

TOWN OF PAXTON



1981 - 1982 ANNUAL REPORT

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COVER PICTURE

Third grade students from Mrs. Bogren's class at Paxton Center School, Jennifer Innis and Darlene Ledoux assist Sgt. Francis Whitney, Safety Officer, and Philip V. Donohue, chairman of the Board of Selectmen, in raising colors on the common. The flag was presented to Selectmen by Congressman Edward Boland and had flown over the U.S. capitol on December 16, 1981.

Annual Reports

Town Officers

Town of Paxton



Year Ending June 30, 1982

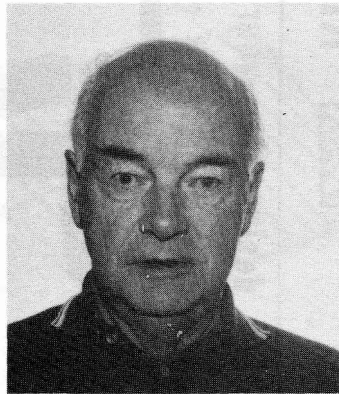


New Aerial Fire Truck put into operation by Fire Dept. in November, 1982
(Photo Credit) Dick Bedard

"Select Good Men to Administer the Affairs of the Town."

quote from Massachusetts Colonial Procedures
for Administration of Town Affairs

With Thanks for Past Service



**Police Officer
Robert Wrenn**

Raymond A. Seymour
Tree Warden

Ann M. Mello
Recreation

Josephine Blood
Board of Registrars

Peter Sieman
Conservation

Richard Connell
Personnel Advisory Committee

George Knipe
Council on Aging

Paula Aijala
Council on Aging

Judith Russell
Arts Council Committee

Ruth Wentworth
Arts Council Committee
Historical Commission

Robert Fowler
Town Government Committee

Armand Casavant
Town Government Committee

George Kelley
Town Government Committee

Harold Mullaney
Town Government Committee

Richard Peckit
Town Government Committee

George Krikorian
Town Government Committee

John Pennace
Cable T. V. Committee

Henry Kennen, III
Gypsy Moth Committee

Joanne Roy
Gypsy Moth Committee

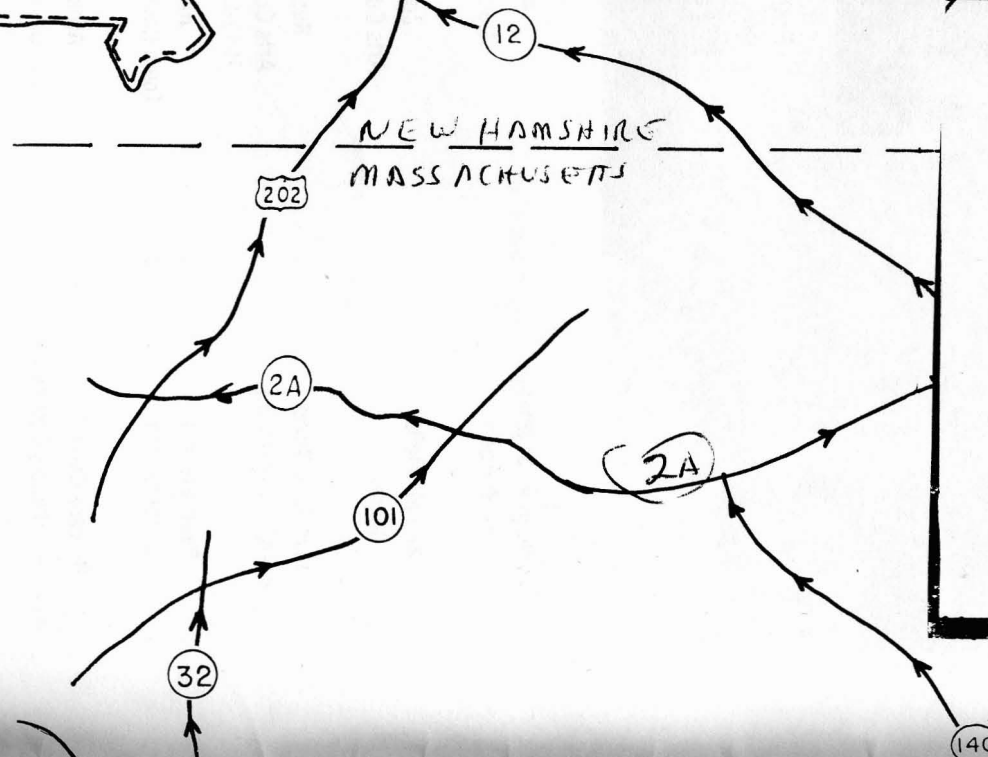
RELOCATION ROUTE MAPS

CIVIL DEFENSE INFORMATION IN TIME OF
INTERNATIONAL TENSION OR CRISIS

 **HOST AREA**

 **RISK AREA**

Cut out the marker designating your destination and
attach it to your windshield with tape or glue.



KE

KEENE, N.H.

HOLDEN

Route 31 to 140 to 2A to 12 into Keene, N.H.

WEST BOYLSTON

Route 140 to 2A to 12 into Keene, N.H.

PAXTON

Route 122 to 32 to 101 to 2A to 202 to 12 into Keene, N.H.

PRINCETON

Route 31 to 140 to 2A to 12 into Keene, N.H.

RUTLAND

Route 122 to 32 to 101 to 2A to 202 to 12 into Keene, N.H.

STERLING

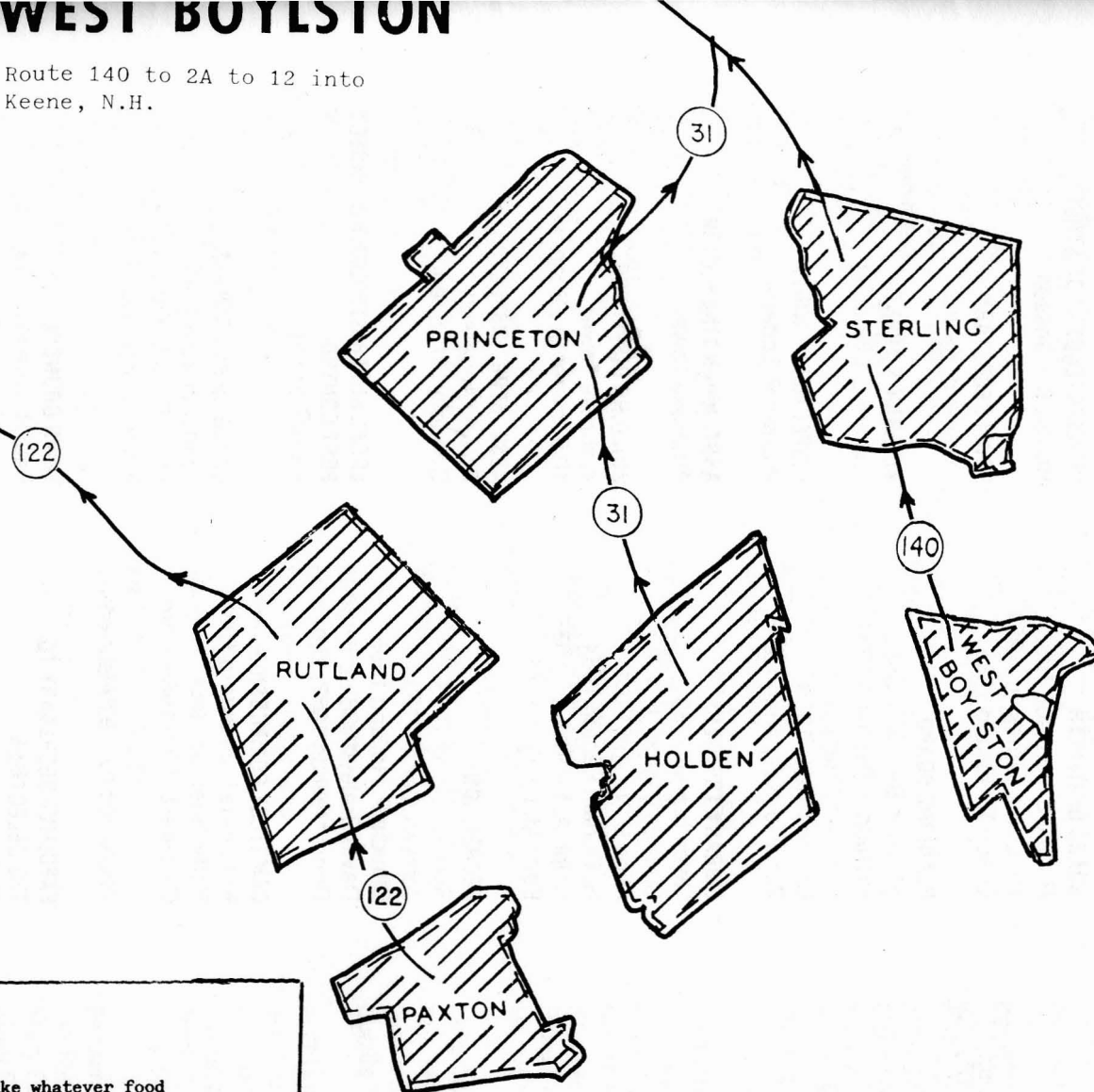
Route 140 to 2A to 12 into Keene, N.H.

