

The Town of Lee Massachusetts



*Annual Report
of the Town Officers
Fiscal Year 2007*



In Memoriam

*This report is dedicated to the following
persons with gratitude for their many
years of service to the Town of Lee*

James Bailey

Larry Cernik

Elizabeth Dennis

George Frulla

Kenneth LaBier

Mary Serra

TOWN OF LEE, MASSACHUSETTS



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AMBULANCE - FIRE - POLICE

EMERGENCY DIAL - 911

**24 Hour Non-emergency Or
After Office Hours - 243-2100**



Town Board Meetings

Board of Assessors	As needed
Board of Health	2nd Monday of the month, 7:30 p.m. Airoidi Building
Board of Public Works	Tuesday 4:00 p.m. Airoidi Building
Board of Selectmen	1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month, 7:00 p.m.
Conservation Commission	1st, 3rd & 5th Monday of the month, 7:00 p.m.
Council on Aging	2nd Tuesday of the month, 7:30 p.m. Airoidi Building
Historical Commission	2nd Tuesday of the month, 7:00 p.m. Airoidi Building
Housing Authority	3rd Monday of the month, 4:30 p.m. Brown Court
Planning Board	1st, 3rd & 5th Monday of the month, 6:30 p.m.
School Committee	2nd Tuesday of the month, 7:30 p.m.
Veterans Agent	Monday 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. or by appointment Airoidi Building
Youth Commission	2nd Monday of the month, 8:00 p.m.

Business Hours of Town Offices

32 Main Street

Hours 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday

TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Accountant	243-5510
Administrator	243-5501
Assessors	243-5512
Board of Selectmen	243-5500
Building Inspector	243-5518
Conservation Commission	243-5511
Council on Aging	243-5545
Department of Public Works	243-5520
Health Department (Tri-town)	243-5540
Library	243-0385
Planning Board	243-5517
Police Department	243-5530
Sewer Plant	243-5525
Tax Collector	243-5515
Town Clerk	243-5505
Treasurer	243-5506
Veterans Agent	243-5519
Youth Association	243-5535
Water Plant	243-5526
Zoning Board of Appeals	243-5517

COMMUNITY PROFILE

<i>Location:</i>	Western Massachusetts, Berkshire County
<i>First Settlement:</i>	Dodgetown, 1760's
<i>Incorporated:</i>	October 21, 1777 Named after Major General Charles Lee
Government:	<i>First Congressional District</i> John Olver <i>Fourth Berkshire District</i> State Senator, Benjamin Downing State Representative, Wm. "Smitty" Pignatelli <i>Representative Town Meeting</i> Six districts, 54 members
Town Meeting:	Second Thursday in May
Population:	5,167
Registered Voters:	3,758
2007 TAX:	\$12.26 per thousand
Area:	Square Miles 27 Land .55% (98.8%) Water 0.60% (2.2%) State Highways 11.39 miles Town Highways 60.1 miles Sidewalks 14.7 miles
Geographical Features:	Highest Elevation - 2,050 (October Mountain) Lowest Elevation - 888 (Steps of Memorial Hall) Housatonic River, 4 lakes, ponds, 2 mountains (October Mountain State Forest, Beartown Mountain State Park), lime quarry, marble quarry
Services:	<i>Electric</i> - Western Mass. Electric Co. <i>Gas</i> - Berkshire Gas Co. <i>Cable</i> - Time Warner <i>Bus</i> - Berkshire Regional Transit Authority <i>Fire Department</i> - Volunteer <i>Ambulance Department</i> - Volunteer
Distances:	9 Miles to Pittsfield 122 Miles to Boston 138 Miles to New York City



**TOWN OF LEE
TOWN REPRESENTATIVES
MAY 11, 2006**

District I

James Castegnaro	2008
111 Woodland Ave. (243-9938)	
Marilyn Hansen	2008
86 Mill St. (243-2572)	
Francine Larson	2008
806 East St. (243-1080)	
Daniel Courchaine	2007
120 Bradley St. (243-0331)	
John "Buck" Donovan	2007
140 Lander Rd. (243-1810)	
Matthew Carty	2007
371 Washington Mt. Rd. (243-1884)	
Vacancy	2009
Edward Forfa	2009
45 Maritta Ave. (243-1569)	
Elizabeth Leahey, Chair.	2009
172 Reservoir Rd. (243-2893)	

District II

Neil Clarke	2008
85 Orchard St. (243-3649)	
Nelson Daley, Sr.	2008
135 Maple St. (P.O. Box 59) (243-1065)	
John DeVarennes	2008
25 St. Mary's Ave. (243-0478)	
Margaret Biron	2007
25 Housatonic St. (243-0489)	
Thomas Kennedy.	2007
30 Hartwood Rd. (243-1698)	
Joan Wickham	2007
22 High St. (243-0401)	
Gerald LePrevost	2009
94 E. Center Rd. (243-2490)	
William Noonan, Chair.	2009
60 Cliffwood St. (243-0263)	
Vacancy	2009

District III

John Coty, Jr.	2008
50 First St., P.O. Box 74 (243-2813)	
Mayme Peltier	2008
140 Old Pleasant St. (243-0603)	
C. W. Wezevitz, Jr.	2008
143 Silver St. (P.O. Box 54 (243-1200)	
Robert Giarolo	2007
10 Lois St. #A (243-8151)	
Mary McDarby	2007
425 Marble St. (243-2967)	
Millard Eckert	2007
585 Marble St. (243-1797)	
Ottavio Biasin	2009
515 Marble St. (243-3328)	
John B. Giarolo	2009
500 Marble St. (243-3465)	
Alexandra Hedding	2009
90 Silver St. (243-2897)	

District IV

Stephen Cozzaglio	2008
60 Davis St. (243-3204)	
Arthur Mack, Chair.	2008
130 Highfield Dr. (243-2156)	
Joan Piacquadio	2008
170 Fairview St. (243-0663)	
William Brunell	2007
605 Fairview St. (243-1415)	
Joseph F. Dupont	2007
395 Fairview St. (243-9834)	
Cornelia Kalisher	2007
P.O. Box 383 S. Lee (931-5302)	
William Roche	2009
840 Fairview St. (243-1580)	
Edward M. Briggs	2009
715 Fairview St. (243-3244)	
Alice Collins	2009
P.O. Box 103 S. Lee (243-4206)	

District V

Edward Handberg	2008
57 Main St. Apt. 13 (243-2186)	
Daniel Kelley	2008
290 Mandalay Rd. (243-1142)	
Vacancy	2008
Robert Boynton	2007
225 Prospect St. (243-1131)	
Shawn Sullivan	2007
215 Prospect St. (243-4838)	
Richard Shields	2007
27 Academy St. (243-1773)	
Richard Burns	2009
190 W. Park St. (243-3548)	
Diedre Consolati	2009
57 Main St. Apt. 8 (243-2318)	
Pauline Pollard, Chair.	2009
121 High St. (243-0252)	

Members at Large

Selectmen:

Frank A. Consolati	2009
5 Debra Ave (243-2364)	
Patricia Carlino, Chair.	2007
80 East Center St. (243-2825)	
Gordon Bailey	2008
734 Pleasant St. (243-3110)	

Moderator:

R. Christopher Brittain	2007
325 Fairview St. (243-6152)	

Town Clerk:

Suzanne Scarpa	
165 Old Pleasant St. (243-1664)	

Finance Committee:

John Graziano, Chair.	
140 Church St. (243-3922)	

District VI

William Miller	2008
330 Laurel St. (243-4738)	
W. Raymond Grogan, Chair.	2008
495 Laurel St. (243-1851)	
Dayton Delorme	2008
10 Debra Ave. (243-0960)	
Dorothy Fraser	2007
55 Devon Rd. (243-1302)	
Peter Sitzler	2007
135 Spring St. (243-4079)	
Jerome Scully	2007
P.O. Box 247 (243-2660)	
James Nolan	2009
P.O. Box 273 (243-3372)	
Charlotte Davis	2009
35 Navin Ave. (243-1092)	
Martin Deely	2009
P.O, Box 700 (243-2824)	

MODERATOR APPOINTMENT FINANCE COMMITTEE 9 Members, 3 Year Term

2007	Chauncey Collins
2008	Marylou Antoniazzi
2007	John W. Graziano, Chair.
2007	Joann M. Sullivan
2008	Mary Lou Dadak
2008	Mary Swift
2009	Freda Grim
2009	Todd Morin
2009	Edward Finnegan

ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR One Year Term

Christopher Brittain	2007
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SELECTMEN Three Year Term

Patricia D. Carlino	2007
Frank A. Consolati	2009
Gordon D. Bailey	2008

CONSTABLES Three Year Term

Stephen Cozzaglio	2008
Pauline Pollard	2008
Dennis B. Forshee	2008
Shaun Sullivan	2008

HOUSING AUTHORITY Five Year Term

Diane Shepardson	2010
Thomas Unsworth	2011
William Derrick	2008
Francine Larson	2007
Sandra Cozzaglio	2009

PLANNING BOARD Five Year Term

Robert W. Birch	2009
Anthony Caropreso	2008
Martin Deely	2011
David Durante, <i>Chairman</i>	2007
Thom Swift, <i>V. Chairman</i>	2010
Aldo Pascucci, Associate	

SCHOOL COMMITTEE Three Year Term

Joan Piacquadio	2008
Robert Lohbauer	2010
James Biancola	2009
Diane Wespiser	2008
Jeremia Pollard	2008
Thomas Consolati	2010
Michael Bullock, <i>Chairman</i>	2009

DEPARTMENT HEADS AND TOWN OFFICIALS
(Town Administrator Appointments)

Fiscal Year July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007

Ambulance Director	Lisa Breault
Animal Control Officer	Cindy Belair
Council on Aging Director	Norma Maroney
D.P.W. Superintendent	Christopher Pompei
Emergency Management Director	Ronald Glidden
Fire Chief	Ronald J. Driscoll
Deputy Fire Chief - Lee	Alan Sparks
Deputy Fire Chief - South Lee	Richard Ford
Inspector of Buildings	Donald R. Torrico
Inspector, Gas	Paul Jakacky
Inspector, Plumbing	Paul Jakacky
Inspector, Wiring	Richard Driscoll
Library Director	Georgia Massucco
Police Chief	Ronald Glidden
Principal Assessor	Jacki Bitso
Sealer/Weights & Measures	Gerald Cahalan
Town Accountant	Kathleen Borden
Town Clerk	Suzanne Scarpa
Town Collector	Janice Smith
Town Treasurer	Susan E. Kelley
Veterans Agent	Lloyd "Doug" Mann

BOARD OF SELECTMEN APPOINTMENTS (Town Counsel & Multi-Member Boards)

Fiscal Year July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007

Town Administrator
Robert L. Nason

(Special Legislation)
(Chief Financial Officer)

ONE YEAR TERM APPOINTMENTS

Town Counsel

MGL Ch. 40 Sec. 5-15
Attorney Jerome Scully

Cable Television Commission

3 Members
Malcom Chisholm, Jr., Esq., *Chair*.

Capital Outlay Committee

(Capital Outlay Committee)
Town By-law 2.3
Mary McDarey
Pauline Pollard
Dr. W. Raymond Grogan
Elizabeth Leahey
William Noonan
Arthur Mack
Marylou Antoniazzi
Dayton DeLorme
David Durante

Cemetery Committee

Millard R. Eckert, *Chair*.
Charlotte P. Davis
Myron Hood
John J. Kelly
Virginia Vania, *Secretary*

Traffic Commission

Ronald Glidden, *Police Chief*
Gerald LeProvost, *Chair*
Edward Forfa
Robert Giaroli

Jacob's Ladder Trail

Scenic By-Way Commission
Dee Dee Fraser
Naomi Gordon

Personnel Board

Town By-law, MGL Ch. 40, 41
Thomas Unsworth, *Chair*
Martin Deeley
Rebecca Reardon

School Building Commission

Town By-law 2-163 to 166
Minimum 5, Maximum 9 Members
Robert Boynton, *Chair*
Gordon Bailey
Margaret Biron
James Gralla
Donna Toomey
Neil Merwin

Planning Board Associate Member

Aldo Pascucci

Recycling Committee

Robert Biggs
Monica Ryan
Ann Sterlin
Christopher McDermott

BOARD OF SELECTMEN TWO YEAR TERM APPOINTMENTS

Board of Public Works

MGL 40-69D, Enabling Act, Ch. 438 - Seven Members

Robert Bartini, *Chair.*

Thomas Arment

William Enser

David Forrest

Peter Jahn

Roger Scheurer

Garth Story

THREE YEAR TERM APPOINTMENTS

Board of Assessors

MGL 41-24 - Three Members

2009 - William Derrick, *Chair.*

2008 - Edward Briggs

2007 - Dayton DeLorme

Board of Health

MGL 41-1, 21 – Three Members

2009 - Dr. Robert Wespiser

2008 - Leslie Trachier Daley, RN

2007 - Dr. James Leahey

Board of Registrars

2007 - Donna Toomey

2009 - Sandra Cozzaglio

2008 - Rita Perry

Suzanne Scarpa, *Town Clerk*

Conservation Commission

MGL 40-8C – Minimum 5, Maximum 7

2009 - Stuart Dalheim, *Chair.*

2008 - Kathleen Arment

2007 - Marilyn Hansen

2007 - Deborah Garry

2007 - John Philpott

Historical Commission

MGL 40-8D, Minimum 3, Maximum 7

2007 - Mary Morrissey*

2007 - Caroline Young, *Secretary*

2009 - Barbara Allen*

2009 - Joseph DuPont

2008 - Patricia LaChapelle*

2008 - Dawn Borst

Advisors:

Dee Dee Fraser, Betty Dennis

Florence Consolati, Charlotte Davis

**Rotating Chairs*

Lee Cultural Council

2008 - Sharon E. MacDonald, *Chair.*

2007 - Barbara Mahoney

2008 - Frederic M. Cohen

2009 - Gloria Arnold

2007 - Alexandra Hedding

2007 - Mary Theresa Valleri

2008 - Mario Calouri

2007 - Laura Frank-Palmer

2007 - Barbara Tracy

Council on Aging

2007 - Alma Allen, *Chair*.
2009 - Helen Botto
2006 - Val Baldisserotto
2008 - Stephen Cozzaglio
2008 - Val Masiero
2008 - Ameila Zatorski
2009 - Marguerite O'Brien

Zoning Board of Appeals

2008 - Edward Handberg, *Chair*.
2007 - Becky Brunell
2007 - Francine Larson
2009 - Richard Brittain, *Chair*.
2008 - Garth Story
Alternate - Matthew Carty

Sandy Beach Committee

2008 - Deidre Consolati, *Chair*
2009 - Linda Cysz
2007 - Richard Christman
2007 - Cynthia Christman
2008 - Francine Larson
2007 - Susanne Wickham

BOARD OF SELECTMEN APPOINTMENTS

AD-HOC COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Golf Course Study Committee

Dayton DeLorme
Tom Unsworth
Christopher Shields
Helen Gasparian
Clare Lahey
Linda Morin

Daniel Sullivan
Bruce Packard, CGCS
Frank Consolati
Peter Scolforo
Richard Salinetti
Dennis Mountain

Central School Reuse Committee

Patricia Carlino, *Chair*.
Carol LePrevost
Edward Briggs
Robert Birch
Bart Miller
Joseph Toole
Charlotte Davis
Sharon MacDonald
Pauline Pollard

Robert Bartini
David Parker
Daniel Pascucci
Norma Maroney
Don C. Hunter
Paul Porrini
Martin Deeley
Christopher Hodgkins
Aldo Pascucci



BOARD OF SELECTMEN & TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Due to robust growth in the property tax base and the restoration of a significant amount of state aid, the town's financial condition improved in Fiscal Year 2007 (July 1, 2006 - June 30, 2007), despite an eleven percent (11%) increase in the cost of employee health insurance and other fixed benefit and insurance costs rising. Moreover, there was an important milestone in the development of a new wastewater treatment plant, a change in the reuse plan for the Hyde building at the former Central School, a federal grant received to assist low to moderate income residents to make home improvements, and a renewed commitment to economic development downtown.

Unrestricted state-aid increased by \$315,815 or fourteen percent (14%). The impact of that increase was reduced by a \$128,284 decrease in State School Building Assistance to \$610,284, the adjusted annual payment that we will receive through 2023. Moreover, State aid for education, which funds about twenty-five percent of the Town's education expense, remained \$201,947 less than in FY2002. While tuition payments from Tyringham and Otis increased by \$3,717 or one percent (1%), funding that the School Department receives directly for incoming students from other communities (Choice tuition receipts) decreased by \$11,518. Moreover, in FY2007 the Town's payments for students attending schools outside the district (Choice tuition assessment) increased by \$10,316. The result of this decrease in Choice revenue and increase in Choice expense was a \$21,834 reduction in net Choice proceeds to \$206,145, which continued the downward trend from the \$330,848 in Choice proceeds realized in FY04.

The Operating Budget increased \$754,485 (5%) from FY2006 to FY2007. Excluding those elements that are funded by water, sewer and ambulance fees, the taxpayer-supported, base operating budget increase was \$534,237 (4%). Nearly half of that increase was due to fixed benefit and insurance costs. The Town's 75% share of school and municipal employees' health insurance alone increased \$196,980. The cost of retirement benefits increased about \$20,000 and the cost of general liability/property vehicle insurance rose about \$20,000. In addition, the rising cost of energy drove up various department budgets. For example, the cost of electricity for streetlights was budgeted at \$17,000 more than FY2006. The largest budget, the School Department's budget, driven by rising energy and personnel expense, increased by nearly \$305,000 before that increase was reduced to about \$133,500 through the School Committee's use of additional tuition from students who chose to go to school in Lee (Choice tuition receipts).

From FY2006 to FY2007 there was a hearty \$20.1 million growth in the property taxbase which generated new revenue of about \$269,000. That new growth revenue, together with the net increase in state-aid for education, and a forecast

increase in local receipts, resulted in a nominal \$18 or less than, one percent increase in the average single family home tax burden from FY2006 to FY2007.

By the end of FY2007 local receipts had actually increased from FY2006 by \$106,532 due principally to higher interest rates affecting investment income. After the May 10, 2007 Annual Town Meeting decision to reuse the Hyde Building at the former Central School for additional housing for seniors, the \$237,000 transferred from the stabilization fund for municipal office design and the \$10,600 transferred from undesignated funds for temporary heating were returned to the general fund. Those funds, unspent funds from completed projects and operating budgets, and the release of the FY2003 Overlay surplus contributed to a \$2.1 million year end undesignated fund balance that will be available in part to fund capital outlay projects in FY2009.

In FY2007 no full or regular part-time municipal positions were created or eliminated; the work weeks for two positions, one full-time and one part-time, were expanded; one full-time position became vacant and was filled; and, a stipend position was divided between two individuals. On July 1, 2006 Town Treasurer Susan Kelley's work week expanded from 23 to 30 hours, and on November 7, 2006 she was recertified by the Massachusetts Collectors and Treasurers Association. Technology Trainer David Parker's work week increased from 10 to 12 hours also on July 1st. After serving the Town for more than seven years, Custodian EMT Tara Jones resigned in October 2006 to pursue other opportunities. Mark Brooks briefly served in that position before Matt Tyer was appointed in April 2007. Also in April 2007 Ambulance Director Lisa Breault began sharing her workload and stipend with Thomas Arment who was appointed to the newly created position of Assistant Director.

We hired Emergency Medical Technicians Joe Curtin and Victoria Sorrentino to occasionally serve when there was insufficient weekday coverage; and, we welcomed new EMT volunteers Joseph Dondey and Tracie Weller. Donna Toomey agreed to serve as "Temporary Town Clerk", when needed during the absence of Town Clerk Sue Scarpa. Deputy Fire Chief Alan Sparks was appointed "Acting Chief" during Chief Ronald Driscoll's planned medical leave. Todd O'Niel and Richard Tart, II were appointed Special Police Officers and Thomas Martin was appointed Traffic Officer.

