#### **TOWN CLERK**

The following annual report of the Town Clerk for the year ending December 31, 2005 is herewith submitted in accordance with Section 3 of Article 3, Title I of the Town By-Laws. During 2005, the Annual Election of Town Officers, the Special Town Election, and the Annual and two Special Town Meetings were prepared for and conducted by the Town Clerk's Office.

The Town has twenty-one AccuVote machines, one for each precinct, and a main counting system located in the Town Clerk's Office. This system consists of paper ballots to be marked by the voters and inserted into the AccuVote machines, which automatically tally the votes appearing on the paper ballots. When the polls close, the precinct totals are immediately printed at the precinct, posted, announced, and then transferred to the Town Clerk's Office on a memory card, where the precinct totals are accumulated by entering the memory cards into the main counting system. Finally, the complete official town results are printed and announced.

Town Meeting Members whose terms were to expire at the Annual Town Election were notified of that fact and of the provision of law which allows them to become candidates for re-election by giving written notice thereof to the Town Clerk. Nomination papers were issued to candidates for town offices including Town Meeting Members, and after being certified by the Registrars of Voters, were filed with the Town Clerk. A meeting was held by the Registrars of Voters, as required by law, to draw names for position on the official ballot for the Annual Town Election.

Candidates for town offices, except Town Meeting Members, were notified of the requirements of the law regarding the filing of periodic statements of campaign receipts and expenditures with the Town Clerk's Office. Incumbents and candidates for election during the previous year, who had campaign finance activity, a balance, and/or liability were also notified of the requirements of filing annual reports.

Upon application, absentee ballots were issued for the Annual Town Election and the Special Town Election. Applications for absentee ballots were automatically sent to all persons who had filed physicians' certificates of permanent physical disability, as required by law. Many residents took advantage of the provision of law which allowed them to vote in person in the Town Clerk's Office prior to the elections if they were to be out of town or otherwise unavailable to vote in person at the polls on the day of the elections. A total of 1,840 absentee ballots were issued in 2005 (Annual Town Election – 414 and Special Town Election - 1426).

The Annual Town Meeting began on April 25, 2005 and continued for twelve sessions, dissolving on June 20, 2005. A total of seventy warrant articles

were acted upon. The first article of the Annual Town Meeting is the Annual Town Election. The Special Town Meetings were called for on April 27<sup>th</sup> (six articles) and May 23<sup>rd</sup> (three articles) at which time the articles were acted upon. Meetings were held prior to the Annual and Special Town Meetings to fill vacancies in the town meeting membership (caused by resignation, removal from town, or death) until the next Annual Town Election.

Certificates of all appropriations voted at all town meetings and the provisions for meeting them were sent to the Board of Assessors and the Comptroller, as required by law. Certified copies of all votes authorizing indebtedness were sent to the Director of Accounts. The Secretary of the Commonwealth was notified of the acceptance by the Town Meeting of any provisions of the General Laws. In addition, certified copies of all votes passed at all town meetings were sent to the departments affected.

All the amendments to the Town By-Laws and Zoning Bylaw as voted at the Annual and Special Town Meetings were submitted to the Attorney General and were approved within the statutory period provided. They were then advertised for two successive weeks in the local newspaper, as required by law, following which they took effect.

A summary of the Annual and Special Town Meetings appear in the Legislative section of this Annual Report. A complete record of the actions taken is contained in the Records of Elections and Town Meetings in the Town Clerk's Office.

Births, deaths, and marriages were recorded and copies forwarded to the Secretary of the Commonwealth monthly. Certified copies of these vital statistics and all other documents recorded in the Town Clerk's Office were made available upon request.

A total of 1,031 dogs were licensed and 262 sporting (conservation) licenses issued by the Town Clerk's Office. In addition, certain licenses granted by the Board of Selectmen were issued. Raffle and bazaar permits and gasoline permit renewals were issued, financing statements, utility pole locations, cemetery deeds, and business certificates were recorded. Decisions of the Zoning Board of Appeals, decisions on requests for Special Permits from the Redevelopment Board, and Amendments to the Traffic Rules and Orders were also placed on file in this office.

