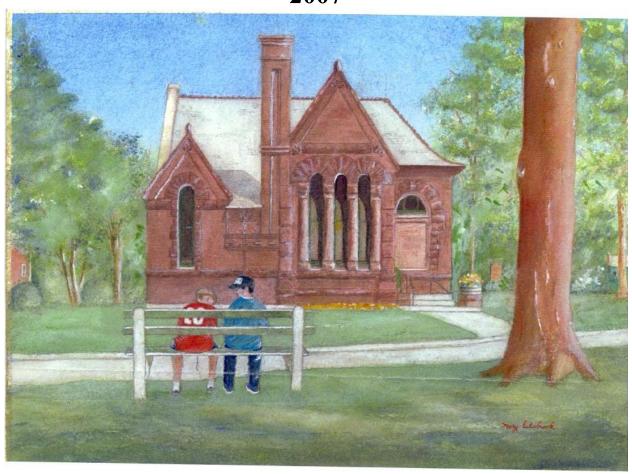


Annual Report Of the Town of Brookfield, Massachusetts 2007



About the cover & the artist

This year's cover is a water color of Merrick Public Library painted several years ago by Ms. Mary Estabrook of New Braintree. The two unidentified boys in the picture are from Brookfield.

As we look at this painting it reminds us of the role such landmarks play in identifying who we are as a community.

We wish to express our gratitude to Ms. Estabrook for supplying the cover art.

Dedication: Paul W. Spence, Jr.



Paul W. "Pete" Spence, Jr. died on November 3, 2007. A longtime resident of Brookfield, he served on numerous committees and was Town Accountant from 1966 – 1985. Pete was a U.S. Army veteran and a strong advocate of youth activities, particularly baseball and softball. He was active until his passing, serving as an umpire. The "ASA" on Pete's cap and shirt in the above photo mean "American Softball Association", according to Pete's widow Gail. He also played an important role in the Town's approval to construct a gymnasium at the elementary school.

IN MEMORIAM



During 2007, several prominent citizens and veterans passed away leaving a big impact on their families, friends and the Town. Among those who died during the year who made significant contributions to life in Brookfield were John E. Nolan, Madelyn P. Docwra, H. L. "Roy" Johnson, Walter H. Lynde, Sr., Earl P. Gilman, Joseph S. Durkin, Ernest H. Paquin, Wilfred E. Dubey, Paul A. Goodrich, Maria Mercedes Caraballo and Paul W. "Pete" Spence, Jr.

Each and every resident of the Town is an important citizen, of course, but Brookfield suffers a major loss each year that we lose citizens like these. Their contributions, however, continue to bless us. Please help to keep their memories alive by doing your part for Brookfield.

The following are honored for their gift of military service to the Town and to their Country. We appreciate their sacrifices in our behalf:

John E. Nolan	January 3, 2007	U.S. Navy
Madelyn P. Docwra	March 11, 2007	Rationing Board – WWII
H. L. "Roy" Johnson	March 5, 2007	U.S. Army
Walter H. Lynde, Sr.	March 14, 2007	U.S. Army Air Corps – WWII
Earl P. Gilman	June 23, 2007	U.S. Army – WWII
Joseph S. Durkin	July 16, 2007	U.S. Marine - WWII & Korean War
Wilfred E. Dubey	August 12, 2007	U.S. Navy - WW II
Ernest H. Paquin	October 24, 2007	U.S. Navy - WW II
Paul A. Goodrich	October 17, 2007	U.S. Army
Maria Mercedes Caraballo	October 28, 2007	U.S. Army
Paul W. "Pete" Spence, Jr.	November 3, 2007	U.S. Army

Remember, as this year passes our troops have either spent or extended another Tour in Iraq to topple the ideology of terrorism and maintain our constitutional freedoms. They fight not for what's in front of them but to protect what's behind them and most of all for each other. Let us all take time to thank the dedicated military personnel in our Town and around the United States of America who continue to serve our country and protect our freedoms.

"God Bless Our Troops"

GOVERNMENTAL DISTRICT AND REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE TOWN OF BROOKFIELD

UNITED STATES SENATORS

Edward M. Kennedy, Boston John F. Kerry, Boston

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

2nd Congressional District

Richard E. Neal

COUNCILOR – 7th DISTRICT

Edward J. Markey

STATE SENATOR

Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin Senatorial District Stephen M. Brewer

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

5th Worcester District

Anne M. Gobi

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Joseph D. Early, Jr.



FACTS ABOUT BROOKFIELD



SETTLED: 1660 as part of the Quaboag Plantation

INCORPORATED AS A TOWN:

Originally founded in 1660 as part of the Quaboag Plantation, Brookfield incorporated as a Town in 1673.

LOCATION:

Brookfield is located in Central Massachusetts bounded by North Brookfield on the North, East Brookfield on the East, Sturbridge on the South and West Brookfield, Warren and Brimfield on the West. Brookfield is 22 miles West of Worcester, 33 miles East of Springfield and 57 miles West of Boston.

POPULATION: 3.336

FORM OF GOVERNMENT:

Open Town Meeting with a three member Board of Selectmen and a full-time Administrative Assistant.

TAX RATE – FY 2008: \$12.80 per thousand

PROPERTY VALUATION:

Residential	\$288,930,097.
Commercial	\$ 10,659,217.
Industrial	\$ 1,883,977.
Personal Property	\$ 5,186,252.
Total Value Of Town	\$301,473,291.
Exempt Value	\$ 38,447,900.

SOUARE MILES: 16.57

STREETS AND HIGHWAYS:

Brookfield has approximately 40 miles of paved roads, one half a mile of dirt road and two miles of private roads.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS:

Brookfield maintains a Pre K through 6 Elementary School and belongs to the Tantasqua Regional School District, which offers a junior high school, a high school and a vocational school.

FIRE PROTECTION:

The Fire Department, which is headed by Chief Peter Martell, consists of one Assistant Chief, Two Captains, three Lieutenants and eighteen Fire Fighters.

EMERGENCY SQUAD:

Brookfield's Emergency Squad, headed by Chief Donna Lafleur, includes one Captain, one Lieutenant and 10 EMS personnel. There are five Paramedics; seven EMT Basics and one EMT- Intermediate. The service operates a 1998 Road Rescue ambulance mounted on a Ford chassis.

POLICE:

During 2007, Brookfield had a 24-7 Police Department with three full-time Police Officers including Police Chief, Ross Ackerman. The Department includes a Deputy Chief and 18 part-time Patrol Officers.

RECREATIONAL FACILITIES:

Brookfield has one recreational field: Lewis Field, which is located on Main Street (Route 148). Lewis Field has a pavilion, softball, soccer and baseball fields, and a basketball court, as well as facilities for outings. We also have a Town beach on Quacumquasit Pond (also known as South Pond).

PUBLIC LIBRARY:

The Merrick Public Library, located at 2 Lincoln Street, on the Common, provides free public access to the internet, readers and reference advisory service. The Library is an affiliate member of CW/MARS, which allows our patrons to peruse the Central Massachusetts library catalog and place holds and pick-up location from the comfort of their home. The Romanesque Banister Memorial Hall was built in 1884 and the Trustees and staff continue to help maintain the architectural integrity of this historic building while offering modern conveniences.

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

P	O.	L	lC	E	:

Emergency 911

Non-Emergency 508-867-5570

FIRE:

Emergency 911

Non-Emergency 508-867-7306

AMBULANCE:

Emergency 911

Non-Emergency 508-867-6036

AREA HOSPITALS:

Mary Lane Hospital, Ware	413-967-6211
Harrington Memorial Hospital, Southbridge	508-765-9771
Hubbard Regional Hospital, Webster	508-943-2600
University of Massachusetts Medical Center, Worcester	508-334-1000
Worcester Medical Center, Worcester	508-363-5000

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER: 508-525-5776

TOWN OFFICERS 2007 (Elected)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

James W. Allen, Chairman	May 2008
Ronald J. Dackson, Vice Chairman	May 2009
Rudy Heller, Clerk	May 2010

BOARD OF HEALTH (3)

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MODERATOR (1)		T: 1 16 F1 G1 :	2000
,		Timothy McElroy, Chairman	May 2008
William Frangiamore	May 2008	Michael Seery	May 2010
-	•	Kim Longe (Appointed)	May 2009
TOWN CLERK (1)		DI ANNING DO ADD (5)	
		PLANNING BOARD (5)	
Linda Lincoln	May 2010	Marro 02 Carron 11 Chairman	M 2000
		Mary O'Connell, Chairman	May 2009
BOARD OF ASSESSORS (3)		Kermit Eaton	May 2012
		Frank Smith (Resigned)	May 2010
Donna Wentzell, Chairman	May 2008	Michael Dean (Resigned)	May 2008
Brenda McElroy	May 2010	Bruce Clarke	May 2011
Philip H. Peirce	May 2009	Daniel Leahy	May 2008
		Sharon Mahoney	May 2008
SCHOOL COMMITTEE (3)		CEMETEDY COMMISSIONI	EDC (2)
Maynard Baker (Resigned)	May 2010	CEMETERY COMMISSION	LKS (3)
Stephen Comtois, Chair	May 2008	Wayna Vaalsadsi Chairman	Mar. 2009
Tyler Kelsh, Secretary	May 2009	Wayne Yaskoski, Chairman Peter Masuzzo	May 2008 May 2010
Donald Faugno (TRSD Rep.)	May 2010	John McDavitt	May 2010 May 2009
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REGIONAL SCHOOL COMM	ITTEE (2)	MEDDICK BUDI IC I IDDAD	VTDIICTEEC (6)
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James Cooke	May 2009		. ,
	. ,	Sally Brown, Chairman	May 2010
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TOWN OFFICERS - APPOINTED OFFICIALS AND STAFF

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT &

Chief Procurement Officer

Donna L. Neylon

ACCOUNTANT

Louise E. (Betty) Benoit June 2009

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

(Appointments expire at end of Annual Town Meeting):

Liisa Holm (Resigned)	June 2008
Taylor Whitcomb (Resigned)	June 2008
Robert Barnes	June 2008
Greg Burnham	June 2008
Nick Thomo	June 2008
Bradford Kadelski (Resigned)	June 2009
Bryan Witham (Resigned)	June 2009
William Neault (Resigned)	June 2009
Barbara Wilson	June 2009
Ross Ackerman	June 2009
Beverly Lund	June 2009

AGING, COUNCIL ON (6)

Barbara Clancy	June 2010
Georgia Trauschke	June 2010
Marie Jacques	June 2008
Lucy Beeman	June 2008
Barbara Brown Palmer	June 2009
Brenda Lague	

ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK

Sheila Frangiamore June 2008

BOARD OF HEALTH SECRETARY

Kim Longe (Resigned) Cindy Thompson

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Jeff Taylor	June 2008
John Couture, Alternate	June 2008



BY-LAW COMMITTEE (6) (all expire

June 2008)

James Allen, Selectmen's Rep. Barbara Wilson, Advisory Comm. Rep. Ross Ackerman, Police Dept. Rep. Beverly A. Lund, Member-at-Large Herbert Chaffee, Highway Dept. Rep. William Neault, Member-at-Large



CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE

No appointments were made to this committee.

CEMETERY SUPERINTENDENT

Michael Seery

CEMETERY STAFF

Herbert L. Foley

John P. Lapointe, Summer Help

CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Mary T. O'Connell, Delegate

James W. Allen, Alternate June 2008

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CDBG)

James Allen	June 2008
Herbert Chaffee	June 2008
Bruce Clarke	June 2008
Beverly A. Lund	June 2008
Donna L. Neylon	June 2008

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

(7)

Carol Mitchell (Resigned)	June 2008
Heath Warren Grimes	June 2008
Tim Simon	June 2008
William Gillmeister (Resigned)	June 2009
John O'Leary	June 2009
Susan Brogan	June 2010

CONSTABLES

Arthur Tatro	June 2008
Ross Ackerman	June 2008

COUNSEL, TOWN

Kopelman and Paige, P.C. June 2008



CULTURAL COUNCIL

Barbara Wilson	June 2008
Madelyn Swanson	June 2008
Kellie E. G. Landine	June 2008
Katherine Simpson	June 2009
William R. Simpson	June 2009
Elise Provost	June 2009
Jeanne Lytle	June 2010
Jennifer Cipro	June 2010
Steve Scott	June 2010
John David Holdcraft	June 2010

CUSTODIAN, TOWN HALL

Edward Howarth (Retired, Dec. 2008) William F. Thompson James Hanson, Alternate

DOG & ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Eileen Vitello June 2008 Gabrielle Pecore, Assistant June 2008

ELECTION WORKERS

Kathryn Latour, Warden	June 2008
Janeth Baribeau	June 2008
Carolyn Murray	June 2008
Cheryl Richardson	June 2008
Barbara Mundell	June 2008
Paula Howarth	June 2008
Heidi Mundell	June 2008
Jeanne Myers	June 2008

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (BEMA)

Keith Karrmann, Director	June 2009
Peter Martell, Deputy Director	June 2009

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SQUAD CHIEF

Donna Lafleur, Chief, EMT/Paramedic

June 2010

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SQUADOFFICERS

Peter Martell, Captain, EMT/Paramedic

June 2010

Matthew Graves, Lt. EMT/Paramedic

June 2010



EMERGENCY MEDICAL SQUAD

All until June, 2008:

Marc Charpentier, Paramedic David Martell, Paramedic Richard Philips, Intermediate Terry Anderson, EMT Brian Ayers, EMT Scott Baldracchi, EMT Amy Bemis, EMT Robert Connor, EMT Linda Fortier, EMT Mike Steuer, EMT

FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

No appointments made.

FINANCIAL OFFICIALS

Nancy Lee Finney, Clerk to Treasurer Sheila Frangiamore, Clerk to Treasurer Nancy Lee Finney, Clerk to Tax Collector

FIRE CHIEF & FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Peter Martell June 2010

FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS

Chief Peter Martell
Assistant Chief Herbert Chaffee
Captain David Martell
Captain Keith Karrmann
Lieutenant William MacLeod
Lieutenant Richard Phillips
Lieutenant Bradford Bemis



FIREFIGHTERS

Steven Budnik
Peter Burque (retired)
Wallace Connor
Mark Leonard (retired)
Marc Charpentier
Donna Lafleur
Brian Ayers
Scott Baldracchi
Phillip Chaffee
Linda Fortier
Paul Comptois
Matthew Graves
Michael Vincent

Robert Connor Jeffrey Evans Jeffrey White Michael Steuer

Michael Maneggio

Justin Chaffee Charles Edgette Sean Lavallee

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

Herbert Chaffee, II June 2009

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT STAFF

Donald L. Herbert James Hanson, part-time Cindy Thompson, Secretary part-time

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Jean Eaton	June 2008
Ron Couture	June 2008
A. Patricia White	June 2009
Kate Kaspar	June 2009
Matthew Custer	June 2009
Patricia Capobianco	June 2010
Pauline C. Merrick, Chairman	June 2010

HOMELAND SECURITY REPRESENTATIVE

Keith Karrmann June 2009

INSURANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (all expire June 2008)

Barbara Clancy Peter Martell Helen Tarr Janice Zielinski Nancy Lee Finney Ross Ackerman Donald Herbert Bruce Clarke

LOCAL PUBLIC ACCESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

John Carty

Beverly A. Lund

June 2008

June 2008

June 2008

Ronald J. Dackson

Vacancies

June 2008

June 2008

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LOCAL PUBLIC ACCESS COMMITTEE

Keith Karrmann (Resigned)	June 2008
Ronald Dackson	June 2008
Carol Rosetti	June 2008
Rudy Heller	June 2008
Jean-Paul Lapointe	June 2009
Michael Seery	June 2009
Taylor Whitcomb	June 2009
John David Holdcraft	June 2010
Joseph Klimavich (Resigned)	June 2010

MASTER PLAN COMMITTEE

William R. Simpson	June 2010
Carol Mitchell (Resigned)	June 2010
Philip Peirce	June 2010
Sharon Mahoney	June 2009
Liisa Holm (Resigned)	June 2008
Susan Brogan (Resigned)	June 2008
Cheri Carty	June 2008
Greg Burnham	June 2011
Gwen Broz	June 2011
Sarah Heller	June 2011

MERRICK PUBLIC LIBRARY STAFF

Brenda Metterville, Director Andrea Faugno Faith O'Keefe Claudia A. McNeil Deborah Roberts-Kirk James Hanson, Custodian

OPEN SPACE & RECREATON PLAN COMMITTEE (9)

Liisa Holm (Resigned)	June 2008
Cheri Carty	June 2007
Susan Brogan	June 2007
Gwen Broz	June 2011
Carol Childress, Grant writer	June 2008

PARKING CLERK / HEARING OFFICER

Linda Lincoln June 2008

PERSONNEL BOARD (6)

Elizabeth (Jill) Bertrand	June 2008
William Neault	June 2008
Ronald Dackson	June 2008
Rudy Heller	June 2008
Philip Peirce, Chairman	June 2009
Beverly A. Lund	June 2009
Taylor Whitcomb	June 2010
Non-voting:	
Ronald W. Dackson	
Rudy Heller	

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Ross B. Ackerman, Chief June 2008

POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS

Victor Boucher, Deputy Chief June 2008

POLICE DEPARTMENT STAFF

Holly Chisolm, Administrative Assistant



POLICE PATROL OFFICERS

All until June 30, 2008:

Nicholas Abair, Part-time

Ross Ackerman, Chief Full-time Adam Cameron, to Full-time in mid-year) Steven Fernstrom, Full-time (left mid-year) Christopher Welsh, Sergeant Full-time

Daniel Ausmus, Part-time Richard Banach, Part-time Jason M. Barrett, Part-time Victor Boucher, Part-time William Coyle, Part-time Douglas Cutler, Part-time Scot M. Gierlich, Part-time Kevin Gaudette, Part-time Michael Hoschek, Part-time William Marrier, Part-time

Mitchell Mateiko, Detective, Part-time

Joseph Murray, Part-time Craig Swanson, Part-time Kevin Tucker, Part-time Raymond Wedge, Part-time Gary Ventura, Part-time

PLUMBING & GAS INSPECTOR

Robert Wall June 2008 Roger Charpentier, Alternate June 2008

QUABOAG VALLEY BUSINESS ASSISTANCE CORPORATION

James Allen, Rep. June 2008

RECREATION COMMISSION

Robert Rice	June 2009
Denise Senosk, Co-Chair Brenda McElroy, Co-Chair	June 2008 June 2009
Keith Law	June 2008
Lydia Lucas (Resigned)	June 2008
Doug Brown, Alternate	June 2010
David Proulx	June 2010
Ryan M. Caron (resigned)	June 2010
Caroline Phillips	June 2010
Jeffrey Edwards	June 2010
Cheryl Robinson (Resigned)	June 2010

RECREATION COMMISSION STAFF

John W. Washburn, Groundskeeper/Custodian

REGISTRARS, BOARD OF, WITH TOWN CLERK

Lois O'Leary	June 2009
Nancy Lee Finney	June 2008
Shirley Sanborn	June 2010
Sheila Frangiamore, Asst.	June 2008

SAFETY COMMITTEE

All until June 30, 2008

Ross Ackerman, Police Dept. Rep. Herbert Chaffee, II, Highway Dept. Rep. Bruce Clarke, Water Dept. Rep. Donna Lafleur, Emergency Squad Dept. Rep. Beverly A. Lund, Selectmen's Rep. Peter Martell, Fire Dept. Rep. William Neault, Member-at-Large

SEXUAL HARASSMENT OFFICERS

Donna Lafleur June 2008 Robert Wentzell (Resigned) June 2008 Matthew Custer June 2008

SUPERINTENDENT OF INSECT & PEST CONTROL, AND TREE WARDEN

Herbert Chaffee, II June 2008

TAX COLLECTOR

Lois Moores June 2009

TOWN TREASURER

James Dunbar June 2010

TOURISM COMMITTEE

Ron Couture, Chairman	June 2009
Sarah Heller	June 2009
Rudy Heller	June 2009

TRANSFER STATION STAFF

James Hanson Arthur Morin William Brisebois Laszlo T. Sinko

VETERANS SERVICES DIRECTOR, VETERANS AGENT and VETERANS BURIAL AGENT

Bryan Griffing June 2007

WATER DEPARTMENT

Bruce Clarke, Superintendent Donald Herbert, Secondary Operator Holly Chisolm, Administrative Assistant

WIRING (Electrical), INSPECTOR

Scott Mansfield June 2009 Martin Nagle, Alternate June 2009

WORCESTER REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD

Cheri Carty, Delegate June 2008

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS (5

and 3 Alternates)

William Frangiamore (Resigned)	June 2008
Nicholas Thomo, Member	June 2008
Michelle Guntor	June 2008
Charles Wilson, Member	June 2009
Michael Seery, Chairman	June 2009
Joseph Gadbois, Secretary	June 2009

ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Gary Simeone June 2010



ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The following are highlights of the activities of the Board of Selectmen in 2007.

Preservation work:

The members of the Board of Selectmen are committed to preserving our historic Town Hall. To that end, the Board has been working diligently to make sure the Town Hall remains historically preserved while at the same time becomes a building that serves the townspeople well in the 21st Century.

Funded in part by an award from the Massachusetts Historical Commission, in 2006 we took the major step of replacing the roof using slate which is historically accurate material that will protect the building from the elements for many years to come. The Massachusetts Historical Commission inspected and endorsed the slate roof early in 2007. And by not having tampered with the historical integrity of the building, the Town has opened the door to receive grants to continue upgrading the building while preserving its historical significance. Subsequent steps include working on egresses, windows, plumbing, electrical, and communications, with the goal of increasing the amount of space used and making the Town Hall a multifunctional, fully operational building.

The Board would like to commend other town boards for their role in preserving town history as well. The Cemetery Commissioners, the Cultural Council, the Historical Commission, the Library Trustees, among others, deserve everyone's thanks for their diligence in this important work. In behalf of the Town, the Board would also like to thank the many individual citizens who made similar contributions.

Public Works:

State and federal grants were used to partially fund the improvement of several roads in town. Of particular note is the paving of Lake Road, a Scenic Road that retains its natural beauty while now giving drivers and passengers a comfortable ride. The project was completed with minimal removal of old trees.

The Board is working with the town highway department, state agencies, our representatives in the General Court and the federal government to put in additional sidewalks along Route 9 and new sidewalks on Route 148. Unfortunately, due to differing priorities for CSX, Amtrak, and MassHighway, the project discussed at the May 2007 Town Meeting of a walking trail and sidewalk from the Quaboag River Bridge to Long Hill Road continues to be "in-the-works". We hope to be able to report progress on this important project in 2008. Some additional street lighting has been placed along part of that stretch of road.

For many years, Brookfield has benefited from participation in the Ware River Valley and other Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), a federal program. See the report of the CDBG Advisory Committee elsewhere in this Town Report. In addition to the block grants, Brookfield has applied for grant money from the Supplemental Transportation Rural Assistance Program (STRAP) for road work.

