

Town Administrator Report
February 27, 2018

The following is a summary of the major activities of the Office of the Town Administrator for the previous week.

- 1. Financial Report** –Attached please find the current year summary revenue and expenditure reports for the period through January 31, 2018, along with a month-by-month analysis of our Local Estimated Receipts (LER) collections for fiscal years 2018 and 2019. With 58.3% of the fiscal year completed, expenditures continue to run heavy, with total expenditures at 67.3% of budget. We will be tracking each individual account closely between now and the end of the year to take action where possible to avoid any over-spending, and to isolate individual accounts which may require transfers at year end. There is no question that certain line items will require additional funds such as insurance, workers compensation and legal fees. Close tracking of all line items will ensure adequate funds to handle any line items with a shortfall. On the other side of the equation, revenues collections continue to be very strong, with 75.5 % of budgeted revenues collected for the same period, led, of course, by strong real estate collections, which total \$16, 467, 042 for the year. Through these collections we have developed a strong positive cash flow year-to-date. Turning to LER, despite a very slow January, as is generally the case, total local estimated receipts collections continue ahead of the previous year by over 7%. This is a positive trend that we greatly welcome as it indicates strong local economic activity as well as a possibility of contributing to a positive fund balance at year's end. Collections were pretty strong last spring, so the upcoming months will be very telling in the story of our year-end performance.
- 2. Annual Town Meeting Warrant-** Attached please find a rough draft copy of the Annual Town Meeting Warrant for your review. This will require action by the Board at your next regular meeting, scheduled for March 13. For the purpose of scheduling, the warrant needs to be sent to the newspaper on March 19 for a publication date of March 22. I have worked to get a rough draft to you as early as possible to give the Board as much time as possible to act on the warrant. In addition to funding the operating budget and the capital budget, the warrant includes departmental cleanup articles, proposed bylaws, a local initiative petition regarding mopeds and several petition articles. As an item worth noting, we are experiencing a growing trend of articles submitted by Dukes County for funding requests outside of our budget process and using funding formulas outside of the County funding formula. This is a growing trend that is increasing every year, and this year includes five individual articles, largely centered on various human services agencies. Given our projected shortfall and the need for an override, these additional funding requests are particularly difficult to deal with and to absorb into the Town's budget. I would suggest that all County funding requests should conform to the legislated County Assessment formula and that we develop better shared expectations for dealing with requests from human service agencies for Town funding, as the cumulative number has grown quite high. In meeting with the Finance Committee they have

expressed frustration and have recommended that several articles not be included in the warrant. The Finance Committee recommendation is provided here with the articles.

- 3. Eversource Meeting** –On Friday, February 16, Selectmen Greg Coogan, Mike Santoro and I met with representatives of Eversource to discuss issues of concern to Oak Bluffs. The company set up the meeting to brief the Town a major new initiative. Eversource proposes to build a 4.9 MW energy storage system comprised of lithium-ion battery storage to be located at their facility on Edgartown-Vineyard Haven Road. They have just announced the project as they have recently received permission from the DPU to move forward on several such facilities in eastern Mass. They are in the engineering and design phase now, and hope to move forward with a more specific proposal over the next several months. The project has benefits, as it will replace the diesel generators they currently use to meet peak demand on the island. We hope to have a thorough review of the project when the details are developed. At our meeting we also reviewed real estate issues that we have in common with Eversource, which we will continue to pursue for our mutual goals.
- 4. Legislative Meeting**–I would like to thank our local legislative delegation of Senator Julian Cyr and Representative Dylan Fernandes who took time from their schedules to brief local leaders on legislative financial issues last Friday, February 23. Our initiative to involve our legislative delegation in our financial discussions arose out of the discussion of action steps around our budget review process in meetings conducted with the Finance Committee as we planned a strategy for the upcoming year. Both Senator Cyr and Representative Fernandes were more than willing to meet with us to review all of the Town’s issues and concerns as well as to strategize with us on ways where we can work together to help our Town. I was very impressed by their knowledge and willingness to work with us to bring our issues forward. We learned a great deal, and have put together a solid relationship for sharing information and working together to solve local problems.
- 5. Oak Bluffs Association Meeting** – On Wednesday, February 14, Highway Superintendent, Richie Combra, Selectman Greg Coogan and I met with representatives of the Oak Bluffs Association and the Friends of Oak Bluffs to discuss the issues of holiday decorating and the public bench program. For the holiday discussion, although Ocean Park and the waterfront look great for the festivities, we all noticed that Circuit Ave. could use a shot in the arm in terms of holiday decorations. We asked a team to get together to review some ideas for beautifying Circuit Ave. for the holidays in a way that could also spur the business community to plan more events. We will report back to you on progress. For the bench program, it’s been twenty years and some 400 benches, which is a huge success by any measure. We’re working together now on a strategy for the maintenance of some of the older benches to keep them all in good shape without draining the taxpayers. An initiative will be conducted to raise funds for bench maintenance, and the Town will continue to assist the Friends as it has always done.



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FOR 2018 07

	ORIGINAL APPROP	REVISED BUDGET	YTD ACTUAL	MTD ACTUAL	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET	% USED
01 GENERAL FUND							
01 MOTOR VEH EXCISE							
	573,000.00	573,000.00	159,605.35	10,547.52	0.00	413,394.65	27.9%
02 OTHER EXCISE							
	536,900.00	536,900.00	802,942.84	495.82	0.00	-266,042.84	149.6%
03 PENALTIES & INTEREST							
	157,000.00	157,000.00	174,608.34	27,416.29	0.00	-17,608.34	111.2%
04 PILOT							
	10,400.00	10,400.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,400.00	.0%
08 CHGS TRASH DISP							
	160,000.00	160,000.00	115,480.00	2,955.00	0.00	44,520.00	72.2%
10 FEES							
	88,000.00	88,000.00	57,048.06	10,641.87	0.00	30,951.94	64.8%
11 RENTALS							
	85,000.00	85,000.00	42,285.00	600.00	0.00	42,715.00	49.7%
13 DEPT LIBRARY							
	8,000.00	8,000.00	7,197.32	592.76	0.00	802.68	90.0%
16 OTHER DEPTL							
	155,000.00	155,000.00	134,367.85	14,854.80	0.00	20,632.15	86.7%
17 LIC & PERMITS							
	260,000.00	260,000.00	202,127.54	68,055.25	0.00	57,872.46	77.7%
19 FINES & FORFEIT							
	15,000.00	15,000.00	14,790.00	2,082.50	0.00	210.00	98.6%
20 INVMT INCOME							
	13,000.00	13,000.00	8,813.81	1,282.39	0.00	4,186.19	67.8%
21 MISC RECURRING							
	720,000.00	720,000.00	743,241.79	0.00	0.00	-23,241.79	103.2%
30 CHERRY SHEET							
	1,242,045.00	1,242,045.00	750,900.00	104,123.00	0.00	491,145.00	60.5%
41 PERSONAL PROPERTY							
	515,618.63	515,618.63	362,578.51	87,583.12	0.00	153,040.12	70.3%
42 REAL ESTATE							
	21,152,964.27	21,152,964.27	16,467,042.66	4,952,226.36	0.00	4,685,921.61	77.8%
44 LIENS & OTHER TAXES							
	0.00	0.00	221,842.08	84,681.77	0.00	-221,842.08	100.0%
49 TRANSFERS IN/OFS							
	1,154,840.48	1,154,840.48	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,154,840.48	.0%
TOTAL GENERAL FUND							
	26,846,768.38	26,846,768.38	20,264,871.15	5,368,138.45	0.00	6,581,897.23	75.5%
TOTAL REVENUES							
	26,846,768.38	26,846,768.38	20,264,871.15	5,368,138.45	0.00	6,581,897.23	
GRAND TOTAL							
	26,846,768.38	26,846,768.38	20,264,871.15	5,368,138.45	0.00	6,581,897.23	75.5%

