NBEMA opened a warming center at the Congregational Church after a discussion with the Board of Selectmen. It was determined that due to the extended power outages and temperatures in town, that a warming center was warranted. Director Adams and Deputy Director Marinin, along with members Sarah Risotti and Shaun Adams, established the warming center which remained open for approximately five hours. While no townspeople made use of the center, it was available nonetheless. We would like to thank Spencer Emergency Management for allowing Deputy Director Marinin to observe their warming center setup. Thank you also to Sgt. Churchey for coordinating with us to acquire shelter for one town resident who was still without power.

NBEMA continues to meet and train monthly. NBEMA is looking to the future and hopes to establish a CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) in the coming months. In the coming year, NBEMA has plans to upgrade the generator at the high school to better serve as the central shelter for the town. NBEMA also plans to attend a SkyWarn training at Spencer Emergency Management, which will certify members as weather spotters with the National Weather Service. Members expressed a desire to be trained in rural search and rescue, so plans are being put together to begin this certification. NBEMA is always looking for volunteers and encourages townspeople to contact us at [nbema@northbrookfield.net](mailto:nbema@northbrookfield.net) to begin the process to join!

NBEMA would like to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Police Department, the Fire Department, and all other town departments for their cooperation and assistance. We would also

like to thank the townspeople for their continued support. Without it, we would not be able to do what we do.

We would like to publicly thank the members of NBEMA for their tireless dedication to the community and to this department. They give 100% whenever they are called upon, no matter how small the situation may be. They volunteer countless man-hours for the betterment of our community and we are grateful to them for their service.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Adams, Interim Director

Christopher Marinin, Interim Deputy Director

### **NBEMA Roster**

Anne Adams	Interim Director
Christopher Marinin	Interim Deputy Director
Robert Filipkowski	Training Officer
Suzanne Lewandowski	Recording Secretary
Charles Buchanan	
Brenda Lacaire	
Gino Caramiello, Sr.	
Gino Caramiello, Jr.	
Larry Walter	
Shaun Adams	Medical/Training Officer
Sarah Risotti	
David Messier	
John Magario	
George Nolette	Fire Dept Liaison
Nick Newman	
Andrew Crosby	
Michael Hinckley	

## **NORTH BROOKFIELD EMERGENCY SQUAD 2022**

North Brookfield EMS was established in 1952 and we are proud to have served our community for the past 70 years. Once again, we had a terribly busy year in 2022 with over 438 emergency medical incidents with 382 resulting in medical transports to various hospitals as well as dozens of public assists or patient refusals. We continue to work closely with the East Brookfield Fire Department and Brookfield EMS as partners in a Regional EMS contract securing Advanced Life Support for the tri-town region. 2022 found the town of North Brookfield requiring 141 ALS intercepts in which we utilized the regional paramedic 131 times. The cooperation between the three EMS services has shown to be most beneficial to all three towns and their many citizens, proving once again when good people work together great things happen.

The Board of Directors would like to thank the many town residents who so generously supported our Annual Donation/Subscription Drive. Without your continued support it would be difficult for us to continue service. We would like to thank the many patrons who have shown selfless generosity this past year, your charity is greatly appreciated.

I would like to thank the North Brookfield Board of Selectmen for their support of public safety. I would like to thank the finance committee for their dedication and expertise in understanding our needs. I would like to thank Chief Joseph Holway, Deputy Chief Darin Anderson, Assistant Chief Marshall and the rest of the North Brookfield Fire Department who so graciously and selflessly share their quarters with the Emergency Squad. I would like to thank the North Brookfield Police Department for all their support and professionalism. I would like to thank Harrington Hospital and Peter Antkowiak, M.D. for our hospital affiliation and medical oversight. I would like to thank the NBEMS Board of Directors, again Chairman Joe Holway, Brad Gannon, Keith Marshall, and Donna Gauthier our accountant for their tireless efforts in overseeing this most important public safety service. With efforts from the board of Directors we were able to secure loans and with trade-in, and able to purchase a new ambulance. This new ambulance will help provide continued protection for years to come. Additionally, I would like to send special thanks to NBFD's Chief Anderson, Lieutenants Holway and Hevy, and Firefighters Goyette, Crockett-Sears for providing first responder support on several calls. Furthermore, several North Brookfield firefighters are in the process of acquiring their EMT.

North Brookfield EMS, together with the North Brookfield Fire Department, the North Brookfield Police Department, our mutual aid communities, the State Police Dispatchers, the Life Flight crews, and the five area Hospital Emergency Departments, along with supporting roles of North Brookfield Emergency Management Agency, and the North Brookfield Highway Department provides this community with a reassuring and high level of public safety. That among the many, many 911 calls this past year, there are a handful that I can say with certainty, the quick response and competency of the responders resulted in life saving action. There are residents alive today that otherwise would not be so. While I say this every year, I want the town to know that these are not just words. I want to express that not all 911 calls are equal and that there are occasions that push the Emergency Response System to the limit. The Town of North Brookfield is not immune

hardship, and we would like to extend our deepest sympathies to all the families and friends who lost loved ones this year.

As EMS Director I would like to thank my roster of well trained and professional Emergency Medical Technicians whom without their competency and dedication would make my job all that harder.

#### **NORTH BROOKFIELD EMS ROSTER**

**Joe Holway, Chairman of the Board/FF-EMT  
Brad Gannon/Board of Directors/EMT  
Keith Marshall/Board of Directors/FF-EMT  
Donna Gauthier/Board of Directors/Accountant  
Patrick Kiritsy/Board of Directors/Director of Operations/FF-EMT  
Michael Splaine/EMT Assistant Director**

**Kevin Tourtellotte/FF-EMT  
Shannon Latour/FF-EMT  
Roger McManus/FF-EMT**

**Lori Merriam/EMT  
Jocelyn Tourtellotte/EMT  
Gino Caramiello/EMT**

**Sincerely,  
Patrick Kiritsy,  
Director of Operations**

## **Planning Board 2022 Annual Report**

The Planning Board held their 12 monthly meetings during 2022. In some cases, the meetings also provided public hearing input for special permit/site plan review applications and Board field review of the same. We welcomed Brandon Avery to the Board following the annual election. We would like to express our appreciation to James Grace for his contributions to our Board. The Board has five members who each serve a five year term. Our Clerk, Kimberly Bent was voted to be Board Alternate.

The year was very active with the Drive-through operations zoning amendment being approved at the Town annual meeting. We thank all the voters that supported this amendment and the meeting/hearing participants who helped make this amendment a reality. We appreciate your thoughts and suggestions.

We made recommendations to the ZBA regarding applicant requests for special permits. The Board revised the forms for approval not required lots, as well as, preliminary and definitive subdivision applications. We also reviewed the application for Vibram's proposed construction of a new entryway with an elevator and additional office space. We worked with the Highway Superintendent and Board of Selectmen on the plans for this project. A certificate of decision with conditions was issued by the Board. Construction is expected to commence in 2023. We also received as-built plans for three completed solar projects and shared our approval with the Building Inspector.

John Turner and the Master Plan Committee worked diligently through the year. The Open Space and Recreation Plan was completed and State approval is pending. This is the final step before the Master Plan can be completed. Their hard work will soon be published for public use in early 2023. Thank you to all who made this possible. The Town saved significant funds by having volunteers complete a majority of the plan elements.

The Board took on the project of revising the Town Earth Removal Bylaw. A final draft has been made. The revision proposes to include land filling, in addition to earth removal. It is proposed to be part of the Zoning Bylaw. An Earth Removal and Filling Board is proposed to administer this bylaw. The Zoning Bylaws will soon be updated with all amendments through 2022.

We would like to thank all our meeting/hearing participants, the Building Inspector, the Highway Superintendent, the Board of Selectmen, the Zoning Board of Appeals and Downtown Development Committee for their assistance throughout 2022. We look forward another productive year in 2023.

Respectfully submitted,  
William King, Michelle Petraitis, John Turner, John Tripp and Brandon Avery



## **Annual Report of Plumbing & Gas Inspector**

Plumbing and gas Permits for the Period of January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022

Total plumbing permits issued----- 56

Inspections made----- 73

Total gas permits issued----- 88

Inspections made----- 97

TOTAL PERMITS ISSUED ----- 144

TOTAL INSPECTIONS MADE----- 170

Amount collected for plumbing permits-----\$ 4393.50

Amount collected for gas permits-----\$ 4541.00

Money collected for the above permits total-----\$ 8934.50

Submitted by

Troy Allen

Plumbing and Gas Inspector

Town of North Brookfield

## **2022 REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE**

Chief Mark L. Smith

### **FULL-TIME OFFICERS**

Lt. Ryan Daley  
Sgt. David Churchey  
Sgt. Christopher Donais  
Officer Jeffrey Martin  
Officer Mark Sawyer  
Officer John Francis

### **PART-TIME STAFF**

Officer Erik Bishop  
Officer Matthew Niles  
Officer Kyle Cassavant  
Sp. Officer John Murphy

Officer Jacob Deschamps  
Officer Michael Splaine  
Officer Nicholas Newman

The following personnel changes occurred this year. Sgt. Christopher Donais retired on Sunday September 4, 2022. Sgt. Donais began his career with the North Brookfield Police department in February of 2006. Prior to this he was a police officer with the Town of Sturbridge beginning in June of 1986. During his time with the North Brookfield Police department, he was promoted to the Rank of Sergeant as well as the Director of the North Brookfield Emergency Management Agency. Sgt. Donais also served as the Animal Control Officer. The department wishes Sgt. Donais a happy and healthy retirement. The years of experience and service he brought to the department will be missed.

Officer Erik Bishop and Officer Kyle Cassavant left the department this year. Their departures were due to the new requirements imposed by the training authority in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. While with the department, they served with dedication and the utmost professionalism for the Town of North Brookfield. Officer Bishop served this department from 2016 to 2022 and Officer Cassavant served from 2018 until 2022.

The department was awarded a grant totaling \$19,558.00 from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security's Office of Grants and Research. The goal of this grant is to show a dramatic reduction in speeding on targeted roads. Receiving these funds will allow the department to have extra patrols on the roadways, educating the public on safe driving within the speed limits, at no cost to the town. The grant will also allow the department to purchase two new handheld radar units to replace the units that are no longer functioning but did not having the funding to replace them. Also, there is additional funding for the purchase of bicycle helmets as well as education on proper bicycle operation while on town streets.

This year there were numerous training and officer development courses attended by the officers of this department. Lt. Ryan Daley and Officer Jeff Martin attended the Active

Threat Integrated Response Course. This course is designed to improve integration between law enforcement, fire, and emergency medical services (EMS) in active shooter events. The course provides law enforcement officers with key medical skills based on tactical emergency casualty care (TECC) guidelines that can be used at the point of injury (POI) to increase survivability of victims. The course also provides a model framework for law enforcement, fire, and EMS to integrate responses during an active shooter event through the rescue task force concept using the Active Shooter Incident Management Checklist. Moving forward the plan is to train with the North Brookfield Fire Department as well as North Brookfield EMS.

The Police Department continues to be committed to and assisted with many community programs this year. We assisted with the National Night Out, Halloween Trick or Treat festivities and the Annual Holiday Tree Lighting parade and celebration. The North Brookfield Police Association assisted with the annual fishing derby and awarded two \$500 scholarships to deserving graduates Serenity Ayala and Maria Kapoukranisis at the NBHS graduation this year.

The department's MedReturn Prescription Drug Disposal Unit (Rx Drug Drop Box) collected approximately 63.8 pounds of prescription medications. Having this disposal unit, we were able to properly collect and destroy unwanted medications, rather than having them end up in our landfills, water supplies or in the hands of the wrong people. I would like to recognize Sgt. David Churchey and Sgt. Christopher Donais for their efforts in overseeing this program and ensuring the proper destruction of these unwanted medications.

The Police Association's "Toys for Joy" program provided toys and necessities to 27 families for 65 children during the holiday season. We were able to provide the North Brookfield Elementary School with art supplies, puzzles, small S.T.E.M. activities, learning games, books, etc. The program also donated toys and clothing to the holiday program for children sponsored by North Brookfield teachers.

We thank all town residents and business owners, who have contributed to our community through this endeavor year after year, for their overwhelming generosity. Our special thanks go to Officer Jeffrey Martin and his wife Caitlyn for once again organizing this program. I would like to thank AA Transportation for their donation of the school bus used for the "Stuff a Bus" event, John Foyle and Dollar General for hosting a "Drop Box" location and Vibram Corporation for their donation of the boxes used as the "Drop Box" at the station. We also want to thank the knitting club at the North Brookfield Senior Center. For many years they have donated countless numbers of handmade knit hats, scarves and gloves to be donated to the families and children of North Brookfield.

