

TOWN OF GILL

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SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

September 6, 2016

Call to Order: The Selectboard meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM.

Members Present: John Ward, Greg Snedeker, Randy Crochier Members Absent: none

Others Present: Ray Purington, Admin. Assistant; Janet Masucci; Kent Alexander, David Hastings, John Miner, Gene Beaubien, Stuart Elliott, Scott Nicholas, Steve Connell, 4 other members of the Fire Department

FY Shifts & Call-outs for Non Full-time Personnel: Police Chief David Hastings and Fire Chief Gene Beaubien met with the Selectboard to discuss shifts and call-outs during FY16 for part-time police officers and on-call fire fighters. The Highway Department did not have any part-time employees in FY16.

A summary of shifts and details worked by part-time officers was reviewed, and the disparity between shifts and details for several officers was questioned. Chief Hastings explained that detail shifts are hard to fill, and that some officers just don't want to work details. Officers who work full-time for other towns may be more inclined to work details in those towns.

Randy asked about the practice in other towns of paying officers in the first pay period after a detail using a Detail Revolving Fund, as opposed to Gill's practice of not paying officers until the Town receives the funds from the company that hired the detail. Hastings indicated that paying officers in a more timely fashion will help make details more attractive to work, but it won't guarantee all officers will work an even number of details. John recommended that a Detail Revolving Fund be explored for the FY18 budget. Hastings suggested \$8,000 as a very rough guess of the "seed money" from the Town that would be needed to start the fund. Beaubien asked whether the Fund could be used for the occasional detail worked by members of the Fire Department, as well. Ray will check with the Town Treasurer and the Accountant, and find out if there are any issues with establishing the Fund.

French King Bridge Cameras: The Selectboard reviewed a letter from Senator Rosenberg and Representatives Whipps Lee and Mark to MassDOT Administrator Thomas Tinlin. The letter urges MassDOT to fund the \$26,000 cost to purchase and install two cellular-enabled cameras that will provide pictures of the bridge and parking areas. Once installed, the Gill and Erving Police Departments will have access to the camera feeds, and could use the information to determine the appropriate level of response when there is a report of a potential or suspected suicide at the bridge. Other agencies would have access to the camera images as appropriate.

It is estimated that the annual cost for the camera's data plan will be \$2,000, which would be shared between Gill and Erving. Based on a recommendation from Mary Jane Bacon in Rosenberg's office, the Town should wait a couple of weeks to allow for a response before sending a similar letter to MassDOT. Randy noted that without the early assistance of former State Rep Denise Andrews, the effort to get cameras and other suicide prevention measures would not be as far along as it is.

Mick LaClaire joined the meeting at 6:53 PM. David Hastings left the meeting at 6:53 PM.

Fire Department Call-outs: FY16 call-outs for the Fire Department were reviewed. The Department's current policy is to pay firefighters for a minimum of 1 hour for a call-out, and any time beyond the first hour is paid in ½-hour increments. There was a brief discussion about changing to pay in 1-hour increments, but it was agreed that the current method seems to be a good compromise between paying & tracking call time and managing the budget.

FEMA Grant: Beaubien reported that the official rejection letter has been received from FEMA notifying the Town that it did not receive a grant for replacing the air packs. He noted that there is one grant period left before the air packs will become enough outdated that the Town will need to take action, with or without a grant. The application

period for the next FEMA grant opens on October 11 and closes on November 14. Based on feedback on the unfunded application, in its next application the Town needs to better show its financial need. Greg has volunteered to help the Fire Department write the next application.

Escott Letter Re Fire Regionalization Study: The Selectboard received a letter from Turners Falls Fire Chief Robert Escott asking them to reconsider Gill's decision to not participate in a FRCOG study of regionalizing fire services in the Greenfield, Turners, Montague Center, Erving, and Gill areas. Positions have not changed since the last time the topic was discussed. Beaubien remains opposed to participating in the study, as he believes it is not in the best interest of the Town. The Selectboard support Gill being a part of the study.

Stuart Elliott, a Deputy Chief in the Fire Department, pointed out that through mutual aid, area fire departments are already regionalized, and that staffing a full-time department, even on a regional level, will be difficult. Greenfield and Turners Falls are both full-time departments, and both are experiencing challenges with staffing levels and budgets. Greg commented that townspeople may wonder why Gill wasn't involved in a regionalization study, especially with major equipment replacement costs that will be bearing down on the town in the near future. The study should look at the potential impact that regionalization will have on mutual aid. Beaubien will have the Fire Department's Board of Engineers discuss Gill's participation in the study.

Beaubien, Elliott, Nichols, Connell, and other members of the Fire Department left at 7:32 PM.

Backhoe Update: Highway Superintendent Mick LaClaire and Mechanic/Operator John Miner met with the Selectboard to provide an update on the search for a used backhoe. They have looked at quite a few machines, and have found a couple of really good ones that are clean, with low hours, tight mechanicals, and don't need much to be done to them. Those machines are just under the \$60,000 limit approved at Town Meeting. Ray explained that procurement laws will change on November 7. Based on a \$60,000 ballpark, whether before or after November 7, the Town will need to advertise and seek sealed bids.

