

ANNUAL REPORT

TOWN OF PAXTON

Year Ending June 30, 2007



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IN MEMORIAM

Doris Hart

Ruth Lamotte

George McGovern

John Jacobs

Charles Scholl

WITH GREATFUL THANKS FOR PAST SERVICE

Robert Bostwick
Board of Appeals

Scott Goodrich
*Cemetery Commission &
Right to Farm Bylaw Steering
Committee*

Kevin Quinn
*Low Impact
Bylaw Committee*

Diane Cheney
*Right to Farm Bylaw Steering
Committee*

Richard Grensavitch
*Low Impact
Bylaw Committee*

Joseph Scheinfeldt. Jr.
Finance Committee

Ann Casavant-Chaney
*Right to Farm Bylaw Steering
Committee*

Mary Jenkins
Council on Aging

Richard Sears
Finance Committee

Cindy Cheever
*Right to Farm Bylaw Steering
Committee*

Hank Kennan
*Right to Farm Bylaw Steering
Committee*

Gordon Snyder
*Low Impact
Bylaw Committee*

Louise Erskine
*Right to Farm Bylaw Steering
Committee*

Virginia Kimball
Paxton Housing Partnership

Susan Wolfenden
*Low Impact
Bylaw Committee*

Jason Newman
*Right to Farm Bylaw Steering
Committee*



TOWN OFFICERS

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MAY 2006 TO MAY 2007

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Board of Selectmen	
Frederick G. Goodrich, Vice Chair	2008
John F. Malone, Clerk,	2009
Michael T. Quinlivan, Chair	2007
Town Clerk	
Deirdre Malone	2009
Treasurer	
Deirdre L. Malone	2008
Collector	
Deirdre L. Malone	2008
Moderator	
Francis A. Ford	2008
Constables	
William Trotta	2008
B. Peter Warren Jr.	2008
Tree Warden	
Adam Smith	2008
Wachusett Regional School District Committee	
Melinda Coyle	2009
Cynthia Ahearn	2008
Municipal Light Board	
Michael J. Benoit, Chair	2008
Emerson Wheeler III	2007
Paul F. Crowley	2009
Assessors	
Doris E. Huard	2008
Joanne Savignac	2009
Donna Graf-Parsons	2007
Water Board	
John F. Malone, Chair	2008
David J. Trulson	2009
Local Water Resources Mgt Official	
Charles Bolster	2007
Board of Health	
Thomas B. Carroll	2009
Judy A. Hatstat	2008
David Parent, , Chair	2007
Planning Board	
Neil Bagdis, Chair	2007
David Bennett	2011
Pamela Vasil-Sagarian	2010
Henry Stidsen	2009
Julie Jacobson	2008

Library Trustees

Michelle Nelsen	2007
Charles L. Innis Jr., Chair	2007
Scott A. Martin	2009
Patricia Dawson	2008
Roger Brunelle	2008
Louise Erskine	2009

Recreation Commission

Sheila Ducharme	2009
John Glowik	2007
Linda McKay, Chair	2008
Joe Bagshaw	2009
Andrew Serrato	2008

Cemetery Commission

Melinda Johnson	2009
Lois Melican	2008
Larry Hammerberg	2007

Bay Path Regional Voc. Representatives

Robert Wilby	2008
Sandy Benoit	2007

APPOINTED BY SELECTBOARD

Town Administrator	
Charles Blanchard	2008
Administrative Assistant to the Board of Selectmen	
Carol Riches	2007
Town Services Coordinator	
Nancy Wilby	2007
Town Accountant	
Marilyn Mathieu	2008
Superintendent DPW	
Michael Putnam	2007
Veteran's Agent	
Timothy Hackett	2007
Veteran's Grave Officer	
Timothy Hackett	2007
Inspector of Wires	
Dennis Benoit	2007
John Slabich, Asst	2007
Building Commissioner	
Richard Trifero	2007
Harry Johnson, Local Insp.	2007
Local Superintendent of Insect Pest Control	
Adam Smith	

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		Eric Howe	2008
Board of Appeals			
James Bradbury, Chair	2008	Insurance Advisory Committee	
Robert Callahan	2010	Deirdre Malone	
Richard Grensavitch, Alternate	2008	Joseph Thompson	
Kirk Huelhs	2007	Gary Richards	
Ilana Ludvigsen, Alternate	2009	Carol Riches	
Paul Robinson	2011	Eva Ryan	
Susan Serrato, Alternate	2007	Harold Smith	
Jeffery Wentzell,	2009	Cable & Communication Committee	
Board of Registrars		Chris Brunelle, resigned	
Annette Aubertin	2009	Raymond Charette	
Phyllis Callahan	2007	Deborah Magnuson	
June Herron	2008	Nicholas Powlovitch	
Town Counsel		Scott Wilson	
Peter J. Dawson, Esquire	2007	Agents for License Commission	
Sexual Harassment Officers		Vacant	
Charles Blanchard	2009	Central Mass Regional Planning	
Measurer of Wood, Bark, Field Drivers & Fence Viewers		Christian S. Baehrecke	
Larry Hammerberg	2007	Neil Bagdis, Alternate	
Care of Clock		Personnel Advisory Board	
Bruce Cheney		Heather Courtney	2009
Hazardous Waste Coordinator		James Lang	2009
Jay Conte, Fire Chief	2007	Paul Sullivan	2009
Emergency Management Director		Jeffrey Wentzell	2008
Jeffery Wentzell	2007	Council On Aging	
Fire Chief & Forest Fire Warden		Barbara Braley	2008
Jay Conte		Robert Callahan	2008
Police Department Chief		Howard Coleman	2007
Robert Desrosiers	2009	Alice Crowley	2008
Full Time Officers		Curtis Hammer	2009
Kenneth Johnson, Patrolman	2009	George Howatt	2009
David Keller, Patrolman	2009	Doris E. Huard	2009
William F. Lang, Sergeant	2009	Mary Jenkins, resigned	2009
Mark Newsham, Patrolman	2009	Gerald Ryan, Chair	2007
William P. Reilly, Sergeant	2009	Jean Wilde	2007
Mark S. Savasta, Patrolman	2009	Historical Commission	
Jason Silvestri, Detective	2009	Matthew Atanian	2008
Conservation Commission		Susan Corcoran	2008
Marisa Ayvasian	2008	Lois Breault-Melican	2009
Michael Voorhis	2007	Daniel Gehnrich	2007
Christopher Keenan, Chair	2007	Anita Fenton	2007
Ansley Siter	2007	Pamela Hair	2009
Janice Stewart, Associate	2009	Donna MacLean	2008
Robert Stewart	2009	Denis Melican, Chair	2008
Justin Thackeray, Vice Chair	2009	Historic District Study Committee	
		Matthew Atanian	2007
		Lois Breault-Melican	2007
		Anita Fenton, Chairman	2007

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Jay Gallant	2007	Richard Sansoucy	2007
Daniel Gehnrich	2007	James Stone	2007
Paul Robinson	2007		
Cultural Council		Reservoir Conservation Restriction Committee	
Sarah Newman	2012	Robert Bertin	
Mary Jane Gainty	2011	Peter Dawson	
Anita Fenton	2010	Scott Runstrom	
Michele Nelson, Chair	2011	Low Impact Development Committee	
Barbara Socha	2011	Charles Blanchard	
Paxton Housing Partnership Committee		Rick Grensavitch	
Martha Akstin	2007	Kevin Quinn	
Sue-Anne Bock	2009	Michael Putnam	
Scott Hill	2007	Gordon Snyder	
Virginia Kimball	2008	Richard Trifero	
Kevin Quinn	2007	Susan Wolfenden	
Joanne Savignac	2009	Right To Farm Bylaw Steering Committee	
Kathleen Sears	2009	Diane Cheney	
James Stone	2008	Ann Casavant-Chaney	
Paul Robinson	2008	Cindy Cheever	
504 Coordinator		Louise Erskine	2007
Donna Graf-Parsons	2007	Scott Goodrich	2007
Anna Maria Scholarship Committee		Hank Kennan	2007
Debra M. Henderson, Chair	2007	Jason Newman	2007
Barbara Lorge	2007		
John Malone	2007	APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR	
Capital Improvement Committee		Finance Board	
Charlie Blanchard	2007	Jamie Contonio	2007
Michael Quinlivan	2007	Christian de Marcken	2007
Kirk Huehls	2007	Gayle Ireland	2009
Elizabeth Hubbard	2007	James Lang	2009
Scott Farrar	2007	Richard Fenton, Chair	2008
Christian de Marcken	2007	Evelyn Lawler	2008
James Stone	2007	June Herron	2008
Donna Graf-Parsons	2007	Scott Runstrom	2007
		Peter Schur	2009
Election Officers		APPOINTED BY BOARD OF HEALTH	
Charlotte Thalin, Warden REP		Plumbing Inspector	
Cecilia Carroll, Inspector UN		Dennis Harney	
Helen Faucher, Inspector DEM		John P. Dolen, Assistant	
Estelle Gemme, Inspector DEM, Resigned		Sanitary Inspector	
June T. Herron, Clerk UN		Wayne Curran	
Susan Stone, DEM		Richard M. Cox, Environmental Engineer	
Robert R. Herron, REP, Alt.		Burial Agent	
Ann Cunningham, UN		Ronald Johnson	
Affordable Housing Trustee		Animal Inspector	
Martha Akstin	2007	Jean Parent	
Frederick Goodrich	2007	Animal Control Officer	
John Hurley	2007	B. Peter Warren Jr.	
Michael Quinlivan	2007		
John Malone	2007		

TOWN OFFICERS MAY 2006 TO MAY 2007

Rubbish/Recycling Collection
Central Mass Disposal
13 Hardscrabble Road
Auburn, MA 01501

Sean Smith
B. Peter Warren Jr.

APPOINTED BY THE PLANNING BOARD

Master Planning Committee
Christian Baerecke
Joseph Bagshaw
Charlie Blanchard
Jay Conte
Robert Desrosiers
Louise Erskine
Anita Fenton
Frederick Goodrich
Robert Hall
Kirk Huelhs
Nancy McBride
Denis Melican
Jason Newman
Michael Putnam
Paul Robinson
Hank Stidsen

First Responders

Michael Benoit, Lieut., EMT
Jay Conte, Chief, EMT
Thomas Ducharme, Lieut.
Richard Gaffney, Lieut.
Kenneth Grensavitch, EMT
Jeffrey Harrell, EMT - I
Richard Jenkins, Deputy Chief
James Olson
Michael Pingitore, EMT - I
Kevin Quinn, Lieut.
Thomas Savage, Jr.,
Raymond Savignac

Fire Inspector

Matthew Stone

APPOINTED BY FIRE CHIEF

Firefighters

Andrew Abysalh
Rodolfo Acuna
Matthew Bassick
Michael Benoit, Captain
Jay Conte, Chief, EMT
Thomas Ducharme, Lieut.
Brian Faucher
Michael Flek
Richard Gaffney, Deputy Chief
Michael Goncalves
Michael Goyette
Kenneth Grensavitch, EMT
James Hansson
Jeffery Harrell, EMT
Richard Jenkins, Deputy Chief
Sam Kinkade
Eric Locke
Robert Martin
James Olson
Michael Pingitore, EMT
Charles Pingitore
Michael Putnam
Kevin Quinn, Lieut.
Joseph Rego
Gary Richards, Lieut.
Michael Rowe
Thomas Savage, Jr., EMT
Raymond Savignac
Orville Sheldon, Lieut.



TOWN MEETINGS AND ELECTIONS

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TOWN OF PAXTON COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

WORCESTER SS:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Paxton:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, who are qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet in the Zecco Auditorium, Anna Maria College, Sunset Lane, Paxton on May 7, 2007 at 7:00 p.m., then and there to act on the following articles:

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:09PM.

MODERATOR DECLARED A QUORUM PRESENT, 203 REGISTERED VOTERS SIGNED IN BY THE BOARD OF REGISTRARS.

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$811.08, or any other sum to pay the outstanding invoice from Central Mass Disposal for trash collection for the fiscal year 2006; or act any other way thereon.

Article sponsored by the Board of Health

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend approval from available funds.

UNANIMOUS VOTE TO TRANSFER THE SUM OF \$811.08 FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS TO PAY THE OUTSTANDING INVOICE FROM CENTRAL MASS DISPOSAL FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and enter into contracts for the expenditure of funds to be allotted by the State under authorization of Chapter 90 of the Massachusetts General Laws, (as pertaining to Highway Funds) for the construction, reconstruction, and improvement of Town roads, said funds to be borrowed in anticipation of State Revenue; and expended under the direction of the D.P.W. Superintendent; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

Article Sponsored by Board of Selectmen.

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend approval.

UNANIMOUS VOTE TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO ACCEPT AND ENTER INTO CONTRACTS FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS TO BE ALLOTTED BY THE STATE AND TO BORROW IN ANTICIPATION OF STATE REVENUE.

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Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$2,068.00 from Communications Center Compensation Account #0100-1299-5103-00 to the Communication Center Head Dispatcher Account # 0100-1299-5102-00, to fund the FY07 shortfall in the account, or act in any way thereon.

Article Sponsored by Board of Selectmen.

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend approval.

UNANIMOUS VOTE TO TRANSFER THE SUM OF \$2,068.00 FROM ACCOUNT #0100-1299-5103-00 TO ACCOUNT #0100-1299-5102-00.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$2,196.00 from Communications Center Overtime Account #0100-1299-5130-00 to the Police Department Compensation Account # 0100-1210-5103-00, to fund the FY07 shortfall in the account, or act in any way thereon.

Article Sponsored by Board of Selectmen.

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend approval.

UNANIMOUS VOTE TO TRANSFER THE SUM OF \$2,196.00 FROM ACCOUNT #0100-1299-5130-00 TO ACCOUNT #0100-1210-5103-00.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$2,000.00 from Communications Center Compensation Account #0100-1299-5103-00 to the Police Department Supplies Account # 0100-1210-5400-00, to fund the FY07 shortfall in the account, or act in any way thereon.

Article Sponsored by Board of Selectmen.

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend approval.

UNANIMOUS VOTE TO TRANSFER THE SUM OF \$2,000.00 FROM ACCOUNT #0100-1299-5103-00 TO ACCOUNT #0100-1210-5400-00.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$600.00 from Communications Center Compensation Account #0100-1299-5103-00 to the Police Department Prisoner's Fees Account # 0100-1210-5207-00, to fund the FY07 shortfall in the account, or act in any way thereon.

Article Sponsored by Board of Selectmen.

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend approval.

UNANIMOUS VOTE TO TRANSFER THE SUM OF \$600.00 FROM ACCOUNT #0100-1299-5103-00 TO ACCOUNT #0100-1210-5207-00.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$2,700.00 from Communications Center Compensation Account #0100-1299-5103-00 to the Police Department Compensation Account # 0100-1210-5103-00, to fund the FY07 shortfall in the account, or act in any way thereon.

