

TOWN OF GOSNOLD MASSACHUSETTS



ANNUAL TOWN REPORT 2022

**ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE
TOWN OF GOSNOLD
MASSACHUSETTS**



2022

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF GOSNOLD
WARRANT
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
May 23, 2022

County of Dukes County, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Gosnold:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Gosnold qualified to vote in town affairs and elections to meet at the Avalon in said Gosnold on Monday, May 23, 2022 at 10:30 in the forenoon to act on the following articles:

- Article 1: To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.
Unanimous vote to elect Leo Roy moderator.
- Article 2: To hear the report of the Town Officers and act thereon.
Sarah Berry read Stewart Young's report.
- Article 3: To see if the Town will vote to reduce the size of the School Board from 4 members to 3 members, or take any other action thereon.
Unanimous vote to postpone the article.
- Article 4: To elect the following officers for the ensuing terms and set salaries for the same in the below amounts, or such other amounts as the Town determines.
- a. One Selectman, Board of Health member for 3 years.
Salary \$7,179.00
Unanimous vote to elect Stewart Young.
 - b. One School Committee members for 3 years.
Salary \$125.00
Unanimous vote to elect Judith Archer.
 - c. One Public Library Trustee for 3 years.
No Salary.
Unanimous vote to elect Kris Lombard.
 - d. Two Harbor Committee Members for 3 years.
No Salary.
Unanimous vote to elect Lexi Lynch and Seth Garfield.

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- Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenues for the financial year beginning July 1, 2022, in accordance with the Provisions of General Laws chapter 44, section 4.
- Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer to enter into compensating balance agreements for the financial year beginning July 1, 2022 in accordance with Provisions of General Law's chapter 44, section 53F.
- Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to defray town charges and expenses for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023.
- Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money in anticipation of reimbursement of the Commonwealth's share of the cost of work under Massachusetts General Laws, chapter 90, section 34.
- Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for expenses of the Harbor Management Committee.
- Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the Water Enterprise Fund.
- Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate an amount of money for the State indemnity for pest and disease control in accordance with the Provisions of General Laws, chapter 132, section 14.
- Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer a sum of money into the Stabilization fund, or take any other action thereon.
- Unanimous vote to accept Articles 5-12 as written.*
- Article 13: To see if the Town will approve a petition by the Board of Selectmen to the General Court to enact special legislation authorizing the Town of Gosnold to change the name of the Board of Selectmen to Selectboard, or take any other action thereon.
- Unanimous vote to accept Article 13 as written.*
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- Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$100,000 for the water/roadways project from Chapter 90 funds.
Unanimous vote to accept Article 14 as written.
- Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$85,000 as its matching share of a grant of \$425,000 from the Seaport Economic Council for the construction of improvements to the Visitors Center the former Coast Guard station, or take any other action thereon.
Unanimous vote to accept Article 15 as written.
- Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$42,400 as its matching share of a grant of \$212,000 from the Office of Coastal Zone Management for the design of a municipal fuel facility, or take any action there on.
*A motion was made to amend the appropriation to \$53,000.
Unanimous vote to accept Article 16 as amended.*
- Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of \$37,400 or a lesser sum as its matching share of a grant of \$106,000 from the United States Department of Agriculture for Solid Waste and Powerhouse Equipment.
Unanimous vote to accept Article 17 as written.
- Article 18: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to enter into a lease of the Fuel Farm and the Fuel Dock for up to 10 years, with an option for an extension of ten years, or such term as the selectmen approve, or take any other action thereon.
Unanimous vote to accept Article 18 as written.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting an attested copy of the same in the Post Office Building on Cuttyhunk Island and in the Farm House Building on Hadley Harbor on Naushon Island not less than seven days before the day appointed for said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of the Warrant with your doings to the Town Clerk at the time and place of holdings of said meeting.
Given under our hands at said Gosnold on the 6th day of May, 2022.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF GOSNOLD
WARRANT
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
January 23, 2023

County of Dukes County, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Gosnold:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Gosnold qualified to vote in town affairs and elections to meet in the Town Hall in said Gosnold on Monday, January 23, 2023 at 11:00 in the forenoon to act on the following articles:

Article 1: To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.
Unanimous vote to elect Lisa Wright as moderator.

Article 2: To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$700,000 or any other sum, for the so-called Fuel Farm Project, consisting of the construction of storage tanks for diesel and gasoline and related facilities, and for the reconstruction of the public toilet facilities, and to authorize the Town to raise such sum by borrowing up to \$500,000 and transferring \$200,000 of available funds from the Town's Harbor Special Projects fund, or by any other means, or take any other action thereon.
Unanimous vote to accept Article 2 as written.

Article 3: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate up to \$20,000 for the purpose of making various repairs to the schoolhouse building, or take any other action thereon.
Unanimous vote to accept Article 3 as written.

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to enact a General Bylaw entitled "Stretch Energy Code" for the purpose of regulating the design and construction of buildings for the effective use of energy, pursuant to Appendix 115.AA of the Massachusetts Building Code, 780 CMR, the Stretch Energy Code, including future editions, amendments or modifications thereto, a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk, or take any other action thereon.
Unanimous vote to accept Article 4 as written.

TOWN OF GOSNOLD ELECTED OFFICIALS – FY 2022

<u>SELECTMEN</u>	<u>TERM</u>	<u>ANNUAL SALARY</u>
G. Stewart Young	2022	\$6,903.00
Sarah Berry	2023	\$6,903.00
Gail Blout	2024	\$6,903.00

HARBOR COMMISSION

Seth Garfield	2022	(No Salary)
Lexi Lynch	2022	
Leo Pierre Roy	2023	
Lisa Wright	2023	
Madeline Lynch	2023	
Paula DiMare	2024	
Ralph Cataldo	2024	

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Kris Lombard	2022	(No Salary)
Gail Blout	2023	
Lisa Wright	2024	

MODERATOR

Leo Pierre Roy	2022	\$75.00
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SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Judith Archer	2022	\$125.00
Dorothy Garfield	2023	\$125.00
Renata Davidson	2024	\$125.00
Paula DiMare	2024	\$125.00

APPOINTED OFFICERS FY 2023

<u>Position</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Salary</u>
<u>Assessor</u>		
Pam Bunker	2023	\$25,000
<u>Board of Health Agent</u>		
Karen Walega	2023	Hourly
<u>Building Inspector</u>		
Andy Bobola	2023	Hourly
<u>Community Preservation Act</u>		
Sarah Berry	2023	(No Salary)
Dix Leeson	2023	
Wyatt Garfield	2023	
Lisa Wright	2023	
<u>Conservation Commission</u>		
Leo Roy	2023	(No Salary)
Lisa Wright	2023	
Wyatt Garfield	2024	
Chris Hart	2024	
David Warr	2025	
<u>Cultural Council</u>		
Emily Anderson	2023	(No Salary)
Rebecca Garfield	2023	
Diane Frothingham	2023	
Cathy Ford	2023	
Tammy Zimbone	2023	
Teri Bordenave	2023	
Leyla Day	2023	
Mike Frazel	2023	
Jenny Hart	2023	
Susan Schwarzwald	2023	
<u>Electrical Inspector</u>		
Randy Caswell	2023	Hourly

<u>Electric Light Manager</u>	2023	
Wayne Perrier		\$62,587.00

<u>Finance Committee</u>		
G. Stewart Young	2023	(No Salary)
Sarah Berry	2023	
Gail Blout	2023	
Charmaine Gahan	2023	
Seth Garfield	2023	
Adam Patcher	2023	
Cindy Spengler	2023	

<u>Fire Department</u>		
Seth Garfield, Chief	2023	Salary
Wayne Perrier, Asst. Chief	2023	\$175.00
Bill Archer	2023	\$175.00
Paula DiMare	2023	\$175.00
George Isabel	2023	\$175.00
Dale Lynch	2023	\$175.00
Lisa Wright	2023	\$175.00
Russell Wright	2023	\$175.00
Sean Uiterwyk	2023	\$175.00

<u>First Aid</u>		
Seth Garfield (Manager)	2023	Salary
Bill Archer	2023	\$150.00
Paula DiMare	2023	\$150.00
Seymour DiMare	2023	\$150.00
George Isabel	2023	\$150.00
Asa Lombard	2023	\$150.00
Dale Lynch	2023	\$150.00
Wayne Perrier	2023	\$150.00
Kim Wiggan	2023	\$150.00
Lisa Wright	2023	\$150.00
Russell Wright	2023	\$150.00

<u>Forest Warden</u>		
Lisa Wright	2023	\$75.00

<u>Gosnold Community Fund</u>		
G. Stewart Young	2023	(No Salary)
Aimee Lombard	2023	
Kelly Kimball	2023	

Dorothy Garfield	2023
Judith Archer	2023

Gosnold Community Fund Scholarship Fund:

Stewart Young	2023	(No Salary)
Aimee Lombard	2023	
Kelly Kimball	2023	
Dorothy Garfield	2023	
Judith Archer	2023	
Cathy Ford	2023	
Gail Blout	2023	

Harbor Masters

George Isabel	2023	\$125.00
Quinn Condon	2023	\$125.00
Jim Reynolds	2023	\$125.00

Assistant Harbor Master

Dale Lynch	2023	(No Salary)
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Highway Surveyor

Seth Garfield	2023	(Hourly)
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Inspector of Animals

Renata Davidson	2023	\$225.00
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Librarian

Dorothy Garfield	2023	\$550.00
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Mooring Collectors

Dale Lynch	2023	Commission
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Plumbing Inspector

James Sullivan	2023	Hourly
Earle Garde	2023	

Registrars

Lisa Wright	2023	(No Salary)
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Shellfish Warden

Asa Lombard IV	2023	\$275.00
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Shellfish Constables

Quinn Condon	2023	\$125.00
Dale Lynch	2023	\$125.00
Jim Reynolds	2023	\$125.00
<u>Solid Waste Superintendent</u>		
Asa Lombard IV	2023	\$37,277.76
<u>Town Hall Manager/Town Clerk</u>		
Lisa Wright	2023	\$58,487.52
<u>Town Hall Janitor</u>		
Lisa Wright	2023	Hourly
<u>Tax Collector/Treasurer</u>		
Sarah Smith	2023	\$38,563.20
<u>Water Department Superintendent</u>		
Dale Lynch	2023	\$20,088.00
Russell Wright (Assistant)	2023	\$9,216.44

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<u>SELECTMEN</u>	<u>TERM</u>	<u>ANNUAL SALARY</u>
Sarah Berry	2023	\$7,179.00
Gail Blout	2024	\$7,179.00
G. Stewart Young	2025	\$7,179.00

HARBOR COMMISSION

Leo Pierre Roy	2023	(No Salary)
Lisa Wright	2023	
Madeline Lynch	2023	
Paula DiMare	2024	
Ralph Cataldo	2024	
Seth Garfield	2025	
Lexi Lynch	2025	

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Gail Blout	2023	(No Salary)
Lisa Wright	2024	
Kris Lombard	2025	

MODERATOR

Leo Pierre Roy	2023	\$75.00
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SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Dorothy Garfield	2023	\$125.00
Renata Davidson	2024	\$125.00
Paula DiMare	2024	\$125.00
Judith Archer	2025	\$125.00

TREASURER'S REPORT - FISCAL YEAR 2022

RECEIPTS

General Fund

Property Taxes	62,522.54
Real Estate CPA	300.52
Licenses & Permits	135.00
Personal Property	234.46
Penalties/Interest	4.89
Municipal Lien Certificates	150.00
Charges for Services	
Cemetery	2,400.00
Harbor	224,847.77
Inspections	3,037.34
Land Lease	1,150.00
Licenses & Permits	185.00
Miscellaneous	101.00
Permits, Building	989.00
Shellfish	1,130.00
Solid Waste	45,572.00
Summer Program	1,063.00
Wharf	408,410.73
Interest on GF Bank Accounts	612.96
Federal Revenue	
Rural Schools Grant	1,067.00
State Revenue	
ARPA	3,925.07
Cherry Sheet	34,859.00
CPA State Match	1,404.00
Cultural Council	5,500.00
Emergency Management	1,798.60
EOED (Roads & Walls)	24,198.40
EOED (Visitors Center)	1,160.00
Elder Grant	6,000.00
ESSER II Grant	45,810.00
ESSER III Grant	17,044.00
Fire Services Grant (FY21)	8,221.71
Library Grant	2,529.13