One dealer has two Cat backhoes that are 2012s with 700 and 900 hours. Another dealer has a used John Deere that is a 2011 with 1500 hours. Miner feels the John Deere is the better value, as it was a rental for the same dealership that is now selling it. It has been well maintained, is already plumbed for the hydraulics that we need, and is under a manufacturer's warranty through February 2017.

Randy made a motion, seconded by Greg, to proceed with seeking bids for a used backhoe and to authorize Ray to do whatever is necessary to carry out the bid process. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Mount Hermon Road: The Selectboard reviewed two Highway Department estimates for making repairs and improvements to Mount Hermon Road. One, for approximately \$35,000, would not address drainage or fix problems with the road base, and likely be only a stop-gap. The higher estimate of approximately \$83,000 is more in line with the work needed to "do it right", although LaClaire warned that the total cost would likely exceed \$100,000. Due to timing and budget constraints, the soonest that any work could be done is next year. LaClaire will update his estimates in the early spring of 2017 and the issue will be revisited then.

LaClaire and Miner left the meeting at 7:47 PM.

Minutes: Randy made a motion, seconded by Greg, to approve the minutes of 4/26/16, 5/31/16, and 8/22/16, and to approve and release the minutes of the executive session of 4/26/16. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Green Community Grant: Nothing to report.

Sewer I&I Study: Nothing to report.

Gill Elementary Well: Ray spoke with Health Agent Glen Ayers earlier today. Ayers is reviewing the recent water data to verify the sizing of the treatment equipment, and will be confirming the info with a local equipment supplier.

Mariamante Property/Community Solar: Nothing to report.

Annual Reports: No progress to report. The idea was revisited to have Ray work on the reports at home (to avoid the multitude of distractions at the Town Hall). It will be tried in the next several weeks.

Riverside Cemetery: Ray reported that the lists of assets of the Riverside Cemetery Association have been received, and that the deed is complete to transfer the Association's four parcels to the Town. Randy made a motion, seconded by Greg, to purchase for \$1 the land and assets of the Riverside Cemetery Association and to authorize Ray to act as necessary to carry out the transaction. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative. Randy recognized

the officers of the Association for all of their hard work in keeping the cemetery open and maintained, and for making the best decision to protect the future of the cemetery.

Appointments: Randy made a motion, seconded by Greg, to appoint Charles Garbiel to the Cable Committee through 6/30/17 and to appoint Emily Samuels to the Cultural Council through 9/6/19. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Sewer Commitment: Randy made a motion, seconded by Greg, to sign the sewer commitment in the amount of \$24,915.75 with a bill date of 9/8/16. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Riverside Book: Copies of the Gill Historical Commission's new book about the history of Riverside have been delivered and will be distributed on 9/9 and 9/10. The Selectboard congratulated and thanked everyone involved with making the idea of a book become such an impressive reality.

Janet Masucci and Kent Alexander left the meeting at 8:15 PM.

Warrant: The Selectboard reviewed and signed the FY 2017 warrant #5.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Ray Purington, Administrative Assistant.



Randy Crochier, Selectboard Clerk

Gill Police Department

David W. Hastings
Chief of Police
196B Main Rd
Gill MA 01354

Emergency 911

Station (413) 863-9398

Dispatch (413) 625-8200

Fax (413) 863-0157

To: Honorable Board of Selectmen

From: David W. Hastings, Chief of Police

Date: July 27, 2016

Re: PT Officer Activity-FY 16

	Shifts	Unpaid Trng	Off Duty Calls	Details (Jan 1)
Hunter	0	5	3	27
Savinski	3	0	0	4
Schreiber	13	0	0	0
Bassett	2	0	0	1
Ravish	53	0	0	1
Currier	17	0	0	6
Mongeon	9	0	0	1
Kimball	41	0	0	1