During the winter of 2006-2007, Christian Daoust returned to serve as a seasonal Truck Driver/Laborer. In the summer of 2007 Charlene Auger and Matthew Griffin served as seasonal police officers; and Scott Abderhalden returned to serve as the Department of Public Works (DPW) engineering intern. Lindsey Shook and Alek O'Brien also returned to serve as DPW groundskeepers; and they were joined by Christian DelGrande. Lifeguards Keeley Farnam and Brian Beauregard and swimming instructor Raymond Zelehoski joined returning maintenance/operations person Ed Handberg, and lifeguards Kaila Buffis, Michael Gregory and Scott Gregory at Sandy Beach.

In July 2006 C. H. Nickerson and Company, Inc. of Torrington, CT, began to construct the new and expanded wastewater treatment plant. The \$18,611,280 construction contract, which includes demolition of the existing sewer plant, is scheduled to be completed in the spring of 2008. The \$22.7 million project is essentially funded by a \$21.4 million, low(2%) interest, state loan requiring annual repayments of about \$1.35 million. In May 2007 the Town Representatives discussed using available sewer funds to reduce the debt, and shifting payment of the debt from the sewer rate payers to the tax payers. A decision was postponed to the spring of 2008, by which time the actual project costs should be determined.

In January 2007, after it became apparent that nonprofit organizations such as the Lee Youth Association and the Lee Regional Visiting Nurses Association would not invest in the reuse of the Hyde building, Elder Services of Berkshire County proposed that they use the building to provide an additional eleven to sixteen units of housing for low income elderly residents who require on-site services. In May the Town Representatives approved the reuse plan, and Elder Services submitted a grant application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Earlier in FY2007 that federal agency provided, via the state Department of Housing and Community Development, \$1.2 million to Lee and four other towns for a home improvement program. The Town of Lanesborough serves as the lead community for that grant for which \$185,000 was set aside for five income eligible Lee residents.

In addition to these affordable housing initiatives, the Town reallocated federal funds which it had escrowed to cover wage claims, if any arose from a downtown commercial facade program administered by the defunct Lee Economic Action for Downtown (L.E.A.D.). After the statutory deadline for making those claims passed, \$40,000 was committed to the Lee Community Development Corporation to promote economic development in the downtown.

In FY2007 extraordinary property tax base growth and the restoration of a significant amount of state-aid offset exceptional operating cost increases, thereby enabling us to maintain services while we continued to make progress on important infrastructure, affordable housing and economic development projects.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia D. Carlino, *Chairman in FY2007*

Frank A. Consolati

Gordon D. Bailey

Robert L. Nason, *Town Administrator*



TOWN ACCOUNTANT
Combined Balance Sheet
June 30, 2007

<i>Assets</i>	<i>General</i>	<i>Special</i>	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Trusts</i>	<i>Agency</i>	<i>Total</i>
Cash	\$4,167,090.00	\$6,085,221.00	\$359,249.00	\$1,876,192.00	\$188,045.00	\$12,675,797.00
Receivables:						
Property Taxes minus Overlay	(35,354.00)					(35,354.00)
Excise	60,364.00					60,364.00
Tax Liens and Forclosures	104,279.00					104,279.00
User Charges	3,701.00					3,701.00
Deferred Taxes	7,784.00					7,784.00
Departmental Receivables		474,460.00				474,460.00
Other Assets	1,531.00					1,531.00
TOTAL ASSETS:	\$4,309,394.00	\$6,559,681.00	\$359,249.00	\$1,876,192.00	\$188,045.00	\$13,292,562.00
Liabilities:						
Warrants Payable	113,971.00	54,178.00	147.00	2,308.00	533.00	171,137.00
Accured Payroll & Withholdings	68,458.00	8,764.00				77,222.00
Deferred Revenue	138,605.00	476,501.00				615,106.00
Other Liabilities	13,854.00					13,854.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES:	\$334,888.00	\$539,443.00	147.00	\$2,308.00	\$533.00	\$877,318
Reserv. for Encumbrances	656,362.00	290,138.00				946,499.00
Reserv. for Expenditures	797,942.00	758,254.00		8,898.00		1,565,094.00
Reserv. for Future Exclud Debt	75,129.00					75,129.00
Reserv. Short Term Debt Exclud	9,679.00					9,679.00
Reserv. for Snow/Ice Deficit	-					-
Undesignated Fund Balance	2,435,395.00	4,971,847.00	359,102.00	1,864,986.00	187,512.00	9,818,843.00
TOTAL FUND BALANCE:	\$3,974,507.00	\$6,020,239.00	\$359,102.00	\$1,873,884.00	\$187,512.00	\$12,415,244.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY:	\$4,309,394.00	\$6,559,681.00	\$359,249.00	\$1,876,192.00	\$188,045.00	\$13,292,562.00

TOWN ACCOUNTANT
Special Revenue Fund

Schedule 1-A

FUND:	Balance 7/1/2006	Revenues	Transfers In	Expenses	Transfers Out	Balance 6/30/2007
Ambulance	108		479,861	(469,562)		10,407
Elections & Registration	40	893		(906)		27
Tri Town Health	10,764	83,183	85,614	(206,477)		(26,916)
Tobacco Grant 04	0	70,817		(70,619)		198
Highway: Chapter 246	(48,981)	49,030		(1,301)		(1,252)
Conservation Commission	7,505	5,913		(2,945)		10,473
Mass. Recycling	1,556	1,500		(2,424)		632
Springfield, MA Rec Facility	395					395
MSCP Community Dev.	62					62
CDAG Lee Business Park	(546)					(546)
PWED 95	1,452					1,452
MA Hist Comm Park	427					427
Youth and Parks	50					50
HUD 107	500					500
Rural Business Devel.	(3,406)					(3,406)
FY98 Mass. Pike Grant	(32)					(32)
CDAG Admin Funds	1,111					1,111
MTA 2000 Grant	3,874					3,874
Laurel Lake Assoc.	21					21
Berkshire Housing Grant	116,170	4,746				120,916
Compost Bins	1,400	125				1,525
Trolley	26,949		6,529	(6,532)		26,946
Fire Inspections	2,669	6,052		(3,612)		5,109
Sale of Real Estate	1,336					1,336
Sale of Cemetery Lots	52,983	8,234			(7,050)	54,167

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FUND:	Balance 7/1/2006	Revenues	Transfers In	Expenses	Transfers Out	Balance 6/30/2007
Conservation Commission	3,303					3,303
Ambulance	400,810				(567,784)	385,380
Ambulance Debt Reserve	192,594	359,760	192,594		(192,594)	
Sewer Easement	1,610					1,610
MA Clean Up Grant	22,522					22,522
State Aid to Libraries	109	7,420		(5,419)		2,110
Arts Lottery Council	7,364	4,106		(4,823)		6,647
Council On Aging	0	8,121		(8,121)		-
Arts Council Donations	3,702	1,435				5,137
Emergency Operat Plann		11,889		(12,362)		(473)
Gov. Highway Safety Grant	1,231					1,231
Gov. Police Safety Grant		5,300		(3,647)		1,653
Ambulance Car Seat Grant		1,410		(1,357)		53
Ambulance Task Force		1,000		(1,000)		-
Community Policing '06	7,414			(7,415)		(1)
Community Policing '07		11,299		(2,961)		8,338
State Emerg Trans Grant				(503)		(503)
School Lunch Program	33,518	355,407		(311,108)		57,817
Total Revolving School Fund	667,563	926,350		(1,217,273)	(1,158)	375,482
Total School Grants	2,610	627,792	1,158	(621,682)		9,878
Skateboard	110					110
Fire Department Donation	1,194	100				1,294
Police D.A.R.E. Donation	471	325				796
Explorers Donation	344					344
Flag Donations	200					200
Sandy Beach Donation	0					-
Hazardous Waste	14					14
E.M.T. Donation	263	73		(119)		217
Elderly Tax Abate Program	3,084	1,342		(1,100)		3,326
Animal Control Donations	70					70
TOTAL:	\$1,526,508	\$2,553,622	\$765,756	\$(2,983,267)	\$(768,586)	\$1,094,032

TOWN ACCOUNTANT
Capital Projects Fund

Schedule 1-B

FUND:	Balance 7/1/2006	Perm Bond	Transfer In	Expenses	Transfer Out	Balance 6/30/2007
Water Filtration PH#1	41,873					41,873
Water Filtration PH#3	108,012			(59,508)		48,504
New Ambulance	126					126
Union St./Sewer Line	10,000					10,000
Wastewater Collect/Treat	1,351					1,351
New School Design	219,459					219,459
School Underground Tank	27,685					27,685
Sewer Plant FY2006	(131,583)	11,866,845		(11,736,648)		(1,386)
Sewer #7	2,251					2,251
Highway Gar. Ceiling 22/97	3,423					3,423
Fire Stat Windows 36/99	1,800					1,800
Fire Stat/Window/Heat 25/97	401					401
Water Meter Install Project	383					383
Landfill Closure	4,485					4,485
TOTAL:	289,666	11,866,845	-	(\$11,796,156)	-	\$360,355

TOWN ACCOUNTANT
Trust and Agency Funds

Schedule 1-C

FUND:	Balance 7/1/2006	Receipts	Transfers	Expenses	Transfers Out	Balance 6/30/2007
Fairmont Cemetery	160,250					160,250
M. Jones	4,700					4,700
St. Mary's	5,870					5,870
A.A. Jones	1,000					1,000
TOTAL RESTRICTED:	\$171,820					\$171,820
Fairmont	10,960	8,769	7,050	(8,536)		18,243
Gravestone Repair	416	3				419
J.J. Jones	466	80				597
Morgan Jones	3,523	431				3,954
Conservation	4,060	30				4,091
Stabilization	1,391,399	69,291				1,460,690
Law Enforcement	17,605	25,437		(25,876)		17,165
Historical	2,061	78		(110)		2,029
St. Mary's Expend	0	308		(308)		—
Scholarship Funds*	184,457	24,625		(14,207)		194,876
TOTAL UNRESTRICTED:	\$1,614,999	\$0	\$7,050	(\$49,037)	0	\$1,702,065
TOTAL:	\$1,786,819	\$0	\$7,050	(\$49,037)	0	\$1,873,885

TOWN ACCOUNTANT					Schedule 1-D	
Agency Funds					Transfers Out	Balance 6/30/2007
FUND:	Balance 7/1/2006	Receipts	Transfers	Expenses		
Conservation/Rossi	987	51				1,038
Berkshire Village	14,726	390		(15,116)		-
Horizon	227,675	733		(228,407)		0
Conservation Oak n Spruce	24,389	98				24,486
Tri-Town	-359	21,220		(20,252)		608
O/S Detail	16,517	109,327		(119,318)		6,527
Ins Claim	8,559	26,674		(29,680)		5,553
Deputy Fees	2,707	11,125		(9,718)		4,114
Firearms License	1,125	12,975		(10,238)		3,863
Scully- Sewer Mitigation	126,189	632		(250)		126,571
Curb Cuts	7,071	8,516		(5,344)		10,242
O/S Consultant	66					66
Erskine Park/Golden Hill	131	7				138
FL Roberts Escrow		9,652		(5,993)		3,660
Conservation - Lorings	990	27		(371)		647
Time Warner Payment		32,411		(32,441)		-
TOTALS:	\$430,772	\$233,838	\$0	(\$477,098)	(0)	\$187,512
*Scholarship Funds (Schedule 1-C):						
Nagle Scholar	1,416	71				1,487
Class of 1978	64	3		(100)		(32)
M. Abderhalden	40	2				42
Class of 1977	15	1				16
H.J. Wheeler	3,727	193		(100)		3,820
Michael Whalen	8,085	415		(500)		8,000
F. Leda Stratton	119	6				125
B & J Stevenson	23,321	1,690		(1,000)		24,012
Pease Memorial	37,412	1,937		(1,000)		38,349
Michael R. Coty	10,729	556		(150)		11,134
Michael Coty/Class 8	22	51		(50)		24
Gertrude T. Bailey	1	0				1
David Bailey	3,069	148		(500)		2,717

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FUND:	Balance 7/1/2005	Transfers	Receipts In	Expenses	Transfers Out	Balance 6/30/2007
Penny Lohbauer	1,302	67		(250)		1,119
Joseph Loring	2,533	131		(250)		2,414
Alan Wurtzbach	84	4		(50)		38
Mario Bona Memorial	1,561	81				1,641
Victor Blache Memorial	1,091	56				1,147
Heather Helen Hawley	4,965	257		(250)		4,972
Ladies Auxiliary VFW	1,039	54				1,093
Robert Lucy	9,125	1,500		(1,000)		9,625
Charles Stratton	18,537	949		(500)		18,987
Eugenio Bonafin	2,208	114		(150)		2,172
Ardella Donnell	2,624	136		(50)		2,710
Al & Mary Vinatier	1,170	61		(100)		1,130
Michael A. Curley	3,761	190		(200)		3,751
LTP C. Carrington	453	23		(50)		426
Class 37 D. Trufant	6928	343		(700)		6,571
Henry G. Greiner	5047	261		(100)		5,208
LH Parents	5483	282		(2,625)		3,140
M. Salinetti	328	3		(332)		-
Meg Cade	3,998	207		(500)		3,704
Mark Drury	487	426		(400)		513
Richard Morin	1,694	2,644		(500)		3,838
Alba Pasco	10,630	544		(300)		10,874
Eloise Myers	4,312	223		(500)		4,035
Joseph Sayery	7,075	873				7,948
Majorie Wickham Mem	0	10,124		(2,000)		8,124
SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS:	184,456	24,625		(14,207)		194,875

Schedule 5

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Debt Schedule

PURPOSE: Long Term Debt

Inside Debt Limit

	Outstanding 7/01/2006	Issued This Year	Retired This Year	Outstanding 6/30/2007	Interest Paid
Fire Truck	55,000		15,000	40,000	2,500
Ambulance Garage	190,000		40,000	150,000	9,025
School Remodeling	-			-	
High School Roof	-			-	
Road	10,000		5,000	5,000	358
Fire Truck	60,000		30,000	30,000	2,145
High School	3,075,000		160,000	2,915,000	122,238
MWPAT Design	139,276		9,442	127,054	1,466
Subsiday			2,780		

TOTALS:

\$ 3,529,276 - \$ 262,222 \$ 3,267,054 137,731

Outside Debt Limit

Elementary School	11,488,879		465,000	10,995,000	456,871
Sewer Plant #5-35		21,427,844		21,427,844	
Water Filtration #1	1,464,452		25,527	1,438,925	65,900
Water Plant #2	271,515		4,454	267,061	12,218
Water Plant #3	3,361,061		51,952	3,309,109	151,248
Landfill	75,000		40,000	35,000	2,620
Meter Serial Notes	300,000		100,000	200,000	9,000

TOTALS:

\$16,932,028 \$21,427,844 \$686,933 \$37,672,939 \$697,858

GRAND TOTAL

\$20,461,304 \$21,427,844 \$949,155 \$40,939,993 \$835,589



TOWN CLERK

The following is my report for the Town Clerk's office.

For elections, we started using the new Automark handicapped ballot marking machine. We had a few voters use this new machine, but I will try to promote its use for the four elections we have in 2008.

It works well for those who have trouble seeing or hearing. They can now mark their ballot by themselves, and the machine will show you or tell you exactly how you marked the ballot, then you can make corrections, if needed, then print the completed ballot to put in the ballot box.

I have been working diligently to make sure our service men and women get their ballots on time and to the correct address. It is so important to make sure they get to vote wherever they are stationed.

The Census is a continuous problem trying to get the forms to the residents of Lee. I do not have many post office box numbers, nor have I been told that residents have moved around Town or out of Town. The hardest part is getting the census form to residents who have divorced. I am not notified if they are still in Lee or moved out of Lee and who has the children.

It is so important to get a good count of residents, for aid from the State, determine how many Teachers will be needed, how many buses will be needed, grants, and the school lunch program. The more residents we have in Town the better aid we can receive from the State.

The voting list is also prepared from the census list. If you do not respond to the census, you may be removed from the voting list, and your right to vote may be terminated. Please fill out the census and send it back to the Town Clerk as soon as possible.

I would like to thank Donna Toomey, Sandy Cozzaglio and Betty Larrivee for their professionalism, work ethics and courteous behavior towards the residents and visitors of Lee. They are truly an asset to this office when I am at school, on vacation or out sick. I would also like to thank the Board of Selectmen and the Town Administrator for their continued support throughout the year.

The following is my report:

VITAL STATISTICS

Births	39
Marriages	48
Deaths	66

Inflammable Licenses	19
Business Certificates	60
Raffle Permits	5

Registered Voters	3,856
Population	5,294

Dog Licenses	
Males	38
Females	35
Neutered	280
Spayed	147

Total registered dogs	500
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Total amount collected for the Town \$5,365.00 includes late fees

Fishing & Hunting Licenses	
Fish	309
Hunting	70
Sporting	170

Total amount collected and turned over to the State **\$13,205.75.**

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne M. Scarpa
Town Clerk



ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

During the year June 30, 2006, to July 1, 2007, the Lee Zoning Board of Appeals met as needed throughout the year. Overall it was a very quiet year. The Board received three (3) Special Permit Applications; all petitions in (Flood Plain District), two (2) Variance applications; and six (6) petitions for Appeal. Two Special Permit applications were granted and one application was withdrawn without prejudice. One Variance application was granted and one application was withdrawn without prejudice. Three applications for Appeal were granted, two were denied and one was withdrawn.

Members attended several training sessions sponsored by the Massachusetts Association of Zoning Board of Appeals, as well as informative meetings of the Berkshire Regional Planning Commission. As the laws of the Commonwealth change or are reinterpreted, Board members must stay current of developments.

Richard Brittian was voted in to serve as Chairman replacing Edward Handberg.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Brittian, *Chairman*

Edward Handberg

Becky Brunell

Garth Story

Francine Larson

Matthew Carty, *Alternate Member*

Keith Heeren, *Alternate Member*



TOWN COLLECTOR

I herewith submit my annual report covering July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

	Collected	Balance as of June 30, 2007
Real Estate Tax		
2005	\$ 6,932.12	\$ 0
2006	160,311.37	23,028.94
2007	8,946,203.14	264,551.70
Personal Property Taxes		
2005	313.46	205.29
2006	2,619.51	0
2007	410,289.09	5,498.80
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax		
1986	5.00	0
1988	23.75	0
1989	17.50	0
1990	23.75	0
1991	31.25	0
1994	5.00	0
1995	17.50	0
1997	15.83	0
1998	97.50	0
1999	81.77	0
2000	23.75	0
2001	115.84	0
2002	173.75	0
2003	349.38	0
2004	334.37	0
2005	3,927.09	213.46
2006	107,196.25	12,669.04
2007	534,054.04	46,118.26
2007 Water Lien Added to Tax	9,028.65	527.00
2007 Sewer Lien Added to Tax	32,434.65	3,102.75
2006 Water Lien Added to Tax	2,837.75	0
2006 Sewer Lien Added to Tax	6,449.00	229.00
2005 Water Lien Added to Tax	474.13	0
2005 Sewer Lien Added to Tax	792.00	0
Roll Back Taxes	133.78	
Trailer Park Fees	7,128.00	

Elderly-Disabled Fund	1,074.09
Deputy Fees	11,125.00
Municipal Lien Certificates	4,725.00
Berkshire Eagle Ad for Takings	55.85
Small Claims Court Fees	40.00
Bounced Check Fees	25.00
Farm Animal Excise Tax	1,927.19
Interest Added to General Fund	53,159.11
Fees Added to General Fund	10,388.00
Registry of Motor Vehicles Clear	4,680.00
Parking Tickets	1,852.65
Water Receipts	1,199,252.36
Sewer Receipts	1,409,841.54
<i>Total Receipts</i>	\$12,930,585.76
Added to Tax Title in FY 2007	
Real Estate Taxes	\$11,908.67
Water Liens	634.55
Sewer Liens	1,855.00
Fiscal 2007 Real Estate Taxes Deferred	\$6,911.19

Respectfully submitted,

Janice G. Smith
Town Collector



TOWN TREASURER

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Treasurer's office in addition to the normal operations had numerous projects throughout the year. Below is a highlight of some of the things that went on during the fiscal year.