The Department of Revenue was notified of all licenses and permits issued and business certificates filed. Street permit, drainlayer, blasting, and other surety bonds covering contractors were also placed on file in this office. Oaths of office were administered to all elected or appointed town officials and each was given copies of excerpts from the Open Meeting Law and the Conflict of Interest Law. Notices of meetings of all boards, committees, or commissions were

publicly posted upon receipt, as required by the Open Meeting Law. Town officials and departments were notified of all Legislative Acts affecting them.

Fines were collected for citations issued under Section 21D of Chapter 40, General Laws, for violations of the Town By-Laws. Citations for persons who did not pay the penalties within the required time (twenty-one days) were referred to the Clerk of the District Court of Middlesex for further action.

Fees Collected During 2009	5
Marriage Intentions Filing Fees Certificates (Miscellaneous) Pole Locations / Zoning (Miscellaneous) Renewal of Gasoline Permits Books (Miscellaneous) Violations (Miscellaneous) Dog Licenses Duplicate Dog Tags Licenses (Miscellaneous) Conservation Licenses Municipal Town Fees	\$5,570 \$18,883 \$37,451 \$480 \$455 \$580 \$1,540 \$10,625 \$26 \$1,100 \$7,271 \$260
TOTAL	\$84,241
Fees to Division of Fisheries & Wildlife	\$7,138

Your attention is directed to the following vital statistics of the Town, which are recorded at this time. It should be noted, however, that the summaries of births and deaths are incomplete, inasmuch as records thereof pertaining to Arlington residents are still being received by our office from the cities and towns where these events occurred.

	Vital Statistics
Births	463
Deaths	326
Marriages	224

#### **REGISTRARS OF VOTERS**

As mandated by law, a combined Annual Town and School Census was conducted during the months of January and February, 2005. The census was conducted entirely by mail, with computer preprinted forms sent to each household in Arlington requesting that information contained therein be confirmed or corrected. The census forms contained the names of all persons residing in Arlington. Once returned to the

Registrars' Office, all census and voter information was entered and continually updated in the Town's computer base by the Registrars' Office.

A list of persons from birth to twenty-one years of age was transmitted to the School Committee. The Jury Commissioner obtained juror information directly Massachusetts the Voter Registration Information System from data entered into the system by this office. The Annual True List of Persons, seventeen years of age and over, was published as required by law. In accordance with the True List information that had been presented, notices were sent by first-class mail, as required by law, to persons whose names were to be removed from the voting list because they had not been reported as residing in Arlington on January 1, 2005. Those who proved The total number of residence were reinstated. registered voters upon completion of the annual revision of the voting list was 28,844, including 14,380 enrolled Democrats, 2,703 enrolled Republicans and 11,541 unenrolled voters. In addition to the voters enrolled in the two political parties and those who were unenrolled, the following numbers of voters were enrolled in these legal political designations: 1 -Green Party USA, 88 - Green-Rainbow, 115 -Libertarian, 1– Socialist, 14– Interdependent 3<sup>rd</sup> Party, and 1 - Constitution Party. The following designations had no enrollees: America First Party, American Independent, Conservative, Natural Law Party, New Alliance, New World Council, Prohibition, Rainbow Coalition, Reform Party, Timesizing not Downsizing, Veterans Party America, We the People. and World Citizens Party. Voters who enroll in a political designation may not vote in any state or presidential primary. Cards were mailed to voters acknowledging receipt of change or cancellation of political party enrollments received during the year by this office.

Throughout the year, daily sessions for registration of voters were held during regular business hours in the Office of the Town Clerk. Special sessions were also held until 8:00 P.M. on the last day to register voters for the Annual and Special Town Election.

The provisions of the so-called "Motor Voter" Bill permits mail-in voter registration and eliminated the requirement that special evening and Saturday sessions for the registration of voters be held except for the final day prior to the deadline for registration for primaries and elections. Special forms for mail-in voter registration were made available at various locations throughout Arlington and all other cities and towns in the State.

