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## TOWN OFFICERS 1937

### MODERATOR

RUFUS B. DUNBAR

### TOWN CLERK

HERBERT S. ROBINSON

### COLLECTOR OF TAXES

AUSTIN W. WHITNEY

### TREASURER

MRS. ETTA E. ROBINSON

### AUDITOR

LEWIS B. CURTISS

### CONSTABLES

GAYLORD B. PIKE

ARTHUR F. STEVENS

### TREE WARDEN

LUCIUS W. PARKER

### SELECTMEN

GEORGE C. HUNT

Term expires 1938

CARL H. WOOD

Term expires 1939

MARY M. DANIHER

Term expires 1940

### BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

ALBERT N. PUTNAM, resigned

Term expires 1938

ARTHUR J. CROMPTON, appointed

Term expires 1938

EDWARD L. MACCABEE

Term expires 1939

EVELYN M. GLEASON

Term expires 1940

### ASSESSORS

HENRY N. WILLIAMS, left town

Term expires 1938

FRED E. WATSON, appointed

Term expires 1938

GEORGE C. HUNT

Term expires 1939

CARL H. WOOD

Term expires 1940

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

HARRY CLARK	Term expires 1938
MAY N. LIDSTROM	Term expires 1939
CHARLES C. CRAIG	Term expires 1940

## MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD

FRANK GRIFFIN	Term expires 1938
FRANK A. REED	Term expires 1939
ALLAN S. HUTCHINS	Term expires 1940

## CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

BESSIE G. WATSON	Term expires 1938
GUSTAVUS A. ROSSIER	Term expires 1939
ELLA B. CATHERWOOD	Term expires 1940

## WATER COMMISSIONERS

GEORGE V. CLAPP	Term expires 1938
WM. J. MCKINLEY	Term expires 1939
WALTER H. BROWN	Term expires 1940

## PLANNING BOARD

RUFUS B. DUNBAR	Term expires 1938
EDMUND A. REISER	Term expires 1939
MILTON P. LADD	Term expires 1940
ARTHUR J. CROMPTON	Term expires 1941
ROBERT L. CARPENTER	Term expires 1942

## TRUSTEES OF RICHARDS' MEMORIAL LIBRARY

MARGUERITE E. CALLAHAN	Term expires 1938
MAY N. LIDSTROM	Term expires 1938
DR. WM. L. SHIPMAN	Term expires 1939
MILTON P. LADD	Term expires 1939
SAMUEL L. CLAPP	Term expires 1940
IRENE M. REED	Term expires 1940

GEORGE C. HUNT, ex-officio



*APPOINTMENTS BY THE SELECTMEN*

CARE OF TOWN CLOCK

LEWIS B. CURTISS

JANITOR OF TOWN HALL

JOHN L. JOHNSON, resigned  
GEORGE MACCABEE, appointed

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

WALTER V. PIKE

CHIEF OF POLICE

ARTHUR F. STEVENS

DOG OFFICER

GEORGE MACCABEE

CARE OF FLAG

GEORGE MACCABEE

POUND KEEPER

ELIOT L. CROUCH

FIRE WARDEN

ROY M. WENTWORTH

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

EUCLID LOMBARD

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

J. RALPH BARCLAY

FENCE VIEWERS

ELIOT L. CROUCH	SAMUEL VAN WYCK
GUSTAVUS ROSSIER	

FIELD DRIVERS

ELIOT L. CROUCH	SAMUEL VAN WYCK
GUSTAVUS ROSSIER	

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK

FRED DIFFLY	CHESTER M. ROSSIER
JOHN D. OLMSTEAD	

REPORT OF AN AUDIT  
OF THE  
GENERAL ACCOUNTS  
OF THE  
TOWN OF PAXTON

FOR THE PERIOD FROM SEPTEMBER 13, 1936  
TO SEPTEMBER 6, 1937

AND OF THE ACCOUNTS  
OF  
TAX COLLECTOR

FOR THE PERIOD FROM FEBRUARY 20, 1937 TO  
SEPTEMBER 6, 1937

Made in Accordance with the Provisions of Chapter 44,  
General Laws

December 23, 1937.

TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
Mr. George C. Hunt, *Chairman*  
Paxton, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the general accounts of the town of Paxton for the period from September 13, 1936 to September 6, 1937 and of the accounts of the tax collector for the period from February 20, 1937 to September 6, 1937, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Herman B. Dine, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

THEODORE N. WADDELL,  
*Director of Accounts.*

MR. THEODORE N. WADDELL  
Director of Accounts  
Department of Corporations, and Taxation  
State House, Boston

Sir:

As directed by you, I have made an audit of the general accounts of the town of Paxton for the period from September 13, 1936, the date of the previous audit, to September 6, 1937, and of the tax collector's accounts from February 20, 1937, the date of the previous audit of these accounts to September 6, 1937, and submit the following report thereon:



The records of the financial transactions of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town, or committing bills for collection, were examined, checked, and verified by a comparison with the reports and the records in the treasurer's office and with the accountant's books and records.

The books and accounts of the accounting officer were examined and checked in detail. The appropriations as recorded on the ledger were checked with the appropriations as shown on the books of the town clerk, while other ledger accounts were compared with information obtained in the departments in which the transactions originated. The recorded receipts were checked with the treasurer's books and the payments, as recorded on the ledger, were checked with the selectmen's warrants and with the treasurer's books. The ledger accounts were analyzed, the necessary correcting and adjusting entries resulting from the audit were made, a trial balance was taken off, and a balance sheet, showing the financial condition of the town on September 6, 1937, was prepared and is appended to this report.

The balance sheet shows appropriation overdrafts in 1936 and 1937, which are contrary to Section 31, Chapter 44, General Laws. However, from information obtained in the course of the audit it appears that the 1936 overdrafts were voted at the annual town meeting in 1937 to be provided for in the 1937 tax levy, but that the town clerk failed to certify correctly all appropriations voted by the town, with the result that certain appropriations were not raised by the assessors in 1937. Variations were also noted between the amounts of the detailed appropriations as recorded in the town clerk's records and the appropriations which were recommended by the finance committee and which from memoranda held by the town clerk, were adopted by the town meeting.

It should be unnecessary to state that all appropriations voted by the town should be promptly and accurately entered in the town clerk's record book of town meeting proceedings and correctly reported by him to the assessors, as required by Section 15A, Chapter 41, General Laws, which reads as follows:

"City and town clerks shall, as soon as an order or vote appropriating money becomes effective, certify, in a city to the treasurer, assessors and auditor or similar officer, and in a town to the assessors and the town accountant, if any, otherwise to the treasurer, each appropriation in detail, and the provision made for meeting the same, if specified in the appropriation order or vote."

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked. The recorded receipts were analyzed and compared with the accounting officer's ledger and with the records of the departments making payments to the treasurer, while the payments by the treasurer were compared with the selectmen's warrants authorizing the disbursement of town funds.

The payments of maturing debt and interest were verified by a comparison with the amounts falling due and with the cancelled securities on file.

The savings bank books and securities representing the investment of the several trust funds in the custody of the town treasurer were examined and listed, the income being proved and the withdrawals verified.

The additions of the treasurer's cash book were verified, and a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash indicated that the amount of cash in the bank and in the office on September 6, 1937, was \$671.28 short of the amount required on the above date. A subsequent reconciliation of the treasurer's cash was made on October 11, 1937, at which time the corrected cash book balance was reconciled with the bank statements and with the cash on hand.

The books and accounts of the tax collector were examined and checked for the period from February 20, 1937, the date of the previous examination, to September 6, 1937. The taxes outstanding on February 20, 1937, were audited, and all subsequent commitment lists were added and reconciled with the warrants of the assessors committing the taxes for collection.

The collector's cash books were footed, the payments to the treasurer by the collector were checked to the treasurer's and the accounting officer's books, the abatements were compared with the assessors' records of abatements granted, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the accounting officer's ledger.

The outstanding accounts were verified by sending notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, and from the replies received, it appears that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

The records of licenses issued by the selectmen and the town clerk were examined and checked, and the payments to the State and to the town were verified.

The tax title deeds on hand were listed and the amounts transferred to the tax title account were verified, a further verification being made by a comparison of the deeds on hand with the records in the Registry of Deeds.

The books and accounts of the municipal water and light departments were examined and checked. The commitments were checked, the recorded collections were compared with the records of receipts by the treasurer, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled. The outstanding accounts were verified by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, the replies received thereto indicating that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

In addition to the departments mentioned, the books and accounts of the sealer of weights and measures and of the public welfare department were examined and checked.

Appended to this report, in addition to the balance sheet, are tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash, summaries of the tax and departmental accounts, together with tables showing the trust fund transactions.

For the cooperation extended by the several town officials during the process of the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN B. DINE,  
*Assistant Director of Accounts.*



## RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH

Balance Sept. 13, 1936	\$ 6,926 33	
Receipts Sept. 13 to Dec. 31, 1936	55,681 10	
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		\$62,607 43
Payments Sept. 13 to Dec. 31, 1936	\$51,372 75	
Balance Dec. 31, 1936	11,234 68	
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		\$62,607 43
Balance Jan. 1, 1937	\$11,234 68	
Receipts Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937	61,564 14	
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		\$72,798 82
Payments Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937	\$60,948 96	
Errors in entering receipts	33 63	
Balance Sept. 6, 1937	11,816 23	
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		\$72,798 82
Balance Sept. 6, 1937	\$11,816 23	
Unpaid warrant Sept. 6, 1937	2 50	
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		\$11,818 73

## Balances Sept. 6, 1937:

First National Bank, Westborough,	
per check book	\$5,606 28
Worcester County Trust Company,	
per check book	203 94
Mechanics National Bank, Worcester,	
per check book	734 09
Mechanics National Bank, Worcester,	
per check book	549 57

Worcester County Institution for Savings, book No. 252520	2,562 94	
Peoples Savings Bank, Worcester, book No. 206037	349 01	
Cash in office, verified	1,141 62	
Cash variation, (due from treasurer)	671 28	
		<hr/>
		\$11,818 73
Balance Sept. 7, 1937	\$11,816 23	
Receipts Sept. 7 to Oct. 11, 1937	\$19,043 96	
Cash variation Oct. 11, 1937, (due treasurer)	33 63	
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		\$30,893 82
Payments Sept. 7 to Oct. 11, 1937	\$11,277 70	
Balance Oct. 11, 1937	19,616 12	
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		\$30,893 82
Balance Oct. 11, 1937	\$19,616 12	
Unpaid warrants Oct. 11, 1937	37 50	
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		\$19,653 62
Balances Oct. 11, 1937:		
First National Bank, Westborough, per check book	\$14,019 38	
Worcester County Trust Company, per check book	1,003 42	
Mechanics National Bank, Worcester, per check book	967 97	
Mechanics National Bank, per check book and statement	549 57	
Peoples Savings Bank, per book No. 206037	349 01	

## Worcester County Institution for

Savings, per book No. 252520	2,562 94
Cash in office	201 33

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\$19,653 62

## WESTBOROUGH NATIONAL BANK

Balance Oct. 11, 1937, per statement	\$14,130 55
Deposit in transit, verified	1,058 07

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\$15,188 62

Balance Oct. 11, 1937 per check book	\$14,019 38
Outstanding checks Oct. 11, 1937, per list	1,169 24

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15,188 62

## WORCESTER COUNTY TRUST COMPANY

## WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS

Balance Oct. 11, 1937, per statement	\$237 30
Deposit in transit, verified	877 68

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\$1,114 98

Balance October 11, 1937, per check book	\$1,003 42
Outstanding checks Oct. 11, 1937 per list	111 56

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\$1,114 98

MECHANICS NATIONAL BANK  
WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS

Balance Oct. 11, 1937, per statement	\$844 81	
Deposit in transit, verified	184 04	
	<hr/>	\$1,028 85
Balance Oct. 11, 1937, per check book	\$967 97	
Outstanding checks Oct. 11, 1937, per list	60 88	
	<hr/>	\$1,028 85

TAXES—1933

Recommitment Feb. 20, 1937, per warrant	\$10 30
Outstanding Sept. 6, 1937, per list	\$10 30

TAXES—1934

Recommitment Feb. 20, 1937,		
per warrant	\$120 99	
Overpayments to treasurer Feb. 20 to		
Sept. 6, 1937:		
Refunded	\$6 84	
To be refunded	5 19	
	<hr/>	12 03
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		\$133 02
Payments to treasurer Feb. 20 to		
Sept. 6, 1937	\$24 40	
Reassessment in 1934 reported as		
additional commitment	8 65	
Refund in error, to be collected	6 84	
Outstanding Sept. 6, 1937, per list	93 13	
	<hr/>	\$133 02



## TAXES—1935

Recommitment Feb. 20, 1937, per warrant	\$3,424 71
Payments to treasurer Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937	\$2,868 63
Tax titles taken by town Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937	166 08
Outstanding Sept. 6, 1937, per list	390 00
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	\$3,424 71

## TAXES—1936

Recommitment Feb. 20, 1937, per warrant	\$12,488 11
Moth assessments 1936 reported as taxes 1936	1 50
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	\$12,489 61
Payments to treasurer Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937	\$6,135 04
Taxes 1936 entered as interest on tax title redemption	75 90
Added to tax titles Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937	1,572 62
Outstanding Sept. 6, 1937, per list	4,705 05
Cash on hand Sept. 6, 1937, verified	1 00
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	\$12,489 61

## TAXES—1937

Commitment Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937, per warrant	\$38,281 54
Collections not committed	6 00
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	\$38,287 54

Payments to treasurer Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937	\$ 4,424 66	
Outstanding Sept. 6, 1937, per list	33,845 33	
Cash on hand Sept. 6, 1937, verified	17 55	
	<hr/>	\$38,287 54

#### OLD AGE ASSISTANCE TAXES—1932

Recommitment Feb. 20, 1937, per warrant	\$3 00
Outstanding Sept. 6, 1937, per list	\$3 00

#### OLD AGE ASSISTANCE TAXES—1933

Recommitment Feb. 20, 1937, per warrant	\$8 00
Payments to treasurer, Feb. 20 to	
Sept. 6, 1937	\$1 00
Outstanding Sept. 6, 1937, per list	7 00
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	\$8 00

#### MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES—1933

Recommitment Feb. 20, 1937, per warrant	\$15 04	
Overpayments to be refunded	5 79	
	<hr/>	\$20 83

Payments to treasurer Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937	\$ 5 79	
Outstanding Sept. 6, 1937, per list	15 04	
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		\$20 83

#### MOTH ASSESSMENTS—1933

Recommitment Feb. 20, 1937, per warrant	\$0 15
Outstanding Sept. 6, 1937, per list	\$0 15

## MOTH ASSESSMENTS—1934

Recommitment Feb. 20, 1937, per warrant	\$0 10
Outstanding Sept. 6, 1937, per list	\$0 10

## MOTH ASSESSMENTS—1936

Recommitment Feb. 20, 1937, per warrant	\$16 75
Payments to treasurer Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937	\$5 25
Moth assessments 1936 reported as taxes 1936	1 50
Added to tax titles Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937	10
Outstanding Sept. 6, 1937, per list	9 90
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	\$16 75

## MOTH ASSESSMENTS—1937

Committment Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937, per warrant	\$23 50
Payments to treasurer Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937	\$ 1 35
Outstanding Sept. 6, 1937, per list	22 15
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	\$23 50

## TAX TITLES

Balance Sept. 13, 1936 and Jan. 1, 1937	\$7,785 64
Tax titles taken by town Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937, taxes 1935	166 08
Added to tax titles Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937:	
Taxes 1936	\$1,572 62
Moth assessments 1936	10
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	1,572 72

Interest and costs	108 78	
	<hr/>	\$9,633 22
Tax titles redeemed Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937	\$2,062 77	
Balance Sept. 6, 1937, per list	7,570 45	
	<hr/>	\$9,633 22

## MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES—1934

Recommitment Feb. 20, 1937, per warrant	\$26 20
Outstanding Sept. 6, 1937, per list	\$26 20

## MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES—1935

Recommitment Feb. 20, 1937, per warrant	\$88 86
Payments to treasurer Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937	\$33 36
Motor vehicle excise taxes 1935 entered as 1937	11 38
Outstanding Sept. 6, 1937, per list	44 12
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	\$88 86

## MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES—1936

Recommitment Feb. 20, 1937, per warrant	\$203 60
Commitment per warrant Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937	152 79
Overpayment refunded Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937	4 34
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	\$360 73
Payments to treasurer Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937	\$264 90



Abatements Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937	11 13
Outstanding Sept. 6, 1937, per list	84 70

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\$360 73

### MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES—1937

Commitment Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937, per warrant	\$1,840 08
Abatements and payments refunded Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937	22 88
Motor vehicle excise taxes 1935 entered as 1937	11 38

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\$1,874 34

Payments to treasurer Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937	\$1,186 86
Abatements Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937	70 78
Outstanding Sept. 6, 1937, per list	616 70

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\$1,874 34

### INTEREST ON TAXES—1933

Collections Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937	\$0 18
Payments to treasurer Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937	\$0 18

### INTEREST ON TAXES—1934

Collections Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937	\$2 81
Overpayment to treasurer, to be refunded	81

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\$3 62

Payments to treasurer Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937	\$3 62
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## INTEREST AND COSTS ON TAXES—1935

Collections Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937:

Interest	\$314 13
Costs	1 90

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\$316 03

Payments to treasurer Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937 \$316 03

## INTEREST AND COSTS ON TAXES—1936

Collections Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937:

Interest	\$260 52
Costs	1 05

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\$261 57

Payments to treasurer Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937 \$261 57

## INTEREST AND COSTS ON TAXES—1937

Collections Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937:

Interest	\$ 84
Costs	17 15

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\$17 99

Payments to treasurer Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937 \$17 99

INTEREST ON MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES—  
1933Overpayments to treasurer Feb. 20  
to Sept. 6, 1937, to be refunded

\$1 20

Payments to treasurer Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937

\$1 20

INTEREST ON MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES—  
1935

Collections Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937

\$4 68

Payments to treasurer Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937

\$4 68

## INTEREST—MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES—1936

Collections Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937	\$4 87	
Overpayment to treasurer, refunded Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937	24	
	<hr/>	\$5 11
Payments to treasurer Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937		\$5 11

## INTEREST—MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES—1937

Collections Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937	\$0 35
Payments to treasurer Feb. 20 to Sept. 6, 1937	\$0 35

## SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT

Licenses issued Sept. 13 to Dec. 31, 1936:

Liquor	\$500 00	
Special malt	55 00	
Revolver	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$557 00
Payments to treasurer Sept. 13 to Dec. 31, 1936		\$557 00

Licenses issued Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937:

Liquor	\$250 00	
Special malt	25 00	
Revolver	8 00	
Common victuallers'	10 00	
Sunday	14 00	
Innholders'	5 00	
Auctioneers'	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$314 00
Sale of junk	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$315 00
Payments to treasurer Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937		\$315 00

## TOWN CLERK

## DOG LICENSES

Cash on hand Sept. 25, 1936, per previous audit	\$65 40
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Licenses issued Sept. 25 to Dec. 31, 1936:

Males, 6 at \$2.00	\$12 00
Females, 3 at \$5.00	15 00
	<hr/> 27 00

\$92 40

Payments to treasurer Sept. 25 to Dec. 31, 1936	\$87 00
Fees retained Sept. 25 to Dec. 31, 1936, 9 at \$.20	1 80
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1936	<hr/> 3 60

\$92 40

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1937	\$3 60
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Licenses issued Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937:

Males, 72 at \$2.00	\$144 00
Females, 30 at \$5.00	150 00
Spayed females, 10 at \$2.00	20 00
Kennel, 1 at \$25.00	25 00
	<hr/> \$339 00

\$342 60

Payments to treasurer Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937	\$311 40
Fees retained Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937, 113 at \$.20	22 60
Cash on hand Sept. 6, 1937, verified	<hr/> 8 60

\$342 60

## SPORTING LICENSES

Cash on hand Sept. 25, 1936, per previous audit	\$15 50
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Licenses issued Sept. 25 to Dec. 31, 1936:

Resident citizen's fishing,	
1 at \$2.00	\$2 00
Resident citizens' hunting,	
36 at \$2.00	72 00
Resident citizens' sporting,	
2 at \$3.25	6 50
Resident citizen's trapping,	
1 at \$5.25	5 25
Non-resident citizens' hunting,	
2 at \$10.25	20 50
Duplicates, 1 at \$.50	50
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	\$106 75

\$122 25

Payments to Division of Fisheries and Game, Sept. 25 to Dec. 31, 1936	\$100 00
Fees retained Sept. 25 to Dec. 31, 1936, 42 at \$.25	10 50
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1936	11 75
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\$122 25

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1937	\$11 75
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Licenses issued Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937:

Resident citizens' fishing,	
56 at \$2.00	\$112 00
Resident citizens' hunting,	
12 at \$2.00	24 00



Resident citizens' sporting,		
46 at \$3.25	149 50	
Resident minor and female fishing,		
22 at \$1.25	27 50	
Resident citizens' trapping,		
2 at \$5.25	10 50	
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		323 50
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		\$335 25
Payments to Division of Fisheries and		
Game Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937	\$294 50	
Fees retained Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937,		
138 at \$.25	34 50	
Cash on hand Sept. 6, 1937, verified	6 25	
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		\$335 25

## TOWN HALL RENTALS

GEORGE H. WHITNEY

Cash balance Sept. 13, 1936	\$58 50	
Outstanding Sept. 13, 1936	31 00	
Charges Sept. 13 to Dec. 31, 1936	18 50	
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		\$108 00
Payments to treasurer Sept. 13 to		
Dec. 31, 1936	\$37 00	
Cash balance Dec. 31, 1936	71 00	
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		\$108 00
Cash balance Jan. 1, 1937		\$71 00
Payments to treasurer Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937		\$71 00

## JOHN L. JOHNSON

Charges Jan. 1 to Aug. 31, 1937	\$68 75
Payments to treasurer Jan. 1 to Aug. 31, 1937	\$68 75

## GEORGE MACCABEE

Charges Sept. 1 to 6, 1937	\$5 00
Payments to treasurer Sept. 1 to 6, 1937	\$5 00

## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

## RICHARD VAN WYCK, SEALER

Cash on hand Oct. 11, 1936,		
per previous audit	\$10 50	
Charges Oct. 11 to Dec. 31, 1936	10	
	<hr/>	\$10 60
Payments to treasurer Oct. 11 to Dec. 31, 1936		\$10 60

## JOSEPH H. PARK, SEALER

Charges Jan. 1 to Sept. 15, 1937		\$8 03
Outstanding Sept. 15, 1937, per list	\$4 60	
Cash on hand Sept. 15, 1937, verified	3 43	
	<hr/>	\$8 03

## ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT

Outstanding Sept. 13, 1936	\$2,664 80
Charges Sept. 13 to Dec. 31, 1936	3,822 43
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	\$6,487 23

Payments to treasurer Sept. 13 to December 31, 1936	3,822 43	
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1936	2,664 80	
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		\$6,487 23
Outstanding Jan. 1, 1937	\$2,664 80	
Charges Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937	8,000 13	
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		\$10,664 93
Payments to treasurer, Jan. 1 to Sept 6, 1937	\$7,732 38	
Outstanding September 6, 1937	2,235 25	
Cash on hand Sept. 6, 1937	697 30	
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		\$10,664 93
Cash on hand Sept. 7, 1937	\$ 697 30	
Outstanding Sept. 7, 1937	2,235 25	
Payments in advance Sept. 7 to 11, 1937	2 86	
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		\$2,935 41
Outstanding Sept. 11, 1937, per list	\$2,122 78	
Cash on hand Sept. 11, 1937, verified	812 63	
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		\$2,935 41

## ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT

## METER DEPOSITS

Balance Sept. 13, 1936	\$184 30	
Deposits Sept. 13 to Dec. 31, 1936	30 00	
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		\$214 30
Balance December 31, 1936		\$214 30

Balance Jan. 1, 1937	\$214 30	
Interest on deposits Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937	5 14	
Deposits Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937	90 00	
	<hr/>	\$309 44
Balance Sept. 6, 1937		309 44

## WATER DEPARTMENT

Outstanding Sept. 13, 1936	\$ 327 57	
Charges Sept. 13 to Dec. 31, 1936	1,824 46	
	<hr/>	\$2,152 03
Payments to treasurer Sept. 13 to Dec. 31, 1936	\$1,542 37	
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1936	609 66	
	<hr/>	\$2,152 03
Outstanding Jan. 1, 1937	\$609 66	
Charges Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937	647 43	
	<hr/>	\$1,257 09
Payments to treasurer Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937	\$1,026 27	
Abatements Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937	2 60	
Outstanding Sept. 6, 1937, per list	83 92	
Cash on hand Sept. 6, 1937, verified	144 30	
	<hr/>	\$1,257 09

## D. RUSSELL BOYNTON CHARITY FUND

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand Sept. 13, 1936	\$1,000 00	\$1,000 00
On hand at end of year 1936	1,000 00	1,000 00
On hand Sept. 6, 1937	1,012 50	1,012 50

## RECEIPTS

## PAYMENTS

Sept. 13 to Dec. 31, 1936

Income	\$27 69	Transferred to town	\$27 69
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Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937

Income	\$12 50	Added to savings	
		deposits	\$12 50

## EDWARD D. BIGELOW SCHOOL FUND

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand Sept. 13, 1936	\$1,000 00	\$1,000 00
On hand at end of year 1936	1,000 00	1,000 00
On hand Sept. 6, 1937	1,000 00	1,000 00

## RECEIPTS

## PAYMENTS

Sept. 13 to Dec. 31, 1936

No transactions recorded

January 1 to Sept. 6, 1937

Income	\$25 00	Transferred to town	\$25 00
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GEORGE L. BIGELOW LIBRARY FUND

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand Sept. 13, 1936	\$500 00	\$500 00
On hand at end of year 1936	500 00	500 00
On hand Sept. 6, 1937	506 25	506 25



## RECEIPTS

## PAYMENTS

Sept. 13 to Dec. 31, 1936

Income \$13 84 Transferred to town \$13 84

Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937

Income \$6 25 Added to savings deposits \$6 25

## RICHARDS MEMORIAL LIBRARY FUND

	Cash in Gen'l Treas'y	Savings Deposits	Securities Par Value	Total
On hand, Sept. 13, 1936		\$1,668 87		\$1,668 87
On hand at end of year 1936		1,668 87		1,668 87
On hand, Sept. 6, 1937	\$168 87		\$1,500 00	1,668 87

## RECEIPTS

## PAYMENTS

Sept. 13 to Dec. 31, 1936

Income \$19 66 Transferred to town \$19 66

Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937

Withdrawn from sav- ings deposits	\$1,668 87	Purchase of securities	\$1,500 00
		Cash in general treas- ury Sept. 6, 1937	168 87
	<hr/> \$1,668 87		<hr/> \$1,668 87

## EDWARD D. BIGELOW LIBRARY FUND

	Cash	Savings Deposits	Securities Appraised Value	Total
On hand, Sept. 13, 1936	\$50 00	\$16,744 08	\$3,078 00	\$19,872 08

On hand at end of year 1936	14,369 36	5,578 00	19,947 36
On hand Sept. 6, 1937	14,418 90	5,578 00	19,996 90

## RECEIPTS

## PAYMENTS

Sept. 13 to Dec. 31, 1936

Withdrawn from sav- ings deposits	\$2,424 72	Deposited in sav- ings bank	\$ 50 00
Income	297 28	Purchase of securities	2,500 00
Due from treasurer, Sept. 13, 1936	50 00	Transferred to town	222 00
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	\$2,772 00		\$2,772 00

Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937

Income	\$440 99	Added to savings deposits	\$ 49 54
		Transferred to town	391 45
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	\$440 99		\$440 99

EDWARD D. BIGELOW VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT  
FUND

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand Sept. 13, 1936	\$1,000 00	\$1,000 00
On hand at end of year 1936	1,000 00	1,000 00
On hand Sept. 6, 1937	1,000 00	1,000 00

## RECEIPTS

## PAYMENTS

No transactions recorded

## C. D. BOYNTON FUND FOR GENERAL PURPOSES

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand Sept. 13, 1936	\$7,648 00	\$7,648 00
On hand at end of year 1936	7,648 00	7,648 00
On hand Sept. 6, 1937	7,743 60	7,743 60

## RECEIPTS

## PAYMENTS

Sept. 13 to Dec. 31, 1936

Income	\$211 75	Transferred to town Administration	\$203 75 8 00
	<u>\$211 75</u>		<u>\$211 75</u>

Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937

Income	\$95 60	Added to savings deposits	\$95 60
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## C. D. BOYNTON RECORD BUILDING FUND

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand Sept. 13, 1936	\$192 81	\$192 81
On hand at end of year 1936	68 13	68 13
On hand Sept. 6, 1937	68 98	68 98

## RECEIPTS

## PAYMENTS

Sept. 13 to Dec. 31, 1936

Withdrawn from savings deposits	\$124 68	Transferred to town	\$130 00
Income	5 32		
	<u>\$130 00</u>		<u>\$130 00</u>

Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937

Income	\$0 85	Added to savings deposits	\$0 85
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## HOWE FARM FUND

	Appraised Value of Real Estate	Total
On hand Sept. 13, 1936	\$4,000 00	\$4,000 00
On hand at end of year 1936	4,000 00	4,000 00
On hand Sept. 6, 1937	4,000 00	4,000 00

## RECEIPTS

## PAYMENTS

Sept. 13 to Dec. 31, 1936

Rent	\$60 00	Transferred to town	\$60 00
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Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937

Rent	\$180 00	Transferred to town	\$180 00
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## CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

	Cash in General Treasury	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand, Sept. 13, 1936	\$400 00	\$13,965 60	\$14,365 60
On hand, at end of year 1936	550 00	13,964 48	14,514 48
On hand, Sept. 6, 1937	850 00	14,125 51	14,975 51

## RECEIPTS

## PAYMENTS

Sept. 13 to Dec. 31, 1936

Withdrawn from sav- ings deposits	\$ 1 12	Transferred to town	\$334 50
Income	333 38	Cash on hand, Dec. 31, 1936	550 00
Bequests	150 00		
Cash on hand, Sept. 13, 1936	400 00		
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	\$884 50		\$884 50

Jan. 1 to Sept. 6, 1937

Income	\$161 03	Added to sav-	
Bequests	300 00	ings deposits	\$161 03
Cash on hand,		Cash on hand,	
Jan. 1, 1937	550 00	Sept. 6, 1937	850 00
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	\$1,011 03		\$1,011 03

## BALANCE SHEET—SEPTEMBER 6, 1937

## GENERAL ACCOUNTS

## ASSETS

## Cash:

In Banks and Office	\$11,144 95	
Due from Treasurer	671 28	
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		\$11,816 23

## Accounts Receivable:

## Taxes:

Levy of 1933	\$ 10 30	
Levy of 1934	94 78	
Levy of 1935	390 00	
Levy of 1936	4,706 05	
Levy of 1937	33,862 88	
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		39,064 01

## Old Age Assistance Taxes:

Levy of 1932	\$3 00	
Levy of 1933	7 00	
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		10 00

## Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:

Levy of 1933	\$ 9 25
Levy of 1934	26 20



Levy of 1935	44 12
Levy of 1936	84 70
Levy of 1937	616 70

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 780 97

## Special Assessments:

Moth 1933	\$ 0 15
Moth 1934	0 10
Moth 1936	9 90
Moth 1937	22 15

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 32 30

Tax Titles	7,570 45
State Aid to Highways—Chapter 81	2,206 27
Water Charges	228 22

## Electric Light Department:

Consumers Charges	\$2,932 55
Due from Electric Light Dept.	772 56

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 3,705 11

Estimated Receipts—to be Collected	9,743 99
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## Overlay Deficits:

Levy of 1931	\$42 07
Levy of 1933	93 18

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 135 25

## Overdrawn Accounts:

1936	\$1,545 13
1937	685 31

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 2,230 44

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 \$77,523 24

## LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

## Temporary Loans:

In Anticipation of Revenue 1937	\$10,000 00
State Tax	2,189 42
County Tax	1,606 79

## Appropriation Balances:

General	\$25,617 64
Electric Light Operation	264 57
Water System Construction	549 57
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	26,431 78
Cemetery Perpetual Care Bequests	850 00
Richards Memorial Library Fund	168 87
Trust Fund Income	139 79
Accounts Payable to Town by	
Electric Light Department	772 56
Highway Machinery Rentals	236 25
Electric Light Depreciation Fund	2,562 94
Electric Light Meter Guarantee Fund	309 44
Dog Licenses—Due County	206 80
Federal Grant—Old Age Assistance	461 49
Federal Grant Old Age Assistance—Administration	16 25
Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus	1,263 25

## Overlays—Reserved for Abatements:

Levy of 1934	\$ 94 78
Levy of 1935	243 42
Levy of 1936	574 45
Levy of 1937	512 31
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	1,424 96

## Revenue Reserved Until Collected:

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	\$ 780 97
Special Assessment	32 30
Tax Title	7,570 45

Water	228 22	
Electric Light	2,932 55	
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		11,544 49
Surplus Revenue		17,338 16
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		\$77,523 24

## DEBT ACCOUNTS

## ASSETS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	\$81,000 00
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## LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

School Building Loan	\$ 6,000 00
Water System Construction Loan	70,000 00
Playground Loan	5,000 00
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	\$81,000 00

## TRUST ACCOUNTS

## ASSETS

Trust Funds, Cash and Securities	\$50,953 74
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## LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

D. Russell Boynton Charity Fund	\$1,012 50
Edward D. Bigelow School Fund	1,000 00
George E. Bigelow Library Fund	506 25
Richards Memorial Library Fund	1,500 00
Edward D. Bigelow Library Fund	19,996 90
Edward D. Bigelow Village Improvement Fund	1,000 00
C. D. Boynton Fund for General Purposes	7,743 60
C. D. Boynton Record Building Fund	68 98
Howe Farm Fund	4,000 00
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	14,125 51
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	\$50,953 74

# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

## EXEMPT PROPERTY

City of Worcester		\$8,700 00
First Congregational Church		4,000 00
Finnish Lutheran Church		450 00
Fire Truck		1,000 00
Tractor		1,500 00
Forest Fire Truck		200 00
Library Books		2,000 00
Record Building		1,200 00
School House		25,000 00
Town Hall		5,000 00
Common and Soldiers' Monuments		1,500 00
Two Cemeteries		2,000 00
Playground		300 00
Library		10,300 00
Clark Land		250 00
Cottage and Land	1000 00	
Water Reservation—		
Wadsworth Land	300 00	
Boynton Land	150 00	
Thompson Land	50 00	
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		1,500 00
Ladd Land		100 00
Boy Scouts of America		2,200 00

