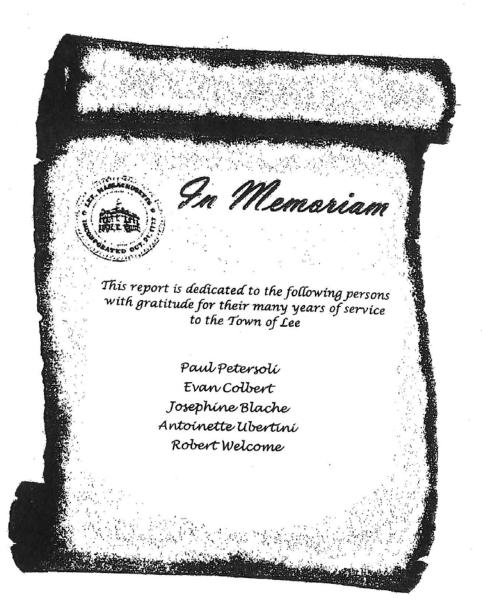
# Town of Lee Massachusetts



# **Fiscal Year 2020 ANNUAL REPORT** of the Town Officers



# **VOLUNTEERS HELP MAKE LEE SPECIAL**

Lee wouldn't be the town it is without the hundreds of volunteers who serve in Town bodies, non-profits, our schools and churches, the Chamber of Commerce, service organizations, and at special events and elsewhere. As you read this report, you'll see the names of fellow residents who gave their time and effort in widely ranging ways, contributions that are invaluable to making Lee a great place to live, play, work, and visit. We owe them our sincere thanks.

Multiple needs always exist for more volunteers. Everyone has interests, knowledge, and skills of value. Volunteering doesn't have to take a lot of time or require joining a Town committee. It can be as simple as helping with a special event or just picking up litter near your home. Every act makes a difference and shows you care. Multiple acts show the community cares.

If you volunteer with others, you'll meet like-minded people, have fun, gain a sense of accomplishment, and earn the gratitude of others. And our town will be even better. To learn about volunteer opportunities, pick up a flyer at the Town Hall or the library when they reopen, or contact our schools, churches and non-profits, the Chamber, service organizations, or any of the entities whose write-ups appear in the following pages. The town needs you!



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# Town Board Meetings\*

Board of Assessors Board of Health Board of Public Works Board of Selectmen Council on Aging Historical Commission Housing Authority Lee Land Trust Lee Youth Commission Planning Board School Committee Veterans' Agent

As needed 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month, 7:30 pm, Airoldi Building 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month, 4:30 pm, Airoldi Building 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month, 7:00 pm Conservation Commission 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month, 7:00 pm 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday every other month, 7:30 pm Crossway Village 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month (Sept., Nov., Jan., March & May, 7:00 pm 3rd Monday. of the month, 4:30 pm, Brown Memorial Court every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday. of the month, 7:00 pm 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month, 7:00 pm 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month, 6:30 pm 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month. 7:00 pm Monday 10:00 am to 1:00 pm or by appt., Airoldi Building

\*Meeting times subject to change - Check website @ www.lee.ma.us

#### **Business Hours of Town Offices** 32 Main Street Hours 8:30 am to 4:00 pm., Monday through Friday

# **TELEPHONE DIRECTORY**

Accountant Administrator / Selectmen Asst.	243-5510 413-409-5975
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
Land Use / Planning Board	243-5517
Police Department	243-5530
Fire Dept/EMS	243-5550
Sewer Plant	243-5525
Tax Collector / Treasurer	243-5506
Treasurer /Assist./Clerk	243-5515
Town Clerk	243-5505
Veterans' Agent	243-5519
Youth Association	243-5535
Water Plant	243-5526
Zoning Board of Appeals	243-5517

# **COMMUNITY PROFILE**

Location: First Settlement: Incorporated:	Western Massachusetts, Berkshire County Dodgetown, 1760's October 21, 1777 Named after Major General Charles Lee	
Government:	<i>First Congressional District</i> John Olver <i>Fourth Berkshire District</i> State Senator, Adams Hines State Representative, Wm. "Smitty" Pignatelli <i>Representative Town Meeting</i> Six districts, 51 members	
Town Meeting	Second Thursday in Ma	у
Population:	5,334	
<b>Registered Voters:</b>	4,438	
2019 Tax:	14.78 per thousand	
Area:	Square Miles Land Water State Highways Town Highways Sidewalks	27 .55% (98.8%) 0.60% (2.2%) 11.39 miles 60.1 miles 14.7 miles
Geographical Features:	Housatonic River, 4 lake (October Mountain State	(Steps of Memorial Hall) es, ponds, 2 mountains
Services:	<i>Electric</i> - Eversource <i>Gas</i> - Berkshire Gas Co <i>Cable</i> - Spectrum Cable <i>Bus</i> - Berkshire Regions <i>Fire Dept.</i> - Volunteer <i>Ambulance Dept.</i> - Volu	al Transit Authority
Distances:	9 Miles to Pittsfield 122 Miles to Boston 138 Miles to New York	City

# TOWN OF LEE TOWN REPRESENTATIVES JULY 1, 2020

#### (FY 20 – July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020)

#### **District** I

Courchaine, Daniel	2019
120 Bradley St. 243-0331	
Donovan, John "Buck"	2019
140 Lander Rd. 243-1810	
Forfa, Edward	2021
45 Maritta Ave. 243-1569	
Leahey, Elizabeth, CH	2021
172 Reservoir Rd. 243-2893	
Cohen, Josh	2021
560 Greylock St. 243-6637	
Hansen, Marilyn	2020
86 Mill St. 243-2572	
Larson, Francine	2020
806 East St. 243-1080	
Castegnaro, James	2020
111 Woodland Ave. 243-9938	
Forest, David	2019
690 Greylock St. 243-3593	

#### **District II**

Kennedy, Thomas 30 Hartwood Rd, 243-1698	2019
Wickham, Joan, CH 22 High St. 243-0401	2019
Vacancy	
Vacancy	
Wespiser, Diane	2020
70 Orchard St. 243-2322	
Clarke, Neil	2020
85 Orchard St. 243-3649	
Daley, Sr., Nelson	2020
135 Maple St. PO Box 59 243-10	)65
Bluhm, Valerie	2019
75 Orchard St. 394-4309	
Vacancy	

#### **District III**

Fillio, Matthew	2020
370 Chapel St. 243-1855	
Bort, Kathleen, CH	2019
45 Forest St., #3 243-2697	
Vacancy	
Heddinger, Alexandra	2021
90 Silver St., 243-2897	
Coty Jr., John	2020
50 Forest St. PO Box 74 243-28	313
Tyer, Matthew	2019
720 Cape St., PO Box 542 429-	1198
Biasin, Ottavio	2018
515 Marble St. 243-3328	
Wadsworth, Andrea	2020
625 Marble St. 243-4828	
Young, Carolyn	2021
755 Maple St. 243-4848	
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#### **District** IV

Brunell, William	2019
605 Fairview St. 243-1415	
Bailey, Gordon	2019
734 Pleasant St. 243-3110	
Kalischer, Cornelia	2019
PO Box 105, So. Lee 931-5302 (.	X-302)
Brittain, Richard	2020
15 Davis St. 243-2023	
Collins, Alice	2021
PO Box 103, So. Lee 243-4206	
Janet Warner	2020
270 Church St. 446-9967	
Mack, Arthur, CH	2020
130 Highfield Dr. 243-2156	
Daoust, Kathleen	2021
165 Highfield Dr. 243-3667	
Roche, William	2021
840 Fairview St. 243-2580	

District V		District VI	
Vacancy		Hofman, Peter 483 Devon Rd. 603-676-4250	2019
Biron, Margaret 42 Park St. 243-0489	2020	Miller, Andrew 35 Debra Ave. 243-1230	2020
		Lavigne, Alfred 305 Laurel St. P.O. Box 333	2019
Consolati, Deidre, CH 57 Main St. Apt. 8 243-2318	2021	Consolati, Frank 5 Debra Ave. 243-2364	2021
Roosa, Jeffrey 240 Mandalay Rd. 243-3673	2020	Miller, William 330 Laurel St. 243-4738	2020
Lucy, Jonathan 41 Prospect St. 243-4060	2021	Tierney, William 30 Pease Terrace 243-0281	2019
Sorrentino, Peter PO Box 905 243-2561	2021	Delorme, Dayton 10 Debra Ave. 243-0960	2020
Kelley, Susan 290 Mandalay Rd. 243-1142	2021	Ryan, Monica 165 Laurel St. 243-4282 Vacancy	2021

#### **MEMBERS AT LARGE**

#### Selectmen:

Consolati, David, CH	2021
330 Fairview St. 243-0951	
Carlino, Patricia	2019
810 Fairview St. 243-2825	
Regnier, Sean	2023
59 Park St.	
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#### **Moderator:**

Wright, Sarah 2020

#### **Town Clerk:**

Brittian, Christopher	
Fairview St., Lee, MA	2020

#### **Finance Committee:**

Arienti, Nicholas, CH 15 Greylock St.

#### MODERATOR APPOINTMENT FINANCE COMMITTEE 8 Members, 3 Year Term

- 2020 Marylou Antoniazzi
- 2020 Robert Cohen
- 2019 Sandra Dignard
  - 2019 C. Nicholas Arienti
- 2019 Donna Plankey
  - 2021 Freda Grim
- 2021 John Graziano
- 2020 Susan Kelley

# **ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS**

	<i>MODERATOR</i> (One Year Term)	
Sarah Write		2021
	SELECTMEN (Three Year Term)	
David Consolati, Chairman		2021
Patricia D. Carlino, <b>Chair</b> Sean Regnier		2019 2022
Sour Reginer		2022
	CONSTABLES (Three Year Term)	
Richard Brittain		2021 2021
Dennis Forshee Peter Warywoski		2021
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HO	USING AUTHORITY (Five Year Term)	
Diane Shepardson, Chairman	n	2020
Thomas Unsworth Jennifer Heath		2021 2023
Sandra Cozzaglio, State App	ointee	2023
P	LANNING BOARD (Five Year Term)	
David Durante (Associate Me	ember)	2021
Peter Bluhm Thomas Wickham		2019 2020
Margaret Biron		2020
John (Buck) Donovan		2021
Matthew Carlino		2022
SCH	HOOL COMMITTEE	
Andrea Wadsworth, Chairma	(Three Year Term)	2020
Anna Wescott		2019
Loren Kinnamon, Vice Chair		2019
Christine Lucy		2020
Nelson Daley, Sr. Kellie Koperek		2021 2020
Kathleen Hall		2020
Nelson Daley, Jr.		2019

# **DEPARTMENT HEADS AND TOWN OFFICIALS** (Town Administrator Appointments)

Fiscal Year July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

Animal Control Officer
Building Commissioner
Council on Aging Director
D.P.W. Superintendent
Emergency Management Director
Fire Chief-EMS Director
Assistant Fire Chief/Central Station
Assistant Fire Chief/Station 2
Deputy Fire Chief
Inspector, Gas
Inspector, Plumbing
Inspector, Wiring
Library Director
Police Chief
Sealer / Weights & Measures
Town Accountant
Town Clerk
Treasurer / Collector
Veterans' Agent

Michael Sullivan BJ Church Patricia DiGrigoli Alan Zerbato Jeffrey Roosa Ryan Brown Glenn Wilcox William Brunell Edward North Jason Dion Jason Dion Michael Burton

Jeffrey Roosa

Lynn Browne Christopher Brittan Donna Toomey Lloyd "Doug" Mann

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

Fiscal Year July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

#### ONE YEAR TERM APPOINTMENTS

#### Town Counsel

MGL CH. 40 Sec. 5-15 Attorney Jeremia Pollard

#### **Cable Television Commission**

2 Members David Parker

#### **Capital Outlay Committee**

Town By-law 2.3 Buck Donovan Matthew Fillio Peter Hofman Deidre Consolati Arthur Mack Nelson Daley, Sr

#### **Cemetery Committee**

Christine Arment Lucy Shanon Albee John Kelly

#### Traffic Commission

Jeffrey Roosa, *Police Chief* Gerald LePrevost, *Chairman* 

Agricultural Commission Mary Brittain

#### Jacob's Ladder Trail Scenic By-Way Commission Dee Dee Fraser

Linda Cysz

#### **Personnel Board**

Town By-law, MGL Ch. 40, 41 Kathy Murphy Neil Clark, *Chairman* Rebecca Riordan

#### School Building Commission

Town By-law 2-163 to 166 Minimum 5, Maximum 9 Members Margaret Biron Donna Toomey Gary Wellington Thomas Consolati

#### Planning Board Associate Member

Gordon Bailey, *Alternate* 

#### **Recycling Committee**

Peter Hofman, *Chair* Valerie Bluhm Ron Giancolo Linda Giancolo Phyllis Hofman Joan Angelo Monica Ryan Ann Sterlin

### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN** THREE YEAR TERM APPOINTMENTS

#### **Board of Public Works**

MGL 40-69D, Enabling Act, Ch. 438 – Seven Members David Forrest, *Clerk* Roger Scheurer Robert Bartini Peter Scolforo Donald Zukowski

#### **Board of Assessors**

MGL 41-24 - Three Members 2021 - Karen Avalle 2022 - Dayton DeLorme 2023 - Tony Caropreso

#### **Board of Registrars**

2019 - Mary Tyer Kelly 2019 - Rita Perry 2021 - Stuart Dalheim, *Vice Chair* Christopher Brittan, *Town Clerk* 

#### Council on Aging

Patricia DiGricoli Beverly Allen Patricia Jongkind Marcia Briggs

#### Sandy Beach Committee

Deidre Consolati Kelly Abdalla Monica Ryan Mary Lou Antoniazzi

#### **Board of Health**

MGL 41-1, 21 - Three Members James Wilusz, Health Agentr JoAnn Sullivan Carisa Vincent Robert Wespiser

#### **Conservation Commission**

MGL 40-8C - Minimum 5, Maximum 7 2019 - Kathleen Arment, *Chair* 2020 - Marilyn Hansen 2019 - John Philpott 2019 - John Coty, Jr. 2020 - James Wickham

#### Historical Commission

MGL 40-8D, Minimum 3, Maximum 7 Sandra Cozzaglio David Talbert William Carroll Susan Stone Brian Noel David Stone William Matthews

#### Zoning Board of Appeals

2019 - Francine Larson, *Chair* 2021 - Richard Brittain Thomas Swift Kristen O'Brien Keith Heerin Gordon Bailey Steve Wellington

# BOARD OF SELECTMEN APPOINTMENTS

#### AD-HOC COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

#### **Insurance Advisory Committee**

Lyndsay Broom Josh Herlihy Neil Clarke

Chad Cummings Ginger Armstrong Nancy Cummings Craig Desantis Patti Mottarella Rabecca Hall

#### **Golf Course Study Committee**

Dayton DeLorme Bruce Packard Peter Scolforo Linda Morin Daniel Sullivan Christopher Shields Clare Lahey Dennis Mountain Tom Unsworth Frank Consolati Richard Salinetti

#### **Energy Efficiency Advisory Committee**

Roger Scheurer Gary Wellington, Advisor

Robert Turtz

Gerald LePrevost

#### **Bikeway Committee**

John Toole James Wickham Peter Bluhm

Bruce Singer Henry Hagenah Rich Vinette Dennis Regan Sal Angelo

#### **Cultural Council**

Robin O'Herin Patricia Johnston Sonja Mason Wren Bernstein Brandon Boule Iris Bass William Matthews Valerie Bluhm

#### Lee Youth Commission

Kathy Hall, *Chair* Maguire Roosa Jen Carlino Claire Leahey Janet Warner Pam Morehouse Mike Kline Christine Lucy Colleen Korte



# ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

I hereby submit my report as your Animal Control Officer for the Town of Lee for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

I responded to 45 loose / stray pets, 22 dog complaints, 17 nuisance dog complaints, 28 nuisance animal complaints, 15 dog bites, 29 wild animals, 1 dogs hit/killed by vehicles, 0 dogs placed or destroyed, 14 well-being or neglected dogs, 8 pet attacks on people or other dogs, 72 phone consults, 5 other.

A Facebook Animal Control Page was constructed in July, 2012. It continues to be a huge success. A site to help locate owners of lost or found pets, and answer questions regarding animal control issues. Currently 2,100 local residents follow the page daily, and share lost or found information. The average reach of each post is 18,971, which has extremely improved time of locating stray or lost pets, normally within an hour. Numerous questions and concerns are answered daily from the anonymous inbox messaging. The Facebook address is animalcontrollee/lenox. Please 'LIKE' and share any information that can help us!!

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

Respectively submitted,

Michael Sullivan Animal Control Officer



# **BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

<b>Total Appropriations</b>	<b>\$ 24,363,535.00</b>
Other Charges	832,919.00
State and County Charges	733,648.00
Allowances for Abatements and Exemptions	198,665.68
<b>Total Amount to be Raised:</b>	<b>\$ 26,128,767.68</b>
Estimated Receipts – STATE	4,299,896.00
Estimated Receipts – LOCAL	6,698,064.00
Free Cash – Applied	1,222,338.00
Available Funds – Applied	0.00
Total Estimated Receipts:	\$ 12,220,298.00
Raised From Real Estate Tax	\$12,814,373.54
Raised From Personal Property Tax	1,094,096.14
<b>Total Raised From Taxes:</b>	\$13,908,469.68
Total Raised:	\$26,128,767.68
Total Assessed Valuation:	\$947,443,439.00
Tax Rate:	\$14.68
The Board of Assessors processed: Elderly Exemptions and Veterans Exemptions Personal Property and Real Estate Abatements Motor Vehicle Abatements Senior Work-Off Program	99 13 288 12

Respectfully Submitted,

Dayton DeLorme, *Chairman* Karen Avalle, *Appointed Assessor* Anthony L. Caropreso, *Appointed Assessor* Sarah T. Navin, *Assessors' Clerk* 



# BOARD OF SELECTMEN AND TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

To the Citizens of Lee:

2020 was the tale of two fiscal years. For the first nine months, the town moved along swiftly, buoyed by a strong economy and economic outlook. The Selectmen concluded the crafting of a historic agreement to clean-up the Housatonic River, commenced a \$5 million waterline replacement, permitted the opening of the town's first retail cannabis establishment, and moved forward with multiple capital improvements. The Town continued the third year of the historic three-year intermunicipal agreement with the Town of Lenox to share a Chief Administrative Officer (who serves as our Town Administrator while also serving as Town Manager in Lenox).

We are pleased that the Town representatives approved continuing this arrangement beyond the initial three-year term.

Then, in the last quarter of the fiscal year, our Town, our nation and our world was gripped by the global COVID-19 pandemic.

Historians will regard 2020 as having been defined by our response to COVID-19, the pandemic that has sickened and killed so many here in the Berkshires and throughout the world. These are, indeed, nervous and uncertain times. For the first time in over a century, our society was threatened by a worldwide pandemic that compelled us to retreat into our homes while shuttering our businesses and institutions. Our citizens were frustrated, frightened and anxious. More than ever, they need their public servants to be a stabilizing force in their lives.