MVP Water Grant	1,400.00.00
Other	
Solar Tax Credits (Knollwood)	105,344.91
County of Dukes County	1,107.99
Unclaimed Property	67.33
Donations	
Audubon Copicut Neck	4,500.00
Cemetery Fence	10,101.00
Cultural Council	4,526.00
First Aid & Safety	8,654.20
Special Events	21,838.87
STEAM Donation Account	
Donations	26,330.61
Interest on Account	6.63
Water Enterprise Fund	
Receipts (see FY23 for FY22 income)	47,387.82
Interest on Account	16.65
Loan	
BBC Loan Balance	107,965.65
Water Project (Short Term Note)	1,754,370.00

STABILIZATION & TRUST ACCOUNTS
Through 6/30/22

General Fund Stabilization	\$536,564.07
Harbor Special Projects	\$145,393.80
Harbor Stabilization	\$ 4,986.75
C.A. Wood Fund	\$ 84,926.81



DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURES - FISCAL YEAR 2021

AGENCY

County of Dukes County	2,436.00	2,436.00
Total Expenditure for Agency		2,436.00

ASSESSOR

Salaries & Wages

Dawn Barnes	24,999.96	
FICA Payroll Taxes Match	332.30	25,332.26

Supplies & Expenses

County of Dukes County	155.00	
Dell	1,480.22	
Lisa Wright	8.95	
Staples	226.97	
Vision Government Solutions	6,389.80	8,269.14

Total Expenditure for Assessor		33,601.40
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AUDIT

Supplies & Expenditures

Powers & Sullivan (19,500.00	19,500.00
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Total Expenditure for Audit		19,500.00
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CEMETERY

Salaries & Wages

Seth Garfield	252.00	
FICA	19.27	271.27

Supplies & Expenses

Brewer Banner	275.00	
Cuttyhunk Shellfish	325.00	
Russell Wright	165.00	
Sow & Pigs Services	917.50	
Town of Gosnold Water Dept.	365.00	2,047.50

Total Expenditure for Cemetery		2,318.77
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COUNSEL

Supplies & Expenses

Perry, Hicks, & Deshaies	14,941.26	14,914.26
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Total Expenditure for Counsel		14,914.26
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ELDERLY

Supplies & Expenses

Mass. Assoc. of Councils on Aging	230.00	230.00
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Total Expenditure for Elderly		230.00
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ELECTRIC

Salaries

Bookkeeping (transfer)	6,000.00	
Dale Lynch	1,937.50	
Russell Wright	1,860.00	
Seth Garfield	4,429.50	
Wayne S. Perrier	60,179.76	
FICA Payroll Taxes	<u>1,235.33</u>	<u>75,642.09</u>

Supplies & Expenses

Advanced Microgrid	1,150.00	
Airgas	1,038.08	
Cape Cod Municipal Health	19,569.00	
Cuttyhunk Ferry Company, Inc.	1,114.00	
Cuttyhunk Lawn, LLC	90.00	
Cuttyhunk Shellfish Farms	635.00	
Cuttyhunk Water Taxi	360.00	
David Parker	168.00	
Elise Wright	200.00	
Gosnold's Gas	1,124.00	
HUB International New England	46,611.00	
HughesNet (Capital One)	1,478.04	
JD Auto & Truck	1,993.07	
Off-Grid	25,987.76	
R.A. Mitchell	722.15	
Rexel	8,094.80	
R.M. Packer	92,429.95	
Sow & Pigs Services	550.00	
Spaulding, Trustee	7,933.19	
Town of Gosnold Water Dept.	365.00	
Verizon	<u>662.36</u>	<u>212,215.40</u>

Total Expenditure for Electric	287,917.49
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FIRE

Salaries & Wages

Seth Garfield	25,000.01	
FICA Payroll Taxes	1,168.93	26,168.94
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Supplies & Expenses

A & D Marine Service	1,050.00	
Bob's Auto & Truck	580.53	
Chet's Automotive	180.00	
Cuttyhunk Shellfish	175.00	
Cuttyhunk Ferry Co.	228.00	
Dale Lynch	175.00	
Elise Wright	175.00	
George Isabel	175.00	
Gosnold's Gas	517.00	
New Bedford Welding	128.59	
Russell Wright	175.00	
Southeastern Fire	976.78	
Wayne Perrier	175.00	4,710.90
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Total Expenditure for Fire	30,879.84
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FREIGHT

Supplies & Expenses

Cuttyhunk Ferry Company, Inc.	<u>281.70</u>	<u>281.70</u>
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Total Expenditure for Freight

281.70

GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE

Supplies & Expenses

Cape Cod Municipal Health	<u>36,519.00</u>	<u>36,519.00</u>
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Total Expenditure for Group Health Insurance

36,519.00

GYPSY MOTH

no expenditures

HARBOR OPERATING

Salaries & Wages

Andrew Frothingham	1,092.00	
Benjamin Vogt	1,344.00	
Dale Lynch	37,751.50	
Dan Lowney	3,223.50	
Steve Botelho	2,226.00	
FICA Payroll Taxes	<u>1,010.82</u>	<u>46,647.82</u>

Supplies & Expenses

Expenses

CNA Surety	100.00
C.E. Beckman	595.06
Cuttyhunk Ferry Co.	1,790.00
Cuttyhunk Historical Society	204.00
Cuttyhunk Shellfish	320.00
Cuttyhunk Water Taxi	145.00
Dale Lynch \$125 stipend included in wages	886.48
Elavon/East Commerce	<u>2,642.78</u>

F.L. Tripp	2,135.04	
George Isabel \$125 stipend included in wages		
Joe Beach	126.00	
Lynch Marine Service	5,317.04	
Mahoney's Building Supply	1,125.39	
Seth Garfield	260.52	
Town of Gosnold Water Dept	493.25	16,140.56
Total Expenditure for Harbor		62,788.38
Total Transferred to Harbor Stabilization		1,000.00
Total Transferred to Harbor Special Projects		70,000.00

HEALTH/FIRST AID

Salaries & Wages

Asa Lombard IV	150.00	
Dale Lynch	150.00	
Elise Wright	150.00	
George Isabel	150.00	
Russell Wright	150.00	
Seth Garfield	12,943.12	
Wayne Perrier	150.00	
FICA Payroll Taxes	1,001.26	14,844.38

Total Expenditure for First Aid

14,844.38

HIGHWAY

Salaries & Wages

Asa Lombard IV	602.00	
Seth Garfield	266.00	
Russell Wright	168.00	
FICA Payroll Taxes	104.41	1,140.41

Supplies & Expenses

Cuttyhunk Shellfish	2,692.50	
MassHighway Assoc.	105.00	
Sow & Pigs Services	1,349.00	
Vevor (Cap. One)	618.94	4,765.44

Total Expenditure for Highway

5,905.85

INSPECTIONS

Supplies & Expenses

Andrew J. Bobola	3,313.77	
James Sullivan	1,547.58	
Karen Walega	1,945.31	6,806.66

Total Expenditure for Inspections		6,806.66
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LIBRARY

Supplies & Expenses

Amazon (Capital One)	5,633.63
BKS Literary Guild	31.85
Cuttyhunk Ferry Co.	130.00
Cuttyhunk Shellfish	67.50
DEMCO	1,641.70
Dorothy Garfield	611.34
Elise Wright	30.93
Good Housekeeping	29.97
Highlights	39.96
Libib	74.25
Libib Credit (paid from grant)	-74.25
Literary Guild	37.15
Martha's Vineyard Magazine	24.95
National Geographic for Kids	24.00
National Maritime Historical Society	45.00
New York Review of Books	99.95
Seth Garfield	345.00
Sow & Pigs Services	137.50
Staples	68.97
The Atlantic	69.99
The Library Store	685.51
The New York Times	416.00
The New Yorker	149.99
The Week	99.00
Time Magazine	39.95
Town of Gosnold Electric	2,315.45
Town of Gosnold Solid Waste	420.00
Town of Gosnold Water	182.50

U.S. Lighthouse Society	40.00	
Vineyard Gazette (subscription)	41.00	
Yankee	59.69	13,518.48
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Total Expenditure for Library		13,518.48

POLICE/PATROL

Supplies & Expenses

Cuttyhunk Ferry	500.00	
Durand's Kawasaki	4,322.91	4,822.91
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Total Expenditure for Police/Patrol		4,822.91



RETIREMENT

Supplies & Expenses

Dukes County Contributory Retirement	<u>56,152.02</u>	<u>56,152.02</u>
Total Expenditure for Retirement		56,152.02

SCHOOL

Salaries & Wages

Margaret Frieswyk	23,200.00	
Michelle Carvalho	437.50	
Joan Reed	7,400.00	
FICA Payroll Taxes	342.73	31,380.23

Supplies & Expenses

Amazon	357.61	
Asa Lombard IV	400.00	
Cuttyhunk Ferry Co.	673.00	
Dorothy Garfield	141.60	
Elise Wright	8.96	
Falmouth Public Schools	15,495.00	
Gannett News	221.72	
Jennifer Lowell	600.00	
Island Institute	200.00	
Joan Reed	15.60	
Judith Archer	808.40	
Long & DiPietro	1,687.50	
Margaret Frieswyk	2,557.35	
MASS	845.00	
Michelle Carvalho	1,437.50	
Old Colony Superintendents	175.00	
Partridge Snow	1,025.00	
Paula DiMare	125.00	
Renata Davidson	125.00	
R.M Packer	1,285.38	
Sow & Pigs Services	50.00	
Town of Gosnold Electric Light	691.13	
Town of Gosnold Water Dept.	365.00	
Upper Cape Reg. Tech. School	36.00	
Verizon	161.73	29,288.48

Total Expenditure for School	60,668.71
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SEWER

No Expense

SHELLFISH

Supplies & Expenses

Asa Lombard IV	275.00	
Cuttyhunk Shellfish	675.00	950.00

Total Expenditure for Shellfish		950.00
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SOLID WASTE

Salaries & Wages

Alden Anderson	2, 037.00	
Asa P. Lombard IV	35,844.00	
Coby Goodrich	7,266.00	
Henry Devoe	1,575.00	
FICA Payroll Taxes	1,285.97	48,007.97

Supplies & Expenses

Bobcat of Bourne	794.07	
Carey Auto	206.99	
CEC	7,300.00	
Clear Auto Sales	1,000.00	
Cuttyhunk Ferry	100.00	
FenceChoice	890.00	
Mutt Mitt	1,565.87	
New Bedford Waste Services	17,445.37	
New Bedford Waste Recycling	260.35	
R.M. Packer	565.24	
Rocky's Ace Hardware	405.71	
Tucker Roy	49,750.00	
Verizon Wireless	510.35	80,793.95

Total Expenditure for Solid Waste		128,801.92
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TAX COLLECTION

Supplies & Expenses

D3, Inc.

675.00

675.00

Total Tax Collection

675.00

TOWN FUEL

Supplies & Expenses

R.M. Packer

5,400.00

5,400.00

Total Expenditure for Town Fuel

5,400.00

TOWN HALL

Salaries & Wages

Elise Wright

42.00

42.00

Supplies & Expenses

Cuttyhunk Shellfish Farms

67.50

R.M. Packer

3,013.86

Sow & Pigs Services

137.50

Town of Gosnold Electric Dept.

1,350.95

Town of Gosnold Water Dept.