Article Sponsored by Board of Selectmen.

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend approval.

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UNANIMOUS VOTE TO TRANSFER THE SUM OF \$2,700.00 FROM ACCOUNT #0100-1299-5103-00 TO ACCOUNT #0100-1210-5103-00.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to rescind Article 5. of the October 11, 2005 Special Town Meeting, that authorized the Board of Selectmen to purchase the property at 15 West Street, Paxton. This property being no longer required by the Town.
Article sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.
Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend approval.

UNANIMOUS VOTE TO RESCIND ARTICLE 5 OF THE OCTOBER 11, 2005 SPECIAL TOWN MEETING.

AND YOU ARE DIRECTED TO SERVE THIS WARRANT by posting attested copies thereof, one of which shall be at the Post Office, as required by By-laws, fourteen days at least before the day set for holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT and make due return of the Warrant with your doing thereon at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this nineteenth day of April 2007.

Meeting dissolved at 7:17pm

Michael T. Quinlivan, Chairman
John F. Malone, Vice-Chairman
Frederick G. Goodrich, Clerk

Francis A. Ford, Moderator
Deirdre L. Malone, Town Clerk

Meeting adjourned 10:25pm

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TOWN OF PAXTON COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

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GREETINGS:

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MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:18PM. MODERATOR DECLARED QUORUM PRESENT, 203 REGISTERED VOTERS SIGNED IN BY THE BOARD OF REGISTRARS. COUNTERS FOR THE EVENING: ROSEMARY WARREN, GERALD TERAN, ANDREW SERRATO, CYNTHIA AHEARN.

Article 1. To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from other available funds, to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the Town for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007 and especially for any and all of the items shown on the following Budget: or act in any way thereon.

Article Sponsored by the Finance Committee.

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend approval.

MOTION PASSED TO APPROVE THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUDGET OF \$1,142,777, TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY BUDGET OF \$1,337,775, TOTAL PUBLIC SERVICE BUDGET OF \$611,460, TOTAL SANITATION AND ENVIROMENTAL BUDGET OF \$268,296, TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES BUDGET OF \$63,142, TOTAL CULTURAL AND RECREATION BUDGET OF \$230,511, TOTAL CENTRAL PURCHASING BUDGET OF \$72,930, DEBT SERVICE BUDGET OF \$756,568. MOTION PASSED FOR A TOTAL BUDGET EXCLUDING SCHOOLS OF \$4,483,459.

MOTION PASSED TO APPROVE THE VOCATIONAL SCHOOL BUDGET OF \$235,833.

MOTION PASSED TO THE ADJUST THE WACHUSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET:

Minimum Local Contribution	\$3,822,916
Regional Agreement Spending Assessment	\$521,252
Long-Term Debt Repayment Assessment	\$213,721
Transportation	<u>\$142,671</u>
Total Wachusett Budget	\$4,700,560

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MOTION PASSED TO APPROVE THE TOTAL SCHOOL BUDGET OF \$4,936,393 AND TOTAL BUDGET OF \$9,419,852.

MOTION PASSED TO APPROVE THE WATER EXPENSES OF \$619,801, WATER DEBTS, NOTES AND BONDS OF \$30,000 AND THE WATER INTEREST OF \$14,070.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors to take a sum of money from available funds (Free Cash and/or Overlay Surplus) and appropriate said sum to offset the Budget for the next fiscal year; or act in any way thereon.

Article sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend taking the sum of \$240,539 from Overlay Surplus and \$155,973 from Free Cash to balance the FY08 Budget.

MOTION PASSED TO TAKE THE SUM OF \$240,539 FROM OVERLAY SURPLUS AND \$155,973 FROM FREE CASH TO BALANCE THE FY08 BUDGET.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, or borrow and appropriate the sum of \$42,370, to be combined with a sum of \$29,000 received by the Town from the Holden Hospital Fund Account to purchase and fully equip a paramedic level ambulance for the Town; or act in any way thereon.

Article sponsored by Capital Improvement Committee.

Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee and Capital Improvement recommend approval by borrowing.

2/3 VOTES REQUIRED. MOTION PASSED TO BORROW THE SUM OF \$42,370 TO BE COMBINED WITH THE \$29,000 RECEIVED FROM THE HOLDEN HOSPITAL FUND.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, or borrow and appropriate the sum of \$40,100, or any other sum, to enlarge the doors and replace the windows of the Department of Public Works building; or act in any way thereon.

Article sponsored by Capital Improvement Committee.

Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee and Capital Improvement recommend approval by borrowing.

2/3 VOTES REQUIRED. MOTION PASSED TO BORROW THE SUM OF \$40,100 TO ENLARGE THE DOORS AND REPLACE THE WINDOWS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, or borrow and appropriate the sum of \$32,000, or any other sum, to purchase a Police Vehicle for the Police Department; or act in any way thereon.

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Article sponsored by Capital Improvement Committee.

Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee and Capital Improvement recommend approval by borrowing.

2/3 VOTES REQUIRED. MOTION PASSED TO BORROW THE SUM OF \$32,000 TO PURCHASE A POLICE VEHICLE.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, or borrow and appropriate the sum of \$71,500, or any other sum, to purchase a new Catch Basin Cleaner and modify an existing 1997 International Truck to fit this new Cleaner, for the Department of Public Works; or act in any way thereon.

Article sponsored by Capital Improvement Committee.

Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee and Capital Improvement recommend approval by borrowing.

2/3 VOTES REQUIRED. MOTION PASSED TO BORROW THE SUM OF \$71,500 TO PURCHASE A NEW CATCH BASIN CLEANER AND MODIFY AN EXISTING 1997 INTERNATIONAL TRUCK TO FIT THIS NEW CLEANER.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to borrow, contingent on the passage of a ballot question in accordance with paragraph (k) of Section 21C of Chapter 59 of the general laws, and appropriate the sum of \$8,798,100.00 or such other amount as the Town Meeting may approve for the purpose of (a) acquiring by purchase, taking by eminent domain, or any other available means the real property known as and located at 580 Pleasant Street, Paxton, MA and shown as parcel number 159, 159A and 159B on Assessor's Map 19, said property to be acquired for public safety purposes and for use by the Paxton Light Department, and (b) finalizing the design and constructing, equipping and furnishing a new Public Safety Complex to house the Town's Fire and Police Departments on the site of the Town's existing fire station at 578 Pleasant Street and the above referenced property; and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take all steps necessary, including executing documents and entering contracts, to acquire the real property described above and to complete the Public Safety Complex, upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen deem to be in the best interest of the Town; or act any other way thereon.

Article sponsored by Capital Improvement Committee.

Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee and Capital Improvement recommend approval by borrowing.

MOTION THAT THE SUM OF \$8,798,100 BE AND HEREBY IS APPROPRIATED TO PAY COSTS OF (a) ACQUIRING BY PURCHASE, TAKING BY EMINENT DOMAIN, OR ANY OTHER AVAILABLE MEANS THE REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS AND LOCATED AT 580 PLEASANT STREET, PAXTON, MA AND SHOWN AS PARCEL NUMBER 159, 159A AND 159B ON ASSESSOR'S MAP 19, SAID PROPERTY TO BE ACQUIRED FOR PUBLIC SAFETY PURPOSES AND FOR USE BY THE PAXTON LIGHT DEPARTMENT, AND (b) FINALIZING THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION, EQUIPPING AND FURNISHING A NEW PUBLIC

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SAFETY COMPLEX TO HOUSE THE TOWN'S FIRE AND POLICE DEPARTMENTS ON THE SITE OF THE TOWN'S EXISTING FIRE STATION AT 578 PLEASANT STREET AND THE ABOVE REFERENCE PROPERTY; AND THAT TO MEET THIS APPROPRIATION THE TOWN TREASURER, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE SELECTMEN IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO BORROW SAID AMOUNT UNDER AND PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 44, SECTION 7(3) OF THE GENERAL LAWS, OR PURSUANT TO ANY OTHER ENABLING AUTHORITY, AND TO ISSUE BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWN THEREFOR, AND FURTHER, THAT THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO TAKE ALL STEPS NECESSARY, INCLUDING EXECUTING DOCUMENTS AND ENTERING CONTRACTS, TO ACQUIRE THE REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED ABOVE AND TO COMPLETE THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMPLEX, UPON SUCH TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN DEEM TO BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE TOWN; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT NO SUMS SHALL BE BORROWED OR EXPENDED HEREUNDER UNLESS AND UNTIL THE TOWN SHALL HAVE VOTED TO EXCLUDE THE AMOUNTS NECESSARY TO REPAY THE BORROWING AUTHORIZED BY THIS VOTE FROM THE LIMITATION OF CHAPTER 59, SECTION 21C(k) OF THE GENERAL LAWS.

2/3 VOTES REQUIRED

NO 17

YES 183

MOTION PASSED

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$15,000, or any other sum, to repair the Mansard, on the Town Hall roof; or act in any way thereon.

Article sponsored by Board of Selectmen.

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend approval with funds from the Capital Depreciation Fund.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE SUM OF \$15,000 FROM THE DEPRECIATION FUND TO REPAIR THE MANSARD ON THE TOWN HALL ROOF.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, or borrow, the sum of \$18,500, or any other sum, to purchase a pre-fabricated garage to house the police cruisers; or act in any way thereon.

Article sponsored by Board of Selectmen.

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend taking no action.

MOTION PASSED TO TAKE NO ACTION

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, or borrow the sum of \$12,000, or any other sum, to purchase a new lawn mower for the Recreation Department; or act in any way thereon.

Article sponsored by Recreation Commission.

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Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend approval by taking the sum from the Overlay Surplus.

MOTION PASSED TO TAKE THE SUM OF \$12,000 FROM THE OVERLAY SURPLUS TO PURCHASE A NEW LAWN MOWER FOR THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$23,500 or any other sum, to fund the cost of the second year of a two year program for the purpose of conducting an update to the 1970 Master Plan for the Town of Paxton, or to act in any way thereon.

Article sponsored by the Planning Board.

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend approval by taking the sum from the Overlay Surplus.

MOTION PASSED TO TAKE THE SUM OF \$23,500 FROM THE OVERLAY SURPLUS TO FUND THE SECOND YEAR OF THE MASTER PLAN.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept and enter into contracts for the expenditure of funds to be allotted by the State under authorization of Chapter 90 of the Massachusetts General Laws, (as pertaining to Highway Funds) for the construction, reconstruction, and improvement of Town roads, said funds to be borrowed in anticipation of State Revenue; and expended under the direction of the D.P.W. Superintendent; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

Article sponsored by Board of Selectmen and D.P.W. Superintendent.

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend approval.

UNANIMOUS VOTE TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO ACCEPT AND ENTER INTO CONTRACTS FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS TO BE ALLOTTED BY THE STATE AND TO BORROW IN ANTICIPATION OF STATE REVENUE.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to re-authorize for fiscal year 2008 all revolving accounts previously established under Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53E ½. Expenditures for fiscal year 2007 will not exceed one percent (1%) of the amount raised by taxation in fiscal year 2007; or act in any way thereon. [By state law these have to be reauthorized annually.]

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<u>Revolving Fund Expenditure</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Funds to be Deposited From</u>	<u>Maximum</u>
Council on Aging	Van Replacement	Donations and fees from riders	\$20,000.00
Recreation Revolving	Support of all Recreation Programs	Program fees, donations gifts, private sponsorship, facilities fees	\$20,000.00
Recreation Fee Support	Support of all Recreation Programs	Program fees, facilities fees	\$20,000.00

Article sponsored by the Town Accountant.

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend approval.

MOTION PASSED TO APPROVE THE REAUTHORIZATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008 OF THE REVOLVING FUNDS LISTED.

Article 14. To see if the town of Paxton will vote to become a member in the Central Massachusetts Mosquito Control project, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 252, Section 5A and other applicable sections of said law, or take any action relative thereto. The approximate assessment for the town of Paxton for FY08 would be in the range of \$30,000.00 annually.

Article sponsored by a Citizens Petition.

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend disapproval.

MOTION FAILED TO PASS THE ARTICLE

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to authorize the creation of a Paxton Town Hall Building Renovation Study Committee to evaluate the feasibility, options, requirements, and planning of the renovation of the Paxton Town Hall. The Finance Committee, the Capital Improvement Committee, the Historical Commission, The Historic District Study Committee, and the Board of Selectmen shall each appoint a member of this committee. Additional members may be selected by the committee, maintaining an odd number of members with a total not to exceed seven members. Said committee will hold at least one public forum to solicit public input and would then submit their findings and recommendations as an article on a subsequent town warrant for voter approval.

Article sponsored by a Citizen Petition.

Board of Selectmen recommends disapproval.

Finance Committee recommends approval.

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FRIENDLY AMENDMENT MADE BY MICHAEL QUINLIVAN, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO INSERT "REHABILITATE OR/AND RESTORATION" AFTER THE WORD "RENOVATION" IN THE ARTICLE.

MOTION PASSED TO ACCEPT THE AMENDMENT AND APPROVE THE ARTICLE TO AUTHORIZE THE CREATION OF A PAXTON TOWN HALL BUILDING RENOVATION STUDY COMMITTEE.

Article 16. To see if the Town of Paxton will vote to amend the Local Paxton Historic District Bylaw, as adopted at the Annual Town Meeting on May 1, 2006, by deleting Paragraph 10.0, entitled "Violations", Section 10 in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following paragraph:

10.0 Violations:

The Commission shall determine whether a particular activity is in violation of this bylaw. The Commission may assess fines of up to \$100.00 for each violation of a provision or requirement of this bylaw. Each day of such violation shall constitute a separate offense. The Commission is empowered to enforce the provisions of this bylaw and may seek non-criminal enforcement actions in accordance with Section 21D of Chapter 40 of the general laws. The Commission may also seek enforcement of this bylaw under Section 13 of Chapter 40C of the general laws, after obtaining necessary authority to do so from the Board of Selectmen.

Article Sponsored by Historic District Study Committee.

Board of Selectmen will make their recommends disapproval.

Finance Committee recommends approval.

MOTION BY ANITA FENTON, HISTORICAL DISTRICT STUDY COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN TO REMOVE THE LAST TWELVE WORDS OF THIS ARTICLE. SECOND MOTION TO AMEND BACK TO WHAT WAS WRITTEN IN THE ORIGINAL ARTICLE. MOTION PASSED

2/3 VOTES REQUIRED. NO 33 YES 66 MOTION PASSED.

Article 17. To see if the Town of Paxton will vote to amend the Local Paxton Historic District Bylaw, as adopted at the Annual Town Meeting on May 1, 2006 by deleting Section 11, entitled "Exemptions from Review", in its entirety and renumbering Sections 12, 13, 14 and 15 to be numbered 11, 12, 13 and 14, respectively.

