

The Barnstable Bulletin

A MONTHLY
TOWN OF BARNSTABLE
NEWSLETTER

February 2017

From the Town Manager

Dear Reader:

The Department of Public Works' winter storm protocol was effective during Winter Storm Helena the weekend of January 7th. The DPW team's efforts along with increased communication provided a well-orchestrated response to the over a foot of snow we received. Our thanks to the DPW crews and contractors who provided storm response.

We kicked off the formal budget preparation process with a presentation on the financial condition of the town at a joint meeting of the Town Council and School Committee on January 19th. The winter months are when town staff prepares the Capital Budget and the Operating Budget for presentation to the Town Council in March and May, respectively.

There is more information in this newsletter about the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and the 10-Year Financial Forecast.

Barnstable has again received the highest form of recognition in governmental budgeting from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award. The award demonstrates the commitment of the Town's governing body and staff to meet the highest principles of governmental budgeting. I am proud of our budget team and finance department for getting this national recognition.

Regards,

Mark S. Ells

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Town Hall will be closed on Monday, February 20, 2017 In observance of the Presidents' Day Holiday.

Town Clerk's office

When you receive your census form please look it over, make any changes necessary and send it back to this office. You can mail it, or drop it off in our office. **Even if there are no changes we need you to sign the form and send it back to us.** This will make your voting easier this year and keep you up to date on the Voter Registration System.

This form must be completed by all residents (not just citizens or voters) residing in the Town of Barnstable. This is in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.



You can't register to vote on the form. If you wish to register to vote or make any other changes to your voter status, you can register on line at www.sec.state.ma.us, or pick up a mail in form at any of our local libraries or at the Town Clerk's Office. You will receive a confirmation letter once you change in voter status is complete.

This year we will have our Town Election on November 7, 2017. We will have more about the Town Election in the next edition of the Barnstable Bulletin.

Any questions on your voter or census status – call us at 508-862-4044.

Ann M Quirk cmc/cmmc

Town Clerk

John Gleason promoted to Assistant Recreation Director

Barnstable Recreation is proud to announce that John Gleason has been promoted to the position of Assistant Recreation Director. The Town has benefited greatly from his past 14 years as a Program Coordinator. His education from Springfield College with a Bachelor of Science in Sports Management and a Masters in Recreation Management prepared him well to serve as a recreation professional. We look forward to his continued passionate and dedicated public service to the Town of Barnstable. John resides in the Town of Barnstable with his wife Barbara and his three children Molly, Collin, and Keegan.



ArtsBarnstable -Seven Villages-One Town.

LIKE the Arts Barnstable Facebook page and @artsbarnstable on Instagram to keep up to date on arts and culture in ALL seven villages.



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Barnstable Public Schools

We gave Superintendent Meg Mayo-Brown the month off so that we could share with you a visit to Barnstable Public Schools.

AUTHOR CASEY SHERMAN RETURNS TO BHS and HYWEST

Casey Sherman, a New York Times Bestselling Author, journalist and screenwriter from Hyannis, visited Barnstable High School and Hyannis West Elementary School on Wednesday, January 11, 2017. He spoke to a Creative Writing and a Broadcast and Film class at the high school in the morning. In the afternoon he spoke to the third graders at Hyannis West Elementary School about being a good writer and author. He also answered the children's questions. Mr. Sherman attended both Barnstable High School and Hyannis West Elementary. Mr. Sherman has written several books including Boston Strong: A City's Triumph Over Tragedy, which has been developed into the major motion picture Patriot's Day. He also authored the book The Finest Hours, which was also developed into a motion picture of the same name. Mr. Sherman provided some inspiration to the students with whom he met. It is hard to say who had more fun during the visit! Thank You, Casey!

Photos courtesy of Casey Sherman







Looking for some great stuff to do with the kids during February school vacation week?