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	ORIGINAL APPROP	REVISED BUDGET	YTD EXPENDED	MTD EXPENDED	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET	% USED
01 GENERAL FUND							
122 BOARD OF SELECTMEN							
460,887.07		460,887.07	316,161.86	55,600.06	0.00	144,725.21	68.6%
131 FINANCE COMMITTEE							
6,155.00		6,155.00	1,667.50	380.00	0.00	4,487.50	27.1%
132 FIN COMM RESERVE FD.							
56,500.00		39,710.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	39,710.00	.0%
135 TOWN ACCOUNTANT							
130,392.00		130,392.00	39,045.84	8,960.21	0.00	91,346.16	29.9%
141 ASSESSORS							
122,553.04		122,553.04	96,570.74	10,424.40	0.00	25,982.30	78.8%
144 TREASURER (FIXED P/R COST)							
4,014,799.00		4,014,799.00	3,106,311.58	513,506.48	0.00	908,487.42	77.4%
145 TOWN TREASURER							
145,516.14		145,516.14	98,898.22	13,381.46	0.00	46,617.92	68.0%
146 TAX COLLECTOR							
137,102.00		137,102.00	84,852.01	20,919.58	0.00	52,249.99	61.9%
155 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY							
340,237.00		344,332.74	242,094.32	24,611.56	0.00	102,238.42	70.3%
161 TOWN CLERK							
131,744.00		131,744.00	75,985.64	15,355.71	0.00	55,758.36	57.7%
163 BOARD OF REGISTRARS							
29,656.00		29,656.00	8,443.46	1,735.43	0.00	21,212.54	28.5%
171 CONSERVATION COMMISSION							
102,808.00		102,808.00	60,621.67	8,698.40	0.00	42,186.33	59.0%
175 PLANNING BOARD							
43,275.00		43,275.00	11,132.11	4,682.18	0.00	32,142.89	25.7%
199 UNCLASSIFIED (SELECTMEN)							
1,279,845.00		1,279,845.00	1,009,834.69	72,102.45	0.00	270,010.31	78.9%
210 POLICE DEPARTMENT							
2,301,161.70		2,301,161.70	1,590,224.78	278,138.83	0.00	710,936.92	69.1%
220 FIRE DEPARTMENT							
287,900.00		287,900.00	153,149.10	8,839.00	0.00	134,750.90	53.2%
231 AMBULANCE SERVICE							
337,424.75		337,424.75	196,926.00	39,750.15	0.00	140,498.75	58.4%
241 BUILDING INSPECTOR							
242,330.00		242,330.00	153,735.78	32,223.49	0.00	88,594.22	63.4%
249 SHELLFISH							
193,652.00		193,652.00	115,583.13	16,283.88	0.00	78,068.87	59.7%
291 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT							
21,700.00		21,700.00	17,493.26	300.00	0.00	4,206.74	80.6%



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	ORIGINAL APPROP	REVISED BUDGET	YTD EXPENDED	MTD EXPENDED	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET	% USED
296 MARINA MANAGER							
	257,048.80	257,048.80	154,154.70	10,792.48	0.00	102,894.10	60.0%
300 OAK BLUFFS SCHOOL							
	7,772,626.00	7,799,965.92	3,626,956.20	824,124.25	0.00	4,173,009.72	46.5%
301 MARTHA'S VINEYARD REG HS							
	4,646,813.00	4,646,813.00	3,485,109.98	1,161,703.33	0.00	1,161,703.02	75.0%
421 HIGHWAY-ADMINISTRATION							
	1,598,154.00	1,599,877.41	989,818.53	118,409.64	0.00	610,058.88	61.9%
519 BOARD OF HEALTH							
	192,953.24	192,953.24	101,336.60	16,251.04	0.00	91,616.64	52.5%
541 COUNCIL ON AGING							
	215,456.91	215,456.91	121,391.56	63,113.71	0.00	94,065.35	56.3%
543 VETERANS' SERVICES							
	61,000.00	61,000.00	43,595.24	5,048.90	0.00	17,404.76	71.5%
610 LIBRARY							
	501,424.36	501,424.36	296,512.39	62,462.77	0.00	204,911.97	59.1%
612 ARTS COUNCIL							
	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.0%
630 PARKS AND RECREATION							
	166,253.40	166,253.40	139,452.73	0.00	0.00	26,800.67	83.9%
710 MATURING DEBT-PRINCIPAL							
	2,259,719.67	2,259,719.67	1,900,715.62	33,536.00	0.00	359,004.05	84.1%
750 MATURING DEBT-INTEREST							
	537,009.87	545,226.19	317,626.53	45,054.44	0.00	227,599.66	58.3%
840 STATE/COUNTY ASSESSMENTS							
	0.00	0.00	696,346.20	110,331.60	0.00	-696,346.20	100.0%
TOTAL GENERAL FUND							
	28,595,596.95	28,620,182.34	19,253,247.97	3,576,721.43	0.00	9,366,934.37	67.3%
GRAND TOTAL							
	28,595,596.95	28,620,182.34	19,253,247.97	3,576,721.43	0.00	9,366,934.37	67.3%

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Preliminary Fiscal Year 2018 Local Estimated Receipts By Monthly Collections

	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	YTD
MV Excise	\$ 22,719	\$ 52,243	\$ 11,129	\$ 28,678	\$ 12,623	\$ 21,667	\$ 10,548	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	159,605
Other Excise	\$ 2	\$ 145	\$ 406,590	\$ 3,183	\$ 2,797	\$ 389,730	\$ 496	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	802,943
Penalties and Interest	\$ 21,673	\$ 21,690	\$ 41,663	\$ 21,575	\$ 21,878	\$ 18,705	\$ 27,416	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	174,601
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-
Charges for Services-Trash	\$ 32,535	\$ 28,710	\$ 16,905	\$ 9,610	\$ 14,595	\$ 10,170	\$ 2,955	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	115,480
Fees	\$ 5,058	\$ 9,034	\$ 7,012	\$ 6,365	\$ 9,748	\$ 9,190	\$ 10,642	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	57,048
Rentals	\$ 22,500	\$ 11,185	\$ 5,000	\$ 1,250	\$ 1,500	\$ 250	\$ 600	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	42,285
Dept. Revenue-School	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-
Dept. Revenue-Library	\$ 1,558	\$ 1,684	\$ 1,131	\$ 800	\$ 318	\$ 1,115	\$ 593	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	7,197
Other Dept. Revenue	\$ 12,313	\$ 9,382	\$ 26,489	\$ 50,863	\$ 7,211	\$ 13,256	\$ 14,855	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	134,368
Licenses and Permits	\$ 19,138	\$ 23,978	\$ 17,278	\$ 27,228	\$ 22,998	\$ 23,453	\$ 68,055	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	202,128
Fines and Forfeits	\$ 640	\$ 3,490	\$ 4,088	\$ 1,713	\$ 1,833	\$ 945	\$ 2,083	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	14,790
Investment Income	\$ 1,332	\$ 1,601	\$ 1,184	\$ 1,062	\$ -	\$ 1,121	\$ 1,282	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	7,583
Other Miscellaneous-Recurring	\$ 332,081	\$ 337,252	\$ 60,889	\$ 10,816	\$ 2,552	\$ 233	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	743,823
Miscellaneous-Non Recurring	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-
Total	\$ 471,548	\$ 500,392	\$ 599,358	\$ 163,144	\$ 98,051	\$ 489,835	\$ 139,524	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	2,461,852
Cummulative Monthly Totals	\$ 471,548	\$ 971,940	\$ 1,571,298	\$ 1,734,441	\$ 1,832,492	\$ 2,322,327	\$ 2,461,852	\$ 2,461,852	\$ 2,461,852	\$ 2,461,852	\$ 2,461,852	\$ 2,461,852	