Respectfully Submitted,

David W. Hastings
Chief of Police

Gill Fire Department

Year-to-date Incident Participation

Activity Date Between {07/01/2015} And
{06/30/2016}

16 14 14 14 16 16 15 16 15 15 15 15

Staff Id/Name	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	Percent
127 Aucoin, Marcus	7	1	1	3	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	18	8.49
3 Beaubien, Gene M.	13	2	11	9	11	6	12	10	11	16	6	9	116	54.71
162 Borcy, William M	12	3	8	5	6	2	0	0	2	3	6	6	53	25.00
139 Cobileanschi, Oleg	12	5	9	5	7	2	11	5	9	7	4	8	84	39.62
5 Connell, Steve	10	3	9	7	10	5	12	3	11	12	5	3	90	42.45
153 Crowningshield, Patrick A	8	3	7	8	10	5	7	3	3	4	4	2	64	30.18
152 Day, Josh Liqiang	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	2	0	1	8	3.77
7 Edson, Jason	2	1	3	5	3	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	16	7.54
8 Elliott, Stuart	10	4	6	10	12	4	19	10	6	14	6	4	105	49.52
161 Howell, Andrew	7	2	3	7	7	2	1	4	7	16	3	2	61	28.77
142 Jackson, Jeffrey	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	5	13	7	7	5	53	25.00
131 Kendall, Kyle	11	2	3	10	8	3	15	5	8	18	5	6	94	44.33
145 Kurtyka, Kane	2	0	1	0	2	0	6	3	5	3	1	0	23	10.84
15 LaClaire Sr., Mitchel No	1	1	0	1	0	0	3	1	2	0	0	0	9	4.24
146 Lankowski, Laurie	4	1	0	0	0	0	5	4	4	5	0	4	27	12.73
164 Levasseur, Mark	0	1	6	6	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	8.01
158 McCarthy, Matthew	7	1	7	12	4	7	5	4	3	3	1	1	55	25.94
147 McComb, Austin	9	2	0	0	0	0	7	4	3	7	3	6	41	19.33
156 Nicholas, Scott	8	3	6	8	10	2	3	1	2	5	0	2	50	23.58
87 Parody, Greg	11	1	7	9	14	4	10	6	11	13	4	7	97	45.75
9999999 Response, No	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0.94
17 Sears, Kenneth	13	2	10	10	9	1	6	7	10	11	5	6	90	42.45
88 Sweeney, Paul	10	0	3	6	5	2	4	5	8	3	2	5	53	25.00
94 Vassar, Eric	4	1	7	2	3	1	2	3	7	4	1	4	39	18.39
163 Vega, Jonathan	3	1	3	4	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	7.07
SW1 Wells, Shane	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0.94

Total Runs by Month											
Jan	25	Feb	7	Mar	16	Apr	18	May	21	Jun	8
Jul	25	Aug	13	Sep	25	Oct	31	Nov	10	Dec	13

Grand Total Runs: 212

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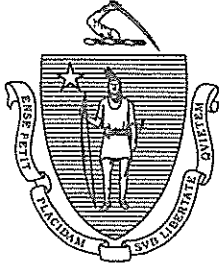
TO: Chief David Hastings, Police Department
Chief Gene Beaubien, Fire Department
Superintendent Mick LaClaire, Highway Department
FR: Ray Purington, Administrative Assistant
DATE: July 13, 2016
RE: FY16 Shifts or Call-outs for Non Full-Time Personnel

At Monday's Selectboard meeting, as part of a discussion of annual appointments of part-time police officers, the Selectboard decided to ask each of your departments to submit a list of names of all part-time employees (officers, firefighters, plow drivers, et cetera, et cetera) who worked for your department during FY 16, and the number of times each person worked. If someone responded/worked under mutual aid and was not paid by Gill, that time should not be counted in your list.

To reduce the chance of confusion or assumptions, please be clear what numbers are being reported – shifts, call-outs, calls, storms, or whatever unit of measurement you feel is appropriate.

Please provide this information by Wednesday, August 3rd.

Thank you!



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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August 29, 2016

Thomas J. Tinlin, Administrator
Massachusetts Department of Transportation
10 Park Plaza, Suite 4160
Boston MA 02116

Dear Administrator Tinlin,

We are writing to urge you to fund the traffic cameras on the French King Bridge on Route 2 in Gill and Erving. The consultant (VAISALA) who provides MDOT with mobile, solar powered weather cameras has prepared an estimate for two cellular enabled cameras for a quote just over \$26,000. These cameras will be mounted on poles and able to provide pictures of both the bridge and the parking lot via cellular connection to a data cloud.

Both Gill and Erving Police Departments are interested in using this data stream to provide information about activity on the French King Bridge and are committed to absorbing the data storage costs for the service. Once mounted the responsibility for managing and responding to the data and overseeing the cameras will rest with the towns. There is no expectation of MDOT participating in any response actions relating to this information, though both MDOT and the State Police will be able to view the information for other purposes.

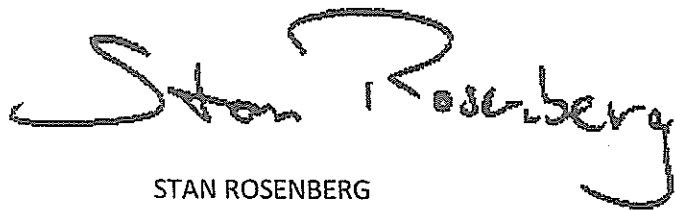
Both Erving and Gill Police Departments are eager to have this cellular service as soon as possible. Although there is a possibility of applying to EOPSS next year for a Byrne technology grant to fund a camera system, it remains to be seen whether this program which utilizes federal funding will be offered. Additionally, it will be necessary for the municipalities to bid out the project which would most likely raise the cost of the project.