Take a trip over to the Hyannis Youth and Community Center on Basset Lane in Hyannis. The Game Room will be open every day! Look for public skate and special open gym times on our website or call 508-790-6345. Bring your skates or rent them and join in on the public skate fun there's public skating time each weekday during school vacation...and a stroller skate, too! There's lunchtime pick up hockey - plus your

annual membership or day pass gets you access to the walking track, the gym with six hoops and two volleyball nets, a game room with ping pong, pool tables, air hockey, big screen TV's, a Wii and a computer lab. There's a walking track for Mom and Dad, too! Annual memberships are just twenty dollars and day passes are only five. There's ice inside the Hyannis Youth and Community Center – but there's no snow! Just year round public skating and indoor activities for the whole family. Google the Hyannis Youth and Community Center, follow us on Twitter or Like us on Facebook for a full list of February School Vacation week activities!

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Please call Lynne Poyant at 508-862-4956 or email barnstablebulletin@ town.barnstable.ma.us to add your name to our

mailing list.

Road Construction Updates



For the most up-to-date information on Road Construction, please visit: www.townofbarnstable.us and click on the Road Work notices button on the right-hand side of the page.



Become a fan of the Town of Barnstable on both Facebook and Twitter and stay in touch with all the Town of Barnstable happenings. You can get more information through the Town of Barnstable's website:

www.townofbarnstable.us.

Barnstable Libraries' Corner

There's lots going on at the Village Libraries of Barnstable Visit a Barnstable Library today!



Sturgis Library in Barnstable Village
www.sturgislibrary.org
Centerville Public Library
www.centervillelibrary.org
Cotuit Library
www.cotuitlibrary.org

Hyannis Public Library www.hyannislibrary.org Marstons Mills Public Library www.mmpl.org

Osterville Village Library www.ostervillevillagelibrary.org

Whelden Memorial Library in West Barnstable www.wheldenlibrary.org

2017 Parking Permits/Beach Stickers

We are pleased to announce that 2017 Parking Permits are now available through our mail-in process. For those of you that supplied Barnstable Recreation with your e-mail address, you should be receiving your application via e-mail. If you do not receive it, or did not supply an e-mail address, applications may be downloaded from our website at www.town.barnstable.ma.us under the Recreation Division link. In order to reduce our postage costs, we will not be sending out applications via the postal system. If you do not have access to a printer and need an application mailed to you, please feel free to submit your request in writing to:

Town of Barnstable – Parking Permits 141 Bassett Lane Hyannis, MA 02601

Please include a self-addressed stamped envelope so we can mail the application to you.

Types of permits and fees:

Resident: \$40 offered to year-round residents and/or taxpayers. This permit allows entry to all beaches (public and private). Valid vehicle registration and taxpayer status is required to purchase this permit.

<u>Landlord:</u> \$300 offered to taxpayers who rent their property during the summer season. This permit allows entry to all beaches (public and private). Taxpayer status is required to purchase this permit.

<u>Seasonal:</u> \$250 offered to summer residents. This permit allows entry to <u>public beaches only</u>.
 <u>Weekly:</u> \$70 per week (seven consecutive days). This permit allows entry into <u>public beaches only</u>.

<u>Replacement</u>: \$5. This permit is offered at a reduced rate should you sell your vehicle or install a new windshield <u>after</u> purchasing your initial permit. You must present your original permit to receive the reduced rate.

<u>Handicap:</u> \$15 per permit (limit of two per household). Available to resident and/or taxpayer handicap individuals who have a valid driver's license and own a vehicle registered in their name.