In addition, persons were allowed to fill out voter registration affidavits at public offices throughout Massachusetts, such as the Registry of Motor Vehicles, Social Security, Welfare, Medicaid, Food Stamps, Military Recruitment Offices, and other State

and Federal departmental offices. These affidavits were forwarded through the computer or by mail to the Registrars of Voters or Election Commissioners of the voters' places of residence. As required by law, acknowledgment forms were sent to persons who registered to vote at special locations or mailed in registration affidavits, notifying them of their precincts and voting places.

The Board certified voter signatures appearing on nomination papers filed by or in behalf of candidates seeking offices at the Annual Town Election. Also, on petitions for articles to be inserted in the warrant for the 2005 Annual and Special Town Meetings and applications for absentee ballots for the Annual and Special Town Election. After nomination papers for the Annual Town Election had been certified by the Registrars of Voters and filed with the Town Clerk, the Registrars of Voters held a meeting to draw names for the order of position on the official ballot for the election, as required by law.

During the year, the information contained on approximately 20,000 census forms of residents of the Town on January 1 was transferred to their individual master cards. These cards provide a complete official record of residence for all persons seventeen years of age or older from the time they first become residents of the Town. From such information, certificates of residence are issued daily to establish eligibility for attendance at state and regional schools, colleges, and universities; receipt of old age assistance, veterans' services, social security; employment in state or federal civil service; and for many other purposes. In addition, Registered Voters' Certificates were issued throughout the year from the Board's records for identification purposes and for proof of citizenship.

During the Annual and Special Town Election, the Registrars of Voters were in session throughout the entire time the polls were open to assist voters who had questions relating to registration, name and/or address changes, precincts, polling places, and other problems arising during that time. After the polls closed, the Registrars assisted in the tabulation of the ballots until the final results were announced.