Preliminary Fiscal Year 2017 Local Estimated Receipts By Monthly Collections

	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	YTD
MV Excise	\$ 36,487	\$ 39,946	\$ 20,286	\$ 19,848	\$ 7,720	\$ 17,235	\$ 21,684	\$ 442,964	\$ 101,462	\$ 76,803	\$ 20,899	\$ 84,689	\$ 890,023
Other Excise	\$ 1,863	\$ 387	\$ 406,361	\$ 496	\$ 2,791	\$ 352,652	\$ 1,479	\$ 1,050	\$ 48,018	\$ 195	\$ 644	\$ 62,471	\$ 878,408
Penalties and Interest	\$ 23,594	\$ 14,955	\$ 22,040	\$ 16,004	\$ 17,015	\$ 14,325	\$ 36,799	\$ 30,298	\$ 25,097	\$ 14,434	\$ 24,643	\$ 33,634	\$ 272,838
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	\$ 832	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,536	\$ 832	\$ 16,201
Charges for Services-Trash	\$ 32,645	\$ 34,550	\$ 17,325	\$ 12,375	\$ 14,495	\$ 8,530	\$ 8,390	\$ 1,810	\$ 13,760	\$ 9,890	\$ 15,365	\$ 36,220	\$ 205,355
Fees	\$ 7,140	\$ 9,869	\$ 9,692	\$ 10,569	\$ 8,108	\$ 12,701	\$ 8,713	\$ 10,739	\$ 12,290	\$ 14,589	\$ 12,250	\$ 9,776	\$ 126,436
Rentals	\$ 9,175	\$ 12,475	\$ 3,500	\$ 2,500	\$ 256	\$ 2,750	\$ 1,750	\$ 250	\$ 5,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 5,750	\$ 9,151	\$ 54,557
Dept. Revenue-School	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Dept. Revenue-Library	\$ 1,467	\$ 1,652	\$ 1,379	\$ 422	\$ 1,327	\$ 762	\$ 449	\$ 665	\$ 614	\$ 778	\$ 347	\$ 1,362	\$ 11,223
Other Dept. Revenue	\$ 15,710	\$ 10,205	\$ 12,601	\$ 21,406	\$ 19,388	\$ 3,922	\$ 5,374	\$ 3,316	\$ 15,038	\$ 158,181	\$ 9,034	\$ (70,797)	\$ 203,377
Licenses and Permits	\$ 23,215	\$ 33,037	\$ 26,155	\$ 26,270	\$ 23,517	\$ 30,452	\$ 72,039	\$ 25,624	\$ 94,551	\$ 29,420	\$ 31,321	\$ 51,396	\$ 466,996
Fines and Forfeits	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,258	\$ 1,525	\$ 1,550	\$ 1,310	\$ 638	\$ 1,015	\$ 1,668	\$ 1,133	\$ 2,190	\$ 3,008	\$ 19,293
Investment Income	\$ 1,525	\$ 1,843	\$ 1,147	\$ 967	\$ 1,203	\$ 1,079	\$ 1,127	\$ 1,374	\$ 1,555	\$ 1,397	\$ 1,884	\$ 1,629	\$ 16,730
Other Miscellaneous-Recurring	\$ 307,449	\$ 219,668	\$ 118,738	\$ 5,369	\$ (1,348)	\$ (7,375)	\$ 2,355	\$ 51,432	\$ 20,510	\$ 7,937	\$ 101,917	\$ 115,453	\$ 942,106
Miscellaneous-Non Recurring	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total	\$ 461,102	\$ 378,587	\$ 644,482	\$ 117,751	\$ 96,022	\$ 438,343	\$ 160,796	\$ 570,536	\$ 340,064	\$ 316,256	\$ 240,780	\$ 338,823	\$ 4,103,542
Cummulative Monthly Totals	\$ 461,102	\$ 839,689	\$ 1,484,171	\$ 1,601,922	\$ 1,697,944	\$ 2,136,287	\$ 2,297,083	\$ 2,867,619	\$ 3,207,682	\$ 3,523,939	\$ 3,764,718	\$ 4,103,542	

**WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

County of Dukes County, ss

To either of the Constables in the Town of Oak Bluffs, **Greetings:**

In the name of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Oak Bluffs who are qualified to vote in Town Affairs and Elections, to assemble at **Martha's Vineyard High School Performing Arts Center**, Edgartown-Vineyard Haven Road, Oak Bluffs, on **Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 7:00 PM** in the evening, then and there to hear the reports and act upon the following articles, with the exception of Article __.

And to meet again in the **Oak Bluffs Library Meeting Room** on **Thursday, April 12, 2018 at 10:00 AM** at the Polling Place, then and there to act upon Article __ of the Warrant by the election of Officers and by voting on the Questions on the Official Ballot. **The polls for voting on the Official Ballot will be opened at 10:00 AM and shall be closed at 7:00 PM** in the evening.

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of \$_____ which sum shall include the transfer and appropriation from the Wastewater Enterprise Fund (60198) the sum of \$1,464,914; from the Ferry Fee Account (15123) the sum of \$195,000 to line item #1210 51212, Police Salaries; from the Harbor Fuel SRF Account (29298) the sum of \$87,125; and from Free Cash the sum of \$_____ to fund and pay the departmental expenses and Town debt for the ensuing fiscal year 2019, July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, or take any action relative thereto.

(Appendix A)

Board of Selectmen

Executive Summary: This article establishes the Fiscal Year 2019 Annual budgets for the various Town Departments as outlined in the attached Appendix A. Appendix C includes a budget worksheet showing sub-detailed line items.

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: -yes, -no

Article 2.. To see if the Town will vote to amend the general bylaws of the town by adding a new section to establish and authorize revolving funds for use by certain town departments, boards, committees, agencies or officers under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44 § 53E½, as follows, or take any other action relative thereto

DEPARTMENTAL REVOLVING FUNDS

Purpose. This by-law/ordinance establishes and authorizes revolving funds for use by town departments, boards, committees, agencies, or officers in connection with the operation of programs or activities that generate fees, charges or other receipts to support all or some of the expenses of those programs or activities. These revolving funds are established under and governed by General Laws Chapter 44 § 53E½.

Expenditure Limitations. A department or agency head, board, committee or officer may incur liabilities against and spend monies from a revolving fund established and authorized by this by-law/ordinance without appropriation subject to the following limitations:

Fringe benefits of full-time employees whose salaries or wages are paid from the fund shall also be paid from the fund (except for those employed as school bus drivers.

No liability shall be incurred in excess of the available balance of the fund.

The total amount spent during a fiscal year shall not exceed the amount authorized by town meeting on or before July 1 of that fiscal year, or any increased amount of that authorization that is later approved during that fiscal year by the selectboard and finance committee.

Interest. Interest earned on monies credited to a revolving fund established by this by-law shall be credited to the general fund.

Procedures and Reports. Except as provided in General Laws Chapter 44 § 53E½ and this by-law, the laws, charter provisions, rules, regulations, policies or procedures that govern the receipt and custody of town monies and the expenditure and payment of town funds shall apply to the use of a revolving fund established and authorized by the by-law. The town accountant shall include a statement on the collections credited to each fund, the encumbrances and expenditures charged to the fund and the balance available for expenditure in the regular report the town accountant provides the department, board, committee, agency or office on appropriations made for its use.

Authorized Revolving Funds: This table establishes:

Each revolving fund authorized for use by a town department, board, committee, agency, or officer under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44 § 53E½

The department or agency head, board, committee or officer authorized to spend from each fund

The fees, charges and other monies charged and received by the department, board, committee, agency, or officer in connection with the program or activity for which the fund is established that shall be credited to each fund by the town accountant or other authorized town employee

The expenses of the program or activity for which each fund may be used

Any restrictions or conditions on expenditures from each fund

Any reporting or other requirements that apply to each fund, and

The fiscal years each funds shall operate under this by-law.

Revolving Fund	Agent Authorized to spend from fund	Receipts credited to fund	Expenses payable from fund	Restrictions on expenses payable from fund	Other	Fiscal years
Fire Insp Rev Fund (14220)	Fire Chief	Fees charged for inspections	Fire inspection costs	Salaries or wages of full-time employees shall be paid from the annual budget appropriation or the Ambulance revolving fund as appropriate	Annual limit of expenditures is \$50,000	FY2019 and subsequent years
Marina Repairs Rev Fund (14296)	Harbormaster	Surcharge receipts collected from all transient visitors	Harbor related costs and infrastructure expenses	Services, supplies, and wages shall be related to activities associated with repairs and maintenance of the harbor/marina	Annual limit of expenditures is \$15,000	FY2019 and subsequent years

Executive Summary: The establishment of a new by-law regarding the Town’s Revolving Funds is required by the recently adopted Municipal Modernization Act. The spending limit for each of these Revolving funds must be authorized annually and is included in the article. Each fund is credited with only the receipts received in connection with the programs supported by such Revolving Fund and expenditures may be made by the specified personnel without further appropriation.