365.00

4,934.81

Total Expenditure for Town Hall

4,976.81

TOWN INSURANCE

Supplies & Expenses		
HUB International New England	<u>53,046.28</u>	<u>53,046.28</u>
Total Expenditure for Town Insurance		53,046.28



TOWN OFFICE

Salaries & Wages

Catherine Ebsary	1,102.50	
Electric Bookkeeper Credit	(6,000.00)	
Elise Wright	56,617.48	
Gail Blout	6,903.00	
Sally Wallace	210.00	
Sarah Berry	6,903.00	
Sarah Smith	30,784.00	
Stewart Young	6,903.00	
FICA Payroll Taxes	2,377.45	105,800.43

Supplies & Expenses

Abacus	1,995.20
A. Dix Leeson	124.00
Assoc. of Town Finance Cttes.	85.00
B & H Photo	106.20
Buzzards Bay Action Committee	1,220.00
Cape & Islands Town Clerks Assoc.	30.00
Chris Bergen	15,750.00
CivicPlus	3,666.67
Community Preservation Coalition	200.00
CNA Surety	937.50
County of Dukes County	1,562.40
Cuttyhunk Ferry Co.	2,753.00
Cuttyhunk Shellfish	80.00
Cuttyhunk Water Taxi	1,120.00
Cuttyhunk WiFi	360.00
Dell Computer	2,187.29
EIG Domain	32.97
Elise Wright	114.91
Google Suite	947.25
HughesNet (Capital One)	1,204.97
Intuit Payroll	690.63
Leo Roy	75.00
Lightworks	1,700.00
MA Assoc. of ConCom	93.00
MA DOR	150.00
MA Collectors & Treasurers Assoc.	50.00
MA Municipal Assoc.	532.00
MA Municipal Human Services	100.00
Martha's Vineyard Commission	7,611.00

McAfee	-18.12	
Michael Milanoski	11,999.99	
Monaghan Printing	691.00	
Quickbooks Direct Deposit	383.25	
Renata Davidson	225.00	
Ring Central	229.37	
Sarah Smith	82.50	
Staples	2,865.08	
Sterling Computer	965.21	
TOPS Office	96.91	
Unibank Fiscal Advisory Services (550.00	
USPS (Capital One)	1,386.64	
US Treasury	12,975.75	
Verizon	1,579.07	
Verizon Wireless	479.92	
Vineyard Gazette	485.50	
Walmart	22.63	
Zoom	207.09	80,875.52

Total Expenditure for Town Office	186,675.95
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WATER DEPARTMENT

Salaries & Wages

Dale Lynch	23,361.04	
Daniel Lowney	2,530.50	
Russell Wright	9,689.44	
Sam Heintz	430.50	
FICA Payroll Taxes	1,330.92	37,342.40

Supplies & Expenses

Cape Cod Municipal Health Group	7,293.00	
Cuttyhunk Ferry Co.	463..00	
Cuttyhunk Shellfish	1,000.00	
Cuttyhunk Water Taxi	725.00	
Dale Lynch	1,298.54	
Dept. of Environmental Protection	46.66	
Envirotech	4,849.00	
George Kirby	297.92	
HUB International New England	10,000.00	
Lynch Marine	2,921.30	
M.a.D. Signs	110.00	
Mass Rural Water	300.00	
Mass Waterworks	270.00	
NCourt	85.98	
Plumbers Supply	580.87	
Sow & Pigs Services	1,190.00	
Town of Gosnold Electric	7,287.70	
Westport Winwater	770.40	
Workman's Comp Contribution	320.00	39,889.27

Total Expenditure for Water Department	77,231.67
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WHARF

Salaries & Wages

Angus Garfield	7,659.76
George Isabel	40,168.73
Margaret Lynch	9,153.38
Seth Garfield	84.00

Virginia Doran	882.00	
FICA Payroll Taxes	4,375.38	62,323.25
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Supplies & Expenses		
A & D Transportation	350.00	
Allen Barboza	1,225.00	
AVG Security	80.74	
Chris Electronics	609.97	
CNA Surety	100.00	
Cuttyhunk Ferry Co.	130.00	
Cuttyhunk WiFi	3,200.00	
DOCKWA Fees	11,226.52	
DOCKWA Membership	1,188.00	
East Commerce Solutions	2,550.55	
George Isabel	121.58	
Intra-City	255.40	
Lynch Marine Services	1,020.00	
M.a.D. Signs	320.00	
Milhench	390.78	
Plumbers Supply	1,429.58	
Niemiec Marine	61.66	
Rexel	235.27	
Russell Wright	4,983.00	
Seth Garfield	199.00	
Southworth Milton	2,1812.01	
Staples	334.46	
Town Office Postage	34.36	
Town of Gosnold Electric	43,328.60	
Town of Gosnold Water	4,015.10	
Verizon	1,084.03	
Visitors' Center (Carryover)	30,000.00	
Wayne Perrier	1,224.00	
Westport Winwater	550.00	132,059.61
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Total Expenditure for Wharf		192,382.56

WORKERS' COMPENSATION

Supplies & Expenses

Travelers	15,761.72	15,761.72
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Total Expenditure for Workers' Compensation		15,761.72
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OTHER EXPENSES

ASSESSOR/AUDITOR

Supplies & Expenses

CAI Technologies	1,500.00	
Vision Government Solutions	16,843.83	18,343.83

Total Expenditure for Assessor/Auditor		18,343.83
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BUZZARDS BAY COALITION PLAYGROUND

Supplies & Expenses

BBC (from Warrant)	50,000.00	
BBC (from Donations)	2,750.00	52,750.00

Total Buzzard Bay Coalition Playground		52,750.00
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CULTURAL COUNCIL

Supplies & Expenses

Allison Thurston	600.00	
Barry Gross	1,000.00	
Cuttyhunk Café	780.00	
Cuttyhunk Ferry	3,584.87	
Cuttyhunk Historical Society	600.00	
Jodi Smith	118.00	
Marilyn Snow Foundation	1,500.00	

Robert Smith	118.00	
Robin Nunes	250.00	
Sara Lehner	168.89	
Tamsin Zimbone	1,050.00	
Teri Bordenave	786.70	10,556.46

Total Expenditure for Cultural Council	10,556.46
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ESSER II GRANT

Payroll & Benefits

Holly Zimbert	351.50	
FICA	5.09	356.59

Supplies & Expenses

Allyse Frieswyk	25.00	
Blick Art Materials	1,069.38	
Capital One (Freight)	519.00	
Carlton Page II	150.00	
Cuttyhunk Ferry	1,256	
Dorothy Garfield	94.06	
Finn Scientific, Inc.	143.68	
GovConnection	1,709.35	
Office Depot	707.52	
Staples Business	478.85	
Worthington Direct	1,915.85	7,817.69

Total Expenditure ESSER II Grant	8,174.28
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FIRE & RESCUE DONATION ACCOUNT

Supplies & Expenses

Charmaine Gahan	69.06
Cheryl Lovell	1,150.00
Holly Zimbert	62.50
Jen Warr	360.00
George Isabel	180.00

McKesson	1,239.50	
Seth Garfield	510.00	
Sunrise Baker	<u>52.46</u>	<u>3,523.52</u>

Total Expenditure Fire & Rescue Donation Account	3,523.52
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FUEL FARM MVP GRANT

Water Project MVP Grant

CORE Engineered Solutions	145,196.84	
Foth Environmental	<u>20,075.00</u>	<u>165,271.84</u>

Total Expenditures Fuel Farm MVP Grant	165,271.84
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FUEL FARM 2022 (From Harbor Special Projects)

Salaries & Wages

Michael Milanoski (from Town Office)	10,400.00	
Sarah Smith (from Town Office)	<u>3,708.00</u>	<u>14,108.00</u>

Supplies & Expenses

Common Sense Environmental	11,575.85	
Foth Infrastructure & Env.	59,037.30	
Partridge Snow & Hahn	5,239.53	
Sow & Pigs Services	240.00	
Vineyard Land Surveying	<u>3,672.75</u>	<u>79,840.43</u>

Total Expenditure Fuel Farm 2022	93,948.43
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FUEL FARM 2021 (From Harbor Special Projects)

Salaries & Wages

Seth Garfield	<u>168.00</u>	<u>168.00</u>
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Total Expenditure Fuel Farm 2021	168.00
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LOOKOUT PARCEL PURCHASE

Supplies & Expenses		
General Services Administration	<u>120,000.00</u>	<u>120,000.00</u>
Total Expenditure Lookout Parcel Purchase		120,000.00

ROADS & WALLS GRANT

Salary & Wages		
Dale Lynch	448.00	
FICA	<u>6.50</u>	<u>454.50</u>
Supplies & Expenses		
Foth Infrastructure	<u>43,425.40</u>	<u>43,425.40</u>
Total Expenditure Roads & Walls Grant		43,879.90

SPECIAL EVENTS

Expenses & Supplies		
Pyrotechnico Fireworks	22,500.00	
Tucker-Roy	<u>5,250.00</u>	<u>27,750.00</u>
Total Expenditures Special Events		27,750.00

STEAM

Payroll & Wages

Michelle Carvalho	45,000.00	
FICA	652.51	45,652.51
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Expenses & Supplies

Bergie's Seafood	49.55	
Capital One	992.12	
Chris Bergen	6,030.00	
Cuttyhunk Ferry	861.79	
Group Health	7,785.75	
Mirick O'Connell	1,577.00	
Office Depot	42.06	
Our Sisters School	200.00	
Perry Hicks	50.00	
R.M. Packer	639.71	
Robin Nickerson	250.00	
Sow & Pigs Services	120.00	
Town of Gosnold Electric	349.13	
Verizon School	481.25	18,924.65
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Total Expenditure for STEAM **64,577.16**

USDA EQUIPMENT GRANT

Expenses & Supplies

Clear Auto Sales	9,290.00	9,290.00
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Total Expenditures USDA Equipment Grant **9,290.00**

VISITORS CENTER (EOD SEAPORT GRANT)

Salaries & Wages

Michael Milanoski (from Town Office)	10,400.00	
Sarah Smith (from Town Office)	3,708.00	14,108.00

Supplies & Expenses

Cuttyhunk Ferry	1,650.00	
Green Flush Restrooms	55,050.00	
Heritage Wholesale	7,899.47	
Saltonstall Architects	16,622.40	81,715.58

Total Expenditure Visitors Center		95,823.58
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WATER PROJECT 2022 (Various Sources)

Salaries & Wages

Dale Lynch	22,077.80	
Dan Lowney	808.50	
Mike Veeder	756.00	
Stephen Botelho	1,974.00	
FICA	375.93	25,992.27

Supplies & Expenses

Cuttyhunk Ferry	1,256.00	
Cuttyhunk Golf Cart Hospital	195.00	
Cuttyhunk Shellfish	260.00	
Digit	702,842.57	
Environmental Partners	167030.00	
Lynch Marine Services	990.41	
Partridge, Snow & Hahn	17,937.80	
Perry Hicks LLC	5,387.00	
Plumbers Supply	269.30	
ProjectDog	975.00	
Russell Wright	6,069.00	
Unibank Fiscal Advisory Services	550.00	
Adjustment	-5.71	
Vineyard Gazette	112.00	902,614.37

Total Expenditure Water Project 2022	928,606.60
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BUZZARDS BAY COALITION LAND PURCHASE LOAN

Unibank for Savings	122,264.00
Interest	611.32

Current balance on Loan (Short Term)	90,370.00
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WATER PROJECT USDA LOAN (Short Term Borrowing)

Unibank for Savings	1,648,000.00
Interest	7567.07

Current balance on Loan (Long Term)	1,648,000.00
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TOWN CLERK REPORT FY 2022

Births: None

Deaths: None

Marriages:

 Melissa Irene Taylor to George Lorimer Kirk, Jr.
 July 20, 2021

 Adrienne Marie White to Richard Daniel Smith
 July 24, 2021

 Thu Thi Anh Ho to James Harrison Walker, Jr.
 August 4, 2021

 Allison Steele Garfield to Benjamin Paul Coffey
 June 26, 2021 (Omitted in error from FY 2021
 Report)

Dog Licenses: None
Hunting Licenses: None
Business Licenses: 7 General Licenses
 5 Food Service Licenses
 \$120.00 Total Revenue

DEPARTMENT & COMMITTEE REPORTS FY22

ASSESSORS' OFFICE

In calendar year 2022 a revaluation was completed, as well as, a full measure and list of all properties in the Town as mandated by the State for fiscal year 2022. Values were based on the analysis of valid sales from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021. The fiscal year 2022 tax rate is set at **\$3.02**. Property values are available at the Town Hall or online at:

www.vgsi.com/vision/applications/parceldate/home.aspx. Click on "Massachusetts" and scroll to "Gosnold".