I have a total of 415 full and part time employees. The Town of Lee still maintains it's commitment to our employees to educate and encourage them in regards to wellness. The following wellness programs were put on: 6 week Walking Fitness Series, Making Time for Yourself and Your Health Seminar, Integrated Culinary Coaching & Cooking Demonstration, 5 week Back Strengthening Fitness Series, "Lighten Your Days! Be Humor-Improved!" stress seminar, Healthy Eating 101 class, and our annual wellness fair. At this fair we offered cholesterol with HDL's & Glucose screenings, Chair Massage, On-going cooking presentation and a relaxation station that included a Reiki demonstration. I have seen attendance to our wellness activities continue to increase which is very encouraging.

We currently offer to our employees health insurance, life insurance, whole and universal insurance, accident and disability insurance, two separate voluntary retirement plans, a flexible spending plan and dental insurance. This requires a lot of management from within our department. To always strive and get the best product and prices most of these are renegotiated each year. We also sell Six Flags reduced tickets.

I manage the Insurance Advisory Committee which consists of the following members: Paul Porrini, Joe Turmel, Betty Leahey, Jim Walker, Patricia Gray, Mark Hungate, Donna Kresiak, and Craig DeSantis. We met a few times during the fiscal year. We continue to purchase our health insurance through MIIA and received a 4.9% increase in rates. There was no change to the product. We also received a 0% increase for life insurance with a 2 year contract with AIG, Inc. I want to thank each of the members for their participation on this committee.

The following employees retired: Neil Clarke and Mary Doherty

The following retirees past away: Mary Serra and Larry Cernik. I express my deepest condolences to their families.

I earned \$454,657.36 in investment income.

No bonds were retired during FY07. The current total amount outstanding is \$55,031,601.41. The total debt/interest schedule effective 6/30/2007 is as follows:

Fire Truck	\$44,312.50
Ambulance Garage	\$170,362.50
Water Treatment Plant	\$9,134,905.78
Industrial Park Road	\$5,120.00
Fire Truck	\$30,720.00
Landfill	\$35,840.00
WWTP Upgrade	\$99,750.65
Elementary School	\$15,260,188.25
High School	3,865,125.00
WWTP Expansion	26,385,276.73

The office hours were changed effective 7-1-2006 because I added another day to my schedule. We are now open Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 3:00. We make every effort to accommodate the other departments and employees in our absence. Donna Toomey continues to work very hard handling the entire payroll and many employee benefit issues that come up throughout the year. She is a great support and valuable asset to the Town of Lee. This office could not run as effectively as it does without her commitment and support. I thank her for all she does.

BALANCE IN TREASURY JULY 1, 2006	12,174,706.70
Receipts July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007	34,303,950.99
Less Payments July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007	33,805,434.14
Balance June 30, 2007	12,673,044.61

DEPOSITORIES

Mellon Bank	25,344.35
Lee Bank General Fund	1,028,968.57
Bank of America	41,734.65
Legacy Bank	40,076.17
Berkshire Bank Cafeteria	339,937.55
Citizen Bank	49,535.93
Webster Bank	156,952.27

UniBank	2,119,420.91
Berkshire Bank	2,349,812.97
Massachusetts Municipal Depository Trust	658,329.71
BankNorth	1,659,162.48
BankNorth Ambulance Account	263,366.15
UniBank Collection	96,678.94
Bank of Western Mass	48,615.13
Berkshire Bank CD Investment	1,025,877.33
Bank of Western Mass CD Investment	206,786.10
UniBank CD Investment	210,971.55
Berkshire Bank High School Bond Investment	227,880.79
Berkshire Bank Stabilization Fund	1,460,690.37
Lee Bank Cultural Council	10,134.60
Lee Bank Historical	2,028.90
Lee Bank Law Enforcement	30,464.23
Lee Bank Sale of Lots	56,567.97
A. A. Jones - Lee Bank	1,597.12
Morgan Jones - Lee Bank	8,653.73
Fairmount Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund-Lee Bank	176,093.01
Conservation Commission Trust Fund-Lee Bank	4,090.74
Gravestone Repair-Lee Bank	419.30
St. Mary's Perpetual Care Fund-Lee Bank	5,870.00
Conservation/Silverleaf-Legacy Bank	24,486.33
Scholarship Accounts-Webster Bank	196,874.90
Elderly Taxation Account	3,326.63
DPW Curb Cuts-Webster Bank	10,241.79
Legacy Bank - Sewer Mitigation	126,571.08
Planning Board - Escrow Accounts-Webster Bank	5,482.36
<u>TOTAL DEPOSITORIES</u>	<u>12,673,044.61</u>

Respectfully submitted,

Susan E. Kelley,
Treasurer



BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Total Appropriations	\$ 17,486,714.00
Other Charges	684,436.00
State and County Charges	491,108.00
Allowance for Abatements and Exemptions	200,776.43
Total Amount to be Raised:	\$ 18,863,034.43

Estimated Receipts - STATE	3,857,986.00
Estimated Receipts - LOCAL	3,437,782.00
Free Cash - Applied	731,578.00
Available Funds - Applied	1,153,090.00
Total Estimated Receipts	\$ 9,180,436.00

Raised From Real Estate Tax	9,264,306.11
Raised From Personal Property Tax	418,292.32
Total Raised From Taxes	\$ 9,682,598.43
Total Raised	18,863,034.43
Total Assessed Valuation	789,771,487.00

Tax Rate	12.26
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The Board of Assessors processed:

Elderly Exemptions and Veteran Exemptions	154
Personal Property and Real Estate Abatements	64
Motor Vehicle Abatements	220
Senior Work Off Program	11

Respectfully submitted,

William Derrick, *Chairman*
Dayton DeLorme, *Appointed Assessor*
Edward Briggs, *Appointed Assessor*
Sarah T. Navin, *Assessors' Clerk*



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

The following is the annual report of the Department of Public Works for the fiscal year 2007 (FY07).

Highway Division

The primary responsibility of the Highway Department is to maintain the Towns highway and bridge infrastructure. This year town employees modified problem drainage areas, patched potholes, landscaped roadsides, and completed a multitude of roadway and bridge maintenance projects.

In addition to the Towns forces, private contractors were retained to place bituminous concrete, and apply crack sealing to various Town roads. The following roads were re-paved: Davis Street, South Prospect Street and portions of Greylock and East Streets. The following roads were crack sealed: High Street, Golden Hill and School Street.

The winter season was handled superbly by Highway Supervisor Dennis Kelly and his crew. They performed with excellence during extremely adverse and tiring conditions. The Town utilized 1,500 tons of salt and countless man hours to provide safe traveling for the public.

Forestry

The DPW continues to receive numerous requests to remove trees. The budget is limited as to the number that can be removed. We prioritize tree removal to those that are of an imminent danger to the public.

Water Division

The Water Department strives to provide all users with excellent water and uninterrupted service. This fiscal year the Water Department finished 275 million gallons of potable water. The Towns Water Supervisor, Mike Towler and his crew continue to maintain, operate, and initiate improvements to the distribution system, storage tanks, treatment plant, reservoirs, access road, and watershed. With the Towns aging water system, these tasks become increasingly difficult. Mike and his crew should be commended on their effort to maintain the system.

Sewer Division

The Sewer Departments primary responsibility is to collect, pump, and treat raw sewage. This fiscal year the Sewer Department treated approximately 284 million gallons of raw sewage. The Towns Waste Water Supervisor, Alan Zerbato and his crew continue to maintain, operate, monitor, and initiate improvements to the collection system, pump stations, and treatment plant. The Waste Water Treatment Plant constructed in 1968, along with the Towns aging sewerage infrastructure, while in definite need of improvement and upgrade, continue to operate within acceptable parameters, producing a "quality" effluent. This is attributed to the dedication of Alan and his crew.

The Town retained the consulting services of Metcalf & Eddy, from Wakefield, MA to design, bid, and build a new WWTP. Currently, the construction is progressing on schedule and below budget. We expect the plant to be operational by March of 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher A. Pompei, P.E., D.P.W., *Superintendent*

Board of Public Works:

Robert Bartini, *Chairman*

David Forrest, *Clerk*

William Enser, *Member*

Peter Jahn, *Member*

Roger Scheurer, *Member*

Tom Arment, *Member*



ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR

Applications for Wiring

Number of Permits

New Services	9
Service Upgrade	11
New Homes	16
New Commercial & Industrial Buildings	4
Misc. Wiring Residential	52
Misc. Wiring Commercial & Industrial	35
Swimming Pools & Hot Tubs	7
Fire & Burglar Alarm	21
Oil & Gas Boilers	5

Total: 160

Fees Collected From July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007 \$10,695.00

Respectfully submitted,

Rich Driscoll
Electrical Inspector



SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES

A total of 248 inspections were made by this Department as follows:

Scales	90
Gas and diesel	122
Scanner Inspection	36

Fees collected and turned in to Treasurer, in the amount of six thousand three hundred and three dollars (\$6,303.00).

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald J. Cahalan, (Sealer)
Sealer of Weights & Measures



GAS AND PLUMBING INSPECTOR

The following is a list of inspections done by the Gas and Plumbing Inspector during fiscal year 2007 :

Gas:

38 New Construction
17 Renovations
22 Replacements

Plumbing:

175 Toilets
79 Kitchen Sinks
188 Lavatory Sinks
91 Bathtubs
71 Shower Stalls
48 Dishwashers
3 Garbage Disposals
42 Water Heaters
0 Tankless Coils
16 Slop Sinks
0 Roof Drains
10 Backflow Preventors
1 Grease Traps
42 Washer Connections
15 Miscellaneous Fixtures
21 Floor Drains
5 Drinking Fountains
2 Hand Wash Sinks
0 Three Bay Sinks
2 Water Meters

Total: 77

Fees collected from
July 1, 2006 - June 30, 2007 \$2,947

44 Inspections for new construction
28 Renovations
17 Replacement

Total: 89

Fees collected from
July 1, 2006 - June 30, 2007 \$8,229

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Jakacky
Gas and Plumbing Inspector



BUILDING INSPECTOR

I hereby submit my report for the fiscal year 2007.

<u>Permit Category</u>	<u>Issued</u>	<u>Value</u>
New Dwellings	21	\$5,504,765
Addition/Alterations (Attached porch, deck, garage)	134	1,982,451
Utilities (Detached sheds, barns, tents)	30	455,015
Pools	10	207,324
Commercial	65	9,567,244
Roofs	78	365,965
Demolition	13	97,740
Certificate of Occupancy	40	385
Solid Fuel Appliances	22	770
Signs	113	3,780
Certificate of Inspections (304/106)	27	920
TOTAL	553	18,186,359.00
Permit Fees		144,341.79

Our department is committed to help the public in the permitting process. Please use us for a resource in any building or zoning inquiries.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald R. Torrico, C.B.O.
Building Commissioner



POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

While the town experienced an overall decline in burglaries and larcenies this fiscal year, we along with the rest of Berkshire County experienced a rash of such crimes in the summer and fall of 2006. Working together with police departments from both Massachusetts and New York, our officers obtained a search warrant for a home in Lee. The search resulted in the arrest of two individuals and the recovery of an assortment of property taken from at least 19 burglaries throughout the county. The investigative work of Officers William Bartini and Craig DeSantis combined with the hard work by all our officers executing the warrant and collecting the large assortment of evidence led to the successful conclusion of numerous cases.

Motor vehicle accidents were down this year, but the community experienced two motor vehicle fatalities. On a rainy afternoon in September a southbound truck on Route 7 lost control and struck an oncoming vehicle, killing the car's driver. The driver of the truck was successfully prosecuted as a result of the investigative efforts of Officers William Tierney and James Loring. The second fatality occurred at night in November when a car struck a pedestrian at a crosswalk on Housatonic Street.

Over the past year, Officers Jeffrey Roosa and Craig DeSantis continued their participation with the Berkshire County Special Response Team. Officer William Bartini continued his work with the Berkshire County Drug Task Force, and Officer Adrian Kohlenberger continued in his valuable role as our School Resource Officer. Sgt. Joseph Buffis represented the Department at the Summer DARE Camp, and Officers Craig DeSantis and Stephanie Burdick continued their excellent investigate work in their roles as sexual assault and child abuse investigators.

During the past year, we applied for and received a Community Policing grant for \$11,299 that allowed us to continue our highly successful seasonal officer foot patrol program on Main Street. We also received a regional grant this year that allowed us to obtain police computer database software that greatly enhanced our record keeping ability and our interoperability with area police agencies.

I would like to thank all our officers for their investigative and enforcement efforts, and their dedicated service to the community. I would also like to thank Tracy Dunn for her hard work as the police secretary. In addition, I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen and Town Representatives for their support.

FY 2007 Statistical Summary

Total Incidents Handled	6,458
Assaults	36

Burglary	16
Larceny	59
Larceny of Motor Vehicle	3
Rape/Sexual Assault	4
Medical Assistance	415
Armed Robbery	0
Driving Under the Influence	13
Drug Cases	32
Traffic Accidents	245
Motor Vehicle Citations	335
Alarms	501

Respectfully Submitted,

Ronald C. Glidden,
Chief of Police



ANIMAL INSPECTOR

I hereby submit my report as your Animal Inspector for the period of July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

10 day, in-home quarantines were issued for five dog bite incidents. There were numerous possible exposures in domestic outdoor cats consisting of wounds of unknown origin. These possible exposures were from domestic encounters with wildlife. Two wildlife specimens from the Town of Lee were submitted to the State Rabies Laboratory and both tested positive for the rabies virus which shows that vaccinating your pets is a very important safeguard for their health and well being.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy L. Belair,
Animal Inspector



TRAFFIC COMMISSION

The Traffic Commission had very few traffic safety issues arise in 2007.

The completion of Housatonic Street brought to light the new color configuration for the town's cross-walks, at all Main Street locations. The new color seems to work well for appearance and safety. Repeated salting and sanding due to the harsh winter has eroded some of the walk-way color, but spring is almost here and walk-ways will soon be repainted.

We have been joining the Berkshire Regional Planning Commission for the past 8 months with meetings held each month at Lee Library.

We are trying to resolve some of the heavy truck traffic on Main Street and address some failed intersections in town. We have been collecting data on traffic counts, and looking into alternate routes for the future of Lee downtown. This commission is set up with our neighboring towns, to try and help Lee Main Street traffic's heavy volume. There will be a presentation of our results and suggestions to the town soon.

Other traffic concerns have been addressed, such as parking issues, street signage & speed limits. If any resident has any concerns with traffic issues please let us know.

The traffic commission would like to thank the Lee Police Department and Department of Public Works for their cooperation in addressing and helping some of our town's traffic issues.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald H. LePrevost, **Chairman**

Edward Forfa

Robert Giarolo

Christopher Pompi, **DPW**

Ronald Glidden, **Police Chief**



ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

I hereby submit my report as your Animal Control Officer for the Town of Lee for the period of July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

I responded to 461 calls from the Town of Lee, which were logged into the Lee Dispatch Center. This number does not include calls directly to my home or office, nor does this number include calls from other towns for referral services. These calls consisted of problems concerning the following: 8 meetings with clients, 5 loose dog complaints, 9 barking dog complaints, 5 dogs hit by cars, 73 stray dog complaints, 38 lost pets, 34 wildlife calls (i.e. raccoons, opossums, skunks, etc.), 6 aggressive dog complaints, 1 donation call, 2 abuse and/or neglect complaints, 7 calls concerning dogs left in parked cars in the summertime weather (again this year the majority of these calls were from the Prime Outlets) 3 deceased domestic animals found, 26 calls from owners retrieving their impounded pets, 5 dog bites & 5 corresponding quarantines, 96 phone consults and 29 miscellaneous calls.

There were also a few unclaimed strays that were impounded and after 10 days brought to the Humane Society for adoption.

I also responded to 60 calls from other surrounding Berkshire County towns (excluding Lenox). Most of these were owners looking to other towns for lost pets and/or referrals to the correct authority.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve the Town of Lee in this capacity.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy L. Belair,
Animal Control Officer



FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Department responded to 180 calls.

Chimney Fires	3	CO Detector	11
Electrical	5	Fuel Spills	4
Fire Alarm Activated	61	Grass & Brush	6
Jaws of Life	2	Mass Turnpike	7
Medical/Defib	13	Miscellaneous	34
Mutual Aid Given	8	Oil Burner	2
Service Calls	3	Structures	4
Vehicle	11	Wires Down	6

All engines have had pump service and pump testing. Some minor repairs were needed. All engines are pumping to their capacities.

A stipend program was voted for the Fire Department. This should increase the response on all calls. This Department is always in need of new members.

The new storage trailer was purchased and is used to store the 6x6 all terrain vehicle and other equipment. This will free up some space in the buildings. The trailer is set up to be moved by Engine 5 or the upgraded tanker.

The room for apparatus and equipment continues to be limited. Solutions for this situation need to be explored.

My personal thanks to the officers and all the volunteers who have given their time to answer alarms and come to training and practice sessions, and for keeping the buildings and equipment in excellent shape. I extend my appreciation to the Dispatch Center, Ambulance Squad and the Police Department. I extend my thanks to all the fire departments that assisted during the year. I sincerely thank the people of the town for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald J. Driscoll, *Chief*



LEE AMBULANCE SERVICE

During this year your ambulance service responded to a total of 813 requests for medical assistance, resulting in the transport of 763 patients to area hospitals.

A breakdown of these calls is as follows:

<u>LOCATION</u>		<u>TYPE OF CALL</u>	
Town of Lee	543	Motor Vehicle Collision	67
Town of Stockbridge	170	Injuries	164
Town of Tyringham	15	Illness/Transport	179
Mass Pike	27	Cardiac/Respiratory	299
Mutual Aid Provided	58	Misc.	104

Of these calls 343 required the services of a Paramedic level ambulance from Pittsfield.

There were 103 incidents requiring multiple ambulance response, of these:

- 62 calls were answered by the returning ambulance
- 41 calls were answered by our second ambulance
- 111 calls required mutual aid as we were unable to respond with the ambulance

Our average response time, obtaining a crew and leaving the station was 5 minutes with an on scene average time of 12.7 minutes.

We currently have a roster of 26 members and of these, 9 members reside in surrounding towns. This indicates the need for more local participation. We are always looking for new members and interested residents are invited to contact me by calling 413-243-5550 or 413-243-5547.

In closing, I would like to express my appreciation to our many volunteers, past and present. To the members of the Lee Fire and Police Departments, and the Lee Dispatch Center. To our members of Stockbridge EMS, Stockbridge Fire and Police Departments, and Lenox and Becket Ambulance Services.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Breault,
Director



CONSERVATION COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Report of the Conservation Commission for Fiscal 2007

The procedure of the Commission issuing sign-offs for all Building Permit requests, required by the Building Inspector, is working well, and helps the Commission in remaining aware of activities in Lee that might have impact on the Wetlands or other resource areas protected by the Wetlands Protection Act and Rivers Act.