The North Brookfield Police Department received 11793 calls for service through State Police Dispatch in New Braintree. This reflects an increase of 45% from the previous year

In-house records indicate the following service:

387 Incidents	99 Arrests
25 Restraining Orders	55 Citations
865 Traffic Control / Radar	793 Motor Vehicle Stops
67 Accidents	252 Assist Citizen
233 Firearm/LTC Licenses	135 Wellbeing Checks
179 Animal Calls	57 Alarms
4923 Property Checks	460 Medical Emergencies
66 Suspicious Activity	74 Investigations Initiated
165 Officer Initiated	1605 Directed area Patrols
154 Parking Tickets/Parking Violations	57 Domestic Disturbances
78 Community Policing	12 Drone Deployments

The success of the department comes from the continued dedication, desire and commitment demonstrated by each of its officers on a daily basis. This was particularly challenging this year with all the changes that took place. These challenges included a retirement, officers leaving the department because of new policies enacted by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, causing a shortage of available officers to cover shifts, as well as budgeting constraints. Without hesitation, the officers took on all that was asked of them and then some. Many times putting their own plans and family time on hold just to ensure there was at least one police officer on duty and ready to answer the emergency call.

I would like to reiterate what I expressed in last year's annual report; "knowing the expertise, experience and dedication of the exceptional officers of the North Brookfield Police Department, I look forward to utilizing their individual talents, for continued growth of the department and involvement in the community, in the upcoming year."

Respectfully submitted,

Mark L. Smith  
Chief of Police

## **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

### **2022 Annual Report**

#### **Finances:**

The Town was able to pass a balanced budget at the June 2022 Annual Town Meeting and received Free Cash in late Fall. A Special Town Meeting was held on December 1, 2022 to distribute some of the Free Cash to Stabilization accounts and makeup for some deficits from the previous Fiscal Year. The Town received ARPA Funds (American Rescue Plan Act) and created a committee to receive requests and make recommendations on how to use the funds.

#### **Grants:**

The Board of Selectmen continued to work with Central Mass Regional Planning Commission on multiple grants for Housing Rehab, Senior Center repairs and West Side Infrastructure improvements. The Board hopes to move forward with Complete Streets and Shared Streets grants, with the help of the Downtown Development Committee, in 2023 to improve sidewalks and street in conditions in the downtown area.

#### **Rail Trail:**

The Rail Trail continues to be used by many residents in Town. We thank the many volunteers and donors who've contributed to the continued improvement of the Rail Trail.

#### **Highway/Fire Department:**

The Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee, Fire Chief Joe Holway, and Highway Superintendent Jason Beniot worked diligently to devise a plan for renovating the new Highway Department building (previously Huck's on Donovan Road), the old Highway building and the old Fire Station. Many local contractors helped with giving free estimates for the project. We hope to move forward in 2023 with a final plan, secure funding, and begin the process of improving all three buildings.

#### **Independence Day Celebration:**

The Town celebrated Independence Day with many events on the Town Common. The day included a parade, music, games, crafts, food, and music. We thank everyone that contributed to this fun event and look forward to another celebration in 2023. Our office accepts donations toward the Independence Day Events to help alleviate the cost of the celebration.

#### **Public Comment**

The Board welcomes comments from residents at all Selectmen meetings. The Selectmen meet every other Tuesday at the Police Department at 6 pm in a televised meeting that includes payment of the bi-weekly warrants. The meeting is televised for residents with Charter Cable television. For those without Charter, the meetings are broadcast live on YouTube. There is a

public comment period on every agenda for each Selectmen meeting. We cordially invite all residents to attend any of our meetings and address the Board with comments or concerns

Respectfully Submitted,

Jason Petraitis, Chairman

John Tripp, Vice Chair

Elizabeth Brooke Canada, Clerk

## **SEWER DEPARTMENT 2022**

In 2022 the facility received and treated over 130 million gallons of wastewater which includes over 4.9 million gallons of septage. During the year the treatment facility removed over 97% of the organics and solid material from the wastewater stream and disposed of 169 Tons of biosolids. Over the course of the year hundreds of manhole inspections were performed and over 3,000 feet of sewer mains were video inspected. No significant defects were found during these inspections.

The design process for the upgrades to the facility were completed in 2022 and bidding on the project began at the end of the year. We are hopeful to begin construction of the upgrades in the spring of 2023 with the anticipation of completion prior to the end of 2024. This is an aggressive schedule but one that we feel is achievable should there be no setbacks or delays.

The Sewer Department was awarded an Asset Management Planning Grant from the States Clean Water Trust fund. This grant will aid the department in reviewing and selecting asset management software and hardware, and to begin the process of transitioning the asset management program into a digital format.

The Sewer Department was also awarded a grant from the Long Island Sound Futures Fund, which is administered thru the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation. This grant will cover costs to purchase and install several different sensors to aid in the removal of nitrogen from the effluent of the wastewater treatment facility. Nitrogen is a crucial component to life on the planet but when introduced into the waters it can aid in the over production of algae blooms and eutrophication of waterways.

Respectfully  
James Nyberg  
Sewer Superintendent

Charles Haddock  
Donald E. Smith  
Kevin Valeri  
Sewer Commissioners

## **Town Clerk's Report**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of North Brookfield:

According to our records, we had 40 births in town and 13 marriages. Congratulations to the proud parents and to the happy couples! We also had 46 deaths. We extend our deepest sympathies and condolences to the families and friends of those we lost.

We licensed 700 dogs in 2022 and issued 6 kennel licenses. Remember, Massachusetts General Law, Ch. 140, Sec 137 requires all dogs be licensed. If a dog has passed or moved out of town, it is the owner's responsibility to notify the Town Clerk's office.

2022 was a mid-term election year. Our annual town election was held in May with 715 voters coming to vote our Town officials. For the first time in recent history (perhaps ever), we had a tie for the Board of Selectmen race. This necessitated a Special Town Election to be held in conjunction with the State Primary. We also held the State Election in November.

The year started off rough for me personally, dealing with illness which kept me out of the office for 4 months and working from home for another 2 months. However, I made it back and I thank everyone who sent warm wishes and prayers. I also thank all of my co-workers, especially Ashley Barre and Sheila Buzzell, who covered my office and Interim Town Clerk Jennifer Marquis.

I mostly caught up on everything I missed in 2022. I did continue to work on the Business Listing which is published on the Town Clerk's page of the web site and is available in the office. I had started a Policies and Procedures / Business Continuity Plan at the end of 2021 and will continue to work on it. The last year demonstrated the necessity of having a contingency plan. Going forward I will continue to work with all of the Boards, Departments and Committees to ensure good communication with all of our citizens.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara M Hayes, Town Clerk



## **TOWN FOREST PARK**

The committee is pleased to report the activities during the 2022 season at the park. We have had visitors from all over the state that have enjoyed walking the trails on foot as well as on horseback. The park is a host for many beautiful flowers and wildlife to be viewed by those who visit. The main trail to the meadows off of Bates Street is approximately one-mile long through the woods, ending in the open fields of East Quabbin Land Trust. Many visitor's this year regarding outdoor activities.

The committee would like to thank everyone who has helped each season with planting flowers, cutting brush and maintaining the trails. We would like to acknowledge The Garden Club of the Brookfield's for their beautiful floral garden planted by the pond. We could use help with weeding this season please call if you can help come spring. 5087626122

Would like to also thank the Lions Club for maintaining the trails. Disk golf is open and is free to play.

Please contact any committee member if interested in helping to keep the park trimmed and trails cleaned. We are going to be building a small shed this spring and we could use help. The materials are paid for and are being stored at Howe Lumber. Thanks to Howe Lumber for their many donations including many yards of soil for planting etc.

Thank you to Roland Zuidema for mowing and trimming the park lawns this season. We are still looking for great ideas and planting. We need much help coming up with historical signage to put along the trails that show our local history. Anyone or any group looking for a team project that would be a great help. We will cover the costs of signage.

The nine-hole disk golf course is very busy, this course was built by Mark Dombek of Wales, Robert Dupont of Warren and some of there friends. Thank you so much for this excellent free course for all to enjoy.

Reminder, overnight permits can be approved for group tenting, fishing etc. Great place for overnight with Scouts etc. Just call 5087626122.

Updates regarding the park can be found on the North Brookfield Town website.

Committee Members  
Chairman Joseph Holway  
Padgett Berthiaume  
Andrew Paquette  
Eric Hevy  
Roland Zuidema  
Jamie Gilman  
Michael Hinkley

# VETERANS' SERVICES OFFICE

## 2022 Report

The North Brookfield Veterans Services Office is located at 215 North Main Street and is normally open on Tuesday evenings from 5 – 7 pm, and also by appointment (during regular Town Hall hours) at [veterans@northbrookfield.net](mailto:veterans@northbrookfield.net) or at (508) 867 - 0205. On an average, the Veterans Office assists about 15 Veterans and families per month.

Thanks once again to Jim Foyle for his continued dedication in organizing our Memorial Day events each year, in coordination with American Legion Post 41 and VFW Post 3439. Thanks to you all! We are also grateful to Don Smith who spends a great deal of time maintaining the cemetery records of our deceased Veterans.

Massachusetts continues to lead the nation in supporting our Veterans. From benefits and services to education, employment and training, housing, health and well-being, Women Veteran Services and Cemetery/Honors benefits. Veterans should check out the Massachusetts Department of Veterans' Services website at <http://www.mass.gov/veterans/> to see what the state is doing in support of our Veterans. Another very good website for Veterans information is Military.com.

On the town Veterans' Services webpage is information about free legal services, upgrading discharges, schedules of various Claims Representatives (also outside the office door) who can assist you in filing or updating a VA Claim; also, various bulletins put out by the DVA or by the Commonwealth that may be of interest. There are also links for the DVA as well as helpful organizations like Project New Hope, Homes for Heroes and The Brookfield Institute (located in Ware to assist Veterans). I welcome suggestions for the website too!

Veterans who have served in the Gulf War Zone are asked to submit their name to be included on the memorial plaque in front of the library. The Veteran must have been a North Brookfield resident at the time of enlistment. You can find more information on the Town Website, the Veterans' Services page:

<https://www.northbrookfield.net/veterans-services>

The names will be placed on the monument every three months by the American Legion Post 41 members.

I remain a current member of the MVSOA (Massachusetts Veterans' Service Officers Association) and the Worcester County VSOA (currently serving as WCVSOA Vice-President) and have benefited much from information sharing and their training meetings and conferences which I attend as budget allows. The Department of Veterans' Services finally held our first in person Annual Training conference in October 2022, the first since October 2019. The Department of Veterans' Services also continues to hold a weekly telephone conference with the Secretary of Veterans' Services, Cheryl Poppe, keeping us all informed of the various activities and services that are assisting Veterans across the Commonwealth.

I am also a member of the Worcester Veterans Coalition, led by the Veterans Representatives at Workforce Central in Worcester and Southbridge. The coalition includes VSOs from around the Worcester area, as well as many other agencies working for/with Veterans who come together to share information that will further assist our Veterans. These meetings (quarterly) have been via Zoom or teleconference this year. The Coalition does have a great Email group that sends out great information on many services available to Veterans. It has been an invaluable resource.

I will always have much to learn and I continue striving to do that. VSO's in our surrounding communities are great resources, and we all help each other out when we can. It's an honor and a privilege assisting my fellow Veterans and I continue looking forward to the challenge.

Respectfully submitted,

Holly Kularski  
Veterans' Services Officer

## **WATER DEPARTMENT 2022 ANNUAL REPORT**

This past year we have secured funds through the American Rescue Plan Act for an aeration system in our reservoir (horse pond) which will improve declining water conditions in the reservoir, also for a new water main which will connect Elm Street to Ward Street. This will allow water service, hydrant flushing and water main repairs to be done more efficiently and reduce water service loss during water main breaks on Ward Street. This connection will also allow the department to start making much needed water main repairs with reduced interruption to customers.

We are in the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of installing new Badger water meters with Orion cellular transmitters. These new meters are replacing the aging meters in town which are reaching the end of their lifespan. These new "smart" water meters are able to detect a wide variety of situations including leaks within the home, abnormal water usage, etc. This new water meter program allows the water department to notify water users of continuous water flow indicating a leak within the home. This has already saved many water users from high water bills due to unrepaired leaks. We will be continuing these replacements over the course of the next year.

We had 11 water main breaks and 4 service line repairs this year. We added 6 new water services to customers. Flushing programs to the water mains were implemented in May and October as well as implementing a new valve exercising program required through the Massachusetts DEP.

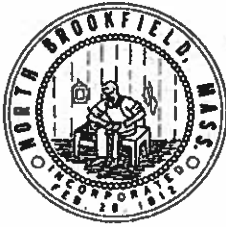
There are 1313 services that supply water to approximately 3900 residents of North Brookfield, around 85% of the town's population.

