

# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE TOWN OF

# GRANBY

MASSACHUSETTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31ST  
2008

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# EMERGENCY NUMBERS

<b>POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>	911
Business Calls	467-9222
<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>	
TO REPORT A FIRE	911
Business Calls	467-9696
<b>AMBULANCE</b>	911
Billing Department	467-9696

## TOWN OFFICES INFORMATION

<b>BOARD OF ASSESSORS</b>	467-7196
9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.	Monday & Wednesday
By Appointment	Tuesday & Thursday
9:00 A.M. - 12 NOON	Friday
7:00 P.M.	Board Meetings First & Third Mondays of the Month (appointments requested)
<b>SELECTBOARD</b>	467-7177
Town Administrator	467-3101
9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.	Monday - Thursday
9:00 A.M. - 12 NOON	Fridays
7:00 P.M.	Board Meetings First & Third Mondays of the Month (appointments requested)
<b>COUNCIL ON AGING - ALDRICH HALL</b>	467-3239
8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.	Monday – Friday 467-3759
<b>HEALTH DEPARTMENT</b>	467-7174
9:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.	Monday-Thursday
9:00 A.M. - 12 NOON	Friday
7:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.	First and Third Tuesday of the Month (appointments requested)
<b>INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS</b>	467-7179
7:00 A.M.—9:00 A.M.	Morning Inspections   Monday –Thursday
11:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.	Afternoons Inspections   Monday –Thursday
9:00 A.M. -- 11:00 A.M.	Monday –Thursday   Office Hours   12 Noon-12: 30 P.M.   Closed for Lunch
<b>PUBLIC LIBRARY</b>	
10:30 A.M. - 7:00 P.M.	Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 467-3320
10:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.	Saturday (September - April)
<b>TAX COLLECTOR</b>	467-7170
9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.	Monday - Thursday
9:00 A.M. - 12 NOON	Friday
7:00 P.M.	First & Third Mondays of the Month
<b>TOWN CLERK</b>	467-7178
9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.	Monday - Thursday
9:00 A.M. - 12 NOON	Friday
7:00 P.M.	First & Third Mondays of the Month (Appointments can be requested)
<b>TOWN TREASURER</b>	467-7176
9:00 A.M. - 12 NOON	Monday-Friday --- Appointments can be requeste

## ELECTED OFFICIALS

	<b>Term Expires</b>		<b>Term Expires</b>
<b>Board of Assessors</b>		<b>Planning Board</b>	
Gregg Leonard	2011	Charles Maheu, Jr	2013
William Porter III	2010	David Johnson (Resigned 9/08)	2012
Frank Hudgik	2009	Emre Evren	2011
<b>Board of Health</b>		Kevin Brooks	2010
Richard Bombardier	2011	Henry Clements	2009
Florence Fredette	2010	Nikolina Zelenovic	5/18/09
Lee Lalonde	2009	<b>Recreation Commissioners</b>	
<b>Selectboard</b>		Vicki O'Donnell	2011
Wayne H. Tack, Sr.	2011	Trudy Turcotte	2010
Mary McDowell	2010	Robert Weaver	2009
Bryan F. Hauschild	2009	<b>Public Library Trustees</b>	
<b>Commissioner of Burial Grounds</b>		Gwendolyn Morrissey	2011
Kevin Brooks	2011	Bridget Roy	2011
Theodore Smigiel	2010	April Judicki (resigned 11/08)	2010
Gordon Landry	2009	Amy Kimball	2010
<b>Commissioner of Trust Funds</b>		Virginia Snopek	2010
Roger Fournier	2011	Dianne M Barry	2009
William E Johnson (resigned 3/08)	2010	Nancy CB Evren	2009
Albert E. Bessette	2009	Lean Condon	2009
<b>Hampshire County Councilor</b>		Carol Battersby	5/18/09
Jeffrey McPherson	2010	Martin Jewett	5/19/08
Martin Merrill	2009	<b>School Committee</b>	
<b>Housing Authority</b>		Arthur Krulewitz	2011
George Knight	2013	Michael Quesnel	2011
Mark Bail	2012	Deborah Buckley	2010
Nancy E Sedlak	2011	Dawn Cooke	2009
Brenda Cummings (resigned 8/08)	2010	Kevin M. Boisselle	2009
Alice Stewart	5/18/09	<b>Tax Collector</b>	
<b>Moderator</b>		Karen Stellato	2009
Albert Bail	2009	<b>Town Clerk</b>	
<b>Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School</b>		Katherine Kelly-Regan	2010
<b>District School Committee</b>		<b>Treasurer</b>	
Elizabeth Desrochers	2012	Steven R. Nally	2009
		<b>Tree Warden</b>	
		Richard Gaj Sr	2009

## APPOINTED OFFICIALS

<b>Almoners, Whiting Street Fund</b>		Charles M. Lapiene	2009
Scott Merrill	2009	Stacey Lothian	2009
Richard Lussier	2009	Matthew M. Miazga	2009
Maudetta Taylor	2009	Wayne Paradysz	2009
<b>Americans with Disabilities Act Committee</b>		Jamal Pressley	2009
Jennifer Crosby	2009	Stacey Quinones	2009
Christopher Martin	2009	Andrew Reid	2009
Mary McDowell	2009	Miguel Reyes	2009
<b>Auxiliary/Reserve Police Officers</b>		Steve Senerchia	2009
Mark Johnson, Director	2009	Edward Smith	2009
Mark Smith, Asst. Director	2009	<b>Board of Appeals</b>	
Nelida Barkyoumb	2009	Michael Buckley	2011
Justin Beauchemin	2009	John Hamel	2011
Daniel Dias	2009	Ronald Harrop	2010
Jason Gravel	2009	Frank Marion	2010
Xristina Kofidis	2009	Donald Zebrowski	2009
Steven G. Lacoste, Lieutenant	2009	Denis Houle, Associate Member	2009
James Laflamme	2009	Brien Laporte	2009

Board of Registrars		Dianne Barry-Interim Director	9/08
Jeanne Merrill	2011	Ann Guenette (Appointed 9/08)	2009
Jeanne Crosby	2010	Dog Officer	
Patricia Banas	2009	Gordon Landry	2009
Cable TV Advisory Committee		Dufresne Recreation Committee	
Gary Benson	2009	Lisa Anderson	2009
Emre Evren	2009	Richard Gaj, Sr.	2009
Teresa Lajoie	2009	Denis Houle	2009
Lawrence Pietras	2009	Teresa Lajoie	2009
Capital Improvement Planning Committee		Vicki O'Donnell (resigned 11/08)	2009
Donald Zebrowski, Chairman	2009	Electrical Inspector	
John Hamel	2009	Arthur Courchesne, Jr.	2009
Charles Maheu	2009	Bruce Pelletier, Assistant	2009
Frank Marion	2009	Richard Rosazza, Assistant	2009
Wayne H Tack, Sr.	2009	Emergency Management Director	
Charter Day Committee		Jeffrey McPherson	2009
Linda Fish	2009	Russ Anderson, Asst. Director	2009
Peter Gaj, Jr.	2009	Christopher F. Martin, Asst. Director	2009
Richard Gaj, Jr.	2009	Finance Committee	
Richard Gaj, Sr.	2009	John J. Libera, Jr.	2011
Jeffrey Isabelle	2009	Robert Glesmann III	2011
Brenda Korytko	2009	Catherine Myers	2010
Micheline Turgeon	2009	Dana Ritter	2009
Chief Procurement Officer		Robert Os	2009
Christopher F. Martin	2009	Fire/Ambulance Department	
Director of COA Search Committee		Full-Time	
Russell Anderson	2009	Todd Carpenter, Firefighter/EMT	2010
Maureen Bail	2009	Jason Doval, Lieutenant Firefighter/Paramedic	2010
Louis Barry	2009	Brian Kazak, Firefighter/EMT	2010
Frank Hudgik	2009	Michael Pandora, Lieutenant Firefighter/Paramedic	2010
Wayne Tack Sr.	2009	Call-Force	
Conservation Commission		Lisa Anderson, Firefighter	2009
Rachel Barker	2011	Matthew Bail, Firefighter	2009
Kimberly Masiuk	2011	William Bragiel, Firefighter/Intermediate	2009
Michael Milewski	2011	Bruce Carpenter, Deputy Chief	2009
Denis Houle	2010	Jeremy Carriere, Firefighter/EMT	2009
Wenda Luff	2010	Brian Crawford, Firefighter	2009
Russell Hatch	2009	Josh DeForge, Firefighter/EMT	2009
Robert Sapouckey	2009	David Englebrecht, Firefighter/EMT	2009
MaryLynn Bliss, Associate	2009	Elisa Heinrich, Firefighter/EMT	2009
Nancy Milkey, Associate	2009	Jessica Layne, Firefighter	2009
Constables		Stephen Leocopoulos, Firefighter	2009
Richard J. Gaj, Sr.	2009	Alan Leone, Firefighter/EMT	2009
Cathy Leonard	2009	Ronald Mastorakis, Captain Firefighter	2009
William Merullo	2009	Scott May, Firefighter/EMT	2009
Council on Aging		Brian Pike, Lieutenant Firefighter	2009
Louis M. Barry	2011	James Pula, Firefighter/Paramedic	2009
Richard J. Gaj Sr	2011	George Randall, IV, Lieutenant Firefighter/EMT	2009
Denis Houle, Sr.	2011	Annamarie Rintala, Paramedic	2009
Charlotte Sousa	2011	Cara Lee Rintala, Paramedic	2009
Frank Hudgik	2010	John Ritter, Firefighter	2009
Alice Stewart	2010	Raymond Sawyer, Firefighter	2009
Russell Anderson	2009	William Scribner, Captain/FF/EMT	2009
Maureen Bail	2009	Rich Stefanowicz, Firefighter/Paramedic	2009
Claire Gaj	2009	David Turcotte, Firefighter/EMT	2009
Nancy Sedlak	2009	Trudy Turcotte, Firefighter/EMT	2009
Wayne Tack Sr.	2009	Raymond Warren, Firefighter/EMT Intermediate	2009
Cynthia Custeau, Associate non –voting member	2009	Daniel Watkins, EMT	2009
Director of Senior Services			

Tyler Yvon, Firefighter/EMT	2009	Donald Demers	2009
Forest Warden		Brien Laporte, Local Inspector	2009
Russ Anderson	2009	Kellogg Hall Repair Committee	
Gas Inspector		Gregg Leonard	2009
Fred Marion	2009	Charles Maheu	2009
Barry McPhee, Assistant	2009	Christopher Martin (resigned)	2009
George C Fotopoulos, Assistant	2009	Mary McDowell	2009
Granby Agricultural Commission		Donald Zebrowski (resigned)	2009
Robert Murphy	2011	Landfill Advisory Committee	
Russell Aurnhammer	2010	William Johnson, Chairman	2009
Edward Parker Sr.	2010	Wayne Masse	2009
William Clark	2009	Lisa Anderson	2009
David Kaskeski	2009	Landfill Advisory Ad-Hoc Committee	
Pamela Desjardins-Alternate Member	2009	Mary McDowell	2009
Evelyn Hatch-Alternate Member	2009	Landfill Negotiating Team	
Granby Cultural Council		Bryan F. Hauschild	2009
Susan Bennette	2010	Christopher Martin	2009
Mary Jo King	2010	Wayne Massey	2009
Elton Braithwaite	2009	Local Emergency Planning Committee	
Cheryl Campbell	2009	Russell Anderson	2009
Wayne Gagnon	2009	Louis Barry	2009
Kimberly O'Grady	2009	David Desrosiers	2009
Brenda Wishart	2009	Lee Lalonde	2009
Karen Landry	2009	Christopher Martin	2009
Sally O'Shea	2009	Jeffrey McPherson	2009
Granby Website Committee		Joint Transportation Committee	
Emre Evren	2009	David Desrosiers	2009
Teresa Lajoie	2009	Wayne H Tack, Sr., Alternate	2009
Anna-Lee Lipman	2009	Master Plan Committee	
William Pitt	2009	Kevin Brooks	2009
Jeanne Yocum	2009	Henry Clement	2009
Gym/Athletic Fields Committee		Emre Evren	2009
David Desrosiers	2009	Beth Forbush	2009
Frank Hudgik	2009	David Johnson	2009
Vicki O'Donnell	2009	Charles Maheu	2009
James Pietras	2009	Mary McDowell	2009
Michael Sarnicki	2009	Douglas Merrill	2009
Hampshire County Insurance Advisory Committee		Nikolina Zelenovic	2009
Christopher Martin	2009	William Porter, III	2009
Hampshire Regional Emergency Planning Committee		William Shaheen	2009
Jeffrey McPherson	2009	Robert Weaver	2009
Hazard Mitigation Committee		Municipal Hearing Officer	
Russ Anderson	2009	Christopher Martin	2009
Louis Barry	2009	New Ludlow Road Sewer Review Committee	
David Desrosiers	2009	Richard Bombardier	2009
Highway Superintendent		Henry Clement	2009
David P. Desrosiers	2009	Mary McDowell	2009
Historical Commission		David Desrosiers, non-voting member	2009
Theresa Johnson	2010	Parking Clerk	
Historic District Commission		Donald Demers	2009
Gregg Leonard	2011	Mark Johnson, Assistant to the	2009
Nancy Brooks	2009	William Johnson, Assistant to the	2009
William Pitt	2009	Personnel Board	
Jonathon Brook, Associate Member	2009	Dawn Cook	2011
Holyoke Range Advisory Committee		Denis L Lafleur	2011
Cynthia Watson	2009	Patricia Miller	2011
Inspector of Animals		James Bell	2010
Thomas Flebotte	2009	Gloria Vivier	2010
Inspector of Buildings		James Sowell	2009

Pioneer Valley Planning Commission Representative		Russ Anderson, non-voting member	2009
Kevin Brooks, Commissioner	2009	Louis Barry, non-voting member	2009
William Johnson, alternate	2009	Public Safety Liaison	
Plumbing Inspector		Kevin O'Grady, Sgt.	2009
Fred Marion	2009	PVTA-Joint Transportation Representative	
Barry McPhee, Assistant	2009	Dianne Barry	2009
George C Fotopoulos, Assistant	2009	Recycling Coordinator	
Police Department		William Johnson	2009
Full-time Officers		Lisa Anderson, Assistant	2009
Robert Ash	2011	Real Estate By-Law Review Committee	
Kurt Carpenter	2011	Gayle Demary	2009
Barbara Fenn, Detective	2011	Donald Demers	2009
Kevin O'Grady, Sgt.	2011	Connie Laplante	2009
Gary Poehler	2011	Christopher Martin	2009
Jason Richard	2011	Right To Know Coordinator	
Mark Smith, Sgt	2011	Russ Anderson	2009
James White	2011	School Building	
Alan Wishart, Sgt.	2011	Joseph Arabik	2009
Part-time Officers		Dawn Cooke	2009
Paul Anderson Jr	2009	Donald Demers	2009
Earl Brown	2009	Bryan Hauschild	2009
Wade Dubois	2009	David Johnson	2009
Robert Dufault	2009	Edwin Keyes	2009
Sean Gallagher	2009	David Lukaskiewicz	2009
Ian Howard	2009	Frank Marion	2009
Diane Jenson	2009	Christopher Martin	2009
Mark Johnson	2009	Mary McDowell	2009
Eric Jorgenson	2009	Sally O'Shea	2009
Steven Marion	2009	James Pietras	2009
Wayne J Mark	2009	Michael Quesnel	2009
Jeffrey L. Reed	2009	Dana Ritter	2009
Joseph Reidy	2009	Kenneth Scully	2009
Shawn E. Ronney	2009	Renee Still	2009
Stephen Szlosek	2009	Patricia Stevens, Advisor	2009
Michael Ulmer	2009	Ad-Hoc School Building Committee	
Wayne Wilson	2009	Jonathon Carvallo	2009
Thomas Yvon	2009	Pamela McCauley	2009
Police Dispatcher/Clerk & Matron		Daniel Lynch	2009
Lynn Menard	2009	Selectboard Policies Ad-Hoc Committee	
Ronda Haska, on-call	2009	Albert Bail	2009
Police Dispatchers		Christopher Martin	2009
John Ferriter - Full- time	2009	Mary McDowell	2009
Peter Langtaine, Part-time	2009	Sign Officer	
James Laflamme, Part-time	2009	Donald Demers	2009
Theresa Fagnant, Part-time	2009	Stormwater Phase II	
Police Advisory Committee		Donald Demers	2009
Cheryl Downie	2009	David Desrosiers	2009
Thomas Fitzgerald	2009	Melissa Labonte	2009
William E Johnson	2009	Lee Lalonde	2009
Scott Merrill	2009	Charles Maheu	2009
Christopher Pronovost	2009	Kimberly Masiuk	2009
Public Library Director		Town Accountant	
Jennifer Crosby	2009	Christopher Martin	2009
Public Safety Complex Committee		Town Administrator Review Committee	
Lillian Camus	2009	Albert Bail	2009
William Merullo	2009	James Bell	2009
William Parent	2009	Stanley Kapinos	2009
Edward Parker, Sr	2009	Martin Merrill	2009
James Trompke	2009	Charlotte Mugnier	2009

Town Counsel	
Edward Ryan	2009
Brian O'Toole, Assistant	2009
Veterans District Representative	
Bryan F Hauschild.	2009
Veterans Graves Officer	
Roger Fournier	2009
Western Mass Regional-Local Emergency	
Jeffrey McPherson	2009
Russ Anderson, alternate	2009
West Street Roof Committee	
Kevin Boisselle	2009
Frank Marion	2009
Wayne H Tack, Sr.	2009

Sheep	6
Lamas/Alpacas	54
Horses/Ponies	279
Donkeys	3
Swine	6
Chickens	433
Turkeys	21
Waterfowl	44
Game Birds	43
Rabbits	1044

Respectfully submitted,  
Thomas Flebotte

**AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION**

Most of the past twelve months were spent by the commission working on the right to farm by-law that will be completed soon. This by-law should help preserve farmland for future generations. We are also working on a farm pamphlet, which will include a town map and help interested people locate farms and products of their choice. The pamphlet will be available to the public at various locations. The Granby Conservation Commission provided financial support for this project. In early November a potluck dinner was held at the Congregational Church in Granby for Granby farmers and friends. An educational presentation was provided by the natural resources conservation service after the dinner.

Granby Agricultural Commission board usually meets the first Monday of each month at 7:00 PM location to be posted at the town hall.

Respectfully Submitted,  
By the Agricultural Commission  
Robert Murphy, Chair  
Russell Aurnhammer  
Edward Parker Sr.  
William Clark  
David Kaskeski  
Pamela Desjardins-Alternate Member  
Evelyn Hatch-Alternate Member

**ALMONERS, WHITING STREET FUND**

The Almoners, of the Whiting Street fund had no activity from their fund in the year 2008. We are always pleased to assist those who meet the requirements of this fund.

Respectfully submitted,  
Richard J. Lussier  
Scott A. Merrill  
Maudetta Taylor  
Almoners, Whiting Street Fund Committee

**ANIMAL INSPECTOR**

The following is the 2008 animal inspector report.

Farms visited	95
Stables	3
Beef cattle	150
Goats	113

**BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

In fiscal year 2008, we contracted with Roy Bishop Associates to have property values re-certified as required by state revaluations. The process was completed in a timely manner and reflected a small reduction in individual property values. The total value of the town of fiscal year 2009 is \$601,969,843 of which \$8,461,296 represents new growth. Residential value for FY09 is \$564,357,395 and commercial/industrial value is \$27,750,005. Personal property stands at \$641,396.

The Board of Selectmen voted to maintain a single tax rate at their classification hearing in December. The tax rate for FY09 is \$13.45, an increase of .88 cents from the previous year's tax rate of \$12.57.

The average value of a single-family home is approximately \$242,800. The median value is \$219,200.

Once again we experienced staffing problems during the course of the year when our Director of Assessments W. David Zagorski resigned in July to take a similar position in the town of Hatfield. This left us with only a part time clerk, Keri-Ann Wenzel, who was budgeted to work 15 hours per week. After many weeks our search for a replacement for David proved to be fruitless. It was then we decided to hire David on a contract basis for several hours on Fridays, as he worked only 4 days a week in Hatfield. It was also necessary for us to cut the hours that we were open to the public. When we still had no success in attracting a replacement for David we decided to suspend further efforts, and operate the office with Keri-Ann & David. This would not have been possible if Keri-Ann was not doing a good job with the assistance of David. The fact that the real estate market has been very slow also allows us to get along with less personnel.

As the board members, we continue to inspect properties, which have been modified as a result of a building permit. We also do the cyclical inspections, which require us to verify the accuracy of our records as to measurements and descriptions of properties. Bill Porter has done an excellent job in endeavoring to keep us on schedule. We are required to check 1/6<sup>th</sup> of all properties each year.

Since we are operating without a Director of Assessments, the town will realize a substantial savings in our budget for FY09. We anticipate being able to maintain good service with our limited staff for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Respectfully,  
Frank A. Hudgik, Chair  
William D. Porter III, Clerk

**BOARD OF HEALTH**

The purpose of the Board of Health is to address and protect the public health of the community. In accordance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Board oversees the design of subsurface waste disposal systems and soil percolation testing (310 CMR 15.000, Title V), the operation of restaurants and retail food establishments (Article X), compliance with human habitation standards (Chapter II), and the operation and permitting of the Granby Sanitary Landfill, owned by Waste Management, Inc. Additionally, the Board supervises the Town's Animal and Plumbing Inspectors. The recycling coordinator is a member of the Board of Health team.

The Board of Health entered into a contract with the Visiting Nurse Association to provide the town with one and one-half hours of Nursing Services two times a month. The Board supports and promotes the Flu Clinics for which the VNA may bill Medicare B for eligible recipients and charge individuals.

**SMOKING:** The Board continues to focus on protecting the public from the dangers of smoking and breathing second hand smoke. The Town is a member of a Mt. Tom Tobacco Control Coalition that does vendor training and conducts tobacco regulation enforcement checks. The Board continues to enforce the state law banning tobacco sales to youths through its participation in the Mount Tom Tobacco Control Coalition.

**FLU CLINIC:** Peg Tonelli, VNA Nurse administered 197 doses of Flu vaccine at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. The Board thanks Father Benoit for the use of the Parish Center for this community effort to vaccinate the public. The town did receive an adequate supply of vaccine from the State this year and flu shots were also made available at the blood pressure clinics held at Phin's Hill and the Council On Aging in December.

**LANDFILL OPERATIONS:** The Board receives correspondence regarding the landfill including monthly reports showing the quantity of refuse being placed in the landfill. The amount of money generated by out of town waste amounted to \$1,405,269.64

**THE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY:** The household hazardous waste day was held on May 31, 2008 and sponsored free of charge by Waste Management. This enables Granby residents to dispose of materials that are harmful to the environment. The amount collected was from 41 residents equated to 45 households and 20-1/2 households, since some residents bring in more waste than others.

**SOIL PERCOLATION TESTS AND DISPOSAL WORKS SEPTIC DISPOSAL CONSTRUCTION PERMITS:** The Board approved and issued 13 disposal works construction permits for new construction and had 36 repairs of existing septic systems. The Board issued 3 Beaver permit to residents this year.

**FEES COLLECTED BY THE BOARD OF HEALTH**

82-Plumbing Permits	\$8215
12-NEW Disposal Works Permits	2400
36-REPAIR Disposal Works Permits	3875
32-Installers Permits	1550
8-Haulers Permits	400
12-Well Permits	900

1-Piggery Permits	50
25-Perc Test Witness fees	4125
5-Tobacco Licenses	125
27-Food Establishment Licenses	1400
2-Retail Food Sales	100
17-Burial Permits	170
1-Recreational Camp Licenses	100
1-Tanning	100
1-Motel	50
1-Pool	100
15-Mobile Units	700
1-Caterer	50
15-Milk & Cream	175
4-Frozen Dessert	100
1-Tattoo Establishment	100
1-Tattoo Practitioner	50
5-Beauty Parlor/Salons	225
Total fees collected	\$25,060

**Reports of Communicable Diseases to the Board of Health**

Animal Bites	10
Chicken Pox	4
Hepatitis C	1
Hepatitis B	1
Lyme Disease	22
Meningitis	1
Salmonellas	1
Strep A	2
Total	42

Respectfully Submitted,  
Richard Bombardier, Chairman  
Lee A. Lalonde  
Betty Fredette

**BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the residents of Granby for allowing me to serve as Inspector of Buildings/ Zoning Enforcement Officer for the past ten years. As of March 1, it will be ten short years; I don't know where the time has gone.

2008 was something else to say the least with gas prices jumping up and down and the stock market doing the same. Scrap steel prices were high and now you practically have to pay someone to take it. With all this in mind it is not hard to understand why new home construction was way down. Granby's normal new home construction is usually between 25 and 30 but in 08 we only had 9 new homes.

Despite this decrease we were still busy with additions and renovations and the commercial end of things picked up somewhat. Countryside Animal Hospital located at 164 West State St. is now operating in the brand new building. It looks great!

Pioneer Valley Chapter 8 Camper's Association has begun their new and bigger building a 104 West State St. It shouldn't be long before we see activity behind the Senior Center with the new construction of a Police and Fire Department.

Pocket Wireless (a new company) will be installing antennas on the Sprint Tower on the Lincoln property. Bell Atlantic is currently installing antennas on the American Tower on the

Johnson property. Theroux Bros., located at 2 West State St., has constructed an addition to their existing building for storage use. Route 202 Tattoo has begun business in town and is located at the Cumberland Plaza.

My thoughts are that we are seeing a steady growth in which the town can absorb and continue to add to the quality of life the residents of Granby deserve and have come accustomed to.

<u>PERMITS ISSUED</u>	<u>ESTIMATED VALUE</u>
9 New Single Family Homes	\$1,634,750.00
15 Single Family Additions	829,298.00
15 Single Family Renovations	384,814.00
1 Multi Family Renovation	1,260.00
2 Agricultural Buildings	24,900.00
3 New Business	\$2,170,000.00
5 Business Renovations	29,150.00
18 Decks, Porches	126,523.00
5 Garages	151,000.00
3 Garage Addition/Renovations	13,800.00
84 Roofing, Siding, Replacement Windows	\$1,171,296.00
12 Sheds, Gazebos, Outbuildings	45,523.00
47 Woodstoves	89,106.00
8 Signs	11,025.00
5 Demolitions	11,600.00
16 Pools	179,181.00
13 Miscellaneous	181,811.00
1 Industrial Building Addition	<u>27,000.00</u>
Total Estimated Values	\$7,122,534.52
Permits Issued	269
Permit Fees	\$28,406.26

Respectfully Submitted,  
Donald G. Demers

Inspector of Buildings & Zoning Enforcement Officer

**CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

We continue to receive complaints about programming changes made by Comcast on their basic subscription level. Although we do not have any regulatory power to demand certain programming, the June 12th switch to 100% digital will be watched very closely for any potential negative impact on consumers. Recently, The Federal Communications Commission fined nine cable television providers, including Comcast, for removing programming from their basic level tiers. The F.C.C. is continuing their investigation into these matters. If after June 12th we witness a continued deterioration of programming on the basic offering, we will formally request that Comcast provide more justification and rationale for these changes to Granby television subscribers.

If you have any issues or questions regarding cable television (not telephone or internet service), please feel free to contact us at: GCAC, 250 State Street (Kellogg Hall), Granby, MA01033

Respectfully submitted,  
Lawrence J. Pietras, Chair & Clerk

**CHARTER DAY COMMITTEE**

Attendees at 2008 Granby Charter Days had a great time. The Friday Night Community Bonfire continued to draw a big crowd of friends and neighbors. Our pyrotechnics team managed to start a little later due to rain but we enjoyed a great display of

Fireworks.

We had many returning events this year. The Tenth Massachusetts Regiment Civil War encampment and reenactment set up a camp for the weekend; they had demonstrations all weekend and enjoyed talking to curious visitors.

Everyone enjoyed the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Granby Idol Karaoke Contests we had a great show by some talented kids and adults! Visitors enjoyed live musical entertainment all weekend long, and kids young and old enjoyed Carnival Ride discount opportunities each day.

Traditional events continue to draw a crowd. We look forward to the Boy Scouts' Fishing Derby, Antique Tractor Pulls, and Oxen Draws each year. The "Game of Logging" – where students of the Logging Industry demonstrate and test their skills – continues to draw a crowd.

We were able to bring in top-rate entertainment this year, thanks to the generosity of our sponsors. New and long-established businesses, both large and small, stepped up to help make Charter Days an exciting celebration of our town.

I would like to thank the committee members who work hard all year, and throughout the days and weeks surrounding Charter Days, setting things up and trying to make things run smoothly. I would like to thank the volunteers that do the parking and various jobs through the weekend. The committee members and volunteers do not receive any pay for the weekend – we do it to benefit our Town. We are always looking for people to help out over the weekend even if it is only a couple of hours. Anything helps out.

Any new ideas or suggestions for events are always welcome. Talk to any committee member if you have any suggestions or ideas for the celebration.

The money to put on the celebration is from the previous years' parking fees and donations from various business and people in town. No money is appropriated from the town budget.

Hope to see you again this year! The dates are June 12, 13 and 14 – and we're looking forward to returning favorite events plus many new and exciting activities.

Respectfully submitted  
Brenda Lee Korytko,  
Chairperson Charter Days Committee

**COMMISSIONERS OF BURIAL GROUNDS**

During 2008 the Granby Burial Ground Commission conducted Twenty-Three (23) burials of which Six (6) were cremations. Twelve (12) foundations were poured for monuments and Thirteen (13) lots were sold.

In recent years there have been complaints about flowers, boxes and planters not being picked up and disposed of after the flowers die and as they become unsightly. We have also been questioned why we have not removed items after holidays that have past such as Memorial Day flowers, Fall Mums, and Christmas boxes.

Most recently we received a complaint as to why we were picking up and discarding such items as the Christmas boxes.

The Cemetery Commissioners have had discussions over the past couple of years concerning having some kind of regulations as to what, when, and how long flowers, decorations, etc. will be allowed to be displayed before the necessary cleanup of above

mentioned items. We are researching this by contacting other local cemeteries to see if we can adopt similar and reasonable guidelines that will be satisfactory to all.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kevin Brooks  
Gordon Landry  
Ted Smigiel

### **COMMISSIONERS OF TRUST FUNDS**

By law, all cities and towns must provide a method to manage trust funds given or bequeathed to the town or its inhabitants. The donor may request the funds to be used for certain purposes or under certain conditions. As a result, some funds are used only for the library, cemetery, or other specific purposes. Two funds are designated to provide scholarships to graduating high school seniors. This past year's recipients were:

**Abbie E.C. Lathrop Scholarship** to Cortney Robillard for Simmons College

**Alta M. Smith Art Scholarship** to Tiffany Blanchet for Springfield College

Other funds are available to help residents, particularly the elderly, who are in need and may not be receiving any other assistance.

Requests are personal, confidential, and handled discreetly.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Albert E. Bessette  
Roger Fournier  
William Johnson

### **CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

The Granby Conservation Commission's primary function is to administer the State of Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act (310 CMR 10.00) and to educate the public on wetlands protection and preservation. Our goal is to protect the eight interests of the Act which are private and public water supply, groundwater protection, pollution prevention, flood prevention, prevention of storm damage, land containing shellfish, wildlife habitat and fisheries. As part of the administration and enforcement of the act, the commission has the authority to regulate activities in, and adjacent to environmental resource areas such as, but not limited to stream banks, wetlands, floodplain, and rare species habitat. Such activities include, but are not limited to new construction, demolition, dumping and/or stockpiling of materials, earth removal, well installations, new or repair of septic systems, percolation testing, tree clearing and lowering or diversion of surface or subsurface waters.

Many of these activities require filing permit applications with the Commission. The Commission is responsible for reviewing the applications and supporting documentation and issuing corresponding paperwork to document the approval. In addition, the Commission reviews blue prints for residential and subdivision building permits, reviews prints for the installation of wells and septic systems, and conducts site inspections to monitor projects. The Commission holds regularly scheduled public meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of each month unless otherwise posted.

At the end of their appointed terms in June, we lost the services of Keith Laporte and Shawn Lamoureux. We would like

to thank Keith and Shawn for the countless hours of dedication as members of The Granby Conservation Commission. Recently, the Selectmen appointed Michael Milewski and Rachel Barker as voting members and Nancy Milkey as associate member. Currently, the Commission consists of seven voting members and two associate members. If you are interested in becoming an associate member please contact the Selectmen's office.

The year 2008 has been a very busy and productive year for the Granby Conservation Commission. The Commission has held 22 public meetings, issued 1 Order of Conditions, 4 Determinations of Applicability, 1 Enforcement Order and conducted dozens of site inspections. In addition, we have participated in the Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) continuing education for Commissioners, hosted a DEP workshop and participated in land acquisitions to preserve the Town's valuable resources. We are currently developing educational brochures for circulation to the general public. With all of these responsibilities, ever changing laws, increased demands by residents, no annual budget and without a paid Conservation Commission Administrator, we are at times unable to complete our duties in a timely fashion or to meet issuance timeframes mandated by the State. Therefore, we believe that the Commission needs to hire a part-time Conservation Agent to properly serve the Town.

A list of all current members, with contact information is available at the Town Hall.

Respectively submitted,  
Kimberly Masiuk, Chairperson  
Denis W. Houle Sr. Vice-Chairperson  
Russell Hatch, Member  
Robert Sapouckey, Member  
Wenda Luff, Member  
Michael Milewski, Member  
Rachel Barker, Member  
Mary Lynn Bliss, Associate Member  
Nancy Milkey, Associate Member

### **COUNCIL ON AGING**

The Council on Aging is committed to enhancing the lives of senior citizens (age 60 and older) through services, programs and activities that educate, assist and advocate on behalf of the elderly.

In June 2008, the Council on Aging experienced major change. Senior Services Director, Patricia Sicard resigned to take the position of Volunteer Coordinator for the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP). Although her stay was brief, the senior center found Mrs. Sicard's organization and drive beneficial. Dianne Barry, Transportation Coordinator and Outreach worker once again assumed the role as Interim Director. On September 29, 2008, the Select board, under the recommendation of the Town Administrator and the Director search committee appointed Ann M. Guenette to the position of Senior Services Director. Ann is a Granby resident and the former Assistant Director of the South Hadley Council on Aging.

The Council on Aging continued to be a strong source of information and referral to not only Granby seniors and their families, but to town residents of all ages. Solid relationships with other town departments, organizations, service providers,

civic organizations, other area senior centers and volunteers of all ages continued to be a priority and asset of the Council on Aging.

In April, through the generosity of town residents a new 12 passenger, handicapped accessible vehicle was purchased to provide transportation for medical appointments and the senior lunch program.

Utilizing grants provided to the Council on Aging from the state Formula Grant and the WestMass ElderCare, Inc. funded Outreach program, over 600 contacts were made to new and repeat clients requiring information, referral services and fuel assistance.

Identifying and providing services in Health were conducted through the annual flu clinic, monthly glucose and blood pressure screenings provided by the Chicopee VNA and held at the senior center and Phin's Hill, foot care, massage therapy, medication management, Osteoporosis exercise classes, and the walking club. The weekday senior meal site at the Jr./Sr. High School, home delivered meals, Brown Bag and the food pantry provide services in the area of Nutrition.

The monthly Council on Aging newsletter, the "Gran Bee" is mailed to 930 residents, businesses and other area senior centers.

This publication remains a viable source of information to the elder population of Granby.

The S.A.L.T. Council (Senior and Law Enforcement Together) with the support of the Hampshire TRIAD, Police and Fire Departments and a dedicated group of volunteers provide safety information to seniors. House numbering, free 911 cell phones and instruction, and File of Life programs are a few of those services. An informational booklet titled "Special Wishes" was prepared by the S.A.L.T. Council and is available to all residents, 60 and older. The purpose of the booklet is to assist elders and their families put their worldly affairs in order in one central location.

The Friends of Granby Elderly, Inc. under the direction of President, Gloria Vivier sponsored numerous events to nurture the social well being of Granby seniors. The annual ice cream social, summer picnic, card party, and Christmas party were well attended. Many enjoyed trips such as; the Hobo Railroad and the Tanglewood Boston Pops Concert. New events including the Senior Prom and the Grandparents and Kids Fishing Derby rounded out the year. The Friends group continued to be the main sponsor of social events for the Council on Aging. Special Thanks to the volunteer Friends of Granby Elderly, Inc. Board:

Gloria Vivier,	President
Donna Duncan,	Secretary
Mildred Gibbs,	Treasurer
Virginia Vandomo,	Assistant Treasurer
Frank Hudgik, Wallace Boy	Board of Directors

Volunteers are the heart of any senior center. Under the umbrella of R.S.V. P. over 69 volunteers contributed an amazing 6,186 hours of "free" service to the Council on Aging in 2008.

The Council on Aging was the recipient of a very generous donation from the estate of Granby resident, Robert Allen, who passed away in 2007. Bob was a long time member of several town committees, including the Council on Aging Executive Board of Directors as well as the Friends of Granby Elderly, Inc.

The Council on Aging Executive Board of Directors, comprised of 12 dedicated volunteers continues to be a source of

knowledge and support to the Granby senior population as well as the Council on Aging Staff. The Council on Aging Board is as follows:

Frank Hudgik,	Chairperson
Alice Stewart,	Vice-Chairperson
Maureen Bail,	Secretary
Claire Gaj,	Secretary
Chief Russ Anderson, Chief Lou Barry, Denis Houle , Richard Gaj, Nancy Sedlak, Charlotte Sousa, Cynthia Custeau, Wayne Tack, Jr.	

The Council provides many essential services to Granby residents. The following statistics are a sample of key services:

Summer Lunch Program/American Legion	7,608
Home delivered meals	6,946
Outreach visits-new clients	237
Passenger trips to medical appointments and senior lunch	1,466
Telephone assistance	2,520
AARP Tax assistance	48
Brown Bag delivery	588
Medical equipment loan	44
Flu Clinic	200
Blood Pressure Clinic/Glucose Screening @ Senior Center	197
Blood Pressure Clinic/Glucose Screening @ Phin's Hill	181
Health & Fitness classes/sessions	1,092
Fuel Assistance for Elders and Families	24
Food Pantry	244

The small yet hardworking Staff of the Council on Aging look forward to providing continued services to the residents of Granby. They are as follows:

Ann M. Guenette,	Senior Services Director
Dianne Barry,	Transportation Coordinator/Outreach Worker
Gert Berge,	Outreach Worker
Kimberly Myers,	Outreach Worker
Ralph Blanchard, Kimberly Myers, Richard Gaj, Rich Raina,	Drivers
John Chenaille,	Senior Aide,

Funded by Citizens for Citizens, Inc.

Respectfully submitted:

Ann M. Guenette  
Senior Services Director  
Frank Hudgik, Chairperson  
Council on Aging

### **COUNTY COUNCILOR**

The focus of the Hampshire Council of Governments continues to be to help local governments save money and solve problems through regional cooperation, and a commitment to the concept of local control over local affairs. The combined dues for the Council of Governments in fiscal year 2008 were \$37,206. All twelve Council members receive a 75% dues reduction because they voted to continue their membership with the Council for four years. The purpose of the reduction was to ease the financial burden to the municipalities while increasing the stability of the Council membership. The dues collected help support Council programs, services, and assistance to a variety of programs. It is the intent of the Council to increase revenues from a variety of

sources to offset the reduced assessment.

In FY08, fifty towns and districts throughout the counties of Hampshire, Franklin, Hampden and, most recently, Berkshire were utilizing the Council's Electricity Program, Hampshire Power, for electricity supply for their municipal facilities. This Program was also the electricity supplier for eleven businesses in Hampshire County. Hampshire Power continues to offer two rate plans. The Real Time Rate is the hourly market rate for each hour's usage during the meter cycle. An administrative charge is added to this rate. The Profit Share Rate is the actual utility price and customers who opt for this rate share in profits, which the Council hopes to earn by buying directly from the electricity spot market. Although market prices in December 2007 and the spring months of 2008 were very high; overall, both rate groups saved over utility rates. The Council is ready to extend into Worcester County in the coming year. The implementation of pilot residential services in Hampshire County as a stepping-stone to supplying more residents through a municipal aggregation is another goal.