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: -yes, -no.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to rescind all or a part of certain authorization to borrow funds, which was approved in a prior year, where the purpose of the borrowing has been completed and/or it was unnecessary to borrow the amount approve, or take any other action relative thereto:

Article 17	June 24, 1997 STM Landfill	\$470,000
Article 2	April 11, 2006 ATM Wastewater	\$975,000
Article 6	April 10, 2007 ATM Bulkhead	\$600,000
Article 2	June 26, 2007 STM Land Acquisition Penn Ave	\$420,000
Article 7	December 11, 2008 STM Land Acquisition MV Refuse Proj	\$1,400,000
Article 4	October 29, 2009 STM Wastewater Treatment Facility	\$394,425
Article 6	November 13, 2012 Public Safety Study	\$25,000
Article 7	November 13, 2012 Town Hall Study	\$15,000

Article 3	April 9, 2013 STM Fuel Dispensing Facility	\$166,000
	Total Rescinded	\$4,465,425

Board of Selectmen

Executive Summary: The above noted authorizations are no longer needed. It is necessary for Town Meeting to rescind the balance of the bond authorizations so they can be removed from the Town's financial records.

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: -yes, -no.

Article 4. To see if the Town will transfer from the Waterways Account the sum of \$10,000 (Ten Thousand dollars) for harbor maintenance and the replacement of pilings, floats and moorings, or take any other action relative thereto.

Harbormaster

Executive Summary: This Article funds minor harbor repairs from winter damage and the replacement of broken and/or rotting pilings, floats and moorings where necessary.

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: -yes, -no

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$250,000 (Two hundred fifty thousand dollars) to be raised for the purpose of conducting renovations and expansion of the Harbormaster Office and for conducting electrical repairs at the Oak Bluffs Harbor, and for the payment of all other costs incidental and related thereto, and that to meet this appropriation, the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, is hereby authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to, Chapter 44, Section 7 of the Massachusetts General Laws, or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds and notes of the Town therefor, or take any other action relating thereto.

Harbormaster

Board of Selectmen

Executive Summary: This article funds improvements to the Harbormaster Office at the Oak Bluffs Harbor and the harbor electrical system which have been failing due to age and deterioration due to the saltwater environment. This office is critical for the management of the Town Harbor facility and the many slips rented by the Town, and the electrical service is critical to the operation of the harbor. The estimated breakdown is \$210,000 for the Harbormaster Office and \$40,000 for Electrical Repairs. This note will be paid from harbor-related receipts with no contribution from local tax dollars.

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: -yes, -no

2/3 Majority Required

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$350,000(three hundred fifty thousand dollars) to be raised for the purpose of preparing final design and specifications, to include all bidding documents and administration, and evaluation of the public bidding process, including owner's project manager, for repairs and renovations to the Roof, HVAC and related systems of the Oak Bluffs School and for the payment of all other costs incidental and related thereto, and that to meet this appropriation, the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, is hereby authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to, Chapter 44,

Section 7 of the Massachusetts General Laws, or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds and notes of the Town therefor, or take any other action relating thereto.

School Committee

Board of Selectmen

Executive Summary: This article funds final design for improvements to the Roof and HVAC system of the Oak Bluffs School which has been failing due to age and deterioration and requires replacement. This improvement is necessary to maintain and preserve the useful life of this important Town building. This project is recommended in the Town's Capital Improvement Program to be funded by a debt exclusion.

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: -yes, -no
2/3 Majority Required

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash the sum of \$85,000 (Eighty-five thousand dollars) to fund Building Maintenance Projects under the supervision of the Highway Department, or take any other action relative thereto.

Selectmen

Capital Program Committee

Executive Summary: This article funds building maintenance projects recommended in the current year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) to include Police Department Renovations (\$25,000), Library Exterior Painting (\$30,000) and Harbor Bathhouse Renovation (\$30,000). This purchase is recommended by the Capital Program Committee.

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: -yes, -no

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Free Cash Account the sum of \$30,000 (Thirty thousand dollars) to replace the Council on Aging van, or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Capital Program Committee

Executive Summary: This article funds the replacement of the Council on Aging vehicle that required extensive repair beyond its value and was no longer a safe and reliable means of transportation to support the Council on Aging. This purchase is recommended in the Capital Improvement Program.

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: -yes, -no

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$95,000 (Ninety-Five Thousand dollars) for the purpose of funding Highway Department vehicle and equipment Purchases or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Capital Program Committee

Executive Summary: This article funds vehicle and equipment purchases for the Highway department to include a replacement pickup truck with plow (\$43,000), a replacement wood chipper (\$40,000 and a cemetery mower (\$12,000). These projects are recommended in the Capital Improvement Program.

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: -yes, -no

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$30,000 (Thirty thousand dollars) to replace the beach Stairs at Bayview Avenue, or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Parks Commission

Capital Program Committee

Executive Summary: This article funds the replacement of the beach Stairs at Bayview Avenue. This project is recommended in the Capital Improvement Program.

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: -yes, -no

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$25,000 (Twenty-five thousand dollars) for repairs to the electrical system at the Sailing Camp property, or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Capital Program Committee

Executive Summary: This article funds repairs to the substandard electrical system at the Sailing Camp to bring the system up to code compliance. This project is recommended in the Capital Improvement Program.

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: -yes, -no

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$25,000 (Twenty-five thousand dollars) for replacement of the Shellfish Department work skiff, or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Capital Program Committee

Executive Summary: This article replaces the main work skiff of the Department that is older than twenty years old and requires extensive an continuing maintenance. This project is recommended in the Capital Improvement Program.

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: -yes, -no

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Ambulance Reserve Fund the sum of \$208,000 (Two Hundred Eight thousand dollars) for the purchase of Public Safety vehicles and equipment, or take any other action relative thereto.

Fire Department

Police Department

Capital Program Committee

Executive Summary: This article funds the ongoing Capital Improvement Program for planned public safety vehicles and equipment to be funded from the Ambulance Reserve Fund .The appropriation covers the following vehicles and equipment: Automatic CPR System (\$17,500), Replace Radio System (\$100,000), Replace Fire Hose (\$30,000), New Engine for Rescue Boat (\$15,500), Replace 2012 Police Supervisor's Vehicle (\$45,000).. These purchases are recommended in the Capital Improvement Program.

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: -yes, -no

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or reserve from the Community Preservation Act Fiscal Year 2019 estimated annual revenues of \$627,700 the amounts recommended by the Community Preservation Committee for administrative expenses and Community Preservation Reserves, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation as follows, or take any action relative thereto.

Appropriation Item	Recommended Amount
Community Preservation Administrative Expenses	\$ 31,385
Reserves	
Open Space/Recreation	\$ 62,770
Historic Preservation	\$ 62,770
Community Housing	\$ 62,770
Budgeted Reserve	\$ 408,005

Community Preservation Committee

Executive Summary: This article is required by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on an annual basis to ensure that Community Preservation Funds are allocated properly, in the amount of at least 10% of total revenues to each of the three required areas of Historic Preservation, Community Housing, and Open Space/Recreation. The appropriation for administrative expenses is 5% of estimated revenues.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Community Preservation Act Fiscal Year 2019 estimated revenues, CPA Reserve Funds, and the CPA Undesignated Fund Balance the following project grants, to spend a total of \$770,674. Each project shall be considered a separate appropriation.

1. **Boat Ramp at Oak Bluffs Harbor:** To see if the Town will appropriate \$32,774 from the Undesignated Fund Balance to be used by the Oak Bluffs Marina to restore the boat launch landing at the Harbor.