PUBLIC SHELTER INSTRUCTIONS

1. Follow instructions listed below.
2. Not all public shelters are stocked, so take whatever food and water you can carry as well as medicines.
3. Public shelter only for those people without home basements.

PAXTON

- Go to Anna Maria College, Sunset Lane.



Town Officers for May 1982 to May 1983

ELECTED OFFICIALS

SELECT BOARD

Philip V. Donohue 1985, Chm.
Edward J. Boschert 1983, V. Chm.
John E. Lucey 1984, Clerk

TOWN CLERK

George L. McGovern 1983

TREASURER

David P. Fitzpatrick 1984

TOWN COLLECTOR

June T. Herron 1984

MODERATOR

Robert J. Hall 1983

CONSTABLES

William O. Wylie 1984
Robert P. Sheehan 1984

TREE WARDEN

Patrick V. Smith 1983

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Philip C. McCarthy 1984
Barbara N. Scarbeau 1984
Barbara C. Lorge 1985
Daniel J. Lucey 1985

WACHUSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Eugene O'Rourke
Mary A. Kelley 1985

MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD

Thomas F. Cummings 1984
James V. Graham 1984
Sherburne B. Rockwell, Jr. 1985

ASSESSORS

James R. Stone, Jr. 1985

WATER BOARD

Charles J. Glassbrenner 1983
Robert W. Thompson 1984
Charles J. Scholl 1985

BOARD OF HEALTH

Ronald E. Johnson 1983
Dr. Lewis James, Jr. 1984
Orace T. Holland 1985

PLANNING BOARD

Stephen Bik 1983, Chm.
Richard J. Pentland 1984
Kathleen Sears 1985
Charles Mello 1986
Zarvin J. Kasparian 1987

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Gwen L. Hall 1983
Charles I. Innis, Jr. 1983
Alice E. Nelson 1984
G. Donald Fenton 1984
Ralph A. Kimball, Jr. 1985
Edith M. Lavigne 1985

RECREATION

Sybille E. Wolf 1983
John McDonald 1984
Claudia P. Holland 1985
David Braley 1986
Denis Melican 1987

CEMETERY COMMISSION

Katherine L. Standard 1983
Betty Peterson 1984
Caroline L. Rice 1985, Chm.

Appointed by the Selectmen

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO THE SELECTMEN

Barbara Scholl

BOARD OF APPEALS

Robert F. Dillman 1983
Sherburne B. Rockwell 1984
David L. Bennett 1985
Timotheos Thoutsis 1986
Fred Fricka 1987
Mary Ann Morin 1984
Allen Rubin, Alt. 1983
William E. Lindquist Alt. 1985

CARE OF CLOCK

Alan M. Wentworth

DOG OFFICER

Robert J. Mortell

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Robert S. Hansson

TOWN SECRETARY

Yvonne B. Karle

VETERAN'S AGENT

William E. Lindquist

INSPECTOR OF WIRES

Warren P. Lederer

ASST. WIRING INSPECTOR

Ambrose Tower

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Ambrose Tower
10 Summer St., Spencer

ASST. BLDG. INSPECTOR

Roland Anderson
Donnelly Rd., Spencer

LOCAL SUPERINTENDENT OF INSECT PEST CONTROL

Patrick Smith

BOARD OF REGISTRARS

Jean McIntyre 1983
Sister Dorilda Flynn 1984
Frances Bigwood 1985

TOWN COUNSEL

Paul Revere O'Connell, Jr.

ASSOCIATE TOWN COUNSEL

Paul Revere O'Connell, Sr.

MEASURER OF WOOD AND BARK & FIELD DRIVERS & FENCE VIEWERS

William O. Wylie
Robert F. Dillman

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Yvonne B. Karle 1983

CIVIL DEFENSE

William Foley, Dir.
Robert Hansson, Asst.
Gerard Bernier, Asst.

FIRE CHIEF & FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Brian Murphy

PAXTON FIRE DEPT. —

Appointed by Fire Chief

David Ahlin

Leonard Anderson

David Beach

Richard Bedard, Fire Inspector

Stephen Bedard

John Benoit - Lieutenant

Michael Benoit

Glen Bogren

Peter Bogren

Ralph Butland

Jay Conte

Paul DeNubila

Christopher DeVico

Robert Dillman - Lieutenant

Thomas Ducharme

James Fisher

William Grigaitis

Richard Jenkins - Lieutenant

William Lang

William Lawler - Deputy Chief

Robert Mortell

Brian Murphy - Chief

Timothy Pierce

Michael Putnam

Gary Richards

Herbert Robinson, Jr.

Gerald Ryan

Raymond Savignac

Michael Sears

Richard Sears

Robert Sheehan

Orville Sheldon - Lieutenant

Phillip Sheridan

Joanne Smith

Patrick Smith

Cornelius Sullivan

Kevin Sullivan

Peter Warren

Matthew Wilde

VETERANS'S GRAVES OFFICER

Donald G. Wyman

POLICE DEPARTMENT CHIEF

Robert P. Sheehan

FULL TIME OFFICERS

Francis M. Whitney, Sgt.

Robert F. Dillman, Jr., Sgt.

PART-TIME OFFICERS

William E. Lindquist

Ralph B. Butland

Kevin McDonald

Patrick Smith

Frank Neiber

Paul W. Valinski

Frederick Hughes

Harold Smith

Robert J. Mortell

Robert Love

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS

Ambrose Tower

Gerard Bernier

Paxton Center School

CONSERVATION

Catherine Hodgson 1983

Susan Corcoran, Clerk 1983

Jean Rommel 1983

Charles Innis 1984

Janice Stewart 1984, Assoc.

Robert Stewart 1985

Barbara Brigham 1985

Vincent McIntyre 1984

GROUP INSURANCE**ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Christian S. Baehrecke

Gwen Hall

Robert S. Hansson

Mary Ann Morin

AGENTS FOR LICENSE**COMMISSIONERS**

William O. Wylie

Robert P. Sheehan

CENTRAL MASS.**REGIONAL PLANNING**

Charles Mello, Rep.

Edward V. McTigue, Alt.

Kathleen Sears, Rep. T.P.A.G.