Since the incident last May where a fugitive murder suspect fled from the Boston area to the French King Bridge to commit suicide, the Bridge has gained a broader reputation across New England as a likely

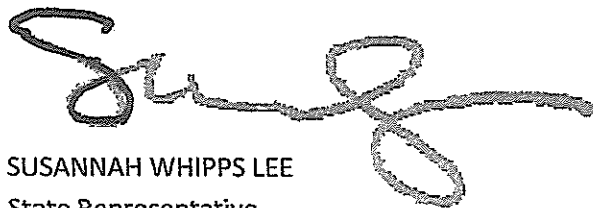
place for attempting suicide. Both Gill and Erving have received weekly calls for assistance from distressed families or drivers and sometimes have to respond to two or three cases a week centering on the bridge. The Departments hope that the cameras will enable them to decide which calls may have resulted in an actual jumping attempt which would require taking the further steps of organizing dive teams and boats to scour the Connecticut River for potential survivors or remains. The request for cameras is essentially intended to provide retrospective information about historical events. However, taking pictures at more frequent times and with the data accessible by both computer and cell phone there may be opportunities to use the data proactively as a suicide prevention tool. The limited capacity of both Departments will unfortunately be the limiting factor in prevention response.

We thank you in advance for your consideration and hope you will look favorably on this request to accept and fund the VAISALA quote for cellular cameras on the French King Bridge. The recent test using the mobile solar cellular cameras demonstrated how advanced the technology has become and its potential to improve the response activities of the Gill and Erving Police Departments. The Vaisala quote envisions slightly improved cameras, more camera angles, and more on-site data storage than the mobile solar powered system currently used as weather stations.

Sincerely,



STAN ROSENBERG
Senate President



SUSANNAH WHIPPS LEE
State Representative



PAUL MARK
State Representative

Cc: Secretary Stephanie Pollack
Patrick Paul, Director

Ray Purington/Gill Selectboard

From: Gene & Dorri Beaubien <gmbdab@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, August 31, 2016 9:31 PM
To: 'Greg Snedeker'; Ray Purington/Gill Selectboard
Subject: FW: Reference: EMW-2015-FO-04429 Turndown letter

FYI
Gene

From: firegrants@dhs.gov [mailto:firegrants@dhs.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, August 16, 2016 11:06 AM
To: gmbdab@comcast.net
Subject: Reference: EMW-2015-FO-04429 Turndown letter

Gene Beaubien
Gill Fire Department
196A Main Road
Gill, Massachusetts 01354

Reference: EMW-2015-FO-04429 Turndown letter

Activity: PPE

Dear Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Applicant:

On behalf of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Grant Programs Directorate, I wish to thank you for applying for assistance under the Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Program. Unfortunately, after careful consideration and review, we are unable to fund your application. We regret that the news could not be more positive.

As you are aware, the AFG Program is among the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) and FEMA's most competitive grant programs. In FY 2015, FEMA received over 10,400 AFG applications, requesting more than \$2.1 billion in federal assistance. The large number of applications received and the finite amount of available funding resulted in many worthy applicants not being funded and underscores the highly competitive nature of this program.

Under the AFG program, each activity within an application receives a detailed, multi-level review. First, each activity receives a preliminary score based on the applicant's answers to the application questions. The application questions are developed based on the AFG program priorities, which are explained in the FY 2015 AFG Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA), previously known as the Program Guidance. The second phase was a review by a panel of fire service peers. Using the information that you provided throughout your application, the panelists assigned scores to four elements of your application narrative: (1) clarity of the project description, (2) impact on daily operations, (3) demonstration of financial need, and (4) realization of cost benefit. Each of the two phases of the review carried equal weight, i.e., each phase was worth 50 percent of the activity's overall score. Please note that if you applied for multiple activities, you may receive ! a separate notice for each activity.

Given the high number of applications received, it is not feasible for us to provide a detailed account of how each individual application was rated in the competitive process. However, we can tell you that the peer review

panel scores indicate that in order to help you obtain a higher score in a future AFG grant request, it is recommended that you review the portion of your application in which you addressed your department's need for financial assistance and the inability to address the need without Federal assistance.

There are several tools and resources available to help fire departments and volunteer interest organizations develop effective AFG grant applications. I encourage you to make use of these resources as you prepare your next grant request.

1. **AFG Website** (www.fema.gov/firegrants). The AFG Website offers a wealth of resources, such as the following:

- The AFG Notice of Funding Opportunity/Program Guidance, which explains funding priorities and criteria
- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)
- Narrative Self-Evaluation Tool
- AFG Application Checklist
- Get Ready Guides
- Online tutorials with key information about preparing grant requests
- AFG E-Mail Alerts, biweekly e-mail messages to the AFG mailing list, which provides important announcements about new application periods, upcoming workshops, and other AFG program updates (to receive the AFG E-Mail Alerts, sign up on the AFG website)
- Grantee success stories

2. **Toll-Free Help Desk(1-866-274-0960 or firegrants@dhs.gov)**. The AFG Help Desk staff members answer questions from applicants by telephone and by e-mail. Between application periods, they field general questions about AFG programs. During application periods, they provide technical assistance with the online ! application and answer questions about the AFG guidance. If additional assistance is needed, the Help Desk staff can refer questions directly to subject matter specialists.