Article Sponsored by Historic Study District Committee.

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommends approval.

MOTION PASSED TO AMEND THE LOCAL PAXTON HISTORIC DISTRICT BYLAW AS ADOPTED AT THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ON MAY 1, 2006 BY DELETING SECTION 11, AND RENUMBERING SECTIONS 12, 13, 14 AND 15.

Article 18. To see if the Town of Paxton will vote to accept subsections (b) through (k) inclusive of Section 22B of Chapter 90 of the General Laws, entitled "An act of

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authorizing cities and towns to penalize those who abandon motor vehicles", amending Section 22b of Chapter 90 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

Article sponsored by Police Chief.

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend approval.

MOTION PASSED TO APPROVE THE ACCEPTANCE OF SUBSECTIONS (b) THROUGH (k) INCLUSIVE OF SECTION 22B OF CHAPTER 90 OF THE GENERAL LAWS, AMENDING SECTION 22b OF CHAPTER 90 OF THE MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Paxton Zoning Bylaw by amending the Overlay Districts Map to include as part of the Senior Residential Development Overlay District the following parcel:

The land in the southerly part of Paxton, Worcester County, Massachusetts, on both sides of Barre, Paxton, Worcester Road, containing seventy-five (75) acres, more or less, more particularly described in a deed from Katherine E. Magoon to Joseph N. Muire, now deceased, dated October 17, 1924 and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 2350, Page 267. See plan recorded in Plan Book 497, plan 29.

Excepting therefrom the parcels: a.) 1.629 acres shown on a plan entitled "Plan of Land prepared for Elisabeth M. Richards, Paxton, MA, December 12, 1995, Szoc Surveyors", recorded in Plan Book 702, Plan 68; and b.) 11.246 acres on the north side of Rt. 122 shown on a plan entitled "Plan of Land prepared for Samuel Muir Mundel, Paxton, Paxton, MA October 12, 1995, Szoc Surveyors" recorded in Plan Book 702, Plan 69. Also shown as Map 28, Parcel 0058A on the Assessor's records, or taken any action relative thereto.

Article sponsored by Landowners Petition.

Board of Selectmen and Planning Board recommend approval.

Finance Committee recommends disapproval.

2/3 VOTES REQUIRED. MOTION FAILED

Article 20 To see if the Town will vote to adopt an Open Space Residential Design Bylaw to enhance the community character and value of real property and further the zoning goals and policies of the Town of Paxton. A copy of the bylaw is on file in the Town Clerk's Office and available for inspection during regular business hours; or act in any way thereon.

Article sponsored by Planning Board.

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend approval.

2/3 VOTES REQUIRED. MOTION PASSED

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to adopt an Agricultural and Farm Preservation Bylaw, to encourage the pursuit of agriculture, preserve existing farmlands, and encourage agricultural based economic opportunities, and establish an Agricultural

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Commission within the Town of Paxton. A copy of the Bylaw is on file with the Town Clerk for inspection; or act in any way thereon.

Article sponsored by the Agricultural Advisory Committee

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend approval.

MOTION PASSED TO ADOPT AN AGRICULTURAL AND FARM PRESERVATION BYLAW.

Article 22. To see if the Town of Paxton will adopt the provisions of Mass General Laws Chapter 32B Section 18 that would require eligible retirees to join Medicare; or act in any way thereon.

Article sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend approval.

MOTION PASSED TO ADOPT THE PROVISIONS OF MASS GENERAL LAWS CHAPTER 32B SECTION 18 THAT WOULD REQUIRE ELIGIBLE RETIREES TO JOIN MEDICARE.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors to take any sum of money from available funds to reduce the tax levy for the next fiscal year; or act in any way thereon.

Article sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend taking no action.

MOTION PASSED TO TAKE NO ACTION.

AND YOU ARE DIRECTED TO SERVE THIS WARRANT by posting attested copies thereof, one of which shall be at the Post Office, as required by By-laws, seven days at least before the day set for holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT and make due return of the Warrant with your doing thereon at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this nineteenth day of April 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael T. Quinlivan, Chairman

John F. Malone, Vice-Chairman

Frederick G. Goodrich, Clerk

Meeting adjourned at 10:25pm

Francis A. Ford, Moderator

Deirdre L. Malone, Town Clerk

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ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

MAY 14, 2007

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

WORCESTER:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Paxton:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town who are qualified to vote in Town Elections to vote at

PAXTON CENTER SCHOOL
WEST STREET

On Monday, the fourteenth day of May, 2007 from 10:00AM to 8:00PM for the following purpose:

To cast their votes in the Town Election for the candidates for the following Town Offices:

Selectboard	Three Years	Michael T. Quinlivan
Assessor	Three Years	Donna Graf-Parsons
Water Board	Three Years	Charles Bolster
Board of Health	Three Years	David Parent
Planning Board	Five Years	Neil Bagdis
Library Trustee	Three Years	Louise Erskine
Library Trustee	Three Years	Michelle Nelsen
Library Trustee	Three Years	Charles Innis
Municipal Light Department	Three Years	Emerson Wheeler III
Recreation Commission	Three Years	John Glowik Jr.
Cemetery Commission	Three Years	Christopher D. Stone
Southern Worcester County Voc. School	Three Years	Sandy M. Benoit

Question 1

"Shall the Town of Paxton be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one half, so called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issue in order to finance the design, construction, equipping and furnishing of a new Public Safety Complex, including property acquisition and demolition of the existing permanent structures on the site?"

YES 461

NO 399

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Question 2.

"To see if the voters in the Town of Paxton will recommend that the Wachuestt Regional School District Committee develop an action plan that will limit any future growth of the current Committee membership; make every effort to downsize the Committee; develop a

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Committee makeup that is consistent with the Constitution of the United States and all laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts with respect to One-Man-One-Vote”.

YES 694

NO 125

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HEREIN FAIL NOT and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

GIVEN under our hands this twenty-seventh day of April 2007.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

Michael T. Quinlivan, Chairman
John F. Malone, Vice-Chairman
Frederick G. Goodrich, Clerk

Francis A. Ford, Moderator
Deirdre L. Malone, Town Clerk



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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

For the past several years we have strived to focus on the capital needs of the town. After years of tight budgets the town's capital equipment and buildings have fallen into disrepair. The appointment of a dedicated group of individuals to the Capital Improvement Committee has allowed us to turn this situation around. We have been able to plan our capital needs into the future, upgrade existing equipment, lower overall debt costs, while funding reserves for future capital needs.

This disciplined effort has allowed the Board of Selectmen to present to the Town Meeting a plan to build a new Public Safety Complex. As a result the voters approved a Debt Exclusion of \$8,798,100 to construct the new building. This building will be erected on the site of the existing fire station and will serve the needs of both the Police and Fire Departments for the next fifty years.

Another long-term goal of the Board was also met when the Town Meeting voted to fund Advanced Life Support services to compliment and expand our current Emergency Medical Services. This service will allow for shorter response times to emergency ambulance calls and most importantly improve the level of care during transport to the hospital. This improved care will save lives and improve chances for those that otherwise may have suffered catastrophic outcomes.

The Board continues to struggle to provide adequate town services in a period of rapidly rising fixed costs and limited revenues. School budget growth that continues to run in excess of revenue growth will continue to be a major strain on municipal services and infrastructure.

We would like to thank the many Paxton residents that unselfishly donate their time and energies to volunteer on all the boards and commissions that keep us moving forward as a town. It is this generosity of public spirit that makes Paxton a great place to live.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael T. Quinlivan
Board of Selectmen

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Once again I would like to begin by expressing my sincere appreciation to all of the dedicated department heads, town staff, elected officials, and the numerous volunteers who serve on the many boards, commissions and committees for all of their hard work and commitment to make Paxton the fine community that it is.

Fiscal year 2007 was another very busy year, and the Town moved forward in many areas. Some of the Town's accomplishments included:

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- The completion of a study of the Town's financial management performance by the Massachusetts Department of Revenue which gave the Board of Selectmen high marks for implementing improvements that should now be formalized through a strong central management structure. A Government Study Committee was appointed to review the suggestions made by the DOR and to any make recommendations to the Town on changes they feel are necessary.
- A petition to adopt the Community Preservation Act was approved by the required number of registered voters, but the ballot question to accept the CPA was narrowly defeated at the November State Election.
- The Town Hall Building Assessment report was completed and the Town Meeting approved an article setting up a Town Hall Building Renovation Study Committee, which will report back at a subsequent Town Meeting with their recommendations.
- The Communications Center was reorganized under the Police Department and plans were made to relocate it to the Police Station for more effective use of the Criminal Justice Systems software.
- The Town's Personnel Policy Handbook was updated and the Town's first Financial Policy Handbook was written by the Collector/Treasurer, Town Accountant and the Town Administrator and approved by the Board of Selectmen.
- A feasibility study on constructing a joint Police Station/ Educational Facility with Anna Maria College was funded by a \$50,000 State grant which showed that this concept would not be cost effective for the Town without significant private funding or grants which are not available for the foreseeable future.
- Reinhardt Associates completed the preliminary design for a Public Safety Complex, which will be built at the site of the existing Fire Station. The project was approved at both the May 2007, Annual Town Meeting and Election and a Building Committee was appointed. The project is anticipated to be completed by the summer of 2009.
- The Master Plan continues to be developed through regular monthly meetings and should be completed early in 2008. While the response to surveys and attendance at public hearings has been very good, additional regular participation by a broader base of residents would make this a better plan for the future growth of Paxton.
- A cooperative agreement with the Spencer Rescue Squad negotiated by Fire Chief Conte led to the approval at the Annual Town Meeting of the Town's first ambulance service. This provides 16 hours per day of staffed paramedic level coverage at the Fire Station and on-call EMT coverage with a paramedic intercept from Spencer Rescue for the remaining hours of the day.
- A new heating system was installed at the White Building that has allowed for more efficient heating of this older building.
- The commitment the Town made to adopt "Smart Growth" Bylaws was completed with the adoption of an Open Space Residential Design Bylaw at this year's Annual Town Meeting. A companion Low Impact Development Stormwater Bylaw was approved at the 2006 Annual Town Meeting.

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I would also like to again express my appreciation to the Board of Selectmen for their support and clarity in defining the goals and policies for our town government, and to Carol Riches for the knowledgeable assistance she provides on a daily basis

Respectfully submitted,

Charles T. Blanchard
Town Administrator

BOARD OF HEALTH

The following is a breakdown of Board of Health's activities for fiscal year 2007:

Inspections by Sanitary Inspector:

Perc tests	40
Septic Bottom inspections	36
Final inspections	41
Food Inspections	16
Misc. Septic Inspections	6

Food Inspections;

Pool & Spa Inspection	4
Temp. Food	4
Summer Camp Inspection	3

Well water permits issued by BOH:

Medical Cases followed by BOH:

Lyme Disease	9
Hepatitis C	1
Giardia	1
Salmonellosis	1
Streptococcus Pneumonia	1
Streptococcus Agalactiae	1
Pertussis B	1
Bacterial Meningitis	1
Monthly follow-up on 2 TB positive finding.	

The Board of Health can report tipping fees will show a significant decline effective January 1st 2008 the result of the new long-term disposal contract with Wheelabrator. The Board continues to be active reducing the volume of recyclable material in the waste stream to further reduce trash and recycling costs for the Town. Town Residents cooperation with our recycling efforts is imperative. Trash services are a significant expense to Paxton residents since costs are paid both from the tax base voted at Town

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meeting and again assessed as a fee billed by the Selectboard via the utility bills. Any reductions in Trash costs can have a duplicate savings effect for residents.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas Carroll
Board of Health

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The operational municipal budget for FY 2008 as approved by the voters of Paxton at the annual Spring Town Meeting was \$4,483,459. This amount is an approximate 8% increase above that appropriated by the voters for the FY07 budget. As with last year, the Water Board which is budgeted for \$619,801 was not included because this item has become part of the Water Enterprise Fund, together with a DPW compensation allotment and associated debt. To attain a balanced budget, there were no additions to the Capital Asset Stabilization Fund or the General Stabilization Fund. Instead, Paxton implemented a full-time Paramedic Ambulance Service, the budget of which is found under the Emergency Medical Service account. The increase of \$189,432 above FY07 for this activity accounts for 42% of the total budget increase above that of last year. Thus, a significant portion of the added expenditure for FY2008 resulted from the addition of a service provided to the citizens. Once again, expenditures for heating oil, postage, electricity and telephones were removed from selected budgets and included in a Central Purchasing account.

Municipal salaries were adjusted by 3% to include both a COLA and a potential Merit increment. Aside from moderate changes up and down in the majority of budgets and the impact of the ambulance service, the most noteworthy changes are as follows:

1) The Communication Center budget was incorporated into the Police Budget because Dispatch now reports directly to the Police Chief. As a result, the Police budget increased 27% with Dispatch Compensation together with contractual police salary agreements.

2) Insurance and Bonds increased 22% largely due to the expected additional hours to be worked by part-time EMT personnel for the new Paramedic Ambulance Service.

3) Required computer security elicited a 19% increase in the Municipal Information Service Budget.

4) Passage of borrowing authorization for construction of the Public Safety Building will greatly impact the property tax in the future once construction commences.

Paxton entered the new budget year with Free Cash certified at only \$155,973, a value considerably below that of previous years. A short explanation is required because this shortfall was more apparent than real. It is to be noted that our Overlay Surplus was \$300,073. This large surplus was a result of a vote taken at the 2006 Spring Town Meeting. In the FY2007 budget, a portion of the high school modular reimbursement obtained from the state was used by the WRSD to lower the long term debt which is part of the WRSD assessment. This action freed up town funds that would have otherwise been applied toward this debt. Although this sum was voted at the time into the

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Stabilization Fund by the town, it was later decided by the Department of Revenue that because an exact value was not known at the time of the vote, the action was invalid. The DOR subsequently requested that the available funds be placed in the Overlay Surplus account for later use. As an aside, the unused portion of the state modular reimbursement was used by the WRSD to offset expenditures in their FY2007 budget.

Warrant Articles were approved at the Spring Town Meeting of May 7, 2007. Authorized appropriations included funds to purchase and equip a paramedic level ambulance (\$42,370), to replace doors and windows of the DPW building (\$40,100), and to purchase a new Police Cruiser (\$32,000), a Catch Basin Cleaner including truck modification (\$71,500) and a lawn mower for the Recreation Dept (\$12,000), as well as to repair the mansard on the Town Hall roof (\$15,000). Additional authorization was given for the second year of the Master Plan update (\$23,500) and funding all aspects required for the Public Safety Complex construction (\$8,798,100).