## ASSESSED JANUARY 1, 1937

Polls Assessed		256
Tax on Each Poll	\$	2 00
Rate of Taxation per 1,000		39 00

Value of Taxable Personal Property	69,358 00
Value of Taxable Real Estate	899,084 00
Total Value of Assessed Estate	968,442 00
Tax on Personal Property	2,705 09
Tax on Real Estate	35,064 45
Total Tax on Property	37,769 54
Number of Cows Assessed	450
Number of Horses Assessed	71
Number of Fowl Assessed	9,205
Number of Swine Assessed	50
Number of Cattle other than Cows	84
Number of Dwelling Houses	227
Number of Acres of Land	8,830
Value of Assessed Stock in Trade	1,165 00
Value of Assessed Live Stock	33,950 00
Value of Assessed Machinery	30,548 00
Personal Property	3,695 00

## MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

Number of Cars Assessed	321
Value of Cars Assessed	\$72,080 00
Tax on Cars Assessed	\$2,122 27

## RECAPITULATION

Town Appropriations	\$47,788 64
School Loan	2,000 00
Interest on School Loan	330 00
Interest on Water Loan 1937	2,800 00
Interest on Water Loan 1936 Balance	118 35
State Tax	1,610 00
State Tax paid in 1936 in excess of estimates raised	70 00
Auditing Municipal Accounts	553 54
State Parks and Reservations Tax	17 04
Veterans Exemption	5 45
County Tax	1,606 79



Tuberculosis Hospital Tax	1,040 41
Overlay of Current Year	512 31
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Total	\$58,452 53
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Total Estimated Receipts	\$20,170 99
Total Deductions	20,170 99
Net Amount Raised by Taxation on	
Polls and Property	38,281 54
Number of Polls, 256, at \$2.00	512 00
Total Valuation	968,442 00
Tax Rate	39 00
Property Tax	37,769 24
Gain in Fractions	30
Moth Tax	23 50
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Total Amount of Taxes	\$38,305 04

GEORGE C. HUNT,  
CARL H. WOOD,

*Assessors.*

REPORT  
OF THE  
TRUSTEES OF THE C. D. BOYNTON  
FUND

Cash in People's Savings Bank, Worcester	\$2,700 00	
Cash in Worcester Five Cents Savings Bank	1,748 00	
Cash in Worcester County Institution for Savings	1,600 00	
Cash in Worcester Mechanics Bank	1,600 00	
	<hr/>	\$7,648 00
Dividends on the above	\$43 96	
	40 25	
	40 25	
	67 91	
	<hr/>	\$192 37
Administration Expense	8 00	
Paid Town Treasurer	184 37	
	<hr/>	\$192 37
December 31, 1937.		

HERBERT S. ROBINSON,  
*Trustee.*

# REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Paxton, Mass., January 21, 1938.

To the Voters of the Town of Paxton:

Your Finance Committee, after meeting with the Selectmen and various department heads, recommends the following proposal for this year's budget.

The Tax rate will go up approximately \$1.00 for every \$1,000.00 added on the floor. Likewise the rate will go down approximately \$1.00 for every \$1,000.00 subtracted from this budget.

We wish to call the attention of the voters to the Interest and Notes due this year which amounts to \$5,795.00. This item represents largely the expenditures of previous years which we are now in the process of paying for. Approximately \$5.75 of our tax rate is in payment of these expenditures made during previous years. Until these obligations are paid, a substantially lower tax rate cannot be expected.

## INTEREST AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS

School Note due September 12, 1938	\$2,000 00
Interest on School Notes	220 00
Interest on Water Bonds	2,800 00
Note on Illig. Property	500 00
Interest on Illig. Property Notes	275 00
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Total	\$5,795 00
Total All Accounts	\$54,096 43

# BUDGET FOR 1938

Items	Recommendations	Appropriations	
	1938 Total	1937 Voted	1937 Expended
Assessors	\$ 300 00	\$ 300 00	\$ 296 34
Assessors Reports	None	None	None
Auditor	1 00	1 00	None
Care of Common	100 00	100 00	62 84
Care of Town Clerk			
Salary	\$ 60 00		
Repair Parts	15 00		
Certification of Notes	75 00	60 00	74 10
Constables	10 00	10 00	26 00
Contingent	100 00	100 00	79 39
Elections	300 00	None	
Fire Department	150 00	75 00	82 25
Board of Health	600 00	600 00	488 61
Highways Chapter 81	175 00	150 00	147 00
State			
Town		4,350 00	
Highways Chapter 90 Construction	\$2,175 00	2,175 00	6,525 00
State		3,200 00	

County			3,000 00	
Town		1,175 00	1,500 00	7,699 89
Highways Chapter 90 Maintenance				
State			1,500 00	
County			1,600 00	
Town		1,100 00	800 00	3,899 88
Hydrant Rental		950 00	950 00	950 00
Inspector of Animals		50 00	50 00	50 00
Inspector of Buildings		50 00	25 00	25 00
Inspector of Meat and Slaughtering		5 00	5 00	23 00
(Plus \$1.00 for each inspection)				
Insurance and Bonds		1,500 00	1,600 00	1,381 27
Interest on Revenue Loans		75 00	150 00	61 04
July 4th		50 00	50 00	44 07
Legal Services		150 00	50 00	173 00
Memorial Day		75 00	75 00	57 25
Mooreland Cemetery				
Care of Cemetery	140 00			
Painting Fence	60 00	200 00	150 00	130 25
Moth		200 00	200 00	199 44
Old Age Assistance				
Federal			1,132 91	
Town		1,500 00	1,200 00	2,464 84



Planning Board				
Survey and Map of Paxton	500 00			
Expenses of Board	25 00	525 00	None	
Printing		175 00	150 00	171 08
Pubic Welfare		2,500 00	2,000 00	
Transfer from Reserve Fund			500 00	2,444 98
Boynton Fund				
Richard Memorial Library		200 00	None	1,415 50
Schools (High and Grade)		20,500 00	21,000 00	20,568 53
School (Trade)		3,500 00	4,000 00	3,374 40
School Clinic		100 00	100 00	100 00
Sealer Weights and Measures		25 00	25 00	32 37
Selectmen		500 00	500 00	495 98
Snow Removal		1,000 00	2,000 00	1,861 69
Military Aid		300 00	None	45 00
Street Lights		900 00	900 00	909 58
Tax Collector		500 00	500 00	474 92
Town Clerk		110 00	110 00	105 41
Town Hall				
Painting	250 00			
Janitor, Fuel, Repairs, etc.	1,000 00	1,250 00	1,000 00	983 21
Treasurer		400 00	400 00	397 65
Tree Warden		50 00	50 00	49 90

Tuberculosis Hospital		1,045 00	1,040 41	1,040 85
Water Department		2,000 00	2,500 00	1,524 10
Overdrafts for 1936		1,232 46	1,232 46	
Common	24 82			
Clock	20 21			
Constables	9 50			
Elections	23 48			
Fire Department	67 93			
Health	46 14			
Inspector Meats	11 00			
Insurance	358 79			
Welfare	407 24			
Snow	245 55			
Tax Collector	17 80			
Overdrafts for 1937		422 97		
Moderator	10 00			
Legal Service	173 26			
Elections	7 25			
Sealer of Weights and Measures	7 37			
Tuberculosis Hospital	0 44			
Inspector of Meat and Slaughtering	18 00			

Highway Equipment	156 61	
Street Lights	9 58	
Printing	21 08	
Recording Illig. Deed	3 38	
Certification of Notes	16 00	
Total		<hr/> \$48,301 43

Respectfully submitted,

DEANE O. HOWLAND, *Chairman*  
 ARTHUR J. CROMPTON  
 ROBERT L. CARPENTER  
 HELEN C. REISER  
 CATHERINE C. MACCABEE  
 OSBORNE SHERER

REPORT  
OF THE  
BUILDING INSPECTOR

All remodelling of and new buildings that permits have been granted for this year, have been inspected by me, and changes recommended when necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR J. CROMPTON,  
*Building Inspector.*

# REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

As no change in members for the year was anticipated, the Committee met January 4, 1937. The motion was adopted to retain the same officers.

Ella B. Catherwood, Chairman  
Gladys B. Watson, Clerk  
Gustavous Rossier, Third Member  
Euclid R. Lombard, Superintendent of Cemeteries

It was the intention of the Committee to have the fence at Mooreland Cemetery painted, but owing to lack of funds this was not done.

During the year four lots and one-half lot was sold.

Amount Appropriated	\$150 00
General Care	130 25
	\$19 75
Balance	

Respectfully submitted,

ELLA B. CATHERWOOD, *Chairman*  
GLADYS B. WATSON, *Clerk*  
GUSTAVOUS ROSSIER



REPORT  
OF THE  
TOWN CLERK

VITAL STATISTICS FOR 1937

BIRTHS

JANUARY

- 23 Daughter to John I. and Irene (Morowski) Niemela.

FEBRUARY

- 23 Son to Charles H. and Mary (Larkin) Peterson.

MARCH

- 25 Son to Joseph W. and Juliette (Power) Norton.  
26 Son to James T. and Ethel (Carlson) Putnam.  
28 Son to John S. and Miriam (Wentworth) Dodge.  
28 Daughter to John S. and Miriam (Wentworth) Dodge.

MAY

- 17 Son to Leroy T. and Marion (Blanchard) Clockedile.

JUNE

- 4 Son to Gustaf L. and Beatrice (Smith) Johson.

JULY

- 10 Son to Robert S. and Ruth (Tannahill) Lamotte.  
26 Daughter to Lawrence and Beatrice (Raymond) Girouard.

AUGUST

- 15 Daughter to Mauri and Saimi (Peterson) Pouutu.

OCTOBER

- 11 Son to Fred A. and Dorothy (Healey) Clay.

## NOVEMBER

- 14 Son to Herbert S. and Florence (Baril) Robinson.

## MARRIAGES

## JUNE

- 26 Carl Waldemar Carlson, Paxton, and Gladys Arline Hutchinson, Shrewsbury.

## JULY

- 10 Charles M. Fiske, Rutland, and Rena M. Johnson, Paxton.

## SEPTEMBER

- 11 Osborn Sherer and Josephine Cassidy, both of Paxton.

## OCTOBER

- 26 Eugene A. Boogler, Rutland, and Ruby D. Dean.

## NOVEMBER

- 25 John Jarzenski, Grafton, and Edna Rossier.

## DECEMBER

- 11 Robert Bodycott, Holden, and Ruth H. Bears.

## DEATHS

## JANUARY

		Y.	M.	D.
2	Michael Hyland	65	7	18

## MARCH

14	Hattie Skinner	77	5	19
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## MAY

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## NOVEMBER

6	Waldo Wesley Putnam	28	7	18
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## DECEMBER

20	Florence A. (Bond) Ruggles	65	10	25
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## HUNTING LICENSES - 1937

56 Resident Citizens Fishing.  
 52 Resident Citizens Hunting.  
 47 Resident Citizens Sporting.  
 22 Resident Minor and Womens Fishing.  
 4 Resident Citizen's Trapping.  
 1 Resident Citizens Sporting, Free.  
 1 Duplicate License.

Paid Division of Fisheries and Game	\$382 00
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## DOG LICENSES - 1938

75 Males  
 31 Females  
 10 Spayed Females  
 1 Kennel

Paid Town Treasurer on above	\$326 60
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Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT S. ROBINSON,  
*Town Clerk.*

December 31, 1937.

# REPORT OF THE PAXTON ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT

To the Commission of the Paxton Electric Light Department I present the following report of the department as of December 31, 1937.