In the midst of this crisis, the Town's sworn public safety personnel, public health professionals, and their respective families have been asked to shoulder a disproportionate share of the burden a that most of us are incapable of carrying ourselves. We are grateful for them and they continue to serve us valiantly. Our school food service personnel, volunteers and local food establishments provide food security to residents in need. Our public works staff and town hall continued their work despite the encumbrances necessitated by social distancing. Our schools were able to regroup and provide virtual instruction and academic support to our students who were suddenly deprived of their classroom experience because of this virus. In every department, we confronted the effects of this pandemic. Ultimately, we will be successful. But for now, the challenges continue. This pandemic will abate. Our society will reopen. Our economy will recover. Like our forebearers, we will get through this. Our management of the Town and our recommendations for the budget reflect this historically-based certainty.

#### Respectfully submitted,

Thomas P. Wickhm, Board ChairChritopher J. Ketchen, CAO/Town AdministratorPatricia D. Carlino, Board of SelectmenLyndsay K. Broom, Assistant CAODavid J. Consolati, Board of SelectmenCindy Bigelow, Administrative Assistant



# **BUILDING INSPECTOR**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Thomas P. Wickham, *Chair* Patricia D. Carlino Sean Regnier

I hereby submit my report for the Fiscal Year 2020:

CATEGORY	ISSUED	PERMIT FEES
Residential	189	\$54,690
Commercial	48	\$17,337
Sheet Metal	6	\$270
Sign	22	\$1,320
Tent	7	\$360
Trench	26	\$1,170
Solid Fuel	8	\$540
COI (304/106)	92	\$11,700
COO (new construction)	0	\$0.00
TOTAL	398	\$87,387

Building and Safety is committed to assist the public in the permitting process. Please refer to our department as a resource in any building or zoning inquires.

Respectfully Submitted,

B.J. Church *Building Commissioner* 



# **COUNCIL ON AGING**

To the Lee Board of Selectman

Our mission of our Council on Aging is to identify and serve the diverse needs of all Lee residents sixty and older, as well as our disabled adults. Our programs are designed to impact social, body and spirit. We also advocate, regarding services to which they are entitled, as well as provide transportation to and from doctor appointments through the COA and also in-town transportation in association with Abbott's Limo Service.

We have a volunteer Shine Counselor to help with insurance needs through Elder Services as well as Meals on Wheels on a weekly basis. AARP is Tax service offered at the senior center for our seniors over sixty. Blood Pressure clinic are also available on a weekly bases and a Foot Nurse once a month by appointment. We were fortunate to have local businesses and organizations to provide meals for seniors and families during this pandemic and our senior center picked up the pace and have been providing Grab n' Go meals once a week. Our seniors have also been reaching out and choosing to donate weekly to non-profit organizations.

Unfortunately, being outdoors for activities has been closed since March 2020 due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Throughout the year we have made outreach calls, provided our newsletter and Abbott's Limo continued to provide rides for our seniors.

This past year has been difficult not only due to the virus but we have lost so many of our family members and friends of our center. They will be missed. Fond memories and friends are made at the senior center and we hold them all in our hearts.

Respectfully submitted

Patricia DiGrigoli,

C.O.A. Director

# FY2020 ANNUAL TOWN REPORT OF THE TOWN OF LEE

(Lee Local Cultural Council)

Fiscal Year July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

Respectfully Submitted, Robin OHerin, Chair Valerie Bluhm, Treasurer Sonja Mason, Secretary William Mathews, Member Patricia Johnston, Member Brandon Boule, Member Iris Bass, Member



# THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen

The DPW experienced another busy and productive year in FY 2020. Some of the highlights are as follows:

- Phase #1 Water line improvement from Reservoir road to Canal street, was put out to bid in May of 2020. Borges Construction, Inc of Ludlow, Ma was the low bidder with a bid of \$3,078,153. Construction began in July 2020 and is scheduled to be completed by July 1st of 2021. This project is being funded by a 4.9 million Mass works Grant.
- Foresight Land Service has been contracted to perform the required task in developing MassDOT 25% design Submission required for the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for Center, Columbia Street, Bracley Street and Mill Street to the Lee/Lenox line. We are anticipating that Center street will be improved & Full width paving will be done when the Phase #1 Waterline is completed.
- Phase #2 Waterline improvement was put out to bid, (Foresight Engineering) which would include a new 12" Waterline from the intersection of Main & Center street down Main street to the Intersection of Main and West Park street, but with the Corona Virus Pandemic and the unknown Fiscal impacts of this Pandemic this project is on hold at this time.

Highway Division:

Town personnel performed a variety of maintenance on the town roads such as repairing catch basins, manhole structures repaired, roadside mowing, road sweeping, tree cutting /brush removal, drainage work, patching of roads, painting of crosswalks and stop line areas, winter maintenance, plowing, treating of the roads and sidewalks to ensure safe travel. 2,000 Tons of Salt was used treating town roads and sidewalks during FYI 2020. Highway personnel assisted the Water department during water break repairs, and performed a variety of other day to day repairs as necessary.

#### Cemetery:

The towns Cemetery grounds, along with the towns Parks were maintained by Highway Personnel. I would also like to Thank Sheriff Bowler & the Berkshire County Sheriff department who supervised the Community Service Program with the Fall & Spring cleanup at the Fairmount Cemetery.



# THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Projects:

Paving was done on Maple Street (7,394') and a 500' section of road on Church Street.

Guardrails were installed on Maple street.

Crack Sealing was done on Church Street, Fairview Street, Davis Street, West Park Street, Prospect Street and Marble Street.

Road line stripping was done on 20 miles of roads.

Catch basins were Vac/Cleaned on the following Streets: Park, Fairview, Center, East Center, Bradley, Columbia, Eaton, School Ferncliff, Academy, Franklyn, High, Old Pleasant and Marble Street

Forestry:

The DPW receives numerous requests to remove trees & has been aggressive removing dead & diseased trees. The recent increase of the line item for tree account from 10k to 25k has allowed us to ensure unsafe trees are removed from the Town Parks & Roadside areas.

Water Department:

The Town of Lee Water treatment Plant consists of two treatment plant operators , who ensure quality water to 1,944 Residential customers and Commercial accounts. Daily activities include, Doing the required Maas DEP sampling, testing and reporting along with maintaining the equipment at the Water Plant. The Water treatment plant treated an average of .509 GPO.

Also, the department has two distribution employees, who are in charge of flushing the distribution lines to ensure clean water, valve exercising, repairing water breaks as needed, During the year 230 Water radios were replaced due to poor signal strength. These radios were installed in 2006/2007, Dig safe areas are marked out along with other required activities as needed to the distribution system.

Four new services were added to the Water distribution system.

Projects:

The Water Master plan and Capital Improvement plan was completed and submitted to Mass DEP.

The Leahey (Upper) Reservoir Dam Emergency Action Plan was updated and submitted to the Department of Conservation and Recreation (OCR) Office of Dam Safety.



# THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Wastewater Department:

The Wastewater Treatment Plant continues to treat and discharge a high-quality clean effluent which falls within its current NPDES permit parameters.

Daily activities include Operation of the WWTP, overseeing five pump stations, 45 Miles of collection system, Doing the required testing and daily reporting, performing preventive maintenance on WWTP equipment, flushing of the collection lines, trouble shooting and resolving collection system blockage issues, receiving septage from various haulers, marking of dig safe areas, tracing of sewer lines and resolving day to day issues.

During FY 2020, 4 new sewer connections were added to the system.

During the year the Wastewater Treatment Plant treated & discharged an average of .639 MGD.

During the past year 1,779,525. gallons of septage was received at the WWTP, which equates to \$213.543.00 of revenue!!

Projects:

Phase #2 of the required inflow/infiltration Project was completed, with Sonar testing of Manholes, Manhole inspections, Updating the GIS mapping & 1&1 Report to Mass DEP. This work was done by Wastewater staff & DPC Engineering, LLC

Playgrounds:

I would like to thank the Lee Youth Commission along with all of the volunteers that have contributed their hard work and time with the installation of several pieces of playground equipment at various parks throughout town, and to the taxpayers for endorsing funding for various equipment & projects.

In Closing:

I would like to acknowledge and express my appreciation to all of our employees, Town officials, Office staff, along with various boards for their hard work, dedication and commitment, which has enhanced the overall DPW operation.

Respectfully submitted,

Alan Zerbato, DPW Superintendent



# ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Thomas Wickham, *Chair* David Consolati Patricia D. Carlino

I hereby submit my report for the Fiscal Year 2020:

PERMITS ISSUED	
Commercial	44
Residential	82
TOTAL:	126

Fees collected for: Electrical Permits July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020

Total: \$9,333.80

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Burton *Electrical Inspector* 



# TOWN OF LEE FIRE AND EMS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Fiscal Year 2020 proved to be another busy year for our department. The combined department answered 1507 calls for emergency service in FY 2020 broken down as follows;

- Calls for medical aid 1269
  - Responses requiring transport to medical facilities -
    - From Town of Lee 762
    - From Town of Stockbridge 188
    - From Town of Tyringham 32
    - Other Mutual Aide transports 86
    - Mutual received 49
  - Responses not requiring transport 152
- Calls for fire response 238
  - Fire 32
    - Working Fires 5
    - Vehicle Fires 7
    - Wild Land Fires 9
    - Fire requiring Mutual Aid 2
    - Mutual Aid Given 8
  - Overpressure or Rupture of Container 1
  - Rescue/Medical Aid 56
    - Motor Vehicle Accidents 45
  - Hazardous Environment/Materials 26
  - Service Calls 24
  - Good Intent 3
  - Fire Alarms 76
  - Severe Weather 11
  - Special Calls/Other 9

The Department also conducted 286 fire prevention and safety inspections.



# TOWN OF LEE FIRE AND EMS

On November 26 2019, we were informed that the Federal Emergency Management Agency through the Assistance to Fire Fighters Grant program had approved our grant request for \$235,931.00 of which FEMA/AFG would pay \$224.696.19 and the town would match 5% at \$11,234.81. This federal program award was used to purchase 24 self contained breathing apparatus to replace the departments aging and out of service equipment. It was also used to replace eleven automatic external defibrillators, putting an AED in every fire engine and police car in the town.

As we moved into February 2020, we were faced with the COVID-19 pandemic. This put a tremendous strain on our EMS and fire personnel. Though we had to scale down our training and evaluate our response tactics, the pandemic as a whole did not impede our operation.

Through the spring we participated in an energy efficiency program along with many town buildings. This program replaced all lighting fixtures in the Ambulance Garage with high out low energy LED fixtures. Through this program we hope to see energy savings. In the future we hope to replicate these savings in the other two fire stations. A project was launched to replace the failing boiler in Central Fire Station. The contract was awarded to LeProvost Plumbing and Heating from Lee to convert the heating system from oil to gas. Work has been scheduled to commence in FY21. This project is expected to reduce heating costs in the future.

The current leadership of the department is listed below;

Ryan Brown, *Chief of Department* Ed North, *Deputy Chief of Department* Glenn Wilcox, *Assistant Chief, Central Station* Jim Hunt, *Captain of Training, Station 2* Bryan Brown, *Lieutenant, Central Station* William Brunell, *Assistant Chief, Station 2* Matt Tyer, *Captain/EMS Coord, Central Station* Adam Mead, *Lieutenant, Station 2* 

The Department currently sits with a roster of 10 full time, 7 part time, 1 volunteer and 46 on-call men and women proudly protecting your community twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ryan C. Brown, *Fire Chief* 



# EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

This year has been a very busy year for Emergency Management. As in years past, we are continually updating our emergency management plan through MEMA and FEMA. This has been accomplished with the help of our regional coordinator Robert Barry. As the county continues to grow toward a more regionalized pool of equipment and resources, we have stayed in step with our local, county and state partners in ensuring a regional plan is in place for all foreseeable emergencies.

A project that has been taken on to relocate existing communications equipment from the old town dispatch center to the Central Fire Station to create a new Town Emergency Operations Center. This project was accomplished with available funds and the Center became fully operational in October. It has proven to be a valuable resource for coordinating effort in times of emergency.

As of March 15, 2020, the Town has been under a State of Emergency to combat the COVID-19 threat to our community. Emergency Management, Fire and Police met weekly with MEMA and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and many other partners for a briefing regarding steps necessary to control the spread of the pandemic. Additionally, the Tritown Board of Health briefed us almost daily or as information evolved to present a coordinated effort to combat COVID.

Through a county wide plan, the needs of first responders and the community were met. Supplies of protective equipment were secured through MEMA and FEMA and delivered originally by the National Guard and then from a central distribution point in the county created by many agencies working together under the Emergency Management umbrella.

In the coming year we are working to update and download our Emergency Preparedness Plans to the MEMA online system. This project should be completed by early FY22.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chief Ryan C. Brown, *Emergency Management Director* 



# **PLUMBING & GAS INSPECTOR**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Thomas Wickham, *Chair* David Consolati Patricia Carlino

I hereby submit my report for the Fiscal Year 2020

PLUMBING PERMITS:	Residential: 41	Commercial: 14
GAS PERMITS:	Residential: 55	Commercial: 14
Total Permits: <u>124</u>		

Fees collected for: Plumbing and Gas Permits Total: \$7,454.50

July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020

Respectfully Submitted,

Jason Dion, *Plumbing and Gas Inspector* 



# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

The Lee Community Development Corporation, a private non-profit economic development organization, continues to encourage growth, investment and job creation for the Town of Lee and across the region.

The CDC has been operating with an all-volunteer board since eliminating the position of the executive director on June 30, 2012 and receives no funding from the Town of Lee to support its operations.

The Lee CDC has worked to encourage and facilitate economic development in the town. It's involvement in planning activities and funding strategies for a variety of projects include the continued development of the Quarry Hill Business Park, development of the downtown parking lot, the sale and re-use of the former Lee Corporate Center, and the re-use of the former paper mills in town.

We wish to thank all of our local and regional partners, friends and supporters as we look forward, with them, to meet future challenges and opportunities for the community.

Respectfully submitted,

David Bruce, *President* 

#### Lee CDC Board Members:

David Bruce Marc DiGrigoli John E. Toole Chauncey Collins Dani J. Holmes Nick Arienti Raymond B. Murray III Patricia Carlino MariJyh Hansen Bob Healey



# LEE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Lee Conservation Commission managed the Town conservation issues during 2019/2020. The Commission's responsibility involves the administration of the WPA (Wetland Protection Act) MGL 131 and the Scenic Mountain Act of 2008 for the Town of Lee. In this role, the Commission provides guidance to many homeowners as well as businesses.

The Commission meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of every month. Since the onset of Covid 19, the commission has held all the meetings on the Zoom platform.

The Commission's activities included numerous requests for determining Commission jurisdiction for building sites so that the Town owners could get the proper Town permits. In this capacity, the Commission works closely with the Town Building Inspectors and the Town DPW.

In 2008 the Town of Lee passed a Scenic Mountain Act. There are three "Scenic Mountain Zones" that are mapped in Lee.

Zone	Elevation (feet)	Location
Α	984	Southwest corner of Lee encompassing Beartown Mountain Area
В	1181	Southeast corner of Lee encompassing Goose Pond Area
C	1280	Northeast corner of Lee encompassing October Mountain Area

The Commission email address is concom@town.lee.ma.us. This is the fastest way to communicate with the Commission. Our telephone number is 413-243-5511.

The Lee Conservation Commission yearly summary of activity as compared to the past year is as follows:

Notice of	Request for	Certificate of	Building	Enforcement	Scenic
Intent (NOI)	Determination	Compliance	Sign-offs	Order	Mountain
	(RDA)	(COC)	-		(RDA)
2019/2020	2019/2020	2019/2020	2019/2020	2019/2020	2019/2020
13 vs. 7	10 vs. 9	1 vs. 6	28 vs. 21	1 vs. 1	1 vs. 1

In addition to the statistics, the following business was also conducted during the past year. Emergency Orders, Amended Orders, Extensions, and ANRAD procedures. There were over 30 site inspections and 65 continuances of NOI's and RDA's.

The Conservation Commission has not had a full board since 2008.

#### Lee Conservation Commissioners:

Kathy Arment, Chair	Stu Dalheim, Vice Chair	Kathleen Vseteck	a, Administrator
Marilyn Hansen	John Coty, Jr.	John Philpott	James Wickham

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Arment, *Chairperson* 



# FINANCE COMMITTEE

July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

#### **Committee Members:**

Nicholas Arienti, *Chairman* Marylou Antoniazzi Susan E. Kelly Robert Cohen Sandra Dignard Donna Plankey

Respectfully submitted,

Nicholas Arienti, *Chairman* 



# SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS 2019-2020

#### A Message from the Superintendent

2020. The year we all wish we could forget, but the year that none of us will. As a school leader, I experienced challenges that were beyond comprehension just twelve months earlier. However, in typical Lee and Tyringham fashion, the communities stepped up to ensure that our students - our leaders of the future - had every opportunity to succeed. Remarkable is one of a few select words to describe how our schools responded to the pandemic.

The school year began rather innocently. Staff were welcomed back to school by Commissioner Jeff Riley. Students returned to school eager to lean and ready for a year full of exciting opportunities and endless possibilities for advancement. Our in-school and after-school programs provided our students with targeted interventions and supports to enhance their experiences; each school expounds upon this in their reports below ...

I joined the District on February 24 and was welcomed by outgoing Interim Superintendent David Hastings. After just three weeks, our schools shuttered in mid-March. In fact, the last day of in-person schooling was Friday, March 13, 2020. Originally, the decision was made out of an abundance of caution. This decision was soon made for all districts across the State as Governor Baker and the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education flipped to remote learning. The struggles were immediate and real, but the staff, students, and community rose to the occasion. Creativity became the hallmark for the work that was done to engage students in learning; desperate times prompted desperate measures. Reflecting on the year, we did a damed good job!

Because of the pandemic, some of the usual benchmarks that would appear in the school report are absent. These include performance data related to MCAS (Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System), ACCESS (Accessing Comprehension and Communication in English), and more. These data were not available as testing was canceled due to the pandemic.

Since March, as a district, we consistently monitored the social-emotional wellness of our students and staff. The value and importance of in-person instruction cannot be underestimated. The impact that the pandemic has had on the lives of our students is without compare. However, throughout this pandemic the district has been conscientious of these challenges and we committed to making every effort to educate our students. While the Spring was a whirlwind of learning and seemed to be a series of incredulous happenings, we took our lemons and made lemonade.

A huge debt of gratitude is owed to all members of our school communities for supporting our budget in difficult times, for rallying around our first responders, and for supporting the day-in and day out operations of our schools.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael J Richard *Superintendent of Schools* 



# LEE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Here are some highlights from the LES 2019-2020 academic school year: After 20+ years, Diane Naventi announced her retirement as the LES Nurse. Our Speech

and Language Pathologist of 30+ years, Susan Floyd also joined the retirement club. Congratulations and thank you both for your many dedicated years of service to our school community. On the other end of the spectrum, we welcomed back Greg Houston in his new role as the new Library Media Specialist.