Thank you again for your dedication and commitment to the U.S. fire service.

Regards,

C. Gary Rogers
Director
Preparedness Grant Division
Grant Programs Directorate

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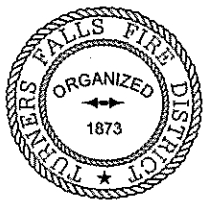
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Turners Falls Fire Department

Fire, Rescue & Emergency Services

Fire Chief
Robert J. Escott Jr.

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August 22, 2016

Select-board Chairperson and members,

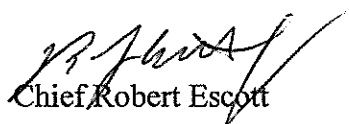
I'm writing you in the hope that you will reconsider being part of the Fire Service Study that the COG and area Fire Chiefs are trying to organize. So far Greenfield, Turners Falls and Montague Center are participating. Erving has opted to not participate until the Fire Chief develops a staffing plan for their fire department and they have a chance to review it. Erving will then decide if they want to move forward with that plan or opt into the study.

It is my opinion that Gill is an integral part of our emergency response for fire emergencies and for this reason I implore you to be part of finding a solution to our common problem. All fire departments are dealing with staffing issues at some level. The study will hopefully provide a third party view of how to address the issues we all are facing. I would like to emphasize that participation in the study in no way obligates any Town to implement recommendations. I would also suggest that the time to back away from this approach is not before the study is conducted rather after the results are disseminated and each individual Town has determined if the findings are beneficial or not.

Let me offer one example of what the study may identify. I have long thought that we all duplicate several things in the fire service one of them being fire apparatus at today's prices of \$500,000 plus. Let's look at Greenfield 4 Engines, 1 Ladder, 1 Ambulance, 1 Brush Truck and a Rescue providing service to just under 20,000 citizens. Now let's look at Turners Falls, Montague Center, Erving and Gill with a combined population of just fewer than 12,000. Together we have 13 Engine/Tankers, 1 Ladder, 1 Ambulance, 5 Brush Trucks and 4 Rescues. This seems to me to be a poor allocation of resources and I would welcome any recommendations on how to cost effectively provide quality service to all of our taxpayers.

Once again please reconsider being part of this study that in all likelihood will put our fire departments on the cutting edge of providing quality service.

Thank you and best regards,


Chief Robert Escott

AFFECTED PREMISES:
Main Road and
Mountain Road
Gill, MA 01354

QUITCLAIM DEED

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS THAT the **RIVERSIDE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION**, of Gill, Franklin County, Massachusetts 01354, (“Grantor”),

In Consideration of **ONE DOLLAR AND NO CENTS (\$1.00)**,

Grants and conveys to the **TOWN OF GILL**, a municipal corporation duly established under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, having its principal place of business at 325 Main Road, Gill, Franklin County, Massachusetts 01354, (“Grantee”),

With **QUITCLAIM COVENANTS**, all its right, title and interest in and to the land with buildings thereon, situated in the Town of Gill, Franklin County, Massachusetts, more particularly bounded and described as follows:

PARCEL I

The land in that part of said Gill, being more generally known as Riverside, bounded and described as follows:

COMMENCING at a point in the easterly line of the main highway leading from Turners Falls to Gill Center, said highway being more generally known as Main Road, said point also being the southwest corner of land now or formerly of the Riverside Cemetery Association; thence southerly three hundred fifty-four feet (354’) more or less, in the easterly line of said highway to the southerly bound of a Town road, known as Mountain Road; thence easterly in the southerly line of said Mountain Road to a stone post at land now or formerly of Edward G. Smith; thence northwesterly crossing said Mountain Road four hundred forty-nine feet and nine inches (449’ 9”) more or less, in a straight line to the southeast corner of land bought by the Riverside Cemetery Association from Philip Stoughton; thence southerly along land now or formerly of the Grantor Association to a corner being the southeast corner of land now or formerly of the Grantor Association; thence westerly along land now or formerly of the Inhabitants of the Second South School District to the place of beginning.

SUBJECT to the rights of the public in the highway known as Mountain Road; and the right to divert and control the surface drainage along the roads in whatever manner required to protect the springs of the Riverside Water Company from contamination; and that the Grantee shall keep the said tract in good orderly condition and keep the timber standing thereon in a strip one hundred feet (100') in width northerly from the southerly line of Mountain Road.

MEANING and INTENDING to convey and conveying the same premises conveyed to the Riverside Cemetery Association by deed of the Riverside Water Company, dated October 21, 1960, and recorded in the Franklin County Registry of Deeds in Book 1120, Page 26.