The final approved tax rate information for fiscal year 2022 is as follows:

TAX RECAPITULATION **FY2022**

TAXABLE VALUE BY CLASS

Residential	228,972,570.00
Commercial	7,959,300.00
Industrial	476,800.00
Personal Property	1,062,204.00
TOTAL TAXABLE VALUE	<u>238,470,874.00</u>

ANNUAL TAX LEVY

Appropriations	1,726,645.00
Other Local Expenditures	4,233.52
State & County Assessments	5,089.00
Overlay	654.64

TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE RAISED	1,736,622.16
Total estimated Receipts & Available Funds	1,016,440.11

NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION

720,182.05

TOTAL LEVY

Please contact the office or email gosnoldassessors@gmail.com if you have any questions or concerns about your valuation.

Pamela F. Bunker

CEMETERY

A new split rail fence is to be installed in April/May 2023. The Town appreciates and thanks an anonymous donor and the Gosnold Community Fund for their generous gifts in support of this project.

New burial regulations have been adopted. Some of these regulations include the size of headstones and in which direction headstones and markers should face. Plantings should be kept within plots. Copies of the regulations are available at Town Hall.

As a reminder, burial/cremains certificates are required for burial. Please contact Seth Garfield or Gail Blout to arrange burials.

Upcoming maintenance issues include leveling those headstones and markers that have sunk into the ground. As in the past, volunteers are needed to clean headstones. If interested in helping, please contact Gail Blout. It is anticipated that repairs will be made to the headstones that are broken once it is determined how best to do so.

Seth Garfield and Gail Blout are available to answer any questions or concerns.

CLIMATE ACTION NETWORK

Greetings from the Gosnold-Cuttyhunk Climate Action Network

In late March, we applied for a Buzzards Bay Coalition grant program called “Everyday is Earth Day” We’re happy to report that we recently learned that we have been awarded \$2,000, roughly 57% of our request. The funds requested are for a part-time position during the summer for a social media wrangler and for general support for our public programs.

We’ll be posting a notice of the award to Chatter and the Telegraph, along with an RFQ for the staff. One of our goals is to provide leadership experience to the next generation of climate activists and Cuttyhunk leaders. We welcome your suggestions of candidates. This could include people with part-time summer job looking to top off their work week.

Here are the draft criteria:

Cuttyhunk CAN! Social Media Wrangler | Program Assistant
(note that this can be broken into two jobs)

The successful candidate will ideally have these skills

- Social Media savvy - Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, Twitter
- strong written and spoken communication skills
- collaboration skills as well as personal initiative
- love of Cuttyhunk
- interest in climate change, sea level rise and environmental issues

One of our public programs is an Island Clean-up in August. We plan to coordinate with the recent removal of ghost fishing gears bay the Center for Coastal Studies.

We also hope to soon complete the drafting, design and production of evergreen, laminated, attractive and easy to read one- page “Welcome to the Island” 8.5 x 11 posters that highlight ways visitors can limit their environmental footprint. We will be asking the Town to post this to its website.

We are all looking forward to the summer, and thank Gosnold Board and staff for their work.

Gosnold CAP and Cuttyhunk CAN welcome broad community, intergenerational participation. Questions, ideas, want to join or help? Contact Nancy Wilder, wildfraz3@gmail.com and Jon Winet, gosnold.cap@gmail.com

CULTURAL COUNCIL

The Town’s Cultural Council receives federal (National Endowment for the Arts) and state (Massachusetts Cultural Council - MCC) pass through funds. The Council is tasked annually with considering a variety of arts and cultural experiences for the Cuttyhunk community and determining how to allocate those funds. During the summer of 2022 The Council supported the following:

-The 7th Annual Cuttyhunk Plein Air Festival in June was fortunate to be back in person after two years of being virtual. Artists once again travelled by ferry to spend a day capturing the many sites of Cuttyhunk on their individual canvases. Culminating at the end of the day with a show on Seth and Dorothy Garfield’s yard for islanders to peruse the freshly finished pieces of artwork, and buy if they so choose.

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- The Annual July Avalon Inn Family Lawn Concert, featured “On Island Time,” a six-piece band based out of Massachusetts that explored the sounds of New England jazz.
 - The incredible creative Avalon Writing and Art Residency programs Tamalin Baumgarten organizes (partial funding).
 - A Book reading, *Six Walks* by author Ben Shattuck who is the Director of the Annual Cuttyhunk Writer’s Residency.
 - A Poetry Workshop and reading with Cammy Thomas. A two-day island poetry workshop culminating with a poetry reading from poet and instructor, Cammy, as well as attendees were invited to share their own poems.
 - The 2nd Annual Cuttyhunk Island Variety Show hosted at the Wilder House at Four Corners. Cultural Council Committee member, Mike Frazel organized another outstanding outdoor talent show complete with a stage, sound, and lighting. Performers entertained the community; islanders, visitors, boaters, for close to two hours on a beautiful summer evening. In true Cuttyhunk fashion all ages were encouraged to participate whether they were 6 or 66! People sat in lawn chairs, on blankets, in their golf carts and stood in the road as this show was not to be missed. It has become an annual summer event that all look forward to.
 - Plein Air Painting Workshops in July and August with Tammy Zimbone. The perennial favorite watercolor classes.
 - The Chris James Trio band returned for their second performance at the Fish Dock on Labor Day Weekend. They played and played while most of the audience danced and danced. A high energy band that was a wonderful way to welcome September and most likely will return again in 2023!

Please note: According to the Massachusetts Cultural Council’s protocol, we adhere to the prescribed grant-making process. This includes compliance with a conflict of interest policy, and a required formal online application for all artists and 501 (c)3 organizations seeking funding. As a group we work closely with our Massachusetts Cultural Council liaison, Timothea Pham, who provides excellent advice as well as being a great source of information and support to the Council.

Council Membership includes: Emily Anderson, Zoe Billman, Teri Bordenave, Leyla Day, Cathy Ford, Mike Frazel, Diane Frothingham, Jennifer Hart, Susan Schwarzwald, and Tammy Zimbone. Sarah Smith, Town Treasurer continues to oversee the financial information and we are grateful for her work and expertise.

CUTTYHUNK STEAM ACADEMY

The Cuttyhunk STEAM Academy relaunched in the fall of 2021 under the auspices of the Gosnold Public Schools and entered into the new year with a new Board of Directors who began pursuing 501c3 non-profit status through the state and federal agencies.

In the spring of 2022, the Cuttyhunk STEAM Academy hosted several day programs for students from New Bedford, Mattapoisett, and Martha's Vineyard. The New Bedford school group was a joint collaboration between Buzzards Bay Coalition and SeaLab and afforded over two hundred 5th grade students an exciting opportunity to explore and learn about Cuttyhunk. This partnership also included a day trip visit by educators and a special summer trip for 9th grade students. During April vacation week, the STEAM Academy hosted a program about climate change that engaged several visiting island children throughout the week in an outdoor classroom experience.

By July 2022, the Cuttyhunk STEAM Academy had attained its non-profit status at the state level and officially became Cuttyhunk STEAM Academy, Inc. Full oversight transitioned to the Board of Directors. This transition was only the first step in establishing the organization and complying with the various state and federal regulations while applying for federal non-profit status.

With staff hired, the academy hosted its first official overnight program with much success early September. The event would not have been as successful without the involvement of several island residents and volunteers: Shelly & Jay Merriam, Seth Garfield and Charmaine Gahan, Tammy Zimbone, Elsa Couvillion, and Chandon Barry. Additionally, the academy wouldn't be what it is without the wrap-around support from Pete's Place Rentals and the Cuttyhunk Ferry Co, Inc.

This spring, over ten day programs and a couple of multi-day/night events are scheduled with new and returning school groups. As the Cuttyhunk STEAM Academy further establishes itself, the frequency of programs expects to grow as awareness and presence is seen and experienced. This summer, the academy is also sponsoring several activities and fundraisers including a Plant Sale Memorial Day Weekend, the Get STEAMED! Challenge, STEAM Pop-ups, children's weekly programs, a Spaghetti Supper the night before the town fireworks, and a Shoe Drive later this year. The STEAM Academy staff and board looks forward to connecting with you and sharing all that is happening.

The Cuttyhunk STEAM Academy began with a vision more than four years ago

to showcase and retain the vibrancy of the island through the off season in an innovative manner. The Town of Gosnold and the Gosnold School Committee have supported this vision and its potential. It is also critically important that the Cuttyhunk STEAM Academy recognize and celebrate its many donors and supporters. The COVID-19 pandemic severely interrupted and shelved the plans that were in process, but you understand the value the academy can bring to others and to the island community - we thank you for your continued support and contributions.

In closing, we most especially thank you, the island residents, who have graciously welcomed the students and teachers, and volunteered your time to share the wonder of the island with them. The Cuttyhunk STEAM Academy could not happen without the assistance and commitment of the village that is Cuttyhunk Island. With your expertise and participation, the Cuttyhunk STEAM Academy looks forward to establishing the program as a cutting edge, creative model for all.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Carvalho, Program Director

Board of Directors

Ann Conway
Charles Field
Sandy Parker

GOSNOLD COMMUNITY FUND
GOSNOLD COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

This Annual Report is also an appeal for your donations to the Gosnold Community Fund and to the Gosnold Scholarship Fund.

Many years ago, when the roof structure of the Cuttyhunk church was about to collapse, The Gosnold Community Fund (GCF) awarded a grant to the church for emergency modifications until restoration could occur. Someone asked if the Selectmen had approved the grant, as it hinted at a violation of "church and state".

The Gosnold Community Fund, and its sister, the Gosnold Community Scholarship Fund are not regulated by the Selectboard. These privately donated funds are under the guidelines of the original investors/founders who specified that the fund be used for proposals that "best serve the needs of the community." To some, the needs of the community could be interpreted as too dangerously broad and encompassing; however, I believe the founders fully intended this.

While not fully funding a project, The GCF has contributed toward all sorts of needs. Grants towards stone wall repairs; toward a golf cart for the doctor at our free Summer Clinic; from an emergency at the Electric Dept. to building the new playground; toward roofing of The Avalon, and a new septic system for Yacht Club; toward the new library and toward acquisition of land for conservation. Once, for a pickleball court. And in 2022, towards the new cemetery fence.

All grants comply with the founders' guidelines: "best serve the needs of the community including education, technical training, health, recreation, historic preservation, and the environment." Very broad, indeed. And far- thinking.

Except for Scholarships, individuals cannot receive grants. Recipients must be non-profit organizations. Scholarship applications are available at Town Hall, or on line at https://cfsema.fcsuite.com/erp/donate/create/fund?funit_id=1166. The annual deadline for Scholarship applications is June 30th of the current year. On the other hand, proposals for grants can be submitted any time by anyone representing a non-profit. Contact any committee member below.

We encourage your proposals, but we **DEPEND** on your contributions. Your generosity keeps the GCF growing. The donors are the same, year after year. It reminds me of the saying: "if you want a helping hand, look to the end of your own arm". How wonderful that community members --residents or renters;

voters or visitors--see a need from which we all can benefit. The GCF is the manifestation of a community that cares about its members, that seeks to improve the quality of life, but that regulates and adheres to the founding principles.

