

Marblehead



**Town Report
2020**

Front Cover

Judith R. Jacobi

June 25, 1939 – July 27, 2020

Member, Board of Selectmen

2000 – 2020

Departmental Information

Emergency:

FIRE **911**

POLICE **911**

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(Note: All phone numbers are 781 Area Code unless otherwise noted.)

Assessments	Assessors	631-0236
Birth, Marriage & Death Certificates	Town Clerk	631-0528
Board of Appeals (Zoning)	Engineering	631-1529
Building Permits	Building	631-2220
Burial Permits	Health Department	631-0212
Cemetery	Cemetery	631-1182
Collector of Taxes	Finance	631-0587
Council on Aging	Council on Aging	631-6737
Elections	Town Clerk	631-0528
Finance Director	Finance	631-1705
Fire Prevention	Fire Department	639-3428
Fuel Oil Storage	Fire Department	639-3428
Harbormaster	Harbormaster	631-2386
Health	Health Department	631-0212
Historical Commission	Abbot Hall	639-3425
Library	Abbot Public Library	631-1480
Licenses – alcohol, common victualler entertainment, second hand	Selectmen's Office	631-0000
Licenses – marriage, dog	Town Clerk	631-0528
Plumbing Permits	Building	639-9151
Police Administration	Police Dept.	631-1212
Recreation	Recreation & Park	631-3350
Schools:	Administration	639-3140
	High School	639-3100
	Veterans Middle School	639-3120
	Village School	639-3159
	Bell	639-3171
	Coffin	639-3181
	Glover	639-3191
Streets, Sidewalks	Public Works	631-1750
Town Administrator	Selectmen's Office	631-0000
Town Treasurer	Finance	631-1033
Trees	Tree Warden	631-2721
Veterans' Benefits	Veterans' Agent	631-0990
Water & Sewer	Water & Sewer	631-2694
Weights & Measures	Sealer	631-0990
Wiring Permits	Building	639-9151
Zoning Enforcement	Building	631-2220

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Board of Selectmen is comprised of five members, each elected annually. In 2020 the members of the Board of Selectmen were Chair, Jackie Belf-Becker, M.C. Moses Grader, James E. Nye, Judy Jacobi and Harry Christensen. Harry Christensen did not seek reelection after twenty years on the Board of Selectmen and the Board welcomed David Depew who was elected to the Board in June. The Board generally meets on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month and as needed at other times. All meetings are open to the public.

Selectman Judith R. Jacobi

Sadly, midway through the year Selectman Judith R. Jacobi, who served the Town of Marblehead faithfully for over two decades passed away suddenly.

Judy held a seat on the Board of Selectmen since 2000, but her generosity and dedication to the Town reached well beyond the Board. The Council on Aging and those it serves held a special place in her heart, where she served as Chair of the Friends of the Council on Aging and as liaison to the Council on Aging Board. She always went above and beyond to make sure that the Council on Aging was well represented on the Board of Selectmen and that Town seniors were receiving the resources, programming, and facilities they require.

She was a leader in securing the funds and executing the projects to renovate three historic landmarks in Marblehead – Old Town House, Abbot Hall and Fort Sewall - which sadly she wasn't able to see the renovation of Abbot Hall and Fort Sewall to full completion. She served on both the Fort Sewall Oversight Committee and the Abbot Hall Building Committee. These projects would not have come to fruition without her fundraising tenacity, leadership, and love and appreciation for the history of Marblehead.

Her genuine kindness, deep concern for helping residents in need, and infectious, positive spirit made her an effective advocate for many causes in Town. Judy served and gave generously to many Town non-profit institutions including the Female Humane Society, Anchor to Windward, the Old Marblehead Improvement Association, the League of Women Voters, and Care Dimensions, formerly Hospice of the North Shore. In 2017, Judy received the "Ray Moulton Person of the Year" award by the Marblehead Chamber of Commerce for her years of involvement with the Chamber and for her leadership in the Town.

Judy's background as a teacher often served as an important backdrop for many of her decisions on the Board of Selectmen starting many of her statements or

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comments with “as a former teacher....” Her teaching experience gave her important insight on how to communicate and empathize with residents. Whenever people would appear before the Board, Judy always found something positive to say. She always found the good in people.

She would also be the first call of many residents looking for help. We all have received calls from Judy starting with “I’ve heard from many residents about....” This is the case because of her open and accessible approach to service on the Board of Selectmen and her genuine desire to help residents. She won her twenty-first election in 2020.

While Judy would often refer to her days in New Jersey, we all know that Judy was a true Marbleheader through and through. There is nobody who has cared more for the Town of Marblehead. The only thing Judy loved more than Marblehead was her family and her husband, Gene. After Gene’s passing in 2015, their godson and nephew, Robert Martina said about Judy and Gene, “His first love was Judy; his second love was Marblehead.” We’re quite sure Judy felt the same way.

We wish we all had one last opportunity to send Judy a hand-written note, just like she has done many times over to so many of us, thanking her for all she has done for our community. Our Town is in debt for her dedicated and compassionate service. She will be desperately missed by so many friends, family, Town volunteers, employees, and colleagues.

Following her untimely passing, in September the Board of Selectmen, Recreation and Parks Commission, and the Council on Aging Board held a joint meeting and in honor of Judy and Gene Jacobi’s contributions to the Town of Marblehead and the legacy they left behind all 3 Boards unanimously approved the renaming of the Marblehead Community Center to the Judy and Gene Jacobi Community Center.

The COVID-19 Pandemic

The COVID-19 pandemic and its impact is at the top of the list of significant events in 2020.

As is with most communities, the Town’s emergency response to the pandemic was its primary focus in 2020. COVID-19 is a new respiratory disease caused by a novel coronavirus that has not previously been seen in people. On March 11, 2020 the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic. On March 13, 2020, the President declared a national emergency due to the outbreak, which has enabled disaster funds to be made available to states to fight

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the pandemic. On March 15, 2020, the Governor announced emergency actions to help address the spread of the virus, and as a result the Town issued a declaration of emergency on March 23, 2020.

Mid-March, the Town experienced its first presumptive case of COVID-19. At its height, the Town experienced 142 active cases and at the moment this report is being written in total the Town has had over 1200 COVID-19 cases. Tragically, 31 deaths have also occurred in Marblehead due to the COVID-19 virus; the majority happening at long-term care facilities.

By the end of March, the Town took the unprecedented step to close all municipal buildings to the public with all non-essential, non-emergency personnel performing their duties remotely. Basketball courts, tennis courts, the dog park, playground structures and even the Causeway for a period of time were closed to residents. As defined by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, nonessential businesses were also closed to the public.

The “new normal” of wearing face coverings and masks, keeping socially distanced by staying 6 feet away from others, and regularly cleaning and sanitizing your hands changed the way everybody went about their day-to-day life.

As a result of the pandemic, in-person meetings were suspended in favor of virtual meetings which allowed Town Government to continue to conduct its important business. In person birthday celebrations for the Town’s youngsters changed to drive-by birthday parties with friends, families and accompanying fire trucks and police cruisers.

There were many organizations, non-profits, Town departments and individual residents that stepped up to help those in need during these trying times. An organized volunteer effort to address needs and support residents was organized. A partnership with a local marketing firm, Flat Rock Creative resulted in a public awareness and education campaign to ensure residents were practicing safe behavior.

The Board of Selectmen created the Reopen Marblehead Committee which focused on developing a process for allowing restaurants to expand their food and alcohol service outside on public property. New rules which were consistent with the Governor’s emergency order were adopted and the majority of restaurants took advantage of this option while also ensuring the safety of their customers adhering to COVID-19 safety guidelines enforced locally. The Board of Selectmen also partnered with the Marblehead Chamber of Commerce on a

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Shop Local Campaign to encourage residents to support the local business community during these difficult times.

The Town hosted free drive-through COVID-19 testing for residents through a partnership with our local emergency ambulance service provider, Cataldo Ambulance.

At the end of June, the Town was able reopen municipal office buildings with adherence to COVID-19 safety guidelines. In some cases, office modifications were made, plexi glass shields were installed at public facing counters, masks and face coverings are required along with social distancing, and regular cleaning and sanitizing of work stations is taking place.

The Board of Selectmen would like to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of all town employees, especially those who were on the front lines of the emergency response. The Board also recognizes and thanks the entire community for coming together and supporting one another during the pandemic.

Town Meetings 2020

Annual Town Meeting

As a result of the pandemic, Annual Town Meeting was delayed to June 29, 2020, a day before the end of the new fiscal year. Town Meeting took place outside under tents in the back parking lot at Veterans Middle School. The Board of Selectmen also effectively reduced the quorum necessary at Town Meeting from 300 to 30, 10% of the quorum required in the Town Bylaws. The Annual Town Meeting warrant was reduced to only articles related to the FY21 Operating Budget to ensure a budget was in place for the new fiscal year.

Special Town Meeting

A Special Town Meeting was held on October 17, 2020. The Special Town Meeting warrant included all articles that were not budget-related originally posted for Annual Town Meeting. Once again Special Town Meeting was held outside, this time at Our Lady Star of the Sea Community Center parking lot at 80 Atlantic Avenue. The Board of Selectmen again reduced the quorum requirement to 30 however, close to 300 people attended despite stormy, cold weather.

Community Engagement

Despite the impacts of COVID-19, the Town made great efforts to continue to engage the community in its work. Utilizing virtual tools which included online

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surveys and online platforms to host meetings residents remained engaged in the Town's work and had more opportunities than ever to stay informed and involved.

Marblehead Municipal Boot Camp

Starting in mid-February the Town hosted the first annual Marblehead Municipal Boot Camp. Unfortunately, the program was forced to end earlier than planned due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This program successfully provided Marblehead residents an opportunity to learn about town government and how it operates by attending a variety of classes and other activities.

The Municipal Boot Camp was originally planned to include a 7-week class schedule, 1 class per week, each class running for 2 hours. As a result of COVID-19, only 5 of the 7 classes were held. The program sought to educate residents on the general workings of municipal government which included both classroom instruction and interactive tours of certain municipal facilities.

Online resident survey

The Town issued an Online Town Resident Survey as part of the Board of Selectmen's ongoing efforts to continue to identify ways to engage the community. The survey results will be used as a tool to help shape future decisions and will serve as an evaluation tool enabling the Town to receive direct feedback on what the Town is doing well and where there are opportunities for improvements. Close to 1300 residents completed the survey and offered valuable feedback.

Virtual Office Hours

Despite the impacts of the pandemic, the Town organized virtual office hours with the Town Administrator along with other department heads to discuss projects, issues, problems, or just to say hello! The first virtual coffee hour was held at the end of October and they are scheduled through March of 2021 with the Town Administrator and with a different department head each week. This program was well received and was helpful in keeping the community connected with town officials during a period of time when it was more difficult than ever to stay connected with one another.

Climate Change and Harbor Resiliency

Marblehead Harbor Resiliency Project

The Town received a Massachusetts Coastal Zone Management Coastal Resiliency grant that funded a project focused on harbor resiliency planning. The work included an assessment of the existing municipal waterfront structures

along Marblehead Harbor. A total of 24 individual structures of varying construction at eighteen different locations all around the harbor were included in the evaluation. Available information records were reviewed to provide a historical record of previous permitting and past evaluations of the structures. The goal of these updated evaluations was to provide a current assessment of the general condition of the structures and potential changes that could be considered to improve their resiliency to projected climate change impacts.

Detailed coastal flood modeling and mapping under changing climatic conditions (present, 2030, 2050, 2070) were presented to close to 300 people at the Marblehead High School Theater.

The future of Marblehead Harbor was focused on with an eye toward climate adaptation strategies in response to increasing sea level and storm surge for the highest risk areas along the Harbor: Front Street, Fort Beach and Little Harbor; State Street Landing and Harbormaster Area; Marblehead Municipal Light Department; Devereux Beach, Goldthwait Reservation, Ocean Avenue and the Causeway. Three different conceptual strategies were identified for consideration which included an emphasis on the health and resilience of the ecosystem, protection and maintenance of infrastructure and current use, and balancing current uses with a potential transformation vision. Public forums were hosted virtually on these climate adaptation options and also about partnerships for adaptation and resilience.

Marblehead Climate Vision

Last year, the Board of Selectmen created and appointed members to the Green Marblehead Committee including representatives from the Marblehead Municipal Light Department, Board of Selectmen, Sustainable Marblehead and relevant Town Departments.

The work of the Green Marblehead Committee has focused on creating energy baseline data for all municipal buildings, learning from other communities' efforts and initiatives, and seeking public input from residents through a survey and a visioning session. Through the work of the Committee, the Town created a vision and action plan to help guide its efforts to become a greener community and advance its intent to become a more sustainable community. The Marblehead Climate Vision report plans and prioritizes sustainability initiatives based on the public feedback and most urgent issues identified, and sets forth goals and a vision. This work was supported through a technical assistance grant received from the Metropolitan Area Planning Council.

Net Zero Planning

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The Town, through a joint application led by the Metropolitan Area Planning Council, received a grant through the Energy and Environmental Affairs Planning Assistance Grant Program. The project called Net Zero Planning in Communities with Municipal Light Plants includes the Town of Marblehead as well as the Towns of Ipswich and Belmont and the City of Peabody.

The project will allow the Town to build off of the work to complete the Marblehead Climate Vision document and create a fully developed, comprehensive net zero action plan while also interacting with and learning from other similarly situated communities that host Municipal Light Plants.

Housing in Marblehead

Marblehead Housing Production Plan

For a more comprehensive approach to meeting housing need, the Town of Marblehead contracted with MAPC to work with the Housing Production Plan Committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen to develop a five-year Housing Production Plan (HPP) that provides an understanding of market-rate and Affordable Housing need and demand in town and establishes a strategy to meet housing need in the community. MAPC facilitated a community- and data-driven planning process, including two focus groups with local stakeholders and two public forums, to understand local housing challenges and opportunities, identify housing goals, develop strategies to achieve these goals, and prioritize sites in town for Affordable Housing development. Both the Board of Selectmen and Planning Board voted to adopt the HPP.

Creation of the Housing Plan Implementation Committee

One of the recommendations of the Housing Production Plan was for the Town to organize a committee of residents, local stakeholders, experts, advocates, and local officials to implement the goals and strategies of the HPP. As such, the Board of Selectmen appointed a Housing Plan Implementation Committee to be responsible for stewarding the implementation of the plan. The committee will meet on a regular basis to pursue action items in the plan, monitor implementation progress, coordinate with public officials and community partners, and build public support for the action items necessary to implement the plan such as regulatory changes and funding allocation.

Marblehead Rail Trail

Rail Trail Redesign

The Town of Marblehead worked with a consultant, Toole Design to determine a path forward for upgrading the Marblehead Rail Trail to enhance its safety,

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accessibility, and user experience. This work was made possible through funding from the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation to support the overall design of the trail.

The Marblehead Rail Trail Plan presents an exciting vision for the future of how the trail can better serve a growing community of users. This vision for a safe, accessible, and connected Marblehead Rail Trail will allow community members to enjoy the trail for years to come. Additionally, this process resulted in the Town submitting a Complete Streets Program Grant application to implement several of the recommendations in the report including pedestrian safety upgrades at the crossings located at Mohawk Road and Pleasant Street, Smith Street near the post office, and West Shore Drive near Tower School.

Town Finances

FY21 Town Operating Budget

The FY21 Town Operating Budget was based on projected reductions in revenue in both state aid and local receipts as a result of the impacts of COVID-19. At the time the budget was adopted the Town planned for a 10% reduction in state aid which equated to approximately \$744,000. Fortunately, the Commonwealth level funded state aid. The Town also based local receipt estimates on the most recent economic recession in 2008-2009 and found that the Town experienced a 7% reduction in local receipts at that time. Thus, the Town used that same percent and carried it over to FY21 which equals a \$600,000 revenue reduction in local receipts.

Town officials, and members of the Town's volunteer committees and boards, worked diligently and collaboratively to produce a fiscally responsible budget. To accomplish this, difficult decisions were made and, certain projects and improvements were deferred. The budget included reductions in positions and in work hours for some employees, and administrative non-union staff and department leadership did not receive salary increases.

Fortunately, the federal government through the so-called CARES Act provided relief to communities to help offset additional costs related to the COVID-19 emergency response. In all, approximately \$1.8 million was received by the Town of Marblehead which was used to cover the costs of safety equipment, cleaning supplies, PPE for employees, and other materials necessary to properly respond to the pandemic.

Financial Forecasting and Distinguished Budget Presentation Award

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The Town has received Community Compact Grants to provide technical assistance to create a more comprehensive budget document compliant with the criteria of the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Distinguished Budget Presentation Award and a more robust, comprehensive financial forecasting tool for Marblehead. Through the Commonwealth's Community Compact Program, the Collins Center at the University of Massachusetts is on board to assist with and help facilitate this process.

Other Town Initiatives

Viewpoint Building Department Software

The Town purchased an online permitting software from Viewpoint Cloud. The Building Department launched online permitting access in 2020 which turned out to be more necessary than expected given the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The new online permitting software provides conveniences, allowing for 24 hour access for submitting applications and making payments, as well as public viewing of planning, zoning, building, fire, electric and plumbing permits, and fees.

18 Turner Road Auction

Through the tax title process, the Town auctioned 18 Turner Road and sold it to the high bidder at the price of \$444,000. Consistent with policy, 10% of the net proceeds or in this case \$44,400, will be dedicated to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

Snow Emergency Trial

On a one-year trial basis, the Board of Selectmen approved implementing a snow emergency response to snow storm events on an as-needed basis rather than the traditional parking ban model. During a snow emergency special parking rules go into effect to allow all streets in Marblehead to be plowed curb-to-curb. A snow emergency is the Town's active response plan for when a snow storm is expected to have an impact on the Town.

Under the trial period, when a snow emergency is declared residents must remove their vehicles from the street starting at midnight the day of the storm. On-street parking will be allowed the following morning starting at 7am during a declared snow emergency unless conditions do not allow it. If the duration of any snow emergency is more than a day, on-street parking will be prohibited on each day of the snow emergency from midnight to 7am. The Town endeavored to provide as much notice as possible to residents when a snow emergency was declared and utilized all communication methods available.

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Community Compact Information Technology Grant

The Town was awarded a \$120,000 grant through the Community Compact Cabinet's Information Technology grant program.

The grant award will allow the Town to replace and upgrade the IT infrastructure in three phases. The first part of the project will be to upgrade the Town's management backup solution which will provide infinite retention of backups, which is important for preserving the Town's records. The second part of the project is to upgrade the Town's e-mail exchange server to Microsoft 365. Microsoft 365 will offer additional functionality and programming that the Town can utilize in order to work collaboratively and interact with both internal and external constituents. Lastly, the third part of the project is to upgrade the Town's remaining servers. The Town's other servers house the accounting/payroll system, assessing and collections software, GIS system, Police/Fire IMC systems, town-wide printers, and all employee user profiles/documents. By implementing a redundant system with two standalone hosts, the downtime for the Town would be significantly reduced and all applications/information technology will be well-protected.

Investments in Town Infrastructure and Facilities

Renovation of Shoe Shed completed

The exterior of the historic shoe shed located at the foot of Fountain Park on Orne Street has been restored. The Town, through the Historical Commission, secured a grant from the Shattuck Fund to repair, improve and convert the building into an interactive museum showcasing the town's shoemaking history. As part of the project, the Historical Commission is now working to furnish the interior and develop exhibits using storyboards placed on the outside of the building that would tell the history of such shoe shops in the area in the late 1800s.

Upgrade to the Council on Aging kitchen

Thanks to the generous support of the Shattuck Fund and Friends of the Council on Aging along with a \$100,000 state budget earmark, the Council on Aging was able to renovate and upgrade the building's kitchen. The Council on Aging now hopes this new, state-of-the-art commercial kitchen will permit them to serve Marblehead seniors a variety of nutrition programs and healthier meals for decades to come.

Fort Sewall Renovation project begins

The restoration project at Fort Sewall began in 2020. The work follows a treatment report that was prepared with a grant from the Massachusetts Historic

Commission and includes replacing doors and repairing stonework on the upper magazines, re-coating the inside brickwork, installing an accessible path to the redoubt and to both upper and lower pathways, raising of the stone dust floor in the redoubt, replacing stairs and stair railings, installing a low barrier between pathways and the steep bank, conducting a ground penetrating radar survey to determine original gun positions, completing an archeological study, and installing a replica cannon and carriage and associated earthworks with markers identifying additional gun positions. The Fort Sewall Oversight Committee is also planning a “Fort Ranger” program responsible for opening the Fort and conducting tours throughout the summer months and a dedicated fund for extended maintenance. The Oversight Committee was also able to add renovation of the comfort station building to the overall project scope.

Renovation of Abbot Hall complete

The contract to restore and preserve the exterior of Abbot Hall and install a geothermal HVAC system was completed in 2020. The project was funded through a Proposition 2 ½ debt exclusion override and included window replacement, roof repair, masonry work and a new heating and cooling system. Other related work including brick runnels and window wells are left to be completed.

Shared Streets and Public Spaces Grants

The Town received \$67,000 total to support improvements to seven strategic street crossings and also to support restaurants using public property for outdoor dining.

The Town supported restaurants by purchasing tables and chairs, outdoor heating units, planters, art installations lighting, and safety equipment to allow for restaurants to repurpose public space for outdoor dining.

In addition, the Town identified seven strategic locations that are heavily used by pedestrians to implement cost effective measures to improve safety for pedestrian users. These areas include four crossings along the Town’s rail trail and three street crossings – one at the middle school and two in proximity to Devereux and Riverhead beaches. At the crosswalks on Atlantic Avenue at Beach Street, Pleasant Street and Gerry Street and on Ocean Avenue between Riverhead and Devereux Beach the Town installed compliant accessible ramps, solar LED flashing pedestrian crossing signs, and a pedestrian activation push button. At the rail trail crossings, the Town increased pedestrian and bicycle signage.

Seawall Repairs

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In order to address the seawall damage caused by two major storm events in 2018, the Town executed projects to continue seawall repairs at the Causeway on Ocean Avenue, Harvard Street, Front Street, Parker Lane. These repairs were funded by a Proposition 2 ½ override passed in 2018.

Ice Rink Committee

The Town was the fortunate recipient of a gift from the Larz Anderson Trust Fund in the amount of approximately \$2 million. The donor's wish was that the funding would be used to support recreational opportunities in Town, specifically, a preference on winter recreation such as ice skating and hockey. The Town accepted the gift from the Trust and, in accordance with the language of the Trust, to expend any money from the Trust must be supported by both the Board of Selectmen and Recreation and Parks Commission.

In order to develop a transparent process in deciding how best to utilize these funds, both the Board of Selectmen and Recreation and Parks Commission created a Committee – the Ice Rink Committee – to work with an expert to determine if there are public sites that could support the development of an ice rink, to recommend what kind of ice rink that would most benefit the community, and to include a robust program of community engagement.

The Ice Rink Committee will make recommendations and ultimately the Board of Selectmen and Recreation and Parks Commission will make the decision as is specified in the bequest. There are many options when considering an ice rink in Town – outdoor, outdoor and covered, outdoor with a cover and other amenities, and a fully enclosed facility. The recommendations made by the committee will be based on many factors – the feasibility work conducted by the ice rink expert which includes site analysis and cost analysis (both construction and operations) as well as public feedback.

Village, Vine and Pleasant Street Intersection Improvements

The Town has continued to work on the redesign of the Village, Vine, and Pleasant Street intersection. The Town is participating in MassDOT's Transportation Improvement Program to fund the reconstruction of the intersection once the design is complete and has contracted with Stantec, Inc. to assist in the redesign. At the special town meeting voters approved funding for necessary easements.

Sale of the former Gerry School

The Town issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the sale of the former Gerry School Building in accordance with MGL Chapter 30B dispositions of real property. The criteria for evaluations were established through an extensive

process led by the Gerry School Reuse Committee which included an evaluation of the building and site and public input.

In response to the RFP issued the town received three proposals. All three proposals were for a similar use and development plan, ranging from seven to eight, one to three bedroom residential condominiums with an elevator, parking for 16 to 18 cars and limited landscaping. The exterior changes to the building ranged from minimal to extensive. All proposals included using the attic space and basement. A selection committee comprised reviewed the proposals and selected the most highly advantageous proposal that was offering the highest price paid to the town.

In Closing

The Town would like to acknowledge long-time employees that retired or left in 2020; Arthur Graves, Public Works Director, 38 years; Alison Nieto, Finance Director; Richard Baldacci, Building Commissioner; Yeimi Colon, Assistant Director, Accounting; Nancy Connelly, Treasurer/Tax Collector. The Board thanks them for their service and wishes them well in retirement and their new endeavors. The Town also welcomed new Public Works Director Robert Dever and Building Commissioner Rob Scott.

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The Board sadly acknowledges the death of many prominent members of the Marblehead community including: Patricia Cerrutti, former Senior Clerk Selectmen's Office and Clerk, Water & Sewer, 25 years; Robert Ross, retired Assistant Director, Accounting, 38 years; Eleanor Rhodes, Historical Commission secretary and longtime volunteer archivist; William James, former Cemetery Superintendent; Hooper Cutler, retired Captain Marblehead Fire Department, 35 years, doцент, Abbot Hall.

As the local licensing authority, the Selectmen renewed and/or issued the following licenses concerning its licensed serving establishments:

Annual All Alcoholic Restaurant (15)
Annual All Alcoholic – Package Store (5)
Annual All Alcoholic Fraternal Club (2)
Annual All Alcoholic Club (3)
Season All Alcoholic Club (2)
Annual Wine & Malt – Package (3)
Annual Wine & Malt Restaurant (7 Day) (5)
Farmers Series Pouring Permit (1)
Carry-in Beverage License (4)
Annual Common Victualler (40)
Annual Entertainment (16)
Sunday Entertainment (14)
Second Hand Dealers (12)
Automatic Amusement Device (14)
Annual Lodging (3)
Movie Theatre (1)

The Board would like to recognize the remarkable amount of time volunteers throughout the Town government and local philanthropic organizations devote to working for the benefit of Marblehead. In addition to thanking the volunteers for their time, the Board also thanks all of those who contributed financially to the various funds established for the benefit of the Town. Also, the Board recognizes the efforts and dedication of our Town employees who work extraordinarily well together.

The Board also thanks Jason Silva, Town Administrator; Rebecca Curran Cutting, Town Planner/Chief Procurement Officer; Kyle Wiley, Administrative Aide and the office staff Jennifer Smith and Jane Tricomi, for all their assistance

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this past year and extend our best wishes and thanks to the all of the citizens of the Town of Marblehead whom we faithfully and conscientiously strive to represent.

Faithfully yours,

Jackie Belf-Becker, Chair
M. C. Moses Grader
James E. Nye
David Depew



TOWN CLERK

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,

County of Essex, ss

to Any Constable in the Town of Marblehead

Greeting:

You are hereby required and directed in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to warn and give notice to the inhabitants of Marblehead, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Marblehead Veterans Middle School Auditorium, Duncan Sleigh Square, 217 Pleasant Street, Marblehead, MA, on Monday, the fourth day of May next A. D. 2020 (it being the first Monday in May) at 7:00 o'clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles in the Warrant for said meeting as follows:

Article 1 Articles in Numerical Order

To see if the Town will vote to adopt an order requiring articles in the Warrant to be taken up in their numerical order, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 2 Reports of Town Officers and Committees

To receive the report of the Town Accountant, the reports of the Town Officers, and special committees, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 3 Assume Liability

To see if the Town will assume liability in the manner provided by Section 29 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws, for all damages that may be incurred by work to be performed by the Massachusetts Highway Department for the improvement, development, maintenance and protection of tidal and non-tidal rivers and streams, harbors, tidewaters, foreshores and shores along a public beach in accordance with Section 11 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws and authorize the Selectmen to execute and deliver a bond of indemnity therefore to the Commonwealth, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 4 Accept Trust Property

To see if the Town will vote to accept certain trust property, gifts or grants to be administered by the Town or modify the terms thereof, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by Town Counsel.

Article 5 Lease Town Property

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the appropriate Town Officers to let or lease such land, buildings or structures owned by the Town on such terms as they may determine, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 6 Contracts in Excess of Three Years

To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen, pursuant to G. L. c. 30B § 12, to enter into contracts in the best interest of the Town in excess of three (3) years but not more than ten (10) years. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 7 Departmental Revolving Funds

To see if the Town will vote to fix the maximum amount that may be spent during FY 2021 beginning July 1, 2020 for the revolving funds established in the town bylaws for certain departments, boards, committees, agencies or officers in accordance with G.L. c. 44 § 53E 1/2, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 8 Purchase of Equipment of Several Departments

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate any sums of money for the purchase and/or lease of equipment for several departments of the Town, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade old equipment as part of the purchase price and to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 9 Lease Purchase

To see if the Town will vote pursuant to G.L. c. 44 §21C, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into lease purchase agreements for the lease and purchase of vehicles and certain capital for a period of time not in excess of the useful life of the property to be procured on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen deem in the best interest of the Town; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take all actions necessary to administer and implement such agreement and to fund said lease purchase through an annual appropriation in the Capital Budget or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 10 Capital Improvements for Public Buildings

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for remodeling, reconstructing and making extraordinary repairs to existing Town or School buildings and the purchase of necessary equipment including computer hardware and software to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen..

Article 11 Walls and Fences

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the construction and reconstruction of walls and fences for the protection of highways and property, including engineering services in connection therewith; to authorize the appropriate Town Officers to acquire by purchase, eminent domain or otherwise, any land or easements necessary therefore; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 12 Water Department Construction

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to be expended by the Water and Sewer Commission for the construction, reconstruction and extending of water mains, replacement of water meters, appurtenances, engineering, consultants, surveys including revenue studies and other general Water Department purposes, and to authorize the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners to acquire by purchase, eminent domain or otherwise any lands or easements necessary, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners.

Article 13 Sewer Department Construction

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to be expended by the Water and Sewer Commission for the construction or reconstruction of sewers for sanitary purposes and for sewerage disposal, pump stations, original pumping equipment, metering equipment, safety equipment, replacement of said equipment, engineering, consultants, surveys, including revenue studies and other general Sewer Department purposes, and to authorize the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners to acquire by purchase, eminent domain or otherwise any lands or easements necessary, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners.

Article 14 Water and Sewer Commission Claims

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Water and Sewer Commission and the Board of Selectmen acting jointly to compromise any claims for damages or

suits pending against the Town of Marblehead on account of acts which may have occurred during the construction of the water, sewer and storm water system, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners.

Article 15 Storm Drainage Construction

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, borrow or otherwise fund a sum of money for the construction, reconstruction, permitting and maintenance of storm sewers for surface drainage, including engineering services in connection therewith, and for general Drain Department purposes, including the purchase or lease of equipment, and to authorize the appropriate Town Officers to acquire by purchase, eminent domain or otherwise, any land or easements necessary therefore, and to raise the money for such purposes by the issue of bonds or notes or in any other manner, to be expended by the Water and Sewer Commission; or to take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners.

Article 16 Essex North Shore Agricultural and Technical School District

To see if the Town will vote to approve the gross operating and maintenance budget of the Essex North Shore Agricultural and Technical School District for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2020 and appropriate a sum of money for the Town's assessment of the same, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 17 Available Funds Appropriate to Reduce Tax Rate

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate free cash balance in the hands of the Town Treasurer, including any surplus or part of surplus in the Electric Light Department for use of the Assessors in making the tax rate, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Finance Director.

Article 18 Unpaid Accounts

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to provide for the payment of any unpaid accounts brought forward from previous years, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Finance Director.

Article 19 Transfer Funds to the Special Education Stabilization Account

To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate or otherwise transfer funds to the Special Education Reserve Fund; or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Finance Director.

Article 20 Medicaid Reimbursement Money

To see if the Town will vote to transfer funds from Free Cash to the FY2020 Special Education Stabilization account, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Finance Director

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments

To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate, including appropriations from Federal Revenue Sharing moneys, to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the Town for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Finance Director.

Article 22 Parking Tickets – Increased Fee for Snow Emergency

To see if the Town will vote to allow the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court to amend Chapter 37 of the Acts of 2004 and allow the Board of Selectmen to establish fines related to parking violations during a snow emergency at no more than \$100 and if not paid within 21 days \$105, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 23 End Current Winter Overnight Parking Ban

To see if the Town will end the current winter overnight parking ban in favor of a plan that is more current with practices of other town/cities in the area and beneficial to all Marblehead citizens. The current ban is especially difficult/expensive for town citizens who do not have off-street parking at their residence. Several nearby cities / towns have come up with plans that have proven to work well for all citizens providing city workers substantial time to plow while not leaving residents racing for vacant off-street parking spots on days without snow issues. Some examples include Salem, which does temporary bans and allows citizens to only park on one side of the street. These are just examples that may or may not be ideal to Marblehead but provide creative ways of dealing with the same winter plow issues and seem to work well for all citizens. As plows are only needed a handful of days during the winter it seems excessive to have a ban for the entire winter and seems appropriate that Marblehead could find a solution that makes more sense for everyone while still keeping streets safe during winter. Sponsored by Karen McMahon and others.

Article 24 Financial Assistance for Conservation

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Conservation Commission and other proper officers of the Town to apply for financial assistance from public and private sources to be expended by the Conservation Commission for the purchase of vacant land and any other purpose, authorized by Section 8C of Chapter 40 of the General Laws as amended, or to reimburse the Town for sums of money expended for such purposes, or both, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Conservation Commission.

Article 25 Proposed Reclassification and Pay Schedule (Administrative)

To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 121 of the Bylaws, Classification and Wage Salary Plan, by changing certain job titles where indicated and reclassify certain positions in the Administrative Pay Schedule; to strike out the pay schedule as it relates to Administrative personnel, substitute in place thereof the new pay schedules and to transfer from available funds and/or appropriate a sum of money to make said new pay schedules effective, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 26 Proposed Pay Schedule and Reclassification (Traffic Supervisors)

To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 121 of the Bylaws, Classification and Wage Salary Plan, by changing certain job titles where indicated and reclassify certain positions in the Traffic Supervisors Pay Schedule; to waive the pay schedule as it relates to Traffic Supervisor personnel, substitute in place thereof the new pay schedules and to transfer from available funds and/or appropriate a sum of money to make said new pay schedules effective, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 27 Proposed Reclassification and Pay Schedule (Seasonal and Temporary Personnel)

To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 121 of the Bylaws, Classification and Wage Salary Plan, by changing certain job titles where indicated and reclassify certain positions in the Seasonal and Temporary Personnel Pay Schedules; strike out the pay schedules as they relate to seasonal and temporary personnel, substitute in place thereof the new pay schedules and to transfer from available funds and/or appropriate a sum of money to make said new pay schedules effective, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 28 Compensation - Town Officers

To see if the Town will vote to revise the compensation of the Town Clerk as the Town by vote may determine and to transfer from available funds and/or appropriate a sum of money to make said revision effective, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 29 Ratification of Salary Bylaw

To see if the Town will vote to ratify certain actions taken by the Compensation Committee under Chapter 43 Section 3(e) as last amended and amend the classification table by reclassifying certain positions, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Compensation Committee.

Article 30 Affordable Housing /Tax Title Foreclosures

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, \$34,500 from Free Cash to be paid to the Affordable Housing Trust, which is a 10% portion of the proceeds received from the sale of tax foreclosure properties, or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 31 Release Funds from Transportation Network

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or transfer from the reserve for appropriation Fund 27 for the purpose of implementing Transportation Infrastructure Enhancement Fund related to improvements to the rail trail, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Finance Director.

Article 32 Library

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, borrow or otherwise raise sufficient funds for the design and renovation, repair and restoration of the Abbot Public Library, 235 Pleasant Street, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Abbot Public Library Board of Trustees.

Article 33 Pumper Truck

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a pumper truck for the Fire Department, and to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 34 Village/Vine/Pleasant

To see if the Town will vote to accept as a gift the real property to be used for general municipal purposes under the custody and control of the Board of Selectmen and which is owned by J B Capital, Book 35181, Page 7 of the Essex South Registry of Deeds, located at 195 Pleasant Street, Town of Marblehead Assessors map 109 and lot 9 containing 1208 square feet +/- as generally shown

on the sketch plan dated December 11, 2019 and which is on file with the Town Clerk; and further that the Board of Selectmen shall also be authorized to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments as may be necessary on behalf of The Town of Marblehead, to effect the receipt of said gift or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 35 Reduction of Speed Limits

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of G.L. c. 90, §17C to allow the Board of Selectmen to set speed limits of 25 mph in all areas in Town, unless otherwise posted, defined by state law as “thickly settled or business districts” which are not on a state highway, and further vote to adopt the provisions of G.L. c. 90, §18B to allow the Board of Selectmen to establish 20 mph Safety Zones in certain areas in Town, or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 36 Council on Aging – Reduce Number of Board Members from 9 to 7

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Marblehead General Bylaws Chapter 24-12 by reducing the number of members from 9 to 7 as follows (Underline new ~~striketrough removed~~):

“Upon acceptance of this By-Law the Board of Selectmen shall appoint the Council on Aging consisting of nine ~~seven~~ members.”
or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen and the Council on Aging, Board of Directors.

Article 37 Hotel Tax

To see if the Town will vote to accept G. L. c. 64G, § 3A, authorizing the imposition of a local excise upon the transfer of occupancy of a room in a bed and breakfast establishment, hotel, lodging house, short-term rental, or motel located within the Town of Marblehead at a rate of up to 6% of the total amount of rent for each such occupancy; and

G. L. c. 64G, § 3D(a), authorizing the imposition of a community impact fee upon the transfer of occupancy of professionally managed short-term rental units located within the Town of Marblehead at a rate of 3% of the total amount of rent for each such occupancy; and

G. L. c. 64G, § 3D(b), authorizing the imposition of a community impact fee upon the transfer of occupancy of short-term rental units in two-family or three-family dwellings that includes the short-term rental operator’s primary residence within the Town of Marblehead at a rate of 3% of the total amount of rent for

each such occupancy, or pass any vote or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Finance Director.

Article 38 Meals Tax

To see if the Town of Marblehead will accept G.L. c. 64L, § 2(a) to impose a local meals excise tax, or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Finance Director.

Article 39 Land Acquisition 45 - 49 Pleasant Street

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money in order to purchase, take or otherwise acquire approximately .8 acres of land owned by John R. Simmons Family LTD Partnership and located at 45- 49 Pleasant Street (Assessor Map 134 Lot 64 & 85) to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 40 Leaf Blowers

To see if the Town of Marblehead will vote the following Bylaws for any device whose primary function is to blow leaves, grass clippings or vegetated matter:

1. Electric and battery-powered may be used all year subject to time of day*
2. Gas-powered may be used only from October 1st through June 1st
3. All leaf blowers meet current EPA standard and cannot emit noise greater than 65 decibels
4. On one 10,000 sq. ft. parcel of property only one leaf blower can be used
5. Multiple leaf blowers can be used on larger properties at a distance of 10,000 linear feet
6. Leaf blowers must keep a distance of 50 feet from animals or persons
7. Prohibited from blowing toward open windows or doors
8. Prohibited from blowing onto adjacent property, street, catch basins, vehicles or gutters
9. Prohibited from use in construction dust, plaster dust, dry sand, silt or clay
10. Employees must use ear protection provided by employer at no cost to employee

Exclusions: Gas-powered leaf blowers may be used any season for public safety and emergency situation. One day exemptions can be obtained for special situations.

Enforcement and fines: The Marblehead Police or the Marblehead Public Health Department Inspector shall have the authority to issue a warning

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upon first violation. \$100.00 fine for each subsequent violation. Warnings and fines will be issued to the property owner.

*Time of Day: Monday thru Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. all users

Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. all users

Sunday and legal holidays from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. only residents of the property

Sponsored by Beth Grader and others.

Article 41 Demolition by Neglect

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Marblehead General Bylaws by adding a new Chapter 111 as follows:

Chapter 111: Demolition by Neglect.

§111-1: Authority.

This Chapter is adopted pursuant to the Old and Historic Marblehead Districts Act, Chapter 101 of the Massachusetts Acts of 1965 (the “Act”) and, more particularly, pursuant to the purposes set forth in Sections 2 and 5(b) of the Act, and in furtherance of the authority set forth in Section 5(a) and 5(c) of the Act which establish, among other things, the duty of the Old and Historic Districts Commission (the “Commission”) to pass upon the removal of any building within the districts so established as well as alterations to those buildings, structures and the exterior architectural features of those buildings and structures. This Chapter is also adopted pursuant to the Home Rule Amendment, Art. 89, § 6, of the Amendments to the Massachusetts Constitution to prevent irreparable harm from the demolition of historical buildings and structures.

§111-2: Purpose.

This Chapter is enacted for the purpose of preserving and protecting Significant Buildings and Structures and to encourage owners of such buildings and structures to seek out persons who might be willing to purchase, preserve, rehabilitate or restore such buildings and structures rather than demolish them. To achieve these purposes, this Chapter empowers the Commission to work with the Building Commissioner and advise the Building Commissioner with respect to the issuance of permits for the demolition of Significant Buildings and Structures and with respect to such buildings and structures suspected of being Demolished by Neglect.

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§111-3: Definitions.

- A. The term "Commission" as used in this Chapter shall mean the Marblehead Old & Historic Districts Commission.
- B. The term "Demolition by Neglect" as used in this Chapter shall mean the process of ongoing damage to the fabric, viability and/or functionality of an occupied or unoccupied building, or structure, leading towards and/or causing its eventual demolition due to decay and/or structural failure and/or severe degradation over a period of time as a result of a general lack of maintenance, and/or failure to secure the building from pests or vandals, and/or failure to take reasonable measures to prevent the ingress of water, snow, ice and wind through the roof, walls, or apertures.
- C. The term "Significant Building or Structure" as used in this Chapter shall mean all buildings and structures, as defined in Chapter 110-7(B), including the exterior architectural features of those buildings and structures, which are subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.

§111-4: Determination of Demolition by Neglect.

- A. If the Commission has reason to believe, through visual inspection or other means, that a Significant Building or Structure may be undergoing Demolition by Neglect, then the Commission shall notify the Building Commissioner and the owner, and the Commission and the Building Commissioner shall jointly hold a public hearing to i) confirm whether or not the building or structure is a Significant Building or Structure and ii) determine whether or not it is undergoing Demolition by Neglect, which shall require the concurrence of the Building Commissioner. In furtherance of determining its condition, the Commission may, at any time, request an inspection of the building or structure by the Building Commissioner.
- B. Notice of the Public Hearing shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation at least two times at least 14 days in advance of said hearing. Notice of the public hearing shall be provided to the property owner by certified mail at least 14 days prior to said public hearing.

§111-5: Demolition by Neglect Prohibited.

- A. No Significant Building or Structure shall be Demolished by Neglect. Notwithstanding, nothing herein is intended to or shall alter the Commission's authority under Chapter 110.
- B. If the Commission and the Building Commissioner both determine that the Significant Building or Structure is undergoing Demolition by Neglect, the Commission and the Building Commissioner shall attempt to negotiate a voluntary agreement with the owner for appropriate and timely repairs sufficient to structurally stabilize the building or structure and/or prevent further deterioration.
- C. In the event that the Commission and the Building Commissioner both determine that they are not able to negotiate such an agreement with the owner, for any reason, or that the owner has agreed to undertake but has failed to satisfactorily complete such repairs in a timely manner, then the Commission shall state in writing the findings of fact in support of such determination of violation of this Chapter and shall issue and cause to be served upon the owner and/or other parties in interest therein an order to correct within a time to be specified in the written decision. The Commission's determination may be appealed to the Board of Selectmen by a written application filed by an aggrieved party within ten (10) business days following receipt of the Commission's order. A hearing on the appeal shall be held within sixty (60) days of the written application. If no appeal is filed, or, if an appeal is filed, upon a finding that the Significant Building or Structure is undergoing Demolition by Neglect, the Commission and the Building Commissioner may take such action as is permitted under the following section, including seeking a court order that specific repairs be undertaken to secure the Significant Building or Structure against the elements, vandals and vermin, to halt further deterioration, and to stabilize it structurally.
- D. Upon completion of all repairs that have been agreed upon between the owner and the Commission and the Building Commissioner or that have been ordered by the Commission and the Building Commissioner, or that have been ordered by the court, and upon certification by the Building Commissioner that said repairs have been completed, the Commission shall certify that the Significant Building or Structure is no longer undergoing Demolition by Neglect.

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§111-6: Enforcement and remedies.

- A. Subject to Sections 4 and 5, the Commission and the Building Commissioner are each authorized to issue written orders and to institute any and all proceedings available in law or equity as they deem necessary and appropriate to obtain compliance with the requirements of this Chapter, or to prevent a violation thereof.

§111-7: Demolition on account of threat to public safety.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Chapter, nothing herein shall be construed to prevent the demolition of any structure or portion thereof which the Building Commissioner certifies is required by the public safety because of an unsafe or dangerous condition; and nothing herein is intended to alter, amend or regulate any matters governed by State Code.

§111-8: Adoption of Regulations.

The Commission shall have the authority, following a duly noticed public hearing, to adopt regulations pursuant to the provisions hereof to further the purposes hereunder.

§111-9: Severability.

If any section, paragraph or part of this Chapter be for any reason declared invalid or unconstitutional by any court, every other section, paragraph and part shall continue in full force and effect.

Or take any other action relative to. Sponsored by the Old and Historic Districts Commission.

**Article 42 Amend the Bylaws of the Old and Historic District Commission
Chapter 110 Old and Historic Districts (bold text added)**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Marblehead Bylaws section 110 as follows (**bold and underline** text added and ~~cross-out~~ deleted):

1). Amend §110-4 Structures and features not requiring certificates of appropriateness. Paragraph D.

D. Arbors, trellises, ~~terraces, patios~~, flagpoles, yardarms, screens, screen doors, storm doors, storm windows, radio or television antennas, weather vanes, wind direction or wind speed vanes, masts, derricks, and cranes.

2). Amend §110 -7 Definitions Paragraph B.:

The term "structure" shall mean and include any product or piece of work built up or composed of parts joined together in some definite manner, other than a building or a sign including but not limited to walls, terraces, **patio** walks or driveways, parking areas, tennis courts and swimming pools.

Or any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Old and Historic District Commission

Article 43 Add provision to section 110-4 “Structures and features not requiring certificates of appropriateness’ for the Old and Historic Marblehead District Commission.

To see if the Town will add a provision related to section 110-4 “Structures and features not requiring certificates of appropriateness’ for the Old and Historic Marblehead District Commission bylaw as follows:

Section 100-4 M. Air conditioners, condensers and related equipment (including window units, wall units and free-standing units) shall be deemed to be installed equipment and not structures or features. The Commission shall encourage but not require that installed equipment be installed in locations which have little or no impact on the historical appearance of the building. Sponsored by Peter Butler and others.

Article 44 Sustainable Marblehead – Greenhouse Gas Emissions

To see if the Town will support the goal of bringing town-wide greenhouse gas emissions to net zero by 2040. Further, to see if the town meeting will request the Town to commit to making annual reductions in greenhouse gas emissions starting immediately, and to reporting annually on progress made toward achieving this goal, or take any other action relative thereto.

Explanation. In view of the rapidly accelerating pace of climate change, the damage it has already inflicted, and the threat it poses to the Town of Marblehead and to the health and safety of future generations, this would comply with the Town Meeting 2018 commitment to “using 100% carbon-free energy including in electricity production, building energy use, and transportation.” Sponsored by Eileen Mathieu and others.

Article 45 Sustainability Coordinator

In accordance with the Town of Marblehead’s commitment to achieving 100% carbon-free energy in electricity production, building energy use, and transportation by 2040, to see if the Town will further vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$50,000, or any other sum, and request the Town to hire a Director of Sustainability and Energy Efficiency, on an ongoing basis, who will be responsible for helping the Town transition to carbon-free sources of energy and securing grants to finance energy use reduction, clean energy, and sustainability initiatives, or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by Eileen Mathieu and others.

Article 46 Stabilization Account

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of G.L. c. 40 §5B and establish a General Stabilization Fund and further to transfer an amount of money into said fund, or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 47 Security Required for Certain Contracts

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Chapter 63 Finance and Contracts of the Town of Marblehead General Bylaws, Paragraph 63-5 - Security Required for Certain Contracts, *which presently reads*; “Unless otherwise waived by Town Counsel, every contract exceeding the sum of \$10,000, except contracts for the purchase of motor vehicles for less than \$50,000, shall be accompanied by security, by bond or otherwise, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the same.” *By striking the paragraph in its entirety*, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 48 Deed Restriction Pickett House

To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into an affordable housing restriction and any other related documents for the property located at 10 Franklin Street, a/k/a “The Pickett House”, in order that the property may be included on the Town’s subsidized housing inventory, or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 49 Amend Bylaw, Signs

To see if the Town will amend the Bylaw section 148-7 (A) Signs, (1), (B) Size, by changing the total s.f. in relationship to Window signs from 10 s.f. to n/a., or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by John G. Attridge and others.

Article 50 Supplemental Appropriation for the Schools

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to supplement the School Department’s operating budget for FY2021, contingent upon the passage of a Proposition 2½, so called, ballot question, or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the School Committee.

Article 51 Supplemental Expenses of Several Departments

To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate, including appropriations from Federal Revenue Sharing moneys, to defray the supplemental expenses of the several departments of the Town for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Finance Director.

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You are hereby further required and directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Marblehead aforesaid who are qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs to subsequently meet at the several designated polling places in their respective precincts in said Marblehead to wit:

In Precinct 1 - Polling Place –

OLD TOWN HOUSE

1 Market Square

In Precinct 2 - Polling Place –

MASONIC TEMPLE

62 Pleasant Street

In Precinct 3 - Polling Place –

MASONIC TEMPLE

62 Pleasant Street

In Precinct 4 - Polling Place –

MARBLEHEAD COMMUNITY CENTER

10 Humphrey Street

In Precinct 5 - Polling Place –

MARBLEHEAD COMMUNITY CENTER

10 Humphrey Street

In Precinct 6 - Polling Place –

MARBLEHEAD COMMUNITY CENTER

10 Humphrey Street

on Tuesday, the 16th day of June next A.D. 2020 (it being the third Tuesday after the first Monday in June) at 7 o'clock in the forenoon then and there to bring into the precinct officers of their respective precincts their votes on one ballot for the following-named Town Officers to wit:

Selectmen 5 for 1 year term

Moderator 1 for 1 year term

Assessor 1 for 3 year term

Cemetery Commission 1 for 3 year term

Board of Health 1 for 3 year term

Housing Authority 1 for 5 year term

Library Trustee 2 for 3 year term

Library Trustee 1 for a 2 year un-expired term

Municipal Light Commission 1 for 3 year term

Planning Board 2 for 3 year term

Recreation and Park Commission 5 for 1 year term

School Committee 2 for 3 year term

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Water & Sewer Commission 2 for 3 year term

For these purposes the polls will be open at each and all of said precincts at 7 o'clock in the forenoon and will be closed at 8 o'clock in the afternoon at each and all of said precincts and you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at Abbot Hall and ten (10) other conspicuous places in Town as required by the Bylaws not later than thirty (30) days after being closed.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant or a certified copy thereof with our doings thereon, to each of the several precinct wardens at the time and place of meetings aforesaid and to the Town Clerk as soon as may be before the said meetings.

Given under our hands at Marblehead aforesaid this
21 day of February 2020.

JACKIE BELF-BECKER, Chair
HARRY C. CHRISTENSEN, JR.
M. C. MOSES GRADER
JUDITH R. JACOBI
JAMES E. NYE

Selectmen of Marblehead



A True Copy Attest: Doug Perry, Constable, February 27, 2020

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
County of Essex, ss
to Any Constable in the Town of Marblehead
Greeting:

You are hereby required and directed in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to warn and give notice to the inhabitants of Marblehead, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, of the following:

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED TO MONDAY,
JUNE 29, 2020 AT 7:00 IN THE AFTERNOON**

to meet at the Marblehead Veterans Middle School Auditorium, Duncan Sleigh Square, 217 Pleasant Street, Marblehead, MA, to act on only the following seventeen (17) articles from the original Warrant as posted on February 29, 2020 with a reduced quorum of at least thirty (30) as Ordered by the Essex County Superior Court in case # 2077CV00358.

**THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN SHALL SEEK TO INDEFINITELY
POSTPONE ALL OTHER ARTICLES AS ORIGINALLY PUBLISHED TO
A SPECIAL TOWN MEETING AT A LATER DATE**

Article 7 Departmental Revolving Funds

To see if the Town will vote to fix the maximum amount that may be spent during FY 2021 beginning July 1, 2020 for the revolving funds established in the town bylaws for certain departments, boards, committees, agencies or officers in accordance with G.L. c. 44 § 53E 1/2, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 8 Purchase of Equipment of Several Departments

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate any sums of money for the purchase and/or lease of equipment for several departments of the Town, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade old equipment as part of the purchase price and to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 9 Lease Purchase

To see if the Town will vote pursuant to G.L. c. 44 §21C, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into lease purchase agreements for the lease and purchase of vehicles and certain capital for a period of time not in excess of the useful life of the property to be procured on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen deem in the best interest of the Town; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take all actions necessary to administer and implement such agreement and to fund said lease purchase through an annual appropriation in the Capital Budget or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 10 Capital Improvements for Public Buildings

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for remodeling, reconstructing and making extraordinary repairs to existing Town or School buildings and the purchase of necessary equipment including computer hardware and software to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 12 Water Department Construction

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to be expended by the Water and Sewer Commission for the construction, reconstruction and extending of water mains, replacement of water meters, appurtenances, engineering, consultants, surveys including revenue studies and other general Water Department purposes, and to authorize the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners to acquire by purchase, eminent domain or otherwise any lands or easements necessary, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners.

Article 13 Sewer Department Construction

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to be expended by the Water and Sewer Commission for the construction or reconstruction of sewers for sanitary purposes and for sewerage disposal, pump stations, original pumping equipment, metering equipment, safety equipment, replacement of said equipment, engineering, consultants, surveys, including revenue studies and other general Sewer Department purposes, and to authorize the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners to acquire by purchase, eminent domain or otherwise any lands or easements necessary, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners.

Article 15 Storm Drainage Construction

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, borrow or otherwise fund a sum of money for the construction, reconstruction, permitting and maintenance of storm sewers for surface drainage, including engineering services in connection therewith, and for general Drain Department purposes, including the purchase or lease of equipment, and to authorize the appropriate Town Officers to acquire by purchase, eminent domain or otherwise, any land or easements necessary therefore, and to raise the money for such purposes by the issue of bonds or notes or in any other manner, to be expended by the Water and Sewer Commission; or to take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners.

Article 16 Essex North Shore Agricultural and Technical School District

To see if the Town will vote to approve the gross operating and maintenance budget of the Essex North Shore Agricultural and Technical School District for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2020 and appropriate a sum of money for the Town's assessment of the same, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 17 Available Funds Appropriate to Reduce Tax Rate

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate free cash balance in the hands of the Town Treasurer, including any surplus or part of surplus in the Electric Light Department for use of the Assessors in making the tax rate, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Finance Director.

Article 18 Unpaid Accounts

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to provide for the payment of any unpaid accounts brought forward from previous years, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Finance Director.

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments

To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate, including appropriations from Federal Revenue Sharing moneys, to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the Town for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Finance Director.