PARCEL II

A certain parcel of land situated in the southwestern part of said Gill for the purpose of an addition to the present cemetery being bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at the southeast corner of the old cemetery on the road leading from Riverside to Gill Center and running N 82 1/4° E, fifty-one feet six inches (51' 6") on land deeded by the Allen heirs to the Inhabitants of the Second South School District for cemetery purposes to a corner; thence N 82° E, thirty-five feet 4 inches (35' 4") on land now or formerly of T. M. Stoughton to a corner; thence S 22 1/2° E, fourteen feet (14') on land now or formerly of Leonard Barton, Henry B. Barton, Hattie B. Barton, and Edward B. Barton to a corner; thence S 80° 40' W, one hundred ninety-three feet (193') on land now or formerly of said Bartons to a corner; thence N 20° 35' W, twelve feet (12') on land now or formerly of said Bartons to the land now or formerly of said School District for cemetery purposes; thence northeasterly on land now or formerly of said School District for cemetery purposes to the place of beginning.

MEANING and INTENDING to convey and conveying the same premises conveyed to the Riverside Cemetery Association by deed of Leonard Barton, Henry B. Barton, Hattie B. Barton, and Edward B. Barton, dated October 6, 1883, and recorded in the Franklin County Registry of Deeds in Book 369, Page 284.

PARCEL III

A certain tract of land situated in said Gill, bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at highway boundary stone No. 5 and running N 69 1/2° E, twenty-five feet (25') on the highway; thence S 22 1/2° E, two hundred forty-eight feet three inches (248' 3"); thence S 82° W to land given to the Inhabitants of the Second South School District for cemetery purposes by the Allen Heirs; thence on said land and on the lot of the Allen Heirs to the place of beginning.

MEANING and INTENDING to convey and conveying the same premises conveyed to the Riverside Cemetery Association by deed of Timothy M. Stoughton, dated June 20, 1883, and recorded in the Franklin County Registry of Deeds in Book 385, Page 209.

PARCEL IV

A certain tract or parcel of land situated in said Gill and bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING on the southeasterly side of the road leading from Turners Falls to Gill Center at the northeast corner of the cemetery lot; thence N 73° E along said road eighty-seven feet (87') to a stone bound; thence southeasterly with an included angle of 91° 56' and parallel to the northeast line of said cemetery lot two hundred seventy-six and fifteen one-hundredths feet (276.15') to a stone bound on or near the line now or formerly of one Barton; thence westerly along said Barton's land ninety-four feet (94'), more or less, to said cemetery lot; thence northwesterly along said cemetery two hundred forty-nine and nine tenths feet (249.9') to the place of beginning, said point being twenty-four and nine tenths feet (24.9') N 73° E from highway bound No. 5.

MEANING and INTENDING to convey and conveying the same premises conveyed to the Riverside Cemetery Association by deed of Philip Stoughton, dated May 14, 1932, and recorded in the Franklin County Registry of Deeds in Book 773, Page 340.

No new boundaries are created by this conveyance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, **RIVERSIDE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION**, has caused its corporate seal to be hereto affixed and these presents to be signed this ____ day of September 2016, in its name and behalf by Robert F. Perry, its President, and Beverly L. Demars, its Treasurer, being thereto duly authorized by a Declaration of Dissolution, dated May 4, 2016.

Witness

ROBERT F. PERRY , President

Witness

BEVERLY L. DEMARS , Treasurer

Seal:

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

FRANKLIN, SS.

On this _____ day of September 2016, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared ROBERT F. PERRY, President of **RIVERSIDE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION**, proved to me through satisfactory evidence of identification, which was a Massachusetts driver's license, to be the person whose name is signed on the preceding document and acknowledged to me that he signed it voluntarily for its stated purpose, on behalf of Riverside Cemetery Association.

Notary Public:
My Commission Expires:

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

FRANKLIN, SS.

On this _____ day of September 2016, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared BEVERLY L. DEMARS, Treasurer of **RIVERSIDE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION**, proved to me through satisfactory evidence of identification, which was a Massachusetts driver's license, to be the person whose name is signed on the preceding document and acknowledged to me that she signed it voluntarily for its stated purpose, on behalf of Riverside Cemetery Association.

Notary Public:
My Commission Expires:

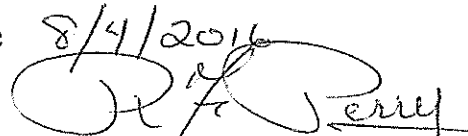
**List of Documents of Riverside Cemetery Association turned
over to Town of Gill on 8/4/2016**

- **Deeds;**
 - April 13, 1838 Cornelius Allen to Inhabitants of 2nd School Dist. #6
 - May 6, 1879 David Allen to Inhabitants of 2nd School District #6
 - June 20, 1883 Timothy M. Stoughton to Riverside Cemetery Association
 - Oct 6, 1883 Leonard Barton, et al, to Riverside Cemetery Association
 - May 17, 1932 Phillip Stoughton to Riverside Cemetery Association
- **Bank Books Trust Funds**
 - George L. Barton, et al
 - Emma M. Chappell
 - George Clark
 - Isabelle S. Hackett
 - William G. Johnson
 - Charles R. Stoughton
 - Elizabeth C. Stoughton
 - Ella M. Thornton
 - Alida Tuttle
 - Millie J. Wyman
- Riverside Cemetery Association; Veterans Burials (date missing)
- Riverside Cemetery Association Burials (marked Incomplete)
- Perpetual Care Fund plus Perpetual Care Correspondence and Misc. documents (in envelope)
- Burial Permits (in envelope)
- Pictures of Property Damage (in envelope)
- Treasurer Record 1958-1968; 1970-1973 (black book)