The effort to finalize the Lee version of the Scenic Mountains Act continued with public hearings on the Act and presentations to the Selectboard of the Lee areas impacted. We are still awaiting final approval by Counsel at Mass. Department of Environmental Protection. This has been in-process for over two years.

Respectfully submitted,

Stuart Dalheim, **Chair**
Richard Aldrich, Kathy Arment
Audie Furgal, Deborah Garry
Marilyn Hansen, John Philpott



EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

This year we once again focused our emergency management effort on working towards compliance with the nationally mandated National Incident Management System. NIMS certification is required by the Federal Emergency Management Agency for all first responders and certain government employees. This year, the entire police department completed the required training. Members of the Fire Department, DPW employees, and the required employees of town government are in various stages of completion for this certification. The training currently being used is a combination of both on-line and classroom training. In addition, we are also working this year with both regional and state Emergency Management agencies to help coordinate our emergency response plans.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Ronald C. Glidden
Emergency Management Director



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORP.

The Lee Community Development Corporation, a private non-profit economic development organization continues to be involved in both local and regional economic development issues. The Lee CDC's two successful economic development projects, the *Lee Corporate Center*, and *Quarry Hill Business Park* have helped create jobs and economic opportunity in Lee and the region.

During FY 2007 the Lee CDC, at the request of the town of Lee, provided assistance in forming a Downtown Task Force to undertake strategic planning for downtown initiatives. As part of this assistance the CDC has begun to conduct planning meetings and gather data regarding downtown in order to increase state and federal grant competitiveness and put in place initiatives that will encourage private investment and smart growth development in the downtown area.

In 2007 the Lee CDC continued to assist the town in downtown development and through a grant from the Mass Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) undertook a feasibility study for the East Side Parking Development Project in an attempt to unlock the economic development potential of 40-50 Main Street (the "Bookless Block"). The CDC also assisted the town in preparing grant applications for funding this initiative.

LEE CORPORATE CENTER

The LEE CORPORATE CENTER is a 116,640 square foot multi-tenant office and light manufacturing facility developed in 1995 by the Lee Community Development Corporation, Berkshire Housing Development Corporation, and a consortium of local businesses including Boyd Converting, Country Curtains, and Ray Murray, Inc.

Situated on a 15.4 acre tract on Route 102 the facility has parking for 150 vehicles. The steel framed building, originally built in the 1970's, has been transformed from its original use as a single use distribution center to an innovative multi-tenant facility with 35,000 square feet of modern office space and 81,000 square feet of warehouse/light industrial/assembly space. A new elevator services the second floor and all offices feature wall to wall carpeting, central air conditioning, acoustical ceilings, and recessed lighting. The facility meets all safety and ADA accessibility guidelines. The Lee Corporate Center has enjoyed another successful year, housing a wide variety of companies.

QUARRY HILL BUSINESS PARK

The Lee CDC continues to market the Quarry Hill Business Park. This Lee CDC facility features town water and sewer, natural gas, full service high capac-

capacity electric, telecommunications, and a complete storm water management system, as well as concrete sidewalks and decorative lighting. Since completion in November, 1997, five parcels have been sold at Quarry Hill to Cavallero Plastics, Inc., Applied Energy Management, Inc., Ray Murray, Inc., Lee Family Practice medical group, and Barrington Coffee Roasters.

We wish to thank all of our local and regional supporters and partners in community and economic development.

Respectfully submitted,

Raymond B. Murray III, ***President***

Lee CDC Board Members, 2007:

Raymond B. Murray III, ***President***

John Philpott, ***Vice President***

Chauncey Collins, ***Treasurer***

Robert Birch, ***Clerk***

Richard H. Vinette, Jr., Esq., ***Executive Director***

David Bruce

Don Hunter, Esq.

John E. Toole

Dani J. Holmes

William Enser

Frank Consolati

Jason P. McCandless



TRI-TOWN HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Title 5 On-site Wastewater Disposal: Responsibilities associated with Title 5 requirements continually increases on a yearly basis. Additionally, we have required that a Tri-Town staff member witness all Title 5 inspections. This program ensures that all regulations are being complied with.

Moreover, with the increase of demand associated with professional continuing education credits for Registered Sanitarians, Septic Installer, Title 5 and Soil Evaluator certifications; Jim and I have created specialized training that meet the needs of the professional. Training topics have included:

- Title 5 Information: "Title 5 Changes"
- I/A Technologies: Enviro-Septic® systems
- I/A Technologies: Cultec

Food Service Sanitation Program: In an effort to assist Special Event Coordinators and ensuring the public that events are safe, healthy and successful, we have asked that all Coordinators refer food vendors who plan to prepare and/or sell food products to this office. We can then confirm that all vendors are properly licensed and have complied with all necessary regulations before operating.

*Ice Sampling: Our ice sampling program has proved to be extremely successful in ensuring that all ice machines are routinely maintained and sanitized and that all ice used for consumption is properly stored and handled.

Pool & Spa Monitoring Program: Routine inspections/sampling program for public/semi public swimming pools and hot tubs has been successful in improving and maintaining bacteriological quality of these establishments. Most owners have complied with all necessary upgrades to facilities.

State Massage Licensure: Legislation has been enacted to require state licensure of Massage Practitioners, Massage schools, and Massage Establishments. Currently, the Governor is in the process of selecting and appointing Board members. The tentative date of implementation is May 2008.

Tobacco Awareness Program: The Tobacco Awareness Program is grant funded by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and provides a variety of tobacco control services for (14) fourteen Berkshire County communities. A major part of our scope of service is to conduct Tobacco Retailer Trainings. This year, Health Agent/Department Administrator, Kimberly Kelly conducted (10) ten trainings that educated over (75) seventy-five tobacco retail clerks. Her trainings include how to interpret regulations, types of tobacco products, enforcement of tobacco regulations, forms of identification and store policy development.

The Massachusetts Tobacco Control Program (MTCP) funded a state-wide media campaign that incorporated the smoke-free workplace law into newspaper, radio and billboard advertising. MTCP granted our program approximately

approximately \$5,000 in which was used to advertise the smoke-free workplace message with local radio, newspapers and (4) billboards located in Pittsfield and Sheffield.

Another duty of Kim's is to conduct at least (3) three tobacco compliance checks at every tobacco retailer in the (14) fourteen community collaborative. Tobacco sales to minors has exponentially increased over the past year; resulting in (71) seventy-one tobacco sales to minors. This number has more than doubles from last fiscal year.

Youth Access Plan Initiative: My staff and I are coordinating efforts with local Boards of Health to develop a Youth Access Plan Initiative to reduce the number of tobacco sales to minors and to educate tobacco retail clerks the proper methods in doing so. A tobacco sub-committee has been formed to initiate conversation with local tobacco retailers and to hear their voices and opinions of the initiative. We have drafted regulations which would require anyone selling tobacco to attend a free training course and pass a basic competency exam. This would entitle the clerk to the title of "Certified Tobacco Sales Clerk," therefore making the clerk more responsible for his/her actions. The Board of Health would then have the capability to fine and/or suspend the clerk's permit to sell tobacco products.

I look forward to the implementation of this program in January 2008.

James J. Wilusz, R.S.: I am very pleased to announce that Jim has successfully passed the Soil Evaluators Course and the Massachusetts and National examination for registration as a professional Sanitarian.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Lee, Lenox, and Stockbridge Boards of Health for their continued support and assistance and the Tri-Town Health Department staff for their diligence and dedication in maintaining our public health prevention programs.

Permits Issued (Lee Only):

<i>Permit Type</i>	<i>Number Issued</i>	<i>Permit Type</i>	<i>Number Issued</i>
Food Service	95	Retail Food	60
Catering	8	Mobile Food	3
B&B	10	Bakery	7
Special Event Food Permit	12	Tobacco	14
Indoor Pool	3	Outdoor Pool	9
Hot Tubs	3	Frozen Dessert	8
Milk/Cream Store	27	Milk/Cream Vehicle	1
Milk/Cream Dealer	2	Pasteurization	1
Disposal Works Installers	12	Septage Hauler	8
Garbage Hauler	7	Rec. Children's Camp	1
Motel/Hotel/Cabin/Trailer	12	Massage Practitioner	20
Massage Establishment	3	Biological Wastes	1

Disposal Works Construction	21	Well Permit	9
Beaver Permits	2		

Inspections:

Food Service Inspections	301	Children's Camps	1
Misc. Complaints/Nuisances	16	Housing Inspections/Chapter II	9
Quality Control	139	Well Sampling	9
Pool & Hot Tub Testing	69	Pool & Hot Tub Inspections	45
Water Testing Performed-Beaches	11	Ice Sampling	71
WWTP Sampling	9		

Budget/Revenue Information Fiscal 2007

Total Budget: \$85,614.00 **Revenue Generated:** \$36,706.76

Breakdown:	Permits	\$ 23,782.00
	Water Testing	4,857.46
	Septic	3,805.20
	Rent Income	4,176.00
	Installer Course	86.10
	Total	\$ 36,706.76

Respectfully submitted,

Peter J. Kolodziej, R.S.

Director/Sanitarian

Tri-Town Health Department



COUNCIL ON AGING

The Lee Council on Aging is committed to providing services and programs to community elders 60 years of age and older. Services include health related clinic, educational programs directed at elders and their families and support members. Services also include transportation to the Senior Center programs and for medical appointments, shopping, errands and other appointments, and some recreational, social programs. Nutritional meals are served at the Senior Center Monday thru Friday at the Senior Center, located in the Community Room at Crossway Village in the recently renovated Central School. Meals on Wheels are delivered Monday thru Friday to home bound Seniors. The COA offers Health Insurance Counseling by a MA state trained counselor, and AARP Tax Counselors. General information and advocacy to seniors and their families is available.

The Coucil on Aging served an estimated 480 seniors during the fiscal year 2007. The COA coordinates programs with the Lee Visiting Nurse Association, Elder Services of Berkshire County and other organizations to provide these services. The COA operates with a Director, Secretary and transportation driver along with 16 volunteers to provide services to the community.

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Maroney, **Director**

Alma Allen, **Chairman**

Helen Botto

Stephen Cozzaglio

Val Masiero

Val Baldisserotto

Maurice Larrivee

Marguerite O'Brien

Amelia Zatorski



VETERANS' BENEFITS AND SERVICES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

This office exists to serve the needs of the Veteran's of Lee and their families. The case load of Veterans' Services has been relatively constant over the past year, with the primary need for benefits continuing to be for veterans' widows who have very little income, and are unable to work.

For FY2007, there was an increase in the number of requests for copies of discharge papers. There were also many requests for information on benefits that the Massachusetts Veterans' Services and the Veterans' Administration has to offer a veteran and his/her family. However, with the ever increasing cost of prescriptions, there was again this year a large number of requests for information and help in obtaining medical benefits and coverage.

There continues to be requests for help from veteran's next of kin who desire to find out more about the veterans' military service, and requests to get medals that the veteran may have earned. We have been able to assist most of these in finding the information they desire.

Veterans' Benefits paid for FY 2007:

Veterans' Benefits Paid	\$16,683.20
75% to be returned by the State	*\$11,840.40
Cost to the Town	\$ 4,842.80

**There were \$896.00 of benefits paid that were not approved by the state, due to a clerical error on my part, and therefore was not reimbursed at 75%.*

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Mann
Lee Veterans' Service Officer



CULTURAL COUNCIL

The Lee Cultural Council's mission is to promote access, education, diversity, and excellence in the arts, humanities, and interpretive sciences within the community. Support for public arts programming is provided to cultural councils throughout the Commonwealth of Massachusetts through funding from the Massachusetts Legislature and the National Endowment for the Arts and is appropriated annually by a central state agency, the Massachusetts Cultural Council. In accordance with state policies and regulations of the Massachusetts Cultural Council, the Lee Cultural Council distributes funds on a local level through two channels:

- standard LCC grants to individuals and organizations offering a broad range of cultural activities
- PASS grants for schools and youth groups to access low-cost admissions to performing arts events and cultural institutions

The annual deadline for receipt of grant applications to Lee Cultural Council is October 15th. Grants are awarded in December after careful review by both LCC and MCC Councils. The Lee Cultural Council was one of the first local councils in the State to achieve "streamlined" status. Criteria for streamlining includes strong local procedures, a history of member training and a clean approval record. The streamlining process eliminates numerous steps in the yearly funding cycle and speeds up local reimbursements. Grant applications, reimbursement forms and general information are now available on the Massachusetts Cultural Council website.

Lee Cultural Council received and reviewed a total of 37 grant applications for Fiscal 2007. Twenty-one projects, with total funds of \$4,900, were approved. The Lee Cultural Council sponsors visiting artists in Lee Schools, including Shakespeare and Company's nine-week residency at Lee High School. Other projects have included school trips to the Norman Rockwell Museum, music programs for seniors, Lee Founders' Day cultural activities, and Saturday crafts programs at Lee Library.

In addition to its funding from the Massachusetts Cultural Council, the Lee Cultural Council solicits funds from local businesses and individuals through an annual appeal and various special events. These tax-deductible funds raised on a local level may be used to augment the amount awarded by the State but are not restricted to state approvals.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon MacDonald, **Chairman**

Mario Caluori, Frederic M. Cohen, Laura Frank,

Alexandra Hedding, Barbara Mahoney, Mary Theresa Valleri



HISTORICAL COMMISSION

The Commission, finding the proliferation of neon beer signs in the Lower Main Street Historic District, to say nothing of the rest of Main Street, extremely out of place in an area honored by this listing, and also finding that the prescription of neon signs was eliminated from the sign by-laws, created a slide show of these signs and presented them to the Planning Board in the hopes of finding some encouragement for removing them. The Planning Board was helpful in that they pointed out that many of these signs are not in compliance with the by-laws, though those that are cannot be removed. Members have begun researching ideas aimed at encouraging Historic District businesses to not use these very unattractive signs.

The Commission provided advice and support to the members of the now closed St. Francis Church in South Lee, which is on the National Historic Register as part of the South Lee Historic District. The church's congregation is interested in preserving the building and hopefully to resume worship there.

The Commission sponsored the walking tour of Lower Main Street Historic District for Founders Weekend and the Heritage Walks Program.

The Commission also provided advice and support for the listing of Sullivan Station on the National Register.

Members were available at all times throughout the year to provide support for residents seeking National Register designations for their properties, alert the Town Manager and Selectmen to potential problems or opportunities regarding historic sites, and answer questions posed by residents and tourists about Lee history.

Members are also deeply saddened by the loss of founding member and advisor, Betty Dennis.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Allen, *Co-Chair*
Patricia LaChapelle, *Co-Chair*
Mary Morrissey, *Co-Chair*
Caroline Meyer Young, *Secretary*
Dawn Borst
Joe Dupont
Dick Burns

Advisors
Florence Consolati
Charlotte Davis
Dorothy Fraser



LEE LAND TRUST

Since 1997, the Lee Land Trust has continued to provide programs and events concerning our environment and to promote the natural assets of our Town.

We co-sponsored the opening of the Basin Pond Trail with Berkshire Natural Resources Council. With the Lee Historical Commission, we co-sponsored a Berkshire Scenic Railroad ride to enjoy the fall foliage along the Housatonic River.

Our efforts to obtain a grant from the Housatonic National Resources Restoration Fund to develop a trail along the Housatonic River were not successful. When a second opportunity is presented we will resubmit that proposal.

We continue to provide a scholarship to a Lee senior who plans to continue environmental studies.

The barn sale event was to help our treasury and we thank those who gave items and those who came to buy.

It is with regret that we accept the resignation of Fred Feuerbech Jr., MD. Again, with regret, we accepted the resignation of Naomi Gordon. Naomi and Hugh were founding members of the Lee Land Trust. We are grateful for the generosity and years of service of these members. We welcome Betty Leahey, a long time member of the Lee Land Trust, to the Board of Directors.

Memberships are the major source of financial support for our organization. We welcome new members.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeannette S. Kegler, ***President***
Mary Lee Johansen, ***Vice President***
Linda Cysz, ***Secretary***
George O'Brien, ***Treasurer***

Board Members

Deidre Consolati, Dorothy Fraser,
Deborah Garry, Betty Leahey,
Helen Mougin, Jan O'Brien,
Thomas Wood



CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Two additional areas of open land in the cemetery were surveyed for future burials. These new areas were named Smith Square and Kelly Square. Lots will be available for sale after the lots in McDonald Square have been sold.

We wish to thank the Berkshire County Sheriff's Department and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Community Corrections for the assistance they have provided in maintaining the grounds.

In closing, we wish to thank Chris Pompei, our PW Advisor, and we wish to thank Ginny Vania, our Secretary and our faithful employees, who keep the cemetery so well. We also wish to thank the William's family for their constant care in South Lee.

Respectfully submitted,

Millard Eckert, *Co-chairperson*
Charlotte Davis, *Co-chairperson*
John J. Kelly
Virginia Vania, *Secretary*
Christopher Pompei, *Advisor*



AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

The purpose of the Lee Agricultural Commission is to promote agriculture and assist and provide information to town boards on agriculture-related issues. Members appointed to the Commission include Mary Brittain, Peter Naventi, Dee Dee Fraser, Phil Leahey, Jennifer Dustin and Bob Bartini. The Commission has recently been working on a Right to Farm Bylaw and a survey to send to residents involved in agriculture to help determine how the Commission can assist members of the farming community.



JACOB'S LADDER SCENIC BY-WAY, INC.

The Jacob's Ladder Scenic Byway organization during the past fiscal year concentrated on marketing and monitoring as we awaited implementation of projects awarded us by the Federal Highway Administration and the Massachusetts Highway Department. A grant from the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority enabled the organization to improve our website, www.jacobsladderscenicbyway.org. The organization officially extended its western boundary from the Lee common to the border between Lee and Lenox. With previously awarded scenic byway grants we began revising our corridor management plan, and selected the landscape architectural firm Denig Design of Northampton for landscape improvements along the Byway including landscaping enhancements such as wildflower planting in East Lee and improvements in Becket, Russell and Huntington along the byway. During the current fiscal year the enhancements will be designed and presented to the Town of Lee for review.

We monitored work proposed along the Byway in Russell and Huntington. In Russell a gravel extraction operation would have some impact on the landscape and in Huntington we have been working with the proponents of a biomass fuel plant to locate power lines in the least intrusive manner along a highly scenic stretch of the Byway. We were asked to comment on demolition of Summit House in Becket, as well. Finally, the Lee representative Dee Dee Fraser is chairing a committee to begin planning for events in 2010 to mark the Centennial of the Byway's establishment.

Meetings are now held bi-monthly at the Becket Town Hall and the public is invited to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Parsons, *Secretary, P.V.P.C.*



LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

To the Board of Directors and Members of the Lee Library Association,
I hereby submit my annual report for the fiscal year July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007:

Total Circulation.	32,991
Circulation of Materials	26,491
Cassettes and Videos	1,754
From WMRLS (ILL)	45
From WMRLS (Bookmobile).	689
CWMARS Holds/Reserves	4,012

Category of material circulation:

Fiction.	16,643
Biography	793
Nonfiction.	7,839
Large Print	1,118
Periodicals	617
Renewals	2,631
Discovery Totes.	81
Museum Passes	10
Video and Cassettes	2,538
Paperbacks.	721

Of the total circulation 27,977 were adult materials and 5,014 were children's materials. A total of 8,124 circulations were by non-residents. 6,824 were to Massachusetts residents from certified towns. An additional 1300 circulations were to Massachusetts residents from non-certified towns or out-of-state: Decertified: 863 (Includes: Otis, Tyngingham, Alford, Hampden, Hawley, New Ashford, and Hancock) Out-of-state – 437.