The Mill Street Brownfield's Project, now several years old, continues working its way to the intended goal of having a useable, pollution-free site. The town has contracted the engineering firm Metcalf & Eddy to administer this project. They estimate that the

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has provided about \$150,000 in services to the Town so far in this clean-up effort.

At the Special Town Meeting in September 2007, the Townspeople voted to turn Jeppson Beach at South Pond over to the State Department of Fisheries and Wildlife who will undertake its conservation and restoration. The Recreation Committee will continue to handle the day-to-day operation and maintenance of this area.

The Police Facility Study Committee has worked diligently since its creation to study options for the future home of the Police Department. By year's end they produced a report that led to the Special Town Meeting appropriation of \$15,000 for an engineering study. The lease on our current facility expires in August 2010, so time is short to make decisions on the PD's future home.

Open Space and Recreation

A canoe trail along the Quaboag River with boat access in Brookfield has been proposed. The Board will continue to pursue this project, which could include some land taking by tax title.

In November, the Board was pleased to approve a conservation restriction on 105 acres on Rice Corner Road, to be administered by Opacum Land Trust Inc. The Board thanks the property owners, residents Gwen Broz and Tim Simon for their stewardship. Conservation of this property creates a buffer and expands wildlife corridors for MassWildlife's "Hamilton Woods", which is located on Gay Road and abuts this property.

The town's lakes (North and South Ponds) continued to be used frequently throughout the year for fishing and ice fishing derbies.

In 2007, the Recreation Commission continued its fine work in providing the children of Brookfield with many opportunities for healthy outdoor activities. The town is indeed fortunate to have such a dedicated group of people. Please see their report elsewhere in this report.

An Unpleasant Event:

On August 28, the Town Hall was broken into, as one of a long series of B&Es throughout New England states. Several things of minor value were taken, as well as a town laptop computer. There was fear that confidential information may have been accessed. The perpetrators were later apprehended and it was determined that none of the town's information was at all compromised. Our insurance carrier paid for the repairs of the damage done. The event had the positive side effect of alerting us to areas of vulnerability and we have taken steps taken to enhance security.

Working together:

During the year, members of our Board met with Selectmen of neighboring towns to discuss ideas for sharing resources. Regionalization talks will continue with the goal of making the most cost-effective use of the town's revenues.

Finally, the Board wishes to thank everyone who has dedicated their time and energy to making town government work. We encourage more Brookfield residents to find a way to get involved. With everyone's participation, town government is democracy at its finest.

TOWN OF BROOKFIELD LITIGATION REPORT OF TOWN COUNSEL

Cases active in 2007

Town of Brookfield v. Babb, et al. Worcester Superior Court, C.A. No. 05-1252-B

This is an action, filed in July 2005, to compel the unit owners of the Lakeside Resort Condominium Campground to cease operation without obtaining a license from the Town's Board of Health and to pay outstanding real estate property taxes owed to the Town. In July 2005, the Court granted the Town's Motion for Preliminary Injunction. The Preliminary Injunction remains in effect, thereby preventing operation of the campground. In June 2007, an Agreement for Judgment on the Town's Complaint for Contempt was filed with the Court. The Town's motion for attorneys' fees and costs was allowed on September 26, 2007.

2. <u>Town of Brookfield v. O'Clair</u> Worcester Housing Court No. 04-CV-522

This is an action, filed in September 2004, to remedy violations of the Town's Zoning Bylaw §§ 4.D and 8.C, at 11 Quaboag Street, involving site-clearing activities related to the operation of an automobile repair and storage business. The Town obtained a Preliminary Injunction, enjoining Mr. O'Clair from conducting any site-clearing or related activities. Since Mr. O'Clair continued do work in violation of the Injunction, we filed a Complaint for Contempt. This resulted in an Agreement for Judgment, ordering him to clean up the property by August 9, 2006. Mr. O'Clair restored the property in compliance with the Agreement, as confirmed by the Zoning Enforcement after inspection. In September 2007, the parties filed a final Agreement for Judgment with the Court, which permanently enjoined the defendant from conducting any site clearing or related activities in furtherance of, or in relation to, his storage and/or automobile business unless and until specifically permitted to do so by the Town. This case can now be closed.

3. <u>Town of Brookfield</u> v. <u>Kruzewski, et al.</u> Land Court Case No. 07 MISC 341857-CWT

This is an action, filed in February 2007, against Douglas J. Kruzewski and Joseph Spadea, for declaratory judgment and injunctive relief regarding the defendants' use of the Town cemetery. Defendants each assert their claim to 32 lots in the Town's cemetery, despite never having been residents of the Town and despite clear limitation on the use of the cemetery to certain current or former Town residents. The Court allowed the Town's Motion for Preliminary Injunction on March 9, 2007, which requested that the status quo be maintained with respect to the cemetery lots, i.e. no building or interment while litigation is pending. The parties have been conducting discovery.

4. <u>Graupner, et al.</u> v. <u>Town of Brookfield, et al.</u> U.S. District Court, C.A. No. 02-40202-FDS

This action involves a civil rights lawsuit, filed by three former police officers. While the Town's insurer is providing the defense in this case, we have been involved in the matter because the case relates to a Labor Relations Commission ("LRC") case regarding the amount of back wages due to the plaintiffs. The parties entered into Settlement Agreements in the spring of 2007, which resolved both the civil rights lawsuit and LRC proceeding. This case can now be closed.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Committee would like to take a few moments to inform the residents and voters of Brookfield as to the responsibilities of the Advisory Committee. As required by the By-laws of the Town of Brookfield, an Advisory Committee consisting of nine legal voters of the Town shall be appointed as required under Section 2 of Chapter IV. All articles in any warrant for a Town Meeting shall be referred to the Advisory Committee for their review and they shall make a report in print or otherwise to the Town Meeting as to its recommendations as it deems in the best interest of the Town. Elected or appointed town officers or employees are eligible to serve but must abstain from voting on articles affecting their department. When a member is absent from five consecutive meetings, his/her position shall be deemed to be vacant and shall be filled in accordance with the by-law.

It is also the responsibility of the Advisory Committee to prepare the town budget and consider and make recommendations to town meeting on all warrant articles. It also acts as the town's fiscal watchdog as well as having control over the town's reserve fund and any other funds that the town might appropriate for its use.

The committee met frequently during the months of January, February, March and April to review all proposed budgets with department heads and town officials to prepare the FY2008 budget and to consider approximately 48 articles for the annual town meeting in addition to articles submitted for special town meetings. The committee met with all department heads and each line item of the budget was reviewed, questioned if necessary and a dollar amount was recommended to the town. Prior to the annual town meeting the committee printed the annotated warrant book for all voters. The committee presented a balanced budget to the town as required. Some of these recommendations were followed and others were not but the Town was able to meet the requirements of Proposition 2 ½.

The Reserve Fund in the amount of \$25,000 under the control of the Advisory Committee is to be used for expenditures that are unforeseen and considered to be an emergency for which the various departments have not budgeted. Transfers from this fund included requests from the Fire Department, the Tree Warden and the Selectmen. At the close of Fiscal Year 2007 the sum of approximately \$7,000 had been expended. In addition to the Reserve Fund, transfers as allowed under the Municipal Relief Act at the end of a fiscal year. Departments are allowed to submit requests for transfers to fund expenditures that were not considered in their budget appropriation. These transfers can be expended provided the Selectmen and the Advisory Committee approve. This action eliminates the need to go to a special town meeting for approval of these expenditures by the voters. Some of the departments that received municipal relief

transfers included the Highway Department, the Fire Department, Treasurer, Board of Health, Police Department and Selectmen. These additional transfers at the end of fiscal year 2007 totaled approximately \$14,028.

Last year the Advisory Committee lost a number of members including Donald Faugno, Susan Flash, Bradford Kadelski, Taylor Whitcomb and Linda Lincoln. The Committee would like to thank these individuals for their time, dedication and input to the committee during their tenure. New members to the committee included Nicholas Thomo, Bryan Whitam and Beverly Lund. It is very difficult to keep members on this committee due to the number of meetings that are held during the annual budget process and the fact that a great deal of the recommendations made by the committee after much deliberation, number crunching and numerous meetings are amended on town floor. This committee's main goal is to work to prepare a budget that meets the proposition 2 ½ guidelines, that is acceptable to all parties and is in the best interest of departments of the Town.

There were three town meetings held in 2007. The Advisory Committee met and reviewed all articles and made recommendations to the voters as required under the by-laws of Brookfield. Special town meetings were held on May 11 and November 19 at which time the sums of \$31,748.87 and \$55,000.47 were approved, in addition to the Annual Town Meeting at which the sum of \$7,295,081 was approved to fund the expenses of the Town of Brookfield. These funds were raised and appropriated, transferred from available funds or borrowed. Available funds included the School Assessment Fund, the Landfill Closure Account, Free Cash, Ambulance Billings Receipts Account, the Standpipe Account, the Stabilization Account, the Conservation Filing Fee Fund, and the Regional School Transportation Account. A number of articles were funded through the transfer of various amounts from budgets within the departments' accounts (routine transfers) or from other department accounts that had excess funds. Additional funds were spent from the Fiscal 2008 budget to fund unpaid bills from Fiscal Year 2007. These unpaid bills included the Municipal Telephone Account, the Animal Control Account and the Town Clerk Expense Account. Routine transfers within departments occurred in the Police Department Wage Account and the Maturing Interest Account. Transfers from one department to another due to excess funds occurred in the Municipal Website Account and the Unemployment Account.

A number of factors fall into play when computing the Town's budget. Revenues from a number of sources help to offset the expenditures based on what is raised and appropriated. The Assessors have advised that the new growth figures used to calculate estimated receipts for Fiscal Year 2009 will be around \$75,000 which is considerably less then the new growth figure used last year. They have also advised that there will be a large drop in the overall local receipts which will be approximately \$100,000 less then last year. This past year the estimated receipts for excise taxes were overestimated by \$60,000 but due to an increase in interest income, this deficit was offset.

Cherry Sheet figures are another factor that enters into the budget process. These revenues include Chapter 70, state aid, lottery, beano, veterans' benefits and a number of other receipts from the state. Fiscal Year 2007 receipts were \$2,136,174 which could be expended in Fiscal Year 2007. Cherry Sheet figures for Fiscal Year 2008 were \$2,200,508 and were expended in Fiscal Year 2008. Cherry sheet figures for Fiscal 2009 are estimated at \$2,241,735.

Actual local receipts for Fiscal Year 2007 were \$841,843 and they are being estimated at \$929,900 for Fiscal Year 2008 to be expended in Fiscal Year 2009.

Free cash has experienced a decrease. The certified Free Cash for Fiscal Year 2006 was \$171,848 and was used at the Annual Town Meeting to partially fund the Fiscal Year 2008 budget. Free Cash was certified in October of 2007 in the amount of \$52,539 and will be used to fund the Fiscal Year 2009 budget or supplement the Fiscal Year 2008 budget. Free cash is referred to as an un-appropriated fund balance and this figure is certified by the Department of Revenue at the close of the financial books as of June 30, the end of the fiscal year. This includes surplus revenue, budget turn backs, and prior year's free cash that has not been appropriated for the current year's budget and outstanding property taxes collected from prior These funds are unrestricted and available for appropriation. These funds can be appropriated to balance the budget for the coming fiscal year but to deplete free cash, particularly to balance annual budgets, may suggest that a community will face tighter financial times without such funds to supplement annual revenues. Free Cash is a one time revenue source and it is best to avoid using free cash as a revenue source for the operating budget. A budget deficit for the next year can be created when significant amounts of free cash are used to fund the budget for one year. It is best to use free cash for one time expenditures, such as equipment or capital projects. As a general rule, a town should maintain a free cash and stabilization fund balance equal to at least five percent of total revenue. Not only is this level used by the bond rating agencies in evaluating a community's financial condition but it can also serve as a reserve for use in financial emergencies.

A stabilization fund can be maintained as a more formal "rainy day" fund. Appropriations can be made by town meeting into this fund for use at some future time. This account should be used as a reserve to fund capital improvements but can also be used for any legitimate municipal purpose. There is \$627,994.51 currently in the regular Stabilization fund. The expendable funds total \$354,918.40 which includes a Fire Stabilization Fund totaling \$5,257.11 and a Highway Fund totaling \$279.17. The remaining sum of \$273,076.11 consists of investments which may be expended but will include a penalty.

Proposition 2 ½ also falls into play. Prop. 2 ½ establishes two types of restrictions on the annual property tax levy. First, communities are prohibited from levying more than 2 ½ percent of the total full and fair cash value of all taxable real and personal property in the community. This is called the levy ceiling. Second, and more important, a community's levy is constrained in the amount it may increase from one year to the next. A community can only levy a maximum amount in any given year and this is called the levy limit. The levy limit is always below, or at most, equal to the levy ceiling. It may not exceed the levy ceiling.

The Interest Expense increased in Fiscal 2008 in the amounts of \$39,073 and \$14,084 for the Highway Garage and the Town Hall Roof respectively. Principal payments for the garage and the roof in the amounts of \$88,205 and \$31,795 respectively will also be incurred in FY 2008. In Fiscal Year 2009 the sum of \$215,000 will be borrowed for the new fire truck with interest in the amount of \$5,913. Principal payments will be \$43,000 (5 year) or \$21,500 (10 year) depending on the term of the borrowing that is accepted by the Selectmen. The Highway Garage and the School construction are debt excluded while the fire truck and the town hall roof are not and will become part of the annual operating budget.

This year the Advisory Committee adopted a budget calendar which outlined the time frame to be followed in preparing the budgets. Copies of this calendar were provided to all Boards, Departments and Committees in October and provided an effective budget process and a clear understanding of what department would be responsible for each budget activity and the time frame in which these activities would occur. It was the hope of the Committee to start the

budget process earlier as recommended by the state to allow sufficient time for the Committee to meet with all department heads, boards and committees, to review the budgets with them, to make adjustments and to provide a final budget that could be reviewed by all departments well in advance of the Town Meeting. New forms were also prepared and forwarded to all the departments. These forms provided a great deal of information that would eliminate questions and save time at the budget review meetings. The Committee was available to answer any questions regarding the new process or forms.

In Brookfield it is the responsibility of the Advisory Committee to prepare the budget for the town. The Committee is taking a conservative approach to the budget for the Fiscal Year 2009 and will review all budgets prior to recommending a cost of living wage increase for all employees of the Town. This does not mean that the committee will not recommend an increase but only feel that the revenues and expenses must be calculated before a recommendation can be made. Once this is done and the financial picture of Brookfield is known, a recommendation will be made by the committee.

This committee would like to thank the Board of Selectmen for attending the meetings on a regular basis. We would also like to thank all the department heads, boards, commission, committees and employees for their cooperation and willingness to provide this committee with information that enables us to make responsible decisions regarding the proposed budgets for the upcoming Fiscal Year 2009. We would also like to advise all that anyone having questions regarding the budget process or would like to volunteer to serve as a member of this committee can contact the Chairman of the Committee, Barbara Wilson at 508-867-2290 or any member of the committee.

Respectfully submitted, Barbara Wilson, Chairman Beverly Lund, Secretary William Neault Bryan Witham

Liisa Holm, Vice Chairman Nicholas Thomo Robert Barnes Ross Ackerman, Alternate



REPORT OF THE DOG & ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

The Brookfield Animal Control Department (ACO) received approximately 500 plus calls during the 2007 Calendar year.

These calls were made mostly by Brookfield residents, residents in surrounding towns, other ACO's who were in need of our advice or assistance and visitors in town. Others were sent through dispatch from drivers passing through town.

Our licensing is now computerized and this has been a great help when returning lost dogs safely home to their owners, for tracking those who are delinquent in licensing their dogs and when working with surrounding towns.

The Animal Control Department is pleased to report that we have participated in two feral spay clinics so far. By having the residents come forward and cooperate in the capture and release of these wild animals, we have been able to curb the over-breeding and decrease the spread of disease within the Brookfield community.

Our Rabies clinic was a huge success this year. Wickaboag Veterinary Clinic was pleased with this year's clinic and will be returning this coming spring.

Respectfully submitted, Brookfield Animal Control Department Eileen Vitello, Animal Control Officer Gabrielle Pecore, Assistant Animal Control Officer



REPORT OF THE ANIMAL INSPECTOR

An inventory of livestock for the Town of Brookfield for the year 2007:

Cattle	14
Goats/Sheep	18
Horses	38
Chickens/turkeys	88
Waterfowl	26

There were NO reported dog bites.

Respectfully submitted, Bill Mansfield, Animal Inspector

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

The Board of Assessors continues to be a three-person working board; we have office hours on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, from 9:00 to 2:00, Thursday from 9:00 to Noon, and Tuesday evening from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

The tax rate rose to \$12.80, a \$.62 increase from last year, with no interim year adjustment in overall property values.

We continue to use the Oracle-based CAMA system, working with the Department of Revenue, Division of Local Services, to keep increasing our knowledge base of the system. We also are active with the Worcester County Assessors Association and the Massachusetts Association of Assessing Officers and their presentations of workshops that help us in the delivery of services to Brookfield.

The Board of Assessors reviews applications for exemptions and abatements for real estate, as well as excise tax, and grants same when applicable. We can provide assistance in resolving any issues with property values or excise taxes. Please do not hesitate to contact us at (508) 867-2930, ext. 16.

Property Breakdown:

RESIDENTIAL	\$2	288,930,097.
COMMERCIAL	\$	10,659,217.
INDUSTRIAL	\$	1,883,977.
PERSONAL PROPERTY	\$	5,186,252.
TOTAL VALUE OF TOWN	\$3	301,473,291.
EXEMPT VALUE	\$	38,447,900.

Respectfully submitted,

Philip Peirce, Chair Donna Wentzell Brenda McElroy

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board of Health operated the Municipal Transfer Station and Recycling Center, administered the state Title V regulations, and issued permits for septic installers, septic haulers, trash haulers, mobile home parks, food establishments, and beaver dam removals. Yearly solid waste reports were filed and the former landfill site was monitored for pollutants. Housing, food, and septic complaints were investigated and site inspections were conducted. Grant programs were followed up on. Flu shot clinics, rabies clinics, tobacco control, West Nile Virus, and emergency preparedness requirements were fulfilled. Percolation tests were witnessed, septic plans approved, septic system installations inspected, and Title V issues resolved. Operation Clean Sweep was supported.

The Transfer Station and Recycling center continues to be a positive recycling force in Brookfield. We continued the co-mingling of plastics (#1 \Leftrightarrow #7), glass and cans in one container. The co-mingling of cardboard, mixed paper and newspaper in one compactor also eases the recycling efforts of our citizens. Since its inception in late 2006 Brookfield has received almost \$4,000 in rebate credits from Waste Management for our cardboard co-mingle.

We encourage all citizens to utilize the Transfer Station and helping our environment by recycling.

You can reach us by leaving a message at our telephone extension at the Town Hall: $508-867-2930 \times 22$.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy K. McElroyMichael SeeryKim LongeChairmanVice-ChairmanMember

REPORT OF THE BY-LAW COMMITTEE

There were no issues to come before the By-Law Committee this year.

The Committee would once again like to remind the residents that they may submit requests for changes and review of the existing by-laws to the Board of Selectmen who will in turn submit them to this Committee for consideration and review.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly A. Lund Barbara Wilson Ross Ackerman James W. Allen Herbert Chaffee William Neault



REPORT OF THE LOCAL CABLE ACCESS COMMITTEE

The Brookfield Public Access Committee has made a lot of progress this year. We recently met our goal of changing all our equipment over to digital DVD from VCR Format. The committee purchased two new Digital DVD cameras and 4 DVD players to transmit our local broadcasts of Selectmen meetings and other events in town. The committee has purchased new editing equipment along with a computer to help us edit and broadcast programs. We still have a few glitches to work out with our new programming but expect to have these resolved shortly. During this transitional period we still have several goals to meet including networking with other local Cable Access committees in the area.

Volunteers:

We are always looking for volunteers and especially need someone willing to volunteer time to help produce programming for the local cable to coincide with out taped Selectmen's meetings.

We would like to find students who would like to learn about video production work. We would like a studio producer to train the students. We need help so that the workload can be shared and so that we can have a diverse cable access providing a good amount of programming for our local viewers.

Our committee has discussed encouraging the local merchants to advertise on one of the broadcast channels. If we do this, we think it would supply us with a little extra money that could be used for equipment and broadcast programming.

Much thanks to Dave Holdcraft & Ron Dackson who freely give their time and effort to tape & edit our selectmen and other meetings on a weekly basis. And thanks to Keith Karrmann for updating our Local Bulletin Board.

Please remember, you can always send us information of your group's events by calling or faxing the information to 508-867-0188. Or reach us at our new email address: BPA0188@charterinternet.com.

We are always LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS and FOR YOUR SUGGESTIONS!!

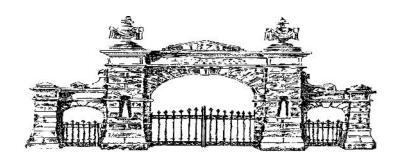
Respectfully submitted, Michael P. Seery-Chairman

Jeff Taylor, CBO Inspector of Buildings John D. Holdcraft

Keith Karrmann

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

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Single Family Dwellings		9
Sheds		4
Additions		7
Roofing		4
Windows/Siding		7
Renovations/Remodeling		12
Stoves/Pellet/Wood		12
Pools/In ground/ Above ground		4
Signs_		4
Decks		7
Demolition_		4
Barns_		0
Storage Buildings		0
Temporary Mobile Home for fire purposes		0
Wind Turbine		 1
TOTAL		83
Total permit income	\$ 13,372.70	
Estimated value on permits	\$2,411,659.28	
Respectfully Submitted		



REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

The elected Cemetery Commissioners and the appointed Superintendent of the Brookfield Cemetery provide this annual town report with pride. The interments of loved ones, the general grounds keeping and maintenance, as well as continued preservation efforts in the cemetery were all done with care and within budget.

During the past year, 23 people were interred to the Brookfield Cemetery. We extend our condolences to the family members who have lost loved ones. The cemetery received \$3,200 in lot purchase fees and \$8,700 in burial fees. A total of 5 lots were sold this past year.

Once again our seasonal caretaker, Herb Foley did a nice job at the cemetery. Our new John Deere landscape tractor has been an excellent equipment addition for our use. We appreciate the townspeople's support of this purchase. The commissioners and superintendent would also like to thank Herb Chaffee, Donald Herbert, James Hanson and Bruce Clarke for their assistance throughout the year. Without their help, our expenses and time would significantly increase. Thank you also, to the community volunteers, and the members of the Historic Commission for their help and assistance.

Preservation projects continue – with a priority given to tree maintenance and fertilization, historic stone repair, and the main historic gate restoration timeline. Also, a new roadway culvert and drain was installed by Mass Highway. This will prevent the rain runoff from route 9 from pooling in front of the main gate area.