2. **Oak Bluffs School Recreation, phase 2:** To see if the Town will appropriate a total of \$250,000, with \$62,770 from the Open Space/Recreation Reserve Fund and \$187,230 from the Undesignated Fund Balance, to be used by the Oak Bluffs School to upgrade and rehabilitate the School’s recreation area, contingent upon the Community Preservation Committee’s determination, in its sole discretion, that the entity known as the “Field Fund, Inc.” contributes funding sufficient to rehabilitate the recreational fields.

3. **Trinity Church Stained Glass Window Restoration:** To see if the Town will appropriate \$18,000 from the Historic Preservation Reserve Fund to be used by the Trinity United Methodist Church for restoration of the church’s exterior stained glass windows.

4. **Oak Bluffs Fire Museum:** artifacts, documents, and photos: To see if the Town will appropriate \$10,000 from the Historic Preservation Reserve Fund for the Fire Museum Committee’s preservation of documents and photos, and the preparation and installation of artifacts.

5. **Oak Bluffs Fire Museum, display cases:** To see if the Town will appropriate \$10,000 from the Historic Preservation Reserve Fund to the Fire Museum Committee for construction of cases to preserve and display artifacts.

6. **PALS Program:** To see if the Town will appropriate \$123,900 from the Undesignated Fund Balance to be used by The Resource, Inc. in their interest-free loan program for emergency structural home repairs for income-qualified Oak Bluffs residents.

7. **Greenwood Avenue Affordable Housing:** To see if the Town will appropriate \$100,000 from the Undesignated Fund Balance to be used by the Island Housing Trust to build 3 duplexes in Vineyard Haven.

8. **Kuehn's Way Affordable Housing:** To see if the Town will appropriate \$100,000 from the Community Housing Reserve Fund to be used by Island Housing Trust in construction of 20 rental apartments in Vineyard Haven.

9. **Rental Assistance:** To see if the Town will appropriate \$126,000 to support the Dukes County Regional Housing Authority's Rental Assistance Program for Oak Bluffs families, with \$62,770 from the Community Housing Reserve Fund and \$63,230 from the Undesignated Fund Balance.

Community Preservation Committee

Executive Summary: This article authorizes the expenditure of funds collected through the Town's Community Preservation Act program to be used as specified in the Article. Funds are collected through a 3% surcharge on property tax bills, matched by funds from the State. The Community Preservation Committee has developed an additional handout explaining their project recommendations.

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation:

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| 1. Boat Ramp at Oak Bluffs Harbor | -yes, -no |
| 2. Oak Bluffs School Recreation, phase 2 | -yes, -no |
| 3. Trinity Church Stained Glass Window Restoration | -yes, -no |
| 4. Oak Bluffs Fire Museum | -yes, -no |
| 5. Oak Bluffs Fire Museum, display cases | -yes, -no |
| 6. PALS Program | -yes, -no |
| 7. Greenwood Avenue Affordable Housing | -yes, -no |
| 8. Kuehn's Way Affordable Housing | -yes, -no |
| 9. Rental Assistance | -yes, -no |

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum total of \$600,000 for the preservation, rehabilitation, and restoration of Sunset Lake and Lakeside Park by the Park Commission, the Conservation Commission, and the community group, FANS, for active and passive recreational use, with \$200,000 to be transferred from the Undesignated Fund Balance, and an additional sum of \$400,000 to be borrowed, and that to meet this \$400,000 appropriation, the Town authorizes the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow the

funds under the provisions of G. L. c. 44B, s. 11. The obligations on the bonds or notes issued shall be paid for with Community Preservation funds.

2/3 majority required

Community Preservation Committee

Executive Summary: This article authorizes the Town to spend a total of \$600,000 for the preservation, rehabilitation and restoration of Sunset Lake and Lakeside Park. \$200,000 would come from the present CPA fund balance, and \$400,000 would be borrowed, to be paid back with Community Preservation funds over the next two years.

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: -yes, -no

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote taken under Article 8 of the April 14, 2015 Annual Town Meeting to allocate \$63,000 for the High School Track Replacement project and to reallocate the same funds to the Open Space/Recreation Reserve Fund, or take any other action relative thereto.

Community Preservation Committee

Executive Summary: This Article rescinds funding for the High School Track, which was resurfaced in 2017 with other funds. The CPC recommends returning the CPA funds for use in other projects. The applicant may reapply when a complete restoration of the track is planned.

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: -yes, -no

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to reduce the appropriation made by Article 8 of the April 14, 2015 Town Meeting, regarding the East Chop Bluff Stabilization project, from the original appropriation of \$279,800 to a revised appropriation of \$79,800, with \$200,000 of the original appropriation returned to the CPA Undesignated Fund Balance, or take any other action relative thereto.

Community Preservation Committee

Executive Summary: The original grant of \$279,800 was approved for engineering, geotechnical work, and permitting for the East Chop Bluff. This work has been done, funded mainly by a State grant received after the CPA grant had been approved and the project begun. For any further work on the Bluff, a new CPA grant would need to be approved by the voters.

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: -yes, -no

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to fix the compensation of full time and part time elected officials of the Town as provided by MGL Chapter 41, § 108, as amended, for the twelve month period from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 as follows:

Board of Selectmen, Chair	\$ 4,500
Selectmen, Members	\$ 3,000 each
Constables	\$ 500 each
Town Clerk	\$87,409.92
Tree Warden	\$ 1,500;

or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Executive Summary: This Article establishes the compensation of elected officials for the fiscal year starting July 1, 2018.

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: -yes, -no

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to elect the following Town Officers on the official ballot:

- One Moderator for 3 Years
- Two Board of Selectmen for 3 Years
- One Board of Health for 3 Years
- One Cemetery Commissioner for 3 Years
- One Park Commissioner for 3 Years
- One Tree Warden for 3 Years
- One Planning Board for 5 Years
- One Planning Board for 4 Years
- One Planning Board for 2 Years
- One School Committee for 3 Years
- One School Committee for 2 Years
- Three Finance and Advisory Committee for 3 Years
- One Wastewater Commissioner for 3 Years
- One Water District Commissioner for 3 Years

Questions:

Question 1.

Shall the Town of Oak Bluffs be allowed to assess an additional \$500,000 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purpose of funding the Town’s Regional High School Assessment and the elementary school and municipal government budget for the fiscal year beginning July first, 2018?

____ Yes ____ No

Question 2. Debt Exclusion

Shall the Town of Oak Bluffs be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so called, the amounts required to pay for the bonds issued in order to pay costs of replacing the roof and HVAC equipment at the Oak Bluffs School, and for the payment of all other costs incidental and related thereto?

Executive Summary: This article establishes the local elective offices and Questions to appear on the Official Ballot of the Town Election to be held on April 12, 2018 pursuant to this warrant.

Article 27.To see if the Town will vote to amend the Oak Bluffs General By-laws by inserting Chapter XXVIII, the full text of which is set forth below, to govern use of parks and beaches

under the ownership or control of the Parks Commissioners, or take any other action related thereto.

Chapter XXVIII PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

A. Use of the Town Parklands and Beaches -

1. Government and Use of Town Parks and Beaches is under the care and control of the Oak Bluffs Parks Commissioners, who also have independent powers under G. L. c. 45.
2. Enforcement of Rules and Regulations by Town Police or Parks Commissioners – Sections C and D.
3. Issuance of Special Use Permits – Generally – Section E.
4. Special Use Permits - Special Events – Section F.
5. Enforcement/Revocation of Special Use Permits – Section G.

B. Definitions/Commissioners Rules and Regulations

1. Parks and Beaches. Parks and Beaches shall include all sidewalks, buildings, structures, land, beaches, ponds, and other waters under the custody, care and control of the Oak Bluffs Parks Commissioners.
2. Rules and Regulations Governing the use of Parks & Beaches. In addition to the rules and regulations governing Parks and Beaches contained in this By-law, the Commissioners have also promulgated, and from time to time may amend, additional rules and regulations under the authority granted to them by G. L. c. 45, § 5. The Commissioners have also created application forms, checklists, and informational materials related to the uses and permits provided for herein, which can be obtained at the Parks Department.