Books added during the year:	1,155 Adult	385 Children	Total: 1,540
Books withdrawn:	2479 Adult	320 Children	Total: 2,799

Number of volumes owned	42,105
Records and Cassettes.	734
Videos	107
Filmstrips.	29
Units of Microfilm	256
Serials (Magazine Subscriptions).	93
(8 magazines are gifts from Lee Bank)	
Newspapers (5 weekly, 4 daily, 1 monthly)	10
Number of registered borrowers	2,258

Memorial donations were received this year in memory of James Birge, Sr., Sherly Laster, Marcelyn Weiss, Frank Consolati, Sr., and Betty Dennis. A special donation was made by the Library to honor Peter Fraser, Jr. Marcelyn's family and

friends donated a media rack for CD's concentrating on the classical music she loved so much. A reception was held at the library where an engraved memorial plaque was presented for the rack. Joanne Bath and her daughter donated five special books on Italian-Americans in memory of Frank Consolati, Sr. It is with double sadness that we lost our long-time former librarian Betty Dennis and Peter Fraser, Jr. the son of former long-time board member Deedee Fraser on May 4th. They are both sorely missed. Barbara Boyne of Greylock Cottage Antiques donated a lovely lace tablecloth for use in the Gallery. Myron Hood hand-carved a special turkey-call in the shape of the Lee Library and donated it to us on our 100th Anniversary of the building. Eleanor Lord donated a wonderful painting depicting the Lee Fire Department in honor of their 150th Anniversary last year. The Toole Agency has generously donated bookmarks and library card covers for our patrons. If you use the front doors you may have noticed our lovely porch boxes donated by Golden Hill Nursery. They are taken care of every summer by volunteer Bill Sinico who waters and tends them faithfully. We thank you all for your wonderful gifts!

The year two-thousand and seven marks the 100th Anniversary of the Lee Library building when it moved out of the rooms in Memorial Hall and into its' own marble building at the present location. The Anniversary Committee chose the theme "100 Years of Resources, 1907 - 2007" to mark this milestone this year. Banners were designed and printed and hung by the front doors to remind everyone of this notable occasion. "Andrew Carnegie", in the person of Richard Clark of Boyleston, visited with us in April and disclosed the details of his life to a spellbound audience. Banners were attached to the columns on the front of the building, brochures outlining the last 100 years of library history were designed and ordered by Sandra Hayes. Other activities throughout the year of 2007 will be themed to celebrate this milestone. Mary Philpott and Sandy Hayes have been illustrating the alphabet "A-Z" with their beautiful and interesting displays in the Betty Dennis Children's Room and the other display cases. Legacy Banks made a donation to sponsor the advertising for special events and displays for our 100th Anniversary.

Staff changes have continued into this year as Mildred Dulin retired in November after working here since 1961. Rose Pixley retired from the Experience Works program-but she still comes in several hours each week to volunteer her services. We salute both of these wonderful ladies on their retirements! Our retirees were honored, along with Josie Tristany, at a party in December.

"What's Buzzin' @ Your Library" was the Summer Reading Club theme for 2006. Twenty-five pre-schoolers and forty-seven elementary-aged children joined this year and read a total of 679 books. A fun time was had by all as Lynne Fay and Mary Philpott held a "Book Bucks" auction for prizes. Storyteller Davis Bates and musician Roger Ticknell presented their program called "Earth Rythms." The Lee Cultural Council awarded a grant to help make this program possible. The Cultural Council also sponsored a concert by "Contempassance" earlier this year in the Gallery that was well attended and very much enjoyed!

There were over 228 meetings in the gallery this year and six art exhibits. CreativeLEEVl, with many more artists than last year, was again organized and hung by Mary Philpott and a crew of interested volunteers. It was taped, edited by CTSB-TV, and viewed by many townspeople over the local cable network.

This year marks our first full-year circulating materials on the CW MARS network. Remember, you can order materials on-line, view your record on-line, renew your books and materials, keep a record of the books you have read, download audio-books, and access selected databases-all from your own home computer! The only time you leave your house is to pick up the materials waiting for you at the library.

Our closed-circuit TV system is installed and running smoothly. Problem areas in the past are now visible from the circulation desk and easy to monitor.

Literacy Network of South Berkshire continues to offer free one-on-one tutoring in basic reading, English for speakers of other languages (ESOL), and preparation for the GED (high school equivalency diploma), and US citizenship tests. This year they have approximately 100 student-tutor pairs working together, with 31 tutors from Lee and 52 Lee students. Three tutor training sessions were held this year. Literacy Network welcomes new tutors and students, and can be reached at (413) 243-0471.

Volunteers Barbara Scolforo, Helen Southworth, Rose Pixley, and Lynne Fay are greatly appreciated by the Board and staff members for all they accomplish every week! A warm "thank you" to members of the Board of Directors who volunteer their time and efforts for the betterment of the Lee Library. Thank you to members of the library staff-Mary Lynn DeVarenes, Pat Richard, Jen Heath, Bill Derrick, Joey Blache, Linda Croze, and Samantha Blache-it is my pleasure to work with you! Together we hope to make this library a valuable resource for us all!

Respectfully submitted,

Georgia Massucco,
Library Director

LEE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Statement of Receipts and Expenditures

Balance on hand in checking account 7/1/06: \$4,834.02

RECEIPTS:

Appropriation	\$ 195,558.18
Longevity	2,389.82
Fines	1,826.05

Copier	1,967.45
Sale of Books	249.40
Interest in Checking Account	145.36
Dividends in Checking Account	492.35
Donations and Gifts	3,163.67
LIG/MEG/NRCO Grants	5,418.69
Books Lost/Damaged/Refunds	265.10
Fund Transfers (Copier, 100th Anniv. Celeb.)	10,000.00
Sale of Ornaments	10.00
Sale of Disks	9.00

Total Receipts: **221,495.07**

Total Monies Available **226,329.09**

EXPENDITURES:

Salaries	124,984.88
Books and Materials	35,670.26
Library Supplies	3,208.43
Oil	8,425.15
Electric	12,956.84
Telephone	1,341.80
Water and Sewer	676.67
Repairs and Maintenance	6,832.95
Social Security Taxes (FICA)	5,787.46
Computer	4,040.00
Conferences and Dues	166.90
Copier Supplies	1,264.00
MA D.E.T. Health Insurance	85.00
Workman's Compensation Insurance	782.00
Dir. & Off. Insurance	1,166.00
Copier Replacement (Encumbered)	7,000.00
Miscellaneous	6,840.87
Adjustment	157.64

Total Expenditures: **221,386.78**

Balance on hand in Checking Account 6/30/07: **\$ 4,942.31**



LEE YOUTH ASSOCIATION

The Lee Youth Association has had another successful year in 2007 as we continue to expand and improve all programming. The LYA offers the following programs to children and families in the Town of Lee – opening our doors at 6:30 AM and closing at 5:30 PM:

1. Busy Bee Learning Center preschool
(state licensed through Mass EEC)
2. K-2 Wake-Up program (state licensed through Mass EEC)
3. 3-up Wake-Up program
4. Teen Program - see more details below
5. Grades 3-6 After school homework help program held at the LES
(licensed)
6. K-2 After School program held at LES (licensed)
7. School Vacation Camps
8. Parent/Child Playgroup - Mondays and Wednesdays
9. Summer Adventures Day Camp
10. Summer Athletic Field Program
11. Youth Basketball
12. Gymnastics
13. Yoga
14. Rookie League Baseball
15. T-Ball Baseball
16. Girl's Softball
17. Adult Basketball Program
18. Young Adults Basketball Programs - new this year
19. Latino Advocate
20. Summer Basketball Camp

One of the biggest changes in the year 2007 has been the expansion of our teen program. We continue to have After School at the LYA for grades 6 and up as well as open gym basketball for high school age teens beginning at 3:00 at Crossways Village. We have movie nights, karaoke nights, dances, trips to games, the mall and rollerskating. We have had horseback riding lessons, golf days, fishing and more. We have a brand new computer station with computers donated by Edison Mission Marketing and Trade in Boston.

The Busy Bee Learning Center preschool is filled to capacity and has a waiting list for the upcoming year. It holds a National accreditation from the National Association for the Education of Young Children. It (along with three of our other programs) are licensed by the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care. Our Wake-Up programs still begin at 6:30 and serve breakfast to all children in that program as well as putting them on the bus and waving until the bus drives away (just like home!!!)

In 2007 we renovated the outdoor play area which was in desperate need

of repairs - this was done through the kind generosity of LB Corp., FOX Homes, Kiwanis Club of Lee, Country Curtains, Berkshire Fence, J. Donovan and Sons, Lane Construction and Dresser Hull - and many parents and other individuals.

One of the highlights of the year and our way of saying THANK YOU to the community is our new and very popular LYA/Kiwanis Community Barbeque held in June this year at the Lee Athletic Field - this was also the location of the Busy Bee Preschool graduation. The entire event was attended by approximately 300 people who had a great time eating hamburgers and hot dogs, playing games and visiting with their neighbors. It gets bigger and better every year!

The events in addition to all of our programs (both fundraisers and “just for fun” events) held or participated in by the LYA are the following:

1. Basketball Shoot-a-thon – February
2. Spaghetti Dinner – Locker Room and Chez Nous this year
3. Children’s Consignment Sale (new for 2007) March/April
4. Easter Egg Hunt – (new in 2006)
5. Road Toll – May
6. Toole Agency Memorial Day Barbecue
7. Memorial Day Parade
8. Raffle for a Vacation trip - Winner drawn at the Community Barbecue
9. Old Fashioned LYA/Kiwanis Community Barbecue (new in 2005)
10. Annual Appeal – sent out in July/August
11. Country Curtains/Kiwanis Golf Tournament to benefit the LYA
12. Founder’s Weekend Float and Activities – September/October

We attended several bullying conferences sponsored by the District Attorney’s Office and will participate in all bullying taskforce activities.

Along with the businesses already mentioned for the playground, whom we thank so much, I would like to say on behalf of the LYA children, Board of Directors and Staff THANK YOU to the Town of Lee and Berkshire County United Way for all of your support as well as to all of the various organizations, business and individuals who support us in numerous ways throughout the year. There are too many to mention but you know who you are and we could not do all that we do without you. THANK YOU!!! And to the community of Lee (and surrounding towns), thank you for the privilege of working with our children.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon A. Terry
Executive Director



PLANNING BOARD

During the year July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007, the Lee Planning Board acted upon nine (9) Form A Applications (Plans Not Requiring Approval under the Subdivision Control Law); all nine were approved. The Board also made decisions concerning eleven (11) Special Permit Applications; ten applications for Special Permit were approved and one application was withdrawn. The Planning Board reviewed all applications for permanent signs. Several site plans were also brought before the Board for hearing and comment.

The Board worked on an amendment to the cluster/flexible development bylaw which were endorsed by the Planning Board at a Public Hearing in October. The Town Representatives at Town Meeting voted to pass over the amendment as written.

The Board reviewed a proposal for a preliminary plan from Garfield-Barrister 1, LLP. The proposal was a three lot development in Tyringham and a six lot development in Lee with the access road located in Tyringham. The Board voted to deny the Preliminary Plan on the basis that the access road in Tyringham was denied.

During the past year the Board adopted a new fee schedule. They also adopted a zoning amendment to the OPLI for a new sign regulation and sign illumination in the OPLI zoning district.

The Planning Board received four special permits and four site plans for the redevelopment of the former Diesel Dan's site from F.L. Roberts. The proposal includes the construction of a four-story hotel, restaurant, convenience store, car wash and fueling station.

David Durante was voted in to serve as Chairman for another year.

Respectfully submitted,

David Durante, **Chairman**

Robert Birch

Anthony Caropreso

Thom Swift

Martin Deely



COMMUNICATIONS CENTER

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Lee Communications Center dispatchers continued in their vital role of providing both emergency E-911 and non-emergency dispatch for our community. In addition, they continue to aid residents and visitors alike who call the Communications Center for requests for services, referrals, or basic information. The dispatchers are also responsible for assisting the police department in monitoring prisoners, and by monitoring security cameras that assist in maintaining security throughout Town Hall.

Dispatchers also continued their important role as a contact point for the Elder Well-Being Check Program. This program provides Lee elders with the option of having daily contact with a dispatcher for the purpose of ensuring the elder's continued well-being. Our elder residents who might be interested in this program, particularly those living alone, are encouraged to call the Communications Center for more information at 243-2100.

This year the Communications Center received some minor remodeling in the form of a new radio console to aid dispatchers in quickly obtaining the necessary information and dispatching emergency resources. Dispatchers are now connected directly to the police department by computer and can dispatch officers either by radio, or by computer for greater efficiency and security.

I would like to thank the dispatchers for their continued professionalism in what can sometimes be a very difficult job under stressful circumstances. I would especially like to thank Dispatch Supervisor Donna Tyer for her continued assistance.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chief Ronald C. Glidden
Communications Director



SANDY BEACH COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

As usual, in early June of 2006 the work crew from the House of Correction in Pittsfield, under the authorization of Sheriff Carmen Massimiano, came to Sandy Beach for the week, and prepared the property for the coming beach season. Among other tasks, they helped repair washouts that had occurred during winter and spring, and were endlessly useful in painting and lawn and preparing the parking lot for our beach customers. Around this time, the ever-friendly Highway Department, under the supervision of Dennis Kelly and Superintendent Chris Pompei, arrived to truck away the weeds collected through the seasonal raking of the beachfront, and to repair the beach road.

A few weeks earlier, the Lee Kiwanis had spent an evening at the beach getting the picnic grove ready for the summer. They weed-whacked and spread mulch under the picnic tables as part of their general clean-up. A thank-you goes to these big-hearted volunteers and others who contribute so faithfully to the beach effort.

The weeds were removed in the swimming area through a program that is administered by the City of Pittsfield, whose officials and employees take a genuine interest in the beach. The rake also returned in mid-July for a second cutting. The Lee Police Association donated to a hand-pulling project which complemented the work of the hydrorake. We are grateful to the Association for their interest in a safe swimming area.

During the summer of 2006, the lifeguards were: Abby Tierney, Tom Sitzler, Mike and Scott Gregory and substitutes Steve Laurin and Katie Keenan. Abby successfully taught Red Cross swimming classes to 40 Lee children. The beach was well attended, as usual, particularly on warm days. There were no major accidents.

In September of 2006, Leahey Excavating completed drainage work in the beach area. This, with an allocation of \$5000. from Town Representatives and through a recommendation of the Finance Committee. We are grateful for the ongoing support of the town.

Also, as of June 30, 2007, the Lee Police was planning to put into practice a policy of checking beachgoers on weekends to ensure that they were residents of Lee. The plan was to park a cruiser at the dam, and use the seasonal police officers to

identify all cars. Earlier, the selectboard had explored banning the use of alcohol at the beach through a bylaw change. They subsequently agreed to allow the Beach Committee to oversee the ban without a change in the town bylaw.

Both the banning of alcohol and implementation of a residents-only policy involving the use of a cruiser was done on an experimental basis, and it was agreed in advance that a public review of both policies would be undertaken at a later date.

The Committee continues to work hard on the concept of equality for all local people who go to the beach, and to continue to provide the fine recreational resource that all beachgoers enjoy. Our thanks to all officials and townspeople and business owners, particularly to High Lawn Farm, and manager Roberto Laurens, for the seasonal use of their lovely property.

Respectfully submitted,

Deidre Consolati, *Chair*

Members

Cynthia Chrisman
Richard Chrisman
Linda Cysz
Francine Larson
Susanne Wickham



BRIEN CENTER

The Brien Center remains committed to providing high-quality, fully licensed mental health and substance abuse services to Berkshire County, primarily through counseling and treatment centers located in North Adams, Great Barrington, and Pittsfield. We provide a continuum of care that includes psychiatric services, outpatient therapy and residential and rehabilitation services.

Of the individuals served by the Brien Center, 25% either lack health insurance or are not fully covered for the services they need. We are ever more dependent on local United Ways and your funding to continue to provide needed treatment for these individuals. Your annual contribution assists us in developing and offering services that are responsive to the needs of Berkshire County, including those 13 individuals we are serving in Lee. Your town's contribution is very important to us.

In addition, the Commonwealth Care program is a major change, which will occur, and we are still unsure of how it will impact the Brien Center as an employer and as a service provider. According to change mandates, all residents of the Commonwealth will be required to obtain health insurance by January 1, 2008. It is unclear how this program will affect subsidized care. It is anticipated that many individuals will have difficulty with the required premium contributions and co-payments that are associated with certain levels of coverage plans. In addition, many people who are privately insured continue to struggle with deductibles, co-payments and coverage limitations for mental health and substance abuse treatment.

Thank you for your past and continued support. Please call me at 413-499-0412 if you have any questions about our agency and its services.

Respectfully Submitted,

Arlene Birch,
Chief Executive Officer



LEE REGIONAL VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION, INC.

The following is a report of the services performed in the Town of Lee during the fiscal year 7/01/2006 - 6/30/2007:

<u>HOME VISITS</u>	<u>VISITS</u>
Skilled Nursing	2,108
Physical Therapy	638
Occupational Therapy	227
Speech Therapy	10
Medical Social Work	68
Maternal Child Health	24
Nutrition Services	7
Home Health Aide	578
 SCHOOL NURSING – ST. MARY'S	 95
OFFICE VISITS	15
NON-BILLABLE HOME VISITS	28

<u>CLINICS</u>	<u>SESSIONS</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE</u>
Flu / Pneumonia	9	349/ 3
Blood Pressure	88	540
Immunizations		40

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Schutzmann,
Executive Director



TOWN OF LEE

Wages Paid in Fiscal Year 2007

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Alderman, Suzanne M.	\$31,692.98
Bailey, Gordon D.	2,100.00
Carlino, Patricia D.	2,100.00
Consolati, Frank A.	2,100.00

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Nason, Robert L.	77,032.80
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TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Borden, Kathleen	44,215.98
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BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Bitso, Jacqueline B.	\$43,980.78
Briggs, Edward	2,400.00
DeLorme, Dayton	2,400.00
Derrick, William	2,400.00
Navin, Sarah T.	24,854.83

TREASURER

Kelley, Susan E.	\$38,307.02
Toomey, Donna M.	14,302.89

TOWN COLLECTOR

Baumann, Eleanor B.	\$35,570.84
Smith, Janice G.	48,282.70

TOWN COUNSEL

Scully, Jerome	\$24,615.92
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LAND USE ASSISTANT

Messana, Jaimy	\$19,585.15
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TOWN CLERK /

BOARD OF REGISTRARS

Biron, Margaret	\$108.88
Bowers, David	\$88.00
Brighenti, Sandra J.	144.00
Collins, Ann Marie	240.00

Cozzaglio, Sandra	1,517.50
Cozzaglio, Stephen	136.00
Dunn, Nannette	144.00
Enser, Anne D.	168.00
Flint, Richard	72.00
Forshee, Dennis	73.00
Grady, Karen	340.00
Larivee, Elizabeth	592.00
Lostrangio, Anne	72.00
Morrissey, Mary	48.00
Noonan, Ethel	112.00
O'Brien, Ann	112.00
Perry, Rita	404.00
Piacquadio, Joan	76.00
Pollard, Pauline	32.00
Scarpa, Suzanne M.	37,539.92
Sullivan, Shawn	30.00
Towle, Samuel	136.00
Trimm, Shirley	88.00
Ubertini, Antoinette	72.00
Viale, Sheila	88.00
Webster, Arlette	16.00

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Martin, C. Martie	\$1,538.54
Pyenson, D. Ann	885.54

POLICE DEPARTMENT*

Auger, Charlene F.	\$1,091.12
Bartini, William J.	\$87,741.82
Briggs, Todd J.	55,926.39
Buffis, Joseph	76,078.52
Burdick, Stephanie	63,507.07
Desantis, Craig W.	86,792.32
Dunn, Tracy A.	24,606.40
Farina, John A.	396.00
Giarolo, Robert	2,292.40
Glidden, Ronald C.	70,810.52
Griffin, Matthew	5,341.76

