

Special Thanks to the Volunteers

Town of Hinsdale, Mass. ANNUAL REPORT 2007

When you volunteer, you give a part of yourself...

Special Thanks

to all the Volunteers
of the Town of Hinsdale
that make our town a wonderful place
to live, work and grow.



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Town of Hinsdale Fire Department and Ambulance Volunteers

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ANNUAL REPORTS of the Town Officers

For the Year Ending DECEMBER 31, 2007

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TOWN OFFICE BUSINESS HOURS

Administrative Assistant Mon-Thurs 9-3:00, Fri 9-1:0

Assessors Mon, Thurs, Fri, 8:30-4, Wed 2-8, Tues 11:30-

Board of Health Meets: 4th Tue evening of month 7:00;

Open Wed 4:30-7:30 & by appointment

Building Inspector Tues 4-6

Conservation Commission
Council On Aging

Meets: 2nd Tues evening of month at 6:00
Meets: 1st Wed morning of month at 10,

Lunch served Wed & Fri at 11:3

Finance Committee Meets: 1st Thurs of month at 7:00
Fire Department Tues evening at 6:30 @ Fire Station

Hinsdale Public Library Mon 9-1, Tues 2-6, Wed 4-8, Thurs 4-8, Fri 2-6, Sat 9-1

Lake Management Committee Meets: 2nd Mon evening of month at 7:00 Planning Board Meets: 1st Tues evening of month at 6:30 Mon evening 7:30-8:30 and 2nd & 4th

Wed evening of month 7:00 – 8:30 Meets: Every Wed evening at 7:30

Select Board Meets: Every Wed evening at 7:30
Sewer/Water Administrator Tues-Thurs 8-12:00, Wed evenings 6-7:30

Tax Collector Tues, Thurs 8:-2:30, Wed 8:30-1:30, Wed evenings 6-7:00

Town Accountant Mon, Wed 9-4:30

Town Clerk Wed evenings 6:30-8:00

 Transfer Station
 Tues 3-7, Thurs 2-6, Sat 9-4, Sun 11-3

 Treasurer
 Tues, Wed 9:30-3:30, Thurs 9:30- 12:30

Youth Center October through March, Mon-Fri 3:00 – 8:00 pm

Zoning Board of Appeals Meets as needed

TELEPHONE DIRECTORY ***** FOR EMERGENCY'S CALL - 911*****

SELECT BOARD

Bruce Marshall	655-2687
Paul Trova	655-8001
Kathy Cormier	655-2722

DEPARTMENTS

Administrative Assistant 655-2245	Hinsdale Public Library 655-2303
Animal Control/Dog Officer 655-0201	Plumbing Inspector 655-8101
Assessors 655-2300	Police655-0201
Board of Health 655-2311	Select Board655-2245
Building Inspector 655-2309	Sewer/Water Administrator 655-2307
Cemetery Committee 655-2313	Tax Collector 655-2306
Conservation Commission 655-2312	Town Accountant 655-2313
Council on Aging 655-2310	Town Clerk655-2301
Electrical Inspector 655-0279	Transfer Station 655-2305
Emergency Management 684-0500	Treasurer 655-2245
Fire Department 655-2533	Tree Warden 655-2304
Gas Inspector 655-8101	Veteran's Agent 655-8110
Highway Department 655-2304	

ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN (3 YEAR TERM)	
Bruce A. Marshall, Chair	Term Expires 2008
Paul Trova	Term Expires 2009
Kathy Cormier	Term Expires 2010
ACCEPCIONG (2 VE A D. TEDM)	
ASSESSORS (3 YEAR TERM)	Term Expires 2008
Harold Stengl, Chair	Term Expires 2009
Laura Galliher Peter Persoff	Term Expires 2010
Peter Person	Term Expires 2010
CBRSD COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES (4 YEAR TI	ERM)
David Morton	Term Expires 2008
Alyssa Goddard	Term Expires 2010
FINANCE COMMITTEE (3 YEAR TERM)	
Shaun Galliher, Chair	Term Expires 2009
Vivian Mason	Term Expires 2008
Mary Rice	Term Expires 2008
Margaret Steele	Term Expires 2008
William Goddard, Jr.	Term Expires 2009
Tim Quinn	Term Expires 2009
Mike Frederick	Term Expires 2010
Russell Parks	Term Expires 2010
Dean Smith	Term Expires 2010
MODERATOR (3 YEAR TERM)	
Richard J. Marran	Term Expires 2009
Richard J. Marran	Term Expires 2009
PLANNING BOARD (5 YEAR TERM)	
Harold Stengl	Term Expires 2009
Richard Scialabba	Term Expires 2010
Open	Open-Term Expires 2011
Dan Brown	Term Expires 2012
Open	Open-Term Expires 2013
TOWN CLERK (3 YEAR TERM)	
Dawn Frissell	Term Expires 2008
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TREE WARDEN (3 YEAR TERM)	
Pete Gallant	Term Expires 2008

APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES

(Appointed by Selectmen unless otherwise indicated)

ACCOUNTANT

Barbara Simken

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Kerri Striebel

ADA COORDINATOR

Richard Haupt

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

W. Rodney Maloney

TREE WARDEN

Peter Gallant

ASSESSOR'S ASSISTANT

(Appointed by Assessors)

Karen Tonneli

AUCTIONEER

Richard Marran

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Marsha Anthony

Theresa Becker

Ruth Emerson

Barb Genzabella

Laura Guerra

Linda Yarmey

BERKSHIRE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

(Appointed by Board of Selectmen)

Edward Goddard

BERKSHIRE REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY REPRESENTATIVE

Jeanne Carmel

BERKSHIRE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION DELEGATE

(Appointed by Planning Board)

R. Roussin

BOARD OF HEALTH

Edward Goddard, Chair & Secretary

Ken Boudreau

William Goddard, Sr.

BOARD OF REGISTRARS

Dawn Frissell

Holly Adams

Mary Lou Galliher

Kay Kirchner

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Richard Haupt

William Goddard, Jr., Assistant

CEMETERY COMMISSION

Select Board

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Edward Goddard

COMPUTER TECHNICIAN

Fran Flanagan

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Mike Frederick, Chair

Herbert Ferry

Albert (Rick) Koch

Laurel Scialabba

COUNCIL ON AGING

Jean Andrews, Chair

Laura Mitchell

Amy Wahl

CROSSING GUARD

Carole Forward

CUSTODIAN

Harold "Casey" Stengl

HINSDALE/PERU CULTURAL

COUNCIL

Diane Eulin, Chair

Jeanne Andrews, Hinsdale

Phil Collins, Hinsdale

Bernice Hagan, Hinsdale John Hagan, Hinsdale Gerard Natale, Hinsdale Mary Cahill, Hinsdale Carlene Dargi, Peru Lee Jaggi, Hinsdale

EARTH REMOVAL INSPECTOR

Ken Boudreau

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Raymond Bolduc, Director Brian Miner, Deputy Director Shaun Galliher, Public Affairs Officer Laura Galliher

Richard Scialabba

ELECTION WORKERS

Lois Murray
Lisa Trachier
Laura Galliher
Erin Frissell-Filiault
Elaine Frederick
Dawn Frissell
Lorinda Smith
Martha Freshler
Mary Cahill
Terry Douglas
Dion Douglas
Diane Ciaburri
Michael Ciaburri
Marilynn Eastland

FIRE DEPARTMENT CHIEF

Larry E. Turner

FIRE DEPARTMENT ASSISTANT CHIEFS

(Appointed by Fire Chief)

Ralph Cormier, 1st Asst. Chief Douglas Olds, 2nd Asst. Chief

FIRE DEPARTMENT BOARD OF ENGINEERS

(Appointed by Fire Chief)

Dan Alderman Mike Cornwell Brian Hart
Dan Olds
David Shorey
Steve Surnier
Cathy Turner

FOREST WARDEN

Larry Turner

GAS INSPECTOR

William Zeitler

HEALTH AGENT

(Appointed by the Board of Health) William M. Goddard, Sr.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

Peter Gallant

HIGHWAY CREW

Karl Dewkett Robert Dyer

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Mary Rice, Chair Katherine Kirchner Carole Forward Judy Casey

LAKE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Don Madison, Chair Garrett Collins Jr. Timothy Drake Albert (Rick) Koch Carol W. Rodman Jeff Viner

LIBRARIAN

Vacant

LIBRARY ASSISTANTS

Tina Martin, Assistant Library

Director

Samantha Harrington Mary Lunsford Lauren Paro Jaqueline Salek Sam Shelsey Sue Shelsey

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Russell Parks Arthur Rosen James D. Manning

MEMORIAL DAY COORDINATOR

Gloria Greb

NORTHERN BERKSHIRE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT REPRESENTATIVE

Herb Ferry

MASSACHUSETTS EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION

Ray Bolduc

OPEN SPACE & RECREATION COMMITTEE

Dick Roussin, Chair Bernie Cote Mike Frederick Alan Lussier Dennis Regan

Mary Rice Harold "Casey" Stengl

Debbie Wisner

PLUMBING INSPECTOR

William Zeitler Timothy Martin, Assistant Lawrence Kinney, Assistant

POLICE CHIEF

Chris Powell

POLICE OFFICERS

Nancy Daniels Jonathan Garson Jeffrey Henault W. Rodney Maloney Nicole Morris Benjamin Pigott

POLICEMAN, SPECIAL

Richard Quail, Sr.

RECREATION ASSOCIATION

Charles DeAngelus

SEWER AND WATER ADMINISTRATOR

Fran Flanagan

SEWER AND WATER COMMISSION

Select Board

TAX COLLECTOR

Pauline Wheeler

TRANSFER STATION ATTENDANTS

Riley Bates Herbert Ferry

TREASURER

Pauline Wheeler/ Kerri Striebel/ Maureen Bryan

TOWN CLERK'S ASSISTANT

(Appointed by Town Clerk)
Mary Lou Galliher

TOWN COUNSEL

Edward M. Reilly, Esq.

VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER

Philip Collins

WAR MEMORIAL CURATOR

Richard Eastland

WATER TREATMENT FACILITY

Bernie St. Martin, Primary Operator Karl Dewkett, Secondary Operator

WIRING INSPECTOR

Scott Smith
John Broderick, Assistant

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Raymond Bolduc, Chair Colleen Marshall, Secretary Amos Pike

THE SELECT BOARD'S REPORT

We have had another busy year especially with the completion of many on going projects. Outlined below are some of the highlights that occurred during the past year.

- A large section of Longview Avenue & Plunkett Reservoir Road was paved by using Chapter 90 funds. State reimbursements have been received with the completion of this project.
- The Town was able to purchase a new CAT backhoe for the DPW.
- The Main Street Bridge reconstruction and painting project has been completed.
- Direct Deposit is now available for town employees. (Thanks Kerri)
- Congratulations to the first woman Select Board Member, Kathy Cormier.

Special Thanks to....

Selectman Trova for completing all the tasks involved for the new Transfer Station shed.

Martha Freshler, Council on Aging for her dedication to the town, we wish you well.

The Hinsdale Dayz Committee for continuing to providing fun-filled events throughout the year.

Harold 'Casey' Stengl for his generous donation of the Town Hall Clock in memory of his beloved dog 'Baxter'.

Peter Gallant, DPW Superintendent and his staff for keeping our roads in such good condition.

On behalf of myself and the Select Board Member's Paul Trova and Kathy Cormier, we would like to thank all town personnel, committee and board members for their cooperation and hard work throughout the year. Without these people this town would not be where it is today.

Please vote and attend Town Meetings!

Bruce Marshall Chairman

TOWN OF HINSDALE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

APRIL 30, 2007

Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes for the Special Town Meeting of April 30, 2007.

The meeting was opened at 6:30 PM by Richard Marran, the Town Moderator.

Article 1: As the Town Moderator was present it was not necessary to choose a moderator to preside over the meeting.

Article 2: The article to amend the Hinsdale Zoning Bylaw by adopting a new Section 7A; Adult Entertainment Overlay District was accepted and seconded as read. Harold Stingle, Planning Board chairperson read a short statement about the need for this overlay. The vote to accept this amendment Bylaw was PASSED by a unanimous voice vote.

Article 3: The article to amend the Hinsdale Zoning Bylaw by the inclusion of definitions to the existing Section 2 was accepted and seconded as read. The vote to accept this amendment Bylaw definition inclusion was PASSED by a unanimous voice vote.

Article 4: The article to vote to transfer from Certified Free Cash the amount of \$522.00 for a FY 2006 Paint Shed Collection invoice was accepted and seconded as read. Select Board members Marshall and Goddard voiced their respective reasons for not paying or paying this bill. The vote to approve the transfer of this amount for payment was PASSED by a majority, with only two dissenting votes.

Article 5: The article to vote to transfer from Certified Free Cash the amount of \$3,500.00 to the FY 07 account of Heating: Garage & Firehouse was accepted and seconded as read. The vote to approve the transfer of this amount was **PASSED** by a unanimous voice vote.

Article 6: The article to vole to transfer from Certified Free Cash the amount of \$1,500,00 to the FY 07 account of the Recreation Association was accepted and seconded as read. The vote to approve the transfer of this amount was **PASSED** by a unanimous voice vote.

Article 7: The article to vote to transfer from Certified Free Cash the amount of \$3.000.00 to the FY 07 account of Accounting Services was accepted and seconded as read. The vote to approve the transfer of this amount was **PASSED** by a unanimous voice vote.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from "Certified Free Cash" the amount of \$6,500.00 to the FY 07 account of Accounting Software was accepted and seconded as read. The vote to approve the transfer of this amount was **PASSED** by a unanimous voice vote.

ARTICLE 9: The article to vote to appropriate the amount of \$13,000 for FY 07 Sewer Phase I Operating expense, from available funds, "Sewer Receipts Reserved," was accepted and seconded as read. The vote to appropriate this amount was **PASSED** by a unanimous voice vote.