As of December 2022, the Gosnold Community Fund balance was \$726,317.24, as principal. The Grantmaking Fund balance was \$21,546.41, the interest, which we can use. The Gosnold Scholarship Fund balance was \$16,434.33. All are managed by the Southcoast Community Foundation with care and expertise.

Please continue to donate to both funds by sending a check clearly marked GCF or GSF to the Southcoast Community Foundation

28 Union Street , Suite 403

New Bedford, MA 02740

Or electronically: Google Gosnold Community Fund, which takes you to Southcoast Community Foundation; click on "show All Funds list", and under the letter "G" you will find the Gosnold Community Fund and the Gosnold Community Scholarship Fund.

We thank YOU for "best serving the needs" of our beloved island community.

Judith Archer, Dorothy Garfield, Kelly Kimball, Aimee Lombard, Stewart Young

GOSNOLD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Another busy and productive year for the Gosnold Conservation Commission (GCC) in 2022. There were numerous issues to deal with, including consequential submissions and hearings related to major projects on Cuttyhunk Island. The activities included the following:

A Notice of Intent (NOI) for underground utility installation was filed by the Cuttyhunk 2008 Nominee Trust regarding an underground utility installation on property owned by the Trust. The project had already been completed. After vigorous discussions regarding the situation, the GCC voted to issue an Order of Conditions (OOC) for the project, reserving the right to issue a fine against the contractor.

As part of the family's move to place two Conservation Restrictions (CR) over the majority of their land on the West End, the GCC voted to authorize the Commission's Chair to sign the municipal certification for Gosnold CR-9 and Gosnold CR-10. This action meets the requirement that the Conservation Commission certify that the lands have conservation value. This conservation value is now protected by placement of the CRs.

Approved a request from John Rockwell to replace two pilings which are in the basin and are license.

Approved a request from the Scott family to replace pilings and decking on their dock at Copicut Neck. A Chapter 91 license should be on file.

Welcomed Michelle Carvalho who informed the GCC about a STEAM Academy Climate Change Unit that has been prepared to include in the curriculum. The Commission thanked Michell for the information, concluding that the GCC need to take no action on the proposal.

A Notice of Intent filed by the Town was dealt with at a hearing on April 15, 2023. The proposal was to restore fuel storage and service to the island, improve the solid waste operation as well as add a public bathroom to the site. Fuel would be stored in two ConVault 6,000 gallon above ground storage tank, the solid waste containers would be relocated on a new concrete pad system, and a stand-alone vault public restroom would be installed. Following a thorough discussion with the proponents by the members of the Commission, a motion was made to accept the project as presented with a request that the engineers determine some type of protection for movement of the solid waste containers to the fuel tanks and that the plan for the protection of the fuel tanks be submitted back to the GCC for review. The vote in favor of the motion was unanimous.

The GCC approved the plan submitted by Ralph Packer to complete the clean-up of the Fuel Farm site. The plan was created by LSPs (Licensed Site Professionals) representing both the Town and Mr. Packer. This was required by the GC before any work could begin on the tank replacement project.

A Notice of Intent was filed by the Naushon Trust for the renovation of a Community Stable. The Commission heard from the engineer for the project and questions from the members were answered by the proponents. Following the presentation by the engineer and the discussion that ensued, a motion was made to approve the Naushon Island Community Stable project as presented. There was a unanimous vote in favor of the project.

Received a Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA) from the Naushon Trust for repair project on an existing Stone Pier including a wall and walkway to the pier. Reid Silva of Vineyard Land Surveyors presented the plan of the proposed work which would be consistent with the existing Chapter 91 license. Following questions and discussion among the members and with the proponents a motion was made that the GCC authorize the work to proceed as presented and prepare a letter informing the Naushon Trust, Inc. that work could proceed with no further review. Three members voted in favor. There was one abstention.

Received an RDA from the Town regarding Coast Guard Boathouse improvements. Selectboard member Gail Blout presented the project explaining that most of the work was interior construction, except for replacing the roof. She explained that the Massachusetts Historical Commission had approved the project. There will be no expansion of the building footprint. Following discussion, a motion was made that the GCC authorize the work to proceed as presented and prepare a letter informing the Town of Gosnold that work could proceed with no further review. The vote to approve the motion was unanimous.

The GCC welcomed Chris Hart as a newly appointed member of the Commission.

Received a request for Win Sanford and Wyatt Garfield seeking approval for replacement of moorings and chain with new pilings to secure their existing, permitted dock on Copicut Neck. The Commission responded by asking the applicant to file an RDA to be considered at a future meeting.

The GCC considered a new policy involving “General Provisions for Incidental Repairs” for licensed structures in the harbor. This item had been under consideration for a period of time. The Commission decided, following ample

discussions, that it was time to move forward. A motion to accept the “General Provisions for Incidental Repairs” as written was made. The vote on the motion to accept was unanimous. These regulations will be distributed and posted on the Town’s website.

In reviewing open projects underway in Town, a discussion was held regarding some aspects of the Fuel Farm cleanup and the Water and Stormwater projects. It was agreed that issues relating to these projects would be considered when the proponents apply for Certificates of Compliance. There was general praise for the Town’s contractors, Dig It Construction and Pawtucket Hot Mix Asphalt, and their responsiveness to issues as they arose.

A hearing was held to consider the RDA submitted by Win Sanford for dock repairs that has been presented to the GCC previously. The project would involve replacing nine 50’ lengths of chain with 6 to 7 pilings. The proponent stated that eliminating the chain would reduce the wear and tear on the harbor bottom, and that the pilings would make the floating dock more stable. Following questions from Commission members and ensuing discussions, a motion was made to allow the project to move forward with no further GCC review for up to eight new pilings to replace the chain and moorings for the existing dock, as described in the Sanford RDA. All four members present voted in favor of the motion.

As part of the recently approved policy on “General Provisions for Incidental Repairs,” the Commission will be reviewing the Chapter 91 licenses on file in Town Hall. Any request for work under the new policy will require that the applicant provide the license if it is not presently on file.

The Chair would again like to thank the members of the GCC for their willingness to serve in a capacity to help to preserve and protect the fragile environment encompassing the islands of the Town of Gosnold for us and for those who follow us in the future: Wyzie, for your calm and thoughtful demeanor; Chris, for bravely agreeing to join our noble cause; Leo, for your expertise involving regulatory and environmental issues; Lisa, for your island perspective in this instance and your willingness to do what needs to be done in a number of capacities in the Town.,

Thank you to the Selectboard for supporting the GCC in our efforts to implement the provisions of the Wetlands Protection Act that we are bound to uphold.

As a final note, I must report with substantial regret that Michael Parker made a decision to resign from the Commission in April. Michael’s contributions to the

GCC were immense. The Orders of Condition that he wrote, and were approved by the Commission, were clearly crafted, effective documents that supported the efforts of the GCC to fulfill its mission in support of the Wetlands Protection Act (Chapter 131, Sec. 40). Thank you, Michael, for all your efforts and to Kate Parker, who so graciously attended our meetings and provided well-crafted minutes for us to consider. You will both be sorely missed.

Respectively submitted,

David Warr, Chair
Wyatt Garfield
Chris Hart
Leo Roy
Lisa Wright



CULTURAL COUNCIL

The Town's Cultural Council receives federal (National Endowment for the Arts) and state (Massachusetts Cultural Council - MCC) pass through funds. The Council is tasked annually with considering a variety of arts and cultural experiences for the Cuttyhunk community and determining how to allocate those funds. In spite of the uncertainty and logistical challenges of the pandemic, the Cultural Council managed to provide a variety of programs for the community, including these annual favorites:

- The 6th Annual Cuttyhunk Plein Air Festival (the second virtual festival) that included forty-five registered artists. Artists participated on Cuttyhunk as well as off-island. The People's Choice award determined by 127 voters went for the second year in a row to Padanaram artist Robin Nunes, painting "Whale of a View." Robin has participated in past years both on and off island and is a talented watercolor artist that we are fortunate to have return year after year.
- The Annual July Avalon Family Lawn Concert, which featured Barry Gross and The Centre Streeters.
- The incredible creative Avalon Writing and Art Residency programs Tamalin Baumgarten organizes (partial funding).
- Nature & History Walks in July and August with Allie Thurston, which included informative sessions at the Cuttyhunk cemetery including the history of the land and tombstones.
- Plein Air Painting Workshops in July and August with Tammy Zimbone. The perennial favorite watercolor classes of this Island community continued with outdoor classes for a second season.

A summer highlight for all ages was a four day on-island sgraffito workshop led by porcelain artist and summer visitor, Tim Christensen. Sgraffito has been used for at least 6000 years to record information by using the universal language of art. The project included over 100 participants (ranging in age from 5-75 years old) etching a functional cup recording their perceptions of Cuttyhunk in whatever way they wanted: e.g. historical, social, environmental, or geographical terms. The porcelain cups are designed to last and be understood for thousands of years, and as a body, are a visual "self-portrait" of Cuttyhunk from the summer of 2021, as experienced by its inhabitants and visitors.

Participants drew from their unique perspectives to express their own set of values, and together made an accessible, latitudinal, understandable, and community-held, record of the Island. The project included a public presentation on the project as well as the historical significance of sgraffito, an exhibit of Tim's own work, and daily sessions demonstrating the technique of sgraffito, and a final public showing of all finished products.

Additionally, The Council supported and benefitted from the first annual variety show hosted at the Wilder House at Four Corners. Mike Frazel organized an outdoor talent show complete with a stage, sound, and lighting. Actors, musicians, poets, dancers and more performed for close to two hours on a beautiful August evening. In true Cuttyhunk fashion all ages were encouraged and the youngest performer was five while the oldest was nearly eighty. People sat in lawn chairs, on blankets, and stood in the road as this show was not to be missed. It will for sure be a new summer event that islanders and visitors will look forward to.

Finally, the Council helped organize a local New England Band, Chris James Trio, which played at the Fish Dock in late August and provided an evening of lively music that had people dancing in the parking area and many asking for them to return next summer. – And they plan to!

According to the Massachusetts Cultural Council's protocol, we adhere to the newly instituted prescribed grant-making process. This includes compliance with a conflict of interest policy, and a required formal online application for all artists and 501 (c)3 organizations seeking funding. As a group we work closely with our Massachusetts Cultural Council liaison, Lisa Simmons. She is extremely helpful to the group and a great source of information and support to the Council.

Council Membership includes: Emily Anderson & Rebecca Garfield; Co-Chairs, Teri Bordenave, Cathy Ford, Diane Frothingham, and Tammy Zimbone as well as two new members who began this fall, Leyla Day & Mike Frazel. Sarah Smith, Town Treasurer continues to oversee the financial information and we are grateful for her work and expertise.

Respectfully submitted,
Emily Anderson

FIRST AID & SAFETY (SUMMER 2022)

The Town Rescue Squad and visiting doctors continue to improve the service to the Town. We have 100% coverage of Drs. from June 15th-Sept 15th at the Infirmary.

The 911 system continues to be the main notification/response system for the Island. We appreciate the work of the Martha's Vineyard Communication Center to be our central dispatcher Service.

Annual safety sheets are delivered to each house in June to remind Islanders and visitors of the routine for activating our response system.

With Covid 19 behind us, the island was calmer and had a good understanding of what to do, if someone did test positive. Glad to have this event behind us

We continue to use the local transportation systems to evacuate patients that need additional medical treatment off island. Thanks to JP Hunter, the Cuttyhunk Ferry, George Isabel, Wayne Perrier, and Seth Garfield for making their boats available for immediate transport to the mainland for additional medical help. We also have used the Boston Med Flight service and the USCG helicopter recently with excellent response times.

Numerous cases were handled in a variety of ways. Approximately 90 visits (and follow ups) to the infirmary were noted and an additional 12 were taken care of through the Rescue Squad. Residents of the Town make up about half of the calls, while visiting renters and yachtsman make up the rest.