Hopkins, Jason M.	12,759.10
Kohlenberger, Adrian	73,115.34
Loring, James A.	50,378.99
Martin, Dan	1,837.28
Martin, Thomas J.	45.44
Mooney, Jessica	837.44
Murphy, Francis	1,034.88
O'Neil, Todd	3,984.32
Rhoades, Robert F.	5,091.26
Roosa, Jeffrey	99,284.02
Skowron, Philip	82,295.93
Smachetti, Henry	8,294.00
Smith, Michael	12,484.10
Tatro, Ronald	5,929.82
Tierney, William	81,552.66
Toomey, James	1,493.51
Towne, IV, Benjamin	8,151.64
Winters, John	16,029.75
Wood, Robert	6,881.51

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Brunnell, William	\$ 300.00
Defreest, William	600.00
Driscoll, Ronald	5,017.26
Ford, Michael	729.70
Giarolo, Paul M.	1,439.56
Hughes, Francis	1,627.56
North, Edward	1,531.80
Sparks, Alan	6,869.01
Tart, Richard	309.44
Wellspeak, William	145.94

AMBULANCE

Arment, Thomas	\$ 782.00
Breault, Lisa M.	\$ 10,944.97
Curtin, Joseph	2,381.13
Palmer, Kevin F.	35,261.87
Sorentino, Victoria	4,711.12

INSPECTORS

Anderson, Glenda	\$ 90.00
Burton, Michael	\$ 483.00
Cahalan, Gerry	4,770.00
Danko, Gary	152.74

Driscoll, Richard	5,064.36
Jakacky, Paul	7,772.30
Thomson, Barbara	14,802.53
Torrico, Donald	45,791.84
Wilcox, Glenn	2,405.00

COMMUNICATIONS

Arment, Kathleen	\$4,933.20
Auger, Luann	33,902.29
Lunt, Joanne	34,299.00
Merriam, Edward	2,335.76
Speth, Frank	33,535.92
Tyer, Donna	40,615.50

**DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC WORKS**

Abderhalden, Scott M.	\$ 7,626.73
Brasee, Jerry S.	20,420.55
Brooks, Mark R.	2,669.62
Curtin, John N.	40,807.84
Daoust, Christian M.	11,308.33
Daoust, Stanley J.	47,461.09
Delgrande, Christian	2,461.52
Ford, Myron A.	18,619.14
Heath, Jr., Harold	42,883.74
Inhelder, Matthew	6,343.75
Jones, Tara	8,141.00
Kelly, Dennis E.	56,616.96
Killackey, Charles	4,354.48
Larson, Matthew C.	47,463.69
Lucy, Jonathan W.	37,066.25
McDonald, Daniel	1,200.00
Morawiec, James	42,595.11
O'Brien, Alek	3,302.09
Pompi, Christopher	63,925.94
Porrini, Paul	48,590.33**
Rand, Craig	42,144.94
Ranzoni, Matthew J.	41,085.30
Salice, James P.	40,673.02
Shook, Lyndsey	5,679.93
Towler, Michael	56,584.96
Tyer, Matthew	3,943.50
Vania, Virginia K.	31,592.98
Webster, Nicole	4,815.22

Zamboni, Marc F.	1,454.83
Zerbato, Alan J.	52,030.02
Wuertz, Donald	492.00

TRI-TOWN

HEALTH DEPARTMENT***

Belair, Cindy	\$ 13,347.09
Belba, Louis P.	11,241.93
Boyleston, Christopher	184.00
Caluaori, Patricia	24.00
Frost, Gregory	48.00
Fuore, Robert	3,707.00
Garry, Deborah	3,707.00
Gigliotti, Jared	28.00
Kelly, Kimberly	50,307.10
Kolodziej, Peter	70,316.16
Salek, Jacqueline	32.00
Schott, Samantha	32.00
Wilusz, James	52,098.44

COUNCIL ON AGING

Faber, Christine	\$ 1,137.50
Johnson, Robert	2,887.22
Maroney, Norma	25,635.98
O'Brien, Marguerite	10,999.20

VETERANS' AGENT

Mann, Rev. Lloyd "Doug" \$ 4,470.96

LEE LIBRARY

Masucco, Georgia \$ 49,331.80

LEE SANDY BEACH

Buffis, Kaila	\$ 541.94
Gregory, Michael	4,082.55
Gregory, Scott	3,572.63
Handberg, Edward M.	7,416.68
Keenan, Katie	108.26
Laurin, Stephen	181.56
Sitzer, Thomas	2,954.75
Tierney, Abby	3,020.38
Vaughan, Kurt	387.10

INTERNET TECHNOLOGY

INSTRUCTOR

Parker, David M. \$15,900.00

MODERATOR

Brittain, Christopher \$ 150.00

* These salaries reflect monies earned from all sources: Salary, overtime, education stipends and outside details.

** These salaries reflect monies earned from more than one source.

*** These salaries reflect the 42% paid by the Town of Lee.

*Town of Lee
Public School System*



*ANNUAL REPORTS
FISCAL YEAR 2007*



SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

The Lee Public Schools are very proud of the work we have done and the strides our district has made in the realm of academic achievement. We remain grateful to the Town of Lee for its support of our academic and extra-curricular activities, and for the ever present support for the students and families whom we serve. In our attempts to continually move forward with student learning, the School Committee asked the Town to make an investment in the schools that represented a five percent increase in budget over the previous year. With this increase, we funded all current positions, and added additional staff to better serve our increasingly diverse student population. In addition to adding an instructor in our English Language Learners program, we added a part time behavior specialist, and increased funding for curriculum development and professional development.

Through our capital improvements plan, we funded the purchase of a new truck and snowplow, classroom voice amplification systems in seven elementary classrooms, two mobile wireless laptop computer labs, laptop computers for teacher productivity and use, and much needed textbooks for Lee Elementary School. As our buildings, equipment and materials begin to show the signs of age (Lee Elementary is seven years old, Lee Middle and High School has been re-opened for five years) we are faced with the need to begin spending on the capital side to maintain the quality of facilities and learning materials that our students need and that our community expects.

One of our greatest concerns in the Lee Public School System over the past four years has been the lagging Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) scores. We are thrilled to report that while we still have work to do at both of our schools, the Lee Elementary School made Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) for the first time in four years this year. The work of our administrators, teachers, support staff, students and parents has been remarkable, and has led to tremendous gains in both mathematics and English/language arts. As we strive to put better materials into learners' hands, and work to update and better assess our curriculum, we are confident that recent gains will continue. Through the support of the community, and the continued hard work of our students, staff and families, we will continue to make gains that will truly reflect the quality of our students, staff and schools.

The 2006-2007 school year saw the retirement of two long-time members of the Lee Elementary School Community. Principal Cynthia Smith and first grade teacher Mary Dougherty both retired after more than three decades of service to the Town and its elementary age learners. Both of these educators put their hearts and souls into the work of educating children, and both have left a wonderful mark on this community.

The Lee School Committee saw the departure of Jeremia Pollard from its ranks. Jeremia resigned his seat to assume the responsibilities of Town of Lee Counsel. His dedication to excellence, to young people and his intellect and insightfulness will be missed on the Lee School Committee.

Through our efforts in the Southern Berkshire Educational Collaborative, we were able to participate in a South-County wide math professional development opportunity. Thanks to the generous support of the Sellon Foundation, and to the member school committees, the Collaborative was able to provide all of our member schools with this opportunity to improve math instruction. Via the Collaborative, we were also able to provide a dozen Lee Middle and High School students with the chance to take an online course with the Virtual High School program, a world wide online learning community. We were saddened to accept the resignation of Collaborative Executive Director, John Coster, in June of 2007. We wish John well, and thank him for his tremendous effort in revitalizing the SBEC.

The Lee Public Schools are committed to student achievement, and are honored to have the opportunity to serve the students of Lee, Tyringham, Otis and many other neighboring communities. We are dedicated to serving this community to the best of our ability, and to continue to work to be the best public school system we can be.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jason P. McCandless
Superintendent of Schools



LEE HIGH SCHOOL - 2007 GRADUATES

Class of 2007	Brittany Holmes Gangell	Catharine Lian Nguyen
GRADUATES	Jennifer Lynn Griffin	Kevon Christian Plouffe
Robert Edmund Adams III	Leslie Morgan Groff	Kristen Suzanne Popma
Amanda Jennifer Anderson	Patrick Murphy Hart	Ali Cahill Proietti
Amanda Marie Borsotti	Kyle Joseph Hayden	Joshua Adam Rand
Jesse Matthew Briggs	Justin Michael Haywood	Sean James Regnier
Kaitlyn Anna Brown	Nicole Marie Hebert	Seth Marvin Rowley
Michael Jason Brown	Lauren Nicole Heeren	Garrett Douglas Russell
Cristhian Alberto Cabrera	Joshua James Herlihy	Gregory Scott Sedelow
Forero	Ever Edenilson Hernandez	Liza Jane Slater
Noelani Victoria Castro	Elizabeth Jasmine Dolores	Benjamin William Snow
Wilson Yl Chang	Hopkins	Michael Douglas Snyder
John Scott Chisholm	Antonio James Ingegna	Danielle Margaret Sperlonga
Brittany Anne Clements	Sarah Jane Jordan	Nicole Anita Stone
Kayla Lynn Comalli	Katie Elizabeth Keenan	Matthew Franklyn Sturgis
Chad Robert Cummings	Erica Elizabeth Lahert	James Paul Thorne
Juda Renee Dominguez-Wrye	Nichole Lindsay Lampro	Maria Veronica Vintimilla
Patrick Francis Dougherty	Danielle Marie Langdon	Christina Marie Walker
Kayla Lynn Drumm	Amy Leigh Lindquist	Rachelle Helen Walker
Samantha Kathleen Duprey	Kayla Marie MacDonald	Eric Paul Wamsley
Rebecca Ann Fitzhugh	Brian Patrick Mountain	Emily Jane Wespiser
Charles John Fresia	Robert Joseph Newton	Krystal Marie Winters
Elizabeth Ann Fusco	Jason Roy Newton III	Mark Thomas Yost



LEE HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS - 2007

<i>Catherine A. Stauffer Memorial Scholarship</i>		300
Kaitlyn Brown - N. England Inst. Art		
<i>Angelo P. DiGrigoli Scholarship</i>	250 ea.	500
Katie Keenan - Univ. of Michigan		
Gregory Sedelow - BCC		
<i>James A Maroni Memorial Scholarship</i>	500 ea.	1000
Matthew Sturgis - UMAS Amherst		
Amanda Borsotti - MCLA		
<i>Academic Competition Scholarships given by</i>		2,000
<i>Mr. & Mrs. William R. Hall, Sr.</i>		
Michael Brown - in memory of Angelo DiGrigoli - Averett Univ.	500	
Rebecca Fitzhugh - in memory of Edward Mottarella - Tufts U.	450	
Emily Wespiser - in memory of Helen Naventi - Ithaca College	350	
Wilson Chang - in memory of Juanita Parker - Wheelock College	300	
Seth Rowley - in memory of Bernice Whalen - UMASS Amherst	250	
Benjamin Snow - in memory of Peter D. Fraser, Jr. - Salem State.	150	
<i>Martin Abderhalden & Mike Salinetti Scholarship Fund</i>	500 ea.	1000
Joshua Rand - Dean Univ.		
Charles Fresia - AIC		
<i>Lee High School Band Parents Scholarship</i>		2,625
Michael Brown	225	
Kaitlyn Brown	225	
Wilson Chang	225	
Rebecca Fitzhugh	225	
Elizabeth Fusco - Univ. of Rhode Island	225	
Lauren Heeren - Emerson College	225	
Amy Lindquist - Western New England	225	
Seth Rowley	225	
Liza Slater - Roanoke College	225	
Benjamin Snow	225	
Emily Wespiser	225	
Kayla Drumm - BCC	150	
<i>MeadWestvaco Specialty Papers Corp. Scholarship</i>		1,000
Amy Lindquist		
<i>Scholarship in Memory of Ralph and Marjorie Maish and Elizabeth Maish Daley</i>		1,000
Katie Keenan		

<i>Lee High School Student Council Scholarships</i>		2,000
Christina Walker - Providence College	350	
Katie Keenan	350	
Elizabeth Fusco	350	
Brittany Clements - Simmons College	300	
Patrick Hart - UMASS Amherst	200	
Sean Regnier - BCC	200	
John Chisholm - MCLA	150	
Gregory Sedelow	100	
 <i>G. Marconi Lodge #1620 Sons of Italy Scholarship in memory of Joseph Valenti</i>		 750
Christina Walker	750	
 <i>Five Mile Smile Scholarship in Memory of Regina Brazee and Carl Langenback</i>	 500 ea.	 1,000
Rachelle Walker - Springfield College		
Matthew Sturgis		
 <i>Lee Education Association Scholarship in Memory of Arthur Welcome</i>		 3,000
Brittany Gangell - Westfield State	1,000	
Amy Lindquist	1,000	
Michael Brown	500	
Noelani Castro - BCC	500	
 <i>Robert Lucy Memorial Scholarship</i>	500 ea.	 1,000
Kayla MacDonald - BCC	500	
Sean Regnier	500	
 <i>Scholarship in Memory of David Bailey</i>	250 ea.	 500
Elizabeth Hopkins - Westfield State		
Liza Slater		
 <i>Tri Town Rotary Scholarships</i>	1800 ea.	 3600
Catharine Nguyen - Westfield State		
Katie Keenan		
 <i>Drs. Charles & James Stratton Memorial Scholarship</i>		 500
Roert Newton - E. Carolina Univ.		
 <i>Comalli Electric Scholarship in Memory of James Mougin and George Comalli</i>		 500
Kayla Cormalli - UMASS Dartmouth		

<i>Andrew J. Barnini Memorial Scholarship</i>	<i>500 ea.</i>	<i>1000</i>
Kaitlyn Brown		
Brittany Gangell		
<i>Barry Griffin Memorial Athletic Scholarship</i>	<i>300 ea.</i>	<i>600</i>
Brittany Gangell		
Katie Keenan		
<i>Joe Maley Memorial Scholarship</i>		<i>300</i>
Katie Keenan		
<i>Scholarship in Memory of Mark Drury given by the Appleyynd Acres Tournament Teams</i>		<i>400</i>
Patrick Dougherty - HVCC		
<i>Michael R. Coty Memorial Scholarship</i>		<i>200</i>
Elizabeth Hopkins		
<i>Richard C. Brunell Memorial Scholarship</i>	<i>750 ea.</i>	<i>1,500</i>
Amy Lindquist		
Charles Frescia		
<i>Scholarship in memory of classmates Michael Baluk, Mark Beam, Fred LaGrant, Dennis Pacquin, Dawn Cornock, Ashley Chaffee, Cathy Tucker Stauffer, Richard Dupont and Gary O'Brien from the class of 1972</i>		<i>250</i>
Elizabeth Hopkins		
<i>Kelly Coty Memorial Scholarship</i>		<i>250</i>
Matthew Sturgis		
<i>Scholarship in memory of Michael A. Curley given by his parents, Mary and Francis Curley</i>		<i>500</i>
Katie Keenan		
<i>Penny & Thelma Lohbauer Nursing Scholarship</i>		<i>300</i>
Jennifer Griffin - McCann Tech		
<i>Tyringham Volunteer Fire Co. Scholarship</i>		<i>200</i>
Liza Slater	<i>150</i>	
Brittany Clements	<i>50</i>	
<i>Eugenio Bonafin Memorial Scholarship, Class of 1936</i>		<i>150</i>
Elizabeth Hopkins		

<i>Class of 1975 in memory of classmates</i>	<i>50 ea.</i>	<i>350</i>
<i>Dan Montini, Jeff Cuene and Valerie Larson Wrba</i>		
Robert Adams - CTC Pro Wressl School		
Christine Walker		
Catharine Nguyen		
James Thorne - BCC		
Kayla MacDonald		
Nicole Hebert - BCC		
 <i>Class of 1977 Scholarship in memory of classmates</i>	 <i>100 ea.</i>	 <i>200</i>
<i>Kate Baldisseroto, John Killackey, Bernice Hood Perry,</i>		
<i>Robert Heath, and Susan Allen Gerard</i>		
Danielle Sperlonga - BCC	100	
 <i>Berkshire Taconic Foundation - Judge James</i>	 <i>1,000 ea.</i>	 <i>2,000</i>
<i>Dohoney Scholarship</i>		
Katie Keenan		
Elizabeth Fusco		
 <i>Scholarship in Memory of John J. Nagle</i>		 <i>100</i>
Brian Mountain - BCC		
 <i>Hop Brook Community Club of Tyringham Scholarship</i>	 <i>1,000 ea.</i>	 <i>2,000</i>
Liza Slater	1,000	
Brittany Clements	1,000	
 <i>Hank Greiner Memorial Scholarship</i>		 <i>100</i>
John Chisholm		
 <i>Lee Community Tennis Association Scholarship in memory</i>		 <i>200</i>
<i>of Joseph Lostrangio</i>		
Catharine Nguyen		
 <i>Massachusetts Elks Scholarship</i>		 <i>700</i>
Mark Yost - Earlham College		
 <i>Lee Retired Teachers Scholarship</i>	 <i>100 ea.</i>	 <i>300</i>
Michael Brown		
Rachelle Walker		
Brittany Gangell		
 <i>BCC Foundation - General Electric Scholarship</i>		 <i>2,000</i>
Cristhian Cabrera - BCC	1,500	
Gregory Sedelow	500	

<i>South Lee Fire Co. Scholarship</i>		<i>1,500</i>
Sean Regnier		
<i>Scholarship in Memory of William Winn</i>		<i>500</i>
Liza Slater		
<i>Mary Voght Memorial Scholarships (top 10 students/college)</i>	<i>800 ea.</i>	<i>8,000</i>
Rebecca Fitzhugh		
Leslie Groff - MCLA		
Katie Keenan		
Kaitlyn Brown		
Brittany Gangell		
Emily Wespiser		
Lauren Heeren		
Cristhian Cabrera		
Seth Rowley		
Christina Walker		
<i>Marjorie Wickham Memorial Scholarship</i>	<i>1,000 ea.</i>	<i>2,000</i>
Katie Keenan		
Elizabeth Hopkins		
<i>Joseph C. Savery Scholarship Fund</i>		<i>1,000</i>
Emily Wespiser		
<i>The Bill Wheeler Scholarship</i>	<i>1,200 ea.</i>	<i>2400</i>
Charles Fresia		
Chad Cummings - Westfield State		
<i>Lee Volunteer Fire Co. Scholarship Fund</i>		<i>1,000</i>
Brittany Gangell		
<i>Kiwanis Club of Lee, Inc. Scholarships</i>		<i>12,600</i>
Amanda Borsotti - \$1,250/yr. for 4 years	<i>5,000</i>	
Brittany Gangell - \$1,000/yr. for 4 years	<i>4,000</i>	
Cristhian Cabrera - \$1,000/yr. for 2 years	<i>2,000</i>	
Kaitlyn Brown - \$800/yr. for 2 years	<i>1,600</i>	
<i>Peter Fraser, Jr. Memorial Scholarship given by Southern States Auto</i>		<i>500</i>
Garrett Russell - BCC		
<i>Lee High School Drama Club Scholarship</i>		<i>400</i>
Leslie Groff		

