

# *Town of Huntington Massachusetts*



*Main Street Huntington 1910*

## *2016 Annual Report*

## STATISTICS

|   |   |                    |                        |          |                             |                  |                        |                        |                           |                     |                     |   |  |
|---|---|--------------------|------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|--|
| Incorporated:   | March 9, 1855   |                    |                        |          |                             |                  |                        |                        |                           |                     |                     |   |  |
| Area:   | 26.90 square miles  |                    |                        |          |                             |                  |                        |                        |                           |                     |                     |   |  |
| Miles of Town Paved Road:   | 25.105  |                    |                        |          |                             |                  |                        |                        |                           |                     |                     |   |  |
| Miles of Town Dirt Road:  | 11.75   |                    |                        |          |                             |                  |                        |                        |                           |                     |                     |   |  |
| 2010 US Census Count:   | 2,180   |                    |                        |          |                             |                  |                        |                        |                           |                     |                     |   |  |
| AREA:   | 26.90 square miles  |                    |                        |          |                             |                  |                        |                        |                           |                     |                     |   |  |
| U. S. Senators:   | Edward Markey<br>Springfield Federal Building<br>1550 Main Street, Suite 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor<br>Springfield, MA 01103<br>(413) 785-4610 or (202) 224-2742<br><a href="http://www.markey.senate.gov">www.markey.senate.gov</a><br><br>Elizabeth Warren<br>Springfield Federal Building<br>1550 Main Street, Suite 406<br>Springfield, MA 01103 (413) 788-2690 or<br>(617) 565-3170 or (202) 224-4543<br><a href="http://www.warren.senate.gov">www.warren.senate.gov</a> |                    |                        |          |                             |                  |                        |                        |                           |                     |                     |   |  |
| U. S. Congressman:  | Richard Neal<br>300 State Street, Suite 200<br>Springfield, MA 01105<br>(413) 785-0325 or (202) 225-5601<br><a href="http://www.neal.house.gov">www.neal.house.gov</a>  |                    |                        |          |                             |                  |                        |                        |                           |                     |                     |   |  |
| State Senator:  | Adam Hinds<br><table><tr><td><u>State House</u></td><td><u>District Office</u></td></tr><tr><td>Room 309</td><td>100 North Street, Suite 410</td></tr><tr><td>Boston, MA 02133</td><td>Pittsfield, MA 01201</td></tr><tr><td>Office: (617) 722-1625</td><td>Office: (413) 344-4561 or</td></tr><tr><td>Fax: (617) 722-1523</td><td>(413) 768-2373</td></tr><tr><td>Email: <a href="mailto:adam.hinds@masenate.gov">adam.hinds@masenate.gov</a></td><td></td></tr></table> | <u>State House</u> | <u>District Office</u> | Room 309 | 100 North Street, Suite 410 | Boston, MA 02133 | Pittsfield, MA 01201   | Office: (617) 722-1625 | Office: (413) 344-4561 or | Fax: (617) 722-1523 | (413) 768-2373      | Email: <a href="mailto:adam.hinds@masenate.gov">adam.hinds@masenate.gov</a>     |  |
| <u>State House</u>  | <u>District Office</u>  |                    |                        |          |                             |                  |                        |                        |                           |                     |                     |   |  |
| Room 309  | 100 North Street, Suite 410   |                    |                        |          |                             |                  |                        |                        |                           |                     |                     |   |  |
| Boston, MA 02133  | Pittsfield, MA 01201  |                    |                        |          |                             |                  |                        |                        |                           |                     |                     |   |  |
| Office: (617) 722-1625  | Office: (413) 344-4561 or   |                    |                        |          |                             |                  |                        |                        |                           |                     |                     |   |  |
| Fax: (617) 722-1523   | (413) 768-2373  |                    |                        |          |                             |                  |                        |                        |                           |                     |                     |   |  |
| Email: <a href="mailto:adam.hinds@masenate.gov">adam.hinds@masenate.gov</a>     |   |                    |                        |          |                             |                  |                        |                        |                           |                     |                     |   |  |
| State Representative:   | Stephen Kulik<br><table><tr><td><u>State House</u></td><td><u>District Office</u></td></tr><tr><td>Room 238</td><td>16 Main Street</td></tr><tr><td>Boston, MA 02133</td><td>Williamsburg, MA 01096</td></tr><tr><td>Office: (617) 722-2380</td><td>Office: (413) 977-3580</td></tr><tr><td>Fax: (617) 722-2847</td><td>Fax: (617) 722-2847</td></tr><tr><td>Email: <a href="mailto:Stephen.Kulik@mahouse.gov">Stephen.Kulik@mahouse.gov</a></td><td></td></tr></table>   | <u>State House</u> | <u>District Office</u> | Room 238 | 16 Main Street              | Boston, MA 02133 | Williamsburg, MA 01096 | Office: (617) 722-2380 | Office: (413) 977-3580    | Fax: (617) 722-2847 | Fax: (617) 722-2847 | Email: <a href="mailto:Stephen.Kulik@mahouse.gov">Stephen.Kulik@mahouse.gov</a> |  |
| <u>State House</u>  | <u>District Office</u>  |                    |                        |          |                             |                  |                        |                        |                           |                     |                     |   |  |
| Room 238  | 16 Main Street  |                    |                        |          |                             |                  |                        |                        |                           |                     |                     |   |  |
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| Office: (617) 722-2380  | Office: (413) 977-3580  |                    |                        |          |                             |                  |                        |                        |                           |                     |                     |   |  |
| Fax: (617) 722-2847   | Fax: (617) 722-2847   |                    |                        |          |                             |                  |                        |                        |                           |                     |                     |   |  |
| Email: <a href="mailto:Stephen.Kulik@mahouse.gov">Stephen.Kulik@mahouse.gov</a> |   |                    |                        |          |                             |                  |                        |                        |                           |                     |                     |   |  |
| State Government Info:  | (800) 392-6090 or (617) 727-3676  |                    |                        |          |                             |                  |                        |                        |                           |                     |                     |   |  |
| Huntington Town Hall:   | (413) 667-3500 <a href="http://www.huntingtonma.us"><b>www.huntingtonma.us</b></a>  |                    |                        |          |                             |                  |                        |                        |                           |                     |                     |   |  |



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# *Dedication*



This 2016 Annual Town Report is dedicated to *Ruth Pardoe*.

Ruth Pardoe is a long time resident of Huntington who has made numerous contributions to our Town and the Hilltown community through her extensive public service. As a retired librarian, one of her earliest endeavors for the Town was as a volunteer at the Gateway High School Library, and as a member of the Friends of the Huntington Public Library. One of her many interests is the preservation and conservation of the land and the natural resources of our planet. To this end, she helped develop the Town's Open Space Plan and has served on the Hilltown Land Trust and the Green Committee for the Town of Huntington. Through these organizations she has encouraged others to preserve their beautiful Hilltown land for generations to come.

While vested in Town interests, she also has served the wider community by working with the Northampton Survival Center and the board of the regional Commonwealth Opera. Ruth's passion for the arts and for the community fuel her dedication to the preservation and use of the North Hall, a historic Town building. In the 1990's, she was instrumental in the Town's success in obtaining a Block Grant for much needed handicap accessibility, and renovation and improvements to the Hall. As a member of the North Hall Town Advisory Committee, she shepherded the project to its completion and thereby promoted the broader use of North Hall for community purposes. Ruth's dream of a summer Arts Festival hosting music, theater, spoken word, dance and visual arts is now entering its eighth season at the Hall for all to enjoy, largely due to her vision.

Ruth's cheerful, quiet and thoughtful certainty is an inspiration to any group she assists. She is a true Town treasure.  
Thank you, Ruth, for your many years of dedication and service.



# TOWN OF HUNTINGTON

## ELECTED OFFICIALS

| <u>Office</u>                    | <u>Term</u> | <u>Office</u>                            | <u>Term</u> |
|----------------------------------|-------------|--|-------------|
| <b>Board of Selectmen</b>        |             | <b>Trustees: Whiting Street Fund</b>     |             |
| Jeffrey McKittrick               | 2017        | John McVeigh                             | 2017        |
| Ed Renauld                       | 2018        | VACANCY                                  | 2018        |
| John McVeigh                     | 2019        | Sue Fopiano                              | 2019        |
| <b>Town Clerk</b>                |             | <b>Trustees, Huntington Library</b>      |             |
| Andrea McKittrick                | 2018        | Debbie Wyand                             | 2017        |
|                                  |             | Karen Wittshirk                          | 2018        |
| <b>Board of Assessors</b>        |             | Marilyn Antonucci                        | 2019        |
| Erik Steins                      | 2017        |  |             |
| Sue Fopiano                      | 2018        | <b>Tree Warden</b>                       |             |
| Ed Renauld                       | 2019        | Walter Wittshirk                         | 2017        |
| <b>Board of Health</b>           |             | <b>Hampshire Council of Governments</b>  |             |
| Jean Jackman                     | 2017        | George Peterson                          | 2017        |
| Melissa Iglesias                 | 2018        |  |             |
| Thomas Hart                      | 2019        | <b>Moderator</b>                         |             |
|                                  |             | George Peterson                          | 2017        |
| <b>Regional School Committee</b> |             | <b>Trustees, Alphonso P. Pettis Fund</b> |             |
| Jeff Wyand                       | 2017        | Judith Guyette                           | 2017        |
| Roland (Ron) Damon               | 2018        | Karen Wittshirk                          | 2018        |
| Kara Rousseau                    | 2019        | VACANCY                                  | 2019        |
| <b>Water/Sewer Commissioners</b> |             | <b>Constables</b>                        |             |
| Charles Dazelle                  | 2017        | Jeff Jorritsma                           | 2017        |
| Alex Roseweir (appt. to 6/30/17) | 2018        | Charles Dazelle                          | 2018        |
| Denise Keay                      | 2019        | Earl G. Heath                            | 2019        |





## APPOINTED OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

### *Accountant (Yearly):*

Richard Buley 2017

### *ADA Coordinator (3-Year):*

VACANCY 2018

### *Admin. Assistant (3-Year):*

Helen Speckels 2018

### *Agricultural Commission (Terms Vary):*

Bonita Kubacki, Alt. 2018

Anne Marie Knox 2018

Bonnie McKinney 2018

Gordon Richardson 2018

Lorraine Wickland 2019

VACANCY 2018

VACANCY 2018

### *Animal Control/Dog Officer (Yearly):*

Robert Jackman 2017

### *Broadband Representative (Yearly):*

Chris Saner, Alt. 2017

VACANCY 2017

### *Building Commissioner (Yearly):*

George Peterson III 2017

### *Capital Planning Committee (3-Year):*

R. Buley, Ex-Officio 2017

Karon Hathaway 2017

Darlene McVeigh 2017

Ed Renauld 2017

VACANCY 2017

### *Collector (3-Year):*

Andrea McKittrick 2018

### *Community Events Committee (3-Year):*

Jacquie Harris 2017

John Knox 2017

Lisa Lansing 2017

Vicki Mayhew, Ch. 2017

VACANCY 2017

VACANCY 2017

VACANCY 2017

### *Conservation Commission (3-Year):*

Helena Alves 2017

Ross Hackerson 2017

Andy Kowal 2018

Susan McIntosh, Ch. 2019

Erik Steins 2019

Michael Vorwerk 2019

VACANCY 2017

### *Council on Aging (3-Year):*

May Diemer 2018

Anna Horkun 2018

Gene King 2018

Lori King 2018

Bill McVeigh 2018

VACANCY, Alt. 2018

VACANCY, Alt. 2018

### *Crossing Guard (Yearly):*

Lindsay Wieland 2017

Dave Wieland, Alt. 2017

### *Cultural Council (3-Year):*

Jane Beane 2019

Tania Coletta 2017

Avril Marriott 2019

Linda Siska 2018

Lynn Winsor 2017

VACANCY 2019

VACANCY 2019

### *Electrical Inspector (Yearly):*

Brian Palazzi 2017

### *Assistant Electrical Inspector (Yearly):*

Andy Girouard 2017

### *Emergency Management Dir. (3-Year):*

Dennis Nazzaro 2020

### *Environmental Cert. Officer (3-Year):*

Aimee Burnham 2017

*Fall Festival Committee (3 Year):*

|                 |      |
|-----------------|------|
| Shelley Keeney  | 2018 |
| Janine LaPointe | 2018 |
| Laura LaPointe  | 2018 |
| Paul LaPointe   | 2018 |
| VACANCY         | 2018 |

*Fence Viewer & Field Drivers (3-Year):*

|                |      |
|----------------|------|
| Wayne McKinney | 2017 |
| VACANCY        | 2017 |
| VACANCY        | 2017 |

*Finance Committee (Yearly):*

|                       |      |
|-----------------------|------|
| Aimee Burnham         | 2017 |
| Victoria Minella-Sena | 2017 |
| Darlene McVeigh, Ch.  | 2017 |
| VACANCY               | 2017 |
| VACANCY               | 2017 |

*Fire Chief (Yearly):*

|             |      |
|-------------|------|
| Gary Dahill | 2017 |
|-------------|------|

*FRTA Coordinator (3-Year):*

|               |      |
|---------------|------|
| Aimee Burnham | 2018 |
|---------------|------|

*FRTA Representative (3-Year):*

|                 |      |
|-----------------|------|
| Jeff McKittrick | 2018 |
|-----------------|------|

*Gas Inspector (Yearly):*

|                      |      |
|----------------------|------|
| Anthony Karella      | 2017 |
| Brian Pichette, Alt. | 2017 |

*Green Initiatives Committee (2-Year):*

|                |      |
|----------------|------|
| Aimee Burnham  | 2018 |
| Eric Jensen    | 2018 |
| Denise Keay    | 2018 |
| Susan McIntosh | 2018 |
| John McVeigh   | 2018 |
| Jeff Penn      | 2018 |
| Erik Steins    | 2018 |

*Hazard Mitigation Committee (3-Year):*

|                 |      |
|-----------------|------|
| Charles Dazelle | 2017 |
| Robert Garriepy | 2017 |
| Dennis Nazzaro  | 2020 |

*Highway Superintendent (3-Year):*

|                 |      |
|-----------------|------|
| Charles Dazelle | 2017 |
|-----------------|------|

*Hilltown Resource Mgt. Rep. (3-Year):*

|          |      |
|----------|------|
| Tom Hart | 2017 |
| VACANCY  | 2017 |

*Historical Commission (3-Year):*

|                       |      |
|-----------------------|------|
| David Norton          | 2017 |
| Jeff Penn             | 2019 |
| Victoria Minella-Sena | 2017 |
| Karen Wittshirk       | 2019 |
| VACANCY               | 2017 |

*Jacob's Ladder Trail SB (2-Year):*

|              |      |
|--------------|------|
| Steve Hamlin | 2017 |
| Jeff Penn    | 2017 |

*Local Emergency Planning (Yearly):*

|                 |      |
|-----------------|------|
| Gary Dahill     | 2017 |
| Charles Dazelle | 2017 |
| Robert Garriepy | 2017 |
| Dennis Nazzaro  | 2017 |

*Local Historic District Comm. (3-Year):*

|                       |      |
|-----------------------|------|
| Daniel Bugli          | 2018 |
| Jeff Penn             | 2019 |
| Victoria Minella-Sena | 2019 |
| Helen Speckels        | 2017 |
| VACANCY               | 2018 |
| VACANCY, Alt.         | 2017 |
| VACANCY, Alt.         | 2017 |

*Measurer of Wood/Bark (3-Year):*

|         |      |
|---------|------|
| VACANCY | 2017 |
|---------|------|

*Memorial Day Parade Com. (3-Year):*

|                    |      |
|--------------------|------|
| Lori Belhumeur     | 2017 |
| A. Burnham, Coord. | 2017 |
| Gary Dahill        | 2017 |
| John McVeigh       | 2017 |
| Ed Renauld         | 2017 |

*North Hall Advisory (3-Year):*

|                |      |
|----------------|------|
| Nancy Kaminski | 2017 |
| Jackie Kimsey  | 2018 |
| Peri Sossaman  | 2018 |
| Nancy Webb     | 2017 |
| VACANCY        | 2017 |
| VACANCY        | 2019 |
| VACANCY        | 2019 |

*P.V.P.C. Representative (3-Year):*

|                    |      |
|--------------------|------|
| Jeffrey Wyand      | 2017 |
| Linda Hamlin, Alt. | 2017 |

*Planning Board (3-Year):*

|                     |      |
|---------------------|------|
| Kate Albright-Hanna | 2018 |
| Linda Hamlin        | 2018 |
| Earl Heath          | 2019 |
| Evelyn Korfias      | 2020 |
| Jeff Wyand          | 2017 |
| Ed Grabowski, Alt.  | 2019 |

*Plumbing Inspector (Yearly):*

|                      |      |
|----------------------|------|
| Anthony Karella      | 2017 |
| Brian Pichette, Alt. | 2017 |

*Police Chief (3-Year):*

|                 |      |
|-----------------|------|
| Robert Garriepy | 2017 |
|-----------------|------|

*Police Officers (Yearly):*

|                 |      |
|-----------------|------|
| Michael Girard  | 2017 |
| Justin Green    | 2017 |
| Aaren Hawley    | 2017 |
| William Kaleta  | 2017 |
| Todd Michon     | 2017 |
| Brandon Owen    | 2017 |
| Brendon Shutter | 2017 |

*Procurement Officer (3-Year):*

|                  |      |
|------------------|------|
| Jeff McKittrick: | 2017 |
|------------------|------|

*Public Weigher (3-Year):*

|                 |      |
|-----------------|------|
| Daniel Donovan  | 2017 |
| Gaylon Donovan  | 2017 |
| Michael Donovan | 2017 |
| Matt Donovan    | 2017 |
| Paul Senatore   | 2017 |

*Recreation Committee (3-Year):*

|                  |      |
|------------------|------|
| Fawn Busby       | 2017 |
| Tricia Hess      | 2017 |
| Adrienne Kunz    | 2017 |
| Vicki Mayhew     | 2017 |
| Courtney Mulcahy | 2017 |
| Ed Renauld       | 2017 |
| Jennifer Maynard | 2017 |

*Registrar of Voters (3-Year):*

|                   |                   |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| Andrea McKittrick | <i>Indefinite</i> |
| Judy Borden       | 2017              |
| Anna Horkun       | 2017              |
| Helen Speckels    | 2017              |
| Kathleen Thomas   | 2017              |

*Right to Know Coordinator (3-Year):*

|               |      |
|---------------|------|
| Aimee Burnham | 2017 |
|---------------|------|

*Rt. 112 Scenic Byway (2-Year):*

|                |      |
|----------------|------|
| Linda Hamlin   | 2018 |
| Susan McIntosh | 2018 |
| Jeff Penn      | 2018 |

*Supt. Gypsy Moth/Dutch Elm (3-Year):*

|                  |      |
|------------------|------|
| Walter Wittshirk | 2017 |
|------------------|------|

*Town Counsel (Yearly):*

|                  |                   |
|------------------|-------------------|
| Kopelman & Paige | <i>Indefinite</i> |
|------------------|-------------------|

*Trail Linkages Advisory Com. (2-Year)*

|             |      |
|-------------|------|
| Jeff Penn   | 2017 |
| Gary Winsor | 2017 |

*Veterans' Agent (3-Year):*

|            |      |
|------------|------|
| Ed Renauld | 2017 |
|------------|------|

*Westfield River Wild & Scenic (3-Year):*

|               |      |
|---------------|------|
| Jeff Penn     | 2018 |
| VACANCY, Alt. | 2018 |

*Zoning Board (3-Year):*

|                       |      |
|-----------------------|------|
| Victoria Minella-Sena | 2018 |
| Mary Lou Spaulding    | 2017 |
| Don Bartley, Alt.     | 2019 |
| Ed Grabowski, Alt.    | 2018 |
| VACANCY               | 2019 |
| VACANCY, Alt.         | 2017 |

*Zoning Enforcement Officer (Yearly):*

|                 |      |
|-----------------|------|
| George Peterson | 2017 |
|-----------------|------|

# TOWN OF HUNTINGTON

## Department Schedules and Telephone List

**Main Telephone Number:** (413) 667-3500

**Town Hall Fax:** (413) 667-3507

**Town Website:** [www.huntingtonma.us](http://www.huntingtonma.us)

**Board of Assessors:**

Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 6 pm, Wed eve by appointment only  
Clerk Hours: Monday & Wednesday 8 am – 1 pm  
Clerk: Ted Gloss      Asst. Clerk: Lorraine Wickland  
Telephone: (413) 667-3501      [huntingtonboa@comcast.net](mailto:huntingtonboa@comcast.net)

**Board of Health:**

Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 6 pm  
Katie Boisseau, Secretary hours: Wed evenings 6 pm – 7:30 pm  
Telephone/Fax: (413) 667-3511      [huntingtonboh@comcast.net](mailto:huntingtonboh@comcast.net)  
Title V Agent Brian Slayton available by telephone: (413) 531-0799  
Dump stickers may be obtained at the Transfer Station during regular hours.  
"H" stickers may be purchased at B&D Variety and Moltenbrey's Market.  
They may be purchased for \$1.00 each, and are to be placed on all of your  
Trash bags (*1 sticker/30 gallons or less & 2 stickers/over 30 gallons*).