We were very excited to implement two grants received. The Berkshire United Way for Expressive Arts/Morning Mindshift programming allowed kindergarten and I st grade students to start their day in a calmer way to encourage healing. This program targets kindergarten and 1st grade students in applying arts curriculum to gain academic, readiness, confidence, and self-regulatory skills.

Also awarded was the FC528 ASOST Increased Access to Quality Afterschool and Summer Learning a Programs Grant. This program fosters partnerships with the Mass Audubon Society and Flying Cloud Institute used to address MCAS science tech scores in MCAS grades and also to support Expressive Arts for grades 3-6. It also offers new science, art, and environment education experiences to our students.

Our Walk to School initiative received recognition from the Massachusetts Safe Routes to School Program. LES's program was named the exemplary program for the region! This fun community event taught students a healthier, safer, and greener way to get to school. It also allowed our young students the opportunity to engage with the Lee PD, Lee EMS, Lee Fire Dept., government officials, school committee members, and community agencies such as Kiwanis, Lee Bank, and Berkshire United Way.

This year's curriculum focused on a new tool called Fastbridge Assessment for K-2 students. Self Regulated Strategy Development (SRSD) helped our writing school wide initiative. Botvin Life Skills, Mind Up curriculum, and staff morale were integrated to help with Social Emotional Learning for all.

This school year has been unlike any other. In March of 2020, the COVID-19 pandemic brought many challenges to our LES community. I commend the faculty, staff, students, and their families for persevering to do what we all felt was best for the safety and education of our pre-kindergarten through 6th grade students. Overwhelming efforts were made by all to keep our students engaged while keeping their social-emotional wellbeing at the forefront of concern. A lot has been learned and we will continue to do so during these unprecedented times.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kate Retzel *Principal, Lee Elementary School* KLR/bcb



# LEE MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL

The 2019-2020 school year was most unusual. While the first two-thirds of the year were what could be considered a "normal" school year, the last third was anything but due to the COVID-19 pandemic which resulted in school buildings closing as of March 13, 2020. Teaching and learning transitioned to a fully remote status for the remainder of the school year. During this difficult and unparalleled time, the LMHS school community demonstrated the strength and resilience of its members -- students, faculty, staff, and families -- in overcoming the many challenges caused by the pandemic through the end of the school year. Most activities were canceled after March 13, including co-curricular activities, the Prom, and most senior events; through planning with the Lee Board of Health, however, LMHS was able to host an in person graduation ceremony on school grounds on June 12 for the Class of 2020.

LMHS continues to expand our early college programs -- with over 70 students earning college credits while enrolled in high school during the 2019-2020 year. For the third year in a row, in May LMHS was awarded a silver medal by US News & World Report in their list of the Best High Schools in America. Congratulations to our students, staff, and community for this recognition!

Co-curricular groups including the National Honor Society, Helping Hands, and the Social Justice Club continued to be involved in service-learning projects and community-based projects throughout the year, even after the pandemic closed school buildings. The Drama Program presented King Henry JV Part I as part of the Fall Festival with Shakespeare and Company; and in the spring presented Matilda: The Musical, which was directed by Gary Cannon. The Music Department was able to present two concerts at the school before the pandemic: a winter concert in December, and an "American Music" concert in February. The High School Jazz Band commissioned an arrangement of the jazz standard "Little Sunflower" by local composer Joe Smith, with generous support from the Lee and Otis Cultural Councils. Several students participated in the MMEA Western District Festival: Annie Maloney - senior district band, oboe; Cindy Ni - senior district band, clarinet; Teresa Navin - senior district chorus; Korey Chen - junior district band, clarinet; Jillian Heath - junior district chorus. Our Academic Teams - Quiz Team, As Schools Match Wits, and Mock Trial - were able to compete within the county prior to the suspension of in-person learning due to the pandemic.

The fall 2019 sports season saw over 140 LMHS student athletes participate in both varsity and junior varsity athletics. For the first time in over five years LMHS was able to field a boys soccer program; the girls soccer team qualified for the WM ass tournament; the golf team fielded a young squad, won several matches and continued to improve throughout the season; cross country once again posted outstanding participation numbers and had several runners qualify for the WMass meet; the volleyball team won the Berkshire County championship and reached the WMass championship; the football team was able to rebound from a slow start and went on a six game winning streak and won their fifth WMass championship. The winter sports season had over 60 student athletes participate in the winter sports -girls and boys basketball, as well as co-op players in alpine skiing (Lenox), swimming (Monument Mt.), and hockey (Mt. Everett). The boys basketball team looked to rebuild and won several games; the girls basketball team made a return to the WMass tournament before ultimately falling in the WMass semifinals. Participating in the co-op swim program with Monument Mt., Asa Stone won the West/ Central Mass championships in the I 00-yard butterfly and-the I 00-yard backstroke. The spring 2020 sports season was canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gregg M. Brighenti, *Principal* 



# LEE HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2020

\*Sierra Bliss Twing, *President* \*+ Liana Elizabeth Hall, *Vice President* \*Olivia Heather Johnson, *Secretary* \*+ Emily Marie Molino, *Treasurer*.

Patricia Marie Auli \*Hailev Elizabeth Bartini Nicolas James Bianco Hunter Michael Briggs Max James Brighenti Evelvn Elizabeth Brown Travis James Bush Claudia Marisol Cahalan Daniel Joseph Casserly +Ezekiel Brayden Castine Abrianna Rose Chaffee Jason Alexander Clouser \*+ Brady Sarah Cook Colby Wyatt Curtin \*Heather Marie Dennis Adam Jacob Dingman +Maccus Jacob Dinsmore Declan Emile Drozd John Henry Ferrell \*§ Juliette Josephine Gagnon Daniel Matthew Hadsell Kristen Emily Hall Kyle Thomas Hallock Garrett Russell Hopkins Jacob David Jordan Kaden Marie Kelly Anthony Michael Kickery Caleb Jackson Kollmer Michael Paul Koperek Michael John LePrevost

\*+ Suriana Ye Sun Lee Kylee Marissa Lillie Nikolas Antonio Martini **§Valentina Morales** \*+ Alivah Rose Noel Collin Richard O'Brien Michael Douglas Pires \*+ Jack Thomas Purcell +Kevin Cesar Ramirez §Juan Camilo Ramirez-Borda +Cole David Redstone §Eric Aaron Reves \*+ Taggart James Roosa \*Katy Margaret Schlaefer +Michael Gene Somerville +Robert Erving Stevens Chase Andrew Thomas Ashlee Marie Trumps Emily Ruth Whittaker

\*National Honor Society §Seal ofBiliteracy recipient +John and Abigail Adams Scholar



## LEE HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLORSHIPS CLASS OF 2020

Marjorie Wickham Memorial Scholarships -Heather Dennis, Emily Molino, Olivia Johnson & Taggart Roosa

Henry T. Zukowski Memorial Scholarships -Hunter Briggs, Brady Cook, Adam Dingman, Liana Hall, Collin O'Brien, Jack Purcell, Cole Redstone & Sierra Twing

Richard C. Brunell Memorial Scholarships - Olivia Johnson, Jack Purcell, Cole Redstone & Taggart Roosa

John J. Boyne Memorial Scholarship - Travis Bush

BRP Scholarship - Colby Curtin

Drs. Charles & James Stratton Memorial Scholarship - Olivia Johnson

Tri Town Rotary Scholarships - Taggart Roosa & Olivia Johnson

Joe Maley Memorial Scholarships - Colby Curtin & Adam Dingman

Michael R. Coty Memorial Scholarship -Adam Dingman

Andrew J. Bartini Memorial Scholarships -Hunter Briggs & Liana Hall

Lee High School Student Government Scholarships - Suriana Lee & Emily

Molino Eugenio Bonafin Memorial Scholarship, Class of 1936 - Valentina Morales

**Comalli Electric Scholarship in Memory of James Mougin and George Comalli** - Brady Cook

Scholarship in Memory of David Bailey - Colby Curtin

Scholarship in Memory of Mario Bona - Robert Stevens

Pittsfield Cooperative Bank Centennial Scholarship Fund - Juliette Gagnon

Scholarship in Memory of John J. Nagle - Collin O'Brien

Joanne M. Keiderling Memorial Scholarship - Brady Cook

**Class of 1977, In Memory of our Deceased Class Members** - Colby Curtin, Valentina Morales & Robert Stevens

Lee Lions Club Scholarship - Ezekiel Castine

Pease Memorial Scholarship - Sierra Twing

Minnie L. Baird Scholarship in Memory of Lena Beal -Suriana Lee & Emily Molino

Lee Community Tennis Association's Claire "Bunnie" Lahey Scholarship -Suriana Lee

Scholarship in Memory of Richard Morin - Cole Redstone

**Mary Voght Memorial Scholarships** -Suriana Lee, Emily Molino, Brady Cook, Liana Hall, Aliyah Noel, Taggart Roosa, Heather Dennis, Jack Purcell, Valentina Morales, & Juliette Gagnon

Gt. Barrington Fish & Game Club, in Memory of Jesse Townsend -Adam Dingman

Scholarship in Memory of Heather Helen Hawley - Olivia Johnson

Scholarship in Memory of Harry Wheeler - Ezekiel Castine

Ardella Donnell Memorial Award, Class of 1933 - Michael Somerville

Alba A. Pasco Memorial Scholarships - Evelyn Brown & Kevin Ramirez

Austen Riggs Erikson Institute Scholarship - Sierra Twing

Meg Cade Memorial Scholarship -Sierra Twing

Bruce and John Stevenson Memorial Scholarship - Jack Purcell

Lee Historical Society Scholarship, in Memory of Dolores I. Eckert - Olivia Johnson

Lee Historical Society Scholarship, in Memory of Marion M. Leach - Taggart Roosa

Lee Historical Society Scholarship in Memory of Stephen A. Cozzaglio -Sierra Twing The Forfa Family Scholarship - Cole Redstone

Lee Chamber of Commerce, Marie Toole Academic Scholar Award -Jack Purcell. 39 Janice "Sissy" Curtin Scholarships - Hunter Briggs, Max Brighenti, Abrianna Chaffee, Colby Curtin, Heather Dennis, Juliette Gagnon, Liana Hall, Olivia Johnson, Collin O'Brien, Taggart Roosa, & Sierra Twing

Academic Scholarship given by Mr. & Mrs. William R. Hall, Sr. in Memory of Lou DiGrigoli - Colby Curtin

Academic Scholarships given by Mr. & Mrs. William R. Hall -Emily Molino, Cole Redstone, Jack Purcell, Liana Hall & Sierra Twing

**Robert Lucy Memorial Scholarships** - Hunter Briggs & Hailey Bartini Lee Youth Football Scholarship -Hunter Briggs

**Richard Hawkey Scholarship, for love of literature and language** - Heather Dennis

Marion Hawkey Scholarship, for kindness and service to others - Colby Curtin

Lee High School Band Parents Scholarships - Maccus Dinsmore & Katy Schlaefer

The Alan Wurtzbach Memorial Award -Eric Reyes & Ashlee Trumps

**Greylock Federal Credit Union Community Enrichment Scholarships** -Heather Dennis & Taggart Roosa

Scholarships in Memory of Mark Drury given by the Applewynd Acres -Hunter Briggs & Travis Bush

Adams Community Bank Scholarship - Valentina Morales

Timothy Shepardson, Sr. Memorial Scholarship - Cole Redstone

Michael Salinetti & David Scarpa, Sr. Memorial Scholarships - Hunter Briggs, Jack Purcell & Taggart Roosa

Friends of Veterans Scholarships-Abrianna Chaffee, Colby Curtin, Collin O'Brien & Olivia Johnson

Class of 1966 Scholarship- Valentina Morales

Kelly Lyn Coty Scholarship Fund -Colby Curtin, Travis Bush & Liana Hall

Hank Greiner Memorial Scholarship -Adam Dingman

Berkshire Mechanical LLC Scholarship in Memory of Richard Santolin & Richard Belanger-Colby Curtin Peter D. Fraser, Jr. Memorial Scholarship-Colby Curtin

South Lee Fire Co. Scholarship -Michael Somerville

Thornton Kinney Memorial Scholarship for the Arts - Ezekiel Castine

Vanessa Stone Memorial Scholarship-Olivia Johnson

**Kiwanis Club of Lee, Inc. Scholarships** -Suriano Lee, Cole Redstone & Taggart Roosa **Christy Marie Rich & Eric Monk Memorial Scholarship** - Michael Koperek

Cove Youth League Bowling Scholarship -Adam Dingman

Girls Soccer Booster Club Scholarships -Hailey Bartini & Brady Cook

Lee Youth Soccer Club Scholarships -Hailey Bartini & Brady Cook

Tyringham Fire Company Scholarship -Colby Curtin

Evan Colbert Memorial Scholarship - Colby Curtin

Lee Gridiron Club Scholarships - Taggart Roosa & Jack Purcell

Lee Volleyball Booster Club Scholarships -Surianna Lee & Aliyah Noel

Lee Lady Wildcats Basketball Booster Club Scholarships - Kaden Kelly & Hailey

Bartini Chang-Chavkin Scholars Program Scholarship - Aliyah Noel

### AWARDS

Principal's Award for Excellence -Suriana Lee Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award-Suriana Lee National Merit Scholar Program Commended Student -Suriana Lee **Top Seniors in English -**Brady Cook & Juliette Gagnon Pythagoras Award for the Top Senior in Math -Suriana Lee General Charles Lee Award for the Top Senior in History -Liana Hall **Top Seniors in Science -**Aliyah Noel & Suriana Lee **Top Seniors in Art -**Ezekiel Castine & Juliette Gagnon John Philip Sousa Award for Band -Maccus Dinsmore **Top Seniors in Physical Education -**Hunter Briggs & Suriana Lee **Top Seniors in Spanish -**Katy Schlaefer & Juliette Gagnon



# LEE PUBLIC SCHOOL FY20 SALARIES

Name	Gross	Name	Gross	Name	Gr	
Alarie, Mary R	\$ 29,460.56	Deming, Evelyn B	\$ 30,802.64	Naventi, Diane R	\$	83,769.64
Allen Hanson, Nancy J	\$ 26,627.50	DeSantis, Trysta M	\$ 75,779.00	Naventi, Mary E	\$	71,273.33
Ames, Jeremiah C	\$ 82,646.00	DeVarennes, Kathleen H	\$ 87,679.16	Nelson-Unczur, Joanne M	\$	76,092.00
Andrews, Taryn M	\$ 10,587.50	DeVarennes, Kelly S	\$ 65,528.00	Newton, Allison E	\$	30,386.45
Antil, Maria B	\$ 70,577.33	Devries, Catherine T	\$ 45,280.48	Noonan-Forget, Nancy L	\$	88,873.73
Antoniazzi, Melissa S	\$ 12,859.00	Dobson, Ann M	\$ 7,280.17	Norton, Jennifer L	\$	103,609.80
Armstrong, Jesse W	\$ 35,757.17	Doucette, Susette M	\$ 1,728.00	Parisi, Amber M	\$	84,016.0
Armstrong, Virginia C	\$ 84,076.00	Dufresne, Erin B	\$ 69,917.00	Parks, Katelyn	\$	51,325.0
Bailey, Anita M	\$ 28,605,90	Duhon, Paula J	\$ 85,096,00	Patel, Rakhee	\$	88,536.0
Baker, Susan W	\$ 35,482.50	Duquette, David A	\$ 12,638.51	Paul, Jamie M	\$	52,749.3
Bannon, Jamie	\$ 1,333.75	Duval, Michael E	\$ 38,672.81	Plankey, Tyler J	\$	12,015.4
Barbarotta, Samantha K	\$ 50,745.00	Eberwein, Howard J III	\$ 59,223.73	Pollard, Jessica M	\$	80,064.5
Bartini, Lea J	\$ 39,337.52	Feldman, Patricia C	\$ 82,107.00	Puleri, Michele N	\$	84,386.0
Bates, Challis L	\$ 2,979.50	Fennelly, Marcy L	\$ 73,667.00	Raftery, Jennifer Lynn	\$	23,693.6
Belanger, Jane E	\$ 25,278.78	Fera, Kim M	\$ 30,067.12	Ragusa-Hallock, Kathie M	\$	48,370.5
Bercury, Donna L	\$ 18,680.25	Fillio, Matthew C	\$ 89,745.33	Reidy, Brenda L	\$	4,209.4
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Bianco, Brenda C	\$ 43,435.70	Finnegan, Lauren B	\$ 73,152.00	Retzel, Kathryn L	\$ ¢	106,930.7
Biasin-Burton, Cynthia A	\$ 6,126.84	Finnegan, Thomas H Jr	\$ 93,217.38	Reynolds, Melanie C	\$	21,535.8
Bienvenue, Mary C	\$ 29,656.60	Fitzgerald, Rebecca J	\$ 33,416.90	Richard, Michael J	\$	44,951.0
Borsotti, Amanda M	\$ 2,550.00	Fitzhugh, Maryann C	\$ 6,440.75	Rivera, Rafael I	\$	20,709.5
Boule, Brandon K	\$ 57,872.00	Floyd, Susan M	\$ 83,886.00	Romeo, Kay E	\$	34,213.7
Boylston, Sandra	\$ 165.00	Flynn, Sarah R	\$ 24,256.96	Roosa, Jennifer M	\$	78,249.0
Boyne, William T	\$ 6,034.00	Fresia, Andrew T	\$ 24,780.40	Rotter, Andrea M	\$	39,690.0
Bresnahan, Meaghan J	\$ 77,504.11	Fuller, Cynthia M	\$ 29,591.75	Salinetti, Thomas J	\$	42,679.3
Briggs, Pamela A	\$ 89,869.33	Garland, Toni M	\$ 6,661.76	Santolin, Deborah L	\$	21,215.6
Brighenti, Gregg	\$109,150.20	Gray, Heather L	\$ 80,857.00	Scarpa, Diane K	\$	26,164.5
Broderick, Pamela J	\$ 19,560.47	Griffin, Kathleen B	\$ 29,611.59	Schlaefer, Amy M	\$	81,886.0
Brooks, Leah E	\$ 1,162.00	Guinan, Martha A	\$ 22,334.90	Schwab, Leah R	\$	15,498.2
Brouker, Cynthia Ellen	\$ 7,062.50	Hall, Ella	\$ 74,282.00	Sedelow, Elizabeth M	\$	30,467.1
Brown, Jonathan T	\$ 16,906.12	Hall, Joshua D	\$ 72,054.50	Shafiroff, Naomi	\$	1,779.1
Brown, Mary Beth	\$ 28,689.64	Hall, Rebecca E	\$ 12,558.74	Shook, Kim F	\$	38,480.1
Buratto, Jodi L	\$ 18,615.19	Hartman, Theresa M	\$ 81,007.00	Smith, Laura A	\$	65,069.0
Buratto, Karen L	\$ 30,852.64	Hastings, David B.	\$ 17,940.00	Sparks, Courtney E	\$	79,713.6
Burke, Samantha L	\$ 55,807.00	Hayden, Michelle L	\$ 24,156.00	Spizz, Renee J	\$	66,670.0
Cahalan, William E	\$ 47,849.47	Heath, Corey R	\$ 60,221.00	Spoto, Elisabeth A	\$	50,745.0
Cannon, Gary A Jr	\$ 3,945.00	Herman, Kimberly L	\$ 83,246.00	St. John, Carrie A	\$	68,367.0
Cardinal, Eric W	\$ 4,074.86	Hickey, Leslie M	\$ 82,536.00	Strezynski, Melissa M	\$	26,530.6
	\$ 56,868.60		\$ 64,237.00		\$ \$	2,550.0
Carlino, Jennifer M Choquette, Nicole L	\$ 23,165.01	Hickson, Ashley D Hopkins, Sarah Jean	\$ 64,237.00	Sullivan, Daniel S Swift Heck, Carrie J	\$ \$	2,350.0
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Clark, Andy H	\$ 60,060.00	Houston, Gregory R	\$ 67,367.00	Thompson, Debra B	\$	4,804.1
Clark, Shannon L	\$ 82,809.90	Hudnall, Jessica M	\$ 63,970.33	Thomson, Keith M	\$	79,428.0
Colbert, Alexandra R	\$ 54,446.66	Jarowski, Francie L.	\$ 67,862.00	Tietgens, Jeannette M	\$	30,154.2
Consolati, Patrice	\$ 11,902.60	Keamey, Eileen A	\$ 45,894.56	Tisdale, Jessica J	\$	6,500.9
Cook, Stacey A	\$ 48,692.26		\$ 83,156.00	Trabka, Thomas J	\$	87,707.6
Coons, Jeffrey R	\$ 72,521.85	Korte, Daniel S	\$ 86,509.90	Trombley, Jessica C	\$	5,802.6
Coty, Frances M	\$ 27,806.31	Kresiak, Donna M	\$ 28,643.02	Vale-Cruz, Kristi M	\$	68,367.0
Coughlin, Joseph L	\$ 23,503.64	LeCompte, Ruth D	\$ 82,966.00	Vaughan, Astrid B	\$	47,285.0
Coulter, Lisa A	\$ 30,167.12	LePrevost, Jenifer M	\$ 31,813.73	Verdi, Amy L	\$	66,110.3
Cox, Mary Katherine	\$ 75,597.00	Locke, Marie N	\$ 57,314.40	Verdi, Mary E	\$	86,048.1
Crine, Deborah L	\$ 48,613.93	Lucy, Heather M	\$ 86,788.50	Vosburgh, Monique M	\$	66,340.0
Cummings, Nancy C	\$ 30,552.64	Maddelena, Nicole J	\$ 68,367.00	Wade, Keri A	\$	90,532.8
Curry, Robin I	\$ 88,707.00	Maloney, Jessica	\$ 52,000.00	Wadsworth, Andrea N	\$	45,253.4
Curtin, Lori A.	\$ 86,881.00	McCormack, Thomas K	\$ 86,661.00	Warner, Janet E	\$	9,225.8
Daley, Letisha A	\$ 31,793.12	McEvoy, Jane K	\$ 78,777.00	Warner, Julia M	\$	56,260.0
Daly, Sonya A	\$ 24,916.21		\$ 53,206.91	Webster-Clark, Nicole I	\$	68,934.3
Dary, Sonya A Darone, Mia R	\$ 79,611.00	Mertinooke-Jongkind, Emily H	\$ 82,907.00	Weinstein, Elizabeth J	\$	45,500.0
Decker, Kristen M	\$ 26,184.13	Mertinooke-Jongkind, Timothy E	\$ 86,323.73	White, Erin M	\$	65,027.0
Delsoldato, Kari-Ann L	\$ 20,184.13	Meyer, Jordan O	\$ 53,835.87	Wilcox, Linda L	\$ \$	29,049.6
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Demers, Giovanna B	\$ 49,145.00	Mottarella, Patricia A	\$ 44,980.65	Wildrick, Rachel A	\$	81,627.0