C. Use of Parks/Prohibited Uses - Conduct

1. No littering, cigarette butts, or glass bottles.
2. No graffiti, defacing, or disfiguring park structures or vegetation.
3. No lewd behavior, threatening acts, or profanity allowed.
4. No animals in playgrounds or ball fields. Animals must be under the control of their owner at all times, and all waste must be properly removed.
5. No Parking in or on Parks.
6. No alcohol or fires.

7. No commercial activity including, without limitation, signs, notices, advertisement, concessions, or soliciting/selling of goods, services, or articles.

8. No overnight sleeping.

9. Bikes, skateboards, and similar vehicles must yield to pedestrians. No motorized vehicles (except assistive devices) on pedestrian paths.

10. No amplified music.

11. Special Use Permits for events may permit or condition certain prohibited uses identified in subsections 6, 7, or 10.

D. Use of Beaches/Prohibited Uses-Conduct

1. Beach use is at individual's own risk. No Lifeguards on duty unless otherwise posted.

2. No dogs allowed on public beaches from May 15th — September 15th between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM, and on Inkwel Beach between 7:00 AM and 5:00 PM (during the same months).

3. Animals must be under the control of their owner at all times, and all waste must be properly removed.

4. No walking on jetties beyond signage or dunes, as posted.

5. No graffiti, defacing, or disfiguring beach structures or vegetation.

6. No boats, sailboards, or fishing in swimming areas between 7 AM and 6 PM)from May 15th — September 15th.

7. No smoking.

8. No commercial activity including, without limitation, signs, notices, advertisement, concessions, or soliciting/selling of goods, services, or articles.

9. No littering, no glass bottles. Carry in - Carry out all trash and waste.

10. No disruptive behavior, including loud conversation, fighting, or similar conduct reasonably likely to interfere with the public's enjoyment of the Parks.

11. No amplified music.

12. No fires or alcoholic beverages allowed.

13. Special Use Permits for events may permit or condition certain prohibited uses identified in subsections or 8, 11, or 12.

E. Special Use Permits

1. The Commissioners may issue a Special Use Permit upon receipt of a complete application for an otherwise prohibited activity identified in Sections C(6), (7), or (10), or in D(8), (11), or (12), or for a Special Event as outlined in Section F. The Commissioners shall decide each application on its merits, considering, in their discretion whether issuance of a permit:

- a.) increases or promotes public recreational opportunities;
- b.) preserves, or may be adequately conditioned to preserve, the environmental integrity of the particular park or beach; and
- c.) is consistent with the rights of the public to use the park or beach simultaneously with the event or use requested.

2. As noted in Section B(2), the Commissioners have promulgated, additional rules and regulations under their authority granted to them by G. L. c. 45, § 5 governing, and providing other limitations on, Special uses/Special Events, which the Commissioners may amend from time to time as they determine is necessary to govern Town Parks and Beaches.

3. The Commission has created application forms for Special Use Permit requests. An applicant must follow the rules set out on the application. All applications must be filed at a minimum of ten (10) days before the Commissioners meet in order to give adequate time for posting and comment.

4. The Commissioners may grant the application, deny the application, or approve the application with conditions. The Commissioners have broad discretion in acting on Special Use Permit applications.

5. An applicant must comply with any terms and conditions contained within a Special Use Permit. Any act authorized pursuant to a Special Use Permit may be performed only by the person(s) named therein, and any such authorizations may not be assigned or delegated, except as provided by the Special Use permit.

6. All person(s) receiving a Special Use Permit must agree, as a condition, to indemnify and hold the Town, the Commission, its employees and agents harmless against all claims relating to or arising out of the use of Parks or beaches. The Commissioners may require the applicant to obtain liability insurance to support the Permittee's obligation to indemnify and hold the Town harmless.

F. Special Use Permits – Special Events

1. Special Events are defined as supervised or organized activities involving one or more participants or spectators, which might reasonably be expected to affect the public use or enjoyment, or the general environmental quality, of any Park or Beach.

2. No person shall conduct any Special Event upon the lands or waters of a Park or Beach without first obtaining a "Special Use Permit" from the Commissioners.
3. The "Special Event Permit Application" must be submitted ten (10) business days before a scheduled Park Commissioners meeting.
4. There shall be no advertising, posting, or digital notification (for e.g. via email or social medial distribution) of a proposed special event before the event has been approved by the Park Commissioners and any other necessary town entities.
5. The contact person and/or group are responsible for fulfilling the requirements imposed by the Special Event P-Use Permit.
6. Approved groups using park or beach areas shall respect the rights and privacy of neighbors.

G. Enforcement

1. All Special Use Permits are in the nature of a license, and are revocable at-will, in the discretion of the Commissioners.
2. Any violation of a Special Use Permit by its holder, its agents, employees or guests of any term or condition therein shall constitute grounds for its revocation by the Commissioners, whose action therein shall be final.
3. In case of revocation of any Special Use Permit, all monies paid for or on account thereof shall, at the option of the Commissioners, be retained by the Commission, and the holder of such permit, together with his or her agents, employees, and guests who violated said terms or conditions shall be jointly and severally liable to the commission for all damages and/or loss suffered by the Commission in excess of such monies retained. Neither such retention by the Commission of the whole nor any part of such monies nor the recovery or collection thereby of such damages, or both, shall in any manner relieve such person(s) from criminal liability for violation of any other state or local law, ordinance, rule or order, or from responsibility under governing law for the violation.
4. This By-law may be enforced by non-criminal disposition under G.L. Chapter 40, § 21D, in the following manner:
 - a. For the first offense within a twelve (12) month period, a \$100.00 fine;
 - b. For the second offense within a twelve (12) month period, a \$200.00 fine;
 - c. For the third and subsequent offense(s) within a twelve (12) month period, a \$300.00 fine.
5. Each day, or portion thereof during which a violation continues, shall constitute a separate offense.

6. This by-law may be enforced, including but not limited to the provisions of G. L. c. 40, § 21D, by Town Police Officers or other officers having police powers.

7. Upon request of the Commission, with Board of Selectmen approval, Town Counsel shall take legal action as may be necessary to enforce this by-law and the conditions of Special Use Permits issued under its provisions.

8. The Commissioners may from time promulgate and amend a separate fine schedule under the independent authority granted to them by G. L. c.

Article. 28. To see if the Town will vote to petition the General Court to enact the following home rule petition:

An ACT concerning the rental of Mopeds and Motor Scooters in the Town of Oak Bluffs

Section One. Notwithstanding the provisions of G. L. c. 90, § 1B, or any other general or special law to the contrary, the Town of Oak Bluffs (the “Town”) is hereby authorized to amend Chapter XV(F) of its Recodified General By-laws (April 9, 2002), as amended through September of 2017, as set out in Section Two of this Act, to prohibit the commercial lease or rental of mopeds and motor scooters to the public.

Section Two. The question shall be submitted for acceptance to the voters of the Town at its next special or annual town meeting in the form of the following warrant article: “To see if the Town will vote to delete the existing text of Chapter XV(F) of its Recodified General By-laws (April 9, 2002), as amended through September of 2017, in its entirety, and replace it with the following language: ‘The rental or leasing of mopeds and motor scooters to the public is prohibited within the Town, and no license shall be issued for an entity to engage in the business of renting or leasing mopeds or motor scooters to the public.’”

Section Three. If a majority of the voters at the special or annual town meeting in which the article provided for in Section Two vote in the affirmative, then then this Act shall take effect, but not otherwise.

Section Four. Duly issued licenses in effect at the time this Act becomes effective shall remain valid for the duration of the then existing license, but shall otherwise confer no benefit or right on the holder to operate past the effective date of the existing license.

Article XX. To see if the Town will vote to petition the General Court to enact the following home rule petition:

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Section Three. If a majority of the voters at the special or annual town meeting in which the article provided for in Section Two vote in the affirmative, then then this Act shall take effect, but not otherwise.

Section Four. Duly issued licenses in effect at the time this Act becomes effective shall remain valid for the duration of the then existing license, but shall otherwise confer no benefit or right on the holder to operate past the effective date of the existing license.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to approve the establishment by the Martha’s Vineyard Regional High School District of a Stabilization Fund known as the “MVRHS Capital Stabilization Fund” to provide a fund for expenditures for capital improvements within Martha’s Vineyard Regional High School District and for such other lawful purposes as provided by Massachusetts General Laws, C. 71 section 16G1/2 as it may be amended from time to time, or take any other action relative thereto.