**Board of Selectmen:**

Meets every other Wednesday evening at 5:30 pm, unless otherwise posted.  
Helen Speckels, Administrative Assistant  
Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9 am – 3 pm  
To meet with the Selectboard, please contact the Administrative Assistant  
during office hours.  
Telephone: (413) 667-3500      [huntingtonsb@comcast.net](mailto:huntingtonsb@comcast.net)

**Building Commissioner:**

George Peterson      Telephone: (413) 667-3510  
Hours: Wednesday evenings beginning at 7:30 pm  
Building permit applications may be obtained during Town Hall business  
hours and on the Town website: [www.huntingtonma.us](http://www.huntingtonma.us)

**Conservation Commission:**

Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 7 pm  
Telephone: (413) 667-8893      Susan McIntosh, Chair

**Council on Aging:**

Meets 1st Tuesday at 1:00 pm in Stanton Hall      [coa@huntingtonma.us](mailto:coa@huntingtonma.us)  
Telephone: (413) 667-3514

**Electrical Inspector:**

Vacancy      Telephone: (413) 667-3500  
Electrical permit applications may be obtained in the Selectboard Office  
during regular hours and on the Town website: [www.huntingtonma.us](http://www.huntingtonma.us)

**Alt. Electrical Inspector:**

Andy Girouard      Telephone: (413) 667-8812

**Finance Committee:**

Meets third Tuesday at 7 pm, unless otherwise posted  
Telephone: (413) 667-3049      Darlene McVeigh, Chair

**Fire Department:**

Gary Dahill, Fire Chief      Fax: (413) 667-0133  
Telephone: (413) 667-3368 (non-emergency)      Emergency: Dial 911

**Gas Inspector:**

Anthony Karella      Telephone: (413) 265-6290  
Gas permit applications may be obtained in the Selectboard Office  
during regular hours and on the Town website: [www.huntingtonma.us](http://www.huntingtonma.us)

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| <b><u>Highway Department:</u></b>      | Charles Dazelle, Superintendent<br>Telephone: (413) 667-3504  | Michelle Oliveira, Admin. Assistant<br><a href="mailto:HighwayDepartment@HuntingtonHighway.com">HighwayDepartment@HuntingtonHighway.com</a><br>Fax: (413) 667-3507 |
| <b><u>Planning Board:</u></b>          | Meet one weeknight, Mon-Thurs, twice a month at 7:15 pm<br>Meetings are always posted on Town website: <a href="http://www.huntingtonma.us">www.huntingtonma.us</a><br>All applications by appointment only<br>Telephone: (413) 667-3500 <a href="mailto:planning@huntingtonma.us">planning@huntingtonma.us</a> |  |
| <b><u>Plumbing Inspector:</u></b>      | Anthony Karella<br>Plumbing permit applications may be obtained in the Selectboard Office during regular hours and on the Town website: <a href="http://www.huntingtonma.us">www.huntingtonma.us</a>  | Telephone: (413) 265-6290  |
| <b><u>Police Department:</u></b>       | Robert Garriepy, Chief<br>Telephone: (413) 667-8868   | Hours: Wednesday evenings 6 pm - 8 pm<br>Emergency: Dial 911   |
| <b><u>Public Library:</u></b>          | Margaret Nareau, Director<br>Telephone: (413) 667-3506<br>web: <a href="http://thehuntingtonpubliclibrary.org">thehuntingtonpubliclibrary.org</a>   | Fax: (413) 667-0088<br><a href="mailto:huntingtonpubliclib@gmail.com">huntingtonpubliclib@gmail.com</a>  |
| <b><u>Public Library Trustees:</u></b> | Marilyn Antonucci<br>Karen Wittshirk<br>Debbie Wyand  | Telephone: (413) 667-3449<br>Telephone: (413) 667-5515<br>Telephone: (413) 667-0131  |
| <b><u>Town Accountant:</u></b>         | Richard Buley<br>Office Hours: Wednesdays 4 pm - 8 pm or by appointment   | Telephone: (413) 667-3502  |
| <b><u>Town Clerk:</u></b>              | Vacancy<br>Telephone: (413) 667-3509<br>Office Hours: Monday 9 am-Noon, 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays 6-8 pm and by app't.   | Assistant Clerk: Kathleen Thomas<br><a href="mailto:huntingtonclerk@comcast.net">huntingtonclerk@comcast.net</a>   |
| <b><u>Town Collector:</u></b>          | Vacancy<br><a href="mailto:collector@comcast.net">collector@comcast.net</a><br>Office Hours: Please call for Temporary Collector's schedule   | Telephone: (413) 667-3509  |
| <b><u>Town Treasurer:</u></b>          | Aimee Burnham<br><a href="mailto:huntingontreas@comcast.net">huntingontreas@comcast.net</a><br>Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Sunday by appointment   | Telephone: (413) 667-3502  |
| <b><u>Veterans' Agent:</u></b>         | Ed Renauld<br>Office Hours: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm   | Telephone: (413) 575-6391<br><a href="mailto:yso@huntingtonma.us">yso@huntingtonma.us</a>  |
| <b><u>Water and Sewer:</u></b>         | Commissioners meet 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in Town Hall<br>Jim Gobeille, Water and Sewer Operator<br>Kathy Engwer, Administrative Assistant<br><a href="mailto:Huntington.SewerandWater@gmail.com">Huntington.SewerandWater@gmail.com</a>   |  |
| <b><u>Zoning Board:</u></b>            | Meets Wednesday evenings (by appointment only) in Stanton Hall<br>Please call Administrative Assistant to schedule appointment.<br>(413) 667-3500   |  |

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN

To the Residents of Huntington, we the Selectboard hereby submit our report.

As the year closes, the Town is preparing for some significant personnel changes. Sadly, we are losing a few people who have worked tirelessly making Huntington a better community for us all. Andrea McKittrick has resigned as both the Town Clerk and Town Collector. John McVeigh has resigned from the Board of Selectman effective on June 30<sup>th</sup>, leaving 2 years remaining on his current term. And finally, Jeff McKittrick has decided not to run for another term on the Board of Selectmen.

The Board of Selectmen has signed a letter of support for the Hilltown Collaborative and appointed Darlene McVeigh, the Chair of the Finance Committee, as our Town Representative. This group has been working with State officials to find ways of saving money for small communities like ours, by developing strategies to grow economic development in the hilltowns.

In December, some office space changes were made at Town Hall. To make better use of our space, several boards were relocated to different offices, and the Stanton Fund purchased new office furniture for several of them. These changes have made Town Hall a better work environment for our employees. Additional changes, some ongoing, include switching to a VOIP telephone system, expanding wireless internet capability and refinishing the hardwood floors. Future work planned includes installing a new HVAC system and refurbishing the handicap ramp sometime soon.

The Senior and Veterans Tax Work Off Abatement Programs have been great successes. Each program allows eligible homeowners to volunteer their time to various Town departments for a tax credit of up to \$500, depending on the number of hours worked. Please check the Town website at [www.huntingtonma.us](http://www.huntingtonma.us) or call 413-667-3500 for further details.

Volunteerism in our Town has been outstanding. We thank the many talented volunteers who help to improve Huntington. If you think you could be of help, please fill out the Talent Bank form on page 73 of this Annual Town Report and submit it to the Administrative Assistant. Everyone can make a difference by volunteering their time.

The Selectboard meets every two weeks on Wednesdays, at 5:30 pm, in Town Hall. Meeting dates are on our website and at Town Hall, or you can call 413-667-3500 for information. Annual and Special Town Meetings are posted at the Post Office, Moltenbrey's Market, Knightville Package Store, Norwich Fire Station, Town Hall and on the Town website.

Please feel free to attend one of our meetings - they are open to all Town residents.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff McKittrick (Chair)

John McVeigh (Member)

Edward Renauld (Member)

## **TOWN CLERK**

What a year 2016 turned out to be! With four elections and our first year of early voting, the Clerk's office was busy as a bee! A huge thank you to all our wonderful and faithful Election Workers, and to the Huntington Police Officers and Constables who lent a hand ringing the ballot box for the 1,201 voters for the Presidential Election. Our ten teams of counters worked swiftly and efficiently to get all of the ballots counted in record time. For the first time, we had two international observers visit during the Presidential Election. They were very complimentary of our festive setup in Stanton Hall.

A big thanks to all of our Senior and Veteran workers who helped on all of our other work that has to be done annually. They spend countless hours helping us to get a multitude of projects done. In 2016, we processed the following:

322 Dog Licenses

3 Kennel Licenses

29 Business Certificates

Our hours are Mondays, 9:00 am to noon, and the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm and by appointment. We may also be reached at the Town Hall at 667-3509 or by e-mail at [huntingtonclerk@comcast.net](mailto:huntingtonclerk@comcast.net).

Dog tags for 2017 will be available June 1<sup>st</sup>.

Please remember to return your census forms by May 15.

Vital Records and the remainder of our report follow.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea McKittrick, Town Clerk

Kathleen Thomas, Assistant Town Clerk



**TOWN CLERK  
VITAL RECORDS 2016**

**BIRTHS:**

|         |  |
|---------|--|
| Jan 27  | Robert Joseph Boyer IV<br>Son of Robert Joseph Boyer III & nee Alicia Lynne Miller           |
| Feb 1   | Madison Ann Fitzherbert<br>Daughter of Joshua Scott Fitzherbert & nee Ashley Jean Spear      |
| May 7   | Elliott Samuel Boylan<br>Son of Keith Allyn Boylan & nee Renee Noel Baillargeon              |
| June 14 | Bailey Elizabeth Turner<br>Daughter of Joshua William Turner & nee Kayla Bree LaMountain     |
| June 28 | Madison Janice Cassidy<br>Daughter of Michael John Cassidy, Jr. & nee Crystal Marie Wloch    |
| July 20 | Raina Bambelia Susan Ellinger<br>Daughter of Jacob Walters Ellinger & nee Amy Louise Baker   |
| July 12 | Declan Howell Chornyak<br>Son of Zachariah Peter Chornyak & nee Meghan Kelly O'Neil          |
| July 12 | Dylan Levine Chornyak<br>Son of Zachariah Peter Chornyak & nee Meghan Kelly O'Neil           |
| Sept 6  | Emma Katherine Peloquin<br>Daughter of Robert Delore Peloquin JR & nee Jennifer Lynn Canning |
| Sept 13 | Abel Justin Leonard Day<br>Son of Justin Leonard Day & nee Shannon Marie Spagna              |
| Sept 26 | Bastian Elias Southard<br>Son of Samuel Elisha Southard & nee Katy Elizabeth Sandlin         |
| Oct 29  | Ryan Colin Powers<br>Son of Colin David Powers & nee Sarah May Trudeau                       |
| Nov 4   | Bennett Earl King<br>Son of Michael Alexander King & nee Emily Elizabeth Frey                |
| Nov 29  | Hudson Lee Schutter<br>Son of Brendon Kyle Schutter & nee Cassandra Lynn Kulon               |
| Dec 8   | Juliana Patricia Rousseau<br>Daughter of Scott Thomas Rousseau & nee Kara Lee Breton         |

## **MARRIAGES:**

May 22 Evelyn Inez Korfias & Gary Bernard Rom @ Huntington  
May 28 Conner Raymond Osden & Jessica Nicole Lowman @ Huntington  
May 29 Nicole Marie McGilpin & Jeffrey Kevin Smith @ Huntington  
June 3 Katie Lynn Boulanger & Philip Wayne Boisseau @ West Brookfield  
June 4 Kayla Marie Hewes & Rayman Michael Koivisto @ Russell  
June 11 Steven James Young & Jessica Lynne Skrodzki @ Huntington  
July 23 Kathleen Banas & Kevin Lee Ames @ Northampton  
Aug 27 Patrick John Reed Spaulding & Alicia Elizabeth LaPointe @ Huntington  
Sept 24 Cameron Storm Estes & Kristin Marie Welch @ Huntington

## **DEATHS:**

Jan 2 Irene M. Kazimierczak, Age 75, Wife of Casimir R. Kazimierczak  
Jan 10 Frederick C. Petersen, Jr., Age 60, Husband of Denise Petersen  
Jan 10 Janet Susan Mollison, Age 68, Wife of John H. Mollison  
Mar 25 Frances Joan Treadwell, Age 95, Widow of William S. Treadwell  
May 29 Elizabeth Kay Purinton, Age 73, Wife of Louis C. Purinton  
June 15 Mary E. Langlois, Age 81  
June 12 Susan F. Boistelle, Age 69, Wife of Bruce H. Boistelle  
July 2 Arthur W. Pike, Age 93  
July 29 James Ovide Joyal, Age 93  
Sept 9 Marilyn Frances Pike, Age 74, Wife of William C. Pike  
Oct 27 Marjorie H. Gatty, Age 95, Widow of Anthony Victor Gatty  
Nov 3 Gilbert E. Gagnon, Sr., Age 76, Husband of Lori A. Gagnon  
Nov 16 Barbara Ellen Carrington, Age 84, Widow of Albert G. Carrington  
Dec 16 Clifton J. Noble, Sr., Age 90, Widower of Elizabeth Noble  
Dec 20 Robert Pearce Wellington, Age 68

## ELECTION RESULTS TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2016

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <b>Presidential Preference - Republican</b>               | Donald J. Trump (149)<br>Marco Rubio (43)<br>John R. Kasich (41)<br>Ted Cruz (38)<br>Ben Carson (11)<br>Others (4)<br>No Preference (1)                  Blank (1) |
| <b>Presidential Preference - Democrat</b>                 | Bernie Sanders (246)<br>Hillary Clinton (117)<br>Others (10)                  Blank (1)  |
| <b>Presidential Preference - United Independent Party</b> | No Preference (1)<br>Others (2)                  Blank (0)   |
| <b>Presidential Preference – Green Rainbow</b>            | Jill Stein (1)<br>Others (0)<br>Blank (0)  |
| <b>State Committee Man - Republican</b>                   | Michael F. Case (161)<br>Matthew W. Kinnaman (67)<br>Others (0)                  Blank (60)  |
| <b>State Committee Man - Democrat</b>                     | Sherwood Guernsey, II (272)<br>Others (0)                  Blank (102)   |
| <b>State Committee Man – United Independent Party</b>     | Blank (3)  |
| <b>State Committee Man – Green Rainbow</b>                | Blank (1)  |
| <b>State Committee Woman - Republican</b>                 | Robin S. Almgren (185)<br>Blank (103)  |
| <b>State Committee Woman - Democrat</b>                   | Mary J. Palmer (282)<br>Blank (92)   |
| <b>State Committee Woman – United Independent Party</b>   | No Preference (1)<br>Others (2)                  Blank (0)   |
| <b>State Committee Woman – Green Rainbow</b>              | Blank (1)  |

Registered Voters: 1458  
Total Ballots Cast: 666  
Democratic Ballots: 288  
Republican Ballots: 374  
Turnout Percentage: 46%

### DEMOCRATIC TOWN COMMITTEE:

Natalie Birrell (6)  
Joseph Dart (6)  
Victoria Minella-Sena (6)  
Carrie Silver (6)  
Rosario Sossaman (7)  
Others (17)

# HUNTINGTON TOWN ELECTION

## Saturday, May 21, 2016

### RESULTS

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <b>Board of Selectmen - 3 yr</b>               | John McVeigh (116)<br>Others (70) Blank (1)  |
| <b>Board of Assessors - 3 yr</b>               | Edward Renauld (143)<br>Blank (44)   |
| <b>Board of Health - 3 yr</b>                  | Tom Hart (80)<br>Adam Cormier (26)<br>Don Dugas (27)<br>Kara Rousseau (39)<br>Blank (15) |
| <b>Board of Health - 2yr</b>                   | Melissa Iglesias (156)<br>Blank (31)   |
| <b>Tree Warden - 1 yr</b>                      | Walt Wittshirk (168)<br>Blank (19)   |
| <b>Moderator - 1 yr</b>                        | George Peterson (24)<br>Other (9) Blank (154)  |
| <b>Constable - 3 yr</b>                        | Earl Heath (162)<br>Other (2) Blank (23)   |
| <b>Trustee, Huntington Library - 3 yr</b>      | Marilyn Antonucci (161)<br>Blank (26)  |
| <b>Trustee, Alphonso Pettis Fund - 3 yr</b>    | Charles Dazelle (3)<br>Others (7) Blank (177)  |
| <b>Trustee, Whiting Street Fund - 3 yr</b>     | Sue Fopiano (3)<br>Other (3) Blank (181)   |
| <b>Trustee, Whiting Street Fund - 2 yr</b>     | Other (3) Blank (184)  |
| <b>Hampshire Council of Governments - 3 yr</b> | George Peterson (155)<br>Others (1) Blank (31)   |
| <b>Water/Sewer Commission - 3 yr</b>           | Denise Keay (128)<br>Alex Roseweir (44)<br>Blank (15)                                    |
| <b>School Committee - 3 yr</b>                 | Kara Rousseau (145)<br>Other (3) Blank (39)  |

**PRIMARY ELECTION RESULTS**  
**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2016**

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <b>Representative in Congress 1<sup>st</sup> District - Republican</b>                             | Blank (43)   |
| <b>Representative in Congress 1<sup>st</sup> District - Democrat</b>                               | Richard E. Neal (91)<br>Blank (18)   |
| <b>Representative in Congress 1<sup>st</sup> District - United Independent Party</b>               | Blank (1)  |
| <b>Representative in Congress 1<sup>st</sup> District – Green Rainbow</b>                          | No Ballots Cast  |
| <b>Senator in General Court - Republican</b>   | Christine M. Canning (38)<br>Blank (5)   |
| <b>Senator in General Court - Democrat</b>   | Rinaldo Del Gallo (4)<br>Andrea C. Harrington (78)<br>Adam G. Hinds (22)<br>Blank (5)  |
| <b>Senator in General Court – United Independent Party</b>   | Blank (1)  |
| <b>Senator in General Court – Green Rainbow</b>  | No Ballots Cast  |
| <b>Sheriff - Republican</b>  | David F. Isakson (37)<br>Others (1)<br>Blank (5)                                       |
| <b>Sheriff - Democrat</b>  | Patrick J. Cahillane (51)<br>Kavern L. Lewis (3)<br>Melissa E. Perry (48)<br>Blank (7) |
| <b>Sheriff – United Independent Party</b>  | Others (1)   |
| <b>Sheriff – Green Rainbow</b>   | No Ballots Cast  |
| <b>Councillor Eighth District - Republican</b>   | Blank (43)   |
| <b>Councillor Eighth District – Democrat</b>   | Mary E. Hurley (65)<br>Jeffrey S. Morneau (36)<br>Blank (8)                            |
| <b>Councillor Eighth District - United Independent Party</b>                                       | Blank (1)  |
| <b>Councillor Eighth District – Green Rainbow</b>  | No Ballots Cast  |
| <b>Representative in General Court 1<sup>st</sup> Franklin District -Republican</b>                | Blank (43)   |
| <b>Representative in General Court 1<sup>st</sup> District - Democrat</b>                          | Stephen Kulik (90)<br>Blank (19)   |
| <b>Representative in General Court 1<sup>st</sup> Franklin District - United Independent Party</b> | Blank (1)  |
| <b>Representative in General Court 1<sup>st</sup> Franklin District - Green Rainbow</b>            | No Ballots Cast  |

**STATE ELECTION RESULTS  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2016**

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <b>Electors of President and Vice President</b>         | Clinton and Kaine (460)<br>Johnson and Weld (71)<br>Stein and Baraka (35)<br>Trump and Pence (611)<br>Others (4)<br>Blank (7) |
| <b>Representative in Congress</b>                       | Richard E. Neal (663)<br>Frederick O. Mayock (304)<br>Thomas T. Simmons (106)<br>Blank (47)                                   |
| <b>Councilor</b>  | Mary E. Hurley (868)<br>Others (3)<br>Blank (330)   |
| <b>Senator in General Court</b>                         | Christine M. Canning (595)<br>Adam G. Hinds (521)<br>Others (1)                      Blank (84)                               |
| <b>Representative in General Court</b>                  | Stephen Kulik (876)<br>Others (2)<br>Blank (323)  |
| <b>Sheriff</b>  | Patrick J. Cahillane (697)<br>David F. Isakson (445)<br>Blank (59)  |
| <b>Question 1- Gaming</b>                               | Yes (409)<br>No (773)<br>Blank (19)   |
| <b>Question 2-Charter Schools</b>                       | Yes (323)<br>No (857)<br>Blank (21)   |
| <b>Question 3- Farm Animals</b>                         | Yes (792)<br>No (390)<br>Blank (19)   |
| <b>Question 4- Marijuana</b>                            | Yes (723)<br>No (450)<br>Blank (28)   |
| <b>State Committee Woman – United Independent Party</b> | No Preference (1)<br>Others (2)<br>Blank (0)  |
| <b>State Committee Woman – Green Rainbow</b>            | Blank (1)   |

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
TOWN OF HUNTINGTON**

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

MONDAY, JUNE 6, 2016  
6:30 pm

**MINUTES**

As directed, the Voters of the Town of Huntington, qualified to vote in Town affairs, met at Stanton Hall in said Huntington on Monday, June 6, 2016 at 6:30 p.m., then and there took the following action:

The Town Clerk opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. announcing that there was a quorum and that Tom Gralinski had offered to moderate the meeting. There being no other nominations, and with approval of the Town Body, Tom Gralinski was sworn in as Moderator. The Moderator introduced the officials present and indicated that the warrant had been legally posted.