Article 25 Proposed Reclassification and Pay Schedule (Administrative)

To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 121 of the Bylaws, Classification and Wage Salary Plan, by changing certain job titles where indicated and reclassify certain positions in the Administrative Pay Schedule; to strike out the pay schedule as it relates to Administrative personnel, substitute in place thereof the new pay schedules and to transfer from available funds and/or appropriate a sum of money to make said new pay schedules effective, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 26 Proposed Pay Schedule and Reclassification (Traffic Supervisors)

To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 121 of the Bylaws, Classification and Wage Salary Plan, by changing certain job titles where indicated and reclassify certain positions in the Traffic Supervisors Pay Schedule; to waive the pay schedule as it relates to Traffic Supervisor personnel, substitute in place thereof the new pay schedules and to transfer from available funds and/or appropriate a sum of money to make said new pay schedules effective, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 27 Proposed Reclassification and Pay Schedule (Seasonal and Temporary Personnel)

To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 121 of the Bylaws, Classification and Wage Salary Plan, by changing certain job titles where indicated and reclassify certain positions in the Seasonal and Temporary Personnel Pay Schedules; strike out the pay schedules as they relate to seasonal and temporary personnel, substitute in place thereof the new pay schedules and to transfer from available funds and/or appropriate a sum of money to make said new pay schedules effective, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 28 Compensation - Town Officers

To see if the Town will vote to revise the compensation of the Town Clerk as the Town by vote may determine and to transfer from available funds and/or appropriate a sum of money to make said revision effective, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 30 Affordable Housing /Tax Title Foreclosures

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, \$34,500 from Free Cash to be paid to the Affordable Housing Trust, which is a 10% portion of the proceeds received from the sale of tax foreclosure properties, or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 31 Release Funds from Transportation Network

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To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or transfer from the reserve for appropriation Fund 27 for the purpose of implementing Transportation Infrastructure Enhancement Fund related to improvements to the rail trail, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Finance Director.

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CITIZENS SHOULD BE ADVISED THAT THE TOWN WILL BE MAKING ACCOMODATIONS FOR AS MANY REGISTERED VOTERS WHO WISH TO ATTEND AND THE REDUCED QUORUM REQUIREMENT ORDERED SHALL BE A MINIMUM AND NOT A PROHIBITION OF THE NUMBERS OF VOTERS PERMITTED TO ATTEND.

and you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at Abbot Hall and ten (10) other conspicuous places in Town not later than April 29, 2020.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this NOTICE OF CHANGE OF DATE AND ITEMS OF THE Warrant or a certified copy thereof with our doings thereon, to each of the several precinct wardens at the time and place of meetings aforesaid and to the Town Clerk as soon as may be before the said meetings.

Given under our hands at Marblehead aforesaid this
22 day of April, 2020.

JACKIE BELF-BECKER, Chair
HARRY C. CHRISTENSEN, JR.
M. C. MOSES GRADER
JUDITH R. JACOBI
JAMES E. NYE

Selectmen of Marblehead



A True Copy Attest: Doug Perry, Constable, April 24, 2020

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MODERATORS DECLARATION OF RECESS AND CONTINUANCE
NOTE NEW TIME: 7:05 P.M.
NEW LOCATION VETERANS MIDDLE SCHOOL REAR PARKING
LOT
SAME DATE: JUNE 29, 2020

Pursuant to G.L. c. 39 §10A, I DELCARE THE Marblehead Town Meeting scheduled for June 29, 2020 at 7:00p.m. at the Veteran's Middle School Auditorium be recessed and continued to **June 29, 2020 at 7:05 P.M. at the Veterans' Middle School Rear Parking Lot.** Upon consultation with the Board of Health and the Board of Selectmen, I have determined that a public health emergency exists which may prevent members from meeting inside.

The nature of the emergency is the outbreak of the 2019 novel Coronavirus ("COVID-19). In making this Declaration, I note that on March 10, 2020, Governor Charles D. Baker declared a state of emergency in the Commonwealth and prohibited gatherings of more than 250 people throughout Massachusetts. On March 15, 2020, the Governor reduced the number constituting a prohibited gathering to more than 25 people. Although the Governor's orders explicitly exempt municipal legislative bodies (in other words, town meetings), turnout for Marblehead town meetings regularly exceeds 300 voters, and the exemption does not diminish the health risk to voters in attending an indoor meeting on June 29th. In addition to consulting with the Selectmen and Board of Health, I have reviewed guidance from the Massachusetts Department of public Health and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention given the continued rapid spread of the disease, the limited testing conducted to date, the present lack of containment and treatment, and the risk to vulnerable populations inherent in public gatherings, I conclude that a slight delay and relocating the Annual Town Meeting is in the best interest of the Town and its citizens.

General Laws chapter 39, §10A mandates that the moderator "shall announce the declaration of recess and continuance as far in advance of town meeting being continued as possible." It also required stat a town meeting recessed pursuant to this statute "shall be convened by the moderator not later than 30 days following the date and time of the moderator's declaration and continuance." I therefore declare that the date of the Annual Town Meeting shall be June 29th, 2020, to convene at 7:05 p.m. at the rear parking lot of the

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Veteran's Middle School, Duncan Sleigh Square, 217 pleasant Street,
Marblehead, MA.

Given at Marblehead at
9:00 a.m. this 18th day of June, 2020
Gary A. Spiess, Town Moderator

True copy Attest
Douglas A. Perry, Constable
June 19, 2020

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Town of Marblehead Annual Town Meeting

Rescheduled from May 4, 2020 to June 29, 2020 Veterans Middle School PAC
7:00PM

Due to Covid-19 Pandemic and in accordance with Governor Bakers executive
order the location and time was changed to June 29, 2020 7:05 PM The
Veteran's Middle School Rear
Parking Lot

April 7, 2020 The Selectmen voted to reduce the quorum. The Court granted the
reduction from 300 to 30

With a reduced quorum met the meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM

Article 7 Revolving Fund

Voted: That the Town authorize the total expenditures for the following
revolving funds pursuant to G.L. c44 Section 53E ½ for the fiscal year beginning
July 1, 2020 to be expended in accordance with Chapter 63-9 of the town bylaws:

FUND	SPENDING LIMIT
Historical Commission Gift Shop Revolving Fund	\$ 15,000
Recreation and Parks Revolving Fund	\$ 800,000
Council on Aging Revolving Fund	\$ 250,000
Dog Officer/Animal Control Officer Revolving Fund	\$ 20,000
Commercial Waste Revolving Fund	\$ 550,000
Conservation Fines Revolving Fund	\$ 75,000
Sump Pump Improvement Revolving Fund	\$ 25,000
Special Education Revolving Fund	\$ 900,000
Storm Water By-Law Revolving Fund	\$ 10,000
Street Opening Revolving Fund	\$ 75,000
Vaccine Revolving Fund	\$ 8,000

Article 8 Purchase of Equipment of Several Departments

Voted: That the sum of \$68,000.00 be appropriated for the purchase of a Ford Pickup truck for the Harbormaster, and to meet this appropriation; \$68,000.00 is to be transferred from Harbor Receipts.

Article 9 Lease Purchase

Counted Vote In Favor 86 Against 1

Pursuant to Chapter 44 Section 21c to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into lease agreement for the lease and purchase of a Ford Interceptor for the Police Department for a period of three (3) years; Kodiak dump truck for the Tree Department for a period of five (5) years; Loader for the Waste Department for a period of seven (7) years; School bus for the School Department for a period of five (5) years; by in any event not in excess of the useful life of the property to be procured on such term and conditions as the Board of Selectmen deem in the best interest of the Town; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take all actions necessary to administer and implement such agreement and to fund the first year of the lease with a \$100,596.00 appropriation, with \$27,696.00 transferred from the Waste Department revolving fund and \$72,900.00 to be raised by taxation for the payment required in the first fiscal year.

And further, that pursuant to Chapter 44 section 21c to authorize the School Committee to enter into a lease agreement for the lease and purchase of two transportation vans for a period of 3 years but in any event not in excess of the useful life of the property to be procured on such term and conditions as the School Committee deem in the best interest of the School Department; and to authorize the School committee to take all actions necessary to administer and implement such agreement and to fund the first year of the lease with \$30,000.00 which is set forth in the School Department Budget for FY2021.

Article 10 Capital Improvements to Public Buildings

Voted: that the sum of \$125,040.00 be appropriated, and to meet this appropriation; \$20,040.00 is to be transferred from Cemetery Sale of Lots and \$105,000.00 is to be raised by taxation. To include the following:

Building Department

Abbot Hall – Geothermal

Walls & Fences

Sidewalks

Cemetery

EZ screen soil screener
Device stand
Place bars
Fence – Overlook Road

Article 12 Water Department Construction

Counted Vote 87 in-favor Against 1 :

That the sum of \$800,549.00 is appropriated from water retained earnings to be expended by the Water and Sewer Commission for the construction, reconstruction and extending of water mains, replacement of water meters, appurtenances, engineering, consultants, surveys including revenue studies, and other general Water Department purposes, and to authorize the appropriate Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners to acquire by purchase, eminent domain or otherwise any lands or easements necessary; to be expended by the Water and Sewer Commission.

Article 13 Sewer Department Construction

Voted: That the sum of \$937,726 is appropriated from sewer retained earnings to be expended by the Water and Sewer retained earnings to be expended by the Water and Sewer Commission for the construction or reconstruction of sewers for sanitary purposes and for sewage disposal, pump stations, original pumping station equipment, metering equipment, safety equipment, replacement of said equipment, safety equipment, replacement of said equipment, engineering, consultants and surveys including revenue studies, and other general Sewer Department purposes, and to authorize the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners to acquire by purchase , eminent domain or otherwise any lands or easements necessary.

Article 15: Storm Drainage Construction

Counted Vote 87 in-favor 1 against: That \$314,000.00 is appropriated from taxation for the construction, reconstruction, permitting, and maintenance of storm sewers for surface drainage purposes, including engineering services in connection therewith, and for general Drain Construction purposes, including the purchase or lease of equipment, and to authorize and further that the care, custody and control of the sewers for surface drainage be transferred to the Board of Selectmen, and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by purchase, eminent domain or otherwise, any land or easement necessary; all funds appropriated hereunder to be expended by the Board of Selectmen or their designee.

Article 16 Essex North Shore Agricultural and Technical School District

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Voted: To approve the gross operating and maintenance budget of the Essex North Shore Agricultural and Technical School District and appropriate the sum of \$787,946.00 for the town's assessment of the same to be expended by the School Committee.

Article 17 Available Funds Appropriated to Reduce the Tax Rate

Voted: That the sum of \$7,530,000.00 be appropriated for the use of the Assessors in making the Tax Rate.

From Free Cash	\$7,200,000.00
From Electric Surplus	<u>\$330,000.00</u>
	\$7,530,000.00

Article 18 Unpaid Accounts

Unanimously Voted: That the Town Transfer the sum of \$3628.38 for unpaid bills from previous years as following Amounts:

Finance Expense	\$58.50
Public Building Expense	\$4.76
111F Injury Leave Fund	\$1,501.12
Health- Reimburse Medicare	\$244.20
93-95 Beacon St Peer Review Revolving Fund	\$1,819.80

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Item 1 Moderator

Voted: That the sum of \$100.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Moderator as follows:

Item 1	Officials Expense	\$100.00
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Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Items 2 3 4 5 6 Selectmen

Voted: That the sum of \$469,353.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Selectmen as follows:

Item 2	Official Expense	\$0.00
Item 3	Salaries & Wages	\$349,903.00
Item 4	Expense	90,450.00
Item 5	Zoning Board Legal Services	27,000.00
Item 6	Out of State Travel	<u>2,000.00</u>
		\$469,353.00

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Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments – Items 7 8 9 Finance Committee

Voted: That the sum of \$5,760.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Finance Committee as follows:

Item 7	Salaries and Wages	\$0.00
Item 8	Expense	\$5,585.00
Item 9	Local Travel	<u>\$175.00</u>
		\$5,760.00

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments – Item 10 Reserve Fund

Voted: That the sum of \$144,000.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Reserve Fund.

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments – Items 12 13 Finance Department

Voted: That the sum of \$905,006.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Finance Department as follows:

Item 12	Salaries & Wages	\$650,396.00
Item 13	Expense	<u>264,610.00</u>
		\$905,006.00

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments – Items 17 18 19 20 Assessor

Voted: That the sum of \$282,577.39 be and hereby is appropriated for the Assessor as follows:

Item 17	Officials Expense	\$ 300.00
Item 18	Salaries & Wages	218,092.39
Item 19	Expense	63,685.00
Item 20	Local Travel	<u>500.00</u>
		\$282,577.39

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments – Items 29 30 Town Counsel

Voted: That the sum of \$98,575.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Town Counsel as follows:

Item 29	Salaries & Wages	\$ 2,000.00
Item 30	Expense	<u>96,575.00</u>
		\$98,575.00

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Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments – Item 35 Parking Clerk

Voted: That the sum of \$12,650.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Parking Clerk Department as follows:

Item 35 Expense	\$12,650.00
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Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments – Items 39 40 Town Clerk

Voted: That the sum of \$205,788.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Town Clerk as follows:

Item 39 Salaries & Wages	\$195,651.00
Item 40 Expense	<u>10,137.00</u>
	\$205,788.00

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments – Items 43 44 Election and Registration

Voted: That the sum of \$57,837.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Election and Registration as follows:

Item 43 Salaries & Wages	\$32,462.00
Item 44 Expense	<u>25,375.00</u>
	\$57,837.00

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments – Item 50 Planning Board

Voted: That the sum of \$1,675.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Planning Board as follows:

Item 50 Expense	\$1,675.00
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Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments – Items 55 56 57 Public Buildings

Voted: That the sum of \$219,524.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Public Buildings as follows:

Item 55 Salaries & Wages	\$113,334.00
Item 56 Expense	105,790.00
Item 57 Local Travel	<u>400.00</u>
	\$219,524.00

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Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments – Item 59 Town Report

Voted: That the sum of \$4,300.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Town Report to be expended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments – Item 60 Town Audit

Voted: That the sum of \$54,500.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Town Audit to be expended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Items 62 63 64 Police Department

Voted: That the sum of \$4,277,144.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Police Department as follows:

Item 62 Salaries & Wages	\$4089,754.00
Item 63 Expense	182,390.00
Item 64 Indemnification of Officers	<u>5,000.00</u>
	\$4,277,144.00

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments – Items 68 69 70 Fire Department

Voted: That the sum of \$4,191,616.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Fire Department as Follows:

Item 68 Salaries & Wages	\$3,990,113.00
Item 69 Expense	196,53.00
Item 70 Fire Alarm Expense	<u>5,000.00</u>
	\$4,191,616.00

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Items 73 74 75 Building Inspection

Voted: That the sum of \$512,597.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Building Inspection as follows:

Item 73 Salaries & Wages	\$485,242.00
Item 74 Expense	21,355.00
Item 75 Local Travel	<u>6,000.00</u>
	\$512,597.00

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Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Item 80 Sealer of Weights and Measures

Voted: That the sum of \$250.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Sealer of Weights and Measures as follows:

Item 80 Expense	\$250.00
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Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments – Item 86 Animal Inspector

Voted: That the sum of \$2,400.00 be and hereby is appropriated for Animal Inspector as follows:

Item 86 Salaries	\$2,400.00
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Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments – Item 101 School Department

Voted: That the sum of \$40,521,000.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the School Department.

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments – Items 105 106 Engineer

Voted: That the sum of \$170,472.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Engineer as follows:

Item 105 Salaries & Wages	\$168,827.00
Item 106 Expense	<u>10,645.00</u>
	\$179,472.00

To meet this appropriation \$9,000 is to be transferred from Wetland Filing Fees and \$169,548 is to be taken from Taxation.

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments – Items 112 113 Highway

Voted: That the sum of \$1,043,867.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Highway as follows:

Item 112 Salaries & Wages	\$936,783.00
Item 113 Expense	<u>107,084.00</u>
	\$1,043,867.00

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Item 116 Maintain Streets & Sidewalks

Voted: That the sum of \$14,425.00 be and hereby is appropriated to maintain streets and sidewalks and said work to be done under the direction of the Director of Public Works and said sum of money to be expended by the Director of Public Works.

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments – Item 117 Snow Removal

Voted: That the sum of \$100,000.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the use of the Director of Public Works to cover all expenses incidental to snow removal.

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments – Item 118 Street Lighting

Voted: That the sum of \$128,820.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Street Lighting in accordance with Section 58, Chapter 164 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments – Items 126 127 129 Waste Collection

Voted: That the sum of \$2,355,898.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Waste Collection as follows:

Item 126 Salaries & Wages	\$ 379,796.00
Item 127 Expense	1,861,502.00
Item 129 Landfill Monitoring Expense	<u>114,600.00</u>
	\$2,355,898.00

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments – Items 132 133 Drains

Voted: That the sum of \$155,277.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Drains as follows:

Item 132 Salaries & Wages	\$149,627.00
Item 133 Expense	<u>5,650.00</u>
	\$155,277.00

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Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments – Items 141 142 143 Cemetery

Voted: That the sum of \$406,348.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Cemetery as follows:

Item 141 Officials Expense	\$ 300.00
Item 142 Salaries & Wages	379,822.00
Item 143 Expenses	<u>26,226.00</u>
	\$406,348.00

To meet this appropriation \$380,348.00 is to be raised by taxation and \$26,000.00 to be transferred from Cemetery Perpetual Care.

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Items 148 149 Tree

Voted: That the sum of \$313,215.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Tree Department as follows:

Item 148 Salaries & Wages	\$256,637.00
Item 149 Expense	<u>56,578.00</u>
	\$313,215.00

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Items 153 154 155 157 158 Health Department

Voted: That the sum of \$200,471.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Health Department as follows:

Item 153 Officials Expense	\$ 400.00
Item 154 Salaries & Wages	176,284.00
Item 155 Expense	18,155.00
Item 157 Local Travel	1,632.00
Item 158 HAWC	<u>4,000.00</u>
	\$200,471.00

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Item 162 Mental Health

Voted: That the sum of \$60,000.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Mental Health Department as follows:

Item 162 Contractual Services	\$60,000.00
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Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Items 164 165 Council on Aging

Voted: That the sum of \$286,372.94 be and hereby is appropriated for the Council on Aging as follows:

Item 164 Salaries & Wages	\$274,362.94
Item 165 Expense	<u>11,990.00</u>
	\$286,372.94

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Items 175 176 177 178 Veterans Benefits

Voted: That the sum of \$110,569.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Veterans Benefits as follows:

Item 175 Salaries & Wages	\$ 68,226.00
Item 176 Expense	1,243.00
Item 177 Local Travel	1,100.00
Item 178 Benefits	<u>40,000.00</u>
	\$110,569.00

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Items 185 186 187 Library

Voted: That the sum of \$1,157,439.11 be and hereby is appropriated for the Abbot Public Library as follows:

Item 185 Salaries & Wages	\$ 900,080.11
Item 186 Expense	257,259.00
Item 187 Local Travel	<u>100.00</u>
	\$1,157,439.11

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Items 190 191 192 Park Department

Voted: That the sum of \$842,797.74 be and hereby is appropriated for the Park and Recreation as follows:

Item 190 Salaries & Wages	\$625,114.74
Item 191 Expense	171,590.00
Item 192 Facility Expense	<u>46,093.00</u>
	\$842,797.74

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Item 210 Memorial & Veterans Day

Voted: That the sum of \$6,500.00 be and hereby is appropriated for Memorial and Veterans Day said sum of money to be expended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Items 214 215 Maturing Bonds and Interest

Voted: That the sum of \$7,508,959.99 be and hereby is appropriated for the Maturing Bonds and Interest as follows:

Item 214 Maturing Debt	\$4,640,012.00
Item 215 Interest	<u>2,868,947.99</u>
	\$7,508,959.99

To meet this appropriation \$247,880.00 is to be transferred from Bond Premium Reserved for Appropriation and \$7,261,079.99 to be raised by taxation.

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments – Item 211 Utility Reserve

Voted: That the sum of \$100,000.00 be and hereby is appropriated for Utility Reserve, to be expended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Item 217 Contributory Retirement

Voted: That the sum of \$3,513,768.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Contributory Retirement Fund.

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Item 218 Medicare

Voted: That the sum of \$720,000.00 be and hereby is appropriated for Medicare, to be expended by the Finance Director.

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Item 219 Worker's Compensation

Voted: That the sum of \$397,169.00 be and hereby is appropriated. \$360,000.00 to be added to the Worker's Compensation Trust Fund and \$37,169.00 to be added to the 111F Trust Fund (and allowed to accumulate from year to year) to be expended by the Finance Director to pay expenses of Worker's Compensation and 111F Injury Claims.

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Item 220 Training Expense

Voted: That the sum of \$15,000.00 be and hereby is appropriated for Training Expense, to be expended by the Selectmen.

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Item 221 Group Insurance

Voted: That the sum of \$13,812,644.00 be and hereby is appropriated for Group Insurance to be expended by the Finance Director.

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Item 222 Other Insurance

Voted: That the sum of \$475,888.00 be and hereby is appropriated for Other Insurance, to be expended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Item 223 Salary Reserve

Voted: That the sum of \$110,770.00 be and hereby is appropriated for Salary Reserve, to be expended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Item 224 Non Contributory Retirement

Voted: That the sum of \$61,845.00 be and hereby is appropriated for Non Contributory Retirement, to be expended by the Finance Director/Town Accountant.

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Item 225 Energy Reserve

Voted: That the sum of \$533,544.00 be and hereby is appropriated for Energy Reserve, to be expended by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Item 226 Other Post Employment Benefits

Voted: That the sum of \$0.00 be and hereby is appropriated to be added to the Other Post Employment Benefits Trust Fund (and allowed to accumulate from year to year) to be expended by the Finance Director.

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Items 227 228 230 Sewer Department

Voted: That the sum of \$5,037,280.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Sewer Department as follows:

Item 227 Salaries & Wages	\$ 858,027.00
Item 228 Expense	825,867.00
Item 230 South Essex Sewer District	<u>3,353,386.00</u>
	\$5,037,280.00

To meet this appropriation, \$5,037,280.00 is to be transferred from sewer receipts.

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Items 231 232 235 Water Department

Voted: That the sum of \$4,635,366.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Water Department as follows:

Item 231 Salaries & Wages	\$ 855,186.00
Item 232 Expense	719,823.00
Item 235 Metropolitan Water	<u>3,060,357.00</u>
	\$4,635,366.00

To meet this appropriation \$4,635,366.00 is to be transferred from water receipts.

Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Item 236 Municipal Light Department

Voted: That the income from sales of electricity to private consumers, from electricity supplied to municipal buildings and electricity supplied for municipal power during the current fiscal year be appropriated for the Municipal Light Plant, the whole to be expended by the manager of the Municipal Lighting Plant, under the direction and control of the Municipal Light Board for the expense of the plant for said fiscal year as defined in Section 57 of Chapter 164 of the General Laws; and said Municipal Light Board is hereby further authorized to pay from income of the plant for the fiscal year such amounts as may be expended for extensions, reconstruction enlargements, or additions and sell or trade apparatus that has worn out its usefulness and is unfit for requirements during the fiscal year.

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Article 21 Expenses of Several Departments - Items 238 239 241 Harbor Department

Voted: That the sum of \$1,016,859.00 be and hereby is appropriated for the Harbor Department as follows:

Item 238	Salaries and Wages	\$408,803.00
Item 239	Expense	417,056.00
Item 241	Outlays	<u>190,000.00</u>
		\$1,016,859.00

To meet this appropriation, \$883,859.00 is to be transferred from harbor receipts and \$133,000.00 to be transferred from Harbor Retained Earnings.

Article 25 Pay Schedule and Reclassification (Administrative)

Voted: Indefinite Postponement

Article 26 Pay Schedule and Reclassification (Traffic Supervisors)

Voted: Indefinite Postponement

Article 27 Pay Schedule and Reclassification (Seasonal and Temporary)

Voted: Indefinite Postponement

Article 28 Compensation - Town Officers

Voted: That the yearly compensation of the Town Officer named in this article be as follows:

Town Clerk	\$82,755.92
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Said amount to be in full compensation for services as Town Clerk. All fees received by the Town Clerk in her official capacity to be accounted for to the Town Revenue Officer.

That the Town Clerk as elected and having served in that position or as a regular full-time employee for five consecutive years, and for each applicable additional five years on such basis, shall be paid longevity pay annually, in addition to her weekly salary.

Eligibility will be determined on November 30 each year and payment made to the official with the first regular payroll of December of that year. Only those in

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office on the determination date and qualified by their consecutive years of service, as described above, shall receive longevity pay for the calendar year.

Annual longevity Pay Schedule	Town Clerk
Not less than 5 years	\$300.00
Not less than 10 years	400.00
Not less than 15 years	500.00
Not less than 20 years	600.00
Not less than 25 years	700.00
30 years and over	800.00

Article 30 Affordable Housing /Tax Title Foreclosures

Voted: To appropriate, transfer or otherwise fund \$34,500.00 to be paid to the Affordable Housing Trust which is a 10% portion of the proceeds received from the sale of tax foreclosure properties.

Article 31 Release Funds from Transportation network

Voted: That the sum of \$6,199.60 is appropriated for improvements to the rail trail, to be transferred from the Transportation Network Receipts Reserved for Appropriation Account.

At 8:18 PM the Moderator Dissolved the 2020 Annual Town Meeting

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Marblehead Massachusetts Annual Town Election Tuesday, June 16th, 2020

The Number of Votes Cast where as follows:

Precinct 1	876	32.5% of 2,694 Registered Voters
Precinct 2	814	29.6% of 2,747 Registered Voters
Precinct 3	703	28.0% of 2,509 Registered Voters
Precinct 4	787	28.8% of 2,737 Registered Voters
Precinct 5	664	26.5% of 2,503 Registered Voters
Precinct 6	804	30.78% of 2,616 Registered Voters
Total	4648	29.4% of 15,806 Registered Voters

Canvas Completed at 12:00 am

Selectmen 1 Year Term

Vote for not more than Five

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Jackie Belf-Becker	591	533	482	515	472	549	3142
Mark C. Moses Grader	613	546	453	539	421	513	3085
Judith R. Jacobi	617	550	458	551	463	548	3187
James E. Nye	609	546	477	530	461	544	3167
David Glen Depew	471	457	396	479	337	448	2588
James R. Zisson	440	391	325	316	305	348	2125
All Others	11	27	21	10	8	13	90
Blanks	1028	1020	903	995	853	1057	5856
Total	4380	4070	3515	3935	3320	4020	23240

Moderator 1 Year Term

Vote for not more than One

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Gary A. Spiess	707	635	550	592	514	623	3621
All Others	3	1	0	1	3	0	8
Blanks	166	178	153	194	147	181	1019
Total	876	814	703	787	664	804	4648

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Assessors 3 Year Term

Vote for not more than One

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
John P. Kelley	675	621	521	569	497	597	3480
All Others	1	5	1	2	3	0	12
Blanks	200	188	181	216	164	207	1156
Total	876	814	703	787	664	804	4648

Cemetery Commission 3 Year Term

Vote for not more than One

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Rose Ann Wheeler McCarthy	9	7	4	12	10	8	50
Michael Quillen	28	22	6	9	3	11	79
Rufus Titus	19	21	24	14	7	10	95
All Others	28	38	47	40	51	33	237
Blanks	792	726	622	712	593	742	4187
Total	876	814	703	787	664	804	4648

Board of Health 3 Year Term

Vote for not more than One

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Todd Belfbecker	619	600	509	530	493	594	3345
All Others	3	2	4	3	4	1	17
Blanks	254	212	190	254	167	209	1286
Total	876	814	703	787	664	804	4648

Housing Authority 5 Year Term

Vote for not more than One

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Blanks	223	182	183	237	162	208	1195
Joan D. Cutler	652	625	519	550	502	595	3443
All Others	1	7	1	0	0	1	10
Blanks	223	182	183	237	162	208	1195
Total	876	814	703	787	664	804	4648

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Abbot Public Library Trustee 3 Year Term

Vote for not more than Two

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Gary J. Amberik, Jr.	617	563	481	522	466	571	3220
Ann M. McGreevy	625	586	503	543	480	585	3322
All Others	1	5	3	3	0	0	12
Blanks	509	474	419	506	382	452	2742
Total	1752	1628	1406	1574	1328	1608	9296

Abbot Public Library Trustee 2 Year Unexpired Term

Vote for not more than One

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Eurim Chun	638	600	513	557	479	609	3396
All Others	2	3	3	1	0	0	9
Blanks	236	211	187	229	185	195	1243
Total	876	814	703	787	664	804	4648

Municipal Light Commissioner 3 Year Term

Vote for not more than One

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Michael Anthony Tumulty	301	291	239	253	230	307	1621
Lisa Wolf	506	443	368	430	351	417	2515
All Others	0	1	1	2	4	0	8
Blanks	69	79	95	102	79	80	504
Total	876	814	703	787	664	804	4648

Planning Board 3 Year Term

Vote for not more than Two

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Rossana Ferrante	596	559	493	517	462	560	3187
Robert J. Schaeffner	585	545	455	535	463	546	3129
All Others	0	5	3	3	0	4	15
Blanks	571	519	455	519	403	498	2965
Total	1752	1628	1406	1574	1328	1608	9296

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Recreation and Park Commission 1 Year Term

Vote for not more than Five

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Linda A. Rice Collins	607	555	473	516	432	536	3119
Matthew C. Martin	606	580	474	515	446	538	3159
Derek Y. Norcross	609	562	482	528	460	582	3223
Charles Edward Osborne, Jr.	582	556	456	510	431	545	3080
Gerald P. Tucker, Jr.	571	562	465	497	426	524	3045
All Others	8	9	3	6	2	6	34
Blanks	1397	1246	1162	1363	1123	1289	7580
Total	4380	4070	3515	3935	3320	4020	23240

School Committee 3 Year Term

Vote for not more than Two

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Blanks	264	256	205	246	160	197	1328
Sarah Jane Gold	472	406	359	370	367	491	2465
Jennifer Schaeffner	275	236	201	335	260	267	1574
Emily L. Barron	432	425	348	315	335	375	2229
Catherine R. Martin	308	304	291	307	206	278	1694
All Others	1	1	2	1	0	1	6
Blanks	264	256	205	246	160	197	1328
Total	1752	1628	1406	1574	1328	1608	9296

Water & Sewer Commission 3 Year Term

Vote for not more than Two

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Thomas Carroll	643	606	514	567	490	595	3415
Barton Hyte	7	12	10	14	10	17	70
Timothy Shotmeyer	8	4	9	3	2	4	30
All Others	14	24	8	18	6	11	81
Blanks	1080	982	865	972	820	981	5700
Total	1752	1628	1406	1574	1328	1608	9296

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**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN
SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH**

SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Marblehead

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said city or town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to vote at

Precinct 1	The Town House	1 Market Square
Precinct 2	The Masonic Temple	62 Pleasant Street
Precinct 3	The Masonic Temple	62 Pleasant Street
Precinct 4	The Marblehead Community Center	10 Humphrey Street
Precinct 5	The Marblehead Community Center	10 Humphrey Street
Precinct 6	The Marblehead Community Center	10 Humphrey Street

on **TUESDAY, THE THIRD DAY OF MARCH, 2020**, from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. for the following purpose:

To cast their votes in the Presidential Primary for the candidates of political parties for the following offices:

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCEFOR THIS
COMMONWEALTH
STATE COMMITTEE MANTHIRD ESSEX SENITORIAL
DISTRICT
STATE COMMITTEE WOMANTHIRD ESSEX SENITORIAL
DISTRICT
TOWN COMMITTEE.
MARBLEHEAD

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said voting.

Given under our hands this 18th day of February, 2020.
JACKIE BELF-BECKER, Chair HARRY C. CHRISTENSEN, JR.
M. C. MOSES GRADER JUDITH R. JACOBI
JAMES E. NYE
Selectmen of the Town of Marblehead
Paul Minsky February 20, 2020, Constable

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Town of Marblehead State Election Tuesday, March 3, 2020

The Number of Votes Cast where as follows:

Precinct 1	1390	51.7% of 2,690 Registered Voters
Precinct 2	1334	48.9% of 2,726 Registered Voters
Precinct 3	1154	46.3% of 2,490 Registered Voters
Precinct 4	1305	47.8% of 2,730 Registered Voters
Precinct 5	1247	49.2% of 2,533 Registered Voters
Precinct 6	1340	51.6% of 2,599 Registered Voters
Total	7,770	49.3% of 15,768 Registered Voters

Canvas Completed at 11:00 pm

Democratic - Presidential Preference

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Deval Patrick	1	6	1	0	1	0	9
Amy Klobuchar	15	10	11	16	12	6	70
Elizabeth Warren	231	245	196	206	201	274	1353
Michael Bennett	0	1	0	1	0	1	3
Michael R. Bloomberg	226	189	168	253	197	219	1252
Tulsi Gabbard	6	8	6	6	12	9	47
Cory Booker	0	1	0	1	0	0	2
Julian Castro	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tom Steyer	2	3	6	5	3	1	20
Bernie Sanders	189	234	206	154	171	159	1113
Joseph R. Biden	484	431	370	463	450	466	2664
John K. Delaney	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Andrew Yang	1	0	2	0	0	0	3
Pete Buttigieg	30	24	29	11	17	32	143
Marianne Williamson	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
No Preference	0	2	8	0	2	0	12
All Others	1	1	1	2	1	1	7
Blanks	1	0	0	0	1	1	3
Total	1188	1157	1004	1118	1068	1169	6704

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Democratic - State Committee Man

Third Essex District

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Drew Russo	749	763	650	688	699	759	4308
All Others	0	2	1	1	1	3	8
Blanks	439	392	353	429	368	407	2388
Total	1188	1157	1004	1118	1068	1169	6704

Democratic - State Committee Woman

Third Essex District

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Laura E. Walsh	797	795	680	715	714	797	4498
All Others	2	1	1	1	1	1	7
Blanks	389	361	323	402	353	371	2199
Total	1188	1157	1004	1118	1068	1169	6704

Democratic -Town Committee

Marblehead

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Group	528	652	576	662	595	627	3640
Blanks	660	505	428	456	473	542	3064
Total	1188	1157	1004	1118	1068	1169	6704
Renee R. Keaney	574	560	481	501	522	601	3239
Kathryn Hempel	552	537	444	472	506	582	3093
Bonnie Howard	572	543	451	496	509	572	3143
Margaret Atkinson Herrick	555	540	449	480	492	562	3078
Jason Edward Mondale	558	547	446	481	488	568	3088
Lee Mondale	573	555	449	490	487	570	3124
Suzanne Attwood	560	551	454	494	504	574	3137
Owen Mathieu	579	555	447	517	510	620	3228
Linda McLaughlin	550	546	448	489	502	576	3111

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Walter Horan	566	550	455	479	492	572	3114
Steven Levy	550	534	454	473	516	570	3097
Eileen Mathieu	583	550	450	528	525	626	3262
Ricardo Quiroga	538	526	434	466	496	560	3020
Daniel Jay Urman	537	521	436	462	497	569	3022
Michael Meehan	545	544	446	476	493	574	3078
Franklin Kashner	544	528	437	478	507	559	3053
Donald W. Gardner, Jr.	583	551	446	492	492	575	3139
Thomas Londer	533	518	436	461	478	548	2974
Christian Stumpf	542	526	438	266	482	548	2802
Brian Hough	546	532	441	485	500	556	3060
Lesley Tracy	556	542	450	477	492	567	3084
Linda Weltner	614	587	471	535	531	611	3349
Joanne Miller	558	544	468	485	501	579	3135
John Weltner	577	563	458	509	521	581	3209
Susan Patoski	548	536	436	477	509	570	3076
Jane Casler	574	558	456	498	501	569	3156
Jennifer Martelli	559	554	466	500	550	628	3257
Philips Axten	0	1	5	8	1	1	16
Barbara Grenier	1	1	5	7	1	1	16
Janet Brings	0	2	5	7	1	1	16
Mark Brings	0	2	5	7	1	1	16
Rose Ann Wheeler McCarthy	2	0	0	5	0	2	9
Marybelle Hollister	0	1	5	7	1	1	15
All Others	2	6	5	5	11	7	36
Blanks	26303	25679	22443	25664	23467	24991	148547
Total	41434	45390	34620	38677	37086	40592	237799

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Republican - Presidential Preference

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
William F. Weld	38	32	18	35	28	22	173
Joe Walsh	3	2	0	2	3	3	13
Donald J. Trump	151	129	126	135	135	135	811
Roque "Rocky" De La Fuente	0	1	0	0	2	1	4
No Preference	3	5	2	7	1	2	20
All Others	5	2	0	2	3	1	13
Blanks	1	2	0	2	4	3	12
Total	201	173	146	183	176	167	1046

Republican – State Committee Man

Third Essex District

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Stephen M. Zykovsky	85	83	68	89	79	82	486
Richard L. Wood, Jr.	71	59	46	56	57	56	345
All Others	0	1	0	1	0	0	2
Blanks	45	30	32	37	40	29	213
Total	201	173	146	183	176	167	1046

Republican – State Committee Woman

Third Essex District

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Amy Carnevale	152	128	105	136	112	121	754
All Others	1	0	1	0	2	0	4
Blanks	48	45	40	47	62	46	288
Total	201	173	146	183	176	167	1046

Republican – Town Committee

Marblehead

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Group	64	75	59	67	64	60	389
Blanks	137	98	87	116	112	107	657
Total	201	173	146	183	176	167	1046
Walter Rolfe Lofmark	82	83	66	77	82	75	465
Emily Dunham	79	83	66	77	74	80	459

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J. Timothy Swigor	76	79	61	75	72	67	430
Daniel Shea	83	84	66	84	75	76	468
Robert Erbetta	105	91	75	108	87	76	542
Jacqueline Williams	80	96	64	79	73	73	465
Donald Doliber	104	108	87	101	86	92	578
Jean Eldridge	97	109	77	87	81	74	525
Amy Carnevale	103	100	76	98	79	82	538
Sharon Randall	83	91	69	80	80	79	482
Michael Janko	75	78	66	77	79	67	442
Anthony Chamay	72	76	63	77	67	67	422
Kenneth Luker	76	79	63	74	67	66	425
Peter Nicolas	75	81	62	76	81	68	443
Josephine DelVento	79	86	64	81	78	71	459
Jonathan Lederman	84	95	84	82	89	76	510
Jennifer Lederman	79	89	74	77	85	81	485
Barton Hyte	75	83	66	74	75	72	445
John Buba, Jr.	77	89	72	81	77	71	467
John Read	75	87	63	72	69	64	430
All Others	0	3	0	2	3	3	11
Blanks	5376	4285	3726	4766	4601	4365	27119
Total	7035	6055	5100	6405	6160	5845	36610

Green Rainbow - Presidential Preference

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Dario Hunter	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Sedinam Curry	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Kent Mesplay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Howard Hawkins	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No Preference	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
All Others	0	0	1	1	0	0	2
Blanks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	2	1	1	0	4

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Green Rainbow – State Committee Man

Third Essex District

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
All Others	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blanks	0	0	2	1	1	0	4
Total	0	0	2	1	1	0	4

Green Rainbow – State Committee Woman

Third Essex District

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
All Others	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blanks	0	0	2	1	1	0	4
Total	0	0	2	1	1	0	4

Libertarian - Presidential Preference

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Arvin Vohra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Verman Love Supreme	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jacob George Hornberger	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Samuel Joseph Robb	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Daniel Taxation Theif Berhman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kimberly Margaret Ruff	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kenneth Reed Armstrong	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
Adam Kokesh	0	1	0	0	0	1	2
Jo Jorgensen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Max Abramson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No Preference	0	0	0	1	1	2	4
All Others	0	1	1	1	1	1	5
Blanks	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Total	1	4	2	3	2	4	16

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Libertarian – State Committee Man

Third Essex District

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
All Others	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blanks	1	4	2	3	2	4	16
Total	1	4	2	3	2	4	16

Libertarian – State Committee Woman

Third Essex District

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
All Others	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blanks	1	4	2	3	2	4	16
Total	1	4	2	3	2	4	16

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN
SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

SS.

To the Constables of the Town of Marblehead

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said city or town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to vote at:

Precinct 1 & 2	Village School Gymnasium	93 Village Street
Precinct 3, 4, 5, & 6	Marblehead High School Field House	2 Humphrey Street

on **TUESDAY, THE FIRST DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2020**, from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. for the following purpose:

To cast their votes in the State Primaries for the candidates of political parties for the following offices:

SENATOR IN CONGRESS.	FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS.	SIXTH DISTRICT
COUNCILLOR.	SIXTH DISTRICT
SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT	THIRD ESSEX DISTRICT
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.	EIGHTH ESSEX DISTRICT
REGISTER OF PROBATE.	ESSEX COUNTY

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said voting.

Given under our hands this 21nd day of August, 2020.

Jackie Belf-Becker
Mark C. Moses Grader

James E. Nye
David Depew

Selectmen of the Town of Marblehead

Douglas W. Perry August 24st, 2020
Constable

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

MARBLEHEAD TOWN REPORT 2020

State Primary Tuesday, September 1, 2020

The Number of Votes Cast were as follows:

Precinct 1	1311	47.5% of 2,762 Registered Voters
Precinct 2	1216	43.3% of 2,806 Registered Voters
Precinct 3	1089	42.2% of 2,578 Registered Voters
Precinct 4	1215	43.7% of 2,780 Registered Voters
Precinct 5	1126	43.4% of 2,594 Registered Voters
Precinct 6	1282	48.3% of 2,656 Registered Voters
Total	7,239	44.8% of 16,176 Registered Voters

Canvas Completed at 11:45 pm

REPUBLICAN PARTY

Senator in Congress

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Shiva Ayyadurai	60	51	57	82	64	65	379
Kevin J. O'Connor	114	89	82	90	77	93	545
All Others	1	1	0	1	1	1	5
Blanks	3	3	6	4	1	2	19
TOTALS	178	144	145	177	143	161	948

Representative in Congress 6th District

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
John Paul Moran	150	126	124	155	114	131	800
All Others	1	1	0	1	0	2	5
Blanks	27	17	21	21	29	28	143
TOTALS	178	144	145	177	143	161	948

Councillor 6th District

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
All Others	3	1	1	0	3	4	12
Blanks	175	143	144	177	140	157	936
TOTALS	178	144	145	177	143	161	948

Senator in General Court 3rd Essex District

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Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
All Others	4	1	0	0	1	7	13
Blanks	174	143	145	177	142	154	935
TOTALS	178	144	145	177	143	161	948

Representative in General Court 8th Essex District

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
All Others	2	5	1	1	1	8	18
Blanks	176	139	144	176	142	153	930
TOTALS	178	144	145	177	143	161	948

Register of Probate Essex County

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
All Others	2	5	0	0	1	6	14
Blanks	176	139	145	177	142	155	934
TOTALS	178	144	145	177	143	161	948

DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Senator in Congress

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Edward Markey	681	681	552	676	590	788	3935
Joseph P. Kennedy, III	440	381	378	355	383	350	2287
All Others	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Blanks	5	6	4	5	7	9	36
TOTALS	1126	1068	935	1036	980	1114	6259

Representative in Congress 6th District

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Seth W. Moulton	897	866	739	844	788	901	5035
Jamie M. Belsito	106	84	83	75	78	81	507
Angus G. McQuilken	105	100	92	98	96	118	609
All Others	0	0	1	1	0	0	2
Blanks	18	18	20	18	18	14	106
TOTALS	1126	1068	935	1036	980	1114	6259

Councillor 6th District

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Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Terrence W. Kennedy	584	567	524	534	589	644	3442
Helina Fontes	365	369	285	330	256	325	1930
All Others	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blanks	177	132	126	172	135	145	887
TOTALS	1126	1068	935	1036	980	1114	6259

Senator in General Court 3rd Essex District

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Brendan P. Crighton	882	869	752	772	790	869	4934
All Others	1	0	1	1	0	1	4
Blanks	243	199	182	263	190	244	1321
TOTALS	1126	1068	935	1036	980	1114	6259

Representative in General Court 8th Essex District

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Lori A. Ehrlich	999	928	802	870	857	972	5428
All Others	3	2	1	1	3	2	12
Blanks	124	138	132	165	120	140	819
TOTALS	1126	1068	935	1036	980	1114	6259

Register of Probate Essex County

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Pamela Casey O'Brien	876	868	756	771	784	869	4924
All Others	2	0	1	0	0	0	3
Blanks	248	200	178	265	196	245	1332
TOTALS	1126	1068	935	1036	980	1114	6259

LIBERTARIAN PARTY

Senator in Congress

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
All Others	3	2	2	2	2	1	12
Blanks	4	2	6	0	1	5	18
TOTALS	7	4	8	2	3	6	30

Representative in Congress 6th District

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
All Others	0	2	3	1	2	1	9
Blanks	7	2	5	1	1	5	21
TOTALS	7	4	8	2	3	6	30

Councillor 6th District

Precinct	1			2	3	4	5	6	Total
All Others	0			2	1	1	1	1	6
Blanks	7			2	7	1	2	5	24
TOTALS	7			4	8	2	3	6	30

Senator in General Court 3rd Essex District

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
All Others	0	0	0	1	1	1	3
Blanks	7	4	8	1	2	5	27
TOTALS	7	4	8	2	3	6	30

Representative in General Court 8th Essex District

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
All Others	0	1	0	1	1	1	4
Blanks	7	3	8	1	2	5	26
TOTALS	7	4	8	2	3	6	30

Register of Probate Essex County

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
All Others	0	1	0	1	1	1	4
Blanks	7	3	8	1	2	5	26
TOTALS	7	4	8	2	3	6	30

GREEN RAINBOW

Senator in Congress

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
All Others	0	0	1	0	0	1	2
Blanks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	0	0	1	0	0	1	2

Representative in Congress 6th District

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
All Others	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Blanks	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
TOTALS	0	0	1	0	0	1	2

Councillor 6th District

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
All Others	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Blanks	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
TOTALS	0	0	1	0	0	1	2

Senator in General Court 3rd Essex District

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
All Others	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Blanks	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
TOTALS	0	0	1	0	0	1	2

Representative in General Court 8th Essex District

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
All Others	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Blanks	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
TOTALS	0	0	1	0	0	1	2

Register of Probate Essex County

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
All Others	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blanks	0	0	1	0	0	1	2
TOTALS	0	0	1	0	0	1	2

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
County of Essex, ss
to Any Constable in the Town of Marblehead
Greeting:

You are hereby required and directed in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to warn and give notice to the inhabitants of Marblehead, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at 80 Atlantic Avenue, Our Lady Star of the Sea Community Center, Rear Parking Lot, Marblehead, MA, on Saturday, the seventeenth day of October next A.D. 2020 (it being the third Saturday in October) at 9:00 o'clock in the morning to act on the following articles in the Warrant for said meeting as follows:

Article 1 Articles in Numerical Order

To see if the Town will vote to adopt an order requiring articles in the Warrant to be taken up in their numerical order, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 2 Reports of Town Officers and Committees

To receive the report of the Town Accountant, the reports of the Town Officers, and special committees, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 3 Assume Liability

To see if the Town will assume liability in the manner provided by Section 29 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws, for all damages that may be incurred by work to be performed by the Massachusetts Highway Department for the improvement, development, maintenance and protection of tidal and non-tidal rivers and streams, harbors, tidewaters, foreshores and shores along a public beach in accordance with Section 11 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws and authorize the Selectmen to execute and deliver a bond of indemnity therefore to the Commonwealth, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 4 Accept Trust Property

To see if the Town will vote to accept certain trust property, gifts or grants to be administered by the Town or modify the terms thereof, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by Town Counsel.

Article 5 Lease Town Property

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the appropriate Town Officers to let or lease such land, buildings or structures owned by the Town on such terms as they may determine, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 6 Contracts in Excess of Three Years

To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen, pursuant to G. L. c. 30B § 12, to enter into contracts in the best interest of the Town in excess of three (3) years but not more than ten (10) years. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 7 Walls and Fences

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the construction and reconstruction of walls and fences for the protection of highways and property, including engineering services in connection therewith; to authorize the appropriate Town Officers to acquire by purchase, eminent domain or otherwise, any land or easements necessary therefore; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 8 Water and Sewer Commission Claims

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Water and Sewer Commission and the Board of Selectmen acting jointly to compromise any claims for damages or suits pending against the Town of Marblehead on account of acts which may have occurred during the construction of the water, sewer and storm water system, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners.

Article 9 Transfer Funds to the Special Education Stabilization Account

To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate or otherwise transfer funds to the Special Education Reserve Fund; or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Finance Director.

Article 10 Unpaid Accounts

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to provide for the payment of any unpaid accounts brought forward from previous years, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Finance Director.

Article 11 Medicaid Reimbursement Money

To see if the Town will vote to transfer funds from Free Cash to the FY2021 Special Education Stabilization account, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Finance Director

Article 12 Parking Tickets – Increased Fee for Snow Emergency

To see if the Town will vote to allow the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court to amend Chapter 37 of the Acts of 2004 and allow the Board of Selectmen to establish fines related to parking violations during a snow emergency at no more than \$100 and if not paid within 21 days \$105, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 13 End Current Winter Overnight Parking Ban

To see if the Town will end the current winter overnight parking ban in favor of a plan that is more current with practices of other town/cities in the area and beneficial to all Marblehead citizens. The current ban is especially difficult/expensive for town citizens who do not have off-street parking at their residence. Several nearby cities / towns have come up with plans that have proven to work well for all citizens providing city workers substantial time to plow while not leaving residents racing for vacant off-street parking spots on days without snow issues. Some examples include Salem, which does temporary bans and allows citizens to only park on one side of the street. These are just examples that may or may not be ideal to Marblehead but provide creative ways of dealing with the same winter plow issues and seem to work well for all citizens. As plows are only needed a handful of days during the winter it seems excessive to have a ban for the entire winter and seems appropriate that Marblehead could find a solution that makes more sense for everyone while still keeping streets safe during winter. Sponsored by Karen McMahon and others.

Article 14 Financial Assistance for Conservation

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Conservation Commission and other proper officers of the Town to apply for financial assistance from public and private sources to be expended by the Conservation Commission for the purchase of vacant land and any other purpose, authorized by Section 8C of Chapter 40 of the General Laws as amended, or to reimburse the Town for sums

of money expended for such purposes, or both, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Conservation Commission.

Article 15 Ratification of Salary Bylaw

To see if the Town will vote to ratify certain actions taken by the Compensation Committee under Chapter 43 Section 3(e) as last amended and amend the classification table by reclassifying certain positions, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Compensation Committee.

Article 16 Library

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, borrow or otherwise raise sufficient funds for the design and renovation, repair and restoration of the Abbot Public Library, 235 Pleasant Street, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Abbot Public Library Board of Trustees.

Article 17 Pumper Truck

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a pumper truck for the Fire Department, and to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 18 Village/Vine/Pleasant

To see if the Town will vote to accept as a gift the real property to be used for general municipal purposes under the custody and control of the Board of Selectmen and which is owned by J B Capital, Book 35181, Page 7 of the Essex South Registry of Deeds, located at 195 Pleasant Street, Town of Marblehead Assessors map 109 and lot 9 containing 1208 square feet +/- as generally shown on the sketch plan dated December 11, 2019 and which is on file with the Town Clerk; and further that the Board of Selectmen shall also be authorized to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments as may be necessary on behalf of The Town of Marblehead, to effect the receipt of said gift or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 19 Village /Vine /Pleasant Taking for Road Improvements

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase, acquire or take by eminent domain, permanent and/or temporary easements in the parcels or portions of parcels of land located along Vine and Pleasant Streets as follows:

195 Pleasant Street
199 Pleasant Street
200 Pleasant Street
198 Pleasant Street
194 Pleasant Street
186-188 Pleasant Street
182 Pleasant Street
180 Pleasant Street
185 Pleasant Street
189 Pleasant Street
191 Pleasant Street

1 Vine Street
5 Vine Street
7 Vine Street

all more or less as shown on a plan dated December 11, 2019 titled “Marblehead Pleasant Street / Village Street / Vine Street, Preliminary Right of Way Property Plan on file with the Town Clerk, the acquisition of said land having been determined to be necessary for the health and welfare of the inhabitants of Marblehead and to be used for municipal purposes; and further appropriate a certain amount, by transfer or otherwise for said purchase or taking along with all associated legal and engineering costs necessary and for the miscellaneous improvements and incidental costs associated with the road improvement project; pass any vote or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 20 Reduction of Speed Limits

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of G.L. c. 90, §17C to allow the Board of Selectmen to set speed limits of 25 mph in all areas in Town, unless otherwise posted, defined by state law as “thickly settled or business districts” which are not on a state highway, and further vote to adopt the provisions of G.L. c. 90, §18B to allow the Board of Selectmen to establish 20 mph Safety Zones in certain areas in Town, or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 21 Council on Aging – Reduce Number of Board Members from 9 to 7

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Marblehead General Bylaws Chapter 24-12 by reducing the number of members from 9 to 7 as follows (Underline new ~~striketrough~~ removed):

“Upon acceptance of this By-Law the Board of Selectmen shall appoint the Council on Aging consisting of ~~nine~~ seven members.”

or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen and the Council on Aging, Board of Directors.

Article 22 Hotel Tax

To see if the Town will vote to accept G. L. c. 64G, § 3A, authorizing the imposition of a local excise upon the transfer of occupancy of a room in a bed and breakfast establishment, hotel, lodging house, short-term rental, or motel located within the Town of Marblehead at a rate of up to 6% of the total amount of rent for each such occupancy; and

G. L. c. 64G, § 3D(a), authorizing the imposition of a community impact fee upon the transfer of occupancy of professionally managed short-term rental units located within the Town of Marblehead at a rate of 3% of the total amount of rent for each such occupancy; and

G. L. c. 64G, § 3D(b), authorizing the imposition of a community impact fee upon the transfer of occupancy of short-term rental units in two-family or three-family dwellings that includes the short-term rental operator’s primary residence within the Town of Marblehead at a rate of 3% of the total amount of rent for each such occupancy, or pass any vote or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Finance Director.

Article 23 Meals Tax

To see if the Town of Marblehead will accept G.L. c. 64L, § 2(a) to impose a local meals excise tax, or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Finance Director.

Article 24 Land Acquisition 45 - 49 Pleasant Street

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase, acquire or take that certain piece of land including .8 acres of land owned by John R. Simmons Family LTD Partnership and located at 45- 49 Pleasant Street (Assessor Map 134 Lot 64 & 85) and to appropriate a sum of money in order to purchase, take or otherwise acquire said land and to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 25 Leaf Blowers

To see if the Town of Marblehead will vote the following Bylaws for any device whose primary function is to blow leaves, grass clippings or vegetated matter:

11. Electric and battery-powered may be used all year subject to time of day*
12. Gas-powered may be used only from October 1st through June 1st
13. All leaf blowers meet current EPA standard and cannot emit noise greater than 65 decibels
14. On one 10,000 sq. ft. parcel of property only one leaf blower can be used
15. Multiple leaf blowers can be used on larger properties at a distance of 10,000 linear feet
16. Leaf blowers must keep a distance of 50 feet from animals or persons
17. Prohibited from blowing toward open windows or doors
18. Prohibited from blowing onto adjacent property, street, catch basins, vehicles or gutters
19. Prohibited from use in construction dust, plaster dust, dry sand, silt or clay
20. Employees must use ear protection provided by employer at no cost to employee

Exclusions: Gas-powered leaf blowers may be used any season for public safety and emergency situation. One day exemptions can be obtained for special situations.