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Lucille Tanner 1983

Etta Robinson 1983

Barbara Brigham 1983

Joseph W. Seremeth 1984, Chm.

Gail Kimball 1984

Denis Melican 1984

Gail Tracy 1985

PERSONNEL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Harold Mullaney 1983

Frederick H. Fricka 1984, Chm.

John E. Graham 1984

Robert Fowler 1984

COUNCIL ON AGING

June Bessette 1983

Sister Dorilda Flynn 1983

John Bauer 1984, Chm.

Doris Migneault 1984

Kenneth Rogers 1985

Philip Derby 1985

Helen Boschert 1985

COMMUNICATIONS BOARD

Charles Glassbrenner

Robert Stewart

Robert Sheehan

Brian Murphy

Robert Hansson

Harold Smith

ARTS COUNCIL COMMITTEE

Arlene Sjosten

Gloria Smith

Lucille Tanner

ELECTION OFFICERS**Republicans**

Charlotte Thalin, Warden

Augustus W. Oatley, Deputy

Marie Cavanaugh, Inspector

June Herron, Deputy Inspector

Democrats

Madeline McGovern, Clerk

Mary Barry, Deputy Clerk

Mary Derby, Inspector

Susan Erickson, Deputy Inspector

Officials Appointed by Moderator

FINANCE BOARD

John Hodgson 1983

William F. Jones 1983

DeAlton J. Smith 1984

James Mellor 1984

Jeremy Brown 1984

John F. Mullen 1985

Robert I. Becker 1985

Charles E. Stoneham 1985

Joseph W. McKay 1985

CAPITAL OUTLAY

Finance Board, James Mellor
Finance Board, Robert Becker
Planning Board, Kathleen Sears

**INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS
AND SLAUGHTERING**

Frank Urbanovitch
Robert J. Mortell

BURIAL AGENT

Yvonne B. Karle

RUBBISH COLLECTION

Leonard P. Martone, Barre, MA

MEMBERS AT LARGE

Thomas P. LaVigne
Gerald L. Ryan

Appointed by the Board of Health

PLUMBING INSPECTOR

Zig Koslowski
392 Pleasant St., Leicester

ASSISTANT

Lawrence St. Matin
83 Willow St., Leicester

SANITARY INSPECTOR

James A. Lashbrook

To All Boards, Committees Committees and Officers

All committees and Boards of the Town shall meet and organize thirty days after election or appointment and shall forthwith transmit in writing to the Town Clerk a report of their organization. Upon failure to so file a report within forty days, the Town Clerk shall deposit in writing a complaint thereof with the Selectmen who shall forthwith demand immediate compliance with the provisions of this By-Law. (Annual Town Meeting February 7, 1938).

Report of the Town Clerk Vital Statistics - 1981

BIRTHS**January**

- 18 Wendy Jean, daughter to Robert Frank and Alice Frances Hart, 6 Meadowbrook Drive.
21 Courtney Jane, Daughter to Douglas Alan and Margaret Maria Szper, 13 Crestwood Road.

February

- 14 Erika Eileen, daughter to Richard Lee and Doris Eileen Huard, 79 South Street.
18 Sara Elizabeth, daughter to Drew David and Elizabeth Maude Howard, 14 West St.

March

- 26 Heather Elizabeth, daughter to John Early and Joan Frances Reid, 641 Pleasant St.

May

- 3 Rebecca May, daughter to Peter Harrington and Priscilla Christine Church, Pond Street.
13 Kristen Hunter, daughter to Henry Reno and Diane Helen Kennen, 242 Pleasant St.

- 14 James Michael, son to Joseph Charles and Mary Lou Kusz 3 Ridgewood Road.

July

- 1 Seth Steven, son to Steven Kenneth and Belinda Fae Flateland, 280 Pleasant St.
5 Sean Michael, son to John Arthur and Cecily Anne Medine, 279 Pleasant St.
21 Sean Phillip, son to John Fredrick and Jayne Marie Mullen II 441 Marshall St.
26 Paige-Elizabeth Towns, Daughter to Stephen Peter, and Nancy Marie Bik, 6 Keep Ave.

August

- 16 Brett Bradford, son to Bruce Bradford and Elaine Beth Cheney, 286 Grove St.
30 Myka Luella, daughter to Earl Clark and Robin Lorraine Eaton, Jr., 46 Pleasant St.

September

- 10 Lauren Elizabeth, daughter to David Jerome and Nancy Ann Hill, 355 Marshall St.
10 Eric Jon, son to Jon Scott and Karen Elizabeth Hanson, 65 Suomi St.
22 Meaghan Lynn, daughter to John Warren and Maureen Elizabeth Anderson, 2 Camp St.
28 Edward Vincent, son to Edward Vincent and Jane Elizabeth McTigue, Jr.

October

- 2 Sean Robert, son to Robert Daniel and Bonnie Lee Gannon, 7 Birch St.
- 7 Ann Katherine, daughter to Craig Lawrence and Marjory Ann Masterman, 332 Pleasant St.
- 16 Naomi Rochelle, daughter to Michael David and Carol Joyce Sleeper, 18 Crowningshield Drive.

November

- 13 Christopher John, son to John Doak and Susan Palmer Martin, 65 Streeter Rd.

- 13 Sarah Ann, daughter to James Joseph and Elaine Frances O'Donoghue, 353 Pleasant St.
- 20 Matthew Ryan, son to Joseph Richard and Iona Rita Smalley, 29 Lancelot Dr.
- 23 Raymond Joseph, son to Raymond Jacques and Joanne Lovejoy Savignac, 63 Marshall St.
- 30 Ross John, son to John Byron and June Frances Lucivero, One Nipmuc Rd.

December

- 3 Sarah Nolan, daughter to Robert Raynolds and Martha Mary Waldo, 12 Shanandoah Dr.

MARRIAGES**January**

- 10 Ronald Howe of New Braintree to Lydean Chagnon of Paxton.

April

- 11 Ricky David Reyell of Spencer to Gail Smith of Paxton.
- 18 Darren Monks of Auburn to Joann Pierce of Paxton.

June

- 27 David Charles Hook of Worcester to Marilyn Ann Heiniluoma of Paxton.

September

- 26 John A. Brunell of Paxton to Carolynn M. Duggan of Worcester.

October

- 16 Thomas Anthony Ducharme of Paxton to Sheila Ann Mullaney of Paxton.

November

- 3 John Rocco Trotto of Shrewsbury to Dianne Bryce Pierce of Paxton.
- 17 Calvin G. Frotten of Paxton to Julie A. Frotten of Paxton.
- 18 Donald M. Rossier of Paxton to Jeanne P. Cole of Holden.

December

- 5 Francis P. Fanning of Paxton to Rita H. Larocque of Paxton.
- 12 Michael Arsenian of Rockport to Carol Bernier of Paxton.