Our current staff consists of, Jamie Flamand, Superintendent; Robert Peterson, Lead Operator; Zachary Ramaska, Operator and Kelly Valeri, Administrative Assistant. Zachary Ramaska was hired this year to replace Richard Kennan. The water department would like to thank Richard for his years of service and wish him the best of years during his retirement. The staff attend classes each year to increase their knowledge of drinking water issues and to satisfy the requirements of the DEP needed to keep their licenses current. DEP has re-classified our treatment plant from a class 2 facility to a class 3. Superintendent Jamie Flamand has attended, completed and passed education courses necessary to operate the plant at this new classification.

The Board of Water Commissioners would like to commend and thank our Water Department staff on a job well done. The Water Department would like to thank all the other town departments for their cooperation throughout the year as well.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Tim Nason, Chairman  
James Grace  
Chris Caputo

Board of Water Commissioners



## **OFFICE OF THE WIRING INSPECTOR**

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### **ANNUAL PERMIT REPORT FOR 2022**

#### **Residential permits filed:**

- \* (1) Smoke detector installations.
- \* (47) Solar Array Systems.
- \* (35) Additions, renovations to existing homes
- \* (10) New single-family dwelling.
- \* (7) Generators.
- \* (7) Hub tubs.
- \* (14) Service upgrade to existing homes.
- \* (2) Detached garages.
- \* (13) Heating and A/C systems.

#### **Commercial permits filed:**

- \* (10) Renovations to existing buildings.
- \* (1) Generators Systems.
- \* (1) Security system.

Total of (148) permits filed.

From the Office of Electrical Inspector,

Electrical Inspector

**Troy Brown**

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**Inspector**

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**Assistant Inspector**

Keith Fontaine  
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# **SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**

## **2022**

**School Committee**

**Superintendent**

**Jr/Sr High School Principal**

**Elementary School Principal**

**Department of Student Services**

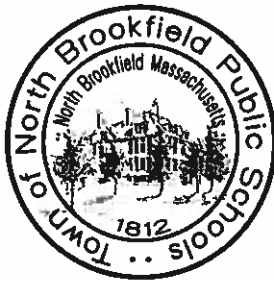
**Facilities Department**

**Class Day 2022**

**Graduation 2022**

**Bay Path Regional Vocational**





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**North Brookfield Public Schools  
Report of the North Brookfield School Committee  
2022**

The school committee would first like to thank the students, parents, faculty, staff, and administration for your continued support.

This year we experienced significant changes in administration. We welcomed Tim McCormick as our interim Superintendent. His familiarity with the district coming from the High School Principal office allowed him to jump in and get up to speed quickly. This was important as he was immediately tasked with filling the student services position as well as his former role as High School Principal. He has assembled a strong administrative team in a relatively short time. Mr. McCormick has taken a long-term approach and has put his emphasis on community outreach and looking at the future path of the North Brookfield Schools.

The Elementary School has been a lively place and there is increasing demand for the Pre-K programs offered. The Pre-K program allows a better transition into elementary school and offers opportunities for early education assessments and gives each student increased odds of success throughout their schooling. Additionally, Mrs. Priestly and her team have continued working with the state to evaluate and improve PBIS training. This is short for Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports which provides staff with techniques and training to help with behavioral issues and to maintain a positive learning environment. This is a tiered program, and we receive regular updates on progress at school committee meetings.

The High School had a very successful basketball season this year. They narrowly missed a tournament spot which is quite an accomplishment for a small school. The High School Band has been performing seasonal concerts, and there has been an overall increase in activities and functions after school. The student council has been recognized statewide and our high school students are generally very active and involved in the school. Dr. Gould has worked with the high school staff to establish a space of which students and faculty are proud.

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**Report of the School Committee 2022**  
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In addition to administrative turnover there were some changes on the school committee as well. First, we moved our meetings from the Elementary School to the High School Kiva. This means extra seating for community guests and an overall new look for the committee meetings. We also had some changes to our committee members. I would like to thank Christie Omasta and Chris Hickman for their time on the committee. I would also like to thank Tonya Matthews and John Magario for stepping up and filling those unfortunate vacancies. Of course, I need to thank Ron Ryel and Matt Grant for their continued efforts in everything from regionalization to contract negotiations. This has certainly been a busy year for the school committee.

Lastly, we would like to recognize Cindy Schofield. She has joined North Brookfield as part of the central office. She has been working with the superintendent to prepare budgets and warrants and is doing a job that in larger school systems is often handled by several people. She has brought stability to the administrative offices and will help keep lines of communication open between the school and the town and helps to keep things running smoothly.

In the last year more events have happened at the school and more community groups have been taking advantage of the spaces offered in our building. The administrative commitment to community outreach, and town-wide participation in events help to bring the whole town together and allow a shared appreciation for what is offered at our school campus.

With a continued look toward the future, and appreciation of what we already have at our schools we are hoping for a strong year ahead of us.

Again, thank you all for your support of our children.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy E. Canada, Chairman, North Brookfield School Committee





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**North Brookfield Public Schools  
Report of the Superintendent of Schools  
2022-2023**

The North Brookfield Public Schools Mission is to provide students with opportunities to grow academically, socially, emotionally, and physically, with the goal of producing successful, productive citizens, and future leaders. Although the past three years have been trying, our staff's commitment to this mission has never wavered. Their resilience and adaptability has helped to ensure student success. I would like to commend our students and families for their support. They too had to learn to adjust and adapt, sometimes with very little notice. I am grateful that the district has been able to forge great partnerships with families.

This year, we added four new administrators to our team. Dr. Kirsten Esposito was hired as the Director of Student Services. Ms. Esposito has over 25 years experience as both a building and district leader in special education. Dr. John Gould was named interim NBHS Principal and like Dr. Esposito brings 25+ years of experience with over ten years as a building Principal. Additionally, Mr. Justin Hackenson was brought on as our new Technology Director and Mr. Ray Quintanilla as our new Custodial Supervisor. This leadership team meets weekly and plans and facilitates much of the school based and district professional development as they align with our school and district wide goals.

Unlike last year, we were able to resume full in-person teaching this year. DESE guidelines still included mask wearing and social distancing. It has been nice being back in person; the consistency and personalized instruction was a welcome change to start the school year. The biggest challenge facing us was in the area of staffing. It has been difficult to find substitute teachers, custodians, kitchen staff, and paraprofessionals. Staffing shortages in education are not isolated to North Brookfield, they are occurring nationwide.

## **MCAS**

MCAS results and student achievement continue to be an area of focus as we address learning gaps left from our 2+ years of Covid schooling. Through the use of our MAP benchmark assessment data, we added a district wide math coach (grant funded) to bolster our math

performance and our overall math pedagogy. We have piloted various math curriculums this school year and will be adopting two for the start of our 2023-2024 school year.

### **Regionalization Update:**

The Quaboag Regional School District received an additional grant to create a plan for regionalization. The Regionalization committee chose to work with The MARS Consulting Group and they shared their findings with the committee in late spring 2022. Although the financial picture is still a little unclear, the committee did revise the current regionalization agreement to include North Brookfield and submitted it to DESE in December 2022. Next steps will be contingent on their feedback.

### **District Initiatives**

At the beginning of the 2022-2023 school year, the North Brookfield Public School district identified two major themes for our district wide professional development and work as a professional staff. The first is addressing the need to vertically and horizontally align our curriculum. This work has our educators refamiliarize themselves with their content standards and then begin planning units of instruction using a common district template. The goal districtwide is to have 25% of our curriculum mapped by the end of this school year.

The second major initiative focused on our work in the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion space and building a school community where everyone feels they “belong”. We started this work on our first day of school and have partnered with DESE’s *Safe Schools* program and with MASS IDEAS for some training on diversity and unconscious bias. This work has been well received and will be ongoing after the completion of this school year.

### **School Safety**

School Safety is always a priority for our staff and students. We are committed to ensuring that our staff and students feel safe while in our buildings. Earlier this year, Officer Jeff Martin offered A.L.I.C.E. (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, and Evacuate) training to our staff and held a professional development opportunity that gave staff members an opportunity to participate in some real life scenarios. Training for all NBPS students is planned for mid March.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tim McCormick, Interim Superintendent of Schools

## **North Brookfield Jr/Sr High School 2022 Annual Town Report**

The high school has a series of goals to achieve in 2022-2023. This narrative will identify those goals and demonstrate our progress in the areas of curriculum, student supports, athletics, student activities, and enrollment.

### **Curriculum and Student Support Update**

One goal is the measured progress toward the articulation of our curriculum (25% in each subject) by the close of this year. The NEASC self-study identifies additional goals. Those include a 1.) vision of a graduate; 2.) a description of how we frame student learning; 3.) and articulation of a School Improvement Plan (SIP); 4.) arrive at a vehicle for collaboration amongst the faculty.

To this end, we have utilized staff meetings to make progress on our Portrait of a Graduate (POG). Teacher collaboration time has been used to “unpack the standards” and articulate unit plans. Common Planning Time (CPT) has been used to support the analysis of data and support the Student Support Team (SST) process. These periods of collaboration, for example, enabled high school faculty to engage our Mathematics Coach and grow our understanding of advisory through a MEFA Presentation.

This year, we continue to expand our capacity to support student learning through the Student Support Team (SST). Faculty have collaboratively updated the process to make the SST Form more user friendly and efficient. Administration has met with every teacher in the school to review the process, expectations, and protocol for SST.

We have collaborated with teachers to review the data, to implement student supports and then revisit those interventions to monitor student progress. We have implemented twelve student action plans. Further, we have reviewed and exited three students from action plans because of their success in their courses. A communicative, supportive, and child focused SST process has been established. We will continue to perfect our efforts to support students in their emotional, social, and academic wellbeing.

### **Athletics**

Our athletics include Field Hockey and Soccer in the Fall. Both teams enjoyed tournament appearances. Currently our student-athletes are enjoying a Pep Band, a Cheerleading Squad, a middle school boys basketball team, a girls varsity and boys varsity basketball squad. Depending on student interest we may field a softball team. We are all proud of our student athletes!

### **Student Activities**

The high school works diligently to maintain traditions, activities, and partnerships. These traditions include Project 351, the “Senior of the Week” recognition program, and Student Government sponsored events such as Spirit Week were enjoyed by all. New traditions such as peer tutoring in mathematics, the promotion of North Brookfield’s Theater Guild and “Hoops with Gould” were introduced.

Student activities include Cards Club, the Rock Climbing Club, Role Play, Student Government (StuCo), Homework Club, and Art Club.

Partnerships include presentations conducted by the Technology Learning Center Trade School, Anna Maria College, Westfield State University, and Merrimack College as well as other higher education institutions. Citizens’ Bank also presented to student households to provide an understanding of college financing.

The Clam Box, in Brookfield, supported our efforts to fundraise for our forthcoming D.C. Trip. We supported Pastor Timothy Lundstrom of Quaboag Church to promote supporting the needy during Thanksgiving holiday. The high school, through Ms. Floyd’s efforts support the local food pantry. These efforts were further amplified by the student-driven Project 351.

The high school embraced additional partnerships with the Massachusetts National Guard, the district attorney's office, and the local historical society. For example, Sergeant Bryan James Dutra, of the Massachusetts Army National Guard, in collaboration with our Physical Education Department facilitated the exercise program entitled "*Guard Fit Exercise Program*". District Attorney Joseph D. Early Jr.'s Office visited North Brookfield JR/SR High School to present ideas and literature on Healthy Choices for students. We also collaborated with the North Brookfield Police in ALICE Training. Also, the high school, in collaboration with Mr. Brandon Avery of the North Brookfield Historical Society, created a historical display dedicated to North Brookfield's past

**Enrollment**

Grades	Enrollment
Grade 7	18
Grade 8	26
Grade 9	28
Grade 10	20
Grade 11	33
Grade 12	15

Respectfully submitted,

***John F. Gould***

John F. Gould, Ed. D.  
Interim-Principal NB JR/SR High School



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Sarah Priestley, Principal

**Student Information**

Our total student enrollment as of 1/1/2023 is 318 students from preschool to grade 6. The class breakdown is as follows:

Grade 6 - 45 students	Grade 2 - 43 students
Grade 5 - 40 students	Grade 1 - 42 students
Grade 4 - 42 students	Kindergarten - 29 students
Grade 3 - 44 students	Preschool - 38 students

**Curriculum Update**

We have adopted the MAP Growth assessment school-wide, which measures students' growth in math and reading three times over the year. This NWEA common assessment has provided us valuable data for making curriculum and instructional decisions. Additionally, we have piloted two new math programs, Bridges and HMH Into Math, and we will seek to adopt one of these programs for next school year. In all content areas, teachers are working on vertical and horizontal curriculum alignment in connection with our district goals.

**Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS)**

North Brookfield Elementary School continues working with the Social-Emotional-Behavioral Academy (SEB Academy), part of DESE's Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) Academies for the 2022-2023 school year. This year, we entered into our first year of Tier 2 training which includes the development of a Check-In, Check-Out intervention to support students who need additional support. We are also in our third year of the Tier 1 training and our team will be showcasing our work over the last three years at the March SEB Academy conference.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sarah Priestley  
Principal



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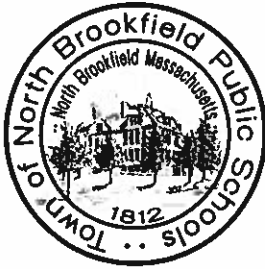
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Student Services Department oversees and includes all services specific to students who qualify for services under either the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Section 504 under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Homeless students/foster/migrant/highly mobile, and military under the McKinney Vento Act, and English Language Learners under The Equal Educational Opportunities Act (EEOA). Our staff devote their time and expertise ensuring the rights and appropriate instructional services are provided. Our programming is tailored to meet the needs of students and individualize services accordingly.

The staff that work with our students are highly qualified and certified professionals. Our staff consists of special education teachers, speech and language pathologists, physical therapists, occupational therapists, adjustment counselors, guidance counselors, Board Certified Behavior Analysts, English Language Learner teacher, and support staff. They provide instruction to approximately 124 students (27% of our population with special needs), 50 students on 504 plans (11% of our population), and 10 ELL students (2% of our population). Most of our students are educated in the least restrictive environment with their peers in the general education classrooms. Few students requiring a smaller setting to be educated (sub-separate) continue to have opportunities to be included within the general education setting with their peers. For students that have needs that can not be met in North Brookfield, a more restrictive environment is utilized and the student is placed in an out of district setting.

Protocols and systems were refined and enhanced through the Tiered Focused Monitoring that was conducted by the Department of Elementary and Secondary education. Two areas were the focal point: Components of Special Education and Civil Rights. The work completed during this audit and subsequent findings will assist the department in further work over the next year.

One of the greatest challenges this year was securing staffing and transportation for unexpected students' needs, especially mobile students due to driver shortages. Fortunately, we were able to fill difficult positions with patience, and secure providers to transport our students.



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**North Brookfield Public Schools  
Facilities Department Annual Report  
2023**

The school complex is located at 10 New School Drive off of Oakham Rd. We have two buildings, North Brookfield Elementary School and North Brookfield Jr/Sr High School, athletic/community playing fields, a playground and outdoor Tennis and Basketball courts. The property as a whole provides open space and community activity space for all the townspeople.

The elementary school, opened in 1974, educates students in grades pre-k to 6th grade, it is 83,000 square feet. We are also home to the local cable station and the Emergency Management Association. Located in this building also is the Superintendent and Pupil Services offices.

The Jr/Sr High School opened in 2004. It is also 83,000 square feet and educates students in grades 7 to 12th. This building is the town's designated Emergency Shelter.

The facilities staff consists of 6 full-time custodians and a full time Facilities and Grounds Manager. We are responsible for maintaining and repairing all facilities and grounds. This includes mowing the athletic fields and building grounds, snow removal from all driveways, parking lots and sidewalks and doors, preparing athletic fields for games ie: painting lines, grooming infields. Staff clean teaching and office spaces daily and prepare spaces needed for committee meetings, town and school events. During the summer we perform complete top to bottom cleaning, stripping and waxing of floors, resealing both gym floors.

As the pandemic continues, we did host vaccine clinics for staff and townspeople, it has been great to work with the Board of Health and their team running the clinics. It has also been great to work with the Highway Dept to keep our two vehicles in running order and patching potholes..

I would like to thank the custodians for their service. They have been outstanding in keeping our buildings cleaned and safe on a day to day basis.

*The North Brookfield Public Schools does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, disability, or homelessness.*

As we look forward, other capital/repair projects that need to be addressed are:

- Repair/replace the Middle/High School lower level ceramic tile floor.
- The NBES Auditorium/gym exterior wall residing-not included in Roof Project
- Repaving around the Elementary school and New School Drive
- Middle/High School roof repairs
- \$100,000 grant towards Upgrade Controls on HVAC system
- Repair broken seating in NBHS Gym Bleachers
- Sealing Elementary School gym floor with polyurethane
- Replacing carpets in Elementary School classrooms
- Parking lot striping at Elementary School and Middle/High School

With the continued support of the town's people we will have the opportunity to provide the best educational space possible for the students of North Brookfield.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Raymundo Quintanilla  
Buildings and Grounds Director



# Class of 2022 Graduates

Seventy Jaleesa Ayala  
Deacon Hawk Buzzell  
Noah Casquette

Kelly Theresa Daige NHS, H  
Nathan Charles Edmund Decateau  
Jenna Elyse Dupell NHS, H  
Maxwell L. Goldstein  
Abigail Grace Hildick NHS, H

Caitlyn Jo Jaksa  
Maria Kapoukranidis H  
Derek J Kuhne  
Emily Ann Lacaire

Sarah Rene LaMontagne H  
Riley Emma McGowry NHS, H  
Rebecca Rose Miner NHS, H  
Felicia Nephitali Betvaleel Noel  
Kately Jasmine Oberg NHS  
Genevra V. Rivera  
Giuela Elise Rivera  
Emma Sophia Sey  
Daniel J. Spangenberg  
Charles Edward Tavares  
Roan Katherine Festa NHS  
Eve Tonks H  
Zachary C Vanzile



NHS - NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY  
H - NBHS SENIOR HONOR STUDENT

Congratulations and Best Wishes From the North Brookfield  
School Committee, Superintendent of Schools,  
K-12 Administration, Faculty, and Staff

## -ORDER OF EXERCISES-

PROCESSIONAL	"POMP AND CIRCUMSTANCE"
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	Abigail Hildick President, Class of 2022
NATIONAL ANTHEM	Pre-Recorded
WELCOME	MR. TIM MCCORMICK Principal
	-SENIOR SPEAKERS- 4th RANKED SCHOLAR—Eve Tonks 3rd RANKED SCHOLAR — Sarah LaMontagne SALUTATORIAN — Rebecca Miner VALEDICTORIAN — Jenna Dupell
CONGRATULATORY REMARKS	MR. CHRIS HICKMAN School Committee Vice Chairman
AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS	MR. TIM MCCORMICK Principal
CERTIFICATION OF GRADUATES	MRS. MARY JANE RICKSON Superintendent of Schools
PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS	MR. TIM MCCORMICK Principal MRS. MARY JANE RICKSON Superintendent of Schools MRS. MEGAN SEARS Class Advisor
CLOSING	MR. TIM MCCORMICK Principal
RECESSIONAL	"MINGLE YOUR CHEERS" (SCHOOL SONG)

# **NORTHBROOKFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

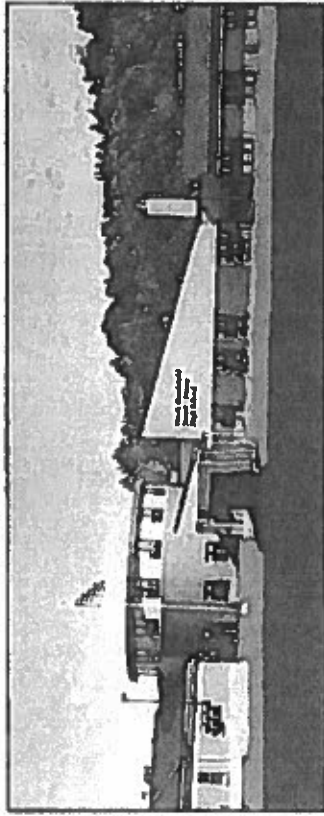
Mr. Tim Canada, Chair      Mr. Chris Hickman, Vice Chair      Mr. Matt Grant  
Mrs. Christie Omasia Secretary      Mr. Ron Ryel  
**SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**  
Mrs. Mary Jane Rickson

## **NORTHBROOKFIELD JR-SR HIGH SCHOOL STAFF**

Tim McCormick	Principal
Megan Sears	Guidance Counselor
Justin Hackenson	Technology Assistant
Jessica Stanley	Adjustment Counselor
Sue Toomey	Interim Main Office Secretary
Maureen Floyde	Nurse
Eric Blumenshal	Music
Dr. Monica Boyce	Science
Ellen Davenport	Special Education
Tiffany Graika	English
John Giannopoulos	Special Education
Kirsten Hart	STEM
Andrew Hatch	English
Kaylee Hotchkiss	Spanish
Garrett Kinnen	Physical Education
Shelly Lacaire	Special Education
Louis Martinez	Science
Caitlyn Malone	Art
Dan Reardon	Health
Lia Reilly	Media Specialist
Richard Rigney	Math
Margaret Rising	Special Education
Kristen Rose	French
Damian Sarratie	English
Kevin Sloan	Math
Josh Snyder	Science
Kurt Stanley	Social Studies
Michael Tiff	Social Studies
Pam Batchelor	Paraprofessional
Jamie Birmingham	Paraprofessional
Madison Budney	Paraprofessional
Brenda Casey	Paraprofessional
Andrea Gieska	Paraprofessional
Margaret Hanson	Paraprofessional
Megan Hanson	Paraprofessional
Annanda Hart McCaffrey	Paraprofessional
Martin Shaw	Director of Facilities
David Cutrumbes	Custodian
Lisa Cuinumbes	Custodian
Andre Guimond	Custodian
George Nolte	Custodian
Donna Holmes	Director of Food Services
Karen Chisholm	Cafeteria Worker
Cheryl Johnson	Cafeteria Worker
Wendy Perron	Cafeteria Worker

# **165th Graduation Exercises** of

## **North Brookfield Jr-Sr High School** **Class of 2022**



## **Elementary School Auditorium** **North Brookfield, Massachusetts**

**Saturday June 4, 2022**

**10:00 A.M.**



AUBURN • CHARLTON • DUDLEY • NORTH BROOKFIELD • OXFORD  
PAXTON • RUTLAND • SOUTHBRIDGE • SPENCER • WEBSTER  
**Southern Worcester County Regional Vocational School District**  
**BAY PATH REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL**  
57 OLD MUGGETT HILL ROAD  
CHARLTON MASSACHUSETTS  
(508)248-5971 – (508)987-0326  
FAX (508)248-4747

**NORTH BROOKFIELD**  
**2022 Annual Report**

Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School graduated a class of 274 students on June 3, 2022. Graduation was held at the DCU Center in Worcester, MA. The ceremony was very well received by students, families and staff. To celebrate the school's 50<sup>th</sup> commencement, students were unexpectedly showered by a blast of purple & gold confetti from hidden cannons. Bay Path accepted a class of 313 freshmen in September 2022. Our current enrollment has reached an all-time high of 1,185 students.

Of the 8 North Brookfield seniors who graduated, 3 are now gainfully employed in an occupation related to their training and 5 are attending an institute of higher education. Currently, 44 students from North Brookfield are enrolled in one of the 23 vocational technical programs for the 2022-2023 school year.

Six North Brookfield students are receiving extra services from our Special Education Department. Seven North Brookfield students are taking advantage of our cooperative education program and will be earning while learning at one of the 202 different participating businesses and industries of which 127 are located in one of our ten communities. Currently, we have students in cooperative education programs at 4 businesses located in North Brookfield.

Whenever possible, we have continued our practice of utilizing our occupational programs to provide requested services to municipalities, non-profits and residents from any of our ten district towns. During the 2021-2022 school year, our 23 programs completed 432 work orders, of which, 5 were for residents of the Town of North Brookfield. Our current House Building Project is in the Town of Auburn on Crowl Hill Road.

Since COVID-19 restrictions have been lifted, our Minuteman Shoppe, and Cosmetology program are open to the general public. Our Hilltop Restaurant has reopened to provide delicious meals to the public along with the continuation of a modified Curb-Side Pick-Up. We will continue to monitor health conditions along with state and local health officials, periodically reviewing our options and what services can continue to be provided by our students. These learning opportunities benefit not only the students but provide useful services at reasonable costs.

Our Evening Adult Education Program continues to serve the adult needs of our 10-town district, as well as the additional surrounding towns. Our Spring and Fall 2022 program offerings have steadily increased and are getting back to normal. We had a combined enrollment of 1,361 students in 196 evening classes of which 44 were residents of North Brookfield. The program also continues to offer a wide variety of over 500 online courses, including career certificate programs and courses to satisfy professional development requirements for teachers and an array of day and week long trips.

Our Practical Nursing (PN) Program continues to provide an excellent opportunity to adults in our surrounding communities. For the 2022-2023 class we have 42 students from thirteen municipalities and two states.

This year, the only "Out of District" students that have been accepted are students who began their high school education at Bay Path while residing in one of the District's ten member communities and subsequently moved out of district before completing their high school education. It is important to note that the town where these students now reside must pay an out of district tuition cost for each student ranging in cost between \$17,969 and \$20,143. These towns also pay the transportation costs for those students.