## **GREENER GATEWAY COMMITTEE**

Once again we thank Town officials and staff, residents, school staffs, local businesses, the Chamber of Commerce, and local media for supporting our efforts to help make Lee a greener gateway to the Berkshires. Our fiscal year started off strong, but as so many others were forced to do, we scaled back or canceled activities due to COVID-19.

### Reducing Waste by Increasing Reuse, Recycling, and Composting

**Approaching our Founders' Weekend zero-waste goal:** Our volunteers, the Chamber of Commerce, Tri-Town Health Department, DPW staff, Daley & Sons, Meadow Fann, and food vendors' cooperation enabled us to expand coverage during the weekend. We achieved the largest percentage diversion to date of waste to compost and recyclables, and greatly reduced total waste. Downtown was also kept clean.

**Carrying out other zero-waste efforts:** We set up and staffed a zero-waste station at the summer Craft Fair, diverting 75% of the trash to compost and recycling. We supported zero-waste efforts in neighboring communities, sharing lessons learned and lending signs, bins, bags, etc. We began an initiative to help restaurants be more sustainable. We organized, promoted, and followed up a Food Waste 101 webinar with RecyclingWorks and the Berkshire Zero Waste Program, primarily for food handling businesses.

**Working with the schools:** To support efforts to reduce trash, members met with leaders of Lee Public Schools and St. Mary's, as well as outside expert, Tony Schifano. We also met with Lee Middle/High School Environmental Club staff advisor to explore ways we could support the Club.

**Encouraging greener holidays:** We promoted this effort through a flyer, poster (initial design by a CIP student), and slides, web content and letters to the editor, and collaborated with the Lion's club, which picked up holidays greens, dropped them off for the goats at Monte Vista farm in Lee, and donated the proceeds to Lee Boy Scout Troop #3.

**Continuing to support plastics reduction:** We continued promoting a voluntary restaurant initiative to reduce plastic straw use. We also continued to work with Town officials and staff to plan the installation of a water bottle filling station outside the library.

**Promoting reuse and composting:** We met with the former Director of the Lee Public Library and provided materials related to setting up a tool lending program. We collaborated with the College Internship Program to engage students in Founders Weekend, promoting composting during Saturday's parade. We promoted the compost bins and compost pails the Town and we sell at a discount, and sold the pails at special events. We also supported the Lenox Repair Cafe.

### Making Lee more litter-free

Litter is a persistent town-wide problem requiring constant attention. We're grateful to everyone who helped our cleanup efforts, including the Chamber of Commerce and Town Webmaster a David Parker for helping to publicize our cleanups. From comments we've received, we know that some people notice the results. With 55 miles of roads in town, we always need more help. We held monthly roadside cleanups in July, August, October, November, December, February, and June (weather and the response to COVID-19 canceled others), collecting more than 70 bags of trash and recyclables plus myriad odds and ends. We also monitored use of the

cigarette butt collectors downtown, and participated in a cleanup along the Housatonic River with butt collectors downtown, and participated in a cleanup along the Housatonic River he cigarette butt collectors downtown, and participated in a cleanup along the Housatonic River with butt collectors downtown, and participated in a cleanup along the Housatonic River with butt collectors downtown, and participated in a cleanup along the Housatonic River Housatonic Valley Association and Berkshire Environmental Action Team volunteers.

### Celebrating Earth Day

For several months we worked with representatives of other organizations to plan an event celebrating Earth Day. Organizers and committed participants included the Berkshire Center for Justice, Berkshire Community Land Trust, Center for EcoTechnology, Citizens Climate Lobby, Climate Interactive, Cool Communities Program, Paula Duhon, Dynamic Lee, First Congregational Church of Lee, Christina French, State Senator Adam Hinds, Housatonic Valley Association, Kiwanis Club of Lee, Lee Bank, Lee Cares, Lee Land Trust, Lee Public Schools, MASS Audubon Society, MA Department of Environmental Protection, Keely Rose O'Gorman, Pittsfield Bagshare Project, David Stone, and The Micah Stone Band. Unfortunately, despite attempts to reschedule the event later in the year, the pandemic prevented it from happening. We will try again in 2021.

We held discussions with a representative of the national Earth Day Network, and with Town approval, entered into a partnership agreement regarding the promotion of the Great Global Cleanup initiative to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Earth Day.

### Promoting energy sustainability

We continued to promote a state-sponsored solar program spearheaded by the Center for Eco Technology.

#### Promoting volunteerism

We updated and distributed the volunteer opportunities flyer, coordinating with various entities in town. The last update was the winter issue due to the pandemic.

### Raising awareness, reaching out to the community, and sharing our experience

Through our activities, community outreach, letters to the editor, calendar postings, news articles, regularly updated content on the Town's website, and frequent announcements posted by the Lee Chamber of Commerce, we continued to increase awareness of key issues, efforts to keep Lee clean, and environmental and public health. We also shared our knowledge, experience, and materials with interested residents of other communities, and attended a MASS DEP regional meeting.

Continuing our efforts to be more inclusive, we reached out to multiple entities working with undeserved populations - churches, the Council on Aging, Housing Authority, and Lee Food Pantry - to explore areas of potential collaboration. Developing a community garden downtown was of particular interest.

Again, we are grateful to the Town, residents (adults and students), and businesses for their support. We hope it continues as we help Lee become an even greener gateway to the Berkshires.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Hofman, Chair

Valerie Bluhm, Vice-Chair

Joan Angelo, Linda Giancola, Ron Giancola, Phyllis Hofman, Monica Ryan, Ann Sterlin



## LEE HISTORICAL COMMISSION

During the past year, the Commission focused most of its energy on placing the Community Preservation Act (CPA) on the November ballot. Our earlier research convinced us that CPA would be of great benefit to the community. The Community Preservation Act sets aside funds explicitly for pen space, affordable housing, historic preservation, and outdoor recreation. At first, promoting the ballot initiative seemed like a straightforward task, but the pandemic proved otherwise. We prepared a warrant article for the town Meeting only to find that the Town Meeting would be postponed to an indefinite date. This forced us to another alternative - getting 300 signatures that would guarantee placing a Question directly on the ballot. Obtaining signatures was arduous and time-consuming. Early in the pandemic, attempts to engage people in a conversation were met with avoidance, but eventually we gained enough signatures. After its passage, there will still be other follow-on steps to occupy us. Notably, a committee to oversee the project proposals need to be established.

Updating the town's Inventory of Historical Assets is a task that we started before we turned our attention to CPA, and we intend to return to that effort in the coming year. The existing inventory is a massive document, more than a thousand pages described over 350 historic houses and commercial buildings in the town. But it is seriously out-of-date. Most of its entries were written 40 years ago, with modest additions 20 years ago. Even so, some important buildings were missed. A systematic renewal of the document will be a major effort spanning several years.

### Respectfully submitted,

Susan D. Stone, *Chairperson* David Talbert, *Co-chairperson* William Matthews, *Secretary* Sandra Cozzaglio William Carroll Keith O'Neil David Stone



## LEE HOUSING AUTHORITY

This year's town election resulted in Thomas Logsdon being elected for a five year term, to expire May 12, 2025 on the Lee Housing Authority Board of Directors. The housing authority is still running on a four member board because the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), to date, has not finalized the new regulations regarding the tenant seat on the board.

This year the housing authority received funding from DHCD for projects at Brown Memorial Court which included the community room's handicapped restroom renovations, a kitchen modification and installed new soffits on the perimeter of the north and east buildings.

Modernization work was done to units as needed. The housing authority was awarded funding and is scheduled to begin a new roof replacement project at 155 Marble Street, Brown Memorial Court in the spring of 2021. Overall the year ended with enough funding budgeted for all projects that were planned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane Shepardson Chairperson Tom Unsworth Sandra Cozzaglio Jennifer Heath



### LEE LAND TRUST

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen

A very different year for everyone ...

We were able to finish some old paperwork & review our goals for the coming year(s). In anticipation of our membership drive in March, we were able to use the glass enclosed display case in the Post Office during the month of March. We like to show residents and visitors alike some of our projects and activities over the past year.

We were very excited about putting together a cheese tasting event with our very own local farm, High Lawn, who was making some unique cheeses. Linda began working with Rachel Raspberry from HL Farm in February for the event to be in May. Rachel made a wonderful display board which we added to the Post Office case. But, alas, the covid virus stopped everything. BUT we have not forgotten & look forward to working with HL Farm soon.

And if you haven't visited the Farm, you should! They have expanded their products as well as having their signature items in an extraordinary Farm Store. HL Farm is on Summer Street & has spectacular views of the fields, hills and cows!

And a very relaxing site to eat some ice cream outside anytime.

We were able to have our annual meeting/end of fiscal year outside at the Town gazebo. We had guests from the Lee Greener Gateway Committee (LGGC). Since our groups concentrate on bettering the Town of Lee in similar ways, we think we can help each other and work together on upcoming projects.

At the end of October, Linda & Nicole Pyser of BNRC, did their annual inspection of the CR land at Oak 'n Spruce Resort in South Lee, to find everything in order. It is a wonderful woodland on Beartown Mt that is safe from development.

The passing of the Community Preservation Act (CPA) in Lee is exciting! Through this program, many needed programs will have support to keep Lee community oriented.

It was brought to Linda's attention that a property known as Dunn Park on West Road is Town owned for passive recreation and has trails. It is a very interesting parcel that was given to the Town in 1986 from the members of the Dunn Family.

I've mentioned properties that the Town of Lee owns and is open to the public. These include: Golden Hill Town Forest, Longcope Park, Ferncliff Reservation and now Dunn Park. The Lee Land Trust (LLT) has their project complete (only waiting for the informational kiosk & trail map) Donato's Trail in East Lee.

We hope folks have been able to take advantage of exploring some of these places as they are right here in our own 'backyard'. But to keep these safe & accessible, they need stewards, neighbors and users to chip in on keeping them inviting.

For part of that we have to THANK Alan Zerbato of the DPW who 'gets right on it' to cut downed trees, fix signs, to have new signs made (Golden Hill & forthcoming, Dunn Park) and generally keeps things in order.

LLT have special THANKS to Peter Frieri & Mass DOT crew for keeping the roadside trimmed back at Donato's Trail. This is very important on Rt 20 which is very busy.

Ann La Bier & her staff at Your Color Connection have helped updating our membership brochure. THANK YOU.

On behalf of the LLT Board Members & myself, we hope you have be able to stay safe & well. And most of all, have been outside for ALL the healing powers of Mother Nature to help you cope & refresh. Your curiosity may be awakened when you see some unusual wildflower, mushroom, tree or bird. And that can lead to reading & researching-what was that?

Please consider joining us so we can do more for the Town of Lee

Respectfully submitted,

Linda J. Cysz, *President & Secretary* Gail Ceresia, *Treasurer* Board Members: Joan Angelo and Jan O'Brien Emeritus Members: Dorothy Fraser and Mellie Johansen



## LEE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen, I hereby submit my annual report for the fiscal year July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020:

Total Circulation	
Circulation of Print Materials	
Circulation of Non-Print Materials	
(DVD's, E-books, Music, Museum Passes)	

Materials Received From Other Libraries	6,433
Materials Provided To Other Libraries	

Of the total circulation, 36,783 items were adult materials, i,017 items were young adult and 8,416 were children's materials. A total of 8,912 were by non-residents. Of that, 7,569 were to Massachusetts residents from certified towns. An additional 1,133 were to Massachusetts residents from non-certified towns, and 210 were to out of state patrons.

Number of Volumes Owned	
Print Periodicals, Newspapers, & Subscriptions	
Audio (CD, Cassette, etc.).	505
Video (DVD, VHS, etc.)	
E-books	106,015
Downloadable Audio	
Downloadable Video	
Microfilm	
Museum Passes	14
Miscellaneous	63
Number of Registered Borrowers	

The decrease in circulation reported this year was the result of the library being closed from mid March to the end of May due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Curbside service began on May 26th.

Memorial donations were received this year in memory of Dan Sullivan and Robert Welcome. A sincere thank you to the many people who made monetary gifts to the library. We are very grateful for your support. We are equally grateful for the donations of photos and objects that were contributed to our Lee Library Historical Collection. Our goal has been to share as much of the Historical Collection as we are able. This year we added access to the collection by digitizing the Valley Gleaner (1857-1902) and Berkshire Gleaner (1902-1944) newspapers.

We are very appreciative for the donation of the Town Quilt created in 1978 for a raffle at the First Congregational Church. The quilt created by local quilters, depicts downtown Main St. businesses and several well-known town landmarks. The quilt was donated by Lorraine Darocha, the niece of the raffle winner.

Major renovations took place in November when our very worn carpeting was replaced throughout the library and new flooring was installed in the gallery. In addition, new lighting was also installed in the library creating a brighter and safer space.

The Lee Library's 2019 Summer Reading Program was space themed. A Universe of Stories was kicked off with award-winning performer/storyteller Davis Bates presenting "A Universe of Stories & Songs." We are very grateful to the Wickham family for their support of the programming.

The library continued to offer a wide variety of children's programs throughout the year thanks to our partnerships with South Berkshire Kids and the Kiwanis Club of Lee. The Kiwanis Club of Lee presented a Storytime and Craft Program monthly.

We presented programs for our adult patrons and these included lectures on a variety of topics, knitting, crafts and several photography workshops presented by Thad Kubis.

The J. Peter Scolforo Gallery remains a very popular place for exhibits and gatherings. This year's exhibits included photography shows from Sharon Siter, Thad Kubis, Debbie Storie and David Gafney. Local artists also shared their work in the annual art show, CreativeLEE XIX; the annual Quilt Show; the Lee Middle and High School Art Show and the LMHS Alumni and Staff Art Show. The Lee Historical Society presented Rock Stars and Paper Tigers, an exhibit focusing on the paper and marble industries. It's Our Lee Business, an exhibit of photos and memorabilia of early Lee businesses to the present, was the theme of the Lee Library Historical Collection exhibit.

This year we had a number of staff changes including the resignation of our Director, Damon Vorce; the retirement of Jose Garcia, Tech Services; and the hiring of the new Director, Amanda Merk. On behalf of the board, I would like to thank the staff for their hard work and help during our transition: Damon Vorce, Jodi Magner, Jen Heath, Rosemarie Borsody, Jose Garcia, Liana Hall, Megan Magner and Mickey Sparks.

I would like to thank our volunteers for the help they provide in the library and with programming; Joan Palmer, Myron Hood, Deidre Consolati, Julia Insinger, Thad Kubis, Michelle Hayden, Jessica Maloney, Cathie Sparks, Susan Sullivan and Susan Sparks.

The Board of Directors of the Lee Library Association are:

Mary Philpott, **President** Judy Nardacci, **Vice-president** Thomas Unsworth, **Treasurer** Sheila Viale, **Clerk** Barbara Allen Tom, Consolati, Zoe Dalheim, Sharon DeLorme, Sandra Hayes, Susan Horsford, D. Lynn Shaw, Donna Toomey

Thank you to the Board and Corporators who work tirelessly for library. *Respectfully submitted*,

Mary Philpott, President



## VETERAN'S BENEFITS AND SERVICES

The Veterans' Services office serves the Veterans' of Lee and their families. We assist veterans in processing requests for Massachusetts Department of Veterans' Services (DVS) Chapter 115 benefits. Chapter 115 benefits are needs based, and include temporary financial assistance, medical reimbursement, and assistance in applying for aid from other agencies, both state and federal. Veterans with a dishonorable discharge are not eligible.