## ASSETS

Plant Investment	\$29,634 05
General Equipment	278 35
Cash	404 56
Special Deposits	226 07
Accounts Receivable	1,331 65
Material and Supplies	790 53
Depreciation Fund	1,814 91
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	\$34,480 12

## LIABILITIES

Appropriations for Constructions	\$ 7,090 07
Consumers' Deposits	201 84
Loans Repayment	13,116 00
Profit and Loss	14,072 21
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	\$34,480 12

## COST OF PLANT

Cost of Structures	\$ 293 44
Cost of Transformer Station and Substation Equipment	2,235 69

Cost of Poles, Fixtures and Overhead	
Conductors	27,130 92
Cost of Consumers' Meters and	
Installation	2,955 45
Cost of Line Transformers and	
Installation	7,579 61
Cost of Street Lighting Equipment	3,698 33
Cost of Office Equipment	251 65
Cost of Laboratory Equipment	99 93
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	\$44,245 02

The Depreciation for 1938 will be 3% of the cost of the plant or \$1,327.35.

Respectfully submitted,

ROY M. WENTWORTH,  
*Manager.*

The Electric Light Department during the year 1937 installed automatic switching equipment on Grove Street and West Street. The above installations complete the automatic equipment for the town.

Two booster transformers have also been purchased for service at City Line. One has been installed and one is held in reserve for emergency.

The extension to Mr. Streeter's property at Grove and Pond Street has been completed.

Ten new distribution transformers have been placed in various parts of town where needed.

The lines have been strengthened by replacement of poles and cross-arms where necessary.



Ten new range connections have been made.

The Department feels that in order to maintain the best possible service it should purchase in 1938 a department service truck, also complete and put into service the contemplated sub-station at City Line. We feel that these two items are vitally important to the proper maintenance of the Plant.

It is the hope of the department that further reduction of rates can be made in the near future.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK GRIFFIN,  
ALLAN S. HUTCHINS  
FRANK A. REED

*Paxton Electric Light Commission.*

REPORT  
OF THE  
BOARD OF HEALTH  
FOR THE YEAR 1937

The Board of Health was organized February 11, 1937 with George C. Hunt as Chairman, Mary M. Daniher as Clerk and Carl H. Wood, Third Member.

We regret having to report the following cases of illness in 1937:

- 2 Dog-Bite
- 1 Chicken Pox (Contagious Disease)
- 52 Measles (Contagious Disease)
- 4 Mumps
- 1 Pulmonary Tuberculosis (Contagious Disease)

We had no cases of Scarlet Fever (Contagious Disease).

Parents should report ALL cases of Contagious Diseases to the Board of Health which is required by law to keep a record of same.

For the convenience of the Parents we print on the following page the Quarantine Requirements from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE C. HUNT, *Chairman*  
MARY M. DANIHER, *Clerk*  
CARL H. WOOD,  
*Board of Health.*

# FROM MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

## QUARANTINE REQUIREMENTS

Disease	Minimum Period of Isolation of Patient	CONTROL OF CONTACTS		
		Adults	Immune Children	Children Not Immune
Chicken Pox	One week from appearance of eruption and thereafter until all crusts have disappeared.	No restrictions.	No restrictions.	No restrictions.
German Measles	One week from appearance of rash.	No restrictions.	No restrictions.	No restrictions.
Measles	One week from appearance of rash.	No restrictions except non-immune school teachers. These same as non-immune children.	No restrictions.	Exclusion from school for 16 days from date of last exposure.
Mumps	One week from onset of disease and thereafter until all swelling of salivary glands has disappeared.	No restrictions.	No restrictions.	No restrictions.
Scarlet Fever	Uncomplicated Cases: Three weeks from date of appearance of rash. Careful attention should be given to nose and throat to detect existence of discharge or inflammation before considering case as uncomplicated. If upper respiratory tract symptoms appear during month after release from isolation, precautions should be re-established.	Food handlers living in a family in which a case of diphtheria or scarlet fever exists shall be subject to the same restrictions as children.  School teachers shall be subject to the same restrictions as school children. Food handlers and others whose occupation brings them in contact with children have no restrictions if they live away from home.	No restrictions if away from home. (A child shall be considered as having had the disease if so shown by the records of the Board of Health or by a sworn statement from the parent or guardian that the child has had the disease elsewhere.)	Unless child lives away from home one week and continues to live away from home, cannot re-enter school.

For Information regarding other Diseases please consult your Physician or the Board of Health.

**Complicated Cases:** Four weeks and thereafter until abnormal discharges shall have ceased, swollen glands subsided, or three consecutive cultures of abnormal discharge shall have been found free of hemolytic streptococci.

**Whooping Cough**

Three weeks from beginning of spasmodic cough. No restrictions.

No restrictions.

Exclusion from school two weeks from last exposure.

## LIST OF JURORS FOR 1938

LEWIS B. CURTISS

CHARLES C. CRAIG

JOSEPH H. PARK

CHARLES W. BEARS

EARL BEMIS

JAMES T. PUTNAM

FOR THE YEAR 1937



## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

To the Citizens of Paxton:

The circulation of books and magazines for the year ending December 31, 1937 was 6,131.

Books and magazines purchased	212
Books discarded 200, and sent to the Veterans Hospital at Rutland and the C.C.C. Camp at Upton	
Books rebound	20
Books loaned from the Division of Education, of the Boston Public Library	20

### *Classification of Statement of Circulation*

Books adult	2,939
Books juvenile	2,807
Books adult non-fiction	150
Books juvenile non-fiction	125
Books and magazines school report	100
Magazines adult	264
Magazines juvenile	121

Books and magazines donated:

Misses Bertha and Lucy Bill, Mrs. Herbert Esterbrook,  
Mrs. A. G. Wesson and Mrs. G. K. Whitney

With the installation of the indirect lighting system,  
the facilities of the library have greatly improved.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNA T. PECK,  
*Librarian.*

# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE RICHARDS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1937

Funds for Use in 1937:

Unexpended Balance,	
December 31, 1936	\$277 43
Plus Late Interest Returns	75 28

Total Unexpended Balance	\$352 71
February 1, 1937 Dog Fund	\$249 30

\$602 01

Income on Trust Funds:

Geo. L. Bigelow Fund,	
\$500.00 Interest to December 31	\$12 58
Library Fund \$168.87, none	
\$1500.00 Note to Town	
Notes Receivable, Mrs. Ladd, \$2500.00	125 00
C. D. Boynton Fund, Interest to December 31	\$184 37
Edw. D. Bigelow Fund, Interest to Dec. 31	553 30
Total Funds Available in 1937	\$1,477 26

## Expenditures:

Salary, Librarian	\$400 00
Salary, Janitor	365 00
Books	236 77
Magazines	25 90
Fuel	126 00
Electric Light	19 48
New Equipment	85 50
Supplies	6 55
Water	20 00
Miscellaneous	49 19
Painting and Repairs	81 11

Total

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\$1,415 50

Unused Balance

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\$61 76

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL L. CLAPP, *Chairman*  
MAY N. LIDSTROM, *Clerk*  
MARGUERITE E. CALLAHAN  
IRENE M. REED  
DR. WM. L. SHIPMAN  
MILTON LADD

*Board of Trustees of the Richards Memorial Library.*

# REPORT

## OF THE

### MOTH DEPARTMENT

Paxton, Mass., January 12, 1938.

Board of Selectmen:

Property Owners	9,017 nests
Town Roads	19,472 nests
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Total	28,489 nests
Appropriated	\$200 00
Stock and Tools	23 44
Labor	176 00
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	\$199 44
Balance on Hand	\$0 56

LUCIUS W. PARKER,  
*Supt. of the Moth Dept.*

## REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

Under vote of the Annual Meeting in February 1937, the Planning Board was reorganized under the provisions of Chapter 211 Acts 1936 with five members.

The Board met and organized electing Rufus B. Dunbar, Chairman and Milton P. Ladd, Secretary. Several meetings have since been held and studies and suggestions communicated to other officials.

The rules for plans to be submitted to the Board of Survey as heretofore adopted by the town were considered and with slight variation have been adopted as rules of Planning Board. As so revised the rules are submitted as a part of this report.

The change of the name Highland Court to Highland Street is unanimously approved and recommended.

The Annual meeting of 1937, directed the Board to prepare Zoning By-laws. No funds were provided and no action could be undertaken without funds.

The preparation of a plan of the town is a vital subject for consideration. It is the unanimous request of the Board for appropriation of five hundred dollars to compile available data and to make field survey for a plan as a base for assessors and for general use.

Respectfully submitted,

RUFUS B. DUNBAR  
MILTON P. LADD  
EDMUND A. REISER  
ROBERT L. CARPENTER  
ARTHUR J. CROMPTON



## RULES FOR PLANS TO BE SUBMITTED TO PLANNING BOARD

1. Application for approval shall be in writing on blanks furnished by the Planning Board or Town Clerk.
2. There shall be an original plan on Tracing cloth or paper and three blue prints therefrom submitted to the Board with application.
3. Scale of plans shall be not smaller than 100 ft. to the inch.
4. The title of the plan must state the location, scale, date, name and address of both the owner and surveyor and also the name under which the subdivision is to be advertised, if any development name is to be used.
5. The plan must show the north point, the area of all lots, length of all lot lines, passageways, street lines, fences, walls, buildings, boundary monuments, natural monuments, waterways and natural and proposed drainage courses and ownership and location of all abutting property, width of all streets and length and radii of all curves, direction of all lines by angles with reference to the north point or by angles with reference to other lines on the plan.
6. Plans shall show all existing streets or other important features on the opposite side of streets adjoining the property to be allotted or within 100 ft. of any of the property lines.
7. All plans of streets submitted to the Board must be accompanied by profiles showing the present and proposed grade and proposed drainage. Levels shall be with reference to some bench mark approved by Planning Board.

8. Names of proposed streets shall not be placed on plans until such names shall have been approved by the Planning Board.
9. Certificate, satisfactory to the Board, showing status of record title to the property to be allotted must be furnished by the applicant before approval of the Board will be endorsed on the plans.
10. Upon the receipt of plans with petition for the approval, the Board will give a public hearing thereon after giving notice of the same by publication of the order of the hearing once in each of two successive weeks in a newspaper published in the County of Worcester and having a circulation in Paxton, the last publication to be at least two days before the day of hearing and by posting copies of the order at least seven days before the day of hearing at the Post Office and at one or more other public places in the Town of Paxton and by giving personal notice by mail or service to abutters and owners within one hundred feet of the property lines whose names and addresses shall be furnished to the Board by the applicant. Said advertisement will be inserted and said notices will be posted and sent under the direction of the Board but expenses thereof shall be paid by the applicant.
11. The Planning Board will require of the applicant an agreement to construct the streets in accordance with the proposed and approved grades, and to prepare a suitable and useful surface within a specified time agreeable to the Board, and the applicant shall file a bond with sufficient sureties to the satisfaction of the Board to insure the performance of the agreement.
12. In general, plans will not be approved unless streets are at least fifty feet in width, and ordinary lots are

at least fifty feet in width and one hundred feet in depth and contain an area of at least 10,000 square feet. Streets intersecting major highways should be spaced as far apart as circumstances will justify.

Note: For mutual convenience and economy, the Board will gladly cooperate by preliminary consideration of tentative or proposed plans prior to formal application.

ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT



FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1937

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Harry Clark, Chairman	Term Expires 1938
May N. Lidstrom, Secretary	Term Expires 1939
Charles C. Craig	Term Expires 1940

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

James R. Childs	Holden 12 or 209
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## SCHOOL NURSE

Evelyn E. Crossley, R.N.	Holden 265
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## SCHOOL PHYSICIANS

William T. Knowlton, M.D., Jan.-June	Holden 246
Leroy E. Mayo, M. D., Sept.-Dec.	Holden 89-2

## ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Alfred Maccabee	2-2436
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## JANITOR

George Maccabee	2-0239
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## SCHOOL CALENDAR

Fall Term—16 weeks	Sept. 8 to Dec. 24, 1937
Winter Term—8 weeks	Jan. 3 to Feb. 25, 1938
Spring Term—8 weeks	March 7 to April 29, 1938
Summer Term—6 weeks	May 9 to June 17, 1938
Fall Term—16 weeks	Sept. 6 to Dec. 23, 1938

## HOLIDAYS

January 1, February 22, April 19, May 30, Labor Day,  
October 12, November 11, Thanksgiving Day and the  
day following.