The North Brookfield Public School District continues to **not** participate in our annual 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Tours. These tours are designed to inform students of their opportunity to participate in the many benefits of Career Vocational Technical Education (CVTE). Bay Path provides busing for each sending school/district participating in these informative tours scheduled during a regular school day so as to provide equitable access for all students and their families to learn of the value, student outcomes and application process and afford each student the opportunity to make an informed school choice. Per the District Agreement, between the Town of North Brookfield and Southern Worcester County Regional Vocational School District, Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School, is the CVTE school of choice for all 8<sup>th</sup> grade students residing in the Town of North Brookfield at the time of application. The Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) indicates, in part, that, "Access to information about CTE programs is a fundamental component of admissions and a joint responsibility between sending schools and districts and those that offer CTE programs. This guidance document explains how districts and school counselors can work together to provide necessary information to students and their families to improve equitable access to CTE programs." We continue to remain hopeful and remain ready to assist North Brookfield Public Schools in establishing this crucial partnership for the benefit of all students.

At Bay Path, we will continue to serve North Brookfield with the finest career vocational technical education programs available for the high school students and adults, and will, when possible, use our skills and facilities to further town projects as they add to our students' education.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kyle J. Brenner", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Kyle J. Brenner  
Superintendent-Director

# **FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

## **2022**

**FY22 Collections**

**FY22 Receipts and Disbursements**

**FY22 Balance Sheet**

**FY22 Fund Balances**

**FY21 Outstanding Debt**

**2022 Wages and Compensation**

## **TOWN COLLECTOR**

The following amounts were collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer  
for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022

### **TAXES**

Real Estate	7,119,242.73
Personal Property	517,403.32
Motor Vehicle	667,729.96
Rollback Taxes	617.95

### **LOCAL RECEIPTS**

Charges Real Estate & PP	5,115.00
Interest Real Estate & PP	18,762.11
Charges Excise Taxes	30,300.00
Excise Interest	3,945.94
Filing Fees – Motor Vehicle	5,580.00
CML Fees	7,325.00
Bill Copy Fees	614.00
Deputy Collector Fees	12,381.00
Parking Fines	465.00
Bank Interest	25.62

### **WATER**

Usage	800,689.91
Cross Connections	4,560.00
Charges & Interest	13,308.78
Turn On Fees	3,400.00
Water Liens	1,657.74

### **SEWER**

Usage	706,986.86
Charges and Interest	10,594.03
Special Assessments	864.00
Sewer Liens	34,812.93

TOWN ACCOUNTANT	
JULY 1, 2021 - JUNE 30, 2022	
RECEIPTS	
Taxes	
Personal Property	528,265.66
Real Estate	7,102,338.08
Tax Liens Redeemed	14,660.07
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	656,474.35
In Lieu of Taxes	3,330.33
Rollback Taxes	617.95
	8,305,686.44
Revenue from the State	
State Revenue	32,196.62
State Owned Land	30,887.00
Abatements: Veterans, Blind, Surviving Spouse	5,522.00
Charter School Assessment	121,081.00
Veterans Benefits	13,681.00
School Aid Chap 70	4,308,028.00
GAA Foundation Reserve	25,327.31
Medicaid Assistance	119,122.35
Unrestricted Gen. Gov. Aid	831,666.00
School Lunch	20,756.66
Police State Grant	3,280.00
Police State Radio Grant	29,288.75
Bullet Proof Vest Grant	1,275.00
State Fire Grant	6,230.00
State IT Grant	14,000.00
Highway Chapter 90	338,062.53
TNC Rides	11.30
BOH RDP Waste Reduction Grant	10,387.33
Fire State Washer Grant	9,995.16
School Circuit Breaker	391,740.00
School Choice	286,752.00
School Rural Schools	28,805.48
CvRF School Reopening Grant	324.00
Mass. Arts Lottery	6,301.48
Library Grant	10,785.14
Library State Grant - Other	-
	6,645,506.11

Federal Grants and Gifts	
School Lunch	262,545.06
School Grant #140	20,088.00
School Grant #625 & #298	1,281.00
Spec Early Childhood-School #262	1,223.00
School Grant 274	7,879.00
School Grant #IV	9,974.00
Title I #305	109,624.00
Sped Ed 6-B-School #240	156,152.00
Grant 117 SOA	3,240.00
School Grant 252 - ARP IDEA	20,000.00
School Grant 302 ARPA Homeless	2,783.00
Small Rural School	42,296.00
School ESSER Grant	15,368.00
School ESSER Grant II	265,813.00
School ESSER Grant III	57,492.00
CDBG GRANT NB 19	225,275.92
CDBG GRANT NB 20	100,757.29
Police Technology Grant	27,742.29
USDA Cruiser	1,275.00
ARPA American Relief Fund	467,180.91
	1,797,989.47
Local Receipts	
Charges Real Estate & P. P.	5,399.47
Interest Real Estate & P.P.	18,767.96
Charges Excise Taxes	38,690.00
Excise Interest	3,945.58
Filing Fees Motor Vehicle	5,560.00
Interest Tax Liens	7,454.20
CML Fees	7,325.00
Landfill Stickers	65,174.00
Copier Fees: Assessors	10.00
Copy Fees- Town Collector	612.00
Copier Fees: Library	506.00
Town Clerk Fees	7,531.63
Planning Hearings	1,400.00
ZBA Hearings	1,000.00



Police Adm. Fees	29,540.85	
Highway Gasoline Reimbursement	1,908.98	
BOH Fees	48,074.10	
Police Accident Reports	185.00	
Landfill Trash Bags	60,878.00	
Landfill Demo Materials	6,133.00	
Licenses: Alcoholic	5,980.00	
Licenses: All Other	2,125.00	
Permits: Police Pistol	3,525.00	
Permits: Fire Burning	3,640.00	
Permits: Building	34,305.75	
Permits: Gas & Plumbing	8,110.13	
Permits: Wiring	14,493.75	
Permits: Safety	4,831.25	
Licenses: Dog	8,832.00	
Fines: Court	760.00	
Late Fees Dog Licenses	3,140.00	
Fines: Parking	575.00	
Copier: Library	506.00	
Misc. Revenue	776.42	
Ambulance/Fire Reimb	10,115.39	
Interest on Investments	797.53	
Interest on Investments - Town Collector	25.62	
Misc. Revenue	2,674.48	
Misc. Revenue - Storage Units	8,855.00	
Transfers from Other Funds	467,579.83	891,743.92
School		
School Fees		
School Lunch - Sale of Lunches	3,815.51	
H.S. Student Activity Agency Fund	28,896.07	
H.S. Student Activity Agency Interest	-	
Elementary Student Activity Agency	18,992.94	
Elementary Student Activity Interest	-	
Athletic Fund	3,217.40	
School Lost Books	735.00	
Use of School Property	172.99	
School Athletic Gift	-	
School AM/PM Program	19,611.26	

Preschool Revolving	66,479.00	
School Parking Fees	790.00	
School Gift	1,483.24	
School Off Duty Detail	-	144,193.41
Water Department		
Turn on Fees	3,200.00	
Tie-Ins	14,500.00	
Usage	799,918.84	
Cross Connections	6,037.11	
Charges & Interest	13,388.81	
Misc Revenue	6,336.88	843,381.64
Special Revenues		
Interest on Investment Arts & Lottery	-	
Wetland Fees	1,047.50	
Insurance Reimbursement	3,095.63	
Cemetery Sale of Lots & Graves	2,400.00	
Town Clerk Covid Grant	-	
Senior Wheels	545.00	
COA Revolving Fund	6,929.50	
Fire Training Revolving	166.00	
Planning Board Revolving Transfer from G/F	2,000.00	
Cemetery Revolving	12,507.40	
Recycling Fees	10,941.35	
Building Fees Revolving	11,435.25	
Gas & Plumbing Fees Revolving	2,703.37	
Wiring Fees Revolving	-	
Safety Fees Revolving	1,573.75	
COA Gift	666.50	
Playground Gift	1,026.00	
Town House & Rail Trail Gift	100.00	
NBEMA Gift	292.42	
NBHELPS Gift	4,983.29	
LPAC GIFT	60,000.00	
Library Gift	18,528.30	
Fire Gift	10,410.00	
Cemetery Gift	-	
Selectmen Gift	250.00	
Police Boat Gift	6,631.50	

July 4th Celebration Gift	220.00	
Town Park Gift	100.00	
EMS Gift		158,552.76
School Scholarships		
Interest on Investments	454.19	
Donations	2,250.00	2,704.19
Public Trusts		
Cemetery Trust Interest on Invest	54.13	
Library Trust Interest on Invest	3.25	
P. J. Downey Interest on Invest	18.05	
Sara Skerry Interest on Invest	5.16	
Recapture Repayments	888.88	
Recapture Interest	0.12	
Interest on Drug Money	0.61	
Holden Emergency Interest	-	
Holden Emergency Income	10,763.75	11,733.95
Stabilization Interest	1,660.70	
Stabilization Transfer from G/F	85,197.89	86,858.59
Green Gold Police Pers. Stabilization	92,006.31	
Green Gold Fire Pers. Stabilization	80,505.53	
Green Gold Lease Stabilization	57,503.95	230,015.79
Interest on Cemetery Perp Care	436.95	
Perpetual Care Revenue	1,400.00	1,836.95
Agency		
Police Off Duty Detail	361,923.25	
Firearms/ C of M	10,375.00	
Curbcut Bonds	10,000.00	
Deputy Collector Fees	12,381.00	394,679.25
Payroll Deductions (Calendar Year)		
Federal Withholdings	612,540.98	
Medicare	109,590.05	
State Withholdings	352,080.09	

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TOTAL MUNICIPAL PURCHASE - HUCKS		1,505,765.14
CARES ACT COVID 19 FEDERAL		
Expenses	10,796.33	
Transfer to School Lunch	-	
TOTAL FEDERAL CARES ACT COVID 19		10,796.33
ARPA AMERICAN RELIEF FUND		
Personnel Services	16,484.55	
Expenses	5,608.18	
TOTAL ARPA AMERICAN RELIEF FUND		22,072.73
SELECTMEN GIFT		
Supplies & Expenses	665.68	
TOTAL SELECTMEN GIFT		665.68
ACCOUNTANT		
Accountant Salary	54,000.00	
New Accountant Training Salary	1,560.00	
Software Maintenance Agreement	10,534.95	
Single Audit	19,000.00	
Supplies & Expenses	1,717.48	
TOTAL ACCOUNTANT		86,812.43
ASSESSORS		
Assessors Salaries	51,457.76	
Supplies & Expenses	2,920.63	
TOTAL ASSESSORS		54,378.39
REVALUATION		
Revaluation Salary Conversion	-	
Supplies & Expenses	6,681.99	
TOTAL REVALUATION		6,681.99
TREASURER		
Treasurer Salary	48,848.00	
Treasurer Certification Salary	1,000.00	
Treasurer/Accountant Training Salary	21,383.00	
Banking	8,120.60	
Postage	1,938.25	

Supplies & Expenses	781.50	
Tax Titles	7,069.25	
<b>TOTAL TREASURER</b>		<b>89,140.60</b>
<b>TOWN COLLECTOR</b>		
Town Collector Salary	45,017.00	
Town Collector Certification Salary	1,000.00	
Town Collector Clerk Salary	14,302.38	
Maintenance Agreement	6,128.10	
Supplies & Expenses	7,587.71	
Computer Billing	954.96	
Postage Machine	1,355.62	
Tax Titles	2,574.60	
<b>TOTAL TOWN COLLECTOR</b>		<b>78,920.37</b>
<b>TOWN COUNSEL &amp; LEGALS</b>		
Purchase of Services	15,366.91	
<b>TOTAL COUNSEL &amp; LEGALS</b>		<b>15,366.91</b>
<b>BOND &amp; LEGALS</b>		
Bond & Legals	2,000.00	
<b>TOTAL BOND &amp; LEGALS</b>		<b>2,000.00</b>
<b>TOWN CLERK</b>		
Town Clerk Salary	31,842.88	
Supplies & Expenses	588.19	
<b>TOTAL TOWN CLERK</b>		<b>32,431.07</b>
<b>ELECTION &amp; CENSUS &amp; REGISTRATION</b>		
Registrars' Salaries	60.00	
Election & Census Salaries	3,918.32	
Supplies & Expenses	6,853.05	
<b>TOTAL ELECTION &amp; CENSUS &amp; REGISTRATION</b>		<b>10,831.37</b>
<b>Chap 503 POLLING HOURS-STATE</b>		
Personal Services	159.12	
<b>TOTAL CHAPTER 503 POLLING HOURS</b>		<b>159.12</b>
<b>CONSERVATION</b>		
Clerk Salary	2,105.14	