Enforcement and fines: The Marblehead Police or the Marblehead Public Health Department Inspector shall have the authority to issue a warning upon first violation. \$100.00 fine for each subsequent violation. Warnings and fines will be issued to the property owner.

*Time of Day: Monday thru Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. all users

Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. all users

Sunday and legal holidays from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. only residents of the property

Sponsored by Beth Grader and others.

Article 26 Demolition by Neglect

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Marblehead General Bylaws by adding a new Chapter 111 as follows:

Chapter 111: Demolition by Neglect.

§111-1: Authority.

This Chapter is adopted pursuant to the Old and Historic Marblehead Districts Act, Chapter 101 of the Massachusetts Acts of 1965 (the "Act") and, more particularly, pursuant to the purposes set forth in Sections 2 and 5(b) of the Act, and in furtherance of the authority set forth in Section 5(a) and 5(c) of the Act which establish, among other things, the duty of the Old and Historic Districts Commission (the "Commission") to pass upon the removal of any building within the districts so established as well as alterations to those buildings, structures and the exterior architectural features of those buildings and structures. This Chapter is also adopted pursuant to the Home Rule Amendment, Art. 89, § 6, of the Amendments to the Massachusetts Constitution to prevent irreparable harm from the demolition of historical buildings and structures.

§111-2: Purpose.

This Chapter is enacted for the purpose of preserving and protecting Significant Buildings and Structures and to encourage owners of such buildings and structures to seek out persons who might be willing to purchase, preserve, rehabilitate or restore such buildings and structures rather than demolish them. To achieve these purposes, this Chapter empowers the Commission to work with the Building Commissioner and advise the Building Commissioner with respect to the issuance of permits for the demolition of Significant Buildings and Structures and with respect to such buildings and structures suspected of being Demolished by Neglect.

§111-3: Definitions.

- D. The term "Commission" as used in this Chapter shall mean the Marblehead Old & Historic Districts Commission.

- E. The term “Demolition by Neglect” as used in this Chapter shall mean the process of ongoing damage to the fabric, viability and/or functionality of an occupied or unoccupied building, or structure, leading towards and/or causing its eventual demolition due to decay and/or structural failure and/or severe degradation over a period of time as a result of a general lack of maintenance, and/or failure to secure the building from pests or vandals, and/or failure to take reasonable measures to prevent the ingress of water, snow, ice and wind through the roof, walls, or apertures.
- F. The term "Significant Building or Structure" as used in this Chapter shall mean all buildings and structures, as defined in Chapter 110-7(B), including the exterior architectural features of those buildings and structures, which are subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.

§111-4: Determination of Demolition by Neglect.

- C. If the Commission has reason to believe, through visual inspection or other means, that a Significant Building or Structure may be undergoing Demolition by Neglect, then the Commission shall notify the Building Commissioner and the owner, and the Commission and the Building Commissioner shall jointly hold a public hearing to i) confirm whether or not the building or structure is a Significant Building or Structure and ii) determine whether or not it is undergoing Demolition by Neglect, which shall require the concurrence of the Building Commissioner. In furtherance of determining its condition, the Commission may, at any time, request an inspection of the building or structure by the Building Commissioner.
- D. Notice of the Public Hearing shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation at least two times at least 14 days in advance of said hearing. Notice of the public hearing shall be provided to the property owner by certified mail at least 14 days prior to said public hearing.

§111-5: Demolition by Neglect Prohibited.

- E. No Significant Building or Structure shall be Demolished by Neglect. Notwithstanding, nothing herein is intended to or shall alter the Commission’s authority under Chapter 110.

- F. If the Commission and the Building Commissioner both determine that the Significant Building or Structure is undergoing Demolition by Neglect, the Commission and the Building Commissioner shall attempt to negotiate a voluntary agreement with the owner for appropriate and timely repairs sufficient to structurally stabilize the building or structure and/or prevent further deterioration.
- G. In the event that the Commission and the Building Commissioner both determine that they are not able to negotiate such an agreement with the owner, for any reason, or that the owner has agreed to undertake but has failed to satisfactorily complete such repairs in a timely manner, then the Commission shall state in writing the findings of fact in support of such determination of violation of this Chapter and shall issue and cause to be served upon the owner and/or other parties in interest therein an order to correct within a time to be specified in the written decision. The Commission's determination may be appealed to the Board of Selectmen by a written application filed by an aggrieved party within ten (10) business days following receipt of the Commission's order. A hearing on the appeal shall be held within sixty (60) days of the written application. If no appeal is filed, or, if an appeal is filed, upon a finding that the Significant Building or Structure is undergoing Demolition by Neglect, the Commission and the Building Commissioner may take such action as is permitted under the following section, including seeking a court order that specific repairs be undertaken to secure the Significant Building or Structure against the elements, vandals and vermin, to halt further deterioration, and to stabilize it structurally.
- H. Upon completion of all repairs that have been agreed upon between the owner and the Commission and the Building Commissioner or that have been ordered by the Commission and the Building Commissioner, or that have been ordered by the court, and upon certification by the Building Commissioner that said repairs have been completed, the Commission shall certify that the Significant Building or Structure is no longer undergoing Demolition by Neglect.

§111-6: Enforcement and remedies.

- B. Subject to Sections 4 and 5, the Commission and the Building Commissioner are each authorized to issue written orders and to institute any and all proceedings available in law or equity as they deem necessary and appropriate to obtain compliance with the requirements of this Chapter, or to prevent a violation thereof.

§111-7: Demolition on account of threat to public safety.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Chapter, nothing herein shall be construed to prevent the demolition of any structure or portion thereof which the Building Commissioner certifies is required by the public safety because of an unsafe or dangerous condition; and nothing herein is intended to alter, amend or regulate any matters governed by State Code.

§111-8: Adoption of Regulations.

The Commission shall have the authority, following a duly noticed public hearing, to adopt regulations pursuant to the provisions hereof to further the purposes hereunder.

§111-9: Severability.

If any section, paragraph or part of this Chapter be for any reason declared invalid or unconstitutional by any court, every other section, paragraph and part shall continue in full force and effect.

Or take any other action relative to. Sponsored by the Old and Historic Districts Commission.

**Article 27 Amend the Bylaws of the Old and Historic District Commission
Chapter 110 Old and Historic Districts (bold text added)**

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Marblehead Bylaws section 110 as follows (**bold and underline** text added and ~~cross-out~~ deleted):

- 1). Amend §110-4 Structures and features not requiring certificates of appropriateness. Paragraph D.
D. Arbors, trellises, ~~terraces, patios,~~ flagpoles, yardarms, screens, screen doors, storm doors, storm windows, radio or television antennas, weather vanes, wind direction or wind speed vanes, masts, derricks, and cranes.

2). Amend §110 -7 Definitions Paragraph B.:

The term "structure" shall mean and include any product or piece of work built up or composed of parts joined together in some definite manner, other than a building or a sign including but not limited to walls, terraces, patio walks or driveways, parking areas, tennis courts and swimming pools.

Or any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Old and Historic District Commission

Article 28 Add provision to section 110-4 “Structures and features not requiring certificates of appropriateness’ for the Old and Historic Marblehead District Commission.

To see if the Town will add a provision related to section 110-4 “Structures and features not requiring certificates of appropriateness’ for the Old and Historic Marblehead District Commission bylaw as follows:

Section 100-4 M. Air conditioners, condensers and related equipment (including window units, wall units and free-standing units) shall be deemed to be installed equipment and not structures or features. The Commission shall encourage but not require that installed equipment be installed in locations which have little or no impact on the historical appearance of the building. Sponsored by Peter Butler and others.

Article 29 Sustainable Marblehead – Greenhouse Gas Emissions

To see if the Town will support the goal of bringing town-wide greenhouse gas emissions to net zero by 2040. Further, to see if the town meeting will request the Town to commit to making annual reductions in greenhouse gas emissions starting immediately, and to reporting annually on progress made toward achieving this goal, or take any other action relative thereto.

Explanation. In view of the rapidly accelerating pace of climate change, the damage it has already inflicted, and the threat it poses to the Town of Marblehead and to the health and safety of future generations, this would comply with the Town Meeting 2018 commitment to “using 100% carbon-free energy including in electricity production, building energy use, and transportation.” Sponsored by Eileen Mathieu and others.

Article 30 Sustainability Coordinator

In accordance with the Town of Marblehead's commitment to achieving 100% carbon-free energy in electricity production, building energy use, and transportation by 2040, to see if the Town will further vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$50,000, or any other sum, and request the Town to hire a Director of Sustainability and Energy Efficiency, on an ongoing basis, who will be responsible for helping the Town transition to carbon-free sources of energy and securing grants to finance energy use reduction, clean energy, and sustainability initiatives, or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by Eileen Mathieu and others.

Article 31 Stabilization Account

To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of G.L. c. 40 §5B and establish a General Stabilization Fund and further to transfer an amount of money into said fund, or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 32 Security Required for Certain Contracts

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Chapter 63 Finance and Contracts of the Town of Marblehead General Bylaws, Paragraph 63-5 - Security Required for Certain Contracts, *which presently reads*; "Unless otherwise waived by Town Counsel, every contract exceeding the sum of \$10,000, except contracts for the purchase of motor vehicles for less than \$50,000, shall be accompanied by security, by bond or otherwise, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the same." *By striking the paragraph in its entirety*, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 33 Deed Restriction Pickett House

To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into an affordable housing restriction and any other related documents for the property located at 10 Franklin Street, a/k/a "The Pickett House", in order that the property may be included on the Town's subsidized housing inventory, or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 34 Amend Bylaw, Signs

To see if the Town will amend the Bylaw section 148-7 (A) Signs, (1), (B) Size, by changing the total s.f. in relationship to Window signs from 10 s.f. to n/a., or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by John G. Attridge and others.

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Article 35 Supplemental Appropriation for the Schools

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to supplement the School Department's operating budget for FY2021, contingent upon the passage of a Proposition 2½, so called, ballot question, or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the School Committee.

Article 36 Supplemental Expenses of Several Departments

To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate, including appropriations from Federal Revenue Sharing moneys, to defray the supplemental expenses of the several departments of the Town for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Finance Director.

You are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at Abbot Hall and ten (10) other conspicuous places in Town as required by the Bylaws not later than ten (10) days after being closed.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant or a certified copy thereof with our doings thereon, to each of the several precinct wardens at the time and place of meetings aforesaid and to the Town Clerk as soon as may be before the said meetings.

Given under our hands at Marblehead aforesaid this
23 day of September 2020.

Jackie Belf-Becker
Mark C. Moses Grader

James E. Nye
David Depew

Selectmen of the Town of Marblehead

Paul Minsky
Constable

September 24th, 2020

MARBLEHEAD TOWN REPORT 2020

**Town of Marblehead
Special Town Meeting
Saturday, October 17, 2020
80 Atlantic Avenue
Our Lady Star of the Sea Community Center
Rear Parking Lot**

In accordance with chapter 92 of the Acts of 2020, section 7, the Board of Selectmen approved a reduction of the quorum from 300 to 30 persons for this Special Town Meeting

With a reduced quorum met the Moderator called the 2020 Special Town Meeting to order at 9:00AM

Article 1 Articles in Numerical Order

Voted: That the articles be taken up in their numerical order.

Article 2 Reports of Town Officers and Committees

Voted: To receive the report of the Town Accountant, the reports of the Town Officers, and Special Committees.

Article 3 Assume Liability

Voted: That the Town will assume liability in the manner provided by Section 29 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws, for all damages that may be incurred by work to be performed by the Massachusetts Highway Department for the improvement, development, maintenance and protection of tidal and non- tidal rivers and streams, harbors, tidewaters, foreshores and shores along a public beach in accordance with section 11 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws and authorize the Selectmen to execute and deliver a bond of indemnity therefor to the Commonwealth.

Article 4 Accept Trust Property

Voted: That this article be indefinitely postponed

Article 5 Lease Town Property

Voted: That the Town Vote to authorize the appropriate Town Officers to let or lease such land, buildings or structures owned by the Town on such terms as they may determine.

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Article 6 Contracts For More Than Three Years

Voted: That the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen, Pursuant to G.L. c. 30B §12, to enter into contracts in the best interest of the Town in Excess of three (3) years but not more than ten (10) years

Article 7 Walls and Fences

Voted: That this article be indefinitely postponed

Article 8 Water and Sewer Commission Claims

Voted: To authorize the Water and Sewer Commission and the Board of Selectmen acting jointly to compromise any claims for damages or suits pending against the Town of Marblehead on account of acts which may have occurred during the construction of the water, sewer and storm water system.

Article 9 Transfer of funds to Special Education Stabilization Account

Voted: That this article be indefinitely postponed

Article 10 Unpaid Accounts

Voted: That the Town transfer the following amounts from the following Articles, Revolving Funds, Grants, Donation Funds, Trust Funds, or Article 25, of the May 2019 Annual Town Meeting - Expenses of Several Departments, to:

Item	069	Fire Expense	584.53
Item	013	Finance Expense	382.80
Item	155	Health Expense	145.00
Item	225	Energy Reserve	23,338.05
Item	101	School Expense	7,551.88
Item	736	11F Injury Leave Fund	297.00
Item	228	Sewer Expense	340.38
Item	232	Water Expense	340.38
Item	239	Harbor Expense	<u>201.40</u>
		Total	\$33,181.42

Article 11 Medicaid Reimbursement Money

Voted: That this article be indefinitely postponed

Article 12 Parking Tickets Increased Fee for Snow Emergency

Voted: That the Town vote to allow the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court to amend Chapter 37 of the Acts of 2004 and allow the Board of Selectmen to establish fines related to parking violations during a snow emergency at no more than \$100.00 and if not paid within 21 days \$105.00

Article 13 End Overnight Parking Ban-Amendment

Vote: Not Approved

Article 13 End Overnight Parking Ban

Voted: That the Town request the Board of Selectmen remove the overnight parking ban and implement an emergency parking on an “as needed” basis instead with notifications such as, but not limited to, robo call, text/email, Town Website, or blue light notifications to signal when a temporary overnight parking ban will take place.

Article 14 Financial Assistance for Conservation

Voted: That the Town vote to authorize the Conservation Commission and other proper officers of the Town to apply for financial assistance from public and private sources to be expended by the Conservation Commission for the purchase of vacant land an any other purpose, authorized by Section 8C of Chapter 40 of the General Laws as amended, or to reimburse the Town for the sums of money expended for such purposes, or both.

Article 15 Ratification of Salary Bylaw

Voted: That this article be indefinitely postponed

Article 16 Library

Voted: That this article be indefinitely postponed

Article 17 Pumper Truck

Voted: That this article be indefinitely postponed

Article 18 Village/Vine/Pleasant Gift

Vote: That the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen accept as a gift the real property to be used for general municipal purposes under the custody and control of the Board of Selectmen and which is owned by JB Capital, Book 35181, Page 7 of the Essex South Registry of Deeds, located at 195 Pleasant Street, Town of Marblehead Assessors map 109 and lot 9 containing 1208 square feet +/- as generally shown on the sketch plan dated December 11, 2019 and which is on file with the Town Clerk; and further that the Board of Selectmen shall also be

authorized to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments as may be necessary on behalf of The Town of Marblehead, to effect the receipt of said gift.

Article 19 Village/Vine/Pleasant Taking for Road Improvement

Counted Vote: 246 For 23 Against 2/3 Vote achieved

That the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen purchase, acquire or take by eminent domain, permanent and/or temporary easements in the parcels or portions of parcels of land located along Vine and Pleasant Streets as follows;

195 Pleasant Street	199 Pleasant Street
200 Pleasant Street	198 Pleasant Street
194 Pleasant Street	186-188 Pleasant Street
182 Pleasant Street	180 Pleasant Street
189 Pleasant Street	185 Pleasant Street
1 Vine Street	191 Pleasant Street
7 Vine Street	5 Vine Street

All more or less as shown on a plan dated December 11, 2019 titled “Marblehead Pleasant Street/Village Street/Vine Street, preliminary Right of Way Property Plan on file with the Town Clerk, the acquisition of said land having been determined to be necessary for the health and welfare of the inhabitants of Marblehead and to be used for Municipal purposes; and further authorize an appropriation from free cash in an amount not to exceed \$199,000.00 for said purchase or taking along with all associated legal and engineering costs necessary and for the miscellaneous improvements and incidental costs associated with the road improvement project.

Article 20 Reduction in Speed Limits

Voted: That the Town adopt the provisions of G.L. c. 90, §17C to allow the Board of Selectmen to set speed limits of 25 mph in all areas in Town, unless otherwise posted, defined by state law as “thickly settled or business districts” which are not on a state highway, and further vote to adopt the provisions of G.L. c. 90, §18B to allow the Board of Selectmen to establish 20 mph Safety Zones in certain areas in Town.

Article 21 Council on Aging – Reducing Number of Board Members from 9 to 7

Voted: To amend the Town of Marblehead General By-Laws Chapter 24-12 by reducing the number of members from 9 to 7 as follows (Underline new ~~striketrough~~ removed):

“Upon acceptance of this By-Law the Board of Selectmen shall appoint the Council on Aging consisting of ~~nine~~ seven members.” or take any action relative thereto.

Article 22 Hotel Tax

Voted: That this article be indefinitely postponed

Article 23 Meals Tax

Voted: That this article be indefinitely postponed

Article 24 Land Acquisition 45-49 Pleasant Street

Voted: That this article be indefinitely postponed

Article 25 Leaf Blowers

Counted Vote for Indefinite Postponement: 120 In Favor 111 Against
That this Article be indefinitely postponed

Article 26 Demolition by Neglect

Voted: That this Article be indefinitely postponed

Article 27 Amend Old and Historic Bylaws

Voted: That this Article be indefinitely postponed

Article 28 Amend Provisions for Certificates of Appropriateness for the Old Historic District Commission.

Voted: That this Article be indefinitely postponed

Article 29 Sustainable Marblehead Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Voted: That this Article be indefinitely postponed

Article 30 Sustainability Coordinator

Voted: That this Article be indefinitely postponed

Article 31 Stabilization Account

Unanimously Voted: That the Town Accept the provisions of G.L. c. 40 §5B and establish a General Stabilization Fund

Article 32 Security Required for Certain Contracts

Voted: The Town amend Chapter 63 Finance and Contracts of the Town of Marblehead General Bylaws, Paragraph 63-5 – Security required for certain contracts, *which presently reads*; “Unless otherwise waived by Town Counsel, every contract exceeding the sum of \$10,000.00, except contracts for the purchase of motor vehicles for less than \$50,000.00, shall be accompanied by security, by bond or otherwise, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the same.”

By striking the paragraph in its entirety.

Article 33 Deed Restriction Pickett House

Unanimously Voted: To authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into an affordable housing restriction and any other related documents for the property located at 10 Franklin Street, a/k/a “The Pickett House”, in order that the property may be included on the Town’s subsidized housing inventory.

Article 34 Amend Bylaw, Signs

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Article 35 Supplemental Appropriation for the Schools

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Article 36 Supplemental Expenses of Several Departments

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At 10:48AM the Moderator Dissolved the 2020 Special Town Meeting

MARBLEHEAD TOWN REPORT 2020

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

SS.

To the Constables of the Town of Marblehead

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said city or town who are qualified to vote in Elections to vote at:

Precincts 1 & 2 Abbot Hall – Auditorium 188 Washington Street
Precincts 3 & 4 Marblehead Community Center 10 Humphrey Street
Precincts 5 & 6 Temple Emanu-El 393 Atlantic Avenue

on **TUESDAY, THE THIRD DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2020**, from 7:00 A.M. TO 8:00 P.M. for the following purpose:

To cast their votes in the State Election for the candidates for the following offices:

ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT.....FOR THESE UNITED STATES
SENATOR IN CONGRESS.....FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS.....SIXTH DISTRICT
COUNCILLOR.....SIXTH DISTRICT
SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT.....THIRD ESSEX DISTRICT
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.....EIGHTH DISTRICT
REGISTER OF PROBATE.....ESSEX COUNTY

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SUMMARY

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Under the proposed law, manufacturers would not be allowed to require authorization before owners or repair facilities could access mechanical data stored in a motor vehicle's on-board diagnostic system, except through an authorization process standardized across all makes and models and administered by an entity unaffiliated with the manufacturer.

The proposed law would require the Attorney General to prepare a notice for prospective motor vehicle owners and lessees explaining telematics systems and the proposed law's requirements concerning access to the vehicle's mechanical data. Under the proposed law, dealers would have to provide prospective owners with, and prospective owners would have to acknowledge receipt of, the notice before buying or leasing a vehicle. Failure to comply with these notice requirements would subject motor vehicle dealers to sanctions by the applicable licensing authority.

Motor vehicle owners and independent repair facilities could enforce this law through state consumer protection laws and recover civil penalties of the greater of treble damages or \$10,000 per violation.

A YES VOTE would provide motor vehicle owners and independent repair facilities with expanded access to wirelessly transmitted mechanical data related to their vehicles' maintenance and repair.

A NO VOTE would make no change in the law governing access to vehicles' wirelessly transmitted mechanical data.

QUESTION 2: LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION

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Ranked-choice voting would be used only in races where a single candidate is to be declared the winner and not in races where more than one person is to be elected.

Under the proposed law, if no candidate received more than 50 percent of first-place votes in the first round, the rounds of ballot-counting necessary for ranked-choice voting would be conducted at a central tabulation facility. At the facility, voters’ rankings would be entered into a computer, which would then be used to calculate the results of each round of the counting process. The proposed law provides that candidates in a statewide or district election would have at least three days to request a recount.

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The Secretary of State would be required to issue regulations to implement the proposed law and conduct a voter education campaign about the ranked-choice voting process. The proposed law would take effect on January 1, 2022.

A YES VOTE would create a system of ranked-choice voting in which voters would have the option to rank candidates in order of preference and votes would be counted in rounds, eliminating candidates with the lowest votes until one candidate has received a majority.

A NO VOTE would make no change in the laws governing voting and how votes are counted.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said voting.

Given under our hands this 26th day of October, 2020.

Jackie Belf-Becker
Mark C. Moses Grader

James E. Nye
David Depew

Selectmen of The Town Of Marblehead

Paul Minsky
Constable

October 26th, 2020

MARBLEHEAD TOWN REPORT 2020

Commonwealth of Massachusetts State Election Tuesday, November 3, 2020

The Number of Votes Cast were as follows:

Precinct 1	2488	87.5%	of 2,842 Registered Voters
Precinct 2	2456	85.5%	of 2,873 Registered Voters
Precinct 3	2212	84.5%	of 2,617 Registered Voters
Precinct 4	2451	86.5%	of 2,833 Registered Voters
Precinct 5	2343	87.8%	of 2,669 Registered Voters
Precinct 6	2393	88.5%	of 2,705 Registered Voters
Total	14343	86.7%	of 16,539 Registered Voters

Canvas Completed at 2:00 am

Electors of President and Vice President

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Biden & Harris (Democratic)	1800	1777	1554	1702	1615	1680	10128
Hawkins & Walker (Green-Rainbow)	6	10	9	10	4	8	47
Jorgensen & Cohen (Libertarian)	33	30	24	29	28	32	176
Trump & Pence (Republican)	620	597	589	668	667	649	3790
All Others	16	16	16	25	13	7	93
Blanks	13	26	20	17	16	17	109
Total	2488	2456	2212	2451	2343	2393	14343

Senator in Congress

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Edward J. Markey (Democratic)	1694	1680	1528	1588	1529	1611	9630
Kevin J. O'Connor (Republican)	729	703	626	810	743	728	4339
Shiva Ayyadurai	12	11	16	15	16	13	83
All Others	2	2	0	0	4	3	11
Blanks	51	60	42	38	51	38	280
Total	2488	2456	2212	2451	2343	2393	14343

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Representative in Congress

Sixth District

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Seth Moulton (Democratic)	1815	1789	1608	1740	1643	1698	10293
John Paul Moran (Republican)	621	602	570	668	648	645	3754
All Others	1	2	1	2	2	5	13
Blanks	51	63	33	41	50	45	283
Total	2488	2456	2212	2451	2343	2393	14343

Councillor

Sixth District

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Terrence W. Kennedy (Democratic)	1777	1788	1644	1711	1709	1709	10338
All Others	24	25	16	27	25	22	139
Blanks	687	643	552	713	609	662	3866
Total	2488	2456	2212	2451	2343	2393	14343

Senator in General Court

Third Essex District

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Brendan P. Crighton (Democratic)	1768	1782	1641	1710	1721	1712	10334
All Others	21	23	12	27	22	21	126
Blanks	699	651	559	714	600	660	3883
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Representative in General Court

Eighth Essex District

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Lori A. Ehrlich (Democratic)	1894	1856	1716	1850	1811	1806	10933
All Other	27	24	14	27	27	16	135
Blanks	567	576	482	574	505	571	3275
Total	2488	2456	2212	2451	2343	2393	14343

Register of Probate

Essex County

Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Pamela Casey O'Brien (Democratic)	1516	1516	1426	1518	1479	1495	8950
All Other	19	11	9	13	17	12	81
Blanks	953	929	777	920	847	886	5312
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Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
YES	1918	1827	1682	1833	1738	1835	10833
NO	475	527	460	544	525	485	3016
Blanks	95	102	70	74	80	73	494
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Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
YES	1065	1048	950	966	943	990	5962
NO	1282	1263	1152	1359	1273	1291	7620
Blanks	141	145	110	126	127	112	761
Total	2488	2456	2212	2451	2343	2393	14343

TOWN OF MARBLEHEAD ELECTED OFFICIALS 2020

SELECTMEN

--Abbot Hall, Marblehead, MA 01945

	Term Expires
Jackie Belf-Becker - Chair	2021
David Glen Depew	2021
Marc C. Moses Grader	2021
Judith R. Jacobi (Deceased 7/2020)	2021
James E. Nye	2021

MODERATOR

	Term Expires
Gary A. Spiess	2021

TOWN CLERK

--Abbot Hall, Marblehead, MA 01945

	Term Expires
Robin A. Michaud	2022

ASSESSORS

--Mary A. Alley Building, Widger Road, Marblehead, MA 01945

	Term Expires
John P. Kelley	2023
Douglas E. Percy	2021
William J. Willis	2022

CEMETERY COMMISSION

--Waterside Cemetery, Marblehead, MA 01945

	Term Expires
Richard F. Coletti	2022
Janet S. Merrill	2021
Rufus L. Titus	2023

BOARD OF HEALTH

--Mary A. Alley Building, Widger Road, Marblehead, MA 01945

	Term Expires
Todd Belfbecker	2023
Michelle B. Gottlieb	2021
Helaine Hazlett	2022

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HOUSING AUTHORITY

--26 Rowland Street, Marblehead, MA 01945

	Term Expires
Joan D. Cutler	2025
Jean R. Eldridge	2021
Pamela J. Foye	2024
Patricia Roberts (Resigned 9/2020)	2023

TRUSTEES OF ABBOT PUBLIC LIBRARY

--235 Pleasant Street, Marblehead, MA 01945

	Term Expires
Gary James Amberik, Jr.	2023
Nancy P. Arata	2022
Eurim Chun	2022
Ann M McGreevy	2023
David F. Ross	2021
Phyllis B. Smith	2021

MARBLEHEAD MUNICIPAL LIGHT COMMISSIONER

--80 Commercial St., Marblehead, MA 01945

	Term Expires
Walter E. Homan	2022
Michael A. Hull	2022
Karl A. Johnson	2021
Michael Maccario (Resigned 12/2020)	2021
Lisa Wolf	2023

PLANNING BOARD

--c/o Engineering Office, Mary A. Alley Building, Marblehead, MA 01945

	Term Expires
Andrew G. Christensen	2021
Rossana Ferrante	2023
Barton HYTE	2021
Edward Nilsson	2022
Robert J. Schaeffner	2023

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RECREATION & PARK COMMISSION

--Marblehead Community Center, 10 Humphrey Street, Marblehead, MA

Term Expires

Linda A. Rice Collins	2021
Matthew Martin	2021
Derek Y. Norcross	2021
Charles Edward Osborne, Jr.	2021
Gerald P. Tucker, Jr.	2021

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

--Mary A. Alley Building, Widger Road, Marblehead, MA 01945

Term Expires

Sarah A. Fox	2022
David E. Harris, Jr.	2022
Sarah Jane Gold	2023
Emily L. Barron	2023
Megan CW Taylor	2021

WATER & SEWER COMMISSION

--Tower Way, Marblehead MA 01945

Term Expires

Greg Bates	2021
Thomas M. Carroll	2023
Barton Hyte	2023
Thomas L. Murray	2022
F. Carlton Siegel	2022

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APPOINTED OFFICIALS

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Jason Silva 2021

AMERICAN DISABILITIES ACT COORDINATOR

Kyle A. Wiley 2021

ANIMAL INSPECTOR at \$2,400 per year

Daniel Proulx 2021

BUILDING COMMISSIONER AND INSPECTORS

Commissioner - Richard Baldacci, resigned October 2020 2021

Local Inspector – Dan R. Williams 2021

Plumbing Inspector – Bradford Smith 2021

Assistant Plumbing Inspector – Peter McCarriston 2021

Assistant Plumbing Inspector – Greg DiGiovanni 2021

Wiring Inspector – Ronald J. Marks 2021

Assistant Wiring Inspector – Eric F.S. Chisholm 2021

CANINE CONTROL CLERK

Robin Michaud – Town Clerk 2021

ASSISTANT DOG OFFICERS FOR THE PARKS

Robert Gillis 2021

Peter James 2021

Brad Delisle 2021

Greg Snow 2021

Sam Andrews 2021

Paul Acciavatti 2021

John Glabicky 2021

John Dicicco 2021

TOWN COUNSEL at \$2,000 per year

Jeffrey N. Shribman 2021

Assistant Town Counsel:

Brody, Hardoon, Perkins & Kesten 2021

Leonard Kesten 2021

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Marc J. Miller	2021
Patrick J. Costello	2021
Mead, Talerman & Costa, LLC	2021
Francis Mayo	2021
Deutsch Williams	2021

COUNCIL ON AGING DIRECTOR

Lisa Hooper	2021
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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR

Charles P. Cerrutti	2021
Chief Jason R. Gilliland, Assistant	2021

FLAG OFFICER

David C. Rodgers	2021
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FOREST WARDEN

Chief Jason R. Gilliland, Fire Department	2021
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HARBOR MASTER AND ASSISTANTS

Mark Souza, Harbor Master	2021
Craig Smith, <i>Deputy Harbormaster</i>	2021
Jack Loveday, <i>Assistant Harbormaster</i>	2021

Assistant Harbormasters (Seasonal):

John Payne	2021
Charles Cullanie	2021
Timothy Leblanc	2021
Sam Rizzos	2021
<i>Alternates:</i>	
John Vigneron	2021
Allen Dennis	2021
Felix Amsler	2021
Jeffrey Flynn	2021
Daniel Cahoon	2021
Ryan Hoey	2021
Robert Jackson	2021

KEEPER OF THE LOCK UP

Chief Robert O. Picariello	2021
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LICENSING AUTHORITY, DULY DESIGNATED AGENTS

Police Chief Robert O. Picariello 2021

Captain: Matthew Freeman 2021

Lieutenants:

Jonathan Lunt 2021

Michael Everett 2021

David Ostrovitz 2021

Sean Sweeney 2021

Sergeants:

Sean Brady 2021

Jason Conrad 2021

Brendan Finnegan 2021

Eric Osattin 2021

MEASURER OF LEATHER

John Smidt 2021

TOWN DESIGNEE MASS. WATER RESOURCE AUTHORITY

F. Carlton Siegel 2021

Alternate: Amy McHugh, Water and Sewer Commission 2021

PARKING CLERK /HEARING CLERK

Jeffrey N. Shribman 2021

CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER

Rebecca Curran Cutting 2021

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

Robert Dever 2021

RECORDS ACCESS OFFICER

Kyle A. Wiley 2021

RETIREMENT BOARD

Charles H. Gessner 2022

“RIGHT TO KNOW” COORDINATOR

Jason R. Gilliland – Fire Department 2021

SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES

David C. Rodgers 2021

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SPECIAL AUXILIARY POLICE

Patrolmen:

James Donovan	2021
Betsy Cruger	2021

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Richard Baldacci, resigned October 2020	2021
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TAX COLLECTOR/TREASURER

Nancy Connelly, resigned October 2020	2021
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TOWN ENGINEER

Charles Quigley	2021
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VETERANS' AGENT & DIRECTOR OF VETERANS' SERVICES

David C. Rodgers	2021
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VETERANS' GRAVES OFFICER

David C. Rodgers	2021
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WORKERS' COMPENSATION AGENT

Massachusetts Interlocal Insurance Association	2021
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TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Alison Nieto	2021
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ARMED FORCES LIAISON

Harry C. Christensen	2021
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BOARD OF ABBOT LIBRARY SECOND CENTURY FUND

Peter Jalbert	2021
Judith Eissner	2021

CABLE TELEVISION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Ruth Ferguson	2021
David Patten	2021
Robert Peck, Chair	2021
Steve Clay	2021
School Representative	2021

CARETAKER, FORT BEACH – Term: 1 year

David C. Rodgers	2021
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CHAPLAIN – MARBLEHEAD POLICE DEPARTMENT

Rev. James Bixby	2021
Rev. Ross Johnston	2021

CONSERVATION COMMISSION – Term: 3 years (staggered)

Brian LeClair	2023
David Depew	2021
David VanHoven	2021
Michael Smith	2021
William Colehower	2022
Jesse Harlan Alderman	2022
Lindsey Serafin	2022

CONSTABLES

• **for the Purpose of Serving Civil Process**

Douglas Perry	2021
Paul Minsky	2021
Mark Ianuzzi	2021
Christopher Comeau	2021
Jared Walsh	2021
Julio Carrasquillo	2021
Yeimi Reynoso	2021
Gabriele Mongiello	2021
Timothy Shotmeyer	2021
Cindy Diaz	2021

CONSTABLES

• **Shellfish**

Jack Attridge – Chief Constable	2021
Raymond H. Bates, Jr.	2021
David Donahue	2021
Jeffrey Flynn	2021
Harry C. Christensen, Jr.	2021
Rick Cuzner	2021
Craig Smith	2021
Douglas Aikman	2021
Douglas Percy	2021
F. Webb Russell	2021
Eric Hawley	2021

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COUNCIL ON AGING

Marcy Schwam	2023
Robert Foglietta	2021
Suzanne Gruhl	2021
Ed Bell	2021
Marjorie Shea	2022
Freda Hoyt McGuire	2022
Karen Janscy	2022

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL

Jason R. Gilliland– Marblehead Fire Department	2021
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FAIR HOUSING COMMITTEE

Dirk Isbrandsten	2023
Frank Evans	2023
Katie Farrell, Disabilities Representative	2023
Debra Larkin	2021
Karl Renney, Banking Representative	2021
Deacon John E. Whipple, Task Force Rep.	2021
Kurt James	2022
Mimi Hollister	2022
Teri Allen McDonough, Housing Authority Rep	2022

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Alec Goolsby	2023
Blair Nelson	2021
Pat Franklin	2021
Benjamin S. Berman	2021
Kevin Brodrick	2022
Emily Belfbecker	2022
Yeimi Colon – Clerk	

FIREWORKS COMMITTEE

Alexander Falk	2021
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FORT SEWALL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Charles Gessner (OMIA Rep.)	2021
Rebecca Curran Cutting, Town Planner	2021
Peter James, Recreation and Parks Department	2021
Larry Sands, Glover’s Regiment	2021
Judy Anderson, At Large	2021

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Ed Lang, Disabilities Commission	2021
Christine Nuccio – At Large	2021

HARBORS & WATERS BOARD – Term: 1 year

John Doub	2021
Gary P. Gregory	2021
Jay Michaud	2021
Kenneth Breen	2021
T. Clark Smith	2021
Alternates:	
Chris Hood	2021
Rick Cuzner	2021
Peter Dragonas	2021

HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN IMPLEMENTATION AND MONITORING TEAM

Charles P. Cerrutti, Emergency Management Director	2021
Charles Quigley, Town Engineer	2021
Amy McHugh, Superintendent, Water and Sewer Commission	2021
Rebecca Curran Cutting, Town Planner	2021
William E. Conly, Historical Commission	2021

HISTORIAN – Term: 1 year

Donald Doliber	2021
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HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Paul C. Johnston	2023
Peter Stacey	2023
Edward Nilsson	2023
David Krathwohl	2021
Harry C. Christensen, Jr.	2021
William E. Conly	2022
Pam Peterson	2022

MARBLEHEAD CULTURAL COUNCIL

Beth Johnson	2021
Howard Rosenkrantz	2021
Christine Micheline	2021
Richard Burke	2022
Jean Callahan	2022
Barbara Worthen	2022

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Jacqueline Mara Lynch	2023
Anthony Silva, Chair	2023

MARBLEHEAD COMMUNITY ACCESS AND MEDIA, INC.

Ed Bell	2021
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MARBLEHEAD DISABILITIES COMMISSION

Ed Lang	2021
Sue Harris	2021
Samantha Marino	2021
Cheryl LaLonde	2022
Andrea Mountain	2022
Preston Ford	2022
Amy Hirschcron	2023
Katie Farrell	2023
Laurie Blaisdell	2023

MARBLEHEAD FOREVER COMMITTEE

Karyn Lang	2021
Andrew G. Christensen	2021
Linda W. Doliber	2021
Kerry O'Shaughnessy	2021
Kyle A. Wiley	2021

MASSACHUSETTS ETHICS COMMISSION

MUNICIPAL LIAISON

Jeffrey N. Shribman	2021
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MBTA ADVISORY BOARD

Norm Ketola	2021
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MASSACHUSETTS PORT AUTHORITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Charles Gessner	2021
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METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING COUNCIL

Steve Leverone	2021
Rebecca Curran Cutting, Alternate	2021

OLD AND HISTORIC DISTRICTS COMMISSION

Bob Bragdon	2021
Gary Amberik	2021
Charles Hibbard	2021

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Sally Sands	2021
Cheryl Boots	2021

OLD BURIAL HILL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Bette Hunt	2021
Pam Peterson	2021
Richard Coletti, Cemetery Representative	2021
Rebecca Curran Cutting, Town Planner	2021

PLANNING BOARD

Steve Leverone	2023
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(appointed by Board of Selectmen)

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Anthony Chamay (R)	2021
Walter Horan (D)	2023
Robin Michaud (Town Clerk)	2022
Daniel Shea (R)	2022

SISTER CITY LIAISON – Grasse, France

Myriam Zuber	2021
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TASK FORCE AGAINST DISCRIMINATION

Helaine Hazlett	2021
Ann Marie Hunter	2021
Deacon John E. Whipple	2021
Loren Weston	2021
Stephen Hamelburg	2021
Christopher Bruell	2021
Scott Marcus	2021
Candace Sliney	2021
Chief Robert Picariello, Ex-officio	2021
Esther Darling Mulroy	2021
Mable Sliney, Student Rep	2021
Alexis Earp, Student Rep	2021
Christopher Thompson, Student Rep	2021

TAXATION AID COMMITTEE

Pamela Foye	2021
Lisa Hooper	2021

Nancy Connelly, Treasurer – Ex-Officio, resigned October 2020
John Kelley, Chairman Board of Assessors – Ex-Officio

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TOWN PHYSICIAN

Quadrant Health Strategies	2021
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TREE WARDEN, Part-time

Jonathon Fobert	2021
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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

William R. Moriarty	2024
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Bill Barlow	2025
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David Tubridy	2021
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Leon Drachman	2022
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Alan Lipkind	2023
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Alternates

Benjamin LaBrequé	2021
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Christopher T. Casey	2021
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Bruce Krasker	2021
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Jim Rudolph	2021
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VITAL RECORDS REGISTERED IN 2020

Births Recorded – 136

Marriages Recorded – 53

Deaths Recorded - 220

ABBOT PUBLIC LIBRARY

“A Library in the middle of a community is a cross between an emergency exit, a life raft and a festival. They are cathedrals of the mind; hospitals of the soul; and theme parks of the imagination”

Caitlin Moran (writer and poet)

For 142 years, the Abbot Public Library has tried to live up to those expectations in service to the community of Marblehead. With support, over the last two years, from the many citizen volunteer committees: The Building Renovation Committee, the Development Committee, the Advocacy Committee, The Friends of the Library, The Driftwood Garden Club and the Abbot Public Library Fund, Inc.—The Trustees felt that we were prepared to ask the Town to consider support of our proposed renovation campaign in 2020 Town Meeting. Unfortunately, COVID 19 hit in early March and drastically changed the Library’s plans, along with all our lives.

In April, 2020, the Library Board unanimously passed the following resolution:

“In recognition of the unprecedented health crisis and economic hardship created by the global pandemic, COVID 19, a motion was made and passed to postpone our 2020 override request of the Town for up to \$9.5M for replacement of critical infrastructure and renovation of the Abbot Public Library. We will plan to come back to the Town Meeting in 2021 to ask support of this initiative.”

The proposed renovation, conceived by well-known library architects, Johnson and Roberts, will attend to critical infrastructure needs and redesign of the current space to better provide 21st century service to Marblehead citizens. The infrastructure needs which will be addressed include: elevator, electrical, fire alarm and protection, digital upgrades, HVAC, ADA access, stairs, surface storm run-off, and parking lot improvements. The proposed new design will feature: a more welcoming entry station, a quiet reading room, an information zone, quiet nooks, meeting areas, study spaces, tutor areas, teen center, maker space, garden access and garden performance space, and improved technology platforms throughout the building.

The cost for this renovation is estimated to be \$9.5M. The Library Board has offered to provide \$1M toward the cost of the project from private fundraising. We have raised \$1M to date, in cash and pledges, from 222 donors. This

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tradition of public/private partnership has a history with the library that traces back to its beginnings.

Once the Town has voted to approve the override, the Board is committed to continue fundraising for another \$2M to support an endowment earmarked for technology upgrades and increased maintenance needs of the new library.

We, as all other town agencies, have had to innovate since March of 2020 in delivering services to the community. With the physical facility closed, the staff responded with a tremendous increase in online/virtual programming, and the creation of a blog (abbotpubliclibrary.wordpress.com) to provide more information about all the new digital resources available to our patrons. Curbside delivery was started in July of 2020 and has proven to be very popular. It has been expanded in days and hours over the last few months. More details on all these services follow in the report. Our goal was to make the library offerings as available as we could within the COVID restraints, keeping in mind the health and safety of staff and patrons as our first objective.

The Board had to res-set its 2020 priorities to match the times. Our revised tasks became clear:

- 1) Stay alert to the demands and changes required by the COVID pandemic for our Library staff and patrons.
- 2) Work with our architect to update our plans for the renovation taking into account the issues that COVID has raised as well as updating costs.

The architect advised not to act too hastily in changing our plans, as by the time the new building would be completed, COVID will be under control (hopefully) and while life will never return to the same pre COVID normal, it will not look like it does in 2020.

- 3) To execute and deliver the message, that while we stand together as a community to overcome the pandemic, the critical needs of this renovation remain unchanged. And that in fact, further delay could prove to be more costly to the taxpayers of Marblehead.

In addition, our distinguished Director, Patricia Rogers, announced her retirement at the end of June 2021, after almost 13 years of service to the Library. The Trustees engaged a search consultant, with private funds, to work with the Board and the Search Committee, led by EuRim Chun, to ensure a

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transparent and professional process that will hopefully, result in a new director by July of 2021.

At the same time, the Abbot Public Library Fund, Inc., the not for profit foundation arm of the Library, under President, Wayne Stemmer, added two new members to its Board, Meryl Thompson, and Laurie Flowers, Treasurer. It is the APLF Inc. that is the financial vehicle holding all the private fundraising for the Library and the vehicle that will coordinate the endowment campaign, when that becomes a reality.

The Library is like a racehorse lined up for the race. We have everything in place: the plan, the donors, the committees, and the message: **OUR 17th CENTURY TOWN DESERVES A 21st LIBRARY.** Now we have to earn the support of the citizens of Marblehead in Town Meeting in May of 2021, to make this dream a reality.

Nancy Perkins Arata, Chair, Abbot Public Library Board of Trustees

As noted in the Library Board Chair's report, 2020 was a year divided into time periods shaped by the arrival and consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic. In the first quarter – pre-pandemic – the Library continued its normal schedule of in-building exhibits and programs. During the second quarter, from March through June, when Massachusetts residents were required to shelter in place, our focus was the strengthening and expansion of collections and services available online and, therefore, remotely. Once staff were permitted to return to the building, in June, logistics were developed to handle the return of materials (about 6000 items) held since March, to properly quarantine these items between circulations, and to design a curbside pick-up service to allow the circulation of actual books, DVDs and other collections. Curbside service began in July and, during the third quarter of the year, was further perfected with the benefit of experience and patron feedback. Although virtual programs had continued during the closure, especially for children and teens, programming fully resumed in virtual format, for all age groups, during the fourth quarter of the year.

Exhibits in the Virginia Carten Gallery were presented in January and February, with the March exhibit cut short by the COVID-19 closure of the building.

January - "Studio 301: Four Artists from the Lydia Pinkham Building" Work by painters Rolf Flor (watercolor) and Christine Johnson (acrylic), photographer Patricia Scialo, and sculptor Mary Spitzer were displayed.

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February - “Second Wind – Second Look”: Art by Isabelle K. Brown, Barbara Dowd, and Linda Lea Bertrand

March - “The Bay State: A Multicultural Landscape, Photographs of New Americans by Mark Chester”

2020 was the eighth year of our winter “Underwater in Salem Sound” Lecture Series, annually presented by the Library in collaboration with Salem Sound Coastwatch. January and February programs were offered prior to the pandemic.

In February, the Library, once again, collaborated with the Marblehead Festival of Arts to offer a winter screening of the Festival’s short film program.

In January and March, the Library continued its collaboration with the League of Women Voters of Marblehead, presenting the second and third in a series of three co-sponsored programs to celebrate the 100th anniversary of women's suffrage. Financial support was provided by the Friends of Abbot Library.

Our ongoing monthly programs, “Poetry Salon,” led by Marblehead poet Claire Keyes, and “Conversations on Race,” offered collaboratively by the Library with the Marblehead Racial Justice Team, were held inside the building before the pandemic. The “Poetry Salon” was able to smoothly transition to virtual format, in September, whereas the “Conversations on Race,” used the pause to regroup.

A late August program, by author Larry Ruttman about his well-known book on Baseball, *American Jews and America's Game*, as well as his forthcoming memoir, was cosponsored by the Abbot Library, JCCNS, and Lappin Foundation, and launched a fall season of virtual adult programming.

The monthly “Poetry Salon” was held in September, October and November, beginning a new series of discussions featuring African-American poets.

In October, Medicare 101, was presented virtually by Scott Maibor, Principal, Voluntary Benefits of New England. This program, cosponsored by Abbot Library, Swampscott Public Library, and JCCNS, was designed to help those turning 65 looking to add Medicare coverage, as well as those already utilizing Medicare, to have a better understanding of the program and their options.

In November, a virtual pastel painting workshop with artist Janet Schwartz, funded by the Marblehead Cultural Council, was offered.

To provide a full picture of a complex year, the following sections of the Library’s report include contributions by Ryan Rivas, Library Technician;

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Cassandra Sprague, Program and Volunteer Coordinator; Anne Thornton, Para-Professional/Adult Media Services; Katie Uhlman, Library Coordinator/Circulation; Marcia Cannon, Children's Librarian; and Lauren Hext, Youth/Teen Librarian.

While starting 2020 with the continuation of our month-long exhibits and full schedule of programs, we also introduced a new category of programs, dedicated to technology. These programs included both Open Labs and classes focused on particular topics.

Open Labs were technology support sessions, during which two qualified staff members assisted patrons with their specific technology questions and concerns, in a casual, drop-in program. These sessions were offered weekly, on Mondays, from January 6th through March 16th, from 3:00 - 5:00 pm.

Technology classes were offered on a bi-weekly basis and spanned a wide range of subjects from beginner computer use to Microsoft Office application use. During classes, patrons were welcome to use their own devices, or one of the ten laptops that the library has on-hand. Classes were interactive and encouraged attendee participation. Topics of these classes included Libby, Introduction to the PC, Facebook, iPad, Word.

In response to the mandated closing of the Library, in mid-March, the staff created a new online platform primarily as a reader's advisory resource, as well as an alternate method of making announcements online. The Facebook page and blog both provided an online presence for the library where patrons could communicate with staff, receive book recommendations, and, following the closure, easily find immediate updates to the library's continually changing services.

The blog provided a timely opportunity to draw attention to collections in electronic format, both downloadable and streaming, which had been enhanced prior to the pandemic, and, with the arrival of the pandemic, were further strengthened.

In addition to robust streaming video options that were expanded in 2019 to include access to world-renowned Great Courses content, a major step was taken in March 2020 to offer hoopla, an all-in-one e-book, e-audiobook, music, and video platform. The past year has seen usage of the library's online services rise exponentially.

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Between June 2019 (when the service first became available) and June 2020, there were 363 patron views of Great Courses streaming videos, nearly one for every day of the year. That number more than doubled in the following seven months, with total views at 935 as of January 1, 2020. Acorn TV, which offers patrons the same content they would find on the commercial platform, but for free, saw a spectacular usage increase as well. In 2019, patron views of streaming video content stood at 2321, and this number rose to 4617 in 2020.

The library's new service, hoopla, has greatly expanded patrons' options for online reading, listening, and viewing. All content is always available for simultaneous use, so there are no holds or waiting lists. Made available to Marblehead patrons just as the pandemic began, the platform has been very well-received, with 1078 circulations of adult e-books, e-audiobooks, comics, music albums, television episodes, and films from March through December 2020. As was hoped, hoopla has proven to be an excellent resource for patrons who may not find everything they are looking for on Overdrive/Libby or who face long wait lists there. The figure below presents comparative data for borrows of both adult and juvenile content by format from March 2020 to January 2021:



While movies, music, and comics have certainly captured users' interest, the circulation of e-audiobooks has followed recent national upward trends, and e-books are not far behind. All of these online services are readily accessible via the library website and are regularly promoted on Facebook and the Abbot Public Library Blog.

The imperative to develop a safe, efficient, and accessible method of circulating items became increasingly necessary, even as libraries remained shuttered to the public, at the beginning of the third quarter of 2020. Like many public libraries, the Abbot Library shifted to curbside pick-up service, starting gradually and with cautious optimism, on July 6th, after an initial push for the return of items the week prior. The Library began by offering seven half-hour appointment slots in the afternoons, Monday through Saturday, with five available spaces per slot. The demand for this service quickly outgrew its first iteration, and curbside evolved to accommodate the growing need for physical library materials, including the reintroduction of items reciprocally borrowed from NOBLE member libraries, the Commonwealth Catalog, and Interlibrary Loan, as well as the Library's book club kits, tax forms, and printing requests.

Over the next several months, many adjustments were made to the curbside service, including expanded appointment availability to fifteen slots per half hour, the addition of separate appointments for youth services, increased flexibility in appointment times with an expansion from a half hour to full hour slot, and the addition of morning appointments on Saturdays. In August, the method of booking an appointment was also modified for increased flexibility and access. Generously funded by the Friends of Abbot Library, the introduction of appointment booking software designed by Massachusetts-based Assabet Interactive allows patrons to request an appointment at any time once they have received notice that their items are available for pick up rather than being restricted to calling the Library during operating hours.

In its current form, curbside pick-up continues to operate on weekday afternoons, and on Saturday mornings and afternoons. Appointment slots are much more general to allow patrons to pick up items at their leisure — patrons now have the entire afternoon from 2:00 to 5:30 on weekdays, and 9:30 to 12:30 and 1:30 to 4:30 on Saturdays to stop by the Library. The cap on the number of available pickups has also been lifted, and anyone who signs up on a given day is accommodated. As patrons receive notice that their requested items have become available for pick-up, they are able to call the library or request an appointment through Assabet Interactive. Requests are received by staff and confirmed, and items are checked out and bagged. During curbside hours, these bags are arranged, alphabetically by last name, on carts outside of the Children's

Room entrance of the library for a convenient, no contact pick up. Item returns continue to be received in the blue return bins on Pleasant Street, as well as a new return bin located by the rear entrance of the building. Returned items, including those received in delivery, undergo a week-long quarantine before check-in. Due to this unusual procedure, all fines are being removed on patron accounts, an adjustment that has been well-received.

While our curbside pick-up service has evolved over these past several months to better meet the needs of our patrons, its success has remained constant. With some slight interruptions in service, due to holiday closures, a week-long closure for scheduled maintenance, and a brief foray into twice weekly in-person browsing, staff are busy filling an average of 284 curbside pick-ups per week (see graph). Patrons often cite convenience and safety as the top benefits of curbside, indicating that curbside has been a positive solution to the problem of pandemic-restricted library services. Many have also indicated that they will continue to utilize curbside, even if the building opens for limited in-person services. Patrons have also expressed their gratitude for their ability to access the items they need, as staff are able to procure them from a variety of sources, as well as provide recommendations and reference help in a safe manner. The library staff continues to be deeply thankful for every patron who has supported our efforts in making curbside pick-up a success, and we are looking forward to the new year to develop new ways of making curbside even better.



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Children's Room operations were altered by the global pandemic, along with the rest of the Library. We were forced to hard pivot to make changes in our collections, our programming, and our services. We moved circulation of items to curbside pick-up, altered the balance of online and print collections, and hosted virtual programming on two different platforms.

We have offered virtual programming beginning last March throughout the year. We now average 4-5 virtual children's programs a month. These include musical programs, yoga, and story times.

- YouTube September to December, we had total views: **174**
- Facebook program clicks March to December: **47**
- All virtual programming views **221**
- In-person program attendance from January until closure in mid-March: total attendance **926**

All programming attendance totals for 2020: **1,147**

We would like to thank the following organizations for their program support during 2020:

- The Oliver P. Killam Jr. Fund
- The Coordinated Family & Community Engagement grant from the Massachusetts Department of Education and Care

We shifted children's collections in the first half of the year to more online items, and the second half to more print. These shifts between electronic and streaming materials and print and physical media items helped keep the children's collection available to be borrowed in the different ways that patrons could access them.

- Total electronic circulation in children's materials from January to December: **5,936 items**
- Overdrive/Libby circulation, including children's e-books and children's e-audiobooks: **5,586 items**
- Hoopla circulation, including children's e-books, e-audiobooks, movies, television: **350 items**
- Total circulation of items in physical formats from January to December, including children's print books, DVDs, kid's tablets, CDs: **19,321 items.**

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Total calendar year circulation of all children's materials: **25,257 items.**

The number of total appointments by patrons to pick up physical materials from the Children's Room collections, through curbside pick-up, between July and December, was **1,580**.

In 2020, Teen Services at Abbot Public Library saw the reopening of the Teen Room, with the Teen Room hosting between 2 - 15 teens at one time in the room during the few weeks the library was open. The introduction of the Manga collection was also established during this time.

2020 saw a rise in circulation for electronic items for the teen department. The total number of circulations of electronic items being 2,676 compared to the 2,907 circulations of physical items. The most circulated items for each collection were e-book fiction at 1,753 and books at 2,761.