Moderator: Tom Gralinski  
Town Clerk: Andrea McKittrick  
Constable: Charles Dazelle  
Selectboard: Jeffrey McKittrick, John McVeigh, Edward Renauld  
Finance Committee: Darlene McVeigh, Karon Hathaway  
Counters: Wayne McKinney, George Peterson, Karen Wittshirk, Sue McIntosh

A motion was made and seconded:

**ARTICLE 1:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$46,772.00 for the following Operational Accounts; or take any other action relative thereto:

|            |                                   |              |
|------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| 015138.004 | Treasury Tax Title Expenses       | \$ 5,300.00  |
| 015424.005 | Street Lights                     | \$ 2,500.00  |
| 015423.001 | Veterans' Relief                  | \$ 18,615.00 |
| 015720.000 | Fire Truck Interest               | \$ 600.00    |
| 015720.003 | Highway Grader Interest           | \$ 576.00    |
| 015940.000 | Loss on Disposal of Town Property | \$ 19,181.00 |

**Selectboard: yes. Finance Committee: yes. Article passed by unanimous vote. The sum of \$46,772.00 will be transferred from Free Cash for the Operational Accounts listed.**

A motion was made and seconded to dissolve. Meeting dissolved at 6:35 pm.

A quorum of 47 was present.

A true copy attest:  
Andrea McKittrick, Town Clerk

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
TOWN OF HUNTINGTON**

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

MONDAY, JUNE 6, 2016

7:00 pm

**MINUTES**

As directed, the Voters of the Town of Huntington, qualified to vote in Town affairs, met at Stanton Hall in said Huntington on Monday, June 6, 2016 at 7:00 p.m., then and there took the following action:

The Town Clerk opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. announcing that Tom Gralinski had offered to moderate the meeting. There being no other nominations, and with approval of the Town Body, Tom Gralinski was sworn in as Moderator. The meeting commenced at 7:10 p.m. The Moderator indicated that the warrant had been legally posted and a quorum had been reached.

A motion was made and seconded to continue the meeting if necessary on Tuesday June 7, 2016 at 7:00 pm unless business can be concluded by 10:00 pm. Motion passed unanimously. The Moderator introduced the Town Clerk, Selectboard, Finance Committee, School Committee, Police Chief, Fire Chief and Highway Superintendent.

|                    |  |
|--------------------|--|
| Moderator:         | Tom Gralinski  |
| Town Clerk:        | Andrea McKittrick  |
| Constable:         | Charles Dazelle  |
| Selectboard:       | Jeffrey McKittrick, John McVeigh, Edward Renauld               |
| Finance Committee: | Darlene McVeigh, Karon Hathaway                                |
| Counters:          | Wayne McKinney, George Peterson, Karen Wittshirk, Sue McIntosh |

A motion was made and seconded to read through the following Consent Calendar:

**ARTICLE 2:** To empower the Selectboard to choose such Town Officers as are not required by law or vote of the Town to be chosen by ballot; or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 3:** To accept the reports of the Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Selectboard, Library Trustees, Trustees of the Whiting Street Fund, Finance Committee, Trustees of the Alphonse P. Pettis Fund, Assessor of Taxes, Town Accountant, and any other Town Officers or Committees to report and act thereon; or take any other action relative thereto.



**ARTICLE 4:**

To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectboard, to sell and convey by public auction in accordance with Section 77B of Chapter 60 of the General Laws, all parcels of real estate which the Town has acquired or may acquire, either by foreclosure of Tax Title in Land Court or by the procedure under Section 80 of Chapter 60 of the General Laws pertaining to lands of low value; or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 5:**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to apply for Massachusetts Small Cities Program or other federal or state monies and to expend any monies received as set forth in the appropriate grant application following public hearing; or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 6:**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to enter into contracts with the Massachusetts Department of Transportation for construction and/or maintenance of public highways for the Fiscal Year 2017 and further authorize the Selectboard, on behalf of the Town, to accept any money from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for highway construction and/or maintenance; or take any other action relative thereto.  
**Consent Calendar passed unanimously.**

A motion was made and seconded:

**ARTICLE 7:**

To see if the Town will vote to take from Free Cash a sum of \$14,685.00 to fund an increase to the Town's Operating Budget; or take any other action relative thereto.  
**Passed unanimously. The sum of \$14,685.00 will be taken from Free Cash to fund an increase in the Town's Operating budget.**

A motion was made and seconded:

**ARTICLE 8:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds such sums of money as may be necessary to defray expenses estimated for the ensuing Fiscal Year commencing July 1, 2016. Voters will designate line items voted separately; or take any other action relative thereto.  
**Budget passed unanimously.**

A motion was made and seconded:

**ARTICLE 9:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$1,499,552.00 for Huntington's minimum contribution, as determined by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for the Gateway Regional School District for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, or accept a lesser amount than \$1,499,552.00 as certified by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; or take any other action relative thereto.  
**Carried by majority vote.**

A motion was made and seconded:

**ARTICLE 10:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated funds in the Treasury the sum of \$473,975.00 for Huntington's share of the transportation and debt services expenses for the Gateway Regional School District for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017; or take any other action relative thereto.  
**Passed unanimously.**

A motion was made and seconded:

**ARTICLE 11:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated funds in the Treasury, the sum of \$527,709.00 for Huntington's share of the over-minimum contribution to the budget for Gateway Regional School District for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017; or take any other action relative thereto.  
**A motion was made to amend the article to split the amount as follows: \$457,317.00 from "raise and appropriate" and \$70,392.00 from Free Cash. Finance Committee: yes. After brief discussion, the Moderator referred to the amendment as "friendly" and called for a vote on the article. With no vote on the amendment, the article passed by majority vote.**

A motion was made and seconded:

**ARTICLE 12:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated funds in the Treasury the sum of \$409,625.00 for Huntington's costs for vocational tuition for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017; or take any other action relative thereto.  
**Finance Committee: yes. Article passed unanimously.**

A motion was made and seconded:

**ARTICLE 13:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated funds in the Treasury the sum of \$92,376.00 for Huntington's share in the cost of vocational transportation for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017; or take any other action relative thereto.  
**Finance Committee: yes. Passed unanimously.**

A motion was made and seconded:

**ARTICLE 14:** To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$15,000 from the Firearms Record Keeping Fund 89266.000 to Police Department Administration and Training Account 015210.004 for the purposes of upgrading the existing records management software, including any incidental or related costs; or take any other action relative thereto.  
**Finance Committee: yes. Passed unanimously. The sum of \$15,000.00 will be transferred from account #89266.000 to account #015210.004.**

A motion was made and seconded:

**ARTICLE 15:**

To see if the Town will vote to accept an extension of Goss Hill Road as a public way road, as heretofore laid out by the Selectboard and shown on a plan of land entitled "Street Acceptance Plan for a Portion of Goss Hill Road, Huntington, Massachusetts," dated March 7, 2016, prepared by Salvini Associates, and on file with the Town Clerk, as described in an Easement Deed to the Town of Huntington, recorded with the Hampshire Registry of Deeds in Book 12087, Page 89, for all purposes for which public ways are used in the Town of Huntington, and any drainage, utility, access, and/or other easements related thereto, all as shown on the plan; or take any other action relative thereto.

**A motion was made and seconded to pass over the Article. The motion was defeated. Article passed by majority vote.**

A motion was made and seconded:

**ARTICLE 16:**

(Liquor License Request – 3 East Main Street, Huntington MA )

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court in the form set forth below, authorizing the Board to issue one additional off-premises all alcoholic beverages license; provided, however, that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approve amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general objectives of the petition, or take any other action relative thereto:

**AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF HUNTINGTON TO GRANT ONE  
ADDITIONAL LICENSE FOR THE SALE OF ALL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES  
NOT TO BE DRUNK ON THE PREMISES.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

**SECTION 1.**

(a) Notwithstanding section 17 of said chapter 138 of the General Laws, the licensing authority of the town of Huntington may grant 1 additional license in said town for the sale of all alcoholic beverages not to be drunk on the premises pursuant to section 15 of said chapter 138. Said license shall be exercised at the premises located at 3 East Main Street, Huntington, Massachusetts, and shall be subject to such requirements and conditions as the licensing authority shall deem appropriate. The license shall be subject to all of said chapter 138, except said section 17.

(b) The license authorized hereunder is nontransferable. However, the licensing authority may grant said license to a new applicant at the same location if the applicant files with the licensing authority a letter from the department of revenue and the department of unemployment assistance indicating that the license is in good standing with those entities and that all applicable taxes have been paid.

(c) If the license granted under this section is cancelled, revoked or no longer in use by the licensee, it shall be returned physically, with all of the legal rights, privileges and restrictions pertaining thereto, to the licensing authority which may then grant the license to the same or another applicant at a different location, under the same terms and conditions specified in subsection (a) of this act.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

**Motion carries by majority vote.**

A motion was made and seconded:

**ARTICLE 17:**            **HOME RULE PETITION REGARDING GROUP**  
**HEALTH INSURANCE FOR ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES**  
**AND RETIREES:**

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the Massachusetts General Court for special legislation, in the form set forth below, ratifying the actions of the Town of Huntington and its Board of Selectmen to provide health insurance and other benefits under the authority of Chapter 32B of the General Laws, and authorizing the Town to contribute fifty percent of the cost of the premium for group health insurance for the Town's eligible retirees who retire after June 30, 2016; and further authorize the General Court to make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approves amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court. The Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized to approve amendments that shall be within the scope of the general objectives of the petition; or take any other action relative thereto:

**AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE PROVISION OF HEALTH INSURANCE IN THE TOWN OF HUNTINGTON**

**SECTION 1.** Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, all actions, proceedings, and policies of the Town of Huntington, undertaken or adopted under the authority of Chapter 32B of the Massachusetts General Laws are hereby ratified, validated, and confirmed, notwithstanding any defect or omission in the process of acceptance of the said Chapter, or any of its sections.

**SECTION 2.** The provisions of General Laws Chapter 32B and any sections thereof that are applicable to past and present health insurance benefits offered by the Town of Huntington, including, but not limited to, Sections 7, 7A, 9, 9A, 10, and 16, are hereby deemed to have been accepted by and be in effect with respect to the Town of Huntington.

**SECTION 3.** Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, including Section 2 above, the Town of Huntington shall contribute 50 percent of the cost of the premium for group health insurance provided by the Town to any eligible retiree who retires after June 30, 2016 and who elects coverage under the Town's group health insurance; and the Town shall not contribute any portion of the cost of the premium for group health insurance provided by the Town to any eligible retiree who retires on or before June 30, 2016.

**SECTION 4.** Upon separation from employment with the Town of Huntington after June 30, 2016, an eligible retiree may elect at the time of separation of employment to continue participation in the town's group health care insurance program, subject to the terms and underwriting conditions of the town's in-force insurance providers. An eligible retiree who fails to exercise his or her election within thirty (30) calendar days of retirement from the Town shall be deemed to have waived his or her right to participate in the Town's group health insurance program.

**SECTION 5.** This act shall take effect upon passage.

**Finance Committee: yes. Passed by majority vote.**

A motion was made and seconded:

**ARTICLE 18:** To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 8 of the General By-Laws & Acts of the Town of Huntington by deleting the text shown in strikethrough and adding the text shown in bold below to decrease the number of Council on Aging Members from nine to five, and add two Alternate Members; or take any other action relative thereto:

Section 8      Council on Aging

There shall be a Council on Aging formed under the provisions of ~~the~~ General Laws Chapter 40, Section 8-B, consisting of ~~nine (9)~~ **five (5)** members **and two (2) alternate members. The members and alternate members must be residents of the Town, and shall be appointed by the Board of Selectmaen to alternating three (3) year terms.**

The Council shall annually elect its Chair~~man~~**person** and other officers as it deems appropriate.

**Passed unanimously.**

At 8:13 pm, a motion was made and seconded to dissolve. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting dissolved at 8:13 pm.

A quorum of 66 was present.

A true copy attest:

Andrea McKittrick, Town Clerk

**TOWN of HUNTINGTON**  
**BALANCE SHEET-GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
June 30, 2016

|   | Funds            |                  |                |                |                       | Total            |
|---|------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|------------------|
|   | General          | Stabilization    | Water          | Sewer          | Nonmajor Governmental |                  |
| <b>Assets</b>                                     |                  |                  |                |                |                       |                  |
| Cash and cash equivalents                         | 809,906          | 1,012,694        | 115,297        | 275,559        | 228,545               | 2,442,000        |
| Investments                                       | 0                | 0                | 0              | 0              | 0                     | 0                |
| Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles: |                  |                  |                |                |                       |                  |
| Property Taxes                                    | 1,894,631        | 0                | 0              | 0              | 0                     | 1,894,631        |
| User Charges                                      | 0                | 0                | 8,291          | 31,762         | 0                     | 40,054           |
| Tax liens   | 116,192          | 0                | 4,766          | 3,781          | 0                     | 124,739          |
| Excise Taxes and other taxes                      | 45,508           | 0                | 0              | 0              | 0                     | 45,508           |
| Due from other governments                        | 0                | 0                | 0              | 0              | 0                     | 0                |
| Other   | 42,241           | 0                | 0              | 0              | 0                     | 42,241           |
| <b>Total Assets</b>                               | <u>2,908,479</u> | <u>1,012,694</u> | <u>128,355</u> | <u>311,102</u> | <u>228,545</u>        | <u>4,589,173</u> |
| <b>Liabilities &amp; Fund Equity</b>              |                  |                  |                |                |                       |                  |
| <b>Liabilities:</b>                               |                  |                  |                |                |                       |                  |
| Warrants Payable                                  | 0                | 0                | 0              | 0              | 0                     | 0                |
| Accrued Payroll                                   | 0                | 0                | 0              | 0              | 0                     | 0                |
| Employee Withholdings                             | 0                | 0                | 0              | 0              | 0                     | 0                |
| Deferred Revenue:                                 |                  |                  |                |                |                       |                  |
| Property Taxes                                    | 1,894,631        | 0                | 0              | 0              | 0                     | 1,894,631        |
| Other   | 202,439          | 0                | 13,058         | 35,543         | 0                     | 251,039          |
| <b>Total liabilities</b>                          | <u>2,097,070</u> | <u>0</u>         | <u>13,058</u>  | <u>35,543</u>  | <u>0</u>              | <u>2,145,670</u> |
| <b>Fund Equity:</b>                               |                  |                  |                |                |                       |                  |
| Reserved for Encumbrances                         | 23,579           | 0                | 0              | 0              | 0                     | 23,579           |
| Unreserved:                                       |                  |                  |                |                |                       |                  |
| Designated for Subsequent Year's Exps             | 0                | 0                | 0              | 0              | 0                     | 0                |
| Undesignated for Specific Purposes                | 0                | 0                | 0              | 0              | 0                     | 0                |
| General Fund                                      | 787,830          | 0                | 0              | 0              | 0                     | 787,830          |
| Special Revenue                                   | 0                | 1,012,694        | 115,297        | 275,559        | 228,545               | 1,632,095        |
| Permanant Funds                                   | 0                | 0                | 0              | 0              | 0                     | 0                |
| <b>Total Fund Equity</b>                          | <u>811,409</u>   | <u>1,012,694</u> | <u>115,297</u> | <u>275,559</u> | <u>228,545</u>        | <u>2,443,504</u> |
| <b>Total Liabilities &amp; Fund Equity</b>        | <u>2,908,478</u> | <u>1,012,694</u> | <u>128,355</u> | <u>311,102</u> | <u>228,545</u>        | <u>4,589,173</u> |

**TOWN of HUNTINGTON**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES-**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016**

|                                      | <b>General</b>   | <b>Stabilization</b> | <b>Water</b>   | <b>Sewer</b>   | <b>Non major</b>    | <b>Total</b>        |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------------|
|                                      | <b>Fund</b>      | <b>Fund</b>          | <b>Fund</b>    | <b>Fund</b>    | <b>Governmental</b> | <b>Governmental</b> |
|                                      |                  |                      |                |                | <b>Funds</b>        | <b>Funds</b>        |
| <b>Revenues:</b>                     |                  |                      |                |                |                     |                     |
| Property Taxes                       | 3,492,891        | 0                    | 0              | 0              | 0                   | 3,492,891           |
| Intergovernmental                    | 699,342          | 0                    | 0              | 0              | 0                   | 699,342             |
| Excise and Other Taxes               | 246,239          | 0                    | 0              | 0              | 0                   | 246,239             |
| Charges for Services                 | 0                | 0                    | 93,450         | 130,909        | 0                   | 224,360             |
| Licenses, Permits and Fees           | 24,601           | 0                    | 0              | 0              | 0                   | 24,601              |
| Interest on Taxes                    | 36,502           | 0                    | 1,449          | 982            | 0                   | 38,933              |
| Interest on Investments              | 2,289            | 5,093                | 0              | 0              | 0                   | 7,382               |
| Other                                | 165,618          | 0                    | 10,468         | 19,550         | 795,882             | 991,518             |
| Total Revenues                       | <u>4,667,482</u> | <u>5,093</u>         | <u>105,367</u> | <u>151,442</u> | <u>795,882</u>      | <u>5,725,266</u>    |
| <b>Expenditures:</b>                 |                  |                      |                |                |                     |                     |
| Current:                             |                  |                      |                |                |                     |                     |
| General government                   | 340,636          | 0                    | 0              | 0              | 774,062             | 1,114,697           |
| Public Safety                        | 271,931          | 0                    | 0              | 0              | 0                   | 271,931             |
| Public Works and Facilities          | 393,779          | 0                    | 0              | 0              | 0                   | 393,779             |
| Water and Sewer                      | 0                | 0                    | 96,724         | 112,619        | 0                   | 209,343             |
| Education                            | 2,846,153        | 0                    | 0              | 0              | 0                   | 2,846,153           |
| Health and Human Services            | 53,444           | 0                    | 0              | 0              | 0                   | 53,444              |
| Culture and Recreation               | 75,584           | 0                    | 0              | 0              | 0                   | 75,584              |
| Employee Benefits and Insurance      | 191,882          | 0                    | 0              | 0              | 0                   | 191,882             |
| State Assessments                    | 16,782           | 0                    | 0              | 0              | 0                   | 16,782              |
| Other                                | 19,180           | 0                    | 0              | 0              | 0                   | 19,180              |
| Debt service:                        |                  |                      |                |                |                     |                     |
| Principal                            | 99,832           | 0                    | 10,000         | 0              | 0                   | 109,832             |
| Interest                             | 6,492            | 0                    | 750            | 0              | 0                   | 7,242               |
| Total Expenditures                   | <u>4,315,694</u> | <u>0</u>             | <u>107,474</u> | <u>112,619</u> | <u>774,062</u>      | <u>5,309,848</u>    |
| Excess of Revenues Over              |                  |                      |                |                |                     |                     |
| (Under) Expenditures                 | 351,788          | 5,093                | (2,107)        | 38,823         | 21,820              | 415,418             |
| Other Financing Sources (Uses):      |                  |                      |                |                |                     |                     |
| Operating Transfers In               | 0                | 0                    | 0              | 0              | 0                   | 0                   |
| Operating Transfers Out              | 0                | 0                    | 0              | 0              | 0                   | 0                   |
| Audit Adjustments                    | (42,949)         | 0                    | 0              | 0              | 0                   | (42,949)            |
| Other                                | (12,201)         | 0                    | 0              | 0              | (8)                 | (12,209)            |
| Total Other Financing Sources (Uses) | <u>(55,150)</u>  | <u>0</u>             | <u>0</u>       | <u>0</u>       | <u>(8)</u>          | <u>(55,158)</u>     |
| Net Change in Fund Balances          | 296,638          | 5,093                | (2,107)        | 38,823         | 21,812              | 360,259             |
| Fund Balances, Beginning of Year     | 491,192          | 1,007,600            | 117,404        | 236,736        | 206,733             | 2,059,665           |
| Fund Balances, End of Year           | <u>787,830</u>   | <u>1,012,694</u>     | <u>115,297</u> | <u>275,559</u> | <u>228,545</u>      | <u>2,419,925</u>    |