New equipment and supplies continued to be purchased and donated during the year. I would like to thank all the patients and others who have donated to the Infirmary and the First Aid fund. We all benefit from this service by continued training and updated equipment. **DONATIONS ARE ALWAYS ACCEPTED AND APPRECIATED.**

A special thanks to the Avalon family and Tamalin Baumgarten and the Avalon crew for making the rooms available for the doctors and for making their stay enjoyable. Also, to Dr. and Mrs. DiMare for their coordination of visiting doctors and enthusiasm for this service. They solve many problems quietly behind the scenes. The doctors' golf cart continues to be used and serviced each year.

The First Aid and Safety van continues to be used as the primary supply center and first aid station.

The members of the Rescue Squad would like to thank you for your continued support in the community. We work hard to keep Cuttyhunk a safer place for all. We appreciate you doing your part to make Cuttyhunk a healthy and safe place to live.

Respectfully Submitted,
Seth Garfield, Rescue Squad Cord., Emergency Management. Director



FIRE DEPARTMENT

Please replace your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors every 5+ years. The new lithium ion battery operated detectors are very good.

We welcome anyone who would like to join the department and rescue squad.

Training for the members and maintenance of the equipment continues and training in 2022 will be combining and cross training members in fire response, first aid and in emergency managements. We want to include new members to the community and increase coverage on island during the year.

We are planning to have a joint burn on BBC land in the spring of 2023. This will help reduce fuel loading and also show the island that our CWPP plan that we developed in 2017 will start to be implemented. This can be a training session for the department. We also are working with the BBC to have additional equipment to help in brush fires.

Again, it is planned in the summer 2023 to continue to train the junior volunteer fire department. Many of the current citizens of the Town were members back in the '80s. This will increase the education and response in the Town during the busy summer weeks.

Please take the time as you open up your homes for the summer season to inspect and/or replace your fire extinguishers. Also please check any lamp cords that may be dried out or mouse eaten and replace as needed. This helps reduce risk and improve safety in your house.

Thank you for your help in making the Island a safer community.

Respectfully Submitted—Seth Garfield-Fire Chief

HARBOR COMMITTEE

The Harbor Management Committee is an independently elected body consisting of 7 volunteer members which has the responsibility of overseeing and managing the use of the sheltered waters of the Town, pursuant to a 1990 bylaw. In addition, the Selectboard has delegated all management of the operations of Cuttyhunk Harbor, including the moorings, marina, and the docks, including the Fish Dock, Ferry Dock, and Fuel Dock, to the Committee.

Our committee members and our harbor staff have worked closely together to achieve the goals that we set over 12 years ago. We have been focused on improving the marina operation, enhancing the first impressions of visitors to Cuttyhunk, and most importantly increasing our revenues to help offset the Town's expenses. Total receipts for the 2022 season were \$610,000, which represents over 45% of the Town's annual budget.

Over the past two years the Committee has:

- Supported the development of a new fuel farm and upgraded fuel dock equipment to make sure that resident and visiting boaters have access to fuel.
- Instituted a \$5/night Environmental Fee for all overnight visitors at the marina and on the public and private rental moorings to offset rising solid waste management costs.
- Rewired the power posts at the Marina.
- Revised Fish Shack and slip occupancy criteria.
- Revised regulations for vendors in the Town Dock area.
- Contracted for WiFi service to cover the entire mooring field.
- Continued the process of maintaining the rental mooring pennants.

We appreciate the team effort from our committee members and the harbor staff that includes Harbormaster/Wharfinger George Isabel, Mooring Collector/Asst. Harbormaster Dale Lynch, Angus Garfield, and Peggy Lovell. In addition, our residents and Island workers on the dock have been consistently helpful and friendly to our visitors. All of this positive attitude contributes to the annual reviews we receive on social media, and the marina continues to win the "Boaters Choice Award" from Marinas.com, and accolades from Dockwa users. Please join me in thanking the entire harbor staff for their efforts.

Ongoing projects for the Harbor Committee include planning for a replacement for the Public Toilets building, and continuing to study the reconfiguration of the marina with floating docks, with Susan Nilson and her staff at Foth Infrastructure & Environment. Please contact a Committee member if you have

questions, or suggestions for improving our harbor operations. You are welcome to join any of our public meetings in person or via Zoom teleconference.

Respectfully submitted, Leo P. Roy, Chair

On behalf of your Harbor Management Committee:

Ralph Cataldo

Paula DiMare

Seth Garfield

Lexi Lynch

Maddie Lynch

Leo P. Roy

Lisa Wright



HIGHWAY

WOW, what a summer. As we know, we all had to endure dust, noise, mud, traffic, and more for the whole summer. Thanks for all being safe, aware, and staying positive. The final resurfacing was complete in October and we are working on a few issues to finalize the entire project.

The Town received grants to improve drainage on Tower Hill and Broadway. This work started in May of 2022, as well as the replacement of water lines in Town. This work will last for decades.

The roads of the island continue to be cleared and mowed during the summer. Efforts are made to clear the visibility of the corners to reduce accidents, sand is removed to reduce skids, and during the winter the roads are plowed and salted accordingly. We did not have to plow for the winter for 22/23, very warm and enjoyable. The department continues to use about 20% of the space of the USCG boathouse. This building is used by many departments and will also be redesigned as a visitors' center for the summer of 2023.

Yearly, the road drains of the town are cleaned out so they operate correctly. During the final paving we had a high tech vac truck come to the island and clean all drains.

All suggestions are welcome, and we look forward to keeping the roads safe for all.

As always, thank you for driving slowly and carefully, especially in the summer. It is clear that there are more carts on the road, as well as pedestrians.

Respectfully submitted. Seth Garfield, Highway Surveyor

LIBRARY

During the 2022 season our library saw an increase in attendance due in part to our library now being opened on Saturday mornings and with the COVID pandemic on the decrease. COVID guidelines continued to be in effect as the trustees and staff remained committed to provide a safe environment for our patrons. Guidelines will be reviewed for the 2023 season with any changes being posted.

Our library hours will remain the same with Saturday mornings being very popular.

Children's story hour was a great success, and it will continue next summer. Many thanks to Rebecca Garfield for spearheading this event.

We continue to hold fundraising events ranging from book sales to our July and August raffles. Last July the community enjoyed the Tick Stompers serenading us with their unique musical style. We hope to welcome them back for an encore concert in July 2023. Working with the Friends of the Cuttyhunk Public Library, plans are underway for an exciting event in August 2023. Details to follow once plans are confirmed.

Unfortunately, we are still unable to provide Internet service, but are working hard to make this a reality for the 2023 summer season. Work still to be completed includes the interior entryway - a work in progress.

We welcome book donations, but request they be in good used condition. Books should be dropped off when the library is open.

Keep us in mind when looking for gifts as we have merchandise available for sale including a new tote with pictures of the old and new buildings. Thanks to Emma Garfield for creating it. Mugs and children's books by local authors are some of the other merchandise for sale.

Our librarian Dorothy Garfield and the wonderful volunteer staff are committed to making a visit to the library a welcoming and enjoyable experience. Thanks to all of them for their hard work and dedication.

Please keep the library via the Friends of the Cuttyhunk Public Library in mind when considering donations. As a 501(3)(c) organization, donations are tax deductible. Checks should be made payable to the Friends and mailed to P. O. Box 10, Cuttyhunk, MA 02713.

If you haven't visited our new library, do come when you are on island. We know you will enjoy it.

Library Trustees and Friends of the Cuttyhunk Public Library

Judith Archer

Gail Blout

Marla Garfield

Kris Lombard

Lisa Wright



MARILYN SNOW HOUSE FOUNDATION

Once again, the Avalon had a successful season in large part due to our innkeeper, Cheryl Hemingway, and hard-working staff. We thank Cheryl for spearheading another strong season. Unfortunately, Cheryl will not be returning for the upcoming 2023 season, but we send her our thanks and wish her well. Neil and Sandra Cote are our new innkeepers and come to us as seasoned inn owners and restaurateurs. Please welcome Sandra and Neil when you cross paths.

The Marilyn Snow House Foundation's mission to enrich the health and well-being of Cuttyhunk and its cultural life remains strong. A key component of our mission is the ability to house the physicians' program. This program provides medical services to residents and visitors on an island that has no other health services available. We are looking forward to another season of welcoming these physicians to the Avalon and are thankful for their continuing to provide much needed services. The Cuttyhunk Island Artists Residency (CIAR) and Cuttyhunk Island Writers Residency (CIWR) enrich the island's cultural life by providing readings and concerts to our community. Launched in 2016, these residencies will hold two programs in Fall 2023 with artists Mario Robinson and Matthew Deleget and writers Bill Roorbach and Geraldine Brooks. Recently, the CIAR was awarded an unrestricted support grant for \$17,240 from the MA Cultural Council. Kudos to Tam Baumgarten, Meredith Leich, and Ben Shattuck for their leadership in spearheading these two programs.

The Town held its 2022 Annual Town Meeting at the Avalon and hopefully will continue to do so in the future. Other events held at the Avalon include Cultural Council and private gatherings.

With a building over 100 years old, maintenance of the Avalon is always at the forefront of our concerns. Replacement of its shingles continues with other work including exterior and interior painting to be done. Two electric golf carts were purchased last year in place of our renting off island golf carts. The carts were well received by our guests and staff, and a new used truck has been extremely helpful to our staff.

The Board has been the welcome recipient of Katie Leeson's dedication, commitment, and wisdom to us and the Avalon since 2015. Katie will be stepping down from the Board, and we send her our warmest wishes and regards as she takes on a new professional position. We would not be in as strong and

healthy a state without her devotion to the Avalon and the Board. Katie, many, many thanks.

As always, maintenance of the Avalon is endless, and all contributions are much appreciated. If interested in making a donation, please contact Wyatt Garfield. As a 501(3)(c) organization, all donations are tax-deductible.

Don't hesitate to contact us with questions or comments.

Marilyn Snow House Foundation Board

Dan Baumgarten

Judy Baumgarten

Sarah Berry

Gail Blout

Wyatt Garfield

Katie Leeson

Lisa Wright

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
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TO THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF GOSNOLD:

It is a great honor to serve your school district as Superintendent of Schools. The school year 2021-2022 was one of great challenges and opportunities for the school department. In my annual report for January – December 2021, I reported to you about the impact of the Covid pandemic on the first half of the school year September through December, 2021. In this report, I will provide you with information about the second half of school year January through June 2022 and summer and fall of 2022. In the schoolhouse from January through June of 2022, six children who represented four families attended Cuttyhunk Elementary School. We also had homeschooled children whose programs were developed in conjunction with the families and approved by the superintendent of schools. The children who attended school in the schoolhouse were engaged in a face-to-face educational experience. This was somewhat unique as many schools were still providing a hybrid model to the students because of the lingering pandemic.

During the 2021-2022 school year, Michelle Carvalho held the position of teacher/principal. Additional staffing included an art position, music and physical education instruction. These programs added value to the educational experiences of our children. The School Committee was pleased to contract with Chris Bergen to house our Teacher/Principal for school year 2021-2022. Thank you to Mr. Bergen for providing a pleasant residence for our staff.

For the 2021-2022 school year, enrollment also included one student on Naushon Island attending the Falmouth Public Schools. The student traveled everyday via the MV Cormorant ferry to Woods Hole where she was met there by the Falmouth Public Schools bus and transported to her school. At the end of the school year in June of 2022, the student on Naushon Island withdrew from the public school system and enrolled in a private education program.

ESSER II funds were expended during this period of time. This is a federal entitlement grant and helped us to address learning loss as a result of COVID. These funds were used to provide additional assistance and enrichment in the classroom. The next phase of funding through this federal grant program is ESSER III funds. We applied for these funds and our grant was approved. We

are in the process of evaluating the school building needs as they relate to HVAC and water mitigation in the basement. We have hired an engineering firm to conduct that assessment. ESSER III funds will be used to support this project.