# REPORT

## OF THE

# SCHOOL COMMITTEE

### FOR THE YEAR 1937

#### Funds for use in 1937:

Appropriation	\$20,900 00
Appropriation for Clinic	100 00
Bigelow Fund, Interest	25 00
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	\$21,025 00

#### Expenditures:

School Committee	\$154 00
Superintendent	595 32
Teachers	4,761 97
Janitor	810 00
Health	347 39
Books	353 87
School Supplies	246 59
Janitors Supplies	33 81
High School Transportation	2,786 92
Grade Transportation	2,584 20
High School Tuition	5,808 00
Light and Fuel	474 62
Miscellaneous	84 93
Spencer Grade Tuition and Transportation	85 90
New Equipment	377 10
Repairs and Replacements	1,063 91
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	\$20,568 53

Clinic Work	100 00	
	<hr/>	20,688 53
Unused Balance		<hr/> \$356 47
Trade Schools:		
- Appropriation	\$4,000 00	
Expenditures:		
Tuition	\$2,481 02	
Transportation	893 38	
	<hr/>	\$3,374 40
Unused Balance		\$625 60
Grants and Gifts from the State:		
High School Tuition	\$3,413 82	
High School Transportation	2,837 00	
School Fund	\$1,864 49	
	500 00	
	800 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,164 49
Superintendent	290 00	
	<hr/>	\$9,705 31
Trade Schools	2,475 61	
	<hr/>	\$12,180 92
Total		
Total School Expenditures		\$24,042 93
Grants and Gifts from the State		12,180 92
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Net		\$11,862 01

Respectfully submitted,

MAY N. LIDSTROM, *Secretary.*

# REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Holden, Mass., December 31, 1937.

*To the School Committee of Paxton:*

Again I have the honor of presenting for your consideration my report on the condition of your schools, this being my twentieth and the thirty-eighth in the series since the formation of the Union.

It has been your purpose to maintain a program of progressive education and to secure for our boys and girls the best that the school appropriation permits. The voters have always responded to every reasonable request for the support of schools and we have an excellent school plant. The equipment is up-to-date, the class-rooms in good condition, the lavatories modern and sanitary. Few rural communities have as adequate playground facilities as Paxton. There is a fine spirit of friendly cooperation among parents, teachers and pupils.

We were unfortunate in having three changes of teachers this last summer. Mr. MacDonald resigned to accept a position in Brookline, Miss Mullen to accept a position in her home town of Barre, and Miss O'Brien to be married. Mr. Melvin H. Glazier of East Northfield was elected to be Principal and to teach Grades VII and VIII. Miss Jessie Thornton was chosen for Grades V and VI, and Miss Dorothy Simpson for Grades III and IV. At the annual meeting in April it was decided to again employ a special teacher or supervisor of Music and Miss Janet D. Carey of Springfield was appointed.

We feel keenly the loss of Dr. Knowlton who had served as School Physician for five years. He was friendly and helpful, a lover of children, always ready to respond to any calls made upon him. Dr. Mayo of The Holden Clinic was appointed as School Physician. Miss Crossley was re-elected School Nurse. She has carried on the health program very skilfully and her report deserves careful reading. Through her efforts we expect to have our own equipment for the Union, for testing sight and hearing. We were very fortunate in having Dr. Scott conduct the dental clinic in all our schools. Much credit is due Miss Crossley for the efficient management of this and the other clinics held during the year.

The Paxton-Rutland Teachers' Club held several meetings during the year. We have 100% membership again in the N.E.A. Much credit is due those who worked on the school paper, printed on the new duplicating machine. The radio and a new Keystone 16mm. projector made possible some excellent assembly programs. The Horace Mann Centennial furnished the material for several programs and for the graduation exercises. The six upper grades entered the annual poster contest and we had fourteen winning posters. The ninth annual prize speaking contest was held in April. Robert Ahearn and Stella Nanigian were first prize winners. Walter Beyea and Helen Hakko received the second prizes. Awards of \$1. were made by Mr. Clapp to all others who took part in the contest. Our sincere thanks are given to Mr. and Mrs. Dunbar for encouraging and supporting this program of public speaking, and for the prizes donated by them. The American Legion Essay awards were made to William Lindquist and Helen Hakko, the presentation being made by Commander Joseph Langevin. Thanks are due to those who have carried on the 4-H Clubs, the work of the P.T.A., the Boy Scouts and the Girl Scouts. The school library was enlarged by gifts from the teachers, some of the pupils and friends. I would suggest that additions be

made each year from our appropriation. We thank Mr. Clapp for transportation to ball games with other schools, for the picnic at the close of school, and for many kind services indicating his interest in our boys and girls.

The enrollment for the fall term was 94 and the average membership for the year 103. These figures show no change from a year ago. There are not as many attending high and trade schools this year. All who attend school in Worcester should familiarize themselves with the rules of the School Committee governing such attendance. No pupils may transfer from one school to another without written consent of the Committee. Pupils will not be allowed to continue in school at town expense if they have a continuing record of poor attendance, scholarship, effort or conduct. Failure to notify the Committee if a pupil leaves school will render the parent liable for any bills incurred after the time of leaving. Only in exceptional cases will the town be responsible for payment of tuition or transportation to high school for a longer period than four years.

We hope this coming year to complete the new seating in class-rooms, and to add to our equipment. The sheathing in the basement and the storm windows have added much to our comfort and will result in a saving of fuel. I want to thank the Committee, the teachers, Mr. Maccabee and all others who have worked for the best interests of the children.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES R. CHILDS.



## SCHOOL NURSE

### *To the Superintendent of Schools:*

Before submitting my Annual Report may I bring back to memory the words of our loyal friend, the late Dr. Knowlton, "We have a big job to do, let us do our best."

May his unwritten report prove that we tried to do our best, and though his passing has left unfinished a more extensive health program, may the memory of his loyalty, cooperation, enthusiasm and desires, help us to carry on his unfinished program for better health standards of our school children.

The following is the report of health activities from January 1, 1937:

In January, the State Department gave the 4A. audiometer test to 75 children. Nine were re-examined and only two were found to have defective hearing, one a permanent injury case and the second was taken to the ear clinic of Dr. Rice in Holden and treatment given has shown beneficial results.

In May, Child Health Day was observed with a special program and the showing of health films.

Also, in May, the pre-school clinic and vaccination clinic conducted by the late Dr. Knowlton was conducted. Eleven out of 13 children attended.

In June, a special examination for diseased tonsils was given. Nine were found to need tonsillectomys. Arrangements were made with Dr. Rice and the Holden District Hospital for a clinic. Five children attended, two others

were done in Worcester, leaving only two children with detrimental tonsil conditions.

In September, Dr. Bessie Scott conducted the dental clinic. All children were examined and our dental improvement record shows an increase from 6% to 83%, the highest record in the school union for correction of dental defects.

Also, in September, Dr. Hayes, temporary school physician, conducted the annual physicals. A marked correction of defects was apparent and no major defects were found.

In October, Dr. Glidden's staff conducted their annual clinic. A simple skin test to determine susceptibility to tuberculosis was given to pupils of the seventh grade. Eleven out of 14 were tested and only one showed a reaction. This pupil was X-rayed and examined and found to be free from any evidence of disease.

The children have been weighed four times during the year and we are happy to state no child is suffering from malnutrition.

Examinations for cleanliness, posture, pediculosis and skin troubles have been made periodically. Thirty-two exclusions have been made by the teachers on recommendation. Thirty-five home visits have been made and I find the parents interested and cooperative in the recommendations suggested for the childrens' welfare.

Sanitary inspections were conducted three times by the school doctor during the school year.

The installation of modern equipment in the boys' basement has received many commendable expressions.

It is a pleasure to work with the teachers of Paxton and I wish to thank them, as well as the parents and the pupils and all other organizations for their real interest and cooperation in our health program.

Respectfully submitted,

EVELYN E. CROSSLEY, R.N.

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

*To the Superintendent of Schools:*

This report is necessarily brief because of the short period which I have thus far served as your School Physician.

I feel that whatever else might be contained in it, the report would be incomplete without mentioning the name of my predecessor, Dr. William T. Knowlton. He was an experienced and kindly physician, respected both by his patients and his colleagues. I know that his loss is keenly felt throughout the district. It is with this thought in mind that I humbly accept the position as School Physician.

In my absence during September the physical examinations were done by Dr. Paul T. Hayes, the results of which are incorporated in Miss Crossley's report.

The sanitary inspection of the school buildings was made in October. My impression is that by and large the sanitary condition of the schools is very satisfactory. In each instance the buildings were clean and orderly. A few improvements are desirable in the basements and lavatories, but I am aware that these would have been made long ago had the necessary funds been available.

We have been very fortunate throughout the fall in having a low incidence of communicable diseases.

Respectfully submitted,

LEROY E. MAYO, M.D.

IN MEMORIAM

DR. WILLIAM T. KNOWLTON

School Physician

September 1932 — June 1937



## ORGANIZATION, 1936 - 1937

Grades	Teacher—Training	Began Here
7-8	Gilbert G. MacDonald, Northeast. Univ.	Sept. 1935
5-6	Kathryn W. Mullen, Worcester S.T.C.	Sept. 1932
3-4	Margaret A. O'Brien, Lesley N.S.	Sept. 1931
1-2	Ruth E. Butterfield, Worcester S.T.C.	Sept. 1929

## ATTENDANCE STATISTICS, 1936 - 1937

Grades	Total Mem.	Ave. Mem.	Ave. Atten.	Per Cent of Atten.
7-8	27	24	23	95
5-6	32	27	25	95
3-4	33	26	25	94
1-2	24	19	18	95
Totals	112	103	96	92

## GRADUATES, JUNE 1937

Robert M. Anderson	William E. Lindquist
Ruth L. Carlson	Jacob Nanigian
Elizabeth J. Flint	Robert B. Pierce
Helen E. Hakko	Richard B. Reed
Mary A. Harney	Janet K. Sheehan

## REGISTRATION OF MINORS

October 1, 1937

Children in Paxton	Boys	Girls	Totals
From 5 to 7 years of age	8	5	13
From 7 to 14 years of age	45	28	73
From 14 to 16 years of age	7	13	20
Totals	60	46	106

## ENROLLMENT — FALL TERM 1937

Grade	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	Totals
Boys	9	4	6	11	8	3	8	8	57
Girls	5	5	1	4	7	4	7	4	37
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Totals	14	9	7	15	15	7	15	12	94

## AGE AND GRADING CHART

October 1, 1937

Age	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	Totals
I	12	1									13
II	I	10									11
III		1	3	4							8
IV			3	9	1	3					16
V				1	6	4	2	2			15
VI						5	2				7
VII							5	8	1	1	15
VIII							2	8	2	1	13
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	13	12	6	14	7	12	11	18	3	2	98

## ANNUAL POSTER CONTEST

1st Prize (Blue Ribbon Medal)—

Robert Anderson  
Beverly FlintRobert Lindquist  
Nancy Plant

2nd Prize (Red Ribbon Medal)—

George Clapp  
Norman Fallstrom  
Watson JohnsonRichard Reed  
Frank Urbonovitch

Honorable Mention—

Ronald Clockedile  
Thomas Cunningham  
Joseph FallstromJohn Nanigian  
Janet Sheehan

## HONOR ROLL

### *Perfect Attendance for the Year*

Ruth Carlson

Jean Reiser

William Winterbottom

REPORT  
OF THE  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Board of Selectmen met February 6, 1937 with the following members present: George C. Hunt, Mary M. Daniher and Carl H. Wood.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the following were elected:

George C. Hunt, Chairman  
Mary M. Daniher, Clerk  
Carl H. Wood, Third Member

Building Permits were issued during the year for remodelling and new buildings at a total estimated value of \$51,300.00.