This past year, a major project was completed in the newer sections of the cemetery, with the expansion and redesign of some of the roadways. This enabled us to provide more burial space and make the cemetery more accessible. In addition to this, new loam and reseeding was completed in the lower areas of sections C and D, and the last unused remaining tract of land for expansion was graded and seeded. Roger Mundell Jr. was hired to do this work, and these projects were funded with interest money from our Perpetual Care Fund.

Did you know that the cemetery has been in use since the early 1700's, and is one of the oldest still active cemeteries in the country? However, with no more expansion area left, the townspeople need to consider establishing a fund to be able to purchase additional land in the future.

As a result of working with Town Counsel, the exchange of information has been completed for the litigation against the 2 non-residents who purchased 32 grave sites each in 1994. We are awaiting a trial date in land court which is expected within the next 2 years.

Please note that burial in the Brookfield Cemetery is limited to former and current Brookfield residents only. Also, there is a type and size limit for memorial gravestones and markers that are allowed. The planting of shrubs around gravestones must be approved by the

Superintendent or the Commissioners, and the planting of any tree other than a small type shrub around a gravestone is now strictly prohibited. The cemetery commissioners reserve the right to remove any overgrown shrubs around gravestones.

Please remember to remove any flowers not in season, including artificial plants, and to maintain decorations.

For grave lot prices and general information please call our Cemetery Superintendent, Mike Seery, for more information. He can be reached at 508 867-0471. Also, interment records and other information about the cemetery are available online at the town's website: www.brookfieldma.us. Just click on Cemetery Commission for a link within the site.

The new Cat's Meow of the historic main gate is available for purchase from any member of the Cemetery or Historic Commission for \$20.00, and all proceeds benefit the Preservation Fund. They are also available in the Town Clerk's office and at Tip Top Country Store. Thank you to Jean Eaton for spearheading this project, and Ron Couture for your talented art work. The Preservation Fund is active, and donations or memorial contributions are always welcomed.

As always, please respect this historic hallowed ground when visiting the cemetery.

Respectfully submitted, C. Wayne Yaskoski, Chairman

Peter N. Masuzzo

John McDavitt



REPORT OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) ADVISORY COMMITTEE

This committee was created in August of 2004 as a requirement of an \$800,000 grant that the town received in 2005 for drainage and water improvements along Pleasant, Sherman, Howard and Lower River Streets. The next \$800,000 grant that Brookfield received was for a new standpipe on Draper Street. These two grants were made possible through the efforts of the Water and Highway Departments with assistance from Bill Scanlan of the Central Mass. Regional Planning Commission (CMRPC). Mr. Scanlan's efforts in our behalf (grant writing and grant administration) cannot be overstated. Engineering contracts were awarded to Stantec of Northampton and the committee has been pleased with the work of lead Stantec engineer Bob Mellstrom.

Before Mr. Scanlan left CMRPC, he and this committee applied for another infrastructure grant. This one was to continue the drainage and water improvements along River Street, the length of Lincoln Street and Lincoln Street Extension. Because of costs, part of this project (Lincoln Street from Sherman to the Elementary School) was cut prior to the application being filed. Although Brookfield scored high and received the grant, it did not receive the entire

\$800,000. Only \$505,497.00 was funded. The project was cut even further to match the amount of funding received. In the spring of 2008, the project will proceed and will include River Street. It may also include Lincoln Street from River to Common and Central Street from River to Common Street.

Scorekeeping:

The primary reason that the Town received only \$505,497 rather than \$800,000 was our scoring. We scored 94 out of 100 but by the time the grant reviewers got to us, there was only \$505,497 left! One other town scored 94 but received nothing, so we consider Brookfield to be very lucky indeed.

Brookfield gets extra points for having a population under 5,000; for having other sources of funding (in-kind services) and "another activity". Other "activities" are housing rehabilitation, construction of a park, public services, commercial rehabilitation, ADA improvements, Senior Center, planning, etc.

In-kind services are an important part of these grants and these services include onsite "clerk of the works" by both our Water Superintendent and our Highway Superintendent, making sure that the Town gets what it is paying for and that all desired standards are met. Other services are supplying topsoil, grass seed and labor to remove granite curb, tree trimming, pavement marking, traffic officers, etc.

New Application:

The Committee, now working with Tim Hansen of CMRPC for the new grant application, agreed to include the unfunded work (Lincoln Street & Lincoln Street Extension) in its next application filed in the spring of 2008 and agreed to add drainage and water work for Draper and High Streets to the application. Since the locations of these streets do not abut, this will be filed as two separate designs and two separate work schedules which should help to give us bonus points.

Other Important Applications:

This committee also works with Christopher Dunphy of Pioneer Valley Planning Commission (PVPC) for annual CDBG applications with the Town of Ware as the lead town. These grants are for housing rehabilitation, septic repair/replacement and for adult literacy and basic education services. The total grant received is \$800,000 and Brookfield's share is usually around \$200,000. The housing rehab and septic repair/replacement part of this grant is on a first come, first served basis for a 15-year deferred payment and interest free loan. Applicants must be in a very low to low income bracket and must occupy the property where the work is to be done. Applications are received at PVPC, 26 Central Street, Suite 34, West Springfield, MA 01089-2787. Tel: 413-781-6045; Fax: 413-732-2593; or e-mail: lfoley@pvpc.org.

Respectfully submitted,
James W. Allen, Chairman
Bruce Clarke, Water Superintendent
Beverly Lund

Herb Chaffee, Highway Superintendent Donna Neylon

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Brookfield Conservation Commission met every second Thursday of the month in the past year. We are available for questions regarding the Wetlands Protection Act, review plans, and hold hearings for applicants looking to perform work that would affect the wetland resources of the town. The Town of Brookfield has no conservation by-laws, so the charge of the committee is solely to enforce the State Wetlands Protections Act.

Last year the commission reviewed and acted upon the following:

- 1. Issued one stop work order for land inside wetlands
- 2. Performed 10 site inspections
- 3. Signed off on 4 building sequence forms
- 4. Issued 4 orders of conditions for notices of intent (single family homes)
- 5. Issued 3 negative determinations (allowed work in buffer zone)
- 6. Held informational hearing on Weir at South Pond
- 7. Requested rehab of south pond beach to eliminate pollution and erosion

Respectfully submitted,

John T. O'Leary, Chairman Heath W. Grimes, Member/Treasurer Susan E. M. Brogan, Member/Secretary

George LeBlanc, Member

REPORT OF THE CONSTABLES

All warrants were posted and affected as directed, with returns made at no cost to the Town. In keeping with the Town By-laws, all fees for elected constable services are surrendered to the municipality.

Respectfully submitted, Joseph Murray (Elected) Ross Ackerman (Appointed)

Kris Murray (Elected) Arthur Tatro (Appointed)

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL ON AGING

<u>Mission</u>: The mission of the Council On Aging (COA) is to identify the needs of individuals over the age of 60 who reside in the Town of Brookfield. The goal of the COA is to provide health and social resources to these individuals and their caregivers.

Funding Sources:

State Formula Grant (Based on population of elders)
Municipal Funding (Determined by Town budget)
Individual Donations (Voluntary donations by those who participate in COA programs)

GOALS for 2008:

- 1. To fund, maintain and promote current programs such as
 - Medicar transportation to medical appointments
 - Outreach to assist individuals with things like health insurance, etc
 - Tai Chi Class to refer elders to this agency for services and home delivered meals.
- 2. To develop new programs and increase communication with the elder population of Brookfield.
- 3. To be an available resource within the community for the elder population of Brookfield.

Thank you for the wonderful response to our survey at the beginning of 2007. It showed us that many of you do know how to acquire services and would like information to reach you by mail.

We are working with other town boards to find a suitable location to have clinics and other programs that would be of interest.

Do not hesitate to call the Town Hall and your messages will be forwarded to one of us.

The Council On Aging meets the 1^{st} Wednesday of the month in the Town Hall. Public is welcome to attend. We are always seeking new members for COA.

Respectfully submitted, Barbara Clancy, Chairperson Lucy Beeman

Barbara Palmer

Brenda Lague

REPORT OF THE CULTURAL COUNCIL

The mission of the Brookfield Cultural Council is to promote excellence, access, education, and diversity in the arts, humanities, and interpretative sciences in order to improve the quality of life for Brookfield residents and to contribute to the economic vitality of our community.

Funding for grants and events was obtained from the Massachusetts Cultural Council, the Town of Brookfield, event sponsors, booth rentals, and the sale of apple pies and Cat's Meows.

The Brookfield Cultural Council maintained a "streamlined" status with the Massachusetts Cultural Council and in FY 2007, with the Massachusetts Cultural Council, fully or partially funded the following:

- Grade 4 Worcester Art Museum (Brookfield Elementary School)
- StarLab (Brookfield Elementary School)
- Brookfield Jazz Project (Bryan Plumb)
- Big Band Swing (Point 'N Swing Big Band)
- Eric Carle and Collage (Tantasqua Regional Jr. High School)
- Boston Symphony Orchestra—April 12, 2007 (Tantasqua Regional Jr. High School)
- Boston Symphony Orchestra—November 15, 2007 (Tantasqua Regional Jr. High School)

- Drum Corps International Show, Washington, D.C. (Tantasqua Regional Jr. High School)
- Guided Monument/Memorial Tour, Washington, D.C. (Tantasqua Regional Jr. High School)
- Vance Gilbert Master Class (Tantasqua Regional Jr. High School)
- Vance Gilbert Concert (Tantasqua Regional Jr. High School)
- "When the Animals Danced" Stories & Dances (Bob E. Thomas)
- Popular Music of the Gaslight Era (John Root)

In 2007, the Brookfield Cultural Council maintained the schedule of events on the Common; cleaned and decorated the gazebo; helped with sound and lighting for various town events; organized the Memorial Day parade and ceremonies; organized four Friday evening summer concerts on the Common (featuring Shakin' All Over, She's Busy, Dave Pike and the Good Ol' Boys, and Dennis Brennan) and held a 1950s costume contest, cheesecake contest, chocolate chip cookie contest, and apple pie contest. The Council also co-sponsored "Profiles in Leadership and Courage: An 1865 Visit from the Civil War" with the Friends of the Merrick Public Library, held a fall-themed contra dance at the Town Hall, welcomed Santa to Brookfield during the tree lighting, and organized the tenth annual House Decorating Contest at Christmas.

Respectfully submitted,

William J. Simpson, Chairman

Jennifer CiproDavid HoldcraftKelly LandineJeanne LytleElise ProvostSteve ScottBill R. SimpsonKate SimpsonMadelyn SwansonBarbara Wilson



REPORT OF THE ELECTRICAL (WIRING) INSPECTOR

The following is a compilation of 124 Electrical Inspections performed during 2007.

TYPE OF INSPECTION	# OF PERMITS	# OF INSPECTIONS
New single family home with an overhead service	2	6
New single family home with an underground		
service	5	15
Apartment Complex	1	8
Service upgrades up to a 200 amp	18	18
Temporary services	2	2
Additions	3	6
Remodel / Rewire	8	16
Garages	4	8
Commercial	1	3
Sunroom	2	4
Hot Tub	1	1
Basement Finishes	4	8
Heating Systems	2	2
Control Wiring	1	1
Landlord Meters	3	3
Pools in-ground	2	4
Pools above ground	2	2
Sheds / Barns	3	6
House Fires	2	8

We now have an extension at the Town Hall where you can leave messages for us. Dial $508-867-2930 \times 20$.

Respectfully submitted, Scot Mansfield, Electrical/Wiring Inspector Martin Nagle, Alternate





REPORT OF THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SQUAD

Our ambulance squad is available for emergency medical care 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. We are certified at the Paramedic level which means we can provide advanced level care to our patients, if needed. The EMS squad consists of 13 members: 5 Paramedics, 1 Intermediate, and 7 Basic level EMT's. We are overseen and certified by the Massachusetts State Department of Public Health.

Our staff consists of one full time paramedic/firefighter that does various EMS and Fire Department functions while he is on duty Monday through Friday. The rest of our staff is considered "on call personnel" meaning, our EMT's carry a two way radio and are "toned out" for calls from our homes or work. Beyond this, members spend countless hours working for the upkeep and improvement of our service.

All levels of EMT's are required to go through many hours of training and continuing education. We also assist at public functions, blood pressure clinics, and public information, as the need arises. We have been active in emergency planning. This includes local response planning, large mutual aid response planning, as well as working with other public safety agencies.

We are always looking for more dedicated and caring townspeople to volunteer for our emergency squad.

We would like to welcome our newest EMT's Mike Steuer and Scott Baldracchi. Congratulations!

We plan on replacing our current 1998 Ford modular ambulance in 2008.

We have just finished our first full year in our new quarters. This has worked out very well for our squad and we appreciate all the support, work and planning that went into it.

The squad is funded though ambulance billing and donations. This money is used for equipment, training and salaries. Any remaining funds stay in the accounts to make large equipment purchases and to buy a new ambulance when needed.

STATISTICS:

The ambulance responded to 457 calls during 2007. They are divided into the following categories:

Advanced Life Support	195
Medical Calls	250
Trauma	67
Fire and Police Standby	23
Refusal, assistance or cancelled	117
Mutual Aid to other towns	131

Mutual Aid was given to North, East and West Brookfield, Sturbridge, New Braintree, Spencer and Northbridge.

Brookfield EMS is grateful to everyone who has supported us in our efforts to provide quality emergency medical care to our town. We extend a special thank-you to the police, fire, and highway departments, as well as the dispatchers at the State Police New Braintree dispatch center, and the families, friends, and neighbors of our patients who help us in many ways. "Neighbor Helping Neighbor" is truly the motto of our ambulance service.

The Emergency Squad has free "File of Life" packets available to store your medical and emergency information. This "file" is kept on your refrigerator and would be used in case you are unable to give the EMT's your information in an emergency. Just call 508-867-6036 for your copy.

PLEASE, NUMBER YOUR HOUSE SO IT IS VISIBLE FROM THE STREET. PRECIOUS MINUTES CAN BE LOST WITH MISSING OR INCORRECT NUMBERS!

Respectfully submitted, Donna Lafleur, Paramedic, Chief



REPORT OF THE BROOKFIELD EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (BEMA)

This year was very uneventful, which was a good thing! The Brookfield citizens have experienced no great emergencies where they needed BEMA's help. BEMA has applied for a number of grants for equipment to help better serve the residents of Brookfield in the event of an emergency. We have been working on setting up and supplying the trailer for Public Safety with items we do not always have quick access to.

We have also worked on making sure that all first responders (Police, Fire, EMS, Selectmen, Board of Health, and the school administration) get the federally-mandated training (IS-100, 200, etc.), and accomplish this by the deadline date so that the Town of Brookfield will remain eligible for federal grants for public safety and homeland security.

BEMA looks forward to continue to be there for the residents of Brookfield in the event of any emergency or non-emergency that we will be needed to respond to.

By Keith Karrmann, Director

Peter Martell, Deputy Director



REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

The current membership represents a total of over 282 years of service to the Town of Brookfield Fire Department.

Calls:

Total	119
Structure Fires	3
Brush Fires	11
Vehicle Fires	2
Motor vehicle Accidents	31
Utility Problems	10
Rescues	7
EMS Assists	1
Hazardous Materials Incidents	2
Investigations	25
Weather related incidents	9
Mutual Aid given to other Towns	20
=	20
Mutual Aid utilized	2

I otal personnel training hours	970
Total personnel hours for department upkeep	423

Total vehicle downtime 124 hours

<u>Inspections/Permits</u>:

Oil Burning/Storage	25
Propane Storage	18
Smoke Detector/Carbon Monoxide	44
Blasting	0
Underground storage tank removal	1

The department received the following grants;

- Brookfield Community Club Forcible entry tool
- Massachusetts Department of Fire Services Student Awareness of Fire Education (SAFE) Fire prevention materials
- Commonwealth of Massachusetts Fire equipment Protective clothing
- Governors Highway Safety Bureau Bicycle helmets and safety literature
- Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation Wildland fire equipment.

Personnel:

We welcomed Firefighter Sean Lavallee. Firefighter Jeff White completed the Fire District Seven Recruit Firefighter training program. We accepted, with considerable regret, the retirements of Firefighter Peter Burque after twenty years, and Firefighter Mark Leonard after seventeen years. They will both be sorely missed.

New garage facility:

2007 marked our first full year in our expanded facilities. As expected, we are able to accomplish more in the new garage in terms of training, maintenance, equipment preparation, and recovery from incidents. Again thanks to all that supported this important endeavor.

Station Repairs:

The chimney on the garage was replaced. The chimney on the station is slated to be rebuilt.

New Fire Truck:

Since the approval of the new fire truck in November of 2006, members of this department spent countless hours researching and creating specifications for the new truck. Bids were received, with the winning bid going to Crimson Fire apparatus. Delivery is expected in early 2008. We would again like to thank everyone that has supported us in this long, but necessary endeavor.

Training/Education, Public Awareness, and Other Duties:

As noted above, many hours of departmental upkeep was done in-house, saving the Town thousands of dollars. Training was done both by in-house personnel as well as by other agencies off-site. Personnel performed other necessary duties such as severe weather preparation, severe weather stand-by, clearing snow from hydrants. Many residents take it upon themselves to clear hydrants near their homes. This is much appreciated, and also a good idea, as it may take some time for us to do it. We encourage neighbors to work together in this potentially life-saving endeavor.

The in-school fire prevention program was held during Fire Prevention Week. This marked our seventh annual such program. This program has been well received by the students and staff, and is based on a structured curriculum for each grade.

The department web-site "brookfieldfd.com" was revitalized. We encourage you to check it out.

Numbering Houses:

With the continued growth of Brookfield, we ask that all residents ensure that their homes are well identified with the correct house number. This is imperative for all emergency services to locate you in your time of need.

Respectfully submitted, Peter Martell, Fire Chief

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

In 2007 the department has met some of goals that we set for ourselves. Understaffing and budget constraints are the major limiting factors in what we accomplish. Two full-time employees and two part-time employees make up the Department (one of the part-time employees is our secretary).

This year we are proud to have accomplished the following:

- Lake Road -- drainage and resurfacing project was completed using Chapter 90 funds.
- Old West Brookfield Road -- paved.
- Molasses Hill Road -- edged (debris accumulated on the edges of the road was removed, regaining the full width of the travel lanes)
- Interlocking concrete blocks for the foundation of the salt shed were purchased and delivered with a \$20,000.00 grant from the state obtained with the assistance of Rep. Anne Gobi.
- An application for a grant in the amount of \$544,482.00 was submitted to the Executive Office of Transportation Small Town Roads Assistance Program (STRAP). This grant, if received, will be used for drainage, reclamation and resurfacing on Rice Corner Road, Gay Road. and Town Farm Road.
- The 1976 Wayne Street Sweeper was replaced with a used 1991 Elgin Street Sweeper. This purchase was made using Chapter 90 funds.
- Crack sealing to extend the life of the pavement on Gay Road, Long Hill Road, Molasses Hill Road and Lake Road was done.
- A revised driveway permit by-law was passed at town meeting. (This by-law was later rescinded).
- Sugar maple trees have been planted to replace diseased trees that have been removed.
- Unexpected major repairs to the Dresser Loader & the 1981 Mack dump truck were completed.
- Streets, sidewalks, drainage and pot hole repairs have been accomplished in a timely manner
- Painting of center lines was done on the roads that showed the most wear.
- Roadside mowing to increase visibility and safety on town roads was done during the summer.
- Snow & ice removal has been done in the shortest amount of time possible to provide residents with safe roads and sidewalks to travel.
- Painting of crosswalks, sweeping of streets and removal of trash & debris from the Common were all accomplished before Memorial Day.

Our goals for the upcoming year include:

- Increasing the efficiency, productivity, safety and cost-effectiveness of the department;
- Improving town roads;
- Updating Highway Department equipment; and
- Obtaining another block grant in conjunction with the Water Department to improve the infrastructure in the area of the Common.

For a detailed explanation of the Highway Department expenditures please see the Town Accountant's report. Monthly reports of Highway Department activities are submitted to the Selectmen and may be reviewed in their office if you would like more detail on our day to day activities.

We are very fortunate to have a dedicated and experienced staff with a sincere interest in doing the best possible job for the town of Brookfield.

In closing, please remember that a phone call to the Highway Department Office (508-867-8357) will often give the quickest resolution to a situation. Brookfield's 40 miles of road make it difficult for us to be aware of all situations. We may also be reached via e-mail at: highway@brookfieldma.us.

Respectfully submitted, Herbert A. Chaffee II, Highway Superintendent



REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION

The Historical Commission has had a very busy year. We have several new members with good ideas that we are working to implement. We have added to our digital storage capabilities, and are working on scanning and saving the paper items in our collection. Work is in progress to upgrade our space in the Town Hall to further protect our historical items.

We are also working with the 350th anniversary committees, so that the history of Brookfield can be celebrated in a grand fashion in the year 2010.

Respectfully submitted, Pauline C. Merrick, Chair Ron Couture Jean Eaton

Kate Kaspar Patricia Capobianco A. Patricia White Matthew Custer



REPORT OF THE MERRICK PUBLIC LIBRARYMERRICK PUBLIC LIBRARY

TRUSTEES: STAFF:

Sally Brown, Chair

Brenda Metterville, Library Director
Barbara Clancy, Secretary

Andrea Faugno, Library Assistant
Faith O'Keefe, Library Assistant
Linda Barron

Jean Dahler

Debbi Kirk, Library Assistant
Joan Sagendorph, Library Assistant

Barbara Steadman James Hanson, Custodian

The Board of Trustees and staff of the Merrick Public Library maintain their commitment to providing excellent customer service with reference services, timely delivery of inter-library loan materials and reader's advisory services. The collection of materials -- books, DVD's, videos, audios, magazines and newspapers -- continues to grow through purchases and donations. Audios now include Playaways, is the self-contained audio equivalent of a book. Playaways are half the size of a deck of cards and easy to use.

Statistics submitted to the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners reveals that our circulation of materials has increased by 10% from last year. Inter-Library Loan use is up 20% -- this is due mainly to Patron-Placed Holds. Patrons with a CW/Mars card can order their own materials from the comfort of their home on the computer. Free databases are still available through the Central Massachusetts Regional Library System; call the library for your access number. We have expanded reference to include e-mail at brookfieldlibrary@gmail.com. We are also posting updates, programs, and schedules at merrickpubliclibrary.blogspot.com.

The constant ebb and flow of the collection has required we explore new options for our discarded materials. In the past, material discards were given to the Friends of the Library, but never sold well (or at all!) at the annual book sale.

Book, video, DVD, and magazine donations are accepted year round during regular library hours. The library received several generous material donations including over 1000 unique books from Robert Woodis, in memory of M. Kathleen Woodis. Frank Nykiel closed his video store and donated over 1000 DVD's and two double-sided bookcases.