Martha’s Vineyard Regional High School District

Executive Summary:

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: -yes, -no

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to endorse, and petition the General Court for, enactment of a Massachusetts Education Finance Reform bill with the following features, or take any other action relative thereto:

(1) a change in the statutory method for regional school district cost apportionment to member towns to an assessed property value method (unified tax rate), according to the mechanism described below.

(2) a mandate that all towns in the Commonwealth must either have their own school district or belong to a regional school district, by a date several years hence.

Proposed Mechanism for Transitioning to a Unified Tax Rate in a Regional School District:
In each fiscal year beginning with the first fiscal year after enactment of the Massachusetts Education Finance Reform law, each town that paid more than the Unified District Tax Rate in the year of enactment shall pay THE GREATER OF (1) what it was assessed in the year of enactment, or (2) the amount calculated by applying the Unified District Tax Rate to the assessed taxable property value in that town as of the first day of December of the prior fiscal year; and each town that paid less than the Unified District Tax Rate in the year of enactment shall pay THE LESSER OF (a) the amount calculated by applying the Unified District Tax Rate to the

assessed taxable property value in that town as of the first day of December of the prior fiscal year, or (b) the total assessment to all member towns minus the assessments to those member towns paying more than the Unified District Tax Rate (the "Residual Assessment"); provided however, that if more than one member town is paying less than the Unified District Tax Rate, then those towns shall apportion the Residual Assessment among themselves according to the apportionment formula in use in the year of enactment.

The "Unified District Tax Rate" is defined as (x) the total apportionment to the member towns of the school district, divided by (y) the total assessed taxable value of residential, commercial, industrial, and personal property of the member towns, multiplied by (z) 1,000, as of the first day of December of the prior fiscal year., or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Executive Summary: (Prepared by the Statewide Supporting Group)The purpose of the article is to support a Massachusetts Education Finance Reform bill that would fix dysfunctional aspects of current laws and put all of the Commonwealth's regional school districts on a sounder financial footing, enabling them not only to maintain standards but to offer enriched programs.

The features of the bill would be as follows:

(1) Change the statutory method for regional school district apportionment to an assessed property value method (unified tax rate). Currently all District agreements approved by the Department of Elementary & Secondary Education (DESE) use a student headcount formula for apportionment among member towns, unless the member towns unanimously approve, annually, an alternative method. The proposed mechanism for transitioning to this new statutory method is described above.

This change would be consistent with the state's long and proud tradition of supporting public education, whose fundamental financing principle — as opposed to that of private education is that all children are entitled to a free education paid for by all members of their community in proportion to their ability to pay, not on how many children they have, if any. Because the lion's share of public K-12 education is funded by local property taxes, taxable assessed value is an appropriate measure of ability to pay. (Although state income taxes rather than local property taxes might be a better method of education finance, there is no realistic prospect of changing that in Massachusetts or anywhere else in the U.S. in the foreseeable future.)

The practical effect of that change in the statutory method of apportionment would be to bring the tax situation of all taxpayers in regional school districts in line with the other 90 percent of the Commonwealth's taxpayers who already live in school districts where they pay the same rate as all of their other neighbors in the district. (Only seven of the 100 largest public school districts in the state are regional districts, containing more than a single local taxing authority.)

A single rate within a school district is not only the standard practice in Massachusetts (and explicitly mandated in many states like New York and New Jersey); it is good public policy. Any discount to that rate for any taxpayer in a school district is a net loss to that district's revenue. It is in the Commonwealth's interest that all school districts fund themselves as efficiently as possible at the local level so that demands on the state budget can be minimized.

(2) Mandate that all towns in the Commonwealth must either have their own school district or belong to a regional school district, by a date several years hence. If implemented, this would eliminate the "beggar thy neighbor" negotiations that cause some smaller communities to play one district against another in bidding wars. The concept of tuition should be anathema to public schools (see public education's fundamental financing principle cited above).

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote on the following article submitted by petition, “Health Imperatives – Martha’s Vineyard requests \$5,000 from the Town of Oak Bluffs for health and human services provided to low-income and vulnerable individuals and families in Fiscal Year 2018”, or take any other action related thereto.

PETITION ARTICLE

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote on the following article submitted by petition, “2018 Petition to ban the release of lighter-than-air balloons in Oak Bluffs.

Release of Balloons

(1) No person, nonprofit organization, association, firm or corporation ,shall knowingly release, organize the release of or intentionally cause to be released into the atmosphere any helium or other lighter-than-air gas balloons in the Town of Oak Bluffs. Any violation of this bylaw shall result in a fine of \$100.

(2) The provisions of section (1) shall not apply to balloons which are used for the purpose of carrying scientific instrumentation during the performance of an experiment or testing procedure or by a person on behalf of a governmental agency or pursuant to a governmental contract for scientific or meteorological purposes.”,
or take any other action relative thereto”

PETITION ARTICLE

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote on the following article submitted by petition, “To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds Ninety-Nine Thousand, Six Hundred Forty-Three Dollars and Fifty-Two Cents (\$99,643.52), or fifty percent (50%) of the Town’s proportionate share of the fiscal year 2019 cost of the Dukes County Regional Emergency Communications Center, based on the volume of dispatches, tied to call origin, for all of the Town’s agencies”, or take any other action related thereto.

PETITION ARTICLE

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX B

HEREIN FAIL NOT AND GIVE PUBLIC NOTICE BY CAUSING THIS NOTICE TO BE POSTED IN TWO (2) OR MORE PLACES IN THE TOWN AT LEAST FOURTEEN (14) DAYS BEFORE THE TIME OF SAID MEETING AND MAKE DUE RETURN OF THIS WARRANT WITH YOUR DOINGS TO THE TOWN CLERK AT THE TIME AND PLACE SPECIFIED.

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS THIS _____ DAY OF MARCH, 2018.

Kathleen A. Burton Chairman

Gregory A. Coogan

Brian Packish

Gail M. Barmakian

Michael J. Santoro

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS

PURSUANT TO THE FOREGOING INSTRUCTIONS, I HEREBY NOTIFY AND WARN THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS, QUALIFIED TO VOTE AS EXPRESSED IN THIS WARRANT TO VOTE AT THE TIME AND PLACE SPECIFIED.

Attest:

Constable

OFFICER'S RETURN

COUNTY OF DUKES COUNTY, ss

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOREGOING INSTRUCTIONS, I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I DID ON THE _____ DAY OF MARCH, 2018 GIVE PUBLIC NOTICE BY CAUSING ATTESTED COPIES OF THIS WARRANT TO BE POSTED IN TWO (2) OR MORE PLACES IN THE TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS, AND I HEREBY MAKE RETURN OF THIS WARRANT THIS _____ DAY OF MARCH 2018.

Attest:

Constable

MEMO

TO	R. WHRITENOUR
FROM	J. BALBONI
DATE	2/23/2018
RE	ATM18 ARTICLE RECOMMENDATIONS
After some discussion at the FinComm meeting of 2/22/2018 and subject to further official vote of the FinComm, the general consensus of the body recommends that the following ATM18 Warrant Articles as presented in the Draft Document either be included or not included in the warrant as follows:	
Article 1	Included
Article 2	Included
Article 3	Included
Article 4	Included
Article 5	Included
Article 6	Included
Article 7	Included with some changes in expenditures
Article 8	Included
Article 9	Included
Article 10	Included
Article 11	Included
Article 12	Included
Article 13	Included
Article 14	Included
Article 15	Included
Article 16	Included
Article 17	Included
Article 18	Included
Article 19	Not Included
Article 20	Not Included
Article 21	Not Included
Article 22	Not Included
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Article 24	Not Included
Article 25	Included
Article 26	Included
Article 27	Included
Article 28	Included
Article 29	Included
Article 30	Included
Article 31	Included (Petition Article)
Article 32	Included (Petition Article)
Article 33	Included (Petition Article)

Dukes County Articles

Oak Bluffs

ARTICLE _____

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate for expenditure in 2019 the sum of \$10,764 to support the Dukes County Social Services.