The Cooperative Purchasing program, now in its 28th year, coordinates and administers a formal bidding process on behalf of Council departments, municipalities, school districts, human service agencies, and miscellaneous governmental entities throughout the Berkshire, Franklin, Hampden, and Hampshire County region. Buying in bulk generates added savings over lone bidding efforts while complying with state procurement statutes and eliminating duplication of administrative work. The total purchasing volume total goods and services for fiscal year 2008 was \$5.8 million with a projected savings of \$926,643.

In a year when many towns are facing double-digit rate increases in health insurance premiums, our towns once again held their costs to single-digit increases. The Hampshire Councilors serve as the trustees of the Hampshire County Group Insurance Trust, a cooperative effort to provide health and life insurance with excellent benefits at competitive rates. An Insurance Advisory Committee, made up of representatives of all participating units, meets regularly to discuss problems and possible solutions and to explore new ideas. The Trust manages a self-funded group of health insurance products. The Insurance Year 2008, April 1, 2007, to March 31, 2008, collective premium for the Trust was \$36M. Through the efforts and expertise of the Trust management, the volume of participation in the program, and the participation of the town representatives on the Advisory Board, the Insurance Trust is successful at managing costs while providing excellent benefits.

The Regional Services Department develops regional approaches to problems shared by Hampshire County municipalities. Department personnel are primarily involved with sales, account analysis, and program development for Hampshire Power. In addition, the department continues to secure surplus federal equipment for various Massachusetts municipalities and state entities. The current net savings of property delivered to member communities for Fiscal Year 2008, after fees and delivery charges, totaled \$10,252. Member communities receive a discount on the fees, as well as the right of first refusal on nicer pieces of equipment obtained through the surplus program.

Regional Services continued its oversight of the Hampshire Inspection Program, which provides building inspection and zoning enforcement services. Emergency inspection services are

also available for other towns not in the program for an hourly fee. Department personnel prepared two grant applications for the Town of Pelham, although results have not been announced yet. Finally, personnel prepared a wage and salary survey of Hampshire County municipalities.

The elected Councilors provide public oversight for Hampshire Care in Leeds, a rehabilitation and skilled nursing facility owned and operated by the Council and County since 1914. The facility provides for 120 patients, with over 250 admissions per year from all the towns in the County. The majority of patients are admitted for rehabilitative care following an accident or illness. Hampshire Care also provides post hospital treatment, and long-term nursing services. The facility has an exemplary record of performance on State and Federal surveys, and rates highest in the County on State Survey results. (See Massachusetts Department of Public Health "nursing Home Report Card.") As a government owned, non-profit facility, Hampshire Care has no owners or stockholders to report to and concentrates all of its resources on offering the best patient care possible. All revenues for the facility's operation come from patient services. Hampshire Care also has roughly the same profile of Medicare, Medicaid, and private patients as the average long-term care facility in Massachusetts. The Hampshire Council of Governments is very sensitive to its responsibilities as a government entity to provide services for the communities it serves. The Council would like to be able to expand the public services being offered on the campus of Hampshire Park, where Hampshire Care is located. Hampshire Care also provides a substantial number of good jobs, with 120 full-time equivalents and over 150 employees. These employees, as with the patients, almost all are residents of the surrounding towns and villages. The total financial impact on the local economy is about \$8.5 million dollars. As a government entity Hampshire Care is challenged by the need to provide employees with better benefits than private sector facilities, while receiving lower reimbursement because of the high quality of patient care.

One of the less noted benefits to local communities is the impact that Hampshire Care has on the cost of retirement benefits. Retirement costs are based on total number of current employees, and benefits are paid only to employees who stay over ten years. Few of the nursing employees remain long enough to vest in the system so they can eventually collect benefits, yet Hampshire Care contributes based on the current number of employees. Costs for most communities are substantially lower because Hampshire Care is part of the Hampshire County Retirement System.

The Council has continued to provide tobacco prevention efforts in the region since 1994. Currently there are two programs run by the Tobacco Free Network. Through the Youth Access to Tobacco prevention program we are working in 33 towns in Franklin, Hampshire, and Worcester Counties. These communities do not have local youth access to tobacco regulations or are not currently enforcing their regulations. By conducting compliance checks, providing retailer and community education, and working with local boards of health we hope to reduce the sale of tobacco to minors and increase compliance with the state law. In addition, the Network has developed a smoke free department website, [www.smokefree.hampshireccog.org](http://www.smokefree.hampshireccog.org), funded through a partnership with the Northeastern University's

Public health Advocacy Institute. We are working to provide education and information to landlords in Western Mass about the health and legal consequences of allowing smoking in their apartments and the advantages of going smoke free. Finally, the Network is part of a four-town wellness project where tobacco cessation is a key component of the program. This year we launched the Wellness Initiative, a worksite wellness program for the Hampshire County Group Insurance Trust's nearly 70 worksites. We are surveying insurance subscribers to learn about their individual health needs and interests, providing education on specific health topics, sending a monthly newsletter to the units and individuals, conducting visibility events and launching wellness programs.

In addition to the various departments, programs, and services, each Councilor attends a monthly Full Board Meeting as well as a Standing Committee Meeting. Each Committee has oversight of specific departments and programs and continues to look for ways to increase revenue and provide services.

For further information on Council programs, expenses, and revenues, please contact the Councilors' Office at 413-584-1300 ext. 2. You may also visit the Council website at [www.hampshirecog.org](http://www.hampshirecog.org).

Respectfully submitted,  
Martin Merrill  
Jeffrey McPherson  
Councilors

### **DUFRESNE AD-HOC COMMITTEE**

The Dufresne Ad-Hoc Committee was appointed on July 1, 2008. The appointees are Lisa A. Anderson, Chairman, Richard G. Gaj Sr., Vice-Chair, Terry Lajoie, Secretary, Vicki O'Donnell, and Denis W. Houle Sr., Vicki O'Donnell resigned from her position in December 2008 due to other commitments.

**GOAL:** The committee's goal this year was to work on all safety issues within the park and to start and keep a maintenance schedule for the park.

**MAINTENANCE:** The committee was fortunate to have the help of Hampden County Corrections Department to help with the maintenance of the park. They helped us paint both horse corrals and re-build the old horse corral. They weed whacked all areas of the park and maintained the entrance way on Taylor Street. This was a tremendous help in keeping the park looking good all season. Cost of paint (\$600.00), an occasional box of Joe and a dozen of donuts.

**MAIN PAVILION:** The committee updated the electrical plugs to be Ground Fault Interrupters throughout the bathrooms and kitchen areas, and put safety sleeves on bulbs in kitchen (\$1,313.00). We replaced 5 old toilets with new energy efficient units in both bathrooms (\$2,353.50). We put in the proper venting for pavilion water heater (\$420.00). We painted the bathroom walls, floors and stalls (\$600.00) in both bathrooms. We installed new hand soap -dispensers for better sanitation (\$86.38). We painted the kitchen walls and floors (\$362.70).

**OLD SWINGSET ON KENDALL STREET:** The committee voted to tear down the old broken metal playground. We would like to thank the Fire Department members in helping us dismantle it. The Friends of Dufresne Park will be replacing it early this spring with four (4) new play structures. This will

allow family members to continue to fish at the pond area while their children play safely on the play structures within a safe distance. Cost (\$7,000.00 donation from Friends of Dufresne Park). The Committee agreed to pay for the mulch (\$800.00).

**911 CALL BOX:** The committee purchased and installed a 911-Call Box. It was installed on 12-24-08 (\$646.73). This 911-Call Box was purchased to ensure all residents and patrons at the park have access to 911 services in case of emergency. It is located on a telephone pole between the soccer field and playground area on Taylor Street side. By pushing the red button on the box an alert goes directly to our Emergency Dispatcher. This provides fast access to emergency services sending Fire, EMS and Police as needed. The Granby Telephone Company installed the phone for a minimal cost (\$125.00).

**NEW GATES FOR TAYLOR / KENDALL Access Roads:** The committee purchased new gates from Granby County Grain. A 16' gate replaced the broken Taylor Street gate entrance (\$109.99), and two new 14' new will be installed at the Kendall Street entrance (\$250.00). The gates will open by 7am by area patrons and locked at night one hour after sunset by the Granby Police Department (Thank you!). If anyone can assist in opening the park please contact our committee.

**POND/SPILLWAY FENCING:** For safety purposes, the committee will construct a fence along the spillway. The fence will accommodate fishing on the popular spillway side of the pond. Cost approx. (\$400.00).

**BRIDGE/CULVERT AREA:** The committee will either replace the bridge that was broken off and thrown into the pond by vandals some years ago, or fill it in with the proper culvert for drainage. The committee is working with the Conservation Commission in filing the proper permits. Thanks to the DPW department for removing the old bridge floating in the pond.

**TREE SERVICE WORK:** The committee is in the process of renting tree equipment to trim branches on trees surrounding the pond, up to 30 feet from the ground and cut down and grind any broken branches and dead trees. Cost approx. (\$500.00).

**BUDGET:** This committee relies on rental fees and donations to fund all maintenance, labor and the utility needs of the park. Rental areas include the horse corals, pavilion-kitchen area and the gazebo area. It costs approximately \$7000.00 to run the park a year which pays only for the monthly electric bill (\$2,000.00), waste management dumpster pickup (\$3,889.00), propane refill (\$444.04), and Ricky's Porta Potty rentals (\$315.00). This year the committee spent approximately (\$8,467.30) towards much needed maintenance and park safety upgrades with just a few more to go.

**ELECTRICAL POLES:** The Town has graciously replaced a problematic electrical box and outlets on one of the poles. This cost the town \$1,330.00. There are 10 other poles in need of repairs and upgrades.

**FUTURE GOALS:** This committee is in the planning stages of a memorial brick walkway. We are planning a flowerbed event. We are also going 'Green', installing rain barrels to provide easy means to watering through rainwater collection. We are also researching putting all electrical underground, and adding a bird sanctuary. We would like to see the addition of bulletin boards for advertising events and the history of the Dufresne Park and the Dufresne family. The Committee is researching grants and

gift donations to accomplish our goals.

The Committee members would like to thank the Fire, Police and especially the Highway Department for all their assistance through out the year.

The Committee would like to thank the Town Residents and patrons for their patience as we make improvements. This is your park we would love to hear from you. Please forward any suggestions or concerns to [dufresnepark@yahoo.com](mailto:dufresnepark@yahoo.com).

Yours Truly,  
 Lisa A. Anderson, Chairman  
 Richard G. Gaj Sr. Vice-Chair  
 Terry Lajoie, Secretary  
 Denis J. Houle, Sr.

**ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR**

During 2008, electrical permits were issued as follows:

New homes	8
Additions/alterations	29
Service change	26
Temporary service	2
Pools/hot tubs	16
Commercial	4
Sheds, Garages,	6
Security Systems	11
Re-Inspection	3
Water heaters	5
Misc.	19
Signs	1

The electrical permit fees amounted to \$6455.00

Respectfully submitted by,  
 Don Demers on behalf of Arthur Courchesne  
 Electrical Inspector

**FIRE/AMBULANCE DEPARTMENT**

2008 was a busy year for both fire and EMS services with both seeing total run increases once again. Our 2008 goal of computerizing the ambulance run reports has been accomplished. While the learning curve of the software has proved challenging at times, the members have shown a commitment to make it work. The end result has been more accurate reports, which translate into a better return with our billing. We project that the computerization will have paid for itself within one year.

The department proceeded with its Fire Officer restructuring to fill vacant positions. Four members were recently appointed to the position of Lieutenant after a thorough selection process. Eight members began the three-part process, which included an essay review of a firefighter's line of duty death. A 150 question written test, and a simulated scenario in which the candidates were the incident commander running the incident and scored by neighboring Chiefs. Firefighters promoted were George Randall IV, Brian Pike, Mike Pandora, and Jason Dorval. Additionally Lieutenant Bill Scribner advanced to the position of Captain, congratulations to all. The officers also took part in the annual fire officer's weekend in Maryland at the National Fire Academy studying tactic and strategies.

I would also like to congratulate firefighters Josh DeForge and Elisa Heinrich for their certification of Firefighter Two. Josh has also just completed his EMT certification.

By the time this is distributed we hope to be well on our way in the construction of the new Public Safety Complex. This will open the doors to new community programs and training opportunities alike. We thank the residents for their support on this project.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the Fire /EMS staff and families for their hard work, support and dedication throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted  
 Russ Anderson, Fire Chief

<b><u>STATISTICS</u></b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>
<b><u>Fire Rescue</u></b>		
<b>Total fire Calls</b>	<b><u>147</u></b>	<b><u>172</u></b>
<b><u>Ambulance Calls</u></b>		
Advance Life Support	247	224
Basic Life Support	161	155
Refusals	147	179
Called/Canceled	<u>12</u>	<u>24</u>
<b>Total Ambulance calls</b>	<b>567</b>	<b>582</b>
<b><u>Inspections Permits</u></b>		
Brush Burning	217	184
Smoke Detector	40	56
Oil Burner	31	31
Oil Tank	12	28
Propane Tank	55	54
Co Installation	23	32
Assembly	30	35
Misc.	<u>43</u>	<u>28</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>451</b>	<b>448</b>

**GAS INSPECTOR**

During the year 2008, 64 gas permits were issued. Fees collected totaled \$3,267.50. A total of 75 rough and final inspections were conducted.

Respectfully submitted  
 Frederick C. Marion, Gas Inspector

**GRANBY COMMUNITY ACCESS  
 AND MEDIA (Channel 15)**

Granby Community Access and Media (GCAM) is proud to report on a successful year.

- Screens on Channel 15's bulletin board have been redesigned, along with continuous background music, to improve the viewers' visual experience.
- GCAM broadened its coverage of town board/committee meetings. GCAM taped and broadcast meetings of the School Committee, School Building Committee and Dufresne Ad Hoc Committee, in addition to the Selectboard.
- This year GCAM began collaboration with the Granby Jr./Sr. High School primarily to generate interest in public TV and broadcasting among students but also to seek the school's assistance in covering school events. To that end, GCAM has loaned a camera to the school for their use. Administrators/students were helpful in taping School Committee meetings, award ceremonies (e.g., National Honor Society meeting), social activities (e.g., "Mr. Granby" contest), and sports events (e.g. final home wrestling meet). Currently, Mr. J. Cavallo and Mr. A.

Kwajewski lead those efforts. GCAM hopes to build on this cooperation in the years to come.

- As a member of the Massachusetts Chapter of Alliance for Community Media, GCAM was also able to obtain additional educational and governmental shows and expand its programming.
- GCAM began working on a website that will include informational materials on public TV, programming notes, events calendar as well as news from Granby and beyond.
- With the anticipation of a growing potential for new programming, GCAM decided to further invest in broadcasting technology, which will be available for the use of our volunteers.
- As a final note on volunteers, GCAM would like to gratefully acknowledge the invaluable contributions of its most committed volunteer, Robert Kazalski, during the past year in a number of areas, including taping of events, programming, and regular updates to the bulletin board. We invite and strongly encourage anyone who is interested in public TV to become a volunteer.

Respectfully submitted,  
GCAM Board of Directors  
Emre Evren, Chair  
Mark Bail  
Gary Benson  
Teresa Lajoie  
Lawrence Pietras

### **GRANBY CULTURAL COUNCIL**

The Granby Cultural Council is a division of the Massachusetts Cultural Council (MCC). Its members are volunteers who distribute funds to those individuals or organizations that support programs in the Arts, Humanities and Interpretive Sciences. Our council meets approximately five times per year to decide how best to distribute our allotted funds. In the 2009 grant cycle we were able to maintain our streamlined status, meaning that our decisions are final and not reviewed for approval by the MCC.

The Granby Cultural Council received an allocation of \$4,300 from the Massachusetts Cultural Council. Shortly after being notified of our allocation, we were notified that our budget had become tentative due to uncertainties in the state budget. For the first time, we were asked to send *tentative* award letters to grantees (which we did). We anticipate hearing back from the MCC the first week of February. If there has been no reduction in funding, final letters will be mailed to all grantees. If the budget allocation has been reduced, the Council will meet again to determine the effect on Council allocations.

Grants are awarded under two different grant applications: PASS Grants and Local Cultural Council (LCC) Grants. The council received 19 LCC & PASS grant applications for 2009 with funding requests totaling \$9,847.50. Of the 19 grant proposals, eight were awarded funding. The purpose of the LCC grants is to provide excellence, access, education and diversity in the arts, humanities and interpretive sciences to the Granby community. Local Cultural Council grants were awarded to:

- ▶ Granby Jr. Sr. High School - Romeo & Juliet Performance (PASS Grant)

- ▶ Entire Community - Summer Music Concert by Premier Jazz/Swing Band held at Church of Christ
- ▶ East Meadow School - Orchestra: From Bach to Borelo Youth Concert held at the Springfield Symphony Orchestra (PASS Grant)
- ▶ East Meadow School - Greek Mythology for Kids II performed by the Hampstead Stage Company
- ▶ Friends of the Granby Elderly - Free Summer Concert Series
- ▶ Granby Public Library Summer Reading Program - Folksinger & Storyteller, Tim Van Egmond
- ▶ West Street School - History Lab (Made In America & Old Time Amusements)
- ▶ Mary Amtoon Chapter, NSDAR - North Cemetery Restoration Project

Incorporating unused 2008 funds, a total of \$4,401 was expended to fund these LCC grants. As a Council we are allotted up to 5% of our annual budget for operating expenses, but chose to keep only \$100 (approximate) for administrative expenses since GCC expenses have historically been low.

Funds are distributed in accordance with established guidelines. Projects that will benefit our community and its residents are given priority. Applications must be received by Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> and include multiple copies with specific event date, location and time. Applications are available at the three town schools, the Granby Public Library and Town Hall in September. Availability of applications will be published in several local newspapers in the fall or can be downloaded from the MCC website at [www.mass-culturalcouncil.org](http://www.mass-culturalcouncil.org).

Respectfully submitted by,  
Brenda Wishart, Chairman  
Cheryl Campbell, Treasurer  
Susan Bennett, Secretary  
Elton Braithwaite, Member  
Wayne Gagnon, Member  
Mary Jo King, Publicist  
Kim O'Grady, Member

### **GYM/ATHLETIC FIELDS COMMITTEE**

The Fields Committee has successfully contracted with Fairview Fence to remove the dilapidated and dangerous fencing at both Dufresne diamond 1 and 2. The backstop of Diamond 1 will be refurbished, utilizing the existing framework and a new outfield fence installed. Diamond 2 will have a new backstop installed. This work is scheduled to be completed prior to the spring 2009 baseball seasons. Also, two trees were removed from behind the backstops and other trees were trimmed to help dry the fields and lessen the seasonal heaving of the backstop supports.

Dufresne diamond 3 has been resurfaced for use as a dedicated softball field. We are also hoping to have a new rudimentary 60 ft diamond in place for in-town play by the start of the 2009 season.

These changes will significantly upgrade the safety of the fields and also fill the void left from losing Aldrich Field.

The Committee continues to search for a feasible option for the addition of a soccer field for town use, in light of the expense and work involved in created one coupled with the land options available. We will explore opportunities to keep these fields

properly maintained going forward.

Respectfully submitted,  
David Desrosiers  
Frank Hudgik  
Vicki O'Donnell  
James Pietras  
Michael Sarnicki, Chair

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

We are pleased to submit this report of the Highway Department activities for the calendar year 2008. Once again, it was a very challenging year for our department. As you are all aware, oil prices skyrocketed this year. The costs of many of the other commodities necessary to operate our department such as steel (snowplow blades) also increased exponentially. Since our budgets are fixed, these increases in cost directly reduce the amount of maintenance dollars available to us. The end result of this is increased deterioration of our roads.

This is nothing new. We have been writing about this chronic under-funding of road maintenance in many of the previous annual reports. Because of these facts, the road conditions in town will continue to decline. There is one small ray of hope on the horizon. Last year, Governor Patrick changed the eligibility requirements for the Small Town Road Assistance Program (STRAP grant). He increased the population cap from 3500 to 7000. This change allowed Granby to qualify. We have applied for a \$500,000 dollar grant under this program. This grant alone will not offset the many years of under-funding, but it is a step in the right direction. The only possible chance that we have to regain some of the ground lost over the past several years would be to receive the STRAP grant along with some of the Federal stimulus aid now being discussed in Congress.

Once again this year, we have been plagued with many sewer emergency calls. The DPW has been experiencing significant increase in the number of emergency calls and problems at the sewer pump stations. These pump problems are occurring because users of the system have been introducing trash (towels and clothing) into the sewer system. Trash belongs in the landfill, not in the sewer system. When clothing or rags get caught in a pump, we have to remove the pump, dislodge the impeller and then re-install the pump. This is labor intensive, takes two men and many times involves overtime because we must respond immediately when an alarm is sounding at the pump stations.

We also had two pumps simultaneously fail. This is extremely unusual event and can result in sewage backups and spills. One pump was un-repairable and needed to be replaced. These pumps cost several thousand dollars each. Carelessness by users of the system will ultimately raise costs for all sewer users. These systems are not designed to pump household trash. If we can determine who is introducing the trash into the system, they will be subject to appropriate fines and penalties to cover the cost of the damages. If we cannot determine the source of the problem and the users continue to introduce trash into the sanitary sewer system, the result will be **increased fees for ALL sewer users.**

The weather this past year has been less than desirable. We started out with a very tough winter. The frequency of the storms left the men tired and the budgets expended. The inclement weather did not end with the coming of spring. Unusually heavy

rains kept coming throughout the year. In fact, it was the wettest year on record for this area. We were constantly dealing with road flooding and washouts. The failure of the roadway on Pleasant Street was initiated by a severe storm.

We have made a temporary repair to one section of damaged culvert on Pleasant Street, but the entire culvert will have to be replaced in the near future. In order to replace the culvert, the sanitary sewer line will have to be temporarily removed because it is located right on top of the culvert. The sanitary sewer will have to be pumped around the construction area while the culvert is being installed.

Other drainage projects worked on this year included the replacement of a culvert on Hubbard Drive. A section of storm drain line on Ken Lane was replaced. We have also installed a leaching catch basin on Harris Street at Batchelor Street. We have rebuilt a catch basin on Kendall Street and repaired several other structures in town.

We have replaced several thousand feet of guardrail throughout town. Due to the rapidly escalating price of steel, we installed most of the guardrail this year. The work was originally scheduled to be performed over a multi-year period; however, the installation costs were anticipated to increase between 10 and 20 percent. If we had waited, we would not have adequate funds to complete the project. Most of the structurally deficient guardrail has now been replaced. Even though much of the old guardrail may have looked fine, we found many of the old posts to be completely rotten. The old systems would not have provided adequate resistance to vehicle impacts.

The major roadwork projects this year consisted of paving on Burnett Street and sections of Carver Street. Extensive patching and repairs were performed on West Street, Crescent Street, School Street, New Ludlow Road and Amherst Street. Crack sealing was performed on sections of South Street, Barton Street, Ferry Hill Road and West Street.

The tough winter took its toll on our equipment. Two sander chains had to be replaced along with the floor on one of the sanders. We have also installed the computer ground speed controls on two sander trucks. All of our sanders are now computer controlled.

Special projects this year included removing of the infield of the softball field at Dufresne park diamond number 3. We removed all the existing topsoil, brought in new sand fill and placed an imported high quality infield mix on the surface. We worked with Selectman Wayne Tack who donated the bulldozer work on this project. We also worked on the varsity baseball field at the high school and the softball field behind East Meadow School to strip out the existing turf and reconstruct the infields. We assisted other departments with equipment work throughout the year. These projects consisted of digging perc tests for the new public safety complex on Aldrich Field and numerous other small projects.

I am pleased to report that the waste oil collection program is running quite well. It looks as if we will receive enough waste oil this year from the public to heat most of the garage for the entire winter. Just a reminder that we accept only clean waste oil (no water, antifreeze or gasoline mixtures). Please drop off oil during our working hours only. Do not leave containers un-attended outside at our facility. Your cooperation is appreciated.

In addition to the above, we performed our normal routine

maintenance throughout the year. This work consists of snowplowing, sanding, lawn mowing at the parks and schools, roadside mowing, filling potholes, sign repairs, sewer maintenance, trash removal at the parks, tree trimming, catch basin cleaning, street sweeping, equipment repairs and maintenance.

Once again I would like to thank the crew for all of the hard work. As you can see, a lot of work is done with a very small staff. I apologize if we have not been able to take care of all of the requests made upon our Department. Due to the limited staff and budgets, we are constantly forced to prioritize the projects and re-evaluate our schedules to tackle the most hazardous or safety critical items first. For example, when a culvert fails and a road is closed unexpectedly this project moves to the top of the list. All other work is then pushed back. In these difficult economic times, we are doing our best with the limited resources available to us. We ask for your continued patience in these matters.

Thank you,  
David Desrosiers, Highway Superintendent

### **HOUSING AUTHORITY**

The Granby Housing Authority, organized on June 4, 1970, owns and maintains 4 colonial style buildings located at Pin's Hill Manor which house 52 one bedroom units and 4 wheelchair accessible units for the elderly and disabled, plus a two story building located at 1 North Street, South Hadley.

In past years the hallways and doors were painted, a new fire alarm was installed, and a sewer problem has been addressed. This year the sidewalks were replaced where needed, old bushes were removed and replaced with new, and the residents and maintenance personnel planted flowers. The Warren Housing Authority donated a used pickup truck with plow for the use of the Granby Housing Authority for snow removal. Also the affordable housing plans are moving forward on Amherst Street.

The regular meetings of the Authority are held on the second Thursday of each month at 6:30 PM. The meetings are posted at the Town Clerks office and also on the Authority's bulletin board.

At the Annual Town Election, George Knight was elected to the Board for a five-year term. Alice Stewart was appointed to fill in the position left vacant by the resignation of Brenda Cummings. The Authority's election of Officers was held at their Annual Meeting on June 13, 2008. The Officers were elected as follows: Chairman - George Knight; Vice Chairman - Nancy Sedlak, Treasurer -Mark Bail; Assistant Treasurer -Alice Stewart.; Member -vacant. The Executive Director, Nancy Brown is appointed as the Contract Officer.

Respectfully submitted,  
George Knight, Chairman  
Nancy Sedlak, Vice Chair man  
Mark Bail, Treasurer  
Alice Stewart, Assistant Treasurer  
Vacant, State Appointee Member  
Nancy Brown, Executive Director  
Alice Pollard, Administrative Assistant  
Darren Carver, Maintenance  
Gary Depace, CPA, Fee Accountant

### **KELLOGG HALL REPAIR COMMITTEE**

The Kellogg Hall Repair Committee was appointed to pursue the renovation of the Town Hall in the area of windows and siding/painting. At our Annual Town Meeting in June, the voters approved two warrants, one to replace the windows and the other to either paint or side the exterior of the building. After a rocky start as a result of two committee resignations, the new committee immediately began seeking a grant from the Massachusetts Historical Commission to help defray the appropriated cost of the projects.

Pursuing this grant brought to light two concerns. The first concern dealt with the architect/engineer required for a project such as this. The committee quickly realized that the appropriated money could not be spent without procuring an architect/engineer to design the work at an expense, which was not included in the warrant articles. Secondly, if grant monies were to be awarded for this project, the Town, by vote at a Town Meeting, would have to agree to enter into a Preservation Restriction Agreement. This agreement would impose some restrictions, obligations and duties on the town for future renovation projects. The Committee, in consultation with the Historical Commission and the Finance Commission, decided to postpone seeking the grant at this time in order to gather citizen input at a future town meeting.

As this report is being written, the Town Administrator is proposing that the two articles approved at Town Meeting in June 2008 be rescinded in order to deal with the financial budget deficit imposed by the current fiscal situation.

The Committee is currently looking at other solutions to effectively deal with our budget deficit. We are committed to working hard at making our Town Hall a building in which our citizens can be proud.

Charles Maheu, Chair  
Mary McDowell, Secretary  
Gregg Leonard, member

### **LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

Library Hours:

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 10:30 A.M. -7:00 P.M  
Saturday, 10:30A.M. To 1:00 P.M. (September through April)

Acting Director: Jennifer Crosby  
Youth Services Librarian: Janice McArdle  
Cataloger/Circulation Assistant: Jeanne Crosby

The Granby Free Public Library is chartered to serve the educational, recreational, cultural and informational needs of the townspeople. These needs are addressed by purchasing current bestselling materials, popular reading, periodicals, audio CDs, DVDs, computer software, kits, puzzles, and museum passes. Total holdings are approximately 27,073 items. The library has a capacity of 50 people on each level and is handicapped accessible on the lower level. A ramped entryway provides access to the main floor and lobby, as well.

With a small sized Carnegie building and limited library staff, the library has successfully brought service to the community by hosting an array of programs. It is open year-round, four days a week between September and April for a total of twenty-eight

hours weekly. The library is open three days a week between May and August for a total of twenty-five and a half hours weekly.

The library is a member of the Pioneer Valley mini-network. This is part of the C/WMARS cooperative of libraries in Central and Western Massachusetts, which share a vast variety of services, including library management and circulation software, an Internet connection gateway and information database resources. The library has been a full circulating member since January 2001.

C/WMARS membership has an immediate benefit to the library patrons. Through five public access computers, three on the main library level and two in the lower level children's room, patrons can search for materials in the library using an on-line catalog browser. This browser can search other member Central and Western Massachusetts libraries as well. The C/WMARS browser is available at home on the Internet through <http://www.cwmars.org>.

The library can obtain any circulating material within the C/WMARS system for its patrons by placing a hold on the material. Patrons can also place holds on the information themselves using the C/WMARS browser from home or any Internet access point. The C/WMARS browser also provides a link to the Virtual Catalog, a single searchable catalog of materials owned by participating academic and public libraries in Massachusetts. Library patrons in good standing may use the Virtual Catalog to request items that are unavailable through their own library network.

C/WMARS also offers a collection of videos, audio books, and e-books that can be downloaded to the patron's home computer. They also feature several on-line resources such as Digital Treasures that offer a digital library collection focusing on the agricultural and industrial cultural history of Central and Western Massachusetts.

The Library maintains its own community website, located at <http://www.granbylibrary.com>. Their patrons will find general library information, links to electronic resources, and an up-to-date calendar providing program and event information. The library website also offers links to other user-friendly resources on the World Wide Web and provides users a forum in which they can post questions to a librarian through e-mail. In 2008, the library proudly unveiled a newer, user-friendly layout to its website.

The library staff, through the library's resource material and computer workstation resources, handles reference questions. In addition, the library staff can contact the Reference Support Service at the Springfield City Library when questions raised go beyond the scope of the local material. On-line services are available to patrons as well. A microfiche reader is available for patron use. The library has town and Church of Christ records on microfilm for patrons interested in genealogical study.

Photocopying is a year round service offered at the library at twenty cents per copy. Students with homework assignments are allowed to make up to five photocopies free of charge. Copies can also be made from computer workstations at a cost of twenty cents per black and white copy and fifty cents per color copy.

The library has continued to offer adult programming throughout the year. The library offers a monthly "Book Circle" discussion group that meets on the third Wednesday of each

month. The appreciation and pleasure of books are broadened through lively discussion and refreshments.

The library's "In-Stitches Knitting Group" continued to meet every Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. The group is for knitters of all ages; some are experts while some are just learning to cast their first stitches. People are invited to bring their projects, meet new people, sit and knit, share ideas and the joy of knitting. Throughout the year, the group worked on various projects for the third annual Knitting Fashion Show. This year the group had raised over \$800 for the Friends of the Granby Library by hosting the event that showcased the work of many area knitters and the talent of many volunteer models from the community.

The Granby Library held several weekly events for the Adult Summer Reading Program. The library would like to thank Sharon Bail, The Carolina Missions, Alice and Philippe Denette, Jay Ducharme, Lisa Maria Lanno, Lori Leblanc, and Kate Mercier for sharing their time and talents with the Adult Summer Reading Program.

The Friends of the Library and contributions received from Boron Builders, Jim's Auto Service, Cute Nails, New England Well and Water Supplies, Twinkle Toes, Sharon Bail of Creative Memories, Five Corner Cuts and many more made the Adult Summer Reading Program possible. Their continued support truly helps create a very caring community for us all to live in.

As part of the community outreach programs, the library has continued its delivery service for homebound patrons living in Granby. Books, audios, and DVDs can be delivered and picked up by caring library volunteers. The library also provides the Granby Council on Aging with a monthly listing of all new materials as well as suggestions for materials to be featured in the Council's newsletter.

The library held its ninth annual "Warm the Heart" campaign for the Holidays. The community donated hundreds of hats, mittens, scarves, and several boxes of new toys for distribution to the Child Adolescent Unit of Providence Behavioral Hospital. The library also held a "Clean Your Fines" week and a "Can Your Fines" week asking patrons to bring in cleaning supplies and non-perishable food items to benefit the Granby food pantry.

The library's Children's Room and Young Adult areas continually strive to meet the needs of a diverse and growing community by providing resources and fostering partnerships with other community organizations and institutions. Programs were presented to almost 5,000 children from toddlers through age 18, including special holiday events, story hours and book clubs. Through planned efforts the library is able to present quality materials and well-attended programs.

Some of the highlights of the library's programming include ongoing, twice-weekly Preschool Storytimes that provide stories, songs, movement, finger plays, and art projects throughout the school year, a weekly year-long playgroup that brings young children and adult caregivers together for socialization and an immersion in literacy and bedtime stories that are held monthly to accommodate working parents. Each season children participate in our ever popular "Read for Treats" program, a self-contained reading program which encourages children of all ages to read or be read to at least five books per program sheet.

“Valentine Making” in February and “Easter Crafts” in March proved to be very popular. A Youth Art Month exhibit was held in March showcasing artwork created by local children. In April, works of local youth were put on display in the Children’s Room for Nation Poetry Month with a Dr. Suess theme. Individual children and classrooms that shared their poetry received poetry books through a random drawing.

This year, more than six hundred children and teens participated in the library’s summer reading program. The statewide theme for the year was “Wild Reads at Your Library” featuring programs that focus on animals, plants, conservation, recycling and all things wild. Younger children participated in the read-to-me version of the initiative. This year our teen component “Got summer reading?” for students entering seventh through twelfth grades grew tremendously.

Summer library activities have the goal of promoting reading to help students of all ages maintain reading skills while on vacation. This summer, Waste Management’s Granby Landfill and Gas-to-Energy Facility sponsored the library’s summer reading program providing funding for great incentive prizes for infants through teens, an old-fashioned barbecue, a visit from the Forest Park Zoo-On-the-Go, a Pirate Pizza Party, animals of the week, an adoption of a Forest Park Zoo animal, wild guess jars and much more. To create a sustainable summer component, Waste Management purchased over two hundred new nature books for children of all ages, and several outdoor discovery backpacks, which proved very popular. The library is very thankful for Waste Management’s very generous donation.

The Granby Local Cultural Council provided funds for a fun-filled performance by Davis Bates and Roger Ticknell in the library’s new outdoor pavilion. The library collaborated with all three Granby Schools and the local Community Partnership Council through the Massachusetts Department of Education to improve literacy through partnerships. This year the Children’s Room also became a contact for “Reach Out and Read,” a national nonprofit organization that promotes early literacy.

In the fall, preschoolers dropped in for “Books and Games,” a self-run board game and puzzle time. Puzzles and games are based on specific book titles and reinforce concepts important to beginning literacy. The third annual “Kid’s Tag Sale” and “Scarecrow Making” event was held in September with a great turnout. The library also welcomed over 100 second graders in October for a library tour and opportunity to get their first library card. Pumpkin Patch activities during October brought many to the library for pumpkin decorating.

In November, a Teen Advisory Board (T.A.B.) was formed. This group is dedicated to improving the library’s selection of Young Adult books and other materials, discussing literature, and encouraging use of the library. Currently the group is working with the library on a project to relocate and create new shelf space in the downstairs hallway for a better teen section. The current teen area, just inside the front library entrance, is filled to capacity with over 2,000 materials. The group has also created a T.A.B. Blog for book updates, reviews and more at <http://granbyteens.wordpress.com/> and can be accessed on the new Young Adult section of the Granby Library’s website (<http://www.granbylibrary.com>).

The year came to an end with festive holiday activities. A

Mother- Daughter book group meeting celebrated holiday traditions from the early 1900’s with “American Girl,” Samantha. Several patrons took advantage of the library’s holiday “Gift a Book” program, donating books to the library in honor of special teachers, friends and relatives.

The generous donations of the Friends of the Library supported library programs for adults and children and provided passes to the Springfield Museums, The Holyoke Children’s Museum, Historic Deerfield, and the Eric Carle Museum of Picture Book Art. Through the hard work and dedication of the staff, Friends of the Library, Trustees of the Library, and our dedicated patrons, the library was able to build a pavilion on library grounds. The pavilion provides much needed space for all library programming during the warmer months of the year. Thank you to everyone who participated in this project, especially Boron Builders and Florence Savings Bank who generously donated to the project.

The library and the Friends of the library would like to thank Waste Management’s Granby Landfill and Gas-to-Energy Facility for their generous donation and support. They have made it possible in the last year for the library to gain one new computer for patron access, one replacement computer, and one new staff port computer for the circulation desk. They have offered the library a wonderful opportunity to continue updating its technology in order to be more innovative and responsive to the needs of its patrons. They have also helped the Friends group gain new museum passes to The Ecotarium, Holyoke Merry-Go-Round, Massachusetts Parks, Mystic Aquarium, Norman Rockwell Museum, and The Roger Williams Park Zoo.

The Library Trustees would like to thank the Friends of the Library and the Granby Community Partnership Council for their continued support. In addition, the Trustees would like to give special thanks to the staff and volunteers. It is their loyalty and dedication that make it all possible.

The staff, Trustees and Friends of the library mourned the passing of past library director, Patricia B. Kislo in June of 2008.

Pattie was a great asset to the library from 1988 to 2004. Her efforts included introducing new technology into the library that paved the way for what it is today. She is greatly missed by all. During the past year, the library has returned to the town \$712.75 in fines collected.

#### Circulation For 2008

Adult Fiction	7,111
Adult Non-Fiction	3,267
Juvenile Fiction	17,364
Juvenile Non-Fiction	2,855
Young Adult Fiction	2,115
Young Adult Non-Fiction	168
Periodicals	933
Adult Audio	638
Juvenile Audio	559
Young Adult Audio	14
Adult DVD	10,983
Juvenile DVD	4,328
Adult Video	724
Juvenile Video	1,283
Realia (Kits and Puzzles)	675
CD-Rom	104
Museum Passes	252

Non-Resident Circulation	20,364
Inter-Library Loans (Borrowed)	5,585
Inter-Library Loans (Loaned)	6,420
Registered Patrons	2,655
Adult Programs	105
Youth Programs	181

Respectfully Submitted,  
 Virginia Snopek, Chair  
 Dianne Barry  
 Carol Battersby  
 Leah Condon  
 Nancy Evren  
 Amy Kimball  
 Gwen Morrissey  
 Bridget Roy  
 Renee Still

**MASTER PLAN COMMITTEE**

In 2008, the Master Plan Committee, with the assistance of Pioneer Valley Planning Commission (PVPC), proceeded to put together a document intended to serve as the blueprint to achieve Granby's vision for the future. Since then the Master Plan Committee held numerous meetings to identify and discuss the areas that would be highlighted in the Plan. A number of lectures by subject-matter experts on various planning-related topics were held to inform and engage the public in the process.

In late June, a weeklong, intensive and interactive series of events took place at the High School, with the participation of Town residents, which culminated in a draft Master Plan. Currently, the Master Plan Committee is in the process of reviewing and revising the draft version. Upon the conclusion of that review, the Committee will begin to undertake the last phase of the process, along with PVPC, to create the final version Master Plan. Granby Master Plan is expected to be finalized and available to the public in summer 2009.