Once again the State approved a budget in a timely fashion with the awarded State Aid to Paxton amounting to \$713,753, an increase of 3.5% from the previous year. With talk of declining lottery receipts and a general downturn in the economy, the town must be prepared for a reduction in State Aid growth in the near future. Education once again proved to be a vexing issue. The Bay Path assessment for FY2008 is \$234,635, an increase of 24.8%, with a buy-in assessment of \$14,723. With respect to WRSD, the town went into the Spring meeting with an understanding that the region's total assessment would be adjusted downwards by a maximum \$200,000 depending upon the availability of state funding. Such funding did become available and the final Wachusett assessment became \$4,681,240. This represents an increase of 8.7% above the assessment for FY2007, a magnitude of increase that cannot be sustained year after year.

Respectfully submitted,

The Finance Committee
Richard A. Fenton, Chair

FIRE DEPARTMENT

The firefighters morale remains high as the department officers continue to prioritize personnel safety, physical fitness, mental well being, and training in the skills needed to perform the job as firefighters.

The time commitment and the risk of injury increases each year, therefore it is difficult to recruit new members to our profession. We advertise in newspapers, recruit at schools and solicit through word of mouth. New recruits must be willing and able to pass a physical examination, strength requirements, attend Mass Fire Academy Firefighter 1 and 2 sponsored by our regional fire district. The classroom and practical schedule is 150 hours completed in 4 months, and then all recruits must pass a written and practical exam before they are allowed on the department.

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Through fund raising events, we purchased equipment for our fitness facility. Paxton Fire Department has funded all fitness equipment through fundraisers.

Ambulance proposals were again requested and given to the Selectmen for review this year. The proposals submitted are a partnership between a private service and the fire department to upgrade the level of service to the citizens of Paxton. At the annual town meeting the voters approved the ambulance budget and the Paxton Fire Department began ALS transport service in July.

With many fires, auto accidents, and request for mutual aid emergencies this year only one injury occurred to a Paxton Firefighter. This is a direct result of the department's formal structured management system, with safety and accountability designees responsible for all firefighters at all emergencies and training events. Paxton belongs and has spearheaded a Regional Safety Committee, which promotes and trains in safety, accountability and rescue on the fire ground.

The current facility housing the equipment and personnel remains inadequate and unsafe due to overcrowding and vehicle exhaust being allowed to enter occupied spaces. The voters at the annual town meeting approved the funds to construct a new Public Safety Complex.

In closing I would like to thank the Fire Department officers for their professionalism, dedication, courage and support they have given to the department and myself as chief. I would also like to thank the entire membership and their families, spouses and children give up a lot so their fathers or mothers can respond to emergencies. The most important part of my job is to strive for the safest emergency operations, modern training techniques, and modern equipment to assure all of us come home to our families after an emergency incident, healthy both physically and mentally.

These members are:

Dan Acuna
Rudi Acuna
Cory Anderson
Chris Badgis EMT
Greg Beldon - EMT
Michael Benoit - Captain - EMT
Kellan Boudreau
Peter Conte
Jeff Crosby
Tom DeCroteau
Thomas Ducharme - Lieutenant
Andrew Eisch EMT
Mike Flek
Richard Gaffney - Deputy Chief
Dan Gagne EMT
Joseph Germain

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Kenneth Grensavitch – EMT
Chris Hamilton EMT
James Hansson
Richard Jenkins – Deputy Chief
Tim Kenny
Richard Latour EMT
Robert Martin
Chris McCluskie EMT
Rick Molnar
Ben Morris
James Olson
Jeffrey Olson EMT
Dean Osgood EMT
Stephen Page EMT
Shane Perry
Ryan Patrician
Michael Pingitore – EMT
Michael Putnam
Kevin Quinn – Lieutenant
Gary Richards – Lieutenant
Michael Rowe
Thomas Savage – Lieutenant EMT
Raymond Savignac
Orville Sheldon – Lieutenant
Sean Smith EMT
Alex Ward
Peter Warren

Respectfully submitted,

Jay J. Conte
Fire Chief - EMT

PAXTON COUNCIL ON AGING

The Council on Aging has become the second home for the elder citizens of Paxton. It has transformed itself into the place to go for our seniors to receive a vast array of programs, events, counseling, referrals, health & wellness, transportation, meals, education, and entertainment. As our Mission Statement states: **“It shall be the mission of the Council to evaluate, promote, and encourage new and existing services and activities which enhance the quality of life for our seniors”.**

This past year the Council initiated health & wellness programs and free legal clinics for our seniors along with our normal programming. The COA's Book Club, Men's Club, Computer Classes, Painting Classes, Yoga Classes all ran at full capacity.

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wonderful visit with Santa. The 2nd annual Artisan show and the "Chocolate Decadence" party were a huge success. They continue to fund several of the passes to area attractions that can be checked out and used by our Library patrons. All are welcome to join the "Friends" and participate in organizing these wonderful events.

The Library received grants from the Local Cultural Council that supported the Irish duo "Tara's Thistle" and storyteller Diane Edgecombe. The Historical Society offered several programs including co-hosting a fabulous time at our Antique Appraisal night. The Girl Scouts continue to meet at the library and have been great about volunteering their services when needed in assisting the library.

The library continues to deliver top-notch service with Barbara Braley and Suzanne Wheeler on the front desk and Jenn Robideau on tech back up. We are pleased that it continues to be a very integral part of Paxton.

Respectfully submitted

Deborah J. Bailey, Director

Library Hours

Winter

Sunday	Closed	Wednesday	9-12, 1-5
Monday	Closed	Thursday	1-8
Tuesday	1-8	Friday	9-12, 1-5
	Saturday	10-4	

Summer

Sunday	Closed	Wednesday	1-5
Monday	Closed	Thursday	1-5, 7-9
Tuesday	1-5, 7-9	Friday	1-5
	Saturday	Closed	

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

The Department of Public Works maintains, services and repairs all town roads and associated utilities.

Fiscal year 2007 introduced pavement cold planning and full-depth reclamation in the bidding process, to allow for a better-finished product in pavement rehabilitation. Holden Road remains on the list of MA highway reconstruction projects although they favor pavement rehabilitation over full reconstruction. Streets and associated work completed in FY07:

- Marshall Street, two areas – cold planning, type I pavement
- Maple Street - cold planning, type I pavement
- Black Hill Road - type I pavement

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- Lincoln Circle – full depth reclamation, berm, type I pavement

Road grindings from Maple Street and Marshall Street were used for Recreation Department to cap existing gravel parking lots in Grove Street. This helped eliminate drainage/erosion issues and was a significant savings to the Town.

Other projects done by DPW include: conduits installed at Maple Street water tank for radio antenna upgrade. Conduits installed at the Town Hall for emergency back-up electric service. Fencing and gates are in place at both water tanks, along with the DPW facility including Asnebumskit Reservoir.

The Department added a new employee to assist in all phases of the increasing daily workloads.

A new street sweeper replaced a 10-year-old machine. This has made for a much more efficient operation.

The Public Works for the first time, will be budgeting for safety training and safety equipment for its employees. The initial focus will be trench excavation and confined space entry. All employees are to be properly trained in procedures and equipment associated with these hazardous duties.

The winter season accounted for approximately 50 inches of snow/ice. This was less than years past but also brought long periods of colder than normal temperatures. Although snow plows didn't see much use, the sanders were kept busy with numerous black ice and refreeze conditions.

The daily operation of the Water Department is handled by licensed technicians from East National Water Company and they report to the Department of Public Works Superintendent. DPW employees and equipment support this operation in all emergencies, repairs or maintenance of the water distribution system and its customers.

The Water Department received a grant from the MA D.E.P. for a leak detection survey. This is the first part of a water loss prevention program offered by the State to find undetected leaks and promote public awareness about water conservation.

The Department repaired nine water main breaks including the replacement of a faulty 12" valve on Pleasant Street at Lincoln Circle. The combination of minimal snow cover and an extremely cold winter season allowed for frost in roadways to reach 3 feet deep. This was a major hindrance in the repair of an 8" main break on Sunset Lane that feeds Anna Maria College.

The DPW works under the direction of the Cemetery Commission in providing maintenance and upkeep of the two cemeteries. Foundations and markers are installed as necessary. There were 20 burials/cremations in Mooreland Cemetery.

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In closing, I would like to thank the employees of the DPW for their continued hard work and professionalism that they demonstrate daily. There are many situations where they perform duties under adverse conditions along with long hours. Their dedication to this Department and the Town does not go unnoticed.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Putnam
DPW Superintendent

REPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL LIGHT COMMISSION FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2006

Report of the Municipal Light Commission for the year ending December 31, 2006

The Light Commission thanks the employees of the Light Department for their continuing efforts to bring value to the ratepayers of Paxton and to the Town itself. During 2006, the Paxton Light Department contributed over \$9714 in direct labor and materials to projects assisting other departments of the Town of Paxton through our line department. We also manage the mercury bulb-recycling program for the town and cover the full cost of the program, with some reimbursement from Wheelabrator. Meter reading and billing services provided for the water department and for the town's trash continues to keep costs at a minimum for ratepayers and taxpayers alike.

As Paxton continues to grow through residential development, demand for electricity mirrors the New England demand curve more closely each year. Through our membership in the Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company (MMWEC) we continue to fight transmission support and reliability payments that we believe are unfair to Paxton ratepayers. These efforts have saved our customers thousands of dollars, and we will continue to monitor the changing market rules. Whenever appropriate, Paxton continues to support any actions that reduce these charges.

Customers are reminded to conserve energy whenever possible and respond when energy alerts are issued. The actions you take affect your cost of power and the cost to all customers of the Paxton Light Department. The Paxton Light Department offers incentives for energy saving appliances and modifications in accordance with audit recommendations. Call the office or check out the department's website at www.townofpaxton.net.

In 2006 we provided 68 rebates to customers who purchased Energy Star qualified refrigerators, clothes washers, dishwashers and room air conditioners. These rebates totaled \$3300. Total Energy Savings per year for heating hot water to wash clothes and

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dishes (usually oil in Paxton) and electricity to operate the appliances is estimated to be 167.28 MBTU. This is equivalent to 49,000 Kwhs for these 68 customers.

The Light Commission meets each month on the second Tuesday at the department offices at 578 Pleasant Street. Guests are always welcome and customers with specific concerns can be accommodated in the meeting schedule. The Commission is dedicated to providing first rate customer service and top quality power supply at the lowest possible cost. If we can serve you better, please share your ideas with us.

Management Discussion and Analysis of the 2006 operations follows. Complete audited Financial Statements are available for viewing at our office during regular business hours, Monday through Friday between 9AM and 4PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane K. Dillman, Manager

Michael J. Benoit, Chairman
Emerson W. Wheeler, III, Clerk-Secretary
Paul F. Crowley
Paxton Light Commission

Management's Discussion and Analysis Of 2006 Operating Results Of The Paxton Light Department

Within this section of the Paxton Municipal Light Department's annual financial report, management provides narrative discussion and analysis of the financial activities of the Paxton Municipal Light Department for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005. The Department's performance is discussed and analyzed within the context of the accompanying financial statements and disclosures following this section

Overview of the Financial Statements:

The basic financial statements include (1) the statements of net assets (2) the statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net assets (3) the cash flow statements and (4) notes to the financial statements.

The Statements of Net Assets are designed to indicate our financial position as of a specific point in time. Our net assets increased \$383,721 or 11.9%.

The Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets summarize our operating results and reveals how much, if any, of a profit was earned for the year. Our net profit for the year ended December 31, 2006 was \$331,468, which was an increase of \$299,634 or 941% as compared to the profit for the prior year.

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The Statements of Cash Flows provides information about the cash receipts and cash payments during the accounting period. It also provides information about the operating activities, investing activities and financing activities for the same period. The statement shows a net increase in cash of \$308,464 provided by operating activities. Our ending cash and cash equivalents balance increased by \$455,087.

Summary of Net Assets

	2006	2005
Current Assets	2,100,418	1,679,165
Noncurrent Assets	3,516,068	3,445,556
Total Assets	5,616,486	5,124,721
Current Liabilities	314,216	279,795
Noncurrent Liabilities	1,681,636	1,608,013
Total Liabilities	1,995,852	1,887,808
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	1,089,393	1,152,662
Unrestricted	2,531,241	2,007,162
Total Net Assets	3,620,634	3,236,913
Total Liabilities And Net Assets	5,616,486	5,124,721

Summary of Changes in Net Assets

	2006	2005
Operating Revenues	3,212,312	2,935,588
Operating Expenses	3,043,666	3,010,169
Operating Income (Loss)	168,646	(74,581)
Non-operating Revenues (Expenses)	162,822	106,415
Income Before Contributions and Transfers	331,468	31,834
Transfers In—Restricted for Capital Projects	52,253	27,024
Beginning Net Assets	3,236,913	3,178,055
Ending Net Assets	3,620,634	3,236,913

Operating revenues and expenses increased over the previous year. The increased revenues were attributable to the power cost adjustment put into effect in late 2005 and carried through 2006. Projections of power costs post Katrina indicated that in 2006, power costs would average 2 cents above the cost in 2005. The increased **expenses** were attributable an increase in depreciation expense which was \$200,119 for the year

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ended December 31, 2006 and \$157,745 for the year ended December 31, 2005. Exclusive of Depreciation expense, purchased power cost was 80.3% of operating expense in 2006 and 79.9% in 2005.

Non-operating revenues and expense consists of investment income and interest expense. Our investment income increased for 2006 in comparison to 2005 by \$56,830 or 53% due in part to higher interest rates and to increases in our cash balances.

The department had operating income of \$168,646 for 2006 as compared to an operating loss of \$74,581 for 2005. The revenues billed for power supply cost in 2006 were \$78,700 less than the total power supply cost for the year. Revenues billed for distribution expenses were used to offset the shortfall, and no future liability was carried forward.

While 2006 is the second full year that the unbundled rates have been in effective. Although distribution charges were again appropriate to provide income, the bulk power costs are not being recovered in full through the Energy Charge and Purchased Power Adjustment. The variance of power supply costs to billed revenues is tracked monthly and management will continue to recommend the application of available distribution billings against power supply costs if appropriate.

Power Supply

The Paxton Municipal Light Department provides power for its customers through both fixed contracts and the open market power supply in an effort to stabilize power costs. Purchased Power costs are the costs associated with buying energy and having it delivered to the Town of Paxton. There are circumstances that will make prices fluctuate, such as extended periods of time with above or below normal temperatures, unexpected power plant shutdowns for unforeseen repair, and fuel prices being affected by global issues. The Light Department has tried to position its customers so that these situations will not have an overbearing burden on them.