ARTICLE _____

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate for expenditure in 2019 the sum of \$10,500 to support the Substance Use Disorder prevention programs on Martha's Vineyard.

ARTICLE _____

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate for expenditure in 2019 the sum of \$16,800 to support the CORE program, a collaborative program of the Councils on Aging and the MV Community Services, to provide coordinated counseling, outreach, and referral services to residents 55 years and older.

ARTICLE _____

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate for expenditure in 2019 the sum of \$9,975 to support the First Stop Information and Referral Service for Island residents of all ages and their families.

ARTICLE _____

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate for expenditure - the sum of \$14,933 to support the planning, community building and advocacy work of Health Aging Martha's Vineyard for all Island elders.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for expenditure in 2019 the sum of \$10,764 to support the Dukes County Social Services, or take any other action related thereto.

County of Dukes County

Executive Summary:

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: -yes, -no

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for expenditure in 2019 the sum of \$10,500 to support the Substance Use Disorder prevention programs on Martha's Vineyard, or take any other action related thereto.

County of Dukes County

Executive Summary:

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: -yes, -no

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate for expenditure - the sum of \$14,933 to support the planning, community building and advocacy work of Health Aging Martha's Vineyard for all Island elders, or take any other action related thereto.

County of Dukes County

Executive Summary:

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: -yes, -no

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,975 to support the First Stop Information and Referral Service for Island residents of all ages and their families for Fiscal Year 2019, or take any other action relative thereto.

Martha's Vineyard Community Services

Executive Summary: This Article provides financial support of the "First Stop Information and Resource Program", which became a program of Martha's Vineyard Community Services (MVCS) this fall. FirstStop is a web-based (www.firststopmv.org) and call-in access program, which serves as a single starting point for island seniors and those who care for them, connecting them to critical services and resources. Currently there are over 250 providers and their related information listed on the website. It is staffed by a program manager who is responsible for regularly maintaining the website and managing all related calls from island residents and providers. Firststop has been fully supported by each of the six towns since FY 2016.

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: -yes, -no

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate for expenditure in 2019 the sum of \$16,800 to support the CORE program, a collaborative program of the Councils on Aging and the MV Community Services, to provide coordinated counseling, outreach, and referral services to residents 55 years and older, or take any other action relative thereto.

Martha's Vineyard Community Services

Executive Summary: In addition to the expanding elder population on the Island, many elders are homebound due to lack of access to transportation, mental health and medical issues. CORE addresses the significant inter-related physical- and mental-health, social and case management needs of elders age 55 and older at no cost to the client. CORE Care Coordination connects elders to needed services, community activities, linkages to doctors, food access and substance

abuse support. The Care Coordinators provide their services with the guidance of CORE clinicians, as well as the needs and wishes of the client. Many CORE Clients require home visits due to their difficulties with mobility, transportation and Medicare restrictions. CORE services are provided without cost to the client, so they reach a population whose access to treatment may be limited due to Medicare restrictions. For clients of this program, CORE visits are a vital component of effective mental health treatment. Care coordinators ensure that clients get connected to supportive services/programs for elders, make appointments with relevant medical professionals, coordinate treatment with clinicians and medication with psychiatric providers. While historically, referrals to CORE have come largely from the Island's Councils on Aging, in the past year we've received a growing number of referrals from primary care physicians and other service providers. CORE provides approximately 900 units of service to approximately 70 individual elders each year.

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: -yes, -no

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from free cash the sum of \$14,270 (Fourteen thousand two hundred and seventy dollars) to fund the Town of Oak Bluffs share of the administrative expenses of the All Island School Committee's contract for Adult and Community Education in Fiscal Year 2019, or take any other action relative thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Executive Summary: This Article provides financial support for Adult and Community Education of Martha's Vineyard (ACE MV). This agency provides an array of accessible opportunities for Island residents, including job skills training, college training courses and enrichment classes for life-long learning. This article level-funds this account from the previous year.

Finance and Advisory Board Recommendation: -yes, -no

Martha's Vineyard Energy Storage System

Meeting Electric System Needs on Martha's Vineyard

Project Background:

On January 17, 2017, Eversource filed a Petition with the Department of Public Utilities (DPU) for a rate review as well as other grid modernization proposals. The Petition included requests to investigate energy storage solutions to enhance the reliability of the distribution system; and to address power quality and voltage stability issues.

On November 30, 2017, Eversource received approval from the DPU to investigate, design, and construct several energy storage facilities in Eastern MA – Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard.

Project Description:

Eversource is proposing to build a 4.9 Megawatt (MW) Energy Storage System (ESS) in Oak Bluffs, MA. Pending detailed design and all necessary approvals, the ESS facility will be a dedicated one-story building or open air container arrangement that will house a lithium-ion battery system and supporting equipment. The building or containers will be constructed on less than an acre parcel, and built to meet all applicable requirements and codes.

Eversource has currently identified its existing Oak Bluffs Service Center (on Edgartown Vineyard Haven Road) as the preferred ESS location based on parcel size, environmental and community factors, and proximity to existing distribution lines, among other considerations.

In addition to the initial 4.9MW ESS, Eversource continues to evaluate adding 10MW of energy storage at this site as future development. This will be reassessed after the installation of the 4.9MW ESS.

Project Benefits:

The proposed Oak Bluffs ESS will provide a new technology to increase reliability in the Oak Bluffs area and would provide the following benefits:

- Enable the retirement of two of the existing diesel generators, resulting in the reduction of greenhouse gases
- Provide an additional power supply to reduce peak loading on the existing submarine cables
- Increase the potential for additional solar, or photovoltaic (PV), hosting capacity on Martha's Vineyard.
- Minimize costs, schedules and environmental/community impacts by being constructed in a small footprint.
- Provide property tax revenue to the host municipality for a building that requires minimal municipal services.

Next Steps:

Eversource pledges to work with local officials while continuing its investigation and engineering on the Martha's Vineyard ESS.

Once a design and engineering is furthered, Eversource will prepare filings for the Martha's Vineyard Commission and MA DPU, among others, to comply with all applicable federal, regional, and local regulations.

Prior to any filings, Eversource will reach out to municipal officials and abutting property owners to the proposed facility's location.

Martha's Vineyard Energy Storage System Project Timeline*

	1 st & 2 nd Q 2018	3 rd & 4 th Q 2018	1 st & 2 nd Q 2019	3 rd & 4 th Q 2019	1 st & 2 nd Q 2020	3 rd & 4 th Q 2020	1 st & 2 nd Q 2021
Discussions with Towns							
Federal, State, & Local Siting & Permitting*			~ 18 Months				
Construction**						~ 12 Months	
Community Outreach							

*Subject to Change
**Pending Approvals

Anticipated Project In-Service: 2021

Martha's Vineyard Energy Storage System

Eversource Oak Bluffs Service Center

EVERSOURCE
ENERGY



Legislative Meeting
Oak Bluffs
February 23, 2018.

1. Coastal Infrastructure – A problem larger than local means, requires a State partnership
-East Chop Bluff is a major regional resource and is in imminent danger, and the \$20 million price tag is too much for this small Town to handle.
-Recent Grant Application to DCR Dam and Seawall Program denied; \$3 million; Need some options.

2. Public Infrastructure to support economic development in the downtown.
Major local need; See well-developed Streetscape Plan
-Recent Massworks grant application denied; \$1 Million
-Meeting with DHCD to address deficiencies in application.
-Will return with strong application, but we need all the help we can get

3. Oak Bluffs Cherry Sheet
-After netting out Cherry Sheet Charges and direct expenditures to the School, the Town only has \$69,000 of State Aid available to support the Town budget of \$30 million.
That's less than a quarter of a percent.
-Is it possible to have a minimum State Aid circuit breaker?
-Please look at Charter School funding

4. Short Term Rental Tax
-Update
-Status of Wastewater add-on; Is Dukes County included? Separate from Cape Cod Trust?