Materials donated must be placed in boxes no larger than a copy paper box. The library staff and Friends have developed a network of other options for donated books including this town's own collection, Native Americans, the annual book sale, transfer station exchange, E-Bay and the Book Prospector. The Friends have made the decision to no longer have the annual book sale during the Apple Country Fair, but to have a year round sale in the foyer of the library.

The Trustees approved opening the library more hours effective July 2006. The new hours are more uniform and less confusing, this also provides more 'quiet' time for adults in their attempt to avoid the after school crowd. The library hours are Tuesday and Thursday 1:00

to 8:00, Wednesday and Friday 11:00 to 5:00 and Saturdays 10:00 to 1:00. We are still closed Sunday and Monday.

The public library new policy of "it's all free," is very popular. Patrons are no longer charged fees, fines or asked for donations when photocopying, faxing or printing in the public library. This policy is based on the reality that you as a taxpayer have already paid for these services with your tax dollars. Patrons are still required to pay to replace damaged or lost materials on their record. We strongly urge patrons to purchase a replacement of the damaged or lost materials. If you feel you must donate something, we accept non-perishable donations for the Brookfield Ecumenical Food Pantry or you can make a donation to the Friends of the Library.

Bryan Simmons, a local student, completed fund raising and the construction of his Eagle Scout Project. Fundraising was so successful that his project went from 10' x 10' with three benches to a 12' x 12' with five benches. Bryan's project included over 37 volunteers donating more than 200 hours to complete the Memorial Park, located behind the library. During the May 2007, ribbon cutting ceremony with many town leaders, Senator Brewer and Representative Gobi in attendance, Bryan submitted a donation check of \$603 to the Friends of the Library.

The Drop-in Arts and Crafts on Fridays have evolved to include supplies available for school projects from K through 12 throughout the school year. Parents and students are invited to use supplies at the library or bring them home. Supplies include: poster board, boxes, paints, markers, natural items and many other types. Materials were donated throughout the year and we encourage recycle/reuse. *The Brookfield High School Project*, was funded by the Jeppson Memorial Fund Advisory committee and the Board of Directors of Greater Worcester Community Foundation. This project is about purchasing archival albums to store class photos and other historic ephemera relating to the Brookfield High School. This effort will assist in the preservation of an important part of Brookfield history.

The Friends of the Library sponsored another wonderful summer reading program—*Catch the Beat!* Over 120 participated to read over 475 books. The Friends sponsored *Birds of Prey* with Julie Collier for an evening program and it was well attended. The Friends also sponsored the annual Ice Cream Party. Eileen Roughan, President, and Karen Reynolds, Vice president, invited people to become Friends by either making a monetary donation and/or being active during one of their fund raising efforts. These events include the winter quilt raffle, Silent Auction in May and year round book sale. The Friends also sponsor a free annual visit and photograph with Santa Claus. The Friends of the Library and the Brookfield Cultural Council collaborated and presented a wonderful well attended Ulysses S. Grant program on the Common. The Friends also provide a weekly home delivery service to patrons who are homebound on a long or short-term basis.

The Community Partnership for Children, chaired by Patricia Sinko, initiated and reintroduced Story Time for children age 2.9 to 5 at this public library. This year round program provides the library with a story time reader, Ms. Rene Coro, who brings music and stories to the children for a half hour every Friday at 11:30.

Call the library at 508-867-6339 for information.

Respectfully submitted, Brenda Metterville, Library Director

REPORT OF THE MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

2007 Active Members:

Jennifer CiproDavid HoldcraftKelly LandineJeanne LytleElise ProvostSteven Scott

Kate Simpson William J. Simpson William R. Simpson Madelyn Swanson

Barbara Wilson

Memorial Day calls upon a united nation to appropriately mark the last resting place of our sons and daughters who saw service while following the flag in times of war.

The Memorial Day Parade was held on Monday, May 28, 2007, in memory of the following Veterans who served our country and who passed away recently:

In Memoriam

Carleton Kingsley Freitag WWII Daniel H. Myers Vietnam Mark V. Armstrong Vietnam Ralph J. Sleeper WWII George Francis St. Cyr Korea Robert F. Stengel Vietnam Eugene J. Boisiolie WWII Sigmond J. Kozlowski WWII

TO VETERANS OF ALL WARS

"Time only enhances the lasting value and demonstrates anew the true significance of Memorial Day."

Town of Brookfield, Massachusetts Memorial Day, Monday, May 28, 2007 Parade 10:00 a.m.

ORDER OF EXERCISE

The column left at 10:00 a.m. from the Brookfield Elementary School and proceeded to the cemetery under the direction of the Brookfield Police Department, the Brookfield Select Board, the Brookfield Cultural Council and the Parade Marshall William J. Simpson

PROGRAM AT SOLDIER'S MONUMENT BROOKFIELD CEMETERY 10:30 a.m.

Selectmen
Rev. John Shaw
Quaboag Highlanders
Jan's Marching Band
Katelyn Perkins
Elizabeth Barrett
Selectmen
Brookfield Police
Jan's Marching Band
Jan's Marching Band
Quaboag Highlanders

Selectmen

PROGRAM AT SOLDIERS' MONUMENT BROOKFIELD TOWN COMMON 11:30 a.m.

Dismiss

Pledge of Allegiance	Selectmen
Prayer	Rev. John Shaw
Selection	Quaboag Highlanders
Selection	Jan's Marching Band
Gettysburg Address	Olivia Rosetti
Flanders Field	James Murray
Salute to the Dead	
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to the Dead
In Memory Selectmen
Firing Detail Brookfield Police
Taps Quaboag Highlanders
National Anthem/Raising of Flag Jan's Marching Band
Selection Quaboag Highlanders
Dismiss Selectmen

The parade disbanded at Town Hall and refreshments were served at the Fire Station.

REPORT OF THE TOWN MODERATOR

The Moderator presided at the annual and special town meetings for the calendar year 2007. The meetings were conducted according to parliamentary procedure as provided for by local by-law, state laws, and *Town Meeting Time, A Handbook of Parliamentary Law, 2nd Edition*, published by the Massachusetts Moderators Association.

The moderator remains a member of the Massachusetts Moderators Association.

Respectfully, William Frangiamore, Moderator

REPORT OF THE PARKING CLERK AND HEARING OFFICER

During the year of 2007 there were 18 parking tickets issued. The Police Department issues these tickets. There was one parking ticket hearing, held by the hearing officer. The hearings are held Tuesday evening between 6:30-7:00 P.M; these are held upon written request by offenders.

Monies collected for tickets - \$585.00; some of this money includes late fees for tickets that were delinquent from past years.

Respectfully submitted, Linda M. Lincoln, Parking Clerk/Hearing Officer

REPORT OF THE PERSONNEL BOARD

This Board began the year with four members and gained a fifth around mid-year. Conflicts in the new member's work requirements prevented his attendance at any meetings. Selectmen Ronald Dackson and Rudy Heller were appointed to the Personnel Board by the Board of Selectmen. Due to the fact that the Personnel By-Laws require a five member board both Mr. Dackson and Mr. Heller would not be in a position to vote on the various issues.

As a point of information, the Personnel By-Law applies to all town employees, excluding school personnel and positions which are filled by popular election.

There were six meetings held during the year and a number of issues were addressed and recommendations made to the Board of Selectmen. In addition to reviewing, verifying correct grades and steps, and approving all wage authorizations presented by the department, action taken at these meetings included:

- Wage increase Recreation Commission Groundskeeper;
- Approval Job Description Library Page at Grade 2, 115 points;
- Voted to provide the Town Treasurer with a list of those employees with annual stipends or salaries as well as employees with the same rate of pay for the same positions, i.e. firemen, snow plow operators, etc.;
- Voted to provide the Town Treasurer with a list of rates of pay for those employees not covered by the by-laws. It was the consensus of the Town Accountant and Town Treasurer that some type of form for authorization to pay the wages was necessary;

- Voted to prepare an amendment to the by-laws that deal with bereavement, personal and sick days for part time employees. This has yet to be reviewed by the Board;
- Voted to prepare an amendment to the by-laws dealing with the calculation of vacation time by employment anniversary date. This has yet to be reviewed by the Board.

It is the plan of the Personnel Board to prepare and review amendments to the by-laws with respect to bereavement, personal and sick days for part time employees and with the calculation of vacation time by employment anniversary date prior to the next Annual Town Meeting. These amendments will then be presented to the Selectmen for inclusion on the warrant for consideration by the voters.

The Board would like to thank the Board of Selectmen, department heads and employees for their cooperation during the past year. Anyone interested in serving on this Board is asked to contact the Board of Selectmen or Mr. Phil Peirce, Chairman of the Personnel Board.

Respectfully submitted, Philip Peirce, Chairman Beverly Lund, Secretary William Neault Jill Bertrand, Vice Chairman Taylor Whitcomb

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

In 2007 the Planning Board met fifteen times and acted on a variety of land use issues. Nineteen standard new or revised lots on existing roads were approved. In addition, three rear lots were approved. A Special Permit was granted for a wind turbine for private residential use on Lake Road. Construction was started on a thirty-one lot subdivision on Molasses Hill Road., and the Board conducted a Scenic Road hearing concerning the construction of the roadways that provide access to this subdivision. A twelve-lot subdivision on Route 9 in the Business A and B zones was approved in January. Special Permit applications were received for an equine business on Gay Road and additional condominium units at Quayside Shores on Quaboag Street; both of these applications are in process. The Board is also conducting a Site Plan Review for a proposed business on a parcel adjacent to the Town transfer station.

In November, the Town Meeting approved a small zoning change that would eliminate the requirement for a Special Permit for certain kinds of construction in the Flood Plain District. This change was recommended by the Building Inspector and fully supported by the Board.

Minutes for Planning Board meetings from 1986 through 2006 were bound in handsome hardcover volumes. As permanent records of the Town, the minutes must be maintained in an orderly and safe condition.

The Board also responded to a number of inquiries from the public and other Town officials concerning zoning by-laws and land use. The Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission provided the Board with technical assistance on several issues. Town Counsel's advice was sought for some cases. The Board's consulting engineer, John Scannell, reviewed plans and provided guidance on both construction and regulatory issues.

Board members Frank Smith and Michael Dean resigned in the spring of 2007. We thank them for their service. In May, the Board was pleased to welcome two new members, Daniel Leahy and Sharon Mahoney. We are grateful for their willingness to serve the Town in this capacity.

Diane Stawski continued to provide invaluable assistance to the Board as its Clerk. Her organization, dedication, and good humor are very much appreciated.

The Zoning By-Law, Subdivision Rules and Regulations, and Rules and Regulations of the Planning Board are available on CD and in hard copy and can be purchased from the Town Clerk.

We expect to continue our busy schedule in 2008 and will strive to serve the citizens of Brookfield and others who appear before the Board as efficiently and effectively as possible.

Respectfully submitted, Mary T. O'Connell, Chairman Kermit Eaton, Treasurer Bruce Clarke Daniel Leahy Sharon Mahoney



REPORT OF THE PLUMBING & GAS INSPECTOR

Plumbing Permits	21
Gas Permits	23
Total Permits	44
Gas Inspections	20
Finish Inspections	17
Rough Inspections	15
Total Inspections	52

FEES COLLECTED FOR PLUMBING AND GAS	\$2,220.00
TEES COLLECTED FOR I LUMBING AND GAS	\$2,220.00

Respectfully submitted, Robert Wall, Inspector of Plumbing & Gas Roger Charpentier, Alternate Inspector



REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Brookfield Police Department started 2007 with an increase in domestic related calls. Calls involving motor vehicle accidents were down due primarily to the mild winter. We have handled numerous concerns of speeding motor vehicles on many of the rural and scenic roads. With the use of radar and officer presence, statistics show this is making an impact and we are receiving positive information back from the community.

Once again we have received numerous grants to provide extra services and save the town money. Some of the grants we have received are The Click it or Ticket, You Drink You Drive You Lose, Road Respect, The Governors' Bureau for Highway Safety and Community Policing. We also received funds from the Worcester District Attorney's Office along with funding from the BPV Grant Program. We would also like to thank those individuals from the community who have made generous contributions.

Through grants and contributions we were able to purchase a search and rescue boat. This is something the department has been working towards for a number of years. As you know we have numerous waterways within in the town and with increased activity they need to be patrolled. We are currently working on a grant for an ATV to cover the rural and isolated areas in Town.

Christopher Welsh has completed the Full-Time Academy along with the Sergeants training program as well as two weeks of the Field Training Officer Program which will be implemented in early 2008. Christopher Welsh received a commendation for his actions in a case involving kidnapping by the Molly Bish Foundation at the Boston State House. He has also been promoted to the rank of Sergeant and is striving hard to continually serve this community proudly.

We have an officer dedicated to locating and entering Sex Offenders into the system. This is a difficult job at times but enhances the safety of our community.

This department is working strongly with the Tantasqua Regional High School, the Attorney General's Office, the District Attorney's Office, and other agencies to provide services and programs at little or no expense to the citizens of Brookfield.

We are hoping to raise funds through grants or contributions to maintain a resource officer at the Brookfield Elementary School. Whether you're a student or a parent you know the wonderful programs and the benefits that are brought to our children. We are always overwhelmed by the positive feedback this program receives and we are hoping the use of a resource officer through the dedication of the Brookfield Police Department, the assistance of the Brookfield Elementary School and the contributions by the community will only enhance this program.

We have listed numerous calls of significance that we respond to each and every year. These calls may sound routine in nature but in the law enforcement field there is no such thing as a routine call

Animal Calls	116	Hazardous Incident	23	MV Investigations	158
Assaults	22	Illegal Dumping	11	Safety Hazards	60
Disturbances	79	Larceny/Theft	15	Stolen MV's	6
Burglary B&E	27	Lockouts	16	Serve Summons	78
Domestic Disturbances	71	Medical Emergency	269	Suspicious Activity	118
Structure Fires	9	Missing Persons	12	Traffic Control	97
Gunshots	11	MV Crashes	126	Vandalism	27
Welfare Check	88				
MV = Motor Vehicle					

We want to thank the community for help they provide us because it is through your eyes and ears that make the call so we can render service whether it is assisting someone from a fall to acting on a crime in progress.

Respectfully submitted, Chief Ross B. Ackerman

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.



During 2007 the Quaboag Valley Community Development Corporation (CDC) and its affiliate agency, the Quaboag Valley Business Assistance Corporation (BAC) continued to focus on community economic development issues, particularly through assistance to small businesses. The board of directors of the BAC includes an appointed representative from each of the fifteen participant towns.

A bank line of credit that the BAC has with area banks was increased during the year due to increased commitments from participating banks and the addition of a new bank. Bank of America, Country Bank for Savings, FamilyFirst Bank, Monson Savings Bank, North Brookfield Savings Bank and Spencer Savings Bank were joined by Southbridge Savings Bank as participants on the line. The BAC uses the line to make loans to businesses; \$97,000 in loans was disbursed during the year.

The CDC continued to provide a variety of business and employee skills training. Throughout the year 75 individuals from around the Quaboag Valley took 99 computer courses either in Palmer at the Quaboag Hills Chamber of Commerce or at the CDC offices at 23 West Main Street in Ware.

Two NxLeveLTM Business Planning courses were held by the CDC during the year, each lasting for 12 weeks. Twenty-five (25) area entrepreneurs took these classes that were held in Ware and Belchertown.

As a result of a state grant to the CDC to assist businesses with fewer than 20 employees, the CDC launched and individualized business technical assistance or "TA" in 2007. The CDC interacted with 106 area businesses providing 473 hours of individual assistance in the form of accounting, bookkeeping, marketing, coaching, legal, web development and general business planning.

The CDC and BAC were busy during the year overseeing renovations to a commercial property in Ware that was purchased jointly in 2006. By the end of 2007, renovations were complete and their tenants, the Ware Adult Learning Center, had moved in.

Residents are encouraged to contact the CDC with business financing, training or technical assistance needs by calling 413-967-3001 or visiting the website: www.qvcdc.com.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Rutherford, Executive Director

REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMISSION



The Brookfield Recreation Department provides an opportunity for each of the Town's children to participate in an enjoyable activity at various times of year. The Department sponsored programs are organized and run through our committee and the many volunteers. We offer public recreation programs for all ages and try to sponsor special events and interests.

We are affiliated with or responsible for the following programs:

Little League T-Ball TRY Soccer

Tribal Basketball Men's Basketball Women's Basketball

Parents, please be patient and understanding with regards to sign-ups. In order for these programs to run efficiently we are forced to hold registrations very early in the season. We ask that you please use the sign-up dates posted, and if for some unforeseen reason you cannot attend any of sign ups offered, please contact any member of our committee within one week of signup. We post the dates in the CITIZEN and also in the White Tiger News. Coaches and assistant coaches are required to be CORI checked in order for them to be involved in any of our programs.

Brookfield Recreation Committee and Brookfield Fire Dept., Police Dept and Highway Dept all worked together to offer the children a night of trick or treating in a safe and supervised area. We paraded to the Town Common where prizes and treats were had by all. We are working with the Worcester Tornadoes to sponsor trips to upcoming games, offering discounted tickets. We also offer Foxwoods bus trips; these are very popular and a great time.

The Recreation Committee is also responsible for the maintaining and upkeep of our two parks, Lewis Field and South Pond Beach. This year we are very excited about working with the Department of Fisheries & Wildlife in restoring and beautifying South Pond Beach. It is a great asset to our town and we are hoping to have most of this project finished by next year.

We are always looking for new faces as coaches, assistant coaches, referees, umpires, clock officials, hall monitors and snack-shack workers. These important positions are required in order to make our sports programs successful. New people and new ideas are always welcomed. If you have a special talent or interest, please contact any of our members or feel free to attend any of our meetings.

Respectfully submitted, Brenda McElroy, co-chair Denise Senosk, co-chair

Rob Rice Dave Proulx Keith Law Caroline Philips Jeff Edwards Doug Brown

REPORT OF THE SAFETY COMMITTEE

It is the responsibility of the Safety Committee to be concerned with improving employee and citizen safety on a town-wide basis. These responsibilities include the elimination of hazards throughout the Town in public buildings, on highways, sidewalks, and in town-owned buildings. In addition, the Committee reviews all requests for additions, deletions and/or changes to speed zones, stop signs, parking zones, etc. The Committee's findings and recommendations are then referred to the Board of Selectmen for action.

In closing, the Safety Committee would like to urge the public to contact the Board of Selectmen regarding any and all safety issues/concerns they may have. This would allow the Selectmen to refer the issues/concerns to the Safety Committee for its review and recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

William Neault, Member-at-Large and Chairman Police Chief, Ross Ackerman EMS Chief, Donna Lafleur Highway Superintendent, Herbert Chaffee III Fire Chief, Peter Martell, Secretary Water Superintendent, Bruce Clarke Member-at-Large, Beverly A. Lund

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT



For the Year Ending December 2007

School Committee

Stephen J. Comtois II, Chairman Term expires 2008

Tyler A. Kelsch, Secretary Term expires 2009

Donald Faugno, Tantasqua Representative Term expires 2010

Superintendent of Schools

Daniel G. Durgin 320A Brookfield Road, Fiskdale 347-5977

Associate Superintendent

Dr. Maryellen Brunelle 320A Brookfield Rd., Fiskdale 347-3077

Assistant Superintendent

Katharine Fitzgerald 320A Brookfield Rd., Fiskdale 347-3077

Business Manager

Deborah Boyd 320A Brookfield Rd., Fiskdale 347-3077

Special Education/Pupil Services Director

Michael Masny 320A Brookfield Rd., Fiskdale 347-3560

Principal, Brookfield Elementary School

Kathleen Hosterman 867-8988

Secretary

Janice Zielinski 867-8988

School Nurse and Supervisor of Attendance

Elaine Gittens, R.N., B.S.N. 867-8988

School Physician

Jeanette Tokarz, M.D.