Paxton continues to purchase more of its power from the market as our load profile changes. Peak demand continues to reflect summer air-conditioning and other cooling load requirements. As Paxton's peak becomes coincident with the regional peak, power supply cost will be more dependent on market price. Additionally, orders issued by FERC (Federal Energy Regulatory Commission) and market-design development through ISO-New England continue to add to the power supply cost for Paxton. Kilowatt-hour sales were 21,908,518 and 22,586,319 in 2006 and 2005 respectively, or a 2.8% decrease. Total Power supply expenses increased overall as a result of Reliability-Must-Run (RMR) payments and other market-design features that seek to bring competition to energy pricing in the New England market.

The Paxton Municipal Light Department, along with other MMWEC members and other public power entities in New England, has challenged RMR payments at ISO-New England, at FERC, and in court. We have prevailed on some of these challenges and payments will be reduced or refunded.

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Utility Plant and Debt Administration:

Utility Plant

The Department had Gross Utility Plant acquisitions of \$144,351 in 2006. Distribution upgrades and replacements to overhead wire, poles and transformers were the bulk of this expense. We installed 18 electric services to new customers. We also purchased a used utility trailer and new mobile radios for two trucks. Depreciation Cash was used to fund \$95,406 of these replacements and upgrades.

The manager's car was replaced and a new pickup truck was purchased in 2006. The total cost of the two vehicles was \$48,945 and paid for from special funds set aside for this purpose. The 1987 digger truck has been bid out and is being built in 2007. The cost of the new digger derrick will be paid from the balance of Other Special Funds which was \$252,055 at year end.

Debt Administration

The Paxton Municipal Light Department remains a vertically integrated utility, as do all Municipal Light Departments in Massachusetts. This means that we are allowed under the Massachusetts Utility Restructuring Laws to retain our ownership and control over our electrical generation assets. Investor owned utilities, such as Massachusetts Electric Company, have been required to sell their generation assets as a result of the same restructuring laws.

The generation assets, which we have a vested ownership in along with the other municipal electrical systems in New England, are financed through municipal bonds. The collective debt service owed under these bonds stands today at approximately \$869 million of which Paxton Municipal Light Department's share is \$6.2 million. The amount owed on these bonds represents the total debt of Paxton Municipal Light Department today. The bond payments and interest have been and will continue to be paid with revenues received from the sales of electricity.

Significant Balances and Transactions:

Purchased Power Working Capital

The continually developing market rules continue to place a fair amount of emphasis on financial assurance and financial guarantees. Paxton continues to work through its agent, Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company (MMWEC) to ensure we can continue to participate and take advantage of opportunities to supply reliable, competitively priced electricity to our customers.

The purchased power working capital is an amount held by MMWEC. MMWEC requires that they hold a set amount of capital (minimum of two months) from which it may pay our power obligations when they are due. They replenish the fund as needed from our monthly invoice payments. Developments in the power market continue to create pressure on working capital requirements that secure Paxton's financial guarantee to

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operate in the market. Paxton currently has some surplus in working capital and the required level of additional working capital is not expected to impact rates in 2007.

Rate Stabilization Fund

The rate stabilization fund was created as an aftermath of deregulation. These funds are for unexpected escalation in costs, such as the *decommissioning of nuclear power plants before the end of their operating license, unusual price spikes in fuel prices and transmission cost increases. We will also use this fund to help us maintain our competitive position when the investor-owned utilities are no longer collecting their "stranded costs**". Our rate stabilization balance at December 31, 2006 and 2005 was \$1,647,441 and \$1,579,663 respectively. There was no appropriation to Rate Stabilization from current earnings in 2006 or 2005 other than the interest earned on the Fund.

* Decommissioning of a nuclear power plant means the complete removal of any trace of that power plant. Paxton has decommissioning obligations associated with power sales agreements through MMWEC to purchase power from Millstone III and Seabrook. Decommissioning costs are being collected as the plants operate so that at the scheduled end of term of operation there will be monies to decommission the plant. If for some reason the plant is shut down early funds have to be made available to decommission at that time.

**Stranded costs refer to long-term debt or contractual obligations previously incurred that are higher than the new market costs. The investor-owned utilities were required to sell their generation assets as a condition to recover their stranded costs. The proceeds from the sales were used to pay off some of their costs. In place of owning generation, we have long-term power contracts with long-term payment obligations.

Depreciation Fund

Paxton Municipal Light Department maintains a depreciation fund, which is managed by the Town of Paxton Treasurer. This fund is used to pay for large capital investments such as new vehicles, distribution system upgrades and new construction. This fund is required by state statute. We annually set aside 3% to 5% of our gross cost-of-plant to be used for capital improvements and additions. In 2006, we added \$200,119 or 5% of our gross cost-of-plant, for future acquisitions and used \$95,406 for asset purchases. All interest on this fund is added to the fund balance and remains in the account.

Significant Developments

Project 2006A

The Paxton Municipal Light Department is participating in development of a new gas-fired generation plant proposed by MMWEC through Special Project 2006A with an expected winter output rating of 280 MW. The Department has signed up for a 1 MW share of the project.

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The first phase of the project produced a preliminary engineering design, cost estimates, alternative site analysis, and identified potential project participants. The second phase, budgeted at \$5 million and scheduled to last 24 months, will encompass all the work preliminary to final engineering design and construction. It will include the regulatory, environmental, permitting, siting, detailed design, contract development and financing development work required to move the project forward. The third phase will include financing, unit construction, and startup activities. Commercial operation is currently scheduled for mid-2010. The total cost of the project is estimated at approximately \$220 million.

Wind Generation in Paxton

During 2006, our investigation into wind turbine generation in Paxton was stalled by a legal battle over the site on Asnebumskit Hill, and the FAA determination that height restrictions would be imposed on any facilities proposed. The height restrictions effectively killed the project by reducing the potential size of the generators below the economic threshold. The legal battle over the purchase was resolved in early 2007 and the new landowners have indicated they want to develop wind power on the property. PMLD will continue to monitor emerging technologies that could improve the economic feasibility of a project.

Wentworth Substation

The Paxton Municipal Light Department takes delivery of energy from the NGRD 127A transmission line through the Wentworth Substation. The substation, constructed in the mid 1970's, is aging and reaching obsolescence. In addition, the federal government through FERC is requiring adherence to new mandatory reliability standards. In 2007, the Light Department has begun looking at upgrading the facility to provide reliable and efficient power delivery to the town. The approximate estimated cost for substation upgrades and system improvements is \$1.5 million. The cost of the substation upgrade will come from available cash and financing repaid from future revenues.

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

The most significant development this year for our department was the culmination of a project a decade long. After several studies, much discussion and an overwhelming need, the public safety complex was brought to vote. I would like to thank all those who supported us and look forward to the completion of the facility in early 2009.

This year, the Communication Center combined with the Police Department as you may have noticed from the town warrant. This joining allows us many benefits. The newly formed department allows for cross training resulting in a larger resource pool for both the police and dispatch side. Law enforcement career oriented persons now have an opportunity to grow within the department.

Our department continues to provide community programs and services through grants and private donations, which are always welcome and appreciated. Annually we sponsor a bicycle safety program, RAD for women, and Officer Phil at Paxton Center School.

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The Police Department provides flexible and convenient hours for access to reports, services, and firearm license renewals.

Educated, trained, and experienced officers and detectives are knowledgeable regarding criminal investigations, sexual and domestic assaults and stay updated with all the latest internet crimes and mail scams. This year, as in the last several, we have seen an increase in this type of crime. Please people; remember the basic rule that strangers don't give you money. Be leery of anything that sounds too good to be true, because it is!

Our town is a special place and the most precious component is our children. This department in conjunction with the fire department, EMS services, and Paxton Center School have trained and planned for incidents such as fire, severe weather or aggression at Paxton Center School.

Please contact us with any suggestions or concerns you may have. Our goal is to keep Paxton a town of peace and no effort is spared to preserve our quality of life.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chief Robert Desrosiers

0	Abandoned Auto
89	Accidents
127	Alarm Burglar/Holdup
62	Animal Other Than Dog
0	Assaults
50	Arrests
99	Assist Citizen
8	Breaking/Entering Auto/ Residential/business
937	Citations-Criminal, Civil, Warnings
3	Destruction of Property/Motor Vehicle
107	Disabled Auto
64	Disturbances
16	Domestic Abuse Incidents
108	Fire call/Emergency/Alarm
228	General Police
0	Homicide (Motor vehicle)
42	House Checks
18	Larceny
40	Lockouts/Auto/Home
1	Loitering
292	Medical Emergencies
1	Mental Health (Section 12)
3	Missing Person
1	Motor Vehicle Theft

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34	Mutual Aid (Area Police Depts.)
1	Parking Violation
7	Phone/Annoying/Harassing
1372	Plate/License Status
3	Property (Lost/Found)
0	Recovered Motor Vehicle
2	Robbery
2	Rubbish/Dumping
2	Runaway
1	Sex Offense
1	Soliciting
0	Suicide Attempt
38	Summons Service
206	Suspicious Autos
77	Suspicious Persons
7	Threats/Harassment
30	Traffic Safety
1	Trespassing Incidents
1	Unattended Death
15	Vandalism
4	Warrant Arrest
31	Warrants/General
38	Welfare Checks
56	911 Silent/Hang up/Abandoned Calls

REPORT OF THE WATER COMMISSION

Fiscal year 2007 was the first year that the Water Department was operated using the Enterprise Fund that had been approved at the May, 2005 Annual Town Meeting. We are pleased to report that the year was completed with a small surplus as shown by the following summary:

<u>Water Enterprise</u>	
<u>Fund</u>	<u>FY07</u>
Water Revenue	629,679
Expenses	579,489
Principal	30,000
Interest	15,390
Total Expenses	624,879
Surplus/(Deficit)	4,800

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We are planning to work toward developing a surplus that will be able to support the cost of much needed upgrades to our water that the Town has not been able fund in the past.

As part of the conversion to a Water Enterprise fund we were also required to create a Fixed Assets List for the entire system going all the way back to 1934, the year the system was established. This was completed in June 2007, and it was determined that the original cost of our system was \$2,771,805 with a depreciated value of \$1,429,908 as of that date. A summary of the water mains in Paxton follows:

PAXTON WATER MAINS

2007

<u>Diameter</u>	<u>Feet</u>	<u>Miles</u>
12"	20,012	3.79
10"	8,123	1.54
8"	67,878	12.86
6"	42,022	7.96
4"	450	0.08
3"	800	0.15
2"	1,020	0.19
TOTAL	138,045	26.57

We applied for and received a grant for \$5,200 to conduct a leak detection survey, retained a qualified firm to perform the survey and began work on the project. The survey is expected to be completed early next year.

Our contract with East National Water to oversee the operation of our water distribution system was renewed this year after a complete evaluation of their performance since they were first hired in 2004. We appreciate the work they have done and we look forward to working with them in the future.

The Water Commission met with several customers over the year to resolve service and billing issues, and reviewed applications for connecting to the system including new buildings at Anna Maria College and a proposed subdivision off of Marshall Street.

In addition to emergency repairs made to water main breaks that occurred over the course of the year, the valves and water mains at the intersection of West and Pleasant streets near the Town Hall were replaced in an effort to eliminated suspected flow restrictions at that point. We appreciate the efforts of DPW Superintendent Mike Putnam and the DPW staff in performing this work and providing support to East National Water throughout the year.

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We would also like to express our thanks to Diane Dillman and her staff at the Paxton Light Department for handling the monthly billing for the Water Department, and to the people of Paxton for your continued support of our efforts.

Respectfully submitted,

John F. Malone, Chairman

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

All dogs and cats six months of age or older must be vaccinated against rabies. All dogs six months or older must be licensed by March 31st of each year with the Town Clerk.

The Animal Control Officer can be reached by calling the Dispatch Center at 508-791-6600. All calls will be returned as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

B. Peter Warren, Jr.

BOARD OF APPEALS

In Fiscal Year 2007 the Board of Appeals met 6 times to hear and vote upon the following:

- 11 applications including 4 variances, 5 special permits, 1 finding
- 3 variances were approved, 1 was continued
- 4 special permits were approved, 1 was denied and 1 was continued into the next fiscal year
- The finding was continued
- The continued variance, finding and special permit were all part of the same filing.

There were no changes in the makeup of the board.

Respectfully submitted,

James C. Bradbury, Chairman

CEMETERY COMMISSION

Effective July 1, 2003 the cost for Mooreland Cemetery lots and grave openings are as follows:

CEMETERY LOTS:

2 Grave Lot 400.00

3 Grave Lot 600.00

4 Grave Lot 800.00

6 Grave Lot 1,200.00

1 Grave lot available by special permission.

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OPENING GRAVES:

Weekdays	500.00
Weekends	650.00
Holidays	650.00

CREMATION BURIALS:

Weekdays	300.00
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NO CREMATION BURIALS ON WEEKENDS OR HOLIDAYS!

INFANT BURIALS:

Weekdays	200.00
Weekends	250.00
Holidays	250.00

Lots are available to all current Town residents and former residents. Cemetery lots may be purchased at the Town Hall through the Administrative Assistant 508-754-7638 ext 10. An updated map of Mooreland Cemetery is on display at the Town Hall.

Respectfully,

Cemetery Commission

PAXTON CEMETERY COMMISSION

There were 20 burials (15 full burials and 5 cremation burials) in the Mooreland Cemetery, all in pre-purchased lots, and thirty new lots were sold in FY 2007. The Commission has begun digitizing cemetery records to create a comprehensive database. The 300+ page document that Mr. Ed Duane compiled as the culmination of his 20 years of research in the Center Cemetery on behalf of the Historical Commission will be of enormous value to future genealogical researchers and historians.

New signs were installed in the Mooreland Cemetery to discourage illegal dumping of yard wastes by non-Paxton residents. We will be removing trees that are dead or in poor condition at both cemeteries.

A preliminary inventory of both cemeteries is being comprised by a preservation planner hired by the Massachusetts Historical Commission as a first step in developing National Register Nominations, which will lead to preservation, operating and master plans as needed.

We have interviewed four stone conservators in our search for someone who can help us begin the work needed to rehabilitate the Center Cemetery's beautiful and valuable headstones and monuments. Because it is a highly visible historic burial ground, it is being listed as an important cultural and historic resource on the newly designated Route 122 Scenic Byway. This designation may provide financial aid for the Center Cemetery restoration efforts.

As there are ten times as many residents in Paxton today as there were 92 years ago when the Mooreland Cemetery was opened, and the probability of purchasing land elsewhere

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for a third town cemetery is fairly remote, we must consider recent burial trends in New England and the possibility of purchasing the parcel of land adjacent to the cemetery as we move forward in the planning process.

The Commission would like to thank the Paxton Department of Public Works employees for their excellent work and management of our two cemeteries. A special thank you also goes to Mr. Duane for the work he has completed that will greatly expedite the preservation work that we are about to undertake.