During the spring of 2022, we began planning for the School Department's Summer Art Camp on Cuttyhunk. The director of the 2022 program was Michelle Carvalho. The program provided the option of either one or two weeks of island experiences for children who visited Cuttyhunk during the summer months. The program was held at the schoolhouse. The Art Camp began on July 25, 2022 and ended August 5, 2022. Based on enrollment and feedback from the children and from their families, the program again was a tremendous success.

In the fall of 2022, the school department started to plan for the 150th birthday of the schoolhouse in 2023. Repairs to the building and maintenance on the grounds are being discussed in anticipation of a celebration recognizing this milestone in the summer of 2023.

The members of the school committee include the following: Chairperson, Dorothy Garfield, Secretary, Judith Archer and members Renata Davidson and Paula DiMare. Your school committee provides me with the support and guidance that I need to manage the school budget and set the policy direction for your public school program. I thank them for their dedicated service. I also want to take this opportunity to thank the Gosnold Board of Selectmen, the staff, the parents, community members, and the numerous volunteers. Additionally, I want to thank Joan Reed for her service as Business/Executive Secretary and Lisa Wright, Town Clerk and Sarah Smith, Town Treasurer for their ongoing assistance and support. A special thank you to teacher/principal school year 2021-2022, Michelle Carvalho, for her dedicated service to the Town of Gosnold.

This report serves as a snapshot into the many projects, specific activities and events of the Gosnold Public Schools for the time period January through December 2022. Thank you to the community of Gosnold for your active and generous support.

Respectfully submitted,
Dr. Margaret Frieswyk
Superintendent of Schools
Gosnold Public Schools

OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT UPDATE: In the last year Gosnold has undertaken and completed the largest projects in its history, the Tower Hill Road Project, and the replacement of the Water Wells and 1.5 miles of water piping. Additional benefits include new fire hydrants and paved roadways for most of the island. We have begun the installation of the new town owned fuel farm after 3 years without marine fuel. And while these projects overshadowed the other operations on the island that make it possible to live and work here, everyone worked together in new ways to assist in all it took to house, work, and support the effort. The dustbowl provided by Mother Nature in the summer of 2022 tested all those who lived along the roadways who suffered daily with yellow clouds of dirt imprisoning them in their houses during a summer when virtually no rain was to be had.

The Selectmen have worked hard to search out grant money to fund the scale of these projects, and, without the significant contributions from state and federal sources, these projects would not have been possible. The cultivation and site visits from various agency and government leaders has been rewarding, as we do not fit many norms. From the time applications were submitted to the completion of the work nearly four years have passed. The bids for all these projects came in higher than expected, and, as we turned to our legislators and state agencies, additional funding was given in the final hour, without which the projects would not have gone forward. Each grant application process includes a written case for funding, sound financials, and required engineering studies. Added to this is the bid process, the acceptance of legal contracts and ConCom approvals before a shovel even goes in the ground.

Given the scale of these projects it is important to thank all the people and agencies involved in the funding sources for these projects : Karyn Polito, Lieutenant Governor; Beth Card, Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs; Rebecca Strohm, Branch Chief, USDA; Jennifer Lerch, USDA Director of Business and Community Affairs; Steven Chrabascz, USDA State Engineer; Ellen Cebula, Seaport Economic Council; Stephen McKenna and Patricia Bowle, Coastal Zone Management; Laurie Stevens and Jim Starbard, RCAP Solutions; Environmental Partners, Dig It Construction, Susan Nilson, FOTH Engineering; Dave Walsh, Pawtucket Hot Mix; Manny Capriotti, Capriotti Builders and Masonry.

These two infrastructure projects needed to be done in parallel and we thank the fearless Leo Roy for his oversight in the bid process and getting everyone to the mobilization phase. Dale Lynch was involved in the logistics of the Water Project from day one. The island took on long term debt for the Well and Water Project at a favorable rate of 2.625% provided by USDA. Along with town matches, major funding for these and other projects has been provided by state and federal grants.

WELL FIELD AND WATER PIPE

USDA GRANT 1,312,000
USDA LOAN 1,648,000
TOWN 20,000
MASS MVP 1,500,000
(Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs)

FUEL FARM:

COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT (CZM) 698,398
COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT (CZM) 212,000
SEAPORT ECONOMIC COUNCIL (EOHED) 510,000

TOWER HILL ROAD AND DRAIN PROJECT

MASS WORKS 1,000,000
TOWN OF GOSNOLD 100,000

MASS COMMUNITY COMPACT 35,000
(Internet Study)

SEAPORT ECONOMIC COUNCIL (EOHED) 300,000
(Channel Engineering)

Our two major contractors, Dig It and Pawtucket Hot Mix, truly enjoyed this project. They contributed in ways above and beyond the parameters of their contracts, helping residents with special requests, and trying to stay ahead of the dirt and dust. Of course, there were surprises along the way and some interesting situations. The Fishing Club thankfully offered their property for the workers' temporary trailers. We all have our stories about what went on, but we could not have asked for a more responsive crew. The paving truck had to remove side panels to squeak by the walls on Tower Road to pave Tower Hill. A huge thanks to Dale Lynch, and Wayne Perrier who had many extra hours added to their normal responsibilities to respond to every little issue as the work was done. If you were on island, you saw it!

FUEL FARM : The fuel farm should be nearly complete by the time you read this report. Two 6000 gallon tanks, one for gasoline and one for diesel will be installed with two dispensing stations, one on the dock and one by the tank yard for vehicles. A new shed for the contracted operators will be installed on the fuel dock. It has been three years since the island has had fuel, another welcome improvement. A new public toilet at the ferry dock will be a welcome addition for our visitors and beach goers.

Additional infrastructure projects will include the future needs of the islands in the face of climate change. On the water side, the marina docks and floats will need to be raised, and the channel and beach erosion at Barges and Church's beach needs to be addressed. On the land side, the power plant and power distribution lines need upgrades, and the solid waste yard will be reconfigured. Lastly, we hired CCG, an internet consulting firm, to investigate the possible viability of an island wide internet that serves the residents and the marina, a priority of the residents.

FINANCE: following the requirements of DOR the Electric Light Department is now an enterprise-like fund, along with the Water Department. This means each department must support itself. We will undertake a rate study for Electric Light which includes the solar farm to determine how to adjust rates if needed. We have contracted with a new utility billing service so that you can view your own activity and pay bills on line. We have engaged a new auditing firm. We owe our Treasurer, Sarah Smith a huge thanks for continuing to work on all these improvements to our systems, and for the extra work in transitioning to these systems.

REVALUATION: As required by the state a revaluation of all the properties for real estate tax purposes was completed in the last year. This included giving the assessor the ability to update records on the web, remeasuring and updating property records, and engaging a new assessor for the town following the retirement of Kresenia Lombard who served us well for many years. This was a lengthy process but now gives us updated records

BUZZARDS BAY COALITION(BBC) : Completed signage for their properties, installed new split rail fences, enhanced the parking lot with clamshells, installed bike racks, and provided handcarts for Barges Beach users. Trails to the top of Bayberry and Tower Hill are improved. Most important the Conservation Restriction (CR) for some 200 acres of land from the Spauldings will allow for Public Access linking of Tower Hill, Bayberry Hill and the bunker trails.

CHANNEL DREDGING: Our repeated need to keep the channel open and dredged has been funded again by the Army Corps of Engineers, thanks to the work of Gail Blout to maintain contact. The town has an award of \$1.8 million to dredge when the Corps has time to schedule it as the Channel becomes more twisted and overwash from Barges occurs more frequently.

SCHOOL: The School has its own report to give as it celebrates its 150 year anniversary. Our school still remains closed as no students are on island, but it is being used by the STEAM program, under Michelle Carvahlo's guidance this spring. The Island Institute in Maine is bringing their island wide school program to the island this spring. STEAM is officially a 501c3 with three board members, Sandy Parker, Charles Field and Ann Conway, and is funded by private donations and program attendance.

POLICE: Massachusetts Police requires all retired police to fully maintain all certificates and keep up with training in order to work in retirement positions, which has made it more difficult to find a candidate. We expect to hire for the summer months for public safety as the summer season is so busy.

SOLID WASTE. The regulatory requirements for disposal of solid waste continues to add to the overall cost of our operation. Both barge costs and tipping fees have climbed significantly. Plans are underway to upgrade the solid waste yard in 2024 after the completion and disruption of the installation of the new fuel farm. Efforts to be greener and more efficient island wide are underway and need to be embraced. Even though we are a small community this department remains a large part of our budget and for the first time we have added an annual fee in addition to our bag fees for both residents and businesses to offset only some of the additional costs, which may change again as needed.

EMERGENCY SERVICES: We are grateful to the many responses led by Fire Chief and EMT Seth Garfield and team for the emergencies they deal with every summer at any time of day. This includes the effort by Paula and Seymour DiMare who continue to provide a doctor of the week at Avalon for the busy summer months. This has become an important and reliable resource for residents and visitors alike.

ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE: The island has nearly completed the process of becoming a Green Community which the Mass Department of Energy Resources supports. We continue to participate with the Martha's Vineyard Commission in the Municipal Preparedness Vulnerability Program for future environmental threats the islands may endure.

TOWN HALL: We all go to Town Hall for every kind of question we don't know the answer to and services we need. That means we go to Lisa Wright who manages the front line year round. We owe her a huge thanks for all the departments she monitors and all the hats she wears. Sarah Smith, our treasurer, has responded efficiently to all the suggestions from DOR for best practices, and has taken on the many new tasks required for our projects as well as the ever increasing regulatory filings. The Tower Hill and Water projects require separate audits over and above the regular business of the town as they are completed.

APPRECIATION: Each year we look back at all the contributors that make it possible for so many to enjoy the island, and who keep it functioning during the dark and stormy days of winter. We are perpetually hopeful the year round population will slowly increase and that a new generation will come together to operate the systems that support us all. We cannot look back on this last year without once again thanking Dale Lynch, Wayne Perrier, Sarah Smith, Lisa Wright, Asa Lombard, Seth Garfield, Captain Jono Billings and his crew, John Paul Hunter and Seahorse, and Paula DiMare and the Cuttyhunk Telegraph, and the many volunteers too numerous to name. All these individuals wear many hats, asked for or not, and contribute to the livability and accessibility of Gosnold. Buzzards Bay Coalition, and Audubon have opened up more trails for the public. In the last year the work of ConCom has been demanding, and the Harbor Committee has worked hard to complete the fuel farm project. There is no question that the projects of the past year demanded more of all these individuals, as well as the residents and we hope the pain can be forgotten with the results you can now see. The Selectboard has worked collaboratively to bring these important projects to conclusion, with more to come to secure the future of important island needs.

Sarah Berry
Chair, Selectboard
Stewart Young
Gail Blout

SOLID WASTE

We have had a busy year for the Solid Waste Department. The Town requires that we use the green GOSNOLD trash bags for household trash and curbside pick-up. Disposal of larger items such as scrap metals, wood, mattresses, chairs, etc., will be picked up by contacting the Solid Waste Manager or one of the summer Solid Waste staff.

Carpentry, building, and home improvement projects which create construction debris can be disposed of by making arrangements for a dumpster to be dropped off at your location.

I would like to remind all Islanders that the trash bins which are located in the parking lot at the Town Marina are for marina and boaters' trash only. Please do not put household trash in these containers.

The large dumpsters that are located inside the fenced areas at the Town Ferry Dock are not set up for public drop-off. Please do not leave items and trash outside the fenced area. Items being left here are increasing and becoming a problem.

During the summer, green GOSNOLD trash bags can be purchased at the Town Hall and at the Wharf Shack. We also carry them in the Town Truck and at the Island Market. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping Gosnold clean.