Supplies & Expenses	253.00	2,358.14
TOTAL CONSERVATION		
CENTRAL MASS. REGIONAL PLANNING		
Supplies & Expenses	1,408.07	
TOTAL CENTRAL MASS. REG. PLANNING		1,408.07
PLANNING BOARD		
Clerk Salary	1,602.00	
Supplies & Expenses	595.00	
Master Plan Expense	720.00	
TOTAL PLANNING BOARD		2,917.00
PLANNING BOARD REVOLVING FUND		
Supplies & Expenses	1,950.00	
TOTAL PLANNING BOARD REVOLVING FUND		1,950.00
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS		
Clerk Salary	200.00	
Supplies & Expenses	540.80	
TOTAL ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS		740.80
TOWN HOUSE		
Telephone Expense	13,903.11	
Janitor Salary	7,256.97	
Supplies & Expenses	3,010.30	
Town Offices Expense	40,904.99	
NBDDP (Aztec) Dep Expense	2,455.00	
Webmaster Stipend	563.00	
Technology Expense	10,082.11	
TOTAL TOWN HOUSE		78,175.48
STATE IT GRANT		
Supplies & Expenses	5,401.07	
TOTAL STATE IT GRANT		5,401.07
TOWN REPORT		
Supplies & Expenses	1,800.00	
TOTAL TOWN REPORT		1,800.00

RAIL TRAIL EXPENSE		
Supplies & Expense	9,895.37	9,895.37
TOTAL RAIL TRAIL EXPENSE		
POLICE EXPENSE		
Personal Services	553,377.91	
Supplies & Expenses	61,969.91	
Police Office Expense	36,397.83	
Police Bullet Proof Vests	850.00	
Police Cruiser Lease	26,755.21	
TOTAL POLICE		679,350.86
POLICE RADIO GRANT		
Supplies & Expenses	29,288.75	
TOTAL POLICE RADIO GRANT		29,288.75
INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT		
Personnel Services	1,515.52	
TOTAL INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT		1,515.52
FIRE DEPARTMENT & TRAINING		
Fire Dept. Salaries	80,533.85	
Supplies & Expenses	44,657.99	
Fire Dept. Air Tanks	29,032.61	
Fire Truck Lease	85,197.89	
TOTAL FIRE DEPT. & TRAINING		239,422.34
FORESTRY EXPENSE		
Forestry Expense	142.46	
TOTAL FORESTRY EXPENSE		142.46
FIRE STATION/AMBULANCE		
Fire Station/Ambulance Expense	10,481.04	
TOTAL FIRE STATION/AMBULANCE		10,481.04
FIRE STATE WASHER GRANT		
Supplies & Expenses	8,598.32	
TOTAL FIRE STATE WASHER GRANT		8,598.32
FIRE TRAINING REVOLVING		



Supplies & Expenses	29.97	29.97
TOTAL FIRE TRAINING		
FIRE GIFT		
Supplies & Expenses	210.52	210.52
TOTAL FIRE GIFT		
N.B. EMERGENCY SQUAD		
N.B. Emergency Squad & ALS	118,000.00	118,000.00
TOTAL N.B. EMERGENCY SQUAD & ALS		
EMERGENCY SERVICES GIFT		
Supplies & Expenses	19,000.00	19,000.00
TOTAL EMERGENCY GIFT		
INSPECTORS		
Building Inspector Salary	15,203.00	
Ass't Building Inspector Salary	470.00	
Building Inspector Mileage	500.00	
Building Inspector Expense	700.00	
Plumbing Inspector Salary	3,333.00	
Ass't Plumbing Inspector	480.00	
Plumbing Prior Year Expense	743.37	
Gas Inspector Salary	1,360.00	
Ass't Gas Inspector	111.24	
Wiring Inspector Salary	4,287.00	
Ass't Wiring Inspector Salary	559.00	
Safety Inspector Salary	2,142.00	
TOTAL INSPECTORS		29,888.61
INSPECTOR REVOLVING SALARY		
Building Inspector Revolving Salary	10,000.00	
Gas & Plumbing Inspector Revolving Salary	2,730.12	
Wiring Inspector Revolving Salary	6,756.25	
Safety Inspector Revolving Salary	1,000.00	
TOTAL INSPECTOR REVOLVING SALARY		20,486.37
NBEMA		
Supplies & Expenses	6,157.95	6,157.95
TOTAL NBEMA		

NBEMA GIFT		
Supplies & Expenses	224.85	
TOTAL NBEMA GIFT		224.85
ANIMAL CONTROL		
Animal Control Officer Salary	7,777.00	
Ass't Animal Control Officer Salary	1,149.00	
Supplies & Expenses	109.55	
TOTAL ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER		9,035.55
TREE MAINTENANCE		
Warden Salary	5,000.00	
Tree Maintenance Expense	10,000.00	
Tree Maintenance Expense -Prior Year	5,167.18	
Wood Chipper Purchase Expense	53,650.00	
TOTAL TREE MAINTENANCE		73,817.18
DOG LICENSE EXPENSE		
Dog License Expense	191.05	
TOTAL DOG LICENSE EXPENSE		191.05
PARKING FINES		
Clerk Salary	695.00	
Parking Clerk: Purchase of Services	44.44	
TOTAL PARKING FINES		739.44
SCHOOL DEPT.		
Personal Services	4,599,674.01	
Supplies & Expenses	1,523,783.70	
Bay Path Vocational	419,355.00	
School Prior Year	2,004.35	
School Medicare	4,243.09	
TOTAL SCHOOL & BAY PATH		6,549,060.15
SCHOOL OTHER		
Student Activity Agency Fund	26,557.26	
Elem Student Activity Agency	23,800.00	
School Lost Books	-	
School Use of Property	1,461.00	

TOTAL SCHOOL OTHER		51,818.26
SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM		
Personal Services	141,982.90	
Food Expenses	60,200.24	
Meal Tax	46.54	
Supplies & Expenses	14,836.48	
TOTAL SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM		217,066.16
SCHOOL CHOICE		
Personal Services	565,050.02	
Supplies & Expenses	159,625.66	
TOTAL SCHOOL CHOICE		724,675.68
SCHOOL ATHLETIC GIFT FUND		
Supplies & Expenses	10.00	
TOTAL SCHOOL ATHLETIC GIFT		10.00
SCHOOL GIFT FUND		
Supplies & Expenses	2,902.54	
TOTAL SCHOOL GIFT		2,902.54
SCHOOL STATE GRANTS		
Personal Services	565,050.02	
Supplies & Expenses	617,917.56	
TOTAL SCHOOL STATE GRANTS		1,182,967.58
SCHOOL FEDERAL GRANTS		
Personal Services	378,705.69	
Supplies & Expenses	168,133.58	
TOTAL SCHOOL FEDERAL GRANTS		546,839.27
SCHOOL PRE-SCHOOL REVOLVING		
Personal Services	24,524.29	
Purchase of Services	-	
TOTAL SCHOOL PRE-SCHOOL REVOLVING		24,524.29
SCHOOL A.M./P.M. PROGRAM		
Personal Services	15,816.25	
Supplies & Expenses	-	

TOTAL SCHOOL A.M.P.M. PROGRAM		15,816.25
SCHOOL ATHLETIC REVOLVE		
Personal Services		
Supplies & Expenses	7,752.99	
TOTAL SCHOOL ATHLETIC REVOLVE		7,752.99
HIGHWAY EXPENSES		
Personal Services	342,269.05	
Supplies & Expenses	135,999.10	
Highway Truck Lease	19,225.22	
Highway Street Line Painting	8,232.87	
Highway Salt Shed Repair	-	
TOTAL HIGHWAY EXPENSES		505,726.24
CHAPTER 90 STATE SHARE		
Capital Outlay	462,371.00	
TOTAL CHAPTER 90 STATE SHARE		462,371.00
SNOW & ICE		
Personal Services	35,835.62	
Supplies & Expenses	146,814.77	
TOTAL SNOW & ICE		182,650.39
STREET LIGHTING		
Purchase of Services	33,047.32	
TOTAL STREET LIGHTING		33,047.32
STATE BOH RDP WASTE REDUCTION GRANT		
Expenses	8,117.50	
TOTAL STATE BOH RDP WASTE REDUCTION GRANT		8,117.50
RECYCLING		
Recycling Monitor Salaries	39,833.58	
Contracts	87,236.56	
Recycling Supplies & Expenses	26,756.87	
TOTAL RECYCLING		153,827.01
LANDFILL		
Landfill Supplies & Expenses	16,003.51	

TOTAL LANDFILL		16,003.51
CEMETERY		
Personal Services	12,081.00	
Commissioners Salaries	1,272.99	
Supplies & Expenses	5,643.42	
TOTAL CEMETERY & BURIALS		18,997.41
CEMETERY BURIALS REVOLVING		
Personal Services	12,202.28	
Supplies & Expenses	1,200.00	
TOTAL CEMETERY BURIALS REVOLVING		13,402.28
BOARD OF HEALTH & LANDFILL		
Commissioners Salaries	2,469.00	
BOH Clerk Salary	15,378.99	
Inspectors Salaries	536.00	
Health Supplies & Expenses	9,169.83	
TOTAL BOARD OF HEALTH & LANDFILL		27,553.82
BOARD OF HEALTH CLINICAL SERVICES		
BOH Clinical Services Salary	-	
BOH Clinical Services Supplies & Expense	1,500.00	
TOTAL BOARD OF HEALTH CLINICAL SERVICES		1,500.00
RECYCLING REVOLVING		
Supplies & Expenses	1,690.00	
TOTAL RECYCLING REVOLVING		1,690.00
COUNCIL ON AGING		
COA Clerk/Receptionist	3,525.00	
COA Janitor Salary	3,121.20	
COA Director Salary	18,738.86	
COA Program Asst. Salary	15,174.00	
Supplies & Expenses	18,161.89	
Senior Wheels Stipends	308.00	
TOTAL COUNCIL ON AGING		59,028.95
SENIOR WHEELS		
Senior Wheels Stipends	305.00	

TOTAL SENIOR WHEELS		305.00
COUNCIL ON AGING STATE GRANT		
Personal Services	6,169.08	
Supplies & Expenses	413.89	
TOTAL STATE COUNCIL ON AGING GRANT		6,582.97
COA REVOLVING		
Supplies & Expenses	6,417.03	
TOTAL COA REVOLVING		6,417.03
COA GIFT		
Supplies & Expenses	1,144.51	
TOTAL COA GIFT		1,144.51
VETERANS		
Agent Salary	7,450.37	
Supplies & Expenses	1,033.25	
Veterans Benefits	28,114.74	
TOTAL VETERANS		36,598.36
LIBRARY		
Personal Services	72,096.88	
Supplies & Expenses	43,488.57	
Library Repairs Capital Outlay	-	
TOTAL LIBRARY		115,585.45
LIBRARY STATE GRANT		
Supplies & Expenses	12,314.45	
TOTAL LIBRARY STATE GRANT		12,314.45
LIBRARY STATE GRANT - OTHER		
Expenses	1,170.00	
TOTAL LIBRARY STATE GRANT - OTHER		1,170.00
LIBRARY GIFT FUND		
Supplies & Expenses	18,929.07	
TOTAL LIBRARY GIFT		18,929.07
PLAYGROUND & RECREATION		

Supplies & Expenses	7,325.68	7,325.68
TOTAL PLAYGROUND & RECREATION		
LASHAWAY BEACH		
Personal Services	335.50	
Supplies & Expenses	5,694.87	
TOTAL LASHAWAY BEACH		6,030.37
TOWN PARK EXPENSE		
Supplies & Expenses	1,000.00	
TOTAL PARK EXPENSE		1,000.00
UNCLASSIFIED		
Memorial & Veterans Days	600.00	
Worcester County Retirement	645,871.00	
Unemployment	11,475.92	
Insurance-Group	1,918,780.14	
Insurance-Medicare	115,952.32	
General Insurance	194,912.36	
Mass. Arts Lottery	3,775.00	
Insurance Reimbursement	1,515.52	
L.P.A.C. Gift Salary	11,690.00	
L.P.A.C. Gift Expenses	25,313.24	
Transfers to Stabilizations	85,213.29	
TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED		3,015,098.79
NBHELPS		
Supplies & Expenses	4,876.10	
TOTAL NBHELPS		4,876.10
STATE & COUNTY ASSESSMENTS		
Motor Vehicle Non-Renewal Sur.	9,280.00	
Air Pollution	1,273.00	
RTA	1,633.00	
School Choice	889,286.00	
School Charter Tuition	235,991.00	
TOTAL STATE & COUNTY ASSESSMENTS		1,137,463.00
INTEREST & MATURING DEBT		
Maturing Debt - JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL	235,000.00	