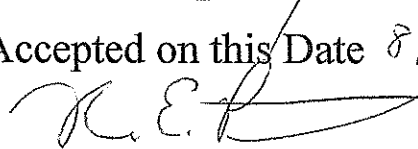
- Addresses RCA (booklet)
- Ledger (book begins on page 100. Lot assignments?)
- Ledger first page reads;
Record of the Riverside Cemetery Association Gill- Mass
May 24th 1883 to...
- Envelope marked: Maintenance Fund Riverside Cemetery
Association. annotated as Raymond Hale Correspondence
- Envelope marked Riverside Cemetery Association Clerk's
and Treasurer's Reports 1958 to... annotated as Sexton Work
Mowing-Maint. bills
- Envelope addressed to Sand Weller. Annotated as fence
estimates and bills, Info on stone marker repairs, permits, etc.
- Envelope marked By-Laws; multiple copies of RCA By-
Laws
- 6 Ring Binder; Misc. Annual Meeting Minutes and RCA
clerk correspondence, misc. notes
- Envelope marked Old Bank Books, Financial Records
- Folder (manila) marked Riverside Cemetery; contents; loose
misc. property maps, correspondence
- Crypt (vault) key

Above Documents, Property of the **Riverside Cemetery Association** turned over to the Town of Gill Administrative Assistant on this date; 8/4/2016 by R.C.A. President Robert F. Perry in transitioning the Associations assets to the Ownership and Care of the Town of Gill.

Signed and Delivered on this Date
R.C.A. President, Robert F. Perry

8/4/2016


Documents Received and Accepted on this Date
Administrative Assistant
Raymond E. Purington

8/4/16


List of Documents of Riverside Cemetery Association turned over to Town of Gill on 8/10/16

Above listed documents, property of the **Riverside Cemetery Association**, turned over to the Town of Gill Administrative Assistant on this date, 8/10/16, by R.C.A. Treasurer Beverly L. Demars in transitioning the Association's assets to the Ownership and Care of the Town of Gill.

- Treasurer's ledger of accounts 1988 – 1994 (red cover, 3 column)
- Treasurer's ledger of accounts 1995 – 2001 (blue cover, 3 column)
- Treasurer's ledger of accounts 2001 – 2013 (black cover, 3 column)
- Bank statements 2012 – 2015 (green GSB ring binder)
- Treasurer's notes & records 1989 – 1999 (spiral-bound notebook, green cover)
- Treasurer's notes & records 2000 – 2011 (spiral-bound notebook, red cover)
- Treasurer's notes & records 2011 – 2013 (spiral-bound notebook, black cover)
- Treasurer's annual financial statements (2013 – Aug 1, 2016) (yellow two-pocket folder)
- Small metal lockbox containing old bank passbooks, closed certificates of deposit, building permit for cemetery sign, legal notices of Association meetings, miscellaneous financial records

There is also the Edward Morgan Trust Fund that has always been held by the Town for the benefit of the Riverside Cemetery Association. It is a perpetual care fund, with a portion that is non-expendable.

The following is a complete list of Riverside Cemetery Association bank accounts that will be conveyed to the Town of Gill Treasurer in conjunction with the signing of the land deed. Balances will be updated at the time of conveyance.

Bank	Account Number	Account Description	Balance as of 8/1/16
Greenfield Savings Bank	0215063606	NOW Checking (expendable)	\$605.25
Greenfield Savings Bank	0200007181	General Fund passbook savings (expendable)	\$4,854.54
Greenfield Savings Bank	0200027733	Perpetual Care Fund passbook savings (non-expendable)	\$30,220.84 (a small amount of this is interest accrued since 12/09/15, which IS expendable, and will be transferred to the General Fund passbook savings account prior to conveyance to the Town.

Signed and Delivered on this Date

R.C.A. Treasurer Beverly L. Demars

Documents Received and Accepted on this Date

Administrative Assistant Ray Purington

8/10/16
Beverly L. Demars
 8/16/16
R. Purington

RIVERSIDE CEMETERY
INVENTORY OF RECORDS
July 23, 2016

- I. By-Laws
Financial Statement for Riverside Cemetery – January 1, 2016 – May 4, 2016
- II. Record of Deeds – Book I
Record of Deeds – Book II
Copies of Deeds for Purchasers
- III. Riverside Cemetery Association Reports from May 1933 – Book III
- IV. Miscellaneous Correspondence – Item I
- V. Map of Current Riverside Cemetery (up to date)
- VI. Index Box containing Lots and Owners
- VII. Box containing Death Certificate & Burial Certificates
- VIII. Riverside Cemetery Official Seal
- IX. Two Extra Maps of Cemetery
- X. One older map of Riverside Cemetery
- XI. Partial Map of Cemetery
- XII. 1883 Map of Riverside Cemetery (very old- handle carefully)

All of the above I will be turning over to the Town of Gill on Tuesday, July 23, 2016.