ARTICLE 10: The article to vote to appropriate the amount of \$3,000 for FY 07 Sewer Phase III Operating expense from available funds, "Sewer Receipts Reserved" was excepted and seconded as read. The vote to appropriate this amount was **PASSED** by a unanimous voice vote.

ARTICLE 11: The article to vote to transfer from "Certified Free Cash" the amount of \$2,500.00 for town insurance was accepted and seconded as read. The vote to appropriate this amount was **PASSED** by a unanimous voice vote.

Having no further business for this Special Town Meeting of April 30, 2007, it was then closed by the moderator at 7:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Edward A. Goddard Select Board Chairman

Bruce A. Marshall Select Board Chairman

A TRUE COPY ATTEST

Dawn L. Frissell TOWN CLERK

TOWN OF HINSDALE - ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ORDER OF BUSINESS

May 16, 2007

The Annual Town Meeting was called to order in Kittredge School, at 80 Maple Street, on Wednesday, May 16, 2007 at 7:02 PM, by the Town Moderator.

Of 1,345 registered voters, 63 (4.7%) were present.

ARTICLE 1: The elected Moderator was present.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E ¹/₂ of the Massachusetts General Laws to set up the following revolving accounts, and to take any other action thereon:

- A. A Grave Openings revolving account; this account to be credited with fees from funeral homes for grave digging services and stone settings and to expend payments to gravediggers as approved by the Cemetery Commission; with expenditures from this account not to exceed \$10,000.00 during fiscal year 2008.
- B. A Plumbing Inspector's Fees revolving account; this account to be credited with fees from plumbing permit applicants, and to expend payments to the Plumbing Inspector to pay for inspection services as approved by the Town Treasurer; with expenditures from this account not to exceed \$3,000.00 during fiscal year 2008.
- C. An Electrical Inspector's Fees revolving account; this account to be credited with fees from electrical permit applicants; and to expend payments to the Electrical Inspector for inspection services, as approved by the Town Treasurer; with expenditures from this account not to exceed \$3,000.00 during fiscal year 2008.
- D. A Building Inspector's Fees revolving account; this account to be credited with fees from building permit applicants; and to expend payments to the Building Inspector for inspection services, as approved by the Town Treasurer, with expenditures from this account not to exceed \$15,000.00 during Fiscal Year 2008.
- B. A Dog Officer's Fees revolving account, this account to be credited with fees; and to expend payments to the Dog Officer for reimbursement for out of pocket expenses, as approved by the Town Treasurer; with expenditures not to exceed \$2,000.00 during the fiscal year 2008.
- F. A Planning Board Fees revolving account, this account to be credited with fees from permit applicants; and to expend payments to the Planning Board for legal ads and other expenses, as approved by the Town Treasurer; with expenditures not to exceed \$3,000.00 during the fiscal year 2008.
- G. A Zoning Board of Appeals Fees revolving account, this account to be credited with fees from permit applicants; and to expend payments to the Zoning Board of Appeals

for legal ads and other expenses, as approved by the Town Treasurer; with expenditures not to exceed \$6,000.00 during the fiscal year 2008.

- H. A Board of Health Inspector's Fee revolving account; This account to be credited with fees from the following Board of Health Inspections: Title 5 Inspections, installations and soil evaluations, private well permits, ready to eat (RTE) for business permits, seasonal summer residential camp permits. And to extend payment to all the appropriate Board of Health member or Agent for all such inspection services, as approved by the town treasurer; with expenditures from this account not to exceed \$3,000.00 during the fiscal year 2008.
- A Library revolving account; this account to be credited with fees from overdue books to be used for book replacement; with expenditures from this account not to exceed \$500.00 during the fiscal year 2008.
- J. A Fire Department revolving account; This account to be credited with fees from Fire Department permits applicants; and to expend payments to the Fire Chief for inspection services, as approved by the Town Treasurer; from this account not to exceed \$3,000.00 during the fiscal year 2008.

ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$151,000.00 from available funds entitled "2008 Local Transportation Aid," for improvements on Hinsdale town roads in accordance with the Chapter 90 Program, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to <u>set</u> the salaries of all elected officials of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41 of the Massachusetts General Laws as amended, or take any other action thereon.

ELECTED OFFICIAL'S SALARY	FY2007	Proposed FY2008	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Assessor Chairman Salary	1,900.00	2,200.00	R	R
Assessor Member Salary	1,400.00	1,600.00	R	R
Assessor Member Salary	1,400.00	1,600.00	R	R
Moderator Salary	50.00	50.00	R	R
Selectmen Chairman Salary	1,800.00	2,000.00	R	R
Selectmen Secretary Salary	1,600.00	1,800.00	R	R
Selectmen Member Salary	1,600.00	1,800.00	R	R
Town Clerk's Salary	6,000.00	6,000.00	R	R
Tree Warden Salary	1,500.00	1,500.00	R	R

ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$148,176.44 for General Government Expenses and to set the salaries and compensation of all appointed officers of the town, or take any other action thereon.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT	FY2007	Proposed FY2008	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Legal Counsel	6,600.00	6,600.00	R	R
Moderator	50.00	50.00	R	R
Selectman Chairman Salary	1,800.00	2,000.00	R	R
Selectman Secretary Salary	1,600.00	1,800.00	R	R
Selectman Member Salary	1,600.00	1,800.00	R	R
Selectmen Expense	3,400.00	3,400.00	R	R
Administrative Asst. Salary	25,709.00	25,709.00	R	R
Finance Board Expense	500.00	500.00	R	R
Assessor Chairman Salary	1,900.00	2,200.00	R	R
Assessor Member Salary	1,400.00	1,600.00	R	R
Assessor Member Salary	1,400.00	1,600.00	R	R
Assessors Expense	5,600.00	6,000.00	R	R
Asst. Assessor Salary	35,000.00	36,575.00	R	R
Motor Vehicle Excise Bills	800.00	800.00	R	R
Revaluation	1,000.00	1,000.00	R	R
Treasurer Salary	9,740.00	10,032.20	R	R
Treasurer Expense	1,805.00	1,880.00	R	R
Treasurer/Collector Cama	1,000.00	1,000.00	R	R
Tax Collector Salary	14,608.00	15,046.24	R	R
Tax Collector Expenses	4,790.00	5,045.00	R	R
Tax Title Expense	4,000.00	8,000.00	R	R
Town Clerk's Salary	6,000.00	6,000.00	R	R
Town Clerk's Expense	700.00	700.00	R	R
Town Clerk's Records	2,000.00	2,000.00	R	R
Election Officers	2,400.00	2,400.00	R	R
Board of Registrars	1,389.0,0	1,439.00	R	R
Conservation Comm Expense	3,000.00	3,000.00	R	R
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	139,791.00	148,176.44	R	R

Amended to read: FY08: Asst Assessor Salary to \$38,000, revised total of Article 5 is \$149,601.44.

AMENDMENT VOTE: Passed Unanimously AMENDED ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$273,884.00 as follows for the purpose of Town Highways, or take any other action thereon.

HIGHWAYS	FY2007	Proposed FY2008	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Summer Road Wages	47,458.00	51,231.00	R	R
Highway Admin.	1,000.00	1,000.00	R	R
Sick and Personal Time	1,824.00	2,115.00	R	R
	R = Reco	mmended –	NR = Not Rece	ommended

(Cont.) HIGHWAYS	FY2007	Proposed FY2008	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Bridges	0.00	0.00	R	R
Summer Road Maintenance	38,000.00	42,000.00	R	R
Town Garage Maintenance	6,000.00	6,000.00	R	R
Road Machinery Maintenance	31,500.00	31,500.00	R	R
Street Signs	350.00	350.00	R	R
Highway Department Uniforms	2,150.00	400.00	R	R
Winter Roads Maintenance	55,000.00	55,000.00	R	R
Winter Roads Wages	60,017.00	64,78 8.00	R	R
Street Lights	18,070.00	19,500.00	R	R
TOTAL HIGHWAYS	261,369.00	273,884.00		

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,965.00 as follows for the purpose of Veterans, or take any other action thereon.

VETERANS	FY2007	Proposed FY2008	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Veterans Agent Salary	1,000.00	1,000.00	R	R
Veterans Agent Expenses	1,100.00	1,400.00	R	R
Veterans Aid	8,000.00	8,000.00	R	R
Grave Flag Holders	300.00	300.00	R	R
Memorial Day Observance	265.00	265.00	R	R
TOTAL VETERANS	10,665.00	10,965.00		

ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$253,186.00 as follows for the purpose of Vocational Education, or take any other action thereon.

VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS	FY2007	Proposed FY2008	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Vocational Education Tuition	139,946.00	198,286.00	R	R
Vocational Transportation	50,130.00	54,900.00	R	R
TOTAL VOCATIONAL	190,076.00	253,186.00		

ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to approve the Central Berkshire Regional School District Annual Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2008 as adopted by a two thirds vote of the Regional School Committee, and raise and appropriate the amount of \$1,881,385.00 for said budget, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to approve the Central Berkshire Regional School District Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2008 and raise and appropriate the sum of \$168,300.00 for said budget, or take any other action thereon

ARTICLE VOTE. Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$32,977.00 as follows for the purpose of Protection of Persons and Property, or take any other action thereon.

PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY	FY2007	Proposed FY2008	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Dalton Communication	12,000.00	20,000.00	R	R
Berk Cnty Sheriff Communication	875.00	875.00	R	R
Gas Inspector Salary	200.00	200.00	R	R
Emergency Management	2,750.00	2,750.00	R	R
Dog Officer Salary	1,500.00	1,500.00	R	R
Dog Officer Expense	500.00	500.00	R	R
Tree Warden Salary	1,500.00	1,500.00	R	R
Tree Warden's Expense	5,052.00	5,052.00	R	R
Beaver Control	300.00	600.00	R	R
TOTAL PROTECT PERSONS	24,677.00	32,977.00		

ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$46,700.00 as follows for the purpose of Protection of Persons and Property (Fire Department), or take any other action thereon.

PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY (Fire Department)	FY2007	Proposed FY2008	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Fire Chief's Salary	4,000.00	4,000.00	R	R
1st Assistant Chief's Salary	2,500.00	2,500.00	R	R
2nd Assistant Chief's Salary	2,200.00	2,200.00	R	R
Fire Department Expense	23,000.00	23,000.00	R	R
Fire Department Stipends	15,000.00	15,000.00	R	R
TOTAL PROTECT PERSONS	46,700.00	46,700.00		

ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$122,685.00 as follows for the purpose of Protection of Persons and Property (Police Department), or take any other action thereon.

PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY (Police Department)	FY2007	Proposed FY2008	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Police Chief's Salary	10,000.00	11,000.00	R	R
Police Full-time Officer Salary	31,200.00	66,300.00	R	R
Police Department Expenses	10,275.00	11,275.00	R	R
Police Department Wages	41,500.00	31,520.00	R	R
Crossing Guards Wages	2,590.00	2,590.00	R	R
TOTAL PROTECT PERSONS	95,565.00	122,685.00		

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$88,598.00 as follows for the purpose of Health and Sanitation, or take any other action thereon.

HEALTH & SANITATION	FY2007	Proposed FY2008	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Ashmere Lake Management	9,800.00	10,000.00	R	R
Plunkett Lake Management	3,400.00	4,000.00	R	R
Lake Mgt. Committee Expense	1,000.00	0.00	R	R
24-Hour Ambulance	1,200.00	1,200.00	R	R
Animal Inspector Salary	200.00	200.00	R	R
Town Waste Disposal Wages	9,950.00	9,950.00	R	R
Town Waste Disposal	55,000.00	55,000.00	R	R
No. Berkshire Waste District	3,556.80	3,557.00	R	R
Health Inspector's Salary	700.00	700.00	R	R
Visiting Nurse Assn.	2,516.00	2,591.00	R	R
Health Board Expense	1,400.00	1,400.00	R	R
TOTAL HEALTH & SANITATION	88,722.80	88,598.00		

ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,341.00 as follows for the purpose of Debt and Interest, or take any other action thereon.

DEBT & INTEREST	FY2007	Proposed FY2008	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Town Hall Loan, Principal	4,118.23	4,313.85	R	R
Fire Truck Loan, Principal	14,303.25	15,018.41	R	R
Interest Long Term Debt	18,919.52	18,008.74	R	R
Interest Short Term Debt	3,000.00	3,000.00	R	R
TOTAL DEBT & INTEREST	40,341.00	40,341.00		

ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$295,264.00 for the purpose of Unclassified Town Government Expenses as follows, or take any other action thereon.

UNCLASSIFIED EXPENSES	FY2007	Duamanad	C-14	Finance
UNCLASSIFIED EXPENSES	F 1 2007	Proposed FY2008	Selectmen Action	Comm Action
Audit	15,000.00	15,000.00	R	R
Accounting Services	14,000.00	12,000.00	R	R
Town Insurances	58,295.00	60,630.00	R	R
Health & Dental Insurance	34,700.67	47,780.00	R	R
County Retirement	33,602.00	36,409.00	R	R
Social Security & Medicare	6,000.00	6,600.00	R	R
Reserve Fund	12,000.00	12,000.00	R	R
Town Hall Operating Expenses	13,500.00	14,000.00	R	R
Centrex Telephone	7,000.00	7,000.00	R	R
Printing/Delivery Town Reports	2,300.00	2,300.00	R	R
Town Hall Custodian	7,800.00	8,034.00	R	R
Accounting Expenses	0.00	2,000.00	R	R
Computer Staff Salary	3,000.00	3,000.00	R	R
Heating-Garage-Fire House	10,400.00	11,400.00	R	R
Gasoline-Highway-Fire-Police	19,500.00	24,000.00	R	R
Council on Aging	3,000.00	3,000.00	R	R
Recreation Association	6,000.00	6,600.00	R	R
Sports/Recreation Comm.	500.00	500.00	R	R
Youth Center Maintenance	1,000.00	1,500.00	R	R
Town Wide Mowing	16,705.00	16,250.00	R	R
Town Mapping	200.00	0.00	R	R
Berkshire County Reg. Planning	1,132.96	1,161.00	R	R
Office Machine Maintenance	1,475.00	1,500.00	R	R
Beautification Committee	500.00	1,500.00	R	R
CRA	1,000.00	1,000.00	R	R
TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED	268,610.63	295,164.00		

Amended to read: FY08: Social Security & Medicare amended to \$7,200.00, Beautification Committee amended to read \$1,000.00. Revised total for Article 16 is \$295,264.00.