The following Licenses and Permits were issued:

- 1 Sale of Fireworks
- 1 Auctioneer
- 5 Pistol
- 8 Common Victualler (including 2 for 1938)
- 2 Inn Holder's (including 1 for 1938)
- 1 Methyl Alcohol
- 8 Special Malt
- 7 Sunday
- 1 Innholder All Alcoholic Beverages License 1938
- 1 Restaurant All Alcoholic Beverages License 1937
- 2 Restaurant All Alcoholic Beverages License 1938
- 1 Retail Packages Alcoholic Beverages License 1938

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE C. HUNT, Chairman  
MARY M. DANIHER, Clerk  
CARL H. WOOD

*Board of Selectmen.*

REPORT  
OF THE  
INSPECTOR OF MEAT AND  
SLAUGHTERING

Hogs	14
Calves	3
Cow	1

Respectfully submitted,

EUCLID R. LOMBARD,  
*Inspector of Slaughtering.*



# REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

FROM FEBRUARY 25, 1937 TO DECEMBER 31, 1937

## TAXES OF 1937

DR.

Due per Warrant	\$37,793 04
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CR.

By Amounts paid Treasurer on Real and Personal	\$19,124 29
By Amounts paid Treasurer on Moth Assessment	13 40
By Abatements	557 70
By Uncollected Taxes	18,097 65
	\$37,793 04    \$37,793 04

## POLLS OF 1937

DR.

Due per Warrants No. 1 and 2	\$518 00
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CR.

By Amounts Paid Treasurer	\$488 00
By Uncollected Taxes	30 00
	\$518 00    \$518 00

## TAXES OF 1936

DR.

Due per Warrant	\$12,504 86
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## CR.

By Payments to Treasurer on Real and Personal	\$8,047 29	
By Payments to Treasurer on Moth Assessment	7 10	
By Payments to Treasurer on Polls	7 00	
By Taxes Transferred to Tax Titles	1,572 72	
By Taxes Included in Tax Title Redemptions	75 90	
By Uncollected Taxes	2,794 85	
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	\$12,504 86	\$12,504 86

## TAXES OF 1935

## DR.

Due per Warrant	\$3,424 71
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## CR.

By Payments to Treasurer on Real and Personal	\$2,984 94	
By Payments to Treasurer on Polls	4 00	
By Uncollected Polls	20 00	
By Uncollected Personal Taxes	33 01	
By Taxes Transferred to Tax Titles	166 08	
By Taxes Included in Tax Title Redemptions	216 68	
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	\$3,424 71	\$3,424 71

## TAXES OF 1934

## DR.

Due per Warrant	\$121 09
By Readjustment per Audit 9-6-37	8 65
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Taxes Due per Readjusted Warrant	\$112 44

## CR.

By Payments to Treasurer	\$33 69	
By Abatements	30 38	
By Outstanding Polls	2 00	
By Outstanding Personal	8 65	
By Outstanding Taxes on Howe Farm	37 72	
	<u>\$112 44</u>	\$112 44

## TAXES OF 1933

## DR.

Due per Warrant	\$10 45	
Due per Warrant on Old Age Assistance	8 00	
Taxes Due per Warrants	<u>\$18 45</u>	

## CR.

Payments to Treasurer on Polls and O. A. A.	\$14 00	
Payments to Treasurer on Real	30	
Payments to Treasurer on Moth Tax	15	
By Abatement on Polls	4 00	
By Abatement on Old Age Assistance	4 00	
	<u>\$18 45</u>	\$18 45

## MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE OF 1937

## DR.

Due per Warrants No. 1-5	\$2,122 27
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## CR.

By Amounts Paid Treasurer	\$1,712 82
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By Abatements	64 55
By Uncollected Taxes	344 90

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\$2,122 27    \$2,122 27

## MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE OF 1936

## DR.

Due per Warrants	356 39
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## CR.

By Amounts Paid Treasurer	\$260 56
By Abatements	11 13
By Uncollected Taxes	84 70

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\$356 39    \$356 39

## MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE OF 1935

## DR.

Due per Warrant	\$88 86
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## CR.

By Payments to Treasurer	\$45 24
By Abatements	43 62

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\$88 86    \$88 86

## MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE OF 1934

## DR.

Due per Warrant	\$26 20
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## CR.

By Amounts Paid Treasurer	\$ 7 21
By Abatements	18 99
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	\$26 20      \$26 20

## MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE OF 1933

## DR.

Due per Warrant	\$15 04
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## CR.

By Amounts Paid Treasurer	\$2 10
By Abatements	9 47
By Uncollected Taxes	3 47
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	\$15 04      \$15 04

## INTEREST PAYMENTS TO TREASURER

Taxes of 1937	\$18 55
Taxes of 1936	370 04
Taxes of 1935	318 81
Taxes of 1934	4 46
Taxes of 1933	1 38

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Total Interest Payments to Treasurer    \$713 24

Respectfully submitted,

AUSTIN W. WHITNEY,  
*Tax Collector.*



# REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

I herewith submit my report of Receipts and Expenditures of the Town of Paxton for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1937.

## RECEIPTS

### General Revenue:

#### Taxes:

Levy of 1933	\$ 79 51
Levy of 1934	222 34
Levy of 1935	4,176 91
Levy of 1936	10,308 05
Levy of 1937	19,124 29
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	\$33,911 10

#### Polls:

Levy of 1933	\$ 8 00
Levy of 1934	6 00
Levy of 1935	4 00
Levy of 1936	13 00
Levy of 1937	488 00
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	519 00

### Old Age Assistance:

Levy of 1933	\$5 00
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	\$5 00

## Motor Vehicle Excise:

Levy of 1933	\$ 26 42
Levy of 1934	52 88
Levy of 1935	52 23
Levy of 1936	335 67
Levy of 1937	1,712 82

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 \$2,180 02

## Tax Titles:

Redemptions	\$3,203 59
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 \$3,203 59

## From State:

Income Tax	\$2,093 50
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 \$2,093 50

## Licenses:

Liquor, Stands and Permits	\$1,179 00
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 \$1,179 00

## Grants and Gifts from the State:

School Fund	\$1,864 49
School Superintendent	290 00
High School Tuition	3,413 82
High School Transportation	2,837 00
Trade Schools	2,475 61
Educational	500 00
Inspector of Animals	25 00
Temporary Aid	473 28
Old Age Assistance	1,143 14

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 \$13,022 34

## From County:

Dog Licenses Refunded	\$249 30
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\$249 30

## Other Revenue:

Rent of Hall	\$224 25
Rent of Howe Place	240 00
Rent of Illig Place	36 00
Sealers Fees	66
Sale of Old Iron	1 00

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\$501 91

## Special Assessments:

Moth 1933	\$0 15
Moth 1934	0 40
Moth 1936	9 85
Moth 1937	13 65

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\$24 05

## From Tax Collector:

Costs	\$77 50
Demands	20 65

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\$98 15

## From Town Clerk:

Dog Licenses	330 80
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\$330 80

## Highways:

State,	
Chapter 81	\$4,432 13
Chapter 90, Construction	3,332 93

## County,

Chapter 90, Maintenance	136 92
Chapter 90, Construction	2,962 99
Town, Tractor Equip. Maint.	221 75

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\$11,086 72

## Interest:

On Taxes	\$844 30
On Cemetery Perpetual Funds	388 50
On C. D. Boynton Fund	184 37
On D. R. Boynton Poor Fund	25 15
On C. D. Boynton Record Bldg.	69 83
On Library Funds	690 88
On School Fund	25 00

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\$2,228 03

## Municipal Indebtedness:

Anticipation of Revenue	\$10,000 00
Highways	5,000 00
Recreational Field	3,500 00

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\$18,500 00

## Library Fund:

Recreational Field	\$1,500 00
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\$1,500 00

## Cemetery Funds:

Perpetual Care Lots	\$350 00
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\$350 00

## Electric Light Department:

Light and Power	\$12,489 71
Depreciation Fund	1,222 77

Interest on Depreciation	52 67	
Meter Guarantee	150 00	
Interest on Meter Fund	5 14	
	<hr/>	\$13,920 29
Water Department:		
Collections	\$2,605 52	
	<hr/>	\$2,605 52
Federal Grant	\$1,989 13	
	<hr/>	\$1,989 13
Refunds:		
Insurance	\$2 76	
	<hr/>	\$2 76
Total Receipts		\$109,500 21
Cash Balance, January 1, 1937		10,710 12
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Total		\$120,210 33

## PAYMENTS

Moderator:		
Services	\$10 00	
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Selectmen:		
Services and Clerical	\$450 00	
Expenses	45 48	
	<hr/>	\$495 48



## Treasurer:

Services	\$340 00
Travelling	25 00
Expenses	32 65

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 \$397 65

## Tax Collector:

Services	\$300 00
Expenses	174 92

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 \$474 92

## Assessors:

Services and Expenses	\$296 24
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 \$296 24

## Legal:

Town Counsel	\$ 53 26
Land Court Fees	170 00

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 \$223 26

## Town Clerk:

Services	\$100 00
Expenses	5 41

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 \$105 41

## Elections:

Registrars	\$20 00
Tellers	27 00
Ballots	30 25
Check Lists	5 00

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 \$82 25

## Other Department:

Damages	\$20 00
Chairs	50 00
Adding Machine	75 00

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 \$145 00

## Town Hall:

Janitor	\$520 00
Water	20 00
Fuel	235 25
Lights	50 05
Janitors Supplies	25 44
Repairs	132 47
Floor	200 00

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 \$1,183 21

## Constables:

Services	\$67 75
Dog Officer	9 00
Badges	2 64

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 \$79 39

## Fire Department:

Rent	\$300 00
Maintenance	179 61
Siren	9 00
Compensation	243 75

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 \$732 36

## Sealer of Weights and Measures:

Services	\$25 00
Supplies	7 37

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 \$32 37

## Building Inspector:

Services	\$25 00	
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\$25 00

## Moth:

Labor	\$176 00	
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Supplies	23 44	
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199 44

## Tree Warden:

Labor	49 90	
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\$49 90

## Health:

Services	\$ 25 00	
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Supplies	12 00	
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Garbage Collection	110 00	
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Tubercular Hospital	1,040 85	
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Inspection of Animals	50 00	
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Inspection of Meat	23 00	
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\$1,260 85

## Highways:

Chapter 81	\$6,525 00	
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Chapter 90, Maintenance	3,899 88	
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Chapter 90, Construction	7,699 89	
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Equipment Maintenance	240 80	
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Snow Removal	1,861 69	
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Snow Plow	2,795 00	
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\$23,022 26

## Street Lights:

Current	\$909 58	
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## Public Welfare:

Services	\$ 75 00	
Board and Care	2,369 98	
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## Old Age Assistance:

Aid	\$2,464 84	
Administration	1 79	
	<hr/>	\$2,466 63

## Military Aid:

Aid	\$45 00	
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## Schools:

Committee	\$150 00
Superintendent	510 00
Superintendent's Expenses	108 17
Census	10 00
Teachers' Salaries	4,761 97
Health	347 39
Books	350 87
Supplies	275 74
Transportation	2,565 00
Janitor	810 00
Fuel and Lights	474 62
Repairs	241 19
Janitor's Supplies	27 35
New Equipment	1,192 10