Respectfully submitted,  
 On behalf of the Master Plan Committee,  
 Emre Evren, Chair

**MT. HOLYOKE RANGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

The towns of Amherst, Belchertown, Granby, Hadley and South Hadley are the communities abutting the Range that have chosen to work together to oversee the supervision of the area by the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR). Usually there are two individuals appointed from each town to serve on this Mount Holyoke Range Advisory Committee. Meetings are held at the Notch Visitors' Center, Route 116 in Amherst on the third Thursday of each month from September - November and again from March - June, at 7:00 PM. They are open to the public and you are encouraged to attend.

Last year, due to the lack of a sound-operating budget, you were advised that our state parks were "at risk". This year finds us woefully in the same, if not worse, condition. Budget cuts across the board have reduced the number of personnel available to keep the infrastructure in the best possible condition. How sad,

when more citizens are discovering that the parks do offer them the opportunity to stay closer to home and still enjoy the recreational time they once traveled miles to satisfy. There were, however, two projects that were completed at the end of the summer: the roof at the Notch Visitors' Center (NVC) was replaced in August; a portion of the decking on the south side of the Summit House was replaced in September and should last for the 25 years. Windows at the Summit House have been measured for replacement and a wood pellet stove for the NVC has been proposed.

The DCR supervisor for the Mount Holyoke Range State Park (Notch Visitors' Center) and the Joseph Allen Skinner State Park (Summit House) is Mike Smyth. The two Rangers are Peter Michaels and Jason Hunt. Some of the problems they frequently encounter are the ATV people who do not respect the range environment or lands that are privately owned. Other concerns are the trashing of the Lithia Springs area and the destructive behavior of groups that congregate there during the summer months. Seasonal workers are often interpreters and laborers, but cuts in the budget may cut those numbers drastically.

The Passport Program was incorporated this year for the children. They are given a "passport" book to have stamped at each of the state parks they visit and that could be all 76! The booklet teaches them about the DCR mission, safety, the various regions where the parks are located, how to identify animal tracks and more. It was a big hit this year and encourages families to visit the parks more often!

The towns of Hadley and Amherst will be celebrating milestone birthdays in 2009; 350 years for Hadley; 250 years for Amherst. Their parades will be in June and September, respectfully; great months to visit the valley and the Mount Holyoke Range. The assumed increase of visitors to the park during the summer will be very taxing for the remaining number of personnel needed to not only maintain the Summit House and the NVC, but to interpret nature to the inquisitive, park cars, guide persons to various trails and to keep everyone who visits, safe and happy.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Cindy Watson, member

**PERSONNEL BOARD**

The mission and purpose of the Personnel Board of Granby is to provide guidance, support and direction to municipal employees, administrators, department directors and supervisors concerning the values of rules and policies relating to human resources.

To explore, develop and research the needs of our town in terms of "human resources" and react appropriately in this regard.

To maintain an environment that will fulfill, preserve and expand opportunities through education, training, consultation and recruitment designed to expand opportunities for all.

The Personnel Board has met monthly in 2008. We have joined the computer age and our minutes and other information are being kept in an electronic format.

James Bell joined the Personnel Board in April and is a valuable asset to the board. We have completed and given to the Town Administrator a new and simplified Employee

Performance Evaluation Form for use by department heads.  
Work continues on the development of an Employee Handbook for town employees. As needed, we work with the Finance board, Select Board and Town Administrator as well as all other departments to support the needs of the employees.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Denis LaFleur, Chairperson  
Gloria Viver, Secretary  
James Bell  
Dawn Cooke  
Patricia Miller  
James Sowell

### **PLANNING BOARD**

Despite the decline in the housing market, 2008 proved to be another active year for the Planning Board. At the 21 meetings held since its last report, the Board addressed a variety of official businesses that included public hearings, site plan approvals and over a dozen ANRs (Approval Not Required).

Some of the highlights are as follows:

- After a long period of slow progress, the Planning Board was able to work with Munsing Ridge Estates off of Carver Street, within a closely monitored and tight timeframe, to successfully close out Phase I of that subdivision. The work involved periodic evaluations by peer reviewers, examination of various elements of the construction and finalization of a number of pending items.

- Paperwork for the new Public Safety Building was submitted to the Board in 2008. A public hearing was held; subsequently all details were discussed and reviewed. The Board completed its work related to the project and rendered its final decision later in the year.

- The Board's work on Trout Lilly Estates subdivision off of Aldrich Street was also completed and a final decision was filed.

- The Planning Board received definitive plans from Pioneer Valley Chapter 8 (PV8) of the North American Family Campers Association, Inc. (NAFCA) for a new building on Rt. 202, which is primarily designed to be used for meetings. Following a public hearing and reviews, this project was closed out; construction is currently in progress.

- Site Plan review, including a public hearing, was completed for the Grandview Farms subdivision and a final decision was submitted.

- The Board also handled two applications from two cellular phone companies to add new antennas to existing towers in order to improve local reception. Both of the applications have been approved following public hearings and the Board's review.

- Reviews and discussions are in progress regarding the Town's acceptance of Maximillian Drive as a town way.

- Subdivision regulations were amended to bring the document up-to-date and to add clarity to various sections.

- In September, the Board welcomed Ms. Nikolina Zelenovic who was appointed by the Selectboard and Planning Board to fill a vacancy until the next town elections.

- Analysis and evaluation of the Draft Master Plan is continuing and the document is expected to be completed in summer 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Maheu, Chairmen  
Henry Clement, Vice Char  
Enre Evren, Secretary  
Kevin Brooks, Member  
Nina Zelenovic, Member

### **PLUMBING INSPECTOR**

During the year 2008, 82 plumbing permits were issued. Fees collected totaled \$8,215.00. A total of 83 rough and final Plumbing inspections were conducted.

Respectfully submitted,  
Frederick C. Marion, Plumbing Inspector

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

On behalf of the members of the Granby Police Department I am pleased to present to the Town the Annual report of the Police Department.

The year 2007 ended on a high note for the Department with the appropriation of funds for a new Public Safety Facility. The committee has moved forward at a slow but steady pace. The process is time consuming and, at times, tedious. The committee toured several facilities last spring. During the summer an Architect was hired and the plans were reviewed, and re-drawn several times in order to stay within the budget appropriated.

By late summer we had a plan that suited our needs and was feasible to build within the funds allotted. Several meetings were held with the Planning Board, and the permitting process proceeded slowly. We have hired a Town's Project Manager and Planning Board approval has been received. We are now in the process of hiring a General Contractor and hope to break ground soon.

We have received two grants from the State, to help us towards construction and emergency communication equipment. Together the Grants total almost \$100,000. Although this may not seem like a huge amount compared to the total project cost, every dollar counts towards keeping the facility's price tag within reason and budget. We hope to break ground in early spring.

In looking towards the new facility and Public Safety Concept, the selectmen negotiated into the Police Union Contract, the ability to replace some police positions with civilian dispatchers. Towards that end part-time civilian dispatchers James Laflamme and Terry Fagnant have been hired. We hope to transition to entirely civilian dispatchers when we move into the new complex. This will free up officers for patrol and will better meet the needs of the Fire Department.

During the summer months the Department started a promotional process to replace Sergeant William Eskett who has retired and moved to Florida. Four candidates participated, in the promotional process. After the test and interviews Officer Kevin O'Grady was promoted to Sergeant. Kevin has his Bachelors Degree and is working towards his Masters. He resides here in Town with his wife and two daughters, and has been an active member of the Department and Community. Ptl. Jason Richards was assigned as Court Officer to replace Sergeant O'Grady.

Part-time officer James White was hired as the Department's newest full-time officer. James grew up in Granby and graduated from Granby High School. He received his Bachelor's Degree

from Westfield State College. He attended the Boylston Police Academy in the fall. He and his wife reside here in Granby.

Ptl. Kurt Carpenter and his K-9 Ralph continue their efforts in the School. Ralph has been certified as an “Urban tracking dog” (the highest tracking rating available) and has been involved in the search for missing persons in addition to his duties as a narcotic detection dog.

We have also continued our DARE program at the East Meadow School, targeting the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade.

The DARE program continues to be one of the most active in the region, offering the annual summer DARE Basketball camp. Last year we again had a record turnout, proving the popularity of the program.

For the fourth straight summer we also offered the three-day DARE Cheer Camp, in conjunction with the Mass State Warrior Lady Cheer Team. This camp is also growing every year.

Ptl. Gary Poehler and Ptl. Richards continue to work with the SALT Council on providing programs to Senior citizens. The Department held its annual Police/Senior cookout last spring at which we honored out-going COA Director Pat Sicard. The Department members always look forward to this annual event.

Our Auxiliary Department, under the direction of Sergeant Mark Smith and Ptl. Mark Johnson, re-organized and is once again becoming active in the community. They have taken on the house numbering program along with the Council on Aging. We urge you to contact the COA for a house number if you have not yet done so.

Ptl. Bob Ash and Sgt. Kevin O’Grady manage the department’s Mediation program. If you have an issue with a neighbor we urge you to contact us and to participate in this non-binding program. It is free and has proven to be very successful at resolving issues.

This year, due to the efforts of Sergeant Al Wishart, we received a large federal Grant to improve the security at all three Schools. He is in the process of working with vendors to purchase and install the system.

We have continued our traffic enforcement efforts and have received Grants from the Executive Office of Public Safety, Governors Highway Safety Bureau, to conduct seat belt, speed, and drunk driving patrols. We have also received a Grant from the State to conduct a “Cops in Shops” underage drinking law enforcement effort in the local package stores.

Detective Barbara Fenn has had a very busy year investigating numerous serious felony investigations. Included in that number is over 20 (Twenty) for sexual assault related cases. These cases can be very time consuming and tedious. The large number of cases “solved” certainly reflects well on her level of expertise. Crimes against the person, property crimes, and miscellaneous crimes all increased last year, as did the total number of investigations conducted.

Fortunately, the total number of traffic accidents decreased, as did the number of citations issued and arrests made. The total number of cases that went to court, however, increased by almost 20 percent over 2007. The number of calls for service was also up by approximately 5 percent.

The Department has started a “web blog” to enhance our Web Page ([www.granbypdblog.org](http://www.granbypdblog.org)). The blog has up-to-date announcements and information, whereas the web page ([www.granbypd.org](http://www.granbypd.org)) has more static information. Please visit

both.

The Department would not be able to function efficiently without the help and cooperation of the other Town Departments. We would like to thank all of them for their continued cooperation and assistance.

We feel that our relationship with other Departments: Highway, Council on Aging, and particularly the Fire Department and School Department, is one of the best in the region. Thank you all for your assistance.

We also appreciate the help given to us by the Boards in Town. The Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee, and Town Administrator Chris Martin, has always supported this Department, and we are grateful for that.

Finally, the Departments efforts in providing public safety are a team effort. Without the cooperation of the men and women of this Department, we would not be able to provide the quality of service to the Town that they have come to expect. I would like to thank Sergeant Wishart, Sergeant Smith, and Sergeant O’Grady in assisting me with the management of the Department. Their expertise and willingness to help makes managing the Department a pleasure. In addition, the fulltime and part time officers who work here are as capable and dedicated as anyone, anywhere. I greatly appreciate their efforts on a day-to-day basis.

Remember, we are YOUR police Department. Please don’t hesitate to call us if we might be of assistance to you

Respectfully submitted:  
Louis M. Barry, Chief of Police

### INVESTIGATIONS

#### Crimes Against the Person

Assault w/ dangerous weapon	6
Assault & battery	18
Assault & battery-aggravated	1
Assault and battery	
W/dangerous weapon	3
Assault & battery on a person over 60	1
Assault & battery-domestic	15
Enticement of a child under 14	8
Indecent Assault & battery	
On a child under 14	6
Indecent Assault & battery	
On a person over 14	4
Intimidation of a witness	1
Rape	1
Rape of a child w/ force	1
Rape (statutory)	<u>12</u>
<b>TOTAL CRIMES AGAINST THE PERSON</b>	<b>77</b>

#### Crimes Against Property

Breaking & entering a vehicle	22
Burglary/breaking & entering	18
Counterfeiting/Forgery/Uttering	2
Credit card offenses	10
Larceny	101
Larceny by check	5
Receiving stolen property	4
Theft of a motor vehicle	7
Vandalism/malicious damage	<u>42</u>
<b>TOTAL PROPERTY CRIMES</b>	<b>211</b>

**Crimes/other**

Child Pornography crimes	2
Distributing obscene matter to a minor	4
Drug possession crimes	33
Falsely reporting a crime	1
Furnishing alcohol to a minor	2
Firearms violations	11
Fireworks violations	1
Harassing/threatening telephone calls	12
Identity fraud	7
Impersonating a police officer	1
Minor in Possession of alcohol	11
Runaway	3
Sexual conduct for a fee	1
Sex offender fail to register	1
Threat to commit a crime	3
Unauthorized use of a dumpster	1
Uttering a false prescription	1
Violation of a restraining order	7
<b>TOTAL CRIMES (OTHER)</b>	<b>102</b>

**MOTOR VEHICLE CITATION VIOLATIONS**

Allowing unlicensed operator	4
Child endangerment while under the influence of alcohol	3
Drug possession	26
Equipment violations	45
Fail to change address w/ RMV	2
Failure to dim headlights	2
Fail to stop/submit for police	2
Failure to grant right of way	8
Failure to stop for a bus	2
Falsifying/forging a registry document	2
Harsh noise/altered exhaust	2
Impeded operation	2
Improper turns/signals	3
Inspection violations	81
License restriction violation	5
License suspension for drug off	23
Marked lanes violations	65
Minor transporting Alcohol	7
No license /registration in possession	14
Number plate violations	10
Operating a recreational Vehicle on a public way	1
Operating w/o a license	31
Operating w/o lights	1
Operating under the influence of alcohol	39
Operating under the influence of alcohol causing serious injury	2
Open alcohol container in M/V	7
Operating w/o insurance	48
Receiving stolen property	1
Safety restraint violations	21
Speeding	472
Average speed 52	
Ave. over speed limit 16	
Stop sign/light violation	57
Suspended/Revoked license or registration	113

Trespassing by motor vehicle	1
Unregistered motor vehicles	117
<b>TOTAL M/V VIOLATIONS</b>	<b>1219</b>
<i>(Number of citations issued)</i>	<b>922</b>

**ARRESTS**

Assault w/ dangerous weapon domestic	1
Assault & battery-domestic	20
Assault & battery w/ DW domestic	3
Assault & battery domestic aggravated	1
Breaking and entering in the night to commit a felony	2
Carrying a dangerous weapon	1
Courtesy booking	1
Driver's license suspended Revoked/no license	21
Drug possession offenses	17
Indecent assault and battery on A child under 14	1
Leaving the scene of a personal Injury accident	1
Malicious destruction of property over \$250	1
Minor Trans/Possessing alcohol	1
Operating under the influence of alcohol/drugs	37
Rape of a child (statutory)	4
Rape of a child by force	2
Receiving stolen property over \$250 (2 <sup>nd</sup> Offense)	1
Restraining order violations	3
Runaway	1
Sex offender failure to register	1
Trespassing	1
Warrant arrests	38
<b>TOTAL ARRESTS</b>	<b>159</b>

**Investigations (misc.)**

Arrests	159
Motor vehicle accidents	167
Incidents	645
<b>Total investigations (misc)</b>	<b>971</b>

**Court cases**

Cases prosecuted in 2008	293
Cases currently pending	99

**TOTAL NUMBER OF CALLS FOR SERVICE      8325**

**PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING COMMITTEE**

The Public Safety Complex Committee has been making good progress on the Public Safety Complex Project. Owner's Project Manager and Architect firms been hired, approval received to use the Construction Management at Risk method of delivery, bids have been solicited for a Construction Manager at Risk, approvals have been received where needed and building energy efficiencies are being investigated.

PinnacleOne was selected to be the Owners Project Manager (OPM) of the Public Safety Complex. The OPM will work on behalf of the Town to ensure the project is on schedule as well as overseeing the quality of construction. The OPM also acts on the Town's behalf in dealing with the architect and construction manager.

Kaestle Boos Associates were contracted as architects on the project.

The Committee was successful in securing approval from the Inspector General of the State of Massachusetts to utilize the Construction Management at Risk (CM-R) method of building the Public Safety Complex. This cleared the way for a subcommittee to focus on Requests for Qualifications and Requests for Proposals for a Construction Manager at Risk. We have contracted with Fontaine Brothers Construction Company for the Construction Manager at Risk services.

Along the way, the Committee worked with various Town and State authorities to obtain input and approvals where needed. These committees included, among others, the Planning Board, the Historical District Commission, the Board of Health and the Mass Highway Department. Additionally, the Committee responded to questions at public hearings on the Public Safety Complex Project.

The Committee is currently working with National Grid through its Advanced Building Program to ensure energy efficiencies are incorporated in the Public Safety Complex, which would result in possible energy rebates to the Town.

Construction is scheduled to begin this spring on the Public Safety Complex.

Respectfully submitted by the:  
Public Safety Complex Committee  
Lillian Camus  
William Merullo  
William Parent  
Edward Parker, Sr  
James Trompke, Chair  
Russ Anderson, non-voting member  
Louis Barry, non-voting member

### RECREATION COMMISSION

The Recreation Commission in a joint effort with the Fields Committee has made improvements to the fields at both Dufrense Park and Brown Ellison. The softball field (#3), nearest to the pond, has had upgrades and new fencing is scheduled to be installed in Spring 2009 on the baseball fields at both Dufrense Park and Brown Ellison. Our Commission is looking forward to making additional improvements to Brown Ellison and Dufrense Park fields (baseball and soccer). It has been an honor to serve the youth and townspeople of Granby. We welcome ideas for upgrades to all the ball fields that the youth of Granby use in order to keep them safe while providing quality fields.

Softball news from recreation, the 2008 softball season was well represented with many teams playing from grade level 3rd thru 9<sup>th</sup> as well as a 14u suburban traveling softball team. The program has grown through its years as many girls are enjoying playing the sport of softball and continue to play each season. The recreation dept also sponsored a pitching and hitting clinic for softball players, which was held at the East Meadow school gym and was a great success. We look forward to the future and will keep the sport of softball growing in the Town of Granby.

Respectfully submitted,  
Vicki O'Donnell  
Trudy Turcotte  
Robert Weaver  
Recreation Commissioners

### SALARIES AND WAGES

The following persons received a salary or wage during the calendar year 2008 for employment with the Town of Granby. It must be noted that those employees with an asterisk (\*) after their name have earned that wage by working for more than one department or in more than one capacity.

#### **CAFETERIA**

Batchelor-LaFramboise, Maryann Y.	\$6,878.33
Batchelor-Morehouse, Lori A.	16,478.26
Clark, John M.	3,395.00
Desrosiers, Ginette	10,067.36
Dunn, Catherine R.	587.50
Duquette, Linda J.	910.00
Gay, Michael N.	275.00
Goulet, April A.	20.00
Kaniecki, Regina A.	3,355.17
Kennedy, Catherine L.	13,085.45
Kwisnek, Kristin L.	7,174.12
Lempke, Maureen C.	30.00
Martel, Marian Y.	1,822.83
Martin, Marion	240.00
Minney, Candy	14,468.55
Moreau, Constance J.	4,474.86
Patruno, Lynn A.	6,209.15
Phillips, Rebecca J.	35,622.65
Roberts, Elaine M.	152.50
Roux, Tina M.	2,001.00
Schmitt, Anna P	7,749.54
Skibel, Jill J.	17.50
Tack, Jean M.	17,044.47
Tatro, Kristin N.	14,410.58
Zebrowski, Mary A.	135.00

#### **WEST STREET SCHOOL**

Ambrose-Colonero, Nancy L.	\$4,481.75
Barthelette, Deborah	53,321.41
Beresky, Kathleen M.	64,295.41
Bohnet, Caroline G.	4,888.02
Brown, Kevin M.	56,796.56
Burke, Paula A.	43,817.82
Chauvin, Jennifer B.	42,132.56
Cole, Paula F.	63,795.41
Denette, Cheryl A.	25,598.19
Fleury, Michele A.	2,063.25
Garbett, Ruth E.	54,917.93
Giglietti, Lee A.	16,496.06
Griffin, Ruth A.	33,037.20
Jarrett, Christine I.	19,570.92
Johnson, April A.	61,145.80
Kwasney, Michelle D.	36,345.73
Lapointe, Colleen M.	63,295.41
McBride, Carolyn A.	38,010.79
McCauley, Pamela J.	85,828.65
McMahon, Kara B.	59,423.78
Ouimet, Gail M.	58,854.08
Ramsey, Tracy M.	50,253.28
Rhoads, Susan D.	65,351.19
Sanchez, Gilda K.	51,279.35
Sheehan, Deborah M.	45,570.32

Smith, Patricia E.	61,535.68
Sumaryono, Karen L.	21,222.21
Szlosek, Karen L.	55,912.03
Walz, Thomas	56,033.38

**EAST MEADOW SCHOOL**

Breger, Leslie	\$50,075.63
Chalifoux, Gisele C.	12,804.28
Colson-Montgomery, Patricia G.	65,492.86
Esposito, Patricia	56,021.74
Fraser-Champagne, Jennifer A.	51,566.90
Glynn, Margaret L.	50,876.27
Goos, Kathy J.	28,598.33
Goulet, Rebecca O.	39,963.59
Illingsworth, Patricia	46,751.74
Jewett, Lori A.	46,751.74
Karmelek, Nancy W.	66,265.12
McFadden-Naglieri, Kristen	52,242.23
Milkiewicz, Cynthia	62,965.52
Monaco, Jonelle E.	38,462.16
O'Neil, Rose E.	35,812.25
Petray, Jean Ellen	61,371.78
Pietras, James J.	87,980.67
Sapowsky, Ann Marie	43,160.38
Smigiel, Lisa	57,793.50
Taylor, Scott T.	60,676.10
Wholley, Glorianna H.	35,705.16
Williams, Greg A.	57,029.55
Willis, Devin D.	14,096.70
Woods, James B.	64,120.56

**SPECIAL NEEDS, AIDES & TITLE GRANTS**

Alexander, Gayle	\$34,256.73
Allen, Lori A.	56,033.50
Boisselle, Cheryl T.	35,441.08
Browne, Mary T.	47,606.28
Bustamante, Lisa J.	17,499.18
Cote, Lynne M.	34,533.22
Curtis, Cheryl L.	65,357.91
Desautels, Geoffrey P.	53,333.91
Destromp, Cynthia A.	15,053.80
Dunleavy, James R.	50,621.92
Gionet, Virginia	17,341.59
Gould, Janice J.	56,796.65
Hackett, Heather L.	43,674.50
Hauschild, Susan B.	61,601.10
Kratzer, Laurie A.	14,833.26
Lamorder, Robbin Ann	18,064.09
LaRoche, Lauri-Anne	15,867.83
McNutt, Sara L.	60,353.25
Milos, Jeannine J.	64,795.41
Murray-Trotman, Carol	15,892.48
Piskorski, Carol A.	17,499.09
Poulin, Heidi M	63,080.81
Regnier, Jettie C.	26,012.67
Richard, Cathy M.	53,602.64
Richer, Zachary T.	10,664.38
Rideout, Teresa E.	17,921.59
Roule, Shellie K.	14,751.65
Roy, Bridget E.	15,351.65
Sabourin, Maryjane	12,395.59

Seiffert, Lucinda E.	16,842.97
Siano, Michael G.	19,940.83
Stapert, Michael J.	41,192.23
Stirlacci, Christine C.	11,871.57
Stone, Mary E.	16,878.27
Sugrue, Suzanne	18,041.10
Tatro, Dorothy G.	17,561.59
Tetrault, Barbara A.	17,545.34
Weiner, Virginia M.	17,244.03
Whalen, Maura E.	49,975.13
Whittaker, Christian F.	44,953.65
Wright, Allison N.	33,560.99

**HIGH SCHOOL**

Abbott, Mark E.	\$40,293.42
Antonucci, Luisa M.	60,663.60
Arsenault, Richard R.	2,664.98
Band, Ira N.	24,576.08
Belliveau, Richard R.	14,033.83
Berneche, John M.	47,547.95
Boardway, Jessica M.	3,668.30
Boutin, Rosalie A.	61,740.51
Brodeur, David O.	2,368.87
Brownell, Christina J.	60,626.43
Burke, Thomas A.	5,329.96
Bys, Barbara S.	60,830.44
Cavallo, Jonathan D.	69,360.06
Comtois, Heather L.	43,782.26
Condon, Sean M.	42,814.71
Denette, Joseph E.	2,664.98
Dorman, Cynthia J.	43,104.03
Dorman, Todd A.	58,507.81
Ellis, Cynthia	58,323.34
Fish, Colleen E.	1,061.96
Ford, Thomas E.	18,999.96
Funk, Jessica L.	18,324.16
Galgano, Christine	58,673.34
Gaulin, Dori L.	47,093.78
Hennessey, Clay J.	49,590.29
Herlihy, Sarah L.	65,016.70
Holden, Paul E.	59,380.90
Isabelle, Jeffrey M.	1,911.74
Jarry, Eric S.	62,874.44
Johnston, Paula D.	62,092.62
Korza, Charlene M.	56,796.56
Kry, Nasithy	45,147.40
Kwajewski, Anthony P.	63,460.12
Labreck, Francis P.	60,583.42
Larson, Margaret A.	25,851.44
Lewis, Rebecca A.	49,718.37
Lynch, Daniel P.	94,090.61
Mahaney, Amy F.	57,020.78
Mason, Donna M.	41,190.95
Mayo, Tracy K.	59,747.36
McConnell, Elisabeth A.	57,770.28
Mick, William K.	1,955.53
Nickl, Cheryl S.	60,712.70
Nizinski, Barbara A.	60,712.80
Paradis, Beatrice	31,311.13
Pease, Rachel A.	1,712.29

Pontz, Marie A.	35,978.20	Noonan, Sarah	1,730.00
Racine Jr., Norman J.	46,033.86	Parent, Rebecca J.	4,025.00
Ranen, Karen J.	36,143.97	Perron, Elizabeth R.	41,562.12
Sheehan, Timothy J.	2,986.43	Petray, Thomas E.	1,230.00
Smith, Chapman	62,138.60	Pipczynski, Patricia	65.00
Sousa Kwajewski, Cindy	74,862.04	Raina, Richard E.*	2,789.02
Szlosek, Megan L.	2,664.98	Rhicard, Donna A.	260.00
Tease, Linda S.	32,459.04	Ribeiro-Gagnon, Candace A.	16.00
Tetrault-Stellato, Kelly L.	2,664.98	Rodkey, Ashley H.	60.00
Thatcher, Joyce A.	17,868.24	Roussi, Lorraine C.	435.00
Thibeault, Kyle J.	39,516.57	Skipton, Bruce K.	65.00
Vohl-Hamilton, Joan D.	63,797.68	Still, Tricia A.	260.00
White, Pamela J.N.	2,140.90	Sullivan, Elizabeth B.	10,263.81
Williams, Laura S.	9,346.25	Sutherland, Halley Z.	1,280.00
Williamson, Ian B.	40,649.49	Symington, Robert D.	325.00
Woodcock, David J.	5,000.00	Thompson, Krista L.	130.00
<b>SUBSTITUTES</b>			
Amazeen, Laura M.	\$5,544.77	Trompke, Marisa A.	587.50
Babbitt, Debbie A.	65.00	Werenski, Debra J.	4,668.75
Baran, Leslie E.	8,602.46	White, Lisa M.	9,760.37
Baran, Suzanne V.	6,545.00	Williams, Robert F.	390.00
Benedetti, Heather A.	770.00	Zieja, Maria E.	12,661.87
Bergeron, Marie I.	3,045.00	Zielinski, Stacey M.	60.00
Booth, Laura R.	12,671.16	<b>MAINTENANCE</b>	
Callahan, Kathleen A.	830.00	Dudley, John E.	\$34,818.64
Cox, Lorraine E.	2,805.00	Dudley, Robert W.	44,970.72
Cupak, Rose M.	6,852.82	Dudrick, Steven E.	34,284.46
Curylo, Mary Ann	2,790.00	Dufault, Mark A.	39,396.49
Delue, Gretchen M.	65.00	Florence, Richard R.	33,441.12
Denette, Stephen D.	1,105.00	Ghareeb, Joseph J.	6,485.00
Dicke, Jamie L.	5,059.68	Hall, Kenneth L.	945.00
Dufresne, Heidi J.	7,435.10	LeBlanc, Natalie	33,505.55
Fabricius, Rhonda L.	1,786.00	Normand, Mark N.	35,376.48
Fernandes, Cheryl E.	3,102.50	Scully, Kenneth M.	57,813.08
Golash, Ingeborg W.	2,805.00	Surette, John A.	1,015.00
Gomes, Alycia M.	41,170.52	<b>ASAP PROGRAM</b>	
Haas, Deanna L.	185.00	Blain, Lisa G.	\$100.00
Harder, Karla J.	65.00	Deecher, Andrew R.	125.00
Hobert, Jerome T.	3,885.00	Dziczek, Jesse B.	125.00
Huntington, Nancy E.	325.00	Forbush, Beth A.	75.00
Keating, Maureen E.	780.00	Humphrey, Shaina	50.00
Kelly, Francis X.	845.00	Imelio, Cathy A.	2,565.68
Lacoste, Natalie C.	1,535.00	LaPointe, April R.	500.00
Lalonde-Soliwoda, Suzanne F.	195.00	Marcy Jr., John W.	100.00
Lappas, Harriet	845.00	Os, Lora P.	100.00
Latorre, Steven E.	16,030.25	Patruno, Robert J.	100.00
LeBlanc, Lori M.	835.00	Rojas, Karen A.	187.50
Longstreth, Lucy B.	2,304.84	Wiesel, Vicki L.	100.00
Lopez, Regina M.	33,752.50	<b>OTHER SCHOOL EMPLOYEES</b>	
Makridis, Nicole J.	300.00	Bisnette, Linda M.	\$6,012.02
Malphrus, Alexander R.	1,040.00	Harrop, Kathleen J.	41,753.55
McDowell, Christine D.	880.00	Houle, Mary E.	45,841.97
McInerney, Tekla F.	580.00	Jolivet, Nancy B.	22,808.41
Mears, David L.	715.00	Lukaskiewicz, David J.	62,141.49
Mercier, Kathryn C.	325.00	Robert, John F.	86,165.33
Mershon, Barbara G.	1,605.00	Scortino, Richard T.	3,456.09
Moriarity, Kathleen E.	55.00	Stevens, Patricia A.	127,657.06
Mulvagh, Charlene F.	255.00	Walsh-Konefal, Joan M.	6,031.90
Murphy, Emily E.	130.00	<b>COUNCIL ON AGING</b>	
		Barry, Dianne	\$24,778.96

Berge, Gertrude	2,019.47
Blanchard, Ralph	5,850.84
Gaj Sr., Richard	156.88
Guenette, Ann M.	9,497.28
Myers, Kimberly	7,142.07
Sicard, Patricia B.	21,323.94

**ELECTED OFFICIALS**

Bombardier, Richard	\$6,165.01
Brooks, Kevin	7,030.51
Fredette, Florence	2,490.01
Hauschild, Bryan F.	2,751.06
Hudgik, Frank A.	3,615.00
Kelly-Regan, Katherine	38,622.60
Lalonde, Lee	5,920.01
Landry, Gordon	11,574.85
Leonard, Gregg	7,695.00
McDowell, Mary A.	2,751.06
Nally, Steven R.	42,282.08
Porter III, William D.	7,830.00
Smigiel, Theodore	6,368.78
Stellato, Karen M.	50,267.49
Tack, Wayne H. Sr.	2,751.06

**HIGHWAY AND TREE WARDEN DEPARTMENTS**

Aurnhammer, Russell*	\$48,070.34
Clark, Josh M.	30,241.63
Desrosiers, David P.	68,758.96
DeWitt, Rollin J.	5,300.00
Faulkins, Glen	42,846.00
Gaj Jr., Richard J.	95.90
Hennessey, Scott P.	5,100.00
Houle, Denis W.	1,474.12
Lapointe, Justin P.	93.16
Lapointe, Roland R.	376.61
Merullo, Wilfred A.	516.30
Pike, Brian A. *	35,248.63
Randall III, George	1,328.28
Sawyer, Raymond*	39,227.21
Smith, Dennis E.	1,425.06
Tack, Wayne H.	246.65
Wanczyk, David P.	5,200.00

**LIBRARY**

Bail, Sharon A.	\$1,180.38
Crosby, Jeanne*	31,011.12
Crosby, Jennifer	37,088.68
McArdle, Janice	35,428.22
Stoddard, Elizabeth C.	100.00

**POLICE/AUXILIARY**

The following wages, in some instances, reflect college incentive pay, overtime pay, pay for holidays worked, court time pay, part-time pay, and off-duty revolving pay.

Anderson, Paul E.	\$7,422.26
Ash, Robert	71,148.47
Barry, Louis M.	98,195.01
Beauchemin, Justin P.	2,548.96
Brown, Earl M.	12,403.15
Carpenter, Kurt	60,297.08
Chhoun, Bonnie R.	3,834.10
Dubois, Wade	15,062.69
Dufault, Robert A.	12,410.56

Eskett, William F.	16,924.53
Fagnant, Therese M.	667.31
Fenn, Barbara	49,731.14
Ferriter, John N.	32,858.94
Gallagher, Sean	9,074.03
Gravel, Jason W.	868.93
Haska, Rhonda	630.00
Howard, Ian	11,166.38
Jensen, Diane J.	2,691.72
Johnson, Mark	6,812.45
Jorgensen, Eric A.	13,075.59
Kofidis, Xristina G.	294.00
LaFlamme, James A.	1,342.20
Lantaigne, Peter G.	5,511.23
Lapiene, Charles	2,861.59
Marion, Stephen F.	15,086.29
Menard, Lynn A.	38,678.59
Miazga, Matthew	2,635.80
O'Grady, Kevin	63,897.13
Paradysz, Wayne A.	489.94
Poehler, Gary	46,203.01
Reed, Jeffrey	18,033.32
Richard, Jason R.	52,664.87
Rooney, Shawn	5,878.38
Smith, Edward P.	5,366.14
Smith, Mark L.	67,094.63
Szlosek Jr., Stephen	13,497.80
Ulmer, Michael F.	19,671.95
White, James S.	39,081.33
Wishart Jr., Alan P.	71,750.58
Yvon, Thomas	19,724.31

**FIRE/AMBULANCE**

Anderson, Russell E.	\$72,636.50
Bail, Matthew C.	1,136.00
Bragiel, William	3,319.39
Carpenter, Bruce	3,277.50
Carpenter, Todd C.	51,296.10
Carriere, Jeremy	3,726.90
Deforge, Joshua J.	464.00
Dorval, Jason K.	64,006.94
Engelbrecht, David W.	3,380.23
Hallowell, Charles P.	1,314.63
Heinrich, Elisa J.	4,215.47
Kazak, Brian E.	40,596.63
Leocopoulos, Stephen	1,145.00
Leone, Alan J.	5,743.76
Mastorakis, Ronald J.	2,002.50
May, Scott T.	96.00
Os, Gene E.	3,604.61
Pandora, Michael A.	97,023.88
Pollender-Layne, Jessica L.	174.00
Pula, James M.	2,021.98
Randall IV, George A.	10,958.35
Rintala, Annamarie	7,963.50
Rintala, Cara Lee	3,733.96
Ritter, Jonathan W.	150.00
Scribner Jr., William R.	5,092.89
Stefanowicz, Richard R.	4,506.43
Taylor, Brendan D.	1,542.41

Turcotte, Brady A.	268.00
Turcotte, Trudy	1,363.89
Warren, Raymond F.	11,139.55
Watkins, Daniel	3,343.88
Yvon, Tyler R.	910.92

**RECREATION/GRANT PROGRAMS**

Ash, Leanna L.	\$396.00
Baker, Meghan K.	600.00
Barnish, Allissa A.	540.00
Fernandes, Michael D.	540.00
Gill, Courtney E.	455.00
Gill, Michael G.	960.00
Guenther, Kori T.	600.00
Livingstone, Lauren M.	270.00
Menard, Hollie N.	486.00
Methot, Emilie R.	555.00
Piquette, Paul	600.00
Rock, Toby J.	540.00

**ALL OTHER TOWN EMPLOYEES**

Anderson, Lias A.*	\$16,057.60
Collins, Sylvia	8,587.99
Demers, Donald	38,656.58
Leamy, Martha A.	935.32
Leonard, Cathy	36,521.81
Martin, Christopher*	91,780.36
Ryan, Edward J. Jr.	8,621.47
Turcotte, David*	37,348.37
Wenzel, Keriann	9,400.21
Zagorski, W. David	20,800.84

**PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

This report reflects changes in the School Department during 2008.

Mr. Michael Quesnel and Dr. Arthur Krulewitz were each re-elected to a three-year term on the School Committee.

The committee nominated and re-elected Mrs. Deborah Buckley to serve as Chairperson, and Dr. Arthur Krulewitz to serve as Secretary of the School Committee.

At the March 2008 School Committee meeting, the School Committee adopted the third District Improvement Plan for September 2008 – June 2011. This plan was written by the District Learning Team (DLT), which is comprised of representatives of the teachers, parents, community-at-large, the Granby Teachers’ Association, administrators, and the School Committee. The plan serves as a guide to administrators, School Committee, and School Councils as they chart the future of our schools. In November 2007 the DLT came together and discussed the current District Improvement Plan. The DLT gathered data on the goals that had been set for 2005 – 2008, and conducted an in-depth analysis of data on each of the goals. The DLT then worked together to develop the goals for the coming three years. The goals for 2008 – 2011 are:

- To Improve Student Literacy
- To Improve Student Learning and Teacher Instruction by the Use of Data
- To Improve Students’ Ability to Learn Effectively and Live Productively in an Increasingly Digital World

(The full document is available on our web

sight:<http://granbyschoolsma.org>)

**NEW PROGRAM INITIATIVES BY THE COMMITTEE 2008**

•The School Building Committee continued to furnish information to the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) in anticipation of moving the school building project forward. The Statements of Interest for the East Meadow Elementary School and the West Street Elementary School have been resubmitted. Katherine Craven visited the Jr./Sr. High School on December 5, 2008 and met with the Superintendent, the Town Administrator, Michael Quesnel, Chairperson of the School Building Committee, and State Representative Ellen Story. At that meeting the scope of the project was discussed. The Building Committee anticipates putting out a Request for Services for an Owner’s Project Manager by the end of February, or early in March of 2009. This is the next step in the process outlined by MSBA.

•Our students met Adequate Yearly Progress, as defined by NCLB, in English/Language Arts at West Street and the Jr./Sr. High School and in Mathematics at all levels.

•The school district completed the alignment of the English Language Arts, Mathematics, Social Studies, Music, Guidance, World Languages, Physical Education, and Visual Arts Curricular.

•During the summer and the fall of 2008 the following projects were complete as a result of Capital Articles that were passed at Town Meeting:

- Replacement of the West Street Roof
- Replacement of the Hot Water Tank at the Jr./Sr High School
- Replacement of univent controls and valves in the West Street wing of the West Street Elementary School

**MCAS TEST RESULTS – 2008**

We are pleased to report that Granby students did well on the spring 2008 administration of the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment Test (MCAS).

Grade 3	93% passed Reading exceeding the state average
	86% passed Mathematics
Grade 4	90% passed English/Language Arts exceeding the state average
	90% passed Mathematics exceeding the state average
Grade 5	95% passed English/Language Arts exceeding the state average
	87% passed Mathematics exceeding the state average
	98% passed Science and Technology exceeding the state average
Grade 6	100% passed English/Language Arts exceeding the state average
	91% passed Mathematics exceeding the state average
Grade 7	96% passed English/Language Arts exceeding the state average
	84% passed Mathematics exceeding the state average
Grade 8	100% passed English/Language Arts exceeding the state average

- 89% passed Mathematics  
exceeding the state average
- 93% passed Science and Technology  
exceeding the state average
- Grade 10 96% passed English/Language Arts  
95% passed Mathematics  
exceeding the state average

Granby students continue to make academic progress as determined by MCAS scores.