## ARLINGTON ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION, April 2, 2005

Total of Ballots Cast – 7.250

\*Teresa Jeanne Walsh

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Total of Ballots C 25% of total num				ered	vot	ers :	- 28	3 46	1													
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Precinct Total Ballots Cast	171	315	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u> 199	257	226	215			10 486						16 441	17 154	18 426	19 433	20 270	310	<u>Tota</u> 7,250
Total Ballots Cast	171	010	211	100	201	220	210	501	000	100	107	505	100	000	120	111	101	120	100	210	010	1,20
Town Clerk for Th	ree Y				_	_	_	0		10		10	1.0			1.0		10	10	20	0.1	<b></b>
Precinct *John L. Worden, III	128	237	3 164	4 141	<u>5</u> 195	6 161	7 167	319	9 296	10 317	11 359	12 393	13 360	14 219	15 302	16 307	17 119	18 299	19 326	20 195	21	Tota 5,242
Others	3	2	5	2	2	1	1	2	2	4	1	5	1	1	1	5	1	3	2	4	1	49
Blanks	40	76	72	56	60	64	47	180	91	165	97	167	102	88	120	129	34	124	105	71	71	1,959
Town Treasurer fo	r Thr	ee Y	ears	s (1)																		
Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	Tota
*John J. Bilafer	126	242	163	139	196	156	169	307	279	304	343	383	345	214	294	308	116	292	310	190	228	5,104
Others	1	1	4	2	2	2	3	5	5	2	0	4	3	1	5	4	2	5	4	6	2	63
Blanks	44	72	74	58	59	68	43	189	105	180	114	178	115	93	124	129	36	129	119	74	80	2,083
Selectmen for Thr	ee Ye	ars	(2)																			
Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	Tota
David Barrett	23	29	37	15	27	19	25	60	37	43	39	49	58	34	34	40	23	44	45	28	42	75
*Diane M.Mahon	132		142		181	150						379			278		97	299		163	204	4,590
Jason A. Tarkington	14	24	22	21	22	30	21	34	37	38	63	56	47	35	38	39	18	27	38	35	20	679
*Annie LaCourt	54			67	68	97	75		135				178		196			136				3,109
Charles Lyons	64		98		118	91			184				239					200		100		3,079
Others Blanks	0 55	2 87	3 71	0 64	0 98	1 64	0	2	1	3	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	2 144	3	0 77	1	23
Dialiks	33	01	/1	04	90	04	19	101	140	104	136	160	140	92	120	142	34	144	130	11	95	2,269
Assessor for Three	e Year	s (1	)																			
Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	Tota
*Mary Winstanley O'Con	nor118	202	152		181		147			271		361	321	188	267		107	270	286	170		4,656
Others	1	2	3	0	0	1	1	3	2	4	0	4	1	1	3	3	1	4	1	5	2	42
Blanks	52	111	86	71	76	81	67	223	118	211	134	200	141	119	153	160	46	152	146	95	110	2,552
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School Committee	e ior i	пте	e ye	ars	(3)																	
Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	Tota
Joshua Lobel	55	124	99	69	78	93	74	325	124	261	242	293	206	130	204	215	67	198	201	133	123	3,314
*Sean Garballey	95	170		100	184		133					248						192				3,800
*Martin Thrope	78	143	102	89	93	92	81	277				321			201			214			142	3,411
Jan K. Stetson	20	53	39	27	31	45	36	57	49	96		109	84	85	63	73	39	56	78	47	60	1,198
*Susan G. Lovelace	97	157		108	137							322				225		195			179	3,835
Others	167	1	170	2	0	2	2	0	2	1	0	1	5	1	1	6	0	4	265	0	0	33
Blanks	167	297	1/2	202	248	208	177	JJ4	405	351	404	401	379	244	38U	3/6	134	419	365	231	205	6,159
Arlington Housing	<b>Auth</b>	orit	y fo	r Fiv	ve Y	ears	<b>(1</b> )															
Precinct	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			12	13		15	16		18	19	20	21	Tota
Freeland K. Abbott		100	80		67	67						182			129			135			159	2,195
*Teresa Jeanne Walsh	Ω1	1 Q 1	101	100	1/17	110	125	726	220	277	7/12	202	306	195	224	225	9.1	$\Omega \Omega \Omega$	221	150	1/1/2	2 026