Lois A. Breault-Melican
Chris Stone
Melinda Johnson

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Chairman - Denis Melican
Treasurer - Donna MacLean
Secretary - Anita Fenton

Members - Sue Corcoran, Pam Hair, Daniel Gehnrich, and Matthew Atanian; Assoc.
member - Lois Breault-Melican

The purpose of the Paxton Historical Commission is to maintain, preserve, study and catalogue historical items, papers, and artifacts from Paxton's past. The Commission also sponsored two historically relevant programs. A fall lecture was presented by the Chief Horticulturist from Old Sturbridge Village, Christie Higginbottom, on the types of vegetables grown and the methods used during colonial times to preserve the harvests from New England farms. A spring presentation called "Prints of the Past" was based on photography and the types of early historical photos of the region by noted photographic historian, Frank Morrill.

The Commission completed assembly of historic and picturesque recent photos of Paxton for a 2007 historical calendar. Proceeds from the sales will be used to purchase additional benches or other improvements for the Town Common.

The Commission participated in the third annual Paxton Festival with a display of photographic techniques of the past including a working pinhole camera. There were also numerous demonstrations of the concepts of photography and how it links us to our past.

PAXTON HISTORIC STUDY COMMITTEE

The purpose of the Paxton Historic District Study Committee was to prepare and present for approval to the Massachusetts Historical Commission, the residents of Paxton, and the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office, a proposed bylaw for the creation of a historic district within Paxton town limits. The historic district was created to include six municipal properties: the Town Hall, the White Building, the Records Building, Richards Memorial Library, the Town Common, and Center Cemetery. Following approval by the Massachusetts Historical Commission, the Historic District By-law was presented to the

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residents at the annual town meeting in May, modified, and approved. The modified by-law was sent to the Attorney General's Office. It was suggested that the map for the historic district be re-drawn to be a more accurate representation. A new map prepared by committee member Jay Gallant was sent to the town counsel and town clerk to be processed for certification. The selection process for members of the Paxton Historic District commission was initiated with representatives selected by the Trustees of the Library, the Cemetery Commission, and the Historical Commission.

The members of the committee along with Historical Commission members presented an article on the May 2007 warrant for the creation of a Town Hall Renovation Study Committee. It was approved by a large majority and members were subsequently selected for the committee, which has been gathering information to be presented to Paxton residents at the May 2008 town meeting.

Chairman - Anita Fenton
Secretary - Jay Gallant

Members – Paul Robinson, Daniel Gehnrich, Lois Breault-Melican and Matthew Atanian

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

In 2007, the Paxton Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEMP) was updated along with subsequent supporting documents. This update corrected all outdated information and was reviewed by the Emergency Management Director (EMD) for any possible procedural or policy related improvements that could be made. The EMD met with Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) staff members to ensure that all plan information on file with that agency was current. In addition, the EMD attended one MEMA tabletop drill and one MEMA region Emergency Management Meeting. The EMD also met with the Emergency Manager in Leicester to discuss any possible mutual aide benefits and to share plan information. Furthermore, the EMD attended numerous Board of Health Meetings (BOH) to advise on any pandemic related issues along with providing Incident Command System (ICS) refreshers. Throughout the year, the EMD regularly communicated to Town Department Chairpersons of the need to continue further ICS trainings within their respective departments for compliance with National Incident Management System (NIMS Standards). On two occasions the EMD updated MEMA with any town related incidents during winter weather events.

To date, the EMD has completed the following course work:

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| 1.) | Incident Command System 100 | 6-Hours |
| 2.) | Incident Command System 200 | 24-hours |
| 3.) | National Incident Command System 700 | 2-Hours |
| 4.) | National Incident Command System 800 | Emergency Management |
| | Institute - Online | |
| 5.) | Emergency Program Manager, Orientation | Emergency Management |
| | Institute - Online | |

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6.) Emergency Management Professional Development Series (7 Courses) EMI - Online

- 1.) Principles of Emergency Management
- 2.) Emergency Planning
- 3.) Effective Communication
- 4.) Decision Making and Problem Solving
- 5.) Leadership and Influence
- 6.) Developing and Managing Volunteers
- 7.) Exercise Design

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeffery Wentzell
Emergency Manager

BOARD OF REGISTRARS

The Board of Registrars held new voter registration during the year as required by law.
New totals as of June 30, 2007:

Republican	433
Democrat	761
Libertarian	9
Un-enrolled	1661
Green	1
TOTAL	2865

Voting is held in the Paxton Center School, which is handicap accessible. Town Hall is handicap accessible for voter registration.

In order to exercise the voting franchise, anyone who needs help may call the Town Clerk at 799-7347, ext. 15.

Deirdre L. Malone
Town Clerk

WIRING INSPECTOR

Electrical Application for Permits received during fiscal year 2007 were 89 down from 126 the previous year.

6 New homes completed
5 Additions and Miscellaneous
89 Total Inspections & Re-inspections

Permit applications and fee schedules are available at the Town Hall and on the Town's web site www.townofpaxton.net. Permits may be applied for from the Selectmen's Administrative Assistant 508-754-7638 ext. 10. All wiring, whether done by the

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homeowner or a licensed electrician, requires a permit and inspection. Electricians should be prepared to show an electrician's license and a current certificate of insurance.

The Wiring Inspector is Dennis Benoit and he may be reached at 508-755-5171.

Respectfully submitted
Electrical Inspector

CULTURAL COUNCIL

The Local Cultural Council is the largest grassroots cultural funding program in the nation, supporting community based projects in the arts, humanities, and the sciences. For 2007 the Paxton Cultural Council received \$4000, which was distributed through the funding of a portion of received application grants. Among the recipients of these grants were: Audio Journal Inc., the Paxton Council on Aging (two grants), the Borelli Band concert at the Paxton Festival, Richards Memorial Library (four grants), the Wachusett Community Band, the Wachusett Community Partnership for Children, Guy Morin (performer), and the National Players Shakespearean Troupe. It is hoped that these grants will continue to help enrich the lives of citizens of all ages throughout the Paxton community.

Members - Barbara Lorge; Mary Kate Gainty

Chairman - Anita Fenton
Secretary - Sarah Newman
Treasurer - Barbara Socha

BAYPATH REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

SCHOOL YEAR 2006-2007

2007-2008 SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Jack Haroian – Auburn
Donald H. Erickson – Auburn

Clarence A. Bachand – Charlton
Olaf R. Garcia – Charlton

Open – Dudley
Robert Hill – Secretary – Dudley

Francis A. LaMothe – North Brookfield
Donald J. Gillette – North Brookfield

Benjamin J. LaMountain – Chairman – Oxford

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Randall G. Slauenwhite - Oxford

Robert Wilby - Paxton

Sandy M. Benoit - Paxton

Robert K. Mowatt - Rutland

Michael S. Pantos - Rutland

Lazaraq L. Petero - Southbridge

Helen I. Lenti - Southbridge

Kenneth R. Wheeler - Assistant Treasurer - Spencer

Robert L. Zukowski - Vice-Chairman - Spencer

Alfred E. Beland - Webster

Edwin G. Stalec - Webster

Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School graduated a class of 236 students in June of 2007, and accepted a class of 315 Freshmen in September of 2007. Our current enrollment has reached 1,121 students.

Of the 3 Paxton Seniors who graduated, 2 are now gainfully employed in occupations related to their training. Currently, 15 students from Paxton are enrolled in one of our 21 vocational areas.

Two Paxton students are receiving extra service from our Special Education Department.

This year, we have taken in less tuition students than in the past. Townspeople should realize that those towns, which do not belong to the District, pay between \$12,086 and \$13,839 in tuition to the District for each student. Those towns also pay all transportation costs. This compares favorably with the Town of Paxton's cost, for the 2007-2008 school year of \$11,173.08 per student, including transportation. The acceptance of out of district students to fill available vocational space allows us to lower the assessments of member towns.

Whenever possible, we have continued our practice of utilizing our occupational programs to complete projects for our towns. This year we completed over 16 projects for the Town of Paxton and its residents including remodeling the Paxton Police Department. Our house project was also completed in the Town of Paxton for Mr. & Mrs. Faucher of 55 Davis Hill Road. We will continue this type of work whenever possible, keeping in mind that the projects must be of an educational value for our students.

Our Evening Program continues to serve the adult needs of our 10-Town District, as well as an additional 20 surrounding towns. Our spring and fall programs had a combined enrollment of 3,567, in programs ranging from Career & Licensing; Computer

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Technology; Health & Fitness; Language & Art; Hobbies & Crafts; Business & Finance; Sports & Leisure and over 350 on-line courses.

We are taking advantage of every opportunity to seek State and Federal grants to help us lower our costs to the District Towns. In the 2007-2008 school year, we are receiving approximately \$750,000 in various Federal and State grants. As usual, State and Federal money is received with stringent requirements and reporting responsibilities.

The Wachusett Regional School System continues to provide excellent cooperation for our recruiting program and we are thankful for their efforts. I believe that they share our feeling that all students must be given the right, the information, and the opportunity to make an informed school choice.

We, at Bay Path, will continue to serve Paxton with the finest vocation education programs available for high school students and adults, and will, when at all possible, use our skills and facilities to further town projects as they add to our students' education.

Respectfully submitted,

David P. Papagni
Superintendent Director

WACHUSETT REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

It is a pleasure to have this opportunity to address you as we enter another year and prepare another fiscal plan to guide our towns and our regional school district. As we begin the process of planning for FY09, we thought that it would be appropriate to review the highlights of the FY08 Appropriation that you will find below.

The FY08 Appropriation represents a 6.38% increase from the FY07 Appropriation and includes the following changes:

- Increase of \$2,630,853 (6.69%) in Salaries, which represents contractual obligations, increased staffing for the Literacy Initiative in the elementary schools, and increased staffing due to increased enrollment.
- Increase of \$947,179 (13.19%) in Benefits & Insurance, which represents a projected increase in health insurance rates for existing staff, together with a formula based upon the average health cost per employee for additional staff.
- Increase of \$48,015 (1.36%) in Instructional Support, which includes the needs of the schools as included in the School Improvement Plans.
- Increase of \$198,595 (6.3%) in Operations & Maintenance, which represents a projected increase in energy costs, as well as regular maintenance for buildings and grounds.
- Increase of \$621,633 (22.2%) in Special Education Tuitions – Other Schools, which represents the State's projected increase in tuition rates, along with estimates for students already identified for out-of-District placements.

REPORTS OF THE ELECTED AND APPOINTED BOARDS OF THE TOWN OF PAXTON

- Increase of \$393,657 (34.8%) in Other Operations Costs, which represents the Fixed Charges and Tuitions – Other Schools.
- The FY08 Appropriation includes \$4,385,534 for transportation, a \$105,534 (2.5%) increase from FY07 due to the increase costs of special education transportation.

As you will note, much of the 6.3% increase that we experienced last year had to do with fixed cost increases over which we have little control. Increases to benefits and insurance, transportation and heat and utilities represent escalation that is difficult to control and, at that same time, adds little value to the education that we provide to our students. Moreover, you will note that the District experienced a 22.2% increase in Special Education Tuition costs, another area in which we have little discretion. The District's Literacy Initiative is one area in which we did make a conscious decision to increase expenditures and one in which we did find a great deal of educational benefit. This initiative has totally revamped our approach to teaching reading in the primary grades and it is our belief that our efforts will aid students throughout their K-12 experience.

As we begin to plan for FY09, the District is mindful of the financial circumstances that face our Member Towns. However, the conditions that provoked the "fixed cost" increases of FY08 are still apparent and it will be difficult for us to present a budget that is not marked by significant increase unless we reduce our staff. We owe our students an education that provides them with the opportunities that they need and this is only possible with adequate staff. At the same time, we owe our Member Towns our best effort to control costs and we will certainly take that responsibility seriously as we move into this and subsequent budget seasons.

As always, it is my intent to work with our Member Towns in the interest of finding common ground and solutions to our problems.

Sincerely,

Thomas G. Pandiscio, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools



TOWN CLERK

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK VITAL STATISTICS

JULY 1, 2006 TO JUNE 30, 2007

Birth, Deaths and Marriages

Number of Births 47

Number of Deaths 25

Number of Marriages 67

Dog Licenses Issued

Males/Female 41

Neutered/Spaded 397

Kennel Licenses 2

Amount Paid to General Fund **\$3275.00**

Fishing Licenses Issued 104

Amount Paid to
Division of Fisheries & Wildlife **\$2,615.00**

Respectfully submitted

Deirdre L. Malone

Town Clerk



TOWN ACCOUNTANT

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TOWN OF PAXTON-RECONCILIATION OF FUND BALANCE		
UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE 6/30/2006		\$498,395.18
ADD:		
FUND BALANCE RESERVED FOR ENCUMBRANCES		\$79,111.36
FUND BALANCE RESERVED FOR EXPENDITURES		\$450,161.00
FUND BALANCE RESERVED FOR EXP- O/S		\$0.00
FUND BALANCE RESERVED FOR CONT. ARTICLES		\$106,199.97
FUND BALANCE OTHER:		
1. CHERRY SHEET OVERESTIMATES		
2. PETTY CASH		\$250.00
LESS:		
FUND BALANCE RESERVED FOR DEFICITS		
1. SNOW AND ICE		\$0.00
2. OVERLAY		\$0.00
3. CHERRY SHEET UNDERESTIMATES		\$0.00
4. APPROPRIATION DEFICIT		\$0.00
SUBTOTAL:		\$1,134,117.51
FISCAL 2007		
LESS:		
FUND BALANCE RESERVED FOR ENCUMBRANCES	*	\$44,241.08
FUND BALANCE RESERVED FOR CONT ARTICLES	*	\$42,002.31
FUND BALANCE RESERVED FOR EXPENDITURES	*	\$432,012.00
FUND BALANCE OTHER:		
1. RESERVE FOR EXP-O/S	*	\$0.00
2. RESERVE FOR EXP-F/C	*	\$0.00
3. PETTY CASH	*	\$250.00
ADD:		
FUND BALANCE RESERVED FOR DEFICITS		
1. SNOW AND ICE	*	\$0.00
2. OVERLAY	*	\$0.00
3. CHERRY SHEET UNDERESTIMATES	*	\$0.00
4. APPROPRIATION DEFICIT (MEDICARE TAX)	*	\$0.00
SUBTOTAL:		\$615,612.12
ADD:		
REVENUE CLOSEOUT		\$8,796,100.55
OTHER:		
1. AUDIT ADJUSTMENTS		\$24,034.85
2. OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		
LESS:		
EXPENDITURE CLOSEOUT		\$8,942,484.33
OTHER:		
1. AUDIT ADJUSTMENTS		\$0.00
2. OTHER FINANCING USES		\$0.00
TOTAL UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE 06/30/2007	*	\$493,263.19