DEATHS**January****Years**

- 10 Margaret Jane Casserly, 1090 Pleasant St. 96
- 29 Clara Schemmel, 14 Walbridge Rd. 85
- 27 Margaret E. Hagopian, 22 Old Lantern Cir. 59

February

- 15 Ezzat Daneshmand, 6 Grove St. 49
- 26 Annetta A. Tannahill, 300 Richards Ave. 73

March

- 4 Allen L. Estabrook, 11 Whitney Dr. 71
- 7 Anna M. Foscett, Sunset Lane 63

April

- 21 Ingeborg Julia Jones, 76 Richards Ave. 79

May

- 19 Ruth A. Fanning, 184 Grove St. 58
- 28 John Francis Ahearn, 115 Marshall St. 68
- 29 Henry A. O'Donnell, 316 Marshall St. 72

June

- 6 George Tufts Dewey, Jr., 67 Maple St. 81
- 11 Martha Church, Pond St. 71
- 26 Albert P. Manzi, 315 Pleasant St. 70

July

- 3 Earl C. Eaton, 46 Pleasant St. 69
- 11 Leonard L. Farrar, 13 Suomi St. 54

September

- 20 John J. Blunt, Jr., Nanigian Rd. 48
- 26 William J. Groccia, 12 Grove St. 61

November

17	Florence G. Witt, 177 Grove St.	92
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December

1	Raymond Joseph Savignac, 63 Marshall St.	8 Days
2	Glen E. Parks, 9 Crystal St.	76
7	Ulysses A. Trudeau, 9 Elm St.	65
8	Ester R. Cordero, 17 South St.	80
12	Olive B. Chartier, 24 Monticello Dr.	89
31	Audrey Edna Hall, 8 Walbridge Rd.	63

DOG LICENSES ISSUED IN 1981

Male	293
Female	34
Spayed Female	250
Kennel \$10	2
Kennel \$25	1
Kennel \$50	1
Total Licenses issued	581
Paid to Treasurer	\$1,468.05

HUNTING & FISHING LICENSES ISSUED IN 1981

Total number of licenses issued	137
Paid to Division of Fisheries & Wildlife	\$1,389.25

Report of the Special Town Meeting

Held October 3, 1981 at Paxton Center School

Moderator, Robert H. Hall called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. Moderator appointed James Graham and George A. Morin, Jr. to be counters for the meeting. A quorum was declared to be present by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 1. It was voted that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to establish regulations with respect to Casino gambling in the town of Paxton.

Unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 2. It was voted that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to establish regulations with respect to public entertainment in the town of Paxton.

Unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 3. It was voted that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to establish a committee to study the need for and make recommendations with respect to public transportation between Paxton and Worcester.

Unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 4. It was voted by the Town to amend the Town by-laws to add the following, "a penalty fee of twenty dollars, shall be assessed to each dog owner who does not purchase a registration for such owner's dogs by June 1, of each year"; The fees to become part of the town general fund.

Unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the town will vote to apply the additional state aid funds, approved by the State

Legislature, in the amount of \$117,000 to reduce the tax rate, for the current fiscal year; or act in any way thereon.

Passed over.

ARTICLE 6. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to increase line 726 in the current budget, Veterans Aid.

Motion passed. Unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 7. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 to increase line 973 in the current budget, Unemployment Security.

Unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 8. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,173.00 for the purpose of restoring the current Library budget to the 1981 level specifically \$838.00 added to line item 763 (part time staff) and \$335.00 to line item 764 (purchase of books).

Unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 9. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$657.00 to increase line item 957 Council on Aging budget.

Motion carried.

ARTICLE 10. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 for the purpose of paying maintenance costs for a meeting place for Senior Citizens.

Unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 11. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to increase line item 354, Moth destruction in the current budget to enable the committee to continue with the survey and to return in March with a recommendation.

Motion carried.

ARTICLE 12. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,300.00 for the purchase and installation of a fire hydrant at a location to be determined by the Paxton Fire Chief.

Unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 13. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to increase line item 306 Fire Department Equipment in the current budget, the monies to be reimbursed from the sale of fire engine #2.

Unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 14. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,900.00 for the purchase and installation of a smoke detector system in the Town Hall.

Unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds and appropriate a sum of money to increase Paxton School budget line item 2300, School Teacher Salaries in the current budget; or act in any way thereon.

Passed over.

ARTICLE 16. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$23,270.00 to increase Paxton School budget line items 2300, Instructional supplies, 2400 account, textbooks, 2500 account library supplies, 3000 account, transportation, 3500 account, student body activities, and 7000 account, acquisition of fixed assets in the current budget.

Unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds and appropriate a sum of money to increase Paxton School budget line item 4000, maintenance account, for the

purpose of making conversions to the heating system, in the current budget; or act in any way thereon.

Passed over.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum or any other sum to provide school bus transportation to Paxton Center School per bus routes utilized during 1980/1981, from December 1, 1981, through March 31, 1982; or act in any way thereon.

Passed over.

ARTICLE 19. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,624.53 to increase Wachusett Regional High School budget for Paxton's share of the bonded indebtedness in the current budget.

Unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 20. It was voted that the Town transfer from available funds the sum of \$75,000.00 to be placed in the Stabilization Fund.

Unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds and appropriate a sum of money to be applied to the Reserve Fund; or act in any way thereon.

Passed over.

ARTICLE 22. It was voted that the Town authorize the Assessors to transfer the sum of \$64,840.00 from available funds to reduce the tax levy for the 1981-82 fiscal year.

Unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

George L. McGovern
Town Clerk of Paxton

Report of the Annual Town Meeting Held June 19, 1982 at the Anna Maria College

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 A.M. Moderator declared a quorum was present. Counters appointed for the meeting were: Thomas Cunningham and Robert Fowler.

ARTICLE 1. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate, including appropriation from the Revenue

Sharing Fund Account, the Stabilization Fund and other available funds, to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the Town for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1982, and especially for any and all of the following to wit: (See Budget). During the fiscal year transfers between line items within Departments may be made upon approval of the Finance Committee.

Unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 2. It was voted that the Town direct the Selectmen to seek proposals for Cable T.V. and take such other steps as may be necessary in connection with the grant of a Cable T.V. license.

Motion carried.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$1,000. to acquire consulting services in order to advise Selectmen in the preparation of specifications for Cable T.V.

Motion lost. (Finance Board recommends disapproval)

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, etc. a sum for investigation of the acquisition of a Senior Citizens Center.

Passed over. Finance Committee does not recommend approval at this time.

ARTICLE 5. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,450.00 to provide school crossing guard services.

Motion carried. Finance Committee does not recommend approval

ARTICLE 6. It was voted that the Town appropriate the sum of \$1,881.00 received from the Commonwealth for library use to the Library State Aid Account.

Unanimous vote.

Finance Committee recommends approval.

ARTICLE 7. It was voted that the Town transfer from the Stabilization Fund the sum of \$10,000.00 for the purpose of further extending the Water Main on Marshall Street.

Unanimous vote.

Finance Committee recommends approval.

ARTICLE 8. It was voted that the Town transfer from the Stabilization Fund the sum of \$1,033.75 to purchase a Radar Set for the Police Department.

Unanimous vote. 2/3 vote necessary.

Finance Committee recommends approval.

ARTICLE 9. It was voted that the Town transfer from the Stabilization Fund the sum of \$12,675.00 to purchase Home Alert Receivers for the Fire Department.

Motion carried.

Finance Committee recommends approval.

ARTICLE 10. It was voted that the Town transfer from the Stabilization Fund the sum of \$7,750.00 to purchase a Sander for the Highway Department.

Unanimous vote.

Finance Committee recommends approval.

ARTICLE 11. It was voted that the Town transfer from the Stabilization Fund the sum of \$16,000.00, for the purpose of energy conservation measures at the Paxton Center School, and to authorize the Paxton School Committee to enter into all contracts and to perform all actions necessary.

Unanimous vote.

Finance Committee recommends approval of \$16,000.00.

ARTICLE 12. It was voted that the Town accept clause Seventeen C of Section 5 of Chapter 59 of the General Laws as authorized by Chapter 743 of the Acts of 1981 an act further regulating real estate tax exemptions.

Unanimous vote.

Finance Committee recommends approval.

ARTICLE 13. It was voted that the Town borrow the sum of \$17,438.00 for the construction and/or improvement of Town roads as requested by the Board of Selectmen, to be reimbursed by the Commonwealth under Chapter 351 of the Acts of 1981.

Unanimous vote.

Finance Committee recommends approval.

ARTICLE 14. It was voted that the Town borrow the sum of \$10,417.00 for the construction and/or improvement of Town roads as requested by the Board of Selectmen, to be reimbursed by the Commonwealth under Chapter 732 of the Acts of 1981.