AMENDMENT VOTE: Passed Unanimously AMENDED ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$56,900.00 as follows for the Hinsdale Public Library Operating Expenses, or take any other action thereon.

Public Library Expenses	FY2007	Proposed FY2008	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Library Director's Salary	14,957.00	15,557.00	R	R
Library Assistant Salary	20,067.00	20,067.00	R	R
Library Expenses	20,563.00	21,276.00	R	R
TOTAL LIBRARY	55,587.00	56,900.00		

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$42,923.00 as follows for the Hinsdale Sewer Commission Operating Expenses from available funds, "Sewer Receipts Reserved for Appropriation", or take any other action thereon.

Hinsdale Sewer Commission Operating Expenses Phase I & II	FY2007	Proposed FY2008	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Sewer Phase I & II Administrator				
Salary	4,750.00	5,750.00	R	R
Sewer Phase I & II Dept				
Operating Expenses	31,000.00	33,000.00	R	R
Sewer Phase I & II Maintenance	2,000.00	2,000.00	R	R
Sewer Phase I & II Department Wages	2,013.00	2,173.00	R	R
TOTAL	39,763.00	42,923.00		

ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$55,691.00 for Sewer Phase III Operating Expenses, from available funds, "Sewer Receipts Reserved for Appropriation", or take any other action thereon.

Hinsdale Sewer Commission				Finance
Operating Expenses Phase III	FY2007	Proposed FY2008	Selectmen Action	Comm Action
Sewer Phase III Administrator				
Salary	5,500.00	6,000.00	R	R
Sewer Phase III Oper. Expenses	22,000.00	35,000.00	R	R
Sewer Phase III Maintenance	6,000.00	6,000.00	R	R
Phase III Sewer Dept Wages	8,051.00	8,691.00	R	R
TOTAL	41,551.00	55,691.00		

ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds Sewer Betterment Reserved, the sum of \$148,625.35 for Sewer Phase III Loan payments; or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote the sum of \$198,275.24 to the following Water Department Operating Expenses:

Hinsdale Water Department Operating Expenses	FY2007	Proposed FY2008	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Water Administrator Salary	4,750.00	5,750.00	R	R
Water Dept. Admin. Expense	1,000.00	1,000.00	R	R
Water Dept. Operating Expense	55,750.00	55,750.00	R	R
Water Dept. Wages	16,906.00	13,472.00	R	R
Water Bond Payments	123,932.70	122,031.24	R	R
TOTAL	202,338.70	198,275.24		

and to provide such sums by transferring \$198,275.24 from available funds "Water Surplus" or take any other action thereon.

Amended to read: The total dollars and the amounts for the individual accounts in the article did not change but the wording was amended from "To see if the Town will vote the sum of \$198,003.24 to the following Water Department Operating Expenses: and to provide such sums by transferring \$198,003.24 from available funds "Water Surplus" or take any other action thereon." to "To see if the Town will vote the sum of \$198,003.24 to the following Water Department Operating Expenses: and to provide such sums by transferring \$100,000 from available funds "Water Surplus" and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$98,003.24 from FY08 anticipated user fees to be collected or take any other action thereon."

AMENDMENT VOTE: Passed Unanimously AMENDED ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

Article 22: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Stabilization Capital Account the amount of \$70,000 for the purchasing of a new backhoe for the DPW, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$650.00 for the rental of the CSX park property, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE VOTE: Passed with 1 Nay vote

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise arid appropriate \$2,200.00 for snow removal from all town sidewalks, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE VOTE: Defeated Unanimously

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$5,019.00 for annual accounting software maintenance, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$500.00 for the creation of an expense account for the Planning Board, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds "Certified Free Cash" the amount of \$1,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing a computer for the Building Inspector, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE VOTE. Passed with 1 Nay vote

ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds "Certified Free Cash" the amount of \$3,116.00 for the purpose of buying replacement U.S. flags and Christmas decorations for the downtown area, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$5,469.21 for FY 07 Winter Road wages, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 30: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds "Certified Free Cash" the amount of \$50,000.00 to the Stabilization Capital Account, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 31: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds "Certified Free Cash" the amount of \$50,000.00 to the Stabilization Account, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 32: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds "Certified Free Cash" the amount of \$10,000.00 for site assessment requirements at the Solid Waste Transfer Station property, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 33: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Law Chapter 41: Section 108L, Police career incentive pay program; salary increases; reimbursement of cities and town; or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 34: To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

ARTICLE 35: To choose and elect the following Town Officers:

(1) Moderator	for a 3-year term
(1) Selectman	for a 3-year term
(1) Assessor	for a 3-year term
(3) Finance Committee member	for a 3-year term
(1) Planning Board member	for a 5-year term
(1) Planning Board member	for a 1-year term
(1) Tree Warden	for a 3-year term

Adjourned to Town Election at 8:05 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn L. Frissell Town Clerk

A TRUE COPY ATTEST

TOWN OF HINSDALE - SPECIAL TOWN MEETING ORDER OF BUSINESS

JUNE 29, 2007

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required and directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Hinsdale qualified by law to vote, to meet in the Hinsdale Town Hall Community Room, at 39 South Street, on Friday, June 29th, 2007 at 7:00 PM, then and there to act on the following articles:

Of 1,345 registered voters, 16 (1.2%) were present.

ARTICLE 1: The elected Moderator was present.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, "Certified Free Cash", the amount of \$618.55 to retire a deficit balance in the **Homeland Security Grant FY04**; or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, "Certified Free Cash", the amount of \$4,440.00 to the Gasoline - Highway, Fire, and Police Account; or take any other action thereon.

Amended to read: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, "Certified Free Cash", the amount of \$4,850.00 to the Gasoline - Highway, Fire, and Police Account.

AMENDMENT VOTE: Passed Unanimously AMENDED ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, "Certified Free Cash", the amount of \$3,500.00 to the **Police Department Wage Account**; or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, "Certified Free Cash", the amount of \$1,500.00 to the Police Department Expense Account; or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, "Certified Free Cash", a **sum of money** to the **Town Waste Disposal Account**; or take any other action thereon.

Amended to read: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, "Certified Free Cash", the amount of \$1,500.00 to the Town Waste Disposal Account.

AMENDMENT VOTE: Passed Unanimously
AMENDED ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, "Certified Free Cash", a **sum of money** to the **Dalton Communications Account**; or take any other action thereon.

Amended to read: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, "Certified Free Cash", the amount of \$9,000.00 to the Dalton Communications Account.

AMENDMENT VOTE: Passed Unanimously AMENDED ARTICLE VOTE: Passed Unanimously

Adjourned to Town Election at 7:06 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn L. Frissell

Town Clerk

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TREASURER'S REPORT

BALANCE SHEET AS OF JUNE 30TH 2007 GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

CASH ON HAND JULY 1 ST , 2007		
General	876227.59	
Petty Cash - Tax Collector	50.00	
Petty Cash - Assessors	15.00	
Petty Cash - Highway Department	100.00	
Petty Cash - Police Dept	100.00	
Sewer Cash	633,161.11	
Water Cash	175,773.74	
TOTAL CASH:		1,685,427.44
PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES Personal		
Prop Taxes F2004 Personal	51.45	
Prop Taxes F2005 Personal	53.13	
Prop Taxes F2006 Personal	1,869.95	
Prop Taxes F2007	1,765.57	
TOTAL PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX	KES	3,740.10
REAL ESTATE TAXES		
Real Estate Taxes F2000	12.52	
Real Estate Taxes F2001	103.96	
Real Estate Taxes F2002	966.91	
Real Estate Taxes F2003	479.64	
Real Estate Taxes F2004	1,308.91	
Real Estate Taxes F2005	176.36	
Real Estate Taxes F2006	8,891.32	
Real Estate Taxes F2007	74,178.95	
Real Estate Taxes F1996	19.16	
Real Estate Taxes F1997	265.55	
Real Estate Taxes F1998	21.12	
Real Estate Taxes F1999	32.40	
TOTAL REAL ESTATE TAXES		86,456.80
MOTOR VEHICLE EX TAXES:		
Motor Vehicle Ex 2000	2,461. 27	
Motor Vehicle Ex 2001	2,882.63	
Motor Vehicle Ex 2002	2,735.97	
Motor Vehicle Ex 2003	4,252.37	

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NTS	17,060.77
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14,350.73	
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AGENCY:		
Deputy Collector Fees	173.00	
Town Clerk Fees	7.59	
Police Permits Due State	368.75	
TOTAL AGENCY:		54934
REVOLVING FUNDS		
Police Outside Detail	24.90	
TOTAL REVOLVING FUNDS		24.90
OVERLAYS RES FOR ABATE		
Overlay F2004	245.76	
TOTAL OVERLAYS RES FOR ABATE		245.76
APPROPRIATION BALANCES:		
Winter Road Wages	5,469.21	
TOTAL OVERDRAWN APPROPRIAT	IONS	5,469.21
TOTAL ASSETS		6,224,197.92

BALANCE SHEET AS OF JUNE 30TH 2007 GENERAL ACCOUNTS

LIABILITIES

REVENUE		
REVENUE 08	114,116.00	
TOTAL REVENUE		114,116.00
AGENCY:		
Payroll Withholdings	534.27	
Tax Collector Costs	88.00	
TOTAL AGENCY:		622.27
GIFTS & BEQUESTS		
Cemetery Memorial	27,014.10	
Depot Park Gifts	800.50	
Police Dept Gifts	520.00	
Website Gifts	98.40	
Historical Gift	76.50	
Library Gifts	302.81	
TOTAL GIFTS & BEQUESTS		28,812.31
GRANTS		
Elections - State	309.00	
Federal Library Grant	4,325.00	
St. Aid to Libraries Septic	3,544.22	
System Repair Grot Arts	295.36	
Lottery Grant Council on	7,105.11	
Aging - State Emergency	12,468.75	
Management Grant FEMA	900.00	
Disaster Rec Grant	1,675.91	
Community Policing Grant	280.38	
Fire Environmental Grant	1,000.00	
Section 319 Grant	77,346.22	
Capital Project - Sewer	26,424.10	
Sewer Rate Relief Grant	8,644.00	
Water Loan Proceeds	7,549.93	
TOTAL GRANTS		151,867.98
53E 1/2 REVOLVING FUNDS Fire		
Dept. Revolving	15.00	
Planning Bd Revolving	193.30	

Zoning Board Revolv	ing 1941.70)
Bd of Health Revolvin	ng 120.00)
Library Revolving	12.15	5
TOTAL 53E 1/2 REV	OLVING FUNDS	2,282.15
REVOLVING FUNDS		
Mowing Tractor Main	it. 2,006.56	5
Conservation Comm l	Revolv 13,708.26	5
TOTAL REVOLVIN	G FUNDS	15,714.82
LOANS AUTHORIZED & U	NISSUED	
Loans Authorized Uni	ssued 200,000.00)
TOTAL LOANS AU	THORIZED & UNISSUED	200,000.00
OVER-UNDER ESTIMATES	:	
Reg. Transit Authority	167.00)
TOTAL OVER-UND		167.00
RECEIPTS RESERVED FOR	RAPPROPRIATION	
Sale of Cemetery Lots	24,897.00)
Sewer Receipts Reser	ved 282,421. 5	7
Sewer Betterment Res	served 315,671. 4	4
Water Surplus	168,273.81	<u> </u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS	RESERVED	
FOR APPROPRIA	ATION	791,263.82
OVERLAYS RESERVED FO	R ABATEMENT	
Overlay F2001	22,543.95	5
Overlay F2002	30,211.84	ļ
Overlay F2003	40,641.00	
Overlay F2005	44,751.00)
Overlay F2006	65,267.93	3
Overlay F2007	43,916.68	3
Overlay F1992	173.70)
Overlay F1993	615.83	3
Overlay F1994	172.40	
Overlay F1996	19.16	
Overlay F!997	265.55	
Overlay F1998	1,368.84	
Overlay F1999	27.40) -
TOTAL OVERLAYS		
FOR ABATEMEN	T	249,975.28

REVENUE RESERVED		
Petty Cash Revenue	265.00	
Tax Title & Poss. Revenue	183,908.98	
Motor Vehicle Excise Rev	90,326.27	
Sewer Usage Revenue	8,475.00	
Sewer Betterments Revenue	623.77	
Sewer Betterment III Rev	7,962.00	
Water Rents & Liens Rev	50,366.66	
Long Term Betterment Rev	3,747,718.41	
TOTAL REVENUE RESERVED		4,089,646.09
SURPLUS REVENUE		
Surplus Revenue	338,372.57	
TOTAL SURPLUS REVENUE		338,372.57
APPROPRIATION BALANCES		
ATB Legal Contingency	4,700.00	
Motor Vehicle Ex Billing	402.60	
Revaluation	1,000.00	
Town Clerk's Records	3,079.93	
Voting Machine	1,000.00	
Highway Chapter 291B	13,877.28	
Hwy Chapt. 90 291C	44,020.00	
HWY C90/LONGVIEW & PLUNKT	95,668.00	
Bridges	15,078.34	
Beaver Control	1,320.00	
Cemetery Expansion Projet	17,291.97	
Police Dept. Expenses	1,472.03	
Lake Management Corom Exp	4,748.13	
Plunkett Lake Management	1,226.23	
Sec 319 Grant	5,542.27	
EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN RPT	5,000.00	
Compactor Repairs	14,660.52	
Health Board Expenses	200.33	
Audit	9,500.00	
Accounting Software/Hdwre	1550.00	
TOTAL APPROPRIATION BALANCI	ES	241337.63
TOTAL LIABILITIES		6224177.92