Town of Paxton
General Fund
Revenues and Expenditures

	ADJ. BAL @ 6-30-06	BALANCE AT 6-30-07	ADJUSTMENTS & RECLASS.		ADJ. BAL @ 6-30-07
			DR	CR	
Revenues:					
Property Taxes	6,510,211.32	6,523,113.94			6,523,113.94
Excise Taxes	621,707.62	579,611.80			579,611.80
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	9,445.26	10,412.77			10,412.77
Departmental Charges For Services	833,063.24	301,580.59			301,580.59
Licenses and Permits	76,053.11	60,073.44			60,073.44
Intergovernmental	1,149,986.41	1,068,818.44			1,068,818.44
Fines	13,155.00	13,412.50			13,412.50
Investment Income	49,349.62	51,899.03			51,899.03
Other	141,301.34	(23,298.06)			(23,298.06)
Total Revenues	9,404,272.92	8,585,624.45	0.00	0.00	8,585,624.45
Expenditures:					
General Government	494,146.61	550,178.17			550,178.17
Public Safety	1,056,491.84	1,233,025.42			1,233,025.42
Education	4,574,997.78	4,492,830.00			4,492,830.00
Public Works	1,272,833.06	807,844.30			807,844.30
Human Services	57,936.05	89,903.49			89,903.49
Recreation and Culture	190,430.88	222,129.36			222,129.36
Debt Service	738,032.99	687,308.54			687,308.54
State and County Assessments	60,676.00	74,790.00			74,790.00
Employee Benefits	512,717.36	407,007.51			407,007.51
Insurance	84,896.64	92,392.33			92,392.33
Other	0.00	0.00			0.00
Total Expenditures	9,043,159.21	8,657,409.12	0.00	0.00	8,657,409.12
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	361,113.71	(71,784.67)	0.00	0.00	(71,784.67)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Proceeds of Bonds	0.00	0.00			0.00
Transfers From Other Funds	0.00	15,000.00			15,000.00
Transfers (To) Special Rev. Funds	(280,000.00)	0.00	100,000.00		(100,000.00)
Transfers (To) Capital Projects Funds	(152,817.00)	0.00			0.00
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over Expenditures	(71,703.29)	(56,784.67)	100,000.00	0.00	(156,784.67)
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	1,240,256.54	1,168,553.25			1,168,553.25
Fund Balance, End of Year	1,168,553.25	1,111,768.58	100,000.00	0.00	1,011,768.58

FUND BALANCES AS OF JUNE 30, 2007

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS STATE GRANTS

FUND	FUND NAME	DESIGNATED F/B 06/30/2007	UNDESIGNATED F/B 06/30/2007
205	POLICE GRANTS	(\$10,386.18)	
207	COMMUNITY POLICING	(\$12,362.48)	
220	FIRE DEPT	(\$979.50)	
230	EXTENDED POLLING HOURS	(\$720.00)	
240	COUNCIL ON AGING	(\$990.00)	
250	RECYCLING GRANT	\$111.30	
267	LIBRARY GRANTS	(\$23,404.38)	
270	CULTURAL COUNCIL	(\$2,941.68)	
285	SMART GROWTH	(\$10,200.00)	
298	WATER TANK FENCE	(\$110.90)	
299	HIGHWAY	\$94,568.42	

RECEIPTS RESERVED

256	TITLE V	(\$68,696.99)
294	SALE OF LOTS	(\$120,029.94)
810	STABILIZATION	(\$400,002.13)
824	WAR BOND	(\$5,706.29)
825	CONSERVATION	(\$38,644.01)
828	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	(\$1,089.08)
830	MUNICIPAL	(\$250.00)
835	CAPITAL DEPRECIATION	(\$399,345.94)

GIFTS

210	POLICE - GIFTS	\$0.00
225	FIRE-GIFTS	\$499.99
226	AMC GIFTS	(\$4,620.15)
235	HISTORICAL - GIFTS	(\$1,560.14)
245	COUNCIL ON AGING	\$147.93
295	CABLE GIFT	(\$62,985.45)

REVOLVING

200	PARKING TICKETS	(\$633.00)
212	FISH & WILDLIFE	\$284.00
215	POLICE DETAIL	(\$10,828.86)
218	FIREARMS	(\$1,404.79)
246	ELDER VAN	(\$20,762.14)
255	COMPOST BINS	(\$683.30)
260	RECREATION FEE	(\$9,995.68)
265	RECREATION	(\$13,981.69)
275	WETLANDS PROTECTION	(\$22,010.26)
296	UPPER BLACKSTONE	\$0.00
297	INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT	(\$19,489.22)

FEDERAL GRANTS

TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE	(\$1,169,202.54)	\$0.00
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FUND BALANCES AS OF JUNE 30, 2007

CAPITAL PROJECTS

FUND	FUND NAME	DESIGNATED F/B 06/30/2007	
301	2005 CAPITAL	(\$1,575.17)	
302	2006 CAPITAL	\$319,132.40	*
303	2007 CAPITAL	\$125,471.96	*

TOTAL CAPTIAL PROJECTS \$443,029.19

* BANS ISSUED IN THE AMT OF \$448,000.00

NON-EXPENDABLE TRUST

FUND	FUND NAME	UNDESIGNATED F/B 06/30/2007	DESIGNATED F/B 06/30/2007
800-3310	PERPETUAL CARE		(\$90,964.39)
800-3311	HOWLAND		(\$10,000.00)
800-3312	RICHARD		(\$182,554.42)
800-3313	OTHER LIBRARY		(\$21,966.02)
800-3314	VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT		(\$1,000.00)
800-3315	BOYNTON POOR		(\$7,675.00)
800-3316	BOYNTON GENERAL PURPOSE		(\$1,000.00)
800-3317	BIGELOW		(\$1,000.00)
800-3318	HAZEL GAY		(\$393.15)
800-3319	OTHER TRUST		(\$4,627.36)

TOTAL ENTERPRISE \$0.00 (\$321,180.34)

FUND BALANCES AS OF JUNE 30, 2007

AGENCY FUNDS

FUND	FUND NAME	OTHER LIABILITIES 06/30/2007
505	GLAD HILL	(\$6,839.82)
506	HIGHLAND VILLAGE	(\$15,367.07)
510	FOX RUN	(\$2,073.23)
520	FORESTDALE	(\$7,959.17)

TOTAL TRUST	(\$32,239.29)
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EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS


FUND	FUND NAME	DESIGNATED F/B 06/30/2007
813	LIBRARY	\$1,221.54
814	LIBRARY	(\$10,193.16)
815	LIBRARY	\$1,572.80
816	PERPETUAL CARE	(\$18,924.64)
818	HAZEL GAY	(\$132.12)
819	E BIGELOW	(\$689.02)
820	MEDICAL CENTER	(\$29,210.00)
821	VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT	(\$7,617.93)
822	BOYNTON POOR	(\$2,517.53)
823	BOYNTON GENERAL PURPOSE	(\$54,872.67)
827	A T & T	(\$372.96)

TOTAL TRUST	(\$121,735.69)
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FUND BALANCES AS OF JUNE 30, 2007

ENTERPRISE

FUND	FUND NAME	UNDESIGNATED F/B 06/30/2007	DESIGNATED F/B 06/30/2007
290	WATER	\$4,800.38	
TOTAL ENTERPRISE		\$4,800.38	\$0.00



TOWN COLLECTOR



TOWN COLLECTOR

REPORT OF THE TOWN COLLECTOR

Prior Years Motor Vehicle Excise Tax

Outstanding July 1, 2006	14469.01	
Collected		2831.67
Outstanding June 30, 2007		11637.34
Total	\$14,469.01	\$14,469.01

2003 Motor Vehicle Excise Tax

Outstanding July 1, 2006	7342.80	
Collected		2207.07
Outstanding June 30, 2007		5135.73
Total	\$7,342.80	\$7,342.80

2004 Motor Vehicle Excise Tax

Outstanding July 1, 2006	5595.19	
Committed		
Refunded	458.76	
Collected		1933.44
Abated		458.76
Outstanding June 30, 2007		3661.75
Total	\$6,053.95	\$6,053.95

2005 Motor Vehicle Excise Tax

Outstanding July 1, 2006	10373.97	
Committed	419.17	
Refunded	1160.01	
Collected		6028.24
Abated		1160.01
Outstanding June 30, 2007		4764.90
Total	\$11,953.15	\$11,953.15

2006 Motor Vehicle Excise Tax

Outstanding July 1, 2006	29404.82	
Committed	68452.80	
Refunded	4813.27	
Collected		90629.28
Abated		4825.56
Outstanding June 30, 2007		7216.05
Total	\$102,670.89	\$102,670.89

2007 Motor Vehicle Excise Tax

Outstanding July 1, 2006	0	
Committed	509064.41	
Refunded	5904.41	
Collected		467454.03
Payment Reversal	10.21	
Abated		9500.35
Rescinded Abatement	33.75	
Outstanding June 30, 2007		38058.40
Total	\$515,012.78	\$515,012.78

REPORT OF THE TOWN COLLECTOR

2007 Fiscal Farm Animal Excise

Committed	662.5	
Collected		662.50
Total	\$662.50	\$662.50

2007 Fiscal In Lieu of Taxes

Committed	10412.77	
Collected		10412.77
Total	\$10,412.77	\$10,412.77

2005 Fiscal Personal Property Tax

Outstanding July 1, 2006	202.32	
Collected		202.32
Outstanding June 30, 2007		0
Total	\$202.32	\$202.32

2006 Fiscal Personal Property Tax

Outstanding July 1, 2006	1992.96	
Collected		1992.96
Outstanding June 30, 2007		0
Total	\$1,992.96	\$1,992.96

2007 Fiscal Personal Property Tax

Committed	44944.13	
Collected		44483.43
Abatement		36.32
Refund	18.16	
Outstanding June 30, 2007		442.54
Total	\$44,962.29	\$44,962.29

2005 Fiscal Real Estate Tax

Outstanding July 1, 2006	3774.70	
Collected		3774.70
Outstanding June 30, 2006		
Total	\$3,774.70	\$3,774.70

2006 Fiscal Real Estate Tax

Outstanding July 1, 2006	109828.91	
Committed	3016.25	
Collected		84580.42
Transfer to Tax Title		5601.34
Outstanding June 30, 2007		22663.40
Total	\$112,845.16	\$112,845.16

REPORT OF THE TOWN COLLECTOR

2007 Fiscal Real Estate Tax		
Committed	6,568,961.09	
Refunds	8,453.28	
Adjustment	6.20	
Collected		6,402,127.42
Exemptions		31,497.41
Abated		7,707.47
Transfer to Tax Title		4,870.62
Outstanding June 30, 2007		131,217.65
Total	\$6,577,420.57	\$6,577,420.57

Real Estate Tax Liens Receivable - Various Year		
Outstanding July 1, 2006	50,971.08	
Committed	5,177.17	
Transfer to Tax Title	6113.33	
Collected		269.94
Outstanding June 30, 2007		61,991.64
Total	\$62,261.58	\$62,261.58

2006 Fiscal Light Liens		
Outstanding July 1, 2006	2793.11	
Collected		2793.11
Outstanding June 30, 2007		0
Total	\$2,793.11	\$2,793.11

2007 Fiscal Light Liens		
Outstanding July 1, 2006		
Committed	10663.48	
Collected		7361.85
Outstanding June 30, 2007		3301.63
Total	10,663.48	\$10,663.48

Tax Possessions		
Outstanding July 1, 2006	32,871.57	
Outstanding June 30, 2007		32,871.57
Total	\$32,871.57	\$32,871.57

2006 Fiscal Trash Liens		
Outstanding July 1, 2006	711.20	
Collected		711.20
Outstanding June 30, 2007		0
Total	\$711.20	\$711.20

2007 Fiscal Trash Liens		
Outstanding July 1, 2006	0	
Committed	2383.01	
Collected		1982.30
Outstanding June 30, 2007		400.71
Total	\$2,383.01	\$2,383.01

REPORT OF THE TOWN COLLECTOR

2006 Fiscal Water Liens

Outstanding July 1, 2006	310.81	
Committed	5930.64	
Collected		5930.64
Transfer to Tax Title		310.81
Outstanding June 30, 2007		
Total	\$6,241.45	\$6,241.45

2007 Fiscal Water Liens

Outstanding July 1, 2006	0	
Committed	7612.90	
Collected		6355.12
Outstanding June 30, 2007		1257.78
Total	\$7,612.90	\$7,612.90

2007 Fiscal Miscellaneous Receipts

Interest Received on All Taxes	22,333.25
Certificate of Municipal Liens Fees	6,200.00
Parking Fees	30.00
Demand & Warrant Fees	8,945.00
Return Check Fees	125.00
Motor Vehicle Flagging Fees	2,540.00
Dog Fines	685.00
Treasurer's Interest	47,312.17
Betterment Receipts and Interest	15652.82
Title V Receipts and Interest	9817.02
Trash Receipts	228,493.44

Water Department Receipts

Readings	578,203.55
Installations & Repairs	45,761.56
Interest Received on Water Receipts	3040.64
Water Lien Receipts & Fees	8277.10

OFFICE HOURS

MON - THURS 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

FRIDAY 9:00 A.M. to 1:00P.M.

