



Credits

The Case Estates

On June 8, 2016 the Town of Weston closed on purchase of the 62.5-acre land that epitomizes the character of the town. It had been a long endeavor to finally gain ownership after the 2006 Special Town Meeting where voters unanimously approved the purchase of this land from Harvard University for \$22,500,000 . The 2006 acquisition process was stalled after the discovery of residual pesticide contamination. A hybrid remediation plan was agreed upon in 2011, but negotiations to modify the plan fell apart after additional soil contaminations were found. In a last-ditch attempt to purchase the property, the Board of Selectmen proposed a mediation alternative to establish a fair value for the land; however, Harvard did not act and the Selectmen filed a complaint with the Superior Court in 2014. A settlement was agreed upon in 2015, which was similar to the 2010 hybrid plan for a reduced purchase price of \$13,740,000. Soil remediation on certain parcels was completed in 2016, as was field and trail restoration. Two public visioning sessions were also held, which helped develop a draft Master Plan for the future use of the land.

Credit for the successful completion of this purchase is largely due to the untiring efforts of Selectman Michael Harranty, who worked diligently for 10 years through the many challenges presented to achieve a fair and reasonable outcome for both the Town and Harvard's Arnold Arboretum.

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STATISTICS

	Year Ending 30-Jun-16	Year Ending 30-Jun-15	Year Ending 30-Jun-14	Year Ending 30-Jun-13
Population (1)	11,472	11,391	11,581	11,580
Number of Voters (1)	7,943	7,907	7,455	7,611
Number of Dwelling Houses (2)	3,335	3,661	3,661	3,640
School Membership (3)	2,111	2,139	2,206	2,281
Valuation of Real Estate	\$ 5,811,898,500	\$ 5,811,898,500	\$ 5,565,225,800	\$ 5,292,759,000
Valuation of Personal Property	\$ 49,587,500	\$ 49,587,500	\$ 47,233,400	\$ 48,169,200
Total Assessed Valuation	\$ 5,941,014,800	\$ 5,861,486,000	\$ 5,612,459,200	\$ 5,340,928,200
Tax Rate per \$1,000 Valuation	\$ 12.16	\$ 12.28	\$ 12.73	\$ 12.40
Town Debt	\$ 85,069,900.00	\$ 87,927,000.00	\$ 71,425,000.00	\$ 74,723,333.00

	Year Ending 30-Jun-12	Year Ending 30-Jun-11	Year Ending 30-Jun-10	Year Ending 30-Jun-09
Population (1)	11,608	11,478	11,475	11,227
Number of Voters (1)	7,747	7,635	7,740	7,742
Number of Dwelling Houses (2)	3,632	3,619	3,615	3,589
School Membership (3)	2,322	2,304	2,315	2,332
Valuation of Real Estate	\$ 5,151,565,800	\$ 5,183,632,300	\$ 5,222,126,200	\$ 5,197,227,100
Valuation of Personal Property	\$ 43,864,400	39,840,500	38,678,600	34,784,600
Total Assessed Valuation	\$ 5,195,430,200	\$ 5,223,472,800	\$ 5,260,804,800	\$ 5,232,011,700
Tax Rate per \$1,000 Valuation	\$ 12.11	\$ 11.39	\$ 11.10	\$ 11.02
Town Debt	\$ 62,474,331.00	\$ 67,690,004.00	\$ 57,744,457	\$ 58,214,199

	Year Ending 30-Jun-08	Year Ending 30-Jun-07	Year Ending 30-Jun-06	Year Ending 30-Jun-05
Population (1)	11,134	10,875	10,983	11,022
Number of Voters (1)	7,301	6,555	6,978	7,162
Number of Dwelling Houses (2)	3,589	3,597	3,596	3,569
School Membership (3)	2,349	2,363	2,345	2,301
Valuation of Real Estate	\$ 5,138,040,100	\$ 5,071,256,200	\$ 4,986,192,400	\$ 4,828,065,700
Valuation of Personal Property	34,222,500	30,951,200	27,680,200	27,474,300
Total Assessed Valuation	\$ 5,172,262,600	\$ 5,102,207,400	\$ 5,013,872,600	\$ 4,855,540,000
Tax Rate per \$1,000 Valuation	\$ 10.67	\$ 10.26	\$ 9.95	\$ 9.46
Town Debt	\$ 64,414,933	\$ 67,291,666	\$ 66,264,399	\$ 55,662,131