Unanimous vote.

Finance Committee recommends approval.

ARTICLE 15. It was voted that the Town vote that the money voted for street lights and income from the sales of electricity to private consumers, or for electricity supplied to municipal buildings or from municipal power, and from sales of appliances and jobbing during the next succeeding fiscal period, be appropriated for the Municipal Light Plant, the whole to be expended by the Manager of the Municipal Light Plant under the direction and control of the Municipal Light Board for the expense for said period, such excess shall be transferred to the construction fund of said plant and be appropriated and used for such additions as may be authorized by the Municipal Light Board.

Unanimous vote.

Finance Committee recommends approval.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws by adding to Section 3.23 (5) the words "or the storage of school busses on land owned by or leased to the Town of Paxton"; or act in any way thereon.

Motion Lost.

ARTICLE 17. It was voted that the Town accept Section 9 of Chapter 266 of the General Laws entitled "negligence in cases of fire; optional provisions".

Unanimous vote.

Finance Committee recommends approval.

ARTICLE 18. It was voted that the Town authorize the conveyance to James A. Lashbrook, Jr. and Susan K. Lashbrook for a sum of \$300.00 for a parcel of land on Crowningshield Drive shown on the plan of "Crown-

ingshield at Paxton" recorded with the Worcester District Registry, in Plan Book 307 Plan 51 (sheet 2) said parcel having a depth of 26 feet at its easterly terminus on Pleasant Street and 88.24 feet at its westerly terminus (Assessors map 19, lot 12).

Unanimous vote. 2/3 vote necessary.

Finance Committee recommends approval.

ARTICLE 19. It was voted that the Town discontinue as a public way that portion of the 1923 layout of West Street extending westerly from Nanigian Road (formerly called Spring Street) to the 1958 layout of West Street, such discontinued portion being shown as "West Street (Discontinued)" on a plan entitled "Plan of West Street in the Town of Paxton" and recorded with the Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 423, Plan 89, and to authorize the Selectmen to take such steps as may be necessary to insure the reversion or reconveyance of such land to the present abutters, George H. Nanigian and Leon Nanigian (for their title, see deed book 4962, Page 518). The Paxton Planning Board voted unanimously at Art. 19 be adopted, as written.

Unanimous vote. 2/3 vote necessary.

Finance Committee recommends approval.

ARTICLE 20. It was voted that the Town transfer from the Stabilization Fund the sum of \$3,000.00 for a van or other comparable vehicle to pick up and transport dogs.

Motion carried.

Finance Committee recommends disapproval.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to accept such monies as may be received in a grant from the State to be appropriated to the Council on Aging to be used for renovations for the Senior Citizens Center.

Motion Lost.

ARTICLE 22. It was voted that the Town adopt the following by-law: The fee for a gasoline tank removal permit issued under Chapter 148 Section 38A of the General Laws shall be \$150.00.

Unanimous vote.

Finance Board recommends approval.

ARTICLE 23. It was voted that the Town accept the provisions of Section 12B of Chapter 138 of the General Laws as authorized by Chapter 606 of the Acts of 1981 (an act further regulating the operation of certain premises licensed to sell alcoholic beverages).

Unanimous vote.

Finance Committee recommends approval.

ARTICLE 24. It was voted that the Town establish a revolving fund for receipts and charges of the Board of Health in connection with the Upper Blackstone waste disposal program.

Unanimous vote.

Finance Committee recommends approval.

ARTICLE 25. It was voted that the Town authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1982, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefore, 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 General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

Unanimous vote.

Finance Committee recommends approval.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors to take any sum of money from available funds to reduce the tax levy for the next fiscal year.

Passed over.

The meeting adjourned at 11:50 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,
George L. McGovern
Town Clerk of Paxton

Moderator, Robert J. Hall

Report of the Board of Selectmen

The Board gained a combination of experience and continuity by the re-election of Philip V. Donohue at the annual election on May 10, 1982 and by the subsequent re-election, by Board vote of Mr. Donohue as chairman, Edward J. Boschert as vice-chairman, and John E. Lucey as clerk.

The majority of the Board strongly urged Assessors at a joint meeting on Oct. 1, 1981 to maximize the use of available funds to reduce the tax rate in keeping with the intent of Proposition 2½. The tax rate was reduced from \$22.50 to \$21.75. After a public hearing and after soliciting views from townspeople, the Board voted 2 to 1 not to call a Special Town Meeting to vote on overriding proposition 2½.

The Board voted to move the town meeting to June 19, 1982 so that maximum information on state reimbursements would be known to assist voters in making more informed financial decisions. Compared to 1982 Paxton had a net gain in the 1983 Cherry sheet of \$10,768 from increased State Aid and reduced charges.

A joint concerted effort by the Board and the Collector to collect unpaid real estate and excise taxes was successful in substantially reducing unpaid balances.

By-laws were established to control Casino Gambling and Nude Dancing.

The new aerial fire truck was delivered in October, 1981 and put into service in November, 1981.

The Council on Aging made positive steps toward establishing a Senior Center at the White School building. The C.O.A. successfully provided a service to take, process, and follow up on applications for heating fuel payments which resulted in more than \$17,000 being paid to 34 townspeople from State funding and managed a program of free distribution of surplus government cheese to more than thirty needy families in Paxton. Mr. John Bauer, C.O.A. chairman, and Mrs. Doris Migneault are to be highly commended for their expertise and time volunteered in planning and carrying out the fuel and cheese programs.

The Board initiated action to seek approval to advertise for applications for Cable T.V. by establishing a committee to make recommendations. The town voters approved the recommendations of the committee to have Selectmen go ahead with seeking applications.

The Gypsy Moth Committee established by the Board recommended that spraying decisions be handled and paid for by individual property owners. The moth infection did not materialize to any extent. Mr. Patrick Smith, newly appointed moth inspector is to be commended for voluntarily spraying town properties as a preventive measure.

Students from Mrs. Bogren's fourth grade class at Paxton School visited the Selectmen's office in June and voted three of their contemporaries, Jennifer Banks, Susan Kasparian, and Nathan Brouillet to take over the Selectmen's job for a mock meeting.

In personnel actions the Board voted to give all town employees a 7.7% cost of living increase, to post all vacancies for town department jobs, and to require physical exams for all town employees prior to employment.

A fire alarm and smoke detector system was installed in the Town Hall.

The Board successfully lobbied for the retention of the Rutland State Hospital, where several Paxton residents are employed.

A transportation Committee established by the Board, concluded that seeking public transportation between Paxton and Worcester was not feasible.

Quick response by Paxton Police resulted in the apprehension of the perpetrators of damage to the Paxton School. Police further are to be commended for working out a plan for parents to reimburse the town for damages which amounted to \$4,698.00.

The Board wishes to thank the many conscientious elected and appointed officials and town employees whose dedicated performance assured the continued successful operation of town government.

The Board sincerely appreciates the positive responses and support received from State Representative Henry Grenier, State Senator Robert Wetmore, and Congressman Edward P. Boland to the many requests made to their offices on matters affecting Paxton.

A note of appreciation goes to Sister Bernadette Madore, President of Anna Maria College, for her co-operation in providing facilities for town meetings.

Philip V. Donohue, Chm.
Edward J. Boschert, V. Chm.
John E. Lucey, Clerk

Report of the Board of Assessors

This year's big issue for Paxton's assessment administration is the state certification required under Chapter 797. This statute demands that every other year, all property assessments must be brought into line with full market values as indicated by real estate sales. The key date is January 1, 1982, and the adjusted sales of the last two years are the basis for the adjustment. Under this method, it is not only the changing tax rate, but also the changing valuation, which affects the individual tax bill.