Thank you.
Asa Lombard IV
Solid Waste Manager

WATER DEPARTMENT

The Town of Gosnold Water Department continues to provide the best quality drinking water to our residents and visiting guests. Under the guidelines of the EPA Clean Water Act and Mass. DEP Drinking Water Quality Programs, we monitor and sample our drinking water both monthly and quarterly for a myriad of contaminants, which thankfully are absent from our drinking water supply. We, in turn, provide the results of our sampling to the Mass. DEP for performance, safety, compliance and record keeping.

Each year the Gosnold Water Department assembles a Consumer Confidence Report, a copy of which is available for public review located at the Town Hall, Library, or by contacting the Water Department Manager @ (508) 990-7408

Water Meters are read bi-annually. (May and November) Questions regarding meter reads or billing can be directed to either the Town Clerk or Water Manager. We will make every effort to answer your questions or resolve issues connected with your water bill in a prompt manner. Bills can be paid on-line in the near future.

The town regulations that protect our aquifer and drinking water supply mandate that the wellfield/aquifer area, pumping station and water storage tanks are Off Limits to the public. Trespass or vandalism is taken very seriously and is considered a felony offence.

As this is our sole source of drinking water for the Island and we ask for your help in protecting it by limiting the unnecessary use of pesticides/insecticides whenever possible. Additionally, please be sure that any business or household hazardous waste is disposed of in an environmentally responsible manner off Island.

Water conservation measures may be implemented during peak summer months based on prolonged drought periods. If this were to happen, the public will be adequately notified and we would ask for your cooperation in conserving water during these periods.

With the completion of the New Wellfield and Waterline Replacement behind us this year we will implementing the requirement of the use of hose bib vacuum breakers on all outside silcocks (faucets). Our goal is to equip all homes, businesses, Fish Dock, Marina and Wharf with hose bib vacuum breakers. Two (2) units per household will be supplied and installed at no cost. An explanatory public service sheet will also be provided to explain what vacuum breakers are and why they are important in a community water system.

Finally, a Notice to Contractors and other Dept. Heads. No attachments shall be made to any fire hydrant within the Town of Gosnold in connection with any temporary water supply, watering of lawns, flushing storm drains or hydro-seeding activity without the use of a reverse back flow protection device (RPZ). No attachments to hydrants other than by the Fire Department shall be made unless authorized by the Water Department Manager.

Sincerely, Dale C. Lynch
Town Of Gosnold
Water Department Manager



WHARF DEPARTMENT

With dust settling from Covid issues, the 2022 boating season started with a bang just as the 2020 season did. Reservation requests have increased and, in turn, the Marina and mooring field remained extremely busy throughout the summer and fall. With that said, the 2022 revenue exceeded that of the previous season.

As we all know, Mother Nature plays a large role in how successful our short season will be. Combine good weather, Asa's Fireworks event and a great staff to work with; Angus Garfield, Dale Lynch, and Peggy Lovell, the upcoming 2023 season looks to be very promising.

As usual there will be general maintenance taking place in and around the Marina area and also at the Fuel Dock where a few tie-up cleats will be installed along with two power posts. As usual, all vendors at the Fish Dock will be open for business. Please be respectful of their operations.

As always, if anyone needs help of any kind or any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me anytime. I'm easy to find. Thank you and I look forward to seeing you all this upcoming season.

Respectfully,

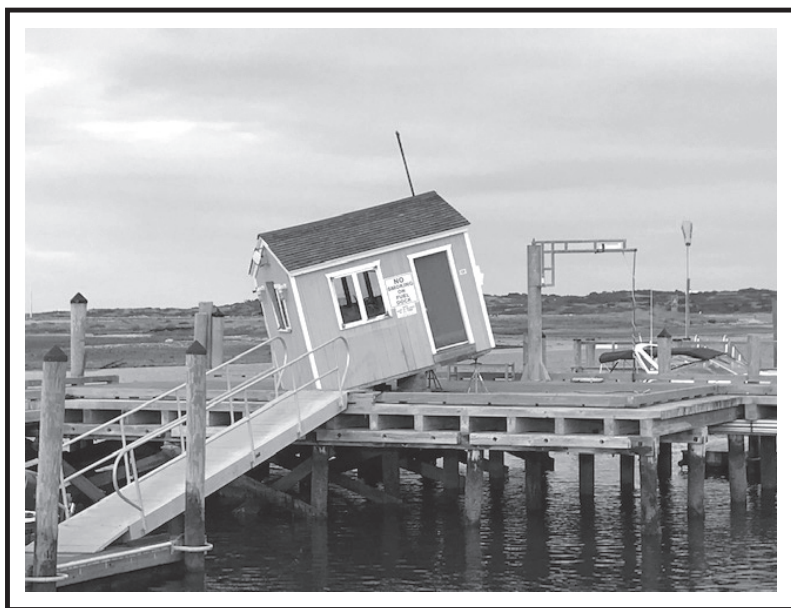
Capt. George Isabel

TOWN OF GOSNOLD
VOTING LIST (As of 05/01/2023)

1. Adams, John E.
2. Anderson, Alden M.
3. Anderson, Elizabeth W.
4. Anderson, Emily
5. Archer, Judith L.
6. Archer, Willie P. Jr.
7. Barry, Matthew Ajay
8. Barry, Nathan Cotter
9. Baumgarten, Tamalin Soleil
10. Berry, Allen D.
11. Berry, Sarah Garfield
12. Blout, Darya Lillian Martine
13. Blout, Gail Ferris
14. Borges, Jay Bruce
15. Bradish, George
16. Brodeur, Nina Solod
17. Brown, Brittany Ann
18. Brown, Frederick E.
19. Burns, Michelle E.
20. Cataldo, Michelle Costa
21. Cataldo, Ralph J.
22. Chalton, Jane E.
23. Chalton, Sarah Alice
24. Cherau, Martine
25. Davidson, Malcolm L.
26. Davidson, Renata S. L.
27. DiMare, Paula Hatfield
28. DiMare, Seymour A.
29. Doran, Elaine M.
30. Doran, Jared H.
31. Doran, Virginia A.
32. Elias, Paul
33. Elmore, Cornelia B.
34. Fairchild, Christine
35. Foureman, Jessica
36. Foureman, Steven A
37. Francheschi, Janine M.
38. Gahan, Charmaine
39. Gahan, Patrick
40. Garfield, Dorothy
41. Garfield, Kassia O.
42. Garfield, Rachel B.
43. Garfield, Rebecca Brandegee
44. Garfield, Seth
45. Garfield, Wyatt Jr.
46. Garfield, Wyatt Benjamin
47. Goslin, Cheryl L.

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48. Hart, Christopher
 49. Hart, Jennifer Carey
 50. Hewes, Tamzin Z.
 51. Hudson, Lyle James
 52. Hudson, Ryan Allan
 53. Hudson, Tanya Yvonne
 54. Hulley, Genevieve Anne
 55. Hunter, John P.
 56. Hunter, Marlies M.
 57. Isabel, George
 58. Keate, Kathryn Julia
 59. Kimball, Kelly E.
 60. Leeson, A. Dix Jr.
 61. Leeson, Roxana T.
 62. Lehner, Paul H.
 63. Lehner, Sara E.
 64. Leonard, Kim
 65. Lombard, Asa III
 66. Lombard, Asa IV
 67. Lombard, Kresenia B.
 68. Longo, Michelle R.
 69. Lynch, Alexandra C.
 70. Lynch, Carter B.
 71. Lynch, Dale C.
 72. Lynch, Donald Clarke
 73. Lynch, Duane Allen
 74. Lynch, Jennifer Goodwin
 75. Lynch, Madeline Jane
 76. Mali-Astrue, Laura W.
 77. Manz, Ellen F.
 78. Miller, Nicole E.
 79. Nunes, Carlyn L.
 80. Olsen, Kathleen C.
 81. Oste, Heidi Cabot Forbes
 82. Pachter, Adam E.
 83. Parker, David F.
 84. Parker, Michael D.
 85. Parker, Sandra
 86. Paton, Elizabeth Jane
 87. Perrier, Wayne S.
 88. Petrulli, Emily O.
 89. Petrulli, Frank
 90. Ramsey, William S.
 91. Roy, Leo Pierre
 92. Sanford, Winthrop
 93. Smith, Sarah W.
 94. Storek, Dillon William
 95. Sylvia, Traci Faith
 96. Taylor, Low
 97. Veeder, Bonnie Dale
 98. Veeder, Christopher W.
 99. Veeder, Frances Ellen
 100. Veeder, Marlies M.
 101. Vogt, Dawn A.

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102. Warr, David J.
 103. Wilson, David M.
 104. Wilson, Linda L.
 105. Wright, Elise G.
 106. Wright, Russell Q. II
 107. Young, G. Stewart
 108. Zimbone, Paul J.
 109. Zimbone, Randal J.
 110. Zimbone, Tamsin
 111. Zimbone, Wendy Anne



BUSINESS LICENSES

A license to operate a business in Gosnold is required by Massachusetts General Laws and the Department of Revenue. Gosnold issues licenses for a variety of businesses such as retail trades, food and lodging, and transient vendors. Business licenses are available at the Town Hall. Please stop by, call, write, or email for a business license. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts also issues licenses such as for contractors and a variety of professions. For additional information, consult the Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation at www.mass.gov or call [888-283-3757](tel:888-283-3757).

TOWN OF GOSNOLD

Contact Information

Town Hall

Phone: 508/990-7408

Please leave messages for Assessor, Auditor, Town Clerk, Selectmen, Shellfish Officer, Tax Collector, Harbor Department Solid Waste, Electric Department, Water Department, Planning Board, Board of Health, Conservation Commission, Cemetery Department, Fire Chief

Website

www.townofgosnold.org

Town Clerk

e-mail: gosnoldtownclerk@yahoo.com

Assessor:

e-mail: gosnoldassessors@gmail.com

Treasurer

e-mail: gosnoldtreasurer@gmail.com

Wharfinger

Phone: 508/990-7578

e-mail: harbormaster@cuttyhunkmarina.com

Police

Phone: 508/994-0717

First Aid, Fire, Police Emergencies:

Dial 911

Inspectors:

Andy Bobola (Building Inspector): 508/758-4116 ext. 9

Randy Caswell (Electrical): 508/748-1130

Karen Walega (Board of Health Agent): 508/763-5112

James Sullivan (Plumbing & Gas): 508/451-0076

Earle Garde (Plumbing & Gas): 508/758-2455

**TOWN OF GOSNOLD FEE SCHEDULE
2022**

Barge Ramp Fee \$400.00

Board of Health

- Application for Well Construction Permit \$25.00
- Annual Inspections for food service and innkeeper – Applicant is responsible for the cost of the inspection and the cost of transportation for Board of Health Agent

Building Department

- Please contact Town Hall for updated building permit fees
- Applicant is responsible for the cost of inspection(s) and the cost of transportation for inspector(s)
- New Electric Hookup \$10,000
- New Water Hookup \$10,000

Business License \$10.00

Fire Department

New Propane Permit \$25.00

Harbor

- Annual mooring and piling fee \$50.00/device; if rented out \$100/device
- Transient mooring fee \$50.00/night/boat + \$5.00/night Solid Waste Disposal Fee

Shellfish

- Resident family hand dig \$20.00
- Non-resident family hand dig \$50.00
- Commercial hand dig \$100.00 (resident only)
- Commercial power dredge \$200.00 (resident only)
- Commercial jet dredge \$400.00 (resident only)

Solid Waste

- Town garbage bags are required, available at the Store, Town Hall & Solid Waste Truck
- Cuttyhunk Household Annual Fee \$130.00
- Small \$2.00
- Large \$4.00
- Transient trash with no town bag \$5.00
- Large items priced individually – posted at Town Hall or see Asa Lombard IV for details

Water – Billed Biannually

- \$182.50 for first 20,000 gallons
- \$15.00/1,000 gallons over 20,000

Wharf

- Resident slip \$430.00/year
- Non-resident slip \$650.00/year
- Fish Dock Building \$700.00/year plus electric
- Transient slip \$3.50/foot /night plus electric
- Temporary Tie-up \$25.00

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