The Abbot Library Teens Instagram posted 19 photos in 2020 with a collective 211 likes for the photos. The photos ranged from updates about the library and teen room to book recommendations with the book recommendation posts receiving the most engagement.

There were 13 virtual programs intended for teens upon the reopening of the library in the fall of 2020. A weekly Teen Advisory Group was hosted on the teen Discord server, which was introduced in 2020 and restricted to teen use only by requiring registration. The Teen Advisory Group, or T.A.G., allowed teens in Marblehead the opportunity to help the Teen Librarian in developing programs and the teen collection. It could also count towards volunteer credit. The Abbot Public Library YouTube Channel hosted two video programs in the fall of 2020, with October's YA Book Talk video receiving 4 views in the first 24 hours and 11 views in the first 30 days and November's YA Book Talk video receiving 0 views in the first 24 hours and 2 views in the first 30 days. Each video had the Teen Librarian recommending book titles new to the library's teen collection.

The Teen Services Department plans to introduce a video game collection in the first few weeks of 2021 and hopes to receive more teen interaction with the introduction of a "Virtual Teen Room" in February on the Discord Server that hosts T.A.G. Consistent posting on Instagram will also be introduced in the

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hopes of teen engagement on social media while the library functions as “Curbside Pickup Only.” T.A.G. will continue to be weekly with a new date and time and other virtual programs, such as a Teen Craft Hour, will be introduced later in the year.

We thank our patrons for their understanding and support, as we have been dedicated to meeting your library service needs, during this year of new challenges. We also thank the Second Century Fund and the Friends of Abbot Library for their continued financial support.

Patricia Rogers, Director, Abbot Public Library

ABBOT LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Nancy Perkins Arata, Chair	Term expires 2022
EuRim Chun, Vice Chair	Term expires 2022
Gary Amberik, Secretary	Term expires 2023
Dr. Ann M. McGreevy	Term expires 2023
David Ross	Term expires 2021
Phyllis B. Smith	Term expires 2021

ABBOT LIBRARY STAFF

Patricia J. Rogers	Director
Morgan Yeo	Head, Public Services
Lisa Taranto	Head, Technical Services
Marcia Cannon	Children’s Librarian
Lauren Hext	Youth Librarian
Elena Minayev	Adult Librarian
Kara Gallagher	Senior Clerk
Anne Thornton	Para-Professional
Kathleen Uhlman	Library Coordinator/Circulation
Cassandra Sprague, Part-Time	Program and Volunteer Coordinator
Ryan Rivas, Part-Time	Library Technician
Amber Santman	Library Tech. Assistant
Jan DePaolo, Part-Time	Children’s Sr. Library Assistant
Carole Brindamour, Part-Time	Sr. Library Assistant
Joan Kessel, Part-Time	Sr. Library Assistant
Sage Frankenstein, Temp. Part-Time	Library Assistant
Kelly Szalewicz, Temp. Part-Time	Library Assistant
	Library Assistant

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Vacant, Temp. Part-Time
Vacant, Temp. Part-Time

Library Assistant

CUSTODIANS

Richard Leahy

Custodian

PAGES

Sage Frankenstein
Kira Goldman
David McMenimen
Joshua Slater

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Under State mandated legislation, the Board of Assessors is responsible for the full and fair market valuation of real and personal property for the purposes of levying the property tax as of January 1 every year.

The Board consists of a three member elected panel with one seat up for renewal every year. In 2020, John P. Kelley was elected for another 3 year term.

The assessing staff performs all duties of the department under the supervision and review of the Board of Assessors.

In determining assessed property values, the primary goal of the Board is to ensure fair and equitable assessments to all taxpayers. Assessments for the average single family dwelling increased 3.6% to \$904,000 and the median single family assessment increased 4.2% to \$702,000. The average tax bill increased 4.0% to \$9,429 and the median single family tax bill increased 4.6% to \$7,322. The classification hearing held on November 18, 2020, resulted in a single tax rate of \$10.42 per thousand dollars of value.

In addition to property valuations, the department also administers statutory exemptions. Residents who own and occupy their Marblehead property as their domicile may apply for an exemption as long as they meet the statutory requirements. Exemptions are available to qualifying disabled veterans, elderly persons, surviving spouses and blind individuals.

Massachusetts tax law and guidelines for exemptions are constantly changing. Effective November 2016, under the quarterly tax billing system, **the filing deadline for tax abatements is February 1st**, (third quarter tax bill due date) **and April 1st for statutory exemptions** (three months from the mailing of the third quarter tax bill).

The Board of Assessor's granted 106 statutory exemptions for a total of \$118,397.10 to qualified applicants and senior work-off volunteers (as of January 2021).

We urge all taxpayers who may have questions regarding abatements or exemptions to contact the Assessor's Office at 781-631-0236.

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The department is also responsible for excise taxes for boats and motor vehicles. Annually the boat owner must certify under the pains and penalties of perjury the vessel that is noted on their mooring permit. This information is used in conjunction with the State formula to determine the excise tax amount. The motor vehicle excise tax is based upon the MSRP values provided by Registry of Motor Vehicles.

The following 2 tables show the tax dollars raised. The first table is for property and the second table is for excise.

REAL & PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>% of CLASS</u>	<u>VALUATION</u>	<u>TAX LEVY</u>
Residential	95.10%	\$6,605,727,026	\$68,831,675.61
Commercial	3.51%	\$ 243,872,720	\$ 2,541,153.74
Industrial	.24%	\$ 16,653,500	\$ 173,529.47
Personal Property	1.15%	\$ 79,764,010	\$ 831,140.98
TOTAL	100%	\$6,946,017,256	\$72,377,499.80

EXCISE TAX

<u>MOTOR VEHICLE</u>	<u># OF BILLS</u>	<u>TAX ASSESSED</u>
2020 Excise	20,746	\$3,713,662.66
<u>BOAT</u>	<u># OF BILLS</u>	<u>TAX ASSESSED</u>
2020 Excise	1,953	\$130,995.00

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Respectfully Submitted,
Board of Assessors
John P. Kelley, Chairman
William J. Willis, Jr., Secretary
Douglas E. Percy, Board Member
Michael A. Tumulty, M.A.A, Assistant Assessor

Office Staff
Karen D. Bertolino, Administrative Assessor
Kelly A. Cook, Senior Clerk

BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board of Health promotes and protects the health, wellness and safety of the citizens of Marblehead while ensuring a clean and healthy environment.

The Marblehead Board of Health met in formal session on thirty eight (38) occasions including the annual Town Meeting. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic the Board increased its number of meetings to responsibly lead our community safely through the public health issues which arose during the year. Beginning March 23rd meetings were held remotely via Zoom in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. BOH members and staff also attended numerous meetings pertaining to finance, COVID-19, collaboration, communicable disease, bio-terrorism, tobacco control, grant application, sanitation code updates, environmental issues, continuing education, emergency preparedness, as well as other public health-related issues. Meetings were properly and duly posted with the Town Clerk

REPORTED COMMUNICABLE DISEASES – 2020

Babesiosis	1	
Calicivirus/Norovirus	1	
Campylobacteriosis	3	
COVID-19	698	
Cryptosporidiosis	0	
Cyclospora	0	
Ehrlichiosis	0	
Giardiasis		1
Group B Streptococcus	0	
Group A Streptococcus	2	
Haemophilus Influenza		0
Hepatitis A (suspect)	0	
Hepatitis C (chronic)	0	
Human Granulocytic Anaplasmosis	2	
Influenza	67	
Legionellosis	0	
Lyme Disease	0	
Pertussis	0	
Salmonellosis	0	
Shigatoxin Producing Organism		0
Shigellosis	0	

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Strep Pneumonia	0
Toxoplasmosis	0
Vibrio Species	0
West Nile	0
Yersiniosis	1

Please note that these are confirmed cases as outlined in the Guide to Surveillance, Reporting and Control, 2nd Edition (2018), Bureau of Communicable Disease Control. This report does not include Probable or Suspect cases.

As with all communicable disease reports, an extensive follow-up investigation is conducted to determine the source and possible cause of the illness. All food-borne illnesses (Campylobacter, Giardia, Hepatitis A, Salmonella) require public health response.

IMMUNIZATIONS GIVEN IN OFFICE

Pneumovax (PPSV)	0
Hepatitis A	0
Hepatitis B	0
Influenza	0
T dap	0
Td	0
Varicella	0

Office visits were not allowed due to COVID-19 precautions.

2020 PUBLIC FLU CLINICS

Employee Clinic	164	
Council On Aging Drive Through Clinic		100
Office Visits	0	
Total Flu Shots administered	264	

The Marblehead Board of Health purchased 300 doses of flu vaccine for children, adults and seniors for the 2020 flu season. Three clinics were held in town at various times, including evenings, to accommodate all residents.

COVID-19

The first case of COVID-19 in MA was confirmed by state health officials on February 1, 2020, and the number of cases began to increase rapidly on March 5. A State of Emergency was declared on March 10 by Governor Charlie Baker. World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic on March 11. By March 12, more than 100 people had tested positive for the virus in MA and by March 15 Marblehead had its first case. By May, Massachusetts was third in the U.S. for both overall number of cases and for cases per capita, behind New York and New Jersey.

Massachusetts experienced a first wave that peaked in April and May with almost 4,000 people hospitalized with the disease, and with nearly 3,000 new cases and 200 deaths a day. A second wave came in the fall starting in October and by the end of the year Marblehead would have 744 total confirmed cases and at least 31 deaths attributed to COVID-19.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING

BP monitoring is conducted Monday through Friday from 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon at the Board of Health office by appointment only. Additionally, the Public Health Nurse is at the Marblehead COA on most Thursdays between 11:00 AM-12:00 noon to conduct a blood pressure clinic. Beginning March 1, 2020 office visits were not allowed due to COVID-19 precautions.

INSPECTIONAL SERVICES

All food service and retail food establishments are regulated by the 2013 Federal Food Code (with 2015 Amendments). These establishments are required by law and by the MDPH to be inspected bi-annually. Additionally, walk-through inspections are conducted at the Board of Health's discretion. These are a less formal visual inspection for those establishments about which the Board has received complaints, or those making physical changes, or for the purpose of addressing any type of problem that may arise during the year.

Beach samples are taken on a weekly basis from June through September. 81 samples were taken during the 2020 beach season. Test results were consistently within beach testing standards set forth under 105 CMR Sect. 445.000 throughout the summer for Devereux Beach, Crocker Park, Gas House Beach, Grace Oliver's Beach and Stramski Beach. Public and semipublic pools

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are monitored for mandatory on-site quality control and proper management as required by MA 105 CMR 435.000 Minimum Standards for Swimming Pools.

2020 Establishments Regularly Inspected

Food Service Establishments	58	
Retail Food Establishments	33	
Private Clubs	11	
School Cafeterias	5	
Schools with Satellite Programs	3	
Private Schools	1	
Carnival Mobile Home Units	0	
Ice Cream Trucks	2	
Mobile Food Service Trucks	0	
Hot Dog Push Carts	0	
Nursing Homes	2	
Houses of Worship	8	
Residential Kitchens	2	
Bakeries	0	
Caterers	12	
Farmers' Market Vendors	9	

2020 RECREATIONAL CAMPS INSPECTED

Day Camp Inspections	4
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2020 SWIMMING POOLS INSPECTED

Year-round Swimming Pools	1
Seasonal Swimming Pools	4

Inspections Conducted

One Day Permits	5	
Food Establishment Closing Inspection	11	
Food Establishment Opening Inspection	11	
New Business/Change of Ownership	5	
Food Inspections	140	
COVID-19 Food Establishment Inspections	24	
Food Re-Inspection	25	
Foodborne Illness Investigation	1	

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Fire Incidents Requiring Inspection	0
Water, Beach, Drain & Stream Samples	81

2020 COMPLAINTS

Asbestos Inquiry, Complaints/Removal Of	3
Lead Paint Tests	1
Food and Retail Service Complaints	2
General Nuisance	20
Air, Noise, and Odor Complaints	8
Housing Complaints	12
Exterior Sanding	6
Mold	0
Rodents	6
Trash	12
COVID-19 Food Establishment Complaints	141

ORGANIC PEST MANAGEMENT

The Board of Health adopted an Organic Pest Management Policy in 2005 for all town-owned lands and recommends that residents follow the Board of Health guidelines for their health and well-being.

SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING

Marblehead is continually working to maximize waste reduction, recycling and composting to ensure the safe management, reuse and disposal of solid and hazardous waste. It is a difficult task to address the increasing and environmental cost controls placed on the town by state and federal agencies. The Town needs to focus on decreasing the amount of waste we generate and increasing the amount we recycle.

- Marblehead processed 12,032 tons of trash in 2020.
- Marblehead **recycled a total of 2,940.23 tons** of paper, commingled material, cardboard and metal out of the waste stream, realizing **diversion savings of \$273,927.00.**
- 2,500 gallons of waste oil were collected for processing. (This includes town garages).
- 26.629 tons of electronics were recycled ethically.
- Two Household Hazardous Waste Days were conducted jointly with the Town of Swampscott. Materials were collected from over 360 households, removing a total of 4,526 gallons of Hazardous Waste.
- 90,015 lbs of Textiles/Used Clothing were recycled through the clothing bin program generating \$4,500.75.
- 756 Mattresses/Box Springs were recycled

COMPOSTING AND YARD WASTE DISPOSAL

The Town collects, disposes of and/or composts yard waste and organic matter. Here are the 2020 organic matter, vegetation, brush, wood waste generation and processing figures:

- Leaves & grass: 9,000 cubic yards = 3,333 tons.
- Woodchips (Town Tree Department): 3,960 cubic yards = 990 tons.
- Brush: 10,560 cubic yards = 1,100 tons.
- Curbside Food Waste collected from 550 residents
- Total Food Waste collected including Marblehead transfer station, 154.13 tons a diversion savings of \$14,725.58

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

The most effective way to reduce waste is to not create it in the first place. Making a new product requires a lot of material and energy – raw materials must be extracted from the earth, and the product must be fabricated then transported to wherever it will be sold. Look for products that use less packaging. When

manufacturers make their products with less packaging, they use fewer raw materials. This reduces waste and cost.

Buy reusable over disposable items. Maintain and repair products, like clothing and furniture. One person's trash is another person's treasure. Instead of discarding unwanted appliances, tools or clothes, try selling or donating them. Not only will you be reducing waste, you'll be helping others.

As a result, reduction and reuse are the most effective ways you can save natural resources, protect the environment and save money.

Is Your Recycling Going To Waste?

While recent news stories about recycling might have you believe otherwise, the answer is no, recycling is not a wasted effort. The cans, bottles and paper you put in your recycling bin are part of an important supply chain that returns used material to the manufacturing sector to make new products in the U.S. and overseas.

What you put in your recycling bin does matter, now more than ever. In 2018, the Chinese government imposed a ban on the import of most recycled paper and unsorted plastics from the U.S. and Europe. Known as "National Sword", the ban was a wake-up call to the recycling industry. For the last 20 years, almost half the recyclables collected in the U.S. were sold to mills in China where they were converted into packaging for the many different consumer goods that China exported to the U.S. each year. The Chinese recycling mills accepted low quality material and used cheap labor to sort out the good from the bad.

National Sword caused a global disruption in the recyclable materials market. With China out of the recycling market the oversupply of scrap paper and plastic caused their value to plummet. Markets in Southeast Asia stepped in to buy at low prices, while demanding higher quality, cleaner material.

Despite the complex system of screens, scanners, jets, magnets and manpower used to sort our recyclables at the recycling facility, non-recyclable items inadvertently slip through. Recycling facilities just cannot meet the new standard for cleaner material without our help.

Become a smarter recycler by following these guidelines:

- Empty and rinse all food and beverage containers
- Remove all plastic and Styrofoam packing from cardboard boxes before recycling
- Bottles, jars, jugs and tubs – empty, rinse and replace cap
- Ignore the recycling symbol (with a number) that's on most plastic items – it does NOT mean it's recyclable
- Consult the online “Recyclopedia” for recycling answers to over 500 items; RecycleSmartMA.org
- Place it in loose – ‘Please do not put your recyclables in a plastic bag.’
- Please NO thin-filmed Plastics such as produce bags, packaging and bubble wrap
- Wrapping paper and tissue paper are not recyclable

Composting is another way to reduce trash

Composting is the fifth tier of EPA's food recovery hierarchy. Even when all actions have been taken to use your wasted food, certain inedible parts will still remain and can be turned into compost to feed and nourish the soil. Like yard waste, food scraps can also be composted. Composting these wastes creates a product that can be used to help improve soils, grow the next generation of crops, and improve water quality. **You could divert as much as 50% of your waste stream if you compost. For a small fee, curbside composting is available in Marblehead. Please call the Marblehead Health Department for more information.**

RECYCLING COMMITTEE

The Recycling Committee is a valuable volunteer resource for the Town. The Committee members attending the booth at the Farmers Market who answer trash/recycling questions and sell compost bins, recycling bins and rain barrels are to be commended. The Committee advocates and supports local initiatives to promote solid waste reduction, recycling, composting and hazardous waste recycling in Marblehead through outreach, education, programs and other projects. They were of great assistance during the two Household Hazardous

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Waste Collection days which included the collection of hazardous waste, electronics and styrofoam/polystyrene.

Single-use checkout bags and expanded polystyrene food and beverage containers have significant detrimental impacts on the environment and our health. In 2014 voters at Town Meeting approved the Board of Health's Articles 28 and 29, which phased out the point-of-sale plastic bags measuring 2.99 mm or less and polystyrene containers, respectively. This ban began in May 2015. The Recycling Committee would like to remind you that **plastic bags and styrofoam as well as other similar material should not be placed in your recycling.**

SWAP SHED

A temporary Swap Shed is in place until the new one is constructed. The Swap Shop was established by the Marblehead Board of Health and it is run by volunteers who are citizens of Marblehead. The Swap Shed is open Saturdays from 9-11:30. It is only open the first Saturday of the month during the winter.

Residents must have a current Facility Sticker to use the Swap Shop. No walk-ins are permitted.

Rules:

Items must be approved by attendant

Items must be functional and have all parts

Items left here are intended for Reuse – Not Resale

Area in front of the Swap Shop is for short term parking – 15 minutes

Swap Shed Items Not Allowed

TV's or Monitors

Mercury-Containing items

Large Appliances

Microwaves

Hazardous Waste

Paints or Stains

Tires

AC units

Mattresses / Waterbeds

Building Materials

Child safety equipment including car seats



**North Shore/Cape Ann Tobacco Alcohol Policy Program
Marblehead 2020 Annual Report**

New Grant Funds Awarded:

In October, 2018, the North Shore/Cape Ann Tobacco Policy Program was awarded a new four-year collaborative grant, for FY19 with the possibility of three, two-year extensions. The new grant covers sixteen municipalities including Marblehead. These funds allow the Town of Marblehead and collaborative communities to continue and advance the over-two decades of work on tobacco control and prevention strategies.

Strategies include surveillance of the retail environment, enforcement of local and state policies, retailer education to support compliance, assistance to municipalities seeking to adopt tobacco-related policies and promote smoke-free environments, as well as support for other public health initiatives as applicable.

In accordance with grant requirements, the North Shore/Cape Ann Tobacco Alcohol Policy Program accomplished the following program target and milestones within the Town of Marblehead:

Compliance Checks:

No compliance checks were conducted due to COVID and will resume as soon as it is deemed safe for the youth participants.

Inspections and Pricing Surveys:

In addition to the compliance checks, the North Shore/Cape Ann Tobacco Alcohol Policy Program conducted one full round of retailer inspections at each permitted establishment as well as a pricing survey to access pricing trends across the state.

Additionally, provided technical assistance to all collaborative Health Departments, in addressing the Governor's emergency vape sale ban with tobacco retailers.

Policy Updates:

The Board of Health held a Public Hearing and updated Tobacco and Nicotine regulations, which included raising the minimum legal sales age (MLSA) to twenty-one (21) and restricted the sales of flavored tobacco and nicotine products. The regulation became effective July 1, 2016.

HAWC (Healing Abuse Working for Change) FY 2020 REPORT TO TOWN OF MARBLEHEAD

The mission of HAWC, founded in 1978, is to create social change by taking action against personal and societal patterns of violence and oppression. HAWC provides services and support to victims of domestic abuse residing in the 23 cities and towns on the North Shore in order that they may make informed, independent decisions about their futures.

HAWC provides free, comprehensive services to victims of domestic violence and their children including: a 24-hour hotline, emergency shelter, advocacy in courts, police departments and healthcare settings; trauma recovery counseling for adults and children; support groups; economic stability services; relocation and rental assistance; prevention education in schools and communities. HAWC has five office locations (Lynn, Salem, Gloucester, Beverly and Ipswich) with HAWC staff out-stationed in hospitals, police departments, courts and schools. HAWC's 24 paid staff and 80 volunteers (after 40 hours of training) provide free and confidential services.

If you or someone you know is living in fear of their partner or others, please call HAWC's 24-hour, toll-free hotline at 800-547-1649. Contact and understanding from a person outside the abusive relationship is often the one most important lifeline for a person getting free from abuse. The more you know the more you see. You can become part of the solution.

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FISCAL YEAR 2020

Now in its 51st year, the Marblehead Counseling Center (MCC) has collaborated with the Board of Health to provide the Town with counseling, education, and community services. These have afforded people the opportunity to work with highly trained, licensed professionals on personal or community issues and concerns. Therapy is provided to any resident or town worker regardless of his/her ability to pay a fee. Over and above the \$60,000 provided by the Health Department, this year MCC provided \$55,628 of free counseling services.

As was the case with so many healthcare facilities, the coronavirus pandemic has had a major impact on how services are provided. Beginning in March 2020, MCC shut down for face-to-face sessions and moved all their clients to telehealth. As they experienced an increased demand for counseling services, (made more extreme by the isolation and quarantine of this pandemic), they added 2 new therapists to help reduce their waitlist. Additionally, to address a long-standing need for psychiatric medication management, beginning in February, they added a psychiatrist to their staff.

During fiscal year 2020, MCC provided direct therapy to 371 different individuals who live or work in Marblehead for a total of 3,375 sessions offered for individual, couple, and family counseling. For medication management, 28 individuals were seen for a total of 86 sessions.

Sometimes, our neighbors are hit hard by financial stresses and families struggle just to survive, especially true during this pandemic. MCC continues to be a place that people can get connected with resources that will help them, whether it is paying overdue bills, assistance with housing, fuel assistance support or connections to medical and dental treatment. Throughout last year, 60 families of our town have received these social services from MCC's social service program, (a 28% increase over last year). MCC also collaborated with the Making Ends Meet Adopt-a-Family program to provide 74 families including 150 children with presents and grocery vouchers. Additionally, 150 holiday grocery vouchers were distributed to our friends and neighbors.

The Counseling Center continues to encourage the advancement of a healthy community in Marblehead. To that end, this year MCC has been working with the Opioid Taskforce and the Ministerial Association to develop effective programs for a healthier Marblehead.

This pandemic will eventually end and when it does, MCC will still be there working in the community to provide their services to those who need them.

NORTH SHORE-CAPE ANN EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COALITION

The North Shore-Cape Ann Emergency Preparedness Coalition continues to work to prepare its communities to respond to public health threats and emergencies, which include terrorism and outbreaks of infectious diseases as well as emergencies caused by a force of nature. This coalition, established in 2004, is a sub-coalition within Region 3 of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH) regional Public Emergency Preparedness Coalitions and meets monthly. The coalition receives limited funding from a grant provided by the Center of Disease Control (CDC) and is mandated to attain certain standards in emergency preparedness. The North Shore-Cape Ann Emergency Preparedness Coalition has established a website with information for the public and links to other sites that can provide valuable information to our residents. To date, the Board of Health has provided MDPH with 24/7 contact information, submitted a Continuity of Operations Plan, participated in numerous drills, trainings and conferences, trained key personnel in NIMS (National Incident Management System) and ICS (Incident Control System), updated the All-Hazards Plan, and has submitted a template of our Special Populations Plan. In 2008 the coalition began the process of a multi-year Training and Exercise Plan. This plan will take us from learning about a specific scenario to a full blown disaster drill incorporating all hazards plans and testing of the established infrastructure.

The coalition is continuing the process of increasing our database of medical and non-medical volunteers through our website and is offering training opportunities for these volunteers. In the event of an infectious disease epidemic, pandemic, or a natural disaster, volunteers will be greatly needed. Volunteers can register online and/or by calling the Marblehead Board of Health. We urge residents to become volunteers. Please log on to: <https://www.maresponds.org/> or call the BOH at 781 631-0212 to learn more about our coalition or to register as a volunteer.

CODE RED EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

News and notifications concerning public health, trash and recycling are posted on the Town's website in a timely fashion. This useful media tool allows the posting of links to sites relating to public health, emergency planning, solid waste and beach water quality. A subscription service on Marblehead.org allows people to sign up for email alerts regarding solid waste, recycling, public health emergencies, as well as other important Town information.

In closing, the Board of Health commends its office staff and transfer station staff for their adaptability, dedication, and devotion to their positions and to the Town especially during this challenging year.

It is the mission of the Board of Health and its staff to serve as a resource intended to prevent, promote, protect and meet the multitude of public health related needs of the community.

As we enter 2021 the Board of Health and the Health Department will continue to conduct compliance inspections, investigate complaints and promote policies and programs to protect public health and the environment.

Our long-term goals for the town are to ensure that our community is successfully and consistently meeting core mandates while striving to improve the overall health of the town.

The Board wishes to thank other Town Departments for assistance and cooperation in the form of manpower, equipment, and other resources. The Board also thanks Town Planner Rebecca Cutting for her technical assistance. The Board of Health and the Town are fortunate to have a willing and able group of volunteers who assist in all aspects of our operation. The Board of Health thanks all those volunteers.

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HEALTH OFFICE STAFF

Tracy Giarla, LPN, Public Health Nurse

Roberta Cody, Health Inspector

Andrea Flaxer, Senior Clerk

TRANSFER STATION STAFF

Michael Louizos, Leader Heavy Equipment Operator

Chris Monahan, Heavy Equipment Operator

Erik Hudak, Heavy Equipment Operator

Kay Monahan, Special Clerk

Karen Colby, Part-time Clerk

Board of Health

Todd Belfbecker, D.M.D., Chairman

Helaine R. Hazlett

Michelle B. Gottlieb, M.E.M

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrew H. Petty,

R.S. Director of Public Health

BUILDING COMMISSIONER & INSPECTIONAL SERVICES

The Building Department ensures public safety, health and welfare by regulating construction through Federal, State and Local Codes and By-Laws. The Building Department, in conjunction with the Fire Prevention Office, conducts annual inspections of public and private schools, churches and temples, day care centers, food service establishments, nursing homes, private clubs and places of assembly.

I would like to express my appreciation to all of the employees of this department for their continued fine service over the course of the year.

The department accepted the retirement notifications of two full time Local Inspectors and the resignation of the Building Commissioner, Richard Baldacci. Chris Butler and Roger Ennis have subsequently been hired by the Town to work part time as Local Inspectors and Bob Ives, former Building Commissioner, has also come back part time to assist with zoning. Robert Scott, initially hired as full time Local Inspector, has been appointed Building Commissioner.

The Building Department began digitally scheduling inspections, which provides an historical reference of inspections which have occurred and the result of such inspections. We have reorganized our available storage space allowing for building plans to be chronicled and entered into a searchable database.

The Town has also purchased the online permitting software, Viewpoint Cloud. The Building Department began using this online permitting software in the spring of 2020 to present. The system provides convenience, allowing for 24-hour applications and payments, as well as public viewing of planning, zoning, building, fire, electric and plumbing permits, permit fees and monetary data. The Town has also purchased a Chevy Bolt, electric vehicle, used by the department for inspections.

A total of 708 building permits were issued in 2020. There were 6 new single-family dwellings of which 5 involved the demolition of an existing structure. Based on an estimated value of construction cost of \$44,735,084.00 the Building Department collected permit fees totaling \$517,366.00. There were also 826 Electrical permits issued with \$7,645 in revenue. 1,020 Plumbing and Gas permits issued which generated an additional \$31,945.00 in revenue. Fire Protection and Review fees were also collected for building projects which produced \$1,550.00. Additionally, the Building Department has issued 99 roofing permits, 9 sign permits and 14 HVAC permits which produced \$30,341.00 in permit fees.

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The Building Department, along with the Fire Prevention Office, performed state required annual inspections of all public and private places of assembly, churches, temples, daycare centers, restaurants, nursing homes, and private clubs, conducting 15 inspections and generating \$4,020.00 in fees. Total revenue for 2020 was \$592,867.00.

Estimated Cost of Construction activity for the past decade in millions of dollars

2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
\$33.3	\$38.1	\$25.1	\$46.2	\$40.0	\$40.4	\$50.5	\$33.2	\$41.4	\$29.8
2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
\$40.6	43.3	43.1	61.9	44.7					

Respectfully submitted;
Robert Scott, Building Commissioner

Chris G. Butler, Local Inspector
Roger Ennis, Local Inspector
Ronald J. Marks, Wire Inspector
Eric F. S. Chisholm, Assistant Wire Inspector
Brad Smith, Plumbing & Gas Inspector
Mary A. Allain, Special Clerk
Ed Medeiros, Public Buildings
Bruce Hamilton, Public Buildings

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CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

The Marblehead Cemetery Department respectfully submits their Annual Report for the Calendar year ending December 31, 2020.

The Cemetery Department is administered by a Superintendent, who has jurisdiction over all Town Cemeteries.

The Superintendent is appointed by a three-member Board of Commissioners who are elected to three-year, staggered terms. The Commission sets policy, establishes regulations and oversees the cemetery budget. The Board meets four times a year.

A set of Rules and Regulations was adopted in 1945 to protect and promote the general welfare of the Cemetery as a whole. These rules are updated periodically as needed. They are in place for a reason and all changes are carefully thought through and voted on by the Cemetery Board of Commissioners.

The Cemetery Department is responsible for the complete maintenance of Waterside Cemetery and Harbor View Cemetery. This Department downsized from ten full time employees to the current four and eighteen seasonal employees to only three. Maintenance staff for the Recreation and Parks Department was increased at that time so that the upkeep of Old Burial Hill, Harris Street Cemetery, Hooper Tomb and Green Street Cemetery could be transferred to that Department. This year this Department's three seasonal employees were temporarily cut from our budget to assist with the Town's financial deficit.

Cemetery Revenue for fiscal year 2020

\$ 43,250.00	Sale of Lots Fund – for equipment and development, funds appropriated by Town Meeting vote
21,400.00	Perpetual Care Fund – non expendable trust
26,000.00	PC interest offset - General Fund
2,015.00	Eternal Flame Fund - gifts
89,438.33	charges and fees - General Fund
<u>\$182,103.33</u>	

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Cemetery Expenses for fiscal year 2020:

\$ 363,796.00	salaries and wages
<u>25,263.48</u>	maintenance expenses
\$ 389,059.48	total expenses

The COVID-19 pandemic has proven to be challenging at times. This Department has been able to follow State mandated guidelines and restrictions. Most of our citizens, with the exception of only a few, understood the importance of all restrictions imposed during this trying time. To all those families, we again extend our condolences for your losses and apologize for any additional grief caused by any of these restrictions. With your help and understanding our small crew has been able to stay safe and healthy, allowing all scheduled services to go forward.

There was a total of 132 interments for the 2020 Calendar year. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, there are many more deceased whose families have chosen to delay burial until a time when they can all be together to celebrate the lives of those who have passed.

We continue to look for Town land which could be transferred to this Department for future burials. We have generated almost enough revenue in our Sale of Lots Fund to continue development of the Liberty Lane section of Waterside Cemetery. We finished a small section of this area in 2013 for immediate use. Our hope is to have this entire area completed within the next three to five years.

The hourglass pool was not in operation this year. A complaint from a neighboring citizen resulted in the removal of the electrical box on a utility pole on Waterside Road. Replacing the electrical supply to the pool is proving difficult and costly. All funds for any type of improvement comes from this Department's Sale of Lots fund, currently earmarked for the development described above. The aging pool needs to be replaced. We set up an Eternal Flame Fund for donations and have generated \$13,220.65 to date.

This Department routinely surveys other Commonwealth Communities and Private Cemeteries as to the fees that are charged and then makes adjustments to our fees accordingly.

We extend our appreciation once again to the Highway Department. As always, the sander was in Waterside during the winter months in preparation for burial services. Thank you also to the Tree Department for their assistance with the

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aging trees within our Town's cemeteries. We also wish to thank all other Departments who have helped in any way during the year.

It is with great sadness that we had to say goodbye to a dear friend Bill James. Bill was this Department's mechanic for many years and served as Superintendent for the last fifteen years. He will be deeply missed by all here at the Cemetery Department.

As Superintendent, I want to take this opportunity to thank the following Cemetery employees for their continued efforts to maintain the buildings and grounds of Waterside Cemetery and Harborview Cemetery which is over 40 acres. Also, during COVID-19, their care for each other as well as the families they have been assisting during an already difficult time in their lives has been outstanding. Our small four man crew also works tirelessly along with other Departments plowing the streets of our Town, as well as making sure all burial services are able to occur year round. Your dedication and hard work does not go unnoticed. Thank you,

Chris Phillips	foreman / mechanic
Brian Ware	heavy equip. operator
Mike Attridge	general labor IV
Justin Hare	general labor IV

Also, thank you to Office Clerk Celia Martin for her assistance.

Wishing everyone a safe and healthy 2021

Respectfully submitted for the Board

	Cemetery Board of Commissioners:
	Richard F. Coletti, chairman
Catherine M. Kobialka	Rufus L. Titus, commissioner
Superintendent	Janet S. Merrill, commissioner/clerk

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

This report is for Calendar Year 2020. The purpose of the Marblehead Conservation Commission is twofold. First, to implement the safeguards specified in the state Wetlands Protection Act, the state Stormwater Management Policy and the Marblehead Wetlands Protection Bylaw in order to help preserve and protect the wetlands and water resources in our Town. Second, to maintain and protect the conservation lands held in trust for all residents of our Town. Of the six communities adjacent to Salem Sound, Marblehead and Salem have the highest density of population, with corresponding pressures on our open space and water resources. The quality of life in Marblehead and its attractiveness is in part dependent on these resources and we urge all Marblehead residents to join in our efforts to preserve and protect them.

The Commission held regular meetings and public hearings throughout the year 2020. We continued to assist residents in their construction projects while guiding them in their endeavors to protect the wetland resources potentially affected by their construction. During 2020, the Commission received and processed the following:

Notices of Intent	51
Certificates of Compliance	59
Orders of Conditions	39
Requests for Determinations	0
Minor Activity Permits	80
Enforcement Orders	8
Emergency Certificates	2
Extensions requests	13
Minor Modification requests	21

In addition, the Commission continues to identify and correct encroachments onto conservation land conservation land.

A major ongoing effort of the Commission is the management and mitigation of pollution caused by storm water runoff. This polluting runoff comes from streets, parking lots, driveways and lawns. Lawn chemicals, oil and coolant leaks from vehicles, animal waste, paints disposed of in catch basins (storms drains in our streets) - all these pollutants/nutrients eventually end up in our streams and ocean. The effort to mitigate this pollution will require a long-term change in the thinking and actions on the part of the general public and in our

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approach to public infrastructure. The Marblehead Water & Sewer Department already follow the guidelines established by the state to mitigate stormwater pollution runoff into our ocean waters.

The Commission reminds everyone that our ponds are all in the process of filling in with vegetation. This is a natural process, especially with shallow ponds, and is caused or accelerated, in part, by the inflow of chemicals and fertilizers from abutting lawns and storm water runoff. If you live directly on one of our ponds, please do not fertilize your lawn without guidance from the Commission.

Marblehead has exhausted (read developed) more than 95% of its buildable land. With all the roofs, driveways, streets, parking areas and other impervious surfaces we have built ourselves into one huge catch basin. This has exacerbated our drains problems. All those little open fields, land depressions and pocket wetlands where storm water used to be able to collect and gently seep into the ground are, for the most part, gone.

Again, this year, we wish to express our gratitude to the Marblehead Conservancy for its continuing efforts to restore, improve and expand walking paths in our conservation lands and for its ongoing program to remove invasive plant species, which are strangling native vegetation in the conservation lands. Since your Conservation Commission has no budget or staff for managing the conservation lands, the ongoing efforts of the Conservancy to preserve and protect these very valuable resources are crucial to the health of these areas. The Commission encourages you to explore the many walking trails in Marblehead maintained by the Conservancy. Trail maps are available on the Conservancy's web site.

Given the COVID 19 situation in 2020, the town's conservation areas saw unprecedented use by walkers and joggers seeking to get outdoors while still socially isolating.

Please visit us on the Town web site, www.marblehead.org, to find information on our meeting schedules, help with filing permit applications and accessing the minutes of our meetings.

The Conservation Commission would like to thank Lindsey Serafin for her service on the commission since July 2018. Lindsey resigned from the Commission in September 2020.

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Respectfully submitted, **Marblehead Conservation Commission**
Brian LeClair, Chairman
David VanHoven, Member
David Depew, Member
William Colehower, Member
Michael Smith, Member
Jesse Alderman, Member

COUNCIL ON AGING

The Council on Aging (COA) respectfully submits its annual report for the year ending December 31, 2020.

2020 the year of COVID-19. The pandemic significantly impacted our department in every way. In support of our mission to enhance the quality of life for seniors and serve as a source of information concerning elderly services on a local, state and federal level, the following took place:

The Senior Center closed in March due to mandates from Governor Baker and the State Department of Public Health. The staff quickly redesigned programs and services to meet the immediate and changing needs of our seniors. The COA lost many friends, patrons, volunteers and employees this year. This loss has been devastating. However, during this difficult time, the staff has remained focused and dedicated to accomplishing its mission.

Finance, Sources & Services:

The Shattuck Fund generously awarded \$42,200 towards the kitchen renovation project for a grand total of \$121,850. The Shattuck Fund also generously donated an additional \$30,000 to renovate the back area of the Community Center providing much needed additional outdoor space for senior programming

The Marblehead Female Humane Society continues to provide \$30,000 in funding to employ a second van driver five days a week to aid in accommodating both out-of-town and in-town medical appointments, as well as, van maintenance and repairs. This funding also subsidizes mandatory MassDOT training expenses. In 2020, an additional \$3,000 in funding was provided to prepare shelf stable groceries to be utilized for emergency food supplements.

The Friends of the Council on Aging (FCOA) provided \$13,579 in funding to purchase masks, hand sanitizer, material to assemble masks, compensated COA instructors and assisted with the Volunteer Grocery Shopping program that was initiated in April. In lieu of our Annual Holiday Party, the FCOA hosted a catered delicious grab-n-go meal for more than 130 seniors.

Elder Services of Merrimack Valley & North Shore (ESMV&NS) (formerly North Shore Elder Services) provided a COVID-19 relief grant in the amount of \$13,751 towards Outreach and Nutrition programs and services.

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The Rotary Club of Marblehead generously donated \$10,000 in American Express gift cards to offset the financial strain impacting seniors due to higher grocery expenses.

The Federal Cares Act funding provided air purifiers for the Community Center, tents for outdoor use and cleaning services.

For FY21, Town Departments were called on again to reduce their budgets. The COA responded by eliminating the Volunteer Coordinator position paid for by the Formula Grant and moved a portion of the full time Van driver's salary to this fund. In addition, two part time employees were furloughed for two months. These changes amounted to a budget savings of \$14,746.

Education: From January – March 5th, the COA hosted an informative presentation on End-of-Life Planning, a comprehensive Medicare program, a Long Term Care insurance presentation, and Coffee with the Chiefs and Coffee with the Town Administrator sessions. The first COA Municipal Boot Camp event was held on March 5th with more than 50 residents attending. The Senior Citizens Police Academy and Men's Group Luncheon were both cancelled and will resume in 2021. The COA continues to proudly support and participate in "Red Shirt Fridays" and continues to collect donations for our troops.

Health/Wellness Screenings and Services: From January – March, 11th weekly wellness clinics were offered by the MHD Health Dept Nurse & AllCare VNA & Hospice. On Sept 30th, the COA hosted a drive through Flu Clinic in conjunction with the MHD Health Dept. 100 Vaccinations were administered to seniors.

Health Insurance Counseling: SHINE (Serving the Health Insurance Needs of Everyone) counselors Peter Bowen, Lu Ann Gabel and Deb Ventresca counselled 330 Marblehead residents via telephone in 2020. Age breakdown: (49) under aged 64, (178) aged 65-74, (83) aged 75-84 and (20) ages 85+. SHINE volunteers are trained in Medicare health insurance and prescription coverage. Appointments are available three days a week from January through September. Days and times increase during the annual Medicare Open Enrollment period, running from October through December.

Information Sharing – 76 people attended Information Sharing programs which included Coffee with the Chiefs, Coffee with the Town Administrator, Technical Support Assistance, Knitting, Quilting, Everyone has a Story writing group, and the Men's Group Luncheon program. All programs were suspended in March, however, the writing group resumed in June, via ZOOM.

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Intergenerational: The High School Interact club graciously volunteered to shovel snow emergency exits for 15 seniors beginning in December. The Glover School's Marblehead Mother's Co-op doubled their annual fundraiser donation and raised \$1,450 for Meals on Wheels and children made Thanksgiving placemats. Tower school children prepared Christmas cards that were given with beautiful Narcissus bulbs prepared by the Marblehead Garden Club. The Driftwood Garden Club arranged and donated 45 stunning holiday wreaths. These thoughtful and generous handmade gifts were delivered to more than 100 seniors this holiday season.

Fitness: In April, several classes were reconstructed by some of our Fitness Instructors. Because of their creativity, the COA quickly began offering 9 fitness programs with a total of 20 weekly fitness class offerings via Zoom. These classes include Balance & Mobility, Muscle Conditioning, Osteo Prevention, Parkinson's, Step it Up, Strength & Stretch, Yoga, Zumba Gold and a dedicated program for Caregivers called Moving, Mindfulness & Avoiding Meltdowns.

Recreation programing: includes Bocce, Crazy Whist, Cribbage, Drawing, Golf, Knitting, Oil Painting, Quilting, Rummikub, Scrabble, and Tap Dance. Prior to shut down, Mahjong increased to 4 days per week and Bridge grew to 3 days per week

New protocols were prepared by the COA and approved by the MHD Health Dept that would allow for Bocce to recommence in July. Following this same footprint, the Fitness Center re-opened in September. However, due to reinstated restrictions, the Fitness Center closed in December.

Despite COVID-19, 39 people participated in 330 games in five months compared to 200 games played in 2019 in seven months. Of the 39 participants, 9 were new members. Golf also began in July with 20 participants playing twice weekly for a total of 28 games.

During this pandemic, a total of 746 seniors participated in our ZOOM fitness classes, Outdoor Bocce, Fitness Center or Golf.

Safety: TRIAD is comprised of the Essex County Sherriff's Dept, The MHD Police Dept, COA staff and seniors. Its goal is to provide information and education designed to keep seniors informed and safe both at home and in the community. An RMV Real ID Work Shop and Senior Citizens Police Academy, celebrating its third year, and its fourth Academy were both scheduled for March were postponed.

Social/Celebration Nutrition Events & Nutrition: Creativity has been paramount at the COA during COVID-19. Several programs were revised, allowing us to remain connected with seniors. Thanks to the ESMV&NS COVID-19 funding, we offered the following Outreach events: In August, a “Get Slushed” two day grab-n -go event occurred with Rita’s slush and over 80 seniors stopped by and enjoyed this treat. October brought Halloween and trick or treat bags hand delivered to 79 seniors by COA staff and an Octoberfest grab-n-go meal for 80 seniors provided by caterer Louise Moore of Every Little Breeze catering. November brought our annual Veterans Breakfast with the Masons event. This year’s delicious pancake breakfast was prepared at the Masonic Hall instead of the COA and delivered to 51 Veterans by COA staff along with volunteers from the Fire Dept. The COA also provided “Thank You for your Service” goodie bags that included Dunkin Donut gift cards.

The COA’s annual Thanksgiving at the Masons went mobile this year. Instead of 120 seniors attending a sit down event, more than 160 seniors received a scrumptious Thanksgiving grab-n-go meal prepared and packaged by Louise Moore, the Masons and the COA Staff. December’s Holiday grab-n-go lunch was funded by the Friends of the COA and also prepared by Louise Moore. Over 125 seniors enjoyed a roast beef Holiday luncheon. For those unable, their meal was delivered to their home by COA staff drivers and volunteers.

In December, the COA delivered a variety of wreathes, Narcissus bulbs and other goodies donated by The Driftwood Garden Club and the Marblehead Garden Club.

Nutrition: At our regular lunch program, a total of 514 meals were served to 103 participants from Jan. to March 13th. Meals ceased from March 15th until May 7th when the grab-n-go lunch program through ESMV&NS commenced. Since May, 3,499 grab-n-go lunches were provided to 120 seniors.

In Sept 2019, Governor Baker approved a \$100,000 Earmark grant awarded by the State’s Conference Committee towards renovating the COA’s kitchen. The COA kitchen went to bid in January 2020 and construction began in March. The beautiful new state-of-the-art commercial kitchen project was completed in November. Once the COVID-19 pandemic is over, this kitchen will be utilized to offer a wide variety of senior nutrition programs.

Outreach: Prior to the March shutdown, the COA Outreach Coordinator (OC) introduced over 150 seniors to COA activities and services for the first time.

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Assistance was provided to more than 9 residents under age 60. The OC participated in monthly Marblehead REACT (Regional Elder Assistance Coordinating Team) meetings and quarterly North Shore REACT meetings, made up of first responders, Board of Health Dept, and medical practice social workers. In partnership with The Elderact Rotary Club and the MHD Fire Dept, 15 lock boxes were installed on the homes of qualified seniors, providing first responder ease of access in an emergency. Seniors were given the opportunity to have coffee and conversation with the Police & Fire Chiefs and OC. Monthly coffee groups were scheduled, designed to help seniors feel connected with their community. The OC and the MFD Community Educator conducted 12 home safety audits and 65 MBTA Reduced Fare Charlie Card applications were submitted. With the exception of the Lock Box program, all of these programs and meetings were suspended in March due to COVID-19.

By mid-March, the OC shifted focus connecting with people via Zoom, over the phone and safely in person as needed. Most outreach programs continued through COVID-19. Tablets were provided to 9 seniors allowing them to remain connected during this time. 15 seniors were assisted in completing fuel assistance applications through North Shore Community Action Programs, Inc. (NSCAP). The US Dept. of Agriculture allotted 55 coupons to local farmers markets that were distributed to income eligible seniors. The Commodity Supplement Food Program (CSFP), sponsored through the Greater Boston Food Bank, served 62 seniors throughout the year. Each senior who met criteria received two bags of non-perishable items and one bag of produce monthly. The MHD Farm Direct Co-op provided organic farm fresh vegetables bi-weekly from June through October for a total of 22 deliveries to seniors living in Marblehead housing.

To address food insecurities during COVID-19, the COA developed several new food delivery programs to meet seniors' immediate needs. The COA teamed up with Crosby's to provide a volunteer grocery shopping and delivery program for medically compromised, or isolated seniors. From April through Dec, 25 volunteers shopped 925 times for 81 seniors. The COA also partnered with the MHD food pantry to deliver weekly food pantry items to those in need. Since April, 35 participants received a total of 719 bags of food including Thanksgiving and Christmas meals. American Express gift cards generously donated by the Rotary Club of Marblehead were handed out to over 129 seniors. Gift cards were utilized to meet increasing food related expenses related to COVID-19. In total, 113 shelf stable bags were provided to seniors who may have difficulty leaving their home due to weather or illness. These bags were funded by the Female Humane Society & ESMV&NS. The COA partnered with the Marblehead Community Charter Public School (MCCPS) to deliver 254

vegetable boxes to 60 seniors as part of MCCPS' Dept of Agriculture Vegetable program.

Social isolation has been a genuine concern during COVID-19. The COA and many volunteers called over 900 seniors to provide additional communication identifying unmet needs. During the shutdown, volunteers and staff called over 125 seniors on a weekly basis. Many notes, pictures and letters created by children were passed out to seniors during the year. The OC is currently working with the MHD High School to develop a pen pal program which is expected to begin February 2021. A new MHTV segment was also designed to highlight COA events and keep seniors informed on current issues affecting them. This is recorded and broadcast monthly.

Transportation:

The Marblehead COA was one of a handful of COA's that continued to operate medical appointment van service during the shutdown. A special thank you to Doug Laing of the Police Dept and Dave Dragan of the COA who sanitized the vans weekly. In March, COA van service operated with one rider at a time. Since July, van service can accommodate two people at a time and weekly transportation to Market Basket re-commenced. Previous to 2020, the Council on Aging provided more than 7,000 rides annually for residents to attend fitness, recreation, social or nutrition programs here at the Center. Weekly trips to Market Basket and Stop & Stop, as well as, monthly trips to the North Shore Mall were part of the routine. Drivers transported seniors to vote, run errands such as to the bank, post office or hair appointment. Transportation was also available for in-town and out-of-town medical appointments. In 2020, less than 2,000 were conducted due to COVID-19.

COVID-19 challenged the COA with providing services to those in need. The COA van drivers stepped up to this challenge and began delivering groceries on a bi-weekly basis for those who qualified for the new Crosby's volunteer grocery shopping program. Delivering weekly food pantry groceries and monthly CSFP deliveries also became part of their routine schedule. In total, COA van drivers and office staff delivered items to seniors more than 2,200 times.

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteering at the COA also changed. COA staff along with volunteers worked together to create a website and hotline called "Marblehead Proud". Residents age 18+ registered to volunteer and seniors registered to identify their needs. Over 175 volunteers signed up and 25

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participated in the COA's Volunteer Grocery Shopping program. The Edith Dodge Foundation provided their list of (80+) Marblehead seniors who were contacted by MHD Proud volunteers to identify unmet needs. Over 900 seniors were contacted in total. 125 seniors also received weekly phone calls through July.

The Senior Citizens Property Tax Work Off program continued throughout the year. Of the 28 seniors confirmed to participate, 8 contributed over 461.50 hours to three Town departments.

For FY21, the Town of Marblehead appropriated \$286,372.94 to the COA. The COA was awarded a Title IIIC federal grant of \$10,000 for its nutrition program and a Title IIIB federal grant of \$5,000 for the Outreach program. The State Formula Grant was awarded in the amount of \$59,037 and is based on \$12.00 per Marblehead senior listed in the 2010 census. ESMV&NS provided \$13,751 for Outreach and Nutrition services and programs during COVID-19.

The staff of the Council on Aging is to be commended for their commitment to serving the senior residents of Marblehead:

Director	Lisa J. Hooper, MS
Program Manager	Janice Salisbury Beal, BS
Outreach Coordinator	Karyn Smith, BA
Van Chauffeurs	Patricia Medeiros
	Don Fraser, Bob Gotschall, Laurie Jenkin- Burt, Ann Martin
Sr. Clerks – Transportation	Nadine Lepick
Maintenance	John Belanger, Dave Dragan

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Bell, Chairman	Suzanne Gruhl, Vice Chairman
Marjorie Shea, Secretary	
Bob Foglietta	
Karen Jancsy	
Freda McGuire	
Marcy Schwam	

On July 25, 2020, we said goodbye to Judy Jacobi, Selectmen's Liaison to the Council on Aging and President of the Friends of the Council on Aging. For over twenty years, Judy was a driving force for the COA. She worked diligently to ensure funding for services, programs and building renovations were

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available. In gratitude to Judy, and her husband Gene, for their many years of dedicated community service to the Town of Marblehead, the Board of Selectmen, the Council on Aging Board of Directors & the Recreations & Parks Commission unanimously voted to rename the Marblehead Community Center to:

THE JUDY & GENE JACOBI COMMUNITY CENTER

A formal dedication service will take place in 2021.



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

The following is a report of the Department of Public Works (DPW) for the year ended December 31, 2020.

Under the Chapter 90 Program, for which the Town of Marblehead receives 100% reimbursement from the State Department of Transportation (DOT), the following streets were resurfaced during the 2020 year:

Beacon Street in part (Orne to Norman)
Norman Street

In addition, using funds from Chapter 90, we focused much of our efforts on the installation of 24 handicap accessible curb-cuts. Safer Pedestrian crosswalks with solar lighting, along with five additional handicap accessible curb-cuts, were installed using Shared Streets funding in conjunction with Chapter 90 funds at Atlantic Ave and Beach Street, Ocean Ave at Devereux Beach, and Pleasant Street at Gerry Street.

We maximize every dollar available to us to repair our Town roads but the demand is always greater than the funding. We also understand the inconvenience caused by all this work and appreciate your cooperation and tolerance during construction projects.

Work on streets and sidewalks in Town, including but not limited to, repairing trenches and patching potholes, sidewalk maintenance and rebuilding, street sweeping, storm and accident debris removal, Christmas tree removal, maintenance and repair of Town fences and street signs, street lining and roadside landscaping, are included in the regular DPW budget. The DPW also cooperates with and assists other Departments when needed. The Department removed rocks and sand from the causeway several times. Fences and walls were repaired at Harbor Ave, Parker Lane, Peabody Lane, Gallison Ave, the Causeway seawall and Grace Oliver's Beach. Thanks to Charles Quigley, our Town Engineer, for his leadership and engineering expertise needed to complete many of these repairs.

The winter of 2020 was once again manageable due to mild weather and limited snowfall. We had more instances of icing conditions than snow and even that was limited. Our Department assisted the Tree Department following storms to

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help clear the Town of storm debris. Tree stump removal and sidewalk repairs were many, and the task is still not finished at the closing of this year.

We encourage you to take a look at the Snow Emergency Brochure at Marblehead.org for helpful tips and answers to frequently asked questions regarding snow situations. Residents are reminded to please always drive with caution and mind crosswalks all year, especially during the winter months.

This year on July 1, 2020 the Drain Department has joined the Department of Public Works. The Drain (Storm Water) Department maintains the storm water system which includes over 4,000 catch basins and manholes. The two-person crew responds to flooding issues, blocked storm lines, resident inquiries, the repair of manholes and catch basins, the cleaning of storm water lines and the re-establishing of drainage ditches. The transition is ongoing during this first year of change and we thank the residents for their patience during this transition period.

Covid-19 impacted every aspect of our lives. Our Department remained at the ready throughout this crisis to provide regular and emergency services to the Town. Our mechanics, Jim, Jeff and Terin, worked diligently and efficiently to repair vehicles, trucks and buses for all Town Departments which translates into significant cost savings to the Town. Our work crew is always ready to tackle any project tasked to them and also assists other Departments with their work. For example, this year we installed steps at Widger Road and helped the Marblehead Municipal Light Department with the construction of electric vehicle charging stations.

I wish to thank all the many Departments - Cemetery, Health, Recreation and Park, Police, School, Tree, Water & Sewer - that help with snow plow and storm operations. Again, I would like to thank Charles Quigley, the Town Engineer, for his assistance with paving and other projects which requires his input and expertise throughout the year.

Jeffery Maskell joined our Department this year as a mechanic, transferring here from the Water and Sewer Department. Our long time Drain Foreman, William Larios, retired in 2020 after serving the Town of Marblehead for 17 years. Thank you, Bill, for all that you have done for the Town.

I would like to thank all of the DPW, Drain and Tree employees for their commitment to the Town and their continued hard work. The crew has gone above and beyond what is expected of them in every endeavor, never saying no to any task or project, while cooperating fully with other Departments when

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needed. This cooperative spirit has helped make my first year as Director a successful one, even as we deal with the stress of COVID-19.