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TOWN MEETING MEMBERS	PRECINCT FIVE - THREE YEARS (4)	
	*Patricia A. Eagan, 132 Webster Street	
PRECINCT ONE -THREE YEARS (4)	*Martin B. Malin, 96 Webster Street	
*John G. Kneeland, Jr., 100 Decatur Street113	*Thomas R. Shea, 149 Franklin Street	
*Paul J. McGaffigan, 32 Silk Street88	*Martha Leibs-Heckly, 106 Palmer Street	
Chris K. Barry-Smith, 37 Silk Street69	Others	
*Elizabeth McGaffigan, 32 Silk Street 91	Blanks	649
*Kevin M. Mills, 28 Mystic Valley Parkway 88		
Others4	PRECINCT FIVE - TWO YEARS (1)	
Blanks 231	(to fill vacancy)	
	*Susan A. Brau, 97 Warren Street	
PRECINCT ONE -ONE YEAR (1)	Others	
(to fill vacancy)	Blanks	69
*Chris K. Barry-Smith, 37 Silk Street128		
Others3	PRECINCT FIVE – ONE YEAR (2)	
Blanks	(to fill vacancies)	
PRECINCT TWO - THREE YEARS (4)	*Douglas D. Walton, 31 Bowdoin Street	
*Joseph P. Carabello, Jr., 156 Lake Street 194	Others	
*William Hayner, 19 Putnam Road 177	Blanks	489
*Elsie C. Fiore, 58 Mott Street		
*Peter J. Fiore, 58 Mott Street 199	PRECINCT SIX – THREE YEARS (4)	
Others2	*Aram G. Hollman, 12 Whittemore Street	
Blanks 477	*Emelio J. Rosselli, 14 Lake Street	
	*Paul Addorisio, 51 Pond Lane	
PRECINCT THREE - THREE YEARS (4)	Others	
*Charles J. Simas, 42 Oxford Street 133	Blanks	478
*Jean M. Griffin, 42 Oxford Street 141		
*Allan Tosti, 38 Teel Street 163	PRECINCT SEVEN - THREE YEARS (4)	
*Henry T. Brush, 23 Amsden Street	*Laurence O. McKinney, 30 Foster Street	
Others	*Walter R. Smith, 19 Tufts Street	
Blanks 507	*William J. Kennedy, 18 Webster Street	
	*Kenneth W. Hughes, 20 Webster Street	10
PRECINCT THREE - TWO YEARS (1)	Others	
(to fill vacancy)	Blanks	413
*Jane Abbott Connor, 45 Teel Street 170		
Others	PRECINCT EIGHT – THREE YEARS (4)	
Blanks	*Clarissa Rowe, 54 Brantwood Road	
	*Carol L. Band, 57 Bartlett Avenue	
	David G. Pearson, 15A Jason Street	
PRECINCT FOUR - THREE YEARS (4)	*John D. Leone, 51 Irving Street	
Joseph M. Marshall, 72 Varnum Street 70	*William R. Berkowitz, 12 Pelham Terrace	
*Patricia A. Costa, 82 Milton Street 118	Others	3
*George Laite, 25 Lafayette Street 113	Blanks	612
*Kerry T. Piandes, 26 Chandler Street 91		
*Ryan J. Ferrara, 94 Varnum Street 90	PRECINCT NINE – THREE YEARS (4)	
Other 0	*Pauline Y. Hallee, 47 Maynard Street	
Blanks	*Gustavo Candelas, 4 Water Street	
	*Patricia E. Lieberson, 5 Mystic Lake Drive	
PRECINCT FOUR - ONE YEAR (2)	*A. Michael Ruderman, 9 Alton Street	
(to fill vacancies)	Others	
*Joseph M. Marshall, 74 Varnum Street 130	Blanks	700
Others9		
Blanks	PRECINCT NINE - TWO YEARS (1)	
	(to fill vacancy)	
	Bridgett Garballey, 39 Maynard Street	
	Others	
	Blanks	347