<i>Class of 1989 Scholarship in Memory of Michael Cody</i>		50
Noelnai Castro		
<i>Lady Wildcat Basketball Scholarship</i>	500 ea.	1,500
Katie Keenan		
Amanda Borsotti		
Rachelle Walker		
<i>Berkshire Section, IEEE Scholarship</i>		500
Katie Keenan		
<i>Dorothy Finnegan Award given to graduating seniors entering the teaching profession</i>	500 ea.	1,500
Amanda Andersoni		
Brittany Gangell		
Rachelle Walker		
<i>Meg Cade Memorial Scholarship</i>		500
Elizabeth Hopkins		
<i>Lee Community Tennis Association Scholarship</i>		200
Wilson Chang		
<i>Minnie L. Baird Scholarship in Memory of Lena Beal</i>	1,000 ea.	2,000
Rebecca Fitzhugh		
Leslie Groff		
<i>Austen Riggs Erikson Insitute Scholarship</i>		2,000
John Chisholm		
<i>Lee Chamber of Commerce Scholarship</i>	500 ea.	1,000
Christina Walker		
Amy Lindquist		
<i>Bruce and John Stevenson Memorial Scholarship</i>		1,000
Amanda Borsotti		
<i>Dorothy Wright Trufant - Class of 1937 Scholarship</i>		700
Liza Slater		
<i>Lee Lodging Association Scholarship</i>		200
Katie Keenan		
<i>Stedman Myers Memorial Fund Scholarship</i>		500
Liza Slater		
<i>Pittsfield Cooperative Bank Centennial Scholarship</i>		500

Maria Vintimilla - **Elms College**

Greylock Federal Credit Union Scholarship 500

Garrett Russell

Scholarship in Memory of Joseph T. Loring, Jr. 250

James Thorne

Scholarship in Memory of Richard Morin 500

Chad Cummings

Theodore A. & David J. Zatorski Scholarship Fund 100 ea. 200

Nicole Stone - **BCC**

Kevon Plouffe - **Fitchburg State**

Gt. Barrington Fish and Game Club Scholarship 750

Michael Snyder - **Curry College**

Scholarships in Memory of Heather Helen Hawley 250

Rachelle Walker

Scholarships in Memory of Harry Wheeler 100

Eric Wamsley - **BCC**

Lee High School Scholarship in Memory of Mary Albert Vinatier 100

Lauren Heeren

Lee CDC Service Through Technology Award 200

Amanda Borsotti

Alba A. Pasco Memorial Scholarship 150 ea. 300

Kristen Popma - **BCC**

Nicole Hebert

Lee Middle and High School Community Award 100

Jesse Briggs - **BCC**

Class of 2005 Scholarship in Memory of Joseph J. Laflamme 500

and April Willey

Christina Walker

Lee Lions Club Scholarships 500

Cristhian Cabrera

Morning Star Chapter #217 Order of Eastern Star Scholarship 200

Elizabeth Hopkins

<i>Ardella Donnell Memorial Award, Class of 1933 (US Bond)</i>	100
Robert Newton	
<i>Lee Land Trust Scholarship</i>	300
Catharine Nguyen	
<i>The Forfa Family Scholarship given to a graduate who has participated in varsity basketball</i>	100
Rachelle Walker	
<i>Scholarship in Memory of Florence Abderhalden Burt</i>	50
Kyle Hayden - HVCC	
<i>Honey Dew Donuts Scholarship</i>	250
Michael Snyder	
<i>Mystic Lodge of Masons Scholarship</i>	300
Nicole Lampro - Unity College	
<i>Lee Town Players Scholarships in Memory of Cora Carrington</i>	50
Leslie Goff	
<i>Class of 1968 Scholarship</i>	100
Seth Rowley	
<i>Legacy Banks Scholarship</i>	250
Samantha Duprey - St. Joseph's College	
<i>Pease Memorial Scholarship</i>	1,000
Brittany Clements	
<i>Friends of Catherine Stauffer Scholarship</i>	
Seth Rowley	
<i>Otis Town Scholarship</i>	1,000 ea. 2,000
Samantha Duprey	
Nicole Lampro	
<i>The Honorable James P. Dahoney Scholarship</i>	1,000
Katie Keenan	
<i>Scholarships in Memory of Jeremy Tribula given by the Lee School District and Farmington River School District employees</i>	550
Nicole Lampro	
<i>Lee High Volleyball Booster Club Scholarships</i>	300 ea. 900
Samantha Duprey	

Amanda Anderson - **Monmouth Univ.**
Amanda Borsotti

Evening Star Masonic Temple Scholarships **200**
Christina Walker

Lee Youth Football Scholarship **500**
Joshua Rand

LaCrosse Scholarship **100**
Kyle Hayden





LEE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

It is an honor to submit the Report of the Lee Elementary School for the 2006-2007 school year. The 2006 school year saw the end of two long careers dedicated to the service of children and families in Lee. Mary Dougherty, first grade teacher, and Cynthia Smith, Principal and former fourth grade teacher and gifted program coordinator, both retired at the end of this year. We extend our thanks to both of them for the years of dedicated work with children, and wish them all the best in their retirement.

The Lee Elementary School was the learning-home of 406 children this year, and we were pleased to welcome several new staff members to the LBS family. Amber Smith joined our teaching staff in the kindergarten this year, as did Emily Mertinooke in the pre-school. We were pleased to welcome these two educators to our school, and we are grateful to have such quality educators working for and with our students.

Achievement was our watchword and focus for this year, and work to that effect included the finalizing of the complete state aligned mathematics curriculum, and the purchase of new science materials at key grade levels, with the remainder of materials to be purchased in the 2007-2008 school year. Professional development focused around improved curriculum and instruction, particularly in the area of mathematics. Through the generosity of the Sellon Foundation, many of the teachers from various grade levels engaged in a year long study of mathematics-literacy with instructors from around South County. This work was organized by the Southern Berkshire Educational Collaborative, and was facilitated by staff from Marilyn Burns' Math Solutions. Corollary to this work was the work done by an ongoing K through 12 math curriculum study group. We continued to work through curriculum alignment to the state frameworks, and in better aligning curriculum across grade levels and up through the grade levels. We enhanced learning opportunities by making better use of curriculum based measurements to better individualize instruction.

The work of the staff and students was rewarded over the summer in the form of greatly improved MCAS (Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System) Test scores. For the first time in four years, the Lee Elementary School achieved Adequate Yearly Progress. The gains in measurable achievement were terrific, and we are eager to build on these gains. We are proud of our students, staff and families, and we are extremely grateful to the Town of Lee for the continued budgetary support necessary to improve our school, and to continue on the path to being the very best that we can be.

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The Lee Elementary School continues to provide students with opportunities to learn outside of the classroom through trips to places like the Ioka Valley farm, Plymouth Plantation, the Berkshire Museum, the Hancock Shaker Village, the Berkshire Botanical Gardens, the Springfield Science Museum, Magic Wings, the Boston Museum of Science, Fort William Henry, and Becket Chimney Corner. Through the generous support and hard work of the Lee Parent Teacher Organization, learning-trips like these, and programs that come to the school to expand learning opportunities are available to our students. We are thankful for such dedicated partners in the educational process.

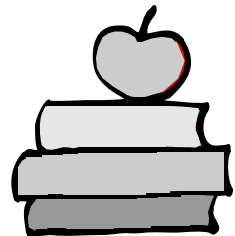
In the 2005-2006 school year, LBS welcomed the Lee Youth Association into the building offering a home for one of the LYA's after school programs. In the 2006-2007 school year, the LYA began offering an after school homework help program in the school, a program which has proven highly successful. We are fortunate to have such a good partner in the work of providing services to children and families, and we appreciate the opportunities the LYA provides our students.

The 2006-2007 school year served once again to remind us of the centrality of the arts in our elementary school. From our band and chorus concerts to student work displayed in the hallways to our LBS Drama Club, the students, staff and community continue to set a high bar for excellence in the arts. We are very proud of the students who give so freely of their time and talents, and thankful to the community supporters and staff sponsors who create these opportunities for our young people.

Finally, the Lee Elementary School would like to acknowledge the work of the LBS School Council. Council members Sue Kelley, Lea Macchi, Jackie Strawn, Amy Consolati, Theresa Hartman, Luran Finnegan and Jessica Maloney. The school council serves as an advisory council and idea generator, and has key inputs into school policy decisions and budget composition. Their time and effort are greatly appreciated, as are the contributions of our entire community to the betterment of education in Lee.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason P. McCandless,
Superintendent of Schools





LEE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Wages Paid in Calendar Year 2007 *

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

Holmes, Deborah L.	\$49,532.50
McCandless, Jason	90,970.00
Ragusa-Hallock, Kathie	17,584.00
Tanguay, Susan	31,586.00

DIRECTOR OF OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION

Gralla, James E.	\$44,184.96
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HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Burke, Kerry A.	\$81,370.00
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HIGH SCHOOL ASST. PRINCIPAL

Turmel, Joseph P.	\$72,050.00
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HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

Baker, Susan W.	\$31,891.00
Williams, Karen M.	20,890.00

BOYS' TENNIS COACH

Perry, John T.	\$2,164.00
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BOY'S BASKETBALL COACH

Morrison, William J.	\$2,164.00
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BASEBALL COACH

Shepardson, Timothy	\$3,462.00
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FOOTBALL COACH

DiGrigoli, Peter J.	\$2,164.00
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VOLLEYBALL COACH

Warner, John T.	\$3,462.00
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GIRLS SOCCER MANAGER

Snyder, Ryan J.	\$ 1,000.00
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GIRLS' TENNIS COACH

Lahey, Clair	\$ 2,164.00
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SOFTBALL COACHES

Wade, Brian M.	\$ 3,301.00
Wellington, Christina M.	4,199.50

GOLF COACH

Carlson, Luke M.	\$ 2,164.00
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CHEERLEADER ADVISOR

Cardillo, Paula J.	\$ 2,164.00
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HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY PARAPROFESSIONAL

Collins, Denise L.	\$ 7,978.63
Macintosh, Lindsay B. (substitute)	1,091.57

MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL SUM- MER PARAPROFESSIONAL

Herrick, Megan B.	\$ 1,415.00
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SPED DIRECTOR

Taverna, Alice E.	\$72,100.00
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SPED CLERK

Sagendorph, Dianne	\$9,869.60
Warywoski, Christine M.	13,832.08

SPED SUMMER PARAPROFES- SIONALS

Bailey, Emma	\$ 1,630.08
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HIGH SCHOOL SPED TEACHERS

Connors, Debra H.	\$43,789.00
Cox, Mary K.	58,267.00
Daniels, Dawn M.	39,864.00
Jefferys, Joanna M.	63,832.00
Tart, Stacy L.	40,328.00

HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS

Armstrong, Virginia C.	\$46,445.00
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Belknap, Paul H.	64,832.00
Briggs, Pamela A.	61,025.00
Caimano, Nicholas F.	65,305.00
Charow, Jonathan P.	39,738.00
Curry, Robin I.	62,701.23
Dickson, Charles R., Jr.	70,565.00
Fillio, Matthew C.	42,027.00
Hall, Joshua D.	36,212.00
Hickey, Timothy F.	75,177.00
Hungate, Robert M.	70,745.00
Maroney, Deborah J.	67,770.00
McCormack, Thomas K.	49,035.00
Nelsen, Cheryl D.	69,187.00
Randorf, Jeanne L.	67,647.00
Swindlehurst, William S.	58,042.00
Tempone, Frank	45,371.00
Trabka, Thomas J.	59,242.00
Van Sickle, Susan L.	67,570.00
Verdi, Mary E.	57,497.00
Wade, Keri A.	35,229.50

HIGH SCHOOL SUBSTITUTES

Ambrose, Stephanie A.	\$ 130.00
Brunette, Tom	2,375.66
Choi, Paul	70.00
Cinella, Thomas F.	3,462.00
Demaranville, Mary E.	3,219.52
French, Dorothy	5,947.84
Groff, Andrew	465.00
Harrington, Mary M.	8,048.16
Navin, Mark J.	2,601.00
O'Brien, Carol M.	10,847.12
Pinkston, Anne M.	6,963.52
Reilly, Cara M.	55.00
Salinetti, Richard T.	300.00
Warywoski, Peter S.	6,200.28

HIGH SCHOOL TUTORS

Wespiser, Bryan	165.00
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OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION TEACHER

Reilley, John L.	\$68,610.00
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HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC TEACHER

Nelson-Unczur, Joanne M.	\$44,705.00
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HIGH SCHOOL ART TEACHERS

Kulas, Elizabeth A.	\$30,742.00
Papuga, Rose	36,670.00

SPEECH TEACHERS

Anacki, Heather S.	\$47,270.00
Floyd, Susan M.	64,272.00

HIGH SCHOOL PHYSICAL EDU- CATION

Brouker, Cynthia Ellen	\$67,544.00
Reilly, Arthur	67,126.00
Thomson, Keith M.	40,610.00

HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARIANS

Consolati, Amy S.	\$42,905.00
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HIGH SCHOOL GUIDANCE

Delgado, Rebecca	\$53,687.87
Duquette, David A.	60,345.74
Korte, Daniel S.	45,082.00

HIGH SCHOOL GUIDANCE SEC- RETARY

Gray, Patricia A.	\$32,399.80
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HIGH SCHOOL ENGLISH AS SECOND LANGUAGE TEACHER

Haven, Cynthia S.	\$48,567.00
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HIGH SCHOOL NURSE

Carroll, Diane L.	\$53,856.00
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SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST

Callahan, Theresa A.	\$66,830.00
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ENGLISH AS SECOND LAN- GUAGE TEACHER

Coughlin, Marisa	\$32,207.00
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ADULT EVENING

Wadsworth, Andrea N.	\$ 1,818.00
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SCHOOL CHOICE

King, Ryan D.	\$ 5,434.00
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HOUSEBUILDING PARAPROFES- SIONAL

Senter, Charles M. \$17,110.19

BAND TRAVEL

Curtin, Deanna \$ 52.50
Tatro, M. Theresa 60.00

CAFETERIA DIRECTOR

Haughey, John P. \$32,550.00

CAFETERIA STAFF

Adams, Maryangela \$ 150.80
Baczek, Glenda L. 15,199.01
Barca, Anthony 128.79
Bercury, Donna L. 12,228.61
Drumm, Sandra 1,287.90
Forrest, Mary Anne 13,846.95
Navin, Marguerite 2,451.78
O'Brien, Mary 4,593.51
Pelkey, Patricia A. 2,895.39
Porrini, Tina E. 3,685.08
Reilly, Karen 4,354.53

CUSTODIAL OVERTIME

Holmes, Richard C. \$ 1,239.68

ELEMENTARY CUSTODIANS

Gelpi, Donald J. \$ 37,804.80
Hughes, Francis X. 31,975.49
Stewart, Deborah L. 35,592.52

FACILITIES DISTRICTOR

Wellington, Gary S. \$64,199.00

DISTRICT MAINTENANCE SALARY

Coons, Jeffrey R. \$53,136.94

HIGH SCHOOL CUSTODIANS

Boyne, William T. \$35,844.14
Jones, John P. 40,588.02
Souza, Richard M. 38,146.77
Walker, James A. 40,331.60
Withers, Glenn F. 41,005.07

MIDDLE SCHOOL TEACHERS

Clarke, Neil F. \$1,396.32
DeVarennes, Kelly S. 41,216.00
Hall, Ella 39,229.00
Kelsey, Arlene M. 42,353.00
Killion, Candice M. 44,273.00

Lagerwall, Kimberly J. 18,411.00
Mertinooke-Jongkind, Timothy 41,629.00
Northrup, Benjamin 43,898.00
Stauffer, Richard B., Jr. 61,929.00
Wescott, Anna M. 66,245.00

MIDDLE SCHOOL PARAPROFES- SIONALS

Clark, Marion \$10,811.74
Consolati, Sandra R. 18,167.72
Daley, Letisha A. 15,717.23
Shook, Kim Fromma 19,792.91
Strezynski, Melissa M. 15,553.98
Wilcox, Linda L. 15,724.35

ELEMENTARY SPED TEACHERS

Fitzhugh, Maryann C. \$65,205.00
Noonan Forget, Nancy L. 65,005.00
Walker, Christine K. 53,456.00

ELEMENTARY SPED PARAPROFESSIONALS

Belliveau, Dianne C. \$ 7,719.65
Bianco, Kelly J. 520.47
Bissell, Beverly L. 23,735.27
Brown, Mary Beth 17,837.19
Burrato, Karen L. 20,093.90
Cummings, Nancy C. 20,868.98
DiGrigoli, Patricia A. 16,556.78
Doucette, Andrew J. 1,478.45
Fitzgerald, Rebecca J. 21,853.03
Fuller, Cynthia M. 4,800.57
Gangell, Jenna 1,409.17
Gormalley, Bridget M. 502.84
Griffin, Kathleen B. 6,276.93
Hathaway, Wendy L. 15,768.76
Heath, Ruth A. 4,279.38
Holmes, Mary Beth 14,051.80
Humphrey, Diane A. 44.19
Kresiak, Donna M. 18,615.65
Macintosh, Maggie C. 1,452.94
Mitchell, Marcia 49.10
Moran, Caryn L. 107.69
Newton, Allison E. 19,126.43
Ricci, Kathleen A. 186.59
Romeo, Kay B. 21,189.36
Scarpa, Diane K. 14,348.10
Seward, Mary E. 18,496.57
Tietgens, Jeanette M. 17,177.69
Toomey, Kayla L. 66.29
Weiner, Virginia L. 215.36

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Smith, Cynthia G. \$77,250.00

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

McCollum, Rosalie, T. \$ 34,710.51

Cardillo, Eileen A. 26,814.93

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CLERK

Cardillo, Eileen A. \$ 28,606.56

TECHNOLOGY ADMINISTRATOR

Flynn, Charles B. \$ 75,599.00

TECHNICAL SUPPORT

Turner, Jeremy M. \$ 40,714.62

TECHNICAL - REVOLVING

Borsotti, Amanda M. \$ 1,742.50

CIRCUIT BREAKER - REVOLVING

Larmon, Andrea L. \$ 45,108.00

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEACHERS

Bernasconi, Jane D. \$ 67,747.00

Cohen, Rosalyn S. 68,054.00

Davis, Christine B. 53,155.00

DeVarennas, Kathleen H. 64,272.00

Doherty, Mary A. 64,792.00

Duhon, Paula 64,755.00

Farley-Turner, Sue 46,869.00

Finnegan, Lauren B. 47,335.00

Gormalley, Marie T. 56,731.00

Hartman, Theresa M. 41,011.20

Hickey, Leslie M. 41,503.61

Lagarce, Marjorie J. 56,731.00

Lecompte, Ruth D. 46,854.00

Macintosh, Elizabeth A. 51,832.00

Puleri, Michele A. 45,035.00

Sparks, Courtney E. 43,524.00

Stone, Erik L. 43,898.00

Walsh, Carol A. 53,205.00

ELEMENTARY ART TEACHERS

Harding, Alice C. \$ 38,056.00

ELEMENTARY MUSIC TEACHERS

Feldman, Patricia C. \$ 46,745.00

Mongeau, Jill M. 65,625.00

ELEMENTARY PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Carlino, Jennifer M. \$ 29,161.00