I would also like to thank the residents for their support as I start my tenure as Director of Public Works. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve the Town of Marblehead.

Department of Public Works Staff:

Employee

Robert Dever

Robert Titus

Colleen King

James DiCicco

Terin O'Neil

Jeffrey Maskell

Jose Fagundes

Robert Mace

Dana Lemieux

Justin Boutwell

Matthew Cashman

Michael Henry

Vladimir Likhterman

James Lowe

Stephen Risoldi

Peter Stacey

Occupation

Director of Public Works

Assistant Director of Public Works

Senior Clerk

Mechanic Supervisor

Mechanic

Mechanic

Heavy Equipment Operator - Lead

Heavy Equipment Operator - Lead

Heavy Equipment Operator - Lead

Heavy Equipment Operator

Heavy Equipment Operator

Heavy Equipment Operator

Heavy Equipment Operator

Heavy Equipment Operator

Heavy Equipment Operator

Drain – Special Laborer

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Dever

Director of Public Works

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

In 2020, the Engineering Department maintained full time operations during the COVID 19 pandemic and offered the following services to various other departments and committees in town:

- Engineering peer review,
- Site construction administration and inspection,
- Engineering design for infrastructure improvement projects,
- Field engineering/surveying services for roadway or drainage improvements,
- GIS Mapping Services,
- Information/record research.

The Engineering Department is responsible for maintaining and updating the records of town owned property and infrastructure. Walk-in service, normally available prior to the COVID 19 outbreak, was prohibited during the pandemic. Individuals seeking records pertaining to roadway layout, water, sewer, drainage, town owned buildings and private property lines, were able to make requests via email. Surveyors, attorneys, architects, engineers and residents are the typical customers requesting this information.

In 2017, Engineering Department personnel began the process of scanning the more than 15,000 large format record plans in our custody. Thousands of fragile rolled plans, some dating back to the mid-nineteenth century, needed to be painstakingly processed in a humidifier to convert them to flat plans capable of being scanned. The scanning was completed in mid-2020. All data was entered into a searchable data base providing for efficient retrieval of information by staff. The original documents are now preserved and protected from the wear and tear of handling.

The Engineering Department staff provides all of the clerical services required by:

- The Conservation Commission
- The Old and Historic District Commission
- The Zoning Board of Appeals
- The Planning Board [as requested]

Typical clerical services include but are not limited to historic and field research, public meeting preparation, advertising, permit and certificate issuance, field investigation and response to public information requests.

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Permits and Certificates issued or processed by the Engineering Department include:

- Conservation Commission Orders of Conditions,
- Conservation Commission Minor Activity Permits,
- Conservation Commission Certificates of Compliance and extensions
- Conservation Commission Enforcement Orders,
- Old and Historic District Certificates of Appropriateness.

The Engineering Department conducts the field inspections required for the issuance of Certificates of Compliance and for violation complaints. Please see the Conservation Commission annual town report for further details.

In addition to the above, the following projects were completed in 2020 under the direction of the Engineering Department:

- Peabody Lane Seawall reconstruction
- Parker Lane Seawall reconstruction
- Fort Beach Seawall preventive maintenance repointing
- Lovis Cove Seawall preventative maintenance repointing

The Engineering Department, in cooperation with the Highway Department completed the following projects:

- Causeway west seawall emergency repairs
- Gallison Avenue revetment installation
- Harvard Street stair replacement

It should be noted that the work completed by the Highway Department personnel resulted in a savings to the town in excess of \$250,000.00.

The Engineering Department acted in a contributory/advisory role to other departments for the following projects:

- Ferry Lane seawall repair
- Rail trail rehabilitation
- Pleasant St., Village St. and Vine St. Intersection Improvements MassDOT TIP project [ongoing]

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Respectfully submitted,

Charles F. Quigley, P.E.: Town Engineer, Conservation Commission
Administrator

Engineering Department Staff

Lisa Lyons: Senior Clerk

Pamela Granese: Temporary Clerk

FINANCIAL SERVICES

The Financial Services department is responsible for the Town's financial functions, including accounting, payroll, revenue collection, budgeting, capital financing and retirement management. The Financial Services department is overseen by the Town's Finance Director. The Finance Director also serves as the Town Accountant and is responsible for the management of information technology for the Town. In addition, the Finance Director serves as an ex-officio member of the Town's Retirement Board and the Town's Compensation Committee.

Within Financial Services, the Accounting office is responsible for the audit and approval of all town expenditures and the preparation of various accounting and financial reports required by the State's Department of Revenue. The Treasurer/Collector's office is responsible for the distribution of payroll and vendor checks and the collection of taxes and fees owed to the Town. The Payroll office performs all payroll functions and administers various employee benefits, including health insurance, dental insurance, flexible spending plans, 457 deferred compensation plans, and life insurance. The Payroll office also manages unemployment and workers' compensation benefits.

The Financial Services Department publishes a separate Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the Town on a fiscal year basis (July 1 to June 30) each year. A copy of the latest CAFR (FY2020) will be available on the Town's website or by contacting the Finance Director's Office.

Following are the more significant accomplishments of the Financial Services department during 2020:

- Received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association. This award is only given to government units whose comprehensive annual financial reports (CAFRs) achieve the highest standards in government accounting and financial reporting.
- Worked closely with an independent audit firm to prepare for the Town's FY2020 CAFR.
- Completed the annual open enrollment process in April and May for employee and retiree health insurance. The Town began purchasing health insurance plans through the State's Group Insurance Commission (GIC) in July 2012 and is currently in a six-year agreement that is effective through FY2024.

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- Conducted an open enrollment in May for optional dental insurance programs for employees and retirees. Under this program, employees and retirees pay 100% of the premiums for this insurance through a payroll deduction.
- Completed the search and hired Debra Long into the Senior Clerk Role – Treasurer/Collector's Office
- Submitted all required Department of Revenue reports within specified deadlines, including the Tax Rate Recap, Schedule A, and other accounting forms.
- Implemented tracking process and procedures to maximize funds received through FEMA-PA and the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (the “CARES Act”) that provided Massachusetts with a total of approximately \$2.7 B through the new Coronavirus Relief Fund (CvRF) to use for expenditures related to the COVID-19 public health emergency.
- Received the resignation of and started the recruitment process for the following position; Finance Director/Town Accountant, Assistant Director – Accounting, Treasurer/Tax Collector.

Financial Services Department Staff:

Steve Poulos	Finance Director/Town Accountant
Emma Puglisi	Assistant Director – Accounting
Mike Carritte	Treasurer/Tax Collector
Dianne Rodgers	Payroll Administrator
Cami Iannarelli	Assistant Treasurer/Collector
Jo-an Fratini	Accounting & Website Assistant
Dmitriy Vaydman	Accounting Assistant
Linda Gifford	Retirement Administrator
Kelly Cook	Administrative Clerk – Payroll Office
Debra Long	Senior Clerk – Treasurer/Collector's Office

FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Marblehead, on behalf of the men and women of the Marblehead Fire Department, it is with great pride and privilege that I submit my 2020 Annual Report. Many of the accomplishments highlighted in this report are the direct result of the commitment to excellence by department members, 911 Civilian Dispatchers, and Fire Alarm personnel.

MISSION:

The Marblehead Fire Department is a full service all hazards Fire and EMS organization that consistently strives to provide the most effective and efficient life safety/customer services possible. This is achieved through prevention and safety focused messages, emergency medical services, fire suppression and rescue operations, as well as emergency management operations and non-emergency community activities. The Marblehead Fire Department provides the citizens and visitors with the highest level of professional services through measured response times, positive intervention, accessibility and education. It is the expectation of the Marblehead Fire Department to be a well-trained, well-equipped, properly staffed emergency services organization that is recognized for providing outstanding customer service while being fiscally responsible. Our values are Integrity, Communication, Excellence and Transparency; providing caring, compassionate and competent assistance in all we do.

This community puts its trust in us as emergency first responders, and expects that when we answer a “911” call we are prepared, professional and able to perform as a team in order to prevent harm, preserve life, and protect property. It is a tribute to everyone in the Department that day-in and day-out, we meet that challenge and that we do so under conditions that can be difficult and dangerous. I commend the men and women of the Marblehead Fire Department who remain dedicated to providing quality and innovative fire, rescue, and emergency medical services, to our community

COVID 19 PANDEMIC:

2020 presented unique and sometime stressful challenges for everyone; the COVID 19 pandemic forced significant changes to the Departments daily operations, which required collaboration, critical thinking and innovation to continue to deliver uninterrupted emergency services to our community. Department members performed their duties daily while adhering to the rapidly changing safety guidelines and meeting the obstacles of face coverings, social distancing, restricted access to the fire stations. Training restrictions, limited

public interaction, quarantining of firefighters, cancellation of social and non-critical activities. Emergency operations were never impeded by these challenges, and the department was able to maintain a low COVID infection rate due to all members' hard work to follow the department COVID protocols.

FIRE RESCUE & EMS OPERATIONS:

The Marblehead Fire Department operates with forty full time personnel. The forty firefighters comprise four shifts of ten members, consisting of one Captain, one Lieutenant and eight Firefighters. The four shifts are commanded by the Duty Captain, who is responsible for the oversight of all activities on a particular shift. Those responsibilities range from incident management to customer service with an end result that ensures that we have the necessary resources to mitigate any situation safely and appropriately. The fire department's primary responsibility is responding to emergency and non-emergent calls for assistance from the public. Services provided include combating all types of fires, providing emergency medical care to the sick and injured, containing and mitigating the effects of leaks and spills of hazardous materials, rescuing those who are physically trapped in such situations as motor vehicle accidents, industrial accidents or collapsed structures, providing ice and water rescue, mitigating the hazards associated from downed power lines or natural gas leaks and providing aid in situations where those in the community need special assistance such as lock out/in situations, or animal rescues. In addition, all of the men and women of the Marblehead Fire Department assist in providing public fire safety and emergency preparedness educational training and programs to the general public; safety inspections, maintaining equipment, apparatus and facilities and participate in daily fire rescue and EMS training. The fire department operates out of two fire stations with two Class Five Ambulance Engine Companies and one Ladder Company, which provides 24/7 coverage. The fire stations are located at 1 Ocean Avenue and 1 Franklin Street. Several specialized pieces of equipment (such as the public safety boats, DEP spill trailer and pump trailer) make up the remaining resources at our disposal.

The Marblehead Fire Department continues its involvement with Mutual Aid with the surrounding communities, belonging to the Essex County Mutual Aid Systems. The Department has always provided firefighting resources to surrounding communities in their times of need and, in return, Marblehead has received valuable assistance during fire and other emergency situations within our community. With today's potential hazards and stressed staffing levels, as seen throughout the State, this valuable assistance is truly essential for the purpose mitigating an emergency of a size or scope beyond the control of any Department without the assistance of others.

FIRE RESCUE & EMERGENCY MEDICAL RESPONSE:

The Department responded to 2,600 calls for services in 2020, including 1,170 calls for medical assistance. This number represents a reduction of 178 responses of the previous year's call volume. The majority of our emergency responses are for rescue and medical emergencies.

The Department currently has 40 EMT-Basics and 2 EMT-Paramedics. Our two primary engines are certified as Class 5 Non Transporting Basic Life Support Ambulances. Members maintain their skills through regularly scheduled training conducted by the Department's Training Officer in conjunction with Cataldo/Atlantic Ambulance Company. All of our apparatus and staff vehicles are equipped with state-of-the-art cardiac defibrillators.

In 2020 we responded to 1,170 calls for medical assistance. Emergency medical service continues to be a major component of the services that the Fire Department provides to citizens of Marblehead and visitors to our community. Our Firefighter EMT's strive to provide the citizens with excellent emergency medical care and customer service, this is exemplified by the countless hours of emergency medical training that all members participate in on a daily basis and the quality of service provided by fire department personnel.

FIRE INVESTIGATION:

The Marblehead Fire Investigation Unit is made up of six dedicated and well trained fire investigators. (Captains Ridge and McLaughlin, Lieutenants J. Thibodeau, and Cerrutti, and Firefighters Sheehan, and Lydon). These investigators work under the direction of Lieutenant Charles Cerrutti, who oversees all fire investigations for the department. The Fire Investigation Unit is responsible for determining the origin and cause of fires within our jurisdiction. Members of the unit conduct interviews after fires, coordinate fire investigations with law enforcement, and act as a liaison between the State Fire Marshal's Office and the District Attorney's Office

TRAINING AND SPECIAL OPERATIONS:

Throughout the year the Fire Department regularly conducts fire, rescue, and emergency medical training. All firefighters maintain certification as Emergency Medical Technicians, and participate in daily skills retention training as well as an annual comprehensive Refresher Training course. Firefighters also participate in regular department-wide fire and rescue training among which are water and ice rescue, pumper evolutions, ladder operations, equipment familiarization and incident management.

The department continues to benefit from homes scheduled for demolition. With the support of local property owners, we can conduct valuable training in these homes before they are torn down. Our department will use these houses to practice firefighting skills that are destructive and would not otherwise be possible to conduct. This valuable training cannot be duplicated, and we very much appreciate the generous donations by the owners to allow us to use the property before it is demolished. Training like this does not include any live fire scenarios, but we can create a safe smoke filled environment, by use of a theatrical smoke machine to create zero visibility, which simulates the conditions encountered in a structure fire.

The Fire Prevention Division personnel ensure that state fire codes and permitting processes are followed in the construction of new buildings and the rehabilitation of older occupancies. This division is responsible for the implementation and supervision of all fire and life safety inspection programs within the Town of Marblehead. Public education programs specific to target audiences such as children and the elderly are also organized through this division in cooperation of the Department SAFE instructors.

PERSONNEL:

On June 21, 2020 retired Fire Captain, John “Hooper” Woodfin Martin Bartlett Chapman Cutler passed away after a long illness at the age of 81. Hooper served the department and the town for thirty-three years. Hooper was a founding member of the Marblehead Firefighters Local 2043, where he served as Vice President for many years. Hooper was very giving of his time and he enjoyed playing Santa Claus at the department Christmas party for over twenty-six years. When firefighters speak of Hooper, they refer to him as a firefighters firefighter, respected and loved by everyone who knew him. Hooper will be greatly missed.

I would also like to acknowledge the Department’s Chaplin, The Rev. Dr. Dennis B. Calhoun who is always there to lend spiritual as well as moral support to the Department and Community anytime of the day or night.

A special thanks to the Town’s Wire/Fire Alarm Inspectors, Ron Marks and Eric Chisholm. I would like to express my appreciation to both Ron and Eric, for taking time out of their busy daily schedules to assist the Fire Department with our many projects that we have done over the past year, and could not have accomplished without them.

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GRANTS:

We applied for the 2020 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG), and once again were successful in securing \$5,650.00. The funds will be used to complete the swipe lock security system project that we began in 2019. In an effort to better protect the personnel and property at both Headquarters and Franklin Street station.

The Student Awareness of Fire Safety (SAFE) grant was awarded to the Marblehead Fire Department in the amount of \$4,565.00 and an additional \$2,552.00 was granted for the Senior SAFE program during fiscal year 2020. Fire safety education is no longer just for student's ages three to 18 years. It also encompasses education for the seniors, by providing the Senior SAFE component. This fire prevention education program is designed to improve the fire and life safety of older adults in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts through education that addresses the unique fire risks for this age group. Some of the risks include smoking, home oxygen use, cooking, electrical and heating dangers. The Senior SAFE Program has created partnership between the more senior adults and the Fire Department through established providers of senior support services such as the Council on Aging, Elder Services, Visiting Nurse Association and Older Adult Living.

I would like to thank Firefighter Brendan Sheehan, who serves as the Department's S.A.F.E. Coordinator, and his staff, Firefighters Gregory Lydon, John Lequin and Mark Tentindo for their steadfast commitment to educating the Town's youth and seniors, and making them more aware of the potential dangers of fire.

APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT:

In May of 2021, I will be going before Town Meeting, to ask the voters to support the replacement of engine one, which is stationed at Central Fire Headquarters. Engine one is a 2006 Pierce Dash pumper truck. It has reached it useful life expectancy as a front line response pumper and per the replacement schedule, will be moved into reserve status. If the new pumper is approved by the voters, we will use the same specifications that were used to build engine two, which is stationed at the Franklin Street station.¹

STATIONS & FACILITIES:

Both Central Fire Headquarters and Franklin Street continue to show the wear and tear of aging buildings and they are in need of restoration, despite the efforts of our personnel to keep up with the maintenance. I have prepared a long range capital plan to address the ongoing issues with the infrastructure of both stations, but budget constraints have stalled the progress. The priorities at Central Headquarters are to update the locker room and restroom facilities so as to

accommodate our male and female members, replacement of the overhead doors, and paving of the front ramp and rear parking lot. The Franklin Street station is long overdue for new energy efficient windows, and the fascia, soffits and corner boards are in need of replacement. The shingles are cupping and should be replaced by clapboards siding to bring the station back to its original form. My goal is to collaborate with the Town Planner, in an effort to secure the Massachusetts Historic Preservation Project grant. If successful, it will afford the Town and the Fire Department the opportunity to restore the Franklin Street station to its former glory as one of the oldest active fire stations in the United States.

COMMUNITY PROJECTS & EVENTS:

The COVID Pandemic did not hamper the efforts of the Fire Department to provide scaled back education and training to the community. Our SAFE Instructor created fire safety videos and posted them on YouTube for school teachers to use as part of their class teaching. During Fire Prevention Month, our on- duty personnel conducted outside visits to kindergarten and pre-school students in both public and private schools, assuring to maintain a safe environment by employing social distancing and the wearing masks.

The Fire Department continues our successful partnership with the Elder Act Club and the Marblehead Council on Aging to promote the lockbox program. In 2020, 84 lockboxes were installed. The program was established to provide at no cost to Marblehead senior citizens and any individual with a disability, a secure lockbox that would be mounted next to the main entrance of the occupants dwelling. The lockbox secures a key to the home that can only be accessed by the Fire Department. There have been more than one hundred and eighty-four lockboxes installed since the inception of the program. Access to a key in the event of a medical emergency has saved countless minutes in providing lifesaving care to Marblehead's seniors and disabled. I want to recognize Richard Auffrey for his continues outstanding work with the lockbox program.

When the pandemic hit in March, schools closed, gatherings were canceled and millions of Americans ordered to stay at home. Many children had to spend their birthdays in isolation as families did their part to help flatten the curve. With the help of Marblehead Graphics, the Fire Department came up with a way to make sure that kids and even some adults didn't miss out in celebrating their special day in a big way. The Fire Department conducted over one hundred birthday drive by visits to the children of Marblehead. The ladder truck would show up in front of the birthday girl or boys house with a large banner mounted on the truck, wishing a happy birthday from the town. As part of the visit, children had the opportunity to have their picture taken in front of the sign. Our firefighters

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were very pleased and proud that they were able to help put a smile on many faces during dismal times.

The pandemic created challenges for the annual toy drive, but the citizens of Marblehead rose to the challenge and helped make this year's toy drive another success. The pandemic created hardship for many, but the generosity of the many citizens, clubs, and business of Marblehead, who rose to the occasion in true Marblehead fashion. We offer our sincere thanks and appreciation for all you do to make the toy drive successful. Firefighters Matthew Tina and Tim Cronin are to be commended for the countless hours spent coordinating the event, and making sure that the toys got into the hands of the many needy kids, to assure that each and every one of them had a very Merry Christmas. I would be remiss, if I did not recognize Michael Mentuck of Michael Mentuck and Associates, Inc. Every year, with no fanfare, Mr. Mentuck generously provides a semitrailer to store the incredibly large number of toys in, until such time as they can be delivered. Words are not enough to express our appreciation.

The Fire Department also participated in the Marblehead Park and Recreations Scarecrow Contest and Stroll. The firefighters had a great time working together to build a firefighter scarecrow, and we were surprised and pleased to come in third in the category of Business and Town Departments. We look forward to next years contest.

CONCLUSIONS:

As Fire Chief, I recognize that the greatest asset of this department is its' forty-one full-time employees. I would like to thank the men and women of the Marblehead Fire Department for their dedication, hard work and strong commitment to our community. They continue to meet the challenges of a changing fire service with a level of professionalism, which I think is unmatched among fire services. I would also like to recognize the Civilian Dispatchers. They are a group of highly dedicated and hardworking individuals, and are to be lauded for the great job they do each and every day to help keep our First Responder and community safe. In addition, I want thank all of Marblehead's citizens, officials, boards, committees, and other town departments who have come to our assistance this past year. You may rest assured that we will continue to provide the best in both emergency and non-emergency services in the most efficient manner possible in the future. Respectfully submitted,

Jason R. Gilliland
Chief of Department

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APPARATUS

Engine 1	2006 -- 1500 G.P.M. Pierce Pumper
Engine 2	2017- 1500 G.P.M. Enforcer Pierce Pumper
Engine 4	1996 – 1500 G.P.M. Saber Pierce Pumper
Ladder 1	2013 – 100 ft. Pierce Aerial Ladder-Quint
C1	2017-- Ford F150 Pickup Truck (Chief's Vehicle)
C2	2013-- Ford Escape (Fire Prevention)
C3	2017 -- Ford F250 Pickup Truck
Rescue Boat	2002 – 24 ft. Defender Boat

DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

CHIEF	
Jason R. Gilliland	
FIRE PREVENTION OFFICER	
Captain Thomas G. Rice	
CAPTAINS	
Eric M. Ridge	Gregg M. McLaughlin
Scott R. Murray	Elizabeth A. Wilson
LIEUTENANTS	
Grant Glavin	Adam J. Hatfield
Charles P. Cerrutti	Joseph M. Thibodeau
FIREFIGHTERS	
Micah Alden-Danforth	John Lequin, Jr
Patrick B. Attridge	Matthew W. Lunt
Mark P. Barcamonte	Gregory T. Lydon
Arthur H. Boardway	Scott T. Martin
Todd S. Burt	Robert L. McKay
Matthew G. Christensen	Timothy P. Michaud
Timothy D. Cronin	Joshua P. Norman
Jarred M. Dwyer	Matthew I. Patterson
Liam F. Gilliland	Matthew J. Serratore
Eric M. Gledhill	Brendan J. Sheehan
Joseph D. Gray	Charles W. Sprague
Jeffrey K. Greenberg	Brent A. Tarasuik

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Kraig M. Hill	Mark J. Tentindo
James M. Horgan	Eric Thibodeau
Douglas B. Knowles	Matthew J. Tina
ADMINISTRATIVE	DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN
Laurie R. Blaisdell	Reverend Dennis Calhoun

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Type of Incident	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Carbon Monoxide Problems	4	5	7	2	9	5	6	10	3	14	10	12	87
Structure/ Building Fires	2	2	1	3	1	2	1	6	2	1	3	2	26
Vehicle/ Boat Fires	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Natural Gas Leaks Response	7	6	3	2	1	3	0	3	1	7	5	6	44
Bomb Scare	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mutual Aid Response	1	1	4	1	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	18
Electrical Problems	4	6	3	3	5	3	10	7	4	8	3	6	62
Alarm System Malfunction	8	7	7	6	13	20	19	18	23	17	12	7	157
False Alarms	19	18	15	6	18	23	19	21	17	22	15	18	211
Lockouts/ Lock-ins	11	4	9	3	7	8	9	12	5	8	3	6	85
Outside Fires	0	1	0	0	2	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	7
Rescue/Medical Responses	105	98	68	78	87	90	90	131	120	105	98	100	1170
Water/Ice Rescue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Accidents	4	6	5	4	3	8	6	5	7	7	10	5	70
Severe Weather Responses	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3
Good Intent Call	11	7	15	12	8	13	18	21	12	18	16	18	169
Public Service Call	15	15	14	72	100	18	14	14	23	16	35	8	344

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Hazmat Response	3	2	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	10
Assist Police	1	2	4	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	1	3	17
Smoke Scare	1	2	3	1	7	2	3	3	2	2	0	1	27
Other Hazardous Conditions	12	6	11	7	4	6	9	10	7	5	7	9	93

FIRE PREVENTION

Fire safe knowledge and practice is critical to prevention, injury and property loss!

The main objective of the Fire Inspection Bureau is the protection of life and property through prevention, detection and suppression of fire. This is accomplished by effective code enforcement through inspection and educating the public about fire safe principles.

The Fire Inspector works in conjunction with the building commissioner to ensure that new construction and renovations of existing structures are code compliant. They also conduct annual inspections of bars, restaurants, schools, nursing homes, inns, temporary structures and equipment.

The Fire Inspector also functions as the Public Information Office (PIO) whose duty is to disseminate information to the media and public. He delivers information about emergency incidents, provides interviews and demonstrates life safety skills and tools.

Fire prevention Open House

Unfortunately, we cancelled the open house due to COVID-19 concerns. We are looking forward to October 2021 and hope to restart the annual tradition!

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2020 RESULTS

There were 692 logged actions by the Fire Inspector

26F and 26F ½ Inspections	368
Residential construction inspections	51
Plan reviews	79
Annual Inspections	67
Tank removal permits/inspections	47
Tank storage permits	29
Dumpster permits	77
Sprinkler/Ansul Inspection	27
LPG storage permits/inspections	27
Fire Drills	12
Oil burner permits/inspections	20
Tank truck, welding, blasting	18
Complaints investigated	12

The Fire Inspector attends monthly meetings with the Essex County fire inspectors group. He also attends quarterly state meetings for educational updates from the Massachusetts Department of Fire Services. The Fire Inspector is NFPA certified Fire Inspector level 1.

Respectfully submitted,
Captain Thomas Rice
Fire Inspector

S.A.F.E.

The following is a report from the Marblehead Fire Department Student Awareness Fire Education (S.A.F.E.) Program for the year 2020.

The program is made possible by a grant from the Office of Public Education. The goal of this program is to conduct fire and life safety education programs within the town of Marblehead using trained firefighters as educators.

For the past twenty-four years we have conducted a comprehensive Fire and Life Safety Program with students in the Marblehead Public School district. The program covers subjects such as Stop, Drop and Roll!, Home Escape Plans, Get Out and Stay Out and much more. It has been a continued success again this year- with some substantial changes due to COVID-19. The First Graders are an amazing group of students and should be commended on their handling of this unprecedented global pandemic.

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Our goal with this program is to continue our commitment to make the Marblehead Fire Department more than just a town department. We want to be a partner with our community and we believe that beginning life safety education early in a student's career makes our community a safer place to live.

2020 was not exactly our best year, but there were many shining lights. This was the first year since SAFE began, some 25 years ago that the Commonwealth can proudly report: NO CHILD PERISHED IN A FIRE. We agree with the Massachusetts Fire Marshall's office that the SAFE does prevent fires and saves lives.

Prior to March of 2020, we had provided support and home safety audits for our Council on Aging customers. We had the opportunity to audit four homes and provided 18 smoke detectors and 12 carbon monoxide detectors prior to the pandemic shut-down. We felt that entering the homes of our more senior residents was not the prudent thing to do at this time. We will be starting the program back up to full speed as soon as we are able.

Unfortunately, the schools were closed before our spring season of training started. That did not stop our steadfast Fire Educators from thinking outside the box. If firefighters couldn't get into the classroom, they would find another way. And they did. Firefighters John Lequin, Mark Tintendo, Tim Cronin, Todd Burt, Joe Gray and Captain Eric Ridge-wrote, directed, edited and starred in their own fire safety educational films. They even had some of their own children help and appear in the films. We would like to say special thank you to Hunter Tintendo and Ainsly McDonald for guest starring in the films. Because they were not limited to classroom size, safety and rules, our Firefighters were able to light a fire, respond with the vehicle and extinguish it, all while using each moment as a lesson. They were able to show real children in their own homes performing the tasks that were being taught.

COVID-19 gathering restrictions required us to cancel our annual open house this year, but this will give us more time to come up with new and exciting ways to connect with the community in years to come.

I would like to recognize the following educators who work so hard towards the betterment of our program: Firefighter John Lequin, Firefighter Mark Tintendo, without them there would be no SAFE program. I would also like to thank Captain Tom Rice in Fire Prevention for his continued unwavering support of us and the SAFE program. A very special thanks to the entire Marblehead Fire Department; without their support many of our programs would not be possible.

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Thank you to all the children for being so wonderful, to the dedicated school staff and teachers that work so closely with us and for allowing us into their classrooms-virtually for now, in person someday soon. Stay safe.

Respectfully Submitted,
Firefighter Brendan Sheehan
SAFE Coordinator

Emergency Management Report 2020

The Emergency Management Agency prepares for natural and manmade disasters. The Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) serves as the local branch of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). In March, 2003, FEMA became part of the US Department of Homeland Security.

The Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) was established by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to coordinate emergency services with various state, local, and federal agencies. During a state emergency, MEMA operates from their headquarters in Framingham, MA.

Marblehead Emergency Management works in direct collaboration and maintains active partnerships with state, local, and federal safety and emergency management agencies. This reduces vulnerability to hazards and maintains an increased capacity to prepare for and respond to potential threats.

The Marblehead Emergency Management team and several town department managers attended a public health emergency tabletop exercise on January 9, 2020. This took place at the Beverly Task Force facility. This is a training site established by FEMA in 1989. It is a specialized rescue organization of firefighters, technical rescue personnel, medical professionals, canine handlers, and engineers.

The Emergency Operation Center (EOC), is activated whenever there is an incident or risk of incident that poses a significant threat to the community. During a major disaster, emergency response recovery activities are coordinated from the town's EOC located at the police station on Gerry St. Town department managers, local and state agencies work under unified command to respond and mitigate the emergency. EOC was activated several times during the winter months as well responding to COVID-19.

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Marblehead Emergency Management received funding from the Cares Act Provider Relief Fund. This enabled management to buy shelter supplies for community and personal protective equipment for first responders.

Emergencies can happen anywhere at any time. Marblehead continues to subscribe to Code Red networks. This is an emergency notification system that allows town officials to immediately notify residents and businesses of emergency situations and important community information via telephone. By enrolling in Code Red networks, you are taking a critical step toward keeping you and your family safe. To enroll, go to www.marblehead.org, click the Code Red symbol in the lower left hand corner, and follow the prompts.

Also, to receive up to date information on Coronavirus for Massachusetts residents, you may sign up by visiting www.mass.gov/covidalerts

Emergency preparedness is the first crucial step in facing an unexpected crisis. Marblehead residents are encouraged to develop a home/family preparedness plan. To learn more about planning, please visit the Federal Emergency website: www.ready.gov

In closing, Marblehead Emergency Management would like to thank all department heads, town employees, and residents who have provided service and support.

Respectfully,
Charles Cerrutti
Emergency Management Director

FORT SEWALL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE



Fort Sewall on December 7, 2020 as captured in drone photo by

Despite the pandemic, the Fort Sewall Oversight Committee (FSOC) had a busy 2020 including:

- Removed trees damaged during storms in 2019 and milled wood into lumber to be used by local artisans to make keepsakes for benefit of Fort Sewall
- Started construction project to restore and refurbish the fort
- Continued fund raising to cover additional costs including ledge removal and comfort station renovations

FSOC is a group appointed by the Board of Selectmen whose function is to advise the board on issues related to historic Fort Sewall. The FSOC generally meets monthly on the third Friday in the Selectmen's Room at Abbot Hall (or via Zoom) at 9:30 am.

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As we approach the 100th anniversary of the return of Fort Sewall to the Town of Marblehead by the federal government in 2022, we are working to complete all the items included in the project. The target is to complete all the work in time for a Centennial Celebration planned for May 2022. Thanks to the tireless efforts of Charles Gessner and the late Judy Jacobi, we have accomplished our fundraising goals for Phase Two of the ongoing improvements. As of 12/31/2020, the Fort Sewall Donation Fund has received \$614,973 cash from 234 individuals or families, eight charitable organizations, three grants and three businesses – and including pledges over the multi-year period the amount raised is \$703,866.

With the awards of a \$150,000 Mass Cultural Council Facilities Fund grant and two Mass Historical Commission grants totaling \$60,000, the total raised is \$913,866 or 83% of the original budget! The approved Proposition 2½ override allows borrowing up to \$750,000, so over \$1.6 million is available for the preservation, renovation and maintenance of Fort Sewall. Thanks to the efforts of Judy Anderson, we received generous grants from the Massachusetts Society of Colonial Wars, the General Society of Colonial Wars and the Massachusetts Society of the Cincinnati to fund additional research on the fort and share the findings via a public presentation and interpretive signage.

The project work follows a treatment report that was prepared with a grant from the Massachusetts Historic Commission and includes replacing doors and repairing stonework on the upper redoubt, re-coating the inside brickwork, installing an accessible path to the redoubt and to both upper and lower pathways, raising of the stone dust floor in the redoubt, replacing stairs and stair railings, installing a low barrier between pathways and the steep bank, conducting a ground penetrating radar survey to determine original gun positions, completing an archeological study, and installing a replica cannon and carriage and associated earthworks with markers identifying additional gun positions. Another element is the design and implementation of a landscape plan. Once the construction work is complete, we will fund the position of “Fort Ranger” who will open the Fort and conduct tours throughout the summer months. We are also establishing a dedicated fund for extended maintenance. We also added renovations to the Comfort Station (restroom building) including repointing brickwork, a new roof, new doors and refurbishing the restrooms and extensive ledge removal to make the path to the left when entering the fort an accessible grade.

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The primary objectives of the restoration project are to:

- Address safety issues
- Increase public awareness of Fort Sewall's historic significance
- Preserve the structural integrity of the fort
- Enhance the visitor experience

The FSOC is continuing to reach out to Marblehead citizens to become donors to the Fort Sewall Donation Fund. Those that donate \$1,000 or more will be recognized on a significant plaque at Fort Sewall. The Marblehead Selectmen have created a dedicated Fort Sewall account, thus all donations are segregated and restricted to Fort Sewall use and are tax deductible to the full extent allowed by law.

Six categories are available for recognition on the plaque. The categories are: Sergeant \$1,000; Lieutenant \$2,500; Captain \$5,000; Major \$10,000; Colonel \$25,000 and General \$50,000. However, gifts of any size are most welcome – and all donors will be honored in the commemorative book and at a public ceremony. Donations by check can be made to the Selectmen's Office at Abbot Hall, 188 Washington Street, Marblehead 01945. Checks should be made payable to the Town of Marblehead and note FSDF on the memo line. *The deadline for inclusion on the plaque is 5/31/2021.*



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Please contact Larry Sands, Chairman of FSOC at lsands16@hotmail.com or via cell phone at (862) 579-7760 with any questions.

The Committee is comprised of the following members: Larry Sands – Glover’s Marblehead Regiment, Chairman; Charles Gessner – Old Marblehead Improvement Association; Ed Lang – Marblehead Disabilities Commission; Christine Nuccio – At Large Member; and Judy Anderson – At Large Member. Rebecca Cutting, Town Planner and Peter James, Recreation and Park Department are both ex-officio members.

With heavy hearts we acknowledge the passing of Judy Jacobi, a FSOC member for several years. Judy was dedicated to the Town of Marblehead and a tireless advocate for Fort Sewall and we will miss her greatly on our committee.

The committee also acknowledges the passing of long-time committee member Joyce Booth.

Please be advised that the extensive renovations in process will require that Fort Sewall remain closed to the public until Memorial Day 2021. Rest assured that the closure is necessary to ensure the safety of visitors and we are confident that the improvements will be worth this inconvenience!

Respectfully submitted,
Larry Sands, Chairman

HARBORS AND WATERS

The Harbors and Waters Board is pleased to submit its annual report for the period ending December 31, 2020.

2020 was a busy and productive season. Covid-19 regulations made some operations challenging but overall, the public, yacht clubs and services all did an amazing job complying with State mandates. We are hoping with Vaccinations and excellent personal procedures we get back to normal this coming season. Thank you to all the boaters for understanding during this difficult time.

The Harbormasters department has continued its dedication to its waters by maintaining its training and knowledge of all rules and regulations in place. Public safety is the department's first responsibility and will maintain its preparedness for any situation.

Main Harbor 2020

New permanent assignments	36
Temporary assignments	69
Approximate Main Harbor waitlist	1842
Waitlist Time	18-20 years

West Shore 2020

New permanent assignments	62
Temporary assignments	86
Approximate West Shore waitlist	246
Waitlist time	2-3 years

Under the Clean Vessel Act, the Marine Sanitation Pump out boat operated between Memorial Day and Halloween primarily Friday through Sunday and can be contacted via VHF channel 9. The self-serve dock based pump out facility continues to grow in popularity with its 24/7 access weather permitting, until the first week of November.

The Harbormaster's Patrol staff responded to various calls and rendered such aid as, towing disabled vessels, dewatering vessels, providing medical assistance, conducting search and rescue operations, investigating fuel and oil spills, maintaining public access facilities and removing any hazards to navigation.

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The Harbormaster and the Harbors and Waters Board extend its gratitude to The Board of Selectman, as well as all departments and their employees that provided service and support to the Harbormasters operations.

The Harbormaster Department along with Harbors and Waters Board would like to thank Daniel Roads for his 20+ years of service. Dan retired June of 2020. Thank you Dan for your outstanding service.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Souza
Harbormaster Town of Marblehead

Harbors and Waters Board Members

Gary Gregory- Chairman

John Doub	Jay Michaud
Kenneth Breen	Clark T. Smith

Alternate Members

Rick Cuzner

Chris Hood	Peter Dragonas
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Harbormaster Personnel

Mark Souza	Harbormaster
Craig Smith	Deputy Harbormaster
Jack Loveday	Assistant Harbormaster
Theresa Colbert Tauro	Office Manager

Seasonal Assistants

John Paine	Chad Osbourne
Matthew Thompson	Matt Mills
Sam Rizzo	Timothy Leblanc
Samuel F. Worthley	

Alternate Assistants

Allen Dennis	John Vigneron
Jeff Flynn	Felix Amsler
Dan Cahoon	Ryan Hoey

MARBLEHEAD CULTURAL COUNCIL

The Marblehead Cultural Council, appointed by the Board of Selectmen, is part of a network of 329 Local Cultural Councils (LCCs) serving all 351 cities and towns in the Commonwealth supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council. The LCC program is the largest grassroots funding network in the country which supports thousands of community-based projects in the arts, sciences and humanities every year.

In Marblehead, our LCC continues to refine its responsibilities to help residents, organizations, schools and other non-profit groups secure funding for a myriad of worthy, culturally diverse projects that promote education, excellence, and access through arts, culture, humanities, history and interpretive science. Through the Council's stated priorities, we have become more proactive in seeking out and cultivating local applicants.

The realities and limitations stemming from the COVID-19 pandemic did affect some of these scheduled events, which will be presented at a later date when conditions improve.

Marblehead Cultural Council (MCC) members for FY 2020 include Richard Burke, Jean Callahan, Beth Johnson, Christine Michelini, Kara Pugh, Elmer Smith, Howie Rosenkranz, Jacqueline Lynch, Secretary and Anthony Silva, Chair.

FY2019 began with \$4,508.14 remaining in our account for past year encumbrances. \$5,100.00 was awarded to the Marblehead Cultural Council by the Massachusetts Cultural Council for FY 2019. The Marblehead Cultural Council awarded a portion of \$6,800.00 to each of 10 grant applications as described below:

1. The Marblehead Museum received support for electronic hardware in support of its "Marblehead Memories Roadshow" multi-year effort to record and preserve town stories and history.
2. MCC again funded Mass Audubon's Ipswich River Wildlife Sanctuary naturalist who provided Marblehead residents with a 2-hour online birdwatching experience at the Marblehead Neck Bird Sanctuary. This fun, engaging program offered participants ecological insight to the importance of habitat and the birds that use them.

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3. Local producer and director John Fogle was granted partial funding for his play, "I Hate Hamlet," which was presented at Marblehead Little Theater in January.
4. Clive Higgins was provided funding for the annual Festival Chorus Concert Series at the Old North Church which involves dozens of local residents in the presentation of an online community concert held during the annual Christmas Walk.
5. Janet Schwartz was again awarded a grant for a workshop entitled "Release Your Inner Artist" at Abbot Public Library. The online drawing program helps attendees overcome the perception that they can't draw or create art.
6. The Musary received funding for its unique, free instrument lending program aimed at elementary school students and others who need the loan of instruments to begin or continue their musical education.
7. The Marblehead Arts Association was awarded a grant for a unique art program held in cooperation with the Lynch Van Otterloo YMCA. The drop-in drawing classes are aimed at those with limited mobility who are unable to climb stairs at the Arts Association.
8. Julianna Thibodeaux was granted funding for a writing workshop called "Marblehead Writes: Connecting Local Writers and Literature" at the JCC of the North Shore.
9. Local photographer Rick Ashley received funding for his exhibit called, "Out of the Ashes: Marblehead Portraits (1990-1996)" successfully held at the Marblehead Museum.
10. Photographer Mark Chester received funding for his American Diversity Project called: "A Multi-Cultural Landscape: Photos of New England" which was held in January at the Abbot Public Library. This was his last exhibition before the pandemic forced cancellation of many events.
11. Author Anne Marilyn Lucas was awarded funding to develop her production, "Recovery: a play about addiction." "Recovery" completed a sold-out run at Marblehead Little Theater and this funding was intended to help fund future productions, which have now been delayed until 2021.

Council members have produced three Information Sheets explaining our operation, grant program and process, and the more than 15 other state grant

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programs we represent. The Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency, which provides funding for the Marblehead Cultural Council, also supported Marblehead in other ways. The Massachusetts Cultural Council provided a \$150,000 grant to the Fort Sewall Restoration Project as well as multiple grants for the Marblehead Little Theater's building rehabilitation.

The MCC also refined new programming priorities focusing on local artists, locally-produced community events, cultural programs, public performances, arts in schools as well as historical, environmental and science education. Grants can also be used to support exhibits, festivals, field trips, short-term artist residencies, workshops and lectures. For further information, go to www.mass-culture.com/Marblehead

The council continues to accept local, public input and adjust new guidelines on its mission to encourage, support and develop local art, culture and science projects within our community.

Respectfully submitted,
Anthony Silva, Chair



MARBLEHEAD FAIR HOUSING COMMITTEE

This Committee was created in 1983 by the Board of Selectmen in response to the need for affordable housing in Marblehead and statewide. Our mandate is to seek out, develop, encourage, educate about and make available housing that meets Federal and/or State standards as “affordable.” Veterans and town employees are given first consideration for available affordable housing and diversity among residents is a major value.

“Affordable” is different from the subsidized housing that is under the purview of the Housing Authority. Eligibility is set in standards published by HUD and updated annually.

Accomplishments in 2020:

Completion of the Housing Production Plan (HPP) study conducted through a grant from MAPC (Metropolitan Area Planning Council). Some of the findings of this study are worth summarizing here: 1/3 of the households in Marblehead are low income and the population is ageing. About 1300 seniors living alone earn less than \$60,000 a year and 30% of those under \$40,000. So, all of these residents are paying more than 1/3 of their income for housing. The median cost of a single-family home is \$645,000 and a condo is \$342,500. This is way beyond the affordability for our teachers and town employees, much less those who clean our homes and work in our restaurants.

A highlight was the October public forum whose purpose was to inform and invite input on possible solutions and a pathway forward for creating more affordable housing in Marblehead.

As a result of the HPP study, a new Housing Production Plan Implementation Committee is being formed to address the shortage of affordable housing. The Fair Housing Committee will be well represented and will assist in the work ahead.

Harborlight Community Partners based in Beverly manages the 4-unit Sewall Building that are affordable rentals. They will partner with us in future projects, as recommended by the HPP study.

Affordable Housing Trust Fund: There is now money in the Trust, thanks to the recent agreement that 10% of the sale of any foreclosures will go into that fund. The completed sale of the Gerry School also contributes 10%. The monies will be used in the future creation of affordable housing.

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Affordable housing is a key component of increasing diversity in all sectors of the town. In that regard, the Fair Housing Committee had a booth at the recent Racial Justice Fair hosted by the Marblehead Racial Justice Team. It turned out to be a fine public relations event for us.

We are delighted to have Dirk Isbrandtsen back with us. He was Chair of Fair Housing for many years and has agreed to co-chair with Debra Larkin.

Respectfully submitted,

Mimi Hollister, Scribe

Members

Frank Evans	Debra Larkin
Mimi Hollister	Teri McDonough
Dirk Isbrandtsen	Karl Renney
Kurt James	John Whipple

MARBLEHEAD HISTORICAL COMMISSION

We live in a unique and historic town – its places, structures, people and stories tell the history of New England in a microcosm. The Historical Commission’s mission is to identify, preserve and protect Marblehead’s historical assets – its places, artifacts and stories, while making these accessible to all. We want to educate the public about and publicize Marblehead’s proud history, working together with other organizations to help achieve our mission.

The Commission has spaces in Abbot Hall to display and store historic artifacts, maintain a Maritime Museum, a Sign Museum, a gift shop and office space for research and cataloging items in the collection.

The Gift Shop, staffed by volunteers, is managed by Gail Gray. The Gift Shop is normally open as volunteers are available during the tourist season from late May through late December. The Maritime Museum is also staffed by volunteer docents during the season. The Maritime Museum is open year round when Abbot Hall is open.

The Commission’s operations in 2020 were significantly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and Abbot Hall’s renovations. The office was closed and temporarily moved to the Maritime Museum due to Abbot Hall’s renovations. Subsequently, the office largely shut down as a result of the pandemic. The Maritime Museum was unable to open due to its use as temporary office space. The Gift Shop was also unable to open this year due to the room being impacted by building renovations and then by the pandemic. Our planned second exhibit of Marblehead’s history – *Mapping Marblehead – the 19th Century*, planned for the summer of 2020 was postponed until 2021 due to pandemic concerns.

Following are the Historical Commission highlights of 2020:

- Ed Nilsson, Peter Stacey and Chris Johnston were reappointed by the Selectmen to three-year terms as Commissioners.
- The Commission appointed two Associate Commissioners, Pat Franklin and Gail Gray, to one-year terms.
- A FY2019 Survey and Planning matching grant project from the Massachusetts Historical Commission for a Historic Properties Inventory – Clifton Heights Neighborhood was completed, ably led by Pat Franklin.

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- The Commission was awarded a Massachusetts Historical Commission FY2020 Survey and Planning matching grant to conduct a Marblehead Neck District historic properties survey. The Commission has hired a consultant to conduct this project, with completion expected in 2021.
- The Commission's grant pre-application was approved by the Massachusetts Historical Commission for a FY2021 Marblehead Historic Properties Inventory – Peach's Point, Naugus Head, West Shore and Preston Beach Neighborhoods, the next priority of our Marblehead Historic Preservation Survey Master Plan. A full grant application will be submitted in Feb. 2021.
- Cataloging work, led by Collections Manager Peter Stacey with assistance from volunteers Pat Magee and Carol Fullerton, continued on a number of newly received gifts, including items from the estate of Judy Jacobi. Cataloging work also continued on a trove of over 50,000 historic Town documents. We also responded to many research requests throughout the year.
- The Commission provided positions for two Senior Tax Work-off program participants in the office. While we had hoped to provide additional positions in the Gift Shop and Maritime Museum, this was prevented by the pandemic. The work these people perform is extremely valuable to the Commission.
- The Commission received a Shattuck Fund grant to create the second of an anticipated three exhibits which will become the permanent Museum of Marblehead History. The exhibit, tentatively titled "Mapping Marblehead – Faces of the 19th Century" will tell the story of Marblehead's history in the 1800's. The exhibit is being created by Commissioners David Krathwohl, Pam Peterson and Ed Nilsson, together with designer Helen Riegle. Originally planned for the summer of 2020, the exhibit is now expected to open in the summer of 2021.
- The Commission received a Shattuck Fund grant to create the third of an anticipated three exhibits of Marblehead History. Design work on this exhibit will begin in 2021, with the exhibit expected to open in the summer of 2022.
- Work was completed on restoration of the Town-owned Ten Footer at the base of Fountain Park. Installation of a shoe-making museum in the Ten-Footer will follow additional landscaping work. This project is led by Town Planner, Rebecca Cutting, with assistance from Commissioner Pam Peterson and funded by a Shattuck Fund grant.
- The Commission published book, *Marblehead Light: The Story of a New England Icon*, by Bill Conly, continued to be available at local and on-line outlets. All proceeds from book sales go to the Commission.

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- The Commission continued work on a second book by Bill Conly, about the history of Marblehead Harbor, wharfs, ferries and other related topics. This project is funded by a Shattuck Fund grant.
- Work on a Town-wide Archival Facility planning project led by the Selectmen appointed Archives Advisory Committee was significantly slowed by the pandemic. It is expected that architectural studies of the Mary Alley Office Building basement, the preferred location for the Facility, will be initiated in 2021.
- The Commission project to restore Dr. Perley Sanborn's sleigh, led by Commissioner Pam Peterson, has received a generous gift from descendants of Dr. Sanborn toward the restoration as well as a significant Shattuck fund grant. The sleigh, badly in need of restoration, is part of Abbot Hall's annual Holiday display. Restoration work is expected to start in 2021 and be completed in time for the 2021 Holiday display.
- The Commission received a commitment from the Harvard Museums to donate a display case to rehouse the Marblehead Bicentennial Quilt, which is displayed in the auditorium of Abbot Hall. This is expected to happen in 2021.
- The Commission is working with the Marblehead Racial Justice Team to create a display in the Selectmen's Room on the history of slavery in Marblehead. It is expected that the display will be ready in 2021.
- The Commission maintained its improved and updated web site which includes substantial Town and Commission information. The effect of Abbot Hall construction and the coronavirus pandemic on Commission offices and museums was continually updated on the website. Access the website at www.marbleheadhistory.org.
- The Commission began work to refurbish its offices and storage spaces in Abbot Hall as part of the Abbot Hall renovation project. This work is expected to be completed in 2021.

Our organization is composed entirely of volunteers: Peter Stacey, Pat Magee, Kathy Krathwohl, Carol Fullerton, Pat Franklin, David Krathwohl, Pam Peterson, Dotty Giles, Chris Johnston, Gail Gray and the many Gift Shop volunteers and Maritime Museum docents. We mourn the passing of Eleanor Rhoades, a long time volunteer archivist and Commission secretary, and Hooper Cutler who delighted Abbot Hall visitors with his love of Marblehead and stories while working as a docent.

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Respectfully submitted,
Chris Johnston, Chairman

Commissioners

Harry Christensen
William E. Conly, Vice Chairman
David Krathwohl
Edward Nilsson
Pam Peterson
Peter Stacey, Collections Manager

Associate Commissioners

Gail Gray
Pat Franklin

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MARBLEHEAD HOUSING AUTHORITY

The Marblehead Housing Authority is pleased to submit our annual report for the year ending December 31, 2020.

The Marblehead Housing Authority was established in 1948 to provide decent, safe and sanitary housing for those of low income, including the elderly, families, and those with disabilities.

For more than 70 years, the Marblehead Housing Authority has carried out this mission, and provided affordable housing to some of the community's most vulnerable seniors and families.

In 2020, more than 500 persons relied on the MHA for the place they called home.

The MHA manages 3 housing programs and maintains 307 units of housing located at eight sites.

The developments are of various ages, sizes, and configurations, and are as follows:

	1 bedroom	2 bedroom	3 bedroom	Total
Family Housing:				
Barnard Hawkes Ct.	N/A	12	10	22
Broughton Road	N/A	33	21	54
New Broughton Road	N/A	4	4	8
Elderly Housing				
Powder House Court	38	N/A	N/A	38
Green Street Court	32	N/A	N/A	32
Farrell Court	64	N/A	N/A	64
New Farrell Court	48	N/A	N/A	48
Roads School	41	N/A	N/A	41
TOTAL	223	49	35	307

The Marblehead Housing Authority is “a public body politic and corporate” authorized by State Law and regulated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD).

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The Board of Commissioners consists of four members elected by the Town, and one member appointed by the Governor. All members of the Board serve a 5-year term.

The Board usually meets on the third Tuesday of each month at the community room located at the Roads School, 26 Rowland Street, and conducts its Annual Meeting and election of officers every June. However, due to the Covid-19 Virus Emergency declared by Gov. Baker, the MHA Board has been meeting virtually since early 2020.

At the Annual Meeting held in June, Joan Cutler was re-elected Chairperson, Patricia Roberts was re-elected Vice Chair, Jean R. Eldridge was re-elected Treasurer and Martha Walton was elected Assistant Treasurer. The fifth member of the Board is Pamela Foye.

The Board of Commissioners is responsible for establishing policy and approving and monitoring the MHA's annual budget. The MHA Board has established policies and procedures in accordance with the state regulations under which the Authority operates, and monitors the operations of the Authority on a regular basis.

Administration:

The Board contracts with an Executive Director who is responsible for the day-to-day management and operations of the agency and its personnel.

MHA is eligible for subsidy under its contributions contract with DHCD. The Covid-19 Virus Emergency has hurt many tenants' ability to work, earn and pay rent. Therefore, the Authority does receive a subsidy from the state, which helps pay for maintenance of aging buildings.

The Marblehead Housing Authority receives no funding from the Town of Marblehead.

Summary of Activities and Accomplishments:

Our accomplishments over the past year are highlighted by nearly \$500,000.00 in capital improvement projects. Major projects that were completed at our elderly and family housing developments:

Powder House Court: ADA Compliant Wheelchair access ramps and automated door openers.

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Barnard Hawkes Court: Completed Installation of insulation,
Roads School: Elevator upgrades.
Green Street Court: Roof Replacements
Farrell Court: Emergency Heat Pipe Replacement
New Broughton Road: Exterior Lighting project
Broughton Road: Sewer system upgrades
Asbestos abatement at various sites to facilitate telecommunications upgrades to fiber optics in units.

Several smaller projects were also completed, including masonry repairs at Roads School; tree removal at Broughton Road; heating repairs, flooring and cabinet replacement, hot water heater replacement, replacement of all smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors, appliance replacement throughout the developments, and parking lot Line striping and ADA compliant handicap insignias at elderly developments.

Many of these capital improvement projects were funded through the State Department of Housing & Community Development's Formula Funding Program, in conjunction with the MHA's Capital Improvement Plan, a long-term comprehensive capital planning system designed to address the MHA's most pressing capital needs.

Other smaller projects were funded through the Authority's Operating Budget and Operating Reserve.

All of these projects required the dedicated effort of both the management and maintenance staff, in addition to the support of our Board of Commissioners.

General:

While the Covid-19 Virus Emergency declared by Gov. Baker presented challenges in 2020, the Authority completed almost 100% of its annual unit inspections by the end of the year.

The MHA maintained nearly 99% rent collection throughout the year.

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The State Annual Agreed Upon Procedures (AUP) Audit and review of the Authorities financial records was conducted, also.

PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

Eligibility

In order to determine eligibility for public housing, anyone wishing to apply for housing must submit an application and supporting documentation. The MHA conducts a review of income and assets to determine preliminary eligibility.

The Net Income Limits for determining eligibility for state-aided housing are as follows:

No. in Household:		Net Income Limit:
1	person	\$56,600
2	people	\$64,900
3	people	\$73,000
4	people	\$81,100
5	people	\$87,600
6	people	\$94,600
7	people	\$100,600
8	people	\$107,100

Local preference is given to eligible applicants who provide sufficient documentation they live or work in the Town of Marblehead.

Veteran's Preference is given to family housing and to elderly applicants.

Applications / Occupancy Statistics

All eligible applicants are screened to determine whether or not they are qualified for public housing. This includes a criminal record check, landlord history, and credit report.