**TOWN of HUNTINGTON**  
**GENERAL FUND: BUDGET and ACTUAL**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 6/30/2016**

| <b><u>EXPENDITURES:</u></b>          | <b><u>Amended<br/>Budget</u></b> | <b><u>Actual</u></b> | <b><u>Variance<br/>Favorable/<br/>(Unfavorable)</u></b> |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|---|
| <b><u>114-MODERATOR</u></b>          |                                  |                      |   |
| Salary                               | 256                              | 256                  | 0   |
| <b><u>122-SELECTPERSONS</u></b>      |                                  |                      |   |
| Salary                               | 6,978                            | 6,978                | 0   |
| Admin Asst Wages                     | 35,458                           | 35,458               | 0   |
| Expenses                             | 2,078                            | 2,008                | 71  |
| Admin Asst Exp                       | 296                              | 296                  | 0   |
| Legal Ads Expense                    | 1,217                            | 1,217                | 0   |
| General Office Supplies              | 2,097                            | 2,097                | 0   |
| Copy Machine Expenses                | 1,765                            | 1,765                | 0   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                         | <b>49,889</b>                    | <b>49,818</b>        | <b>71</b>   |
| <b><u>122-COMPUTER COMMITTEE</u></b> |                                  |                      |   |
| Computer Purch Expenses              | 3,899                            | 1,719                | 2,180   |
| IT Tech Support                      | 5,000                            | 4,738                | 262   |
| Drug Testing                         | 1,001                            | 875                  | 126   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                         | <b>9,900</b>                     | <b>7,332</b>         | <b>2,568</b>  |
| <b><u>131-FINANCE COMMITTEE</u></b>  |                                  |                      |   |
| Expenses                             | 200                              | 129                  | 71  |
| Reserve Fund                         | 1,500                            | 0                    | 1,500   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                         | <b>1,700</b>                     | <b>129</b>           | <b>1,571</b>  |
| <b><u>135-ACCOUNTANT</u></b>         |                                  |                      |   |
| Salary                               | 13,564                           | 13,564               | 0   |
| Expenses                             | 697                              | 697                  | 0   |
| Software Suppt                       | 3,271                            | 3,271                | 0   |
| Audit Expense                        | 10,000                           | 0                    | 10,000  |
| Acct Clerk Salary                    | 5,559                            | 5,559                | 0   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                         | <b>33,090</b>                    | <b>23,090</b>        | <b>10,000</b>   |
| <b><u>137-ASSESSORS</u></b>          |                                  |                      |   |
| Salaries                             | 6,365                            | 6,365                | 0   |
| Expenses                             | 2,950                            | 1,038                | 1,912   |
| Clerk Wages                          | 11,600                           | 7,138                | 4,462   |
| Mapping Expenses                     | 3,200                            | 3,200                | 0   |
| Software Support                     | 3,700                            | 3,700                | 0   |
| Revaluation                          | 10,000                           | 3,500                | 6,500   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                         | <b>37,815</b>                    | <b>24,941</b>        | <b>12,874</b>   |
| <b><u>138-TREASURER</u></b>          |                                  |                      |   |
| Salary                               | 16,389                           | 16,389               | 0   |
| Treas Certification Bonus            | 833                              | 833                  | 0   |
| Expenses                             | 2,794                            | 2,744                | 50  |
| Bank Service Chgs                    | 300                              | 300                  | 0   |
| Tax Title Expenses                   | 10,376                           | 10,376               | 0   |
| Software support                     | 2,541                            | 2,541                | 0   |
| Treas / Exp                          | 955                              | 955                  | 0   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                         | <b>34,189</b>                    | <b>34,139</b>        | <b>50</b>   |



**TOWN of HUNTINGTON**  
**GENERAL FUND:BUDGET and ACTUAL**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 6/30/2016**

| <b><u>EXPENDITURES:</u></b>                | <b><u>Amended<br/>Budget</u></b> | <b><u>Actual</u></b> | <b><u>Variance<br/>Favorable/<br/>(Unfavorable)</u></b> |
|--|----------------------------------|----------------------|---|
| <b><u>139-COLLECTOR</u></b>                |                                  |                      |   |
| Salary                                     | 22,077                           | 22,077               | 0   |
| Expenses                                   | 4,071                            | 4,071                | 0   |
| Tax Taking                                 | 1,428                            | 1,427                | 2   |
| Collector Software support                 | 7,800                            | 7,794                | 6   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                               | <b>35,377</b>                    | <b>35,369</b>        | <b>8</b>  |
| <b><u>151-LEGAL</u></b>                    |                                  |                      |   |
| Legal Expenses                             | 30,000                           | 27,069               | 2,931   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                               | <b>30,000</b>                    | <b>27,069</b>        | <b>2,931</b>  |
| <b><u>161/162-TOWN CLERK</u></b>           |                                  |                      |   |
| Salary                                     | 14,025                           | 14,025               | 0   |
| Dog License Exp                            | 397                              | 382                  | 14  |
| Expenses                                   | 1,100                            | 780                  | 320   |
| Census Superintendent                      | 1,500                            | 1,500                | 0   |
| Census Expenses                            | 800                              | 743                  | 57  |
| Asst clerk salary                          | 2,100                            | 1,936                | 164   |
| Election Workers Wages                     | 1,632                            | 1,632                | 0   |
| Elect & Reg Expenses                       | 471                              | 471                  | 0   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                               | <b>22,025</b>                    | <b>21,470</b>        | <b>555</b>  |
| <b><u>171-CONSERVATION COMMISSION</u></b>  |                                  |                      |   |
| Expenses                                   | 800                              | 520                  | 280   |
| <b><u>172-PLANNING BOARD</u></b>           |                                  |                      |   |
| Expenses                                   | 1,200                            | 375                  | 825   |
| <b><u>173-ZONING BOARD</u></b>             |                                  |                      |   |
| Expenses                                   | 450                              | 43                   | 407   |
| <b><u>179-OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE</u></b>     |                                  |                      |   |
| Expenses                                   | 200                              | 0                    | 200   |
| <b><u>192-BUILDINGS &amp; PROPERTY</u></b> |                                  |                      |   |
| Wages                                      | 10,313                           | 10,313               | 0   |
| Tn Hall Utilities/Phone                    | 14,542                           | 13,427               | 1,115   |
| North Hall Utilities                       | 1,500                            | 849                  | 651   |
| Stanton Hall Utilities                     | 9,450                            | 6,842                | 2,608   |
| Town Mowing                                | 5,500                            | 3,905                | 1,595   |
| Maintenance                                | 13,000                           | 9,809                | 3,191   |
| North Hall Maintenance                     | 5,270                            | 5,270                | 0   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                               | <b>59,575</b>                    | <b>50,415</b>        | <b>9,160</b>  |

**TOWN of HUNTINGTON**  
**GENERAL FUND: BUDGET and ACTUAL**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 6/30/2016**

| <b>EXPENDITURES:</b>                  | <b>Amended<br/>Budget</b> | <b>Actual</b>  | <b>Variance<br/>Favorable/<br/>(Unfavorable)</b> |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|--|
| <b><u>193-LIABILITY INSURANCE</u></b> |                           |                |  |
| Workers' Compensation                 | 10,634                    | 7,752          | 2,882  |
| Unemployment Insurance                | 11,300                    | 2,422          | 8,878  |
| Medicare                              | 9,800                     | 7,033          | 2,767  |
| Town Buildings Insurance              | 31,532                    | 29,365         | 2,167  |
| Town Vehicle Insurance                | 18,002                    | 17,000         | 1,002  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                          | <b>81,268</b>             | <b>63,572</b>  | <b>17,696</b>                                    |
| <b><u>196-REPORTS</u></b>             |                           |                |  |
| Town Reports                          | 3,000                     | 2,098          | 902  |
| <b>Total General Government</b>       | <b>400,734</b>            | <b>340,636</b> | <b>60,098</b>                                    |
| <b><u>210-POLICE</u></b>              |                           |                |  |
| Chief Salary                          | 64,063                    | 64,063         | 0  |
| Training Exps & Wages                 | 26,792                    | 21,029         | 5,763  |
| Murrayfield Crossing Guard            | 1,815                     | 1,815          | 0  |
| Administration/Training               | 7,211                     | 7,211          | 0  |
| Vehicle Maintenance                   | 8,943                     | 8,215          | 728  |
| Equipment                             | 6,952                     | 6,797          | 154  |
| Building Maint                        | 341                       | 336            | 5  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                          | <b>116,117</b>            | <b>109,467</b> | <b>6,650</b>                                     |
| <b><u>220-FIRE</u></b>                |                           |                |  |
| Chief Salary                          | 4,332                     | 4,332          | 0  |
| Hourly Wages                          | 21,770                    | 21,770         | 0  |
| Deputy/Asst Chief Salary              | 1,375                     | 1,375          | 0  |
| Training Wages                        | 2,887                     | 2,887          | 0  |
| Building/Equipment Exps               | 28,738                    | 27,838         | 900  |
| Admin/Training Expenses               | 3,466                     | 3,466          | 0  |
| Utilities                             | 6,502                     | 6,454          | 47   |
| Truck Maintenance                     | 13,942                    | 13,942         | 0  |
| Fire Defense Assn                     | 0                         | 0              | 0  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                          | <b>83,011</b>             | <b>82,064</b>  | <b>947</b>                                       |
| <b><u>231-AMBULANCE</u></b>           |                           |                |  |
| Ambulance Service                     | 39,455                    | 39,455         | 0  |
| <b><u>BUILDING INSPECTOR</u></b>      |                           |                |  |
| Expenses                              | 18,380                    | 18,380         | 0  |
| By-Law Enforcement Officer            | 280                       | 280            | 0  |
| Gas Inspector Fees                    | 0                         | 0              | 0  |
| Plumbing Inspector Fees               | 0                         | 0              | 0  |
| Wiring Inspector Fees                 | 0                         | 0              | 0  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                          | <b>18,660</b>             | <b>18,660</b>  | <b>0</b>   |
| <b><u>291-CIVIL DEFENSE</u></b>       |                           |                |  |
| Expenses                              | 770                       | 500            | 270  |
| Reverse 911                           | 2,663                     | 2,623          | 40   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                          | <b>3,433</b>              | <b>3,123</b>   | <b>310</b>                                       |

**TOWN of HUNTINGTON**  
**GENERAL FUND:BUDGET and ACTUAL**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 6/30/2016**

| <b><u>EXPENDITURES:</u></b>     | <b><u>Amended<br/>Budget</u></b> | <b><u>Actual</u></b> | <b><u>Variance<br/>Favorable/<br/>(Unfavorable)</u></b> |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|---|
| <b><u>292-DOG OFFICER</u></b>   |                                  |                      |   |
| Salary                          | 1,163                            | 1,163                | 0   |
| Expenses                        | 500                              | 10                   | 490   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                    | <b>1,663</b>                     | <b>1,173</b>         | <b>490</b>  |
| <b><u>294-TREE SERVICES</u></b> |                                  |                      |   |
| Tree Warden Svce & Salary       | 800                              | 800                  | 0   |
| Dutch Elm Disease               | 1                                | 0                    | 1   |
| Forestry Service                | 1                                | 0                    | 1   |
| Pest Control                    | 1                                | 0                    | 1   |
| Tree Removal Expense            | 17,170                           | 17,170               | 0   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                    | <b>17,973</b>                    | <b>17,970</b>        | <b>3</b>  |
| Constable Expense               | 250                              | 20                   | 230   |
| <b>Total Public Safety</b>      | <b>280,562</b>                   | <b>271,931</b>       | <b>8,631</b>  |
| <b><u>300-EDUCATION</u></b>     |                                  |                      |   |
| Gateway Min Contribution        | 1,484,445                        | 1,484,445            | 0   |
| Gateway Over Min Contribution   | 547,979                          | 547,979              | 0   |
| Transportation/Debt             | 558,815                          | 375,327              | 183,488   |
| Ch 70 Voc Trans                 | 76,980                           | 76,980               | 0   |
| Ch 70 Voc Tuition               | 411,719                          | 361,422              | 50,297  |
| <b>Total Education</b>          | <b>3,079,938</b>                 | <b>2,846,153</b>     | <b>233,786</b>  |
| <b><u>422/424-HIGHWAY</u></b>   |                                  |                      |   |
| Superintendent                  | 54,053                           | 54,053               | 0   |
| Hourly Wages                    | 82,828                           | 82,821               | 7   |
| Overtime/Extra Help             | 13,000                           | 10,177               | 2,823   |
| Utilities                       | 15,000                           | 8,857                | 6,143   |
| Bldg/Equip Maintenance          | 30,000                           | 29,103               | 897   |
| Sand & Salt                     | 50,000                           | 48,901               | 1,099   |
| Gas & Diesel Fuel               | 21,527                           | 9,617                | 11,910  |
| Road Maintenance                | 42,000                           | 41,998               | 2   |
| Uniforms                        | 2,931                            | 2,931                | 0   |
| Admin/Training Expenses         | 674                              | 479                  | 195   |
| Equipment replacement           | 3,000                            | 2,888                | 112   |
| Street Lights                   | 11,967                           | 11,967               | 0   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                    | <b>326,981</b>                   | <b>303,793</b>       | <b>23,188</b>   |

**TOWN of HUNTINGTON**  
**GENERAL FUND:BUDGET and ACTUAL**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 6/30/2016**

| <b><u>EXPENDITURES:</u></b>        | <b><u>Amended<br/>Budget</u></b> | <b><u>Actual</u></b> | <b><u>Variance<br/>Favorable/<br/>(Unfavorable)</u></b> |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|---|
| <b><u>433-TRANSFER STATION</u></b> |                                  |                      |   |
| Wages                              | 18,963                           | 18,963               | 0   |
| Hauling & Disposal                 | 56,497                           | 49,497               | 7,000   |
| Misc/Maint                         | 5,019                            | 3,844                | 1,175   |
| Utilities                          | 1,350                            | 1,024                | 326   |
| Hilltown Mgt Res Co-Op             | 7,000                            | 6,323                | 677   |
| Hsehld Hazardous Mat Rem           | 2,000                            | 0                    | 2,000   |
| Training                           | 200                              | 0                    | 200   |
| Basket Str Landfill Monit          | 17,022                           | 9,836                | 7,186   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                       | <b>108,050</b>                   | <b>89,486</b>        | <b>18,564</b>   |
| <b><u>440-SEWER</u></b>            |                                  |                      |   |
| Commissioner Salaries              | 4,057                            | 4,057                | 0   |
| Wages                              | 51,547                           | 49,593               | 1,954   |
| Workers Compensation               | 3,971                            | 0                    | 3,971   |
| Unemployment                       | 390                              | 0                    | 390   |
| Health Insurance                   | 3,957                            | 3,957                | 0   |
| Property Insurance                 | 1,700                            | 1,500                | 200   |
| Vehicle Insurance                  | 1,600                            | 1,500                | 100   |
| Utilities                          | 15,750                           | 15,445               | 305   |
| Contractors                        | 10,000                           | 2,175                | 7,825   |
| Building/Equipment Maint           | 25,000                           | 19,600               | 5,400   |
| Meter Pump Expense                 | 3,000                            | 0                    | 3,000   |
| Chemical Purchase                  | 3,500                            | 3,019                | 481   |
| Waste Removal                      | 8,000                            | 6,543                | 1,457   |
| Improvements                       | 10,000                           | 2,106                | 7,894   |
| Software support                   | 3,124                            | 3,124                | 0   |
| Sewer Overtime                     | 2,700                            | 0                    | 2,700   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                       | <b>148,296</b>                   | <b>112,619</b>       | <b>35,677</b>   |

**TOWN of HUNTINGTON**  
**GENERAL FUND:BUDGET and ACTUAL**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 6/30/2016**

| <u>EXPENDITURES:</u>              | <u>Amended<br/>Budget</u> | <u>Actual</u>  | <u>Variance<br/>Favorable/<br/>(Unfavorable)</u> |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|--|
| <b><u>450-WATER</u></b>           |                           |                |  |
| Commissioner Salaries             | 4,057                     | 4,057          | 0  |
| Wages                             | 33,403                    | 30,177         | 3,226  |
| Workers Compensation              | 1,391                     | 0              | 1,391  |
| Unemployment                      | 205                       | 0              | 205  |
| Health Insurance                  | 2,638                     | 2,638          | 0  |
| Property Insurance                | 2,652                     | 2,500          | 152  |
| Utilities                         | 15,000                    | 14,910         | 90   |
| Vehicle Insurance                 | 500                       | 400            | 100  |
| Analysis Tests                    | 7,500                     | 6,699          | 801  |
| Analysis Chemicals                | 3,070                     | 3,070          | 0  |
| Contractors                       | 5,000                     | 4,814          | 186  |
| Materials/Equipment               | 18,155                    | 18,155         | 0  |
| Improvements                      | 5,311                     | 5,311          | 0  |
| Software support                  | 3,574                     | 3,124          | 450  |
| Meters                            | 1,000                     | 870            | 130  |
| Water Overtime                    | 1,464                     | 0              | 1,464  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                      | <b>104,920</b>            | <b>96,724</b>  | <b>8,196</b>                                     |
| <b><u>490-CEMETERY</u></b>        |                           |                |  |
| Norwich Hill Cemetery             | 500                       | 500            | 0  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                      | <b>500</b>                | <b>500</b>     | <b>0</b>   |
| <b>Total Public Works</b>         | <b>688,747</b>            | <b>603,122</b> | <b>85,625</b>                                    |
| <b><u>510-BOARD of HEALTH</u></b> |                           |                |  |
| Salaries                          | 3,987                     | 3,966          | 21   |
| Secretary Salary                  | 5,558                     | 5,344          | 214  |
| Agent Wages                       | 4,479                     | 4,028          | 452  |
| Nebbs Well Expenses               | 2,021                     | 2,021          | 0  |
| Health Nursing Fee                | 200                       | 0              | 200  |
| Animal Control Officer Salary     | 838                       | 838            | 0  |
| Perc Tests/Septic Tank Fees       | 1,500                     | 0              | 1,500  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                      | <b>18,583</b>             | <b>16,196</b>  | <b>2,387</b>                                     |
| Council on Aging                  | 2,476                     | 2,476          | 0  |
| <b><u>543-VETERN AGENT</u></b>    |                           |                |  |
| Salary                            | 1,936                     | 1,936          | 0  |
| Relief Benefits                   | 33,615                    | 32,836         | 779  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                      | <b>35,551</b>             | <b>34,772</b>  | <b>779</b>                                       |
| <b>Total Human Services</b>       | <b>56,610</b>             | <b>53,444</b>  | <b>3,166</b>                                     |
| <b><u>610-LIBRARY</u></b>         |                           |                |  |
| Wages                             | 35,489                    | 35,489         | 0  |
| Maintenance Wages                 | 4,270                     | 3,925          | 345  |
| Maint/Repair/Supplies             | 8,766                     | 6,034          | 2,732  |
| Utilities                         | 4,362                     | 4,176          | 186  |
| Books/Periodicals                 | 14,006                    | 13,929         | 77   |
| Software Tech Support             | 1,857                     | 1,125          | 732  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                      | <b>68,750</b>             | <b>64,678</b>  | <b>4,072</b>                                     |

**TOWN of HUNTINGTON**  
**GENERAL FUND:BUDGET and ACTUAL**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 6/30/2016**

| <u>EXPENDITURES:</u>                    | <u>Amended<br/>Budget</u> | <u>Actual</u>    | <u>Variance<br/>Favorable/<br/>(Unfavorable)</u> |
|---|---------------------------|------------------|--|
| <b><u>620-RECREATION COMMISSION</u></b> |                           |                  |  |
| Wages                                   | 0                         | 0                | 0  |
| Expenses                                | 8,014                     | 8,014            | 0  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                            | <b>8,014</b>              | <b>8,014</b>     | <b>0</b>   |
| Historical Commission                   | 59                        | 0                | 59   |
| Agricultural Commssion                  | 100                       | 0                | 100  |
| Memorial Day Parade                     | 650                       | 406              | 244  |
| Community Events                        | 2,600                     | 2,485            | 115  |
| St Thomas Local Hist Distr              | 250                       | 0                | 250  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                            | <b>3,659</b>              | <b>2,892</b>     | <b>768</b>                                       |
| <b>Total Culture &amp; Rec</b>          | <b>80,423</b>             | <b>75,584</b>    | <b>4,839</b>                                     |
| <br><b><u>DEBT SERVICE</u></b>          |                           |                  |  |
| Fire Truck Loan                         | 48,000                    | 48,000           | 0  |
| Water Meter Loan                        | 10,000                    | 10,000           | 0  |
| Hwy Truck Loan                          | 22,881                    | 22,881           | 0  |
| Hwy Grader Loan                         | 28,951                    | 28,951           | 0  |
| Fire Truck Interest                     | 3,600                     | 3,600            | 0  |
| Water Meter Interest                    | 750                       | 750              | 0  |
| Hwy Grader Interst                      | 2,892                     | 2,892            | 0  |
| Short Term Interest                     | 0                         | 0                | 0  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                            | <b>117,074</b>            | <b>117,074</b>   | <b>0</b>   |
| <br><b><u>INTERGOVERNMENT</u></b>       |                           |                  |  |
| CS MV Excise Surcharge                  | 3,380                     | 3,380            | 0  |
| CS Air Polution Assmnt                  | 564                       | 564              | 0  |
| CS Regional Transit                     | 10,000                    | 10,000           | 0  |
| Hampshire Co Jail Assmt                 | 2,071                     | 2,071            | 0  |
| Council of Govts Assmt                  | 767                       | 767              | 0  |
| Hampshire Co Retirement                 | 102,963                   | 102,963          | 0  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                            | <b>119,745</b>            | <b>119,745</b>   | <b>0</b>   |
| <br><b><u>914-HEALTH INSURANCE</u></b>  |                           |                  |  |
| Collector Health Ins                    | 16,094                    | 16,094           | 0  |
| Police Health Ins                       | 6,910                     | 6,910            | 0  |
| Highway Health Insurance                | 29,914                    | 29,914           | 0  |
| Library Health Ins                      | 6,595                     | 6,594            | 0  |
| Police & Fire Disability Ins            | 15,587                    | 15,587           | 0  |
| Admin Health Ins                        | 13,820                    | 13,820           | 0  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                            | <b>88,920</b>             | <b>88,919</b>    | <b>1</b>   |
| Loss on Disposal of Tn Prop             | 19,181                    | 19,180           | 1  |
| <b>Total Misc Expenses</b>              | <b>344,920</b>            | <b>344,918</b>   | <b>1</b>   |
| <br><b><u>Transfers</u></b>             |                           |                  |  |
| Stabilization                           | 0                         | 0                | 0  |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>               | <b>4,931,934</b>          | <b>4,535,787</b> | <b>396,147</b>                                   |