BALANCE SHEET AS OF JUNE 30TH 2007 GENERAL ACCOUNTS

TRUST FUND ACCOUNTS

	Assets	Liabilities
TRUST FUNDS		
Trust Cash	\$530,855.22	
Stabilization		\$387,664.49
Stabilization - Capital		43,190.73
Due to Stabilization		50,000.00
Due to General Fund		70,000.00
Due to Capital Stabilization.		51,010,100.00
Due From Capital Stabilization Fund	70,000.00	
TOTAL TRUST FUNDS	\$600,855.22	\$600,855.22

BALANCE SHEET AS OF JUNE 30TH 2007 GENERAL ACCOUNTS

DEBT BALANCE ACCOUNTS

	Assets	Liabilities
DEBT BALANCE ACCOUNTS Inside Debt Limit Fire Truck Loan	\$82,931.82	\$82.931.82
TOTAL Total Inside Debt Loans	\$82,931.82	\$82,931.82
Outside Debt Limit	4,933,755.28	
Town Hall Loan Sewer Sewer - Plunkett Lake		291,834.72
Sewer - Fluitkett Lake		767,235.58 2,400,147.53
Water Rehab		1,474,537.45
TOTAL Total Outside Debt Limit Loans	\$4,933,755.28	\$4,933,755.28
TOTAL LONG TERM DEBT:	\$5,016,687.10	\$5,016,687.10

TOWN OF HINSDALE - FY 2007 FY2007 YTD EXPENSE BUDGET REPORT

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Motor Vehicle Ev Bill (10141 04) 900 00 900 00	2,980.37	2,019.13	94
Motor Vehicle Ex Bill (10141.04) 800.00 800.00	232.05	567.95	29
Revaluation (10142.00) 1,000.00 1,000.00		1,000.00	0
Treasurer Salary (10145.00) 9,740.00 9,740.00	7,740.00		100
Treasurer Expense (10145.01) 1,805.00 1,805.00	,805.00		100
Tax Title Expenses (10145.06) 2,526.20 4,000.00 6,526.20 6	5,526.20		100
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Tax Collector Salary (10146.00) 14,608.00 14,608.00 14	,608.00		100
Tax Collector Expense (10146.01) 4,790.00 4,790.00 4	,740.67	49.33	99
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Town Clerks Expenses (10161.01) 700.00 700.00	699.96	0.04	100
Town Clerk's Records (10161.04) 1,079.93 2,000.00 3,079.93		3,079.93	0
Election Offcrs & Bal (10162.00) 2,695.00 2,695.00 2	2,694.27	0.73	100

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Voting Machine (10162.02)		1,000.00		1,000.00		1,000.00	0
Board of Registrars (10163.00)		1,389.00		1,389.00	867.95	521.05	62
Conservation Commission (10171.00)		3,000.00		3,000.00	2,727.38	272.62	91
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT:	8,916.13	141,686.00	901.12	151,503.25	134,365.48	17,137.77	89
HIGHWAYS							
Highway Chapter 2918 (20106.00)	13,877.28			13,877.28		13,877.28	0
Hwy Chapt. 90 291C (20116.00)			44,020.00	44,020.00		44,020.00	0
HWY C90/LONGVIEW & FL (20117.00)			95,668.00	95,668.00		95,668.00	0
Summer Wages (20420.00)		47, 458.00		47, 458.00	47,083.48	374.52	99
Highway Administration (20421.00)		1,000.00		1,000.00	491.25	508.75	49
Sick & Personal Time (20421.01)		1,824.00		1,824.00		1,824.00	0
Bridges (20422.00)	15,078.34			15,078.34		15,078.34	0
Summer Road Maintenance (20422.02)		38,000.00		38,000.00	32,400.66	5,599.34	85
Town Garage Maint (20422.03)		6,000.00	13.36	6,013.36	6,013.36		100
Road Machinery Maint (20422.04)		31,580.00	88.27	31,588.27	31,588.27		100
Street Signs (20422.06)		350.00		350.00	179.87	170.13	51
Beaver Control (20422.08)	1,700.00	300.00		2,000.00	680.00	1,320.00	34
Hwy Dept. Uniform Ren (20422.22)		2,150.00		2,150.00	1,732.92	417.08	81
Hwy Garage 2 Furnance (20422.24)		6,469.00		6,469.00	4,438.81	2,030. 19	69
New Sander - Hwy Dept (20422.26)		12,000.00		12,000.00	12,000.00		100
Winter Roads)taint (20423.00)		55,000.00		55,000.00	54,999.83	0.17	100
Winter Road Wages (20423.01)		60,017.00		60,017.00	65,486.21	<5,469.21>	109
Snow Removal - Sidewa (20423.04)		2,200.00		2,200.00	1, 195.00	1,005.00	54
Street Lights (20424.00)	1,162.91	18,070.00		19,232.91	17,736.88	1,446.03	92
TOTAL HIGHWAYS:	31,818.53	282,338.00	139,789.63	453,946. 16	276,076.54	177,869.62	61

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SCHOOLS & LIBRARIES							
C.B.R.S. Assessment (30000.01)		1,765,704.00	<32,439.00>	1,733,265.00	1,733,265.00		10
C.B.R.S.D. Capital (30000.02)		168,690.00		168,690.00	168,690.00		10
Vocational Transporta (30000.04)		50,130.00		50,130.00	50,130.00		10
Vocational Ed Tuition (30000,05)		139,946.00		139,946.00	137,462.73	2,483.27	9
School Litigation (30000.06)	2,227.50			2,227.50	767.00	1,460.50	3
Library Director's Sa (30610.00)		14,957.00		14,957.00	14,957.00		10
Library Assistant Sal (30610.01)		20,067.00		20,067.00	19,530. 13	536.87	9
Library Expenses (30610.04)		20,563.00	480.00	21,043.00	20,864.56	178.44	9
TOTAL SCHOOLS & LIBRARIES:	2,227.50	2,180,657.00	<31,959.00>	2,150,325.50	2,145,666.42	4,659.08	10
VETERANS							
Veterans Agent Salary (40543.00)		1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00		10
Veterans Agent Expens (40543.01)	326.89	1,100.00		1,426.89	1,426.89		10
Veterans Aid (40543.02)	1,854.00	8,000.00		9,854.00	6,491.00	3,363.00	6
War Memorial (40543.05)	300.00			300.00		300.00	
Grave Flag Holders (40543.06)		300.00		300.00	300.00		10
US FLAGS & CHRISTMAS (40543.07)			3,116.00	3,116.00	3,116.00		10
Memorial Day Observan (40543.08)		265.00		265.00	215.84	49.16	8
War Memorial Cannon R (40543.12)		14,000.00		14,000.00	13,542.97	457.03	9
TOTAL VETERANS:	2,480.89	24,665.00	3,116.00	30,261.89	26,092.70	4,169.19	8
CEMETERIES							
Cemetery Commission (50491.00)		200.00		200.00		200.00	(
Cemetery Expansion Pr (50491.02)	20,901.97			20,901.97	3,610.00	17,291.97	11
TOTAL CEMETERIES:	20,901.97	200.00	0.00	21,101.97	3,610.00	17,491.97	11

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PROTECT. PERSONS & PROPERTY							
Police Chiefs Salary (60210.00)		10,000.00		10,000.00	9,999.96	0.04	100
Police Dept Wages (60210.01)		41,500.00	6,300.00	47,800.00	47, 704.00	96.00	100
Police Dept. Expenses (60210.02)		10,275.00	1,500.00	11,775.00	10,302.97	1,472.03	87
VIOLATION TICKETS (60210.03)			700.00	700.00	694.00	6.00	99
Crossing Guards (60210.04)		2,590.00		2,590.00	2,590.00		100
Police Full-time Sala (60210.16)		31,200.00		31,200.00	31,199.90	0.10	100
Dalton Communications (60212.00)		12,000.00	9,000.00	21,000.00	19,893.99	1,106.01	95
Cnty Sheriff Communic (60212.02)		875.00		875.00	875.00		100
Fire Chiefs Salary (60220.00)		4,000.00		4,000.10	4,000.00		100
1st Asst. Chiefs Sala (60220.01)		2,500.00		2,500.00	2,500.00		100
2nd Asst. Chiefs Sala (60220.02)		2,200.00		2,200.00	2,200.00		100
Fire Dept Stipends (60220.03)		15,000.00		15,000.00	11,500.00	3,500.00	77
Fire Department Expen (60220.04)		23,000.00		23,000.00	22,909.10	90.90	100
Fire Dept. Physicals (60220.08)		4,425.00		4,425.00	4,340.00	85.00	98
Equipment Replacement (60220.18)	2,000.00	ŕ		2,000.00		2,000.00	C
Gas Inspectors Sal. (60242.00)	·	200.00		200.00	200.00		100
Emergency Management (60291.00)		2,750.00		2,750.00	2,626.52	123.48	96
Dog Officers Salary (60292.00)		1,500.00		1,500.00	1,500.00		100
Dog Officers Expenses (60292.01)		500.00	400.00	900.00	775.00	125.00	86
Tree Wardens Salary (60294.00)		1,500.00		1,500.00	1,500.00		100
Tree Wardens Expenses (60294.02)		5,052.00		5,052.00	5,052.00		100
Total PROTECT. PERSONS							
& PROPERTY:	2,000.00	171,067.00	17,900.00	190,967.00	182, 362.44	8,604.56	95

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HEALTH & SANITATION							
Ashmere Lake Manageme (70100.00)		9,800.00		9,800.00	9,800.00		100
Lake Management Coma (70103.00)	3,856.69	1,000.00		4,856.69	108.56	4,748.13	2
Plunkett Lake Manages (70105.00)	1,600.00	3,400.00		5,000.00	3,773.77	1,226.23	75
Sec 319 Grant (70108.00)	57,757.90			57,757.90	52,215.63	5,542.27	90
Darn Safety Ph. 1 Insp (70110.00)			6,495.00	6,495.00	6,495.00		100
EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN (70110.	01)		15,000.00	15,000.00	10,000.00	5,000.00	67
24-Hour Ambulance Ser (70231.00)		1,200.00		1,200.00	1,200.00		100
Animal Inspector Sala (70249.00)		200.00		200.00	200.00		100
Town Waste Disp. Wage (70431.00)		9,950.00		9,950.00	8,516.56	1,433.44	86
Town Waste Disposal (70431.01)		55,000.00	1,500.00	56,500.00	56,251.35	248.65	100
Compactor Repairs (70431.02)	17,610.52			17,610.52	2,950.00	14,660.52	17
No. Berkshire Waste D (70431.04)		3,556.80		3,556.80	3,556.80		100
Transfer St Init Site (70431.05)			21,000.00	21,000.00	20,785.00	215.00	99
FY06 PAINT SHED COLLE (70431.06)			522.00	522.00	522.00		100
Health Inspectors Sal (70510.00)		700.00		700.00	700.00		100
Visiting Nurse Assn. (70522.00)		2,516.00		2,516.00	2,306.37	209.63	92
Health Board Expenses (70522.01)	92.00	1,400.00		1,492.00	1,291.67	200.33	87
Total HEALTH & SANITATION:	80,917.11	88,722.80	44,517.00	214,156.91	180,672.71	33,484.20	84
DEBT & INTEREST							
Town Hall Loan (80710.02)		4,118.23		4,118.23	4,118.23		100
Fire Truck Loan (80710.04)		14,303.25		14,303.25	14,303.25		100
Int. Long-term Debt (80751.00)		18,919.52		18,919.52	18,919.52		100
Int. Short-term Debt (80752.00)		3,000.00		3,000.00	1,205.91	1,794.09	40
53 E 1/2 Grave Opening (85002.00)			2,300.00	2,300.00	2,300.00		100
53 E 1/2 Plumbing Ins (85004.00)			1,921.00	1,921.00	1,921.00		100
53 E 1/2 Electrical 1 (85006.00)			1,775.00	1,775.00	1,775.00		100

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53 E 1/2 Building Ins (85008.00)			10,800.00	10,800.00	10,800.00		100
53 E 1/2 Zoning Board (85014.00)			815.10	815.10	815.10		100
53E 1/2 Ed of Health (85016.00)			500.00	500.00	500.00		100
53E 1/2 Library Revol (85018.00)			54.86	54.86	54.86		100
TOTAL DEBT & INTEREST:	0.00	40,341.00	18,165.96	58,506.96	56,712.87	1,794.09	97
JNCLASSIFIED EXPENSES							
Audit (90100.00)	4,000.00	15,000.00		19,000.00	9,500.00	9,500.00	50
Accounting Services (90122.00)		14,000.00	3,000.00	17,000.00	17,000.00		100
Accounting Software/H (90123.00)			26,500.00	26,500.00	24,950.00	1,550.00	94
BLDG. INSPECTOR COMPU (90125.00)			1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00		100
Heating-Garage & Frho (90192.00)		10,400.00	4,204.54	14,604.54	13,518.26	1,086.28	93
Town Insurances (90192.01)		58,295.00	5,140.00	63,435.00	63,435.00		100
Health Contingency (90192.02)	4,275.64	9,000.00		13,275.61		13,275.64	0
Town Hall Custodian (90192.03)		7,800.00		7,800.00	7,800.00		100
Town Hall Operating (90192.04)		13,500.00		13,500.00	12,981.44	518.56	96
Centrex Telephone (90192.05)		7,000.00		7,000.00	5,878.54	1,121.46	84
Computer Staff Salary (90192.06)		3,000.00		3,000.00	3,000.00		100
Gasoline-Hwy, Fire, Pol (90192.10)		19, 500.00	4,850.00	24,350.00	24,342.27	7.73	100
Office Machine !taint (90192.12)		1,475.00		1,475.00	815.00	660.00	55
Town Napping (90192.14)	700.00	200.00		900.00		900.00	0
New Floor Buffer (90192.16)		1,195.00		1,195.00	1,195.00		100
Printing/Del. Town Rep (90195.00)		2,300.00		2,300.00	1,561.00	739.00	68
Council on Aging (90541.00)		3,000.00		3,000.00	1,654.96	1,345.04	55
Recreation Association (90632.00)		6,000.00	2,059.35	8,059.35	8,059.35		100
Sports/Recreation Co (90630.02)	72.80	500.00		572.80	521.63	51.17	91