**PROGRAM AND PHYSICAL PLANT UPGRADES  
WEST STREET SCHOOL**

- Increased the memory in all computers in Media Center
- Cleaned and reimaged all computers
- Upgraded heating units in rooms 7-14, the gymnasium and cafeteria
- Upgraded lighting
- Upgraded and repaired Pre-school/Kindergarten playground as a result of a fundraiser
- Painted kindergarten/grade one wing
- Installed new roof

**EAST MEADOW SCHOOL**

- Replaced the Computer Lab with all new donated towers, monitors, keyboards, mice and a high speed/volume printer
- Added four computer stations to Media Center
- Cleaned and reimaged all computers
- Upgraded electrical service in the Media Center
- Painted trim outside classrooms
- Upgraded heating units in offices in Media Center

**JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL**

- Replaced 14 classroom computers with donated equipment
- Replaced four computers in the teachers' work area with donated equipment
- Added three donated laptops to the Media Center in order to accommodate larger classes
- Refurbished the Junior High Computer Lab with donated computers and monitors
- Cleaned and imaged all computers
- Painted cafeteria stage, hallways around the cafeteria and gymnasium
- Painted trim outside Principal and Guidance offices
- Installed new blinds in several classrooms
- Installed new white boards in some classrooms
- Removed the 3/4 wall in the Music Room and upgraded electrical
- Replaced the hot water tank

**New Staff**

**July 2008 – June 2009**

	<b>Position</b>	<b>Hire Date</b>
Laura Booth	Paraprofessional Jr./Sr. High School	6/25/08
*Nancy Colonero	C.O.T.A.	4/21/08
Michele Fleury	C.O.T.A.	10/28/08
*Elizabeth Sullivan	Paraprofessional West Street	6/20/08
Joyce Thatcher	Psychologist Jr./Sr. High School	8/19/08
Lisa White	Paraprofessional	5/30/08

	West Street	
Devin Willis	Special Education East Meadow	8/25/08

**Grade Change**

Kathy Beresky	½ Kindergarten – ½ Reading Teacher	9/4/08
Cheryl Denette	½ Remedial Reading ½ Tutor Library- Computer	9/4/08
Janice Gould	Reading Teacher West Street	9/4/08
Jettie Regnier	Reading Teacher East Meadow	9/4/08
Dorothy Tatro	Paraprofessional East Meadow	9/4/08

**Long Term Substitutes**

Laura Amazeen	Art – East Meadow	8/18/08
Leslie Baran	Paraprofessional East Meadow	8/25/08
Laura Booth	Special Education Jr./Sr. High School	11/13/08
Jessica Boardway	Paraprofessional Jr./Sr. High School	11/19/08
Caroline Bohnet	Paraprofessional Jr./Sr. High School	10/29/08
Regina Lopez	English Jr./Sr. High School	6/13/08
Maria Zieja	East Meadow Grade 4	5/13/08

**\*Retirements/Resignations**

**July 2008-June 2009**

Jonelle Monaco	Special Education/East Meadow	7/25/08
Nancy Colonero	C.O.T.A.	10//08
Elizabeth Sullivan	Paraprofessional West Street	12/17/08
*Cindy Ellis	Jr./Sr. High School	6/19/09
*Chris Galgano	Jr./Sr. High School	6/19/09
*Paula Johnson	Jr./Sr. High School	6/19/09
*Francis LaBreck	Jr./Sr. High School	6/19/09

In closing, we would like to thank the Granby Parent Teacher Organization, the Granby Booster Club, and the Granby Music Parents' Association for their continuing efforts on behalf of our students.

We would also like to thank all of our employees for their conscientious efforts, as well as other town departments and officials for their continued support.

Also, we thank the parents and residents of the community for their continued interest in the well being of all the children of Granby.

On my behalf, and that of the students, the staff, and the School Committee I want to thank the people of Granby for their vote of confidence in the schools. Without the dollars your votes guaranteed for the schools, reductions in service would be substantial. As we face another difficult budget cycle, I am encouraged by the support this town has shown for the schools. Please be assured that we will continue to strive to bring out the

best in every student that you entrust to us

Respectfully submitted,  
For the School Committee  
Patricia A. Stevens  
Superintendent of Schools  
MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE  
Deborah Buckley, Chairperson  
Dr. Arthur Krulewitz, Secretary  
Kevin Boisselle  
Dawn Cooke  
Michael Quesnel

### **GRANBY JR.-SR.HIGH SCHOOL**

Throughout the 2008 calendar year, we continued to witness the power and impact of the Granby Junior-Senior High School mission, in that our on-going work remains to foster "academic achievement, personal responsibility, and respect in order to develop conscientious and productive members of society." This mission embraces our work and passion as we continue to support our young learners and future leaders, as they grow physically and socially, intellectually and emotionally during their critical adolescence years. Our entire school staff, professional and non-professional, encompassing all aspects of school life, joins me in this commitment to excellence in achievement, respect and responsibility.

Once again, throughout the year, our building climate and school culture was focused on students as workers and learners, on their achievement and advancement. I have come to appreciate and value the roles of our teachers and support-staff, our school and community support network, most especially the School Council, the Parent Advisory Council, our music parents, the Booster Club, the Lions and the Rotary clubs, and the positive presence of both the Granby Police and Fire Departments. Their on-going presence and witness in support of our students is imperative, as they face and will continue to encounter increased competition both locally and globally on a whole host of challenges.

As your building principal, I am happy to report that in 2008 we continued to meet and exceed the Commonwealth's mandate related to the Education Reform Act of 1993, MCAS results and graduation rates. We are, also, in compliance with the Federal expectations as expressed in No Child Left Behind (NCLB) and the requirements mandating the employment of highly qualified teachers. In particular, 2008 introduced a new grade 9-12 schedule (the Day 1, Day 2 block scheduling model), a pilot advisory program in both grades seven and nine (TNT, Teens and Teachers Together) and the creation of a new grade nine academic team. All of these initiatives seek to personalize our school environment while we all continue to focus on student work and learning. Throughout 2008, our professional staff implemented strategies to improve their teaching skills, to increase extra-curricular opportunities for all students, to highlight the use of data in decision-making, to improve student work in math, and to increase the availability and accessibility of technology in support of student learning. These initiatives remain in the forefront of our attention and efforts.

In 2008, the Junior/Senior High School sponsored twenty-one teams in inter-scholastic competition and participated in three

additional cooperative teams, namely, swimming, ice hockey and skiing. In addition, co-curricular activities and organizations, on both a regular or ad hoc basis, exceeded twenty student-based organizations with faculty presence and community support throughout. Administrative initiatives in 2008 saw a continuance of our grade seven transition night for incoming students and parents, end-of-the-year award ceremonies for both grades seven and eight, and grades nine, ten and eleven. They all struck a responsive and supportive chord of support with students and parents.

On Saturday, June 7th, the Class of 2008 graduated, as class officers led the processional of students before an enthusiastic capacity gathering in the Sullivan Gymnasium. While Ms. Nicole M. Mercier welcomed the assembled as class president, meaningful and memorable reflections were presented by Neil Krulewitz, salutatorian, and Masaru Ichihara, valedictorian. Mr. John M. Berneche teacher, and class advisor, was the commencement speaker, delivering a message of hope and optimism that resonated with both graduates and the entire community. Superintendent, Patricia A. Stevens and School Committee Chairperson, Deb Buckley, presented graduates with their diplomas. The Class of 2008 sent fifty percent of its graduates directly to four year schools, thirty-two percent to two year schools and one percent to further educational programs. College acceptances were granted by local, regional and national institutions of merit and distinction. Well done, Class of 2008!

Respectfully submitted,  
Dan Lynch, Principal

### **EAST MEADOW SCHOOL**

I am pleased to present this report on the East Meadow School.

In January the 20<sup>th</sup> annual National Geographic Geography Bee was held with ten finalists competing for the opportunity to possibly advance to the Massachusetts State Bee. Alexis Ouellette, a grade 6 student became East Meadow's school winner in another exciting competition. The instructional/recreational ski and snowboard program for students and parents in grades 4 -1 2 was held at the Bromley Mountain Resort in Manchester Center, Vermont on three Saturdays in late January and early February. A total of 59 people participated.

All East Meadow School students took the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System Tests (MCAS) in late March, early April, and then again in May. Grade 4 students were administered tests in English/Language Arts and Mathematics, Grade 5 students took tests in English/Language Arts, Mathematics, Science and Technology/Engineering, History and Social Studies, and Grade 6 students tested in English Language Arts and Mathematics. Parent/Guardian reports on the individual results of these tests were distributed to parents in October. Overall, we were pleased with the results and this continues to be a tribute to the continuing hard work of the teaching staff, our students, and the ongoing parental support and cooperation.

Hundreds of parents along with their children attended the Spring Open House in April and large crowds also attended the sixth annual East Meadow School Talent Show in early May. This very successful event was organized by Mr. Williams and

the Granby Music Parents' Association. The very popular After School Activities Program (ASAP) continued in three separate sessions throughout the school year. This financially self-sufficient program continues to attract new and different activities led by teachers or parents and the one-week summer ASAP program continued in August as well. The coordinator Mrs. Cathy Imelio continues to do an excellent job in making this ASAP grow in numbers and activities.

In June, we had our annual Spring Choral and Band Musical Program, the formal graduation ceremony for our Grade 6 students from the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) program, and the grade level field trips to the Bronx Zoo, the Boston Museum of Science, and the Mystic Aquarium. An evening orientation for grade 3 students and parents was held in early June to begin to prepare for our incoming new group of grade 4 students in September. The school year concluded in June with East Meadow's Annual Field Day and Picnic at Dufresne's Park and the School Awards Ceremony on the last morning of school to recognize the academic and extra-curricular achievements of our students.

The school year began with 271 students. Our annual Parents' Night was held in September to inform parents about the East Meadow School. Grade level meetings were held for parents and then parents met with their child's teacher to hear about the expectations and the curriculum.

Sixty-eight, grade 6 students attended the weeklong Nature's Classroom program in Andover, Connecticut from September 29 – October 3. The After School Study Club continued to be held every Wednesday and Thursday after school to provide assistance to students who may need help with their homework. Chorus remained a popular activity and is held Wednesdays after school. The instrumental music program continued as an important part of the school's curriculum.

The Granby PTO continues to be of great assistance to the students and staff of East Meadow School. They offer many outstanding events for students and their families – ice cream socials, the very popular movie nights, Bingo for Books evenings, and many other fun family activities. Their fundraising efforts have provided assignment books for every East Meadow student, supplemental teaching materials for the staff, and financial help to defray the costs of field trips. Once again, they coordinated the "School Pak Supply Kits" for parents who opted to purchase them for their children.

In closing, many thanks to the excellent teachers and the entire supportive staff in East Meadow School for their constant dedication to the children attending our school. Thanks to the parents for the support and encouragement you provide to your children.

Appreciatively,  
James Pietras, Principal

### **WEST STREET SCHOOL**

Our educational responsibility for students in preschool to grade 3 is to provide them with lifelong skills and knowledge in reading, language arts, math, science, social studies, art, music, physical education, and computer skills. We provide the foundation upon which the students' education grows. Our dedicated, highly qualified, and certified teachers and staff work

collaboratively within our professional learning community so that our Granby students can become positive and productive citizens.

At the start of our new school year, we welcomed Mrs. Christine Stirlacci back as our Occupational Therapist. We also welcomed Ms. Michele Fleury, COTA; Mrs. Lisa White, special needs paraprofessional; Mrs. Caroline Bohnet, preschool paraprofessional; and Mrs. Lori LeBlanc, lunchroom monitor. Mrs. Kathy Beresky divides her time between teaching early reading intervention and kindergarten. We have only three first grade classrooms this year with Mrs. Chauvin, Mrs. Johnson, and Mrs. Lapointe. We wished Mrs. Deb (McCarthy) Sheehan and Mrs. Mary Jane Sabourin best wishes on their retirements -- Deb after 35 years of teaching and Mary Jane after 23 years as a paraprofessional.

Our Title I and Special Education programs continue to provide quality academic support for students with educational needs. Though our Title I Federal Grant funds are continually reduced, we are able to provide a quality reading supplemental program with Mrs. Janice Gould, Mrs. Sara (Helmuth) McNutt, and Mrs. Cheryl Denette. We continue to offer full implementation of the Reading Recovery Program in first grade to address reading needs. We are also fortunate to have over 50 volunteers that routinely assist our students and staff during the year.

At the October School Committee meeting, Superintendent Pat Stevens announced a three year agreement between the Western Massachusetts Masonic Learning Center Foundation and the Granby School System. The Masons will support the training of volunteer teachers from Granby and surrounding communities in the Orton-Gillingham approach of clinical reading remediation for students with dyslexia. This year, there are eight teachers from West Street School who are in the first year of training: Mrs. Sanchez, Ms. McMahon, Mrs. Gould, Mrs. Barthelette, Mrs. Lapointe, Mrs. Cole, Mrs. McNutt, and Mrs. Milos. Mrs. Curtis and Ms. Poulin are currently in their second year of training with the intention of training for three years to become certified as Initial Level Trainers. While there are 20 West Street students who have been identified and are receiving individual Orton-Gillingham lessons this year, our teachers can also use many of these techniques in their classrooms with some or all of their students. In the next two years, Granby teachers and teachers from other school districts will be invited to participate in the training in Granby.

We continue to use a formative assessment (DIBELS-Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills) three times per year to monitor our students' reading skills to help us reach one of our *No Child Left Behind* goals that all children are proficient in reading by grade three on their reading MCAS test. It provides our teachers with data to determine the needs of students, select students who need additional instructional support, and to provide the necessary instruction so that all students will have adequate skills for reading comprehension by the end of third grade. Because there is a strong correlation between reading and writing, *Writing Workshop* takes place within the classroom during the week, which enables students to improve their reading and writing skills.

In addition to the Reading Language Arts MCAS test given to the grade three students in the spring, grade 3 students also took

the Mathematics MCAS test. The results of this testing gave our teachers, school, and district valuable information to determine the needs of our students. We now use the updated Pearson/Scott-Foresman *Investigations* program for all of our students in kindergarten through grade 3 to develop the necessary understanding of math needed to succeed now and in future math instruction. In addition, the staff received math professional development thanks to the generosity of the Granby PTO.

The new roof project was completed and now we enjoy the benefits of a new roof. Outdated computers in classrooms have been replaced thanks to David Lukaskiewicz's tireless efforts to find donated computers. In addition, a *Newman's Own* grant provided funds for the purchase of many new instructional computer programs for student use.

Our students learned the importance and benefits of giving to others that are not as fortunate as they are. Our students and staff raised \$1,633 for Easter Seals during *Hop-N-Ing*, raised \$5,000 for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital during their *Mathathon*, and helped 15 Granby families during the holidays after raising \$1,800 with *Koins for Kids*. Our special thanks to our students' parents who assist with this life lesson.

The A.S.A.P. (After School Activity Program) continues to be a success with hundreds of students participating in the assorted activities offered due to willing activity leaders and enthusiastic students and parents. Mrs. Cathy Imelio, the A.S.A.P. coordinator for the program, has worked tirelessly to provide the financially self-supported 4-afternoons-a-week program three periods of time during the school year and a week in the summer. The program has helped to expand the opportunities for academic and social growth for our students. A.S.A.P. is dependent on willing activity leaders and we hope that community members will continue to share their hobbies and skills with our students.

Thanks once again to the financial support given us by the Granby PTO, our students were able to have educational experiences beyond the classroom. Field trips took place to Lupa Game Farm, Hitchcock Center, AIC, Springfield Science Museum, Plimoth Plantation and Mayflower II, and Mechanics Hall Theatre. The PTO provided activities for our students including a kindergarten play date in August, "Bingo for Books", and a PTO "Movie Under the Stars" that were well attended and enjoyed by all.

Other school activities included assembly performances, field day, and a school picnic. The Granby Cultural Council gave us a grant for a multi-cultural program with stories and songs. Our annual Parent-Student Luncheon, Parents' Night, Open House, and Title I Family Literacy Night were well attended.

Members of the School Council for the 2008-09 school year include Mrs. Pam McCauley, principal and co-chair; Mrs. Gilda Sanchez, teacher and co-chair; Mrs. Lori Toth, parent and secretary; Mrs. Bre Benoit, parent; Mr. Justin Smith, community representative; Ms. Kara McMahan, teacher; and Mrs. Mary Gervais, parent. The school council meets monthly to discuss school issues and develop our school improvement plan for the following school year.

We continue to value and appreciate the support of the community and parents as partners in the education of the children of Granby. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam McCauley, Principal

## CLASS OF 2008

Leanna Lynn Ash	Lauren Marie Livingstone
Jillian Gosselin Barnard	Kyle William Mann
Allissa Ann Barnish	Jessica Evelyn Marsh
Krystin Jean Bauer	Matthew Ronald Masse
Nicholle Cecile Blaine	Jesse Daniel McGrath
Tiffany Anne Blanchet ♡	Kyle Joseph McNerney
Samantha Rhea Boissonneault	Hollie Nicole Menard
Danielle Marie Boucino	Melissa Anne Mercier ♡
Kristoffer Raymond Breault	Nicole Lauren Mercier
Fiona Elizabeth Buckley ♡	Nicole Marie Mercier ♡
Shayne Patrick Burke	Rachel Mary Method
Kelly Anne Cadigan	Amanda Teresa Murtha
Michael Thomas Coopee	Ryan John Nugent
Felicia Ann Cordeiro ♡	Hannah Lee O'Connor
Emily Elizabeth Dean	Matthew Thomas Palmer
Kathryn Nicole Demary	Brian William Parent
Matthew Alton Depin	Amanda Elizabeth Pelland ♡
Kimberly Marian Deshaies ♡	Hilary Nicole Piquette
Joseph Roy Destromp	Eric Brian Piskorski ♡
Lorin Barbara Dufresne	Nicholas Raymond Quesnel
James Warren Ellard	Monika Maria Rakowski
Loryn Mary Engelbrecht ♡	Nathin Stuart Rand
Colin Samuel Feder	Gabrielle Leigh Ransford ♡
Ceciley Maria Fenno	Owen John Rhicard
Justin Antonio Fernandes	Teniel Petta Gay Rhiney
Emma Louise Funk	Cortney Louise Robillard ♡
Kyle Anthony Gaj	Jennifer Ashley Rogers
Amber Blaire Georges	Evan Nicholas Rosienski
Sherrie Angelina Girard	Courtney Marie Roux
Samantha Taylor Gosciminski	Gennifer Victoria Roy ♡
Mark Dennis Haggan	John Christopher Roy
Kaitlin Helena-Marie Haslam	Joshua Charles Ryan
Kyle Robert Hebert	Michael Alexander Schmitt
Timothy Alan Houle ♡	Bruce Edmund Seiffert
Heather Lynn Houle	Stacy Nicole Smigiel
Masaru Ichihara † ♡	William David Smith
Diana Lynne Jdrzejewski ♡	Cristen Elizabeth Stefanelli
Adam Christopher Jimmo	Christopher Wayne Tack
Brianne Eve Johnson	Christopher Mark Texeira
Neil Alexander Krulewitz ♠ ♡	Asiana Elizabeth Venne
Jeremy Keith Lapointe	Agathe Sophie Genevieve Vincent-Lay
Daniel Stephen Layton	Corey James Samuel Weiner
Briana Carolyn L'Esperance	

† Valedictorian

♠ Salutatorian

♡ Indicates National Honor Society Members

## PUPIL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

The Pupil Services Department of the Granby Public Schools, under the supervision of the Associate Superintendent, is responsible for special education programs and services, English Language Learner programs, and for monitoring school department compliance with various civil rights policies; this includes providing in-services regarding the school's sexual

harassment and civil rights policies, as well as addressing complaints. The Pupil Services Department also processes applications for home school students, serves as a liaison for homeless students, oversees the preschool programs and directs the activities of the School Nurse Leader. The Pupil Services Department also prepares and oversees the grants for the school department.

Special Education programs and services are responsible for providing educational services to students who experience academic difficulty because of a disability consisting of a developmental delay, or an intellectual, sensory, neurological, emotional, communication, physical, specific learning or health impairment, or any combination of the aforementioned. Children ages three to twenty-one are eligible for special education services. In addition to providing for the academic needs of children identified as having a disability, the program provides related services to assist students in achieving academic success who are placed both in the district and out of district placements. These services consist of, but are not limited to, psychological services, counseling for school-related issues, occupational therapy, physical therapy, vision and mobility training, and speech/language therapy. The ultimate goal of the program is to allow students to take full advantage of the educational opportunities offered by the Granby Public Schools. As of October 1, 2008, there were 194 students (17%) on an Individual Educational Program. The Parent Advisory Council (PAC), made up of parents of students with special needs, meets regularly with the Director of Pupil Services to provide parent input into services and programs available for students. They also sponsor various activities for parents throughout the year, including the annual parents' rights and responsibilities workshop.

Another focus of the department is to assist students who enter our school system and are not able to participate in the programs offered because they have not acquired a working knowledge of the English language. There are currently twelve students receiving English language learner support.

The Pupil Services Department provided tutoring for students within the district in preparation for the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) Tests. After school year and summer programs were held for students in grades ten, eleven and twelve who had not yet past the MCAS test requirements for graduation. The school district also conducted a summer reading clinic for students in grades 1-9. Thirty students participated.

This past school year the Granby Public School partnered with the Western Massachusetts Masonic Children's Learning Foundation to sponsor a teacher training/after school-tutoring program. The program followed the model of the Masonic Children's Learning Centers. The Scottish Rite Free Masons have worked in conjunction with Center for Multisensory Education at Massachusetts General Hospital since 1994 designing these programs to address the needs of individuals who struggle with reading disabilities. The curriculum that was used as the basis for tutoring and tutor training at all Children's Learning Centers was based on the Orton-Gillingham Approach. The overarching goal of the Orton-Gillingham Approach is to thoroughly train teachers and tutors to teach students with

reading disabilities to read by explicitly and systematically breaking down the structure of the English language. The O-G Approach touches on all five components of reading instruction: phonological awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary and comprehension (with a focus of teacher training on phonological, phonic and fluency aspects). Eight Elementary School teachers participated in forty-five hours of course work and 100 hours of supervised practicum over the past school year. Twenty Granby children received 100 hours of tutoring each as a result of the program. In addition, two Granby teachers attended the advanced O.G. training to become O.G. trainers.

The Granby Public School's Preschool is an integrated program. The preschool continued to offer five sessions. The sessions were offered at the following times:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 9:00-11:30 a.m.

Tuesday and Thursday, 9:00-11:30 a.m.

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 12:30-3:00 p.m.

This is a tuition-based program. Tuition payments, grants and local funds are used to support the program. For the 2008-2009 school year, there were approximately 38 children enrolled in the preschool program.

This past year the Pupil Services Office processed thirteen home school applications for students ranging from grade 1 through grade eight. In addition, there were eight children who were identified as homeless in Granby during the past year. Three children returned to their school of origin and five children were enrolled in the Granby Schools.

This past year, the schools secured \$455,009 in entitlement and competitive grants. These funds are used to enhance and support the educational programs offered to the children of Granby. Some of the programs that are supported by grants include MCAS tutorial, after school programs, student health services, the purchasing of technology, professional development for staff, and special education services. The acquisition of grants is a very important component in providing the best educational opportunities to all children who attend the Granby Public Schools.

Respectfully submitted,

John F. Robert,

Associate Superintendent

## **HEALTH SERVICES**

The nurses of the Granby School District continue to provide comprehensive health services to the students, staff and faculty. Services include but are not limited to first aid, health and illness assessment, illness prevention, nursing treatment, and health education.

As mandated by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, the nursing staff has screened students for height, weight, vision, hearing, and postural problems. Parents are notified if any follow-up is recommended regarding any of the screenings. Besides health screenings, the nurses keep daily records of all the health care provided within the schools. There are students on daily medications, students on prn (as needed) medication and students with emergency EpiPen orders for allergies to food or bee stings. EpiPen training and universal precautions is provided to our staff and bus drivers by the nurses and our nurse leader.

Our nurse leader is also writing the health curriculum in grades K-6 with the input and help of the grade team leaders.

During the last school year, the clinics have been very busy with visits by students and staff for first aid needs, illness assessment, medication administration and nursing treatments. Nursing treatments have included blood pressure checks, nebulizer treatments, blood glucose testing, sling application, eye irrigations, wound care and of course prevention of communicable diseases. The nurses work very closely with the Local Board of Health and State Department of Public Health in sharing information, prevention, and tracking of communicable diseases.

This past school year our nurses became certified in emergency preparedness through the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Our Automated External Defibrillators (AED) continues to be collaboration between Granby schools and the Granby Emergency Medical Services. Funding for the AEDs (one located in each school building), nursing salaries and medical supplies continue to be partially funded by the Essential School Health Services Grant. This grant was rewritten by our nurse leader and associate superintendent and awarded once again to the Granby schools for five more years.

The Granby School nurses continue to work toward the goal of providing a healthy and safe environment for the students and staff. We are very grateful to the Granby community for your support in working to achieve our goal.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Karen Szlosek, RN, BSN, NCSN,  
Nurse Leader

### **SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE**

Once again, I am pleased to present my second annual school lunch report to the townspeople of Granby as your Food Service Director.

I continue to work with my staff to improve the quality and nutrition of each and every student's meal. As required by the state, we keep a Wellness program in place by offering more whole grain breads, fresh vegetables and fresh fruits from local farm stands, when available.

As you are no doubt aware, the cost of food has gone up steeply over the past two years. According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the price of staples, such as bread, milk and cheese jumped by 17 % in 2007. These price increases affect all of us at home and they affect the school's food service program as well.

Across the country school districts are faced with having to increase meal prices. I did increase the price by .25 cents at West Street, and \$2.50 at the Jr./Sr. High School. By doing this, it will help cover the actual cost of lunches and help continue to serve a variety of nutritious foods while maintaining quality. Our community expects the school lunch program to be supported by the sales of lunches, a la cart items, federal, and state subsidies. Despite our efforts to control costs, the need to repair and replace the aging kitchen equipment creates a financial burden for the program. For example, it cost \$3,925 to replace a freezer and another \$8,403 for repairs to other appliances.

This year I also added a hot alternative meal to the menu every day so the students can have more hot choices. We also offer

fresh chef & garden salads at all three schools. The Granby Public Schools makes lunches available for sale to every student and staff on each scheduled full day. Each lunch served to the students meets the guidelines established by the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education school lunch program. During 2008, the Granby school lunch program served 82,824 full price, 14,035 free, 7,250 reduced for a total of 104,109 meals to the students enrolled in the Granby Public Schools. We also served 5,215 lunches to adults.

Based on the focus of health and wellness issues, the Granby School District's Food Services Department is excited to be among one of the first school districts in the State to provide parents with a convenient, easy and secure online, prepayment service for your child's schools meal account. This service is called **Nutrikids** and it is in use at the Granby Jr./Sr. High School and we plan on implementing it at the East Meadow School and the West Street School. We are confident this new system will benefit you, your child and our district.

The Granby Public Schools provides meals to the senior citizens on a daily basis. In 2008, 6,754 meals were served to senior citizens. Any person 60 years of age or older and their spouse may participate in this program. A \$1.00 donation is requested for each meal. If you are interested in attending the meal site at the Granby Jr./Sr. High School, please contact the Granby Council on Aging.

In conclusion, the staff at the School Lunch Program will continue to provide the best service to the students and senior citizens of the Town of Granby in an efficient manner.

Respectfully,  
Rebecca Phillips

### **SCHOOL TECHNOLOGY**

I am pleased to present my twelfth annual school technology report to the townspeople of Granby.

The Granby Public Schools has been using technology for many years for both instructional and administrative procedures. At one time, technology was a convenience that helped make classroom lessons more interesting and office procedures more efficient. However, in today's digital world the use of technology in the classroom is a necessity for many of the courses taught. Likewise, it also shares an important role in the office because many administrative tasks require the use of technology. Thus, it is no longer a convenience to have access to a computer and the internet; it is a necessity.

Everyday, computers are used for a variety of administrative procedures such as payroll processing, accounts payable, budgeting, student record keeping, and data processing, etc. Although these procedures were accomplished in the past without the use of computers, that is no longer possible. Due to new regulations, many of these tasks must be performed using a computer and the records must be maintained electronically. For example, every school in Massachusetts is required to maintain fifty-two elements of information on every student electronically. In order to accomplish this, the school must utilize software that is approved by the Massachusetts Department of Education and maintain a computer information system capable of operating this software. This information must be submitted to the state three times a year. Since the state will only accept this information if it

meets a certain formatting guideline, a considerable amount of time is expended maintaining and updating the database. The state then uses this data for many purposes such as the computation of the amount of state aide the school will receive. Therefore, it is imperative that the school department maintain a sound technological infrastructure and modern computer system to assure the accuracy and reliability of the data transmission to the state. Failure to do this could have a serious financial impact on the schools.

Likewise, all public schools in Massachusetts are required to maintain computerized records for most of their employees and submit them to the state annually. This requires the schools to maintain over forty elements of information for each teacher and staff member conforming to guidelines prescribed by the state and then submitting the data electronically. Like all other state mandates, this requires a considerable amount of time and usually takes more than a month to complete the entire process. It is also critical that this information be very accurate since the state uses this information to evaluate certain aspects of the school system.

The second role of technology in the Granby Public Schools is instructional. Although technology has been used to help educate children for many years, its role is constantly becoming more important. Today, colleges, employers, and parents expect schools to teach strong technology skills to prepare its students for the demands of the digital world. Therefore, it is critical that the schools provide the instruction and equipment necessary to educate students in this area.

In addition to teaching the actual technology skills, schools also use technology to deliver or reinforce the content of other classes. Teachers rely on digital resources and the internet to reinforce a lesson or to provide students with learning experiences that are only possible with the use of the computer. In some cases, a textbook may provide exercises and assignments that require computer and/or internet access.

In its efforts to provide the students the technology they need for learning, the Granby Public Schools tries to update and recondition its computers and network as needed for its instructional needs. Due to budget limitations, almost all of the computers obtained by the Granby Public Schools over the last year were donations acquired from other government entities such as the military. In the summer of 2008, about 70 classroom computers were replaced with refurbished computers that were donated to the schools. The East Meadow School Computer Lab was totally overhauled with newer computers, monitors, and a high-speed printer by utilizing donated equipment exclusively. As a result of utilizing donated computers, the Granby Public Schools has been able to exceed the state's recommendation of a student to computer ratio of 5:1. This would not be possible if the school department had to purchase all of its computers. As a result, the use of donated computers has allowed the schools to offer more technology to its students while saving a significant amount of money.

In its effort to provide students with the best learning tools available and comply with the state's guidelines, the Granby Public Schools will continue to improve its instructional technologies so that students will always benefit from the new

learning experiences made available through technology.

Respectfully yours,  
David Lukaskiewicz  
Technology Coordinator

## ENROLLMENT OCTOBER 1, 2008

K	46
1	60
2	68
3	79
4	83
5	86
6	78
7	82
8	92
9	85
10	89
11	76
12	<u>74</u>
Total	998
Pre-K	11
School Choice	112
Home Schooled	12
Pathfinder	24
Out of District	28
Private	41

## SCHOOL STAFF

December 31, 2008

Patricia Stevens, B.A., M.Ed., Superintendent  
 Superintendent's Office:  
 John Robert, B.A., M.Ed., Associate Superintendent  
 Lynne Cote, Administrative Assistant  
 Andrew Paquette, M. Acct. MBA, Director of Business Finance  
 Kathleen J. Harrop, Administrative Assistant  
 Mary Houle, Payroll Supervisor  
 David Lukaskiewicz, B.S., M.B.A., Technology Coordinator

### WEST STREET SCHOOL

#### GRADES K-3

\*Retired/resigned

◊Leave of Absence/◊◊Long Term Substitute		
Pamela McCauley, B.A., M.Ed., CAGS	Principal	2003
Ruth A. Griffin	Administrative Assistant	1982
Gayle Alexander, B.A.	SPED – Special Needs	2005
Deborah A. Barthelette, B.S.	Grade 2	1998
Kathleen M. Beresky, B.S., M.Ed.		
	½ Kindergarten, ½ Reading Teacher	1984
Caroline Bohnet	Paraprofessional	2008
Cheryl T. Boisselle, M.A.		
Part-Time Speech-Language Pathologist	Pre-school 2	1999
Kevin Brown, M.Ed.	Grade 3	2004
Paula Burke, B.A.	Grade 3	2004
Lisa Bustamante	Paraprofessional	1999
Jennifer Chauvin, B.A.	Grade 1	2003
Paula Cole, B.S., M.Ed.	Grade 2	1992
Cheryl Curtis, B.A., M. S. Ed., Special Ed.	Grade 3	1995
Cheryl Denette	Computer Tutor, Reading Recovery,	



Mary Browne, B.A.	SPED Gr. 8	2001
Christina Brownell, B.A., MLIA		
	Librarian/Media Specialist	2006
Barbara Bys, B.S., B.A., M.A.	Social Studies Gr. 7	1997
*Jack Clark	Lunch Room Monitor	2006
Heather Comtois, B.A.	English	2006
Sean Condon, B.A.	English Gr. 7	2003
Paula A. Daniels, B.S., M.Ed.		
	Health Teacher/Coordinator	1986
Geoffrey Desautels, B.A., M.A.		
	Special Ed. Gr. 11-12	1998
Cynthia Dorman, B.S.	Science Gr. 7	2000
Todd Dorman, B.A.	Social Studies Gr. 8	1998
Robert Dudley	Maintenance Tech.	2002
Steven Dudrick	Custodian H.S.	2001
◇◇Heidi Dufresne	Long-term sub Science Gr. 7	2007
Cynthia Ellis, B.S.	Science Gr. 9-12	1979
Thomas Ford, B.S.	Athletic Director	2005
Jessica Funk, B.A., M.A.	English Gr. 9-12	1997
Christine Galgano, B.S.	Physical Education	1976
Dori Gaulin, B.A.	High School Math	2006
Susan Hauschild, B.S., M.Ed.	Special Ed. Gr. 9-12	1986
Clayton Hennessy, B.A., M.B.A.		
	Business/Tech. Jr./Sr. H.S.	2001
Sarah (Alves) Herlihy, B.S., M.S.		
	Guidance Counselor Gr. 7 12	1996
Paul Holden, B.S.	Math Gr. 9-12	1997
Eric Jarry, B.S., M.S.	Wellness/Nutrition	1994
Charlene Korza, B.A., M.S.W.		
	Social Worker Jr./Sr. H.S.	2001
Nasithy Kry, B.A.	Math Gr. 8	2002
Anthony Kwajewski, Jr., B.A.	Tech Ed	1975
Cindy Kwajewski-Sousa, B.A.	Foreign Languages	2000
Francis P. LaBreck, B.S.E.	Science Gr. 9-12	1977
Lauri Anne Laroche	Paraprofessional	2005
◇Margaret Larson, B.A.	English	2006
Rebecca Lewison, B.S.	Math Gr. 9-12	2001
◇◇Regina Lopez,	B.A. English	2008
Amy Mahaney, B.A. English, M. Ed.		
	Guidance Counselor Gr. 7 – 12	2004
Donna Mason, B.A.	English	2003
Tracy K. Mayo, B.S., B.A., M.Ed.	Science Gr. 8	1996
Beth McConnell, B.F.A.	Art Jr./Sr. H.S.	2001
Cheryl Nickl, B.S., M.Ed.	Grade 7 Math	2006
Barbara Nizinski, B.A., M.Ed.	Foreign Languages	1995
Mark Normand	Custodian	1995
Heidi Poulin, MA/CCC-SLP		
	Speech & Language Grades 2-12	2000
Norman Racine, B.A.	History	2000
Karen Ranen, B.S., M.S.	Nurse	2006
*Lisa Remiszewski, B.A., M.Ed.		
	Middle School Reading Specialist	2006
Cathy M. Richard, B.S.	Special Ed. Gr. 7	1997
*Zachary Richer, Bachelor Communication		
	Paraprofessional	2007
Teresa Rideout, A.A.	Paraprofessional	1998
Kenneth Scully	Maintenance Director	1997
Michael Siano	Paraprofessional	2002

Chapman T. Smith, B.A., M.Ed.	Special Ed. Gr. 9-12	1979
Michael Stapert, B.A.	Life Skills SPED	2005
Mary Stone, CNA	Paraprofessional	2002
Linda Tease	Secretary/Guidance	1993
Joyce Thatcher, B.A., M Ed, C.A.G.S.	Psychologist	2008
Kyle Thibeault, B.S. Phy. Ed.	Physical Education	2007
Joan Vohl Hamilton, B.S., MED	English Gr. 8	2002
◇Allison Wright, B.F.A.	Special Education Gr.	2005
Virginia Weiner	Paraprofessional	2001
Christian Whittaker, B.S. Human Services, M. Ed.		
	Life Skills/Pre-Voke	2007
Greg Williams, B.A., M.A.		
	Instrumental Music/Band	2004
Ian Williamson, B.S. Biology	Science	2007

**CAFETERIA STAFF**  
**WEST STREET SCHOOL**

Catherine Kennedy	Satellite Lead	1992
Lynn Patruno	Cashier/Helper	2005

**EAST MEADOW SCHOOL**

Gisele Chalifoux	Satellite Lead	1994
Regina Kaniecki	Cashier/Helper	2001
Marian Martel	Cashier/Helper	2007

**JR.-SR. HIGH SCHOOL**

Rebecca Phillips – Interim Director of Food Services		
	Cafeteria/Manager	2006
MaryAnn Batchelor	Cashier/Helper	2007
Lori Batchelor-Morehouse	Cashier/Helper	2005
Ginette Desrosiers	Cashier/Helper	1999
Kristin Kwisnek	Cashier/Helper	2007
Candy Minney	Cashier/Helper	1999
*Constance Moreau	Cashier/Helper	2006
*Tina Roux	Cashier/Helper	2007
Anna Schmitt	Cashier/Helper	2001
Jean Tack	Cashier/Helper	2002

**PATHFINDER REGIONAL VOCATIONAL**  
**TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

The Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School District Committee presents this report to the citizens of the District. Incumbent members Judith Dudek, Elizabeth Desrochers, and David Droz were re-elected in the November election, while retiring members Barbara Beaulieu and George Castonguay were succeeded by Gail Roberts and Duncan Stewart, respectively. Warren resident Thomas Rugani was elected to fill the vacancy from that community. Michael Cavanaugh and David Droz, both of Palmer, will continue as chairman and vice-chairman, respectively.

**CURRICULUM**

Pathfinder students have continued to demonstrate continued improvement in their performance and achievement on the MCAS tests. The number of students who scored in the “Advanced” category jumped dramatically from a combined 8% to a combined 30% in Mathematics and ELA. Also, 98% of the sophomores passed the ELA portion during the March testing period, and 94% passed the mathematics portion. These results clearly indicate the dedication of the staff, the effectiveness of the extra classes, and the importance and value students now

place on their MCAS performance. For the sixth consecutive cycle, Pathfinder met the standard for “Adequate Yearly Progress” prescribed in the “No Child Left Behind” law.

Science staff members continued to fine-tune the scope and sequence of the science courses to include several sections of Engineering and Technology as well as additions to the *Project Lead the Way* curriculum. Students in those courses did exceptionally well in the preliminary round of science MCAS testing

To accompany the high quality curriculum mapping done in mathematics, the Department purchased a new set of Algebra I books so that all students taking that course would have the advantage of the same material. In addition, an Algebra II course for entering 9<sup>th</sup> graders was designed to challenge those students who had already taken Algebra I. The department continues to put the final touches on a Calculus course, which would follow the pre-Calculus class that many students now take.

As we entered our third year of *Project Lead the Way* (PLTW), the staff was and continues to be excited about the potential for this program. Currently a science elective, this offering will eventually lead to a comprehensive and rigorous pre-engineering program involving several technical departments. Our instructors continued to participate in professional development training designed specifically for PLTW during the summer at Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

Pathfinder continued to respond to the challenge of preparing students to enter the region’s largest workforce—health care. The school’s affiliations with area hospitals and health care facilities continued to provide positive learning experiences for the students, and the recent expansion of the program should prove beneficial for all concerned.