The Veterans' Service Officer (VSO) also assists veterans and their spouses with federal Veterans' Administration requests. We advise veterans on what is available, and can assist in filling out and submitting the necessary paperwork, but it must be noted that we do not have any input in the approval process. However, the majority of assistance is through Chapter 115 benefits.

With the onset of Covid-19, and the necessary closing of Town offices, this office continued to assist Lee veterans and their families. The Veterans' Services office in Lee has remained open and was available for in person meetings, with all Covid-19 protocols being adhered to. While the veteran could email, mail, or phone in their requests, many veterans took advantage of the in person meetings.

The Town of Lee was able to assist veterans this year with Chapter 115 benefits totaling \$27,710.65. Of the total benefits, 75%, or \$20,782.99, will be reimbursed by the state for an actual cost to the Town of \$6,927.66. This included regular benefits, heating assistance, and medical reimbursements. This was a decrease of almost \$13,500 over last year, mostly due to two clients moving away, and two clients who passed away toward the end of last fiscal year.

The case load of Lee Veterans' Services has remained fairly constant. The greatest need continues to be for senior veterans' and their spouses, or widows, who have very little income and are unable to work. As noted in previous reports, one of the most underused programs available to veterans is a program that allows a Veteran to receive Medical Only benefits, even if their income is too high for regular benefits. Since this is a needs based program, the asset limit (money in the bank) of \$5000 for singles, and \$9800 for couples still applies. This program reimburses co-pays, other medical costs, and can even reimburse the cost of Medicare Part B and some supplemental insurances. Veteran Services does not pay the bills, but reimburses medical bills paid for by the veteran. Lee Veteran Services has several veterans', or their widows, on this Medical Only program.

Occasionally there are veterans who are able to work, but have lost their job and need temporary assistance until they find employment. For those needing employment, we try to help them gain employment as soon as possible. All veterans' and their families who meet the requirements, received the benefits they were entitled to.

Respectfully Submitted,.

Doug Mann, *Lee Veterans' Service Officer/ Veterans' Agent* 



## LEE YOUTH COMMISSION

The mission statement of the Lee Youth Commission (LYC) is to advocate for groups which provide recreational programming, designed or established, for the youth of Lee. In addition, the LYC may identify other needs and make appropriate recommendations for future activities and projects.

The Lee Youth Commission again sponsored activities at the Lee Athletic Field for Founders'. Weekend. They also sponsored the ice-skating area at the field. Mike Kelly, Bill Hall, Shaun Hall, Chris Hayden, Glenn Wilcox, Peter Brown, Bryan Brown, Mike Kline, Brianna Kelly, Ariana Hall, and Owen Brown along with the Lee Fire Department helped to build and maintain the rink.

Two new additions were added to the athletic field: a bocce court and a fitness area. Among the fitness equipment is a Ski Walker, Uneven Bars, Pommel Horse, Sit Up Bench, and Bike. Tom Wickham and Bill Hall installed the fitness equipment. Also, in order to have a direct line to the Lee Police Department from the recorded cameras at the pavilion, LB Corporation dug the trench from an existing poll to the pavilion and Comalli Electric installed the needed conduit. Volunteerism at its best! At the East Lee Playground, the tepee structure and the tea cup merrygo-round were installed by Tom Wickham and Bill Hall. Volunteers from the area helped to spread mulch around the new structures. At the South Lee Playground, the South Lee Fire Department held a firetruck dedication in memory of Dick Ford, who served as Deputy Chief from a1988 to 2003. One of the concerns at all five parks was the bee/wasp nests which was vigilantly taken care of by the Department of Public Works.

The largest part of the Lee Youth Commission was its focus on a potential community center. This involved many meetings which focused on a survey to acquire information regarding location, amenities, and funding. To provide this aspect, the town voted to appropriate \$30,000.00 for a feasibility study. With the help of Chris Ketchen, our town administrator, the LYC commissioned Berkshire Regional Planning Commission to do the survey. Philip Arnold was instrumental in this process. One of the aspects of the survey was the location of a potential community center. Matt Puntin of SK-Design volunteered to find the various town-owned properties that might be a suitable site for a center. The LYC agreed that the 300 Stockbridge Road location would be the most conducive for a center. While the survey was being developed, the Lee Youth Commission invited the abutters of Stockbridge Road for a meeting to discuss any concerns for that location and the conceptual drawing of the building which was done voluntarily by Kerry Bartini of Berkshire Design. With the input of the abutters, their concerns were addressed as part of the scope of the survey concerning location. Plans were subsequently made to distribute the surveys via email and hard copies. Then Covid-19 happened. The decision was made to still distribute the survey once hard copies could be displayed at least at the Lee Library. Once the library had its drop off and pick-up station established, hard copies would be available.



## LEE YOUTH COMMISSION

Because of the pandemic, the parks were closed as per Governor Baker's guidelines for Phase 1, and signs were posted at each park. When Phase 2 started, the LYC recommended that the parks be reopened with signage stating the guidelines to be followed. Because there were strong regulations that porta potties had to be cleaned every day, the LYC requested that the handicapped porta potty at the athletic field remain and all other porta potties be removed. The Lee Department of Health provided the funding for the cost of cleaning.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Hall, *Chairperson* Loren Kinnaman, *Secretary* Christine Lucy Clare Bunnie Lahey Janet Warner Jen Carlino Colleen Korte Mike Kline Pamela Morehouse Maguire Roosa



## LEE PLANNING BOARD

During the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, the Lee Planning Board reviewed one special permit, involving an auto repair shop, and ten site plans. On four occasions the board approved a "Form A" certifying that a land transaction did not require subdivision review. The board approved 13 sign permits.

In August of 2019, the board approved a modification of the Eagle Mill development plan under which a planned hotel was to be replaced by a micro-apartment building. (A subsequent modification to that plan was reviewed and approved in FY 2021.)

The Board reduced the fee for special permit review from \$700 to \$500. This amount better matches the town's actual costs for publishing these reviews in the Berkshire Eagle.

The board made a continuing effort at numerous meetings to develop proposals for revision of the existing zoning bylaw. The board submitted several proposals for town approval, including a redesign of the process for reviewing special permits and site plans. The town meeting was postponed due to the pandemic, however, and the zoning proposals were never considered. The board plans to submit these and other proposals for bylaw revision at the 2021 town meeting.

Thomas Wickham's term has ended, and David Forrest has been elected to that seat.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew Carlino, *Chair* Buck Donovn, *Vice-Chair* Peg Biron, *Member* Peter Bluhm, *Member* Thomas Wickham, *Member* (part of year) David Forrest, *Member* (part of year) Gordon Bailey, *Associate Member* 



## POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

As you are aware, during this fiscal year, our country and community began dealing with the struggles associated with the Covid-19 pandemic. Both prior to and after the start of this pandemic, members of the Lee Police Department remained committed to serving our community. We worked hard in securing the necessary Personal Protective Equipment so that we could continue to effectively serve our citizens. With this equipment, along with operational modifications, we continued our efforts to reduce crime and provide for the safety and welfare of our citizens and visitors alike. At times with an adjusted approach, we continued working in cooperation with our local government, schools, community groups, businesses, and residents. Most of all, we remained committed to accomplishing our public safety mission while trying to maintain a focus on community engagement.

As a department, we continue our effort to maintain safe roads and neighborhoods through traffic enforcement. We understand that traffic patrols are highly visible and offer a deterrent to other crimes, not just motor vehicle ones. We also began efforts to examine the use of additional signage where traffic safety can be enhanced.

During the past year, our agency has undergone some internal changes. Chief Roosa announced his pending retirement. We know him to be a remarkable leader that has done extraordinary work for our community and department. Members of our community and this department share a great deal of respect and admiration for Chief Roosa. There are no words that can express our gratitude for all that he has done for the Town of Lee.

In anticipation of Chief Roosa's pending retirement, I stepped into the role of Acting Chief of Police. I worked hard with Chief Roosa to maintain continuity of operations so our community would realize no appreciable changes in the daily public safety services that we provide.

Additionally, in November, staff members Stephanie Burdick and Richard Roy were promoted from Officers to Sergeants. Sergeant Burdick now serves the department in her new position assisting with administrative operations while she continues to do an excellent job as the Department's primary investigator. Sergeant Roy serves as a Patrol Sergeant assisting with overseeing day to day patrol work and also serves as the Department's primary training coordinator. They have both done an excellent job, serving with dedication and commitment to our Department and community. I consider us very fortunate to have both Sergeants in their new positions.

Officer Hopkins as our School Resource Officer and Officer Pleu as our assistant School Resource Officer continue their hard work to stay connected with the youth in our community. Officer Hopkins also serves as the Departments designated Juvenile Resource Officer and social media coordinator.



## POLICE DEPARTMENT

Officer Hopkins developed a virtual bedtime reading program that was a great success in reaching our local youth during the pandemic. Through outreach programs like this and social media, Officers engage with our youth at St. Mary's, the Elementary school as well as the Middle and High Schools as much as possible. We look forward to returning to some of the other programs we have been involved in such as the mighty miler club, career day, shadow days, field day and in person book reading events.

Officer Towne and Cummings continue their assignments with the Berkshire County Special Response Team. Their work with this organization provides them with valuable training and experience. The regional make up of this specialized team allows them to network and build positive working relationships with Police Officers from agencies all across our County. The relationships, training and experience provide an important benefit for our department and community.

After 31 years of dedicated service, Officer Adrian Kohlenberger retired from the Lee Police Department. Officer Kohlenberger had served as our School Resource Officer and spent decades working with our schools and local youth. He served with honor and dedication and his contributions will never be forgotten. His vast experience will be missed.

Officer Shook was hired as our newest full time Police Officer taking Officer Kohlenberger's position. Officer Shook has done a great job becoming part of the Lee Police Department team after he successfully completed the intensive full time training program at the Western Massachusetts Regional Police Academy. He graduated in July.

We would like to recognize Officer Wood for his work as the Department liaison for our community-based events. We were able to host the "Bucket brigade" charity event to support Berkshire County's Special Olympics in February, just prior to the start of the pandemic. Officer r

Wood looks forward to organizing some of the other traditional events such as the Law Enforcement Torch Run Charity and our Charity 5K run in cooperation with the Berkshire County Special Olympics. We look forward to the future.

We would like to give a special thank you to Tracy Dunn our Administrative Assistant. Tracy continues to be a remarkable asset to our department and community. She has been instrumental as our department undergoes personnel changes. We appreciate all that she does.

We would like to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Town Representatives and the Town Manager for all they do and for their continued support. As a Department, we would also like to thank our wonderful community for their continued support. We will continue our endeavor to keep the Town of Lee a truly special place, while maintaining our strong connection to those we serve.



## POLICE DEPARTMENT

Listed below is a summary of calls the Lee Police Department responded to in FY 2020:

### FY 2020 Statistical Summary

Aggravated Assault:	6	Mental Health Calls:	26
Simple Assault:	8	Restraining Orders:	20
Burglary:	4	Drunkenness:	6
Shoplifting:	19	Liquor Law Violations:	0
Theft from Building:	4	Narcotic Violations:	2
Theft from Motor Vehicle:	9	Disorderly Conduct:	1
All Other Larceny:	18	Destruction/Vandalism:	11
Motor Vehicle Theft:	2	All Other Offenses:	26
Counterfeiting:	4	Town By-Law Offenses:	34
False Pretenses:	6	Alarms Answered:	212
Trespass:	5	Motor Vehicle Accidents:	125
Missing Persons:	0	Motor Vehicle Citations:	98
Weapon Law Violations:	3	Abduction:	0
Forcible Rape:	3	Driving Under the Influence:	5

Approximate total arrests, criminal summons and protective custodies: 85

Respectfully Submitted

Craig Desantis Acting Chief of Police



## SANDY BEACH COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

This summer at Sandy Beach was different than most. The beach opened later than normal because of COVID-19. The beach committee, operation manager, police station, and the town representatives worked extremely hard to put a plan in place that put everyone's health and safety first. The beach was able to open to Lee Residents with a capacity limit with the help of Lee Police, by providing gate monitors.

The staff this year consisted of beach monitors to ensure safety for all guests. The staff was Morgan Therrien, Emma Sorrentino, Nicole Gamberoni, and Dmitri Consolati. The beach monitors kept a daily contact tracing sheet and ensured that all beachgoers were maintaining social distance and wearing masks while not in the water.

The Beach Committee would like to thank the Lee families for their support, and the town representatives for their commitment. The Beach Committee would also like to thank the Lee Selectboard, Lee DPW and the Scheurer family for the use of their road. We offer the Wilde family of Highlawn Farm our gratitude for these many years of fun and pleasure at Lee Sandy Beach.

We are very eager for the opening of the beach this summer!

Respectfully submitted,

Samantha Sorrentino, *Operation Manager* Beach Committee Deidre Consolati Mary-Lou Antoniazzi Linda Buttery Monica Ryan



## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Thomas Wickham, *Chair* David J. Consolati, Patricia D. Carlino

I hereby submit my report for the Fiscal Year: 2020

CATEGORY	TESTED AND COLLECTED
Weighing Devices	73
Gasoline Dispensers	98
Diesel Dispensers	15
Price Scanners	61
TOTAL TESTED:	45
Fees collected for: Weights and Measure July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020	es \$4,585

Respectfully Submitted,

**Building Inspection Department** 



# TOWN ACCOUNTANT

TOWN OF LEE							SCHE	EDULE 5		
DEBT SCHEDULE		7/9/21								
PURPOSE:	Out	tstanding	Issued		Reti	red	Outst	anding	Intere	st
Long Term Debt		7/1/19	This Year		Thi	s Year		6/30/20	Paid	
Inside Debt Limit										
Tyr Rd Water Main		-						-		
High School		390,000				275,000		115,000		15,600
MWPAT Design		-				-		-		-
TOTALS:	\$	390,000	\$	-	\$	275,000	\$	115,000	\$	15,600
Outside Debt Limit										
Elementary School		3,250,000		-		775,000		2,475,000		85,875
Sewer Plant #5-35		9,395,007				1,093,830		8,301,177		176,962
Water Filtration#1		1,026,417				45,238		981,179		46,189
Water Plant #2		195,088				7,893		187,195		8,779
Water Plant #3		2,469,564				92,070		2,377,494		111,130
TOTALS	\$	16,336,076	\$	-	\$	2,014,031	\$	14,322,045		428,935
SHORT TERM DEBT										
School Boiler		79,727				23,535		56,192		1,665
Dump Truck		114,056				32,618		81,438		2,382
Large Dump Truck 1829		175,000		-		41,345		133,655		3,654
Design, Repair, Pave Town Roads		561,750		311,750		338,397		535,103		14,549
TOTALS:	\$	930,533	\$ 3	311,750	\$	435,895	\$	806,388	\$	22,250
GRAND TOTAL	\$	17,656,609	\$ 3	311,750	\$	2,724,926	\$	15,243,433	\$	466,785



# TRUST AND AGENCY FUNDS

TRUSTS	7/9/21					SCHEDULE 1-0
FUND:	BALANCE	RECEIPTS	TRANSFERS	EXPENSES	TRANSFERS	BALANCE
	7/1/19					6/30/20
FAIRMONT CEMET	186,650					186,650
M. JONES	4,700					4,700
ST. MARY'S	0					0
AA JONES	1,000					1,000
TOTAL RESTRICTED:	192,350	0	0	0	0	192,350
	462 599	12 092				175 (71
Medicare Seniors OPEB	463,588 11,322	12,083				475,671
Fairmont Gravestone Repair	432	4,048				15,970 433
AA JONES	246	7				253
Morgan Jones	1,228	128				1,356
Main St Reconstruction	8,085	120			(8,085)	0
Stabilization	701,897	9,119			(0,000)	711,016
Fire Truck Stabilization	289,386	3,035				292,421
Law Enforcement	2,255	29				2,284
Historical	1,779	22		(400)		1,401
St Mary's Expend	0				0	0
Scholarship Funds*	185,601	82,634		(71,474)	0	196,761
TOTAL UNRESTRICTED:	1,665,819	111,706	0	(71,874)	(8,085)	1,697,566
TOTALS:	1,858,169	111,706	0	(71,874)	(8,085)	1,889,916



# TRUST AND AGENCY FUNDS

*Scholarship Funds (Schedu	le 1-C):					
	BALANCE	RECEIPTS	TRANSFERS	EXPENSES	TRANSFERS	BALANCE
NAGLE SCHOLAR	297	3		(100)		200
JOHN J. BOYNE	5,385	73		(500)		4,958
M. ABDERHALDEN	0					0
LEE HIGH CLASS OF 1966	1,568	520		(500)		1,588
H.J. WHEELER	3,120	43		(200)		2,963
B & J STEVENSON	15,525	2,864		(1,500)		16,889
PEASE MEMORIAL	31,365	439		(2,000)		29,804
MICHAEL R. COTY	9,781	135		(300)		9,616
DAVID BAILEY	1,157	12		(500)		669
PENNY LOHBAUER	0					0
JOSEPH LORING	79					79
WURTZBACH	1,503	21		(400)		1,124
MARIO BONA MEMORIAL	790	10		(200)		600
VICTOR BLACHE MEMORIAL	346	1		(300)		47
HEATHER HELEN HAWLEY	2,684	35		(500)		2,219
CHARLES STRATTON	16,472	235		(300)		16,407
EUGENIO BONAFIN	697	9		(300)		406
ARDELLA DONNELL	2,143	30		(200)		1,973
AL&MARY VINATIER	6					6
CLASS 37 D. TRUFANT	17					17
HENRY G. GREINER	4,099	57		(300)		3,856
MEG CADE	1,981	716		(1,000)		1,697
MARK DRURY	625	206		(750)		81
RICHARD MORIN	1,612	19		(500)		1,131
ALBA PASCO	9,021	128		(300)		8,849
ELOISE MYERS	3					3
JOSEPH SAVERY	3,661	43		(1,000)		2,704
MAJORIE WICKHAM MEM	57,984	75,031		(55,055)		77,960
JAMES GRALLA VOC ED	1,264	6		(1,270)		0
JOSEPH LOSTRANGIO	8					8
LEE RETIRED EDUCATORS	653	154		(500)		307
LEE HS CLASS OF 1975	1					1
Scholarship Funds	185,601	82,634	0	(71,475)	0	196,760
						Schedule 1-D
AGENCY FUNDS	BALANCE	RECEIPTS	TRANSFERS	EXPENSES	TRANSFERS	BALANCE
	7/1/19					6/30/20
	0.114	200.041		(200.012)		0.40
Willow Hill Solar	8,114	290,841		(298,013)		942
Cyprus Hill Renewables	0	15,428		(6,105)		9,323
Tri-Town	544	39,956		(40,356)		144
Ins Claim	3,138	50		(3,138)		0
Police Holdings Account	939	50		(50)		939
Deputy Fees	4,791	8,978		(10,151)		3,618
Firearms Lic	10,854	10,050		(11,725)		9,179
Berk Sterile Mfgt	690					690
Scully- Sewer Mitigation	16,383	20,145		(36,499)		29
Curb Cuts	6,011	2,014		(2,003)		6,022
O/S Consultant	66					66
Mill Reuse Pass Thru	2,400					2,400
Redemption Pass Thru	(4)	125		(105)		16
Time Warner Payment	240					240
5 Flags Pass Thru	0					0
TOTALS:	54,166	387,587	0	(408,145)	0	33,608