School Enrollment on October 1, 2007

<u>Grade</u>	Pre-K Pre-S	<u>K</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>Total</u>
Elem	37	30	41	27	35	31	36	34	271
Grade TJHS	<u>7</u> 50	<u>8</u> 54							104
TSHS	<u>9</u> 29	10 43	$\frac{11}{20}$	<u>12</u> 41	<u>PG</u> 133				
Tech. Div.	15	16	12	8					51
Total Enrol	lment								288



Town of Brookfield **SALARIES – BROOKFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

NAME	POSITION	2006-2007
		SALARY
K. Hosterman	Principal	85,696.00
C. Allen-Start	Teacher	63,233.00
A. Barringer	Teacher	41,168.00
M. Bek	Teacher	66,68400
P. Boucher	Teacher	68,409.00
E. Brown	Teacher/Music	53,347.20
K. Carey	Teacher	61,508.00
M. Casey	Teacher	43,114.00
N. Chouinard	Psychologist	28,045.68
N. Corbeil	Teacher	63,233.00
B. Couming	Special Ed.	63,233.00
E. Davol	Special Ed.	63,233.00
E. Dwyer	Teacher	61,508.00
K. Erikson	Teacher/Title I	66,684.00
C. Forgit	Teacher	68,409.00
B. Gibson	Teacher	57,485.00
E. Gittens	School Nurse	50,012.50
T. Goyette	Teacher/Phys. Ed.	59,784.00
L. Hyde	Teacher/Special. Ed./Tuition	63,233.00
D. Kane	Special Ed.	63,233.00
J. Labuski	Teacher 70% Grant/Tuition	37,825.00
B. Mansfield	PreK Special Ed.	63,233.00
J. Monahan	Teacher	59,784.00
D. Morin-Wermter	Teacher	54,036.00
S. Nagle	Teacher	57,485.00
C. Parker	Teacher/Special Ed.	37,940.00
B. Plumb	Teacher 20% Instrument Music	12,278.20
A. Sanborn	Teacher	66,616.00
M. Snydal	Teacher Remedial	66,684.00
M. Sullivan	Speech	51,737.00
H. Tarr	Curr. Coordinator	60,935.00
K. Young	Library/Media	51,737.00
D. Brothers	Integration Asst. (Tuition, Grant)	15.03
S. Gillen	Integration Asst.	15.84
K. Hayes	Integration Asst.	16.67
J. Lytle	Integration Asst.	15.84
L. McGovern	Part Time Secretary	18.30
J. O'Connell	Integration Asst. (Tuition)	16.67
M. Simmons	Integration Asst.	15.03

NAME	POSITION	2006-2007
		SALARY
T. Simonelli	Integration Asst. PT	11.47
R. Straight	Instructional Asst.	21.31
M. Young	Integration Asst.	16.67
J. Zielinski	Secretary	18.80
H. Achilles	Head Custodian	20.22
R. Bouchard	Custodian	13.66

Town of Brookfield TEACHERS IN SERVICE – BROOKFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

2006-2007 POSITION	NAME/COLLEGE/DEGREE	TEACHING EXPERIENCE IN BROOKFIELD AS OF 6/30/2007
Principal	Kathleen Hosterman M.Ed., Keen State College B.A., Norwich Univ.	2
Kindergarten	Mary Casey M.Ed., Anna Maria B.S., Salem State	5
Kindergarten	Jean Monahan B.S., Bridgewater State	10
Grade 1	Elizabeth Dwyer B.S., Fitchburg State	17
Grade 1	Angela Sanborn M.Ed., Lesley College B.S., Worcester State	29
Grade 2	MaryAnne Bek M.Ed., Worcester State B.S., Worcester State	23
Grade 2	Nancy Corbeil B.S., Worcester State	18
Grade 3	Christine Allen-Start B.S., Worcester State	20
Grade 3	Belinda Gibson M.ED., Worcester State B.A., Anna Maria	12
Grade 4	Patricia Boucher M.A., Worcester State B.S., Worcester State	37
Grade 4	Gail Vermette, B.S., Westfield State	21
Grade 5	Karen Carey B.A., U. Mass.	20
Grade 5	Suzanne Nagle B.S., Worcester State	13

		TEACHING
		EXPERIENCE
2006-2007		IN
POSITION	NAME/COLLEGE/DEGREE	BROOKFIELD AS OF 6/30/2007
Grade 6	Claudia Forgit	17
	M.Ed., Worcester State	
	B.S., Worcester State	
Grade 6	Donna Morin-Wermter	10
	B.S., Worcester State	
Special Needs	Bonnie Couming	2
	B.A., U. West FL	
Special Needs	Elizabeth Davol	30
	M.A., Assumption College	
	B.S., Wheelock College	
Special Needs	Diane Kane	7
	M.Ed., Fitchburg State	
	B.A., Keene State	
Special Needs	Barbara Mansfield	13
	B.S., Boston Univ.	
Speech	Melanie Sullivan	3
	M.S., Worcester State	
	B.S., Univ. RI	
School Psych.	Julie Gittins	21
	CAGS, Worcester State	
	M.A., Clark Univ.	
	B.A., Bennington College	
Title I/Read	Karen Erikson	22
	M.Ed., Worcester State	
	B.A., Bridgewater State	
Remedial. Reading	Marjorie Snydal	20
	M.S., Central Conn.	
	A.S., Fisher Jr. College	
Library/Media	Karen Young	2
	M.Ed., Bridgewater State Tech.	
	B.S., Framingham State	
Physical Ed.	Thomas Goyette	20
	B.S., Bridgewater State	
Music	Eva Brown	5
	M.A., Univ. of N.H.	
	B.M., Notre Dame College	
Instr. Music	Bryan Plumb	2
mor. masic	M.Ed., UMass	_
	B.A., UMass	
A rt	Maria Rice	2
Art		2
TI (1.0 : 1.7.1	B.A., ME. College of Art	4.4
Un61 Special Ed	Lori Hyde	11
	M.Ed., Harvard Univ.	
	B.S., Univ. of Michigan	

2006-2007 POSITION	NAME/COLLEGE/DEGREE	TEACHING EXPERIENCE IN BROOKFIELD AS OF 6/30/2007
Un61 Preschool	Janice Labuski	10
	B.S., Worcester State	
Curriculum Coordinator	Helen Tarr	2
	M.Ed., Cambridge College	
	B.A., Notre Dame College	
School Nurse	Elaine Gittens	6
	B.S., Northeastern Univ.	

Town of Brookfield FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2006-2007

School Appropriation	July 1, 2006 – June 30, 2007	\$2	,808,694.00
Miscellaneous Receipts & Rein Expenditures:	nbursements		
School Committee		\$	4,950.02
Superintendent's Office		Ť	76,859.76
<u>Instruction</u> :			
Principal's Office			141,060.34
Teachers' Salaries		1	,166,931.72
Teachers, Substitutes			12,355.21
Supplies & Materials			14,851.53
Aides Salaries			0.00
Professional Development			18,685.40
Special Education Salaries			518,653.61
(Perceptually Handicapped &			
Supplies & Materials – Sp.Ed.			2,558.32
Textbooks/Sp.Ed.			62.95
Textbooks			15,638.01
Technology Services			39,900.13
Library Services			27,056.63
Audio Visual			0.00
Guidance Services			67,970.74
Psychological Services			2,972.40
Other School Services:			
Health Services			49,135.95
Pupil Transportation			106,510.00
Pupil Transportation			107,785.04
(Special Education & Phys. H	andicapped)		
Field Trips			0.00
Operation and Maintenance of I	<u>Plant</u> :		
Custodial Salaries			89,803.59

Supplies & Materia Fuel Utilities - School Maintenance of Gro Maintenance of Bui Maintenance of Equ Extraordinary Proje	ounds ldings aipment – School	7,583.32 63,294.40 51,419.90 5,747.39 9,137.27 23,382.97 5,235.00
Acquisition of Fixed Equipment – Schoo Equipment – Sp.Ed Replacement of Equ	1	0.00 0.00 0.00
Programs with Other Special Education Vocational	Districts & Schools:	177,152.40 0.00
Total Appropriation Estimated Reimburse	Expenditures July 2006 – June 30, 2007 ements:	\$2,808,694.00
Chapter 70		\$1,345,037.00
Chapter 71 Chapter 76		0.00
Total Appropriations	Est. Reimbursements	\$1,345,037.00
Total Expenditures Less Total Estimated	Receipts	\$2,808,694.00
Cost to Taxpayer		\$1,463,657.00
Town of Brookfield		2007-2008 Budget
Administration		\$ 79,376.00
Instruction		2,075,687.00
Other School Service		324,671.00
Operation & Mainter		254,000.00
Acquisition of Fixed Program with Other		8,200.00 138,600.00
•	l Private Schools	138,000.00
Total Appropriations	2005-2006	\$2,880,534.00
Special Needs Progra	ams Included in Budget:	
2000	Instructional	\$ 514,192.00
3000	Other	160,000.00
7000	Equipment	0.00
9000	Programs with Other Districts	127,600.00 \$ 801,792.00
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REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL BROOKFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

The 2007-2008 school year has been a year of development for the Brookfield Elementary School. We are expanding the many new programs that have been implemented over the last few years. Our full-inclusion model special education program is in its third year of implementation, and our students are achieving success at every level. Our Math curriculum has been under intense focus as we have begun unfolding our action plan for this important core instructional area. We are now in full implementation of the Everyday Math program in Pre-K through grade 2. The teachers are confident that this challenging program is opening a world of higher-level thinking around math concepts. Equally as exciting, are the flexible groups that were developed in grade 3 last year and extended to grade 4 this year. The staff members who work in these teams have devoted much time and energy to making this a successful model for our students. Brookfield students have been especially successful in the area of spring 2007MCAS math gains. We have continued our STAR reading and math computerized testing program and will carry out the testing cycle three times to closely monitor our students' strengths and gaps in their learning, while addressing the latter through focused instruction.

Our professional development for the year has focused on technology, data analysis, and the writing process. The curriculum coordinator continues to meet weekly with each grade level to plan and organize our educational approach and assessment strategies, and has added a vertical alignment meeting every other week to allow for planning up and down the grade continuum. We have completed the very challenging work of finalizing and implementing a new standards-based report card system. Parents have had a number of training sessions for this system, and a glossary of terms for both English Language Arts and Mathematics is now available on our completely updated website.

With the input of numerous staff members, both the teacher handbook and the emergency handbook have been updated and are now in the hands of those who utilize them. In addition, our technology has taken a significant step forward with the introduction of new computers for the student computer lab, and a brand new building-wide network server. We have also added two new copiers which utilize this server to process copy jobs. Our goal has been to streamline our resources and utilize electronic options whenever possible and I'm pleased to report that is happening.

Our school also continues to go through a visual metamorphosis as we make a number of meaningful facility changes. You may have driven by and seen our new Brookfield Elementary School sign. This is a wonderful introduction to Brookfield Elementary as well as an informational marquee for our community. This same area has seen the removal of a very large tree that was dead and had become a hazard because of falling limbs. Fortunately, we have a new Bradford Pear tree planted in the memory of long time teacher, Mrs. Gail Vermette. From spring until late fall you will see a lovely teak bench positioned along side the tree. The entire area has become a warm and inviting entryway to our building. We were also awarded several grants and donations that allowed us to install new stage curtains on the stage that was built last year. The students can now have the complete performance experience that was once only possible upon entering the junior high school.

We continue to offer many fine arts opportunities to our students including weekly library, technology, music, chorus, band, and art, and our P.E. program is fortunate enough to offer our students two sessions per week. In addition, we are continuing our school-wide morning exercise program during the winter months and we have added an after school

enrichment daycare program. Many parents have found this program a wonderful asset in that it meets many needs: students are in a safe environment with a certified teacher; they have homework assistance as well as meaningful activities; and the program is specifically designed to be cost effective for working parents.

I have absolutely found that Brookfield is an education minded community which strives in every way possible to support and encourage learning for the children of our town. We continue to have a school that is safe, respectful, and alive with engaging learning at every level. I consider it a great blessing to be the principal of Brookfield Elementary School.

Respectfully, Kathleen Hosterman, Brookfield Principal



ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS – 2007

Union 61 and Tantasqua Regional School Districts Brimfield Brookfield Holland Sturbridge Wales

"Together....We All Achieve More!" was the theme of the program of professional development across Tantasqua and Union 61, and its intent permeated all activities undertaken. Teachers collaborated in carefully reviewing assessment data, making adjustments to their instructional program, as dictated; staff from across grade levels and departments met to review curriculum and make revisions so that solid alignment continues with the state's frameworks; teachers convened to discuss best practices and then ensure the successful implementation of the same; and administrators collaborated on a number of initiatives which resulted, in part, in improved student attendance rates, a more thorough analysis of achievement data and enhanced instructional leadership. As a school community, we were once again fortunate to receive the support of the local School Committees in a number of areas, but in particular, through a school calendar which provided ample time for teachers to meet on the 2 full and 6 early release days. As Wildman and Niles said in 1987, "Time for teacher learning is one of the most important investments a school system can make to maintain and improve quality educational programs" and we thank our five communities for their unwavering support of our efforts.

Additionally, teachers were provided with numerous opportunities to continue their learning long after the school bells had rung. Through the endorsement of the Faculty Senate, a group of teachers and administrators meet quarterly to discuss our instructional program and approve professional development opportunities, after school and summer institutes were offered on a variety of topics. From Graphing Calculators in the Classroom to The Art of Successful Grant Writing to Advanced PowerPoint and Word, cumulatively staff took advantage of nearly

2,300 hours of in-district learning opportunities, with countless more hours spent in the pursuit of advanced degrees through local colleges. In addition, along with the 2,000 hours of professional development which was provided on the March 16th District-Wide Professional Day to our 400+ professional staff members, the District's mentoring and induction program was enhanced through the training of an additional 24 new mentors who provided 1,000+ hours of support to our new teachers. As evidenced by the many high-quality activities undertaken throughout Tantasqua and Union 61, our district's mission is alive and well: Student learning is the core of everything we do.

In the area of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment, the system is making progress towards our goal of offering a comprehensive and consistent education focused on success for all learners. We completed a comprehensive review and revision of the Mathematics Curriculum in order to bring the local document into alignment with the newly revised Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks. Implementation of this curriculum involves expanding time on learning mathematics to ninety minutes a day in grades 1-6. The system is implementing a new elementary mathematics text in layers: K-2 in 2007-08, gr. 3-4 in 2008-09 and gr. 5-6 in 2009-2010. When fully implemented it is anticipated this change will have profound effects on mathematics achievements for all students. Currently, there is a committee working on reviewing and revising the Science, Technology and Engineering curriculum to better align it with the state frameworks. This work should be completed by summer 2008. The Word Study component of the revised English Language Arts Curriculum is in its first year of implementation in grades 3-6. The system continues its practice of formative assessments that integrate reading and writing with mathematics, literature and social studies concepts. Information from formative assessments can be in teachers' hands quickly so that instruction can be adjusted for individual students' needs. Early release days have increased opportunities for teachers to meet, review achievement data and adjust instruction to meet student needs.

Our schools continue to provide a well-rounded program including study in Fine Arts, Technology, Physical Education and Health. Tantasqua/Union 61 schools continue to serve as models to others in student intern programs and Community Service Learning (CSL). This past year, there was an increase in the number of CSL projects as well as community partners for CSL activities. Our Show Choirs, Choraleers and Jazz Vocal Ensemble continue to perform for local, regional, state, national and now international audiences; our Boys Basketball Team which won the Division II State Championship brought such pride district-wide. Union 61 and Tantasqua students outperformed grade level peers on the Science MCAS once again. MCAS performance data in English Language Arts and Mathematics exceeds state averages. Our students show improvement as well on other measures of academic achievement. Star Reading and Star Math scores meet or exceed national norms at each grade level 3-9. The percentage of students going on to 2 and 4 year colleges remains steady, Tantasqua's mean scores on the SAT continue to exceed the average in both Massachusetts and the nation.

The elementary schools working in consortium with the Spencer/East Brookfield School District completed the first of four years of a Character Education grant from the federal Department of Education. This four-year project supports training in social-emotional development, helping students understand and apply to their own lives responsibility, self-control, problem solving, cooperation and service to others. The total four year award is over

\$1.4 million dollars. In addition, the district has been awarded a number of competitive grants yielding approximately \$250,000. These dollars come from varied sources, i.e. local arts councils, regional and national foundations as well as the Massachusetts Department of Education. These competitive grants supported initiatives such as community service learning, early literacy, Special Education program improvement, instrumental ensembles, guest artists, Health Fair speakers and professional development for teachers across all levels and all schools.

Technology continues to be a vital component within our educational system. Over the past year, many upgrades and enhancements have taken place at each school and at the district level. Most notably eSped, our special education system, was upgraded from a fragmented stand-alone system to a web-based system. This allows for much greater flexibility and continuity. In addition, all student and staff Windows-based systems have been upgraded with the latest anti-virus software. Administration of anti-virus software is centralized allowing for management that is more efficient.

Our districts also installed a spam filter and a new firewall, resulting in the avoidance of millions of spam messages and spyware affecting these systems. Both of these devices ensure a safe computing environment for both students and staff.

We have implemented the capability for paperless purchase order transactions. This electronic workflow increases efficiency and accuracy, while reducing paper use. Approved personnel in each school now have access to aspects of the central accounting system.

With the support of our caring, dedicated staff and cooperation of our communities, I look forward to continuing positive leadership and perpetual development in all areas that will provide benefits to those we serve – our children.

Sincerely,

Daniel G. Durgin, Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

	1		E TAX COLLECTOR			
	UNCOLLECTED		EXEMPTIONS &			UNCOLLECTED
	6/30/2006	COMMITMENTS	ABATEMENTS	COLLECTIONS	REFUNDS	6/30/2006
	.,,	(+)	(-)	(-)	(+)	0.00.
DEAL FOTATE		(.)	()	()	(·)	
REAL ESTATE						
2007		3,600,918	30,890	3,357,284	12,601	225,345
2006	172,902		15,410	74,505	5,051	88,038
2005	130,783		15,919	27,587	2,713	89,990
2004	6,060		4,593	147	_, •	1,320
			4,535			
2003	17,105			326		16,778
2002	17,732	169	169	3		17,729
PRIOR YEARS	93,457	2,450	2,450			-
		·	•			
SUPPLEMENTAL						
2006		16,382		13,632		2,749
SUPPLEMENTAL		10,302		13,032		2,143
	40.000			4 505		44.074
2005	12,609			1,535		11,074
SUPPLEMENTAL						
2004	5,298			1,718		3,580
PERSONAL						
PROPERTY						
2007		55,591	118	51,872	173	3,773
	0.700	55,591	110		173	
2006	2,708			21		2,687
2005	2,509					2,509
2004	(12,778)					(12,778)
2003	828					828
2002	1,394					1,394
2001	1,750					1,750
PRIOR YEARS	1,925					1,925
M.V. EXCISE						
		224 602	E 4E2	264 724	2 754	6E 072
2007		331,693	5,453	264,721	3,754	65,273
2006	46,077	38,063	4,136	65,219	3,934	18,719
2005	20,731	162	602	12,346	594	8,539
2004	16,375		624	7,195	515	9,071
2003	8,601			326		8,275
2002	4,043			277		3,766
2001	2,384			50		2,334
PRIOR YEARS	1,616	204		230		1,589
ROLL BACK						
TAXES	NONE	287		287		NONE
PARK FEES	NONE	40,608		40,608		NONE
FARM ANIMALS		152		152		NONE
2007						
LIEU OF TAXES						
		2 000		2 000		
2007		3,806		3,806		

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, Lois Moores, Tax Collector

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

The year 2007 proved to be a very demanding year with an increase in activity in every area within the Town Clerk's responsibility. One election was held in May at the Town Hall, with an impressive turnout of almost one third of our registered voters participating in the races for Selectmen and Elementary School Committee.

Since I have the help of an assistant, I was able to focus on areas that I wasn't able to before and as a result was able to show a 50% increase in the number of dogs being licensed. In addition, there was also a huge increase in the amount of research done by this office in 2007 from personal genealogy requests from all over the country including research needs for other local departments and committees.

The unfortunate break in at the Town Hall in August left the Town Clerk's office torn apart as it was one of the two offices hit the hardest. The time and effort it took to assess damages was devastating. Not only did paperwork have to be done for Police reports and insurance purposes, but the work kept in my locked desk was scattered all over the office and had to be pieced together and recompiled with some work having to be completely redone because it was destroyed entirely. Then there was the business of trying to get estimates for the repair or replacement of the vault door which was found to be destroyed beyond repair. Replacement of the vault door is pending with vendors proceeding slowly in the process.

I continue to work toward becoming a Certified Municipal Clerk and attending classes and meetings that will help keep our town on top of current trends. I actively participate in classes sponsored by the Secretary of State's Office, Massachusetts Town Clerk's Association, Worcester City and Town Clerks Association and other various state agencies. In addition to being elected to the Nominating Committee and Education Committee, I was given the responsibility of managing attendance for the 2007 Mass. Town Clerks Association Winter Conference held at Jiminy Peak and which went off with out a hitch.

VITAL STATISITICS		DOG LICENCE					
Births	41	Issued	631				
Marriages	19	Kennels	20				
Deaths	37						

MONIES TURNED OVER TO THE TREASURER: (For dog licenses, kennel licenses, dog pound, late fees from dogs, marriage intentions, certified copies of vital records, town bylaws, voter lists, business certificates, homestead filings, genealogy research, residents' lists, raffle permits, reimbursement from State for UCC filings, Zoning By-Laws, Special Permits, Variances, and Division of Fisheries and Wildlife)

Total Receipts to Treasurer: \$8,581.25

I would once again like to take this opportunity to thank the residents of Brookfield for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted, Linda M. Lincoln, Town Clerk, CMMC

REPORT OF THE REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

During 2007, I continued to work with the entire election staff with additional training sessions in an effort to keep them aware of new responsibilities and procedures given to us by the Elections Division of the Secretary of State's Office; it proved to be very successful in helping the staff feel more comfortable in the election process.

The Annual Town Census was taken in January and February, and showed that our Town comprised of the following:

Total Residents	3227		
Total Registered Voters	2228		
Democrats	476		
Republicans	311		
Unenrolled	1414	Libertarian	12
Green-Rainbow	6	Green Party USA	3
Socialist	1	Working Families	5

Respectfully submitted, Linda M. Lincoln, CMMC, Registrar



REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

TOWN OF BROOKFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

		Budget		Actual	a	Variance Favorable Unfavorable)
Revenues:						
Taxes	\$	3,640,631.05	\$	3,501,795.06	\$	(138,835.99)
State Receipts	\$	2,385,110.00	\$	2,376,796.00	\$	(8,314.00)
Excise and Other Taxes	\$	421,030.00	\$	365,797.63	\$	(55,232.37)
Licenses, Permits, Fees	\$	282,050.00	\$	216,634.67	\$	(65,415.33)
Interest and Penalties on Delinquent	-	,	-	,	-	(**,*****)
Taxes	\$	41,000.00	\$	41,079.97	\$	79.97
Interest on Investments	\$	50,000.00	\$	101,613.64	\$	51,613.64
Total Revenues	\$	6,819,821.05	\$	6,603,716.97	\$	(216,104.08)
Expenditures: Current:						
General Government	\$	536,415.59	\$	489,948.74	\$	46,466.85
Public Safety	\$	600,069.55	\$	594,028.84	\$	6,040.71
Public Works	\$	417,202.65	\$	423,584.60	\$	(6,381.95)
Health and Human Services	\$	36,114.56	\$	27,757.40	\$	8,357.16
Culture and Recreation	\$	114,050.58	\$	109,191.89	\$	4,858.69
Education	\$	3,882,164.15	\$	3,876,545.10	\$	5,619.05
Employee Benefits and Insurance	\$	558,770.77	\$	522,082.04	\$	36,688.73
State Assessments Debt Service:	\$	117,010.00	\$	148,520.00	\$	(31,510.00)
Principal	\$	465,788.00	\$	465,788.00	\$	_
Interest and Fiscal Charges	\$	157,709.18	\$	134,593.76	\$	23,115.42
Total Expenditures	-\$	6,885,295.03		6,792,040.37	\$	93,254.66
Excess of Revenues Over			\$,
(Under) Expenditures	\$	(65,473.98)	(18	38,323.40)	\$	(122,849.42)
Other Financing Sources (Uses):						
Operating Transfers In	\$	184,538.54	\$ \$	184,538.54	\$	-
Operating Transfers Out	\$	(93,690.82)	(93	3,690.82)	\$	
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	\$	90,847.72	\$	90,847.72	\$	
Budget Variance: Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing						
Uses	\$	25,373.74	\$	(97,475.68)	\$	(122,849.42)

TOWN OF BROOKFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS COMBINING STATEMENT OF SPECIAL REVENUE FUND REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under)