- Robert Perry, President at that time has other documents that I gave him several years ago as per his request.

Sandra A. Weller
Clerk/Sexton, Riverside Cemetery

ARTICLE: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by gift, deed, or take by eminent domain, a parcel of land now or formerly owned by the Inhabitants of the Second South School District being No. 6 or its assigns, heirs or devisees, for burial and cemetery purposes, said land being a portion of Lot 6 as shown on Assessors Map 224, more particularly described as follows:

A certain piece of land situated in the southwest part of said Gill, in said District for the purpose of a burying yard in said District, described in a deed from Cornelius Allen to the Inhabitants of the Second South School District being No. 6, dated April 13, 1838, and recorded in Franklin County Registry of Deeds in Book 104, Page 260, and is bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at the corner of the stone wall on the right hand of the road on the top of the hill now or formerly above Deacon Stoughton, thence running easterly on said wall six (6) rods to the corner of said wall standing on the side of the road leading from the falls to Gill Meeting House, then southerly on the wall about twelve (12) rods to land now or formerly of Benjamin Barton, then westerly on said Barton's land six (6) rods, thence northerly on said Barton's land and stone wall to the place of beginning.

RESERVING to Cornelius Allen a place in the northeast corner of the said burying yard twenty-eight feet (28') south and thirty-four feet (34') to the west, then north twenty-eight feet (28') to the wall on the road, having a passage, the north side of Deacon Shattuck gravestone.

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A certain parcel of land situated in the southwestern part of said Gill, in said District for the purpose of an addition to the burying ground in said District, described in a deed from David Allen, Abigail Whitcomb, Lorana Robinson, Marcus L. Allen, Mary A. Field, and Sarah N. Thorpe to the Inhabitants of the Second South School District being No. 6, dated May 6, 1879, and recorded in Franklin County Registry of Deeds in Book 344, Page 267, and is bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at the northeast corner of the burying ground upon the road leading from the falls to Gill Meeting House, thence southerly along said burying ground about twelve (12) rods to the southeast corner of said burying ground, thence easterly by land now or formerly of L. Barton and the heirs of B. B. Barton fifty-one and one half feet (51 ½'), thence northerly by land now or formerly of T. M. Stoughton, N. Holmes, A. E. Perry, and D. A. Wood about twelve (12) rods to the road abovementioned, thence westerly

along said road to the place of beginning. Being the residue of the premises known as the Allen Farm, which was conveyed to T. M. Stoughton and others by the heirs of Cornelius Allen by their deed, dated April 11, 1870, and recorded in the Franklin County Registry of Deeds in Book 274, Page 396.

RESERVING to David Allen, Abigail Whitcomb, Lorana Robinson, Marcus L. Allen, Mary Field, and Sarah N. Thorpe the northerly portion of said parcel, bounded as follows:

BEGINNING at the northeast corner of said parcel, thence southerly twenty-eight feet (28'), thence westerly sixty feet (60') to the line of the old burying ground, thence northerly twenty-eight feet (28') to said road, thence easterly along said road sixty feet (60') to place of beginning. Said reservation to be kept in order by Inhabitants of said District in uniform condition with the rest of said burying ground.

DRAFT 08-30-16

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OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS Sewer Use Charges and Inspection Fees

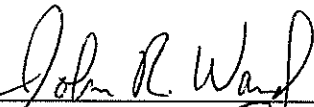
To: Town Accountant

You are hereby notified that COMMITMENT(S) as shown below has (have) this day been made by the Board of Sewer Commissioners to Veronica LaChance, Tax Collector (Town Collector) and Collector of Sewer Charges. Bill date is September 8, 2016.

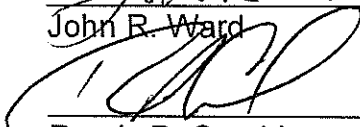
To: Veronica LaChance, Tax Collector (Town Collector) and Collector of Sewer Charges for the Town of Gill in the County of Franklin:

You are hereby required to collect from the several persons named in the list dated August 30, 2016, herewith committed to you the amount of the sewer usage charges assessed therein to each such person, with penalties, the sum total of such list being Twenty Four Thousand Nine Hundred Fifteen and 75/100 Dollars (\$24,915.75).

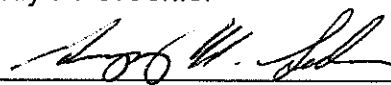
Given under our hands the 6th day of September, 2016.



John R. Ward



Randy P. Crochier



Gregory M. Snedeker

Board of Sewer Commissioners of the Town of Gill