Pathfinder continued to build on several of the efforts that were launched during the previous school year, including:

- Expansion of the mandatory portfolio requirement in academic and vocational studies for all freshmen and the continued investigation of the use of digital portfolios.
- Reinstitution of the Renaissance Program and the continuation of the trimester system for 2008-09.
- Training in Red Cross CPR and First Aid and OSHA for students and staff as appropriate.
- Alignment of vocational programs with the developing state curriculum frameworks in preparation for offering the Certificate of Occupational Proficiency—a new credential for vocational students.
- Evaluation of the Machine Technology Department in 2008, resulting in national accreditation by NIMS.

Municipal and community service projects continued to be important components of the Pathfinder curriculum for junior and senior students. These projects also constitute a major portion of the school’s commitment to local town departments. The following list is a sample of such efforts completed over the past year:

- Auto Body students and their instructor organized and ran the Annual Pathfinder car show, the proceeds from which benefit the Skills/USA Program at Pathfinder.
- Auto Re-conditioning students continued to service vehicles for police, highway, fire and water departments in member towns.
- Building Services students provided regular maintenance to

the Chamber of Commerce offices and in-school Pathfinder offices.

- Cosmetology students continued to provide services to some member town senior citizen centers.
- Culinary arts students planned, prepared, and served meals for numerous local town and civic events. They continued to assist in the preparation of meals for the Elderly Lunch Program at Pathfinder.
- Electrical students updated the wiring and lighting at the Ware Grange Hall.
- Machine Technology students designed and began construction of a building sign for the Ware Town Hall. They also worked on equipment for the Three Rivers Fire Department and continued the design and production of their popular aluminum cribbage boards that are donated to local charity fund raising programs.

The school’s Cooperative Education Program allowed eligible seniors and second-term juniors to receive a paid, career-related job experience in lieu of attending their vocational program at the school. This “real world” opportunity allows them to improve upon their previously established work ethic and basic skills. With employers acting as mentors, the young apprentices earned a fair wage and were exposed to a wide array of technical experiences. As the school year progressed, the students enhanced their competencies, developed interpersonal skills, and experienced valuable lessons in maintaining a balance among their personal lives, school academics, and their jobs. To be considered and to remain in the program, students must demonstrate above average grades, attendance, and behavior.

Throughout the year, 24 students—including 15 seniors—participated in the program. Although most of the seniors left their placements after graduation for college or other opportunities, four remained as full-time employees. The remaining nine participants were juniors, and of these, five were employed full-time during the summer.

The slowing economy has negatively impacted the number of opportunities for student placement. This factor has caused the school to explore other options to provide this invaluable “real world” experience.

### **STUDENT BODY**

Pathfinder's enrollment as of October 1, 2008 totaled 623 students, including the following numbers from member towns: Belchertown 78; Granby 24; Hardwick 16; Monson 83; New Braintree 3; Palmer 194; Ware 95; and Warren 50. The remaining 80 students were residents of out-of-district communities, the largest number of students coming from Ludlow and Oakham respectively. The 623 figure in October represents a decrease of 21 students overall from the end of the 2007-08 school year.

The Guidance Office—which also serves as the Admissions Office—received over 300 applications for September, 2008 admission. Of the applications received, 250 represented applicants for the 175 openings in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade. Once again, transfer opportunities into the 10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> grades were very limited, and there was a waiting list for vocational offerings in grades 9, 10, and 11. An unusually large number of accepted freshmen decided not to enroll at the end of the summer, contributing to the lower number of students beginning the year. Efforts will continue during the first semester to enroll more

students and a greater effort will be made to recruit more students for the 2009-10 school year.

Parents or students seeking to learn more about Pathfinder or to visit the school had a variety of options available to them throughout the year. In October and November, Pathfinder's Guidance Department visited the 8<sup>th</sup> graders in our member towns to provide an in-depth presentation about Pathfinder's offerings and the application process. In late November, an evening Open House event was held for 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders and their parents. The event featured a free spaghetti dinner and a tour of the facility, including a visit to technical areas of interest; this year the Open House attracted just under 300 attendees! In addition to the fall events, each winter 8<sup>th</sup> graders who are interested are invited to attend a field trip with their school counselor to visit Pathfinder and get a first-hand look at technical programs, facilities, and to interact with current students. This visit is a great opportunity for the students to experience a typical day at Pathfinder. This year a larger number of students participated in these tours than the previous year. The summer Youth Enrichment Program continued to attract large numbers of enthusiastic participants. For students and parents with Internet access, Pathfinder's website ([www.pathfindertech.org](http://www.pathfindertech.org)) provides detailed information about our academic and technical programs, sports and extracurricular activities, as well as the application process. A copy of the application can be downloaded and printed.

The Pathfinder Chapter of the National Technical Honor Society inducted a deserving group of new and existing members in an impressive ceremony. To qualify, students must have a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.5 or above and exhibit the qualities of skill, honesty, service, responsibility, scholarship, citizenship, and leadership. The induction ceremony is held in early spring so that senior inductees can include this recognition on college, scholarship, and work applications. The Chapter continued the practice of inviting as guests underclass students who had a grade point average of 3.0 or higher and who demonstrated potential for induction into the Society.

Pathfinder's Renaissance Program continued to be well received by staff and students alike. A faculty committee chaired by Judy Mercier oversees this popular initiative. Each trimester, the program recognizes and rewards students for academic and vocational accomplishments. Students who earn high honors are eligible for a "Gold Card;" students earning honors receive a "Silver Card;" and students who have made noticeable improvements are awarded "Most Improved Cards." Students who have perfect attendance for the year are also eligible for Renaissance recognition. Each level of card comes with its own perks and rewards ranging from homework passes, to free admission to school dances, to discounts at local businesses. In addition, each trimester Renaissance students earn raffle tickets towards the end-of-the-year drawing for prizes like music systems and gift cards. The Renaissance Program is supported through fundraising efforts, assistance from the school committee, as well as generous donations from local businesses. Recently, many faculty members have become involved by providing classroom incentives and rewards for Renaissance card holders.

At the Twenty-second Annual "Outstanding Vocational-Technical Student" awards dinner sponsored by the

Massachusetts Association of Vocational Administrators (MAVA) and the Massachusetts Vocational Association (MVA), Monson resident Dianne Gilligan represented Pathfinder. Dianne also was selected as Pathfinder's nominee for the MAVA/MVA's Walter J. Markham Award. Dianne, a culinary arts student, excelled in her classes and ranked at the top of her class. With a cumulative GPA of 3.98, Dianne consistently earned high honors and Renaissance Gold Card recognition and received numerous awards for outstanding achievement and excellence in culinary arts and her academic studies, including Highest Academic Achievement her freshman, sophomore and junior years. Dianne served as Class President and was involved with Skills/USA, the American Culinary Federation's Junior Chefs Association, the National Technical Honor Society, Pathfinder Student Mentoring, the Prom Committee, Tech Prep, and volunteered as a Pathfinder Tour Guide. In addition, Dianne was a multi-sport team participant as a member of the school's soccer, basketball and softball teams. Junior year she received the Coach's Award in basketball and last fall was selected as an All-League Stopper in soccer. Dianne is currently attending HCC and is interested in event planning.

Yvonne Simard of South Hadley was selected as Pathfinder's nominee for the 2008 Massachusetts Vocational Association's Secondary Award. Yvonne was enrolled in Health Occupations and, like Dianne, was a consistent academic and technical award winner. In her four years at Pathfinder Yvonne earned ten awards for achievement and excellence in her studies. She also earned her CNA. Yvonne consistently made high honors and earned Renaissance recognition. As a junior she was inducted into the National Technical Honor Society. Yvonne had a cumulative GPA of 3.78. Yvonne is currently enrolled in the Pre-Health program at HCC and is interested in earning her degree in Nursing.

Students who participated in Skills USA competition continued to bring recognition and honor to the school by winning medals during competitions. Eleven students participated in the 34<sup>th</sup> annual Skills/USA state competition in May. Five students representing Culinary Arts, Health Occupations, HVAC, and Machine Technology brought home silver medals for their efforts.

In June 2008, the graduating class of 143 students received diplomas and technical certificates at commencement exercises. Approximately 54% of the graduates had plans to continue their education at the post-secondary level, about 21 % planned to enter the workforce, while 7% had made commitments to serve in the military. Interest in four-year colleges also continued to be a popular option for graduating seniors. Additionally, seniors successfully participated in the Early College program offered through one of the local community colleges.

Over \$173,000 in scholarships was awarded to members of Pathfinder's Class of 2008. Once again, state and local organizations and businesses, post-secondary institutions, as well as private individuals, continued to recognize the ability and potential of Pathfinder graduates in the form of generous donations. The School Committee, administration-- and particularly the graduates-- are grateful for this support and are especially proud of the number of awards that have been made to honor the memory of former Pathfinder students and staff members.

## STUDENT AFFAIRS AND ATHLETICS

Clearly one of the highlights of 2008 was the *F.I.R.S.T* Tech Challenge robotics championship held on March 1<sup>st</sup>. Earlier in the year Pathfinder had been selected as the Massachusetts affiliate to host this event. Along with Pathfinder's team, contestants from throughout New England and nearby Canada participated in the daylong event. A majority of staff members volunteered their time to assist with the program which was coordinated by Electronics Instructor Eric Duda.

Throughout the year, many groups conducted fundraisers to supplement the school's budget for field trips and other activities. As in previous years, students were active in supporting local charitable efforts. For example, the Mentors sponsored their annual "Penny Wars," a competition among shops to fill jars with change, the proceeds of which were donated to "Comfort Zone," a camp for underprivileged children. And once again, the school conducted two Red Cross blood drives. Leading up to Thanksgiving, the Student Council organized their annual food drive that resulted in holiday dinners for 31 families.

The senior class was particularly active during the year. Senior Night was held at the school in May and featured a no-cost Chinese and American buffet, a D.J. for dancing, a magic show, and even a hypnotist.

Over 200 students participated in athletics during 2008, a slight increase over the previous year. Among their accomplishments:

- The boys' varsity basketball team won the Tri-County League championship and was undefeated in league games. They were runners-up in the state Vocational Basketball Tournament and qualified for the Western Mass. Tournament.
- The girls' varsity basketball team was the runner-up in the Tri-County League and qualified for both the state Vocational Tournament and the Western Mass. Tournament.
- The wrestling team completed its second year. Jeremy Lamotte won the 171-pound category in the Western Mass. Tournament, and placed in the State Tournament.
- The Varsity Golf Team won the Tri-County League north division title for the first time ever. Josh Lebeau finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Western Mass. Tournament.
- The girls' varsity softball team qualified for both the Western Mass. Tournament and the State Vocational Tournament.
- The varsity football team was the Tri-County League runner-up. The team qualified for the Western Mass. Super Bowl playoff game, losing to Easthampton.
- The boys' varsity soccer team won the Tri-County league championship. The team was the Vocational Tournament runner-up and qualified for the Western Mass. Tournament, winning the first round. The team also garnered several prestigious awards: the MIAA State Soccer Sportsmanship Award for Division 3; the Carl Erickson Sportsmanship Award; and the MIAA Silver Certificate for academic achievement.
- The girls' varsity soccer team qualified for the Western Mass. Tournament.
- The following student athletes were named to the *Republican's* All Scholastic First Team in their respective sports: Kyle Phillips (basketball); Josh Lebeau and Kyle Simard (golf); Phil Jett (baseball); Megan Maska (softball); Pat Jessop and Kyle Pobieglo (football); Corey Morin

(soccer); Jeremy Lamotte (wrestling).

- Phil Jett and Dee Gilligan were winners of the Outstanding Senior Athlete awards at the conclusion of the school year.

## SPECIAL SERVICES

During 2008, the Special Education Department continued to demonstrate its responsibility to provide a continuum of special education and related services for eligible students in accordance with the provisions of state and federal regulations. The Department is committed to finding opportunities to offer different pathways to learning so that the diverse ability levels of the students might be accommodated.

The Special Education Department strives to address the needs of all learners in grades 9-12 and to students enrolled in the Modified Vocational Instruction Program (MVIP). Through integrated efforts with students, parents, and other student support services, the Department focuses on promoting each student's self-awareness, ability to self-advocate, and sense of self sufficiency.

Special Education liaisons conducted Team evaluations, annual reviews and re-evaluations for 51 students in the MVIP Program and 196 students in grades 9-12. The Department also continued to be responsible for approximately 35 students who have 504 Accommodation Plans, which require accommodations to students, and staff who qualify as disabled under the law.

The Department includes 15 professionally licensed teachers, 7 paraprofessionals, and a full-time secretary. Licensed specialists include a Speech and Language Pathologist, School Psychologist, and Occupational Therapist.

The Federal *Individuals With Disabilities Education Act*, passed in 1990 and recently revised in 2004, encourages schools to have students with disabilities spend as much time as possible with their non-disabled peers. Pathfinder began to implement the full inclusion model consisting of a regular education instructor and a special education instructor or paraprofessional for all major courses. All required courses align with the state Curriculum Frameworks. Math, reading and language arts instruction continues to be supplemented with Title I funded instruction.

The MVIP Program operated at capacity with 51 students. All six shops offered instruction *closely* coordinated with Chapter 74 approved programs in which they are housed. Components of the program included:

- Office Business:** Students work on printing, duplicating, and collating brochures and mailings for member communities and non-profit groups.
- Building Services:** Students learn care of interior surfaces and coverings, building exteriors and grounds, and the use of some hand and power tools necessary in this line of work.
- Horticulture:** Students learn maintenance of greenhouse and vegetable gardens, landscape maintenance, and floral design.
- Auto Reconditioning:** Students learn the basics of cleaning and polishing cars along with professional workmanship, and they provide this service to the public.
- Food Services:** Students learn the fundamentals of food preparation and service and assist in the preparation and production of the daily school lunch.
- Health Occupations:** Students learn to maintain the patients'

environment and to communicate with as well as assist them with various types of care. The students are trained in light housekeeping and shopping duties.

The vocational-technical personnel in the MVIP Program prepare the students for a *support* role in the aligned program area. At graduation exercises in June, 13 MVIP students received their certificates.

The Department continued to explore alternative pathways that could be a permanent solution to address the age-span issue within the MVIP Program. Currently the age 14-17 students attend shop in the morning with classes in the afternoon. The age 18-21 students attend shop in the afternoon and classes in the morning.

### GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

SOURCE	AMOUNT	ACQUISITIONS
Asylum Gym	\$15,000	6 CyBex Machines
Asylum Gym	\$10,000	2 dumbbell racks plate dumbbells in 5 lb. increments 15 – 80 lbs.
Mass Mutual	\$24,000	24 computers for remodeled English Lab
Montachusett Regional Technical School	\$4,800	24 Monitors for remodeled English Lab
NEPAC – New England Patriots Alumni Association	\$ 500	2 Cut Dummies
Special Education Grant	\$238,000	1 Math, 1 ELA Inclusion Model teacher, evaluations, ESPED materials
Special Ed Improvement Grant	\$2,500	ELA Inclusion training
Special Ed CPR Grant	\$2,500	Staff to update folders for Coordinated Program Review
Title I	\$128,000	ELA and Math Inclusion instructor. Shop week ELA Tutor
Teacher Quality	\$20,000	Retain highly qualified staff member
Innovative Programs	\$3,000	Renew Renaissance License for Reading Lab
Safe and Drug Free	\$4,500	Provide Release time for Mentoring and Peer Evaluation
Workforce Investment Act	\$78,000	Provide meaningful summer jobs for 32 participants
WIA – Performance Award	\$10,000	Provide meaningful school year jobs for 10 participants
<i>BioTech</i>	\$8,000	Purchase materials for BioTech initiative
ASDC	\$8,000	Evaluate BioTech Initiative
Academic Support	\$9,000	MCAS PREP and remediation for 30 Pathfinder 9 <sup>th</sup> Graders
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$575,800</b>	

### **SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

The school committee wishes to give recognition to the following special programs and activities that took place during the year.

The summer Youth Enrichment Program served 155 children

between the ages of 9 and 13. The program ran for four one-week sessions between July 7<sup>th</sup> and August 1<sup>st</sup>. Participants had the opportunity to select from the following options: Automotive, Carpentry, Cosmetology, Culinary Arts, Electronics, Environmental Explorers, Photography and Web Page Design, and Vex Robotics. The daily schedule placed participants in their specialty areas in the morning with sports, games, or crafts in the afternoon.

Parent and student satisfaction with the Youth Enrichment Program has been extraordinary. Many students return to the program several times and express regret when they become too old to participate. It serves as an excellent introduction to Pathfinder and its environment.

Pathfinder once again received a grant from the Regional Employment Board under the Workforce Investment Act and this year received a special additional incentive amount of \$10,000 as a result of a favorable review by the granting agency. Participants took advantage of this program of part-time employment, including job counseling, academic support, and intensive follow-up by grant-supported staff.

Pathfinder's summer school program is designed to enable students to make up information missed during the school year and earn credit needed for their promotion or graduation. The academic summer school program was offered during the month of July. It ran Monday through Friday with two morning sessions, each two hours long. A total of 40 hours in attendance was required for completing the program. In order for the program to remain self-sufficient and to be competitive with other area programs, the course fee of \$150 has remained unchanged over the past several years. Fourteen academic courses were offered for students in grades 8-12.

Additionally, a vocational summer school program was offered during the last week of June. The combined summer school enrollment included 151 students from 7 school districts.

### **FACULTY AND STAFF**

The number of staff in 2008-09 remained essentially unchanged, but Pathfinder experienced an increasing number of retirements. In June, the school said farewell to Ann Blake (Social Studies), Bruce Charwick (Mathematics), Richard Ganter (Auto Reconditioning), and Melinda Rigney (Psychologist). Retirees in the fall included Susan Costa (English) and Rosalie Lopes (Executive Secretary).

Dr. Paist continued to serve on the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Association of Vocational Administrators and on the Board of Directors of the Quaboag Hills Chamber of Commerce. An active member of the Assn. for Career & Technical Education, he is one of three Region I Directors for that organization's National Council of Local Administrators.

### **BUDGET AND FINANCE**

The school committee adopted a FY09 budget of \$12,262,460. While the Monson town meeting and the Palmer Town Council were unable to approve their share, town meeting members in each of the other six communities did so. Consequently, the budget was approved pursuant to the regional school budget statute.

The following chart illustrates FY09 assessments to each member community:

**PATHFINDER REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT ASSESSMENTS 2008-2009**

TOWN	MINIMUM CONTRIBUTION	SHARE MVIP Program	ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTION	SHARE OF REGULAR CAPITAL	4th YR OF 5 YR CAPITAL PLAN	TRANSPORTATION	CAPITAL ASSESSMENT	TOTAL
BELCHERTOWN	526,079	70,294	159,106	14,043	68,928	37,805	-	876,256
GRANBY	218,979	7,810	62,857	5,548	30,760	14,935	-	340,890
HARDWICK	85,070	15,621	35,357	3,121	10,871	8,401	-	158,440
MONSON	470,956	46,863	155,177	13,696	39,346	36,872	-	762,911
N. BRAIN-TREE	43,652	7,810	11,786	1,040	4,424	2,800	-	71,514
PALMER	867,599	78,105	331,962	29,300	53,031	78,877	-	1,438,874
WARE	660,893	78,105	216,070	19,071	36,388	51,340	-	1,061,867
WARREN	205,912	31,242	90,356	7,975	19,625	21,470	-	376,580
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,079,140</b>	<b>335,851</b>	<b>1,062,670</b>	<b>93,795</b>	<b>263,376</b>	<b>252,500</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,087,332</b>

**CONCLUDING STATEMENT**

The School Committee is justly proud of the staff and students and of the contributions they have made to the economic health of our District. The committee recognizes that, in this era of accountability and high expectations, many changes need to be made. The increased emphasis on academic skills needs to be maintained without diminishing the quality of students' technical studies.

The conclusion of 2008 saw alarming indications of a severe economic downturn that economists, legislators, and state education officials described as "catastrophic." There were predictions that additional cuts to the FY09 state budget might affect local school districts and an absolute certainty that state aid to cities, towns, and schools would be reduced for FY10. The school committee recognizes that, despite the bleak outlook, the challenge will be to preserve the quality of education that the students deserve.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Michael J. Cavanaugh, Palmer, Chairman  
 Judith C. Dudek, Belchertown  
 Michael O'Connor, Belchertown  
 Elizabeth Desrochers, Granby  
 Robert J. Dupuis, Hardwick  
 Gail A. Roberts, Monson  
 Duncan Stewart, New Braintree  
 David Droz, Palmer  
 M. Barbara Ray, Ware  
 Thomas Rugani, Warren  
 Gerald L. Paist, Superintendent-Director

**SELECTBOARD**

The Selectboard meets throughout the year on the first and third Monday evenings (Tuesday, if Monday is a holiday) of each month, generally at 7:00 P.M., and on other occasions as necessary.

At the first meeting of the Board after the annual election, the

Board congratulated Wayne H Tack, Sr. on being reelected to the Board. The board reorganized with Bryan F Hauschild as Chairman and Mary A. McDowell as Clerk.

With the Town Administrator having been in office for one year, the Board decided to appoint a Town Administrator Review Committee to review and evaluate the implementation of Town Administrator Bylaw and to conduct a needs assessment as to what needs to be done to fully develop the Town Administrator concept. The committee gave their report in June and since then the Board has been working on the review process for the Town Administrator's position. The Board formed a Sub-Committee of the Board called the Board of Selectmen's Policy Board who brought forward policies, which the Board then discussed, and began reviews for the first set of Selectboard Operating and Procedures Policies. The Board also appointed a Landfill Negotiating Team, Landfill Ad-Hoc Advisory Committee, a Website Committee, Kellogg Hall Repair Committee and the New Ludlow Road Sewer Review Committee, which continues to pursue the project with AECON representatives. The Board approved new Sewer Regulations submitted by David Desrosiers, Highway Superintendent. They have also been looking into alternatives for renting or buying property for municipal use.

The Board wants to congratulate Highway Superintendent, David Desrosiers on his outstanding job of completing the requirements to become a Baystate Roads Scholar and welcomes Ann Guenette as our new Council on Aging Director and wish her much success in her new position.

The Board hereby declared May 1<sup>st</sup> "SILVER STAR BANNER DAY" the permanent and official day to honor the wounded and ill Soldiers of the Town of Granby.

The Board welcomed a new business at 102 New Ludlow Road. We wish Roland Robidoux and Cotilda Sullivan operating as Summit General Store success in their new venture.

The Board wishes to extend its thanks, on behalf of the citizens of Granby, to all the unpaid members of the various Town boards who unselfishly devote many hours to the performance of their duties as committee/board members. Without these dedicated

individuals, many services would not be available to the citizens of Granby.

On a sad note the town lost former Selectman Patrick Curran this past year and would like to say a few words about him. "Patrick was diligent in what he wanted to accomplish and everyone comes to this board with something. Patrick came with his eyes, ears and mind on the youth of this community. That was represented at times at our annual town meetings, when he would recognize the individual teams for their accomplishments whether it was Western Mass champs or division champs or just youth accomplishments. Quite often this board would be quite pleased with him because we sometimes allow things to go unnoticed. Patrick for a young selectman was ahead of times for a 25-year-old, when someone that young gets elected to the board you never know what they are going to bring to the board, he did a fine job representing himself and his community, and he is going to be missed by many".

**PERMITS/LICENSES ISSUED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTBOARD IN 2008**

Alcohol Licenses	
All Alcoholic Beverages Restaurant	1
Wines & Malt Restaurant	1
Alcoholic Package	2
Wines & Malt Package	1
General	1
Automatic Amusement Device	2
Pool Table	2
Common Victualler's	43
Class I	2
Class II	4
Class III	3
General Licenses	0
Gravel	5
Entertainment	1

Respectfully submitted  
 Bryan F. Hauschild, Chairman  
 Mary A McDowell, Clerk  
 Wayne H. Tack, Sr., member

**TAX COLLECTOR**

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2008

**MOTOR VEHICLE**

<b>2008</b>		
Committed		554,048.59
Abated	10,145.66	
Paid to Treasurer	515,734.96	
Refunds		2,545.86
Interest/Charges		526.20
Demand Fees		1,835.00
Balance		33,075.03
<b>2007</b>		
Committed		701,741.18
Abated	20,776.86	
Paid to Treasurer	688,064.00	
Refunds		9,167.30
Interest/Charges		3,553.25

Demand Fees		8,155.00
Balance		13,775.87
<b>2006</b>	Balance Forward	13,886.61
Committed		18,690.82
Abated	1,976.55	
Paid to Treasurer	28,644.72	
Refunds		299.54
Interest/Charges		1,311.09
Demand Fees		2,325.00
Balance		5,891.79
<b>2005</b>	Balance Forward	4,785.27
Committed		453.75
Abated	142.18	
Paid to Treasurer	3,262.18	
Refunds		126.56
Interest/Charges		488.20
Demand Fees		555.00
Balance		3,004.42
<b>2004</b>	Balance Forward	3,928.26
Paid to Treasurer	1,255.34	
Interest/Charges		298.98
Demand Fees		195.00
Balance		3,166.90
<b>2003</b>	Balance Forward	4,073.78
Paid to Treasurer	829.72	
Interest/Charges		248.68
Demand Fees		110.00
Balance		3,602.74
<b>2002</b>	Balance Forward	1,279.92
Paid to Treasurer	61.33	
Interest/Charges		16.33
Demand Fees		20.00
Balance		1,254.92
<b>2001</b>	Balance Forward	1,709.38
Unposted Tax Payment	338.13	
Balance		1,371.25
<b>Miscellaneous Years Payments 1985-2000</b>		
Paid Treasurer	27.50	
Excise Tax		8.75
Interest		8.75
Demand Fees		10.00

**PERSONAL PROPERTY**

<b>FY08</b>		
Committed		119,779.51
Abatements/Exemptions	3,694.32	
Paid to Treasurer	117,967.00	
Interest/Charges		4.47
Possible Refunds		3,544.74
Balance		1,667.40
<b>FY07</b>	Balance Forward	568.52
Paid to Treasurer	284.89	
Interest/Charges		11.37
Demand		10.00
Balance		305.00
<b>FY06</b>	Balance Forward	311.75
<b>FY05</b>	Balance Forward	871.42
<b>FY04</b>	Balance Forward	483.36



Adjustments	.02	
Paid to Treasurer	87,543.97	
Interest/Charges		65.54
Demand Fees		70.00
Balance		7,144.05
<b>FY07</b>	Balance Forward	8,895.37
Paid to Treasurer	7,781.64	
Refunds		332.50
Interest/Charges		251.27
Demand Fees		155.00
Balance		1,852.50
<b>FY06</b>	Balance Forward	3,301.67
Paid to Treasurer	2,404.71	
Interest/Charges		353.04
Demand Fees		45.00
Balance		1,295.00
<b>FY05</b>	Balance Forward	624.50
Paid to Treasurer	530.23	
Interest/Charges		83.73
Demand Fees		15.00
Balance		193.00
<b>FY04</b>	Balance Forward	524.00
Paid to Treasurer	559.98	
Interest/Charges		173.98
Demand Fees		15.00
Balance		153.00
<b>FY03</b>	Balance Forward	487.12
Paid to Treasurer	648.10	
Interest/Charges		223.10
Demand Fees		20.00
Balance		82.12
<b>FY02</b>	Balance Forward	913.00
Paid to Treasurer	662.18	
Interest/Charges		186.68
Demand Fees		15.00
Balance		452.50
<b>FY01</b>	Balance Forward	778.00
Paid to Treasurer	668.02	
Interest/Charges		147.02
Demand Fees		10.00
Balance		267.00
<b>FY00</b>	Balance Forward	310.00
Paid to Treasurer	322.00	
Interest/Charges		101.00
Demand Fees		5.00
Balance		94.00
<b>FY99</b>	Balance Forward	559.00
Paid to Treasurer	322.00	
Interest/Charges		101.00
Demand Fees		5.00
Balance		343.00
<b>FY98</b>	Balance Forward	270.00
<b>FY97</b>	Balance Forward	656.48
<b>FY96</b>	Balance Forward	379.33
Paid to Treasurer	144.00	
Balance		235.33
<b>FY95</b>	Balance Forward	120.00
Paid to Treasurer	60.00	

Balance 60.00

**SOUTH HADLEY FIRE DISTRICT #2**

<b>FY08</b>		
Committed		46,717.04
Paid to SHFD #2	32,201.19	
Balance		14,515.85
<b>FY07</b>	Balance Forward	9,274.87
Tax Title	514.51	
Paid to SHFD #2	7,267.69	
Refunds		435.58
Interest/Charges		206.90
Balance		2,135.15
<b>FY06</b>	Balance Forward	2,009.99
Tax Title	261.81	
Paid to SHFD #2	2,053.15	
Refunds		21.57
Interest/Charges		283.40
Balance		-0-
<b>FY05</b>	Balance Forward	2,191.73
Tax Title	463.94	
Paid to SHFD #2	2,120.09	
Interest/Charges		392.30
Balance		-0-
<b>FY04</b>	Balance Forward	1,542.85
Tax Title	190.79	
Paid to SHFD #2	1,525.96	
Interest/Charges		348.32
Balance		174.42
<b>Miscellaneous Years 1993-2003</b>		
Paid to SHFD #2	6,572.06	
Tax		4,212.50
Interest		2,359.56

Respectfully submitted  
Karen M. Stellato, Tax Collector

**TOWN ACCOUNTANT**

**GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS**

<b>TAXES</b>		
Personal Property	\$122,314	
Real Estate	7,624,579	
Tax Liens Redeemed	14,150	
Tax Foreclosure	129,702	
Motor Vehicle Excise	<u>719,700</u>	\$8,610,445

**LOCAL RECEIPTS**

Interest & Penalties:		
Property Taxes	\$52,286	
Motor Vehicle Excise	<u>6,504</u>	58,790
Charges for Services:		
Recycling Initiative	17,940	
Sanitary Landfill Fees	1,579,406	
COA Transit Charges	<u>1,780</u>	1,599,126
Fees:		
General Government	13,456	
Public Safety	579	

Public Works	12,950	
Human Services	<u>4,465</u>	31,450
Licenses and Permits:		
Alcohol	4,650	
Selectmen	2,605	
Landfill Stickers	22,735	
Town Clerk	236	
Police	4,713	
Fire Department	4,650	
Board of Health	<u>22,765</u>	62,354
Federal Revenue:		
Medicaid Receipts	<u>56,628</u>	56,628
State Revenue:		
Miscellaneous State Revenue	348	
RMV Marking Fees	<u>6,580</u>	6,928
Other Intergovernmental Revenue:		
PVTA Assessment Reimbursement	<u>32,353</u>	32,353
Fines & Forfeits:		
Court Fines	6,870	
Library Fines	884	
RMV Fines	<u>23,740</u>	31,494
Miscellaneous Revenue:		
Investment Income: Interest	<u>260,766</u>	260,766

**CHERRY SHEET RECEIPTS**

State Owned land	35,284	
Veteran/Elderly Abatements	31,063	
Chapter 70	4,156,070	
Charter School Tuition	56,923	
Police Career Incentive	21,883	
Veterans Benefits	12,550	
Lottery	<u>1,098,909</u>	5,412,682

**OTHER FINANCING SOURCES**

Principal From Issuance of Notes	205,000	
Transfer From Special Revenue	20,000	
Transfer From Trust & Agency	<u>74,000</u>	299,000

**TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUE**                   \$16,462,016

**OTHER FUNDS**

School Lunch	\$343,992	
Highway Improvement	<u>310,145</u>	654,137

**SPECIAL REVENUE**

Ambulance Memorial Fund	26	
Arts Lottery Council	4,100	
Board of Health:		
Materials Recycling Program	5,389	
Septic Repair Loan Repayments	12,669	
Board of Selectmen		
Marie Quirk Legacy	591	
Senior Lunch Program	5,000	
Cable Advisory Committee	960	
Cemetery Commission:		
Perpetual Care Bequests	6,930	
Perpetual Care Grounds	2,960	
Sale of Cemetery Lots	705	
Charter Day Commission	33,588	

Council On Aging:		
Building Fund	250	
Fuel Assistance	8,377	
General Purpose	9,933	
Outreach Program	6,195	
Dog Revolving Fund		
Fees	11,276	
Dufresne Park Revolving	39,529	
Fire Department:		
Donations	2,550	
Fire Safety Education	3,850	
Forest Warden		
Fire Burning Permits	1,745	
Inspections Revolving Fund		
Building Permits	27,263	
Electrical Permits	7,765	
Gas Permits	2,593	
Inspections	696	
Insurance Recoveries	10,056	
Library:		
Constance Frenette	2,061	
LIG/MEG	11,593	
Margaret O'Sullivan Memorial	102	
Marie Quirk Library Interest	232	
Machinery Earnings Account	475	
Planning Board:		
Chartier Performance Bond	574	
Munsing Estates	8,488	
Planning Board Revolving	8,541	
Trout Lily	60,823	
Police:		
Bullet Proof Vests	3,828	
Community Policing	28,500	
D.A.R.E Program	16,120	
Recreation Commission:		
Athletic & Park Revolving	290	
Playground Revolving	4,390	
School:		
After School Activity Program	21,099	
Athletic Revolving	44,315	
Ciach Scholarship	410	
Custodial Revolving	11,288	
Donna Gnatek Scholarship	87	
Durant Scholarship	1,712	
East Meadow School Gift Account	291	
Jr.-Sr. High School Gift Account	3,195	
Lost Book Fees	545	
Marie Quirk Scholarship	3,301	
Parking Fees	13,039	
Pre-School Revolving	21,846	
R. R. Randall Memorial Scholarship	192	
R. W. Randall Memorial Scholarship	99	
Scholarship/Education Funds	123	
School Choice	577,967	
School Store	2	
SPED Circuit Breaker	65,654	
State Ward/Foster Care	60	
Substitute Teacher Reimbursement	455	
West Street School Gift Account	<u>308</u>	

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**GRANTS**

Board of Selectmen:		
MEMA	2,700	
Council On Aging:		
Western Mass. Outreach	4,012	
Fire:		
Fire Equipment	36,005	
Police:		
Safe Schools	406	
SETB	6,821	
Womens Fund of W. Mass	4,000	
School:		
#140-Teacher Quality	24,963	
#160-Enhanced Ed. Through Tech.	757	
#240-SPED Allocation 94-142	234,958	
#262-SPED Early Childhood	12,140	
#274-SPED Professional Dev.	6,851	
#290-DPH Enhanced School Health	66,248	
#302-Title VI	689	
#305-Title I	35,249	
#331-Drug Free Schools	3,436	
#575-Early Intervention Literacy	23,181	
#632-Academic Support Services	2,000	
#718-School Health Leadership		
Institute School-Based	1,000	
Healthy Choices – Blue Cross	1,000	
Pothole Reserve	11,000	
Wal-mart	<u>9,299</u>	486,715

Stabilization	103,979	
Cemetery Commission:		
Smith Fund	12	
Perpetual Care Unused Interest	191	
Sale of Lots	117	
Conservation Commission:		
Conservation Fund	2,261	
Hatch Fund	3,779	
Library:		
Smith	14	
Ferry	616	
Keith	150	
Kellogg	26	
Law Enforcement Trust Fund	955	
Transfers In	<u>415,555</u>	608,638

**AGENCY FUNDS**

Police:		
Academy Reimbursement	15	
Outside Details	55,761	
School Student Activity		
East Meadow School	54,830	
Jr.-Sr. High School	110,498	
West Street School	21,028	
Tax Collector Fees	14,719	
Town Clerk Fees	<u>1,439</u>	<u>258,290</u>

**GRAND TOTAL ALL CASH RECEIPTS** \$26,813,574**CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND**

Transfers In	<u>6,400,000</u>	6,400,000
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**SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND**

Penalties & Interest	2,400	
Sewer User Fees	128,615	
Sewer Connection Loan	2,884	
Fees	1,100	
Betterments	20,113	
Committed Interest	9,662	
MWPAT Subsidy	41,260	
Investment Income: Interest	7,296	
Transfers In	<u>0</u>	213,330

**AMBULANCE ENTERPRISE FUND**

Fees	211,093	
Restitution	44,826	
Investment Income: Interest	3,157	
Principal From Issuance of Notes	165,000	
Transfers In	<u>186,375</u>	613,447

**TRUST FUNDS**

Treasurer:		
Alta M. Smith	729	
Abbie L C Lathrop	153	
Chapin	1,250	
Whiting Street	467	
Capital Needs Stabilization	33,344	
General Purpose Stabilization	45,040	
Municipal Construction/Renovation		

## EXPENDITURES

	Appropriation			Transfer		Expended	Encum-bered	Unspent
	Original	Carry Fwd.	Additional	In	Out			
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>								
Moderator								
Salary	175					175		0
Expense	75					24		51
Selectmen								
Salary	8151					8151		0
Wages	136067	2223				124829	1441	12020
Expense	15318					13478		1840
Capital	7500					5967		1533
Art #02 05/14/07 Granby Heights	1656					1656		0
Finance Committee								
Expense	1587					1189		398
Reserve Fund								
Expense	100000				100000			0
Computer System								
Expense	21840	350				21047	260	883
Capital	7000					4600	1759	641
Town Accountant								
Wages	17352	300				15600	360	1692
Expense	250					40		210
Audit								
Expense	19500	4400				19000	4900	0
Assessors								
Salary	9288					9288		0
Wages	48745	689				43479	1142	4813
Expense	12320					12302		18
Capital								0
Town Treasurer								
Salary	41760					41760		0
Wages						0		0
Expense	17895	37				3757	37	14138
Art #33 06/19/06 Tax Title Cost		25697				5119	20577	0
Tax Collector								
Salary	35194					35194		0
Wages						0		0
Expense	10616					9507		1109
Art #32 06/19/06 Tax Title Cost		12863				1685	11178	0
Legal								
Wages	8515					8515		0
Expense	17965					16329		1636
Personnel Board								
Expense	447					12		435
Town Clerk								
Salary	37723					37723		0
Wages	1500					1488		13
Expense	2693				230	2893		30

	Appropriation			Transfer		Expended	Encum-bered	Unspent
	Original	Carry Fwrd	Additional	In	Out			
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>								
Art #26 05/14/07 Records Restoration	8500					8500		0
Board of Registrars								
Wages	1760					1760		0
Expense	12235					11620		615
Notes & Licenses								
Expense	175					55		120
Planning Board								
Art #29 05/14/07 Master Plan	60000					24266	35734	0
Board of Appeals								
Expense	1504			33		1537		0
Public Buildings								
Wages	32346	553				31414	553	932
Expense	26272					23290		2982
Capital	5000					4469		531
Art #04 11/19/01 Athletic Fields		112529					112529	0
Art #27 06/03/02 Kellogg Hall		13087					13087	0
Art #27 05/09/05 Announcement		3000					3000	0
Art #04 05/08/06 Public Safety Complex Dsgn		25000				25345		-345
Art #30 05/14/07 Truck w/Plow & Sander	40000					39842	158	0
Art #33 05/14/07 Painting & Scraping Testing	12000						12000	0
Art #35 05/14/07 West St School Roof Replace	1135230					30066	1105164	0
Public Buildings Utilities								
Expense	103113					85169		17944
Public Buildings Gasoline								
Expense	101064					90955		10109
Public Buildings Communications								
Expense	17727					13764		3964
Art #24 05/09/05 Telephone System		18859					18859	0
Police								
Wages	649446	12172		32212		674755	17767	1308
Expense	47275	38				57032		-9719
Art #25 05/14/07 Cruiser	28300					28263	37	0
Auxiliary Police								
Expense	1520					1457		63
Dispatch								
Wages	143800					133481	4253	6066
Expense	18750					9845		8905
Capital								0
Fire								
Wages	105167					80919	15032	9217
Expense	25900					24202		1698
Capital	46100	26457				35990	33636	2932
Art #21 06/05/00 #03 05/10/04 Pumper		2271				1900	371	0
Art #36 06/02/03 Dufresne Pond		20000					20000	0
Art #24 06/14/04 Fire Hose		3890				817	3073	0
Art #38 06/19/06 Pump Truck Equip.		35000				27234	7766	0