								Over (Under)				
								Expenditures				
					(Other Financing		and Other	F	Fund Balances	F	und Balances
		Revenues	I	Expenditures	,	Sources (Uses)	F	inancing Uses		July 1, 2006	J	une 30, 2007
Water	\$	116,718.30	\$	104,842.73	\$	(2,340.00)	\$	9,535.57	\$	132,212.18	\$	141,747.75
Highways	\$	217,120.52	\$	228,893.68	\$	2,650.00	\$	(9,123.16)	\$	26,345.10	\$	17,221.94
Federal and State Grants:												
School Grants												
Special Education	\$	-	\$	-	\$	_	\$	-	\$	121.00	\$	121.00
Early Literacy	\$	12,197.00	\$	12,197.00	\$	_	\$	-			\$	-
Council on Aging	\$	3,515.00	\$	2,253.74	\$	_	\$	1,261.26	\$	280.00	\$	1,541.26
Cultural Council	\$	4,233.50	\$	5,063.96	\$	_	\$	(830.46)	\$	8,520.97	\$	7,690.51
Extend Polling Hours	\$	506.00	\$	506.00	\$	_	\$	-			\$	-
Fire Safety Grants												
Safe	\$	3,821.19	\$	2,571.44	\$	_	\$	1,249.75	\$	1,447.94	\$	2,697.69
Library	\$	4,929.13	\$	1,594.36	\$	_	\$	3,334.77	\$	3,405.03	\$	6,739.80
Public Libraries	\$	2,102.95	\$	567.62	\$	_	\$	1,535.33	\$	-	\$	1,535.33
Public Safety Grants		,						,				,
Criminal Justice	\$	-	\$	415.12	\$	_	\$	(415.12)	\$	423.73	\$	8.61
Cops UPH	\$	-	\$	-	\$	_	\$	-	\$	218.63	\$	218.63
Click It Ticket	\$	-	\$	497.52	\$	_	\$	(497.52)	\$	374.13	\$	(123.39)
Local Preparedness	\$	12,414.82	\$	-	\$	_	\$	12,414.82	\$	(11,700.40)	\$	714.42
Community Policing	\$	11,299.00	\$	11,434.13	\$	_	\$	(135.13)	\$	1,198.59	\$	1,063.46
Watch Your Car	\$	-	\$	377.98	\$	_	\$	(377.98)	\$	391.83	\$	13.85
Copsfast	\$	_	\$	-	\$	_	\$	-	\$	117.58	\$	117.58
Davis	\$	_	\$	105.82	\$	_	\$	(105.82)	\$	106.69	\$	0.87
MEMA-Cert	\$	_	\$	-	\$	_	\$	-	\$	101.67	\$	101.67
L.E.D.A.	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	46.50	\$	46.50
Public Works Grant												
CDBG #5640	\$	720,000.00	\$	719,650.17	\$	_	\$	349.83	\$	2,335.29	\$	2,685.12
QQLADEP Grant	\$	40,268.73	\$	39,898.48	\$	_	\$	370.25	\$, -	\$	370.25
		,		,								
Schools:												
School Lunch	\$	69,412.61	\$	66,076.84	\$	-	\$	3,335.77	\$	(4,723.69)	\$	(1,387.92)
Union 61 Tuition	ø	170 (00 00	ø	120 227 05	•		ø	50 452 05	¢	45 102 22	ø	05 55 (17
Revolving	\$ \$	179,690.00 113,624.00	\$ \$	129,236.05	\$ \$	-	\$ \$	50,453.95 86,274.45	\$ \$	45,102.22 93,351.96	\$ \$	95,556.17
School Choice Revolving Title I	\$		\$ \$	27,349.55	\$	-	\$	47.65	\$,		179,626.41 0.00
Title IIA	\$	22,072.65 12,197.00	\$ \$	22,025.00 12,197.00	\$	-	\$	47.03	Ф	(47.65)	\$ \$	0.00
Other:	Ф	12,197.00	Ф	12,197.00	Ф	-	Ф	-			Ф	-
Ambulance Fund	¢	144,638.78	¢.	330.00	¢	(122 269 00)	¢.	11 040 79	\$	277 405 01	¢	388,526.59
Boat Patrol	\$ \$	144,036.76	\$ \$	330.00	\$ \$	(133,268.00)	\$ \$	11,040.78	\$	377,485.81 408.00	\$ \$	408.00
	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(45,000.00)	\$	(45,000.00)	\$		\$	1,053.00
C & D Revolving		5 525 00		720.50		(43,000.00)		` ' '		46,053.00		
Cable Access	\$ \$	5,525.00	\$	730.50	\$	-	\$	4,794.50	\$	19,353.57 36,025.39	\$	24,148.07
Cable Equipment Clean Lakes Fund	\$	145.25	\$ \$	4,787.89 553.19	\$ \$	-	\$ \$	(4,787.89) (407.94)	\$ \$	3,401.43	\$ \$	31,237.50 2,993.49
	\$	143.23		333.19		-		(407.94)	Ф	3,401.43		2,993.49
Citizen Corp Conservation Filing Fees	\$	-	\$ \$	-	\$ \$	(683.52)	\$ \$	(683.52)	\$	683.52	\$ \$	-
Dog Pound	\$	508.00	\$	-	\$	(003.32)	\$ \$	508.00	\$	906.18	\$	1,414.18
G.W.C.F.	\$	308.00	\$	2,000.00	\$	-	\$	(2,000.00)	\$	12,060.54	\$ \$	1,414.16
	\$	3,180.00	\$ \$	2,440.81	\$	-	\$	739.19	\$	288.96	\$ \$	1,028.15
Jeppson	Ф	3,180.00	Ф	4,440.61	Ф	-	Ф	139.19	Ф	200.90	Ф	1,028.13

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Excess of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures

	Expenditures											
					C	ther Financing		and Other	I	Fund Balances	Fι	and Balances
		Revenues	Е	expenditures	5	Sources (Uses)	F	inancing Uses		July 1, 2006	Jı	ine 30, 2007
Flag Pole	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	146.00	\$	146.00
Gifts and Donations												
Selectmen	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	129.40	\$	129.40
Police-Dare	\$	200.00	\$	275.50	\$	-	\$	(75.50)	\$	105.15	\$	29.65
Fire	\$	500.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	500.00	\$	20,380.08	\$	20,880.08
Ambulance	\$	5,889.32	\$	4,428.27	\$	-	\$	1,461.05	\$	76,711.64	\$	78,172.69
Cemetery Preservation	\$	30.00	\$	29,317.03	\$	-	\$	(29,287.03)	\$	47,226.64	\$	17,939.61
Cemetery Preservation												
Match	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	55,467.48	\$	55,467.48
Library	\$	159.99	\$	-	\$	-	\$	159.99	\$	277.53	\$	437.52
Town Hall	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	650.00	\$	650.00
Restore Vital Records	\$	30.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	30.00	\$	-	\$	30.00
L. Gadaire Gift	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	28.40	\$	28.40
Insurance Reimbursement Planning Board	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(98.12)	\$	(98.12)	\$	98.12	\$	-
Revolving	\$	6,367.00	\$	5,634.29	\$	(686.00)	\$	46.71	\$	3,815.69	\$	3,862.40
Police Detail Revolving	\$	32,421.86	\$	24,765.11	\$	-	\$	7,656.75	\$	(12,914.73)	\$	(5,257.98)
Recreation Revolving	\$	6,956.28	\$	2,987.46	\$	_	\$	3,968.82	\$	560.90	\$	4,529.72
Recycling Revolving	\$	-	\$	-	\$	28.61	\$	28.61	\$	(28.61)	\$	-
BOH Revolving	\$	5,575.00	\$	3,750.00	\$	-	\$	1,825.00	\$	(925.00)	\$	900.00
Rehab Program	\$	5,601.40	\$	10,000.00	\$	-	\$	(4,398.60)	\$	81,023.62	\$	76,625.02
Sale of Lots and Graves	\$	450.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$	450.00	\$	8,963.34	\$	9,413.34
Septic Loan Repayment	\$	7,667.78	\$	7,266.58	\$	-	\$	401.20	\$	132,023.38	\$	132,424.58
Special Payback	\$	-	\$	38,180.04	\$	-	\$	(38,180.04)	\$	38,180.04	\$	-
Wetlands Fund	\$	1,410.00	\$	25.20	\$	683.52	\$	2,068.32	\$	6,380.81	\$	8,449.13
	\$ 1	,773,378.06	\$ 1	,525,226.06	\$	(178,713.51)	\$	69,438.49	\$	1,254,595.58	\$ 1	,324,034.07

Town of Brookfield Schedule of Departmental Appropriations and Expenditures Year Ended June 30, 2007

	Beginning Encumbrance	Encumbrance Adj.	ATM Appropriation	Appropriation Adj.	Ending Encumbrance	Total Budget	Expenditures	Variance
Moderator :								
Moderator Salary			57.00			57.00	0.00	57.00
Total Moderator	0.00		57.00		0.00	57.00	0.00	57.00
Selectmen:								
Selectmen Salary			6,914.00			6,914.00	6,913.80	0.20
Administrative Asst. Salary			34,784.00			34,784.00	34,784.00	0.00
Selectmen Expense			6,500.00	421.00		6,921.00	4,425.30	2,495.70
Physical Exam. Expense			400.00	79.00	411.86	67.14	65.00	2.14
Payment in Lieu of Taxes			750.00			750.00	466.70	283.30
Computer Maintenance			4,000.00			4,000.00	1,208.00	2,792.00
Town Website			2,500.00	(260.00)		2,240.00	0.00	2,240.00
Consultant Expenses			2,500.00			2,500.00	120.00	2,380.00
Brownfield's-Mill Street	4,000.00		54,868.45		53,798.14	5,070.31	5,070.31	0.00
Mill St. Site Plan	9,868.49	(9,868.45)	0.00			0.04	0.00	0.04
Total Selectmen	13,868.49	(9,868.45)	113,216.45	240.00	54,210.00	63,246.49	53,053.11	10,193.38
Reserve Fund:								
Reserve Fund			25,000.00	(17,705.00)		7,295.00	0.00	7,295.00
Total Reserve Fund	0.00	0.00	25,000.00	(17,705.00)	0.00	7,295.00	0.00	7,295.00

Town Accountant:

Town Accountant -Wages Audit Accountant : Expense Professional Service Account	2,027.45		40436.00 10500.00 3290.00 0.00		2,027.45	40,436.00 10,500.00 3,290.00 0.00	40,436.00 10,500.00 3,233.04 0.00	0.00 0.00 56.96 0.00
Total Accountant	2,027.45	0.00	54,226.00	0.00	2,027.45	54,226.00	54,169.04	56.96
Advisory Board: Advisory Board Expense Warrant Book Print & Mail			500.00 2,000.00			500.00 2,000.00	145.00 391.20	355.00 1,608.80
Total Advisory Board	0.00	0.00	2,500.00	0.00	0.00	2,500.00	536.20	1,963.80
Assessors: Assessors-Salaries Assessors Consult Serv Reval Assessors Expense			41,295.00 6,500.00 4,190.00			41,295.00 6,500.00 4,190.00	41,295.00 6,500.00 4,167.87	0.00 0.00 22.13
Total Assessors	0.00	0.00	51,985.00	0.00	0.00	51,985.00	51,962.87	22.13
Treasurer: Treasurer Salary Treasurer Clerk Salary Treasurer Payroll Service Treasurer Expense			25,601.00 20,270.00 4,725.00 3,900.00			25,601.00 20,270.00 4,725.00 3,900.00	19,793.68 20,204.90 4,261.64 3,578.20	5,807.32 65.10 463.36 321.80
Total Treasurer	0.00	0.00	54,496.00	0.00	0.00	54,496.00	47,838.42	6,657.58
Tax Collector: Tax Collector Wages Tax Collector Clerk Wages Tax Collector DOR Wages Tax Collector Certification Tax Collector Expense			27,875.00 2,593.00 398.00 1,000.00 7,778.00			27,875.00 2,593.00 398.00 1,000.00 7,778.00	27,875.00 2,593.00 396.47 0.00 7,395.08	0.00 0.00 1.53 1,000.00 382.92
Total Tax Collector	0.00	0.00	39,644.00	0.00	0.00	39,644.00	38,259.55	1,384.45

Town Counsel & Legals:								
Town Counsel & Legals	0.00		45,000.00	5,000.00	4,735.37	45,264.63	44,212.32	1,052.31
	0.00	0.00	45,000,00	5 000 00	4 725 27	45 264 62	44 212 22	1.052.21
Total Counsel & Legals	0.00	0.00	45,000.00	5,000.00	4,735.37	45,264.63	44,212.32	1,052.31
Treasurer Tax Title :								
Treasurer Tax Title	20,384.92		0.00		20,234.92	150.00	150.00	0.00
					,			
Total Tax Title	20,384.92	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,234.92	150.00	150.00	0.00
Town Clerk:								
Town Clerk Salary			25,055.00			25,055.00	25,055.00	0.00
Ass't Town Clerk Wages			4,455.00			4,455.00	4,447.35	7.65
Town Clerk Certification			1,000.00			1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Town Clerk Expense			3,580.00	900.00	70.34	4,409.66	3,591.26	818.40
Total Town Clerk	0.00	0.00	34,090.00	900.00	70.34	34,919.66	34,093.61	826.05
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Election & Registration:								
Election & Registration Wages			7,281.00			7,281.00	4,747.19	2,533.81
Election & Registration Expense			9,188.00			9,188.00	7,273.66	1,914.34
Election & Registration-Acuvote			6,500.00			6,500.00	6,500.00	0.00
Total Election & Registration	0.00	0.00	22,969.00	0.00	0.00	22,969.00	18,520.85	4,448.15
Total Liceton & Registration						,		.,
Conservation:								
Conservation Expense			350.00			350.00	120.00	230.00
Conservation Expense-Prior Year	76.13		0.00			76.13	76.13	0.00
	77.12	0.00	250.00	0.00	0.00	427.12	106.12	220.00
Total Conservation	76.13	0.00	350.00	0.00	0.00	426.13	196.13	230.00
Central Mass. Regional Planning:								
Central Mass. Regional Planning: Central Mass. Regional Planning	0.00		682.00			682.00	682.00	0.00
Contai mass. Regional Flamming	0.00		002.00			002.00	002.00	0.00
Total Central Mass. Regi. Plann.	0.00	0.00	682.00	0.00	0.00	682.00	682.00	0.00

Planning Board:								
Planning Board Clerk Salary			1,800.00			1,800.00	1,457.50	342.50
Planning Board Salary			2,500.00			2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
Planning Board Expense			860.00	4,373.60	289.80	4,943.80	3,889.66	1,054.14
Planning Board Expense-Prior Year	258.15		0.00	3,508.02		3,766.17	3,766.17	0.00
Total Planning Board	258.15	0.00	5,160.00	7,881.62	289.80	13,009.97	11,613.33	1,396.64
Board Of Appeals :			1 021 00		50.40	070.60	404.10	476.50
Board Of Appeals Expense	(0.00		1,021.00		50.40	970.60	494.10	476.50
Board Of Appeals Expense-Prior Year	60.00		0.00			60.00	60.00	0.00
Total Board Of Appeals	60.00	0.00	1,021.00	0.00	50.40	1,030.60	554.10	476.50
Master Plan								
Master Plan Expenses	10,000.00		0.00		10,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Board Of Appeals	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
10tai Боаға Ој Аррешs	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Town Hall :								
Town Hall Custodian Wages			11,229.00			11,229.00	10,006.28	1,222.72
Town Hall Expense			9,715.00			9,715.00	8,985.42	729.58
Town Hall Improvements	46,064.99	(4,500.00)	0.00		21,440.23	20,124.76	20,124.76	0.00
Town Hall Exterior Renovations	10,000.00		0.00		5,800.00	4,200.00	4,200.00	0.00
Town Hall Wiring	2,514.79		0.00	5,000.00	7,514.79	0.00	0.00	0.00
Common/Mall Improvements	251.00		0.00		177.39	73.61	73.61	0.00
100th Anniversary	377.27		0.00		377.27	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Town Hall	59,208.05	(4,500.00)	20,944.00	5,000.00	35,309.68	45,342.37	43,390.07	1,952.30
Town Report :								
Print Town Report			1,800.00			1,800.00	900.04	899.96
Total Town Report	0.00	0.00	1,800.00	0.00	0.00	1,800.00	900.04	899.96
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Municipal Heating Fuel :								
Municipal Heating Fuel			40,000.00	(5,000.00)		35,000.00	34,936.30	63.70
Municipal Diesel Fuel			14,915.00			14,915.00	11,263.31	3,651.69
Municipal Gasoline	5,021.74		30,340.00			35,361.74	32,696.57	2,665.17
Total Municipal Heating Fuel	5,021.74	0.00	85,255.00	(5,000.00)	0.00	85,276.74	78,896.18	6,380.56
Telephone Expense:								
Telephone Expense			9,715.00	2,380.00		12,095.00	10,920.92	1,174.08
Total Telephone Expense	0.00	0.00	9,715.00	2,380.00	0.00	12,095.00	10,920.92	1,174.08
Total Telephone Expense	0.00	0.00	>,,,10.00	2,500.00	0.00	12,000.00	10,520.52	1,1700
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	110,904.93	(14,368.45)	568,110.45	(1,303.38)	126,927.96	536,415.59	489,948.74	46,466.85
Police Department:								
Police Wages Full Time			69,960.00	(9,432.75)		60,527.25	60,526.40	0.85
Police Chief Salary			55,289.00			55,289.00	55,289.00	0.00
Police Part Time Wages			98,320.00	14,800.10		113,120.10	113,046.60	73.50
Police Clerk			8,437.00			8,437.00	8,436.48	0.52
Police Overtime Full Time			10,000.00			10,000.00	9,996.43	3.57
Police Expense	38.83		54,005.00	18,048.65	13,166.78	58,925.70	56,637.09	2,288.61
Police Station Expense			21,672.00			21,672.00	21,613.97	58.03
Police Cruiser-Purchase			13,600.00		153.64	13,446.36	13,446.36	0.00
Police Vehicle-Purchase			0.00	37,000.00	1,259.00	35,741.00	35,741.00	0.00
Total Police Department	38.83	0.00	331,283.00	60,416.00	14,579.42	377,158.41	374,733.33	2,425.08
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Fire Department :								
Fire Dept.Wages			8,076.00	(819.29)		7,256.71	7,256.71	0.00
Fire Chief Salary			1,245.00			1,245.00	1,245.00	0.00
Fire Salary Brush/Spec Duty			6,440.00	(180.71)		6,259.29	5,465.81	793.48
Fire Dept. Expense	481.47		29,950.00	1,000.00	2,528.00	28,903.47	28,740.19	163.28
Fire Dept. Testing & Recertification			2,100.00		1,000.00	1,100.00	1,095.50	4.50
Fire Dept. Fixed Assets / Repair			7,500.00			7,500.00	7,500.00	0.00
Fire Station Bldg. Maint.			4,500.00	850.00		5,350.00	5,350.00	0.00

Total Fire Department	481.47	0.00	59,811.00	850.00	3,528.00	57,614.47	56,653.21	961.26
Emergency Squad :								
Emergency Squad Salary	1,920.63		0.00		1,920.63	0.00	0.00	0.00
Emergency Squad Wages	19,581.31		104,563.00		30,153.65	93,990.66	93,990.66	0.00
Emergency Squad Expense	4,849.57		26,510.00		9,001.12	22,358.45	22,358.45	0.00
Total Emergency Squad	26,351.51	0.00	131,073.00	0.00	41,075.40	116,349.11	116,349.11	0.00
Building Inspector:								
Building Inspector Salary			12,855.00			12,855.00	12,855.00	0.00
Asst. Building Inspector Salary			279.00			279.00	279.00	0.00
Building Inspector Expense			500.00			500.00	0.00	500.00
Total Building Inspector	0.00	0.00	13,634.00	0.00	0.00	13,634.00	13,134.00	500.00
Gas / Plumbing Inspector:								
Gas / Plumbing Inspector Salary			3,179.00			3,179.00	3,179.00	0.00
Asst. Gas / Plumbing Insp. Salary			270.00			270.00	270.00	0.00
Gas / Plumbing Inspector Expense	-		770.00			770.00	586.52	183.48
Total Gas / Plumbing Inspector	0.00	0.00	4,219.00	0.00	0.00	4,219.00	4,035.52	183.48
Wiring Inspector :								
Wiring Inspector Salary			3,159.00			3,159.00	3,159.00	0.00
Asst. Wiring Inspector Salary			279.00	260.00		539.00	539.00	0.00
Wiring Inspector Expense			400.00			400.00	0.00	400.00
Total Wiring Inspector	0.00	0.00	3,838.00	260.00	0.00	4,098.00	3,698.00	400.00
Zoning Enforcement :								
Zoning Enforcement Salary			8,034.00			8,034.00	8,034.00	0.00
Zoning Enforcement Expense			475.00			475.00	422.90	52.10
Total Zoning Enforcement	0.00	0.00	8,509.00	0.00	0.00	8,509.00	8,456.90	52.10

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BEMA Brookfield Emerg. Mgmt. Ag: BEMA Brookfield Emerg. Salaries			350.00			350.00	350.00	0.00
BEMA Brookfield Emerg. Mgmt. Ag:			3,750.00		1,000.15	2,749.85	2,749.85	0.00
Total Brookfield BEMA	0.00	0.00	4,100.00	0.00	1,000.15	3,099.85	3,099.85	0.00
Animal Control Officer : Animal Control Officer Salary			4,636.00			4,636.00	4,636.00	0.00
Asst Animal Control Officer Salary			520.00			520.00	520.00	0.00
Animal Control Officer Expense	323.89		2,598.00		114.18	2,807.71	1,361.82	1,445.89
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Total Animal Control Officer:	323.89	0.00	7,754.00	0.00	114.18	7,963.71	6,517.82	1,445.89
Parking Clerk / Officer:			•••			•••	•••	0.00
Parking Clerk / Officer Salary			228.00			228.00	228.00	0.00
Parking Ticket Expense			100.00			100.00	27.10	72.90
Total Parking Clerk / Officer	0.00	0.00	328.00	0.00	0.00	328.00	255.10	72.90
Tree Warden:			1006.00	2 000 00	200.00	4.606.00	4.606.00	0.00
Tree Warden Expense			1896.00	3,000.00	200.00	4,696.00	4,696.00	0.00
Total Tree Warden	0.00	0.00	1,896.00	3,000.00	200.00	4,696.00	4,696.00	0.00
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Shade Trees:								
Shade Tree Expense			2,400.00			2,400.00	2,400.00	0.00
Total Shade Trees	0.00	0.00	2,400.00	0.00	0.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	0.00
Total Snade Trees	0.00	0.00	2,400.00	0.00	0.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	0.00
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	27,195.70	0.00	568,845.00	64,526.00	60,497.15	600,069.55	594,028.84	6,040.71
Highway Department:								
Highway Supt. Salary			42,966.00	(25.38)		42,940.62	42,878.75	61.87
Highway Operator Wages			34,704.00			34,704.00	34,683.74	20.26