RESIDENT PARKING PERMITS ARE REQUIRED YEAR ROUND (1/1/17 THRU 12/31/17) AT ALL RESIDENT BEACHES AND TOWN WAYS TO WATER

Private/Resident Beaches: (Resident Permit required)

Covell's Beach, 857 Craigville Beach Rd, Centerville
Dowses Beach, 348 East Bay Road, Osterville
Eugenia Fortes Beach, Marstons Ave., Hyannisport
Hamblin's Pond, 415 Route 149, Marstons Mills
Joshua's Pond, 290 Tower Hill Road, Osterville
Loop Beach, 281 Ocean View Ave, Cotuit
Lovell's Pond, 1444 Santuit-Newtown Road, Marstons Mills
Millway Beach, 307 Millway, Barnstable
Wequaquet Lake, 460 Shootflying Hill Road, Centerville

Public Beaches:

Craigville Beach, 997 Craigville Beach Rd, Centerville Hathaway's Pond, 1431 Phinney's Lane, Barnstable Kalmus Beach, 670 Ocean Street, Hyannis Ocean Park, Craigville Beach Road, Centerville Sandy Neck, 590 Sandy Neck Road, W. Barnstable Keyes (Sea Street) Beach, 175 Ocean Street, Hyannis Veteran's Beach, 480 Ocean Street, Hyannis

Walk-in purchases will begin on Monday, May 1, 2017 at the Hyannis Youth & Community Center, 141 Bassett Lane, Hyannis, MA 02601. Monday through Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Sundays/Holidays, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Town of Barnstable's FY2016 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) Issued

The Town of Barnstable's fiscal year ending June 30, 2016 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) has been issued and is available on the town's website at FY16 CAFR. The CAFR contains three main sections; Introductory Section, Financial Section and Statistical Section. The CAFR includes the independent auditor's opinion on the town's financial statements and can be found on page 17 of the document. The auditors expressed an unmodified opinion, or a "clean" opinion, on the statements. The most effective way for an individual to review the CAFR would be to read the Letter of Transmittal and Management's Discussion and Analysis to gain a better understanding of the meaning behind the numbers presented in the document. Ten year historical information is included in the Statistical Section which some individuals may find interesting. The CAFR will be submitted for the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting award issued by the Government Finance Officers Association as in years past. The town has achieved this award for the past 14 CAFR's and anticipates this CAFR to qualify.

RENEWAL SEASON IS HERE...



Marina waiting list renewals were mailed and must be returned by February 15, 2017.

Marina slip renewal invoices were mailed and were to be returned to the Marina Manager by January 31, 2017.

Mooring Permit Waiting lists were mailed and they must be returned by the deadline of February 15, 2017. Mooring Permit renewals were mailed and must be returned by the deadline of February 28, 2017.

Marine and Environmental Affairs Division Town of Barnstable, 1189 Phinney's Lane, Centerville, MA 02632 Phone: (508) 790-6273 Fax: (508) 790-6275

Barnstable Adult Supportive Day Program Supporting Elders and Caregivers in our Community for 18 years

Located in the Barnstable Senior Center, 825 Falmouth Road, Hyannis, (508) 862 - 4765

The Barnstable Adult Supportive Day Program is a community based, professionally operated program which has been an integral part of the Town of Barnstable and a trusted resource for local families for over 18 years. The Adult Supportive Day Program provides a safe, comfortable and welcoming environment to elders/seniors who cannot, or wish not to stay home alone during the day.

If you are a caregiver in need of respite, or a senior who may benefit from the Adult Supportive Day Program, we would be happy to meet with you and discuss how we may help meet your needs. Please call **(508) 862-4765** to schedule a tour and a Free Trial Day.

A Note from the Town Collector

The FY2017 Actual Real Estate bill for the third quarter is due on February 1, 2017.

Payment Schedule for Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes for Fiscal 2017 Preliminary Tax Bills mailed by July 1, 2016

- √ First Quarter **due** August 1, 2016
- Second Quarter **due** November 2, 2016

Actual Tax Bills mailed by December 30, 2016

- √ Third Quarter due February 1, 2017
- Fourth Quarter due May 3, 2017

The 2017 Motor Vehicle Excise Tax bills should be ready to be issued this month. This is the largest commitment issued by the Registry of Motor Vehicles. There are several commitments issued throughout the year. Please do not ignore these bills! If you sold or no longer own the vehicle, you must contact the Assessor's office for filing of an abatement. Unpaid Motor Vehicle Excise bills do not go away! Interest and penalties for unpaid bills add additional monies to the base charge of the bill and can "flag" your license at the Registry of Motor Vehicles.