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Youth Center Maintena (90630.04)	1,000.00	1,000.00	4,700.00	6,700.00	5,479.00	1,221.00	82
CRA (90630.06)		1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00		100
Town Wide Mowing (90630.14)		16,705.00		16,705.00	16,705.00		100
Historical Commission (90691.00)	200.00			200.00		200.00	0
Beautification Commit (90692.01)		500.00		500.00	500.00		100
County Retirement Ass (90911.00)		33,602.00		33,602.00	33,662.00		100
Social Security & Med (90916.00)	<485.00>	6,000.00	1,925.26	7,440.26	6,851.80	588.46	92
Health/Dental Insuran (90919.00)		34,700.67		34,700.67	33,003.05	1,697.62	95
Berkshire Planning Go (95690.00)		1,132.96		1,132.96	1,132.96		100
Reserve Fund (95781.00)		12,000.00	<10,801.52>	1,198.48		1,198.48	0
Sewer Administrator (300060.00)		4,750.00		4,750.00	4,750.00		100
Sewer Operating Expen (300068.01)	545.53	31,000.00	13,000.00	44,545.53	44,435.62	109.91	100
Sewer Maintenance (300060.03)	2,000.00	2,000.00		4,000.00	1,785.00	2,215.00	45
Sewer Department Wage (300060.06)	52.77	2,013.00		2,065.77	979.00	1,086.77	47
Sewer III Ad Salary (350060.00)		5,500.00		5,500.00	5,500.00		100
Sewer III Operating E (350060.01)	13, 872.01	22,000.00	3,000.00	38,872.01	37,530.82	1,341.19	97
Sever III Sever Dept (350060.02)	4,749.57	8,051.00		12,800.57	7,464.14	5,336.43	58
Sever III Maintenance (350060.03)	15.20	6,000.00	12,000.00	18,015.20	14,342.84	3,672.36	80
Sewer III Loans (350060.16)	5,785.82	147, 426.76	<147,426.77>	5,785.81		5,785.81	0
Water Dept. Adm. Sala (400660.01)		4,750.00		4,750.00	4,750.00		100
Water Dept. Ads. Exp. (400060.02)		1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00		100
Water Department Wage (40060.03)	352.27	16,906.00	<3,422.99>	13,835.28	11,937.42	1,897.86	86
Water Dept. Operating (400060.05)	245.09	55,750.00	3,422.99	59,418.08	59,418.08		100
FY06 Water Dept. Expe (406060.07)	3,535.08	-	•	3,535.08	3,535.08		100
Water Rehab Project L (400060.12)	·	123,932.76		123,932.70	123,932.70		100
TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED EXPENSES:	40,916.78	709,885.09	<76,849.14>	673,952.73	616,846.96	57, 105.77	92
TOTAL ALL EXPENSES:	190,178.91	3,638,961.89	115,581.57	3,944,722.37	3,622,406.12	322,316.25	92

HINSDALE BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

The Hinsdale Beautification Committee would like to acknowledge all of the Volunteers that contribute their time and labor to maintain the many planters and baskets on display to enhance the charm of our lovely town. This program is funded by the Town and the volunteers. The planters are created and cared for by Theresa Becker, Linda Yarmey, Barb Genzabella, Deb Hopmans, Ruth Emerson and Laura Guerra.

With special thanks to those people who so generously made contributions, assisting with the cost of planting the large pots in front of the town hall. Thank you to Joe Renzi of Renzi's Country Store and Keith Beebe of Wahconah Veterinary Services.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Emerson, Coordinator

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

The Board of Assessors spent much of the year conducting inspections of various properties and updating property information in our database. The Assessors' tax maps were reviewed closely to correct discrepancies that existed. Also, a bulletin board containing photographs of recent house and land sales was put up at the Town Hall. This bulletin board in located outside the Assessor's office and we invite members of the public to stop by and view these photographs.

We'd like to take this opportunity to remind residents that the Town has a by-law with respect to house numbers which requires that the house number for each residence be displayed so that the number can bee seen from the street. Whenever a residence is situated more than 50 feet from the street, the number should be place on a post, fane or tree near the driveway. All house numbers must be at least 3 inches in height. This is for you safety.

Beginning in January 2008 the Town will undergo a full certification of its property values as required by State Law. This is know as a "revaluation" and the Assessors will be working closely with the representatives from the Department of Revenue during this process to ensure that our property assessments meet the minimum standards of assessment as set forth by state guidelines.

Any question or concerns regarding the assessment process can be directed to member of the Board of Assessors. The Assessor's office number is (413) 655-2300

Respectfully Submitted

Harold (Casey) Stengl, Chair.

BOARD OF HEALTH

The year of 2007, reflected a mixed bag of increase and decrease in local health activity.

New septic design for new home construction was down while activities for recreational camps and food establishments remained equal. More state training has been offered for all health personnel who wish to maintain certification on the many different assets of health programs. Locally the health department has had an increase of complaints of human habitation violations which have been actively investigated and resolved.

This long-time board of Kenneth Boudreau, William M. Goddard Sr. and I continue to serve the town with service and reliability and hope to do so for many years to come.

I do thank the select board and all other town officials for their support to the board and to the town's people.

2007 Health Permits

Recreational Camps	5	Private Well Permits	8
Food Services		Title 5 Inspections	9
Tobacco Permits	4	DSCP Title 5	7
Tobacco Enforcement Orders 1	1	Housing Complaints	3

Respectfully submitted,

Edward A. Goddard BOH Chair & Secretary

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

In 2007 having fully completed the successful expansion of a new section of the cemetery long-time committee members Jan Flanagan, Francis Flanagan and Pauline Wheeler decided to step down from their appointed positions. This the Select Board accepted with deep regret as their experience, dedication and hard work was a vital asset to the altruistic beauty of this eternal resting place. The Select Board and I publicly thank them for their many hours of custodial over site and expanding the town cemetery to its present and beautiful condition.

Also in 2007, the Select Board did vote to appoint me as a member of this committee. I thank them for the opportunity to again serve our Town in yet another area, and accept this position with the goal of continuing the fine work that my predecessors' have demonstrated and to meet will all residents to assist them in their perpetual needs of their loved ones.

The Cemetery Commission office hours are now Wednesday evenings from 6:00 – 8:00 PM.

Edward A. Goddard, Secretary

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Due to a declining economy there has been a bit of a slow down in construction in the last year. Given the size of the town, there still has been a considerable number of new homes and home improvement. Total number of permits was ninety-eight.

List of Permits

New Homes	9
Home Improvement	44
Accessory Buildings	10
Pools	3
Demolition	6
Commercial Alterations	9
Garages	3
Signs	1
Commercial New Construction	2
Wood Stoves	11

Regular business hours for the Building Department are from 4 to 6 on Tuesdays. Inspections are scheduled as needed throughout the week.

Office Phone: 413-655-2309

Respectfully submitted,

Richard G. Haupt

Building Commissioner

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Conservation Commission is appointed by the Selectboard to uphold the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (GL. 131, Section 40). This law prohibits the filling, excavation, or other alteration of land surface, water levels, or vegetation in wetland, flood plains, riverfront area, regardless of ownership, without a permit from the local Conservation Commission. The law originated in 1972 when two earlier statutes were combined. Regulations under the Act are issued and enforced by the Department of Environmental Protection. The purpose of the Hinsdale Conservation Commission is to protect the Town's abundant natural and water resources.

The Conservation Commission meets at 6 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month at Town Hall and encourages all residents to attend. We strongly urge anyone located near a water resource to contact us prior to disturbing any soil and vegetation or starting any building project, to determine how the Wetlands Protection Act may apply to the particular project that you have in mind.

The Commission would be pleased to answer any questions that you might have concerning wetlands and other water resources. A brochure explaining the Act is available in the rack at Town Hall. You may also contact us by calling the office at 655-2312.

During the past calendar year the commission on 8 Requests for Determination of Applicability, 10 Notices of Intent, 1 Wetlands Delineation, and 1 Request for Extension of Conditions. We accordingly issued 8 Determinations, 10 Orders of Condition, 5 Certificates of Compliance, 1 Extension of Orders, and 1 Delineation of Wetlands.

Additionally, we issued 1 Emergency Certification and 1 Enforcement Order. This Enforcement Order necessitated that the property owner undertake remediation/restoration action. Such action was completed during the fall season. We also were involved in an abatement measure required to be under taken by the railroad.

We also conducted numerous site visits on various properties as well as a great many consultations with applicants and property owners. We anticipate that activity in 2008 will continue to be brisk as it was during the past year.

The Commission presently consists of 5 members: Herb Ferry, Mike Frederick, Rick Koch, Carol Pullo and Laurel Scialabba. Again, we invite anyone interested in the Commission to contact us and attend one of our meetings.

Respectfully submitted, Edward (Mike) Frederick, Chair.

HINSDALE-PERU CULTURAL COUNCIL

The Hinsdale-Peru Cultural Council is part of a grass-roots network of local councils that serve every city and town in the state. The state legislature provides an annual appropriation to the Massachusetts Cultural Council, which then allocates funds to each local council. This year the Hinsdale-Peru Council received \$8000 from the MCC, matching the allotment from last fiscal year, thanks to the support of the Berkshire Legislative Delegation and Hinsdale-Peru Representative Denis Guyer. The Council met in October 2007 to review applications and award grants to arts and cultural programs that benefit the citizens of Hinsdale and Peru. The Council is pleased to help make the following activities available to the Hinsdale-Peru residents for the coming fiscal year:

	\$ Gra	<u>nted</u>
*	Berkshire County's Kidsville News! Monthly Newsletter	
	(200 copies monthly to Kittredge school)	600
*	Kittredge School Square Dancing Program - Mar. 28, '08	320
*	Nessacus Regional Middle School PTO -	
	Cultural Enrichment Programs - Oct. '07 - Oct. '08	400
*	Hinsdale Dayz • Krew De Reux - Summer '08	500
	 Sylvia and the Magic Trunk - Summer '08 	325
	 Movie Night - Summer '08 	850
*	Berkshire Theatre Festival, Inc. School	
	Residency Program at Kittredge - Oct. 9, '07-Jan. 31, '08	600
*	Hilltown Choral Society - Choral Music Performances - Sept. '07 - Sept. '08	300
*	IS 183 Art School of the Berkshires for Making Art	
	Together for Families (8 sessions) - Academic Yr. '07-'08	100
*	10th Annual Fireman's Muster - July 26-27, '08	750
*	Community Block Dance - July 15, '08	750
*	Becket Arts Center of the Playing with Visual Images - July 8 - July 29, '08	200
	Hilltowns • Improv Theatre - July 31- Aug. 14, '08	75
	 Marmalade Productions Big Puppet Day - July 24,'06 	8 85
	 Marty Lasker Lecture Series – Summer '08 	150
*	Sculpture Now In the Village 2008 - June 1 - Oct. 31, '08	450
*	Creating the Visual Arts (5-8) - July 1, '08	150
*	• Golden Dragon Acrobats - Jan. 9, '08 (3rd—5th grade)	595
	Colonial Theatre Trips • Velveteen Rabbit - May 5, '08 (pre-K—2 nd grade)	500
	Total \$	8000

The Council recognizes an important ingredient to well-attended events is to make the schedules accessible and visible to the Hinsdale-Peru residents and is planning to post these events as appropriate around the town and on local websites.

Lee Jaggi is the newest member. He joins the other members: Jeanne Andrews, Mary Cahill, Phil Collins, Diane Eulian, Bernice Hagan, John Hagan and Gerard Natale of Hinsdale and Darlene Renzi of Peru.

Respectfully submitted, Diane Eulian, Chair

HINSDALE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

This year has been primarily spent maintaining our equipment and attending various meetings and training. This training is necessary in order to keep pace with continually changing State and Federal requirements and to keep our certifications current.

Maintenance continues to be a considerable task given the age of the equipment; however, the Town now has permanent emergency power generation capability at the Town Hall, Grange Hall, Fire Station and Water Treatment Plant as well as portable power generators available if needed. It is only through the many hundreds of hours spent by the volunteers of this department that we are able to retain the capabilities the Town of Hinsdale has at its disposal.

We continue to pursue various grant funds for this department as well as for the Police, Fire and Highway departments. We are also actively participating in the planning for the addition to the Town Highway Department garage. This project will include space for storage of our equipment. We were also able to help resolve some communications issues the Police Department was having as a result of storm damage to the cell tower. The cooperation and good working relationships between Town departments is vital to insuring that the Town does not duplicate funding requests and insures that everyone is aware of the multiple capabilities each department has available.

We look forward to continuing to serve the needs of the citizens of Hinsdale.

Respectfully Submitted,

Raymond R. Bolduc Director Hinsdaie Emergency Management

FIRE DEPARTMENT

In 2007 the Hinsdale Fire Department received and responded to 49 emergency calls, representing a total of 416 man hours.