# **CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS**

TOWN OF LEE					SCHEDULE 1	-В
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	7/9/21					
FUND:	BALANCE	PERM BOND	TRANSFER	EXPENSES	TRANS	BALANCE
	7/1/19		IN		OUT	6/30/20
WATER FILTRATION PH#3	15,038					15,038
MAIN ST MASSWORKS	-	153,118		(154,423)		(1,305)
TYR ROAD WATER MAIN	-					-
DUMP TRUCK FINANCING	105,035	81,600		(35,000)		151,635
SCHOOL BOILER FINANCING	75,450	56,304		(25,200)		106,554
LARGE DUMP TRUCK 1829	174,817	133,921		(45,000)		263,738
FY19 ROAD PAVING BORROW	144,255	535,104	338,397	(965,040)		52,716
TOTAL	514,595	960,047	338,397	(1,224,663)	-	588,376



## SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

TOWN OF LEE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	7/9/21					SCHEDULE 1-
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	//9/21					
FUND:	BALANCE	REVENUES	TRANSFERS	EXPENSES	TRANSFERS	BALANCE
	07/01/2019		IN		OUT	6/30/20
ELECTIONS & REGISTRATION	0	330		(330)		-
FRI TOWN HEALTH	128,223	259,401	0	(358,738)	(9,582)	19,30
TOBACCO GRANT	3,341	62,500		(61,381)		4,46
MASS IN MOTION GRANT	29,577	50,000	0	(54,039)		25,53
RETAIL TRAINING PROGRAM	8,049	4,745		(3,363)		9,43
ACO	0	9,999			(9,999)	-
HTN	18,327	0		(3,423)		14,90
PWTF	49,145 0	0 35,997		(3,891)		45,25
SOUTHERN BERK HHW PROGRAM CIC ONLINE TOBACCO RETAIL	0	35,997		(12,654)	0	23,34
BIKEWAY PHASE 2 DESIGN GRANT	0	12,667		(12,667)	0	-
COVID 19 DPH	0	50,000		(34,084)		15,91
HIGHWAY:CHAPTER 90	60,844	343,486		(404,330)		
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	14,983	4,615		(3,100)		16,49
LAUREL LAKE ZEBRA MUSSELS	0	20,000		(3,100)		20,00
LABOR ESCROW ACCT	16,653	20,000				16,65
REPAYMENT LOAN FUNDS	5,664	12,000		(14,549)		3,11
SPEC EVENT COMPOST BINS	912					91:
COMPOST BINS	268	60				32
EPA BROWNFIELDS COMMUNITYWIDE	0	14,529		(14,529)		-
FIRE INSPECTORS REVOLVING	0					-
MASS RIDESHARE REVOLVING	80	300				38
SALE OF REAL ESTATE	0					-
SALE OF CEMETERY LOTS	61,023	5,218				66,24
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	0					-
AMBULANCE	200,177	0				200,17
MUNICIPAL WATER INFRASTRUCTURE	245,575	124,944				370,51
BUILDING INSPEC VIOLATIONS	0	100.042				-
MARIJUANA ESTAB HOST AGREEM	0	109,942				109,94
INSURANCE CLAIM PROCEEDS STATE AID TO LIBRARIES	19,458	8,282		(2,897)		24,84
ARTS LOTTERY COUNCIL	2,673	5,276		(2,897)		4,27
ARTS COUNCIL DONATIONS	1,844	5,270		(3,073)		4,27
COUNCIL ON AGING	122	18,394		(18,449)		6
MA DEP RECYCLING GRANT	(195)	750		(554)		0
NE GRASSROOTS ENV GRANT	(1,982)	2,120		(138)		
MEMA GRANT POLICE	0	2,700		(2,700)		-
FEMA	0	224,134		(223,764)		37
COVID19-FEMA	0			(35,796)		(35,79
COVID19-CARES ACT	0	271,271		(7,644)		263,62
911 GRANT	0					-
TASK FORCE - STATE GRANT	0			0		-
O/S DETAIL POLICE DEPT	4,986	194,521		(189,223)		10,28
SCHOOL SPEC ARTICLES	105,765		47,000	(100,721)	(5,044)	47,00
SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM	66,549	277,501		(280,887)		63,16
TOTAL REVOLVING SCHOOL FUND	1,560,379	1,296,039	621	(868,519)	0	1,988,52
SCHOOL ATHLETIC REVOLVING	71,458	34,623		(34,064)		72,01
TOTAL SCHOOL GRANTS	(11,895)	583,898		(601,087)	(621)	(29,70
ELDERLY TAX ABATE PROGRAM	4,904	2,795		(1,600)		6,09
POLICE D.A.R.E. DONATION	1,262					1,26
DONATIONS SANDY BEACH DONATIONS POLICE	0					- 5
FLAG DONATIONS	50					5
DONATIONS COA	1,357	393		(511)		1,23
DONATIONS COA DONATIONS AMBULANCE	5.097	1.589		(511)		6,68
SKATEBOARD	5,097	1,389				0,08
DONATIONS COVID COMM MEALS	0	950				95
DONATIONS/FNDR RECYCLING COMM	649	54				93
FOTAL	2,675,433	4,046,023	47,621	(3,353,307)	(25,246)	3,390,52

**TOWN ACCOUNTANT** Combined Balance Sheet with Debt June 30, 2020

	7/9/21					
				WATER	TRUSTS	
ASSETS	GENERAL	SPECIAL	CAPITAL	SEWER	AGENCY	TOTAL
CASH	4,715,850	3,394,292	588,377	3,618,133	1,923,524	14,240,176
RECEIVABLES:						
PROPERTY TAXES MINUS OVERLAY	362,567					362,567
EXCISE	109,039					109,039
TAX LIENS AND FORECLOSURES	404,363					404,363
USER CHARGES	245,746			250,893		496,639
DEFERRED TAXES	10,882					10,882
DEPARTMENTAL RECEIVABLES	96	4,679		31,302		36,076
OTHER ASSETS	-					•
TOTAL ASSETS:	5,848,542	3,398,971	588,377	3,900,328	1,923,524	15,659,742
LIABILITIES:						
WARRANTS PAYABLE		161	-	-		161
ACCRUED PAYROLL AND WITHHOLDINGS	299,502	3,609		6,079		309,190
DEFERRED REVENUE	887,041	4,679		250,893		1,142,613
DEFERRED REVENUE USER CHARGES	245,746					245,746
OTHER LIABILITIES	10,975			31,303		42,278
TOTAL LIABILITY:	1,443,264	8,449	-	288,275	-	1,739,988
RESERVED FOR ENCUMBRANCES	1,451,987	18,845		643,630		2,114,462
RESERVED FOR EXPENDITURES						
RESERVED FOR FUTURE EXCLUD DEBT	96,452					96,452
RESERVED SHORT TERM DEBT EXCLUDE						
FB FROM EXCESS ABATEMENT/EXEMPTIONS						
RESERVED FOR SNOW/ICE DEFICIT						
UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	2,856,839	3,371,677	588,377	2,968,423	1,923,524	11,708,840
TOTAL FUND BALANCE:	4,405,278	3,390,522	588,377	3,612,053	1,923,524	13,919,754
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY:	5,848,542	3,398,971	588,377	3,900,328	1,923,524	15,659,742

14,437,045.00 30,903,175 TOTAL 14,437,045 15,243,433 15,243,433 806,388.00 15.243.43 DEBT 1,923,524 1,923,524 1.923.524 1.923.524 TRUSTS AGENCY 288,275 643,630 3,900,328 3,612,053 250.893 6,079 250.893 31.303 2,968,423 3.618.13 202 WATER SEWER 588,377 588,377 588.377 588.377 CAPITAL 18.845 161 4,679 8,449 4,679 3,390,522 3,398,971 3.394.292 3.371.677 SPECIAL 362,567 109,039 404,363 299,502 4,715,850 245,746 10,882 6 5,848,542 245,746 10,975 1,443,264 1.451.987 2,856,839 4,405,278 , C/6/2 887.041 96.452 GENERAL 3 FROM EXCESS ABATEMENTS/EXEMPTIONS ACRUED PAYROLL AND WITHHOLDINGS ESERVED SHORT TERM DEBT EXCLUDE THER ASSETS-LONG TERM DEBT TOTAL ASSETS: FERRED REVENUE USER CHARGES SOPERTY TAXES MINUS OVERLAY THER ASSETS-SHORT TERM DEBT AX LIENS AND FORECLOSURES **ESERVED FOR ENCUMBRANCES** RVED FOR FUTURE EXCLUD DESIGNATED FUND BALANCE EFERED TAXES EPARTMENTAL RECEIVABLES ABILITIES INVOICE PAYABLE ESERVED FOR EXPENDITURES FOTAL FUND BALANCE: ASSETS FOTAL LIABILITY: FERRED REVENUE THER LIABILITIES **SCEIVABLES:** SER CHARGES ABILITIES CISE

**TOWN ACCOUNTANT** Combined Balance Sheet with Debt June 30, 2020

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TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY:

29,163,187

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## WATER SEWER BALANCE SHEET

FY20			
ASSETS	WATER	SEWER	TOTAL
CASH	1,306,857	2,311,276	3,618,133
RECEIVABLES:			-
PROPERTY TAXES MINUS OVERLAY			-
EXCISE			-
TAX LIENS AND FORECLOSURES			-
USER CHARGES	9,878	241,015	250,893
DEFERRED TAXES			-
DEPARTMENTAL RECEIVABLES	11,567	19,735	31,302
OTHER ASSETS			-
TOTAL ASSETS:	1,328,302	2,572,026	3,900,328
			-
LIABILITIES:			-
WARRANTS PAYABLE	-	-	-
ACCRUED PAYROLL AND WITHHOLDINGS	5,054	1,025	6,079
DEFERRED REVENUE	9,878	241,015	250,893
OTHER LIABILITIES	11,567	19,736	31,303
TOTAL LIABILITY:	26,499	261,776	288,275
	200.207	252.244	-
RESERVED FOR ENCUMBRANCES	290,287	353,344	643,631
RESERVED FOR EXPENDITURES	-	-	-
RESERVED FOR FUTURE EXCLUD DEBT			-
RESERVED SHORT TERM DEBT EXCLUDE	-		-
RESERVED FOR DEFICIT			-
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UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE	1,011,516	1,956,906	2,968,422
TOTAL FUND BALANCE:	1,301,803	2,310,250	3,612,053
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TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY:	1,328,302	2,572,026	3,900,328



To any of the Constables of the Town of Lee, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify all of the inhabitants of the Town of Lee, qualified to vote in Town Affairs, to meet at the Lee Middle/High School Auditorium on Thursday, May 9, 2019 at the hour of 7:00 p.m. in the evening, for the purposes then and there, to take action upon the following Articles, namely:

### ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT ARTICLES

### Article 1. Town Reports

To receive the reports of the Selectmen, Town Accountant and the other officers, boards, commissions and committees of the Town.

### Article 2. Salary of Elected Officials

To see if the Town will vote to fix the salaries of all elected officials as required by law for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, or to take any other action relative thereto.

# Article 3. Fiscal Year 2018 Prior Year Beach, Water and Sewer Bills (4/5 Vote Required)

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, transfer from available funds, or otherwise provide funds to:

- Pay three bills for services rendered to Sandy Beach in fiscal year 2018 totaling \$3,668.03;
- Pay one bill for services rendered to the Water Department in fiscal year 2018 for \$522.69;
- Pay one bill for services rendered to the Sewer Department in fiscal year 2018 for \$522.68; Or take any other action relative therete

Or take any other action relative thereto.

### Finance Committee recommends approval.

### Article 4. Current Fiscal Year (2019) Supplemental Appropriation

To see if the Town will vote to amend Article S of the Annual Town Meeting held on May 10, 2018, or take any other action relative thereto.

### Article 5. Omnibus Fiscal Year 2020 General Fund Operating Budgets

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds any sum or sums of money for the maintenance of the several departments of the Town and for any other necessary changes, or pass any vote or votes relative thereto.

### Finance Committee recommends approval.



	APPROPRIATION RECO	OMMENDED
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	FY2019	FY2020
114 MODERATOR	150	150
22 SELECTMEN	53,510	57,60
<b>123 TOWN ADMINISTRATOR</b>	94,647	92,973
<b>131 FINANCE COMMITTEE</b>	500	500
132 RESERVE FUND	70,000	70,000
<b>133 COMPENSATION RESERVE</b>	150,000	75,000
<b>135 TOWN ACCOUNTANT</b>	101,288	108,842
141 ASSESSORS	105,030	108,745
1'5 TREASURER/COLLECTOR	154,787	179,969
151 TOWN COUNSEL	32,477	33,00
155 INFORMATION TECHNOLOG	IES 43,273	43,300
158 LAND USE ASSISTANT	27,640	28,193
161 TOWN CLERK	49,394	53,352
183 ELECTIONS/REGISTRATIONS	5 12,230	13,460
171 CONSERVATION COMMISSIC	ON 3,135	3,184
175 PLANNING BOARD	7,581	7,581
176 ZONING BOARD	2,575	2,575
188 LEE CDC	10,000	10,000
195 TOWN REPORTS	3,600	3,600
186 OFFICE EQUIPMENT MAINTI	ENANCE 13,000	13,000
187 STAFF DEVELOPMENT	4,000	4,000T
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	938,817	909,024
PUBLIC SAFETY		
210 POLICE	1,180,159	1,192,357
221 FIRE	215,470	233,820
231 AMBULANCE	740,182	605,959
241 BUILDING DEPARTMENT	102,472	102,474
242 GAS INSPECTOR	5,605	5,708
244 SEALER/WEIGHTS & MEASU		5,817
245 WIRING INSPECTOR	7,902	8,034
246 PLUMBING INSPECTOR	7,152	7,152
292 ANIMAL CONTROL	9,819	9,994
291 EMERGENCY MANAGEMEN	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1,500
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	2,275,981	2,172,942
	2,275,701	
EDUCATION		
300 LEE PUBLIC SCHOOL	8,981,310	9,309,902
TOTAL EDUCATION	8,981,310	9,309,902



APPROPRIAT	ION RECO	MMENDED
PUBLIC WORKS	FY2019	FY2020
421 ADMINISTRATION	42,920	43,465
422 HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE	366,827	372,227
423 SNOW AND ICE	451,141	451,841
4'24 STREET LIGHTING	88,518	86,518
425 FORESTRY	17,400	27,400
433 SANITARY LANDFILL	14,400	14,400
654 PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS	19,544	19,936
192 PUBLIC BUILDING -AIROLOI BUILDING	47,803	29,088
193 PUBLIC BUILDING- MEMORIAL (TOWN) HALL	68,978	50,263
491 CEMETERY	82,989	84,033
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS	1,199,220	1,179,171
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES		
511 BOARD OF HEAL TH	765	765
519 TRI-TOWN HEALTH	365,809	387,165
522 PORCHLIGHT VNA	22,943	22,943
523.1 BRIEN CENTER FOR MENTAL HEALTH	2,867	2,857
523.2 COMMUNITY HEAL TH PROGRAM	1,250	1,250
540 CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE	150	150
541 COUNCIL ON AGING	66,333	67,283
542 LEE YOUTH ASSOCIATION	51,456	52,485
543 VETERANS SERVICES	75,677	75,816
TOTAL HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	587,250	610,724
RECREATION AND CULTURE		
610 LEE LIBRARY	289,147	293,279
620 SANDY BEACH	43,328	43,328
691 HISTORICAL COMMISSION	485	485
693 WAR MEMORIALS	2,600	.2,900
TOTAL RECREATION AND CULTURE	335,560	339,992
DEBT SERVICE		
710 RETIREMENT OF DEBT	1,010,000	1,050,000
721 LONG TERM INTEREST	131,000	101,475
722 SHORT TERM INTEREST	2,500	2,500
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	1,143,500	1,153,975
INTERGOVERNMENTAL		
800 BERKSHIRE REG PLANNING COMMISSION	4,621	4,736
TOTAL EDUCATION	4,621	4,736



1	APPROPRIATION RECC	OMMENDED
MISCELLANEOUS· (FIXED COS1S)	FY2019	FY2020
911-912 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	4,098,449	4,286,346
945 LIABILITY INSURANCE	107,000	110,000
946 OTHER INSURANCE	60,990	60,990
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS· (FIXED COS	(1S) 4,286,439	4,457,336
GRAND TOTAL	19,732,698	20,137,802

### Article 6. Omnibus Fiscal Year 2020 General Fund Capital Budgets

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds any sum or sums of money for capital expenditures of the several departments of the Town as follows:

TOWN BUILDINGS	\$50,000
TOWN CLERK	\$27,200
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR	\$10,000
YOU1H COMMISSION	\$35,000
FIRE/AMBULANCE	\$45,000
LIBRARY	\$39,000
LEE PUBLIC SCHOOLS	\$100,000
PUBLIC WORKS	\$20,000
TOTAL CAPITAL	\$326,200

And further, to provide for said appropriation, transfer the sum of \$326,200 from available funds, or take any other action relative thereto.

### Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval

#### Article 7. Water Enterprise Fund Operating/Capital Budget

To see if the Town will vote to make the following appropriations, or any other sum, to fund the Fiscal Year 2020 budget for the Water Department;

WATER OPERATIONS	\$1,094,910
DEBT SERVICE	\$42,000
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	\$215,000
TOTAL	\$1,351,910

And further, to provide for said appropriations from the following sources of revenue and available funds; or take any other action relative thereto.

USER CHARGES	\$1,136,910
RETAINED EARNINGS	\$189,000
TOTAL	\$1,351,910



### APPROPRIATION RECOMMENDED

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Capital Outlay Committee recommends approval of capital expenditures.

### Article 8. Wastewater Enterprise Fund Operating/Capital Budget

To see if the Town will vote to make the following appropriations, or appropriate any other sum, to fund the Fiscal Year 2020 budget for the Wastewater Department;

WASTEWATER OPERATIONS	\$2,178,345
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	\$189,000
TOTAL	\$2,637,345

And further, to provide for said appropriations from the following sources of revenue and available funds; or take any other action relative thereto.

User Charges	\$2,178,345
Retained Earnings	\$189,000
TOTAL	\$2,367,345

Finance Committee recommends approval.

Capital Outlay Committee recommends approval of capital expenditures.