Maturing Debt - LIBRARY	125,000.00	
Maturing Debt - Fire Truck	60,000.00	
Maturing Debt - Police Facility	130,000.00	
Maturing Debt - Horse Pond Dam	27,556.00	
Maturing Debt - School Windows	14,580.00	
Maturing Debt - School Roof	55,000.00	
Interest-JR/SR High School	53,875.00	
Interest - Library	34,375.00	
Interest - Fire Truck	7,500.00	
Interest -Police Facility	47,450.00	
Interest -Horse Pond Dam Interest	16,395.48	
Interest - School Windows	6,287.63	
Interest - School Roof	37,575.00	
Interest Sewer: Tax Dollars	3,750.00	
TOTAL INTEREST & MATURING DEBT	854,344.11	
AGENCY		
Federal Withholdings	612,540.98	
Medicare Withholdings	109,590.05	
State Withholdings	352,080.09	
Retirement Withholdings	694,626.15	
Insurance Withholdings	356,375.53	
Police Off Duty Details	367,192.75	
Firearms C of M	10,237.50	
Curbcut Bonds	10,000.00	
Deputy Collector Fees	12,333.00	
TOTAL AGENCY	2,524,976.05	
REFUNDS		
Real Estate	16,816.79	
Motor Vehicle	13,255.61	
TOTAL REFUNDS GENERAL FUND	30,072.40	
SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS		
Awards	10,450.00	
TOTAL SCHOLARSHIPS	10,450.00	
TRUST		
P.J. Downey Trust Fund	18.05	
Sara Skerry Trust Fund	5.16	



<b>TOTAL TRUST</b>		<b>23.21</b>
<b>STABILIZATIONS FUNDS</b>		
Stabilization	-	
Transfer Stabilization Capital	-	
SPED Stabilization Expenses	-	
Green Gold - Police Personnel Stab.	110,473.22	
Green Gold - Fire Personnel Stab.	54,000.00	
Green Gold - Lease Stabilization	35,000.00	
<b>TOTAL STABILIZATION FUNDS</b>		<b>199,473.22</b>
<b>WATER DEPARTMENT</b>		
Commissioners Salary	3,068.00	
Personal Services	235,534.90	
Supplies & Expenses	213,259.43	
Water System Improvement	252,919.43	
Water Transfer To G/F (Indirect Costs)	110,413.00	
Water Refunds	879.13	
Water Unpaid Bills	3,251.39	
<b>TOTAL WATER DEPT.</b>		<b>819,325.28</b>
<b>SEWER</b>		
Personal Services	225,517.09	
Commissioners Salary	2,822.22	
Supplies & Expenses	451,903.12	
Sewer Debt	105,000.00	
Sewer Interest	50,775.00	
Sewer Facilities Planning Capital Project	-	
Sewer Transfer To G/F (Indirect Costs)	157,693.61	
Sewer Refunds	2,346.60	
<b>TOTAL SEWER</b>		<b>996,057.64</b>
<b>SEWER UPGRADE PROJECT</b>		
Supplies & Expenses	612,683.70	
<b>TOTAL SEWER UPGRADE PROJECT</b>		<b>612,683.70</b>
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>		<b>24,875,528.13</b>

**BALANCE SHEET**  
**TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD**  
**June 30, 2022**

	TOTAL GENERAL FUND	TOTALS		TOTALS ENTERPRISE FUNDS	TOTALS TRUST/AGENCY FUNDS	Long Term Debt	GRAND TOTAL
		SPECIAL REVENUE	CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS				
<b>ASSETS</b>							
Cash	1,176,126.07	2,624,681.92	140,826.50	1,226,949.52	1,560,541.21		6,729,125.22
Petty Cash	170.00	0.00		100.00			270.00
		0.00					0.00
Receivables:		0.00					0.00
Personal Property	7,130.15	0.00					7,130.15
Real Estate	37,255.12	0.00					37,255.12
Allowance for abate and exempt	-108,302.82	0.00					-108,302.82
Tax Liens	151,264.74	0.00					151,264.74
Water Liens	321.24	0.00					321.24
Sewer Liens	2,080.26	0.00					2,080.26
Motor Vehicle Excise	76,674.65	0.00					76,674.65
Landfill Fees	0.00	0.00					0.00
C of M Veterans A/R	14,454.84	0.00					14,454.84
Accrued State Receivables	1,863.00	0.00					1,863.00
Tax Foreclosures	15,973.72	0.00					15,973.72
User Charges Receivable		0.00		44,388.06			44,388.06
User Water Cross Connection Rec		0.00		600.00			600.00
Liens		0.00		2,369.25			2,369.25
Sewer Unapportioned Special/Assessments		0.00		4,480.00			4,480.00
Sewer Special Assessments		0.00		0.00			0.00
<b>Total Receivable</b>	<b>198,714.90</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>51,837.31</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>250,552.21</b>
<b>Other Receivables:</b>							
State & Federal		0.00		0.00			0.00
Accumulated Depreciation		0.00					0.00
Fixed Assets		0.00		6,689,970.00			6,689,970.00
Accrued State Revenues		0.00					0.00
Amounts to be Provided for Retirement of		0.00	2,760,000.00				2,760,000.00
General Long Term Debt		0.00		0.00		5,883,116.00	5,883,116.00
Amount to be Provided for Payment of Note		0.00					0.00
Loans Authorized & Unissued (memo)	0.00	0.00	0.00				0.00
		0.00					0.00
		0.00					0.00
		0.00					0.00

Total Assets

**BALANCE SHEET**  
**TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD**  
**June 30, 2022**

1,375,010.97    2,624,681.92    2,900,826.50    7,968,856.83    1,560,541.21    5,883,116.00    22,313,033.43

**LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES**

**Liabilities:**

	TOTAL GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE	CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS	ENTERPRISE FUNDS	TRUST/AGENCY FUNDS	TOTALS	#900 Long Term Debt	GRAND TOTAL
Warrants Payable	131,685.14	280,243.43	0.00	20,072.53	13,650.75			445,651.85
Accounts Payable	93,564.65	158,105.93	0.00	90,153.60	1,412.00			343,236.18
Accrued Salary	0.00	365,625.06		0.00				365,625.06
Accrued Veteran's Benefit	2,133.00	0.00		0.00				2,133.00
Payroll Deductions	-14,002.05	0.00						-14,002.05
Abandoned Property	3,181.18	0.00						3,181.18
Accrued Interest Payable		0.00						0.00
Retainage		0.00						0.00
Deferred Revenue-Real Estate & Pers Prof	-63,917.55	0.00						-63,917.55
Deferred Revenue - Liens	151,264.74	0.00						151,264.74
Deferred Revenue - Sewer Liens		0.00		0.00				0.00
Deferred Revenue - Motor Vehicle	76,674.65	0.00						76,674.65
Deferred Revenue - Landfill		0.00						0.00
Deferred Revenue - Veterans	14,454.84	0.00						14,454.84
Deferred Revenue - Tax Foreclosures - Azi	15,973.72	0.00						15,973.72
Deferred Revenue - User Charges		0.00		44,388.06				44,388.06
Deferred Revenue - Water CC Receivable		0.00		600.00				600.00
Deferred Revenue - User Fees added to T	2,401.50	0.00		2,369.25				4,770.75
Deferred Revenue - Highway		0.00						0.00
Deferred Revenue - Sewer Special Assess		0.00		4,480.00				4,480.00
Deferred Revenue - State	1,863.00	0.00	0.00		0.00			1,863.00
Bond Anticipation		0.00	2,760,000.00					2,760,000.00
Grant Anticipation		0.00						0.00
Agency Funds		0.00			-14,839.14			-14,839.14
Long term debt,outside debt limit		0.00		0.00			3,473,796.00	3,473,796.00
Long term debt, inside debt limit		0.00					2,409,320.00	2,409,320.00
Loans Authorized And Unissued	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,615,000.00				1,615,000.00
Total Liabilities	415,276.82	803,974.42	2,760,000.00	1,777,063.44	223.61		5,883,116.00	11,639,654.29

**BALANCE SHEET**  
**TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD**

TOTAL GENERAL    TOTALS SPECIAL    CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS    TOTALS ENTERPRISE    TOTALS TRUST/AGENCY    #900 Long Term    GRAND



BALANCE SHEET TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD June 30, 2022 ASSETS	TOTALS		
	ENTERPRISE	#500	#400
	FUNDS	Sewer Enterprise	Water
Cash	1,226,949.52	774,718.92	452,230.60
Petty Cash	100.00	50.00	50.00
Receivables:			
Tax Liens			
Water Liens	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sewer Liens	2,369.25	2,369.25	
User Charges Receivable	44,388.06	43,831.15	556.91
User Water Cross Connection Rec	600.00		600.00
Sewer Unapportioned Special Assessments	4,480.00	4,480.00	
Sewer Special Assessments			
Total Receivable	51,837.31	50,680.40	1,156.91
Other Receivables:			
State & Federal			
Accumulated Depreciation	-4,298,318.00	-4,298,318.00	
Fixed Assets	10,988,288.00	10,988,288.00	
Accrued State Revenues	0.00		
Amounts to be Provided for Retirement of	0.00		
General Long Term Debt	0.00		0.00
Amount to be Provided for Payment of Note			
Loans Authorized & Unissued (memo)			
Total Assets	7,968,856.83	7,515,419.32	453,437.51

BALANCE SHEET TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD June 30, 2022 LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES			
Liabilities:			
Warrants Payable	20,072.53	10,987.05	9,085.48
Accounts Payable	90,153.60	45,468.49	44,685.11
Deferred Revenue - Liens	2,369.25	2,369.25	0.00
Deferred Revenue - User Charges	44,388.06	43,831.15	556.91
Deferred Revenue - Water CC Charges	600.00		600.00
Deferred Revenue - Sewer Special Assess	4,480.00	4,480.00	
Long term debt			
Long term debt, outside debt limit	1,615,000.00	1,615,000.00	0.00
Long term debt, inside debt limit			
Loans Authorized And Unissued			
Total Liabilities	1,777,063.44	1,722,135.94	54,927.50

BALANCE SHEET TOWN OF NORTH BROOKFIELD June 30, 2022	TOTALS		
	ENTERPRISE	#500	#400
	FUNDS	Sewer	Water

**Fund Balances:****Reserved:**

Encumbrances	189,372.42	187,772.42	1,600.00
Expenditure	0.00		
Reserve for petty cash	100.00	50.00	50.00
Reserved for Library Premium			
Reserved for H.S. Loan Payment			
Reserved for Retainage	0.00		
Contributed Capital	5,074,970.00	5,074,970.00	

**Unreserved:**

Undesignated 0.00

Designated

Retained Earnings 927,350.97 530,490.96 396,860.01

Total Fund Balances 6,191,793.39 5,793,283.38 398,510.01

Total Liabilities and Fund Balances 7,968,856.83 7,515,419.32 453,437.51

Total Assets 7,968,856.83 7,515,419.32 453,437.51

**TOWN TREASURER**  
**OUTSTANDING DEBT AS OF JUNE 30, 2022**

		<u>PRINCIPAL</u>	<u>INTEREST</u>
Jr./Sr. High School Construction	20 YEAR LOAN	960,000.00	96,000.00
Debt Exclusion	Final Payment 2025		
Library Renovation	20 YEAR LOAN	625,000.00	78,125.00
Debt Exclusion	Final Payment 2026		
Police Facility	20 YEAR LOAN	910,000.00	150,800.00
Debt Exclusion	Final Payment 2028		
Ladder Truck	15 YEAR LOAN	120,000.00	6,000.00
Debt Exclusion	Final Payment 2023		
Horse Pond Dam Repair	30 YEAR LOAN	743,996.00	221,334.48
Debt Exclusion	Final Payment 2048		
Elementary School Roof	15 YEAR LOAN	<u>1,090,000.00</u>	<u>218,850.00</u>
Debt Exclusion	Final Payment 2036		
	<i>sub-total debt exclusions</i>	<i>4,448,996.00</i>	<i>771,109.48</i>
Elementary School Windows	20 YEAR LOAN	204,120.00	44,013.41
General Operating Budget	Final Payment 2036		
Sewer Debt Consolidation	20 YEAR LOAN	<u>1,230,000.00</u>	<u>220,875.00</u>
Users Only - Outside Debt Limit	Final Payment 2033		
<b>TOTAL OUTSTANDING DEBT &amp; INTEREST</b>		<b>5,883,116.00</b>	<b>1,035,997.89</b>

**TRUST FUNDS**

	<u>UNEXPENDABLE</u>	<u>EXPENDABLE</u>
Cemetery	210,542.03	16,618.44
Library	17,091.04	16,774.60
Sara Skerry	2,000.00	1.00
P.J. Downey	7,000.30	1.00
Emergency Services Gift		2,052.01
Police Drug		1,268.12
Stabilization		845,040.36
Capital Stabilization		127,596.69
Special Education Stabilization		20,917.25
Green Gold Stabilization		115,522.24
Scholarship Accounts		<u>177,003.51</u>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>236,633.37</b>	<b>1,322,795.22</b>