Respectfully submitted by

Deirdre L. Malone,

Collector



TOWN TREASURER

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

Operating Cash	\$3,138,243.08
Receipts for the Year	\$17,10,0591.21
Payments for the Year	\$16,435620.67
Balance, June 30, 2007	\$3,803,213.62

Analysis of Operating Cash, June 30,2007

Webster Bank	\$2,564,737.94
NOW Accounts	\$408,633.16
Money Market Accounts	\$799,426.46
Agency Accounts	\$30,166.06
Petty Cash	\$250.00

Total	\$3,803,213.40
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Interest and Dividend Income	\$46,022.20
Town Operating	\$38,521.78
Electric Depreciation	\$756.05
Agency Accounts	\$54,031.93
Electric Operating	
Tax Title	\$24.74
Title V – Special Revenue	\$533.92
Cultural Council	\$16.32
Water	\$3,040.64

Total	\$142,947.58
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Non-Operating Account Balances, June 30, 2007

	Non-Spendable	Spendable
Richards Memorial Library:		
Trust (Book Value)	\$182,554.42	\$0.00
V. Howland Library Trust	\$10,000.00	\$0.00
Other Library Trusts	\$21,966.02	\$0.00
Cemetery Trusts	\$226,038.53	\$0.00
Village Improvements	\$1,000.00	\$2,517.53
C.D. Boyton Poor Fund	\$1,000.00	\$14,292.93
C.D. Boyton Gen. Purpose	\$7,675.00	\$48,197.67
Stabilization	\$0.00	\$400,002.13
Income from WWII War Bonds	\$0.00	\$5,706.29
Conservation	\$0.00	\$38,644.01
Bigelow School Book Fund	\$1,000.00	\$689.02
AT&T Library Stock (Book Value)	\$4,627.36	\$0.00
Lucent Technology Library Stock		
(Book Value)	\$0.00	\$0.00
Hazel Gay Fund	\$393.15	\$132.12
Capital Depreciation Fund		\$304,345.94
Capital Improvement		\$11,089.08
Total	\$456,254.48	\$825,616.72

TOWN OF PAXTON PAYROLL

TOWN HALL	
Dennis Benoit	3939.00
Charles Blanchard	70367.40
Charles Bolster Jr.	195.50
Rosemary Buckley	10687.90
Thomas Carroll	106.00
Tracey Coetzee	2219.78
Sarah Cole	390.00
Wayne Curran	9630.00
Francis Ford	100.00
Frederick Goodrich	1379.00
Donna Graf-Parsons	24753.35
Joseph Guerin	464.78
Timothy Hackett	530.00
Dennis Harney	2227.50
Judy Hatstat	106.00
Doris Huard	1311.33
Harry Johnson	825.00
Evelyn Lawler	940.00
Deirdre Malone	52950.54
John Malone	1529.00
Marilyn Mathieu	23288.30
David Parent	106.00
Jean Parent	424.00
Michael Quinlivan	1678.00
Carol Riches	29836.14
Mary Savage	6621.86
Joanne Savignac	1311.33
John Slabich	106.00
Adam Smith	1061.00
Susan Stone	6885.23
Richard Trifero	22265.92
David Trulson	150.00
B. Peter Warren	5198.38
Jeffrey Wentzell	1236.00

Nancy Wilby	34328.31
Stephen Wilder	1441.15
FIRE DEPARTMENT	
Daniel Acuna	442.89
Rodolfo Acuna	2851.48
Corey Anderson	1278.94
Chris Bagdis	4152.93
Greg Belden	4424.76
Michael Benoit	10437.44
Lionel Berthiaume	357.72
Kellan Boudreau	2835.97
Joseph Carpenter	3871.42
William Clouthier	35.22
Jay Conte	25546.11
Peter Conte	562.29
Jeffrey Crosby	311.22
Thomas DeCroteau	263.34
Thomas Ducharme	3389.20
Andrew Eisch	2705.22
Brian Faucher	143.64
Michael Flek	1125.41
Richard Gaffney	7214.72
Daniel Gagne	2257.95
Andre Gaudet	3411.18
Joseph Germain	1797.04
Donna Graf-Parsons	4775.50
Kenneth Grensavitch	6406.73
Christopher Hamilton	5968.84
James Hansson	1330.11
Jeffrey Harrell	38.22
Bryan Hogan	2568.25
Richard Jenkins	13336.09
Timothy Kenney	239.40
Richard LaTour Jr.	3306.95
Robert Martin	1277.96

TOWN OF PAXTON PAYROLL

Christopher McCluskie	466.83
Richard Molnar III	1555.41
Benjamin Morris	915.93
James Olson	2613.36
Jeffrey Olson	6141.41
Dean Osgood	5535.12
Stephen Page	9017.81
Ryan Patrician	359.10
Shane Perry	562.59
Michael Pingitore	1221.28
Kevin Quinn	8733.28
Gary Richards	7143.54
Michael Rowe, Jr.	2586.04
Thomas Savage, Jr.	9289.58
Raymond Savignac	1641.72
Orville Sheldon	46.72
Sean Smith	5514.91
Matthew Stone	10539.75
Robert Ulmschneider	187.84
Ward, Alex	454.86
B. Peter Warren	2715.90
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	
Tracey Coetzee	12244.44
David Englund	4992.87
Roni Huard	38173.32
Samuel Knipe	39556.51
Mark Leveille	41742.05
Philip McPherson	19921.36
Michael Putnam	57546.15
Gary Richards	43266.01
Adam Smith	38226.15
Peter Warren	740.00

LIBRARY	
Deborah Bailey	37927.62
Barbara Braley	4403.28
Kara Buckley	1766.92
Arnold Childs, Jr.	3354.74
Lindsay Glass	1693.83
Paula Korstvedt	270.00
Aislinn Lewis	29905.37
Jennifer Robideau	4864.24
Gregory Tuft	529.62
Susan Wheeler	10496.84
Stephanie Young	780.00
RECREATION DEPARTMENT	
Samantha Coetzee	507.50
Cathleen Cook	2100.00
Nicholas Curci	2020.00
Rory Glowick	800.00
Kaitlyn Graham	555.00
Eric Guglielmello	942.50
Mitchell Handy	542.50
Timothy Howard	495.00
Brandan Logee	666.50
Molly Madaio	570.00
Andrew Masterman	2820.00
Craig Masterman	19614.27
Eric McMaster	200.00
Christina Meriah	557.32
Kathleen O'Donoghue	555.00
Kristin Olson	510.00
John Parent	546.00
Daniel Riches	518.00
Joanne Riches	511.00

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Candice Ross	5094.98
Eva Ryan	4082.41
Ryan Shooshan	532.00
Kaila St. George	570.00
Zachary St. George	532.00
Jacquelin Stiments	570.00
COUNCIL ON AGING	
George Heeley	23262.6
Marcella Kelleher	9504.76
John McKiernan	6109.72
Pierre St Laurent	7472.02
COMMUNICATIONS CENTER	
Christine Brunelle	2914.46
Sean Cooney	28480.93
Richard Fairbanks	17342.64
John Jacques Jr	1782.98
Amy McConnell	13388.72
Joshua Murdock	4832.91
David Opacki	6487.49
Dean Osgood	6282.65
Michael Rowe	413.66
Daniel Spencer	9306.40
Patrick Spencer	7207.41
Forrest Thorpe III	35222.94
LIGHT DEPARTMENT	
Michael Benoit	500.00
Susan Blackwood	39483.56
Paul Crowley	500.00
Diane Dillman	79390.40
Brian Foley	71532.81
Yvette Orell	46699.86
Matthew Stone	28792.89
Joseph Thompson	76204.63

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BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Report of the Board of Assessors

After a state mandated Triennial Revaluation Adjustment, based on sales in 2006, the total taxable valuation as of January 1, 2006 for Fiscal Year 2007 was set at \$ 578,747,860. A net increase of \$58,552,306, 11.3%.

The valuation adjustment increased the taxable valuation \$34,159,506.

New construction, additions, and alterations thru June 30, 2006 added \$11,474,005.

Real Estate and Personal Property abatements reduced the total valuation \$639,780.00.

The Board received 25 abatement requests of which 10 were approved and processed.

The Assessors office is open daily from 9:00am to 12:00pm, Monday thru Thursday.

The Board meets on the first Monday of each month at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna L Graf-Parsons
Chairman, Board of Assessors

Board of Assessors
Table 1
Tax Rate Recapitulation Summary

Expenditures

	<u>FY2007</u>	<u>%INC</u>	<u>FY2006</u>	<u>%INC</u>	<u>FY2005</u>
Appropriations to be Raised	\$8,293,103.00		\$8,980,346.00		\$8,721,510.00
Appropriations from Available Funds	\$537,827.00		\$620,854.00		\$313,178.00
Offset Items	\$651,882.00		\$7,237.00		\$7,171.00
Retirement	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00
State & County Assessments	\$74,970.00		\$59,696.00		\$52,238.00
Tax Title	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00
Overlay	\$368,565.05		\$58,330.83		\$37,748.86
Deficits Prior Years	\$366.00		\$2,338.00		\$0.00
Final Court Judgments	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00
Debt & Interest Charges	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00

Gross Amount to be Raised	\$9,926,713.05	2.0%	\$9,728,801.83	6.5%	\$9,131,845.86
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Estimated Receipts

Local Aid and Agency Fund	\$1,027,513.00		\$1,008,329.00		\$573,679.00
Motor Vehicle Excise	\$615,000.00		\$606,000.00		\$595,000.00
Water Department	\$0.00		\$530,000.00		\$518,000.00
Other Local Receipts	\$1,144,586.00		\$507,962.00		\$541,769.00
Available Funds - School Reimbursement	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$338,045.00
Available Funds - Free Cash	\$509,061.00		\$546,929.00		\$295,378.00
Available Funds - Other	\$28,766.00		\$73,925.00		\$17,800.00

Total Estimated Receipts	\$3,324,926.00		\$3,273,145.00		\$2,879,671.00
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Net Amount to be Raised	\$6,609,300.57	2.4%	\$6,455,626.83	3.3%	\$6,252,174.86
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Maximum Allowable Levy	\$6,611,255.00	0.8%	\$6,554,179.00	4.8%	\$6,252,497.00
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Valuations

Real Estate	\$574,813,300.00		\$515,668,600.00		\$482,238,000.00
Personal Property	\$3,935,560.00		\$4,526,954.00		\$4,312,573.00

Total Taxable Property	\$578,747,860.00	1.3%	\$520,195,554.00	6.9%	\$486,550,573.00
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Tax Rates

Residential	\$11.42	-8.0%	\$12.41	-3.4%	\$12.85
Open Space	\$11.42		\$12.41		\$12.85
Commercial, Industrial, Personal Prop	\$11.42		\$12.41		\$12.85

Board of Assessors
Table II
Exemptions, Abatements, Motor Vehicle Excise

	<u>FY2007</u>		<u>FY2006</u>		<u>FY2005</u>	
<u>Exemptions</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Clause 18: Age, Infirmary, Poverty	0	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Clause 17: Widows	2	\$350.00	2	\$350.00	4	\$700.00
Clause 22: Veterans	20	\$9,100.00	20	\$5,700.00	21	\$5,775.00
Clause 37: Blind	7	\$3,062.50	6	\$2,625.00	4	\$1,750.00
Clause 41: Elderly	17	\$12,750.00	17	\$12,750.00	14	\$10,500.00
Clause 41A: Deferred Taxes	0	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Clause 42:	1	\$5,922.41	1	\$5,806.64	2	\$12,740.78
Totals	47	\$31,184.91	46	\$27,231.64	45	\$31,465.78
<u>Abatements</u>						
Real Estate	9	\$7,269.97	17	\$12,824.27	8	\$8,436.03
Personal Property	1	\$36.32	4	\$597.26	2	\$184.63
Farm Animal Excise	0	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Motor Vehicle Excise	178	\$16,078.43	159	\$15,870.53	200	\$18,082.59
Total	188	\$23,384.72	180	\$29,292.06	210	\$26,703.25
<u>Motor Vehicle Excise Bills</u>						
Bills Processed	4763	\$577,760.00	4607	\$525,907.00	4987	\$634,490.23
Dollar Value Less Abatements		\$561,681.57		\$510,036.47		\$616,407.64

Board of Assessors
Table III
Property Classification

	<u>FY2007</u>	<u>FY2006</u>	<u>Increase/(Decrease)</u>	<u>%</u>
Residential	\$556,030,550.00	\$490,683,290.00	\$65,347,260.00	13.3%
Open Space	\$0.00	\$6,886,800.00	-\$6,886,800.00	-100.0%
Commercial	\$14,719,350.00	\$14,434,210.00	\$285,140.00	2.0%
Industrial	\$4,062,400.00	\$3,664,300.00	\$398,100.00	10.9%
Personal Property	\$3,935,560.00	\$4,526,954.00	-\$591,394.00	-13.1%
Total Taxable Property	\$578,747,860.00	\$520,195,554.00	\$58,552,306.00	11.3%
Exempt Property	\$61,244,300.00	\$36,851,500.00	\$24,392,800.00	66.2%
Total Valuation	\$639,992,160.00	\$557,047,054.00	\$82,945,106.00	14.9%

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

EMERGENCY NUMBERS:

DIAL "911"

Fire: 508-756-1400

Police: 508-791-9296

Medical: 508-791-9296

COMMUNICATIONS CENTER: 508-791-6600

10 West Street

Open 24 hours to provide information and assistance to the residents of Paxton.

TOWN HALL, 697 Pleasant Street: hours: Monday-Thursday 9am- 4pm, Friday 9am - 1pm.

Contact the Town Services Coordinator, Nancy Wilby at 508-753-2803, ext. 11 for Board of Appeal, Planning Board and Board of Health

Board of Appeals James Bradbury, Chair
Board of Health Thomas Carroll, Chair
Planning Board Neil Bagdis, Chair

Board meets on an "As needed" basis
Board meets the first Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.
Board meets the second Monday or Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Building Commissioner Richard Trifero
Sanitary Inspector Wayne Curran
Gas & Plumbing Inspector Dennis Harney
Wire Inspector Dennis Benoit
Fire Inspector Matthew Stone
Town Accountant Marilyn Mathieu
Town Collector, Treasurer Deirdre Malone
Town Clerk

Home: 508-756-5622
Home: 508-757-4180
Home: 508-755-5171
Home: 508-799-0392
508-868-8928
508-754-7638 Ext. 13
508-754-7638 Ext. 15

Assessors Joanne Savignac, Chair
Donna Graf-Parsons,
Administrative Assessor

Hours: Monday - Thursday,
9 a.m.-Noon

Board of Selectmen John Malone, Chair
Carol Riches,
Administrative Assistant

Board meets every other Monday -
Call in advance for meeting dates

Town Administrator Charles Blanchard
Department of Public Works Michael Putnam, DPW Supt.

Town Hall 508-754-7638 Ext. 20
Office: 107 Holden Road 508-753-9077

Water Commissioners John Malone, Chair

Board meets third Tuesday of each
month at 7pm

Municipal Light Department Diane Dillman, Manager
Michael Benoit, Chair

Office: 578 Pleasant Street. Board 508-756-9508
meets second Tuesday of each
month.

Police Department Robert Desrosiers,
Police Chief

Office: 10 West Street (Business 508-755-1104
Only)

Dog/Animal Control Officer B. Peter Warren
Recreation Commission Paul Riches, Chair

Contact Dispatch 508-791-6600
Commission meet the third 508-752-7204
Monday of each month

Council on Aging Gerry Ryan, Chair
George Heeley, Director

Office: 17 West Street 508-756-2833
Board meets the first Tuesday of
each month.

Conservation Commission Christopher Keenan, Chair

Board meets the second Thursday 508-735-0035
of each month

Historical Commission Anita Fenton

Board meets the third Thursday of
each month

Veteran's Agent Timothy Hackett
Richards Memorial Library Debbie Bailey, Librarian
Charles Innis, Trustee Chair

Home: 508-755-1477
Trustees meet the first Tuesday of 508-754-0793
each month

LIBRARY HOURS

HOURS:

Sunday & Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

WINTER

CLOSED

1-8 p.m.

9-12 p.m., 1-5 p.m.

1-8 p.m.

9-12 p.m., 1-5 p.m.

10-4 p.m.

SUMMER

CLOSED

1-5 p.m., 7-9 p.m.

1-5 p.m.

1-5 p.m., 7-9 p.m.

1-5 p.m.

CLOSED