Any request for information regarding amount of monies paid for real estate, personal property and motor vehicle excise taxes for income tax filings must be made in writing to our office. We do not give the information out by telephone due to the number of telephone calls received as we would not get our day to day responsibilities done.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office at 508-862-4054.

Regards,

Maureen E. Niemi

Town Collector

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Ten Year Financial Forecast Released

Our Finance Department produces an annual ten year forecast. The objective is to assist town leaders in strategic planning by taking an in-depth look at the Town's current financial condition, revenue and expenditure trends over the past ten years and projections for the next decade. This is a forecast and is not meant as a spending plan. While we are looking ten years out, decisions made locally and at the state level could substantially impact data assumptions projected in the ten year forecast. The updated 10 Year Financial Forecast has been posted to the town's website (www.townofbarnstable.us).

The Treasurer of the Town of Barnstable

has issued a list of Owners of Checks previously issued by the Town which have not been cashed. This list along with information on how to claim these funds can be found on the Town of Barnstable

Website at www.townofbarnstable.us on the Homepage under the Notifications Section or by calling the Town of Barnstable

Treasurer's Office at 508.862.4653

Events & Activities

News from the Hyannis Youth and Community Center



February is always a busy month at the Hyannis Youth & Community Center with lots of affordable indoor activities for the whole family! It is a great time to renew or sign up for an HYCC Membership for just \$20/year so you can use the walking track, game room and computer lab; and take advantage of the free guest and skating passes that come with the membership information booklet. Come in to sign up or go on line at your convenience! Everyone who renews or buys a new membership will be automatically entered into our monthly drawing.

This month's prize is a \$20 gift card to Subway Restaurants!

Public Skating in February is always fun! Be sure to bring a canned good or other non-perishable food item for our Skate For Love Food Drive! For every can, you will get a chance to win a prize in our drawing to be held February 24th. All proceeds will be donated to a local food pantry and one lucky person will win a free skating pass for the year!

Lots of high school basketball and hockey action continues throughout the month of February. Barnstable shares space with St John Paul II and Mashpee/Monomoy hockey teams which all use the facility for both practices and games. Sturgis East and West basketball teams practice and play and St. John Paul II hosts some of their basketball games in the Gymnasium. Look for game schedules on the school's web site as days and times often change due to weather and other factors.

Be sure to check out the fun and exciting programs at the Hyannis Youth & Community Center. Visit the HYCC page at www.town.barnstable.ma.us or call 508-790-6345.

Senior Center Happenings

Blizzard of '78, Remember When! Feb. 8, 1:30-2:30 p.m. RSVP-Free

Neptune Rises on the Dunes: The Blizzard of '78 on Cape Cod! On February 6-7, 1978, New England was struck by one of the greatest weather events in history,



when the now-legendary "Blizzard of '78" buried Eastern Massachusetts and Rhode Island with four feet of snow and 15-foot drifts. On Cape Cod, it wasn't a "snow event" but a "tidal event." Hurricane force winds, combined with the highest new moon tides the area has even seen, carved out an entirely new landscape on the Outer Beach. Tides coming in from the ocean and bay near the Eastham rotary even turned the Outer Cape into an island for a short time as the eye of the storm passed directly over the area.

Valentine Tea, Talk & Tasting Feb. 14, 2-3:30p.m. RSVP Required by February 10, Fee-\$10 This is a delightful presentation on the taste, smell, history, popularity and abundance of teas available today from all over the world. Join Mary Fernandes' presentation and demonstration designed to introduce and educate people on the interesting and exciting world of loose-leaf teas. Learn the differences between black, green, white, and oolong tea, the health benefits, why herbs are not a tea, where tea is grown and how to brew. You will have the opportunity to taste the different types of tea. Join the BSC for a few moments of relaxation and enhanced well-being and enjoy the simple pleasures of tea.