There are 191 people living in elderly housing developments, including 129 women and 62 men.

The average age of a resident in our elderly housing program is 73 years. There are 13 residents over the age of 90, including 3 residents age 95 or older.

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Our oldest resident is 97 years old.

The average length of tenancy in our elderly housing program is 8 years.

The percentage of minority households in our elderly housing programs was 6%.

There were 17 vacancies in elderly housing in 2020.

As of year-end, there were 4,768 families on the two and three-bedroom waiting lists. There were 1,037 persons on the elderly / young disabled wait list. This exponential increase is due to the implementation of the state's CHAMP on-line program.

There are 257 people living in our family housing developments, including 120 children under the age of 18 years.

As of 12/31/20, there were 64 female head of household, and 22 male head of household in family housing, and 13 two-parent households.

The average length of tenancy in our family housing program is 7 years.

The longest length of tenancy is 39 years.

As of year-end, there were 45% minority households living in family housing.

During 2020, there were 8 vacancies in our family housing program.

Rent

Rent for public housing residents is based on household income.

Residents of elderly housing pay 30% of their adjusted gross income for rent, which includes heat, hot water, electricity and gas. Residents of elderly housing have on-site laundry facilities at each complex. All residents have 24-hour on-call maintenance. The average rent paid this year by an elderly resident was \$416.00. The lowest rent paid by a senior was \$5.00 and the highest rent paid was \$1,288.00.

Family residents pay 27% of their adjusted income for rent, and pay for their own utilities. Family residents are also given an annual heat allowance of \$500.00 (two-bedroom unit) or \$600.00 (three-bedroom unit). Family housing

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residents also have 24-hour on-call maintenance. The average rent paid by a family this year was \$569.00. The lowest rent paid by a family was \$5.00 and the highest rent paid was \$1,794.00.

State Regulations require the Authority to process an annual Rent Recertification of every household, to determine continued eligibility. In addition, the Authority is required to recertify rent any time there is a change in household income. In 2020, the Authority processed 503 rent re-certifications, including 296 annual re-certifications and 207 interim rent changes.

Maintenance

The Maintenance Department is responsible for the upkeep of all properties, including work orders, vacancy preparation, grounds work, snow removal, system inspections, custodial work and record-keeping. In 2020, the maintenance staff completed 1,731 work orders, including resident requests, emergency work, inspection findings and site work. The Department also performed the turn-over work necessary in 29 vacant units (18 elderly, and 11 family units).

There were 397-unit inspections completed this year. These included an annual inspection of every apartment, move-in inspections, move-out inspections, interim inspections, and new resident follow-up inspections. The interim inspections were scheduled with follow-up inspections to ensure safety and ongoing lifestyle improvement for our residents. Many Regular inspections of the property grounds and building exteriors are done to maintain the curb appeal of the property, and to immediately address any safety concerns.

Staff Development / Employee Training

The Authority recognizes the importance of providing staff the opportunity for training and professional development, particularly given new State guidelines and initiatives.

In 2020, staff attended more than twenty virtual trainings and workshops, as well as 2 conferences.

The Executive Director attended the virtual Fall Mass NAHRO Conferences, including sessions on Centralized Wait List (CHAMP), Procurement/Capitalization, Workers Compensation Claims, Rent Calculations, Resident Service Coordinators, Annual Plans, Professional Relationships, Legal Development, and Personnel Issues and Policies.

Services to Residents

Resident Service Coordination: Through its Resident Service Coordination Program, the Authority continued to identify residents that may need assistance, and link those residents to the community resources that will enable them to live independently and safely.

This year, more than 300 referrals for services were made, the majority of which came from the MHA and the Marblehead Council on Aging.

The Resident Service Coordinator referred MHA residents for services to the following agencies/organizations: North Shore Elder Services, the Marblehead COA, SNAP, the local Food Pantry and free holiday meals, North Shore Physicians' Group Primary Care Physicians and social work department, Northeast Legal Aid and Northeast Justice Center, SHINE (health insurance counselling) Social Security, North Shore Center for Hoarding and Clutter, and local philanthropic organizations for financial assistance. Additionally, several individuals were referred to the Marblehead Veterans' Services Agent, Lifeline for assistance. The generous support of the Female Humane Society, Making Ends Meet, North Shore Hearing Foundation and the Massachusetts Coalition for the Homeless assisted many residents in their time of need this year.

In addition, MHA staff made over two hundred referrals for family housing residents. Many of these families face challenges resulting from Covid-19, domestic violence, job loss, health concerns, financial problems, and parenting issues. In 2020, several residents of the MHA family housing program were referred to organizations designed to assist them with financial assistance, mediation, parenting issues, counselling services and legal advocacy.

The RSC served 98 households, totaling 149 residents. Sixty-two were senior tenants and eighty-seven were family tenants. Forty-two tenants' residencies were preserved thanks to the intervention of the RSC.

Each month, the MHA distributes a **monthly newsletter** to all 307 households to provide news and information on policies, job opportunities, programs and activities.

As an essential part of the Authority's leasing procedures, "**Making the Connection**" is designed to acquaint all new residents with the MHA's policies and procedures; resident's rights, responsibilities and obligations; rent collection policy and any other policy that affects occupancy. In addition, new residents

are provided with a packet of information outlining the services available to them and the local agencies and community programs that may be of assistance to them.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

The Authority continued our partnership with many local agencies and community organizations to maximize community resources for our elderly residents through the **Marblehead Providers Group**, and continued to meet each month to share information on programs and services, collaborate, and outreach.

The Authority sponsored monthly **wellness clinics** conducted by the Marblehead/Swampscott VNA at all of our community rooms, affording residents an opportunity to have their blood pressure checked on a regular basis, discuss medical conditions and have questions answered.

The Housing Authority wishes to thank its dedicated staff for all of their hard work during the past year: Housing Manager Emily LaMacchia, Clerk / Receptionist Jean Bouchard, Resident Service Coordinator Teri McDonough, Administrative Assistant & Bookkeeper Nachelis Cuevas, Maintenance Foreman / Licensed Plumber Thomas (TJ) Russell, and maintenance staff members Stephen Abramo, Robert Ridge, Brian Sauvageau and Tim Collins.

We value the partnership, co-operation and support from the town, community groups, public agencies, private groups and the residents of Marblehead in our efforts to provide safe, affordable housing for the tenants of the MHA.

The MHA wishes to express its sincere appreciation for the outstanding cooperation of the town departments and the people of Marblehead who supported and assisted us in our efforts to provide quality affordable housing for the residents.

Respectfully submitted,
Frank O'Connor, Jr., Executive Director

Board of Commissioners:

Joan Cutler, Chair
Patricia Roberts, Vice Chair
Jean R. Eldridge, Treasurer
Martha H. Walton, Asst. Treasurer (State Appointee)
Pamela Foye

MARBLEHEAD MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT

To the citizens of Marblehead,

The Marblehead Municipal Light Department (MMLD) is pleased to share its 126th annual report and financial statements for the calendar year ending December 31, 2020.

Top-line Results:

In 2020 MMLD delivered 100,625 megawatt-hours (MWh) of electricity to 10,290 Marblehead customers (meters), generating revenue of \$17,433,321. The 2020 annual load is a 1.0% increase from the 2019 load of 99,658 MWh and a 1.9% decline from the prior five-year (2015-19) average of 102,610 MWh. The 2020 annual power sales revenue is a 3.1% increase versus the 2019 revenue of \$16,905,077, and a 4.8% increase from the prior five-year (2015-19) average of \$16,627,380. The months with the greatest year-on-year increases in power usage were June, with a 7% increase and August with a 10% increase.

The 2019-20 Marblehead winter peak load of 20.4 MW occurred on December 17, 2019 between 6-7 p.m. The 2019-20 winter peak load was 9.3% lower than the 2018-19 winter peak load of 22.5 MW. The 2020 Marblehead summer peak load of 31.9 MW occurred on July 28, between 4-5 p.m. The 2020 Marblehead summer peak load was 4.2% higher than the 2019 summer peak load of 30.6 MW.

Our customers' monthly demand for electric power exceeded 10,000 MWh twice in 2020: the 12,100 MWh in July 2020 was flat versus July 2019, while the 11,000 MWh in August was 6.9% higher than the 10,300 MWh in August 2019.

The ISO-NE 2020 system peak demand of 24,763 MW occurred on July 27th, from 5-6 p.m. Marblehead's demand at that hour was 31.6 MW.

2020 Weather Conditions & Impacts on Electric Power Distribution

ISO-NE Report: New England weather remains a primary driver of the demand for electricity in New England. The weather of winter 2019-20 was mild compared to previous years. Temperatures in the 2019-20 winter months of December, January and February, were 4.3 degrees higher than average, with minimal periods of extremely cold weather in the region. The overall winter season demand and winter season peak demand were lower than the winter of 2018-19. The mild weather led to lower overall electricity use in New England during the winter. Total electricity use by the region in winter 2019-20, was down 2.1% from the previous year.

The 2019-2020 winter peak for ISO New England was 20,599 megawatts (MW) on December 19, 2019. Marblehead Municipal Light Department's peak load on that day was 20.4 MW, down slightly from the previous winter's peak load of 22.0 MW.

The summer saw warmer weather in 2020, along with a slight increase in consumer demand for electricity. There were 370 cooling degree days* in New England during the summer of 2020, a 23 percent increase over the summer of 2019.

Electric energy usage in the 2020 summer season (June, July and August) was 33,550 gigawatt-hours, a 1.5 percent increase over summer season of 2019. In the spring months of 2020 there was less overall electric energy usage. The Covid-19 pandemic changed the demand for electricity in the summer, especially during very hot periods. Under hot, humid weather conditions, more electricity was used during the pandemic summer months versus history, with the increase attributed to more air conditioning units being run for more hours, while people worked and self-quarantined at home.

* A degree day is a measure of heating or cooling. A zero degree day occurs when no heating or cooling is required. When temperatures drop, more heating days are recorded; when temperatures rise, more cooling days are recorded. The base point for measuring degree days is 65 degrees. Each degree of a day's mean temperature that's above 65 degrees is counted as one cooling degree day, while each degree of a day's mean temperature that's below 65 degrees is counted as one heating degree day. A day's mean temperature of 90 degrees equals 25 cooling degree days, while a day's mean temperature of 45 degrees equals 20 heating degree days.

Marblehead Specific: Marblehead was fortunate with regard to the 2020 weather conditions. Marblehead experienced no extreme weather events in 2020, compared to two extreme weather events in 2019 and two in 2018.

2020 The Changing Fuel Mix of our Electric Power Supply

With the growing awareness and concern regarding the impacts of climate change, MMLD: (1) continuously reviews our wholesale electric power sources, and (2) evaluates new options for cost-effective increases to our carbon-free generation. In November 2020 MMLD announced a new carbon-free energy supply agreement with Hydro-Québec (HQ), a Canadian public utility. The agreement provides Marblehead customers with 0.75 megawatts (MW) of firm hydropower that will deliver 6,570 megawatt hours of energy per year. The

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agreement represents the third or fourth largest carbon-free supply agreement in the MMLD portfolio, when compared to our 2019 & 2020 carbon-free energy sources:

Generator	2019 Actual Energy (MWh)	2020 Actual Power (MWh)	Generator Type
Seabrook	21,522	13,934	Nuclear
New York Power Authority	9,467	10,123	Hydroelectric
<i>Hydro-Quebec</i>	<i>6,570 (in 2021)</i>	<i>6,570 (in 2021)</i>	Hydroelectric
Millstone Point	6,305	13,934	Nuclear
Berkshire Wind	3,070	4,880	Wind

On a full-year basis the Hydro-Quebec agreement is expected to represent 6 % of the 2021 MMLD portfolio. The favorable energy pricing is an excellent step forward in the department’s strategy to “Go Green without Going in the Red.”

As of March 2021, a new comprehensive Climate Bill for Massachusetts, “An Act Creating a Next-Generation Roadmap for Massachusetts Climate Policy”, was overwhelmingly approved in the state Senate and House, and now awaits the Governor’s signature. The bill includes specific provisions for municipal light plant (MLP) communities, as Marblehead. In 2019 the Municipal Electric Association of Massachusetts (MEAM) assisted in drafting the MLP provisions in the bill, with the support and endorsement of the MMLD Board and GM Joe Kowalik. The bill establishes specific greenhouse gas emissions standards on the electricity MLPs will sell to retail end-user customers. The minimum standards are: 50% non-carbon emitting energy by 2030, 75% by 2040, and net-zero emissions by 2050. To qualify, the renewable energy certificates (RECs) associated with the generation must be retired (held), not sold. Qualifying non-carbon emitting energy sources include (1) solar photovoltaic (PV); (2) solar thermal electric; (3) hydroelectric, including energy imported to the ISO-NE grid from NY and Canada; (4) nuclear; (5) marine or hydrokinetic energy; (6) geothermal energy; (7) landfill methane; (8) anaerobic digester gas; (9) wind energy; and (10) any other generation recognized by Mass DEP as qualifying for renewable portfolio standards. To meet the standards MLPs may also purchase qualifying New England-based RECs without energy.

When applying the proposed standards to 2020 retail sales MMLD is currently 38% non-carbon emitting. In 2020 MMLD sold the Berkshire RECs we generated, which represents an additional 5% of our retail sales. In only two months, November and December, Hydro-Quebec sourced energy represents 1%. New power portfolio updates will be posted on our website <https://www.marbleheadelectric.com>

2020 Department Actions and Initiatives

- In January, the MMLD Board voted to transfer \$22,294 to the Town's Strategic Electrification fund to enable the Town to purchase a new electric vehicle (EV): a 2019 Chevy Bolt, for the Town Building Department.
- In January, MMLD met for the first time with members of Raymond Design Associates, Inc. (RDA), the architectural firm designing the new elementary school in Marblehead. In addition to reviewing power requirements for the new school, MMLD's involvement included NREL guidance on the building roof design to enable the future installation of solar PV arrays on the roof and the siting and installation of level 2 electric vehicle (EV) chargers in the school parking lot.
- In March, the Department took delivery of a 2020 Freightliner M2 106 medium duty truck chassis with a 45' Terex Telect side-by-side boom bucket, to replace a 10 year-old bucket truck in need of replacement. The purchase price was \$220,645. The truck is vehicle number 34 in the department vehicle fleet.
- In March, the MMLD Board voted to approve the spending of \$2,066,541 from the MMLD Plant & Equipment Depreciation cash fund for new transformer and switchgear equipment at the Village 13 substation, the main substation in Marblehead. MMLD delayed the purchase in 2020 while the Department and the South Essex Sewer District (SESD) determine a safe means to deliver the ~85,000 pound substation equipment over the railroad-utility right-of-way that also contains the town's force sewer main pipe responsible for the daily pumping of much of the town's sewage to the SESD plant in Salem.
- In April, the MMLD Board voted to approve a \$330,000 payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT payment) to the Town of Marblehead.
- In April, MMLD joined the National Community Solar Partnership-Municipal Utility Collaborative, sponsored by the US Dept. of Energy, to learn national best practices in the creating and adopting of community solar programs in Marblehead.
- In May, the National Renewable Energy Lab (NREL), presented their analysis to the MMLD Board, that identified the most feasible sites for installing municipal-scale solar PV arrays to generate renewable energy in

Marblehead, based on overall project risks and costs (levelized cost of energy). The roofs of four Marblehead public schools, Marblehead High School, Village School, Veterans Middle School and new elementary school under construction were identified as the most attractive building sites. The Marblehead open space sites visited were determined to be less desirable, due to the higher site prep expense involved, and need to remove vegetation at the sites. Given the higher estimated solar PV-generated energy cost of ~\$0.08/kWh, versus the current average MMLD portfolio energy cost of ~\$0.04/kWh, MMLD began evaluating the introduction of a new electric power rate for community solar-generated electrical power.

- In parallel with the NREL study, MMLD's wholesale power partner, MMWEC, analyzed the potential for a utility-scale battery electric storage system at the Village 13 substation. The analysis concluded the economic viability of such a project, by providing a systematic way to reduce the towns peak load energy demand, thus reducing both capacity and transmission costs in future years. Such an addition is now included in Village 13 upgrade plans.
- In June, Marblehead voters elected Lisa Wolf to a three-year term as an MMLD Board member.
- In July Substation Senior Operations Specialist Jack Ravagno oversaw the purchase and installation of two Mitsubishi P-Series 36K BTU Ductless Heat Pump air conditioners in the switchgear room at the Commercial Street substation, at a price of \$17,719.
- In September, MMLD, the Town Public Works Dept., and EV charger installation vendor Voltrek, Methuen, MA began the site prep for the two public charging locations in Marblehead: the Mary Alley Building parking lot at Widger Road and the Round House Road parking lot at Anderson St. The final design includes two dual-head Level 2 chargers to be installed at each location. When completed each site will be capable of charging four EV at once, and be expandable to ten vehicles in the future.
- In October MMWEC disclosed MMLD was participating in a five-year hydropower purchase agreement with Hydro-Quebec for 0.75 MW of firm hydropower at \$0.0385/kWh. MMWEC and MMLD estimate the new agreement will represent 6.2% of MMLD's annual power demand.
- In October MMLD announced the creation of the *Neighbors Helping Neighbors* Program, to provide support to MMLD customers in need with grants of up to \$300 or two months of electric bill payments. The North Shore Community Action Program (NSCAP), a long-standing North Shore social services agency, administers the program for MMLD. Customers can apply for assistance by calling our customer service line at 781-631-5600, or visit our website at <https://www.marbleheadelectric.com/neighbors->

[helping-neighbors.html](https://www.marbleheadelectric.com/helping-neighbors.html). Customers who wish to help a neighbor can call our customer service line, 781-631-5600, for details on making a tax-deductible contribution.

- In December MMLD ordered new poles and luminaires to replace the nine light poles on the Causeway. Delivery is expected in the spring of 2021.
- In December, at a joint meeting of the Town Selectmen and MMLD Board Nathanael A. Burke was elected to the MMLD Board. He filled an open position created by the resignation of Michael Maccario.
- Preventive maintenance and troubleshooting of our distribution system by MMLD line crews is a year-round responsibility. In 2020, 57 new utility poles were set, down from the 68 new poles set in 2019, but an increase from the 23 new poles set in 2018. Of the 57 utility poles set in 2020, 44 were preventive maintenance replacements, three were storm damage related, five were required in response to equipment upgrades made on the poles, and four were utility poles set in new locations.
- In 2020 seven residential customers added solar PV arrays to the roofs of their homes, bringing the total number of residential and commercial customers with solar PV to 57. The combined solar PV array nameplate capacity of the 57 installations is 459 kW an increase of 8% from 425kW in 2019. The 2020 renewable energy MMLD purchased from these customers was 256 MWh, a 33.3% increase from 192 MWh in 2019.
- In 2020 13 Marblehead EV owners received a FREE residential ChargePoint Level 2 charger from MMLD by enrolling in our Smart Charging Program. The 13 2020 participants represents an increase from five in 2019, five in 2018 and three in 2017, for a total enrollment of 26. However 26 is only 24% of the 109 Marblehead EV owners registered in the Mass Offers Rebates for Electric Vehicles (MOR-EV) program, as of March 2021. If you are a Marblehead EV owner, learn how you can get a FREE ChargePoint Level 2 charger. Visit <https://www.marbleheadelectric.com/ev-vehicles-chargers.html>
- Under the guidance of Lead Customer Services Rep. Megan Milan, MMLD participates in the MMWEC-sponsored Home Energy Loss Prevention Services (HELPS) Program. In 2020, 40 homeowners received free HELPS home energy efficiency audits. HELPS also provides Marblehead residents with cash rebates of up to \$500 on the purchase of a variety of energy efficient appliances, heat pumps, smart thermostats and home efficiency upgrades. In 2020 more than \$41,700 was paid to 99 MMLD customers eligible for HELPS and Solar PV rebates.
- For details visit: <https://www.marbleheadelectric.com/rebates-incentives.html>

MMLD Employee Recognition

MMLD's most important asset is our highly skilled workforce. The focus and dedication of our employees is essential to our mission to deliver reliable, cost competitive and environmentally responsible electric power to Marblehead customers, while ensuring a safe and healthy work environment for employees and customers alike.

We're pleased to recognize the following MMLD employees in 2020:

- Business Assistant Cheryl Stone celebrated her 20-year anniversary at MMLD;
- Substation Senior Operations Specialist Jack Ravagno, Working Foreman Greg Chane and Lead Lineman Kerry Homan celebrated 15-year anniversaries at MMLD;
- Lead Lineman Kirk Blaisdell celebrated his 10-year anniversary at MMLD
- Finance Manager Matt Barrett celebrated his 5-year anniversary at MMLD.
- We also congratulate Matt Barrett on his promotion to Business Manager, from Finance Assistant.
- We say goodbye to former Business Manager Mark Dugan who retired in 2020, after 34 years as an MMLD employee. At the time of his retirement Mark was the longest serving employee in the department. We wish him well in his retirement.

The Board and Department also wish to recognize and thank Mike Tumulty for his six years of leadership and service and Mike Maccario for his five years of leadership and service as MMLD Board members. We wish them well in their future endeavors.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph T. Kowalik, General Manager
Michael A. Hull, Commission Chairman
Walter E. Homan, Commissioner
Karl A. Johnson, Commissioner
Lisa Wolf, Commissioner
Nathanael A. Burke, Commissioner

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MMLD Balance Sheet

For the year ending December 31, 2020

Assets		
Plant Investments		\$ 17,825,376.74
Current Assets:		
Cash - Operating	5,208,150.18	
Petty Cash	500.00	
Construction	18,908.88	
Accounts Receivable	3,018,660.92	
Interest Receivable	-	
Materials & Supplies	<u>164,558.23</u>	
Total Current Assets		\$ 8,410,778.21
Depreciation Fund		8,085,152.70
Insurance Escrow Account		995,676.31
Hydro Savings Reserve		42,108.77
MMWEC - NEPEX Reserve Trust		540,437.74
Rate Stabilization Reserve		900,000.00
Consumer Deposits		221,606.50
Prepayments		1,469,688.84
Pooled Financing Reserve-MMWEC		530,231.19
MMWEC 2015A Peabody Project		379,435.47
Deferred Outflows-Pensions		1,132,563.00
Deferred Outflows-Opeb		<u>569,808.00</u>
Total Assets		<u><u>\$ 41,102,863.47</u></u>

Liabilities And Surplus

Accounts Payable:		
Depreciation	\$ 6,326.40	
Operating	1,602,402.15	
Construction	-	
Consumer Deposits	<u>1,700.00</u>	
Total Accounts Payable		\$ 1,610,428.55
Consumer Deposits		219,906.50
Bonds Payable		4,580,756.68
Accumulated Provision For Rate Stabilization		900,000.00
Reserve-MMWEC Reserve Trust		540,437.74
Net Pension Liability		6,799,029.00
Deferred Inflows-Pensions		816,538.00
Deferred Inflows-Opeb		2,671,482.00
Reserve for Uncollectible Accounts		434,805.14
Reserve for Future Compensated Absences		106,108.07
Opeb Liability		6,233,513.00
Contribution In Aid For Construction		197,616.39
Unappropriated Earned Surplus		<u>15,992,242.40</u>
Total Liabilities And Surplus		<u><u>\$ 41,102,863.47</u></u>

NOTE: The Marblehead Municipal Light Department's financials are based on a calendar year and are subject to an independent audit by Goulet, Salvadio & Associates P.C. of Worcester, MA

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MMLD Statement of Income

For the year ending December 31, 2020

Operating Revenue		\$ 17,543,145.86
Less Expenses:		
Operating	12,521,641.79	
Maintenance	1,366,784.43	
Depreciation	2,036,778.56	
Total Expenses		<u>15,925,204.78</u>
Operating Income		1,617,941.08
Interest Income		51,009.93
Other Income		(99,450.00)
Less Interest on Long Term Debt		<u>153,121.35</u>
Net Income Transferred to Surplus		<u><u>\$ 1,416,379.66</u></u>

STATEMENT OF SURPLUS

For the year ending December 31, 2020

Balance December 31, 2019	\$ 14,930,896.00
Add: Credit balance transferred from income	1,416,379.66
Adjustment to transfer prior years	
Power Refunds to surplus	<u>-</u>
Subtotal	16,347,275.66
Deduct: Amount transferred to Town Treasurer	
strategic electrification fund	(22,294.00)
payment in lieu of tax payment (Pilot)	(330,000.00)
adjusting audit entries for year ended December 2019	<u>(2,739.26)</u>
Balance December 31, 2020	<u><u>\$ 15,992,242.40</u></u>

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MMLD Operating Expense

For the year ending December 31, 2020

Power Generation Expenses:		
Fuel	\$ 4,321.87	
Generating Expense - Lubricants	-	
Misc. Other Power Generating Expense	4,341.71	
Maint. of Other Power Generation	<u>107,129.79</u>	
Total Power Generation Expense		\$ 115,793.37
Power Supply Expenses:		
Electric Energy Purchased	6,639,701.20	
Misc. Purchased Power Expense	<u>2,659,641.11</u>	
Total Power Supply Expenses		9,299,342.31
Transmission Expense:		
Maintenance of Overhead Lines		-
Distribution Expenses:		
Station Expense - Labor & Other	15,828.75	
Station Expense - Heat & Electricity	50,174.68	
Street Lighting	16,762.89	
Meter Expense - Inspection, Testing, Removing, Resetting	88,691.98	
Customer Installation Expense	42,435.78	
Misc. Distribution Expense	219,819.79	
Maintenance of Structures	-	
Maintenance of Station Equipment	83,201.36	
Maint. of Overhead & Underground Lines	1,068,474.58	
Maintenance of Line Transformers	(2,370.95)	
Maintenance of Meters	<u>17,050.59</u>	
Total Distribution Expenses		1,600,069.45
Customer Account Expenses:		
Supervision of Customer Accounting	66,284.35	
Meter Reading - Labor & Expenses	42,435.78	
Customer Records & Collections	263,895.23	
Uncollectible Accounts	150,761.76	
Interest Paid on Consumer Deposits	<u>4,172.62</u>	
Total Customer Account Expenses		527,549.74
Advertising, Conservation, Energy Audits		150,677.47
Administrative & General Expenses:		
Administrative Salaries	185,252.45	
Office Supplies & Expenses	264,380.16	
Outside Services Employed	115,452.08	
Property Insurance	34,053.21	
Injuries & Damages	4,470.31	
Rents	7,201.23	
Employee's Pensions & Benefits	1,426,324.82	
Maintenance of General Plant	28,794.84	
Transportation	64,504.22	
Miscellaneous General Expense	<u>64,560.56</u>	
Total Administrative & Gen. Expenses		2,194,993.88
Total Operating & Maintenance Expenses		<u>\$ 13,888,426.22</u>

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OLD AND HISTORIC DISTRICTS COMMISSION

In 2020 the Old and Historic Districts Commission (OHDC) held **23** meetings consisting of **169** applications, **7** of which were sent to Public Hearing. OHDC granted **146** Certificates of Appropriateness.

Due to the pandemic, the Commission suspended in-person meetings in March and began conducting hearings virtually via Zoom meetings. While virtual meetings do not fully equate to in-person meetings, they have made it easier for applicants to attend meetings. Similarly, most applications are now digital which translates to easier submission and processing.

Applications to the Commission saw an increase over last year as homeowners sought more repairs and improvements owing to spending more time at home. Replacement windows continue to be a common requested scope of work. The Commission carefully evaluates both material and visual features of proposed replacement windows and takes into account the building's siting, age, and state of preservation.

The Commission also heard applications for two separate multiple-building developments, a type of project not often encountered in the Districts. These projects pose unusual challenges including the choice of an architectural style, all new exteriors, and duplicative architectural facades, aspects not found on most individual homes within the Districts. The Commission promoted architectural massing and features that, although newly constructed, are appropriate to their intended historic expression and compatible with their historic surroundings.

The Commission works hard to evaluate the merit of each application both as an individual property with particular circumstances as well as a member of the larger Historic Districts with broader preservation goals. Projects of a large size or non-historic nature often trigger considerable public interest. The Commission welcomes and encourages all interest since the preservation of Marblehead's historic character and legacy depends as much on the community's vigilance and participation as it does on the Commission. The Commission is grateful to those who recognize the value in participating and we are pleased to be a resource available to all.

The Commission continues efforts to publicize exterior features which are regulated within the District, and therefore require a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) as well as exclusions that do not. Descriptions of both

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are included in the OHDC By-laws that are available on the Town website <http://www.ecode360.com/MA1991>. A COA is not required for general maintenance or repair of features otherwise regulated by the OHDC if they meet the following criteria:

1. Repair-in-like kind work only. New construction, alterations to existing, or changes in material do not qualify.
2. The proposed repair work must constitute less than 20% of any specific architectural feature/element. For example, repairs to siding are exempted from a COA requirement if the area to be repaired (sq. footage) is less than 20% of the total façade/elevation area (sq. footage) in the same plane.

OHDC regulations apply not only to exterior features associated with buildings, but also to driveways, walks, walls, steps, fences, gates, terraces, and sheds over a certain size. Failure to obtain a Certificate of Appropriateness for work under OHDC purview violates Town Bylaws and will result in a Building Department Stop Work Order and a citation to appear before the Commission.

Administration of OHDC is coordinated by the Engineering Department at the Mary Alley Municipal Building. Meeting minutes are posted on the Town website.

The Commission would like to acknowledge with gratitude the assistance of the Building Inspection Department, Engineering Department, Zoning Board, Conservation Commission, Assessors' Department, Town Clerk's Office and the Selectmen's Office.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Hibbard, Chair
Gary Amberik, Secretary
Sally Sands
Robert Bragdon

PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board meets regularly on the second Tuesday of each month and as needed at other times. Beginning March 12 with the Governor's order allowing remote meetings the planning board began holding remote meetings monthly beginning in April and through the rest of the year. Protocols were changed due to the pandemic and submission of application were allowed electronically and all applications were posted on the town's website.

It is the responsibility of the Planning Board to approve different types of development including divisions of land to create new lots, all new nonresidential buildings over 700 square feet and within the shoreline and harbor front districts, all new residential construction and also additions that are over 500 square feet. In addition to the site plan approval special permits and subdivision control approvals, the Board issues smart growth special permits, wireless communication special permits, incentive zoning special permits and land disturbance permits for larger projects when there is no conservation commission jurisdiction. State and local laws which govern the process for these approvals are Massachusetts General Laws (MGL) Chapter 40A (the Zoning Act); MGL Chapter 41, Sections 81K – 81GG (the Subdivision Control Law); the Town of Marblehead Subdivision Rules and Regulations Chapter 258 of the by-laws of the Town of Marblehead , MGL Chapter 40A and the Town of Marblehead Zoning Bylaws.

In 2020 the Board's activity included, Approval Not Required Form A endorsements, one definitive plan Form C application and many Site Plan Approval Special Permit applications and as well as modifications and extensions.

The Planning Board is an elected board comprised of five members and one associate member, each with a three-year term. The Town Planner, Rebecca Cutting, oversees the Board's administrative process and provides technical assistance to prospective applicants and interested parties.

Planning Board members continue to serve on a variety of Boards and Committees in 2020 including Housing Production Plan Committee - Barton Hyte, Metropolitan Area Planning Council - Steven Leverone - Edward Nilsson - Zoning Sub-Committee, Design Review Committee, Gerry School Re-Use Study Committee and the Complete Streets Committee.

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In May of 2020 the Planning Board and the Board of Selectmen, in a joint meeting, voted to adopt Marblehead's first Housing Production Plan. The Board participated throughout the year in the creation of the plan that identifies Marblehead's unmet housing need and outlines the steps that can be taken to address this need in the next five years. This plan will serve to help the Town meet state targets for Affordable Housing stock, have greater control over Comprehensive Permits for Affordable Housing, shape the overall development of housing over time, and improve coordination in working toward these efforts.

The Planning Board thanks the Board of Appeals in the coordination and cooperation on various projects throughout the year. The Board also thanks the Building Department for information on zoning interpretation and other assistance and Amy McHugh Superintendent of Water and Sewer commission for working on and including the Board in the MS4 permits process.

The Board thanks Charlie Quigley, Town Engineer, who provides technical assistance to the Board and to prospective applicants. Planning Board applications are processed in the Engineering Department by Lisa Lyons. As always, the Board extends a special thanks to Lisa for her assistance in keeping the Board running smoothly. The Board also thanks all of the applicants, abutters and interested persons for their patience as we navigated the remote meeting process.

Robert Schaeffner, Chairman
Edward O. Nilsson, Vice Chairman
Andrew Christensen
Rossana Ferrante
Barton Hyte
Steven Leverone
Rebecca Cutting – Town Planner

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Marblehead Police Department is pleased to submit to the citizens of Marblehead our Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 2020.

For the year 2020, the Police Department logged a total of 11,131 incidents requiring police response. The Department had a total of 42 arrests during the year; 5 for protective custody. Police Officers stopped 503 motor vehicles for various violations and issued 266 traffic citations/warnings. There were 261 motor vehicle crashes reported in 2020. Officers issued 1,247 parking tickets during the year. The E-911 Dispatch center handled in excess of 150,000 incoming phone calls on all phone lines in 2020, of which 6,511 were made via 911.

Statistically, last year Marblehead saw various fluctuations in the crime rate in many categories reportable to the F.B.I. In the major crime Group A, there was a 4% decrease in crimes against persons and a 64% increase in crimes against property. It is difficult to compare 2020 statistically to any other year as the pandemic had a great influence on crimes and calls for service. For instance, we saw a marked increase in fraud crimes largely driven by scams related to fraudulent unemployment claims. It should be noted that Marblehead's crime rate is generally low overall; therefore, small fluctuations in numbers of crimes can translate to larger appearing percentages.

It would be hard to overstate the impact of the global pandemic on the Town of Marblehead and the Police Department. Starting in the month of March and continuing through the end of the year, the Town, as well as the Police Department, faced challenges it had never faced before. As the pandemic progressed, leadership in the Town continued to adapt and conform to numerous challenges. Priority was given by police leaders to balance the health of first responders to be available when called upon and to provide the high level of service that the Town both expects and deserves. I am proud to say that the Town and the Police Department rose to the challenge, never losing sight of our mission while continuing to provide the highest level of service, despite the pandemic.

Additionally, in the midst of the pandemic, events occurred on the national level which saw loud calls for reform in policing both statewide and nationally. These events were largely sparked by the brutal murder of George Floyd in May at the hands of Police Officers in Minneapolis. In June, a very large yet very peaceful and highly impactful march and rally was held in Marblehead in protest

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of the events in Minneapolis. By the end of 2020, the Massachusetts State Legislature passed a police reform bill with a variety of mandates for all police departments in Massachusetts. The Marblehead Police Department embraces those changes and will work throughout 2021 to make sure that each and every one of these reforms are implemented.

In July, I notified the Board of Selectmen of my intended retirement in July of 2021. The Board of Selectmen will begin the process of finding my replacement and I look forward to assisting in any way that I can to ensure a smooth transition to new leadership.

I would also like to commend the officers and staff, both sworn and civilian, for their dedication and professionalism in service to the Town of Marblehead. This year has been like no other that anyone can remember and yet each and every member of the Department rose to the challenges presented, performed their duties to the best of their abilities and served the people of Marblehead with honor and distinction.

Finally, we would like to thank the citizens of Marblehead for their continued support.

Respectfully Submitted,
Robert O. Picariello
Chief of Police

Police Department Personnel 2020:

Ranking Officers:

Chief	Robert O. Picariello
Captain	Matthew Freeman

Lieutenants:

Michael Everett	Sean Sweeney
David Ostrovitz	Jonathan Lunt

Sergeants:

Jason Conrad	Eric Osattin
Sean Brady	Brendan Finnegan

Patrol Officers:

Timothy Morley	Andrew Clark
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Christopher Adkerson	Adam Mastrangelo
Christopher Gallo	Neil Comeau
Dean Peralta	Nicholas Michaud
Jason McDonald	Timothy Tufts*
Michael Roads	John Morris
Daniel Gagnon	Douglas Mills
Nicholas Fratini	Dennis DeFelice
Andrew DiMare	Tyler Bates
Theresa Gay	Luke Peters

E-911 Dispatchers:

Amy Gilliland - Supervisor	
Scott Kaufman	Alexandria Roy-Michaud
Teresa Collins	Harry Schwartz
Gregory Lapham	Anthony Boccuzzi
Amanda Broughton	Jarred Kohler*

<u>Senior Clerk:</u>	<u>General labor:</u>
Margo Sullivan	Douglas Laing

School Traffic Supervisors:

Thomas Adams	Douglas Bates	Cliff Powers
Ruth Curtis	Calvin Powers	Pat Ayer
Wendy Keyes	Dorothy Stanley	Rufus Titus
Patrick Malin	Allyson Malin	Peter Preble
Leslie Teague	Joseph Granese	Deborah Frongillo
Randi Warren	James Laramie	Karen Lemieux
Annette Brady	John Arbo	

* (resigned in 2020)

ANIMAL CONTROL

The Animal Control Department faced many challenges in 2020:

Cancer, Chemo and COVID-19, but the common denominator in all of this was challenge. Animal Control Officers are accustomed to challenges. We face the unknown every day, handling most calls on a solo basis. There are well over 200 zoonotic diseases (an infectious disease caused by a pathogen) that can jump from a non-human animal (usually a vertebrate) to a human and COVID-19 is

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one of them. Rabies and Lyme are other zoonotic diseases that Animal control deals with on a regular basis.

2020 was a reactive year for animal control. Our shelter ran on a skeleton crew with my assistant Laura Consigli wearing more hats than any one person should. While most of civilization stayed safe behind closed doors, working and learning remotely, Animal Control kept running alongside our brothers and sisters in the Police and Fire Departments. We still rescued and adopted out abandoned animals and went on calls for sick, injured and neglected pets and wildlife. We tried to find foster care and rehabilitators for the wildlife we picked up, even though most facilities had closed down. Thankfully, Atlantic Veterinary Hospital and Our Family Vet NEVER closed their doors to us, EVER! Pets still got trapped in fires, hit by cars, caught up in altercations needing medical help and when we needed them, they were there with their doors open to us. For calls as horrific as a wounded fox with a trap clamped on its face, or as “simple” as duck with a hook needing to be cut out of its mouth, they tried to help when wildlife clinics were closed and didn’t return our desperate calls.

The Town Report is a historical document, one of which I have had the honor to report for almost 3 decades. This year I felt it was important to paint a small portrait to go with the statistics of the year of COVID-19.

Yes, 3034 dogs were licensed and orphaned and injured wildlife were still picked up and cared for. Our shelter remained operational and adopted out 118 cats, 1 dog, 3 birds, 2 guinea pigs and 1 lizard. We remained functional on a reactive basis and are more than hopeful that 2021 will bring back some normalcy in our day to day operations.

Please- Remember to leash, leash, leash your dog and make sure to get him or her licensed.

Be safe and thank you.

Respectfully submitted

Betsy Cruger and Laura Consigli

Animal Inspector: Daniel Proulx

RECREATION AND PARKS

The Recreation and Parks Commission submits this report for the year ending December 31, 2020.

The Commission is made up of five residents who are elected annually at a general town election on the second Monday in May each year. The Commission's regularly scheduled meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM in the Community Center at 10 Humphrey Street. Because of Covid-19 beginning in April the meetings were held via Zoom Conferencing at 5:30 PM. These meetings consist of reports, the appearance of persons or groups on the agenda, the review of correspondence submitted for consideration, discussions of plans and objectives, and reviews of policies, rules, and regulations as needed. The Commission reviews and approves the hiring of personnel when recommendations are presented. Programs and budgets are reviewed by the Commission annually and they act as an advocate with the Finance Committee and at Town Meeting. The Commission also reviews and approves the fees and charges made for various uses and programs concerning the department. The Commission has responsibility for overseeing the programming, rental, and operation of the Community Center. Night and weekend fees and rental charges are used from the Revolving Fund to contribute to the operating and utility costs of the Community Center.

Fields and School Athletic Facility Maintenance

The Department maintained the fields and was responsible for the field preparation, including lines. Due to Covid-19 there was no Spring season for High School or Youth sports.

In June, COVID-19 guidelines were released to allow sports to return to play with modified rules and regulations. The department prepared and lined the fields for Youth and Adult Baseball, Soccer and Softball to play throughout the summer season. Youth and Adult Soccer, Softball and Baseball continued play in the fall. In October, High School Varsity/JV soccer and field hockey were allowed to return to play. The department prepared, maintained and lined the fields for the modified season.

The mowing and trimming of athletic fields is done on weekdays with school in session due to extensive usage on afternoons, evenings, and weekends. Line marking with latex paint and/or non-caustic chalk is also done while classes are

inside the schools. Mowing of properties began in early April and continued through November on a five day per week schedule. The turf field at Piper is groomed on a three week cycle following the manufacturer specifications creating a smooth surface. Leaf cleanups ran October through December, and spring cleanups ran March through May. In cooperation with the school department special playground fiber (surfacing) was purchased and added to all school and town playgrounds as needed for safety to reduce the chance of injuries due to falls. The department was unable to “manicure” the grounds at the Schools due to budget and manpower limitations; plantings and mulch were added as time and materials allowed.

Budget and staff limitations, requests for extra work, and changes on short notice remained a continual problem. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, starting in April the Grounds Crew went to a modified/reduced staff schedule in order to keep the operations of the department going in case of staff needing to quarantine due COVID-19. Even with the reduced staff, the department was able to continue with their regularly scheduled work for the season. Early spring and late fall field scheduling depended on when fields were dormant, wet, frozen, or overused in any one area. Fall remains the best time to do seeding and sod work on fields but was frequently in conflict with the demands of the activities scheduled and the department’s continual shortage of funds, materials, and manpower vs. those demands. Even with the pandemic, renovations continue on several properties in town. The Stramski House, additional racks for kayaks and prams at both Stramskis and Devereux Beach.

During the year the Sport Committee met via Zoom with Linda Rice Collins acting as liaison for the Commission. The committee was tasked with new challenges as all youth and adult sports had to modify rules and regulations in accordance with COVID-19 guidelines. The department supported the Marblehead Public Schools decision and required face mask/protective coverings for all players, coaches, officials and spectators for all youth and adult organized sports. Throughout the year, there was an open line of communication to reduce concerns so the various town sports teams and coaches could minimize conflicts and maximize usage.

All line marking, mowing, and field schedule changes were coordinated by Superintendent Peter James. In the summer and fall employees maintained the lines on high school and youth sports fields. These efforts continually earned praise from the school athletic department and youth sports leagues. The field paint budget continues to be strained by additional field requests and rising paint costs.

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The Departments budget was level funded. The administrative staff did not receive step increases or a cost of living salary increase.

The Commission received numerous requests for fund raising and business use of the Community Center and the parks. These requests must be approved by a vote of the Commission as required in the Town By-laws. Due to COVID-19, the building closed to the public effective Monday, March 16. All COVID-19 guidelines and regulations were followed by the department which resulted in limited and modified use of department facilities and properties. Indoor facilities were closed to the public after March 16 and modified use of the parks through the rest of the year. Prior to that date those approved were:

- At the community center:
 - The Board of Health Flu Shot Clinics
 - The Democratic Town Committee Caucus
 - Town Committee Board & Commission Meetings
 - Scouting functions
 - Marblehead Youth Basketball
 - Odyssey of the Mind
 - Free seminars
- Devereux Beach and parking areas:
 - Rack storage for prams/kayaks
 - Winter dock storage
- Gerry Playground:
 - Several Cub Scout outings
 - Eco Farm Co-operative Market from spring through fall
 - Rack storage for prams/kayaks
 - Intergenerational Gardens

Building and Comfort Station (restroom) Maintenance

In addition to the community center the department oversees other buildings and facilities throughout the town. The department continuously maintained a workshop and equipment storage at Devereux Beach, maintenance garage on Vine Street, Reynolds playground storage room, Gerry (Stramski's) locker room and sailing classroom room, Hamond Nature Center and the Seaside Park grandstand storage area. Installation and maintenance of the memorial benches located at Chandler Hovey, Memorial Park, Crocker Park, Seaside, Gatchell's, Fountain Park, and Redd's Pond also occurred.

The department maintained comfort stations (restrooms) at the following locations: Chandler Hovey Park, Devereux Beach, Crocker Park, Fort Sewall, Reynolds Playground, Gerry Playground, Gatchells Playground, and Hamond Nature Center on a seasonal basis. Water & Sewer costs, electricity, cleaning supplies, and paper goods came from the department budget. This year, due to the strict restroom cleaning guidelines only the restrooms at Devereux Beach, Chandler Hovey, and Crocker Park were available to the public. Restrooms were maintained throughout the season by an external cleaning company to remain compliant, Doggie bags were provided through the department's budget at Chandler Hovey Park, Crocker Park, Redd's Pond, Fort Sewall and the Dog Park. Dogs are prohibited from all athletic fields and children's playgrounds; all other Parks require dogs to be leashed and dog waste is required by law to be disposed of in proper safe receptacles designed for fecal waste disposal (not public trash barrels).

Equipment Replacement and Seasonal Staffing

The department continued to look for reliable seasonal maintenance staff from April through November, utilizing college students during the summer school break which left us short staffed during spring and fall months when we needed them the most. This has resulted in the shifting of budget monies to allow for use of sub-contracting in some areas to meet the demands of grounds maintenance.

Facility & Grounds Landscape Maintenance Program

Recreation and Parks adjusted to the many rules and regulations changes on the utilization of facilities and grounds throughout the year in regards to COVID-19. Social Distancing guidelines were instituted in all the towns Parks, Playground, Courts and Fields. An online scheduled boat launching procedure was put in place May-June. New online permitting for Kayak/Pram Rack utilization, Float Storage and Community Garden Plots. All in accordance with COVID-19 guidelines,

The Parks staff was responsible for the landscape maintenance, mowing, trimming of trees and shrubs, and removal of litter on the following properties in 2020.(Note: "*" denotes athletic fields requiring continuous mowing, lining, and reconditioning for the Town's sports programs):

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Recreation& Parks Properties:	Cemetery & Historic Grounds:	Public Landings:
Castle Rock Park	Cressy Street Cemetery	Barnegat trash
Chandler Hovey Park	Green Street Cemetery	Clark Landing trash
Community Center	Hooper Tomb Cemetery	Cloutmans trash
Crocker Park	Harris Street Cemetery	Commercial Street trash
Devereux Beach	Old Burial Hill Cemetery	Parker Yard trash
Fort Beach	Redd's Pond	Tucker Wharf Trash
Fountain Park	Waterside Cemetery (when requested by Cemetery Department)	
Gerry Playground	School Dept. properties:	Other Public Grounds:
* Gatchells Playground	Beacon/Green Street reserve	Fort Sewall
* Hobbs Playground	Bell School	Gas House Beach
* Orne Playground	Coffin School	Grace Oliver's Beach
* Reynolds Playground	Eveleth School	Red Steps Way
* Seaside park	Gerry School	Fort Sewall turnaround
Memorial Park	Glover School	Brookhouse Drive
Devereux Beach garage	* Marblehead High School	Gallison Avenue Way
Vine St. Garage	Lincoln Ave. reserve	Gatchells Green
	* The Village Middle School	Lovis Cove Beach
	* The Veterans Junior High School	
Other:	Other Public Building's properties:	Conservation Commission Lands (As labor permits):
	Abbot Hall	Bicycle, Exercise, & conservation trails
Traffic Islands (donated)	Abbot Library	Robinson Farm
All Public litter barrels	Gun House	Hamond Nature Center
	Mary Alley Building	Forest River
	OKO Building	Hawthorn Pond
	Old Town House	Steer Swamp
	Powder House	Wyman Woods
	Tower Way Grounds	Ware Pond

Recreation Programs:

Winter 2020 (January – March)

Recreation was off to a busy start in 2020. Our Basketball leagues were under way. Our Youth Basketball League for ages 4-5 and Grades K-3 hosted at the Marblehead High School on Saturday mornings was led by the High School Boys Basketball team and coaching staff. The Girls Basketball League for

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grades 2-3 was in its third season continuing play at the Marblehead Community Center. New was the addition of a Girl Basketball League for grades 4-6 that also played at Marblehead Community Center.

Winter Programs offered Marblehead Community Center (January – March)

Indoor Park & Play for ages 5 & under	
Preschool & Youth Soccer	Preschool & Youth Floor Hockey
Preschool & Youth Basketball	Preschool & Youth Karate
Preschool & Youth Dance	Preschool & Youth Drama
Youth Badminton	Youth & Teen Field Hockey Clinics
Drop In Adult Badminton	Drop In Adult Pickleball
Drop in Adult Soccer	Drop In Adult Volleyball

Winter Programs offered onsite at the Marblehead Public Schools (January – March)

Coach Karl's After School Sports	Coach Karl's Preschool Soccer
Coach Karl's Preschool T-ball	Girls' Sports Program @ Coffin
STEM Program @ Coffin	Fit Club @ Eveleth
Yoga @ Eveleth	Crafting & Collage @ Glover
REC Club @ Glover	WTN Girls C.A.N @ Glover
WTN P.R.I.M.E @ Glover	Chorus Club @ Village

Winter Events 2020 Events @ the Marblehead Community Center

- 3rd Annual Winter Carnival on Saturday, February 1st in partnership with the Marblehead Family Fund
- 8th Annual Daddy Daughter Dance on Friday, February 7th

Spring 2020 (March -June)

Recreation in the spring of 2020 was faced with new challenges due to the COVID-19 pandemic. For the health & safety of the community all scheduled programs, leagues and events were cancelled. The department offered virtual programs including dance, karate & a Well Together Now at home series. Also, the department created and hosted #MHDSpirit Week April 13 – 19 which included; Marblehead Monday, Crazy Hair Day, School Spirit Day, Silly Sock Day, Build-A-Fort Day, Backyard Beach Day & Superhero Sunday.

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Summer 2020 (July - August)

Recreation was unlike any previous year. The department was challenged to create, develop and offer programs to the community that were COVID-19 Compliant.

Summer Programs offered by Department Staff or Coaches (July August)

Creative Kids	Soccer Fun
Sports & Games	Sports & More
Summer Fun for Little Ones	T-Ball Time
Tye Dye Week	Tennis Lessons
MHS Strength & Conditioning	MHS Endurance & Conditioning
Youth Field Hockey Clinics	Magicians Baseball Clinics
Moran & Giardi Basketball Clinics	Virtual Scrapbooking

Summer Programs offered by our Independent Contractors (July August)

Youth, Teen & Adult Paddleboard Programs with SUP East Coast Style	
SUP Yoga with SUP East Coast Style	Dance Program with Mini Movers Studio
Soccer with Super Soccer Stars	Tread Tabata at Crocker Park

Fall 2020 (September - December)

The Department made the decision to only offer outdoor programming for Fall 2020. We took into consideration the ability to manage our programs and clinics while maintaining small group sizes, following social distancing guidelines, and implementing state guidelines.

Fall Programs offered by Department Staff or Coaches (July August)

Baseball Clinics	Basketball Clinics
Field Hockey Clinics	Football Clinic
Crafty Kids: Holiday & Seasonal	Basketball Programs
Drama Stars	Field & Fun for Little Ones
Floor Hockey	T-Ball Time
Tennis Lessons	Wacky & Crazy Science
Soccer Programs	

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Fall Programs offered by our Independent Contractors (September - December)

Youth, Teen & Adult Paddleboard Events with SUP East Coast Style	
HITT & Healthy	Steve Nugent's Karate
Soccer with Super Soccer Stars	Tread Tabata

Fall Events 2020 Events

- 1st Annual Scarecrow Stroll at Stramski Way with the Marblehead High School Field Hockey Team
- Snowless Snowman sale with the Marblehead Family Fund

Department Staff

The Recreation and Parks Department is very fortunate to have a great staff of full and part-time employees. Our employees strive to make a positive difference and are committed to our community and, are willing to go the extra mile.

We want to thank the Department's employees for their dedication to our Town's natural resources and recreation opportunities. The following people worked for the Departments during the past year:

- Peter James, Superintendent
- Jaime Bloch, Assistant Superintendent
- Brad Delisle, Working Foreman/Building and Grounds
- Robert Gillis, Parks Maintenance Craftsman
- Greg Snow, Turf Specialist
- John Diccico, Maintenance Craftsmen/Mechanic
- Paul Acciavatti(Transferred 9/2020), Sam Andrews, John Glabicky and Reggie Kernizan (Hired 9/2020)Maintenance / Groundskeepers.

There are many instructors who worked in the various recreation programs, playground, and other leisure services within the department in the parks and at the Community Center. Also, there were seasonal maintenance workers and caretakers for the parks, and summer maintenance workers.

The Commission would like to thank the staffs of the Tree, Highway, Health, Harbormaster, Building, Schools, Finance, Municipal Light, Cemetery, Police, Fire, and Water/Sewer Departments for their continued support and the Town Administrator, Town Clerk's, and Selectmen's office for their assistance during the past year.

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Every year there are many who volunteer with maintenance and recreation programs for the Town. The Commission wants to express its thanks on behalf of all the residents who benefit from the countless hours volunteered, making Marblehead a great place to live.

Respectfully submitted,

Chip Osborne, Chairman
Derek Norcross
Linda Rice-Collins
Gerald Tucker
Matthew Martin

Peter James
Superintendent, Recreation & Parks
Town of Marblehead

Jaime Bloch
Assistant Superintendent, Recreation & Parks
Town of Marblehead

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

2020 INSPECTIONS WERE NOT PERFORMED DUE TO COVID-19.

David C Rodgers
Sealer

SHELLFISH CONSTABLE REPORT

The contiguous beach which ranges from the end of Gallison Avenue to the end of the Veterans Memorial Causeway, known as Devereux, Tucker's, and Goldthwait beaches, were opened for the harvesting of surf clams on October 5, 2020. Marblehead is issued a conditional license to open our fishery by the Division of Marine Fisheries on an annual basis. The clamming season in Marblehead is historically during the months of October through April. The areas may open later and/or close temporarily during the season when storms and environmental issues arise. As of the writing of this report, there have been 72 licenses issued.

Monitoring clammers, checking water quality and testing of the clams is performed regularly by the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries. Local residents that have volunteered to serve as Shellfish Constables. Because of the diligence of our Constables, we have a very healthy fishery with many undersized clams paving the way for "keepers" in the following years. The primary shellfish in this location is the Atlantic Surf Clam (*Spisula solidissima*).

A license is required for anyone wishing to harvest shellfish and licenses must be obtained through the Town Clerk's office at Abbot Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
John G. Attridge, Chief Shellfish Constable
Constables:
Douglas Aikman
Raymond Bates
Harry Christensen
David Donahue
Rick Cuzner
Jeffrey Flynn
Eric Hawley
Douglas Percy
Craig Smith, Asst. Harbormaster
F. Webb Russell

TASK FORCE AGAINST DISCRIMINATION



In the summer of 1989, a series of hate crimes horrified Marblehead and resulted in community outrage and condemnation. A group of concerned citizens requested that the Board of Selectmen appoint a task force in response. As a result, on August 2, 1989, the Marblehead Task Force Against Discrimination (TFAD) was established.

In commemoration of its 30th Anniversary in 2019, TFAD adopted an updated mission statement: “The Marblehead Task Force Against Discrimination is committed to ensuring that Marblehead is a respectful, supportive, welcoming, and inclusive community for its many diverse citizens and visitors.”