### Article 9. Blanket Grant Application Authorization

To see if the Town will 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, to execute any documents in connection with said applications and to expend grant funds for purposes received without further appropriation, or to take any other action relative thereto.

### Article 10. Road Repair and Paving (Chapter 90)

To see if the Town will vote to expend the sum of \$285,824 or any other amount, from fiscal year 2020 "Chapter 90" funds as provided by the Commonwealth; or to take any other action relative thereto.

Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval

### Article 11. Borrowing - Road Repair and Paving (2/3 Vote Required)

To sec if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$311,750 or any other sum, to pay the costs to design, repair and pave the Town's roads, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto; to determine whether this amount should be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or take any other action relative thereto. Capital Outlay and Finance Committees recommend approval



## APPROPRIATION RECOMMENDED

## Article 12. Road Repair and Paving Debt Service

To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$338,396.83, or any other amount, for payment of a loan for design, repair and paving of Town roads, and to meet that appropriation transfer the sum of \$338,396.83, or any other amount, from available funds, or take any other action relative thereto.

## Finance Committee recommends approval.

## Article 13. Middle and High School Boiler Replacement Debt Service

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$25,200, or any other amount, for the third of five payments on the Middle & High School boiler replacement loan, and to meet that appropriation transfer the sum of \$25,200, or any other amount, from available funds, or to take any other action relative thereto.

#### Finance Committee recommends approval.

## Article 14. Large Dump Truck Debt Service

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$80,000, or any other amount, for payment on loans for two dump trucks, and to meet that appropriation transfer the sum of \$80,000, or any other amount, from available funds, or to take any other action relative thereto.

#### Finance Committee recommends approval.

## Article 15. Fire/EMS Apparatus Replacement Fund

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$150,000 to the Fire/EMS Apparatus Replacement Fund, or to take any other action relative thereto.

#### Finance Committee recommends approval.

## Article 16. Chamber of Commerce Advertising and Marketing Campaign

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds the sum of \$33,273, or any other amount, for the Lee Chamber of Commerce to advertise and market the Town of Lee, or to take any other action relative thereto.

#### Finance Committee recommends approval.

## Article 17. Chamber of Commerce Gateway and Downtown Beautification

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds the sum of \$10,000, or any other amount, for the Chamber of Commerce to maintain plantings and otherwise uphold the appearance of the public way from the Massachusetts Turnpike to the Laurel Street Bridge and of the East Side parking lot, or to take any other action relative thereto.

## Finance Committee recommends approval.



## APPROPRIATION RECOMMENDED

## Article 18. Rest of River Assessment

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds the sum of \$10,000, or any other amount, for the Town of Lee's share of the cost to retain, together with the other communities along the Housatonic River from Lenox to Sheffield, an agent to obtain financial assistance from General Electric Company to mitigate the effects of its anticipated cleanup of the river, or to take any other action relative thereto.

## Finance Committee recommends approval.

## Article 19. Cultural Council State Grant Match

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$4,800, or any other amount, for the Lee Cultural Council for supplemental support for local cultural grants, or take any other action relative thereto.

## Finance Committee recommends approval.

## Article 20. Laure] Lake Preservation Association

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds the sum of \$2,500, or any other amount, for the Laurel Lake Association's ongoing studies of the lake, or to take any other action relative thereto.

## Finance Committee recommends approval.

## Article 21. Berkshire Brownfields Program

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds the sum of \$2,000, or any other amount, for the Berkshire Regional Planning Commission to continue its Berkshire Brownfields Program, or to take any other action relative thereto.

## Finance Committee recommends approval.

## Article 22. Fireworks - Founders Day

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds the sum of \$1,000, or any other amount, to offset the Chamber of Commerce's estimated \$6,000 expense to offer a fireworks show during Founders Day weekend, or to take any other action relative thereto.

## Finance Committee recommends approval.

## Article 23. Beach Manager Position

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or to transfer from available funds a sum of money to provide funding for a new position to manage activities at Sandy Beach, or to take •any other action relative thereto.

## Finance Committee recommends approval.



## APPROPRIATION RECOMMENDED

## Article 24. Authorization to Lease Town Land - Power Storage

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter a lease of property owned by the Town to a power storage company, and consistent therewith, to negotiate and execute a lease exceeding three years and to take any other action necessary to enter the lease, or to take any other action relative thereto.

## Article 25. Zoning Bylaw Amendment- DCBC

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the proposed zoning amendments to the Town of Lee's Zoning Bylaws to allow Smart Growth. 'Development Overlay District uses within the Downtown Commercial Business Corridor, as more particularly published in copies of the proposed amendment which are available in the Town Cleric's office, or take any other vote in relation thereto.

#### Article 26. Zoning Bylaw Amendment - Solar Bylaw

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the proposed zoning amendments to the Town of Lee's Zoning Bylaws to regulate photovoltaic systems and uses, as more particularly published in copies of the proposed amendment, which are available in the Town Cleric's office, or take any other vote in relation thereto.

## Article 27. Zoning Bylaw Amendment - OPLI

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the proposed zoning amendments to the Town of Lee's Zoning Bylaws to regulate design standards for the Office Park and Light Industrial District, as more particularly published in copies of the proposed amendment, which are available in the Town Clerk's office, or take any other vote in relation thereto.

## Article 28. Removal of Police Officers from Civil Service

To see if the Town will vote to rescind a vote taken under Article 19 of the Warrant for the February 8, 1932, Town Meeting, or any other acceptance of Civil Service status for employees of the Lee Police Department, or take any other action relative thereto.



You are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Lee qualified to vote in Town Affairs to meet at the Crossway Village gymnasium, 21 Crossway Street in Lee on Monday, May 13, 2019 at 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. to cast their votes for the following offices:

Moderator Selectman Lee School Committee Planning Board	One for the term of one year One for the term of three years Two for the term of three years One for the term of five years
Representatives	-
District 1	Three for the term of three years
District 2	Three for the term of three years
District 3	Three for the term of three years
District 4	Three for the term of three years
District 5	Three for the term of three years
District 6	Three for the term of three years

You are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting true and attested copies thereof, in five public places within the Town of Lee, seven (7) days at least, before the day and hour of holding said meeting.

Therefore, Fail Not and make due return of said Warrant with your doing thereon to the Town Clerk of the Town of Lee, at or before the day and hour of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands at Lee, this 30°, day of April, 2019 Patricia D. Carlino. Thomas P. Wickham

David J. Consolati

As per instruction in this Warrant, I have posted same, this 30<sup>th</sup>, day of April, 2019 in five public places.



## **TOWN CLERK**

To the Honorable Selectmen:

The COVID pandemic combined with a presidential election created some unique challenges for 2020. I would like to thank all of the individuals that helped with the election process. During calendar year 2020, the Town of Lee town processed over 3000 total mail-in and early voting ballots in addition to those that voted on election day. The following individuals made this process possible:

Sarah Navin, Beth Mead, Liv D'Andrea, Laura Page, Peg Biron, Maryanne Antonazzi, Lucy Boldga, Kathy Bort, Richrd Brittain, Nancy Brownhill, Nancy Bullock, Jane Burns, Caroline Calkins, William Consolati, Sandy Cozzaglio, Regina Davis, Anne Enser, Dennis Forshee, Kelly Galvin, Ed Glickman, Maureen Grissom, Evan Heath, Mary Holmes, Deborah Kellogg, Mary Kelly, Jen Carlino, Mackenzie Kruvant, Ann Mack, Theresia McCarthy, Mary McDarby, Jean Monachina, Amy Moorby, Mary Morrissey, Julia Murphy, Ann O'Brien, Estella Bodnar, Frances Palmer, Rita Perry, Joan Potter, Camden Redstone, Megan Reise!, Maureen Salvatore, Marcia Slaminsky, Emma Sorrentino, Sam Stier, Mary Swift, Sheila Viale, Sam Sorrentino, Patricia White, Sarah Wright, Christine Warywoski, Mary Sorrentino, Brandi Page, Peter Warywoski and the Lee Police Department.

Also due to the impacts of COVID -19 several new services were offered to town residents including online orders of birth, death and marriage certificates as well as online dog licenses. We also now offer weddings in the town hall as well.

The following elections took place during FY-2020: Presidential Primaries - March 3, 2020 Town Election - June 22, 2020

The following are the vital statistics for the calendar year 2020.

Births	38	Marriages	46
Deaths	112	Dog Licenses	255
<b>Business Certificates</b>	37	Combustible Storage permits	15
Raffles	1	Tag Sale Permits	19
Weddings	5	Kennel Permits	1

Population 5334

Registered active voters 4438

Respectfully submitted,

R. Christopher Brittain *Town Clerk* 



## PROCEEDINGS OF PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARIES MARCH 03, 2020

R. Christopher Brittain, Town Clerk, declared the polls open at 7:00 am. Zero report was printed from the Image Cast tabulator and posted at 6:30am.

Election workers on staff throughout the day were Ed Glickman, Joan Potter, Kathy Bort, Maryann Antoniazzi, Nancy Brownhill, Lucy Boldyga, Mary Holmes, Mary McDarby, Estella Ortiz Bodnar, Maureen Salvatore, Sheila Viale, Ann O'Brien, Peter Warywoski, Chris Warywoski, Ann Mack, Sarah Navin, Sandra Cozzaglio, Francis Palmer, Elizabeth Mead, Mary Morrissey and Glenda Anderson.

Constable Margaret Biron and Police Officers Wood and Hernandez were on staff during the day.

Polls were declared closed at 8:00 pm. Results were printed from the Image Cast machine at 8:06 pm. There were 1407 total ballots cast on the image cast machine. The following are the results of the election:

CANDIDATE	PARTY	VOTES
ARVIN VOHRA	L	0
DARIO HUNTER	J	0
DEVAL PATRICK	D	12
WILLIAM F. WELD	R	16
AMY KLOBUCHAR	D	10
JOE WALSHR	2	
SKCM CURRY	J	0
VERMIN LOVE SUPREME	L	1
DONALD J. TRUMP	R	101
ELIZABETH WARREN	D	223
JACOB GEORGE HORNBERGER	L	0
KENT MESPLAY	J	0
HOWARD HAWKINS	J	1
MICHAEL BENNET	D	0
ROQUE "ROCKY" DE LA FUENTE	R	1
SAMUEL JOSEPH ROBB	L	0
DAN TAXATION IS THEFT BEHRMAN	L	0
MICHAEL R. BLOOMBERG	D	107
NO PREFERENCE	J	1
NO PREFERENCE	R	4
KIMBERLY MARGARET RUFF	L	0
TULSI GABBARD	D	10
CORY BOOKER	D	0
KENNETH REED ARMSTRONG	L	1
ADAM KOKESH	L	0
JULIÁN CASTRO	D	0
JO JORGENSEN	L	0
TOM STEYER	D	0
BERNIE SANDERS	D	374
MAX ABRAMSON	L	0
JOSEPH R. BIDEN	D	513
NO PREFERENCE	L	0
70		



## PROCEEDINGS OF PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARIES MARCH 03, 2020

JOHN K. DELANEY	D	0
ANDREW YANG	D	2
PETE BUTTIGIEG	D	23
MARIANNE WILLIAMSON	D	0
NO PREFERENCE	D	4
[All Other Votes]	D	1
[All Other Votes]	J	0
[All Other Votes]	L	2
[All Other Votes]	R	2
[Blank Votes]	D	1
[Blank Votes]	J	0
[Blank Votes]	L	1
[Blank Votes]	R	3
MICHAEL F. CASE	R	83
SHERWOOD GUERNSEY, II	D	928
TYLER JAMES HASTINGS	R	31
[All Other Votes]	D	3
[All Other Votes]	J	0
[All Other Votes]	L	1
[All Other Votes]	R	0
[Blank Votes]	D	349
[Blank Votes]	J	2
[Blank Votes]	L	4
[Blank Votes]	R	15
ROBIN S. ALMGREN	R	86
MARIETTA RAPETTI CAWSE	D	908
CHRISTINE M. CANNING	R	27
[All Other Votes]	D	3
[All Other Votes]	J	0
[All Other Votes]	L	0
[All Other Votes]	R	0
[Blank Votes]	D	369
[Blank Votes]	J	2
[Blank Votes]	L	5
[Blank Votes]	R	16
Breakdown of "All Other Votes" (	President)	
President – Democrat	Donald Trump 1	
President – Republican	Bernie Sanders 1	
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## PROCEEDINGS OF ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION MAY 13, 2020

#### Republican Town Committee

Thomas J Swift	70
Mary E Swift	68
Richard B Brittain	74
Wayne L Taylor	65
R Christopher Brittain	77
Mary J Brittain	67
David J Consolati	67
Frank A Consolati	82
Patrick H Consolati	77
Rita S Perry	66
Thomas I Logston	76
Loren S Kinnaman	75
Aaron R Aubin	
Democratic Town Committee	
Margaret M Biron	703
Karen M Norton	612
Mary T Kelly	638
Patricia D Carlino	859
Donna M Toomey	757
Thomas E Unsworth Jr	686
Peter M Bluhm	
	606
Kathleen P Hall	606 718
Kathleen P Hall Neil F Clarke	
	718
Neil F Clarke	718 664
Neil F Clarke Laurel R Caluori	718 664 606

## Democratic Town Committee – Write in Candidates

Harold Sherman	1
Gordan Baily	1
Airen Wadsworth	2
Andrea Wadsworth	8
Sean Regnier	4
Thomas Salinetti	1
Kathy Bort	1
Craig Renolds	1
Tim Gray	1
Peter Hoffman	1
Sam Stier	1



## PROCEEDINGS OF ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION MAY 13, 2020

Gail Ceresia	1
Iris Bass	1
Josh Cohen	1
Jean Davidson	1
James Castegnaro	1
All Others*	9

\*Not registered voters in the town of Lee.

Total number of ballots used was 1430. This included:

38	Absentee Ballots,
2	CAST Provisional
1	NOT Cast Provisional
13	Spoiled ballots
111	Early Ballots (1 hand counted)
6	UOČAVA by Email

Total ballots cast was 1416 out of 4243 registered voters.

Hand counts and write ins were tallied at the polling location. The used and unused ballots were sealed in separate containers and used ballots returned to Town Hall at 9 pm.

R. Christopher Brittain *Town Clerk* 



## PROCEEDINGS OF ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION JUNE 22, 2020

R. Christopher Brittain, Town Clerk, declared the polls open at 7:00 am. Zero report was printed from the Image Cast tabulator and posted.

Election workers on staff throughout the day were Kathy Bort, Maryann Antoniazzi, Nancy Brownhill, Emma Sorentino, Lucy Boldyga, Estella Ortiz Bodnar, Ann O'Brien, Peter Warywoski, Sarah Navin, Sandra Cozzaglio, Elizabeth Mead, Mary Brittain, Mary Sorrentino, William Consolati, Ann Enser, Ed Glickman, and Sam Sorentino. These workers included substitutes needed due to the COVID-19 health crisis.

2 Police Officers were on staff throughout the entire day.

Polls were declared closed at 8:00 pm. Results were printed from the Image Cast machine at 8:04:56pm. 1145 total ballots were cast on the image cast machine.

The following are the results of the election:

District Write in	James Castegnaro Marilyn Hansen Francine Larson	144 117 111 5 1 1 1 1 1 1
District Write in	Diane Wespiser Nelson Daley Sr Neil Clarke	191 183 177 8 2 1 1 1 1 1 1
District Write in	Matt Fillio Andrea Wadsworth John Coty Jr	95 92 85 8 1 1 2 1



## PROCEEDINGS OF ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION JUNE 22, 2020

	Richard Kelly Chris Smith Elizabeth Mead	1 1 1
District Write in	A Reps Janet Warner Richard B Brittain Arthur Mack Janice Castegnaro Braim Gail Ceresia Kathy Daoust Timothy Morey Katie Morin Ken Kopka Bill Brunell Robert Decker Cornelia Kalisher	223 197 168 159 52 8 1 1 2 1 1 1 1
District	5	1
Write in	Jeff Roosa Margaret Biron Keith O'Neil Janice Castegnaro Lewis Stebleim Earl Barrett	99 84 74 3 1 1 1
District	-	105
Write in	Dayton Delorme Andrew Miller Dennis Mountain Thomas Logston Joan Tyer Roselyn Kolodny Bill Abderhalden Linda Cysz Emmy Davis Robert Decker Katie Morin Henry Holt Ron Giancola Harold Sherman Buck Donovan	125 114 17 1 2 1 2 1 1 2 1 1 2 1 1 2 1 1 1 2
Selectn		170
	Sean Regnier	478



## PROCEEDINGS OF ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION JUNE 22, 2020

Write ins	Andrea Wadsworth Thomas Wickham s Bob Decker Katie Morin	395 269 2 1 1
Planning Write ins	David Forest Gail Ceresia	789 228 12 6 1 1 1 1 1 1
Write in Write in	Committee (3 Year – 3 posi Christine Arment Lucy Andrea Wadsworth Aaron Aubin : Katie Morin : Robert Decker : Terrie Gardino S Kristin O'Brien Robert Griffin Jr James Hurley Jr Christine Lucy Neil Clarke Christina Tighe Rye Collins All other votes	tions) 772 627 406 352 232 75 14 1 1 1 1 1 1 7
Write in	Committee (2 Year – 1 posi Andrea Larmon : Katie Morin : Terrie Gardino : Robert Decker rite in Andrea Wadsworth Kristin O'Brien Heidi Nutt	tion) 831 35 32 19 3 1 1 1
Housing Write in	Authority Thomas Logsdon Kevin Wadsworth Sean Regnier	781 7 1 1



## PROCEEDINGS OF ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION JUNE 22, 2020

	Rob Decker Matthew Lee Diane Shepardson All other votes	
Moderat	or	
	Sarah Wright	909
Write in	Salah Wilght	7
	Matt Keenan	1
	Tom Touponce	Ĩ
	Kathy Hall	Ĩ
	Alex Hedinger	î
	Janet Warner	1
	Anthony Caropresso	1
	All other votes	1
	An other votes	1

Total number of ballots used was 1177. This included:

50	Absentee Ballots
11	Early Vote by Mail Ballots
2	Provisional (Both were counted)
27	Spoiled ballots
2	Hand counted
1	UOCAVA

Total ballots cast was 1150 out of 4297 registered voters.

Hand counts and write ins were tallied at the polling location. The used and unused ballots were sealed in separate containers and used ballots returned to Town Hall at 10:30 pm. Results were posted on the town website at 11:30pm

R. Christopher Brittain *Town Clerk* 



## TOWN COLLECTOR/TREASURER

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit my annual report for the Treasurer/Collector's Office:

Due to Covid 19, our office has been closed to the public since last March. However, staff is in the building and it is business as usual in this department. All Tax payments can be mailed or placed in the drop box in the Townhall Lobby. Payments can also be made online through the Town of Lee website, www.lee.ma.us. I would like to thank Heather Ketchen and Beth Mead for their hard work and dedication to this office. I also wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, Chief Administrative Officer Christopher Ketchen, and Assistant Chief Administrative Officer Lyndsay Broom for their continued support.