- (1) Population is as of January 1. The number of registered voters is as of December 31 of corresponding year
(2) Does not include 93 units at Norumbega Pt., 62 units in Merriam Village, and 75 units in Brook School Apts.
(3) Average membership as of October 1 of corresponding year

OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTON

As of December 31, 2016

ELECTED BY THE VOTERS

	<u>Terms Expire</u>		<u>Terms Expire</u>
Board of Assessors		Measurers of Lumber	
Gary C. Koger, Chair	2018	James Barry	2017
Phyllis R. Kominz	2018	Robin Peakes Coutts	2017
Tamilyn M. Levin	2017	Cameron Peters	2017
Alan T. Orth	2017		
Paul L. Zorfass	2019	Moderator	
		Thomas S. Crane	2017
Board of Health		Planning Board	
David R. Kominz, M.D., Chair	2017	Alfred L. Aydelott, Chair	2019
Karl Benedict	2019	Roy Chatalbash	2018
Elisabeth DiPietro, M.D.	2018	Anthony Flynn	2020
		Stephen R. Oppenheimer	2017
Board of Library Trustees		Susan J. Zacharias	2021
Doris A. Sullivan, Chair	2019		
Joel Angiolillo	2018	Recreation Commission	
Emily Hutcheson	2019	Matthew Schulman, Chair	2019
Denise Mosher	2018	Michelle Callanan	2018
Joseph W. Mullin	2017	Franz Loeber	2018
Julie D. Panagakos	2017	Elly D. Pendergast	2017
		Victoria A. Whalen	2019
Board of Selectmen		Xinsheng Zhu	2017
Christopher E. Houston, Chair	2018		
Douglas P. Gillespie, Clerk	2019	School Committee	
Michael H. Harrity	2017	Danielle Black, Chair	2017
		Edward E. Heller, Vice Chair	2019
Commissioners of Trust Funds		Alexander R. Cobb	2018
Charles M. Ganson, Jr., Chair	2017	John E. Henry	2018
Thomas E. Bator	2018	Sanjay Saini	2019
Janell Phillips	2019		

APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTON

as of December 31, 2016

Animal Control Officer	Richard A. Murray
Assessor	Eric R. Josephson
Assistant Town Manager and Human Resources Director	Lisa J. Yanakakis
Brook School Apartments Manager	Sara P. Dosamantes
Cemeteries and Parks Supervisor, Public Works	William C. O'Neil
Community Preservation Committee Administrator	Tracey A. Lembo
Conservation Administrator	Michele L. Grzenda
Constable to Serve Civil Process	Robert P. Millian, Jr.
Council on Aging, Executive Director	Mignonne M. Murray
East Middlesex Mosquito Control Commission, Weston's Representative	Richard E. Sullivan
Facilities Director, Town-Wide	Gary E. Jarobski
Fields and Grounds Coordinator, Town-wide	Ben Polimer
Finance Director/Town Accountant	Susan D. Kelley
Fire Chief, Forest Warden and Director of Emergency Management	David B. Soar
Highway and Stormwater Supervisor	Kenneth Calder
Information Systems Manager (Municipal)	Tracy L. Sullivan
Inspector of Buildings/Land Use Coordinator	John F. Field
Library Director	Susan W. Brennan
Parking Clerk	Dianne M. Poole
Police Chief and Keeper of Lockup	Michael J. Goulding
Public Health Director	Wendy Diotalevi
Public Weigher	Robert A. Morra
Public Works, Director of Operations and Tree Warden	Thomas C. Cullen
Public Works, Deputy Director of Operations	Richard E. Sullivan
Recreation Director	Christopher J. Fitzgerald
Sealer of Weights and Measures	Robert A. Morra
Technology Director, Schools and Town-Wide Network	Lee McCanne
Town Clerk	Deborah M. Davenport
Town Counsel	Kopelman & Paige, P.C.
Town Engineer	Stephen R. Fogg
Town Manager	Donna S. VanderClock
Town Planner	Imaikalani P. Aiu
Veterans' Services Director	Sarada S. Kalpee
Water Superintendent, Public Works	David L. Fava
Zoning Board of Appeals Assistant	Noreen H. Stockman