Highway Wages OT/Other Highway Wages P/T Highway Expense Police Detail Plow Private Roads Bridges / Railings / Signs Roads Reconst. Const & Inprov Rte. 148 Engineering Highway-91 Mack Motor	1,311.34 33.00 1,038.84 50,000.00		2,500.00 17,757.00 49,500.00 500.00 390.00 1,600.00 30,000.00 0.00 8,544.54	25.38 750.00 53.00 (500.00)	204.01 50,000.00 8,544.54	2,525.38 18,507.00 50,660.33 0.00 390.00 1,633.00 31,038.84 0.00 0.00	2,525.38 18,506.73 50,483.65 0.00 390.00 1,633.00 31,038.84 0.00 0.00	0.00 0.27 176.68 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00
Total Highway Department	52,383.18	0.00	188,461.54	303.00	58,748.55	182,399.17	182,140.09	259.08
Snow & Ice: Snow & Ice:	_		50,000.00			50,000.00	73,477.23	(23,477.23)
Total Snow & Ice	0.00	0.00	50,000.00	0.00	0.00	50,000.00	73,477.23	(23,477.23)
Street Lighting: Street Lighting			13,000.00			13,000.00	10,781.63	2,218.37
Total Street Lighting	0.00	0.00	13,000.00	0.00	0.00	13,000.00	10,781.63	2,218.37
Sidewalks: Sidewalks			1,000.00			1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Total Sidewalks	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Cemetery Department: Cemetery Dept. Wages Cemetery Supt. Salary Cemetery Dept. Expense	219.93		11,330.00 4,284.00 6,531.00		67.05	11,330.00 4,284.00 6,683.88	10,880.52 4,284.00 6,503.91	449.48 0.00 179.97
Total Cemetery Dept.	219.93	0.00	22,145.00	0.00	67.05	22,297.88	21,668.43	629.45
Cemetery Improvements : Cemetery Improvements	132.86		1,650.00		_	1,782.86	1,500.36	282.50

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Total Cemetery Improvements	132.86	0.00	1,650.00	0.00	0.00	1,782.86	1,500.36	282.50
Transfer Station :								
Transfer Station Wages			18,100.00			18,100.00	17,907.26	192.74
Well Tests			14,030.00			14,030.00	7,650.00	6,380.00
Transfer Station Expense	2,470.86		115,260.00	38.13	3,676.25	114,092.74	106,959.60	7,133.14
Landfill Closure	19,612.26		0.00		19,112.26	500.00	500.00	0.00
Total Transfer Station	22,083.12	0.00	147,390.00	38.13	22,788.51	146,722.74	133,016.86	13,705.88
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TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS	74,819.09	0.00	423,646.54	341.13	81,604.11	417,202.65	423,584.60	(6,381.95)
Board Of Health :								
Board Of Health Salary			4,160.00			4,160.00	4,160.00	0.00
Board Of Health Clerk Wages			700.00	241.51		941.51	937.16	4.35
Board Of Health Agent			1,248.00			1,248.00	969.47	278.53
Animal Inspector Salary			992.00			992.00	992.00	0.00
B-O-H Title V Adm. Salary			2,600.00	(241.51)		2,358.49	1,886.85	471.64
B-O-H Expense	130.76		2,000.00		584.92	1,545.84	1,417.33	128.51
Total Board Of Health	130.76	0.00	11,700.00	0.00	584.92	11,245.84	10,362.81	883.03
South Central Mass. Clinic:								
Community Health Program	577.72		850.00			1,427.72	593.78	833.94
Total South Central Mass. Clinic	577.72	0.00	850.00	0.00	0.00	1,427.72	593.78	833.94
Outreach :								
Outreach Worker Salary			1,500.00			1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
Medi - Car Consortium			2,000.00			2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
Council On Aging Expense	175.00		1,000.00			1,175.00	1,099.81	75.19
Total Outreach	175.00	0.00	4,500.00	0.00	0.00	4,675.00	4,599.81	75.19

Veterans Director: Veterans Director Salary			631.00			631.00	631.00	0.00
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Total Veterans Director	0.00	0.00	631.00	0.00	0.00	631.00	631.00	0.00
Veterans Agent :								
Veterans Agent Salary			2,535.00			2,535.00	2,535.00	0.00
Veterans Expense			600.00			600.00	35.00	565.00
Veterans Case Worker			15,000.00			15,000.00	9,000.00	6,000.00
Total Veterans Agent	0.00	0.00	18,135.00	0.00	0.00	18,135.00	11,570.00	6,565.00
TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES	883.48	0.00	35,816.00	0.00	584.92	36,114.56	27,757.40	8,357.16
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Library: Library Director Wages			29,820.00			29,820.00	29,820.00	0.00
Library Custodian Wages			5,614.00			5,614.00	5,569.20	44.80
Library Asst.'s Salary			17,719.00			17,719.00	17,697.37	21.63
Library Sat/Holidays/Vacation			3,849.00			3,849.00	3,849.00	0.00
Library Expense	126.15		10,674.00			10,800.15	10,785.80	14.35
Library Books / Video Periodicals			18,135.00			18,135.00	18,133.75	1.25
Library Bldg Rep & Maint	1,382.15		9,000.00			10,382.15	10,198.12	184.03
Total Library	1,508.30	0.00	94,811.00	0.00	0.00	96,319.30	96,053.24	266.06
Recreation:								
Recreation Salary			2,600.00			2,600.00	1,424.43	1,175.57
Recreation Expense	180.48		5,000.00			5,180.48	5,180.48	0.00
Recreation Fence Expense			0.00			0.00	0.00	0.00
Lewis Field Maint Expense	853.78		2,200.00		1,611.28	1,442.50	1,090.09	352.41
Total Recreation	1,034.26	0.00	9,800.00	0.00	1,611.28	9,222.98	7,695.00	1,527.98
Historical Commission :								
Historical Commission	140.16		375.00			515.16	338.90	176.26

Total Historical Commission	140.16	0.00	375.00	0.00	0.00	515.16	338.90	176.26
Memorial Day : Memorial Day			3,050.00			3,050.00	1,949.14	1,100.86
Total Memorial Day	0.00	0.00	3,050.00	0.00	0.00	3,050.00	1,949.14	1,100.86
Cultural Council: Cultural Council TH Imp Cultural Council Expense			0.00 5000.00		56.86	0.00 4,943.14	0.00 3155.61	0.00 1,787.53
Total Cultural Council	0.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	56.86	4,943.14	3,155.61	1,787.53
TOTAL CULTURE & RECREATION	2,682.72	0.00	113,036.00	0.00	1,668.14	114,050.58	109,191.89	4,858.69
School Department: School Salary School Committee Salary Regional School Committee Salary Regional School Assessment Regional School Transportation School Expense	93,488.77		1,500.00 1,500.00 950,772.00 44,358.00 2,808,694.00	(18,148.62)		0.00 1,500.00 1,500.00 950,772.00 26,209.38 2,902,182.77	2,040,592.46 1,458.33 1,500.00 946,979.00 24,425.00 861,590.31	(2,040,592.46) 41.67 0.00 3,793.00 1,784.38 2,040,592.46
Total School Department :	93,488.77	0.00	3,806,824.00	(18,148.62)	0.00	3,882,164.15	3,876,545.10	5,619.05
TOTAL EDUCATION	93,488.77	0.00	3,806,824.00	(18,148.62)	0.00	3,882,164.15	3,876,545.10	5,619.05
Maturing Debt / Principal: Maturing Debt / Principal Regional School Const.			275,000.00 190,788.00			275,000.00 190,788.00	275,000.00 190,788.00	0.00 0.00
Total Maturing / Principal	0.00	0.00	465,788.00	0.00	0.00	465,788.00	465,788.00	0.00
Maturing Debt / Interest : Maturing Debt / Interest			134,594.00			134,594.00	134,593.76	0.24

Maturing Interest-Highway Garage Maturing Interest-TH Roof Short Term Interest HUD Grant Interest			0.00 0.00 38,000.00 0.00	18,000.00 5,101.00 (37,985.82) 4,000.00	4,000.00	18,000.00 5,101.00 14.18 0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	18,000.00 5,101.00 14.18 0.00
Total Maturing Debt / Interest	0.00	0.00	172,594.00	(10,884.82)	4,000.00	157,709.18	134,593.76	23,115.42
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	0.00	0.00	638,382.00	(10,884.82)	4,000.00	623,497.18	600,381.76	23,115.42
County Tax Assessments: County Tax Assessments Sped Assessment School Choice Assessment Charter School Sending Tuition RMV Non - Rew Surcharge Air Pollution Control District R. T. A.				3,282.00 0.00 89,052.00 10,919.00 1,460.00 640.00 11,657.00		3,282.00 0.00 89,052.00 10,919.00 1,460.00 640.00 11,657.00	3,282.00 935.00 133,395.00 0.00 2,640.00 640.00 7,628.00	0.00 (935.00) (44,343.00) 10,919.00 (1,180.00) 0.00 4,029.00
Total County Tax Assessment	0.00	0.00	0.00	117,010.00	0.00	117,010.00	148,520.00	(31,510.00)
TOTAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	117,010.00	0.00	117,010.00	148,520.00	(31,510.00)
County Retirement: County Retirement Assessment Abington Retirement	2,267.80		98,794.00 4,626.00		4,626.60	98,794.00 2,267.20	98,774.00 2,267.20	20.00
Total County Retirement	2,267.80	0.00	103,420.00	0.00	4,626.60	101,061.20	101,041.20	20.00
Unemployment: Unemployment	2,517.75		15,000.00	(6,380.00)	664.00	10,473.75	2,149.59	8,324.16
Total Unemployment	2,517.75	0.00	15,000.00	(6,380.00)	664.00	10,473.75	2,149.59	8,324.16
Group Insurance : Group Insurance			315,000.00	(2,700.00)		312,300.00	285,834.60	26,465.40

Total Group Insurance	0.00	0.00	315,000.00	(2,700.00)	0.00	312,300.00	285,834.60	26,465.40
Medicare :			26 500 00	2 700 00		20, 200, 00	27 (01 74	1.510.27
Medicare Town Share			36,500.00	2,700.00		39,200.00	37,681.74	1,518.26
Total Medicare	0.00	0.00	36,500.00	2,700.00	0.00	39,200.00	37,681.74	1,518.26
Constant								
General Insurance : General Insurance	250.91		93,000.00	2,484.91		95,735.82	95,374.91	360.91
Total General Insurance	250.91	0.00	93,000.00	2,484.91	0.00	95,735.82	95,374.91	360.91
TOTAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	5,036.46	0.00	562,920.00	(3,895.09)	5,290.60	558,770.77	522,082.04	36,688.73
Total Appropriations	315,011.15	(14,368.45)	6,717,579.99	147,645.22	280,572.88	6,885,295.03	6,792,040.37	93,254.66

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2007

T.D. BankNorth	\$ 91,782.08	Depository Account
T.D. BankNorth	\$ 848,386.36	Money Market
T.D. BankNorth	\$ 296,094.69	Special Revenue Accounts
T.D. BankNorth	\$ 348,368.05	Stabilization Account
T.D. BankNorth	\$ 18,713.92	Stabilization Account - Fire
T.D. BankNorth	\$ 279.17	Stabilization Account - Hwy
Hometown Bank	\$ 1,074,910.88	Money Market
Citizens Bank	\$ 3,655.00	Special Revenue
North Brookfield Savings Bank	\$ 32,985.49	Depository Account
North Brookfield Savings Bank	\$ 20,475.72	Special Revenue Accounts
North Brookfield Savings Bank	\$ 1,639.14	Trust Funds
North Brookfield Savings Bank	\$ 70,517.18	Payroll
Bartholomew & Company	\$ 273,076.11	Stabilization Accounts
Bartholomew & Company	\$ 163,858.77	Various Trust Funds
Cash on Hand June 30, 2007	\$ 3,244,742.56	

School Bond Issue

Debt Outstanding June 30, 2006	\$ 2,430,000.00
Payments	(275,000.00)
Debt Outstanding June 30, 2007	\$ 2,155,000.00

Payroll

Name	Position/Department	Wages
Abair, Nicholas E.	Police Department	\$16,055.24
Achilles, Harrison	School/Head Custodian	\$45,314.10
Achilles, Pamela	School	\$1,575.00
Ackerman, Ross	Police Chief	\$56,585.94
Allen, James W.	Selectman	\$2,339.22
Allen-Start, Christine	School	\$62,078.64
Anderson, Terry L.	EMT	\$6,343.63
Ausmus Jr., Daniel J.	Police	\$4,613.32
Ayers, Brian	Firefighter/EMT	\$1,652.49
Baker, Maynard	School Committee	\$125.00
Balder, Kimberli E.	School	\$390.00
Baldracchi, Scott P.	Firefighter	\$1,314.23
Banach, Richard M.	Police	\$263.12
Baribeault, Janeth	Elections and Registration	\$448.18
Barnes, Robert R.	Water Commissioner	\$568.34

Barrett, Jason M.	Police	\$19,330.32
Barringer, Ashley B.	School	\$40,383.99
Batchelor, Timothy R.	Highway	\$1,230.59
Bek, Mary Anne	School	\$65,674.23
Bemis, Amy E.	EMT	\$4,140.47
Bemis, Bradford W.	Firefighter/EMT/Highway	\$2,127.17
Bennett, Paula M.	School	\$24,349.06
Benoit, Louise E.	Accountant	\$41,266.74
Berthiaume, Melanie P.	School	\$852.50
Berube, Brandy	School	\$195.00
Bianchi, Kristen	School	\$27,368.70
Biskup, Matthew P.	School	\$112.50
Blood, Christopher	Animal Control Alternate	\$520.00
Bouchard, Richard G.	School/Custodian	\$29,302.51
Boucher, Patricia	School	\$68,355.93
Boucher, Victor	Police	\$5,775.90
Boza, Thomas	School	\$375.00
Brisebois, William F.	Transfer Station	\$4,634.45
Brothers, Dianna	School	\$11,106.95
Brown, Eva S.	School	\$61,597.68
Budnik, Steven J.	Firefighter/Highway	\$3,534.80
Burque, Peter A.	Firefighter	\$451.94
Cameron, Adam J.	Police	\$23,177.29
Carey, Karen	School	\$60,401.93
Caron, Lisa M.	School	\$2,632.50
Casey, Mary Beth	School	\$110.00
Casey, Mary E.	School	\$47,092.77
Chaffee, Justin L.	Firefighter	\$174.02
Chaffee, Philip A.	Highway	\$3,752.23
Chaffee II, Herbert A.	Highway/Firefighter	\$50,196.40
Champoux, Sharon A.	School	\$143.25
Charpentier, Marc M.	EMT	\$2,398.90
Charpentier Jr., Roger J.	Water Commissioner	\$847.33
Chisolm, Holly J.	Police/Water	\$17,014.86
Chouinard, Nicole	School	\$2,952.18
Clarke, Bruce	Water Superintendent	\$54,598.89
Clarke, Dennis	Highway	\$409.40
Coakley, Karen	School	\$1,163.22
Comptois, Paul G.	Firefighter	\$689.24
Comptois II, Stephen J.	School Committee	\$500.00
Connor, Robert S.	Firefighter/EMT	\$153.98
Connor Jr., Wallace L.	Firefighter	\$712.97
Cooke, James	School Committee	\$375.00
Corbeil, Nancy L.	School	\$62,153.64
Coro, Renee A.	School	\$180.00
Couming, Bonnie	School	\$61,876.24
Couture, John M.	Alternate Bldg Inspector	\$279.00
Coyle, William A.	Police	\$2,356.24
Crevier, Charles F.	Water	\$759.04
Cutler, Douglas W.	Firefighter	\$5,158.67
Dackson, Ronald J.	Selectman	\$2,339.22
Dackson, Ronaid J.	Scicculian	\$4,339.44

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Davol, Elizabeth	School	\$63,514.88
Dean, Michael J.	Planning Board	\$426.00
Downer, Thomas R.	School Custodian	\$18,777.22
Dunbar, James J.	Treasurer	\$25,907.04
Durgin, Joelyn E.	School	\$27.50
Dwyer, Elizabeth A.	School	\$60,401.93
Dyjak, John J.	School	\$16.88
Eaton, Kermit A.	Planning Board	\$500.00
Edgette III, Charles E.	Firefighter	\$340.13
Erikson, Karen	School	\$66,474.23
Evans, Jeffrey C.	Firefighter	\$55.37
Faugno, Andrea	Library	\$11,836.28
Faugno, Donald	School Committee	\$416.66
Fernstrom, Steven J.	Police	\$26,229.11
Ferrante-George, Giovina	School	\$32.50
Finney, Nancy Lee	Financial Clerk/Registrar	\$17,861.63
Fogwill, Susan J.	School	\$2,964.60
Foley, Herbert Lee	Cemetery	\$11,518.29
Ford, Linda J.	School	\$27,368.70
Forgit, Claudia	School	\$66,139.84
Fortier, Linda E.M.	Firefighter/EMT	\$6,238.04
Frangiamore, Sheila A.	Fin'l Clerk/Asst Town Clerk	\$12,385.62
Gaudette, Kevin S.	Police	\$7,272.76
Gibson, Belinda A.	School	\$56,390.44
Gierlich, Scott M.	Police	\$2,423.95
Gillen, Sherry L.	School	\$16,405.18
Gillmeister, Susan	School	\$34.73
Gillmeister, William	School Committee	\$333.34
Girouard, Linda A.	School	\$65.00
Gittens, Elaine M.	School	\$48,801.66
Gittins, Julie	School	\$54,633.57
Goyette, Thomas	School	\$59,455.62
Graves, Matthew A.	Firefighter/EMT	\$8,167.41
Griffing, Bryan S.	Veterans' Agent	\$3,213.46
Grignon, Paul H.	School	\$32.50
Hague, Jacqueline M.	School	\$10,173.86
Hall, Wendy J.	School	\$1,292.50
Haney, Meaghan A.	School	\$55.00
Hanson, James D.	Library/Transfer Station/Hwy	\$23,266.46
Hayes, Kelly A.	School	\$17,360.84
Heller, R.	Selectman	\$1,527.65
Herbert, Donald L.	Highway/Water Departments	\$41,114.00
Hoschek, Michael	Police	\$7,940.76
Hosterman, Kathleen V.	School Principal	\$84,448.00
Howarth, Edward D.	Town Hall Custodian	\$9,897.42
Howarth, Paula	Elections & Registration	\$113.75
Hyde, Lori J.	School	\$62,028.64
Jaskoviak, Linda L.	School	\$450.00
Jedynasty, Angela M.	School	\$456.00
Kane, Diane L.	School	\$62,028.64
Kangas, David L.	Board of Health	\$997.02
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Karrmann, Keith	Firefighter	\$1,238.99
Kelsch, Tyler	School Committee	\$333.33
Kittredge, Maria A.	School	\$910.36
Labuski, Janice E.	School	\$34,702.08
Lafleur, Donna	EMS Chief/Firefighter	\$13,996.99
Latour, Kathryn	Election Warden	\$13,990.99
Leahy, Daniel	School	\$74.00
Leonard, Mark	Firefighter	\$396.57
Lescord, Tina K.	School	\$935.00
Lincoln, Linda M.	Town Clerk	\$27,885.43
Longe, Kim D.	Board of Health	\$1,459.34
Lund, Beverly A.	Selectman	\$811.57
Lytle, Jeanne E.	School	\$16,504.80
Macleod, William E.	Firefighter	\$1,008.11
Mahoney, Sharon A.	School	\$74.00
Malia, Stacy A.	School	\$357.50
Mansfield, Barbara A.	School	\$62,028.64
Mansfield, Scot M.	Wiring Inspector	\$3,206.46
Mansfield, William F.	Animal Inspector	\$992.00
Marrier, William J.	Police	\$3,709.50
Martell, David G.	Firefighter/EMT	\$4,888.88
Martell, Peter E.	Fire Chief/EMS Captain	\$50,204.42
Mateiko, Mitchell	Police	\$12,185.68
Matys, Justin	School	\$187.50
McElroy, Brenda	Assessor	\$13,929.22
McElroy, Timothy K.	Board of Health	\$4,484.07
McGovern, Lisa I.	School	\$24,336.29
Metterville, Brenda D.	Library	\$31,140.25
Miner, Tonya A.	School	\$8,735.90
Monahan, Jean E.	School	\$54,996.49
Moores, Lois A.	Tax Collector	\$28,556.46
Morin, Arthur L.	Transfer Station	\$2,064.23
Morin-Wermter, Donna M.	School	\$49,032.37
Mundell, Barbara L.	Elections and Registration	\$125.32
Mundell, Cody A.	Cemetery	\$320.00
Mundell, Heidi L.	Elections and Registration	\$113.75
Murray, Joseph F.	Police/Water Commissioner	\$1,797.43
Nagle, Martin J	Asst. Wiring Inspector	\$539.00
Nagle, Suzanne	School	\$56,505.28
Neylon, Donna L.	Admin Assist to Selectboard	\$35,269.52
Nichols, Diane	School	\$330.00
O'Connell, Joanne	School	\$17,942.86
O'Connell, Mary T.	Planning Board	\$500.00
O'Connell, Peter S.	School Committee	\$125.00
O'Keefe, Faith E.	Library	\$9,117.83
Orne, Robert A.	Police	\$885.56
Parker Colleen Joy	School	\$27,411.45
Pecor, Gabrielle M.	Asst. Animal Control	\$76.58
Peirce, Philip H.	Assessor	\$13,929.22
Phillips, Richard S.	Firefighter/EMT	\$2,337.94
Piatt, Stephen C.	School	\$585.00

Plumb, Bryan W.	School	\$13,468.24
Rice, Maria A.	School	\$13,920.65
Roberts, Kristine M.	School	\$262.50
Roberts-Kirk, Deborah A.	Library	\$3,463.76
Robinson, Cheryl J.	School	\$75.00
Sagendorph, Joan D.	Library	\$1,531.86
Sanborn, Angela A.	School	\$67,305.93
Sanborn, Shirley E.	Elections & Registration	\$96.90
Seery, Michael	Cemetery/Board of Health	\$8,712.71
Sewart, Kimberly A.	School	\$4,726.65
Shelby Jr., Robert A.	Police	\$1,687.50
Simeone, Gary M.	Zoning Enforcement Officer	\$8,154.48
Simmons, Meredith K.	School	\$15,356.22
Simonelli, Tracey A.	School	\$9,818.71
Smith, Frank P.	Planning Board	\$426.00
Snydal, Marjorie	School	\$65,464.23
Snyder, Craig	School	\$40.00
Stawski, Diane	Planning Board	\$1,761.43
Steuer Jr., Michael	EMT	\$316.68
Straight, Rebecca Lee	School	\$23,105.18
Strom-Galuska, Karla A.	School	\$1,387.50
Sullivan, Melanie R.	School	\$45,277.62
Swanson, Craig M.	Police	\$2,811.58
Tarr, Helen E.	School	\$61,482.73
Taylor, Jeffrey P.	Building Inspector	\$13,047.96
Thompson, Lucinda S.	Highway/Board of Health	\$10,578.56
Tucker, Kevin R.	Police	\$8,762.34
Ventura, Gary P.	Police	\$1,722.37
Vicaire, Michelle H.	School	\$10.28
Vincent, Michael Paul	Firefighter	\$166.11
Vitello, Eileen M.	Animal Control Officer	\$5,365.48
Wall, Robert F.	Plumbing/Gas Inspector	\$3,227.00
Washburn Sr., John	Recreation	\$2,127.22
Wedge, Raymond R.	Police	\$3,777.16
Welsh, Christopher P.	Police	\$42,520.69
Wentzell, Donna M.	Assessor	\$13,929.22
Wentzell, Rikki Lee	Recreation	\$698.50
White, Jeffrey R.	Firefighter	\$427.14
White, Meghan M.	School	\$12,651.21
Williams, Edward H.	Highway	\$1,699.98
Wood, Joseph A.	Police	\$1,329.38
Woodard, Louise	Elections & Registration	\$113.75
Yaskoski, Liisa E.	School	\$797.50
Young, Erin M.	School	\$568.00
Young, Karen	School	\$50,751.62
Young, Margaret	School	\$17,917.84
Zielinski, Janice	School	\$28,439.85



REPORT OF THE VETERANS AGENT

The operating budget of \$240.00 is used for annual training required by the State of Massachusetts. All training expenses are reimbursed to the Town of Brookfield at 100%. These funds are also used for annual membership dues and a portion is used to cover office supplies and postage requirements.