TOWN MEETING MEMBERS	PRECINCT FOURTEEN - ONE YEAR (1)	
(CONTINUED)	(to fill vacancy)	
(0011-1110-12)	*David S. B. Coletta, 87 Quincy Street	220
PRECINCT TEN – THREE YEARS (4)	Others	0
*William E. Shea, 9 Lincoln Street276	Blanks	88
*Peter B. Howard, 12 Woodland Street268		
*David B. Curren, 61 Hillsdale Road263	PRECINCT FIFTEEN - THREE YEARS (4)	
*Jane L. Howard, 12 Woodland Street275	*Nancy A. Mara, 63 Epping Street	
Others	*Charles N. Chamallas, 41 Candia Street	
Blanks854	*Brian E. LaValle, 42 Oak Hill Drive	
Dianks	*Richard C. Fanning, 57 Yerxa Road	237
PRECINCT TEN - TWO YEARS (1)	Others	
(to fill vacancy)	Blanks	735
*Stephen M. McHugh, 206 Spring Street198		
David W. Ledwig, 178 Newport Street164	PRECINCT FIFTEEN -ONE YEAR (1)	
Others	(to fill vacancy)	
Blanks		
	*William D. Mahoney, 12 Dickson Avenue	
PRECINCT ELEVEN – THREE YEARS (4)	Brian E. LaValle, 42 Oak Hill Drive	
*Joyce H. Radochia, 45 Columbia Road266	Others	
*Thomas Caccavaro, Jr., 28 Ridge Street255	Blanks	104
Diane M. Crowley, 6 Edgehill Road201		
*Kevin G. Greeley, 363 Mystic Street251	PRECINCT SIXTEEN - THREE YEARS (4)	
*Robert E. Greeley, 38 Edgehill Road212	*Barbara Thornton, 223 Park Avenue	
Others 0	Holly M. Czapski, 25 Ely Road	
Blanks	*Leslie A. Oringer, 65 Hillside Avenue	
Dianks	*Robert K. Garrity, 275 Park Avenue	
PRECINCT ELEVEN – TWO YEARS (1)	*William J. Kenney, Jr., 28 Wilbur Avenue	208
(to fill vacancy)	Others	6
*Diane M. Crowley, 6 Edgehill Road331	Blanks	619
Others		
Blanks	PRECINCT SEVENTEEN – THREE YEARS (4)	
Dianks	*William K. Burke, 2 Old Colony Lane	103
PRECINCT TWELVE - THREE YEARS (4)	*Joan L. Banks, 65 Brattle Street	
*Thom Dumyahn, 8 Fountain Road337	*Laurie A. Gibbons, 993 Massachusetts Ave	104
*Marlene Rockmore, 18 Perkins Street337	*Dinah Meadow, 4 Old Colony Lane #6	2
*Patricia J. Thomas, 176 Mount Vernon Street364	Others	2
*Michael J. Cayer, 191 Newport Street	Blanks	293
*Martin Thrope, 348 Gray Street172		
Others	PRECINCT SEVENTEEN - TWO YEARS (1)	
Blanks	(to fill vacancy)	
Dialiks1,100	Others	11
PRECINCT THIRTEEN - THREE YEARS (4)	Blanks	143
*Marie Krepelka, 12 Mohawk Road334	PRECINCT EIGHTEEN - THREE YEARS (4)	
*Paul J. Bayer, 15 Oldham Road255	*John V. Belskis, 196 Wollaston Avenue	267
*Carmen C. Kenrich, 22 Hutchinson Road248	*Charles D. Gallagher, 16 Shelley Road	
*Stephen J. Gilligan, 77 Falmouth Road314	*Joseph J. Santore, Jr., 8 Browning Road	
Others	*Michael C. Cerone, 272 Sylvia Street	
Blanks693	Others	
	Blanks	
PRECINCT FOURTEEN - THREE YEARS (4)		
*Diane M. Mahon, 23 Howard Street	PRECINCT NINETEEN - THREE YEARS (4)	
*Evelyn Smith DeMille, 31 Coleman Road144	*John R. Murray, 34 Thesda Street	292
*David S. B. Coletta, 87 Quincy Street	*Glenn B. McElhoe, 1 Carl Road	
*Gwenyth R. A. Hooper, 1 School Street	*Marc Aaron Butler, 19 Overlook Road	
Robert G. Hillis, 17 Mount Vernon Street147	*Daniel J. Farrell, 38 Ronald Road	
Others	Others	
Blanks440	Blanks	
	Dialing	

# **TOWN MEETING MEMBERS**

(CONTINUED)

*Peter T. fuller, 7 Kilsythe Road
PRECINCT TWENTY – ONE YEAR (1)
(to fill vacancy)
*Robert P. Binell, 90 Lancaster Road4
Others37
Blanks
PRECINCT TWENTY-ONE - THREE YEARS (4)
*Ralph E. Elwell, 21 Montague Street
*John W. May, 11 Colonial Village Drive176
*Walter C. Phillips, 2 Crescent Hill Avenue
• '
*James P. McGough, 11 West Court Terrace 192
Others2
Blanks

<sup>\*</sup>Elected

## **SPECIAL TOWN ELECTION – June 11, 2005**

Total of Ballots Cast – 13,683 + 13 hand counts 48% of total number of registered voters – 28,573

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	NO -	_	0370	,																		
Precinct	NO -	- 2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	Total
Precinct *Yes	1	2	3	4	5 155	6 275	7 221		9 272	10	11 427	12 664					17 141		- 1 /	20 312		Total 7126

## Absentee Ballots

Applications sent - 1470 Ballots Cast - 1426 Ballots not returned - 44