## 2022 CALENDAR YEAR EARNINGS

Adams, Shaun	982.38	Caldwell, Cameron*	7,197.50
Adan Modrego, Ana Isabel	6,170.18	Canada, Elizabeth	666.68
Agnew, John*	1,377.00	Canavan, Megan	1,286.00
Ahearn, Linda	73,507.07	Caramiello, Gino Jr.	2,840.32
Ake, Byron	580.00	Cardenas, Eric	79,487.26
Albrizio, Michelle	33,952.74	Cardinal, Sydney	9,344.92
Alitz, Karen	54,391.24	Casey, Brenda	30,905.44
Allen, Troy	6,877.88	Cassavant, Kyle*	6,336.86
Ames, Derek*	1,320.00	Cavanaugh, Theresa L.	30,585.74
Anderson, Darin	7,790.32	Charron, Brian	1,501.39
Anderson, Jakob	2,480.00	Chase, Christopher	968.68
Anderson, Lukas	360.00	Chisholm, Karen	24,029.66
Ayotte, James	2,007.50	Chravasz, Gabrielle	3,478.94
Barre, Ashley	30,768.13	Churchey, David*	161,273.01
Batchelor, Pamela	26,911.00	Churchey, Lee*	4,870.50
Benoit, Jason	88,042.39	Connor, Brian	9,483.75
Bennett, Lyndsey	3,626.00	Cook, Jamie	360.00
Bent, Kimberly	1,802.00	Couture, John	27,290.52
Berard, Jesse	1,159.00	Cowden, Paul*	1,967.00
Bergeron, James	480.00	Crawford, Aaiden	567.06
Bermingham, Christine	490.00	Crevier, Jacob*	3,155.25
Bermingham, Jamie	14,950.55	Crockett-Sears, Jesse	1,796.17
Berthiaume, Alanna	17,357.04	Cutrumbes, David	52,710.27
Bessette, Thomas	821.09	Cutrumbes, Lisa A.	29,599.36
Bishop, Erik*	720.00	Cutrumbes, Stacy	5,852.00
Bishop, Kaitlynn	800.00	Dacey, Camden*	484.50
Blood, Douglas*	3,315.00	Daley, Ryan *	98,315.91
Blumenthal, Eric	51,695.48	Daniels, Meaghan	490.00
Bombard, Scott	767.00	Dasilva, Meghan	31,579.92
Borowski, Douglas	823.00	Davenport, Ellen	89,061.47
Bouchard, Paul*	204.00	Davis, Nicole	19,694.09
Bowlin, Robert	37,831.26	Davis, Roger	7,217.25
Boyer, Corice	40,988.01	Derosier, Samantha	826.25
Branscombe, John	869.78	DeSantis, Christopher*	1,673.50
Brown, Robin	23,647.66	Deschamps, Jacob*	10,204.86
Brown, Troy	11,043.25	Desjardins-Smith, Rachael	12,186.80
Bruso, Trevor	2,911.50	Dipietro, Adrianna	2,713.92
Budney, Madison	13,160.00	Dipilato, Nancy	8,409.62
Bulger, Allyson	45,801.81	Donais, Christopher*	119,318.34
Bulger, Cassidy	13,444.77	Doucimo, Pasquale	264.42



Bulger, Kylie	580.00	Doyle, Jeremy*	484.50
Burlingame, Nelson	470.00	Dugan, James*	408.00
Burnham, Kirk	424.33	Duggan, Patricia A	29,519.34
Buzzell, Renee	87,199.56	Early, James*	408.00
Buzzell, Sheila A.	22,472.51	Edwards, George Jr.*	7,413.50
Egan, Leo	985.00	Hanson, Megan	33,827.76
Esposito, Kirsten	42,988.22	Hart, Amanda	27,611.10
Feldbaum, David	18,381.04	Hart, Kirsten	31,338.00
Feliciano, Ada	12,042.80	Hatch, Andrew	58,561.45
Feliciano, Nicolas*	440.00	Hayes, Tara	45,322.54
Fernandez, Jacqueline	40,484.70	Hebert, Joyce	9,485.70
Fisher, Zachery	17,934.66	Hetherman, Alex	3,964.00
Flamand, Jamie	78,651.60	Hevy, Eric	4,437.18
Floyde, Maureen	69,327.68	Hill, Dorothy	69,269.36
Fontaine, Keith	559.00	Hilton, Jr., Archie	330.00
Ford, James	3,468.64	Holmes, Donna	40,888.52
Foster, Danielle	60,628.28	Holmes, Gabrielle	13,283.13
Fournier, Heather	1,000.00	Holway, Joseph	14,811.66
Francis, John*	75,179.88	Holway, Ryan	2,242.56
Frechette, Kimberly	19,181.00	Horne, Randy*	331.50
Gagne, Jennifer	5,567.47	Hotchkiss, Kaylee	17,903.00
Gaines, Katelin	7,868.56	Houle, Stephen*	408.00
Gaines, Nathaniel	446.35	Howell, Kim	12,419.22
Gamache-Oliveira, Karen	7,456.06	Hubacz, Nicholas	30,055.47
Gaumont, Andre	44,922.61	Hurley, Brianna	56,973.58
Gaumont, Andrew	2,492.79	Jannette, Anne B.	53,742.00
George-Kort, Kim	15,055.97	Jesky, Dylan	9,915.00
Gershman, Hailey	1,759.09	Johnson, Cheryl	18,790.58
Gershman, Mary	23,546.33	Johnson, Katherine	1,720.00
Gershman, Nathan	1,115.00	Johnson, Priscilla A.	25,310.87
Gerulaitis, Elizabeth	4,550.00	Jorritsma, Cynthia	52,262.92
Gianfriddo, Jessica	19,799.97	Josephson, Wayne	59,376.83
Gianfriddo, Meghan	910.00	Josti, Samantha	49,321.15
Giannopoulos, John	49,577.58	Joyal, Jeremy	302.62
Gillmeister, Emily	2,310.00	Joyce, Julia	12,812.59
Goldsmith, Brett*	255.00	Kackley, Patrick*	11,334.50
Gould, John	44,012.40	Kady, Leanne	45,979.52
Goyette, Michael	2,627.70	Kane, Sean	4,254.30
Grace, James	767.00	Kemp, Karlee	12,766.22
Graham, Danielle	19,043.80	Kennan, Richard E. Jr.	11,770.02
Graika, Tiffany	65,492.60	Kiley, Dale	1,000.00
Graves, Alicia	227.21	Kinnen, Garrett	51,871.59
Grenevich, Austin	1,443.95	Kiritsy, Kristina	1,642.33

Grenevich, Katelinde	1,320.00	Kiritsy, Patrick	2,958.19
Greska, Andrea	19,040.00	Kularski, Holly	6,849.51
Griffin, Kathleen	7,452.00	Kularski, Lisa	451.95
Griffin, Scott*	204.00	Kularski, Mary E.	33,947.86
Gryszowka, Justine	8,268.02	Lacaire, Shelly C.	87,933.34
Guertin, Lene	2,887.84	Lafountain, Steven	17,032.20
Gustafson, Patrick	1,910.00	Lalonde, Stephen	2,090.40
Hackenson, Justin	40,212.50	Lamb, Brianna	24,673.23
Haddock, Charles	950.15	Larochelle, Brian	739.20
Hanson, MargaretMary	24,775.70	Latour, Shannon	1,281.60
Lawrence, Caitlin	5,799.58	Morgan, Megan	45,397.31
Lazarick, Joseph	1,152.16	Morgan, Randy	54,433.38
Lazarick, Joseph III*	4,460.00	Moulton, Amy	1,665.00
LeBlanc, Channing	51,403.88	Muraguri, Leon*	1,636.72
LeBlanc, Shiela A.	59,542.00	Murphy, Kathleen	10,848.10
Leonard, Mackenzie	4,951.58	Murray, Leslie A.	2,442.00
Letendre, Matthew*	2,397.00	Murtagh, Grant	1,708.50
Levasseur, Sydney	30,659.90	Nason, Jaime	30,313.98
Lopato, Erin	30,654.32	Nason, Tim	1,534.00
Lucier, Heather	19,051.41	Newman, Nicholas*	9,793.22
Lucier, Peter	836.30	Niles, Matthew*	7,982.70
Lyon, Sarah	195.00	Nolette, George	40,456.48
MacIntosh, Corey	9,591.04	Nyberg, James	83,276.80
Mackay, Kaitlin	7,378.35	Nye, Avery	1,536.57
Macutkiewicz, Anastasia	72,092.86	Nykiel, Nancy	920.00
Magierowski, Mandy	23,100.84	O'Hara, Cynthia	37,629.72
Magierowski, Paul*	969.00	O'Malley, Brian	593.64
Maher, Andrea	60,015.47	Orsi, Peter	3,886.70
Maher, David	10,002.68	Osborne, Andrea	13,193.13
Mailing, Donald	3,234.62	Palacios Boyce, Monica	40,774.84
Malone, Caitlyn	81,972.36	Pappas, Cayce	48,619.70
Marderosian, Matthew*	2,754.00	Pelissier, Cassondra	16,350.77
Marquis, Jennifer	3,795.33	Perkins, Lyndon	2,420.53
Marrier, Shane	3,888.34	Perrault, Kendall*	440.00
Marshall, Keith	6,823.45	Perron, Wendy	9,359.54
Martin, David	2,820.73	Peterson, Robert	64,965.66
Martin, Jeffrey*	78,589.70	Peterson, Sherry	66,372.82
Martinez, Louis	69,997.86	Petratis, Jason	2,424.33
Mayo, James	1,912.70	Pettee, Julia	11,723.98
McAfee, Shirley	130.00	Pfefferle, Daniel	73,841.90
McCool, Emilia	52,126.40	Phillips, Jillian	411.50
McCormick, Timothy	125,161.42	Pinero, Egbert*	204.00
McGarry, Melanie	87,065.36	Polanco, Mario	1,977.62

McGraw, Jennifer	420.00	Polga, Griffin	1,027.50
McKay, Earl Jr.	19,381.69	Pratt, Robin	59,848.13
McManus, Jr., Roger	3,061.62	Priestly, Sarah	104,744.72
Melad, Ethan	3,323.00	Quintanilla, Raymundo	10,791.12
Melendez Santos, Hector*	481.25	Ramaska, Zachary	37,089.85
Menard, Christopher	810.00	Reardon, Daniel	74,399.80
Mercadante, Michael	61,176.22	Reilly, Lia	29,763.00
Mercurio, Adam	1,486.13	Renaud, Dresden	31,570.48
Miller, Gail	67,707.28	Rhoades, Russell*	1,377.00
Miner, Rowena	20,928.86	Rickson, Mary Jane	80,983.77
Miner, Thomas R.	7,324.05	Rigney, Richard B.	92,717.34
Mita, Monica	19,518.12	Rising, Margaret	66,953.18
Morello, Kelly	18,207.02	Rivera, Courtenay	7,838.10
Morey, Jeanmarie	6,130.80	Robert, Anna	47,566.40
Morgan, Lisa	16,969.23	Rogers, Gabrielle	62,731.16
Rose, Kristen	82,884.14	Taylor, Lisa	47,010.22
Rowden, Audra	70,070.94	Taylor, Todd	56,776.08
Ryan, Jordan*	255.00	Testa, Lisa	1,981.47
Ryback, Carole E	303.60	Thayer, Michelle	7,006.27
Sampson, Curtis*	2,754.00	Thistle, Dawn	28,306.35
Sarrette, Damian C.	79,406.16	Thornton, Keira	4,294.81
Sawyer, Mark*	100,812.10	Tift, Michael	88,490.12
Sears, Megan	55,531.02	Toomey, Susan L.	14,326.03
Seguin, Donna	13,123.85	Tripp, John	2,000.00
Servant, Christine	84,276.24	Trudeau, Amanda	19,545.40
Shaw, Martin	41,524.15	Turpin, Troy*	1,370.50
Shelburne, Michael	70,826.48	Valeri, Kelly	41,742.63
Shipman, Peter	637.00	Valeri, Kevin	950.15
Sisco, Jennifer	1,715.00	Vanwickler, Dawn	10,114.02
Sliwoski, Scott	80,505.60	Varney, Karen	15,082.14
Sloan, Kevin	56,090.31	Varney, Lex	8,279.98
Smith, Donald	950.15	Ventetuolo, Jennah	30,692.51
Smith, Kathryn	17,582.03	Warner, James	3,680.00
Smith, Mark*	104,836.47	Warner, Tami	34,601.29
Snyder, Joshua	60,624.00	Warren, Kim	565.00
Spence, Melody	7,522.73	Waz, John	209.58
Splaine, Michael*	32,081.64	Whitcomb, Kyle*	2,088.00
Sprague, Jason	1,995.01	Wilk, Lindsay	2,740.00
Stanley, Jessica	58,578.80	Willett, Kevin	1,790.80
Stanley, Kurt R.	84,937.52	Wolons, Sharon	200.00
Stumpf, Paul	44,045.66	Yager, Ashlee	19,609.68
Sullivan, Cindy E.	83,470.78	Zaluskas, Cheryl	4,937.16
Swanson, Danielle	27,210.80	Zaluskas, Tory	2,056.00

Talbot, Christopher*	1,938.00	Zippin, Mark	20,629.52
Tarentino, Tricia	58,640.38		

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Respectfully Submitted,  
Allyson Bulger  
Town Treasurer



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