# TOWN of HUNTINGTON

## SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

|                                  | Fund Balances       |                |                     |                      |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|----------------|---------------------|----------------------|
|                                  | <u>July 1, 2015</u> | <u>Revenue</u> | <u>Expenditures</u> | <u>June 30, 2016</u> |
| <b>Chapter 90</b>                | <u>(46,870)</u>     | <u>272,807</u> | <u>256,995</u>      | <u>(31,058)</u>      |
| <b>Special Revenue Funds:</b>    |                     |                |                     |                      |
| Utility Tractor Purch            | (3)                 | 0              | 24,872              | (24,875)             |
| Utility Tractor Maint            | 2,491               | 1,750          | 1,774               | 2,467                |
| COA Donation a/c                 | 5,342               | 0              | 60                  | 5,282                |
| Conservation Wetlands Fees       | 4,868               | 263            | 460                 | 4,671                |
| Murryfield Oil Tk Grant          | 3,386               | 0              | 0                   | 3,386                |
| Commun Devel Block Grants        | 5,739               | 45,000         | 45,000              | 5,739                |
| Agricultural Commission          | 20                  | 0              | 0                   | 20                   |
| WellHead Protection              | 768                 | 0              | 0                   | 768                  |
| Sara Gillette Services-COA       | 338                 | 0              | 0                   | 338                  |
| Emergency Management             | 8,798               | 0              | 0                   | 8,798                |
| Library Building                 | 8,471               | 0              | 0                   | 8,471                |
| Local Preparedness Grant         | 315                 | 0              | 0                   | 315                  |
| Conservation                     | 2                   | 0              | 0                   | 2                    |
| FEMA Grants                      | 9,027               | 0              | 0                   | 9,027                |
| Grant: FEMA-4051-HD-MA           | (15,787)            | 0              | 11,470              | (27,257)             |
| Grant: Goss Hill HMGP-4051-DR-MA | (24,470)            | 94,243         | 77,207              | (7,434)              |
| FF Public Safety Equip           | 373                 | 0              | 0                   | 373                  |
| Public Safety Educ Grant         | 1,476               | 0              | 0                   | 1,476                |
| Capital Expenditures             | 14,472              | 0              | 0                   | 14,472               |
| FEMA Grant-Ice                   | 0                   | 0              | 0                   | 0                    |
| Stanton Hall Upkeep              | 12,671              | 5,000          | 5,720               | 11,951               |
| GSRD Fuel                        | (187)               | 1,997          | 1,812               | (3)                  |
| Green Grant                      | 30                  | 70,400         | 63,830              | 6,600                |
| ZBA Escrow Funds                 | 1,496               | 0              | 0                   | 1,496                |
| Cultural Council                 | 3,412               | 4,409          | 4,471               | 3,350                |
| BOH Spec Proj                    | 6,080               | 0              | 0                   | 6,080                |
| State Aid to Libraries           | 8,431               | 3,186          | 10,784              | 834                  |
| Council on Aging-Formula         | 1,703               | 2,797          | 1,869               | 2,631                |
| Council on Aging-HighValley      | 470                 | 0              | 0                   | 470                  |
| Recycling                        | 491                 | 0              | 0                   | 491                  |
| FRTA                             | 27,879              | 26,696         | 25,240              | 29,335               |
| Town Prop Damage                 | (982)               | 5,600          | 3,070               | 1,548                |
| Misc Pass Thru Exp               | (1,475)             | 0              | 0                   | (1,475)              |
| Snow Blower Grant                | 0                   | 0              | 0                   | 0                    |
| Ag Comn Small GT                 | 500                 | 500            | 0                   | 1,000                |
| Shared Legal Exps                | (7,523)             | 1,305          | 5,354               | (11,571)             |
| <b>Total-Special Rev Funds</b>   | <u>78,621</u>       | <u>263,145</u> | <u>282,993</u>      | <u>58,773</u>        |

**TOWN of HUNTINGTON**  
**SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**  
**NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016**

|                             | <b>Fund Balances</b> |                |                     |                     |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------------|
|                             | <u>July 1,2015</u>   | <u>Revenue</u> | <u>Expenditures</u> | <u>June 30,2016</u> |
| <b>Trust Funds:</b>         |                      |                |                     |                     |
| Conservation Fund           | 10,919               | 46             | 0                   | 10,965              |
| Stanton Income Fund         | 126,678              | 16,553         | 3,410               | 139,821             |
| Whiting Street Fund         | 1,354                | 6              | 0                   | 1,361               |
| Cemetery Perpetual Care     | 3,364                | 0              | 0                   | 3,364               |
| Communeration               | 0                    | 0              | 0                   | 0                   |
| Stabilization fund          | 1,007,600            | 5,093          | 0                   | 1,012,694           |
| Postwar Rehabilitation Fund | 928                  | 0              | 0                   | 928                 |
| Recreation                  | 126                  | 0              | 0                   | 126                 |
| Civic Welfare               | 4,067                | 0              | 0                   | 4,067               |
| <b>Total-Trust Funds</b>    | <b>1,155,036</b>     | <b>21,699</b>  | <b>3,410</b>        | <b>1,173,325</b>    |
| <b>Agency Funds:</b>        |                      |                |                     |                     |
| Due to Admin Asst-Fees      | 345                  | 1,479          | 1,081               | 744                 |
| Extra Duty Police           | 0                    | 36,902         | 34,270              | 2,633               |
| Police Detail Admin Fees    | 0                    | 66             | 0                   | 66                  |
| Due to Collector-Fees       | 310                  | 6,334          | 6,565               | 79                  |
| Due to Comm/Firearms Fund   | 14,346               | 4,293          | 6,113               | 12,527              |
| Due to Comm-Fish & Game     | 20                   | 343            | 33                  | 331                 |
| Due to Deputy-Fees          | 0                    | 6,490          | 8,488               | (1,998)             |
| Fire Permit Fees            | 125                  | 2,600          | 2,600               | 125                 |
| Due to Town Clerk-Fees      | 255                  | 1,631          | 1,420               | 467                 |
| W/H-Federal                 | 2,597                | 53,513         | 47,206              | 8,904               |
| W/H-Medicare                | 432                  | 9,220          | 8,234               | 1,419               |
| W/H-State                   | 1,289                | 28,983         | 26,175              | 4,096               |
| W/H-Retirement              | 4,850                | 43,136         | 44,728              | 3,258               |
| W/H-Grp Ins                 | 1,665                | 27,130         | 21,844              | 6,952               |
| W/H-Life Ins                | 0                    | 39             | 62                  | (23)                |
| W/H OBRA                    | 819                  | 12,004         | 12,004              | 819                 |
| W/H-Other Payroll           | 197                  | 5,600          | 6,282               | (485)               |
| W/H-Dental                  | 297                  | 3,561          | 3,561               | 297                 |
| <b>Total-Agency Funds</b>   | <b>27,547</b>        | <b>243,324</b> | <b>230,663</b>      | <b>40,208</b>       |

Respectfully submitted,  
Richard Buley



## COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016

## COLLECTOR FINANCIAL REPORT

|                     |      | <u>Beginning<br/>Balance</u> | <u>Billed</u> | <u>Tax<br/>Paid</u> | <u>Interest<br/>Paid</u> | <u>Fees<br/>Paid</u> | <u>Abate/Exempt</u> | <u>Refunds</u> | <u>Bill Adj.</u> | <u>Lien</u> | <u>Lien Int</u> | <u>Lien Fee</u> | <u>Tax Title</u> | <u>Balance<br/>Due</u> |              |
|---------------------|------|------------------------------|---------------|---------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------|------------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Real Estate:</b> | 2010 | 5.00                         |               |                     |                          |                      |                     |                |                  |             |                 |                 |                  | 5.00                   |              |
|                     | 2011 | 520.51                       | 121.03        | 189.11              | 121.03                   | 20.00                |                     |                |                  |             |                 |                 |                  | 311.40                 |              |
|                     | 2012 | 318.97                       | (96.26)       | (2,670.00)          |                          | (80.00)              |                     |                | 368.23           |             |                 |                 | 4,043.60         | (702.66)               |              |
|                     | 2013 | 26,694.25                    | 14,313.85     | 16,063.65           |                          | 1,495.00             |                     |                | 3,018.18         |             |                 |                 | 25,446.26        | 1,021.37               |              |
|                     | 2014 | 81,534.70                    | 19,215.13     | 48,088.40           | 12,043.70                | 1,020.63             |                     | 759.94         | 170.00           |             |                 |                 | 33,095.58        | 7,431.46               |              |
|                     | 2015 | 188,618.23                   | 15,498.93     | 108,192.98          | 12,073.97                | 430.00               |                     | 9,795.69       | 30.00            |             |                 |                 | 34,973.63        | 58,272.27              |              |
| W Lien Paid         |      |                              |               | 416.53              |                          |                      |                     |                |                  |             |                 |                 |                  | (416.53)               |              |
| S Lien Paid         |      |                              |               | 501.78              |                          |                      |                     |                |                  |             |                 |                 |                  | (501.78)               |              |
| W Interest          |      |                              |               | 54.44               |                          |                      |                     |                |                  |             |                 |                 |                  | (54.44)                |              |
| S Interest          |      |                              |               | 50.55               |                          |                      |                     |                |                  |             |                 |                 |                  | (50.55)                | 57,248.97    |
|                     | 2016 | 1,584,303.97                 | 1,873,225.41  | 3,195,529.95        | 6,009.04                 | 573.64               | 14,320.24           | 3,368.72       |                  |             |                 |                 | 26,849.33        | 217,615.90             |              |
| W Lien Paid         |      |                              |               | 9,400.32            |                          |                      |                     |                |                  |             |                 |                 |                  | (9,400.32)             |              |
| S Lien Paid         |      |                              |               | 17,932.28           |                          |                      |                     |                |                  |             |                 |                 |                  | (17,932.28)            |              |
| W Interest          |      |                              |               | 835.04              |                          |                      |                     |                |                  |             |                 |                 |                  | (835.04)               |              |
| S Interest          |      |                              |               | 1,347.78            |                          |                      |                     |                |                  |             |                 |                 |                  | (1,347.78)             | 188,100.48   |
|                     | 2017 | -                            | 1,699,505.70  | 3,014.59            |                          |                      |                     |                |                  |             |                 |                 |                  | 1,696,491.11           |              |
| Totals              |      | 1,881,995.63                 | 3,621,783.79  | 3,398,947.40        | 30,247.74                | 3,459.27             | 14,320.24           | 13,924.35      | 3,586.41         | -           | -               | -               | 124,408.40       | 1,949,907.13           | 1,949,907.13 |

July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016

## Personal Property:

|        |      |          |            |           |        |        |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |          |          |
|--------|------|----------|------------|-----------|--------|--------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----------|----------|
|        | 2009 | -        |            |           |        |        |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | -        |          |
|        | 2010 | 48.39    | 8.59       | 12.96     | 8.59   | 5.00   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | 30.43    |          |
|        | 2011 | 905.85   | 21.95      | 19.56     | 11.95  | 10.00  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | 886.29   |          |
|        | 2012 | 951.40   | 19.31      | 111.13    | 19.31  | 10.00  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | 830.27   |          |
|        | 2013 | 1,142.60 | 55.87      | 80.33     | 55.87  | 10.00  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | 1,052.27 |          |
|        | 2014 | 1,930.48 | 158.44     | 602.72    | 138.44 | 20.00  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | 1,327.76 |          |
|        | 2015 | 2,706.40 | 53.37      | 421.80    | 33.37  | 20.00  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | 2,284.60 |          |
|        | 2016 | -        | 101,381.82 | 98,352.52 | 19.84  | 679.52 |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | 2,329.94 |          |
| Totals |      | 7,685.12 | 101,699.35 | 99,601.02 | 287.37 | 754.52 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 8,741.56 | 8,741.56 |

|                                     |             | <u>Beginning<br/>Balance</u> | <u>Billed</u> | <u>Tax<br/>Paid</u> | <u>Int<br/>Paid</u> | <u>Fees<br/>Paid</u> | <u>Abate/Exempt</u> | <u>Refunds</u> | <u>Bill Adj.</u> | <u>Lien</u> | <u>Lien Int</u> | <u>Lien Fee</u> |             | <u>Balance<br/>Due</u> |          |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|------------------------------|---------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------|------------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------|------------------------|----------|
| <b>July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016</b> | <b>2012</b> |                              |               |                     |                     |                      |                     |                |                  |             |                 |                 |             |                        |          |
| Water                               |             | 5.00                         |               |                     |                     |                      |                     |                |                  |             |                 |                 |             | 5.00                   |          |
| Sewer                               |             | -                            |               |                     |                     |                      |                     |                |                  |             |                 |                 |             | -                      |          |
| Other                               |             | -                            |               |                     |                     |                      |                     |                |                  |             |                 |                 |             | -                      |          |
| Total                               |             | 5.00                         | -             | -                   | -                   | -                    | -                   | -              | -                | -           | -               | -               | -           | 5.00                   | 5.00     |
| <b>July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016</b> | <b>2013</b> |                              |               |                     |                     |                      |                     |                |                  |             |                 |                 |             |                        |          |
| Water                               |             | -                            |               |                     |                     |                      |                     |                |                  |             |                 |                 |             | -                      |          |
| Sewer                               |             | -                            |               |                     |                     |                      |                     |                |                  |             |                 |                 |             | -                      |          |
| Other                               |             | 219.09                       |               |                     |                     |                      |                     |                |                  |             |                 |                 |             | 219.09                 |          |
| Total                               |             | 219.09                       | -             | -                   | -                   | -                    | -                   | -              | -                | -           | -               | -               | -           | 219.09                 | 219.09   |
| <b>July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016</b> | <b>2014</b> |                              |               |                     |                     |                      |                     |                |                  |             |                 |                 |             |                        |          |
| Water                               |             | -                            | 0.57          |                     | 0.57                |                      |                     |                |                  |             |                 |                 | 2.86        | (2.86)                 |          |
| Sewer                               |             | (7.01)                       | 0.46          | 68.63               | 0.46                |                      |                     |                |                  |             |                 |                 | 641.59      | (717.23)               |          |
| Other                               |             | (143.45)                     |               |                     |                     |                      |                     |                |                  |             |                 |                 | (133.87)    | (9.58)                 |          |
| Total                               |             | (150.46)                     | 1.03          | 68.63               | 1.03                | -                    | -                   | -              | -                | -           | -               | -               | 510.58      | (729.67)               | (729.67) |
| <b>July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016</b> | <b>2015</b> |                              |               |                     |                     |                      |                     |                |                  |             |                 |                 |             | -                      |          |
| Water                               |             | 12,121.28                    | 27,408.79     | 23,487.91           | 565.33              | 55.00                |                     |                | (39,706.07)      |             |                 |                 | (32,573.52) | 8,289.28               |          |

|              |                  |                   |                   |                 |              |   |              |                    |                  |                 |               |                    |                  |           |
|--------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------|---|--------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------|
| Sewer        | 57,971.48        | 37,555.64         | 34,192.19         | 1,007.17        | 30.00        |   |              | (44,528.46)        |                  |                 |               | (16,872.51)        | <b>32,641.81</b> |           |
| Other        | 7,785.27         |                   |                   |                 |              |   |              |                    |                  |                 |               | (7,396.95)         | <b>15,182.22</b> |           |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>77,878.03</b> | <b>64,964.43</b>  | <b>57,680.10</b>  | <b>1,572.50</b> | <b>85.00</b> | - | -            | <b>(84,234.53)</b> | -                | -               | -             | <b>(56,842.98)</b> | <b>56,113.31</b> | 56,113.31 |
| <b>2016</b>  |                  |                   |                   |                 |              |   |              |                    |                  |                 |               |                    |                  |           |
| Water        | -                | 92,326.18         | 69,279.28         | 1,152.17        | 42.50        |   | 19.23        | 21,931.38          | 14,426.89        | 905.27          | 110.00        | 20,071.40          | <b>8,289.28</b>  |           |
| Sewer        | -                | 137,403.21        | 95,551.46         | 1,350.16        | (1.63)       |   | 45.26        | 10,732.76          | 22,000.07        | 1,453.54        | 100.00        | (4,914.18)         | <b>32,641.81</b> |           |
| Other        | -                |                   |                   |                 |              |   |              |                    |                  |                 |               | (15,182.22)        | <b>15,182.22</b> |           |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>-</b>         | <b>229,729.39</b> | <b>164,830.74</b> | <b>2,502.33</b> | <b>40.87</b> | - | <b>64.49</b> | <b>32,664.14</b>   | <b>36,426.96</b> | <b>2,358.81</b> | <b>210.00</b> | <b>(25.00)</b>     | <b>56,113.31</b> | 56,113.31 |