	Appropriation			Transfer		Expended	Encum-bered	Unspent
	Original	Carry Fwr'd	Additional	In	Out			
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>								
Plumbing Inspector								
Expense	4725					2631	2094	0
Health Inspector								
Wages	19000	2555				7605	8785	5165
Emergency Management								
Expense	1111	1033				222	1767	155
Art #18 02/25/02 Relocate Siren		16529				469	16060	0
Tree Warden								
Salary	500					0	111	389
Wages	0					0		0
Expense	0					0		0
Capital	0					0		0
School Department								
Wages	6034529	447746				6055399	529344	-102469
Expense	1909544	64719				1850429	8589	115245
Art #41 06/19/06 School Building Design		111379				2193	109187	0
Art #34 05/14/07 High School Ext Doors	37555					37555		0
Art #04 Heating Control/Software	15500					14844	656	0
Highway								
Wages	228562	2561				216288	3813	11022
Expense	35640	1000				33779	1000	1862
Roads	124500					113523	5977	5000
Art #27 05/14/07 Heavy Dump w/Sander	120000						120000	0
Art #28 05/14/07 Guardrail	125000					117136	7864	0
Snow & Ice Control								
Wages	31000			6279		37279		0
Expense	45000			12996		57996		0
Cemetery								
Wages	7563	63				6833	792	0
Expense	2360					2360		0
Board of Health								
Salary	2400					2400		0
Wages	17160	396				15691	519	1346
Expense	4500					4498		2
Visiting Nurse								
Expense	1200					585	225	390
Council on Aging								
Wages	73365	430				71519	814	1461
Expense	5682					5229	208	245
Art #31 05/14/07 Handicapped Van	38000					34390	3610	
Veteran Services								
Expense	23600			5000		28410		190
Senior Lunch Program								
Expense		2258		2300		2258	2300	0
Animal Inspector								
Expense	3350					2717		633

	Appropriation			Transfer		Expended	Encum-bered	Unspent
	Original	Carry Fwr	Additional	In	Out			
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>								
Library								
Wages	87355	1728				85365	1728	1990
Expense	28513					26065		2448
Art #35 06/03/02 ADA Modifications		17992				313	17679	0
Debt								
Principal	89120					89120		0
L/T Debt	14703					13365		1338
S/T Debt	3000					0		3000
State Assessments								
School Choice			178310			165064		13246
Charter School			55095			91019		-35924
SPED			0			812		-812
Health Insurance			316010			316010		0
Air Pollution			1409			1409		0
RMV Surcharges			5300			7000		-1700
PVTAs			57838			30819		27019
Intergovernmental Assessments								
PVPC			920			920		0
Veterans District			9415			9415		0
Council of Gvts	6181					6181		0
Pathfinder	363370					361374		1996
Town Insurance								
Expense	193467					157346		36121
County Retirement								
Expense	539807					539807		0
Workers' Compensation								
Expense	63094					55538	7556	0
Unemployment Compensation								
Expense	9060			4309		13369		0
Health Insurance								
Expense	1351373					1206924	7945	136504
Art #32 05/14/07 GASB 45 Study	19000						19000	
Life Insurance								
Expense	2763					2177		586
Transfer Out								
Capital Funds			2000000			2000000		
Enterprise Funds			149734	36641		186375		0
Trust and Agency			400000			400000		0
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>14886468</b>	<b>989804</b>	<b>3174031</b>	<b>100000</b>	<b>100000</b>	<b>16402777</b>	<b>2322297</b>	<b>325230</b>
<b>SCHOOL LUNCH</b>								
Wages		-15417	343992			104655	-8780	232701
Expense						232701		-232701
Capital								0
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-15417</b>	<b>343992</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>337356</b>	<b>-8780</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>CHAPTER 90</b>								
Contract 35413		2035				2035		0
Contract 48284		78003				45411	32592	0
Contract 44510		122668				122668		0

	Appropriation			Transfer		Expended	Encum-bered	Unspent
	Original	Carry Fwrd	Additional	In	Out			
<b>CHAPTER 90</b>								
Contract 50814		211330				7920	203410	0
<b>Subtotal</b>	0	414035	0	0	0	178034	236002	0
<b>SPECIAL REVENUE</b>								
Ambulance Memorial		682	26				708	0
Arts Lottery Council		1802	4100			2591	3311	0
Board of Health								
Materials Recycling		2030	5389			5667	1752	0
Phase V Landfill Expansion		119					119	0
Septic System Repair		107035	12669				119704	0
Board of Selectmen								
Marie Quirk Legacy		14773	591				15364	0
Cable Advisory Cmte		2818	960				3777	0
Cemetery								
Bequests Awaiting Acceptance		28695	6930		15555		20070	0
Perpetual Care Grounds			2960			2960		0
Sale of Cemetery Lots		790	705				1495	0
Charter Day Revolving		27687	33588			23261	38014	0
Council On Aging								
Building Fund		4728	250				4978	0
Fuel Assistance		5022	8377			8759	4640	0
General Purpose		6988	9933			3988	12932	0
Outreach Program		312	6195			6285	222	0
Dog Revolving			11276			1264	10012	0
Dufresne Revolving		17235	39529			36688	20076	0
Fire								
Donations			2550			2523	27	0
Safety Grant		10348	3850			4700	9499	0
Forest Warden		3544	1745			544	4745	0
Highway								
Machinery Earnings Account		40756	475				41231	0
Insurance Reimbursement		712				712		0
Inspections Revolving		44102	38317			46923	35495	0
Library								
Constance Frenette			2061				2061	0
LIG/MEG		1738	11593			10512	2820	0
Margaret O'Sullivan Memorial		2559	102				2661	0
Marie Quirk Library		2104	233				2336	0
Planning Board								
Chartier Performance Bond		4329	574				4903	0
Munsing Estates		216268	8488			45520	179236	0
Nicholson-Kotowicz		4220					4220	0
Planning Board Revolving		43510	8541		20000	18575	13476	0
Trout Lily			60823				60823	0
Police								
Auction Receipts		25					25	0
Bullet Proof Vest Program		1020	3828				4848	0
Community Policing		3904	28500			16231	16173	0

	Appropriation			Transfer		Expended	Encum-bered		Unspent
	Original	Carry Fwrd	Additional	In	Out				
<b>SPECIAL REVENUE</b>									
D.A.R.E. Revolving		4870	16120			11438	9552	0	
Insurance Reimbursement			7501			7202	299	0	
<b>Public Buildings</b>									
Insurance Reimbursement			2555				2555	0	
<b>Recreation Commission</b>									
Athletic & Park Self Supporting		2420	290			2710		0	
Recreation Revolving		18456	4390			4532	18314	0	
Right To Know Law		421					421	0	
<b>School</b>									
After School Activities Program		12357	21099			22609	10847	0	
Athletic Revolving		9927	44315			53400	843	0	
Ciach Scholarship		10266	410			350	10327	0	
Custodial Revolving		2998	11288			11345	2940	0	
Donna Gnatek Scholarship		2203	87			500	1790	0	
Durant Scholarship		40882	1712			1500	41094	0	
East Meadow School Gift			291			310	-19	0	
Francis Mullen Scholarship								0	
Insurance Reimbursements		1797				435	1361	0	
Jr.-Sr. High Gift			3195			513	2682	0	
Lost Book Fees		522	545				1067	0	
Marie Quirk Scholarship		76533	3301			3522	76312	0	
Parking Fees		6186	13039			13306	5919	0	
Preschool Revolving		3725	21846			17558	8013	0	
R.R. Randall Memorial		4295	192			200	4288	0	
R.W. Randall Memorial		2149	99			100	2148	0	
Scholarship		2845	123			100	2868	0	
School Choice		191548	577967			655029	114485	0	
School Store		2275	2			2277		0	
SPED Circuit Breaker		4397	65654			70772	-722	0	
State Ward/Foster Care		11320	60			10151	1229	0	
Sustitute Teacher Reimbursement		100	455			455	100	0	
West St School Gift		152	308			148	312	0	
Senior Lunch Program			5000			2613	2387	0	
<b>Transfer Out</b>									
General Fund				20000		20000		0	
Trust and Agency				15555		15555		0	
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1012502</b>	<b>1117001</b>	<b>35555</b>	<b>35555</b>	<b>1166334</b>	<b>963169</b>	<b>0</b>	
<b>GRANTS</b>									
<b>Board of Health</b>									
<b>Hampshire Public Health</b>									
Preparedness Coalition		650				650		0	
<b>Board of Selectmen</b>									
FEMA/MEMA			2700				2700	0	
MOTT Grant		25000					25000	0	
<b>Council On Aging</b>									
Western Mass. Outreach		-676	4013			3337		0	

	Appropriation			Transfer		Expended	Encum-bered		Unspent
	Original	CarryFwr	Additional	In	Out				
<b>GRANTS</b>									
Fire									
Executive Office of Public Safety		51					51	0	
Federal Fire Act		124806				124795	11	0	
Fire Equipment		5250	36005			5250	36005	0	
Police									
Governors Highway Safety Bureau								0	
Safe Schools Grant			406				406	0	
SETB Grant			6821			128	6693	0	
Womens Fund of W. Mass			4000			4000		0	
School									
#140-Teacher Quality		-320	24963			23551	1092	0	
#160-Enhanced Ed. Through Tech.		579	757			839	497	0	
#240-SPED Allocation 91-142		38898	234958			285595	-11739	0	
#262-SPED Early Childhood		1438	12140			10735	2843	0	
#274-SPED Professional Dev.			6851			6851		0	
#290-DPH Enhanced School Health		8918	66248			69434	5731	0	
#302-Title VI		27	689			716		0	
#305-Title I		6208	35249			39639	1818	0	
#331-Drug Free Schools		1209	3436			4490	155	0	
#574-Early Literacy Intervention								0	
#575-Early Intervention Literacy			23181			24100	-919	0	
#632-Academic Support Services		540	2000			1760	780	0	
#718-School Health Leadership Inst.		1952	1000			2744	208	0	
Pothole Reserve			11000			9390	1610	0	
New Horizons For Youth		5685			5685			0	
Teacher Education		55				55		0	
Walmart Grant		660	10299			6649	4310	0	
Transfer Out									
General Fund				5685		5685		0	
<b>Subtotal</b>	0	220930	486715	5685	5685	630393	77252	0	
<b>CAPITAL</b>									
Art #03 12/10/07 Public Safety Complex A&E			1000000			4850	995150	0	
Art #01 03/17/08 Construct Complex			2000000				2000000	0	
Art #02 03/17/08 Construct Complex			3400000				3400000	0	
Capital								0	
<b>Subtotal</b>	0	0	6400000	0	0	4850	6395150	0	
<b>SEWER</b>									
Wages	17160					17160		0	
Expense	92122					94337		-2215	
Debt	133330					133329		1	
Reserve	2388							2388	
Capital								0	
<b>Subtotal</b>	245000	0	0	0	0	244827	0	173	
<b>AMBULANCE</b>									
Wages	254134	5085	36641			299666	13834	-17639	
Expense	32300					38983		-6683	
Debt								0	
Capital	13300	3093				8435	7164	794	

	Appropriation			Transfer		Expended	Encum-bered	Unspent
	Original	CarryFwrd	Additional	In	Out			
<b>AMBULANCE</b>								
Art #40 06/19/06 Ambulance	165000					163706	1294	0
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>464734</b>	<b>8178</b>	<b>36641</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>510790</b>	<b>22291</b>	<b>-23528</b>
<b>TRUST FUNDS</b>								
Cemetery								
Perpetual Care		175211	15555			12659	178107	0
Perpetual Care Unused Interest			192			192		0
Sale of Lots		2917	117				3034	0
Smith Fund		309	12				322	0
Conservation Commission								
Conservation Fund		56636	2262			1618	57280	0
Hatch Fund		43847	3779			1103	46524	0
Library								
Smith Fund		537	14			512	40	0
Ferry Fund		15399	617				16016	0
Keith Fund		3990	150			708	3432	0
Kellogg Fund		648	26			28	646	0
Planning Board								
Chartier Performance Bond		10000						10000
Police Department								
Law Enforcement Trust			955				955	0
Town Treasurer								
Abbie L.C. Lathrop Fund		3830	153			150	3833	0
Alta M. Smith Fund		18236	729			850	18115	0
Chapin Fund		31217	1250				32467	0
Stabilization Fund-General Purpose		243621	45040		15500			273161
Stabilization Fund-Municipal Building		4512285	403979		4400000			516264
Stabilization Fund-Capital Needs		501705	133344		58500			576549
Whiting Street Fund		11654	467				12121	0
Transfer Out								
General Fund				74000		74000		0
Capital Projects				4400000		4400000		0
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5632045</b>	<b>608638</b>	<b>4474000</b>	<b>4474000</b>	<b>4491818</b>	<b>372891</b>	<b>1375974</b>
<b>AGENCY FUNDS</b>								
East Meadow Student Activity		7694	54858			60326	2227	0
Highway Reimbursement			24				24	0
Jr.-Sr. High Student Activity		103801	110717			102411	112107	0
Outside Details		-2919	55761			49618	3224	0
Payroll Deductions		63372	3208970			3203496	68846	0
Police Academy Reimbursement		15597	489			13445	2641	0
Tax Collector			14719			14924	-205	0
Town Clerk		-132	1439			1307		0
West Street School Student Activity		9081	21098			19370	10808	0
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>196494</b>	<b>3468076</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3464897</b>	<b>199672</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>15596202</b>	<b>8034936</b>	<b>15148379</b>	<b>4609555</b>	<b>4609555</b>	<b>26631569</b>	<b>10470100</b>	<b>1677849</b>

Town of Granby  
Consolidated Balance Sheet  
June 30, 2008

ASSETS	TOTAL	GENERAL	SPECIAL REVENUE	CAPITAL PROJECTS	ENTERPRISE FUNDS	TRUST & AGENCY	LONG-TERM ACCOUNT GROUP
Petty Cash	278.19	278.19					
Cash	14,506,170.59	4,267,794.51	1,095,440.42	6,385,302.00	807,252.90	1,950,380.76	
Property Tax Receivable							
FY08	(1,877.34)	(1,877.34)					
FY07	305.00	305.00					
FY06	311.75	311.75					
Prior Years	1,354.78	1,354.78					
Real Estate Tax Receivable							
FY08	277,895.46	277,895.46					
FY07	63,227.00	63,227.00					
FY06	23,899.86	23,899.86					
Prior Years	206,253.77	206,253.77					
<b>Total Taxes Receivable</b>	<b>571,370.28</b>	<b>571,370.28</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
Provision for Abatements & Exemptions							
FY08	(12,305.67)	(12,305.67)					
FY07	(19,621.83)	(19,621.83)					
FY06	(79,753.22)	(79,753.22)					
Prior Years	(160,564.78)	(160,564.78)					
<b>Total Prov. For Abatement/Exempt.</b>	<b>(272,245.50)</b>	<b>(272,245.50)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net Property Tax Receivable</b>	<b>299,124.78</b>	<b>299,124.78</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
Motor Vehicle Excise							
FY08	48,508.30	48,508.30					
FY07	14,184.94	14,184.94					
FY06	5,972.52	5,972.52					
Prior Years	12,391.48	12,391.48					
<b>Total Motor Vehicle Excise</b>	<b>81,057.24</b>	<b>81,057.24</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
Unapportioned Sewer Betterments	103,063.00				103,063.00		
Apportioned Added To Tax	1,533.39				1,533.39		
Committed Interest	1,126.12				1,126.12		
Sewer User Fees Receivable	14,647.89				14,647.89		
Sewer Connection Loan Receivable	5,572.97				5,572.97		
<b>Total Betterments</b>	<b>125,943.37</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>125,943.37</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
Tax Liens Receivable	101,126.36	101,126.36					
Septic System Repair Program	-						
Due From Commonwealth of Mass.	83,773.50			83,773.50			
Tax Foreclosures	297,170.60	297,170.60					
<b>Total Other Receivables</b>	<b>482,070.46</b>	<b>398,296.96</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>83,773.50</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
Inventory Held For Resale	-						
Fixed Assets	4,741,224.57						4,741,224.57
Provision For Accrued Sick, Vac.,Comp.	317,009.97						317,009.97
Provision for Debt Repayment	1,870,489.05						1,870,489.05
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>22,423,368.22</b>	<b>5,046,551.68</b>	<b>1,095,440.42</b>	<b>6,469,075.50</b>	<b>933,196.27</b>	<b>1,950,380.76</b>	<b>6,928,723.59</b>

**Town of Granby**  
**Consolidated Balance Sheet**  
**June 30, 2008**

<u>LIABILITIES</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>GENERAL</u>	<u>SPECIAL REVENUE</u>	<u>CAPITAL PROJECTS</u>	<u>ENTERPRISE FUNDS</u>	<u>TRUST &amp; AGENCY</u>	<u>LONG-TERM ACCOUNT GROUP</u>
Warrants Payable	375,858.14	222,448.25	63,799.39	85,616.94	2,150.07	1,843.49	
Payroll Withholdings	68,846.39					68,846.39	
Accrued Sick, Vacation & Comp Time	317,009.97						317,009.97
Notes Payable	1,870,489.05						1,870,489.05
Abandoned Property & Unclaimed Items	46,706.23	46,706.23					
Other Liabilities	214,599.37			83,773.50		130,825.87	
Deferred Revenue							
Personal Property & Real Estate	299,124.78	299,124.78					
Motor Vehicle Excise	81,057.24	81,057.24					
Tax Liens	101,126.36	101,126.36			-		
Tax Foreclosures	297,170.60	297,170.60			-		
Septic System Repair Program	-		-				
Unapportioned Assessments	103,063.00				103,063.00		
Apportioned Assessments	1,533.39				1,533.39		
Committed Interest	1,126.12				1,126.12		
Sewer User Fees	14,647.89				14,647.89		
Sewer Connection Loan	5,572.97				5,572.97		
<b>Total Deferred Revenue</b>	<u>904,422.35</u>	<u>778,478.98</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>125,943.37</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<u>3,797,931.50</u>	<u>1,047,633.46</u>	<u>63,799.39</u>	<u>169,390.44</u>	<u>128,093.44</u>	<u>201,515.75</u>	<u>2,187,499.02</u>
<b>FUND BALANCE</b>							
Reserve for Encumbrances	2,340,485.67	2,318,194.32		-	22,291.35		
Reserve for Teacher Pay Deferral	(59,675.20)	(59,675.20)					
Reserve For Expenditures	465,242.00	403,834.00			61,408.00		
Investment in Inventory	-						
Investment in General Fixed Assets	4,741,224.57				-		4,741,224.57
Unreserved Surplus (Deficit)	10,416,756.20	1,336,565.10	1,031,641.03	6,299,685.06		1,748,865.01	
State and Federal Grants	(83,773.50)			(83,773.50)			
State and Federal Grants Offset	83,773.50			83,773.50			
Projects Authoriized	(6,400,000.00)			(6,400,000.00)			
Projects Authoriized Offset	6,400,000.00			6,400,000.00			
Retained Earnings	721,403.48				721,403.48		
<b>Total Fund Balance</b>	<u>18,625,436.72</u>	<u>3,998,918.22</u>	<u>1,031,641.03</u>	<u>6,299,685.06</u>	<u>805,102.83</u>	<u>1,748,865.01</u>	<u>4,741,224.57</u>
<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>	<u>22,423,368.22</u>	<u>5,046,551.68</u>	<u>1,095,440.42</u>	<u>6,469,075.50</u>	<u>933,196.27</u>	<u>1,950,380.76</u>	<u>6,928,723.59</u>

**Town of Granby**  
**Special Revenue Consolidated Balance Sheet**  
**June 30, 2008**

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>SCHOOL LUNCH</u>	<u>SPECIAL REVENUE</u>	<u>GRANTS</u>
Cash	1,095,440.42	(1,094.87)	1,005,271.28	91,264.01
Septic System Repair Program	-		-	
Due From Commonwealth of Mass.	-			
<b>Total Other Receivables</b>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Inventories For Resale	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>1,095,440.42</b>	<b>(1,094.87)</b>	<b>1,005,271.28</b>	<b>91,264.01</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Warrants Payable	63,799.39	7,685.46	42,101.97	14,011.96
Deferred Revenue	-	-	-	-
Septic System Repair Program	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Deferred Revenue</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>63,799.39</b>	<b>7,685.46</b>	<b>42,101.97</b>	<b>14,011.96</b>
<b>FUND BALANCE</b>				
F/B - Reserved For Inventories	TOTAL	SCHOOL LUNCH	SPECIAL REVENUE	GRANTS
Designated Fund Balance		SCHOOL	SPECIAL	
Munsing Estates	179,235.85		179,235.85	
Constance Fredette	2,061.48		2,061.48	
Senior Lunch Program	2,387.28		2,387.28	
Trout Lily	60,823.17		60,823.17	
Fire Department Donations	27.03		27.03	
Parking Fees	5,918.99		5,918.99	
Lost Book Fees	1,067.37		1,067.37	
State Wards	1,229.23		1,229.23	
Special Ed Circuit Breaker	(721.60)		(721.60)	
After School Activities Program	10,847.42		10,847.42	
West Street School Gift	312.26		312.26	
East Meadow Gift	(19.23)		(19.23)	
Jr.-Sr. High Gift	2,682.31		2,682.31	
Septic System Repair Program	119,704.04		119,704.04	
Chartier Performance Bond	4,903.19		4,903.19	
Bullet Proof Vest	4,847.50		4,847.50	
Auction Receipts	25.25		25.25	
Insurance Reimbursement	4,215.62		4,215.62	
Forest Warden Offset Receipt	4,744.78		4,744.78	
Right To Know Law	420.85		420.85	
Cable Advisory Committee	3,777.21		3,777.21	
Road Machinery Earnings Account	41,231.31		41,231.31	
Sale of Cemetery Lots	1,495.00		1,495.00	
Bequests Awaiting Acceptance	20,070.00		20,070.00	
COA General Purpose	12,932.08		12,932.08	
LIG/MEG	2,819.59		2,819.59	
Arts Lottery Council	3,311.21		3,311.21	
R. R. Randall Memorial	4,287.55		4,287.55	
R. W. Randall Memorial	2,148.17		2,148.17	
Donna Gnatek Scholarship	1,790.16		1,790.16	
C'iaoh Scholarship	10,326.74		10,326.74	
Substitute Teacher	100.00		100.00	
Safety Grant	9,498.69		9,498.69	
Scholarship	2,867.65		2,867.65	
Community Policing	16,172.70		16,172.70	
Durant Scholarship	41,094.05		41,094.05	
Ambulance Memorial Fund	708.21		708.21	
Margaret O'Sullivan Memorial	2,661.44		2,661.44	

FUND BALANCE	TOTAL	SCHOOL LUNCH	SPECIAL REVENUE	GRANTS
Designated Fund Balance (cont.)				
Marie Quirk Scholarship	76,312.31		76,312.31	
Marie Quirk Library	2,336.06		2,336.06	
Marie Quirk Dufresne	15,364.44		15,364.44	
Materials Recycling Program	1,751.80		1,751.80	
Nicholson-Kotowicz	4,220.00		4,220.00	
FEMA-MEMA Reimbursement	2,699.80			2,699.80
EOPS EPSSCEPS2005	51.34			51.34
Safe Schools Grant	406.00			406.00
Fire Equipment Grant 2007	36,005.00			36,005.00
MOTT Grant	25,000.00			25,000.00
Pothole Reserve	1,609.82			1,609.82
SETB Grant	6,692.85			6,692.85
West Street School Grants	4,309.96			4,309.96
#140 Teacher Quality	1,092.44			1,092.44
#160 Enhanced Education	497.00			497.00
#240 SPED 94-142 Allocation	(11,739.46)			(11,739.46)
#262 SPED Early Intervention	2,843.08			2,843.08
#290 Enhanced School Health	5,731.07			5,731.07
#305 Title I	1,817.76			1,817.76
#331 Drug Free Schools	155.00			155.00
#575 Early Intervention Literacy	(919.00)			(919.00)
#632 Academic Support Services	780.00			780.00
Federal Fire Act	11.15			11.15
#718 School Health Leadership Institute	208.24			208.24
Designated - Revolving Funds				
Pre-School Revolving	8,013.16		8,013.16	
D.A.R.E./Local Revolving	9,551.67		9,551.67	
Recreation Revolving	18,314.12		18,314.12	
Dufresne Park Revolving	20,076.00		20,076.00	
Charter Day Revolving	38,014.04		38,014.04	
Athletic Revolving	842.58		842.58	
Custodial Services Revolving	2,940.22		2,940.22	
Inspections Revolving	35,495.49		35,495.49	
Designated Fund Balance (cont.)				
Dog Revolving	10,012.40		10,012.40	
School Choice	114,485.35		114,485.35	
Planning Board Revolving	13,475.87		13,475.87	
Undesignated Fund Balance				
Unreserved Surplus (Deficit)	(8,780.33)	(8,780.33)		
		SCHOOL	SPECIAL	
		LUNCH	REVENUE	GRANTS
<b>FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>			
<b>Total Fund Balance</b>	<u>1,031,641.03</u>	<u>(8,780.33)</u>	<u>963,169.31</u>	<u>77,252.05</u>
<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>	<u>1,095,440.42</u>	<u>(1,094.87)</u>	<u>1,005,271.28</u>	<u>91,264.01</u>

**Town of Granby**  
**Enterprise Funds Consolidated Balance Sheet**  
**June 30, 2008**

<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>SEWER</b>	<b>AMBULANCE</b>
Cash	807,252.90	517,659.96	289,592.94
Unapportioned Sewer Betterments	103,063.00	103,063.00	
Apportioned Added To Tax	1,533.39	1,533.39	
Committed Interest	1,126.12	1,126.12	
Sewer User Fees Receivable	14,647.89	14,647.89	
Sewer Tax Liens	-		
Deferred Taxes	-		
Sewer Tax Foreclosure	-	-	
Sewer Connection Loan Receivable	5,572.97	5,572.97	
<b>Total Betterments</b>	<b>125,943.37</b>	<b>125,943.37</b>	<b>-</b>
Machinery and Equipment	132,091.99		132,091.99
Accum. Deprec.-Machinery & Equipment	(132,091.99)		(132,091.99)
<b>Total Other Assets</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>933,196.27</b>	<b>643,603.33</b>	<b>289,592.94</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Warrants Payable	2,150.07	971.35	1,178.72
<b>Deferred Revenue</b>			
Unapportioned Assessments	103,063.00	103,063.00	
Apportioned Assessments	1,533.39	1,533.39	
Committed Interest	1,126.12	1,126.12	
Sewer User Fees	14,647.89	14,647.89	
Sewer Connection Loan	5,572.97	5,572.97	
Deferred Taxes	-	-	
Sewer Tax Foreclosure	-	-	
Sewer Tax Liens	-	-	
<b>Total Deferred Revenue</b>	<b>125,943.37</b>	<b>125,943.37</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>128,093.44</b>	<b>126,914.72</b>	<b>1,178.72</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>FUND BALANCE</b>			
Reserve for Encumbrances	22,291.35		22,291.35
Reserve for Expenditures	61,408.00	61,408.00	
Investment in General Fixed Assets	-		-
Retained Earnings	721,403.48	455,280.61	266,122.87
<b>Total Fund Balance</b>	<b>805,102.83</b>	<b>516,688.61</b>	<b>288,414.22</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>	<b>933,196.27</b>	<b>643,603.33</b>	<b>289,592.94</b>

**Town of Granby**  
**Trust and Agency Consolidated Balance Sheet**  
**June 30, 2008**

<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>NON</b>			<b>AGENCY FUNDS</b>
		<b>EXPENDABLE TRUST</b>	<b>EXPENDABLE TRUST</b>	<b>EXPENDABLE FUNDS</b>	
Cash	1,950,380.76	275,097.37	3,034.28	1,471,269.55	200,979.56
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>1,950,380.76</b>	<b>275,097.37</b>	<b>3,034.28</b>	<b>1,471,269.55</b>	<b>200,979.56</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
Warrants Payable	1,843.49			536.19	1,307.30
Payroll Withholdings	68,846.39				68,846.39
<b>Other Liabilities</b>					
West Street School Student Activity	10,807.75				10,807.75
East Meadow School Student Activity	2,226.85				2,226.85
Jr.-Sr. High School Student Activity	112,107.32				112,107.32
Tax Collector Fees	(205.00)				(205.00)
Town Clerk Fees					
Police Detail	3,224.02				3,224.02
Police Academy Reimbursement	2,641.18				2,641.18
Highway Department	23.75				23.75
<b>Total Other Liabilities</b>	<b>130,825.87</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>130,825.87</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>201,515.75</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>536.19</b>	<b>200,979.56</b>

<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>NON</b>			<b>AGENCY FUNDS</b>
		<b>EXPENDABLE TRUST</b>	<b>EXPENDABLE TRUST</b>	<b>EXPENDABLE FUNDS</b>	
<b>FUND BALANCE</b>					
Designated Fund Balance					
Chartier Performance Bond	10,000.00	10,000.00			
Alta M. Smith Fund	18,114.87	18,114.87			
Smith Perpetual Care Fund	321.56	321.56			
Perpetual Care Fund	178,107.05	178,107.05			
Smith Library Fund	39.78	39.78			
Ferry Fund	16,015.62	16,015.62			
Keith Fund	3,432.21	3,432.21			
Kellogg Fund	645.77	645.77			
Abbie L C Lathrop Fund	3,833.24	3,833.24			
Chapin Fund	32,466.76	32,466.76			
Whiting Street Fund	12,120.51	12,120.51			
Undesignated Fund Balance					
Perpetual Care Interest					
Sale of Lots	3,034.28		3,034.28		
Law Enforcement Trust Fund	954.74			954.74	
Conservation Trust Fund	57,280.47			57,280.47	
Hatch Fund	46,523.67			46,523.67	
General Purpose Stabilization Fund	273,161.22			273,161.22	
Construction/Renovation Stabilization	516,263.85			516,263.85	
Capital Needs Stabilization	576,549.41			576,549.41	
<b>Total Fund Balance</b>	<b>1,748,865.01</b>	<b>275,097.37</b>	<b>3,034.28</b>	<b>1,470,733.36</b>	
<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>	<b>1,950,380.76</b>	<b>275,097.37</b>	<b>3,034.28</b>	<b>1,471,269.55</b>	<b>200,979.56</b>

**Town of Granby**  
**Long Term Account Group Consolidated Balance Sheet**  
**June 30, 2008**

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>LONG-TERM ACCOUNT GROUP</u>
Land	310,802.16	310,802.16
Buildings & Renovations	9,242,617.50	9,242,617.50
Accum Deprec.-Buildings&Renovations	(7,263,340.24)	(7,263,340.24)
Infrastructure	2,963,354.00	2,963,354.00
Accum Deprec.-Infrastructure	(1,311,992.89)	(1,311,992.89)
Machinery & Equipment	2,307,275.62	2,307,275.62
Accum Deprec.-Machinery&Equipment	(1,690,223.86)	(1,690,223.86)
Construction In Progress	182,732.28	182,732.28
<b>Net Fixed Assets</b>	<b>4,741,224.57</b>	<b>4,741,224.57</b>
Amts To Be Provided For Note Payment	1,870,489.05	1,870,489.05
		<b>LONG-TERM ACCOUNT GROUP</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	
Amts To Be Provided For Sick, Vac., Comp	317,009.97	317,009.97
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>6,928,723.59</b>	<b>6,928,723.59</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Notes Payable	1,870,489.05	1,870,489.05
Investment in Fixed Assets	4,741,224.57	4,741,224.57
Accrued Sick, Vaction & Comp. Time	317,009.97	317,009.97
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>6,928,723.59</b>	<b>6,928,723.59</b>

## TOWN CLERK

The following is a record of transactions made by the Town Clerk's office for the calendar year ending December 31, 2008:

### **Vitals Records:**

Births recorded	39
Marriages recorded	31
Deaths recorded:	38

### **Dog Licenses:**

Single Dog Licenses:	1324
10 dogs or less-Kennel Hobby	15
10 dogs or more-Kennel Commercial	3
Citations issued	68

### **Fishing & Sporting Licenses:**

Fishing Licenses	173
Hunting Licenses:	19
Sporting License:	90
Trapping Licenses:	1
Archery Stamps:	31
Waterfowl Stamps	13
Primitive Firearms Stamps:	<u>42</u>
Total licenses & stamps sold	369

### **Miscellaneous licenses**

New D/B/A Business certificates filed:	26
Renewals of D/B/A certificates filed:	12
Withdrawn from D/B/A Business filed:	11
Gasoline Registration Renewals	6
Raffle Permits issued	6

### **The monies paid to the Town Treasurer were as Follows:**

Dog Licenses fees & fines:	\$11,010.42
Miscellaneous fees & fines:	\$ 4,462.50
Board of Appeals fees:	<u>\$ 1,250.00</u>
Total	\$16,722.92

### **The monies paid to the State were:**

Fishing, Hunting, Sporting Licenses & Stamps:	6,926.00
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### **Town Clerk duties:**

#### **Town Meetings & Elections:**

Numerous reports are filed with the County regarding local elections and town meetings. On the State level reports are submitted on elections, voter registrations, vital statistics, and the Division of Fisheries and Game.

After every town meeting an Appropriation Statement is given to the Assessors, the Treasurer, and the Town Accountant showing monies voted. There are notes certified by the Clerk's office for the Treasurer and when applicable zoning and general by-law forms are filled out for any articles that need approval from the Attorney General.

In 2008 there were four elections as well as five town meetings.

#### **Order of events were as follows:**

February 5<sup>th</sup> Presidential Primary  
March 17<sup>th</sup> Special Town Meeting  
April 28<sup>th</sup> Special Town Meeting  
May 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Town Meeting  
May 12<sup>th</sup> Special Town Meeting  
May 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Town Election  
June 30<sup>th</sup> Special Town Meeting  
September 16<sup>th</sup> State Primary  
November 4<sup>th</sup> Presidential Election:

### **Residents:**

Residents 17 and under	1,345
Residents 18 and over	<u>5,128</u>

### **TOTAL RESIDENTS**

(Figure may vary due to inactive voters) **6,473**

### **Registered Voters:**

Democrats	1163
Green -Rainbow	8
Libertarian	10
Republican	676
Working Families	8
Unenrolled (A.K.A. Independent)	<u>2596</u>

### **TOTAL REGISTERED VOTERS**

(Includes 258 Inactive Voters) **4461**

Recorded for year ending December 31, 2008 in the Central Voter Registry

**Annual Census:** A mailing is done each January required by the State which provides proof of residence to protect voting rights, veteran's bonuses, housing for the elderly, and related benefits. Answering this mailing helps maintain a status as true as possible on our community's population and the growth of our town. It's important that this is filed so we may get the proper grants and funding that our town deserves.

**LUCA:** (Local Update Census Addresses); this is a Federal Census project that occurs every ten years and the mailing for this project will be in April of 2010. We began working on this Federal project back in April of 2008. I would like to acknowledge Debra Plath and Dennis Smith for their hard work to help make this project a success.

**Dog Licenses:** A Massachusetts requirement under the M.G.L., Sec., 137 Ch 140 and the Town of Granby General By-Laws Ch XIV, requires that all dogs six months or older shall be licensed with the town.

**Rabies Clinic:** This is a voluntary service that I provide for our community and it is held once a year in the spring. It is an excellent way to meet the state requirements on vaccinating your pets at a minimal cost.

Dr. Tim Galusha from the Mill Valley Veterinary Clinic has been helping us with this clinic over the last three years. I would like to thank him and his staff for their time and efforts. Without his help this event could not be possible.

### **Other services offered:**

Notary Public and Justice of the Peace

### **Credits:**

An honorable mention to all that have helped me over this past 2008 year. I can always count on these individuals to act in a professional manner and to follow procedures to the best of their ability. They all work very hard and their time and efforts are greatly appreciated.

### **Board of Registrars:**

Patricia Banas, Jeanne Crosby and Jeanne Merrill.

### **Election Workers and others:**

Maureen Bail, Carol Battersby, Donald Blair, Sandra Canniff, Maureen Costello, Frank Donovan, Kathleen Donovan, John Dudley, Steve Dudrick, Richard Gaj, Sr., Frank Hudgik, Gordon Landry, Natalie LeBlanc, Charlotte Lussier, Richard Lussier, Christine Maheu, Gretchen Martin, Bill Merullo, James Pietras, Debra Plath, Jason Richard, Marion Roberts, Nancy Sedlak,

Dennis Smith, Virginia Snopek, John Surette, Dave Trompke, Carol Zebrowski, Donald Zebrowski, Carolyn Zimmerman, the Town Hall, School, Police, Fire and Highway Departments.

I am honored to serve our community and I will continue to work to the best of my ability.

Thank you for all your support.

Respectfully submitted,  
Katherine A. Kelly-Regan

Town Clerk

**RECORD**  
**PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY**  
**FEBRUARY 05, 2008**

In accordance with the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the Town of Granby qualified to vote in elections and primaries met in the East Meadow School on East State Street, in the Town of Granby on Tuesday, the Fifth day of February, 2008 and voted as follows:

<b><u>DEMOCRATIC PARTY</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>
<b><u>PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE (Vote 1)</u></b>	
John R. Edwards	20
Hillary Clinton	700
Joseph R. Biden, Jr.	2
Christopher J. Dodd	1
Mike Gravel	0
Barack Obama	453
Dennis J. Kucinich	2
Bill Richardson	1
*No Preference	2
Write Ins	0
All Others	6
Blank	-----1
Total Votes Cast	1188
<b><u>STATE COMMITTEE MAN (Vote 1)</u></b>	
No Nomination	0
Write Ins	0
All Others	9
Blanks	<u>1179</u>
Total Votes Cast	1188
<b><u>STATE COMMITTEE WOMAN (Vote 1)</u></b>	
MaryGail B. Cokkinias	157
Irene Marie Kimball	645
Write I	0
All Others	1
Blanks	<u>385</u>
Total Votes Cast	1188
<b><u>TOWN COMMITTEE (vote for not more than 25)</u></b>	
Emre E. Evren	634
Leslie Nyman	645
Andrea Ware Wright	656
Margaret Bennet Anderson	655
Nancy C. B. Evren	625
Mark L. Bail	753
Trevor F. Augustino	628
Eva M. Sartori	632
Leo Sartori	620
Audrey Lee Higbee	661
Write Ins	0
All Others	10

\* The above names were listed on the Democratic ballot for Town committee you could vote as a group or individually for them.

\* Voter must receive at least five write ins to be accepted for nomination to the Town Committee and be registered in that party at least seven months prior to date of primary.

<b><u>PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE (Vote 1)</u></b>	
Jared Ball	0
Ralph Nader	2
Elaine Brown	0
Kat Swift	0
Cynthia McKinney	1
Kent Mesplay	0
No Preference	0
Write Ins	0
All Others	0
Blanks	<u>0</u>
Total Votes Cast	3
<b><u>GREEN-RAINBOW PARTY</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>
<b><u>STATE COMMITTEE MAN (Vote 1)</u></b>	
No Nomination	0
Write Ins	0
All Others	0
Blanks	<u>3</u>
Total Votes Cast	3
<b><u>STATE COMMITTEE WOMAN (Vote 1)</u></b>	
No Nomination	0
Write Ins	0
All Others	0
Blanks	<u>3</u>
Total Votes Cast	3
<b><u>TOWN COMMITTEE Vote (10)</u></b>	
No Nomination	0
Write Ins	0
All Others	0
* Voter must receive at least five write ins to be accepted for nomination to the Town Committee and be registered in that party at least seven months prior to date of primary.	
<b><u>REPUBLICAN PARTY</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>
<b><u>PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE (Vote 1)</u></b>	
John McCain	230
Fred Thompson	1
Tom Tancredo	0
Duncan Hunter	2
Mike Huckabee	34
Mitt Romney	299
Ron Paul	14
Rudy Giuliani	5
*No Preference	2
Write Ins	0
All Others	7
Blanks	<u>1</u>
Total Votes Cast	595
<b><u>STATE COMMITTEE MAN (Vote 1)</u></b>	
Ronald M. Hastie	350
Write Ins	0
All Others	1
Blanks	<u>244</u>
Total Votes Cast	5

STATE COMMITTEE WOMAN (Vote 1)

Catherine W. Labine	340
Write Ins	0
All Others	0
Blanks	<u>255</u>
Total Votes Cast	595

TOWN COMMITTEE (VOTE 35)

William E. Johnson	306
David C. Johnson	260
Tracey Johnson	265
Richard Gaj, Sr.	373
Bryan Hauschild	332
Steven Nally	287
Cynthia Watson	326
Write Ins	0
All Others	3

\* The above names were listed on the Republican ballot for Town Committee you could vote as a group or individually for them.