Barnstable County Sheriff's Office: Identifying & Avoiding Scams/Fraud Dept.

Feb. 16, 1:30-2:30 p.m. RSVP-Free It is always in season. Con artists are available year round with a focus on new victims. When it comes to dealing in the marketplace, everyone has the potential to be a scammed. Before spending your hard-earned money, ask questions, do your homework, and speak up. Learn tips and be informed with the professional from the Barnstable County Sheriff's Office.

Genealogical Resources at Sturgis Library Feb. 22, 1-2 p.m. RSVP-Free Marcella Curry, Adult & Reference Services Librarian at Sturgis Library in Barnstable Village, will present an illustrated talk on the resources available for genealogical research. The Library's **archival collections** includes extremely rare and one-of-a-kind documents including over 2,000 early deeds from Cape Cod towns beginning in the 1620s and so much more. Interested in ancestry? This program will get you started with your research.

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BARNSTABLE'S OPEN BUDGET WEBSITE

Explore Operating Budget: Amounts as of January 15th for fiscal 2017

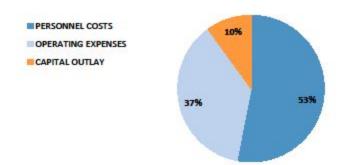
SANDY NECK BEACH PARK







Budget Percentage Allocation



	Budget	Expended	Available	Percentage Used
PERSONNEL COSTS	497,747	282,647	215,100	57%
OPERATING EXPENSES	346,751	134,254	212,497	39%
CAPITAL OUTLAY	93,500	18,217	75,283	19%
TOTAL BUDGET	937,998	435,118	502,880	46%

Summary: Sandy Neck year-to-date has expended 46% of budget as of January 15th



The Town of Barnstable's operating and capital budgets are now online at http://budget.townofbarnstable.us

February 2017 Board and Committee Meetings

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Planning Board Meeting 7:00 PM HR
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Board of Health Meeting 3:00 PM HR
Waterways Committee Meeting 7:00 PM SCR

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Airport = Barnstable Municipal Airport Meeting Room

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HR = Hearing Room, 2nd floor of Town

Olde Barnstable = Olde Barnstable Fair Grounds / Golf Course Clubhouse **Procurement**= Procurement Conference Room

SCR = Selectmen's Conference Room, 2nd floor of Town Hall

Senior Center = 825 Falmouth Road, Hyannis

SGCR = Structures & Grounds Conference Room

TCCR = Town Council Conference Room

WB Community = West Barnstable Community Building, Route 149 For more information, visit the town website at:

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BHS and JFK: Artistically Honoring Our Past

Tuesday, February 7th, 5:00 PM - Barnstable High School Main Lobby:
BHS Fine Arts III students and the JFK Museum in Hyannis present an
Art Opening of student work honoring the life and legacy of John Fitzgerald Kennedy.
All are invited to attend.

On Tuesday, February 7th, at 5:00 in the main lobby of Barnstable High School, Abby Fay's Fine Arts III students will host an art reception displaying artwork inspired by a recent visit to the JFK Museum on Main Street in Hyannis. Museum Education Director Jennifer Pappalardo and Executive Director John Allen took the class on a behind the scenes tour of the museum where students not only learned about the life and times of the Kennedy family but also saw firsthand what it took to curate and exhibit a successful and cohesive show. Students then took what they gleaned from that day to create an original artwork based on any aspect of the personal and political life of JFK or his family members that the students personally connected to. This exhibit is completely curated by the students; they made choices about the artwork, text, artifacts, and photographs from the JFK Museum displayed in the show.

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