This valuation update is accomplished through our computerized assessment system. The difficulty with the process lies in the small number of real estate sales to which all 1600 Paxton properties must be related. The last two years have been difficult economic times, which have created some unique and previously insignificant criteria. Land values have increased much more than was predictable by inflation, smaller homes have been selling at a higher inflation ratio than large houses, energy efficiency affects the sale price, to mention just a few new considerations. Most of the assessors' time was spent in recognizing these criteria which will have an impact on all assessments, and therefore on every real estate tax bill. As of July, 1982, the job is far from being completed.

The certification process mandated by statute requires submittal of all real estate sales data. In the case of improved parcels, the new valuation must match the adjusted sale price within ten percent. Naturally, all properties must be treated fairly and equally; therefore, the methods used to upgrade the recently sold property must be applied to all. All valuation approaches recognized by law must be utilized. The Assessors are not happy with the resulting changes, and they continue to scrutinize the relevancy of all

criteria. Upon approval of the new valuation, personnel of the State Bureau of Local Assessment will come to town to examine our analysis and the uniformity of its application. Obviously, this certification process removes much of the previous authority of local assessors.

Only after certification of our new property valuations can we begin to set the new tax rate. Our computation will be based on the Town Meeting votes and charges of State and County agencies offset by local receipts and State aid. Yet still further consideration is necessary. Properties have been classified as residential, open land, commercial, industrial, and personal. Residential and open land may be charged lesser tax rates than the other properties. In the past, Paxton selectmen and assessors have decided on a single rate for all properties, inasmuch as the open land - residential character of Paxton does not allow significant relief in these classes if commercial, industrial and personal properties are taxed at higher rates. The Board of Selectmen will have to make this decision again.

We hope for issuance of actual tax bills late this year. We will try to avoid "estimated bills" which will be necessary for many of the 250 communities which must be certified by the State in 1982. Bills will be payable thirty days after issuance. Applications for abatements and exemptions must fall within the same time span.

We call to your attention the comparative statistics of the last three years concerning all factors affecting the tax rate (Table I) and exemptions and abatements granted on real estate taxes. The data on motor vehicle excise is listed in Table II.

Christian S. Baehrecke, Chairman
Richard G. Bedard
James R. Stone, Jr.

Report of the Zoning Board of Appeals

During the past year the Paxton Zoning Board of Appeals has held four (4) public hearings at the Town Hall.

Copies of the minutes of these hearings are filed with the Town Clerk as public record.

Applications for petition and information concerning the procedure may be obtained from the Town

Secretary, Town Hall Tel. No. 753-2803.

Paxton Board of Appeals
Robert F. Dillman, Chairman
Timotheos Thoutsis
William E. Lindquist
Sherburne B. Rockwell, Jr.
David L. Bennett
Frederick Fricka
Allen Rubin
Maryann Morin

**TABLE I
TAX RATE RECAPITULATION SUMMARY**

EXPENDITURES	FY80	FY81	FY82
Appropriations to be raised	\$1,981,112.00	\$2,203,951.80	\$2,154,973.53
Percent of increase over prior year	3 percent	11 percent	(-2 percent)
Appropriation from avail. funds	119,978.00	65,913.20	121,600.00
Offset Items	5,720.00	5,771.00	5,527.00
Retirement	37,665.00	43,842.00	50,250.00
State Tax & Assessments	25,581.42	27,890.82	26,755.46
County Tax & Assessments	87,814.49	83,270.28	78,446.39
Overlay	74,303.25	69,933.98	76,559.62
Deficits Prior Years	0.00	0.00	0.00
Gross Amount to be raised	2,332,174.16	2,500,573.08	2,514,112.00
Percent increase over prior year	6 percent	7 percent	.5 percent
Deduct from Gross Amount			
ESTIMATED RECEIPTS			
Local Aid & Agency Fund	409,763.00	403,948.77	502,862.55
Motor Vehicle Excise	154,999.90	218,394.67	75,000.00
Water Department	50,000.00	55,000.00	61,900.00
Other Local Receipts	29,986.00	46,750.00	75,630.00
Avail. Funds (except following)	120,710.10	136,356.77	57,100.00
Avail. Funds - Revenus Sharing	0.00	39,556.43	64,500.00
Avail. Funds - Free Cash	91,064.00	0.00	114,840.00
Total Estimated Receipts	856,523.00	900,006.64	951,832.55
Percent Increase/decrease over prior year	20 percent	5 percent	5 percent
Expenditures less Estimated receipts equals			
NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED	1,475,651.16	1,600,566.44	1,562,279.45
VALUATIONS			
Real Estate	63,568,750.00	70,554,900.00	71,198,260.00
Personal Property	589,992.50	581,385.00	630,680.00
Total	64,158,742.50	71,136,285.00	71,828,940.00
Percent increase over prior year	91 percent	11 percent	1 percent
TAX RATE*	23.00	22.50	21.75
*Net Amount to be raised divided by total valuation (in thousands) equals tax rate.			
Percent increase/decrease over prior year	(48 percent)	(2 percent)	(3 percent)

**TABLE II
EXEMPTIONS, ABATEMENTS, VEHICLE EXCISE**

	FY80		FY81		FY82	
	NO.	AMOUNT	NO.	AMOUNT	NO.	AMOUNT
EXEMPTIONS UNDER CLAUSE:						
18: Age, Infirmy, Poverty	1	283.60	2	815.25	1	448.18
17: Widows	0	0.00	0	0.00	2	350.00
22: Veterans	65	12,250.00	63	11,900.00	60	11,375.00
37: Blind	3	1,312.50	4	1,750.00	2	875.00
41: Elderly	19	9,450.80	25	11,981.50	21	10,465.45
TOTAL	88	23,296.90	94	26,446.75	86	23,513.63
ABATEMENTS:						
Real Estate	50	6,647.82	60	17,541.37	11	1,888.49
Personal Property	4	46.20	5	89.62	2	26.10
Farm Animal Excise	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
Motor Vehicle Excise	495	24,737.72	443	14,658.61	430	9,457.94
TOTAL	549	31,431.74	508	32,289.60	443	11,372.53
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE BILLS:						
Number of Bills Processed	3,558		3,439		3,381	
Dollar Value of Bills		277,788.86		126,329.63		106,651.17
Dollar Value Less Abatements		253,051.14		111,671.02		97,193.23

Report of the Building Inspector

A total of 52 building permits were issued this fiscal year as follows:

New Homes	6	Pools, Sheds,	
Garages	8	Porches, Decks,	
Additions,		Solar	16
Alterations,		Signs, chimneys,	
1 commercial	14	towers,	
		demolitions	8

25 Stove permits were issued

16 Yearly Inspection permits were issued

My sincere thanks for all the assistance shown me this past year.

Ambrose R. Tower
Building Inspector

Report of the Communications Board

Thanks to our dedicated staff, all your calls for assistance of any nature are still being handled 24 Hrs. a day. At times of emergency this is quite a demanding job and on behalf of the Town of Paxton, I wish to thank each of our operators for their part in keeping the Communications Center going round the clock for all of us.

From time to time we need new operators as some of our people leave. If you would like to earn some extra income and serve your fellow townspeople at the same time, we would welcome your call to the Center for an interview.

Robert L. Stewart, Chairman

Report of the Cemetery Commission

Since our interest income continues to be sufficient to cover expenses, we will not request financial aid for the fiscal year 1983.

Charges - including perpetual care:

2 grave lots - \$200.00

4 grave lots - \$400.00

6 grave lots - \$600.00

Residents and former residents of Paxton may purchase lots at the Town Hall from the Town Secretary 753-2803.

Opening Graves	Cremation Burials
Weekdays - \$100.00	Weekdays - \$40.00
Weekends - \$150.00	Weekends - \$50.00
Infant Burials	
Weekdays - \$55.00	
Weekends - \$65.00	

The commission prefers to avoid weekend burials, however exceptions can be made.