|                                     | <u>Beginning<br/>Balance</u> | <u>Billed</u>       | <u>Tax<br/>Paid</u> | <u>Int<br/>Paid</u> | <u>Fees<br/>Paid</u> | <u>Abate/Exempt</u> | <u>Refunds</u>  | <u>Bill Adj.</u> | <u>Lien</u> | <u>Lien Int</u> | <u>Lien Fee</u> | <u>Tax Title</u> | <u>Balance<br/>Due</u> |           |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------------|-----------|
| <b>July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016</b> |                              |                     |                     |                     |                      |                     |                 |                  |             |                 |                 |                  |                        |           |
| 1999                                | (250.34)                     |                     |                     |                     |                      |                     |                 |                  |             |                 |                 |                  | <b>(250.34)</b>        |           |
| 2002                                | (58.31)                      |                     |                     |                     |                      |                     |                 |                  |             |                 |                 |                  | <b>(58.31)</b>         |           |
| 2003                                | (239.67)                     |                     |                     |                     |                      |                     |                 |                  |             |                 |                 |                  | <b>(239.67)</b>        |           |
| 2004                                | (7.93)                       |                     |                     |                     |                      |                     |                 |                  |             |                 |                 |                  | <b>(7.93)</b>          |           |
| 2005                                | (431.79)                     |                     |                     |                     |                      |                     |                 |                  |             |                 |                 |                  | <b>(431.79)</b>        |           |
| 2006                                | (113.52)                     |                     |                     |                     |                      |                     |                 |                  |             |                 |                 |                  | <b>(113.52)</b>        |           |
| 2007                                | 1,312.13                     |                     |                     |                     |                      |                     |                 |                  |             |                 |                 |                  | <b>1,312.13</b>        |           |
| 2008                                | 1,387.62                     |                     |                     |                     |                      |                     |                 |                  |             |                 |                 |                  | <b>1,387.62</b>        |           |
| 2009                                | 905.10                       |                     |                     |                     |                      |                     |                 |                  |             |                 |                 |                  | <b>905.10</b>          |           |
| 2010                                | (39.96)                      | 50.51               | 21.88               | 13.51               | 64.00                |                     |                 |                  |             |                 |                 |                  | <b>(88.84)</b>         |           |
| 2011                                | (304.45)                     | 133.44              | 101.25              | 59.44               | 128.00               |                     |                 |                  |             |                 |                 |                  | <b>(459.70)</b>        |           |
| 2012                                | (2,681.27)                   | 585.06              | 316.46              | 137.06              | 448.00               |                     |                 | 57.50            |             |                 |                 |                  | <b>(2,940.23)</b>      |           |
| 2013                                | 3,769.78                     | 718.92              | 568.23              | 181.92              | 704.00               | 167.81              | 167.81          |                  |             |                 |                 |                  | <b>3,034.55</b>        |           |
| 2014                                | 5,405.94                     | 3,562.93            | 2,708.05            | 493.93              | 3,123.00             | (54.06)             | 130.94          | 267.50           |             |                 |                 |                  | <b>3,096.39</b>        |           |
| 2015                                | 29,004.80                    | 36,249.13           | 49,534.26           | 1,150.21            | 9,454.00             | 2,833.33            | 2,503.32        |                  |             |                 |                 |                  | <b>4,785.45</b>        |           |
| 2016                                | -                            | 237,785.69          | 190,903.27          | 165.49              | 235.00               | 12,366.06           | 1,461.16        |                  |             |                 |                 |                  | <b>35,577.03</b>       |           |
| <b>Totals</b>                       | <b>37,658.13</b>             | <b>279,085.68</b>   | <b>244,153.40</b>   | <b>2,201.56</b>     | <b>14,156.00</b>     | <b>15,313.14</b>    | <b>4,263.23</b> | <b>325.00</b>    | -           | -               | -               | -                | <b>45,507.94</b>       | 45,507.94 |
| <b>Summary:</b>                     |                              |                     |                     |                     |                      |                     |                 |                  |             |                 |                 |                  |                        |           |
|                                     |                              | <b>Collected</b>    |                     |                     |                      | <b>Outstanding</b>  |                 |                  |             |                 |                 |                  |                        |           |
| Real Estate                         |                              | 3,398,947.40        |                     |                     |                      | 1,949,907.13        |                 |                  |             |                 |                 |                  |                        |           |
| Personal Property                   |                              | 99,601.02           |                     |                     |                      | 8,741.56            |                 |                  |             |                 |                 |                  |                        |           |
| Water                               |                              | 92,767.19           |                     |                     |                      | 16,580.70           |                 |                  |             |                 |                 |                  |                        |           |
| Sewer                               |                              | 129,812.28          |                     |                     |                      | 64,566.39           |                 |                  |             |                 |                 |                  |                        |           |
| Other                               |                              | -                   |                     |                     |                      | 30,573.95           |                 |                  |             |                 |                 |                  |                        |           |
| Excise                              |                              | 244,153.40          |                     |                     |                      | 45,507.94           |                 |                  |             |                 |                 |                  |                        |           |
| <b>Totals:</b>                      |                              | <b>3,965,281.29</b> |                     |                     |                      | <b>2,115,877.67</b> |                 |                  |             |                 |                 |                  |                        |           |
| <b>Misc Revenue</b>                 |                              |                     |                     |                     |                      |                     |                 |                  |             |                 |                 |                  |                        |           |
|                                     |                              |                     |                     |                     |                      |                     |                 |                  |             | Beg Bal         | Paid            | Bal Due          |                        |           |
|                                     |                              |                     |                     |                     |                      |                     |                 | EX               | 1987        | 97.09           | 97.09           | -                |                        |           |
|                                     |                              |                     |                     |                     |                      |                     |                 | EX               | 1988        | 404.38          | 252.91          | 151.47           |                        |           |
|                                     |                              |                     |                     |                     |                      |                     |                 | EX               | 1989        | 106.81          | -               | 106.81           |                        |           |
|                                     |                              |                     |                     |                     |                      |                     |                 | MISC             | 2016        | -               | 783.00          | (783.00)         |                        |           |

Respectfully submitted,  
Andrea McKittrick, Collector

# TREASURER

## Tax Title

Under MGL CH 60 s.60 provides in pertinent part:

*Title to... land... taken [for nonpayment of taxes] shall... vest in the town, subject to the right of redemption. Such title shall, until redemption or until the right of redemption is foreclosed..., be held as security for the repayment of said taxes with all intervening costs, terms imposed for redemption and charges with interest...*

The Town Collector after a defined tax taking process transmits to the Treasurer a list of the recorded takings. Upon receiving this list, the treasurer becomes responsible to collect the delinquencies. As Treasurer, it is my job to notify the delinquent taxpayer and to secure payment either in full or by a payment plan. All tax title accounts are assessed a 16% daily charge. If the property owner pays in full or successfully works through a payment plan and pays their lien, I file a certificate of redemption. This puts the person back into the hands of the Town Tax Collector. If an owner is not responding, I then have the option to turn over the lien to my tax title attorney who then reaches out and tries to work with the property owner to make payment arrangements. If no arrangements can be made I make the decision to put the property into land court where the end result usually is the town owning the piece of property. All tax title payments and redemptions flow 100% into the towns free cash calculations.

| Person Assessed | Date of Taking | Principal amount owed as of June 30, 2016 |
|-----------------|----------------|---|
| Florence        | 12/06/2007     | 31,796.64                                 |
| Florence        | 12/04/2008     | 3,677.02                                  |
| Garner-Kilpera  | 09/09/2013     | 1,913.45                                  |
| Montero         | 09/09/2013     | 1,575.25                                  |
| Curtis          | 08/25/2014     | 4,226.00                                  |
| Kazimierczak    | 09/12/2014     | 16,190.16                                 |
| Laversa         | 09/12/2014     | 93,138.91                                 |
| Megazzini       | 09/12/2014     | 495.13                                    |
| Jordan          | 08/25/2014     | 8,763.68                                  |
| Kazimierczak    | 08/25/2014     | 14,391.36                                 |
| Megazzini       | 08/28/2014     | 495.13                                    |
| Stefanik        | 08/24/2014     | 1,615.00                                  |
| Stefanik        | 08/24/2014     | 4,040.96                                  |
| Zeilinski       | 09/14/2014     | 9,730.91                                  |
| MacKay          | 09/14/2015     | 4,923.15                                  |

Amount of tax title collected for period of 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2016 is the following:

| <u>Principle</u> | <u>Interest</u> | <u>Fees</u> | <u>Total Amount Collected</u> |
|------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| 63,068.91        | 6,903.52        | 3,303.08    | 73,275.51                     |

## Borrowing

| Items        | Loan       | Payment   | Interest Paid | FY year pay off |
|--------------|------------|-----------|---------------|-----------------|
| Water Meters | 20,000.00  | 10,000.00 | 1,250.00      | FY17            |
| Fire Truck   | 192,000.00 | 48,000.00 | 4,500.00      | FY18            |

I am available by appointment on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday. My e-mail is [huntintontreas@comcast.net](mailto:huntintontreas@comcast.net) and number to be reached at is (413) 667-3502.

Respectfully submitted,

Aimee E. Burnham, CMMT, Town Treasurer

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

The Finance Committee acts as an advisory body to the town on fiscal matters. Primary functions include preparation of the annual budget, monitoring expenses and making recommendations to the Selectboard, as well as, managing the Stanton Fund. The Committee also recommends a course of action for any articles having financial implications that come before any Annual or Special Town Meeting.

Members are appointed annually by the Town Moderator. As with other volunteer committees, it is difficult to fill all open positions. We ask that you consider joining the Finance Committee.

Developing a budget that meets our levy limit, maintains adequate town services, keeps pace with ever increasing, unfunded state mandates and provides for a quality education for our children, continues to be difficult. As a result of discussions with our neighboring Gateway Towns about common problems, such as lack of economic growth, increasing school costs, stagnant property valuations and aging equipment and infrastructure, Huntington signed a six town community compact agreement with the Commonwealth. Since May 2016, the local compact group, Hilltown Community Collaborative, has been actively working to address opportunities for future economic development and cost sharing. The Commonwealth has committed significant resources from both public and private sectors to assist the Collaborative.

As mentioned in our prior year's report, we ask that you thoroughly familiarize yourself with the upcoming FY 2018 budget. The committee remains committed to supporting appropriate levels of Free Cash and a Stabilization Fund that provides the flexibility needed to sustain adequate service levels despite any adverse financial impact of unforeseen or extraordinary expenses.

We encourage and welcome your participation in the budget process and at Annual and Special Town Meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

Aimee Burnham (Secretary)  
Victoria Minella-Sena

Darlene McVeigh (Chair)

## **BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

Throughout 2016, the Board of Assessors worked to update the town maps with the able assistance of a Veteran Tax Work-Off assistant. Board members continued their cyclical field inspections and took digital photographs for the property record cards. The Board will continue the cyclical inspections in conjunction with the required triennial revaluation mandated by the Department of Revenue. This past year, the Board moved into another office, and began work to hire a consultant to do an interim year adjustment for fiscal year 2018.

### **Statistics:**

- 2 Omitted assessments for Real Estate issued, valued at \$86,870
- 234 Vehicle Excise abatements processed of the 1,255 bills issued
- 4 Real Estate abatements processed of the 2,140 bills issued
- 3 Personal Property abatements processed of the 461 bills issued
- 18 Real Estate Exemptions processed (Elderly, Blind, Veterans)
- 12 Senior and Veteran Work-Off Exemptions processed
- 89 Building Permits recorded and reviewed
- 117 Deeds recorded and reviewed

Respectfully submitted,

|                   |             |                |             |
|-------------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|
| Assessors:        | Sue Fopiano | Edward Renauld | Erik Steins |
| Assessors' Clerk: | Ted Gloss   |                |             |

## **BOARD OF HEALTH**

In 2016, the Board of Health actively pursued enforcement of Health Code Laws in accordance with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, and to ensure compliance with the Town of Huntington's bylaws. With Jean Jackman as Chair, the Board of Health Members, in collaboration with Health Code Agent Claudia Lucas, have continued to make significant strides in resolving code violations throughout the Town of Huntington. The Board intends to continue this progress throughout the coming year.

The Transfer Station has continued to maximize efficiency under the direction of Chief Transfer Station Operator Henry Dubay and his staff. Long-term use of the single stream compactor continues to radically reduce the hauling removal fees for recycling.

This year, the Board of Health issued 15 Food Permits, 6 Temporary Food Permits, 9 Hauler Permits, 7 Installer Permits, as well as 2 Camp Permits.

All of this would not be possible without the support and cooperation of residents. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

|          |                  |                      |                            |
|----------|------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Tom Hart | Melissa Iglesias | Jean Jackman (Chair) | Katie Boisseau (Secretary) |
|----------|------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|

## BUILDING COMMISSIONER

**Required** by the Massachusetts Building Code CMR 780 Section 110.1:

***“Permit Application:*** *It shall be unlawful to construct, reconstruct, alter, repair, remove or demolish a building or structure; or to change the use or occupancy of a building or structure; or to install or alter any equipment for which provision is made or the installation of which is regulated by this code without first filing a written application with the building official and obtaining the required permit therefor.”*

***“Use and Occupancy:*** *No Building or structure shall be used or occupied, and no change in the existing occupancy classification of a building or structure or portion thereof shall be made until the Building Official has issued a certificate of occupancy.”*

For the past few years, insurance companies have refused payment because of unpermitted work, banks have refused to finance buildings with unpermitted work and realtors have refused to list buildings with unpermitted work. Don't wait until after the work is completed - fines can be up to \$100.00 a day for each day the violation exists.

In 2016, there were 93 permits issued for a total project value of \$2,070,413.00.

|                        |    |                         |    |
|------------------------|----|-------------------------|----|
| P.V Solar Ground Mount | 5  | Roofing                 | 17 |
| P.V. Solar Roof Mount  | 14 | Decks                   | 2  |
| Repairs                | 4  | Garages                 | 1  |
| Additions              | 1  | Demolition              | 2  |
| Sheds                  | 3  | New Dwellings           | 4  |
| Wood Burning Device    | 7  | Insulation and Air Seal | 8  |
| Barns                  | 2  | Windows and Doors       | 10 |
| Pools                  | 3  | Renovations             | 6  |
| Misc.                  | 4  |                         |    |

Respectfully submitted,

George W. Peterson III, Building Commissioner

## ELECTRICAL, GAS AND PLUMBING PERMITS ISSUED

|             | ELECTRICAL | GAS | PLUMBING |
|-------------|------------|-----|----------|
| Residential | 43         | 17  | 14       |
| Commercial  | 3          | 1   | 2        |
| Total       | 46         | 18  | 16       |

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Conservation Commission is the town board responsible for ensuring local compliance with the state Wetlands Protection Act. Under that law, anyone proposing to work in or near wetlands (including lakes, ponds, streams and their bordering vegetated wetlands, as well as the riverfront area) must file plans with the Commission.

We acted on four applications during 2016. We issued two Orders of Conditions, one for installation of solar panels in the riverfront area and the other for improving docks and access to the lake at Norwich Lake. We approved two Requests for Determination, one for removal of a house and replacement of a septic tank and the other for installation of a tight tank septic system, both in the buffer zone of Norwich Lake. We issued one Certificate of Compliance for construction of a house, confirming that the work had been done according to the plans in the permit. We wrote one emergency permit for the Huntington Highway Department to remove debris that had washed into Sykes Brook during a severe storm.

Commission members performed approximately thirty site inspections for the abovementioned projects, and responded to questions and complaints from residents. We reviewed Forest Cutting Plans to ensure that wetlands were protected during timber harvests. We worked with the Building Inspector to assist people in understanding the requirements of the Wetlands Act before they began construction, and gave input about wetland concerns to hearings of the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Members of the Commission attended the annual conference of the Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions (MACC), which offered sessions on many aspects of conservation. We welcome public participation in any of our meetings, which take place on the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 7:00 PM in Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Helena Alves  
Susan McIntosh (Chair)

Ross Hackerson  
Erik Steins

Andy Kowal  
Michael Vorwerk

## **PLANNING BOARD**

2016 was not as busy a year for the Planning Board as 2015, as there were only a few ANR applications, and a recommendation for a ZBA Special Permit application for an automobile dealership in part of the former Smith's Sled Shop property. We needed to help ZBA with the process, as they currently only meet as requested, and were not familiar with the proper procedure under MGL (MA General Law).

There were no annual inspections of the earth removal operations (gravel pits) in town in 2016. ZBA, not Planning Board, is the SPGA for earth removal operations, so having a full ZBA which meets regularly would be a really good thing. I know that the few members would really appreciate having a full board again.

We are still short one regular member, and are still not always able to get a quorum, so would appreciate inquiries.

Should you have any interest in serving on the Planning Board, please notify Helen in the Board of Selectmen's Office (667-3500) and she will notify us. Training by DHCD (Department of Housing and Community Development) is available, usually in the fall.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Grabowski (Alternate)  
Earl Heath, Jr. (Clerk)

Linda Hamlin (Chair)  
Jeff Wyand (Vice Chair)

Karon Hathaway (Secretary)



## **ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

The Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) consists of 3 regular members and 3 alternate members who are appointed by the Board of Selectmen for terms of 3 years.

The ZBA has had many changes and a new member. However, two members are there as alternates only, so that applicants of projects of which they are the SPGA (Special Permit Granting Authority) are able to file and move their projects forward according to The Town of Huntington Zoning Bylaw. Therefore, additional vacancies remain.

Donald Bartley joined 2015 Board members Victoria Minella-Sena, Mary Lou Spaulding and Ed Grabowski in 2016, and they granted a Special Permit with Conditions for an office for an online auto dealership to be located next to the Pit Stop at the former Smith's Sled Shop location.

Currently, the ZBA will only meet as needed, when applications are filed. There were no annual gravel pit inspections held in 2016. Anyone interested in joining the ZBA should complete the Talent Bank Form in this Annual Report and submit it to the Selectboard. The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) offers training for Zoning and Planning Boards in the fall.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Bartley (Alternate)  
Mary Lou Spaulding

Ed Grabowski (Alternate)

Victoria Minella-Sena

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

First, on behalf of the Fire Department, I would like to thank the residents of the Town for their continued support. 2016 was a very busy year for the Fire Department, between adding more members and purchasing new turn out gear for the firefighters. The Fire Department now has 25 members! We continue to train weekly and are always trying to upgrade our equipment. Thanks again for your support.

### **List of Calls:**

False Alarms - 23  
Fire – 21  
Good Intent – 18  
Hazardous Conditions – 45  
Medical and Rescue – 181  
Service Calls – 26  
Severe Weather/Natural Disaster – 3  
Special Incident Types – 2  
Total 319

Respectfully submitted,

Gary F. Dahill, Chief

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

This year the Huntington Police Department addressed three changes: (1) a new office, (2) a major upgrade to our records management system, and (3) two new law enforcement officers. Each change had its own set of challenges and adjustments, but each change enhanced the productivity and availability of the department.

The new remolded office is now located in the back of the Town Hall, allowing for easier access, and addresses the need for privacy and confidentiality. The new records management system enhances the department's ability to access information and to network with other departments more efficiently. Finally, the department hired two new officers, Officer Justin Green and Officer Brendon Schutter, to address the ever-changing needs of our community.

Quality training, and collaboration with neighboring communities and the four western Massachusetts Counties, has always been a priority of the Huntington Police Department. In 2016, the department utilized the opportunities offered as part of the Regional Mutual Aid Agreement and continued its collaboration with the Gateway Regional School District, the Northwestern District Attorney's Office, the Massachusetts Department of Education and state and local agencies to revise the Gateway Regional School District Safe Schools Program. The revisions allow for a more proactive approach to providing a safe school environment for all children.

### **911 Incident Statistics for the Calendar year 2016:**

No Classification-13  
911 Hang Up-9  
911 Misdial-9  
Accident Damage-32  
Accident Injury-3  
Accident Unknown-17  
Alarm-81  
Animal Complaints-20  
Arrests & Summons-14  
Assault-1  
Assist Other Agency-12  
Breaking & Entering, Auto-1  
Breaking & Entering, Building-7  
BOLO (Be On the Look Out)-5  
Building Checks-1  
By-Law Vioations-1  
Cell/Trace Call-1  
Check Welfare-14  
Courtesy Transport-1  
Death-1  
Disabled Motor Vehicle-20  
Disorderly-0

Disturbance-20  
 Domestic-16  
 Fire-16  
 Harassment-6  
 Investigation-15  
 Larceny-4  
 Lift Assist-1  
 Motor Vehicle Complaint-30  
 Motor Vehicle Recovered-2  
 Motor Vehicle Stolen-2  
 Medical-158  
 Miscellaneous-11  
 Missing Child-1  
 Missing Person-2  
 Motor Vehicle Stop-71  
 Neighbor Dispute-3  
 Noise Complaint-7  
 Officer Wanted-40  
 Paperwork Service-16  
 Psychological Emergency-7  
 Rape-1  
 Safety Hazard-8  
 Shots Fired-5  
 Suspicious Person-13  
 Suspicious Vehicle-15  
 Threat-1  
 Traffic Hazard-30  
 Unwanted Person-2  
 Vandalism-1  
 Wires Down-7

I would like to extend my appreciation to my fellow officers and the Massachusetts State Police for their commitment to providing the highest level of professionalism and service to the citizens of the Town of Huntington. I would also like to say “thank you” to the residents of the Town for their continued support and to all those who serve our Town in all capacities.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Garriepy, Chief

## **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

First, I would like to thank the Selectboard, townspeople and the workers of the Highway Department for their dedication in doing this job with many countless hours during the winter, weekends, holidays and long days plowing and sanding. Welcome to Michelle Oliiveria as the new secretary, and thank you to Judy Borden for her time here.

2016 was a busy year starting with the \$ 968,590 grant awarded to the Town, with the help of Erica Johnson from the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, for phase one for new sidewalks and pavement on Maple Street and water, sewer and drainage on Pleasant Street. Phase two is for \$275,600 to do catch basins, curbing, sidewalks and blacktop.

In August, we put topcoat on downtown, Upper Russell Road, Littleville Road and 500 feet on Blandford Hill Road for the cost of \$ 156,086. We did work on Pisgah Road where it washes out all the time. As there are many dirt roads that need work, I am asking for more dollars in the road maintenance budget for 2017. I also applied for a \$300,000 grant to repair the Searle Road Bridge that was changed to one lane in February of 2016. The Town was refused a \$1 million grant to do catch basins, and mill and fill Route 66 aka Pond Brook Road, but I will submit again in 2017.

### **Chapter 90 Money**

In Huntington, we get around \$165,645 a year from the State of MA. We have 37 miles of road: 12 miles of dirt and 25 miles of paved roads. We get another \$42,000 from taxpayers for blacktop patch, gravel and stone for mud, line painting and street sweeping. Line painting and street sweeping comes to around \$20,000 and stone for mud runs \$10,000-\$20,000, depending on the year.

After Governor Baker was elected, he gave us \$300 million instead of the \$200 million we had been getting. So, that gave Huntington \$83,143 more for a total of \$248,788 which gave us more money for that year to get more done. Unfortunately, now we are back to the original amount. The problem is, the money we get was okay years ago, but not now, with prices going up on everything. (Example: It takes 1,162 tons of blacktop per mile of road 24 feet wide x 1 ½ inch thick. At \$70/ton, it comes to \$81,340 to lay down. This is with NO catch basin repair, or any other construction to the road. It costs another \$4,225/ mile for tack coat. Then you have another \$720 for the required 2 cops for an 8 hour day- if you pay overtime, it is more. That's \$88,088 per mile. It would take us 12 years to get 25 miles paved with no other work on roads.)