THE NUMBER AND TYPE OF CALLS

FIRES IN STRUCTURES	3
BRUSH/OUTSIDE FIRES	
M.V.A.S	
SERVICE CALLS/WIRES DOWN	9
CHIMNEY FIRES	3
ALARMS/SMOKE & CO	
MUTUAL AID	
TOTAL	49
MUTUAL AID BY TOWN	S
PERU	1
BECKET	
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In 2007 we saw a slight drop in total calls with M.V.A.s still being our most frequent type of call. With the ever increasing installations of alarm systems in new and existing homes our responses to false and actual alarms are steadily increasing each year. As I have noted in the past, there is a need for a Rapid Entry System on these dwellings. With this system, when we receive an alarm and no one is home and a key holder is not available, we are able to enter the building without breaking down a door or a window to enter and asses the situation. I will be addressing this in the coming year.

The Fireman's Association has completed our AIR-REHAB and TANKER truck. Replacement projects and both vehicles are in service and working nicely. We were able to raise the funds to purchase an all terrain ATV which was delivered in mid summer and put right into service.

The Fireman's Association also purchased a new McCoy Miller ambulance this Fall replacing the 1995 unit that served us well for the past 12 years. All of the other vehicles are in good working order.

The fire station is in good shape with the exception of the last remaining, 28 year old unit heater in the apparatus bay. We are planning to replace this heater this budget period. We are also looking into replacing the old bay lights with more energy efficient lighting, hoping to find a grant program to achieve this.

The Town of Hinsdale was awarded a \$60,000 grant from Homeland Security, Assistance to Firefighters Program to replace all of our firefighters turn out gear.

This will give each firefighter the newest, top of the line, N.F.P.A. approved personal protective equipment, from their helmet to their boots, which will provide the best possible protection for our firefighters.

Our 2006 membership drive proved to be very successful, bringing us 8-10 new members which has helped us very much. Three of these members are presently taking EMT training and we are looking forward to having them certified this summer.

We would again like to thank the residents of our wonderful Town of Hinsdale for there continued support.

Thank You,

Larry E. Turner Fire Chief

LAKE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The Lake Management Committee is a formally established Town Committee with representation and participation from the two major lakes in Hinsdale, other town boards and state agencies. Our Mission is to improve the water quality, environmental and recreational aspects of the lakes and to protect these important water resources for the Town and the residents surrounding the lakes. In 2007 the continued maintenance of the aquatic vegetation, in Ashmere Lake was to manage the Eurasian Milfoil, Bigleaf Pondweed and Redhead Grass. The objective for Plunkett Reservoir was the management of the Milfoil and the Redhead Grass as well as Curly-Leaf Pondweed. Two additional projects scheduled were the maintenance work to be performed on the sediment pond at Plunkett Reservoir and an Engineering study of the Spillway which would hopefully solve the ongoing controversy over the summer lake level. However the funding was not approved, so we will continue to pursue these projects in 2008.

Current members of the committee are Garrett Collins, Albert Koch Jr., Carol Rodman, Tim Drake, Jeff Viner, Tom Andrews and Don Madison.

Respectfully submitted Don E. Madison, Chair.

HINSDALE DAYZ COMMITTEE

The Hinsdale Dayz Committee once again sponsored several successful events for the year 2007.

We were very busy planning the events throughout the year. The Annual Chili Cook-off proves to become bigger and better each year for the children and adult contestants as well as those that come to taste a variety of homemade chili.

As always there was much excitement under the BIG TENT in July for the Annual Movie. Music, our children and families as well as local campers, just filled the tent with fun, laughter, free popcorn for all and door prizes were won.

Eagles Band concert in Depot Park, as always draws a nice crowd, and last year, we added a new attraction to the days events with crafters, food, a local church, organizations and stores becoming a part of the days events. We are hoping to be able to continue with this event.

Fall Harvest Festival and the Israel Bissell Road Race sponsored by the Hinsdale Dayz, was yet again a yearly success. This year we also added to the day for our children the 1st Annual Lolly-Pop Race. Everyone was a winner receiving a medal and of course a Lolly-Pop. The day continued with music, games and lots of fun making Scarecrows to help decorate our town for fall.

Our Christmas and Easter Cookie Walk/Bake Sale always proves to be successful and help sponsor our free events for the year.

My committee is always looking for anyone who would like to join a fun filled group of people who enjoy planning wonderful events through the year.

On behalf of the Hinsdale Dayz Committee we would like to thank you, our Hinsdale Fire Department, Hinsdale Police Department, Hinsdale Muster Team and our Hinsdale Select Board. A special thanks to our local Hinsdale-Peru Cultural Council, businesses and banks, for your continued support and donations.

Respectfully submitted,

Carole Forward, Chair Hinsdale Dayz Org.

PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board is a five-member board and is elected by the citizens of Hinsdale to deal with various land matters. The board meets at 6:30 pm on the first Tuesday of each month and is available to answer questions concerning the town's by-laws at that time. It is also responsible for initiating changes to those by-laws. The Planning Board reviews selected request for special permits and variance applications. Also, the Planning Board is the evaluation and approval agency for the proposed partitioning of property along established roads.

During the past year the town lost two of the Planning Board members and gained one. Mr. Trova resigned to become a member of the Board of Selectmen and Mrs. White resigned because she no longer lives in Hinsdale. Dan Brown our newest member is a welcome addition as he is a professional Surveyor. The board is two members short of fulfilling our five-member board. Anyone interested in becoming a member should contact a Selectperson or the Town Clerk for Details.

The proposed by-law, overlay district, restricting any Adult Entertainment business that would want to establish such a business in the Town of Hinsdale was passed at a Special Town Meeting in April of 2007 and has been certified by the State and is now the by-law of the town. The Board approved several proposed partitioning of property for town taxpayers. We are now looking at up dating other by-laws.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold (Casey) Stengl, Chair

PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Library enjoyed another successful year. A Reading Club for children was conducted during the summer and fall months. In connection with the Hinsdale Dayz Committee, a book sale was held. The Friends of the Library Organization helped with this event and we appreciate their continued efforts to work with the Library. With a grant, many health books, 2 chairs and a computer carrel was purchased for the Library.

We were very fortunate to have a matching donation from Chris Quail on fundraising during the month of August. Chris was raised in Hinsdale and graduated from Wahconah High School. He is now living in Kansas but, needless to say, he has not forgotten his roots. Our Thanks to him for his generosity. With his help we were able to purchase nine windows, which completed all the first floor windows. Nine windows on the second floor were purchased previously.

Updating the layout of the library is an ongoing endeavor. The electricity has been upgraded to better serve the needs for computers, copier and lighting in general. Plans for interior painting will take place this spring. Thanks to Board Members Russ Parks and Jim Manning for staining the inside of the windows and painting.

Our Director, Brooke Johnson, resigned in November 2007. Tina Martin, has taken on the position as Acting Director while a new director is put into place. The Board of Trustees greatly appreciate the competent staff at the Library during this transition.

Thank you to the approximately 1500 patrons for their support in making our Library succeed.

Respectfully submitted,

The Board of Trustees:
Lois Murray, Chair
Mary Lou Galliher, Secretary
Laura Galliher, Treasurer
Dawn Frissell
James Manning
Russell Parks
Arthur Rosen
Mary Rice
Tina Martin, Acting Director



POLICE DEPARTMENT

As I review another busy year, 34 total arrests have been made and over 3203 requests having been made for some form of service, which compared to 33 arrests and over 2875 requests in 2006, two things stand out. Consistency is the first thing, not that the number of arrests is the measure of any Department but that the need is consistent based on the statistics. The other thing based on the increase in the number of the requests for service is that the burden placed on the Department is also increasing. During the past year the Department addressed many issues from thefts and assaults to the removal of junk cars, noise complaints, parking violations and traffic control. All time consuming and unavoidable. We continue to provide 24 hour a day coverage, 365 days a year.

During the past year Jonathan Garson was added to the Department as a part-time Officer and has proven to be an excellent addition to the Department. Also as approved at Town Meeting, a second full-time officer was added, Benjamin Pigott being appointed to fill that position. At present Officer Nicole Morris is undergoing full-time academy training, Officer to follow upon her return. This should greatly assist in response time especially during evening hours.

We once again applied for and received \$11,299.00 in the form of a Community Policing Grant which as in the past gives the Department a great assist in providing materials and additional patrol and training hours. Other avenues for additional funding are always being explored. Without this additional funding it would be all but impossible to effectively run the Department and provide the level of service the Town has grown to expect and deserves. With the passing of every day it becomes harder and harder to maintain this standard.

I would like at this time to first thank my officers who remain loyal through thick and thin, for without their support my job would be impossible. I would also like to thank the Select Board for their non wavering support, the Finance Committee for providing the funding to run the Department, the Fire Department, Highway Department and of course, the Emergency Management Director, Raymond Bolduc, for their assistance in often difficult times.

In closing, above all I must thank the taxpayers and overall the members of the community for their support and understanding. Without their encouragement the days would be long and the rewards few. As always, myself and the members of the Department look forward to serving you in 2008.

Respectfully submitted, Christopher K. Powell Chief of Police

Christopher K. Powell, Chief Nicole Morris Nancy Daniels W. Rodney Maloney Jeffrey Henault Benjamin Pigott Jonathan Garson

RECREATION ASSOCIATION DBA HINDSALE YOUTH CENTER

2007 was a very busy year for the Youth Center. We ran a raffle for James Taylor tickets, bake sale, tag sale and a town wide mailing to raise money for our program. There also was a golf tournament and blueberry bake sale and the money raised was donated to the Youth Center. The Youth Center received a face lift by being repainted and had murals of the Wizard of Oz scenes painted in the downstairs rooms by Boxcar Gallery who donated their supplies and labor. We also replaced many of the games that were broken or outdated.

The Youth Center is open from 2:30 pm to 7:30 pm for children between the ages of 7-13. We are open from October to March. We would like to be open for the whole school year but lack of financing prohibits that at this time.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Total amount of taxes committed to the Tax Collector for fiscal year 2007 as follows:

	Committed 2007	Outstanding @ 12/31/07
Real Estate	\$ 2,469,440.23	\$36,679.59
Personal Property	99,507.16	1,757.46
Water Liens	20,865.00	5,117.50
Sewer Liens	7,380.00	1,160.00
Sewer Betterments	146,364.45	654.82
MVE 2007	_341,983.62	17,169.82
TOTALS	\$ 3,085,540.46	\$ 62,539.19

This makes a 98 % collection rate as of this writing.

I wish everyone a healthy and prosperous new year.

Respectfully submitted,

Pauline B. Wheeler Tax Collector

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Vital Statistics 2007:

Births 6
Marriages 2
Deaths 14

Dog Licenses:

10	Male	@	\$ 10.00	\$ 110.00
54	Neutered Male	@	4.00	216.00
10	Female	@	10.00	80.00
53	Spayed Female	@	4.00	212.00

Multi-pet:

3		@	\$ 20.00	\$ 60.00	
1		@	40.00	40.00	
10	Late fees	@	5.00	50.00	

Total \$ 768.00 turned over

Town Licenses:

8	Selling Used Cars Class II & III	@	\$ 20.00	\$ 160.00
2	Selling on Sunday	@	5.00	10.00
1	Selling Gas	@	5.00	5.00
1	Selling Oleo	@	2.00	2.00
1	Selling Milk	@	2.00	2.00
1	Sunday Amusement	@	5.00	5.00

Total \$184.00 turned over

TRANSFER STATION

During Calendar Year 2007 the residents of Hinsdale recycled 123 tons of paper and 33 tons containers (glass, cans and plastic) at the Transfer Station and met the State benchmark of a successful recycling program for the second year in a row.

The cost to the Town for the recyclable materials is one-half the cost for disposal of the trash that goes into the compactor, so recycled tonnage equals saving for the Town.

Sayers of Pittsfield is providing containers for the collection of scrap metal items. The town receives revenue for the metal collected.

The Surplus Paint Program operates each year from April to October. There will be four paint collections in 2008 at the Hinsdale Transfer Station. They are on May 17, June 21, August 23 and September 20, 2008. There is a charge of \$2.00 per gallon to help cover the cost of disposal. This program is for the collection of paint only and residents are welcome to take any usable paint.

Hinsdale residents participated in the Hazardous Waste Collection held on May 5, 2007 in Dalton. The collection this year will be held on October 4, 2008 at the ADAMS HIGHWAY DEPT. GARAGE. Pre-Registration is required. Call the NBSWMD office at (413) 743-8208 to register and get direction to the Adams Highway Department Garage.

Residents can check the District's website www.nbswmd.org for information on recycling, the disposal of paint or other hazardous items, special collections and much more. Residents can call the District Office at 413-743-8208 or talk to the Transfer Station Attendant. The information in this report was supplied by the Northern Berkshire Solid Waste Management District.

The District assessment to member Towns for FY 2008 was \$1.90 per capita.

VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER

- 1. Sixty-five requests for assistance were processed during 2007. These included obtaining discharge papers, requests for pensions, obtaining medals awarded, burial benefits, information on real estate abatements, etc. There is one veteran on Chapter 115.
- 2. There are now 86 confirmed names for the Korean War plaque. There are still many names to check. There are 24 confirmed names so far for the Vietnam War plaque.
- 3. The V.S.O. attended the Massachusetts Department of Veterans Services training conference in Mansfield, October 9-11. He also attended the DVS training on August 15, at the Soldier's Home in Holyoke. These trainings covered all aspects of the job of the VSO, including new forms designed to reduce the paperwork required by the state and federal governments.
- 4. If any Veteran is without health insurance, or a prescription drug plan; the Veteran can go to the Veterans Outpatient Clinic, 73 Eagle Street, Pittsfield, and enroll in the VA Medical Program. You must bring a copy of your DD-214 (discharge paper) with you. It is best to make an appointment first by calling 413-499-2672. Currently, prescriptions cost \$8.00 per month's supply per drug. The Clinic offer several programs in addition to medical care, including mental health counseling, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) therapy, support groups for those recovering from substance abuse, stop smoking classes, vocational and educational referrals, etc.
- 5. If a Veteran needs legal advise, Western Mass Legal Services, 152 North Street, E-155, Pittsfield, offers a sliding scale fee, and pro bono services.
- 6. The Merchant Marine Just Compensation Act passed the House of Representatives on July 30th. It is now in the Senate. This bill will give the surviving members of the Merchant Marine who saw combat in World War II, a monthly monetary stipend. Benefits paid under this law would be exempt from taxation. For many years after World War II, they were not considered members of the Armed Forces, so did not receive the benefits other Veterans received. Contact your two Senators and urge them to vote in favor of Senate Bill 961.
- 7. The Republic of Vietnam Civil Action Medal is now authorized for all Navy and Marine personnel who served in-country; and some Army and Air Force personnel. It has been awarded for meritorious service during the period March 1, 1961 to March 28, 1974. For more information, go to: www.amervets.com/vcar2.htm.
- 8. To find out what medals and recognitions you are eligible for, send a copy of your DD-214, and a self addressed, stamped envelope, to: Form 201-A Request, Records Chief (REC-AMW), The American War Library, 16907 Brighton Avenue, Gardena, CA., 90247-5420.
- If you are a woman Veteran, you can contact the Women Veterans' Network, a part of the Department of Veterans Services, 600 Washington Street, Suite 1100, Boston, Mas-

- sachusetts 02111. The telephone number is: 617-210-5781. There are programs and services designed just for women Veterans.
- 10. The cemetery on East Washington Road, owned by Mr. And Mrs. Rocca, is now all cleaned up. Mr. Tom Hoffman of Washington organized the cleanup project as part of his Eagle Scout work. The Hinsdale Dayz Committee helped with this project. After Tom researched the history of the cemetery, it is now named the Perry Cemetery.
- 11. Again, I owe a big thanks to Charlie DeAngelus and his team for placing the flags on the graves of veterans for Memorial Day.
- There are pamphlets of interest to Veterans located in a rack inside the rear door to the Town Hall.
- 13. If you are a Marine Veteran, you might want to join the Marine For Life program. It is designed to assist former Marines in area such as education, job skills, networking, etc. The address is: Marine For Life, 3280 Russell Road, Quantico, Virginia 22134; or www.M4L.usmc.mil. The telephone number is: 866-645-8762.
- 14. If you are a Veteran living in Hinsdale, and haven't already done so; please send me a copy of your discharge paper, DD-214. This is the paper that contains the date of entry, date of discharge, type of discharge, decorations received, service number, etc. If you don't have this document, let me know and I will send you a form to obtain the discharge. This is the document you need to access any assistance from the state or federal governments.
- 15. The American Legion is distributing \$500 grants to the first 1000 requests from those Veterans who have a 30 percent disability or higher, from either Operation Enduring Freedom, or Operation Iraqi Freedom. Contact Arthur Smith at 617-303-5693, or e-mail masslegion@verizon.net.
- 16. State bonuses are available for Veterans who served during war time. These include Vietnam Veterans, July 1, 1958 to April 1, 1973; Persian Gulf Veterans, August 2, 1990 to April 10, 1991; Enduring Freedom, Iraqi Freedom, or Noble Eagle Veterans, March 13, 1991 to present. You don't have to have served overseas to be eligible. World War II and the Korean War also have bonuses. If you never received yours, let me know.

"The willingness with which our young people are likely to serve in any war, no matter how justified, shall be directly proportional to how they perceive Veterans of earlier wars were treated and appreciated by our nation."

George Washington

Respectfully submitted,

Philip Collins

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

As this report is prepared, the third quarter of fiscal year (FY) 2008 is completing. Accounts generally are tracking to the amounts approved at town meeting. The only areas of significant variance are in fuel and utilities accounts and the police accounts. Fuel and utilities costs have been adjusted upwards each of the past few years, but as we all know the cost of gasoline, heating oil and electricity continue to rise. We have recommended that the Select Board look at alternative electric suppliers as well as continuing to competitively bid heating oil contracts. The police expense accounts are significantly over the approved amounts due to major repairs to both cruisers. The police part time wage account is significantly over primarily as a result of having to cover shifts while full time officers attend training at the Police Academy.

Fiscal Year 2008 has been a year of significant change from the standpoint of how we track and account for the towns finances. During this year we converted to the new accounting software approved at the last annual town meeting. This conversion entails changing from the statutory accounting method to the Uniform Municipal Accounting System (UMAS) method. While this will ultimately make recording of the numerous transactions easier, initial startup has been challenging. The positive results we are seeing thus far are because of the diligence and hard work of Town Accountant Barb Simken. We thank Barb for her dedication and for continuing to go "above and beyond" to insure the system conversion is successful. Additionally Ms. Maureen Bryan has recently been appointed by the Select Board as Town Treasurer. We welcome Maureen and look forward to working with her. Maureen replaces Kerri Striebel who assumed this position on a temporary basis and did an excellent job. We also thank Kerri for all her hard work.

In preparing the town budget for FY2009 we are again forced to make assumptions regarding anticipated state revenues and expenses. The fiscal year 2009 initial adjusted town budget (expenses less water, sewer and school costs) reflects an increase of approximately 3.9%. Increases are mostly to the heating, electrical and fuel accounts as well as town insurances and wages. When educational costs are added, the increase is approximately 4.2%. This year the school committee is requesting an increase in operating assessment of \$138,682.00 or approximately 7.4%. Vocational transportation costs are increasing by 7.6% however vocational tuition is anticipated to be 18.4% lower based on projected enrollment and tuition. As school spending makes up approximately 70% of the total town budget, it is impossible to offset increases of this magnitude. We have held a number of meetings with the School Superintendent and School Committee Chairperson to better understand the causes for these yearly increases and to communicate the impact this has on the town. The anticipated fiscal year 2009 levy is very close to the levy limit as defined under Proposition 2 1/2. The final budget may require an override to support increases in school spending, and if so, will be stipulated in the annual town meeting warrant.

Capital expense anticipated for FY2009 are for replacement of a highway department dump truck, a cruiser and new ballistic vests for the police department, tax title software and funds for initial planning for an addition to the highway department garage. The attached capital plan anticipates the potential capital expenses over the next five years.

As reported last year, water department revenues are covering expenses but continued increases in energy costs may force another rate increase in the future. A high number of mechanical failures again used up the entire allotted maintenance budget for Phase III sewer. This along with increases in sewage treatment costs most probably will result in increases in user fees for Phase III users. We will be making recommendations to the Select Board regarding adjustments to water rates and Phase III sewer user fees in the upcoming months.

Ongoing areas of concern include cost of the operation of the transfer station as well as rising costs for the Dalton Communications Center. We had urged the Selectmen to closely monitor transfer station expenses and to implement various cost reduction strategies. Preliminary results are positive but we will remain diligent in containing costs so that another increase in user fees may not be required. Prior to town meeting we will be making a recommendation to the Selectmen regarding changing the emergency dispatch service provider for the town.

The town has been extremely fortunate over the past year in being able to attract qualified individuals for various town jobs however it is becoming increasingly difficult. We expect we will have to adjust salaries upward in order to be able to continue to attract and retain qualified people.

We remain concerned with the reduction in new building as well as the slow down in property sales. The growth in new building has been the main reason we have not had even greater increases in property taxes over the past several years.

Overall your town remains in good financial health. We continue to build the stabilization and capital stabilization reserve accounts. We recommend the appropriation of free cash reserves only for short term or non-reoccurring expenses or to fund contingency accounts. The independent audit of town finances resulted in no significant findings and made minor recommendations for improvements. These findings and recommendations are being addressed. Working with the Treasurer and Accountant, a number of bank accounts were consolidated and the ability to perform more financial transactions electronically was instituted. We have also undertaken a review of all outstanding debt to insure that the town is paying as little as possible in interest expense.

We encourage anyone with questions or concerns about any area of town finances to either contact a member of the Finance Committee or attend a Finance Committee meeting. Meetings are held at 7:00 PM on the first Thursday of each month at the Town Hall.

We would like to thank the various department heads for their patience throughout this process and their diligence in managing their budgets throughout the year.

I would like to thank the Finance Committee members for the many hours volunteered and their total commitment to the best interests of the Town of Hinsdale.

Respectfully submitted,

Shaun F. Galliher Finance Committee Chair

TOWN OF HINSDALE PRELIMINARY FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL PLAN DATED 4/03/08

Depart-		Estimated	FY	FY	FY	FY	FY
ment	Project	Cost \$	09	10	11	12	13
Projecte	d Costs:						
Police	Cruiser	60,000	30,000	0	30,000	0	0
Highway	Small Dump Truck	50,000	50,000	0	0	0	0
Highway	Garage Addition	125,000	0	125,000	0	0	0
Highway	Large Dump Truck	150,000	0	0	0	0	150,000
General	Technology Upgrade	30,000	0	0	0	30,000	0
	Total	\$415,000	\$80,000	\$125,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$150,000

Current Loans Outstanding:

Loan Name	Annual Payment	Retire Date
1996 Fire Truck	\$19,165	09/11
1999 Town Hall	\$18,176	06/38
	\$37.341	

Projected Receipts based on yearly transfer of \$50,000 from Free Cash to Capital Stabilization Account

		FY	FY	FY	FY	FY
		09	0	11	12	13
		\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
Total	\$250,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000

Approximate Starting Balance as of 4/03/08 - \$72,000

Changes from FY08 - FY12 Plan

- Moved small dump truck from FY12 to FY09
- Moved highway garage addition from FY09 to FY10 and increased to \$125,000
- Added large dump truck to FY13
- Added Technology Upgrade (new computers) to FY12

TOWN OF HINSDALE – ANNUAL TOWN MEETING ORDER OF BUSINESS MAY 21, 2008

Note: Due to the fact that this report goes to the press in April, the Warrant that is printed here <u>may not</u> be identical to the Warrant that one receives at Town Meeting. <u>This is for informational purposes and is not a legal document</u>. The actual Warrant is available one week before Town Meeting from the Select Board's Office. The actual Warrant is also posted one week prior to Town Meeting at the Post Office, Hinsdale Public Library, and Renzi's Variety Inc. it will also be made available at the Annual Town Meeting.

Berkshire, SS:

To One of the Members of the Police Department of the Town of Hinsdale:

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required and directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Hinsdale qualified by law to vote, to meet in Kittredge School, at 80 Maple Street, on Wednesday, May 21, 2008 at 7:00 PM, then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: To choose a moderator to preside over the meeting if the elected Moderator is not present.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53E ¹/₂ of the Massachusetts General Laws to set up the following revolving accounts, and to take any other action thereon:

- A. A Grave Openings revolving account; this account to be credited with fees from funeral homes for grave digging services and stone settings and to expend payments to gravediggers as approved by the Cemetery Commission; with expenditures from this account not to exceed \$10,000.00 during fiscal year 2008.
- B. A Plumbing Inspector's Fees revolving account; this account to be credited with fees from plumbing permit applicants, and to expend payments to the Plumbing Inspector to pay for inspection services as approved by the Town Treasurer; with expenditures from this account not to exceed \$3,000.00 during fiscal year 2008.
- C. An Electrical Inspector's Fees revolving account; this account to be credited with fees from electrical permit applicants; and to expend payments to the Electrical Inspector for inspection services, as approved by the Town Treasurer; with expenditures from this account not to exceed \$3,000.00 during fiscal year 2008.
- D. A Building Inspector's Fees revolving account; this account to be credited with fees from building permit applicants; and to expend payments to the Building Inspector for inspection services, as approved by the Town Treasurer, with expenditures from this account not to exceed \$15,000.00 during fiscal year 2008.

- E. A Dog Officer's Fees revolving account, this account to be credited with fees; and to expend payments to the Dog Officer for reimbursement for out of pocket expenses, as approved by the Town Treasurer; with expenditures not to exceed \$2,000.00 during the fiscal year 2008.
- F. A Planning Board Fees revolving account, this account to be credited with fees from permit applicants; and to expend payments to the Planning Board for legal ads and other expenses, as approved by the Town Treasurer; with expenditures not to exceed \$3,000.00 during the fiscal year 2008.
- G. A Zoning Board of Appeals Fees revolving account, this account to be credited with fees from permit applicants; and to expend payments to the Zoning Board of Appeals for legal ads and other expenses, as approved by the Town Treasurer; with expenditures not to exceed \$6,000.00 during the fiscal year 2008.
- H. A Board of Health Inspector's Fee revolving account; This account to be credited with fees from the following Board of Health Inspections: Title 5 Inspections, installations and soil evaluations, private well permits, ready to eat (RTE) for business permits, seasonal summer residential camp permits. And to extend payment to all the appropriate Board of Health member or Agent for all such inspection services, as approved by the town treasurer; with expenditures from this account not to exceed \$3,000.00 during the fiscal year 2008.
- I. A Library revolving account; this account to be credited with fees from overdue books to be used for book replacement; with expenditures from this account not to exceed \$500.00 during the fiscal year 2008.
- J. A Fire Department revolving account; This account to be credited with fees from Fire Department permit applicants; and to expend payments to the Fire Chief for inspection services, as approved by the Town Treasurer; from this account not to exceed \$3,000.00 during the fiscal year 2008.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$119,169.00 from available funds entitled "FY09 Local Transportation Aid," for improvements on Hinsdale town roads in accordance with the Chapter 90 Program, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the town will vote to <u>set</u> the salaries of all elected officials of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41 of the Massachusetts General Laws as amended, or take any other action thereon.