Caroline L. Isham Rice, Chm.
Katherine Stannard
Betty Peterson
Cemetery Commission

Report of the Conservation Commission

The Conservation Commission's principal activity during the past year has been to administer the Wetlands Protection Act (Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 131, Section 40). The Commission also cooperates with the Worcester Water Bureau to see that all construction in its watershed area complies with the terms of Chapter 131, Section 40.

No tree seedlings were distributed at the Paxton Center School this year because of the gypsy moth threat.

Frank Ranta has resigned, and the Commission is sorry to lose such an interested and knowledgeable member.

A severely restricted budget has prevented the Commission from undertaking any special projects this year.

Robert Stewart, Chairman
Susan P. Corcoran, Clerk
Catherine Hodgson
Charles L. Innis
Jean D. Rommel
Barbara Brigham
Janice Stewart

Report of the Dog Officer

The following is a report of the Dog Officer for the fiscal year of 1981 - 1982;

- 291 - Dog Complaints Handled
- 14 - Dog Bites
- 14 - Dogs placed under Quarantine
- 21 - Dogs brought to Worcester Animal Rescue League
- 41 - Dogs picked up and returned to owners
- 53 - Miscellaneous calls concerning - Cats, Horses, Rabbits, Skunks, Birds, Chipmunks, Racoons, etc.
- 4 - Cats killed by cars
- 7 - Dogs killed by cars
- 6 - Dogs hit by cars
- 62 - Dogs Reported Lost
- 24 - Dogs Found

- 7 - Dogs Placed in New Homes
- 4 - Dogs Injured
- 26 - Calls pertaining to Dog Safety
- 10 - Dogs Destroyed

All dogs three months or older must be licensed. Not only is it a law, but a very important responsibility to your dog. If your dog should get loose, lost, injured, or killed it is often the only way to identify the owner of the dog.

All dogs must be licensed by April 1st of every year. Failure to license your dog could result in a fine, impoundment of your dog, or both.

Licenses are available at the Town Hall or checks may be mailed to the Town Clerk with the following information:

Name of Dog - Breed - Sex - Color and Age

License Fees:

Male - \$3.00, Female - \$6.00, Spayed Female - \$3.00

Robert Mortell, Dog Officer

Report of the Municipal Light Department

As manager of the Paxton Light Department, it is my pleasure to report to the people of Paxton the activities for the previous year.

1. We have almost completed the voltage change on Pleasant Street.

2. The Light Department has purchased its second transformer to back up electric service for the Town and the manager hopes to have everything operational

by this Fall.

3. The Light Commission has decided to purchase an in-house computer for the office to replace the current hand billing system. We are hoping to have the new system operational by the end of the year.

The Commission and I would like to thank everyone for their support. Anyone having a problem, or wishing to meet with us concerning the light department, may attend our regular meetings on the third Tuesday of each month.

Harold L. Smith, Manager

COMMISSIONERS:

Sherburne B. Rockwell, Jr., Chairman

James V. Graham, Clerk

Thomas F. Cummings, Third Member

Report of the Municipal Light Board

We have examined the balance sheet of the Town of Paxton, Massachusetts - Municipal Light Department - as of December 31, 1981, and the related statements of income and expense and changes in financial position for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly, in-

cluded such other tests and auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion the financial statements referred to above present fairly the financial position of the Town of Paxton, Massachusetts - Municipal Light Department as of December 31, 1981, and the results of its operations and changes in its financial position for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Byron, Moilanen & Nelson, P.C.

Ronald E. Moilanen, C.P.A.

ASSETS	
UTILITY PLANT:	
TOTAL ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION PLANT	\$ 626,011.70
 TOTAL ELECTRIC GENERAL PLANT	 <u>86,985.76</u>
TOTAL UTILITY PLANT	<u>712,997.46</u>
FUND ACCOUNTS	
126 Depreciation fund	162,105.68
128 Construction fund	<u>72,684.00</u>
TOTAL FUND ACCOUNTS	<u>234,789.68</u>
CURRENT AND ACCRUED ASSETS	
131 Operating cash	118,283.36
132 Consumer's meter deposits	8,222.02
135 Working Funds	200.00
142 Customer accounts receivable	65,167.66
143 Other accounts receivable	9,278.38
154 Materials and supplies	46,056.57
165 Prepayments	<u>28,454.06</u>
TOTAL CURRENT AND ACCRUED ASSETS	<u>275,662.05</u>
DEFERRED DEBITS	
185 Other deferred debits (Note B)	<u>9,003.96</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$1,232,453.15</u>

**TOWN OF PAXTON, MASSACHUSETTS
MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT
BALANCE SHEET
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1981**

LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS	
SURPLUS:	
201 Appropriations for construction	\$ 2,456.64
206 Loans repayment	206,616.00
207 Appropriations for construction repayments	7,090.07
208 Unappropriated earned surplus (Per Exhibit B)	<u>774,182.78</u>
TOTAL SURPLUS	<u>990,345.49</u>
LIABILITIES	
LONG-TERM DEBT (Note F)	
231 Notes payable	<u>87,500.00</u>
CURRENT AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES	
231 Notes payable - current portion	25,000.00
232 Accounts payable	86,753.01
235 Customer deposits	8,222.02
237 Accrued interest	<u>3,044.39</u>
TOTAL CURRENT AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES	<u>123,019.42</u>
CONTRIBUTION IN AID OF CONSTRUCTION	
271 Construction in aid of construction	<u>31,588.24</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>242,107.66</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS	<u>\$1,232,453.15</u>

**TOWN OF PAXTON, MASSACHUSETTS
MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FINANCIAL POSITION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1981**

OPERATING CASH JANUARY 1, 1981	\$ 12,392.19
SOURCE OF FUNDS:	
Net income from operations	\$137,783.11
Depreciation	71,965.55
Credits to surplus	2,999.37
Decrease in other deferred debits	34,713.01
Increase in accounts payable	85,067.39
Increase in accrued interest	<u>45.02</u>
TOTAL SOURCE OF FUNDS	<u>332,573.45</u>
CASH AVAILABLE FOR OPERATIONS	344,965.64

USE OF FUNDS:

Increase in depreciation fund	64,824.21	
Increase in customer accounts receivable	10,905.20	
Increase in other accounts receivable	7,952.07	
Increase in materials and supplies	15,409.45	
Increase in prepayments	28,454.06	
Net cost of property added to plant	40,763.16	
Debits to surplus	58,181.48	
Decrease in taxes accrued	<u>192.65</u>	
TOTAL USE OF FUNDS		<u>(226,682.28)</u>

OPERATING CASH DECEMBER 31, 1981\$118,283.36

**TOWN OF PAXTON, MASSACHUSETTS
MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT
STATEMENT OF ELECTRIC OPERATING REVENUES**

	REVENUES	KILOWATT HOURS SOLD	REVENUE PER KILOWATT HOUR SOLD
SALES OF ELECTRICITY			
440 Residential sales	\$ 585,640.63	7,586.352	\$0.07719
442 Commercial and industrial sales - electric heat	505,168.83	6,787,144	0.07443
445 Private area lighting	<u>3,617.00</u>	<u>63,702</u>	<u>0.05678</u>
TOTAL PRIVATE CONSUMERS	<u>1,094,426.46</u>	<u>14,437,198</u>	<u>0.07581</u>
 444 MUNICIPAL SALES			
Street Lighting	12,874.20	272,462	0.04725
Municipal buildings	<u>30,428.52</u>	<u>385,620</u>	<u>0.07891</u>
TOTAL MUNICIPAL SALES	<u>43,302.72</u>	<u>658,082</u>	<u>0.06580</u>
 447 SALES FOR RESALE	<u>2,001.04</u>	<u>23,554</u>	<u>0.08496</u>
 456 OTHER ELECTRIC REVENUE	<u>10,910.33</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>
TOTAL ELECTRIC OPERATING REVENUES	<u>\$1,150,640.55</u>	<u>15,118,834</u>	<u>\$0.07611</u>