The case management budget is \$15,000.00. This is used for paying out Chapter 115 benefits as well as burial expenses, as needed. The use of this budget varies depending on the number of Veterans being taken care of. This money is reimbursed to the Town of Brookfield by the State at the rate of 75%.

Presently, we have one veteran from the Town of Brookfield receiving State benefits, and the town has paid for one funeral to date this fiscal year.

The current remaining budget is \$6,784.20 as of February 1, 2008.

Respectfully submitted, Bryan S. Griffing Director of Veterans Services Veterans Services Agent and Burial Agent

REPORT OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT COMMISSIONERS

The Water Commissioners held monthly meetings in the Town Hall at 6:30 p.m. on the first Monday of every month.

The Water Department treated and pumped 34 million gallons of water. Seven new water services were installed in this system, which brings the total to 488. Testing was scheduled and completed for iron, manganese, nitrate and perchlorate; monthly coliform testing was also performed. Reading of meters, system maintenance, billing and collection of accounts as well as office duties were performed. We perform daily pump checks, monitors and adjustments for pH control.

Improvements and maintenance to the system included the replacement of three fire hydrants, leak detections, meter change outs, final meter readings and system flushing.

The 1930 steel standpipe on Draper Street was demolished and the site was loamed and seeded along with the installation of three tamper-proof security covers on the wells.

The Water Department is working on a new Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application for more infrastructure improvements within the water district.

FY07 REPORT

Water Users	\$90,570.03
Water Haulers	17,066.60
Demand and Interest	1,769.97
On/Off Fee	250.00
Repair/Miscellaneous	5,579.89
Backflow/Sprinkler	924.00
New service	1,000.00
Revenue Collected	\$117,160.49

Respectfully submitted, Bruce Clarke, Superintendent

Administrative Clerk: Holly Chisolm

Commissioners:
Roger Charpentier, Jr. Chairman
Joseph Murray
Robert R. Barnes

Secondary Operators: Donald Herbert Charles Crevier

REPORT OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

After many years of dedicated, loyal service to the Zoning Board of Appeals, Chairman William Frangiamore resigned. The Board would like to thank Mr. Frangiamore for his steadfast dedication and long time service.

At the end of the year, the Board reorganized as follows: Michal P. Seery, Chairman; Nicholas Thomo, Vice Chairman; Joseph W. Gadbois, Secretary/Treasurer; Charles Wilson and Michelle Guntor as full members. Michelle Guntor was appointed to fill the vacant seat of William Frangiamore. Currently there are no alternates to the board.

The Board acted on the following applications:

- February 7th 2007 Granted a Special Permit to Michael P. Seery to build a home occupation on his property at 18A West Main Street.
- February 7th 2007 Granted a Special Permit to Terri McIssac to build a supplemental apartment on her property at 4 Schoolhouse Crossroad.
- March 28th 2007 Granted a Variance to Trevor Llewellen to build a 3 car garage on his property at 16 Longhill Road.
- March 14th 2007 Granted a Special Permit to James Hanson to build a 10' x 36' porch at his home located on 32 South Maple Street.
- May 2nd 2007 Granted a Special Permit to Robert Dutting of 4 Walnut Street for a 10' x 15' x 19' deck and an above ground pool.
- May 2nd 2007 Granted a Special Permit to Mark Fontaine of 4 Forest Street for a 6' x 12' deck and 12' x 24' above ground swimming pool.
- July 18th 2007 Granted a Variance to Jean Plante to build a 90-foot wind turbine on her property located at 50 Lake Road.
- September 20th 2007 Granted a Special Permit to Craig & Tracy McNeely to build a 16' x 32' deck on their property located at 6 Green Street.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael P. Seery, Chairman Joseph W. Gadbois, Secretary/Treasurer Michelle Guntor, Member Nicholas Thomo, Vice Chairman Charles Wilson, Member

REPORT OF THE ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Regular office hours were maintained to assist the Building Inspector to expedite permit required projects in assuring compliance to the Town's Zoning Bylaws. During the 2007 year, this office has taken and responded to 172 calls. One Cease and Desist order from the previous year is still being upheld, as the case is still open.

Nine (9) projects were denied by the Zoning Officer and subsequently documented and referred to the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) for special permit or variance approval.

Two (2) projects were denied by the Zoning Officer and subsequently documented and referred to the Planning Board for special permit approval.

There were quite a number of letters sent to individual property owners identifying specific zoning infractions and requesting that they comply with the zoning bylaws to avoid further action and possible fines. In most cases, these have been well received, and the property was corrected of the violation. In some cases, I was able to utilize other departments to help enforce the request to comply AND avoid using Town Counsel whenever possible to keep expenses to a minimum for the town.

There was one case that was still in the courts from the previous year. We continue to work with the property owner on the issue at hand. The court case was completed and the violation has been removed from the property. However, the cease and desist against the owner is still open on this property.

Four property owners were fined for starting a project without a proper permit as is required in the Town Zoning By-laws.

I continue to drive through the town as requested to identify possible zoning infractions and work with other departments and the residents to ensure that the rules and regulations set forth by the Town of Brookfield are being followed. Legal counsel will continue to be used when necessary to help persuade residents to comply with the bylaws. Cooperation and compliance with the zoning bylaws, decisions of the Zoning Enforcement Officer, ZBA, Planning Board, Board of Health and respect for neighbors is appreciated, and helps to reduce the cost to the Town of Brookfield when issues can be settled without the need for Town Counsel assistance.

Copies of the Town of Brookfield Zoning Bylaws, Rules and Regulations are available form the Town Clerk.

Respectfully submitted, Gary M. Simeone Zoning Enforcement Officer

THE COMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT MAY 11TH, 2007

WORCESTER, SS:

TO EITHER OF THE CONSTABLES OF THE TOWN OF BROOKFIELD IN THE COUNTY OF WORCESTER GREETINGS:

IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, YOU ARE HEREBY DIRECTED TO NOTIFY AND WARN THE INHABITANTS OF SAID TOWN, QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN ELECTIONS AND IN TOWN AFFAIRS, TO MEET AT THE TO MEET AT THE BROOKFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 37 CENTRAL STREET, BROOKFIELD, MA ON FRIDAY, MAY 11, 2007 AT 7:00 P.M. TO ACT ON THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$98.12 from the Insurance Reimbursement Fund to the Stabilization Fund, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$98.12 from the Insurance Reimbursement Fund to the Stabilization Fund.

<u>ARTICLE 2</u>. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$28.61 from the Stabilization Fund to the Recycling Revolving Fund, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$28.61 from the Stabilization Fund to the Recycling Revolving Fund.

<u>ARTICLE 3</u>. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$683.52 from the Conservation Filing Fees Fund to the Wetland Protection Fund, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$683.52 from the Conservation Filing Fees Fund to the Wetland Protection Fund.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$2,650.00 from the Maturing Interest-Roof Account to the Chapter 90-Ban Interest Account, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town unanimously to transfer the sum of \$2,650.00 from the Maturing Interest-Roof Account to the Chapter 90-Ban Interest Account.

<u>ARTICLE 5</u>. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$3,500.00 from the Maturing Interest-Highway Garage Account to the Interest/Temporary Loan Account, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$3,500.00 from the Maturing Interest-Highway Garage Account to the Interest/Temporary Loan Account

ARTICLE 6. To see if the vote will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money from available funds to be used to purchase police vests for the Police Department, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$7,380.00 from the Regional School Transportation Account to be used to purchase vests for the Police Department.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money from available funds to the Police Expense account for cruiser, maintenance and repair, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted by a majority vote to transfer the sum of \$5,000 from the Regional School Transportation Account to the Police Expense account for cruiser.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money from available funds to the Part Time Police Officers Fiscal Year 2006 Account for back wages due to an employee of the Brookfield Police Department, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted to defeat Article 8, the moderator declared that by a voice vote the article was defeated, and there was one vote in opposition.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to the Planning Board Unpaid Bills Account to pay for legal expenses incurred as the result of a Definitive Subdivision application, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$3,508.02 from the Regional School Transportation Account to the Planning Board Unpaid Bills Account to pay for legal expenses incurred as the result of a Definitive Subdivision application

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to the Planning Board Expense Account to pay for legal expenses incurred as the result of a Definitive Subdivision application, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$1,957.60 from the Regional School Transportation Account to the Planning Board Expense Account to pay for legal expenses incurred as the result of a Definitive Subdivision application.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money from available funds to the Highway Part-Time Salary Account, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$250 from the Regional School Transportation Account to the Highway Part-Time Salary Account.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the General Fund to the Highway Expense Account, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$53.00 from the Regional School Transportation Account to the Highway Expense Account.

<u>ARTICLE 13</u>. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from available funds to the Alternate Wiring Inspector Fiscal Year 2006 Unpaid Salary Account, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$260 from the Municipal Website Account to the Alternate Wiring Inspector Fiscal Year 2006 Unpaid Salary Account.

<u>ARTICLE 14</u>. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money to the Municipal Telephone Account, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$2,380 from the Unemployment Account to the Municipal Telephone Account.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer or borrow a sum of money from available funds to reimburse the Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) for interest earned on grant receipts during Fiscal Years 2005, 2006 and 2007, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$4,000 from the Unemployment Account to reimburse the Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) for interest earned on grant receipts during Fiscal Years 2005, 2006 and 2007.

And you are directed to serve this warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof, at the Town Hall and Post Office in said Town, fourteen days at least before the time of the holding of said meeting.

Hereof, fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of the meeting, as aforesaid. Given under our hands this Seventeenth (17th) day of April, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.

Respectfully submitted, **SELECTMEN OF BROOKFIELD** Beverly A. Lund, Chairman James W. Allen, Vice Chairman Ronald J. Dackson, Clerk

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM, there were ninety-two (92) registered voters in attendance.

THE COMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT MAY 11TH, 2007

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Hereof, fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of the meeting, as aforesaid. Given under our hands this Seventeenth (17th) day of April, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.

Respectfully submitted, **SELECTMEN OF BROOKFIELD** Beverly A. Lund, Chairman James W. Allen, Vice Chairman Ronald J. Dackson, Clerk

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM, there were ninety-two (92) registered voters in attendance.

THE COMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT NOVEMBER 19TH, 2007

WORCESTER, SS:

TO EITHER OF THE CONSTABLES OF THE TOWN OF BROOKFIELD IN THE COUNTY OF WORCESTER GREETINGS:

IN THE NAME OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, YOU ARE HEREBY DIRECTED TO NOTIFY AND WARN THE INHABITANTS OF SAID TOWN, QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN ELECTIONS AND IN TOWN AFFAIRS, TO MEET AT THE TO MEET AT THE BROOKFIELD TOWN HALL, 6 CENTRAL STREET, BROOKFIELD, MA ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2007 AT 7:00 P.M. TO ACT ON THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES:

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the General Insurance account, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$5,596 from the School Assessment Account to the General Insurance Account.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$1,250 from the Landfill Closure Account to the Board of Health Account to pay a contract shortage for the current fiscal year, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$1,250 from the Landfill Closure Account to the Board of Health Account to pay a contract shortage for the current fiscal year.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer, or borrow the sum of \$135 to the Municipal Telephone Account to pay a telephone invoice from fiscal year 2007, or take any action relative thereto. $(9/10^{th})$ vote needed

The Town voted unanimously the sum of \$135 from FY08 Municipal Telephone Account to pay a late telephone invoice from Fiscal Year 2007.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer, or borrow the sum of \$49.98 to the Animal Control Officer Expense Account to pay a bill from fiscal year 2007, or take any action relative thereto. (9/10th vote needed)

The Town voted unanimously the sum of \$49.98 from the FY08 Animal Control Expense Account to pay a late invoice from Fiscal Year 2007.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer, or borrow the sum of \$15.49 to the Town Clerk Expense Account to pay a late bill from fiscal year 2007, or take any action relative thereto. $(9/10^{th})$ vote needed

The Town voted unanimously the sum of \$15.49 to the Town Clerk Expense Account from the FY08 Town Clerk Expense Account to pay a late invoice from Fiscal Year 2007.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Dog Fund to the Merrick Public Library Trustee Account, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted unanimously to pass over this article.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or transfer the sum of money received by the Town as reimbursement for insurance damages resulting from the August break in to the Town Hall and to authorize the Selectmen and Town Accountant to reimburse departments affected by the break-in for the losses incurred and to transfer any funds that may remain after such reimbursement to the Town Hall Improvement Account, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted unanimously to pass over this article.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Brookfield Zoning By-Laws by revising Section 3.A.5.b. to delete the words or solid foundations so the section will read: "Intent: It is the intent of this zoning by-law that no new building or other structures requiring septic systems [or solid foundations] (delete underlined word) shall be erected or constructed in the Flood Plain District except by special permit as provided in Section 4.D (Use Regulation Table). See also Section 4.C.2., or take any action relative thereto. 2/3 vote is required.

The Town voted unanimously to amend the Town of Brookfield Zoning By-Laws by revising Section 3.A.5.b. to delete the words "or solid foundations" so the section will read: "Intent: It is the intent of this zoning by-law that no new building or other structures requiring septic systems shall be erected or constructed in the Flood Plain District except by special permit as provided in Section 4.D (Use Regulation Table). See also Section 4.C.2.".

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds the sum of \$15,000 to hire an architectural firm to do a feasibility study of three options for a police station, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted by a majority vote to transfer the sum of \$15,000 from the School Assessment Account to hire an architectural firm to do feasibility study of three town options for a potential police station.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote raise and appropriate, transfer, or borrow a sum of money to match a formal purchase offer on a property or properties for cemetery expansion or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted unanimously to pass over this article

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, or borrow from available funds a sum of money to repair or replace the Town Clerks' vault doors and for additional masonry expenses relating to the repair and replacement in the Town Hall, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$10,838 from the School Assessment Account to repair or replace the Town Clerk's vault in the Town Hall.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer, or borrow a sum of money to finish construction of a Highway Department Salt Shed or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted by a majority vote to pass over this article

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will discontinue as a public town way a portion of the way known as Lake Road, situated on the Southerly side of Lake Road, being a portion of the road layout shown on a plan entitles Plan of Lake Road in the Town of Brookfield, Worcester County, Altered and Laid Out as a County Road by the County Commissioners, Scale 1 inch 40 feet, dated October 7, 1954, which plan is recorded with the Worcester South District Registry of Deeds at Plan Book 201 Plan 20 (hereinafter the Plan) and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point on the easterly corner, which point is located on the southerly side of the Lake Road layout as shown on the Plan a distance of 181± feet westerly from the Brookfield/East Brookfield town line along a curve to the left with a radius of 570± feet;

THENCE S. 88° W. a distance of 440.00 feet by land of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife to a Worcester County Highway bound;

THENCE easterly along a non-tangent curve to the right with a radius of 570+ feet and a chord bearing of N. 88°13 40 E. a distance of 451.73+ feet to the point of beginning. Containing 13,059.59+ square feet, and will transfer from the Board of Selectmen for public way purposes to the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of conveyance all of the Town's rights, title and interest in said portion of Lake Road, that the Town acquired under Chapter 336 of the Acts of 2006 Through By Order of Taking by County Commissioners recorded with Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 3631, Page 444 and shown on plan entitled Plan of Lake Road in the Town of Brookfield Worcester County Altered and Laid Out as a County Road by the County Commissioners dated October 7, 1954 and recorded with said Deeds in Plan Book 201, Plan 20, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute a Grant of Easement to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, on such terms and conditions and for such consideration as the Selectmen may determine, which may be nominal consideration of \$1.00; or take any action relative thereto.

The town allowed Judy Nielsen, a non-resident and President of QQLA to speak on the discontinued public way.

The Town voted by a majority vote to discontinue as a public town way a portion of the way known as Lake Road, situated on the Southerly side of Lake Road, being a portion of the road layout shown on a plan entitles "Plan of Lake Road in the Town of Brookfield, Worcester County, Altered and Laid Out as a County Road by the County Commissioners," Scale 1 inch – 40 feet, dated October 7, 1954, which plan is recorded with the Worcester South District Registry of Deeds at Plan Book 201 Plan 20 (hereinafter the "Plan") and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point on the easterly corner, which point is located on the southerly side of the Lake Road layout as shown on the Plan a distance of $181\pm$ feet westerly from the Brookfield/East Brookfield town line along a curve to the left with a radius of 570+ feet;

THENCE S. 88° W. a distance of 440.00 feet by land of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife to a Worcester County Highway bound;

THENCE easterly along a non-tangent curve to the right with a radius of 570+ feet and a chord bearing of N. 88°13" 40" E. a distance of 451.73+ feet to the point of beginning. Containing 13,059.59+ square feet, and will transfer from the Board of Selectmen for public way purposes to the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of conveyance all of the Town's rights, title and interest in said portion of Lake Road, that the Town acquired under Chapter 336 of the Acts of 2006 Through By Order of Taking by County Commissioners recorded with Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 3631, Page 444 and shown on plan entitled "Plan of Lake Road in the Town of Brookfield Worcester County Altered and Laid Out as a County Road by the County Commissioners" dated October 7, 1954 and recorded with said Deeds in Plan Book 201, Plan 20, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute a Grant of Easement to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, on such terms and conditions and for such consideration as the Selectmen may determine, which may be nominal consideration of \$1.00; or take any action relative

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, or transfer from available funds a sum not to exceed \$500.00 for demolition of the old EMS Garage, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted by a vote of 23 yes and 18 no to pass over this article.

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds the sum of \$8545 to the Highway Department Expense Account to cover emergency repairs motor replacement to the 1995 Dresser Loader, take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted by a majority vote to pass over this article.

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds the sum of \$3,000 to the Tree Warden Account for hazardous tree removal, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$3,000 from the School Assessment Account to the Tree Warden Account for hazardous tree removal.

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to create the position of Elementary School Resource Officer, said position to be under the direction of the Police Chief, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted by a unanimously to pass over this article.

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer, a sum of money for the Elementary School Resource Officer for the remainder of the fiscal year, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted unanimously to pass over this article.

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Police Department Part Time Wages Account to the Police Department Full Time Wages Account and further that a sum of money be raised and appropriated, borrowed or transferred to supplement the Police Department Full Time Wages Account to cover the additional funds needed to create a new full time position in lieu of part time positions, or take any action relative thereto.

The town voted to allow Treasurer James Dunbar to talk on this article.

The Town voted by a vote of 23yes and 9no to transfer the sum of \$14,040 from the Police Department Part Time Wages Account to the Police Department Full Time Wages Account and further that the sum of \$3,800 be transferred from the School Assessment Account to supplement the Police Department Full Time Wages Account to cover the additional funds needed to create a new full time position in lieu of part time positions.

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer a sum of money to supplement the Police Department Full-Time Wages Account due to a change in the Grade and Step for an officer after the Fiscal Year 2008 budget had been appropriated at the Annual Town Meeting, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted by a majority vote to transfer \$1,276 from the School Assessment Account to the Police Department Full Time Wages Account to correct a grade and step problem for a full-time Police Officer.

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer a sum of money from available funds to the Police Department Part Time Wages Account to reimburse the account for officer wages for Halloween coverage and further to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer a sum of money from available funds to the Police Department Overtime Wages Account to reimburse the account for officer wages for the Apple Country Fair coverage, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted by a majority to pass over this article.

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer a sum of money for the installation and maintenance of additional street lights along Fiskdale Road (Route 148) between Mill Street and Long Hill Road, or take any action relative thereto.

The Town voted by a majority to authorize the Board of Selectmen to provide for the installation and maintenance of an additional street light along Fiskdale Road (Route 148) between Mill Street and Long Hill Road.

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the Stabilization Account, or take any action relative thereto. (2/3rds vote)

The Town voted to allow Accountant Louise Benoit to speak on Free Cash.

The Town voted by a majority to transfer sum of \$40,000 to the Stabilization Account.

And you are directed to serve this warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof, at the Town Hall and Post Office in said Town, fourteen days at least before the time of the holding of said meeting.

Hereof, fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of the meeting, as aforesaid. Given under our hands this sixteenth (16th) day of October, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.

Respectfully submitted, **SELECTMEN OF BROOKFIELD** James W. Allen, Chairman Ronald J. Dackson, Vice Chairman Rudy Heller, Clerk

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM, Forty-nine (49) registered voters were in attendance.

A True Copy Attest: Linda M. Lincoln, CMMC, Town Clerk

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Advisory Committee	508-867-2290
Animal Control Officer	508-525-5776
Assessors	508-867-2930 x 16
Building Inspector	508-867-2930 x 18
By-Law Committee	508-867-8697
Capital Improvement Planning Comm.	508-867-9419
Cemetery Superintendent	508-867-0471
Community Development Block Grant	
Advisory Committee (CDBG)	508-867-2930 x 10
Conservation Commission	508-867-4959
Council on Aging	508-867-6043
Cultural Council	508-867-2290
Dog Officer	508-525-5776
Electrical Inspector	508-867-2930 x 20
Emergency Management Agency (BEMA)	774-200-3867
Emergency Medical Squad	508-867-6036
Health Board	508-867-2930 x 22
Highway Department	508-867-8357
Historical Commission	508-867-5038
Housing Authority	508-867-2826
Library & Library Trustees	508-867-6339
Local Public Access Committee	508-867-0188
Personnel Board	508-867-9553
Planning Board	508-867-2930 x 19
Plumbing Inspector	508-885-2400
Recreation Commission	508-867-5374
Schools:	
Brookfield Elementary School	508-867-8774
Tantasqua Regional Junior High	508-347-7381
Vocational School	508-347-9301
Superintendent of Schools	508-347-3077
Selectmen	508-867-2930 x 10
Tax Collector	508-867-2930 x 13
Town Accountant	508-867-2930 x 15
Town Clerk	508-867-2930 x 12
Town Treasurer	508-867-2930 x 14
Veterans' Agent	413-436-9615
Water Superintendent & Staff	508-867-2930 x 17
Wire Inspector	508-867-2930 x 20
Zoning Board of Appeals	508-867-7011
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