ELECTED OFFICIAL'S SALARY	FY2008	Proposed FY2009	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Assessor Chairman Salary	2,200.00	2,200.00		
Assessor Member Salary	1,600.00	1,600.00		
Assessor Member Salary	1,600.00	1,600.00		
Moderator Salary	50.00	50.00		
Selectmen Chairman Salary	2,000.00	2,000.00		
Selectmen Secretary Salary	1,800.00	1,800.00		

Selectmen Member Salary	1,800.00	1,800.00
Town Clerk's Salary	6,000.00	6,000.00
Tree Warden Salary	1,500.00	1,500.00

ARTICLE 5: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$157,684.00 for General Government Expenses and to set the salaries and compensation of all appointed officers of the town, or take any other action thereon.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT	FY2008	Proposed FY2009	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Legal Counsel	6,600.00	6,600.00		
Moderator	50.00	50.00		
Select Board Chairman Salary	2,000.00	2,000.00		
Select Board Secretary Salary	1,800.00	1,800.00		
Select Board Member Salary	1,800.00	1,800.00		
Selectmen Expense	3,400.00	3,400.00		
Administrative Asst. Salary	25,709.00	26,564.00		
Finance Board Expense	500.00	500.00		
Assessor Chairman Salary	2,200.00	2,200.00		
Assessor Member Salary	1,600.00	1,600.00		
Assessor Member Salary	1,600.00	1,600.00		
Assessors Expense	6,000.00	6,675.00		
Asst. Assessor Salary	38,000.00	39,140.00		
Motor Vehicle Excise Bills	800.00	900.00		
Revaluation	1,000.00	1,000.00		
Treasurer Salary	10,032.00	11,700.00		
Treasurer Expense	1,880.00	2,500.00		
Treasurer/Collector Cama	1,000.00	1,000.00		
Tax Collector Salary	15,047.00	15,047.00		
Tax Collector Expenses	5,045.00	4,605.00		
Tax Title Expense	8,000.00	9,500.00		
Town Clerk's Salary	6,000.00	6,000.00		
Town Clerk's Expense	700.00	700.00		
Town Clerk's Records	2,000.00	2,000.00		
Election Officers	2,400.00	4,316.00		
Board of Registrars	1,439.00	1,487.00		
Conservation Comm. Expense	3,000.00	3,000.00		
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	149,602.00	157,684.00		

ARTICLE 6: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$274,086.00 as follows for the purpose of Town Highways, or take any other action thereon.

HIGHWAYS	FY2008	Proposed FY2009	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Summer Road Wages	51,231.00	52,254.00		

273 884 00	274 086 00	
19,500.00	19,500.00	
64,788.00	66,082.00	
55,000.00	55,000.00	
400.00	400.00	
350.00	350.00	
31,500.00	31,500.00	
6,000.00	6,000.00	
42,000.00	42,000.00	
0.00	0.00	
2,115.00	2,115.00	
1,000.00	1,000.00	
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ARTICLE 7: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,265.00 as follows for the purpose of Veterans, or take any other action thereon.

VETERANS	FY2008	Proposed FY2009	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Veterans Agent Salary	1,000.00	1,300.00		
Veterans Agent Expenses	1,400.00	1,400.00		
Veterans Aid	8,000.00	8,000.00		
Grave Flag Holders	300.00	300.00		
Memorial Day Observance	265.00	265.00		
TOTAL VETERANS	10,965.00	11,265.00		

ARTICLE 8: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$220,807.00 as follows for the purpose of Vocational Education, or take any other action thereon.

VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS	FY2008	Proposed FY2009	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Vocational Education Tuition	198,286.00	161,722.00		
Vocational Transportation	54,900.00	59,085.00		
TOTAL VOCATIONAL	253,186.00	220,807.00		

ARTICLE 9: To see if the town will vote to approve the Central Berkshire Regional School District Annual Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2008, and raise and appropriate the amount of \$2,020,067.00 for said budget, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the town will vote to approve the Central Berkshire Regional School District Capital Budget for Fiscal year 2008 and raise and appropriate the amount of \$161,722.00 for said budget, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE 11: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,602.00 as follows for the purpose of Protection of Persons and Property, or take any other action thereon.

PROTECTION of PERSONS & PROPERTY	FY2008	Proposed FY2009	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Dalton Communication	20,000.00	0.00		
Berk Cnty Sheriff Communication	875.00	8,500.00		
Gas Inspector Salary	200.00	200.00		
Emergency Management	2,750.00	2,750.00		
Dog Officer Salary	1,500.00	1,500.00		
Dog Officer Expense	500.00	500.00		
Tree Warden Salary	1,500.00	1,500.00		
Tree Warden's Expense	5,052.00	5,052.00		
Beaver Control	600.00	600.00		
TOTAL PROTECT PERSONS	32,977.00	20,602.00		

ARTICLE 12: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$47,700.00 as follows for the purpose of Protection of Persons and Property (Fire Department), or take any other action thereon.

PROTECTION of PERSONS & PROPERTY (Fire Department)	FY2008	Proposed FY2009	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Fire Chief's Salary	4,000.00	4,000.00		-
1st Assistant Chief's Salary	2,500.00	2,500.00		
2nd Assistant Chief's Salary	2,200.00	2,200.00		
Fire Department Expense	23,000.00	24,000.00		
Fire Department Stipends	15,000.00	15,000.00		
TOTAL PROTECT PERSONS	46,700.00	47,700.00		

ARTICLE 13: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$135,555.00 as follows for the purpose of Protection of Persons and Property (Police Department), or take any other action thereon.

PROTECTION of PERSONS & PROPERTY (Police Department)	FY2008	Proposed FY2009	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Police Chief's Salary	11,000.00	11,000.00		
Police Full-time Officer Salary	66,300.00	71,615.00		
Police Department Expenses	11,275.00	15,350.00		
Police Department Wages	31,520.00	35,000.00		
Crossing Guards Wages	2,590.00	2,590.00		
TOTAL PROTECT PERSONS	122,685.00	135,555.00		

ARTICLE 14: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$90,106.00 as follows for the purpose of Health and Sanitation, or take any other action thereon.

HEALTH & SANITATION	FY2008	Proposed FY2009	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Ashmere Lake Cleanup	10,000.00	10,500.00		
Plunkett Lake Management	4,000.00	4,800.00		
Lake Mgt. Committee	0.00	0.00		
24-Hour Ambulance	1,200.00	1,200.00		
Animal Inspector Salary	200.00	200.00		
Town Waste Disposal Wages	9,950.00	9,880.00		
Town Waste Disposal	55,000.00	55,000.00		
No. Berkshire Waste District	3,557.00	3,726.00		
Health Inspector's Salary	700.00	700.00		
Visiting Nurse Assn.	2,591.00	2,700.00		
Health Board Expense	1,400.00	1,400.00		
TOTAL HEALTH & SANITATION	88,598.00	90,106.00		

ARTICLE 15: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,342.00 as follows for the purpose of Debt and Interest, or take any other action thereon.

DEBT & INTEREST	FY2008	Proposed FY2009	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Town Hall Loan, Principal	4,313.85	4,524.00		
Fire Truck Loan, Principal	15,018.41	15,770.00		
Interest Long Term Debt	18,008.74	17,048.00		
Interest Short Term Debt	3,000.00	3,000.00		
TOTAL DEBT & INTEREST	40,341.00	40,342.00		

ARTICLE 16: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$327,207.00 for the purpose of Unclassified Town Government Expenses as follows, or take any other action thereon.

UNCLASSIFIED EXPENSES	FY2008	Proposed FY2009	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Audit	15,000.00	15,000.00		
Accounting Wages	12,000.00	13,000.00		
Accounting Expenses	2,000.00	1,000.00		
Town Insurances	60,630.00	60,630.00		
Health & Dental Insurance	47,780.00	52,445.00		
County Retirement	36,409.00	44,757.00		
Social Security & Medicare	7,200.00	7,500.00		
Reserve Fund	12,000.00	20,000.00		
Town Hall Operating Expenses	14,000.00	17,500.00		
Centrex Telephone	7,000.00	5,400.00		
Printing/Delivery Town Reports	2,300.00	2,000.00		

TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED	295,264.00	327,207.00	
CRA	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Beautification Committee	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Cemetery Commission	0.00	0.00	
Berkshire County Reg. Planning	1,161.00	1,191.00	
Town Mapping	0.00	0.00	
Town Wide Mowing	16,250.00	14,500.00	
Youth Center Maintenance	1,500.00	1,500.00	
Sports/Recreation Comm.	500.00	750.00	
Recreation Association	6,600.00	8,250.00	
Council on Aging	3,000.00	3,000.00	
Gasoline-Highway-Fire-Police	24,000.00	30,000.00	
Heating-Garage-Fire House	11,400.00	14,250.00	
Computer Staff Salary	3,000.00	3,000.00	
Office Machine Maintenance	1,500.00	1,500.00	
Town Hall Custodian	8,034.00	8,034.00	

ARTICLE 17: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$57,474.00 as follows for the Hinsdale Public Library Operating Expenses, or take any other action thereon.

PUBLIC LIBRARY EXPENSE	FY2008	Proposed FY2009	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Library Director's Salary	15,557.00	15,557.00		
Library Assistant Salary	20,067.00	18,062.00		
Library Expenses	21,276.00	23,855.00		
TOTAL LIBRARY	56,900.00	57,474.00		

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$57,966.00 as follows for the Hinsdale Sewer Commission Operating Expenses from available funds, "Sewer Receipts Reserved for Appropriation", or take any other action thereon.

HINSDALE SEWER COMMISSION OPERATING EXPENSES	FY2008	Proposed FY2009	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Sewer Administrator Salary	5,750.00	5,750.00		
Sewer Operating Expenses	33,000.00	48,000.00		
Sewer Maintenance	2,000.00	2,000.00		
Sewer Department Wages	2,173.00	2,216.00		
TOTAL	42,923.00	57,966.00		<u> </u>

ARTICLE 19: To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$62,864.00 for Sewer Phase III Operating Expenses, from available funds, "Sewer Receipts Reserved for Appropriation", or take any other action thereon.

HINSDALE SEWER COMMISSION OPERATING EXPENSES	FY2008	Proposed FY2009	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Sewer Phase III Administrator Salary	6,000.00	6,000.00		
Sewer Phase III Oper. Expenses	35,000.00	42,000.00		
Sewer Phase III Maintenance	6,000.00	6,000.00		
Phase III Sewer Dept. Wages	8,691.00	8,864.00		
Total	55,691.00	62,864.00		

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds Sewer Betterment Reserved, the sum of \$148,626.00 for Sewer Phase III Loan payments; or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote the sum of \$201,669.00 to the following Water Department Operating Expenses:

HINSDALE WATER COMMISSION OPERATING EXPENSES	FY2008	Proposed FY2009	Selectmen Action	Finance Comm Action
Water Administrator Salary	5,750.00	5,750.00		
Water Dept. Admin. Expense	1,000.00	1,000.00		
Water Dept. Operating Expense	55,750.00	55,750.00		
Water Dept. Wages	13,744.00	14,012.00		
Water Bond Payments	122,031.24	125,157.00		
TOTAL	198,275.74	201,669.00		

and to provide such sums by transferring \$\$201,669.00 from available funds "Water Surplus" or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE 22: To see if the town will vote to transfer \$31,000.00 from "Certified Free Cash" for the Transfer Station Monitoring Wells, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE 23: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$710.00 for the CSX rental of park property, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE 24: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$2,200.00 for the snow removal from all town sidewalks, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE 25: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for Planning Board Expenses, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE 26: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,000.00 for the Hinsdale Dayz Committee, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE 27: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$5,667.00 for Software Maintenance, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE 28: To see if the town will vote to transfer from available funds "Certified Free Cash" the amount of \$50,000.00 to the Stabilization Capital Account, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE 29: To see if the town will vote to transfer \$50,000.00 from "Certified Free Cash" to the Stabilization Account, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE 30: To see if the town will vote to transfer \$30,000.00 from the Capital Stabilization Account for a new Police Cruiser, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE 31: To see if the town will vote to transfer \$50,000.00 from the Capital Stabilization Account for a new Dump truck, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE 32: To see if the town will vote to transfer \$6,000.00 from "Certified Free Cash" to purchase new Police Vests, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE 33: To see if the town will vote to transfer \$5,000.00 from "Certified Free Cash" for the Garage Addition, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE 34: To see if the town will vote to transfer \$4,500.00 from "Certified Free Cash" for the purchase of Tax Title Software/Cash Book/ Bank Reconciliation, or take any other action thereon.

ARTICLE 35: To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

ARTICLE 36: To choose and elect the following Town Officers:

(1) Select Board	for a 3-year term
(1) Assessor	for a 3-year term
(3) Finance Committee Member	for a 3-year term
(1) Planning Board Member	for a 5-year term
(1) Planning Board Member	for a 3-year term
(1) Town Clerk	for a 3-year term
(1) Tree Warden	for a 2-year term

And you are further required and directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Hinsdale, qualified by law to vote in the Elections, to meet in the Hinsdale Town Hall, 39 South Street on Saturday, May 24, 2008 between the hours of 10:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M. to bring in their votes for Town Officers per Article 36 and the determination of such other matters as are by law required to be determined by ballot.

AND YOU ARE HEREBY directed to serve the Warrant by posting up three (3) attested copies thereof, as required by the By-Laws of said Town of Hinsdale, seven (7) days at least before holding said meetings. Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of holding said meetings.

Given under our hands	
	. Hinsdale Police Officer

Respectfully Submitted,
HINSDALE SELECT BOARD

Bruce A. Marshall, Chair Paul Trova Kathy Cormier

Date

RETURN OF SERVICE TOWN OF HINSDALE BERKSHIRE COUNTY, SS:

On the date above written, I have served this warrant posting attested copies thereof at the
Town Hall and such other places as the Select Board deem appropriate, but not less than
three (3) in the Town.

_____, Hinsdale Police Officer



Town of Hinsdale Flag



Hinsdale Fire Department Rehab Truck