We, as superintendents, always have to fight for more money. What we really need is for the public to write letters, send photos and complain to the State- the Governor and all of the Senators and Representatives. If they got 20 to 30 thousand e-mails and photos, maybe we would get somewhere in this state. Every year we move ahead, we go back 2 years with the highway and bridge maintenance programs.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Dazelle, Highway Superintendent

## **MODERATOR**

It is a privilege to serve as the Town Moderator for Huntington Town Meetings. The first Town Meeting was in 1620, and is the basic component of our Democratic Republic. The Town Meeting insures you have the right to free speech and the ability to participate in deliberations about the way your Town Government allocates resources. I look forward to seeing all registered voters at the Huntington Special and Annual Town Meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

George Peterson

## **DOG OFFICER**

As an Animal Control Officer, the challenges can be exciting and sometimes frustrating. To me, the hardest part of the job is always notifying the family of an injured or deceased pet. I encourage residents to use leashes and tie outs. Your full cooperation will help in reducing these sad events.

State law requires that all dogs and cats shall be vaccinated against rabies. It also requires all dogs to be licensed annually. Licenses shall be attached to the dog's collar or suitable harness, and worn by the dog. This also serves as a "return home" tag if the dog does become accidentally separated. Microchipping your pet, as well as licensing, will greatly improve the chances of your pet being returned to you should they get lost. Keeping an up to date picture of your pet in case of the necessity of a "lost" poster is also recommended.

Animal complaints responded to.....21  
Dogs surrendered .....0  
Dogs picked up, looked for, returned.....5

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Jackman, Animal Control Officer

## **WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT**

Through a grant, the Water Department has installed 1,000 feet of 8-inch water line on Pleasant Street and Stanton Avenue. This upgrade has addressed issues of low water flow in the area served.

Also through a grant, the Sewer Department has installed a new sewer main on Pleasant Street from Stanton Avenue to the end of Pleasant Street, and lined the sewer main on Pleasant Street from Stanton Avenue to Crescent Street. This was done to address issues from the I&I (Inflow & Infiltration) study done on the sewer system in Town.

The Huntington Water Department Cross Connection Control Program consists of surveys and testing of back flow devices semiannually to ensure that no back syphoning of water occurs in the water system. More information can be found on the town web site under Water/Sewer Department.

The Commission would like to thank Henry Dubay and Connie Bennett for their service to the Water & Sewer Department. We welcome Alex Rosewier to the Commission and Kathy Engwer to the Department.

The Administrative Assistant for the department has Town Hall hours on Mondays and Wednesdays and can be reached at (413) 667-3186.

Water and Sewer Department Commissioners meet the first and third Wednesdays of each month beginning at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall. Agendas are posted online, and Mondays prior to the meeting, on the bulletin board. Meetings are open to the public. Please call (413) 667-3356 to reach the department.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jim Gobeille, Plant Operator

Commissioners:            Charles Dazelle            Denise Keay            Alex Rosewier

## **AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION**

The Agricultural Commission is undergoing a period of reorganization. During this past year, we lost another of our founding and pivotal members, leaving a large void in the group. We have had to review and reprioritize in order to move forward in the New Year.

In the early spring of 2016, we co-sponsored a very helpful presentation on Organic Gardening by John Root. The event was well attended and packed with useful information on organic gardening to assist everyone from the most inexperienced beginner to those wishing to add to their current skills.

In the coming year, we will continue to seek information to assist the local farmers and those striving to experience agriculture in their own backyards.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Knox  
Janet Mollison, posthumously

Bonita Kubacki  
Gordon Richardson

Bonnie McKinney  
Lorraine Wickland (Chair)

## COUNCIL ON AGING

The Council on Aging (COA) meets at 1:00 pm on the first Tuesday of the month in Stanton Hall. All are welcome to attend. The agenda is posted on the Town's website and in Town Hall. COA volunteers are especially needed to help in various ways – you don't have to be a senior to volunteer.

The previous COA leadership left office, resulting in the need to reorganize and learn unfamiliar procedures, finances and services. The newly formed COA Board of Officers was elected in June, and gradually worked on continuing some prior services and events, and attempting new ones. It was decided not to hire a COA Director and function as a group of cooperating volunteers.

### Continuation of prior services, activities and events for Huntington Seniors:

- Support the Highland Valley Elder Services luncheons for three days per week at Stanton Hall, as well as Highland Valley's Farmers' Market Coupon Program
- Encourage seniors to access the Huntington/Franklin County Regional Transit Authority (FRTA) van for their shopping, medical, voting and meal site trips
- The Brown Bag staple groceries program
- The seasonal CISA farm produce program
- Health Fair & flu shots
- Hope Nurse for health screenings
- Veterans' Day Dinner
- Exercise and movement activities
- Sunday van trips to Stanley Park's summer music offerings

Our monthly newsletter, The Senior Newsletter, reported on local senior-friendly events & activities including: How to access relevant information; Scam and product alerts; Consumer and personal identification protection; Medicare and Medicaid information; Encouraged our seniors to attend other local COA's events, and worked with Huntington's Historical Society to provide old-time interesting historical pictures and information.

### New endeavors:

- A COA Survey of Huntington's senior population was mailed out in an effort to determine their most desired services and events and updating of the COA by-laws.
- We engaged the services of a computer and technology specialist to provide support for town seniors.

Respectfully submitted,

Ella Balchunas  
Gene King

May Diemer (Vice President)  
Lori King (President)

Anna Horkun (Treasurer)  
Bill McVeigh (Secretary)



## GREEN COMMITTEE

The Town of Huntington became a Green Community on 7/24/12

There were no changes in 2016, as we continue to try to fund the WWTP project stated below.

We have been fortunate to have Hampshire COG & UMass join us in trying to find the appropriate actions needed to achieve this goal.

To reach our 20% energy reduction goal, our committee hopes to fund the following projects:

- Lighting retrofits at seven municipal buildings: Town Hall, Library, Department of Public Works Garage, Stanton Hall, Main and Norwich Hill Fire Departments, and Water Department
- Insulation and air sealing of Stanton Hall, Town Hall, Fire Dept, Library, and Norwich Hill Fire Department
- Installation of a propane heater at the DPW, installation of aerator control sensors at the wastewater treatment plant, and installation of an air source heat pump at the Library

The chart below details our success so far. We still have 25% left on the grant which brings the total available to \$41,745.

Respectively submitted,

Denise Keay (Chair)

|  |   |                           |                 |                  |                      |
|--|---|---------------------------|-----------------|------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Total Grant = \$140,650.00</b>                |   |                           |                 |                  |                      |
|  |   | <b>Deposits</b>           | <b>Vendors</b>  | <b>Amount</b>    | <b>Grant Balance</b> |
| 2/1/2013   | Initial Deposit from Commonwealth of MA | <b>25% of total grant</b> |                 | 35,162.50        | <b>35,162.50</b>     |
| <b>Lighting Retrofit Completed in April 2013</b> |   |                           |                 |                  |                      |
|  |   | <b>Proposed</b>           |                 | <b>Actual</b>    |                      |
|  | Town Hall                               | 7,685.58                  |                 | <b>3,809.22</b>  |                      |
|  | Library                                 | 5,583.23                  |                 | <b>4,307.11</b>  |                      |
|  | DPW                                     | 5,059.94                  |                 | <b>1,772.38</b>  |                      |
|  | Fire Station                            | 1,841.43                  |                 | <b>1,270.43</b>  |                      |
|  | Norwich Fire Station                    | 839.88                    |                 | <b>712.68</b>    |                      |
|  | Wastewater Treatment - Water Dept       | 868.07                    |                 | <b>714.77</b>    |                      |
|  | Wastewater Treatment - Sewer Dept       | 952.14                    |                 | <b>665.14</b>    |                      |
|  | Stanton (Grange) Hall                   | 3,550.35                  |                 | <b>2,614.85</b>  |                      |
|  | <b>Total deducted below:</b>            | <b>26,380.62</b>          |                 | <b>15,866.58</b> |                      |
| 5/28/2013  | Total Lighting Retrofit                 |                           | Advanced Energy | -15,866.58       | <b>19,295.92</b>     |
| 7/30/2013  | Energy Audit                            |                           | Bart Bales      | -12,995.00       | <b>6,300.92</b>      |
| 1/1/2014   | Annual Report - Administration Fee      |                           | Denise Keay     | -250.00          | <b>6,050.92</b>      |
| 1/1/2015   | Annual Report - Administration Fee      |                           | Denise Keay     | -250.00          | <b>5,800.92</b>      |
| 7/2/2015   | Deposit for Insulation                  |                           | Urban & Sons    | -5,800.00        | <b>0.92</b>          |
| 8/31/2015  | Interest thru 8/31/15                   |                           |                 | 29.37            | <b>30.29</b>         |
| 9/30/2015  | Advance - Insulation-Interest           | 50% of total grant        |                 | 70,325.00        | <b>70,355.29</b>     |
| 9/30/2015  | Insulation                              |                           | Urban & Sons    | -12,230.00       | <b>58,125.29</b>     |
| 9/30/2015  | Interest                                |                           |                 | 14.66            | <b>58,139.95</b>     |
| 10/31/2015                                       | Fire Station Insulation                 |                           | Urban & Sons    | -2,200.00        | <b>55,939.95</b>     |
| 10/31/2015                                       | Interest                                |                           |                 | 14.17            | <b>55,954.12</b>     |
| 11/30/2015                                       | Interest                                |                           |                 | 14.26            | <b>55,968.38</b>     |
| 12/31/2015                                       | Library HVAC / Air Source Heat          |                           |                 |                  |                      |
| 12/31/2015                                       | Library - Air Source Heat Pumps         | DOER recommendation       | T.J.Conway      | -49,400.00       | <b>6,568.38</b>      |
| 12/31/2016                                       | Interest                                |                           |                 | 14.26            | <b>6,582.64</b>      |

## **COMMUNITY EVENTS COMMITTEE**

The Community Events Committee held a spring fundraising plant sale for Mother's Day, and hung American flags in town from May through September. The Committee also participated in the Town's Memorial Day Parade.

Our biggest event was the Huntington Free Summer Music Series on the Town Green beginning in July. Our first week was a picnic with hamburgers/hotdogs, popcorn, lemonade and cake. Our musical guests were Southern Rain with an intermission performance by Anna Lemme. The following seven weeks, we organized one and a half hour performances with a bake sale to benefit local nonprofit organizations. Musical guests were Shut Up and Dance, Jon O'Neill (children's performer), Jack and his Guitar, Chandler Brothers Band, Rock 201 and Woodford Way. The series was partially funded by a Massachusetts Cultural Council grant.

We sold mums for our fall plant sale fundraiser, and the Committee assisted the Garden Club in decorating downtown buildings, light posts and the gazebo for the holidays.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacquie Harris

John Knox

Lisa Lansing

Vicki Mayhew (Chair)

## **VETERANS' SERVICES OFFICER**

The Town of Huntington has provided assistance to our veterans who are eligible for help under MGL Chapter 115, 108 CMR, Social Security and VA benefits. We will continue to provide any assistance available to our veterans in the coming year.

If you are a veteran or an eligible dependent and think you may qualify for any of these benefits, please visit me during my office hours on the third Wednesday of the month from 2:30 pm until 4:30 pm in the Town Hall. You may also call me at 413-575-6391 to set up an appointment.

May God bless America and our veterans.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward Renauld

## HUNTINGTON RECREATION COMMITTEE

In February 2016, the Recreation Committee sponsored a family skating trip to Amelia Park Ice Arena. We had about 25 people attend this event and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves.

On March 19, we held our annual Egg Hunt. It was a sunny and cool day. We had about 85 children (24 in the 0-3 year old group, 33 in the 4-6 year old group, and 23 in the 7-10 year old group). We filled 1,200 eggs and gave away three baskets, one for each age group. Everyone was excited to participate!

April 19, we held a Fairy Garden Event. We had about 28 participants, both adults and children, who created a variety of interesting and magical fairy and gnome gardens. On April 21, we organized a hike of the Chester Keystone Arches. We had a limit of 20 participants and we reached that limit in one day! As a result, a second hike was organized for later in the spring.

In May, we held our adult dance, which was well attended with about 50 participants. The band, “Maxxtone” was a big hit with all the participants. On May 30<sup>th</sup>, the Recreation Committee marched in the town’s Memorial Day Parade.

Summer Camp was held at the Littleville Elementary School in July. As a result of parent feedback and an increase in town funding, the camp was increased in length this year, so ran for four weeks. Camp was run Monday-Thursday, from 9:00 am to noon. It was offered to Huntington children preschool age through grade four. Children participated in a variety of activities including: art, music, science, learning, and gross motor. Participants also attended a field trip to the Majestic Theater to see a play. Family survey results indicate that people are very happy with the camp.

On September 24<sup>th</sup> we organized an Apple Picking Event at Jameson’s High Meadow Farm. We provided a discount to Huntington residents during this event. It is one of our most popular events and always has a big turn-out.

October brought the annual Rag Shag Parade. Participants dressed in costume and marched from Pettis Field down to the Town Green. The Fire Department helped during the parade by leading and following the marchers on our route. This year the weather was rainy, so the costume contest, snack, and scarecrow making activities were held inside Stanton Hall. It was a fun and memorable event for all.

In November, we held a Wine & Canvas Event for adults. We had about 30 participants, who enjoyed snacks, creating a painting and visiting for the evening.

We wrapped up the year in December by sponsoring a visit with Santa. About 75 people attended. Children were able to participate in a variety of activities before Santa arrived including: Creating an ornament craft, playing with playdough, coloring a picture, making a container of reindeer food, playing a bean bag toss game, getting a tattoo, and having a snack. With help from the Huntington Fire Department, Santa arrived and was able to visit with the children before his annual ride through town.

Respectfully submitted,

Fawn Busby  
Jennifer Maynard

Tricia Hess  
Courtney Mulcahy

Adrianne Kunz  
Kathy Sullivan

Vicki Mayhew (Chair)

## **HUNTINGTON CULTURAL COUNCIL**

The Huntington Cultural Council awarded the following grants to recipients for the 2016 cycle:

Jerilyn Beauregard/Gateway Regional HS – Spanish Performance - \$250  
Jerilyn Beauregard/Gateway Regional HS – Broadway Classroom Phantom of the Opera - \$250  
Blandford Fair Art Show - \$200  
Chester Theatre Company – Education Programs - \$400  
Mark Donovan/Gateway Regional HS – Mass MOCA Museum Field Trip - \$100  
Beth Guertin/Gateway Regional MS/HS – Artists/Clinicians - \$350  
Huntington Community Events Committee – Free Summer Music Series - \$700  
Patricia Kennedy – Stonewalls Publication - \$200  
Gregory Maichack – Pastel Painting/Huntington Library - \$475  
Renee Mosher/Gateway Regional – Trinitones Performance - \$75  
North Hall Association – 2016 Season - \$600  
John Root – Organic Gardening/COA - \$350  
Sevenars Concerts Inc. – 49<sup>th</sup> Season - \$427

Total Recipients: 13

Total Dollars Granted: \$4,377

13 grants completed by 12/31/16

1 grant (Blandford Fair Art Show) unclaimed for reimbursement as of 1/1/2017

Grant requests are submitted online at [www.massculturalcouncil.org](http://www.massculturalcouncil.org) For questions or information, contact Lynn Winsor (413) 667-5563. Application deadline is always October 15.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Beane

Tania Coletta

Avril Marriott

Linda Siska

Lynn Winsor (Chair)

## LIBRARY

|  |   |
|--|---|
| Library Holdings: 13,500 (weeded)                  | Summer Readers: 40 Children, 8 Teens, 32 Adults |
| Registered Library Patrons: 1,143                  | Total Attendance: 3,788                         |
| Computer Use (Including Wi-Fi): 609                | Circulation of Town Material: 9,333             |
| Inter-Library Loan from other Libraries: 347       | Questions: 460                                  |
| Huntington Material Loaned to Other Libraries: 136 |   |
| Programs & Attendance: 32 programs, 381 attendance |   |

The Summer Reading program was titled “On Your Mark, Get Set...READ!”. There were prize bags for all the children who finished the program and a raffle was held for the adults and teens. In 2016, a mini raffle was added with 5 raffle baskets for the children. The baskets contained much appreciated donations from the following: Eastern States Exposition, Big Y, Uno Pizzeria & Grill, Eric Carle Museum, Better Living Quarterly, Huntington Country Store, Gino’s Hut, Magic Wings, Amelia Park, Berkshire Museum, United Bank (Huntington location), Walmart, Fenway Mini Golf and Interskate 91. The Library also received donations from the Friends of the Library and the Library Foundation, which were used to purchase reading incentives and sponsor storyteller Diane Edgecomb to “kick-off” the Summer Reading Program.

Some additional programs the Library held were the Annual Halloween Party with Storytellers Mary Jo Maichack and Rona Leventhal, Knitting Workshop, Storyhours, monthly artist’s showcase, movie night and game days. Special programs included one by Rita Parisi, a professional actress, storyteller and crafter, who conducted a workshop on seashell wreath making. Others were a performance by the dance group Children’s Company Floralia, a redware pottery workshop by Rick Hamlin, an author talk by Mackenzie Bourdeau, storyteller John Porcino, and a painting workshop by Greg Maichack. The Friends of the Library and the Library Foundation provided funding for some of the workshops and storytellers, and they were well received.

The Stanton Fund paid for installation of a new carpet in the Library and vinyl flooring in the restrooms, which is a vast improvement in the appearance of the library and is greatly appreciated by the staff, Trustees and the public. Many compliments have been received.

The Huntington Recreation Committee, the Huntington Community Events Committee and the Huntington Public Library Foundation, Inc. all used the Library to conduct meetings.

The Huntington Public Library Foundation, Inc. is a 501c3 non-profit that was formed to manage trust funds and any donations made to the Library.

### **Library Hours:**

Monday 2-5 pm, Tuesday 2-5 pm, Wednesday 4-8 pm, Thursday & Friday 2-8 pm and Saturday 10 am-3 pm

### **Contact:**

Telephone: 413-667-3506    FAX: 413-667-0088    Email: [huntingtonpubliclib@gmail.com](mailto:huntingtonpubliclib@gmail.com)  
Website: [thehuntingtonpubliclibrary.org](http://thehuntingtonpubliclibrary.org)    Facebook: Facebook.com/huntingtonpubliclibrary

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret L. Nareau, Director

## NORTH HALL

The 2016 North Hall Arts Festival presented eleven programs to a variety of audiences. We opened in May with the annual Opera Showcase followed by a season of jazz, country, bluegrass, and Latin music, dramatic plays and two open MIC music jams.

In June, The Berkshire Mountain Boys took the stage followed by the jazz and swing duo of Jerry Noble and Bob Sparkman. In July, we hosted *Celebrate Pete Seeger* and the Celtic music of Wild Thyme. Our tradition of two Open Mic music jams happened in July and August.

In August, we presented the staged reading of the Pulitzer Prize-winning dramatic comedy *The Gin Game* in conjunction with our premier after-party summer celebration at North Hall. We sponsored *A Caribbean Fiesta For Kids* and a classical concert *Bach to Brazil* featuring cellist Rebecca Hartka and twice grammy-nominated guitarist and composer, José Lezcano.

We closed our season in September with Old Country Road Band. Our art gallery held two exhibitions showing the art work of hilltown artists Ruth LaPrise and Susan Racine, followed by the one person show of Jan Roby.

In addition to our performances and exhibitions, community groups utilized the hall for various purposes, including meetings of the Westfield River Wild and Scenic Committee and training sessions for the Huntington Fire Department.

We continue to restore this historic town building. We have purchased and installed vinyl replacement windows throughout the entire building, upgraded some electrical components in the performance hall and replaced the electric hot water heater.

We would like to extend a special thank you to Jon Wyand for his technical assistance. With the help of maintenance man Dan Thieme, senior work volunteer Bill Hall, and North Hall Association Board Members, things have run smoothly this past year. Many thanks to all.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Kaminski

Jackie Kimsey

Peri Sossaman

Nancy Webb

## **HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

In 2016, the Town of Huntington and the Historical Commission saw the loss of one of Huntington's historic properties at 17 Barr Hill Road. The house, originally owned by the Wright family circa 1800, was destroyed by fire February 2, 2016 and declared a total loss by the Building Inspector. At the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, the house was occupied by the Barr family, from which Barr Hill Road got its name. This was the first challenge to the Town's Demolition Delay Bylaw, but since it was a total loss, demolition was the only option. This was a loss to the Town of Huntington of a historic building which cannot be replaced.

The meeting time for the Historical Commission is 7:00 PM on the first Tuesday of the month in the Town Hall. Please join us if you have an interest in the history of the Town of Huntington.