To accomplish its mission, TFAD responds to acts of discrimination, bigotry, hate, and intolerance; expresses the community’s condemnation of such acts; collaborates with community groups to provide programs combating discrimination and promoting respect; and seeks to support those affected by discrimination and hatred in Marblehead.

As part of its continuing efforts to raise awareness, TFAD printed flyers that detail its mission and actions as well as resources that can help citizens and visitors in Marblehead reach out for help and report hate crimes and violence. These flyers and TFAD’s “No Place for Hate” stickers were distributed by TFAD members at the Marblehead Farmer’s Market. TFAD members were also available to speak with community members and visitors and to raise awareness about TFAD and its work in the community.

The Task Force would like all citizens to know about the work of TFAD and how to reach out for help if needed. For this reason, the Task Force continues to be grateful for the Town Moderator’s permission to display Marblehead’s No Place for Hate banner at Town Meeting.

Unfortunately, the Town of Marblehead was not spared from the tumultuous year that 2020 became. Across the nation, as the Coronavirus pandemic raged, people were out of work, businesses shut down, schools were closed and slowly began to reopen remotely. It was a time when so many were vulnerable and in need. Community leaders and groups pulled together to provide food, necessities, and transportation young families and seniors alike. While we saw

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the best in many people, unfortunately this past year also brought to light many long-held prejudices related to race, sex, and religion along with an increase in those related to the pandemic. Like others across the world, though, the Marblehead Task Force Against Discrimination was forced to adjust to a new reality.

The MTFAD began the calendar year by planning to host a film and accompanying discussion. *Gender Revolution*, a documentary about gender identity, was to be shown at Abbot Public Library on March 15. Because much of the country was placed in lockdown, however, the event was unfortunately cancelled, as was the METCO Annual Cultural Feast planned for March 19, which the Task Force was looking forward to attending.

As the pandemic worsened, the Task Force Against Discrimination began to hold their monthly meetings remotely through Zoom. The meetings continued in this remote setting throughout the year. This medium for the TFAD meetings did seem to allow for greater community member attendance and the Task Force clearly received increased visibility throughout the year. Unfortunately, not all of the growth in community visibility and participation was attributable simply to ease of accessibility to the meetings though as local and national events raised the need for response by the TFAD.

In May, much of the nation (and the world) came together to protest two horrific murders of Black individuals, each by police officers. Breonna Taylor and George Floyd joined a growing list of individuals who lost their lives during interactions with police. Due to their callous nature, these two events brought international attention and support to a growing Black Lives Matter movement.

In Marblehead, the Task Force participated in the town-wide solidarity march and rally on June 2, starting at the Clifton Lutheran Church on Humphrey Street and ending at St. Stephen's Church parking lot off Pleasant Street. The estimated 1,000 plus people in attendance listened to speeches by clergy of all denominations and were led by Reverend Dr. Andre Bennett in 8 minutes and 46 second of silence while kneeling to commemorate the murder of George Floyd. Also in June, the TFAD continued to show their support to the LGBTQ community by attending their second annual flag raising at Abbot Hall.

In July, the Marblehead Racial Justice Team sponsored the Breonna Taylor Social Justice Fair in the Clifton Lutheran Church parking lot. The TFAD manned a table, handing out brochures and answering questions about our activities and our broader role in Town. The committee also invited a resident who's Asian-American teenager was harassed and verbally assaulted by a

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passerby in a car to the July Task Force Meeting. The Task Force Against Discrimination and the Town made it clear that they will not tolerate hateful, bigoted behavior such as that which occurred. The young woman and her family received our utmost support in their navigation of responding to the event.

In October, TFAD along with the Marblehead Museum and members of the Indigenous Peoples Committee presented a weekend to celebrate Marblehead's Second Annual Indigenous Peoples Day. Programming was held throughout the weekend beginning on Thursday, October 8 and ending on Monday, October 12. A discussion about the Impact of Colonization was held via Zoom and over 100 people enjoyed the drumming and dancing of members of the Wampanoag tribe all while being masked and socially distanced. As the finale to the weekend, the film *Dawnland* was shown in the high school parking lot. The documentary tells the story of the government's forced removal of Native American children from their parents and while quite disturbing, was outstanding.

Finally, because TFAD could not hold public events, the group decided to read and discuss books related to discrimination, inclusion, and in(equity). As the title suggests, the first book, *Antisemitism - Here and Now* by Dr. Deborah Lipstadt addresses antisemitism and makes the argument for addressing antisemitism head on in a time of growing need. The second book, *White Fragility* by Robin DiAngelo dives into white privilege and its relationship to racism.

Marblehead is proud to be a "No Place for Hate" community, a designation earned through the Anti-Defamation League. Incidents of racism, ageism, sexism, anti-Semitism, ableism, Islamophobia, and homophobia run counter to that designation. Marblehead citizens will find our "No Place for Hate" stickers proudly displayed on over 100 businesses in town and on the doors of schools, places of worship, and other public spaces. These stickers are a reminder that hatred, bigotry, and discrimination of any kind will not be tolerated. If you would like a sticker for your home or business, please just ask.

In Marblehead and across the U.S., 2020 saw another tragic uptick in incidents of hatred, bigotry, exclusion, and violence. We'd like to remind all our fellow citizens that, in addition to the Task Force Against Discrimination, there are many resources available if you witness an incident or are the target of hatred of any kind. These resources include:

Police: suspected violations of the hate crimes law should be reported to the police in the first instance so you can be informed of your rights. Please contact the Marblehead Police (781)-631-1212.

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Attorney General Maura Healey: The AG has established a hotline managed by attorneys and staff from the AG's office. While not every incident will be appropriate for legal action, the AG's office tracks reports and appropriate matters may be referred to local law enforcement or the Attorney General's Criminal Bureau 1-800-994-3228.

The Task Force Against Discrimination: Please reach us through the Selectmen's office at 781-631-0000 or wileyk@marblehead.org.

In 2020, TFAD continued to rely on the partnership of the Marblehead Police Department. In addition, Patti Rogers, Director of Abbot Public Library, continued to provide invaluable opportunities for the Library and Task Force to collaborate in effective and positive ways to support education and prevention.

The Task Force Against Discrimination continues to call on all Marblehead residents to join with the Task Force Against Discrimination in its ongoing efforts to ensure that Marblehead is a respectful, supportive, welcoming, and inclusive community that values its many and diverse citizens and visitors.

Respectfully submitted,

Helaine R. Hazlett, Co-Chair	Scott Marcus
Rev. Dr. Anne Marie Hunter, Co-Chair	Esther Mulroy
Police Chief Robert Picariello, Ex-Officio	Candace Sliney
Christopher Bruell	Mable Sliney
Alexis Earp	Christopher Thompson
Dr. Stephen Hamelburg	Loren Weston
	Deacon Joe Whipple

MARBLEHEAD TREE DEPARTMENT

The following is a report of the Marblehead Tree Department for the year ended December 31, 2020.

Public shade trees located on public ways are under the jurisdiction of the Tree Warden and the four-person tree crew. The department tries to identify and reduce tree hazards along public ways including the parks, cemeteries, and school grounds. The Warden also inspects all tree inquiries, whether made by phone or through the online reporting system at marblehead.org, concerning the health or condition of a tree and then takes the necessary action to address the concern. Questions concerning trees under the jurisdiction of the Conservation Commission are referred to the Town Engineer, the Conservation Agent for the Town.

Once again, we saw many mature trees decline to the extent that they had to be removed. This year 93 dead or hazardous trees were removed along with the almost the same number of stumps, although not all stumps have been removed as of this writing. Limbs and branches were picked up and trees were pruned on a daily basis.

As a reminder to residents, you are not allowed to prune or remove a Town tree on a public way without the direction and permission of the Tree Warden.

Between the Town and private residents over 30 trees were planted on Town right of ways and parks. With permission, the Town encourages the planting of trees but only by a qualified certified arborist or nurseryman under the approval of the Tree Warden. In the past trees have been improperly planted in the public right of way by homeowners which become problematic for the Town as the trees mature.

The Town is pursuing a grant from the Massachusetts DCR Urban and Community Forestry provided by the USDA Forest Service. The grant is designed to assist communities and nonprofit groups in their efforts to protect and manage community trees and forest ecosystems. The grant would be used to create a working global positioning system (GPS) based tree mapping layer for the Town's geographic information system (GIS). The layer would have pertinent information on overall health, site condition, etc. and become a working inventory for Town trees.

Telephone calls and online inquiries from residents regarding tree matters persist year-round and every effort was made to respond to and prioritize all concerns.

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Tree Department employees also assisted the Marblehead Municipal Light Department (MMLD) with line clearing and the Department of Public Works (DPW) with snow plowing and snow removal. The Tree Department annually purchases seedlings from the Massachusetts Tree Wardens Association that are planted and cared for in conservation areas by the Marblehead Conservancy and other volunteers.

We would like to thank the DPW, the MMLD, the Water, Sewer & Drain Departments and the Marblehead Conservancy for their assistance throughout the year as well as Charles Quigley, the Town Engineer, who was called in on many occasions to assist with property lines and conservation issues.

We would especially like to thank the Tree Department employees, Foreman Ed Park Jr., Heavy Equipment Operator Dave Cameron, Tree Climber/Maintenance Workers Alex Fields and Tyler Slepoy, and Senior Clerk Colleen King for their continued dedication and hard work.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Dever, Director of Public Works
Jonathan Fobert, Tree Warden

VETERANS' AGENT

I hereby submit my report as Veterans Agent, Flag Officer, Veterans Burial Officer, and Veterans Graves Registration Officer for the year ending Dec 31, 2020.

My number one duty is to the Veterans of the Town of Marblehead and their families. I continue to attend State and Federal training sessions and seminars to remain updated in all aspects of Veterans Affairs.

Office records for 2020 indicate that 11 Veterans or their families filed for benefits under Mass General Laws, Chapter 115. This chapter of the law provides assistance to Veterans in need.

Requests for assistance in filing for Department of Veterans Affairs Benefits (Federal) remained high. This office has encouraged enrollment in the VA Healthcare System. Many Marblehead Veterans have taken advantage of this health benefit, which includes obtaining daily prescription drugs for \$9.00 per month for each medication. COVID-19 shots were also administered to Veterans at the Bedford VA Hospital. Casket Flags and Grave Markers were the principal Death Benefits filed for with the Department of Veterans Affairs.

A total of 57 Marblehead Veterans were laid to rest between Nov 11, 2019 and Nov 11, 2020. WORLD WAR TWO VETERANS numbers are few in town. Rachel McKay's name was added to the WAR ON TERROR MEMORIAL. RACHEL passed away while attending OCS in Ga in 2019. As a town and country, we have an obligation to support our men and women in uniform.

Respectfully submitted,
David C Rodgers, Veterans Agent

WATER AND SEWER COMMISSION

The Water and Sewer Commission is a five member elected board, members of which serve three-year alternating terms. Monthly public meetings are held typically the first Tuesday of each month. A public rate setting hearing is convened every year. In 2020 the Public Rate Hearing was held in November. The Commission oversees the Water Department and the Sewer Department, both of which are enterprise funded.

Highlights of 2020

No review of the year 2020 would be complete without mention of the COVID-19 pandemic that took control of just about every aspect of everyone's daily lives. At the beginning of the pandemic the Water and Sewer Commission reviewed daily operations and the Emergency Response Plan and developed revised protocols to keep residents, employees, and contractors safe. The Departments were able to remain fully functional during the 2020 pandemic and complete five critical infrastructure projects.

The Water and Sewer Commission, recognizing the financial constraints that COVID-19 had put on some families, instituted a process whereby a customer could request a payment agreement if they were unable to pay their water and sewer bill in full because of a COVID-related hardship. This allowed these customers to spread their payments over a period of time.

The Commission also implemented a "Help Thy Neighbor" program whereby one could pay a portion of someone else's bill in recognition for work that someone may have done but had refused payment, for a gift, or to just help out.

Capital Improvements Projects Completed

Contract 182 - Tedesco Street Cleaning and Lining: This project will provide better water quality and increased fire flow by the cleaning and lining of existing cast iron water main on Tedesco St. The replacement of deteriorating 10-inch ductile water main on Wyman road was also included in this project. All of this work was funded by a 0% interest community loan provided by Massachusetts Water Resource Authority

Contract 180 – Bassett Street Area Water Upgrades: This project was designed to give the Commission the ability to take a large section of the original water main (circa 1870) out of service. This water main had become inaccessible for repair or replacement of services. Increased water flow to the

historic district and improved water quality is a direct result of work completed. Work also completed under this contract is a new 8-inch water main on Ferry Lane and the installation of an additional fire hydrant for this area will provide increased firefighting capabilities to the Tucker Warf area.

Contract 178 - Sargent Road Pump Station Rehabilitation: Built in 1964, this pump station is one of the larger sewerage lift stations in the Marblehead Collection System. The scope of work included new pumps, electrical and HVAC systems, an emergency generator, controls, wet well rehabilitation, and the addition of a Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system. .



Wetwell rehabilitation

Contract 169 - Decommissioning of the Village Water Tank: The water tank, built in 1924, was disassembled in two days. This is the final step of recommendations provided to the Water and Sewer Commission in the Water Distribution System Storage Feasibility Study of 2015.



1st day of dismantling tank

Contract 177 – Installation of Municipal Communication Tower. The Town’s emergency communications system that was located on the Village Water Tank was relocated to the new communication tower. The Town experienced no down time of the emergency communication system during the change-over.



Construction of concrete base



Monopole Installation

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Haley Ward (formerly CES, Inc.), The Commission's Consulting Engineers, completed the following:

Engineering oversight on all Capital Projects completed in 2020

Created an Infiltration and Inflow report

Developed a public education program: RESUMP

Regulatory Requirements Water - PWS ID 3168000

The Department collected over 300 water samples that were tested for coliform and other bacterial organisms to ensure that the quality of water provided meets U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection drinking water standards. Lead and Copper samples from 15 residences and three schools were tested. The results for schools, past and present, can be found via links on both the Water Department and School Department Web sites.

Cross Connection Control Program -
Annual Statistic Report
Consumer Confidence Report

SEWER – Co-Permitee NPDES MA0100501

The Operation and Maintenance Manual for the Collection System was reviewed and updated.

Infiltration / Inflow Program - I/I report was completed .
Annual Report Submitted

CWA-AO-R01-FY20-39 replaced the Town's NPDES Permit # MA0100374

DRAIN – MS4 EPA NPDES Permit # MAR04107

Year 2 Annual Report
Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Bi-annual Compliance Reports

WATER DEPARTMENT

Marblehead received an average of 1.69 million gallons/day (MGD) of water from Mass Water Resource Authority (MWRA) in 2020. The department operates and maintains the distribution system, which consists of over 100 miles of pipe, two pump stations, and a water storage tank. The eight member crew repairs water main breaks, completes hydrant maintenance on over 890 hydrants, conducts biannual hydrant flushing, reads and installs water meters, collects water samples, and responds to all emergencies and customer service calls 24/7. The crew assists residents with water usage issues or any questions they may have concerning their water. Two water employees obtained Massachusetts Water Distribution 1 state licenses.

The water department would like to remind customers that information on water quality and general source water information can be found on the website for the Massachusetts Water Resource Authority (www.mwra.com).

WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT

1. Water Breaks	13
2. Hydrants Replaced	7
3. Hydrants Repaired	8
4. Backflow Preventer Device Tests	334
5. New Water Service and Renewals	18
6. Inside Valves Replaced	15
7. Water Services Repaired	44
8. Meter Program Replacement	196
9. Frozen Meters	6
10. Radio Reader Installations	47
11. Main Gate valve Exercised	85
12. Dig Safe mark outs	1906

Water Department Employees: Eric Hildonen, Working Foreman;
Michael Marsters, Mechanic PFII; Corey Smith, Mechanic PF II;
Erik Fields, Mechanic PF I; Jameson Hare, HEO; Kenneth Kilmain, HEO;
William Dow, HEO; Matt Cronin, HEO

SEWER DEPARTMENT

The sewer department operates and maintains the sewer collection system, which consist of 28 pump stations, over 100 miles of pipe, and over 3,000 manholes. The eight member crew inspects, repairs, and maintains the entire collection system including sewer main cleaning, root control, fats, oil and grease removal, daily pump station inspections and preventative maintenance. The crew responds to all emergencies and customer service calls 24/7. Grease issues were addressed on Washington Street, Front Street, and State Street. Sewer employees complete the vehicle maintenance for the entire Commission fleet. During 2020 the crew continued to notice a dramatic increase in clogged pumps due to non-flushable materials entering the sewer pump stations.

Marblehead sent an average 1.9 million gallons per day (MGD) of sewerage with an average of 3.47 lb/day of Total Suspended Solids loading and an average of 3.09 lb/day Biological Oxygen Demand loadings to South Essex Sewerage District. A public education program – RESUMP - has been developed to help residents understand how they can assist with the removal of inflow. To date the Commission has found and had removed 328 sump pumps.

SEWER DEPARTMENT REPORT

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| 1. Sewer Lines Cleaned | 12,988 ft |
| 2. Root Treatment | 876 ft |
| 3. Grease Control | 3,175 ft |
| 4. Wet Wells Cleaned /H2O used | 55 |
| 5. Lines Televised – Sewer | 1,500 ft |
| 6. Service Repaired – Permits | 23 |
| 7. New Services – Permits | 19 |
| 8. Manhole inspections | 82 |
| 9. Manholes Repaired | 17 |
| 10. Pumping Stations Maintained | 28 |

All pump stations saw increased clogging due to COVID-19 Pandemic. This year crews removed masks and gloves in addition to rags, wipes, dental floss, medical waste and towels from pumps. Emergency generators were tested weekly; maintenance and repair of all systems was completed

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| 11. Generators | 14 |
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- Received minor and major maintenance –Sherborn Consolidated

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| 12. Rolling Stock | 31 |
| 13. Electrical Maintenance | |
| Assisted Electrical Contactor at various pump station with electric upgrades. | |
| Contract with Jasco Electric, Inc. | |
| 14. Dig Safe Mark Outs | 1827 |

Sewer Department Employees:

James Johnson, Working Foreman
Brian Conrad, Mechanic PF II
Jonathan Morley, Mechanic PFII
Michael Atkins, Mechanic PF II
Jim DeCoste, HEO;
Ryan Camarda, HEO
Jeff Maskell, Mechanic
Paul Acciavatti, Special Laborer 1

DRAIN (STORMWATER) DEPARTMENT

The drain (storm water) department maintains the storm water system, which includes over 4,000 catch basins and manholes, 75 outfalls and more than 50 miles of pipe. During the FY21 budget process a request was made by the Town to find workable ideas that could reduce a department's budget without effecting service. To that end, the Water and Sewer Commission suggested that the drain department, which is funded from taxation, be moved to the Department of Public Works. This would eliminate the cost of overhead paid to the Commission for the administration of the Drain Department. The Commission has been overseeing the operation of the storm drain department since 2000. Control of the drain department was shifted the Department of Public Works, effective July 1, 2020.

Drain Department Employees:

William Larious, Working Foreman Peter Stacey, Special Laborer I

ADMINISTRATION

Our office staff has once again been active, processing over 30,000 bills while collecting over \$10 million in revenue, assisting with 322 real estate transactions, and addressing customer inquiries. The on-line payment program continues to be a convenient bill payment option; customers can register for on-line payment at www.marblehead.org.

Office Staff:

Paul E. Jalbert, Office Manager

Michael Phelan, GIS Field Technician; Ric Reynolds, Billing Technician

Lynne de Grandpre', Special Clerk Meghan Haley, Temp Special Clerk

Since 2004, the Water and Sewer Commission has contributed annually to the Town's general overhead expenses. This financial contribution offsets the town services (not including health insurance) provided to the Commission. The Fiscal Year 2022 assessment for the Water Department was \$102,863.00, an increase of \$1,510.00 from Fiscal Year 2021. In Fiscal Year 2022, \$107,572.00 was the assessment for the Sewer Department, an increase of \$11,003.00 from Fiscal Year 2021.

We would like to thank all of our staff for their dedication and accomplishments during this especially-difficult year. Without their help, none of these accomplishments would have been possible.

Bradford N. (Nick) Freeman resigned from the Water and Sewer Commissioner in June of 2020. Nick served on the Board of Water Commissioners from 1974 to 1979 and then as a board member of the Water and Sewer Commission from 2002 to 2020. During his tenure on the Water and Sewer Commission Board major accomplishments were made in the water, sewer and drain systems. Some highlights are: the replacement of the Clifton Sewer Pump Station; the Pleasant Street Drainage project; SESD Transmission line replacement across/under Salem Harbor; new water mains serving Marblehead Neck; installation of the SCADA, GIS and remote meter reading systems; and multiple cleaning and lining projects on both the water and sewer systems. Nick's vast knowledge and unwavering dedication to the Town and the water, sewer and drain infrastructure proved to be invaluable over his years of service. His commitment to the residents of Marblehead and employees of the Commission was exemplary. The Commission and Water and Sewer Employees, past and present, would like to offer their sincere appreciation to his many years of service and support.

The Commission has multiple ways to obtain information about the three departments. Frequently Asked Questions and general information can be found

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on the town website (Marblehead.org) Specific Questions can be emailed to Water@marblehead.org or Sewer@marblehead.org.

As always, we encourage customers with emergency's or questions concerning Marblehead's water or sewer systems to call the office at 781-631-0102.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy McHugh
Superintendent

Marblehead Water and Sewer Commission

F. Carlton Siegel, P.E. (Chairman)	Gregory Bates
Thomas Murray (Vice Chairman).	Barton Hyte
Thomas Carroll	

REPORT OF THE SOUTH ESSEX SEWERAGE DISTRICT

The South Essex Sewerage District (“the District”) treatment facility performed well throughout 2020 and provided the services to the Town of Marblehead within the approved budgeted amount. The Marblehead Water and Sewer Commission would like to recognize the employees of the District and commend them for a very productive and successful year.

The Town of Marblehead and the District are committed to protecting the environment and providing outstanding service to the residents of Marblehead. District operations were impacted by COVID-19 in 2020. For several months in the spring and again in December, the District successfully pivoted to a split shift arrangement to maximize social distancing and improve operational resiliency. The District was able to maintain essential plant operations and maintenance activities throughout the year.

The District continued with its efforts to maintain its operations and sustain its assets within the confines of proposition 2 ½. The District has continued efforts on its multi-year capital asset sustainability program. This program is initially being funded within the District’s annual budget utilizing increases in operating efficiencies. The new combined heat and power generating facility was placed into full operation and has created an estimated savings of approximately \$600,000 per year. The annual operating savings from the new facility will be utilized, as planned, to further fund and support the District’s asset sustainability program.

In July of 2020, the District started a \$7.1 million plant-wide upgrade of critical support systems, paid for out of the District’s annual budget. Key replacements include new drives for the District’s high head effluent pumps and a new heating system and boilers in the Operations Building.

We would be pleased to answer any questions concerning the Town’s wastewater collection system or the related District facilities. The Town is proud to be a member community of the South Essex Sewerage District and the operation of this efficient, forward thinking and professionally managed organization.

Respectfully submitted,
Amy McHugh
SESD Board Representative

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SOUTH ESSEX SEWERAGE DISTRICT Expenses and Revenue Report, Town of Marblehead Fiscal Year 2020

Report Prepared by: Karen A. Herrick, District Treasurer

REVENUE

<u>Description</u>	<u>Method of Apportionment</u>	<u>Percent of Total</u>	<u>Marblehead Amount</u>	<u>SESD Total</u>
Assessment Revenue	FY20 Budgeted Apportionment	12.58%	\$3,163,624	\$25,140,749
Member Refunds Paid	Actual	0.00%	0	(450,000)
Chemical Reimbursements	District Apportions	0.00%	0	0
Sewer Rate Relief	Fixed Amount Budgeted for Marblehead Utilization	30.70%	5,867	19,111
Septage Revenue	District Apportions	8.57%	10,232	119,420
MWPAT Loan Subsidies	Based on Cost Apportionment Agreements	5.54%	16,450	296,925
Interest Income, Investment Income	Actual & District Apportions Based on Average Monthly UFB Balance	13.45%	48,122	357,745
Energy Savings Revenue	Actual	7.99%	6,407	80,221
Misc Revenue Other Income	Actual	8.50%	55	648
Special Assessment	District Apportions	0.00%	0	5,231
TOTAL REVENUES		12.71%	\$3,250,757	\$25,570,050

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EXPENSES

<u>Description</u>	<u>Method of Apportionment</u>	<u>Percent of Total</u>	<u>Marblehead Amount</u>	<u>SESD Total</u>
2000	Based on Percentage of Flow	0.00%	0	117,177
3000	Based on Percentage of Flow	0.00%	0	238,292
4000	Based on Percentage of Flow	0.00%	0	21,662
5000	Based on Percentage of Flow	0.00%	0	266,725
6000	Based on Percentage of Flow	8.50%	19,433	228,519
7000	Based on Percentage of Flow - 3 Yr. Avg. Flow and Solids	8.50%	374,197	4,403,200
7100	Based on Percentage of Flow	0.00%	0	16,015
7200	Based on Percentage of Flow	0.00%	0	16,467
7300	Based on Percentage of Flow	100.00%	7,318	7,318
7400	Based on Percentage of Flow	0.00%	0	23,791
7500	Based on Percentage of Flow	0.00%	0	19,870
7600	Based on Percentage of Flow	0.00%	0	28,988
8010	Based on Percentage of Flow - 3 Yr. Avg. Flow and Solids	8.50%	184,433	2,170,230
8020	Based on Percentage of Flow - 3 Yr. Avg. Flow and Solids	8.01%	166,062	2,073,273
8030	Based on Percentage of Flow - 3 Yr. Avg. Flow	8.50%	54,855	645,077

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<u>Description</u>	<u>Method of Apportionment</u>	<u>Percent of Total</u>	<u>Marblehead Amount</u>	<u>SED Total</u>
8040	Based on Percentage of BOD	9.21%	140,524	1,525,362
8060	Based on Weighted Percentage of BOD/TSS	8.52%	455,797	5,348,808
9000	Based on Percentage of Flow	100.00%	145,651	145,651
Special Assessment	Actual	8.31%	166,200	2,000,000
Principal – Long Term	Based on Cost Apportionment Agreements	30.95%	1,042,254	3,368,013
Interest – Long Term	Based on Cost Apportionment Agreements	25.42%	153,960	605,722
MWPAT Loan Subsidies	Based on Cost Apportionment Agreements	5.54%	16,450	296,295
MWPAT Administrative Fees	Based on Cost Apportionment Agreements	70.34%	10,343	14,704
Interest – Short Term	Based on Cost Apportionment Agreements	0.00%	0	0
Debt Expense – Origination Fees	Based on Cost Apportionment Agreements	0.00%	0	0
Lieu of Taxes	Based on Cost Apportionment Agreements	10.72%	53,616	500,000

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Intergovernmental Fines	Based on Cost Apportionment Agreements	0.00%	0	0
Stabilization	Based on Percentage of 3 Yr. Avg. of Flow and Solids	0.00%	0	0
<u>Description</u>	<u>Method of Apportionment</u>	<u>Percent of Total</u>	<u>Marblehead Amount</u>	<u>SESD Total</u>
Transfer to CPF's	Actual	0.00%	0	0
Misc. Expense	Actual	0.00%	0	0
TOTAL EXPENSES		12.42%	\$2,991,092	\$24,081,789

EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES FOR MARBLEHEAD	\$259,666
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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Zoning Board of Appeals met in eleven sessions in 2020 from January to December, mostly by Zoom, at which it took the following actions: approved 63 and denied 1 special permit requests, granted 2 extension requests, heard and disposed of 3 appeals from action of the Building Commissioner, allowed the withdrawal of 6 applications without prejudice, and granted minor modifications with respect to 7 administrative hearings to existing special permits.

Board members were Alan Lipkind, William Barlow, Leon Drachman, Benjamin Labrecque, and William Moriarty. The alternates were Bruce Krasker, James Rudolph, and Christopher Casey. Special thanks to Lisa Lyons and Town Planner, Becky Curran Cutting.

Respectfully submitted,
William R. Moriarty
Chair

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

MARBLEHEAD SCHOOLS ON THE WEB

Information about all Marblehead Public Schools programs can be found by visiting: <http://www.marbleheadschoools.org>

MARBLEHEAD SCHOOL COMMITTEE

<https://www.mhdschoolcommittee.org/>

Sarah Gold	Term Expires May 2023
Meagan Taylor	Term Expires May 2021
Sarah Fox	Term Expires May 2022
David Harris, Jr.	Term Expires May 2022
Emily Barron	Term Expires May 2023

ORGANIZATION

School Committee Chairperson	Sarah Gold
School Committee Vice-Chairperson	Meagan Taylor
School Committee Secretary	Sarah Fox

REGULAR MEETINGS

The regular scheduled meetings of the School Committee are held in the High School Library bi-monthly at 7:00 p.m. except during the months of July and August. Since the summer of 2019, recordings of the regularly scheduled school committee meetings have become available to review at a later time via the school committee website. The meetings are also televised to watch at a later date through MHTV.

2019-20 SCHOOL HOURS

High School	7:55 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Middle School	8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Village School	8:00 a.m. to 2:15 p.m.
Glover School	8:05 a.m. to 2:20 p.m.
Coffin School	8:15 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Eveleth School	8:25 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

MARBLEHEAD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Marblehead Public Schools Mission Statement

Our Mission is to foster in our students a passion for learning, and to provide a safe nurturing environment in which they can develop the values, knowledge and skills needed to achieve full potential in their personal, social and work lives, and to become contributing members of society.

Marblehead Public Schools Vision Statement

A model school district, exemplary in its student engagement and academic excellence, where all students meet their highest potential with the support of outstanding instructional leadership and in partnership with the community.

Aligning with this mission and vision, our primary budgetary goals are to provide students with the highest quality administrative and instructional staff, curriculum and assessment tools, and an environment conducive to the potential of greatest student achievement. Long and short term strategic planning, and the budget process, drives the prioritization of these goals with student outcomes always at the forefront of planning.

At the foundation of all district-wide planning and goal setting spanning the full operations of the department, were the input, creation and adoption of the Mission Statement and Vision Statement, culminating in the release of the Strategic Plan.

The School Department's annual objectives and strategic plan seeks to reflect the priorities identified in the district's defined mission, vision and goals, with the assumption of concurrently providing sufficient resources to ensure compliance of all federal, state and locally mandated educational programs and requirements while enabling the more detailed work in specific operational areas to occur with a common guide driving the output.

MARBLEHEAD PUBLIC SCHOOLS PERSONNEL

Administration and Administration Support Staff

Name	Position	Telephone
John J. Buckey	Superintendent of Schools	639-3140
Nan Murphy	Assistant Superintendent of Schools	639-3140
Lisa Dimier	Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent	639-3140
Salina Ponticelli	Human Resources Assistant	639-3140
Pamela Long	Central Registrar	639-3140

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Eric Oxford	Director of Student Services	639-3140
Emily Dean	Student Services Liaison & Director of ELE	639-3140
Peg Slattery	Student Services Administrative Asst.	639-3140
Michelle Cresta	Director of Business & Finance	639-3140
Diane Crean	Administrative Asst. for Payroll	639-3140
Mary Valle	Bookkeeper	639-3140
Kathy Gallagher	Accounts Payable Secretary	639-3140
Barbara Kiernan	Teachers Retirement Clerk	639-3140
Stephen Kwiatek	Technology Director	639-3140
Katie Farrell	Database Specialist	639-3140
Todd Bloodgood	Director of Facilities	639-3140
Richard Kelleher	Director of Food Services	639-3100
Gregory Ceglarski	Athletic Director	639-3100
Mark Tarmey	Asst. Athletic Director	639-3100
Jasmine Boyd-Perry	METCO Director	639-3100
Deanna McMahon	Lead Nurse	639-3100
Alyssa Zimei	Special Education Chairperson	639-3190
Nicole Grazado	Special Education Chairperson	639-3159
Meredith Wishart	Special Education Chairperson	639-3120
Paula Donnelly	Special Education Chairperson	639-3100
Dan Bauer	High School Principal	639-3100
Lynsey Page	HS Asst. Principal	639-3100
Michele Carlson	HS Asst. Principal	639-3100
Andrew Clark	SRO	639-3100
Vicky Morency	HS Principal's Secretary	639-3100
Kari Roy-Githinji	HS Front Office Secretary	639-3100
Amy Ciccone	Registrar/Student Activities	639-3100
Matthew Fox	Veterans Middle School Principal	639-3120
Julia Ferreira	Veterans School Asst. Principal	639-3120
Donna Carey	Veterans Principal's Secretary	639-3120
Amanda Murphy	Village School Principal	639-3159
Stephen Gallo	Village School Assistant Principal	639-3159
Donna Zaeske	Village School 3 rd Grade Principal	639-3159
Maryann McKie	Village Principal's Secretary	639-3159
Jennifer Packard	Village Front Office Secretary	639-3159
Jennifer Elliott	Village 3 rd Grade Principal's Secretary	639-3159
Suzanne McCormick	Village Receptionist	639-3159

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Sean Satterfield	Coffin School Principal	639-3180
Linda Mills	Coffin Principal's Secretary	639-3180
Brian Ota	Glover School Principal	639-3190
Barbara Hawlena	Glover Principal's Secretary	639-3190
Dawn Whittier	Glover Front Office Secretary	639-3190
Donna Zaeske	Eveleth School Principal	639-3195
Joanne LeBlanc	Eveleth School Secretary	639-3195

Central Office and Building Updates

The beginning of the 2019-2020 school year brought significant changes to the School Department's Central Office organizational structure. This included both reorganization of existing personnel and position as well as welcoming many new faces. An Interim Superintendent, Bill McAlduff, was hired to lead the district for the school year while the School Committee conducted a comprehensive search for a new and permanent Superintendent of Schools. The Central Office administrative function was reorganized with the elimination of the Director of Human Resources and the Director of Technology and Operations positions. In addition to the Interim Superintendent, the remaining three central office administrative positions of Director of Finance, Assistant Superintendent and Director of Student Services were also filled by new faces. Michelle Cresta was appointed as the new Director of Finance. The Interim Assistant Superintendent position was filled by John Moretti and the Interim Director of Student services position was filled by former Veterans Middle School Chairperson, Eric Oxford. As part of this reorganization the responsibilities of the two positions of Director of Facilities and Director of Technology were expanded and the positions of Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent and Director of Finance shared the administrative duties formerly overseen by the Director of Human Resources position.

Both the Interim Superintendent and the Interim Assistant Superintendent positions along with the Interim Director of Student Services positions were filled with permanent appointments during the spring of 2020. Beginning July 1, 2020 Dr. John J. Buckey was appointed to the role of Superintendent of Schools and Nan Murphy was hired to fill the Assistant Superintendent vacancy. Eric Oxford was also appointed as the permanent Director of Student Services. The Director of English Language Education, Emily Dean, took on additional responsibilities in an effort to maximize efficiencies and structure within the Student Services Department as a Special Services Liaison.

The 2019-2020 academic year began with a focus on the building of a new PK-3 elementary school at the site of the old Bell School locations. As a result of the demolition of both of the Bell School buildings, students in Kindergarten through 3rd grade were reassigned to other district school buildings. The Village School repurposed rooms to make accommodations for welcoming the 3rd graders from the Bell and Coffin Schools. The Coffin School also prepared for the addition of all 1st and 2nd grade students from the Bell School. Additionally, after six weeks of summer preparations, the Eveleth School opened its doors to the remaining Kindergarten students from the Bell School in early September. Once the building project began in February, many new project developments were completed on time and generally ahead of schedule. The last piece of steel was installed on the new elementary school in early September.

We are pleased to offer a more intimate look into the Marblehead Public Schools with this year's Town Report. Each building along with various departments have highlighted activities and accomplishments from the 2019-2020 school year. We hope this deeper dive serves as a more transparent view into what was an unprecedented year in public education. We applaud our faculty, staff, administrators, families and students for their perseverance and resilience during this challenging year.

Student Services

Another major milestone of the 2019-2020 school year focused on the alignment of the Special Education Department. Team Chairperson positions were restructured to focus on building based responsibilities allowing the Chairs to immerse themselves in the culture and mission of their respective schools. Collaborating alongside building principals they were able to maximize support for staff and students alike.

Monthly Special Education Parent Advisory Council (SEPAC) district meetings were established to discuss key issues and initiatives for improving student outcomes and support. A Spring Conference Series was also created to discuss relevant special education topics aimed at helping to better educate the community regarding the importance of relationship building and social/emotional well-being.

The Pivot to Remote Learning

In March of 2020 educational plans dramatically shifted due to the statewide closure from concerns surrounding the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic. With constantly moving expectations and state requirements administrators and educators worked diligently to move curriculum forward by shifting to online instruction. The leadership team launched a website to assist parents in navigating coursework and assignments by grade and teacher. Collaborative efforts helped educators to prioritize learning standards that should be addressed before entering the next grade level. A taskforce was set up to monitor and revise online learning to better suit the needs of students and families.

As the district continued to strive for academic excellence, administrators worked behind the scenes coming up with creative ways to create a sense of community in a remote world. Instagram star, Redd the Bear became a middle school mascot finding a way to connect students learning from home by posting pictures, creating contests and hosting math challenges. The high school held a virtual commencement ceremony connecting all of their graduates together and the elementary schools ended the year in a celebratory way hosting a socially distanced rolling car rally.

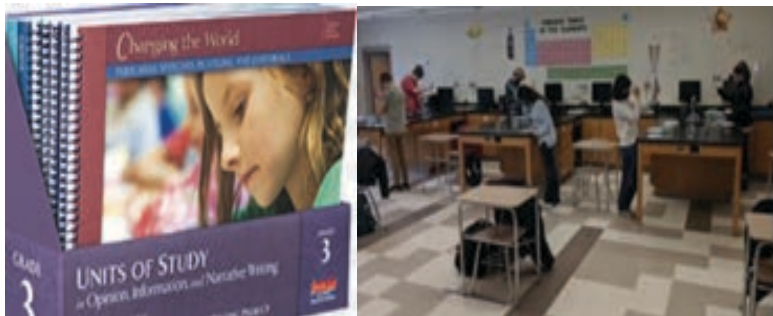
During an uncertain time, educators came together and went above and beyond to ensure students received a high quality education. By the beginning of the 2020 school year, the Special Education Department was recognized by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education as a model district for serving and supporting students with disabilities and English Language (EL) students during the pandemic crisis.

By the end of the 2019-2020 school year, through incorporating important protocols and procedures, the elementary building project remained underway and on time. Educators were provided an unexpected opportunity to reassess the tools they required to successfully teach, ways in which teaching practices could be improved and how to better evaluate the curriculum being taught in preparation of future planning. Professional development and the social emotional well-being of all students and staff would become a primary focus in planning for future school years as the global pandemic forever changed the world of education.

Teaching and Learning

In early July the Marblehead Public Schools established a Teaching and Learning Committee to research and develop Marblehead's K - 12 school re-entry model. After weeks of collaboration, a hybrid model of instruction was selected and successfully implemented across the district. Regardless of the ongoing challenges facing educators during the COVID Pandemic, the District continued to refine, broaden, and deepen curriculum and instruction. Remaining at the forefront of instructional planning is the district's ongoing commitment to aligning curriculum to the State Curriculum Frameworks. Teachers have been diligent about ensuring that curriculum, materials, assessments, and student opportunities are equitable across all learning cohorts. This commitment to progress monitoring and pacing will ensure Covid related learning loss is minimized and remediated.

While Marblehead High School continues to refine and implement the revised math sequence focused on Model Algebra and Geometry standards, they also continue to implement new standards based resources in other core courses. K - 8 teachers continue to follow the current GO MATH AND BIG IDEAS math series, while a collaborative working group has been established to research and vet various updated math programs to be considered for 2021 - 2022 district adoption. The Writing Workshop model has been vertically expanded by purchasing Lucy Calkin's Units of Study for all K - 5 classrooms. This cohesive approach to writing instruction will not only strengthen the district's literacy foundation but develop reflective and skillful writers. Science, Technology and Social Studies instruction continues to be aligned and assessed according to state standards. Internal work continues to assure benchmark and project based assessments are embedded thoughtfully throughout the scope and sequence of instruction.

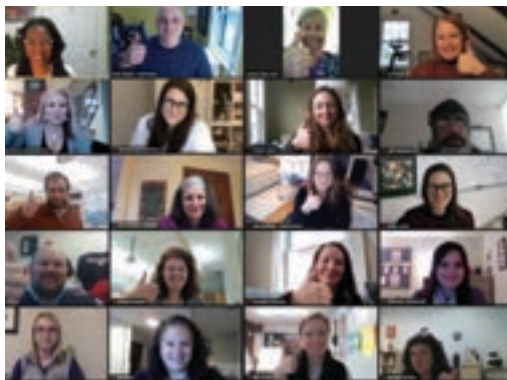


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The District continues to prioritize and support the social and emotional health of our students, staff, and families. The District's ongoing Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports (PBIS) work is evident across all schools. Elementary students K - 5 all participate in morning meetings following the Responsive Classroom Model, and all 6 - 12 students have teacher lead advisory meetings embedded in their schedules. In addition, students at every age level are offered ample after-school activities designed to promote student connection and reduce social isolation.



Teachers continue to be provided targeted professional development. This year the focus has been on advancing the skills required to effectively implement instructional technology, as well as, collaborating consistently with grade level colleagues in reviewing, modifying and implementing standards based instruction to ensure content is equitably paced and presented.



The Office of Teaching and Learning will continue to prioritize aligning standards based instruction with effective instructional resources, while also remaining committed to broadening the skill set of educators by providing ongoing rich and relevant professional development.

Eveleth School

On June 18th the Town of Marblehead approved the New School building project, to be a 450 student building to be located on the Malcolm Bell school site. This would mean the Malcolm Bell school site would be vacated so construction could begin on the site in the fall of 2019. Excitement and celebration quickly spread across the district and the Marblehead Community. In anticipation of the new school building project, with one final day left in the current school year, the principals, teachers and staff, immediately started to implement the planned transitional moves across the district.

The Malcom Bell school building was closed during the summer of 2019. The transitions planned across the district included; Lower Bell population was to move Eveleth school (Kindergarten including former Gerry students), 1st and 2nd Bell students were combined with 1st and 2nd grade Coffin students. Grade 3 students from Coffin and Bell would be moved to the Village 4th-6th School.

Principal Satterfied would continue to provide leadership to Coffin school grades 1 and 2 and Principal Zaeske would provide leadership between the Eveleth site with 81 students and 4 Kindergarten Classrooms, and 154 students and 8 3rd grade Classrooms at the Village School. Principal Zaeske would coordinate plans at Village with Principal Amanda Murphy integrating grade 3 into the Village school.

Preparation of Eveleth School

Learning that the building project was approved in late June, left 6 weeks to do all the necessary preparations at the Eveleth School including necessary repairs, updates to technology, the electrical systems and alarms. Carpeting and flooring was installed and heat/boiler maintenance was completed. The school was also painted from top to bottom. As the grounds and playground needed attention, the entire district custodial and maintenance staff was shifted to Eveleth School by Todd Bloodgood to accomplish this feat. At the same time Coffin school needed to be prepared for the 1st and 2nd grade Bell students and staff, and the Village school had to make room for 8 classes for Bell and Coffin grade 3 students. Success was achieved at each school site and Eveleth was “school ready” and

opened in late August of 2019. The Eveleth School rolled out the red carpet and welcomed the Kindergarten children and families with open arms and smiles! Many had commented they had never seen the building look so wonderful. The students and staff continue to enjoy the wonderful little school today.

Kindergarten Screening

Eveleth School opened with the district Kindergarten Screening Program that was held during the very first week of school. Teachers and specialists performed the screening and had firsthand contact with the new learners and parents. This was a perfect arrangement at Eveleth as the other schools in the district were in full session. We could keep our focus on the new families entering our school district system, making sure they had all the information they needed to start school the following week. The Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) always has a wonderful way of reaching out and participating with classroom and teacher Meet and Greets. “Popsicles on the Playground”, extended the warm welcome to the children and parents.

Eveleth Opening

Eveleth School opened on 9/3 with 81 students including 4 Kindergarten classrooms and 22 staff members. We were able to set up a Library/Art space in one of the larger classrooms, as the books arrived from the former Bell School. A combination gym/stage multipurpose room was also set up to be shared by Music and PE teachers. Additional classrooms were utilized to serve our unique populations and learners including ELL, Reading Support, and Special needs students with specialized services. Some of the Eveleth Kindergarten parents put finishing touches on the playground by repainting all the graphics which includes a large map of the United States. Kindergarten parents helped to prepare the garden with flowers and plantings to extend a warm welcome in the front of the school. A new Librarian, Lyn Holian was hired between the Coffin and Eveleth schools.

Eveleth School Highlights

Having all the Kindergarten students in one school lends to a unique environment as 5 year olds add a great deal to the atmosphere. Our music teacher took advantage of this opportunity to teach a host of patriotic songs including: America the Beautiful, You're a Grand Ole Flag; This Land is Your Land and many more. Our 81 Kindergarten students performed a special Veterans Day program and filled the room with these favorite songs for our families and local Veterans from our Marblehead community.

Our Elementary schools have a strong PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports) program which we brought to the Eveleth School. The focus is on teaching respect, responsibility and safety. These values are explicitly taught for each area of the school, such as hallways, playground, classrooms etc. We have large Community meetings scheduled with monthly themes and focus rotated and planned by the staff and teachers. All the raised garden beds from the Bell school were transferred to Eveleth to help support a gardening program at Eveleth. In the fall, we had special guest Jean Skaane teach a lesson on spinach and integrate a story book: *Silvia Spinach* by Katherine Pryor and *Sophie's Squash* by Pat Zietlow Miller. Other special events for the year included a Halloween Parade around the large Eveleth playground. Our generous PTO created a Cultural Enrichment Calendar of events which brings in exciting programs and unique participation opportunities for our young Kindergarten students. The Discovery Museum, Extreme Science and Ooch were some of the enrichment programs.

Instructional Program and Academics

Our students are taught by a team of highly qualified Kindergarten teachers who understand young children's developmental capacities and rate of learning.

Our approach to instruction is often integrated across the school day. Students benefit from our multisensory phonics program, Foundations, as they learn early reading skills such as letter names, sounds, and common sight words. Writing instruction is delivered through a workshop approach, where students have many opportunities to write for various purposes. During Math each day, students engage with the "Go Math" curriculum, which includes manipulatives and real life applications. The school takes advantage of the nearby Ware Pond Conservation Area, where students are able to interact with the natural world around them. Additionally, we have many other specialists and other educators who may support students and families. This might include an Occupational or Physical Therapist, Speech and Language Therapist, School Psychologist, Guidance counselor, Ell teachers and special education professionals. All of our students receive Library, Art, Music and PE.

Onset of the Pandemic

Our spring season was cut short in duration with all our schools closing on March 12, 2020 with the spread of the COVID Pandemic. The schools initially closed for 2 weeks and resulted in "no school" for the remainder of the school year. Our world in education changed as parents became the new teachers and we launched on line instruction. The world of Zoom became known to all, as we

approached learning from behind the screen. This was a huge learning curve for all educators who are still learning how to be most effective as they continue using online platforms to teach. The ending of the school year was celebrated by a Road Rally at the Eveleth school site and to send off our kids for summer vacation with hopes of welcoming all students back in the fall of 2020.

Coffin School

General Education and Transition

The 2019-2020 school year was quite a change from previous years for Coffin School. As a result of the YES vote for a new school at Baldwin Road in June 2019, a transition Plan for the duration of the construction was instituted. The previous year the Gerry School had closed and kindergarten was moved to Lower Bell and the First Grade relocated to the Coffin School. In the fall of 2019, Coffin School absorbed the first and second grade from Bell School, and the third grade moved to the Village School. We had six first grades and six second grades at Coffin for the school year, and although space was tight, it gave us a chance to develop a cohesive school team for the move into the new school.

The Coffin School focuses on monitoring the progress of students via frequent assessment. Through the use of this data, interventions for each student are implemented in areas that are a challenge for the student. The support of additional mathematics and reading tutoring enables Coffin to keep the sizes of intervention groups lower at the elementary level, while drawing on their training and expertise.

Remote Learning

In March, 2020, the Coffin School, just like the rest of the district and the state, was required to begin remote learning for all students. Despite the technological challenges of remote teaching, both in terms of hardware and in training, teachers were able continue to educate students during the hardship. Frequently, throughout the spring, online education we revised and revamped to better suit the needs of our students. Skills learned under the stress of the spring paid off in the fall when we began another round of remote and, later, hybrid learning.

Social Emotional Learning/PBIS and School Culture

One of the largest tasks with the transition was creating a cohesive culture between two buildings--melding the students, staff, and parents into one community. This required the work of teachers, parents, and PTO members. As a team, Coffin staff met to decide what combined traditions would be kept, borrowing a little from each building to move forward. For example, Goldie the Goose from Bell was kept as the Coffin mascot, the Monster Mash from Coffin continued to be celebrated and the Coffin Holiday Shop remained. The Passport Day, a hands-on activity where the students visit each part of the school building to see and understand the school expectations was also refined. As a community, all the students participated in donations to the Marblehead Food Bank for Thanksgiving and raised funds for the American Heart Association via our Physical Education program. The Coffin School continues to work to develop a strong school culture as the school moves through a transition period and is looking forward to being reunited with the remainder of the K through 3rd grade colleagues.



Glover School

General Education

During the 2019-2020 school year, Coffin Librarian, Janet Mohler was transferred to Glover when the Glover School Librarian retired. Ms. Mohler

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introduced Media studies into the library curriculum to enhance the students' ability to find and authentic information on the web. Tammy Nohelty was also transferred to the Glover School from Bell to replace the Glover Art Teacher who retired.

At the Glover School is the lower elementary ACCESS (Accessing Core Curriculum Everyday for School Success) special education program which supports students with autism spectrum disorder and other related disabilities. The classrooms support a wide range of academic and social skills needs with varying levels of inclusion, including Allied Arts; music, art, and physical education.

The Glover School continues to strive for academic excellence by improving assessment tools through professional development in: Aimsweb Math Training, a Math Fluency Standard based progress monitoring system. The training provided the faculty with the proper methodology for testing and a deeper understanding of the data generated by the assessments which supports data driven instruction and the implementation of interventions for struggling students. The interventions are done in the classrooms by small group instruction and focused reinforcement by the English Language Arts Tutors and Math Tutors. The Glover School has also hired and employed Masters Level retired teachers to provide the critical interventions.

MCAS:

	Exceeds expectations	Meets expectations	Partially meets expectations	Does not meet expectations
2019 ELA	9	64	23	4
2018 ELA	3	54	35	8
2019 Math	6	63	31	0
2018 Math	8	48	44	2

The Glover School continues to see a steady growth in MCAS scores. The third grade teachers have spent time evaluating each line of the MCAS tests to look for strands that needed improvement while then developing curriculum and interventions to improve student comprehension.

Impact of COVID

In March there was a one week turnaround to go full remote. The Glover teachers worked closely with their grade level teachers and designed and populated a robust website that allowed parents and students to see each week's schedule by grade and by teacher which was rated highly by parents.

Social Emotional Learning

The Glover School maintains a very strong Social Emotional Learning (SEL) focus. A Friends of Marblehead Public Schools (FMPS) grant as well as support from the Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) created a diversity book library for each classroom that is age appropriate and provided training on how to use them. Collaborative and informative professional development took place with Jeff Perrotti on LGBTQ. The Glover School participated in the Kid Heart Challenge raising \$6000. The school also sponsored service learning projects delivering three carloads of food and supplies to the Marblehead Pantry and collecting 2000 pairs of socks which were delivered to families in need in Boston. The school continued its SEL programs for a weekly all school community meeting in which the school distributed Rockstar classroom awards that recognized classrooms that followed core values as well as individual awards for students who were recognized for going above and beyond following the CORE Values. A professional development on grief counseling was also well attended. Lastly, two Odyssey of the Mind teams were created as an after school activity. A Treats for Troops drive was organized in which students contributed Halloween Candy that amounted to several hundred pounds of candy sent to troops across the globe. The second grade worked with the PTO and brought in a program called Zoning in. The focus of the program helped students to develop skills to understand their emotional state so they could better regulate their emotions.

Village School

The 2019-2020 School year started with welcoming the grade 3 staff and students to the Village School. 18 additional staff were welcomed including; 8 general education teachers, 3 special education teachers, a guidance counselor, Eveleth Principal Donna Zaeske, a secretary and specialists such as art, music, PE and library. Program teachers for Special education were able to be shared so some of the 4th grade specific programs became a 3rd and 4th grade programs combined such as Academic Skills. The moves were made over the summer as items were cleared out of the 5th grade wing and classes and office space

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throughout the building were combined. Spaces such as the auditorium and cafeteria were repurposed into teaching spaces and lunch schedules were shifted to include another grade level. The auditorium also became a shared music and orchestra classroom while the cafeteria served as a gym during the morning hours.

The year kicked off with a Boosterthon Fun Run, a fundraising effort led by the Parent Teacher Organization (PTO). Students participated in a character education social emotional curriculum and they were encouraged to obtain sponsors for every lap they ran around the gym. The fundraising event provided an opportunity to include the new Village 3rd graders and built a sense of community from the start of the school year. The year progressed with exciting opportunities as new science kits were implemented in all three grades. Teachers were committed to learning more about and implementing Response to Intervention (RTI) process further as they analyzed their MCAS data from the 2018-2019 school year and identified areas of need in their grade levels and departments.

Staff participated in two meaningful Professional development opportunities. The first consisting of a presentation by the North Shore Alliance of GLBTQ Youth (NAGLY) during a staff meeting and the second spending an afternoon with the Safe Schools representatives and parents. The presentations were meaningful conversations as schools work to educate staff on the importance of inclusivity and opportunities for new learning.

Enrollment for grades 4-6 was 620 students with an enrollment number of 154 in grade 3 for a total enrollment of 774 students. 4th grade - 204, 5th grade -220, 6th grade – 196.

The Village School welcomed a few new hires during the 19-20 school year. Bridget Corcoran joined the PACE program. Kylynn Tiboo transferred to Village from the High School. Leah Feldman filled the Speech and Language therapist position and Taylor Picariello joined the Village team as a long term substitute for the multiple teachers who went out on maternity leave.

Before the school building closed in March due to the pandemic and the switch to transition to fully remote learning was made, Village students had some successful experiences for students such as the 5th grade field trip to Lexington and Concord and the 4th grade annual field trips to both Lowell Mills as well as the Museum of Science. The 5th graders were able to participate in their annual

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Colonial Craft Day and the school held their annual vocabulary parade as well as the school wide spelling bee.

The Village School switched to fully remote learning in March. With limited devices while trying to make an educational experience that was accessible and fair for all, teachers faced the many challenges and rose to the occasion. They continued to hold weekly grade level meetings to discuss curriculum and shift their scope and sequence. Teachers collaborated as they identified which standards were a priority and needed to be addressed before the next grade level and which topics would be picked up in the next grade.

The year ended on a positive note with a rolling rally pictured below.



Veterans School

The 2019 – 2020 school year at Marblehead Veterans Middle School was an active year in which many of our plans and efforts had to dramatically shift when the state-wide school closures took place in March. Prior to the closures, the middle school focused on a few key areas of growth. While curriculum work had been completed across nearly every subject area; hard work from the Science and Social Studies departments led to coordinated and fully implemented curriculums tied directly to new state frameworks in both subjects. The English, Math, and Science departments actively analyzed the outcomes of our MCAS scores to look for areas of curricular expansion and improvement. The PBIS committee conducted a staff climate survey, identified

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areas of growth, and used a professional development afternoon to increase skills in facilitating positive peer to peer interactions.