\* Voter must receive at least five write ins to be accepted for nomination to the Town Committee and be registered in that party at least seven months prior to date of primary.

WORKING FAMILIES PARTY

<u>PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE (Vote 1)</u>	<b>TOTAL</b>
No Preference	0
Write Ins HUCKABEE	1
All Others	0
Blanks	<u>0</u>
Total Votes Cast	1

STATE COMMITTEE MAN (Vote 1)

No Nomination	0
Write Ins	0
All Others	0
Blanks	<u>1</u>
Total Votes Cast	1

STATE COMMITTEE WOMAN (Vote 1)

No Nomination	0
Write Ins	0
All Others	0
Blanks	<u>1</u>
Total Votes Cast	1

TOWN COMMITTEE (VOTE 10)

No Nominations	0
Write Ins	0
All Others	0

\* Voter must receive at least five write ins to be accepted for nomination to the Town Committee and be registered in that party at least seven months prior to date of primary.

The polls opened at 7:00 A.M. and closed at 8:00 P.M. There were 1188 Democrats, 3 Green-Rainbow, 595 Republicans and 1 Working Families, making the total of voters 1787 that cast their votes, that's approximately 44% of the registered voters in Town.

This was a very good turn out for a Primary. Out of the 1787 voters 56 were Absentee Ballots.

As of February 5, 2008, there were 4,285 registered voters this includes 271 inactive voters. Inactive voters are those individuals who have not answered their annual census or have not voted in past elections or meetings for the last four years. If they remain dormant for four years or two biennial election years they will be

removed from the voting rolls.

I certify that all ballots cast for candidates in the Presidential Primary held on February 5, 2008 have been counted and recorded in accordance with the law.

Respectfully submitted,  
Katherine A. Kelly-Regan  
Town Clerk

**RECORD**  
**TOWN OF GRANBY**  
**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**  
**MARCH 17, 2008**

In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Granby qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met at the Granby Jr. Sr. High School on East State Street on March 17, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

The Moderator, Albert Bail opened the Special Town Meeting at 7:00 p.m. he calls for a brief recess in order to set up more chairs for the voters. The meeting is called back to order at 7:05 p.m. with a quorum present (30 or more) 169 were in attendance at the time of opening.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was lead by the Select Board, and the residents joined in.

The Moderator calls on the Town Clerk, Katherine A. Kelly-Regan, to certify that all the warrants were posted in accordance with the law.

The Clerk responds they have. The warrant for this Special Town Meeting was declared to be in order.

Before the meeting starts Albert Bail, the Moderator acknowledges two of our residents who had passed away since the last Town Meeting, Henry Ziomek and Mr. Frank Majerowski.

*The success of any town is dependent on those citizens who make their talents and abilities available to their community.*

*The Granby Athletic Association is a gift to this town. Thousands of our children have participated in their programs. This week we lost two people who contributed greatly to the development of the GAA*

*The obituary for Henry Ziomek lists him as the founder of the GAA and on the same page the obituary for Frank Majerowski reminded us that he was a Granby GAA coach for many years. For 25 years Henry Ziomek ran the bingo program at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. One half of the proceeds went to the church and one half went to the GAA.*

*Let me tell you a story of Henry Ziomek.*

*I spoke last week to someone who was an umpire when Henry was a coach. He told me that one-day when he was umpiring a six-foot boy hit the ball to an infielder who threw it to the first baseman who was about four feet tall. The boy caught the ball and then the six-footer ran right over him causing him to drop the ball. The umpire said I called him out.*

*Henry came out to ask why and I told him that this was not the big leagues win at all costs but was to teach these boys sportsmanship. Henry said, "I agree" and walked back to the bench.*

*These two men helped enriched our community by making their talents and abilities available to us. For this we thank them.*

**Committees and Boards present at this STM:**

Select Board: Wayne H. Tack, Sr., Chairperson, Bryan Hauschild, and Mary McDowell all present.

**Finance Committee:**

John Libera, Jr. Chairperson, Robert Os, Guy Demers and Robert Glesmann III, not present Dana Ritter.

**School Committee:**

Deborah Buckley, Chairperson, Kevin Boisselle, Arthur Krulewitz and Dawn Cooke not present Michael Quesnel.

**Municipal Building Committee:**

James Trompke, Chairperson, Wilfred Merullo, William Parent, Sr. and Edward Parker.

**Others in attendance**

Edward Ryan, Town Counselor, Christopher Martin, Town Administrator, and Patricia Stevens, the Schools Superintendent.

The Moderator calls for Article 1 of the STM at 7:07 P.M. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

Select board member Bryan Hauschild speaks about the two articles that are being presented tonight.

*The two articles being presented tonight are to obtain subsequent funding of the construction project presented at the Special Town Meeting of December 10, 2007. The articles before you do not require any funds from taxation. The town has been successful in accumulating enough funds in Free Cash and the Municipal Building Construction/Renovation Stabilization Account to fully fund this project.*

*The December 10<sup>th</sup> meeting was held for Granby to be eligible for \$83,773.50 in grant match funds through the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security Financing, for the Repair, Renovation and Construction of Municipal Police Station programs. As the voters did appropriate \$1 million dollars at that meeting, the Town did receive the grant.*

*Jim Trompke, Chairman of the Public Safety Complex Committee, presented the proposed \$6.4 million dollar construction project at the December 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. The \$1 million dollars requested, was for the Architectural and Engineering costs associated with the project. As was indicated during the informational hearing for the Complex, none of these funds have been, nor would be expended pending the outcome of your vote at this meeting.*

*The Board of Selectmen respectfully asks the voters present tonight to support this sorely needed and long overdue Public Safety Complex by approving this article before you and the one that follows.*

*Thank you.*

ARTICLE 1: Move that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$2,000,000 for the purpose of funding the construction of the Public Safety Complex. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**PASSED-MAJORITY- SHOW OF HANDS**

*A Majority is all that was needed for this vote. All voters were in favor except two.*

*There is some discussion on Article One. Mike Ribeiro of 25 Greenmeadow Lane feels this will wipe out the towns savings. He feels that this should be included on the Annual Town Election ballot for all to have a chance to vote on these articles.*

*He presents his motion:*

*That the voting on these two warrants be held over until the next general election ballot on May 19, or sooner if the town can arrange it. As long as it is full town, ballot box, all day,*

*ballot. And the town informs the voters ahead of time of this ballot. Motion is 2<sup>nd</sup>*

*The Moderator calls for a vote however, he feels this is something that can't be voted on as presented and asks for Town Counsels advice. Ed Ryan, Town Counselor agrees with the Moderator and explains to the voters that this is beyond the scope of the Article that is before us. Town meeting cannot order or ask for this to be placed on a ballot. The community at large does not have the authority to appropriate monies. It's the town meetings bodily function to have the authority to do any appropriations.*

*Mr. Ribeiro is asked to change his motion to postpone these articles indefinitely. The Moderator calls to vote on the Amendment to indefinitely postpone. A Majority is all that is needed for this vote.*

*The vote is taken on indefinitely postponing Article 1& 2 funding the Municipal Building for the purpose of funding for the Public Safety Complex.*

**Amendment FAILS-Unanimous – Show of Hands**

*A vote is now called on Article 1 as originally presented a majority is all that is needed. The Moderator declares this vote PASSED by Majority by show of hands.*

*Out of all the voter's only two voters were against Article 1 to pass.*

ARTICLE 2: Move that the Town vote to transfer from the Municipal Building Construction/Renovation Stabilization Fund the sum of \$3,400,000 for the purpose of funding the construction of the Public Safety Complex. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

A 2/3 vote is required in order for this article to pass.

**PASSED- BY 2/3 VOTE DECLARD BY THE MODERATOR- SHOW OF HANDS**

*Out of all the voter's only two voters were against Article 2 to pass.*

MOTION: move to adjourn this Special Town Meeting

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> The STM is officially dismissed at 7:20 P.M.

The business for this STM is completed, Albert Bail, Moderator officially dismisses the STM at 7:20 pm. There were 188 registered voters and fourteen non-voters in attendance at this Special Town Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,  
Katherine A. Kelly-Regan  
Town Clerk

**RECORD**  
**TOWN OF GRANBY**  
**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**  
**APRIL 28, 2008**

**In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Granby qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met at the Granby Jr. Sr. High School on East State Street on April 28, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:**

The Moderator, Albert Bail opened the Special Town Meeting at 7:02 p.m. with a quorum present (30 or more) 242 were in attendance at the time of opening. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was lead by the Select Board, and the residents joined in.

The Moderator calls on the Town Clerk, Katherine A. Kelly-Regan, to certify that all the warrants were posted in accordance with the law.

The Clerk responds they have. The warrant for this Special Town Meeting was declared to be in order.

The voters were still checking in at the time of opening and the Moderator calls for a short recess to give those who haven't check in a chance to and he asks the custodians to set up more chairs for the voters.

**Committees and Boards present at this STM:**

Select Board: Wayne H. Tack, Sr., Chairperson, Bryan Hauschild and Mary McDowell all present.

**Finance Committee:**

John Libera, Jr. Chairperson, Guy Demers, Robert Glesmann, III, Robert Os, and Dana Ritter all present.

**Others in attendance:**

Brian O'Toole, representing Town Counselor, Christopher Martin, Town Administrator, and Cathy Leonard, Select Board's Secretary.

The meeting is called back to order at 7:14 p.m.

The moderator has a quick announcement about the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) they're engaging in a restoration project restoring some of the cemetery gravestones at the Batchelor Street Cemetery. All are welcome to attend this workshop on May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00 AM.

The Moderator calls for Article 1 of the STM at 7:15 P.M.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**ARTICLE 1:** move the Town vote to appropriate \$522,500 the purpose of financing the engineering and construction of the New Ludlow Road Area Sewer Project, so called, including land acquisition and all related and necessary work, tasks and costs to accomplish the project; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be authorized to borrow \$522,500 of said funds under Chapter 44 of the General Laws; that the Selectmen be authorized to apply for, accept and expend any federal, state or other aid, public or private, that may be available therefore; (that, if in the best interests of the Town, local share costs may be recouped through assessment of sewer betterments to be assessed against property owners to be served by said systems generally in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws Chapter 80, for sewer special assessments in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws Chapter 83 Section 14 and 15).

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**2/3<sup>RD</sup> VOTE IS REQUIRED- FAILS- YES- 129- NO- 104 – HAND COUNT**

After Article One is read Wayne Tack, Select Board Chairperson asks the Moderator to give permission for Mary Moynihan-Burgess, Drake Orlando and Dick Jubinville representatives from the Earth Tech, and Christopher Martin the Town Administrator, permission to speak if called upon.

At Bail, Moderator explains that in order for non-residents even if they are full time employees for the Town, they need permission from the Moderator and the voters to speak at Town Meeting. Our Town By-laws do not allow non-residents to speak without being acknowledged. At Bail calls for a vote to see if these individuals will be allowed to speak throughout this meeting.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Passed by Majority – By show of Hands**

The Moderator now calls on the vote counters to do a hand count for Article One. Article One requires a two-third vote in order to pass. A hand count is taken and the final count is:

**YES- 129 to NO- 104 Article One- FAILS it does not meet the**

**two-third requirement to pass.**

After Article Two is read there is some discussion with several residents. They feel there has not been enough information on how this project will be funded and would like more information. Mary Moynihan-Burgess from Earth Tech explains what's entailed but this is not enough information for many residents. Article two is called for a Motion a Motion is 2<sup>nd</sup> however, Select Board member, Bryan Hauschild explains that because of Article One failing Article two and Article three cannot be accomplished without the passing of Article One, Article One was the planning stage you can't do Article Two or Three without a plan.

After being advised by Town Counsel representative Brian O'Toole it is recommended to postpone indefinitely Articles Two and Three.

**ARTICLE 2:** MOVE that the Town appropriate \$5,077,500 for the purpose of financing the construction of the New Ludlow Road area sewers including without limitation all costs thereof as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C of the General Laws, as most recently amended by St. 1998, c.78; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen is authorized to borrow \$5,077,500 and issue bonds or notes therefore under Chapter 44 of the General Laws and/or Chapter 29C of the General Laws, as most recently amended by St. 1998, c.78; that such bonds or notes shall be general obligations of the Town unless the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen determines that they should be issued as limited obligations and may be secured by local system revenues as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C, as most recently amended by St. 1998, c.78; that the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen is authorized to borrow all or a portion of such amount from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust established pursuant to Chapter 29C, as most recently amended by St. 1998, c.78; and in connection therewith to enter into a loan agreement and/or security agreement with the Trust and otherwise to contract with the Trust and the Department of Environmental Protection with respect to such loan and for any federal or state aid available for the project or for the financing thereof; that the Board of Selectmen is authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection, to expend all funds available for the project and to take any other action necessary to carry out the project. (A two-third vote is required to pass Article two as presented).

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

Select Board member Bryan Hauschild Motions for Article Two to be postponed indefinitely. Article Two is Motion to postpone indefinitely. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> A vote is called on Article Two to postpone indefinitely.

Article Two- **PASSES to postpone indefinitely declared by Moderator - Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 3:** MOVE the Town vote to authorize preparation of preliminary engineering reports, environmental information documents and funding applications to be submitted to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Utilities Service, for grants and low interest loans to underwrite the costs of the New Ludlow Road area sewer project; to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend any federal, state or other aid, public or private, that may be available therefore, to negotiate and contract with other public bodies to accomplish such service.

(A Majority vote is all that would be required to pass Article

three as presented).

*A Motion is called for Article Three to be postponed indefinitely. Article Three is Motion to postpone indefinitely. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> A vote is called on Article three to postpone indefinitely.*

**Article Three- PASSES to postpone indefinitely by Majority - Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 4:** MOVE that the Town vote to appropriate \$400,000 for the purpose of financing the planning of a town-wide comprehensive wastewater management plan including without limitation all costs thereof as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C of the General Laws, as most recently amended by St. 1998, c.78; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen is authorized to borrow \$375,000 and issue bonds or notes therefore under Chapter 44 of the General Laws and/or Chapter 29C of the General Laws, as most recently amended by St. 1998, c.78; that such bonds or notes shall be general obligations of the Town unless the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen determines that they should be issued as limited obligations and may be secured by local system revenues as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C, as most recently amended by St. 1998, c.78; that the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen is authorized to borrow all or a portion of such amount from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust established pursuant to Chapter 29C, as most recently amended by St. 1998, c.78; and in connection therewith to enter into a loan agreement and/or security agreement with the Trust and otherwise to contract with the Trust and the Department of Environmental Protection with respect to such loan and for any federal or state aid available for the project or for the financing thereof; that the Board of Selectmen is authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection, to expend all funds available for the project and to take any other action necessary to carry out the project. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

*Select Board member, Bryan Hauschild motions to amend Article Four. He explains that there is a type o in the amount requested to be borrowed it should read the same as the amount to appropriate.*

*Mr. Moderator I move that the pending motion be amended by deleting the following words: to borrow \$375,000.00 and adding the following words "to borrow \$400,000.00" Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>*

*The Moderator calls for a vote to amend Article Four he asks for a show of hands. The*

**Moderator declares Passed to Amended by Majority.**

*He now calls on a vote for Article Four as AMENDED a two-third vote is required for this amended article to pass.*

**ARTICLE 4:** MOVE that the Town vote to appropriate \$400,000 for the purpose of financing the planning of a town-wide comprehensive wastewater management plan including without limitation all costs thereof as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C of the General Laws, as most recently amended by St. 1998, c.78; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen is authorized to borrow \$400,000 and issue bonds or notes therefore under Chapter 44 of the General Laws and/or Chapter 29C of the General Laws, as most recently amended by St. 1998, c.78; that such bonds or notes shall be general obligations of the Town unless the Treasurer

with the approval of the Selectmen determines that they should be issued as limited obligations and may be secured by local system revenues as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C, as most recently amended by St. 1998, c.78; that the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen is authorized to borrow all or a portion of such amount from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust established pursuant to Chapter 29C, as most recently amended by St. 1998, c.78; and in connection therewith to enter into a loan agreement and/or security agreement with the Trust and otherwise to contract with the Trust and the Department of Environmental Protection with respect to such loan and for any federal or state aid available for the project or for the financing thereof; that the Board of Selectmen is authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection, to expend all funds available for the project and to take any other action necessary to carry out the project. *(Article Four as Amended) Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>*  
**Article Four Passes as Amended by 2/3 vote declared by the Moderator- Show of Hands**

**MOTION:** move to adjourn this Special Town Meeting. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> The STM is officially dismissed at 7:57 P.M.

The business for this STM is completed, Albert Bail, Moderator officially dismisses the STM at 7:57 pm. There were 260 registered voters and twenty-two non-voters in attendance at this Special Town Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,  
Katherine A. Kelly-Regan  
Town Clerk

**RECORD**  
**TOWN OF GRANBY**  
**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING & SPECIAL TOWN**  
**MEETING**  
**MAY 12, 2008**

**In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Granby qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met at the Granby Jr. Sr. High School on East State Street on May 12, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:**

The Moderator, Albert Bail opened the Annual Town Meeting at 7:01 p.m. with a quorum present (30 or more) 86 were in attendance at the time of opening. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was lead by the Select Board and the residents joined in. **The Moderator calls on the Town Clerk, Katherine A. Kelly-Regan, to certify that all the warrants were posted in accordance with the law.**

**The Clerk responds they have. The warrant for this Annual Town Meeting was declared to be in order.**

**At this time the Moderator introduces the Boards and Committees to the residents. He then informs the voters that at 7:15 p.m. we will take a short recess from the ATM in order to do the STM that is scheduled for 7:15 p.m. as posted accordingly by our Town By-laws as written in the Annual Town Meeting Warrant.**

**The Committees and Boards present at this ATM/STM:**  
Select Board: All Present, Chairperson, Wayne H. Tack, Sr., Members, Bryan F. Hauschild and Mary A. McDowell.

**Finance Committee:**  
Chairperson, John Libera, Jr., Members, Guy Demers, Robert Glesmann, III, Dana Ritter, not present Robert Os.

**School Committee:**

Chairperson, Deborah Buckley, Members, Kevin Boisselle, Arthur Krulewitz, Michael Quesnel, not present Dawn Cooke. **Others in attendance:** Town Counselor, Edward Ryan, Select Board's Secretary, Cathy Leonard, Town Administrator, Christopher Martin, School Superintendent, Patricia Stevens and Gloria Vivier representing the Personnel Board.

The Moderator calls for Article 1 of the ATM at 7:04 P.M  
Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**ARTICLE 1:** move the Town vote to hear the reports of Town Officers and all standing and special committees and act thereon.  
Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands**

*Wayne Tack, Sr. Chairperson for the Select Board: He talks about the Town and is very happy with the way things have progressed over this past year. We can look forward to having a new safety complex building that was in direr need. The Article for the Safety Complex Building was passed at the Special Town Meeting back in March and the good thing is none of this will affect the tax rate. He commends the leadership of our community for a great job done.*

*John Libera, Jr., Chairperson for the Finance Committee: He makes note that this is the smallest Annual Town Meeting in a while residents are very optimistic with this years budget. Receiving State Aid has helped with this coming fiscal years budget and there are no articles that will be affected by the tax rate, no overrides. We are in good shape.*

*There are no other reports from any other Boards or Committees. The Moderator calls for Article 2 of the ATM. He explains that the Articles that contain sections A. B. C. etc will be read in sections and he will ask the voters after every section if they have any questions once the article is read in its entirety he will ask for a vote.*

**ARTICLE 2:** move the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to conduct the following activities for fiscal year 2009:

A. Sell, after first giving notice of time and place of sale by posting such notices of sale in some convenient and public place in the Town 14 days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town under tax title land of low value procedure, provided the Selectmen or whomever they authorize to hold such public auction, may reject any bid they deem inadequate.

**No discussion**

B. To apply for and accept Federal or State grants or monies as may be made available and to allow the Selectmen to expend any funds received as set forth in the appropriate application.

**No discussion**

C. To enter into a contract with the Massachusetts Highway Department for the construction and maintenance of public highways for the ensuing year.

**No discussion**  
Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

*There was no discussion on any of the above and a vote is called.*

**Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands**

It is now 7:15 p.m. the Moderator calls for a recess from the ATM in order to do the STM that was scheduled for 7:15 p.m. as posted accordingly by our Town By-Laws as written in the Special Town Meeting Warrant.

The Moderator calls on the Town Clerk, Katherine A. Kelly-Regan, to certify that all the warrants were posted in accordance with the law. The Clerk responds they have. The warrant for this Special Town Meeting was declared to be in order.

The Moderator calls for Article 1 of the STM at 7:16 P.M.  
Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 1:** move the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for and expend \$500,000 in Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Transportation Capital STRAP (Small Town Road Assistance Program) funds.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Passed: Unanimous Show of Hands**

**MOTION:** move to adjourn this Special Town Meeting  
Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

The business for this STM is completed and the Moderator officially dismisses this STM at 7:17 P.M. At this time the Moderator reopens the Annual Town Meeting. The Annual Town Meeting is officially resumed for business at 7:17 P.M. The Moderator calls for Article 3 of the ATM at 7:17 P.M.  
Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**ARTICLE 3:** move the Town authorize the various departments to receive compensation for services rendered for fiscal year 2009 as follows:

A. The Cemetery Commissioners to dig graves and maintain the equipment and grounds in the cemeteries at a wage rate that is no less than the minimum wage. **No discussion**

B. The members of the Board of Assessors to be compensated \$15 per parcel for necessary fieldwork and data collection for services rendered in connection with the revaluation and re-certification process involving one-sixth of the improved parcels in town. **No discussion**

C. The members of the Board of Health, or their appointees, to receive compensation at a wage rate of \$35 per inspection or specific required activity. **No discussion**

D. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the members of the Planning Board, or their appointees, to receive compensation at a wage rate of \$65 per inspection. **No discussion**

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

There was no discussion on any of the above and a vote is called.

**Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 4:** move the Town vote to authorize the Conservation Commission to charge a fee of \$65 for each site inspection deemed necessary by a quorum of the Commission. Fees shall be payable to the Town of Granby Conservation Commission and deposited in the Conservation Hatch Fund. **Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 5:** move the Town vote to accept the following gifts in calendar year 2007 for perpetual care of cemetery lots:

William M. & Dayle E. Clark	\$2,310.
Daniel P. & Cynthia M. Talbot	\$ 565.
Jose F. & Ana G. Carvalho	\$1,155.
Noella E. & Donald C. Boileau	\$2,310.
Katherine G. & Kenneth W. Richards	\$1,155.
Howard L. & Lydia I. Weston	\$1,155.
Richard A. Serrano, III	\$ 565.
Ralph G. & Anita C. Barsalou	\$1,155.
Regina A. & Frank S. Kaniecki	\$1,155.

Russell F. & Debra A. Gaj	\$ 565.
Ronald J. Goulet	\$ 565.
Theodore & Lisa J. Smigiel	\$ 755.
	Motion 2 <sup>nd</sup>

**Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands**

The Moderator once again explains that the following Articles that contain sections A. B. C. etc will be read in sections and he will ask the voters after every section if they have any questions once the article is read in its entirety he will ask for a vote.

**ARTICLE 6:** move the Town vote to authorize the following Revolving Funds in accordance with M.G.L. Ch. 44, Section 53E½ and to authorize expenditures from these funds for fiscal year 2009 without further appropriation:

**A.** An Inspections Revolving Fund that may be spent by the Inspector of Buildings to pay for the wages, expenses, and contracted services required for the operation of the preventive inspections-selectmen department. The Inspections Revolving Fund is to be credited with all revenue received from building, electrical, and gas fees, licenses and permits in fiscal year 2009 and with the remaining balance of the fiscal year 2008 Inspections Revolving Fund. The Inspector of Buildings may spend \$50,863 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2009.

*No discussion*

**B.** A Recreation Revolving Fund that may be spent by the Recreation Commission to pay for the wages, expenses, contracted services and capital improvement required for the operation of the recreation department programs, activities, events and services. The Recreation Revolving Fund is to be credited with all non-athletic program fees received in fiscal year 2009 and with the remaining balance of the fiscal year 2008 Recreation Revolving Fund. The Recreation Commission may spend \$25,000 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2009.

*No discussion*

**C.** A Dufresne Revolving Fund that may be spent by the Dufresne Ad-Hoc Committee to pay for the wages, expenses, contracted services and capital improvement required for the operation of the Dufresne Recreation Area. The Dufresne Revolving Fund is to be credited with all reservation and security deposit fees and contributions received in fiscal year 2009 for the rental of the facility and with the remaining balance of the fiscal year 2008 Dufresne Revolving Fund. The Dufresne Ad-Hoc Committee may spend \$20,000 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2009.

*No discussion*

**D.** A Charter Day Revolving Fund that may be spent by the Charter Day Committee to pay for the wages, expenses and contracted services required to celebrate Charter Day. The Charter Day Revolving Fund is to be credited with revenue and contributions received in fiscal year 2009 from Charter Day activities and with the remaining balance of the fiscal year 2008 Charter Day Revolving Fund. The Charter Day Committee may spend \$25,000 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2009.

*No discussion*

**E.** A Planning Board Fees Revolving Fund that may be spent by the Planning Board to pay for any or all expenses or contracted services of the Planning Board. The Planning Board Fees Revolving Fund is to be credited with all application fees and charges received in fiscal year 2009 and with the remaining balance of the fiscal year 2008 Planning Board Fees Revolving

Fund. The Planning Board may spend \$50,000 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2009.

*No discussion*

**F.** An After School Activities Program Revolving Fund that may be spent only upon authorization of the Superintendent of Schools to pay for maintenance, supply and operation, including wages of personnel of the After School Activities Program. The After School Activities Program Revolving Fund is to be credited with all revenues generated by the After School Activities Program in fiscal year 2009 and with the remaining balance of the fiscal year 2008 After School Activities Program Revolving Fund. The Superintendent of Schools may spend \$20,000 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2009.

*No discussion*

**G.** A Dog Revolving Fund in accordance with that may be spent by the Dog Officer to pay for any or all expenses or contracted services of the Canine Control Bylaw. The Dog Revolving Fund is to be credited with all dog licensing fees and any other charges received in fiscal year 2009 and with the remaining balance of the fiscal year 2008 Dog Revolving Fund. The Dog Officer may spend \$9,900 in revolving fund monies in fiscal year 2009.

*No discussion*

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

There was no discussion on any of the above and a vote is called.

**Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 7:** move the Town vote to accept the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 32B Section 18 "Medicare extension plans; mandatory transfer of retirees.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 8:** move the Town vote to authorize Town departments to enter into agreements in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 40 Section 4A for the fiscal year 2009.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 9:** move the Town vote to accept the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 40 Section 13 "Municipal buildings insurance fund; management; use".

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 10:** move the Town vote to transfer from available funds the sum of \$210,895 authorized under Chapter 291 of the Acts of 2004 for highway construction and improvements defined under Chapter 90 of the General Laws.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 11:** move the Town vote to appropriate as offset receipts fire permit fees in the amount of \$1,530 for Forest Fire Warden Expense.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 12:** move the Town vote to appropriate as offset receipts subscriber fees in the amount of \$959.50 for Cable Committee Expense.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 13:** move the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 for the purpose of funding the Capital Equipment Needs Stabilization Fund.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands**

*Gary Phelps of 137 Bachelor Street asks the Select Board "How much is in the Capital Equipment Needs Stabilization Fund as of today before we vote?" The answer given was \$562,399.80.*

**ARTICLE 14:** move the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300,000 for the purpose of funding the Municipal Buildings Construction/Renovation Stabilization Fund.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands

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Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

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Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

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Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands

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**ARTICLE 15:** move the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$28,900 for the purpose of purchasing a police cruiser for the Police Department.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands

**ARTICLE 16:** move the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$4,300 for the purpose of purchasing voting equipment.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands

*There was a short discussion on why we need another voter machine. The Town Clerk, Katherine Kelly-Regan, responds that we're being pro-active. The town is growing at this time we have 6448 inhabitants which 4,331 are registered voters. That's a lot of voters for one machine especially during a Presidential Election year. " I believe as many as 85% will vote in this upcoming election being approximately 350 voters per hour on one machine, and by the end of 2010 the Census Bureau will require the Town to go to two precincts and we will have to purchase the equipment at that time." "If we buy now we save and we certainly can use this equipment for the larger elections".*

**ARTICLE 17:** move the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash \$30,000 for the purpose of funding the paving of the library driveway, parking area and walkways.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands

*A question was asked why are we spending money on the Library when we are most likely going to move the Library in the future. Select Board member Bryan Hauschild responds that this building will always be used for something in the Town whether it's as a Library or used for some other function it will always remain a structure in Town. We need to keep it maintained.*

**ARTICLE 18:** move the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$20,000 for the purpose of any and all costs associated with the foreclosure or collection of taxes owed on property placed in tax title in accordance with M.G.L. Ch. 60.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands

**ARTICLE 19:** move the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$8,900 for the purpose of funding the revaluation of town property.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands

**ARTICLE 20:** move the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$20,000 for the purpose of funding the costs associated with the search for a new Police Chief.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands

*A short discussion on why we need to do this process. Select Board Member Bryan Hauschild responds this is the same way the Town searched for the Fire Chief and we all agree that this is the proper procedure on handling the search for a Police Chief. Chief Barry is not retiring for a year or two however; we want to start the process for when that time arrives.*

**ARTICLE 21:** move the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$11,340 for the purpose of funding the purchase of a thermal imager for the Fire Department.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands

*A question was asked: "Did we not just purchase one of these?" The answer was no ours is outdated we need a new more updated thermal imager. I'm sure we all want to feel confident to know we have the proper equipment to help find a person or where a fire may be in a wall. A vote is taken it passes unanimously.*

**ARTICLE 22:** move the Town vote to transfer from the Machinery Earnings Account \$12,000 for the purpose of purchasing a planer unit attachment for the Highway Department.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

Passed: Majority- Show of Hands

*A question is asked what does a planer unit do? David Desrosiers Highway Superintendent explains it is used on tar roads. It cuts out the bad areas and then we mill down and patch so it becomes a smooth surface.*

**ARTICLE 23:** move the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash \$50,000 for the purpose of funding the purchase and installation of replacement windows at Kellogg Hall.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

Passed: Majority- Show of Hands

**ARTICLE 24:** move the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash \$40,000 for the purpose of funding the siding or painting of Kellogg Hall.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

Passed: Majority- Show of Hands

*There was a question on who decides paint or siding. The answer was first the Select Board will have to meet with the Historic District Commission hear what options are given and go from there.*

**ARTICLE 25:** move the Town vote to transfer from Free

Cash \$42,250 for the purpose of funding the replacement of the water heater at the High School. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 26:** move the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash \$45,000 for the purpose of funding the replacement of temperature controls at West Street School. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 27:** move the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash \$29,000 for the purpose of funding the purchase and installation of Food Service Scanners and accounting hardware and software in the Granby Public schools. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Passed: Majority- Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 28:** move the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$340,890 as its apportioned share of the fiscal year 2009 budget for the Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School District. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands**

*A question is asked "How many students attended Pathfinder for 2008?" Patricia Stevens, Granby School Superintendent answers "thirty-three students for 2008 and thirty-six attended in 2007".*

**ARTICLE 29:** move the Town vote to borrow \$40,000 for the purpose of funding the purchase and installation of a SCADA system in the pump stations and Highway Department.

*A 2/3 vote is required on this Article.* Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Passed: Declared 2/3<sup>rd</sup> Votes by Moderator- Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 30:** move the Town vote to amend the Bylaws of The Town of Granby, Volume II, Chapter XIX Personnel Bylaw, APPENDIX D Compensation Plan Pay Schedules, and substituting a new APPENDIX D, showing the twelve pay grades and ten steps with a 3% increment between steps to be effective July 1, 2008. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

*\* see last page for Appendix D*

**Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands**

*Martin Merrill, 31 Cold Hill Drive, " Does this include a COLA"? The answer is yes 2.5%.*

**ARTICLE 31:** move the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$243,000 to operate the sewer department.

Wages	\$17,160
Expenses	92,289
<b>Debt</b>	<b>132,305</b>
Reserve Fund	<u>1,246</u>
	<b>\$243,000</b>

and that \$181,592 be raised from sewer receipts and \$61,408 be raised from Retained Earnings Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Passed: Majority- Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 32:** move the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$326,230 to operate the ambulance department.

Wages	\$268,080
Expenses	40,150
Capital	<u>18,000</u>
	<b>\$326,230</b>

and that \$150,000 be raised from ambulance receipts and \$176,230 be raised from tax levy Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 33:** move the Town vote to raise and appropriate for the specific purposes hereinafter described and that the same be

expended only for such purposes under the direction of the proper official of the Town as follows: Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**\*\*The Moderator explains how Article 33 will be addressed. Finance Committee Chairperson, John Libera, Jr. will read all the department items and after each item if someone has any questions the Moderator will make a note of that item and will go back to that item for further discussion after Article 33 is finished being read in it's entirety.**

<b>1 Moderator</b>	
Salary	\$175
Expenses	75
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	\$250
<b>*2 Same Motion: Selectmen</b>	
Salary	\$8,355
Personal Services	157,869
Expenses	70,159
Capital Outlay	13,280
<i>* Called for discussion</i>	<hr/>
	\$249,663
<b>3 Same Motion: Finance Committee</b>	
Expenses	\$1,677
<b>4 Same Motion: Town Accountant</b>	
Personal Services	\$17,226
Expenses	19,800
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	\$37,026
<b>5 Same Motion: Assessors</b>	
Salary	\$9,522
Personal Services	51,507
Expenses	12,826
Capital Outlay	0
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	\$73,855
<b>6 Same Motion: Town Treasurer</b>	
Salary	\$42,804
Expenses	19,425
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	\$62,229
<b>7 Same Motion: Tax Collector</b>	
Salary	\$37,267
Expenses	11,547
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	\$48,814
<b>8 Same Motion: Personnel Board</b>	
Expenses	\$447
<b>9 Same Motion: Town Clerk</b>	
Salary	\$39,522
Personal Services	1,538
Expenses	3,078
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	\$44,138

<b>10</b>	<b>Same Motion: Board of Registrars</b>		Personal Services	\$32,000
	Personal Services	\$2,500	Expenses	1,500
	Expenses	16,010	Maintenance of Roads	45,000
		<u>\$18,510</u>		<u>\$78,500</u>
<b>11</b>	<b>Same Motion: Board of Appeals</b>		<b>22</b>	<b>Same Motion: Cemetery</b>
	Expenses	\$1,580	Personal Services	\$7,752
<b>12</b>	<b>Same Motion: Public Buildings</b>		Expenses	2,478
	Personal Services	\$35,081		<u>\$10,230</u>
	Expenses	280,419	<b>23</b>	<b>Same Motion: Board of Health</b>
	Capital Outlay	7,650	Salary	\$2,460
		<u>\$323,150</u>	Personal Services	19,732
<b>13</b>	<b>Same Motion Police Department:</b>		Expenses	9,210
	Personal Services	\$673,404		<u>\$31,402</u>
	Expenses	43,250	<b>24</b>	<b>Same Motion: Council On Aging</b>
		<u>\$716,654</u>	Personal Services	\$74,834
<b>14</b>	<b>Same Motion: Auxiliary Police</b>		Expenses	6,445
	Expenses	\$1,590		<u>\$81,279</u>
<b>15</b>	<b>Same Motion: Dispatch</b>		<b>25</b>	<b>Same Motion: Veterans Services</b>
	Personal Services	\$144,802	Expenses	\$30,000
	Expenses	24,375	<b>26</b>	<b>Same Motion: Public Library</b>
		<u>\$169,177</u>	Personal Services	\$90,846
<b>16</b>	<b>Same Motion: Fire Department</b>		Expenses	41,273
	Personal Services	\$110,606	Less Grant In Aid	-10,355
	Expenses	26,600	Net Expenses	<u>30,918</u>
	Capital Outlay	12,500		<u>\$121,764</u>
		<u>\$149,706</u>	<b>27</b>	<b>Same Motion: Retirement of Debt</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>Same Motion:</b>		Principal on Permanent Debt	\$138,000
	<b>Preventive Inspections -Board of Health</b>		<b>28</b>	<b>Same Motion: Interest</b>
	Personal Services	\$19,000		\$26,632
	Expenses	4,725	<b>29</b>	<b>Same Motion:</b>
		<u>\$23,725</u>	<b>Casualty &amp; Liability Insurance</b>	\$199,271
<b>18</b>	<b>Same Motion:</b>		<b>30</b>	<b>Same Motion: County Retirement</b>
	<b>Emergency Management</b>			\$565,674
	Expenses	\$1,167	<b>31</b>	<b>Same Motion:</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>Same Motion: Tree Warden</b>		<b>Workers Compensation</b>	\$66,249
	Salary	\$500	<b>32</b>	<b>Same Motion:</b>
	Expenses	150	<b>Council of Governments</b>	\$6,181
		<u>\$650</u>	<b>*33</b>	<b>Same Motion:</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>Same Motion: Highway Department</b>		<b>Unemployment Compensation</b>	\$26,489
	Personal Services	\$236,840	<i>* Called for discussion</i>	
	Expenses	39,270	<b>*34</b>	<b>Same Motion:</b>
	Maintenance of Roads	129,500	<b>Group Health/Life Insurance</b>	\$1,330,539
		<u>\$405,610</u>	<i>* Called for discussion</i>	
<b>21</b>	<b>Same Motion: Snow &amp; Ice Control</b>		<b>35</b>	<b>Same Motion: Reserve Fund</b>
				\$110,000

**\*\*After reading Article 33 and all department Items there are a few brief questions on Item 2, Select Board, Item 33, Unemployment Compensation and Item 34, Group Health/Life Insurance.**  
**Item 2- "How many positions are paid out of this department"?**

Bryan Hauschild, Select Board member answers the following questions," four positions are paid from this department, the Town Administrator at 40 hours, the Administrator's secretary at 40 hours, a floating position that works for the Select Board, Tax Collector, Treasurer and Town Clerk and Town Counsel are paid from this Item."

Item 33- "What is the unemployment compensation"? It deals with layoffs, it changed slightly from 1.1% to 1.3% because of the amount of layoffs last year.

Item 34- "Who handles the town insurance?" " What is the employment contribution?" "Hampshire County Insurance and the employees contribute 36% for family and 26% for individuals". After these Items are addressed the Moderator calls for a vote on Article 33 in it's entirety Items 1 – 35. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Passed: Unanimous – Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 34:** move the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$8,507,008 (of which \$7,724,942 is for personal services and expenses and \$782,066 is for transportation) necessary to defray the expense of the Granby Public School System for the ensuing year and to carry out any vote passed under this article.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 35:** move the Town vote to transfer from the Capital Equipment Needs Stabilization Fund \$47,000 for the purpose of reducing the funding from tax levy for the fiscal year 2009 appropriations.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

*A 2/3 vote is required on this Article.*

**Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 36:** move the Town vote to authorize the use of \$166,233 of Free Cash for the purpose of reducing the funding from tax levy for the fiscal year 2009 appropriations.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 37:** move the Town vote to assess the amounts raised and appropriated under these articles and warrants on the estates and personal property of the Town of Granby.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Passed: Unanimous- Show of Hands**

All the reports have been heard from the Town Officers and all standing and special committees that had reports to give. The Moderator motions to adjourn this year's Annual Town Meeting.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**All in favor to adjourned: PASSED – Unanimous- by voice**

The business for this ATM is completed and the Moderator officially dismisses this ATM at 8:22 P.M. There were 102 voters and 9 non-voters that showed up to support and contribute to our town affairs.