Boiler Inspection	5 00
Graduation	5 87
Others	33 24
Clinic	100 00

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\$11,968 51

#### High Schools:

Tuition	\$5,913 10
Transportation	2,786 92

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\$8,700 02

#### Trade Schools:

Tuition	\$2,481 02
Transportation	893 38

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\$3,374 40

#### Library:

Librarian	\$400 00
Janitor	365 00
Books	262 67
Supplies and Others	214 91
Fuel and Lights	145 48
Rebinding Books	7 44
Water	20 00

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\$1,415 50

#### Care of Common:

Labor	\$44 50
Mower and Seed	6 34
Flag	12 00

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\$62 84



## Fourth of July:

Celebration

\$44 07

\$44 07

## Illig Place:

Farm

\$5,500 00

Deed

3 38

\$5,503 38

## Memorial Day:

Observance

\$57 25

\$57 25

## Town Clock:

Care

\$60 00

Repairs

14 10

\$74 10

## Insurance:

Bonds

\$ 97 00

Fire and Liability

1,284 27

\$1,381 27

## Printing:

Town Reports

\$126 10

Check Books

3 03

Building Permits

15 00

Envelopes

16 95

Others

10 00

\$171 08

## Water Department:

Commissioners	\$ 75 00
Superintendent	300 00
Clerical	26 26
Postage and Supplies	27 10
Labor	305 75
Pipe and Fittings	471 92
Equipment	33 43
Fuel and Power	270 66
Others	13 98

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 \$1,524 10

## Hydrant Rental:

 \$950 00
 

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\$950 00

## Electric Light Department:

Commissioners	\$ 75 00
Clerical	105 00
Meter Reader	300 00
Printing, Telephone and Postage	127 75
Legal	85 00
Care of Lights	45 00
Repair of Lines	608 09
Meters and Transformers	2,226 57
Current	6,594 62
Materials and Supplies	1,759 72
Insurance and Bonds	147 29
Extensions	401 50
Installations	388 50
Meter Guarantee Refunds	98 81
Depreciation Fund	1,222 77
Rent	48 00
Street Lamps	48 60
Taxes	8 46

Express	44 84	
Meter Deposits	150 00	
	<hr/>	\$14,485 52

## Cemeteries:

Mooreland	\$130 25	
Perpetual Care Lots	463 25	
	<hr/>	\$593 50

## Interest and Discount:

Revenue Notes	\$ 49 66	
Highway Note	11 38	
School Building Notes	330 00	
Water Bonds	2,800 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,191 04

## Certification of Notes:

Fees	\$26 00	
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## Municipal Indebtedness:

Revenue Loan	\$20,000 00	
School Building	2,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$22,000 00

## Agency:

State Tax	\$1,715 00	
Auditing	553 54	
State Parks and Reservations	25 59	
Veterans Exemption	5 30	
	<hr/>	\$2,299 43

## Agency:

County Tax	\$1,605 30
Dog Licenses	330 20

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\$1,935 50

## Cemeteries:

Perpetual Care Funds	\$550 00
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\$550 00

## Refunds:

On Taxes	\$56 86
Motor Vehicle Excise	93 84
Others	33 63

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\$184 33

Total Payments	\$115,173 02
Cash Balance, December 31, 1937	5,037 31

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Total	\$120,210 33
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## OUTSTANDING DEBT, DECEMBER 31, 1937

Highway Loan	\$ 5,000 00
School Building Loan	4,000 00
Recreational Field	5,000 00
Water Bonds	70,000 00

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\$84,000 00

Respectfully submitted,

ETTA E. ROBINSON,  
*Treasurer.*

# REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

Paxton, Mass., January 12, 1937.

Board of Selectmen:

Amount Appropriated		\$50 00
Blacksmith Work, Stock and Labor	\$13 40	
Labor on Trees	36 50	

	\$49 90
Balance on Hand	\$0 10

Respectfully submitted,

LUCIUS W. PARKER,  
*Tree Warden.*



## BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

for the year ending December 31, 1937

The Commissioners are pleased to report that satisfactory progress is being made with the Paxton Water System.

During this year there have been 8 installations which bring the total Water Takers up to 65.

Receipts for the year 1937 are as follows:

Water Installations	\$ 281 57
Water Consumption	1,248 85
Hydrant Rentals	950 00
Miscellaneous Receipts	125 10

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\$2,605 52

Accounts Receivable

Installations (not due)	105 62
Water consumption	5 00
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The suit brought against the Town by the General Contractors is still unsettled but our Attorneys think it will be reached the latter part of the year 1938. By referring to the Report of the Commissioners last year you will note that the Auditor handed down his decision in favor of the Town but the Contractors appealed to a higher court and this suit is still pending.

At the time of writing this Report we have eight new prospects for water installations with several more in view.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM J. MCKINLEY, *Chairman*  
WALTER H. BROWN, *Clerk*  
GEORGE V. W. CLAPP, *Supt.*

# BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

## FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1937

Appropriations	\$2,000 00
Trans. from Reserve Fund	500 00
Interest from Boynton Fund	25 15
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	\$2,525 15

### Expenditures:

Case No. 59	\$260 71
73	79 72
84	354 18
89	312 94
93	10 00
95	138 01
100	31 93
102	260 00
103	105 00
109	18 00
113	64 00
114	157 50
115	257 76
116	122 00
117	53 00
118	84 00
119	36 00
Salaries	80 00
Supplies and Postage	9 84
Administration Expenses	6 89
Miscellaneous	3 50
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	2,444 98
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Balance	\$80 17

## REIMBURSEMENT FROM PUBLIC WELFARE

Case No. 73  
102

\$159 48  
313 80

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\$472 28

EDWARD L. MACCABEE, *Chairman*  
EVELYN M. GLEASON, *Clerk*  
ARTHUR CROMPTON

# BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1937

Appropriation	\$1,200 00
Government Reimbursements	1,132 93
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	\$2,332 93

## Expenditures:

Case No.	3	\$308 57
	6	52 01
	8	308 58
	9	358 00
	10	38 43
	11	234 01
	12	234 01
	13	182 00
	14	150 00
	15	138 00
	16	138 00
	17	13 00
	18	75 00
	19	75 00
	20	9 23
	21	150 00

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\$2,464 84

\$131 93

Overdrawn	
Reimbursement for Administration	\$33 51

## Expenditures:

Postage and Supplies	1 79
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Balance \$31 72

EDWARD L. MACCABEE, *Chairman*  
 EVELYN M. GLEASON, *Clerk*  
 ARTHUR CROMPTON

# TOWN WARRANT

## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Worcester, ss.

To the Town Clerk of the Town of Paxton, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, who are qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet in "Allen Hall," on Monday the SEVENTH day of February A. D. 1938, at 12 o'clock, noon, then and there to act on the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To bring in to the Election Officers their votes for the following Town Officers to be voted for on the Official ballot:

Moderator 1 year, Town Clerk 1 year, Collector of Taxes 1 year, Treasurer 1 year, Auditor 1 year, two Constables 1 year, Tree Warden 1 year, one Selectman 3 years, one member Board of Public Welfare 3 years, one Assessor 3 years, one member School Committee 3 years, one member Municipal Light Board 3 years, one Cemetery Commissioner 3 years, one Water Commission 3 years, two Trustees Richards' Memorial Library 3 years, and one member Planning Board 5 years.

All the above officers to be voted for upon one ballot.

Also to choose any other necessary town officers.

The polls will be opened at 12 o'clock, noon, and will be closed at 8 o'clock P. M.

The business meeting to open at 7 o'clock P. M.

Article 2. To hear the reports of the Town Officers and Committees and act thereon and to consider and act



upon any recommendations contained in said reports, and to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be required in accordance with said reports or otherwise, or act in any way thereon.

Article 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money (see budget) with which to pay the proper charge of a Surety Company for acting as surety on bonds required by town officers and authorize the Selectmen to approve the same.

Article 4. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1938, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Article 5. To see if the town will vote to authorize the town officers with the approval of the Selectmen, to employ counsel when deemed necessary in the performance of their duties, or act in any way thereon.

Article 6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22.00 to cover unpaid bills of the Welfare Department for 1936 and 1937.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to cover the overdraft on Old Age Assistance for the year 1937, or act in any way thereon.

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45.00 to cover Military Aid spent in 1937; also to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Military Aid in the present year, or act in any way thereon.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to pay the 1936 taxes on the Howe Farm, charging same to estimated receipts, or act in any way thereon.

Article 10. To see if the town wishes to give the Board of Selectmen any instructions relative to the Illig property, so called, or any portion thereof, or act in any way thereon.

Article 11. To see if the town will vote to confirm the action taken by the Board of Selectmen in closing part of Mill Street and part of Brigham Hill Road and accepting a new piece of road in place thereof, or act in any way thereon.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$750.00 for the completion of Grove Street under Chapter 90, said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for this purpose, or act in any way thereon.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$425.00 for reconstruction and widening on Richards Avenue, under Chapter 90, said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for this purpose, or act in any way thereon.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,100.00 to be used on Chapter 90 roads for maintenance; said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for this purpose, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to purchase a used or new fire truck, raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or act in any way thereon.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to give the Fire Department Members compensation for their services, or act in any way thereon.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to appoint a committee to have charge of the observance of Memorial Day, or act in any way thereon.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to appoint a committee to have charge of the observance of the Fourth of July, or act in any way thereon.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to pay the Moderator \$10.00 for his services at the Annual Town Meeting and \$5.00 for any special meetings, charging same to contingent, or act in any way thereon.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to transfer \$388.00 from the Highway Equipment fund to the Highway Equipment Maintenance fund, to be used to furnish supplies and maintain the town's highway equipment, or act in any way thereon.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$1,000.00 from the overlay surplus to the Reserve Fund, or act in any way thereon.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the Dog Fund and the income from the C. D. Boynton Fund to the Richards Memorial Library, or act in any way thereon.

Article 23. To see if the town will accept from Dell A. Hamilton et als, known as the Hamilton Heirs, a deed of a strip of land about thirty-three (33) feet in width for an extension of the town way now known as Highland Court and make a definite lay-out of a town way from Richards Avenue easterly over lands of Mary M. Daniher and others, and over said strip of land and change the

name of said town way to Highland Street, or act in any way thereon.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to release all rights, if any, in a well and access thereto in lands formerly owned by Fannie E. Hamilton and any persons claiming under her, or act in any way thereon.

Article 25. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the construction and surfacing of Highland Court extended four hundred feet, or act in any matter relating thereto.

Article 26. To see if the town will vote to transfer two lots of land at City Line to the Paxton Electric Light Department for a transformer sub-station in consideration of all outstanding costs, or act in any way thereon.

Article 27. To see if the town will vote to extend the water line on Richards Avenue from the present end to within 500 feet of the residence of Linwood M. Erskine, or act in any way thereon.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to hold the water revenue for 1937 and 1938 for water purposes.

Article 29. To see what action the town will take in regard to lands held by the town by virtue of Tax Deeds.

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Assessors to use up to 60% of the surplus funds in the hands of the Town treasurer, available when the tax rate is ready to be set, as recommended by the Tax Commissioner, for the purpose of reducing the tax rate for the current year, or act in any way thereon.

Article 31. To see if the town will vote to choose a director in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 128 General Laws, or pass on vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 32. To see if the town will vote that the income from the sales of electricity to private consumers or for electricity supplied to municipal buildings or municipal power during the current fiscal year be appropriated for the Municipal Light Plant, to be expended by the manager of the Municipal Light Plant under the direction and control of the Municipal Light Board for the expense of the plant for said fiscal year, as defined in Section 57, Chapter 164 of the General Laws including any new business.

Article 33. To see if the town will adopt certain By-Laws to be presented to the meeting, or act in any way thereon.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting two attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time set for holding said meeting as directed by vote of the town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 22nd day of January, 1937.

GEORGE C. HUNT,  
MARY M. DANIHER,  
CARL H. WOOD,

*Selectmen of Paxton.*