The current total amount outstanding for permanent long term debt is 14,437,045.00. The total debt schedule effective 6/30/2020 is as follows:

Water Treatment Plant	3,545,868.00
Elementary School	2,475,000.00
High School	115,000.00
WWTP Expansion	8,301,177.00

The current total amount outstanding for short term debt is \$806,388.00 and schedule effective 06/30/2020 is as follows:

School Boilers Dump Trucks Design, Repair & Pave Town Rds	\$56,192.00 215,093.00 \$535,103.00
Cash on hand June 30, 2020	\$12,824,583.29
Cash Receipts July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 Cash Payments July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020 Balance June 30, 2020	\$30,487,564.55 \$28,790,379.29 <b>\$14,521,768.5</b> 5
Funds in Various Banks:	
Checking Accounts	\$1,638,461.71
Liquid Investments	\$10,875,279.39
Trust Funds	\$2,008,027.45
All Cash Investments as of June 30, 2020	\$14,521,768.55



## TOWN COLLECTOR/TREASURER

## FY2020 COLLECTOR'S REPORT

	COLLECTED	BALANCE AS OF JUNE 30, 2020
Real Estate Tax		
2018	34,631.00	30.00
2019	235,540.00	100,100.00
2020	12,347,277.00	419,595.00
Personal Property	, ,	,
2016	0	653.00
2017	140.00	1,143.00
2018	167.00	1,898.00
2019	8,214.00	4,136.00
2020	1,045,621.00	6,217.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax		
Prior Years	459.00	6,305.00
2016	884.00	4,449.00
2017	1,193.00	5,083.00
2018	4,438.00	5,958.00
2019	155,252.00	15,709.00
2020	735,461.00	69,167.00
2018 Water Lien Added to Tax	1,851.00	120.00
2018 Sewer Lien Added to Tax	0	0
2019 Water Lien Added to Tax	341.00	0
2019 Sewer Lien Added to Tax	672.00	0
2020 Water Lien Added to Tax	5,640.00	3,615.00
2020 Sewer Lien Added to Tax	13,328.00	5,734.00
2018 Municipal Water Infrastructure Charge	254.00	0
2019 Municipal Water Infrastructure Charge	672.00	1,946.00
2020 Municipal Water Infrastructure Charge	120,542.00	3,901.00
Trailer Park Fees	6,516.00	
Elderly-Disabled Donation Fund	1,890.00	
Deputy Fees	8,878.00	
Municipal Lien Certificates	4,615.00	
Interest Added to General Fund	34,692.00	
Fees Added to General Fund	5,885.00	
Registry of Motor Vehicles Clear	4,105.00	



## TOWN COLLECTOR/TREASURER

Water Receipts Sewer Receipts	1,201,948.00 1,905,722.00
Total Receipts	\$17,886,828.00
Added to Tax Title in FY2020 Total Taxes Deferred and Due Taxes in Litigation	\$77,604.00 \$10,882.00 0
Foreclosures	\$37,692.00
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Respectfully submitted,

Donna M. Toomey, *Treasurer/Collector CMMT/CMMC* 



## TOWN OF LEE Wages Paid in Fiscal Year 2019

#### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Bigelow, Cindy	\$52,349.38
Carlino, Patricia	\$2,100.00
Consolati, David	\$2,100.00
Wickham, Thomas	\$2,100.00
Consolati, David	\$2,100.00

## ASSISTANT CAO / HUMAN

<b>RESOURCES</b> Broom, Lyndsay	\$70,518.10
TOWN ACCOUNTANT Browne, Lynn	\$70,631.83

## **BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

Navin, Sarah	\$44,465.40
Avalle, Karen	\$2,400.00
Caropreso, Anthony	\$2,400.00
Delorme, Dayton	\$2,400.00

## TOWN TREASURER / COLLECTOR

COLLECTOR	
Toomey, Donna	\$74,401.66
Ketchen, Heather	\$49,803.02
Mead, Elizabeth	\$32,552.52

## TOWN COUNCEL

\$29,635.05

## IT TRAINER

Parker, David \$960.27

## LAND USE

Messana, Jaimy	\$26,053.71

#### CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Vsetecka, Kathleen	\$11,740.41
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#### **COUNCIL ON AGING**

Digrigoli, Patricia	\$34,450.39
Holian, Susan	\$15,075.04
Faber, Christine	\$1,625.00

Tyer, Jeanne \$3,541.34

#### TOWN CLERK

Brittain, R Christopher	\$22,132.14
Page, Brandi	\$26,965.68
Cozzaglio, Sandra	\$2,067.26

## **BOARD OF REGISTRAR /**

ELECTIONS	
Antoniazzi, Maryann	\$44.00
Biron, Margaret	\$66.00
Boldyga, Lucy	\$44.00
Brownhill, Nancy	\$55.00
Glickman, Edward	\$143.00
Holmes, Mary	\$44.00
Kelly, Mary	\$300.00
Mack, Anne	\$33.00
McDarby, Mary	\$88.00
Monachina, Jean	\$33.00
Morrissey, Mary	\$44.00
O'Brien, Ann	\$77.00
Ortiz Bodnar, Estella	\$77.00
Palmer, Frances	\$55.00
Perry, Rita	\$300.00
Potter, Joan	\$55.00
Salvatore, Maureen	\$77.00
Viale, Sheila	\$66.00

#### **VETERAN'S AGENT** Mann, Lloyd

\$7,206.85

#### LEE LIBRARY

Merk, Amanda	\$16,153.70
Vorce, Damon	\$22,708.61

#### **BUILDING DEPARTMENT / INSPECTORS**

Burton, Michael	\$6,754.17
Leining, Michael	\$126.00
Dion, Jason	\$11,961.49
Cahalan, Gerald	\$1,676.49



## **TOWN OF LEE** Wages Paid in Fiscal Year 2019

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT

POLICE DEPARTMEN	T	Schultz, Brian	\$22,192.50
Burdick, Stephanie**	\$120,007.22	Sobon, Katie	\$20,415.44
Cummings, Chad**	\$105,769.34	Tyer, Matthew	\$83,591.68
Desantis, Craig**	\$89,846.39	Williams, Matthew	\$1,097.28
Fenton, Matthew**	\$11,403.26	Antoniazzi, Daniel	\$3,655.60
Hernandez, Edwin**	\$39,553.03	Arment, Thomas	\$576.30
Hopkins, Jason**	\$123,095.41	Bailey, James	\$3,271.06
Kelly, Timothy**	\$89,281.86	Blache, Gerard	\$2,214.55
Kinnaman, Caleb**	\$2,265.10	Braim, Jeffrey	\$267.75
Kohlenberger, Adrian**	\$27,663.71	Brown, Bryan	\$3,655.60
Pleu, William**	\$66,043.37	Brown, Peter	\$2,166.82
Roosa, Jeffrey	\$90,000.00	Brunell, Robert	\$1,002.39
Roy, Richard**	\$102,421.57	Brunell, William	\$5,135.63
Shook, Kevin**	\$42,966.09	Daley, Shamus	\$660.78
Snyder, Michael**	\$11,409.48	Dumont, Raymond	\$557.91
Towne, Benjamin**	\$94,622.52	Fennelly, Adam	\$414.67
Wood, Robert**	\$118,804.40	Finnegan, Patrick	\$153.87
Biasin, Justin	\$113.82	Ford, Michael	\$660.78
Martin, Dan**	\$38,444.70 5	Gaherty, Corey	\$848.12
O'Neil, Samuel**	\$5,351.63	Gangell, Keith	\$1,351.36
Toomey, James	\$75.88	Giarolo, Adam	\$219.98
Withers, Gavin	\$2,060.22	Hunt, James	\$4,550.94
Dunn, Tracy	\$42,812.94	Kelly, Michael	\$86.12
		King, Crystal	\$3,452.39
FIRE / RESCUE / EMS		Lis, Erin	\$1,084.53
Brown, Ryan	\$68,678.00	Mead, Adam	\$3,655.60
Bona, Justin	\$3,663.90	Mechek, Dylan	\$1,070.58
Falone, Carly	\$960.90	Mosca, Austin	\$3,944.60
Guinan, Patrick	\$45,479.25	North, Edward	\$6,879.88
Hope, Shane	\$204.48	O'Brien, Timothy	\$495.49
Hughes, Edward	\$1,226.88	O'Neil, Keith	\$2,416.55
Jolin, Kevin	\$40,238.51	Palmer, Randall Todd	\$1,017.09
Perilli, Christopher	\$9,265.61	Pettibone, Kyle	\$2,728.78
Pizzonia, Alexander	\$38,682.59	Puleri, Louis	\$1,729.69
Poirier, Michael	\$55,741.74	Renner, David	\$579.96
Sibley, Cameron	\$9,428.86	Reynolds, Zachary	\$908.95
Wellauer, Keegan	\$3,468.24	Shields, Liam	\$100.81
Boehm, Jonathan	\$57,329.92	Sorrentino, Zachary	\$3,235.76
Kimball, Justin	\$19,083.57	Wilcox, Glenn	\$5,135.63
Morse, Drew	\$46,726.94	Wood, James	\$6,490.52
Romeo, Joshua	\$9,563.99		
Schaefer, Dakota	\$13,577.83		



## TOWN OF LEE Wages Paid in Fiscal Year 2019

#### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Albee, Shanon	\$33,248.93
Zerbato, Alan	\$86,630.70
Carlino, Bryan	\$28,078.68
Drury, Matthew	\$56,215.04
Giarolo, Anthony	\$54,561.09
Hopkins, Daniel	\$51,434.70
Humeston, Donald	\$53,212.67
Larson, Matthew	\$21,076.18
Mello, Jarett	\$59,071.73
Morawiec, James	\$60,503.73
Reynolds, Bruce	\$37,899.01
Larson, Matthew	\$444.05
Lohbauer, Matthew	\$2,975.57
Roosa, Taggart	\$4,061.85
DeBerry, Jamison	\$10,353.75
Hickson, Joshua	\$38,825.72
Kearin, Alex	\$46,603.62
Tyer, Todd	\$54,873.27
Ranzoni, Matthew	\$25,609.54
Towler, Michael	\$70,924.551
Herlihy, Joshua	\$61,655.51
Lucy, Jonathan	\$54,015.75

# Sullivan, Michael\$11,931.89Tharion, Melissa\$896.58Farnsworth, Gwendolyn\$191.25Houghtling, Cody\$294.00Hsiao, Si-Yuan\$383.50

Knapp,Robert\$253.50Sedarbaum, Edward\$27,149.92

## LEE SANDY BEACH

Sorrentino, Samantha	\$2,826.66
Consolati, Dmitri	\$2,759.25
Karpus, Edmund	\$2,543.75
Field, Ellie	\$969.00
Losardo, Michael	\$1,513.00
Morehouse, Kyle	\$5,244.50
Stone, Asa	\$586.50
Therrien, Morgan	\$4,233.10
Tobin, Jessie	\$6,314.80

#### TRI-TOWN HEALTH DEPARTMENT

# Berrar \$58,632.91 Wilusz, James \$98,778.99 Dragonetti, Jason \$45,937.55 Leahey, James \$2,486.81 Pierce, Jonathan \$47,206.13



## TRI-TOWN HEALTH DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

## I hereby submit my annual report for the fiscal year 2020. Following is a summary of our Public Health Prevention programs:

COVID-19 Pandemic: Fiscal Year 2020 started out like anything else, normal. As we advanced through the fiscal year, staff and board members continued to collaborate and work together towards many grants and projects, including a revamping of the 17 town Southern Berkshire Household Hazardous Waste Collection program. When March of 2020 hit, the Tri-Town District was in position to immediately respond. From schools closing, to responding to a high volume of complaints, violations, and general inquires, we met the challenge. Throughout the remainder of FY20, the staff continued to work in various ways to meet the needs of the community. From March through June, we fielded over 200 plus phone inquiries and investigated dozens of formal complaints. We continue to work in close partnership with BHS, other BOH and agencies including our distinguished Police, Fire, and EMS Departments. I would like to thank Acting Chief Craig DeSantis and Fire Chief Ryan Brown for working with us very closely to respond to the needs of our community. Lastly, we need to recognize all our Health Department Staff and Board members for rallying to meet the needs of the community during an extreme and challenging time. As we move forward, we will continue to collaborate, plan, and deliver vaccination clinics to ensure the community is protected from COVID-19 so we can move forward to a healthy and prosperous 2021

**CARES ACT and Public Health Trust Funding:** Tri Town Health District in amidst a pandemic was able to secure \$90,000 of CARES act funding and PHTF funding to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. Resources were used to retrofit town halls to meet safety standards, PPE, supplies and staffing to respond to the pandemic. We anticipate securing more grant funding into FY21.

**Regional Household Hazardous Waste Program:** In Fiscal year 2020 the HHW collection program offered a Spring collection in which 207 households registered for and we collected 4,200 gallons of chemical waste. The 17-town collaborative has been functioning for the past 18 years and in FY20, the Tri-Town Health District assumed administrative and operational responsibility to ensure it will continue for several more years. Smaller towns working together to create a sustainable program reflects great collaboration efforts and in addition protects the environment. We thank all of those involved to offer this service to the community.

Food Service Sanitation Program: The required mandated food service inspections



## TRI-TOWN HEALTH DEPARTMENT

are in full compliance with state standards up until COVID-19 hit. We made several operational adjustments in how to conduct virtual inspections.

**Tobacco Awareness Program:** The Tobacco Awareness Program was very busy in FY20. Boards of Health around the county adjusted to the new state law restricting flavors and vapes soon after the Governor passed a comprehensive tobacco bill. We secured an additional \$97,000 in grant money to work on post enactment strategies due to new state law changes.

**Tobacco Retailer Training Program:** The Tri-Town Tobacco Retailer certification program continues to be a success. We have continued to see reductions in store fine and suspensions due to ongoing training of store employees. In FY20, 247 vouchers were sold, and 177 clerks were trained. For more information on the Retailer certification program, please visit www.tritownhealth.org.

We 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, and volunteers for their dedication and public service in providing essential public health prevention programs to the communities we serve. **Permits Issued: (Lee only)** 

Permit Type	Issued
Bakery	4
Beach	2
Biological Wastes	1
Catering	4
Disposal Works Construction	4
Disposal Works Installer	12
Emergency Beaver Trapping Permits	0
Food Service	72
Frozen Dessert	17
Garbage Hauler	6
Milk/Cream Dealer	1
Milk/Cream Store	24
Milk/Cream Vehicle	0
Mobile Food	6
Motel/Hotel/Cabin/Trailer	11
Pool	11
Pasteurization	1
Rec. Children's Camp	0
Retail Food	42
Septage Hauler	8



## TRI-TOWN HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Issued
32
0
13
1

Inspections:		Water Testing:	
Children's Camps:	0	Ice Sampling	109
Food Service/Retail:	113	Pool & Hot Tub Testing:	59
Housing Inspections/Reinspections	11	Quality Control:	200
Misc. Complaints/Nuisances:	6	Water Testing Performed-Beaches:	46
Percolation Test Witness:	9	Well Sampling	2
Pool & Hot Tub Inspections:	11	Out of Town:	17
Special Events:	32		
T5 Witness:	10		
COVID-19 Investigation:	24		
COVID-19 Positive Cases	19		

## **Budget Revenue Information Fiscal 2020**

Total budget:	\$127,764.55	Revenue generated:	\$69,228.81
Breakdown:	Permits	\$49,925.00	
	Water Testing	\$11,109.86	
	Septic	\$7,693.95	
	Late Fee/Surchar	ge \$ 500.00	

Respectfully submitted,

James J. Wilusz, R.S. *Executive Director/Registered Sanitarian* 



## THE BRIEN CENTER

Town of Lee FY20 Annual Report

## The Brien Center for Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, Inc.

Our mission is to provide high quality, comprehensive behavioral health services to Berkshire residents through community based services that promote the highest possible degree of recovery, independence and quality of life of those served. We will provide access and supports to meet the behavioral health needs of individuals of all ages, race, and cultures, and culturally competent care to promote recovery. We will accomplish this by working in partnership with state agencies, individuals, families and other providers.

During FY2020, The Brien Center provided services to 244 Lee residents.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Christine Macbeth, ACSW, LICSW. *President and Chief Executive Officer* 

Linda Febles, *Chair* Mike Fazio, *Vice Chair* Richard Lombardi, *Treasurer* Christopher Hennessey, Clerk Tim Burke, *Director* Deborah Foss, *Director* Lori Gazzillo , *Director* Adam Klepetar, *Director* Richard Lombardi, *Director* Marybeth Mitts, *Director* 



## LEE YOUTH ASSOCIATION

To say this has been a challenging year for the LYA would be an understatement. We also know that everyone has experienced their own set of challenges due to this pandemic and that none of us has been in this alone.

We were able to run all of our regular programming through the end of calendar year 2019. This includes our five Busy Bee Childcare classrooms (Infant, Toddler 1, Toddler 2, Preschool and Pre-k), Before and After School programming, Soccer, Baseball, Softball, Summer Rec Camp, Summer Basketball Camp, Youth Basketball and LYA/LMHS College and Career Fair.

On March 13, 2020 we closed our Busy Bee childcare programming for what we thought would be a couple of weeks due to COVID 19. As it turned out we would be unable to open childcare for regular programming until the end of June. We would also be unable to run any other programming for the remainder of the year and up until this writing which is February 9, 2021. Who would have thought!?!?!

For much of our programming, we are licensed by the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care (EEC). EEC asked childcare programs across the Commonwealth to open Emergency Programs for essential workers if we were comfortable in doing so. Although we can't say that we felt entirely comfortable in doing this, we put every COVID safety precaution in place and felt this was how we could do our part in contributing to helping working families and their children during the pandemic. We ran this program for approximately three months before we were allowed to re-open for regular childcare programming. With any luck we will be able to open all of our other programs by the Spring and Summer of this year.

Thank you to all of the organizations who have helped us financially during this time including the Town of Lee, Berkshire United Way, Berkshire Taconic Foundation and The Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care!!!

Here is to an amazingly fun 2021 !

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Terry, *Executive Director* Ali Zabian, *Board President* Paula Miller, *Board Vice President* Heidi Cooper, *Board Secretary* Sam Sorrentino, *Board Treasurer* Kery Burke, *Board Member* Pam Naventi, *Board Member* Michele Puleri, *Board Member* Tobey Simone, *Board Member* Maura Stanton, *Board Member* Sandy Dignard, *Board Member* Daniel Kinney, *Board Member* 



## LEE ZONING BOARD

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen

During the dates of July 1, 2019, to June 30, 2020, the Lee Zoning Board of Appeals met as needed. Special Pennit hearings were held on July 3 and July 31. Variance hearings were held on August 21 and October 23 and an appeal hearing was held on November 20. Thank you to the members of the ZBA for their continued service to the town of Lee.

Fiscal Year 2020 Members Include:

Francine Larson, *Chair* Thomas Swift Richard Brittain Gordan Bailey Kristen O'Brien Steven Wellington, *Alternate Member* 

Respectfully submitted,

Francine Larson, Chair