Respectfully submitted,  
Katherine A. Kelly-Regan  
Town Clerk

**RECORD**  
**ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION**  
**MAY 19, 2008**

In accordance with the following warrant the inhabitants of the Town of Granby qualified to vote in elections met at the East Meadow School on East State Street, in the Town of Granby on Monday, May 19, 2008 and voted as follows:

**SELECT BOARD (3 Years)(Vote ONE)**

Wayne Henry Tack, Sr.	Candidate for Re-election	366 sworn
Write Ins		
Bill Johnson		2
All Others		5
Blanks		<u>92</u>
Total Votes Cast		465

**ASSESSOR (3 Years)(Vote ONE)**

—Gregg A. Leonard	Candidate for Re-election	360 sworn
Write In		0
All Others		2
Blanks		<u>103</u>
Total Votes Cast		465

**BOARD OF HEALTH (3 Years)(Vote ONE)**

Richard G. Bombardier	Candidate for Re-election	350 sworn
Write Ins		0
All Others		6
Blanks		<u>109</u>
Total Votes Cast		465

**MODERATOR (1 Year)(Vote ONE)**

Albert H. Bail	Candidate for Re-election	390 sworn
Write In's		0
All Others		2
Blanks		<u>73</u>
Total Votes Cast		465

**HAMPSHIRE COUNCIL OF GOV'T COUNCILOR (2 Years) (VOTE ONE)**

Jeffrey E. McPherson	Candidate for Re-election	360 sworn
Write Ins		0
All Others		1
Blanks		<u>104</u>
Total Votes Cast		465

**HOUSING AUTHORITY (5 Years) (VOTE ONE)**

George K. Knight, Jr.		236 sworn
Alice G. Stewart		173
Write Ins		0
All Others		0
Blanks		<u>56</u>
Total Votes Cast		465

**PLANNING BOARD (5 Years)(Vote ONE)**

Charles Joe Maheu	Candidate for Re-election	322 sworn
Write Ins		0
All Others		1
Blanks		<u>142</u>
Total Votes Cast		465

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE (3 Years)(Vote TWO)**

Arthur H. Krulewitz	Candidate for Re-election	271 sworn
Michael J. Quesnel	Candidate for Re-election	315 sworn
Michael N. Gay		144

Suzanne R. Normand	114
Write Ins	0
All Others	1
Blanks	<u>85</u>
Total Votes Cast (2 candidates x 465)	930

**COMMISSIONER OF BURIAL GROUNDS**

**(3 Years)(Vote ONE)**

Kevin B. Brooks Candidate for Re-election  
352 sworn

Write Ins	0
All Others	2
Blanks	<u>111</u>
Total Votes Cast	465

**COMMISSIONER OF TRUST FUNDS**

**(3 Years)(Vote ONE)**

No Candidate  
Write Ins  
Roger Fournier 49 sworn

Bill Johnson	1
William Clark	1
Leah Condon	1
All Others	10
Blanks	<u>403</u>
Total Votes Cast	465

**LIBRARY TRUSTEE (3 Years)(Vote THREE)**

Renee C. Still Candidate for Re-election  
365 sworn

Gwendolyn D. Morrissey	309 sworn
Bridget Ellen Roy	320 sworn
Write Ins	0
All Others	0
Blanks	<u>394</u>
Total Votes Cast (3 candidates x 465)	1395

**RECREATION COMMISSIONER ( 3 Years)(Vote ONE)**

Vicki S. O'Donnell Candidate for Re-election  
352 sworn

Write Ins	0
All Others	1
Blanks	<u>112</u>
Total Votes Cast	465

**TREE WARDEN (1 Year)(Vote ONE)**

Richard J. Gaj, Sr. Candidate for Re-election  
377 sworn

Write Ins	0
All Others	2
Blanks	<u>86</u>
Total Votes Cast	465

There were only two contested races the School Committee had two positions opened and four running. The Housing Authority had two candidates running for one position. The Commissioner of Trust Funds and a Library Trustee Unexpired term for one year had no candidates.

However, Roger E. Fournier (A.K.A. Tony Fournier) of 83 Batchelor Street, made it known that if written in he would accept the nomination for the position of Commissioner of Trust Funds and Leah A. Condon of 37 West Street, made it known that if written in she would accept the nomination for the position of Library Trustee Unexpired one year term. Both individuals

received enough write in's and accepted the positions they were written in for.

The polls opened at 10:00 a.m. and closed at 8:00 p.m. 465 registered voters came out to support their town and candidates. Out of the 465 voters 28 of them were absentee ballots. There were no provisional ballots processed.

The percentage of voters that voted in this election was 10%, as of May 19, 2008 the town had 4,330 registered voters, 315 of these voters were considered inactive voters. Any voters who are listed as an inactive voter and chooses not to vote, answer their census, sign nomination or petition papers, or inform the town clerk's office on their current residency will be eliminated from the voter registration rolls after two Biennial elections or four years have gone by without any activity.

I certify that all ballots cast for candidates in this Annual Town Election held on Monday, May 19, 2008 have been counted and recorded in accordance with the law.

Respectfully submitted,  
Katherine A. Kelly-Regan  
Town Clerk

**RECORD**  
**TOWN OF GRANBY**  
**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**  
**JUNE 30, 2008**

In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Granby qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met at the Granby Jr. Sr. High School on East State Street on June 30, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

The Moderator, Albert Bail opened the Special Town Meeting at 7:07 p.m. with a quorum present (30 or more) 153 were in attendance at the time of opening. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was lead by the Select Board, and the residents joined in.

The Moderator calls on the Town Clerk, Katherine A. Kelly-Regan, to certify that all the warrants were posted in accordance with the law.

The Clerk responds they have. The warrant for this Special Town Meeting was declared to be in order.

**Committees and Boards attending this STM:**

Select Board: Bryan Hauschild Chairperson, Mary McDowell, and Wayne H. Tack, Sr. all present.

**Finance Committee:**

John Libera, Jr. Chairperson, Robert Glesmann, III, Robert Os, Dana Ritter not present was member Guy Demers.

**Board of Health:**

Richard Bombardier Chairperson, Betty Fredette and not present was Lee Lalonde.

**Others in attendance:**

Edward Ryan, Jr. Town Counselor, Christopher Martin, Town Administrator, and Cathy Leonard, Select Board's Secretary.

**Guests:**

Representatives from Earth-Tech, Mary Moynihan-Burgess, Drake Orlando and Dick Jubinville.

Before the meeting is started the moderator tells a story.

*George Fortier*

*On June 5<sup>th</sup> I went up to the town hall for a copy of the warrant. As I drove into a parking space I saw an elderly man*

walking slowly down the sidewalk towards me.

Back in the 1970's when I was moderator, a gentleman would sit on the left of the main aisle and would frequently raise his hand to ask a question.

This gentleman was George Fortier.

"How are you George", I asked

"Ah, my knees are lots of trouble," he answered.

"How old are you now?" I inquired.

"I was 92 last January," he replied.

I mentioned that he frequently asked questions at town meeting years ago, and that I appreciated it then and more so now.

George would ask the question many would like to ask, but were too embarrassed to ask.

"We could use you now" I told him, "We don't have a George Fortier any more."

He then answered with information I suspected but could never prove.

"You know," he continued, "lots of time I already knew the answer."

Each of us has the responsibility to use our talents and abilities to improve our town.

George Fortier did, and I wish him many more healthy years.

The Moderator calls for Article 1 of the STM at 7:12 P.M.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**ARTICLE 1:** move the Town vote to appropriate \$522,500 the purpose of financing the engineering and construction of the New Ludlow Road Area Sewer Project, so called, including land acquisition and all related and necessary work, tasks and costs to accomplish the project; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be authorized to borrow \$522,500 of said funds under Chapter 44 of the General Laws; that the Selectmen be authorized to apply for, accept and expend any federal, state or other aid, public or private, that may be available therefore; (that, if in the best interests of the Town, local share costs may be recouped through assessment of sewer betterments to be assessed against property owners to be served by said systems generally in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws Chapter 80, for sewer special assessments in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws Chapter 83 Section 14 and 15).

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

Before Article One is voted on Bryan Hauschild, Select Board Chairperson speaks about the benefits this project would do for the town. He mentions that the entire Select Board is in favor of this Article. He then asks the Moderator to give permission for Mary Moynihan-Burgess, Drake Orlando and Dick Jubinville representatives from the Earth Tech, permission to present information on this project, and for any voters to ask questions after this presentation.

The Moderator calls for a motion to let Earth Tech do their presentation.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Passed-Unanimous- Show of Hands**

There are many questions being asked. The Moderator calls on Christopher Martin the Town Administrator for some of these answers however first we have to take a vote to allow him to speak because he is not a Granby resident. Moderator calls for a vote to have Mr. Martin speak.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Passed-Unanimous - Show of Hands**

Richard Bombardier from the Board of Health gets up to speak. At this time we as the Board of Health are NOT in favor of this project and feel the town needs to investigate this project more thoroughly.

At this time Robert Glesmann, III speaks out about this project and calls for an Amendment to Article One. Mr. Glesmann is a member of the town's Finance Committee.

I move to amend Article 1 by striking all text following "available therefore:" and substituting "that total project costs shall be recouped through a connection fee of \$19,835 per EDU, as defined in the Sewer Regulations, adjusted annually on the anniversary of substantial completion of construction by (1) any increase in the Northeast Urban Region CPI-U and (2) the carrying costs of the project, including, but not limited to, interest on the obligations borrowed to finance the project."

This project started about twelve years ago and favorable funding was in place but South Hadley wouldn't/couldn't take the discharge. Now that Chicopee is willing to take the discharge, the funding is not as favorable. There is no question that probably a third of the properties in the area have a serious and immediate problem.

While I believe that the Town is proper in acting as catalyst for a sewer project, the Town must have a reasonable chance of recovering its investment. Due to the difficulty in getting funding and grants to offset the high cost, new projects will not come online in any short time frame, and people in other areas of town may never see a sewer line at their property. People on the Five Corners project and the Community Septic System paid the total cost associated with their projects with the only exception being a relatively small number of EDU's left for future development in the Five Corners system.

John Libera, Jr., Chairperson for the Finance Committee speaks out to the voters saying that the Finance Committee is IN favor of this project as presented in this Amendment.

The Moderator calls for a vote to see if the voters want to vote on this project as Amended by Mr. Glesmann. A majority vote is all that is needed to be able to take a vote on Article One as Amended.

**Passed- Majority- Show of Hands**

Mr. Glesmann's amendment is as follows:

I Move the Town vote to appropriate \$522,500 the purpose of financing the engineering and construction of the New Ludlow Road Area Sewer Project, so called, including land acquisition and all related and necessary work, tasks and cost to accomplish the project; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be authorized to borrow \$522,500 of said funds under chapter 44 of the General Laws; that the Selectmen be authorized to apply for, accept and expend any federal, state or other aid, public or private, that may be available therefore; and that total project costs shall be recouped through a connection fee of \$19,835 per EDU, as defined in the Sewer Regulations, adjusted annually on the anniversary of substantial completion of construction by (1) any increase in the Northeast Urban Region CPI-U and (2) the carrying costs of the project, including, but not limited to, interest on the obligations borrowed to finance the project.

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

**2/3<sup>rd</sup> VOTE IS REQUIRED- FAILS – YES- 99 TO NO- 67 – HAND COUNT**

After over one hour of questions and discussions on Article

One the Moderator calls on the vote counters to do a hand count for Article One. Article One requires a two-third vote in order to pass. A hand count is taken and the final count is:

**YES- 99 to NO- 67 Article One- FAILS** it does not meet the two-third requirement to pass.

In order to pass the vote count needed 112 in favor the vote failed by 11 votes.

The Moderator explains that because of Article One failing Article two, three and four cannot be accomplished without the passing of Article One, Article One was the planning stage it wouldn't make sense to vote on the other Articles we need to postpone the other three articles and that will kill the Articles. A majority vote is all that is needed to postpone these articles indefinitely.

**ARTICLE 2:** MOVE that the Town appropriate \$5,077,500 for the purpose of financing the construction of the New Ludlow Road area sewers including without limitation all costs thereof as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C of the General Laws, as most recently amended by St. 1998, c.78; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen is authorized to borrow \$5,077,500 and issue bonds or notes therefore under Chapter 44 of the General Laws and/or Chapter 29C of the General Laws, as most recently amended by St. 1998, c.78; that such bonds or notes shall be general obligations of the Town unless the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen determines that they should be issued as limited obligations and may be secured by local system revenues as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C, as most recently amended by St. 1998, c.78; that the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen is authorized to borrow all or a portion of such amount from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust established pursuant to Chapter 29C, as most recently amended by St. 1998, c.78; and in connection therewith to enter into a loan agreement and/or security agreement with the Trust and otherwise to contract with the Trust and the Department of Environmental Protection with respect to such loan and for any federal or state aid available for the project or for the financing thereof; that the Board of Selectmen is authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection, to expend all funds available for the project and to take any other action necessary to carry out the project. *(A two-third vote is required to pass Article two as presented)* Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

The Moderator calls Article Two to be postponed indefinitely. Article Two is Motion to postpone indefinitely. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

A vote is called on Article Two to postpone indefinitely.

**Article Two- PASSES to postpone indefinitely declared by Moderator - Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 3:** MOVE the Town vote to authorize preparation of preliminary engineering reports, environmental information documents and funding applications to be submitted to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Utilities Service, for grants and low interest loans to underwrite the costs of the New Ludlow Road area sewer project; to authorize the

Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend any federal, state or other aid, public or private, that may be available therefore, to negotiate and contract with other public bodies to accomplish such service.

*(A Majority vote is all that would be required to pass Article*

*three as presented).*

A Motion is called for Article Three to be postponed indefinitely.

Article Three is Motion to postpone indefinitely. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

A vote is called on Article Three to postpone indefinitely.

**Article Three- PASSES to postpone indefinitely by Majority Show of Hands**

**ARTICLE 4:** MOVE that the Town vote to vote to establish a Stabilization Fund for the purpose of Town infrastructure construction or reconstruction.

*(A Majority vote is all that would be required to pass Article Four as presented).*

A Motion is called for Article four to be postponed indefinitely.

Article Four is Motion to postpone indefinitely. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

A vote is called on Article Four to postpone indefinitely.

**Article Four- PASSES to postpone indefinitely by Majority - Show of Hands**

MOTION: move to adjourn this Special Town Meeting

Motion 2<sup>nd</sup>

The STM is officially dismissed at 8:25 P.M.

Albert Bail, Moderator, thanks all the voters who came out to support our Town Government and expresses that this meeting was run like a town meeting should be. There were good questions and good participation.

The business for this STM is completed, Albert Bail, Moderator, officially dismisses the STM at 8:25 pm. There were 168 registered voters and eight non-voters in attendance at this Special Town Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,  
Katherine A. Kelly-Regan  
Town Clerk

**RECORD**  
**STATE PRIMARY**  
**SEPTEMBER 16, 2008**

In accordance with the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the Town of Granby qualified to vote in elections and primaries met in the East Meadow School on East State Street, in the Town of Granby on Tuesday, the Sixteenth day of September, 2008 and voted as follows

**DEMOCRATIC PARTY TOTAL**

**SENATOR IN CONGRESS** VOTE for ONE

John F. Kerry 236

Edward J. O'Reilly 93

All Others 0

Blanks 0

**Total Votes Cast 329**

**REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS** VOTE for ONE

**(First District)**

John W. Olver 253

Robert A. Feuer 68

All Others 0

Blanks 8

**Total Votes Cast 329**

**COUNCILLOR** VOTE for ONE

**(Eighth District)**

Thomas T. Merrigan 242

All Others 0

Blanks 87

Total Votes Cast	329
<b><u>SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT</u></b>	<b>VOTE for ONE</b>
<b>(First Hampden &amp; Hampshire District)</b>	
Gale D. Candaras	250
All Others	2
Blanks	77
Total Votes Cast	329
<b><u>REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT</u></b>	
<b>VOTE for ONE</b>	<b>(Third Hampshire District)</b>
Ellen Story	259
All Others	2
Blanks	68
Total Votes Cast	329
<b><u>REGISTER OF PROBATE</u></b>	<b>VOTE for ONE</b>
<b>(Hampshire County)</b>	
David E. Sullivan	252
All Others	0
Blanks	77
Total Votes Cast	329
<b><u>GREEN-RAINBOW PARTY</u></b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b><u>SENATOR IN CONGRESS</u></b>	<b>VOTE for ONE</b>
No Nomination	0
All Others	0
Blanks	1
Total Votes Cast	1
<b><u>REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS</u></b>	<b>VOTE for ONE</b>
<b>(First District)</b>	
No Nomination	0
All Others	0
Blanks	1
Total Votes Cast	1
<b><u>COUNCILLOR</u></b>	<b>VOTE for ONE</b>
<b>(Eighth District)</b>	
No Nomination	0
All Others	0
Blanks	1
Total Votes Cast	1
<b><u>SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT</u></b>	<b>VOTE for ONE</b>
<b>(First Hampden &amp; Hampshire District)</b>	
No Nomination	0
All Others	0
Blanks	1
Total Votes Cast	1
<b><u>REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT</u></b>	
<b>VOTE for ONE</b>	<b>(Third Hampshire District)</b>
No Nomination	0
All Others	0
Blanks	1
Total Votes Cast	1
<b><u>REGISTER OF PROBATE</u></b>	<b>VOTE for ONE</b>
<b>(Hampshire County)</b>	
No Nomination	0
All Others	0
Blanks	1
Total Votes Cast	1
<b><u>REPUBLICAN PARTY</u></b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b><u>SENATOR IN CONGRESS</u></b>	<b>VOTE for ONE</b>
Jeffrey K. Beatty	38
All Others	0

Blanks	1
Total Votes Cast	39
<b><u>REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS</u></b>	<b>VOTE for ONE</b>
<b>(First District)</b>	
Nathan A. Bech	38
All Others	0
Blanks	1
Total Votes Cast	39
<b><u>COUNCILLOR</u></b>	<b>VOTE for ONE</b>
<b>(Eighth District)</b>	
Michael Franco	36
All Others	0
Blanks	3
Total Votes Cast	39
<b><u>SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT</u></b>	<b>VOTE for ONE</b>
<b>(First Hampden &amp; Hampshire District)</b>	
No Nomination	0
All Others	8
Blanks	31
Total Votes Cast	39
<b><u>REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT</u></b>	
<b>VOTE for ONE</b>	<b>(Third Hampshire District)</b>
No Nomination	0
All Others	5
Blanks	34
Total Votes Cast	39
<b><u>REGISTER OF PROBATE</u></b>	<b>VOTE for ONE</b>
<b>(Hampshire County)</b>	
No Nomination	0
All Others	5
Blanks	34
Total Votes Cast	39
<b><u>WORKING FAMILIES</u></b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b><u>SENATOR IN CONGRESS</u></b>	<b>VOTE for ONE</b>
No Nomination	0
All Others	0
Blanks	0
Total Votes Cast	0
<b><u>REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS</u></b>	<b>VOTE for ONE</b>
<b>(First District)</b>	
No Nomination	0
All Others	0
Blanks	0
Total Votes Cast	0
<b><u>COUNCILLOR</u></b>	<b>VOTE for ONE</b>
<b>(Eighth District)</b>	
No Nomination	0
All Others	0
Blanks	0
Total Votes Cast	0
<b><u>SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT</u></b>	<b>VOTE for ONE</b>
<b>(First Hampden &amp; Hampshire District)</b>	
No Nomination	0
All Others	0
Blanks	0
Total Votes Cast	0
<b><u>REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT</u></b>	
<b>VOTE for ONE</b>	<b>(Third Hampshire District)</b>
No Nomination	0

All Others	0
Blanks	0
Total Votes Cast	0

<b><u>REGISTER OF PROBATE</u></b>		VOTE for ONE
<b>(Hampshire County)</b>		
No Nomination	0	
All Others	0	
Blanks	0	
Total Votes Cast	0	

The polls opened at 7:00 A.M. and closed at 8:00 P.M. There were 369 voters that came out in support of their candidates. Out of the 369 voters 25 were Absentee Ballots. There were 329 Democrats, 39 Republicans, 1 Green-Rainbow and no Working Families. This was a total of 8.5% of the towns registered voters. This Primary was predicted for a low turn out throughout the Commonwealth.

As of September 16<sup>th</sup>, there were 4,411 registered voters with 265 of them being inactive voters. Out of the 4,411 voters: 1,153 were registered as Democrat, 11 as Green-Rainbow, 13 as Libertarian, 672 as Republican, 2,557 as Unenrolled (Independent) and 5 as Working Families.

I certify that all ballots cast for candidates in this State Primary held on September 16, 2008 have been counted and recorded in accordance with the law.

Respectfully submitted,  
Katherine A. Kelly-Regan  
Town Clerk

**RECORD**  
**PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION**  
**NOVEMBER 04, 2008**

In accordance with the foregoing warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Granby qualified to vote in elections met in the East Meadow School on East State Street, in the Town of Granby on Tuesday, the Fourth day of November, 2008 and voted as follows:

<b><u>ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT</u></b>		
<b>VOTE for ONE</b>		
BALDWIN and CASTLE	Constitution	6
BARR and ROOT	Libertarian	21
McCAIN and PALIN	Republican	1502
McKINNEY and CLEMENTE	Green-Rainbow	1
NADER and GONZALEZ	Independent	55
OBAMA and BIDEN	Democratic	1967
All Others		13
Blanks		19
Total Votes Cast		3584

<b><u>SENATOR IN CONGRESS</u></b>		VOTE for ONE
JOHN F. KERRY	Candidate for Re-election –Democratic	2117
JEFFREY K. BEATTY	Republican	1238
ROBERT J. UNDERWOOD	Libertarian	146
WRITE IN'S		0
All Others		4
Blanks		79
Total Votes Cast		3584

<b><u>REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS</u></b>		VOTE for ONE
JOHN W. OLVER	Candidate for Re-election – Democratic	2353

NATHAN A. BECH	Republican	1127
WRITE IN'S		0
All Others		5
Blanks		99
Total Votes Cast		3584

<b><u>COUNCILLOR</u></b>		VOTE for ONE
<b>(Eighth District)</b>		
THOMAS T. MERRIGAN		
Candidate for Re-election- Democratic		1880
MICHAEL FRANCO	Republican	1219
WRITE IN'S		0
All Others		5
Blanks		480
Total Votes Cast		3584

<b><u>SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT</u></b>		VOTE for ONE
<b>(First Hampden &amp; Hampshire District)</b>		
GALE D. CANDARAS		
Candidate for Re-election - Democratic		2511
WRITE IN'S		0
All Others		26
Blanks		1047
Total Votes Cast		3584

<b><u>REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT</u></b>		VOTE for ONE
<b>(Third Hampshire District)</b>		
ELLEN STORY		
Candidate for Re-election – Democratic		2533
WRITE IN'S		0
All Others		22
Blanks		1029
Total Votes Cast		3584

<b><u>REGISTER OF PROBATE</u></b>		VOTE for ONE
<b>(Hampshire County)</b>		
DAVID E. SULLIVAN		
Candidate for Re-election –Democratic		2438
WRITE IN'S		0
All Others		19
Blanks		1127
Total Votes Cast		3584

**REGIONAL VOCATIONAL**  
**TECHNICAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

You may vote for every position on the Pathfinder Regional Vocational-Technical High School District Committee, regardless of where you reside in the District.

<b><u>PATHFINDER (4 YEARS) (BELCHERTOWN)</u></b>	
JUDITH C. DUDEK	
Candidate for Re-election	2366
WRITE IN'S	0
All Others	11
Blanks	1207
Total Votes Cast	3584

<b><u>PATHFINDER (4 YEARS) (GRANBY)</u></b>	
NO CANDIDATE	
WRITE IN'S	14
Challis Krulewitz- 141 Taylor St	2
James Pietras	2
Melissa Robillard	2
Kerry Tipton	2
Susan Bruffee	1
Martin Merrill- 31 Cold Hill Dr	1

Bob Russo – 107 Kendall St	1
Gary Connaughton	1
Mike Quesnel	1
Mary McDowell	1
All Others	26
Blanks	3544
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>3584</b>

**PATHFINDER (4 YEARS) (MONSON)**

GAIL A. ROBERTS	2150
WRITE IN'S	0
All Others	8
Blanks	1426
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>3584</b>

**PATHFINDER (4 YEARS) (NEW BRAINTREE)**

DUNCAN STEWART	2025
WRITE IN'S	0
All Others	11
Blanks	1548
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>3584</b>

**PATHFINDER (4 YEARS) (PALMER)**

DAVID M. DROZ	
Candidate for Re-election	2008
WRITE IN'S	0
All Others	9
Blanks	1567
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>3584</b>

**PATHFINDER (4 YEARS) (WARREN)**

THOMAS R. RUGANI	2008
WRITE IN'S	0
All Others	7
Blanks	1569
<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	<b>3584</b>

**BALLOT QUESTIONS:**

**QUESTION 1: LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION**

Do you approve of a law summarized below, on which no vote was taken by the Senate or the House of Representatives before May 6, 2008?

**SUMMARY**

This proposed law would reduce the state personal income tax rate to 2.65% for all categories of taxable income for the tax year beginning on or after January 1, 2009, and would eliminate the tax for all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2010.

The personal income tax applies to income received or gain realized by individuals and married couples, by estates of deceased persons, by certain trustees and other fiduciaries, by persons who are partners in and receive income from partnerships, by corporate trusts, and by persons who receive income as shareholders of "S corporations" as defined under federal tax law. The proposed law would not affect the tax due on income or gain realized in a tax year beginning before January 1, 2009.

The proposed law states that if any of its parts were declared invalid, the other parts would stay in effect.

A **YES VOTE** would reduce the state personal income tax rate to 2.65% for the tax year beginning on January 1, 2009, and would eliminate the tax for all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2010.

A **NO VOTE** would make no change in state income tax laws.

**YES-870      NO-2658      Blanks-56      Total 3584**

**QUESTION 2: LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION**

Do you approve of a law summarized below, on which no vote was taken by the Senate or the House of Representatives before May 6, 2008?

**SUMMARY**

This proposed law would replace the criminal penalties for possession of one ounce or less of marijuana with a new system of civil penalties, to be enforced by issuing citations, and would exclude information regarding this civil offense from the state's criminal record information system. Offenders' age 18 or older would be subject to forfeiture of the marijuana plus a civil penalty of \$100. Offenders under the age of 18 would be subject to the same forfeiture and, if they complete a drug awareness program within one year of the offense, the same \$100 penalty.

Offenders under 18 and their parents or legal guardian would be notified of the offense and the option for the offender to complete a drug awareness program developed by the state Department of Youth Services. Such programs would include ten hours of community service and at least four hours of instruction or group discussion concerning the use and abuse of marijuana and other drugs and emphasizing early detection and prevention of substance abuse.

The penalty for offenders under 18 who fail to complete such a program within one year could be increased to as much as \$1,000, unless the offender showed an inability to pay, an inability to participate in such a program, or the unavailability of such a program. Such an offender's parents could also be held liable for the increased penalty. Failure by an offender under 17 to complete such a program could also be a basis for a delinquency proceeding.

The proposed law would define possession of one ounce or less of marijuana as including possession of one ounce or less of tetrahydrocannabinol ("THC"), or having metabolized products of marijuana or THC in one's body.

Under the proposed law, possessing an ounce or less of marijuana could not be grounds for state or local government entities imposing any other penalty, sanction, or disqualification, such as denying student financial aid, public housing, public financial assistance including unemployment benefits, the right to operate a motor vehicle, or the opportunity to serve as a foster or adoptive parent. The proposed law would allow local ordinances or bylaws that prohibit the public use of marijuana, and would not affect existing laws, practices, or policies concerning operating a motor vehicle or taking other actions while under the influence of marijuana, unlawful possession of prescription forms of marijuana, or selling, manufacturing, or trafficking in marijuana.

The money received from the new civil penalties would go to the city or town where the offense occurred.

A **YES VOTE** would replace the criminal penalties for possession of one ounce or less of marijuana with a new system of civil penalties.

A **NO VOTE** would make no change in state criminal laws concerning possession of marijuana.

**YES-2204      NO-1319      Blanks- 61      Total 3584**

**QUESTION 3: LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION**

Do you approve of a law summarized below, on which no vote was taken by the Senate or the House of Representatives before May 6, 2008?

**SUMMARY**

This proposed law would prohibit any dog racing or racing meeting in Massachusetts where any form of betting or wagering on the speed or ability of dogs occurs.

The State Racing Commission would be prohibited from accepting or approving any application or request for racing dates for dog racing.

Any person violating the proposed law could be required to pay a civil penalty of not less than \$20,000 to the Commission. The penalty would be used for the Commission's administrative purposes, subject to appropriation by the state Legislature. All existing parts of the chapter of the state's General Laws concerning dog and horse racing meetings would be interpreted as if they did not refer to dogs.

These changes would take effect January 1, 2010. The proposed law states that if any of its parts were declared invalid, the other parts would stay in effect.

A YES VOTE would prohibit dog races on which betting or wagering occurs, effective January 1, 2010.

A NO VOTE would make no change in the laws governing dog racing.

**YES-2383 NO-1097 Blanks-104 Total 3584**

**QUESTION 4: THIS QUESTION IS NOT BINDING**

Shall the state representative from this district be instructed (1) to support legislation establishing health care as a human right regardless of age, state of health or employment status, by creating a single payer health insurance system that is comprehensive, cost effective, and publicly provided to all residents of Massachusetts; and (2) to oppose any laws penalizing the uninsured for failing to obtain health insurance.

**YES-2027 NO-947 Blanks-610 Total 3584**

**QUESTION 5: THIS QUESTION IS NOT BINDING**

Shall the state representative from this district be instructed to vote in favor of legislation that: (1) reduces greenhouse gas emissions in Massachusetts by 80% by 2020; and (2) phases out tax incentives for energy-intensive projects, while expanding job creation programs for locally-owned businesses and cooperatives involved in renewable energy, conservation, and sustainable agriculture?

**YES-2218 NO-772 Blanks-594 Total 3584**

The polls opened at 6:00 a.m. and closed at 8:00 p.m. Opening the polls one hour earlier proved to be worth while, in the first two hours 649 voters voted, by closing we had 3,577 voters cast their votes. Out of the 3,577 who voted 242 were absentee ballots and there were twenty-two provisional ballots cast.

This was a very good turn out it and ran very smoothly. Using two machines enable us to have 32 voters able to vote at one time. Amazingly there was no more than a five-minute wait at the peak times. The poll workers did a fabulous job! This was a very good day for the Town, 80% come out in support of their candidates and questions.

At the close of voter registration (October 15, 2008) the town had 4,501 register voters, that figure includes 221 inactive voters. Inactive voters are individuals that most likely no longer reside in Granby, have not notified this office and must remain on these rolls for two biennial elections (4 years) before being deleted. Inactive voters are the main reason why a provisional ballot would be cast. If proven they have moved within a certain time frame and not registered anywhere else or proven they registered

at the RMV and it never was recorded with the town then their ballot will be counted.

On November 17, 2008 the Board of Registrars determined what provisional ballots could be counted to the tally, out of the 22 provisional ballots 5 were determined eligible and 2 overseas ballots were determined to be eligible, adding 7 more votes to the 3,577 making the grand total of voters 3,584.

I certify that all ballots cast for candidates and questions in this Presidential Election held on November 04, 2008 have been counted and recorded in accordance with the law.

Respectfully submitted,  
Katherine A. Kelly-Regan  
Town Clerk

**TOWN TREASURER**

Annual Report Fiscal Year End June 30, 2008

**STATEMENT OF CASH**

Balance in Treasury 6/30/2007	\$ 11,728,060.42
Cash Receipts FY2008	19,735,153.16
Total Cash Available 7/1/07 to 6/30/08	<u>\$ 31,463,213.58</u>
Total Cash Payments, 7/1/07 to 6/30/08	(16,956,764.80)
Balance in Treasury 6/30/08	<u><u>\$ 14,506,448.78</u></u>

**Balance in Treasury at 6/30/2008 is made up as follows:**

Cash on Hand	\$ 278.19
Bank of Western Mass	7,772,658.98
Bank North	1,160,509.10
Easthampton Savings Bank	3,991,604.65
Florence Savings Bank	1,581,397.86
Total	<u><u>\$ 14,506,448.78</u></u>

**Cash by Fund**

General Fund	\$ 7,365,465.51
School Lunch Revolving Fund	46,816.42
Capital Funds	1,900,000.00
Special Revenue Funds	510,606.54
Sewer Enterprise Funds	173,898.47
Ambulance Enterprise Fund	146,378.10
Non-Expendable Trust Funds	97,018.67
Expendable Trust Funds	3,225.90
Agency Funds	4,649.20
Stabilization Funds	4,258,389.97
Total	<u><u>\$ 14,506,448.78</u></u>

**Total Interest Earned**

\$ 486,046.27

**Tax Title**

Beginning Balance 6/30/07	\$ 53,908.48
Turnovers from Collector	50,282.27
Interest accrued	12,734.09
Other costs	2,026.06
Subtotal	<u>\$ 118,950.90</u>
Amounts Collected	(13,844.14)
Ending Balance 6/30/08	<u>\$ 105,106.76</u>

**Foreclosed Properties**

Beginning Balance 6/30/07      \$ 340,836.75  
Sales of Property                      (43,666.15)  
Ending Balance 6/30/08            \$ 297,170.60

**STATEMENT OF DEBT:**

		7/1/2007		Unissued		6/30/2008		
Note	For	Outstanding	Issued	Amount	Retired	Outstanding	Interest	Rate
409	Air Paks	5200.00			5200		198.64	3.82%
	Truck Cab & Chassis	13000.00			13000.00		496.60	3.82%
	Tractor	9200.00			9200.00		351.44	3.82%
	Station Wagon	<u>3720.00</u>			<u>3720.00</u>		<u>142.10</u>	3.82%
409	Subtotal	31120.00			31120.00		1188.78	
	SCADA			40,000.00				
411	Dump Truck		120,000.00			120,000.00		3.83%
	Guard Rail		45,000.00	80,000.00		45,000.00		3.83%
	Pickup Truck		40,000.00			40,000.00		3.83%
	Ambulance		<u>165,000.00</u>			<u>165,000.00</u>		3.83%
411	Subtotal		370,000.00	80,000.00		370,000.00		
<b>Total Departmental Equipment</b>		<b>31,120.00</b>	<b>370,000.00</b>	<b>120,000.00</b>	<b>31,120.00</b>	<b>370,000.00</b>	<b>1,188.78</b>	
385-4	School Roof	290,000.00			58,000.00	232,000.00	12162.60	4.66%
	WS School Roof			<u>1,135,230.00</u>				
<b>Total School Buildings</b>		<b>290,000.00</b>		<b>1,135,230.00</b>	<b>58,000.00</b>	<b>232,000.00</b>	<b>12162.60</b>	
<b>Total School-All Other</b>								
91-50	MWPAT	163,216.77			16,635.83	146,580.94	9,294.52	Subsidized
91-64	MWPAT	205,143.11			20,909.16	184,233.95	11,682.04	
91-65	MWPAT	<u>36,008.00</u>			<u>3,670.00</u>	<u>32,338.00</u>	<u>2,040.15</u>	
91-xx	Subtotal	404,367.88			41,214.99	363,152.89	23,016.71	
410	Consolidated Notes	79,200.00			6,600.00	72,600.00	3,104.64	3.92%
BOND	Five Corners	846,921.09			14,735.38	832,185.71	44,657.62	5.25%
	CWMP			400,000.00				
<b>Total Sewer</b>		<b>1,330,488.97</b>		<b>400,000.00</b>	<b>62,550.37</b>	<b>1,267,938.60</b>	<b>70,778.97</b>	
<b>Total Long Term Debt</b>		<b>1,651,608.97</b>	<b>370,000.00</b>	<b>1,655,230.00</b>	<b>151,670.37</b>	<b>1,869,938.60</b>	<b>84,130.35</b>	

Respectfully submitted,  
Steven R. Nally

### TREE WARDEN

I did ten inspections on trees near the roadways this year. Some people were given permission to take them down themselves because there is no money in the budget to take them down.

I work with the highway department and the electric companies to take down trees that are near the electric wires and pose a hazard for the wires. Any trees that are on town property have to have permission from the tree warden to be taken down. Any trees on a scenic roadway have to have a public hearing on them.

Richard J. Gaj Sr.  
Tree Warden

### VETERANS SERVICE

The Veterans' Services Department assisted ten (10) Granby residents during the year 2008. The Department expended \$27,539.93 for budget assistance, \$4,500.00 for fuel assistance, \$6,525.64 in medical assistance, and \$306.00 for Cemetery Flags. The total expenditure for the year was \$38,565.57. The Town received reimbursement from the State in the amount of \$20,425.87 during the year.

The Department assisted seven (7) Granby residents in receiving annuity benefits, which totaled \$14,000.00.

Services of the Department resulted in Granby residents receiving benefits from the Department of Veterans' Affairs in the amount of \$137,768.00.

Respectfully submitted,  
John A. O'Connor, Director

### APPENDIX C CLASSIFICATION PLAN GRADE ASSIGNMENTS JULY 1, 2008

<u>TITLE OF POSITION</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
Council On Aging Van Driver	1
Lawn Service and Maintenance	1
Custodian/Craftsman	2
Transportation Dispatcher	2
Library Assistant	2
Assistant Librarian	3
Treasurer's Clerk	3
Children's Librarian	3
Cataloging Services Assistant	3
Grave Development, Excavation and Interment	3
Light Equipment Operator/Laborer	3
Assessor's Clerk	3
Accounting Clerk/ Assistant Town Accountant	4
Town Administrator Secretary	4
Heavy Equipment Operator/Laborer	4
Mechanic/Light Equipment Operator/Laborer	5
Director of Assessments	6
Director of Senior Services	6
Heavy Equipment Operator/Laborer/Assistant Foreman	6
Health Agent	7
Director of Recreation	7
Youth Services Librarian	7
Library Director	8
Inspector of Buildings/Zoning Enforcement Officer	8
Highway Foreman	8
Town Accountant	9
Highway Superintendent	10
Executive Assistant to the Board of Selectmen	11

**APPENDIX D**  
**COMPENSATION PLAN PAY SCHEDULE**

July 1, 2008

	STEP									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
GRADE 1	11.23	11.57	11.92	12.28	12.65	13.03	13.42	13.82	14.23	14.66
2	12.13	12.49	12.86	13.25	13.65	14.06	14.48	14.91	15.36	15.82
3	13.10	13.49	13.89	14.31	14.74	15.18	15.64	16.11	16.59	17.09
4	14.15	14.57	15.01	15.46	15.92	16.40	16.89	17.40	17.92	18.46
5	15.28	15.74	16.21	16.70	17.20	17.72	18.25	18.80	19.36	19.94
6	16.50	17.00	17.51	18.04	18.58	19.14	19.71	20.30	20.91	21.54
7	17.82	18.35	18.90	19.47	20.05	20.65	21.27	21.91	22.57	23.25
8	19.25	19.83	20.42	21.03	21.66	22.31	22.98	23.67	24.38	25.11
9	20.79	21.41	22.05	22.71	23.39	24.09	24.81	25.55	26.32	27.11
10	22.45	23.12	23.81	24.52	25.26	26.02	26.80	27.60	28.43	29.28
11	24.25	24.98	25.73	26.50	27.30	28.12	28.96	29.83	30.72	31.64
12	26.19	26.98	27.79	28.62	29.48	30.36	31.27	32.21	33.18	34.18