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria Minella-Sena

David Norton (Chair)

Karen Wittshirk

## **WHITING STREET FUND**

Mr. Whiting Street was a frugal businessman who lived in Northampton. When he died in August of 1878, his will stipulated that, after the last of his family members died, some money from his estate was to be distributed to 22 cities and towns.

The Town of Huntington received \$1000 in 1920. It was Mr. Street's desire to use the money for those who needed a little help, but were not already receiving public assistance.

In 2016, there were no applications for assistance to the Trustees of the Whiting Street Fund from qualified applicants.

Applications are available at the Town Clerk's office.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Fopiano, Trustee

## ALPHONSO P. PETTIS FUND

This fund is governed by an elected Board consisting of three Trustees, each elected to a three-year rotating term. The funds are not comprised of tax revenue, but rather come from railroad stock bequeathed to the Town by Mr. Pettis. These funds have been invested and have grown over the years. The Board "spends" only what has been made in interest. The intent of this gift is to enhance the lives of the people of the Town of Huntington. In the past, these funds have been used to build the facilities at Pettis Field, to assist the Fire Department with special purchases, to assist with the renovation of North Hall on Norwich Hill and to support local youth and educational programs at Gateway. Also, there have been many personal requests, as well as requests to support special programs within the municipality.

Following is an overview of the current investment of funds:

### NEXT Financial Group - Brokerage Account

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| Asset Allocation - Cash, money, funds and bank deposits | \$ 19,596.18 |
|---|--------------|

|              |               |
|--------------|---------------|
| Mutual Funds | \$ 131,057.89 |
|--------------|---------------|

|                |               |
|----------------|---------------|
| Account total: | \$ 150,654.07 |
|----------------|---------------|

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| Total Amount available for request distributions: | \$ 4,082.66 |
|---|-------------|

Should your organization require special funding for any reason that we determine is in line with Mr. Pettis's wishes, we would be happy to consider your request. A form can be obtained by contacting Ms. Guyette.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Dazelle (Trustee)  
Karen Wittshirk (Trustee)

Judie Guyette (Chair & Trustee)



## STANTON HALL

Stanton Hall is widely used throughout the year by a number of private groups, as well as Town boards and committees.

The building is available for special functions and events, including parties, weddings, showers, receptions, craft fairs, fashion shows, fundraisers, etc. Amenities include large open space, seating for 100+ people, wi-fi, projector, large screen, stage area, TV, and functioning kitchen for food prep. Anyone who would like to rent the hall is asked to contact Helen Speckels in the Selectboard Office by phone (413) 667-3500 or email at [huntingtonsb@comcast.net](mailto:huntingtonsb@comcast.net).

Some of the groups and events in Stanton Hall during calendar year 2016 were:

*Annual and Special Town Meetings*  
*Town Committees and Boards*  
*Historical Society*  
*Election Voting Site*  
*COA Meal Site*  
*COA Monthly Meetings*  
*Brown Bag Program*  
*CESA Farm Produce*  
*Highland Valley Elder Services*  
*HOPE Nurse*  
*Flu Clinic*  
*Red Cross Blood Drives*  
*Health Insurance Education*  
*Hilltown Community Health Centers*  
*"Cookies & Canvas" Painting*  
*Fairy Garden Kids' Event*  
*Music on the Green*  
*Pumpkin Carving*  
*Santa Claus*  
*Town Dance*  
*Dance Recitals*

*Floralia Dance Company*  
*Baby Showers*  
*Birthday Parties*  
*Couples Workshop*  
*Veterans Appreciation Event*  
*Cub Scouts*  
*Gateway Youth Athletic Association*  
*Little League*  
*Westfield River Wild and Scenic*  
*Gateway Towns Advisory Council*  
*Gateway Collaborative Taskforce*  
*Jacobs' Ladder Business Association*  
*Route 112 Scenic Byway*  
*Trail Linkages Group*  
*Craft Fair*  
*Hilltown Fall Festival*  
*Littleville Fair Penny Social*  
*Open Mic Music Sessions*  
*Cardio & Strength Exercises*  
*Chair Yoga*  
*Zumba*

Respectfully submitted,

Selectboard Office

## HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Report on our activities for 2016:

Members of the Society completed their research, editing and publishing support for former Town resident, Zenon D' Astous' book When the Gypsies Come at Twilight, culminating in sponsoring his public book presentation and signing. The event was one of our largest attended events in recent years.

After the Town Librarian expedited the donation of a former Town founding family's bible from a third party, we performed our own research and preservation of important historical information. This resulted in our sponsoring a bible-presentation ceremony that reflected our decision to place the 1795 bible into a caring family member's hands.

Upon request from the Army Corps of Engineers, we performed research, and provided a presentation relating to the history of both the Knightville (75<sup>th</sup>) and Littleville (50<sup>th</sup>) Dams at their dam construction anniversary ceremony held at Littleville Dam.

We researched and assembled 3-ring binders on Huntington High School sports for display and enjoyment of the interested members attending the Huntington High School Alumni Annual Luncheon.

Also researched and assembled, was a combination military slide and music presentation for the Huntington COA's Veterans' Day Dinner.

We researched and provided mini-articles on interesting Town historical subjects for the Huntington COA's monthly newsletter.

A Table of Contents was completed for the online older Stone Walls magazines for more efficient future research purposes for those interested.

We continued with our regular activities including: Norwich Bridge Schoolhouse Museum Open Houses, a bake sale in conjunction with the Recreation Committee's Summer Concert Series and participation in the Memorial Day Parade.

We engaged and continue to support Gateway Regional's "History Project", which focuses on providing high school students the opportunity to gain experience in interviewing and preserving historical documents.

We completed over two dozen historical research projects for various individuals and groups and continue to provide historical and genealogical research by request, as time permits. Our website can be accessed via the Town's website ([huntingtonma.us](http://huntingtonma.us)) for further information.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill Eldredge, (Secretary)      Bill McVeigh (Vice-President)      Vicki Mayhew (Treasurer)  
David Norton (President)

# HAMPSHIRE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

*“Fiscal Year 2016 was a year of challenges and triumph. While our entrepreneurial spirit was put to the test, we rallied together to make 2016 the most financially successful year in the history of the HCOG. With new programs and renewed focus, we are ready to tackle the challenges ahead and continue to serve our constituents and keep more money in our local economy.”*

*—Todd Ford, Executive Director*

## Council Overview

The Hampshire Council of Governments (HCOG) is a collective body made up of representatives from 15 Hampshire County towns. HCOG has two key focuses: To improve life in Hampshire County, and to provide our small towns with the advantage of economies of scale typically available only to larger cities. We accomplish these goals by promoting the local economy, investing in sustainable infrastructure, and aggregating the buying power of our communities. HCOG is not funded primarily by grants or taxes, but rather by fee-for-service programs that generate revenue sufficient to support its operating costs. Modest membership fees are also collected from member communities.

The mission of the Hampshire Council of Governments is to offer a robust suite of programs and services that combine the best practices of government and the private sector in support of municipalities, non-profits, and local businesses. Providing these services regionally saves participating entities the cost of an added employee and associated benefits to perform the same services and ensures that the appropriate MA laws are adhered to.

## 2016—Challenges: Growth!

The total 2016 estimated value secured for member towns was \$3,823,201. During the same period, member towns paid a collective \$23,083.99 in dues to HCOG.

## About our Programs:

### HCOG Revenue

HCOG’s revenue is derived primarily from our fee-for-service programs. Total revenue in FY16 (including grants with specific designated purposes) was \$8,694,687.

### HCOG Expenses

The total expenses in FY16 (including grants with specific designated purposes) was \$8,270,310.

The Financial situation of the HCOG improved in FY16 with a year-end positive balance of \$89,738. The Year-Over-Year growth from FY15 to FY 16 shows an increase in net revenue of \$496,819.

|                 | FY15                   | FY16                | YOY Growth           |
|-----------------|------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| General         | \$ (536,781.00)        | \$ (612,821.00)     | \$ (76,040.00)       |
| Hampshire Power | \$ 129,700.00          | \$ 702,559.00       | \$ 572,859.00        |
| <b>Total</b>    | <b>\$ (407,081.00)</b> | <b>\$ 89,738.00</b> | <b>\$ 496,819.00</b> |

## Hampshire Power

## Hampshire Solar

## Solar Renewable Energy Credit (SREC) Brokering

## Hampshire Purchasing Cooperative

## Hampshire Web

## Hampshire I.T.

## RSVP of Hampshire and Franklin Counties

## Hampshire County Group Insurance

## Regional Accounting

## Tobacco Free Community Partnership

## Huntington

Huntington is represented by Councilor George Peterson, III.

The Town saved \$26,394.11 through HCOG services in FY16.

The Town used the following services for total savings: Purchasing Cooperative, Hampshire Power, Tobacco Free Partnership.

Unused services included Grant Administration, Group Insurance Trust, Hampshire Solar, Hampshire I.T., Hampshire Web, RSVP, Regional Accounting.

Your town can lower its electricity bill by 15% by participating in Hampshire Solar's net-metering program.

## HILLTOWN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COOPERATIVE

The Hilltown Resource Management Cooperative (HRMC) was created in 1989 by a group of dedicated volunteers who had the vision to seek a regional solution to help small towns with volunteer local boards attain sustainability and environmental objectives.

The member towns that comprise the HRMC include: Ashfield, Chesterfield, Cummington, Goshen, Huntington, Middlefield, Plainfield, Westhampton, Williamsburg, and Worthington. Each town appoints two representatives to serve on the HRMC Board. Board Officers for FY16 included: Joe Kearns, Chair (Middlefield); Paul Wetzel, Vice Chair (Williamsburg); and, Tom Martin, Treasurer (Westhampton).

The HRMC has been helping hilltown member-communities manage all aspects of their solid waste including: municipal waste hauling and disposal bid administration, recycling, hazardous waste, DEP compliance monitoring and technical assistance, and sustainability services. In 2016, those services included:

Liaison between towns and Mass DEP on compliance matters.

Execution of an annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection event

Program management of Transfer Station Recyclables including collection, hauling and recycling of tires, electronic waste, universal waste, and Freon removal from appliances. Oversight of the Call2Recycle re-chargeable battery collection service. Additionally, the Town of Westhampton became a regional Thermostat Recycling Center (TRC) for HRMC community transfer stations. Both the Call2Recycle Battery Program and the TRC programs are cost-free that save the member-towns the expense of including these items in their universal waste recycling.

Transfer Station operations and compliance monitoring including informal HRMC site visits as well as the formal, annual DEP 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Inspection and Reporting.

Preparation and submittal of DEP annual surveys and reports.

DEP Grant Administration including grant writing and reporting.

In addition to managing the day to day business and program operations of the HRMC, the HRMC Administrator also serves as a representative on behalf of its member towns to the MRF Municipal Advisory Board, the State Solid Waste Advisory Committee and the Western Mass Regional Recycling Coordinators, advocates with local, regional, and State officials; and is available to serve as a liaison to the DEP on transfer station operations and compliance related issues.

In 2016, the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) announced their Small-Scale Initiative Grants under the annual Sustainable Materials Recovery Program (SMRP). All ten HRMC member-towns received a small-scale grant award of \$500. Eight HRMC towns were the recipients of additional grants under the Recycling Dividends Program. In total, the HRMC towns received \$ 18,200 in grant funding - an increase of \$10,900 over the previous year. Grant applications for FY17 were submitted in June for a total of more than \$24,200 in funding requests.

The HRMC has an annual assessment that is approved by each town at their Annual Town Meeting. The annual Assessment Budget is based on tonnage and population. In 2016, the combined assessment for all ten towns was \$39,487.56. The Assessments are intended to offset base operating expenses. Recycling program/collection costs (other than MRF) are pass-thru expenses from the HRMC to the towns to best maximize the economy of scale, and to enable the HRMC Administrator to have review and oversight of vendor relations and program operations. In 2016, the HRMC acquired two new MRF containers in an effort to begin to remove containers from the HRMC fleet that were no longer road-worthy.

During the past year, the HRMC member-towns collectively diverted 1,000.79 tons of recyclable materials (paper, and bottles/cans) to the Springfield MRF. In addition, the Town of Plainfield diverted bulky rigid plastics; the Towns of Cummington, Plainfield, Westhampton and Williamsburg commenced diversion of EPS (Styrofoam) and the Towns of Huntington and Williamsburg began diverting clean pellet bags. The Town of Williamsburg continued to serve as the HRMC regional mattress recycling facility. The Town of Westhampton served as the host-site for the HRMC's annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection event.

The HRMC looks forward to continuing to assist the member towns during the upcoming year. If you have questions about HRMC programs, call us at 413-685-5498 or by email at [hrcm@hrcm-ma.org](mailto:hrcm@hrcm-ma.org).

Kathleen A. Casey, HRMC Administrator

## **JACOB'S LADDER BUSINESS ASSOCIATION**

Thank you for allowing me to lead this wonderful group over the past year.

It have been a pleasure to work with a group of innovative entrepreneurs, as we strive to create a better business association, and untimely, a better climate for business in the hilltowns and beyond.

Some group accomplishments for 2016:

February - met with Amy Schapiro, director of Business development, Franklin County CDC to hone our vision and goals for the business association, including -

Increasing and retaining JLBA membership and participation

Obtaining more customers for members and providing more opportunity to meet potential customers

Increase marketing, communications, and promotion of our region.

In 2016, we made some changes to the Buy Local campaign, including printing tickets for business to give to customers participating in the contest and door and register stickers for each business to identify JLBA businesses to the public. Throughout the contest, we saw an increase in the popularity of our JLBA brochures, necessitating a second print run.

JLBA again participated in the Hilltown Fall Festival, where the happy contest winner was drawn.

We also had a lot of fun and educational activities.

Educationally, JLBA members took advantage of free presentations in the following areas:

Advertising and promoting your business on social media

Creating your own You Tube Channel for business

Getting the Word Out: Writing a better press release

The stories and people of Route 20

A Financing and Lending Workshop

Crowdfunding Fundamentals

Free 12 week series on preparing for the Microsoft Office Certified Specialist Test.

The fun activities included:

Solar Swim in March with Stu Besnoff of Alpine Solar

Hiking the Keystone Arches with Dave Pierce

Touring the Hanger at Barnes Airport (and one of us got to fly a 1940's observation plane)

Golf at the Worthington Country Club

Snack 'n' Schmooze at the Rapids Restaurant and at Liz Massa's holiday party.

We hosted our legislative forum, and also interacted with ELAN, Healthy Hampshire, The American Institute for Architect's sustainability group and the Hilltown Collaborative, as they sought ways to bring the hilltowns together for improved physical and economic health.

By working together, we will develop a 2017 Business and Trailhead map, and improve our website to include an interactive online version of the map. Thanks to Linda Hamlin, working diligently to get our nonprofit status reinstated, we are able to apply for grant funding to help support these endeavors.

We look forward to 2017 to continue these endeavors, and to further influence both local and state legislation to promote a positive climate for small businesses.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Kenney, President

## **JACOB'S LADDER TRAIL SCENIC BYWAY**

The Jacob's Ladder Trail Scenic Byway, Inc. is a nonprofit organization that serves as the steward of the Jacob's Ladder Trail Scenic Byway, which is Route 20 as it travels through the towns of Russell, Huntington, Chester, Becket, and Lee. The overall goal of our work is to entice people – local residents and tourists – to visit Jacob's Ladder Trail, learn a bit about our history, enjoy our natural and scenic areas, and patronize our local businesses.

During the past year, we continued to work with the Lee Land Trust to create a new parking area on the former Barlow property in East Lee. The new parking area will provide access to an extensive hiking trail system owned by The Trustees of Reservation and the Lee Land Trust, with views of Goose Pond. We have had a few setbacks involving removal of the existing building and receipt of grant funds, but expect to move forward with construction during the 2017 season. This work is supported with funds from the National Scenic Byways Program and the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT).

We continue to support the Town of Lee's efforts to develop a biking/walking path that will traverse the town and link to the neighboring towns of Stockbridge and Lenox. The project is currently in design for a 1-mile segment along the Housatonic River in the town center, supported again by the National Scenic Byways Program and MassDOT. Planning efforts continue to extend the route beyond the town center.

We also continued our participation in the Highlands Footpath initiative, a regional effort to investigate the possibility of creating hiking linkages along the Jacob's Ladder Trail and Route 112 Scenic Byways to connect the area's existing trails to village centers. This project is inspired by the British concept of linking communities to one another so that visitors can plan multi-day hikes, traversing large expanses of publicly accessible lands to go from village to village. As part of our efforts, we are pleased to say that the Highlands Footpath group recently submitted a grant proposal to conduct trail improvements in Chester-Blandford State Forest, an area through which the footpath may travel. We will keep all the scenic byway communities informed of our progress as we move forward with this exciting project.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauren Gaherty, Clerk

## **WESTFIELD RIVER WILD & SCENIC COMMITTEE**

The Wild & Scenic Westfield River Committee works to preserve, protect, and enhance the special qualities and outstanding natural resources of the Westfield River Watershed in concert with local communities.

Project funding is provided through the National Park Service's Partnership Wild & Scenic Rivers Program. Technical assistance and program support provided by staff at the Massachusetts Division of Ecological Restoration. In 2016, the Committee leveraged an additional \$833,332+ in grants, donations, in-kind and volunteer services.

Landowners, interns and volunteers surveyed and inventoried features along the Depot Brook, Shaker Mill Brook, Watson and Savery Brooks (Washington/Becket) and Yokum Brook (Becket) in 2016.

The Committee hosted a series of Wild & Scenic Saturday events and workdays, including Paddle on Center Pond, vernal pool certification training, and naturalist-led walks along several headwater streams. Two vernal pools in Middlefield were discovered on State lands and are moving towards being certified. Volunteers will continue to study two other potential vernal pools in the town this coming spring.

In partnership with the Westfield River Invasive Species Partnership (WISP), invasive plants were managed in high conservation value areas along a 5.5-mile reach of the East Branch of the Westfield River, located in Gilbert A. Bliss State Forest in Chesterfield.

In response to the persistent drought conditions this year, we focused our monitoring efforts on tracking the impacts on the river communities who rely on river flows for survival. With volunteers, we returned to our three historic monitoring sites to collect aquatic bugs to analyze their density and diversity compared to other monitoring years. Sites included: Yokum Brook in Becket, Sanderson Brook in Chester, and East Branch in Cummington.

Friends of Windsor, an all-volunteer community non-profit, collaborated with the Windsor Historical Commission to install twenty-four historical site markers. Through a year-long series of historically-themed inserts in their monthly newsletter, comprehensive web-based presentations on the historical sites, and a community-wide celebration, the Windsor Landmarks Project helped foster the community's connection to its unique and distinctive past. Through a Wild & Scenic Community Grant, the Committee co-sponsored the production of the durable, full-color map and guide that features tasteful graphics and a selection of old photographs to highlight the locations of the 24 historical site markers.

Over 55 participants and specialists spent the day collecting data and building a river community along the West Branch and its tributaries as part of the Committee's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Watershed Blitz. Specialists included naturalists, fishery and wildlife biologists, herpetologists, geologists and historians. The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Watershed Blitz will be held on Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017 along the East Branch of the Westfield River. Stay tuned for details.

Our committee meets once a month and all meetings are open to the public. We encourage you to take part in any of our sponsored activities, including stream teams, river clean-ups, land protection, and workshops. To learn more about what is happening in the watershed, visit our website at [www.wildscenicwestfieldriver.org](http://www.wildscenicwestfieldriver.org).

For more information contact [coordinator@westfieldriverwildscenic.org](mailto:coordinator@westfieldriverwildscenic.org) or (413) 579-3015.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Penn, Town of Huntington Representative

# TALENT BANK FORM

Local Government needs citizens to give of their time and talents serving the Town of Huntington. This Talent Bank Form has been established to compile a list of interested citizens who are voluntarily willing to serve on Boards, Commissions, and Committees. Some groups meet every two weeks, others monthly, and still others are busy only at specific times of the year.

If you are interested in serving, please check your preference(s) below and return the completed form to the Selectboard Office at the address listed below. The form can also be faxed or emailed.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural Commission    | <input type="checkbox"/> Historical Commission         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Events Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Library                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation Commission    | <input type="checkbox"/> Memorial Day Committee        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Council On Aging           | <input type="checkbox"/> North Hall Advisory Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural Council           | <input type="checkbox"/> Planning Board                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Election Workers           | <input type="checkbox"/> Veterans' Memorial Committee  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance Committee          | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning Board of Appeals       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hilltown Resource Mgmt Rep | <input type="checkbox"/> Other                         |

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ OCCUPATION: \_\_\_\_\_

ARE YOU A REGISTERED VOTER? ☐ YES ☐ NO

SPECIAL INTERESTS AND SKILLS: \_\_\_\_\_

EDUCATION/EXPERIENCE: \_\_\_\_\_

REASONS FOR WANTING TO SERVE: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I'M NOT SURE – PLEASE CALL WITH MORE INFORMATION.

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