Warner, Janet E. 68,785.00

ELEMENTARY SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

Abrams, Alison \$ 420.00

Adams, Rebecca S. 1,400.00

Barnes, Shawn A. 140.00

Cooley, Wendy A. 105.00

Daley, Margaret M. 1,330.00

Dilego-Heath, Nancianne 110.00

Dustin, Jennifer 942.50

Flint, Alice M. 792.40

Gangell, Carrie A. 5,035.66

Gangloff, Carolyn E. 1,505.00

Navinti, Andrew J. 55.00

Orangellas, Charles 13,646.88

Pollard, Erin K. 585.00

St. James, Lucille N. 1,085.00

Topham, Jill A. 241.92

Vaughn, Christopher W. 125.00

Walker, Stephanie M. 13,029.73

Wheeler-Roosa, Tari S. 4,457.50

ELEMENTARY AID

Morawiec, Kathleen M. \$ 21.00

ELEMENTARY TUTORS

Barrett, Kathy M. \$ 105.48

Hall, Joshua D. 6,375.60

Johndrow, Bambi L. 48.35

Nadorff, Lynne 5,657.50

Shapiro, Shirley A. 109.88

ELEMENTARY NURSE

Navanti, Diane R. \$54,316.94

ELEMENTARY CAFETERIA/PLAYGROUND

Demos, Heather \$ 4,536.99

Devos, Mildren 4,420.04

Provost, Wendy L. 662.85

ELEMENTARY CAFETERIA

Belanger, Jane E. \$ 6,057.40

Broderick, Pamela J. 11,658.23

Buker, Judith A. 14,421.57

Crawford, Carol A. 247.00

Duquette, Judith A. 1,261.59

Herrick, Sally J.	7,748.62
Petersoli, Renette	7,856.84
Redstone, Tina M.	1,583.64
Santolin, Deborah L.	15,063.14

ELEMENTARY LIBRARIAN

Baynes, Erin E.	\$38,804.00
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**ELEMENTARY LIBRARIAN
PARAPROFESSIONAL**

Heath, Jennifer M.	\$7,451.25
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ELEMENTARY GUIDANCE

O'Brien, Erin M.	\$65,305.00
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ELEMENTARY ENGLISH AS SECOND LANGUAGE TEACHER

Coughlin, Marisa	\$31,588.86
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KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS

Patton, Charlene M.	\$65,105.00
Pollard, Jessica M.	48,743.00
Smith, Amber M.	32,456.00

KINDERGARTEN GRANT

Bienvenue, Mary C.	\$21,213.60
Coulter, Lisa A.	13,499.62
Sedelow, Elizabeth M.	16,612.06

EARLY CHILDHOOD GRANT

Holmes, Mary Beth	\$12,281.56
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**COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FOR
CHILDREN ADMINISTRATOR**

Doucette, Susetta M.	\$22,459.41
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**COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP
FOR CHILDREN GRANT**

Carter, Deborah H.	\$687.50
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READING TEACHER

Schlaefter, Amy	\$43,236.50
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PRESCHOOL TEACHER

Mertinooke-Jongkind, Emily H.	\$37,991.00
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ESL ASSISTANT

Coughlin, Marisa	\$32,654.50
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**PRESCHOOL
PARAPROFESSIONAL**

Scarpa, Diane K.	\$13,404.43
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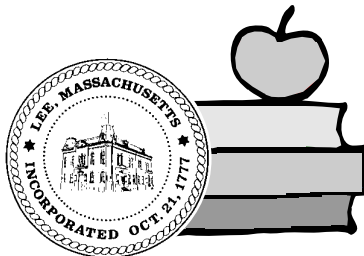
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Horsford, Susan J.	\$43,898.00
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PARAPROFESSIONALS

Barrett, Kathy	\$1,001.28
Bort, Kathleen	11,457.92
Fromm, Kathleen	14.73
Shapiro, Shirley	70.00
Bienvenue, Mary	24,949.57
Coulter, Lisa	16,683.18
Sedelow, Elizabeth	18,916.68
Babcock, Nora	21,746.10
Biasin-Burton, Cynthia	18,214.56
Fera, Kim	15,132.54
Deming, Evelyn	19,484.13
McKiernan, Nola	10,676.12

* PLEASE NOTE: Some salaries include additional funding from other/outside sources





LEE HOUSING AUTHORITY

This year was a challenge. After four years of no increase in our non-utilities, this year's budget received a 7% increase. This 7% increase meant an extra \$10,623 in the budget. Knowing the increased costs of running our programs this amount did not go very far. After looking at the broad picture and prioritizing all the projects that needed to be done the one that did get done was the painting of the eaves at Brown Memorial Court and the exterior trim on the Clarke Court houses. This was all done by Fox Painting at a cost of \$16,700.

Per order of the town, water meters were installed at all housing authority locations. Clarke Court and Laurel St. House had their water meters installed by the company the town contracted with. The town required the housing authority to pay for the meters at Budd House and Brown Memorial Court. The Department of Housing and Community Development awarded the housing authority \$48,000 to have the meter installed at Budd House and have a meter and meter pit installed at Brown Memorial Court. Plans for these projects were done by Sensible Solutions and work was done by Klammer Plumbing and Waterman Excavating.

This year the housing authority had to come in compliance with "Nicole's Law" Carbon Monoxide Alarms. This law requires carbon monoxide detectors to be installed in any building that contains fossil-fuel burning equipment. The Department of Housing and Community Development that contains fossil-fuel burning equipment. The Department of Housing and Community Development supplied housing authorities with new carbon monoxide detectors. The Clarke Court houses were updated with the new carbon monoxide detectors as was the maintenance garage, Laurel St. House and Budd House.

Our Board of Commissioner didn't have any member change this year. Francine Larson was reelected in May to another five year term. The board worked hard this year at getting policies in place for its properties.

Babe Buffoni worked for the housing authority from January through March and also did some seasonal work. Babe does a great job and we would like to say thank you.

The housing authority did survive another year but hopes to see better state funding in the future.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane Shepardson, ***Chairperson***
Tom Unsworth, ***Vice Chairperson***
William Derrick, ***Treasurer***
Sandra Cozzaglio, ***State Appointee***
Francine Larson



ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT MAY 11, 2006

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
BERKSHIRE, S.S.

The Annual Town Meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Moderator R. Christopher Brittain. Town Clerk Suzanne Scarpa stated that the Warrant was duly posted and a quorum was present.

ARTICLE 1 - P. Carlino moved that the Town vote to receive the reports of the Selectmen, Town Accountant and the other officers, boards, commissions and committees of the Town. 2nd by G. Bailey.

Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 2 - F. Consolati moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate those sums set forth in the requested fiscal year 2007 column for accounts #114 - 946, on which a hold has not been placed. 2 by P. Carlino. Finance recommends approval.

Vote-yes on all but 1 hold (Account 195), unanimously.

Discussion on Account 195 Town Reports by D. Consolati. Vote-yes unanimously

ARTICLE 3 - G. Bailey moved that the Town vote to amend Article 2 by raising and appropriating an additional sum of \$8,571.00, for the purpose of increasing the Town Treasurer's salary (Account 145) to compensate for a regular work week increase from twenty-three hours to thirty hours, making the total appropriation, under the Treasurer's salary account (Account 145) \$49,671.00. 2nd by F. Consolati.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 4 - P. Carlino moved that the Town vote to amend Article 2 by raising and appropriating an additional sum of \$2,118.00, for the purpose of increasing the Information Technology Trainer's personnel expense (Account 155) to compensate for a regular work week increase from ten to twelve hours, making the total appropriation for Information Technology Trainer's personnel expense \$12,979.00. 2nd by G. Bailey.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 5 - F. Consolati moved that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$50,000.00 to the Reserve Fund (Account 132) for unanticipated expenses in fiscal year 2007, and to meet said appropriation, raise \$20,000.00, and to transfer from Free Cash \$30,000.00. 2nd by P. Carlino.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 6 - G. Bailey moved that the Town vote to appropriate \$230,351. 00 for the maintenance of the Ambulance Department (Account 231) in fiscal year 2007, and to meet that appropriation, transfer from the ambulance receipts reserved for appropriation the amount of \$230,351.00. 2nd by F. Consolati.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 7 - P. Carlino moved that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$19,530.00 for the maintenance of Animal Control (Account 292) in fiscal year 2007, and to meet that appropriation, raise \$19,530.00, such amount to be offset by receipts of \$9,765.00 from the Town of Lenox. 2nd by G. Bailey.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 8 - F. Consolati moved that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$674,289.00 for the maintenance of the Sewer Department (Accounts 440, 442 & 443) in fiscal year 2007, and to meet that appropriation, raise \$674,289.00, such amount to be offset by the receipts of the Sewer Department. 2nd by P. Carlino.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 9 - G. Bailey moved that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$918,723.00 for the maintenance of the Water Department (Account 452) in fiscal year 2007, and to meet that appropriation, raise \$918,723.00 amount to be offset by the receipts of the Water Department. 2nd by F. Consolati.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 10 - P. Carlino moved that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$70,467.00 for the maintenance of the Cemetery Department (Account 491) in fiscal year 2007, and to meet said appropriation, raise \$61,931.00, and transfer from the Perpetual Care Interest Account \$8,536.00. 2nd by G. Bailey.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 11 - F. Consolati moved that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$209,322.00 for the maintenance of the Health Department (Account 519) in fiscal year 2007, and to meet that appropriation, raise \$209,322.00, such amount to be offset by receipts totaling \$123,708.00, from the Towns of Lenox and Stockbridge. 2nd by P. Carlino.

Finance recommends approval. Short discussion. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 12 - G. Bailey moved that the Town vote to fix the salaries of all elected officials as required by law for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006. 2nd by F.Consolati.

Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 13 - P. Carlino moved that the Town vote to authorize the Department of PublicWorks to establish a revolving fund for Home Composting Bins under the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2, as amended by Sections 72 and 73 of the Acts of 1994, in the amount of \$4,000.00, and that the receipts of said Home Composting Bins be designated to this account. 2nd by G. Bailey.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 14 - F. Consolati moved that the Town vote to establish a revolving fund under the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2, as amended by Section 72 and 73 of the Acts of 1994, for the Lee Trolley fiscal year 2007 operating budget, in the amount of \$10,000.00, and that the receipts of the Trolley be designated to this account. 2nd by P. Carlino.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 15 - G. Bailey moved that the Town vote to establish a revolving fund under the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2, as amended by Section 72 and 73 of the Acts of 1994, for Fire Prevention Inspection fiscal year 2007 operating budget, in the amount of \$10,000.00 and that the receipts of the fire prevention inspection fees be designated to this account. 2nd by F. Consolati.

Finance recommends approval. Short discussion. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 16 - P. Carlino moved that the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, or other Town Departments with the knowledge of the Board of Selectmen, to apply for and accept grants from the Federal Government, Commonwealth of Massachusetts or any other source, and to expend the same for purposes received without further appropriation. 2nd by G. Bailey.

Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 17 - F. Consolati moved that the Town vote to transfer from ambulance receipts reserved for appropriation to the general fund, the sum of \$87,923.00, to restore funds advanced to the Ambulance Service. 2nd by P. Carlino.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 18 - G. Bailey moved that the Town vote to transfer from the ambulance receipts reserved for appropriation the sum of \$49,025.00 for the tenth of fifteen payments due on the ambulance building. 2nd by F. Consolati.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 19 - P. Carlino moved that the Town vote to transfer from the ambulance receipts reserved for appropriation the sum of \$4,000.00, to repair the ambulance building. 2nd by G. Bailey.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 20 - F. Consolati moved that the Town vote to amend the vote under Article 17 of the Annual Town Meeting held on May 10, 2001 by amending the amount authorized to borrow to read \$77,720.00. 2nd by P. Carlino.

Finance recommends approval. Short discussion. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 21 - G. Bailey moved that the Town vote to transfer from the ambulance receipts reserved for appropriation, the sum of \$96,000.00 to purchase an ambulance. 2nd by F. Consolati.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 22 - P. Carlino moved that the Town vote to appropriate \$96,000.00 to purchase a second ambulance, and to meet that appropriation, transfer from ambulance receipts reserved for appropriation, \$48,000.00; and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow under Chapter 44, Section 7, Clause 9 of the Massachusetts General Laws \$48,000.00. 2nd by G. Bailey.

**Finance recommends approval. Short discussion/explanation by L. Breault
Vote-yes unanimously.**

ARTICLE 23 - F. Consolati moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash, the sum of \$17,000.00 to the Lee Chamber of Commerce, for the purpose of advertising and marketing the Town of Lee. 2nd by P. Carlino.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 24 - G. Bailey moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash, the sum of \$7,700.00 to purchase operating and application software for municipal computers. 2nd by F. Consolati.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 25 - P. Carlino moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash, the sum of \$9,642.00 to purchase a new copier for Memorial (Town) Hall to replace the second floor copier. 2nd by G. Bailey.

Finance recommends approval. Short discussion. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 26 - F. Consolati moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash, the sum of \$46,150.00 to purchase a new police information management system. 2nd by P. Carlino.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 27 - G. Bailey moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash, the sum of \$31,886.00 to purchase a sport utility vehicle to replace a police cruiser. 2nd by F. Consolati.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 28 - P. Carlino moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash, the sum of \$13,000.00 to purchase new fire hose. 2nd by G. Bailey.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 29 - F. Consolati moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash, the sum of \$10,000.00 to purchase an enclosed trailer to carry Fire Department equipment. 2nd by G. Bailey.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 30 - G. Bailey moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash, the sum of \$7,000.00 to repair the fire stations. 2nd by F. Consolati.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously

ARTICLE 31 - P. Carlino moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash, the sum of \$5,000.00 to support the Founders Day Parade celebration of the Lee Fire Company's 150th anniversary. 2nd by G. Bailey.

Finance recommends approval. Short discussion. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 32 - F. Consolati moved that the Town vote to expend the sum of \$183,274.00 from fiscal year 2007 "Chapter 90" funds as provided by the Commonwealth to repair the Town's bridges. 2nd by P. Carlino.

Finance recommends approval. Short discussion. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 33 - G. Bailey moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash, the sum of \$250,000.00 to repair and pave the Town's roads. 2nd by F. Consolati.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 34 - P. Carlino moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash, the sum of \$117,000.00, to purchase a small pick-up truck and a sidewalk plow, and to rebuild the backhoe. 2nd by G. Bailey.

Finance recommends approval. Discussion/explanation by D. Kelly. Vote-yes by majority.

ARTICLE 35 - F. Consolati moved that the Town vote to transfer \$4,850.00 from the Water Available Surplus Account to the general fund, and to transfer. \$21,750.00 from the Sewer Available Surplus Account to the general fund to compensate for trucks paid for from the general fund. 2nd by P. Carlino.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 36 - G. Bailey moved that the Town vote to transfer from the Water Available Surplus Account the sum of \$109,000.00 for the third of five payments due on the water meter installation borrowing. 2nd by F. Consolati.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 37 - P. Carlino moved that the Town vote to transfer from the Water Available Surplus Account the sum of \$44,500.00 to modify the Water Treatment Plant to improve safety. 2nd by G. Bailey.

Finance recommends approval. Short discussion. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 38 - F. Consolati moved that the Town vote to transfer from the Water Available Surplus Account the sum of \$35,000.00 to repair the Water Treatment Plant access road. 2nd by P. Carlino. Finance recommends approval. Very lengthy discussion. D. Delorme made a motion to pass over this article. 2nd by G. LePrevost.

Vote-no by majority. G. Bailey made a motion to amend the article by stating "repair the water treatment access road, removal of debris from the brook and side hill. 2nd by F. Consolati.

Vote-yes unanimously. Vote on amended motion -yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 39 - G. Bailey moved that the Town vote to transfer from the Sewer Available Surplus Account the sum of \$10,000.00 to replace the Wastewater Treatment Plant sludge holding tank. 2nd by F. Consolati.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 40 - P. Carlino moved that the Town vote to transfer from the Sewer Available Surplus Account the sum of \$5,000.00 to remove four underground oil tanks at three wastewater pump stations and wastewater treatment plant. Carlino read the article with the additions of the words four, three and wastewater treatment plant. 2nd by G. Bailey.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 41 - F. Consolati moved that the Town vote to amend the vote under Article 38 of the Annual Town Meeting held on May 8, 1997, by amending the amount authorized to borrow to read \$0.00. 2nd by P. Carlino.

Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 42 - G. Bailey moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash, the sum of \$10,000.00 to remove dead trees from the Fairmount Cemetery. 2nd by F. Consolati.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

Took a 10-minute break at 8:53PM.

Moderator Brittain called the meeting back to order at 9:05PM.

ARTICLE 43 - P. Carlino moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash, the sum of \$23,000.00 to repair Memorial (Town) Hall. 2nd by G. Bailey.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 44 - F. Consolati moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash, the sum of \$4,000.00 to temporarily relocate the Building Department from Memorial (Town) Hall to the Airolodi Building. 2nd by P. Carlino.

Finance recommends approval. Lengthy discussion.

Vote-standing count-yes 23, no 26. Article does not pass.

ARTICLE 45 - G. Bailey moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash, the sum of \$24,000.00 to provide temporary heat to the Hyde Building. 2nd by F. Consolati. Very lengthy discussion.

Finance does not recommend this. Vote-standing count-yes 20 and no 28.

Article does not pass.

ARTICLE 46 - P. Carlino moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash, the sum of \$10,000.00 to repair and replace fencing at the athletic field. 2nd by G. Bailey.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes unanimously.

ARTICLE 47 - F. Consolati moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash, the sum of \$4,500.00 to install a video monitoring system at the library. 2nd by P. Carlino.

Finance recommends approval. Vote-yes by majority.

ARTICLE 48 - G. Bailey moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash, the sum of \$6,500.00 to make required drainage improvements at and remove dead trees from Sandy Beach. 2nd by P. Carlino.

Finance recommends approval. Short discussion. Vote-yes by majority.

ARTICLE 49 - P. Carlino moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash, the sum of \$2,500.00 to contribute toward the funding of the Berkshire Strategy Project. 2nd by G. Bailey.

Finance recommends approval. Short discussion. Vote-yes by majority.

ARTICLE 50 - F. Consolati moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash, the sum of \$350.00 to compensate Department of Public Works employee, James Moraweic, for damage to his vehicle while parked at Fairmount Cemetery during his working hours. 2nd by P. Carlino.

Finance does not recommend. Short discussion/explanation by D. Kelly.

Vote-standing vote-22 yes and 25 no. Article does not pass.

ARTICLE 51 - G. Bailey moved that the Town vote to amend the zoning bylaws of the Town by deleting **Section 199-6. Location of districts**, and substituting the following:

199-6. Location of districts; Zoning Map.

The location and boundaries of these districts are hereby established as shown on a map entitled "Zoning Map of Lee, Massachusetts" dated April 16, 1974, and revised February 28, 1984, and revised May 27, 1992, and revised July 14, 1994, and revised February 9, 1995, and revised May 11, 1995, and revised November 22, 2004, and revised May 12, 2005, bearing the signature of the members of the Planning Board and on file in the office of the Town Clerk, which map, with all explanatory matter thereon, is hereby made a part of this chapter.

A. Where a street constitutes a zone boundary, the centerline of that street is the boundary. 2nd by F. Consolati. **(Short discussion. Vote-yes unanimously.)**

ARTICLE 52 - P. Carlino moved that the Town vote to amend its Zoning Bylaw by providing regulations in two parts governing "Adult Uses" as printed in the hand-out entitled: "Adult Bylaw May 4, 2006". 2nd by G. Bailey.

Short discussion. Vote-yes unanimously

ARTICLE 53 - F. Consolati moved that the Town vote, pursuant to the provisions of Section 4A of Chapter 40 and Section 59A of Chapter 48 of the Massachusetts General Laws, and to accept the provisions of Section 8G of Chapter 40 of the Massachusetts General Laws, to authorize the Selectman to enter into mutual aid agreements with other area governmental units for the provision of public health, public works, police, fire, animal control, inspectional services, emergency management and emergency medical services, in accordance with an inter-municipal mutual aid agreement to be entered into between the Town and the governmental units. 2nd by P. Carlino.

Vote-yes unanimously.

Moderator C. Brittain applauded the Finance Com. and all other boards for a great job with the budgets, and also reminded everyone to get out and vote May 15th.

Motion to adjourn 1st G. Bailey and 2nd P. Carlino. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne M. Scarpa
Lee Town Clerk