When the state-wide closures began in mid-March, the instructional model quickly shifted to remote learning. With constantly moving expectations and requirements from the state, teachers worked diligently to continue to move the curriculum forward. As the end of the year approached, a four-step process was conducted to prepare for whatever came next in the 2020 – 2021 school year. That process focused on four areas – Needs, Practices, Guidance, and Curriculum. Staff first determined what would be **needed** to continue to teach remotely and then evaluated teaching **practices** identifying what could be improved. **Guidance** for students and families was put together in preparation for consideration of continued remote learning. Finally, Curriculum Coordination forms were created and completed which helped to evaluate the **curriculum** taught remotely to assist in setting up the next year's curriculum. These efforts led to a smooth transition into the 2020 - 2021 school year.

The Veterans Middle School welcomed five new staff members to MVMS: Kristen Copell (Special Education), Andrea Evers (Math/Science), Erin O'Connor (English), Meredith Wishart (Special Education Chair – now at the Elementary level), and Phillip Witt (Permanent Substitute).

While leaving school and working remotely was new for all students, Veterans staff continued to reach out to keep students involved as a community. For example, Redd the Bear soon made an appearance. Redd, a long-time resident of the catacombs under MVMS started an Instagram page to keep communicating with students. Through pictures, contests, and math challenges, Redd strove to make MVMS a community, even though the school was learning remote. At his peak, Redd accumulated over 300 followers. The picture below is the most popular picture he posted, showing our outstanding custodial crew who work so hard to keep our students safe.



Marblehead High School

The 2019-20 school year began with a Freshman Orientation and a high school staff professional development. The high school welcomed seven new hires to MHS, Drew Bourdeau (Math), Brandon Leahy (Math), Jacques Duranceau (Science), Holly DeHaan (Special Education), Coree Dovev (Special Education), Eric Eid-Reiner (Adjustment Counselor), Marc Jamieson (Special Education).

The Bridge for Resilient Youth in Transition (BRYT) Harbor program was established at the high school in the fall of the 2019 school year. The program serves students who are struggling with Social/Emotional needs that may lead to school avoidance as well as hospitalizations. Assistant Principal, Lynsey Page coordinated the effort to establish the BRYT program and Samantha Bagley was hired as the clinician. Emily Robinson joined the program as tutor.

Co-teaching continued with matching two educators (one Special Education teacher and a general education teacher) in a classroom. Co-teaching was able to be added to more subjects with a total of 21 courses being served. In addition, school safety was a point of emphasis with the expansion of ALICE training. Staff and students were further educated on the decision making drills.

Professional Learning Communities (PLC) work continued with groups of teachers working together with a purpose to improve our school. The groups worked on how to clarifying problems, gathering resources to address the problem and recommended solutions. PLC groups included Service Learning, Advisory, STEAM, Executive Functioning, School Climate and Culture and technology.

The high school performed well on the MCAS in 2019 with the school achieving the second highest high accountability rating in Essex County in 2019. The overall score indicated that the target results were exceeded. The accountability rating system changed to reflect a more detailed picture of the school and the overall classification did not require assistance or intervention.

The Composite Performance Index (CPI) for ELA was 97.6, Math 95.9 and Science 97.6. The weight of highest performing students was 87%, with 64% substantial progress toward targets. The Marblehead High School AP testing results for 2019 was; 339 students participated, 640 tests administered, 20 subjects overall tested with 72% of test takers scoring a 3 or higher (passing).

Of the 2019-2020 graduating class, 51 students were AP Scholars, 19 students enjoyed AP Scholars with honors award recognition, 45 students were AP

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Scholars with distinction and 2 students were also recognized as AP National Scholars.

Marblehead High School continued a high rate of participation in extracurricular activities. In October, the school hosted an Activity Fair with over 55 different clubs and groups represented. The Marching Band, Acapella groups and the Drama Club had very successful performances. The National Art Honor Society was well represented in the annual Senior Art Show and the METCO program coordinated their 2nd Annual Cultural Feast which featured performances as well as food from many cultures.

During the 2019-2020 school year, the athletic department celebrated being the recipients of the Dalton Award. The award is for the highest winning percentage in ones division in the state. Participation in athletics was over 70%. The Boys Alpine Ski Team was named state champions and the Girls Alpine Ski team was a runner up for the state championship title. The Swimming/Dive and Boys Ice Hockey teams were also named NEC champions. Due to COVID-19, all spring sports were cancelled and everything changed for MHS on March 13.

Beginning in March began the pivot to remote learning for the remainder of the school year due to COVID-19. Many adjustments were made by both teachers and students. Marblehead High School closed and classes continued in a remote format. Teachers had to recreate their lessons to match remote learning and students adjusted to the new format. Unfortunately, all extracurricular activities were cancelled, including athletics, fine arts and clubs.

The Class of 2020 Commencement Ceremony was adjusted to virtual format. The community rallied around the seniors and coordinated a parade. The Parent Council Organization (PCO) provided yard signs for each senior. The virtual ceremony was shared on graduation day, June 5, 2020 after the Class of 2020 did a drive by pick up of their diplomas.

The Class of 2020 included 243 seniors. Post graduate plans include 95% of students continuing their education with 2 or 4 year college, 1% of students interested in joining the military and 4% of students planning to enter the workforce or other.

Closing

The establishment of an updated vision and mission along with the creation of a long-term strategic plan will be among the top priorities of the new Superintendent of Schools. The next few years should be filled with an exciting sense of renewal and a continued effort and focus on making the Marblehead Public Schools the best it can be for our students, staff and community.

We recognize and applaud the efforts of our instructional faculty and full staff as strong facilitators of these goals, and as always we look to student achievement and well-being as the ultimate guide in these efforts.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dr. John J. Buckey
Superintendent of Schools

Class of 2020 Scholarships Awarded

Alan D. Cashman Memorial Scholarship
Alexander & Catherine Norton Memorial Scholarship
Allie Castner Scholarship Fund
Arrangers of Marblehead Garden Club
David Stern Scholarship
Daynor Prince Scholarship
Donald J. & Barbara S. Gray Scholarship Fund
Friends of Marblehead Hockey
Friends of Performing Arts Music Scholarship
Friends of Performing Arts Theatre Scholarship
Gail Salinsky Memorial Trust Scholarship
Gary M. Ogan Memorial Scholarship
Gerry #5 VFW Scholarships
Hope Langburd Award for Creative Writing
Jason M. Garfield Scholarship
Judy Haley Daponte Memorial Scholarship
LoveStrong Volleyball Scholarship
Magicians Gridiron Club Scholarships
Marblehead Academy Scholarships
Marblehead All Sports Boosters Club Scholarship
Marblehead Arts Association

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Marblehead Democratic Town Committee
Edwin L. & Selma Goldberg Mem. Scholarship
Marblehead Dollars for Scholars Organization
Marblehead Festival of Arts & The Warwick Theater Foundation Art Scholarships
Marblehead Firefighters Local 2043 Annual Scholarship
Marblehead Little Theater
Marblehead Softball Little League Scholarship
Marblehead Youth Basketball Association Scholarship Fund
Marcia Joan Cronkhite Memorial Scholarship
Marian Brown Art Scholarship
Melanie Nangula Hatutale Scholarship
METCO Scholarship & Tyrone Bumpurs Scholarship
Michael Joseph Patrick Joyce Scholarship
Michael Robert Interest Memorial Scholarship
National Art Honor Society Scholarship
National Grand Bank of Marblehead Scholarship
Oliver P. Killam Jr. Private Foundation Scholarship Fund
Pam S. Lane Scholarship Fund
Patricia Lockwood Bach Arts Scholarship
Peter D. Gamble Memorial Scholarship
Philanthropic Lodge-Donald H. and Helen D. Peach Scholarship
Philanthropic Lodge-James T. Martin Scholarship
Philip T. Clark Scholarship
Richard Cary Williams Jr. Memorial Scholarship
Rotary Club of Marblehead Harbor Enhanced Scholarships
Rotary Club of Marblehead Scholarships
Sterny's Way Arts Scholarship
Sterny's Way Sports Scholarship
Susan A. Cohen Esposito Memorial Scholarship
Tri-M Scholarship
Town of Marblehead Scholarships

*Chaplain Lyman Rollins Post #2006 VFW Scholarship
*Edwards & Mary Humphrey Scholarship
*Eleanor Moulton Dyer Scholarship
*Nichols & Grey Scholarship
*Sara E. Thompson Scholarship
*Tax Check Off Scholarship
*Walter Chapman Jr. Memorial Scholarship

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- *Zelia Hall Hodgkins Scholarship
- *Burton Thomas Scholarship
- *Hospital Aid Scholarship
- *Thomas Tucker Scholarship

Class of 2020

Valedictorian: Jillian Lederman
Salutatorian: Hayden Miller

- * National Honor Society Member
- National Art Honor Society Member
- ♪ Tri-M Music Honor Society Member
- ☐ Société Honoraire du Français
- ~ Spanish National Honor Society Member
- ^ Mu Alpha Theta
- Math Honor Society
- Science Honor Society Member
- Rho Kappa Social Studies Honor Society
- ++ High Honor Graduate: 3.8 Cumulative Grade Point Average or better
- + Honor Graduate: 3.4 Cumulative Grade Point Average or better

Michela Arianna Acquafredda
♪ Crystal Marie Aguero
+ Nicole Claire Alexandrou
++ Federico Paolo Angius
+ Peyton Baer Applegate
++ *~ ^ Anna Xiaoyou Arbo
Lily Kathryn Arnold
++ Mia Hassan Atallah
++ *^ Griffin Thomas Baker
+ Ryan David Baker
++ *^ Elizabeth Alexandra Bakhnov
+ Jack Frederic Barker
++ * Christopher Barone
Shakeriah Lillian Taffaria Baxter
Juliet Brooklyn Belanger
Colette Rose Bender
+ Samantha Anastasia Bendicksen
++ *^ Lucia Eleanor Beurer
Ashton Dimitrius Binette
Paige Elizabeth Bird

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Fischer David Birnbach
Luke William Bolognese
+ Catherine Hanne Bontaites
+ Cole Lionel Bouchard
Jack Michael Bouchard
+ Natalie Diane Bourgault
Ava Huck Brenneman
Alfred Eamon Bresnahan
Nicholas Alexander Brown
Skyler Kay Burke
+ Bryn Leslie Burton
Cooper Watson Caldwell
Michael John Calnan
Bionca Lynn Cameron
Chloe Alexandra Campbell
Dylan Mack Cecere
Dylan Tiger Chardon
Edward Christopher
Christian Garrett
Zach Hamilton Christopher
+* Olivia Katherine Cleary
++ John Sigourney Cohen
♪ Camille Elizabeth Comstock
Max Andrew Connelly
Trevor Strnadel Connolly
++ * ^ Caroline Burns Craig
+ Elinor Driscoll Cronin
++ Timothy Michael Cronin
++*♪ Hannah Rose Crowley
+ Greta May Cunningham
+♪ Mary Grace Jacques Curran
Luke Nickerson Curtis
+ Jasmine Latoya Cushnie
Elizabeth Frances Dailey
+ Bella Leah Damon
++ Ian James Delehaunty
Julianna Patricia Devincent Niagale
Jane Diawara
+ Madelyn Grace Dimare
++ * ^ Lauren Marie Dombey
++ * Grace Kathryn Doody
++ *♪ Gavin Anderson Dowley

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++ Daniel Lev Drabkin
++ Julia Elena
Kyle Anthony Emmett
Eloisa Claudia-Faith Elston
++ ♪ Elinor Piedad Fallon
++ *~ ^ Hana Celia Feingold
+ Emma Page Ferrante
++ * Ella Maeve Fiegener
+ Michael Thomas Flaherty
Michael Forsythe
Joshua Adams Francoeur
Dylan Antonio Freddo
Ryan James Freiburger
++ * Malina Mizner Friedman
Richard Vernon Gayne III
+ Abigail Gaytan Hernandez
++ Kathryn Amelia Gibbons
Trevor Han Gilligan
+* Lily Davida Gindes
++ * ♪ □ Jason Bayley Gladstone
+ Lily Sara Goldman
+ Erick Enrique Gonzalez
+ Noah Jared Goodman
Sean Harris Grady
++ * Rachael Hannah Gregory
+ Ryan Russell Grohe
+ Talia Rebecca Gross
+ Nia Tina Guzman-Crayton
++ *^ Michaela Rose Haliotis
++ * William Santry Hancock
++ Claudia Frances Hart
Francis Collin Hart
+ Jackson Robert Hart
++^ □ Sidney Smith Marcey
++* ♪ Michael Vincent Martelli
Derek Ozzy Martin
Ryan Paul Masters
Jared Scott Maude
++* Sean James McCarthy
+ □ Julia Rose McGrath
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++ Joan Insook McNulty

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+ Keshawne Marquis Mercury
+ Jasper Seth Merrill
++^ Sophia Marie Michalowski
++ * Hayden Joseph Miller
++ William Jonathan Miyamoto
Sawyer Aiden Mock
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Rafael Antonio Morales, Jr.
++ *~ ^ Lily Belle Morgan
++* 🎵 Madison Ashley Morris
Nathaniel Hawke Mullins
Matthew Pierce Munafo
++*^ Carter Cregan Murray
++* Jacob Asher Nagel
Rei Eva Newman
Diana Phung Nguyen
Tianna Lee Nolasco
Maya Rayne Nyberg
++*^ Anna Christina O'Connor
++ Quinn Patrick O'Neil
++* Caroline Mary O'Neill
++* Grace Elisabeth Orloff
++ Maja Frida
Christina Erixon Orsborn
++* Frances Grace Paik
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+ 🎵 Nicolas Laquiana Parra-Duncklee
Cole Emerson Patrick
++ Marco Pedemonte
+ Christian Alexander Penkrat
Mirabella Anne Peters
+ Zachary Roch Piersol
+ Courtney Ann Pingree
Max James Podgur
++ Hannah Elise Porath
++^ William Harold Poss
John Michael Hart
+ John Bradley Hecht
Cody Bo Henry
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++^ Benjamin David Hewitt
++* Lydia Brooke Hurley

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++*~ Lydia Holmes Hybels
Sara Mae Indelicato
Corey Joseph Jurasek
+ Jacob Allan Juros
++ Hadley Elizabeth Kaeyer
Natcha Kanchananaga
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Martin Kao
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WARRANT ANNUAL TOWN MEETING 2021

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,

County of Essex, ss

to Any Constable in the Town of Marblehead

Greeting:

You are hereby required and directed in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to warn and give notice to the inhabitants of Marblehead, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at 80 Atlantic Avenue, Our Lady Star of the Sea Community Center, Rear Parking Lot, Marblehead, MA, on Monday, the third day of May next A. D. 2021 (it being the first Monday in May) at 7:00 o'clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles in the Warrant for said meeting as follows:

Article 1 Articles in Numerical Order

To see if the Town will vote to adopt an order requiring articles in the Warrant to be taken up in their numerical order, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 2 Reports of Town Officers and Committees

To receive the report of the Town Accountant, the reports of the Town Officers, and special committees, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 3 Assume Liability

To see if the Town will assume liability in the manner provided by Section 29 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws, for all damages that may be incurred by work to be performed by the Massachusetts Highway Department for the improvement, development, maintenance and protection of tidal and non-tidal rivers and streams, harbors, tidewaters, foreshores and shores along a public beach in accordance with Section 11 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws and authorize the Selectmen to execute and deliver a bond of indemnity therefore to the Commonwealth, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 4 Accept Trust Property

To see if the Town will vote to accept certain trust property, gifts or grants to be administered by the Town or modify the terms thereof, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by Town Counsel.

Article 5 Lease Town Property

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the appropriate Town Officers to let or lease such land, buildings or structures owned by the Town on such terms as they may determine, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 6 Contracts in Excess of Three Years

To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen, pursuant to G. L. c. 30B § 12, to enter into contracts in the best interest of the Town in excess of three (3) years but not more than ten (10) years. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 7 Departmental Revolving Funds

To see if the Town will vote to:

- a.
fix the maximum amount that may be spent during FY 2022 beginning July 1, 2021 for the revolving funds established in the town bylaws for certain departments, boards, committees, agencies or officers in accordance with G.L. c. 44 § 53E 1/2, and
- b.
mend Chapter 63, section 63-9, of the Town of Marblehead General Bylaws by adding a new section 63-9(E)(12) as follows:

12. Hobbs Memorial Building Revolving Fund

- a. There shall be a separate fund called the Samuel Hobbs Memorial Building Revolving Fund authorized for use by the Board of Selectmen.
- b. The Finance Director/Town Accountant shall establish the Samuel Hobbs Memorial Building Revolving Fund as a separate account and credit to the fund all of the revenues received by the Samuel Hobbs Memorial Building in connection with receipts from the Samuel Hobbs Memorial Building.
- c. During each fiscal year, the Board of Selectmen may incur liabilities against and spend monies from the Samuel Hobbs Memorial Building Revolving Fund for expenses related to operating maintenance and repair of the building.

d. The Samuel Hobbs Memorial Building Revolving Fund shall operate for the fiscal year that begins on July 1, 2021, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 8 Purchase of Equipment of Several Departments

To see if the Town will raise and appropriate any sums of money for the purchase and/or lease of equipment for several departments of the Town, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade old equipment as part of the purchase price and to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 9 Lease Purchase

To see if the Town will vote pursuant to G.L. c. 44 §21C, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into lease purchase agreements for the lease and purchase of vehicles and certain capital for a period of time not in excess of the useful life of the property to be procured on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen deem in the best interest of the Town; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take all actions necessary to administer and implement such agreement and to fund said lease purchase through an annual appropriation in the Capital Budget or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 10 Capital Improvements for Public Buildings

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for remodeling, reconstructing and making extraordinary repairs to existing Town or School buildings, infrastructure, and the purchase of necessary equipment including computer hardware and software to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 11 Walls and Fences

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the construction and reconstruction of walls and fences for the protection of highways and property, including engineering services in connection therewith; to authorize the appropriate Town Officers to acquire by purchase, eminent domain or otherwise, any land or easements necessary therefore; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 12 Water Department Construction

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to be expended by the Water and Sewer Commission for the construction, reconstruction and extending of water mains, replacement of water meters, appurtenances, engineering, consultants, surveys including revenue studies and other general Water Department purposes, and to authorize the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners to acquire by purchase, eminent domain or otherwise any lands or easements necessary, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners.

Article 13 Sewer Department Construction

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to be expended by the Water and Sewer Commission for the construction or reconstruction of sewers for sanitary purposes and for sewerage disposal, pump stations, original pumping equipment, metering equipment, safety equipment, replacement of said equipment, engineering, consultants, surveys, including revenue studies and other general Sewer Department purposes, and to authorize the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners to acquire by purchase, eminent domain or otherwise any lands or easements necessary, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners.

Article 14 Water and Sewer Commission Claims

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Water and Sewer Commission and the Board of Selectmen acting jointly to compromise any claims for damages or suits pending against the Town of Marblehead on account of acts which may have occurred during the construction of the water or sewer systems, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners.

Article 15 Storm Drainage Construction

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, borrow or otherwise fund a sum of money for the construction, reconstruction, permitting and maintenance of storm sewers for surface drainage, including engineering services in connection therewith, and for general Drain Department purposes, including the purchase or lease of equipment, and to authorize the appropriate Town Officers to acquire by purchase, eminent domain or otherwise, any land or easements necessary therefore, and to raise the money for such purposes by the issue of bonds or notes or in any other manner, to be expended by the Department of Public Works; or to take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 16 Essex North Shore Agricultural and Technical School District

To see if the Town will vote to approve the gross operating and maintenance budget of the Essex North Shore Agricultural and Technical School District for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2021 and appropriate a sum of money for the Town's assessment of the same, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 17 Available Funds Appropriate to Reduce Tax Rate

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate free cash balance in the hands of the Town Treasurer, including any surplus or part of surplus in the Electric Light Department for use of the Assessors in making the tax rate, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Finance Director.

Article 18 Unpaid Accounts

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to provide for the payment of any unpaid accounts brought forward from previous years, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Finance Director.

Article 19 Transfer Funds to the Special Education Stabilization Account

To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate or otherwise transfer funds to the Special Education Reserve Fund; or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Finance Director.

Article 20 Collective Bargaining (Fire)

To see if the Town will, pursuant to G.L. c. 150E §7, vote to appropriate the sums of money sufficient to fund the collective bargaining agreement for fiscal year 2022 with the International Association of Firefighters AFL/CIO CLC Local 2043, or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 21 Collective Bargaining (Police)

To see if the Town will, pursuant to G.L. c. 150E §7, vote to appropriate the sums of money sufficient to fund the collective bargaining agreement for fiscal year 2022 with MASS C.O.P., AFL-CIO, Local 437, or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 22 Collective Bargaining (IUE/CWA – Local 1776)

To see if the Town will, pursuant to G.L. c. 150E §7, vote to appropriate the sums of money sufficient to fund the collective bargaining agreement for fiscal year 2022 with Local 1776 of the IUE/CWA, AFL-CIO, or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 23 Expenses of Several Departments

To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate, including appropriations from Federal Revenue Sharing moneys, to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the Town for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Finance Director.

Article 24 Financial Assistance for Conservation

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Conservation Commission and other proper officers of the Town to apply for financial assistance from public and private sources to be expended by the Conservation Commission for the purchase of vacant land and any other purpose, authorized by Section 8C of Chapter 40 of the General Laws as amended, or to reimburse the Town for sums of money expended for such purposes, or both, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Conservation Commission.

Article 25 Proposed Reclassification and Pay Schedule (Administrative)

To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 121 of the Bylaws, Classification and Wage Salary Plan, by changing certain job titles where indicated and reclassify certain positions in the Administrative Pay Schedule; to strike out the pay schedule as it relates to Administrative personnel, substitute in place thereof the new pay schedules and to transfer from available funds and/or appropriate a sum of money to make said new pay schedules effective, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 26 Proposed Pay Schedule and Reclassification (Traffic Supervisors)

To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 121 of the Bylaws, Classification and Wage Salary Plan, by changing certain job titles where indicated and reclassify certain positions in the Traffic Supervisors Pay Schedule; to waive the pay schedule as it relates to Traffic Supervisor personnel, substitute in place thereof the new pay schedules and to transfer from available funds and/or appropriate a sum of money to make said new pay schedules effective, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 27 Proposed Reclassification and Pay Schedule (Seasonal and Temporary Personnel)

To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 121 of the Bylaws, Classification and Wage Salary Plan, by changing certain job titles where indicated and reclassify certain positions in the Seasonal and Temporary Personnel Pay Schedules; strike out the pay schedules as they relate to seasonal and temporary personnel, substitute in place thereof the new pay schedules and to transfer from

available funds and/or appropriate a sum of money to make said new pay schedules effective, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 28 Compensation - Town Officers

To see if the Town will vote to revise the compensation of the Town Clerk as the Town by vote may determine and to transfer from available funds and/or appropriate a sum of money to make said revision effective, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 29 Ratification of Salary Bylaw

To see if the Town will vote to ratify certain actions taken by the Compensation Committee under Chapter 43 Section 3(e) as last amended and amend the classification table by reclassifying certain positions, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Compensation Committee.

Article 30 Affordable Housing /Tax Title Foreclosures

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, an amount of \$44,400 from Free Cash to be paid to the Affordable Housing Trust, which is a 10% portion of the proceeds received from the sale of tax foreclosure properties, or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 31 Release Funds from Transportation Network To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or transfer from the reserve for appropriation Fund 27 for the purpose of implementing Transportation Infrastructure Enhancement Fund related to improvements to the rail trail, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Finance Director.

Article 32 Pumper Truck

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a pumper truck for the Fire Department, and to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen.

Article 33 Demolition by Neglect

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Marblehead General Bylaws by adding a new Chapter 111 as follows:

Chapter 111: Demolition by Neglect.

§111-1: Authority.

This Chapter is adopted pursuant to the Old and Historic Marblehead Districts Act, Chapter 101 of the Massachusetts Acts of 1965 (the “Act”) and, more particularly, pursuant to the purposes set forth in Sections 2 and 5(b) of the Act, and in furtherance of the authority set forth in Section 5(a) and 5(c) of the Act which establish, among other things, the duty of the Old and Historic Districts Commission (the “Commission”) to pass upon the removal of any building within the districts so established as well as alterations to those buildings, structures and the exterior architectural features of those buildings and structures. This Chapter is also adopted pursuant to the Home Rule Amendment, Art. 89, § 6, of the Amendments to the Massachusetts Constitution to prevent irreparable harm from the demolition of historical buildings and structures.

§111-2: Purpose.

This Chapter is enacted for the purpose of preserving and protecting Significant Buildings and Structures and to encourage owners of such buildings and structures to seek out persons who might be willing to purchase, preserve, rehabilitate or restore such buildings and structures rather than demolish them. To achieve these purposes, this Chapter empowers the Commission to work with the Building Commissioner and advise the Building Commissioner with respect to the issuance of permits for the demolition of Significant Buildings and Structures and with respect to such buildings and structures suspected of being Demolished by Neglect.

§111-3: Definitions.

- G. The term "Commission" as used in this Chapter shall mean the Marblehead Old & Historic Districts Commission.
- H. The term "Demolition by Neglect" as used in this Chapter shall mean the process of ongoing damage to the fabric, viability and/or functionality of an occupied or unoccupied building, or structure, leading towards and/or causing its eventual demolition due to decay and/or structural failure and/or severe degradation over a period of time as a result of a general lack of maintenance, and/or failure to secure the building from pests or vandals, and/or failure to take reasonable measures to prevent the ingress of water, snow, ice and wind through the roof, walls, or apertures.
- I. The term "Significant Building or Structure" as used in this Chapter shall mean all buildings and structures, as defined in Chapter 110-7(B), including the exterior architectural features of those buildings and structures, which are subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.

§111-4: Determination of Demolition by Neglect.

- E. If the Commission has reason to believe, through visual inspection or other means, that a Significant Building or Structure may be undergoing Demolition by Neglect, then the Commission shall notify the Building Commissioner and the owner, and the Commission and the Building Commissioner shall jointly hold a public hearing to i) confirm whether or not the building or structure is a Significant Building or Structure and ii) determine whether or not it is undergoing Demolition by Neglect, which shall require the concurrence of the Building Commissioner. In furtherance of determining its condition, the Commission may, at any time, request an inspection of the building or structure by the Building Commissioner.
- F. Notice of the Public Hearing shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation at least two times at least 14 days in advance of said hearing. Notice of the public hearing shall be provided to the property owner by certified mail at least 14 days prior to said public hearing.

§111-5: Demolition by Neglect Prohibited.

- I. No Significant Building or Structure shall be Demolished by Neglect. Notwithstanding, nothing herein is intended to or shall alter the Commission's authority under Chapter 110.
- J. If the Commission and the Building Commissioner both determine that the Significant Building or Structure is undergoing Demolition by Neglect, the Commission and the Building Commissioner shall attempt to negotiate a voluntary agreement with the owner for appropriate and timely repairs sufficient to structurally stabilize the building or structure and/or prevent further deterioration.
- K. In the event that the Commission and the Building Commissioner both determine that they are not able to negotiate such an agreement with the owner, for any reason, or that the owner has agreed to undertake but has failed to satisfactorily complete such repairs in a timely manner, then the Commission shall state in writing the findings of fact in support of such determination of violation of this Chapter and shall issue and cause to be served upon the owner and/or other parties in interest therein an order to correct within a time to be specified in the written decision. The Commission's determination may be appealed to the Board of Selectmen by a written application filed by an aggrieved party within ten (10) business days following receipt of the Commission's order. A hearing on the appeal shall be held within sixty (60) days of the written application. If no appeal is filed, or, if an appeal is filed, upon a finding that the Significant Building or Structure is undergoing Demolition by Neglect, the Commission and the Building Commissioner may take such action as is permitted under the following section, including seeking a court order that specific repairs be undertaken to secure the Significant Building or Structure against the elements, vandals and vermin, to halt further deterioration, and to stabilize it structurally.
- L. Upon completion of all repairs that have been agreed upon between the owner and the Commission and the Building Commissioner or that have been ordered by the Commission and the Building Commissioner, or that have been ordered by the court, and upon certification by the Building Commissioner that said repairs have been completed, the Commission shall certify that the Significant Building or Structure is no longer undergoing Demolition by Neglect.

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§111-6: Enforcement and remedies.

- C. Subject to Sections 4 and 5, the Commission and the Building Commissioner are each authorized to issue written orders and to institute any and all proceedings available in law or equity as they deem necessary and appropriate to obtain compliance with the requirements of this Chapter, or to prevent a violation thereof.

§111-7: Demolition on account of threat to public safety.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Chapter, nothing herein shall be construed to prevent the demolition of any structure or portion thereof which the Building Commissioner certifies is required by the public safety because of an unsafe or dangerous condition; and nothing herein is intended to alter, amend or regulate any matters governed by State Code.

§111-8: Adoption of Regulations.

The Commission shall have the authority, following a duly noticed public hearing, to adopt regulations pursuant to the provisions hereof to further the purposes hereunder.

§111-9: Severability.

If any section, paragraph or part of this Chapter be for any reason declared invalid or unconstitutional by any court, every other section, paragraph and part shall continue in full force and effect.

Or take any other action relative to. Sponsored by the Old and Historic Districts Commission.

Article 34 Amend the Bylaws of the Old and Historic District Commission Chapter 110 Old and Historic Districts

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Marblehead Bylaws section 110 as follows (**bold and underline** text added and ~~cross-out~~ deleted):

1). Amend §110-4 Structures and features not requiring certificates of appropriateness. Paragraph D.

D. Arbors, trellises, ~~terraces, patios~~, flagpoles, yardarms, screens, screen doors, storm doors, storm windows, radio or television antennas, weather vanes, wind direction or wind speed vanes, masts, derricks, and cranes.

2). Amend §110 -7 Definitions Paragraph B.:

The term "structure" shall mean and include any product or piece of work built up or composed of parts joined together in some definite manner, other than a building or a sign including but not limited to walls, terraces, **patio** walks or driveways, parking areas, tennis courts and swimming pools.

Or any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Old and Historic District Commission

Article 35 Abbot Public Library

To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate, or borrow a sum of money for renovating, remodeling, reconstructing, originally equipping and replacing infrastructure to the existing Town building known and identified at Abbot Public Library, and to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, or by taking any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Abbot Public Library Board of Trustees.

Article 36 Joseph Brown Conservation Area

To see if the Town will vote to replace the signs at the Norman Street entrance to Steer Swamp (which currently read "Black Joe's Pond: Named after Joseph Brown, Revolution Veteran" and "Steer Swamp Conservation Area" to reflect the intent and vote of the 1973 town Meeting which renamed the area around and including Black Joe's Pond as the "Joseph Brown Conservation Area". Sponsored by Kimberly Poitevin and others.

Article 37 Transparency & Accountability

To see if the Town will vote to:

- I. Provide a direct line of contact to all elected officials, Boards and Committees with the expectation of a response
- II. Establish, document and publicize all Boards and Committees', a) active pursuit of and an on-going registry of potential citizens who are interested in serving b) adoption of terms limits and staggered terms c) annual review of members' potential conflict of interest d) purpose, goals/accomplishments, authority, and membership
- III. Establish an Ethics Board, with the "Board of Selectmen" appointing three (3) to five (5) Community Members who are not 1) officers or employees of the municipality, 2) officers in a political party, 3) appointed/elected to another Board or Committee, 4) benefitting directly or indirectly from the appointment:
 - a. The Board will serve as a resource to municipal employees and townspeople to safely report ethics violations, thereby adopting whistle-blower protections.

- b. The Code of Ethics will be posted online and reviewed annually. It will include but is not limited to bids and contracts, donations, cronyism, nepotism, conflict of interest, discrimination, open meeting violations, misallocation of resources, gifts/favors, disclosures, fines and penalties for violations.
- c. The Board is empowered to adjust the grievances provided that such adjustment shall not involve the Town in an expenditure of money in excess of the appropriation made for the use of said Board.

Sponsored by Megan Sweeney and others.

Article 38 Peace and Good Order

- I. To ask if the Town will vote to amend the Bylaw Ch. 119 Peace and Good Order to include prohibition of disruptive behavior from anchored, moored, and transient boaters and/or visitors gaining access to Public Ways, Beaches, Trustees of Reservation Properties or public space in/on/along the water. No person shall engage in persistent or repeated yelling, hooting, whistling, singing, or the playing of loud excessive music from any radio or sound making device in such a manner as to be plainly audible and as to annoy or disrupt the reasonable quiet, comfort or repose of persons in any dwelling, residence, office, or of any persons in the vicinity of the waterways or other public places.
- II. To ask if the Town will vote to grant full authority of enforcement to the Harbormaster.

Sponsored by Megan Sweeney and others.

Article 39 Board of Selectmen

To see if the Town will vote to:

- I. Accept that there shall be a standing “Board of Selectmen” to consist of five (5) elected officials, with a sixth (6) appointed as an Alternate in case of death or an inability to serve. The alternate will assume responsibilities and serve for the unexpired term. No one of whom shall hold Town office position or be a voting member to any Board or Committee.
- II. Accept an extension of the elected terms of “Selectmen”, with staggered terms to ensure organizational knowledge is retained; three (3) seats will be designated for a one (1) year term, two (2) seats for a two (2) year term.

- III. Establish term limits, whereas an elected “Selectmen” would hold office for a maximum of (3) terms or six (years) 6, whichever is greater.

Sponsored by Megan Sweeney and others.

Article 40 Diversity

To see if the Town will vote to:

- I. Adopt inclusive language:
 - a. Amend the Bylaws to reflect gender inclusive language whereas single gender use of “he/him/his/men” would be replaced with She/Her/He/Him/They/Persons/People throughout its entirety and on all governing documents, websites, media; and articles, town warrants and references in Town Meetings from here forward
 - b. Amend its Executive Leadership title “Board of Selectmen” to be replaced with “Select Board” in all references, bylaws, governing documents, websites, media, articles, town warrants.
 - c. Amend its standard equal opportunity hiring statement: “Marblehead embraces diversity and equal opportunity. We are committed to building a team that represents a variety of backgrounds, perspectives, and skills. The more inclusive we are, the better our service to Marblehead will be”.
 - d. Amend its job postings and job descriptions to reflect inclusiveness, reviewing as needed
- II. Amend all “Screening” or “Selection” Committees, including but not limited to Ch. 45 Article 1, to reflect a commitment to diversity and inclusion:
 - i. The seven (7) person committee will be qualified to attract and commit to selecting a diverse pool of candidates, with members rotating to retain organizational knowledge. A non-voting 8th member may be appointed to assist with administrative duties – This person may be nominated by the ad hoc committee, but should not be a current ad hoc committee member.
 - ii. There will be at least four (4) members who represent marginalized groups
 - iii. The members agree to participate in an organizational inclusion, diversity hiring and /or implicit bias training as a group to serve the dual purpose of educating and team building
 - iv. Within 30 days of creation, the “Selectmen” will make a public announcement certifying the intent of the Committee.

Sponsored by Megan Sweeney and others.

Article 41 Common Sense Sidewalk Snow Removal Bylaw

To see if the Town of Marblehead will vote the following bylaws:

The owner or any other person having care of any building or land abutting any street or public place within the town where there is a sidewalk shall clear sidewalks of snow to a minimum of 3 feet width within 24 hours after snow ceases to fall.

- 1) Waivers shall be available for disabled, elderly, and others with special needs or circumstances as promulgated by the Board of Selectmen.
- 2) Waivers shall be available for buildings or properties with no reasonable area to place removed sidewalk snow as promulgated by the Board of Selectmen.
- 3) During periods of heavy snow accumulation, the Town of Marblehead may suspend this bylaw until snow removal from sidewalks becomes possible.

Enforcement: The Marblehead Police shall have authority to issue a warning for first violation. \$50 fine for subsequent violations. Warnings and fines shall be issued to property owner. Sponsored by James R. Zisson and others.

Article 42 3 Year Staggered Term for Selectmen

To see if the Town of Marblehead will vote the following bylaws:

Change the current term of the Selectmen from a one year term to a three year staggered term similar to the Marblehead School Committee and most other local Select Boards.

- 1) A citizen recall provision would also be included

Sponsored by James R. Zisson and others

Article 43 MWRA Local Water System Assistance Program, Interest Free Loan, Water Distribution Improvements

To see if the Town will appropriate \$1,022,400.00 for the construction and reconstruction of the water distribution system, including all incidental or related costs; and to pay for said appropriation, to authorize the treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow said sum pursuant to G.L. c. 44, §§ 7 and 8 or any other enabling authority and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, whether through the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority ("MWRA") Local Financial Assistance Program or federal or state loan programs, and to authorize the Town to apply for, accept and expend any federal or state grants or loans that may be available for the project, and further, that any premium received by the Town upon the sale of any bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this vote in accordance with G.L. c.

44, § 20, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by like amount. Sponsored by the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners.

Article 44 Compensation

To see if the Town will amend its compensation plan Chapter 43 Section 11 as follows (**underline and bold new**, ~~strike-through removed~~):

The starting rate for an employee who is promoted or transferred to a position in a higher classification group shall be the minimum or hiring rate of the higher rated position or the employee's own rate, whichever is higher, or if the employee's own rate is higher than the minimum or hiring rate and does not appear as a step rate in the higher grade, they shall receive the next higher step rate. If the rate established in the previous sentence does not result in at least a two percent increase, the employee shall receive an increase to the next higher step in the new grade, but in no event higher than the maximum step. **Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event the promotion or transfer is to a Department Head position, the Town Administrator shall revise, if necessary, with the approval of the Compensation Committee, the salary steps for said position, prior to the posting of the position so the salary schedule is current with competitive rates in the region and the promoted or transferred employee shall be placed in the step which is most commensurate with experience in the respective field of employment.**

Sponsored by the Finance Director.

Article 45 Transfer of Property

To see if the Town will approve the change of use from school purposes to electric light purposes and then transfer the care and custody and control of Town-owned land, parcel 146-33-0, listed in the Assessing Department records as 21 Lincoln Avenue, to the Marblehead Municipal Light Department. The unimproved parcel is bordered by Tioga Way and Hoods Lane. Sponsored by the Marblehead Municipal Light Department.

Article 46 Amend General Bylaw, Stormwater

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Marblehead General Bylaws section 195, Stormwater Management and Erosion Control, as follows (**underline and bold** is new language and ~~cross-out~~ is removed language)

Item 1

§ 195-1 Purpose, **amend** as follows:

- A. Increased volumes of stormwater, contaminated stormwater runoff from impervious surfaces, and soil erosion and sedimentation are major

causes of: impairment of water quality and flow in lakes, ponds, streams, rivers, wetlands and groundwater; contamination of drinking water supplies; erosion of stream channels; alteration or destruction of aquatic and wildlife habitat; flooding; and overloading or clogging of **the municipal storm sewer system, including** catch basins and storm drainage systems. The United States Environmental Protection Agency has identified sedimentation from land disturbance activities and polluted stormwater runoff from land development and redevelopment, and pollutants from illicit connections and discharges to municipal storm ~~sewer drain~~ systems as major sources of water pollution, impacting drinking water supplies, natural habitats and recreational resources. **In order to comply with state and federal statutes and regulations, r**egulation of activities that result in the disturbance of land and the creation of stormwater runoff, and regulation of illicit connections and discharges to the municipal storm ~~sewer drain~~ system is necessary for the protection of the water bodies and groundwater resources within the Town of Marblehead, to safeguard the health, safety and welfare of the general public and protect the natural resources of the Town. [Amended 5-6-2019 ATM by Art. 35] **[Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]**

- B. The objectives of this by-law are to:
- (1) Protect water resources;
 - (2) Require practices that eliminate soil erosion and sedimentation;
 - (3) Control the volume and rate of stormwater runoff resulting from land disturbance activities in order to minimize potential impacts of flooding;
 - (4) Require practices to manage and treat stormwater runoff generated from new development and redevelopment;
 - (5) Protect groundwater and surface water from degradation;
 - (6) Promote infiltration and the recharge of groundwater;
 - (7) Prevent pollutants from entering the municipal storm ~~sewer drain~~ system; **[Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]**
 - (8) Ensure that soil erosion and sedimentation control measures and stormwater runoff management practices are incorporated into the site planning and design process and are implemented and maintained;
 - (9) Ensure adequate long-term operation and maintenance of structural stormwater best management practices;
 - (10) Require practices to control waste such as discarded building materials, concrete truck washout, chemicals, litter and sanitary waste at construction sites that may cause adverse impacts to water quality

- (11) Prohibit illicit connections and unauthorized discharges to the municipal storm ~~sewer drain~~ system; [Added 5-6-2019 ATM by Art. 35] **[Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]**
- (12) **Establish the authority to enforce and r**Remove all such illicit connections; [Added 5-6-2019 ATM by Art. 35] **[Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art X]**
- (13) Comply with state and federal statutes and regulations relating to stormwater discharges **and ensure low impact development site planning and design strategies are implemented as defined in the latest Massachusetts Stormwater Handbook**; and [Amended 5-6-2019 ATM by Art. 35] **[Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]**
- (14) Establish the Town of Marblehead's legal authority to ensure compliance with the provisions of this by-law through inspection, monitoring and enforcement. [Added 5-6-2019 ATM by Art. 35]

Item 2

§ 195-2 Definitions, **add** or **amend** as follows:

AUTHORIZED ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY

The Conservation Commission and its employees or agents **are** designated to enforce this by-law. For permits pursuant to §195-7, where the Conservation Commission does not have jurisdiction over the land disturbance activity, the Planning Board is designated as the authorized enforcement authority. For illicit connections and discharges, the Board of ~~Selectmen Water & Sewer Commissioners~~ is designated as the authorized enforcement authority. [Amended 5-6-2019 ATM by Art. 35] **[Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]**

ILLICIT CONNECTION

Any non-stormwater surface or subsurface drain or conveyance, which allows an illicit discharge into the storm ~~sewer drain~~ **system**, including without limitation sewage, process wastewater, or wash water and any connections from indoor drains, sinks, or toilets, regardless of whether said connection was previously allowed, permitted, or approved before the effective date of this by-law. Connections to the municipal storm ~~sewer drain~~ system which constitute illicit discharges as defined below which exist at the time of enactment of this regulation are considered illicit connections. [Added 5-6-2019 ATM by Art. 35] **[Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]**

ILLICIT DISCHARGE

Any direct or indirect discharge to the municipal storm ~~sewer drain~~ system that is not composed entirely of stormwater, except as exempted in § 195-7. The term does not include a discharge in compliance with an NPDES Storm Water Discharge Permit, or resulting from firefighting activities exempted pursuant to § 195-7 of this regulation. [Added 5-6-2019 ATM by Art. 35] **[Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]**

~~MUNICIPAL STORM DRAIN SYSTEM or MUNICIPAL SEPARATE~~
STORM SEWER SYSTEM (MS4)

The system of conveyances designed or used for collecting or conveying stormwater, including any road with a **separate storm sewer** (drainage) system, streets, gutters, curbs, ditches, inlets, piped **separate storm sewers** (storm drains), pumping facilities, retention or detention basins, natural or man-made or altered drainage channels, open channels, reservoirs and other **separate storm sewers** or drainage structures that together comprise the storm **sewer drainage** system owned or operated by the Town of Marblehead. **[Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]**

NEW DEVELOPMENT

Any construction activities, land alterations or activities that are part of a larger common plan on an area that has not previously been developed to include impervious cover. [Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]

QUALIFIED PERSON

A person designated by the authorized enforcing authority knowledgeable in the principles and practice of erosion and sediment controls and pollution prevention, who possesses the appropriate skills and training to assess conditions at the construction site that could impact stormwater quality, and the appropriate skills and training to assess the effectiveness of any stormwater controls selected and installed to meet the requirements of this permit and state and federal statutes and regulations. [Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]

REDEVELOPMENT

Any construction, development, rehabilitation, expansion, demolition, land alteration, improvement of impervious surfaces, or phased projects that disturb the ground surface or increase the impervious area on previously developed sites that does not meet the definition of new development. [Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]

SITE

Any lot or parcel of land or area of property where land-disturbing activities are, were or will be performed, including but not limited to the creation of new impervious cover and improvements of existing impervious cover. [Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]

Item 3

§ 195-4 Applicability, **amend** as follows:

This by-law **or the regulations promulgated thereunder** shall apply to all land-disturbing activities within the jurisdiction of the Town of Marblehead. Except as permitted by the authorized enforcement authority, or as otherwise provided in this by-law, no person shall perform any activity that results in land disturbance of 40,000 square feet or more, including 40,000 square feet of area which is comprised of smaller, individual parcels within the same project or unconnected areas which comprise 40,000 square feet or more in the aggregate. **[Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]**

- A. Regulated activities. Regulated activities shall include, but not be limited to:

- (1) Land disturbance of 40,000 square feet or more, whether or not associated with construction or reconstruction of structures;
 - (2) Development or redevelopment involving multiple separate activities in discontinuous locations or on different schedules if the activities are part of a larger common plan of development that all together disturbs 40,000 square feet or more of land;
 - (3) Paving or other change in surface material over an area of 40,000 square feet or more causing a significant reduction of permeability or increase in runoff;
 - (4) Construction of a new **municipal separate storm sewer system**, drainage system, or alteration of any existing drainage system or conveyance serving a drainage area of 40,000 square feet or more; **[Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]**
 - (5) Any other activity altering the surface of an area exceeding 40,000 square feet or more that will, or may, result in increased stormwater runoff flowing from the property into a public way, the municipal storm **sewer** ~~drain~~ system, or wetlands; or **[Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]**
 - (6) Construction or reconstruction of structures where 40,000 square feet or more of roof drainage is altered.
- B. Erosion and sedimentation control requirement. A project which includes land disturbance of less than 40,000 square feet shall be considered to be in conformance with this by-law if soils or other eroded matter have been or will be prevented from being deposited onto adjacent properties, rights-of-way, the public storm **sewer** ~~drainage~~ system or wetlands and watercourses. The design, installation and maintenance of erosion and sediment control operations and facilities shall adhere to the standards specified in the regulations adopted pursuant to this by- law. **[Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]**
- C. Illicit discharges and illicit connections. Illicit discharges and connections shall include, but not be limited to: all flows of non-stormwater into the municipally owned storm **sewer** ~~drain~~ system, a watercourse, and any waters of the commonwealth located within the boundaries of the Town of Marblehead. [Added 5-6-2019 ATM by Art. 351] **[Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]**

Item 4

§ 195-5 Administration, **amend** as follows:

The authorized enforcement authority shall administer, implement and enforce this by-law **or the regulations promulgated thereunder**. Any powers granted to or duties imposed upon the authorized enforcement authority through this by-law may be delegated in writing by the authorized enforcement authority to its employees and/or agents. **[Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]**

Item 5

§ 195-7 Permits/prohibitions, **amend** paragraph A (3) and (5) and paragraph B as follows:

- (3) **Design requirements** and ~~i~~Information requests. **Stormwater management systems shall be designed to be at least as stringent as the latest Massachusetts Stormwater Handbook design requirements. Additionally, the stormwater management system shall meet the US EPA Total Phosphorus and TSS design requirements for new development and redevelopment per the Federal NPDES permit. If there is a conflict between the latest Massachusetts Stormwater Handbook and the US EPA Total Phosphorus and Total Suspended Solids requirements, the more stringent requirements apply.** The authorized enforcement authority may request such additional information as is necessary to enable the authorized enforcement authority to determine whether the proposed land disturbance activity will protect water resources and comply with the requirements of this by-law. **[Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]**
- (5) Coordination with other boards. On receipt of a complete application for a land disturbance permit, the authorized enforcement authority shall distribute one copy each to the Planning Board, the Water and Sewer Commission, the Board of Health, ~~and~~—the Building Commissioner, **and the Department of Public Works as designated by the Board of Selectmen** for review and comment. Said agencies and persons shall, in their discretion, investigate the case and report their recommendations to the authorized enforcement authority. The authorized enforcement authority shall not hold a hearing on the land disturbance permit until it has received reports from said agencies or until said agencies have allowed

20 days to elapse after receipt of the application materials without submission of a report thereon. **[Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]**

B. Illicit discharges and illicit connections shall be prohibited.

- (1) Illicit discharges. No person shall dump, discharge, cause or allow to be discharged any pollutant or non-stormwater discharge into any storm ~~sewer drain~~ system, into a watercourse, or into waters of the United States and/or commonwealth. **[Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]**
- (2) Illicit connections. No person shall construct, use, allow, maintain or continue any illicit connection to the municipal storm ~~sewer drain~~ system, regardless of whether the connection was permissible under applicable law, regulation or custom at the time of connection. **[Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]**
- (3) Obstruction of the municipal storm ~~sewer drain~~ system. No person shall obstruct or interfere with the normal flow of stormwater into or out of the municipal storm ~~sewer drain~~ system without prior approval from the Marblehead **Department of Public Works as designated by the Board of Selectmen** ~~Water and Sewer Commission~~. **[Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]**

Item 6

§ 195-11 Inspection and site supervision, **amend** as follows:

- B. Inspection. The authorized enforcement authority or its designated agent shall **designate a qualified person to complete** ~~make~~ inspections as hereinafter required and shall either approve that portion of the work completed or shall notify the permittee wherein the work fails to comply with the approved plans and/or any conditions of approval. One copy of the approved plans and conditions of approval, signed by the authorized enforcement authority, shall be maintained at the site during the progress of the work. To facilitate inspections, the permittee shall notify the agent of the authorized enforcement authority within 24 hours after each of the following events: **[Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]**
- (1) Erosion and sediment control measures are in place and stabilized;
 - (2) Rough grading has been substantially completed;
 - (3) Final grading has been substantially completed;

- (4) Bury inspection, prior to backfilling of **the municipal separate storm sewer system and/or** any underground drainage or stormwater conveyance structures; **[Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]**

Item 7

§ 195-14 Enforcement, **amend** as follows:

B. Orders

- (4) Upon discovery of illicit discharges or illicit connections, the authorized enforcement authority may issue a written order to enforce the provisions of this by-law or the regulations promulgated thereunder, which may include: [Added 5-6-2019 ATM by Art. 35]
 - a. Elimination of illicit connections or discharges to the municipal storm ~~sewer drain~~ system; **[Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]**
 - b. Performance of monitoring, analyses, and reporting;
 - c. That unlawful discharges, practices, or operations shall cease and desist; and
 - d. Remediation of contamination in connection;
 - e. Payment of a fine to cover administrative and remediation costs; and
 - f. Implementation of source control or treatment BMPs.

If the enforcing person determines that abatement or remediation of contaminations is required and is the responsibility of the property owner, the order shall set forth a deadline by which such abatement or remediation must be completed. Said order shall further advise that, should the violator or property owner fail to abate or perform remediation within the specified deadline, the Town of Marblehead may at its option, undertake such work, and expenses times three thereof shall be charged to the violator.

Within 30 days after completing all measures necessary to abate the violation or to perform remediation, the violator and the property owner will be notified of the costs incurred by the Town of Marblehead, including administrative costs. The violator or property owner may file a written protest objecting to the amount or basis of costs with the **Department of Public Works as designated by the Board of Selectmen** ~~Marblehead Water & Sewer Commission~~ within 30 days of receipt of the notification of the costs incurred. If the amount due is not received by the expiration of the time in which to file a protest or within 30 days following a decision of the **Department of Public Works as designated by the Board of Selectmen**

~~Marblehead Water & Sewer Commission~~ affirming or reducing the costs, or from a final decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, the costs shall become a special assessment against the property owner and shall constitute a lien on the owner's property for the amount of said costs. Interest shall begin to accrue on any unpaid costs at the statutory rate provided in MGL c. 59, § 57 after the thirty-first day at which the costs first become due. **[Amended X-X-2021 ATM by Art. 46]**

Or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by Board of Selectmen.

Article 47 Use of Gas Powered Leaf Blowers

1. Gas powered leaf blowers may be used by commercial landscapers from the day after Labor Day through the day before Memorial Day, Monday through Saturday, 7 am- 5 pm, in keeping with the Town permits for construction projects.
2. Individual homeowners are not restricted in their personal use of gasoline powered leaf blowers.
3. A representative chosen by the Board of Selectmen may implement the use of gas powered leaf blowers in a Town emergency situation at any time.
4. This Bylaw shall be effective on Memorial Day 2021.
5. Enforcement of the Bylaw shall be determined by the Board of Selectmen.

Sponsored by Kathy Breslin and others.

Article 48 Supplemental Appropriation for the Schools

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to supplement the School Department's operating budget for FY2022, contingent upon the passage of a Proposition 2½, so called, ballot question, or take any action relative thereto. Sponsored by the School Committee.

Article 49 Supplemental Expenses of Several Departments

To see what sums of money the Town will raise and appropriate, including appropriations from Federal Revenue Sharing moneys, to defray the supplemental expenses of the several departments of the Town for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, or take any other action relative thereto. Sponsored by the Finance Director.

MARBLEHEAD TOWN REPORT 2020

You are hereby further required and directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Marblehead aforesaid who are qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs to subsequently meet at the several designated polling places in their respective precincts in said Marblehead to wit:

In Precinct 1 - Polling Place –

OLD TOWN HOUSE

1 Market Square

In Precinct 2 - Polling Place –

MASONIC TEMPLE

62 Pleasant Street

In Precinct 3 - Polling Place –

MASONIC TEMPLE

62 Pleasant Street

In Precinct 4 - Polling Place –

MARBLEHEAD COMMUNITY CENTER

10 Humphrey Street

In Precinct 5 - Polling Place –

MARBLEHEAD COMMUNITY CENTER

10 Humphrey Street

In Precinct 6 - Polling Place –

MARBLEHEAD COMMUNITY CENTER

10 Humphrey Street

on Tuesday, the 22nd day of June next A.D. 2021 (it being the third Tuesday after the first Monday in June) at 7 o'clock in the forenoon then and there to bring into the precinct officers of their respective precincts their votes on one ballot for the following-named Town Officers to wit:

Selectmen 5 for a 1 year term

Moderator 1 for 1 year term

Assessor 1 for 3 year term

Cemetery 1 for a 3 year term

Board of Health 1 for 3 year term

Housing Authority 1 for 5 year term

Library Trustee 2 for a 3 year term

Municipal Light Commissioner 2 for 3 year term

Planning Board 2 for 3 year term

Recreation & Park Commission 5 for a 1 year term

School Committee 1 for 3 year term

Water and Sewer 1 for 3 year term

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For these purposes the polls will be open at each and all of said precincts at 7 o'clock in the forenoon and will be closed at 8 o'clock in the afternoon at each and all of said precincts and you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at Abbot Hall and ten (10) other conspicuous places in Town as required by the Bylaws not later than thirty (30) days after being closed.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant or a certified copy thereof with our doings thereon, to each of the several precinct wardens at the time and place of meetings aforesaid and to the Town Clerk as soon as may be before the said meetings.

Given under our hands at Marblehead aforesaid this
24th day of February 2021.


JACKIE BELF-BECKER, Chair


M. C. MOSES GRADER


JAMES E. NYE

Selectmen of Marblehead

A True Copy

Attest:


2-26-21



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Veterans Middle School, Rear Parking Lot