**TOWN OF PAXTON, MASSACHUSETTS
MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT
COST OF PLANT AND ACCRUED DEPRECIATION
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1981**

	Cost 1-1-81	Net Cost Property Added 1981	Net Cost Property Disposed of 1981	Cost 12-31-81	Accrued Depreciation 1-1-81	Depreciation 1981	Reversed Depreciation 1981	Accrued Depreciation 12-31-81	Book Value 12-31-81
UTILITY PLANT IN SERVICE ELECTRIC:									
DISTRIBUTION PLANT:									
360 Land and land rights	\$ 319.27	\$.00	\$.00	\$ 319.27	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00	\$ 319.27
361 Structures and improvements	53,403.17	1,063.44		54,466.61	20,157.61	1,335.08		21,492.69	32,973.92
362 Station equipment	393,949.46			393,949.46	136,777.94	11,818.48		148,596.42	245,353.04
364 Poles, towers and fixtures	125,998.93	8,628.98		134,627.91	97,815.43	3,779.97		101,595.40	33,032.51
365 Overhead conductors and devices	261,374.42	8,569.26		269,943.68	124,451.30	30,489.73		154,941.03	115,002.65
366 Underground conduits	9,873.28	1,745.66		11,618.94	772.63	296.20		1,068.83	10,550.11
367 Underground conductors and devices	75,835.90	4,014.06		79,849.96	27,545.46	2,275.08		29,820.54	50,029.42
368 Line transformers	149,093.08	6,983.66	2,957.50	153,119.24	79,707.71	4,472.79	2,957.50	81,223.00	71,896.24
369 Services	87,114.87	1,363.37		88,478.24	58,941.43	2,613.45		61,554.88	26,923.36
370 Meters	41,532.79	3,227.86		44,760.65	32,311.36	1,661.31		33,972.67	10,787.98
373 Street lighting and signal systems	71,373.73	2,535.56		73,909.29	41,952.45	2,813.64		44,766.09	29,143.20
Total Distribution Plant	1,269,868.90	38,131.85	2,957.50	1,305,043.25	620,433.32	61,555.73	2,957.50	679,031.55	626,011.70
GENERAL PLANT:									
390 Structures and improvements	62,368.64	.00	.00	62,368.64	25,466.68	1,247.37	.00	26,714.05	35,654.59
391 Office furniture and equipment	10,965.50	85.00		11,050.50	3,639.15	548.28		4,187.43	6,863.07
392 Transportation equipment	68,527.96			68,527.96	33,349.57	6,003.18		39,352.75	29,175.21
394 Tools, shop and garage equipment	17,950.58	2,546.31		20,496.89	7,942.09	1,795.06		9,737.15	10,759.74
395 Laboratory equipment	946.35			946.35	455.63	37.85		493.48	452.87
397 Communication equip.	7,780.77			7,780.77	2,922.41	778.08		3,700.49	4,080.28
398 Miscellaneous equip.	1,221.63			1,221.63	1,221.63			1,221.63	.00
Total General Plant	169,761.43	2,631.31	.00	172,392.74	74,997.16	10,409.82	.00	85,406.98	86,985.76
Total Utility Plant in Service Electric	\$1,439,630.33	\$40,763.16	\$2,957.50	\$1,477,435.99	\$695,430.48	\$71,965.55	\$2,957.50	\$764,438.53	\$712,997.46

**TOWN OF PAXTON, MASSACHUSETTS
MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT
STATEMENT OF ELECTRIC OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1981**

	TOTAL	OPERATION	MAINTENANCE
POWER PRODUCTION EXPENSE			
555 Purchased power	\$872,244.18	\$872,244.18	\$ 0.00
557 Other expenses	11,425.51	11,425.51	
TOTAL POWER PRODUCTION EXPENSE	<u>883,669.69</u>	<u>883,669.69</u>	<u>0.00</u>
DISTRIBUTION EXPENSES			
581 Operation labor	2,624.28	2,624.28	0.00
582 Operation supplies and expenses	3,221.99	3,221.99	
588 Misc. distribution expense	2,295.63	2,295.63	
593 Maintenance of overhead lines	20,676.58		20,676.58
595 Maintenance of line transformers	281.88		281.88
596 Maintenance of street lights and signal systems	3,086.48		3,086.48
597 Maintenance of meters	83.03		83.03
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION EXPENSES	<u>32,269.87</u>	<u>8,141.90</u>	<u>24,127.97</u>
CUSTOMER ACCOUNT EXPENSES			
902 Meter reading labor and expense	3,986.59	3,986.59	0.00
903 Accounting and collecting labor expense	23,137.78	23,137.78	
TOTAL CUSTOMER ACCOUNT EXPENSES	<u>27,124.37</u>	<u>27,124.37</u>	<u>0.00</u>
ADMINISTRATIVE AND GENERAL EXPENSES			
916 Miscellaneous sales expense	7,561.22	7,561.22	0.00
920 Admin. and general salaries	26,034.52	26,034.52	
921 Office supplies and expenses	2,581.89	2,581.89	
923 Outside services employed	2,491.59	2,491.59	
924 Property insurance	5,417.10	5,417.10	
925 Injuries and damages	1,362.99	1,362.99	
926 Employees pensions and benefits	58.72	58.72	
928 Regulatory commission expense	3,008.56	3,008.56	
930 Miscellaneous general expense	1,230.82	1,230.82	
932 Maintenance of general plant	5,551.01		5,551.01
TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE AND GENERAL EXPENSES	<u>55,298.42</u>	<u>49,747.41</u>	<u>5,551.01</u>
TOTAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSES	<u><u>\$988,362.35</u></u>	<u><u>\$968,683.37</u></u>	<u><u>\$29,678.98</u></u>

**TOWN OF PAXTON, MASSACHUSETTS
MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND ANALYSIS OF SURPLUS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1981**

	1981	Ratio
OPERATING INCOME:		
400 Operating Revenues	<u>\$1,150,640.55</u>	100%
OPERATING EXPENSES:		
401 Operating expense	968,683.37	84.19%
402 Maintenance expense	29,678.98	2.58%
403 Depreciation	<u>71,965.55</u>	6.25%
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>1,070,327.90</u>	93.02%
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	<u>80,312.65</u>	6.98%
OTHER INCOME		
418 Merchandise and jobbing	96.97	
419 Interest income	<u>68,699.37</u>	
TOTAL OTHER INCOME	<u>68,796.34</u>	
TOTAL INCOME	<u>149,108.99</u>	
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME DEDUCTIONS		
427 Interest on bonds and notes	9,563.94	
431 Other interest expense	<u>1,761.94</u>	
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS INCOME DEDUCTIONS	<u>11,325.88</u>	
NET INCOME	<u><u>\$ 137,783.11</u></u>	
EARNED SURPLUS		
208 Unappropriated earned surplus (at beginning of year)	\$ 691,581.78	
433 Balance transferred from income	137,783.11	
434 Miscellaneous credits to surplus	<u>2,999.37</u>	
TOTAL CREDITS	<u>832,364.26</u>	
DEDUCTIONS FROM EARNED SURPLUS		
435 Miscellaneous debits to surplus	<u>58,181.48</u>	
208 UNAPPROPRIATED EARNED SURPLUS (at end of year)	<u><u>\$ 774,182.78</u></u>	

Report of the Paxton Fire Department

The total number of emergency responses was one-third less than the previous year. Fires in structures, however, did not decline, and incidents resulting from wood burning devices continue to be the principal cause. The lack of smoke detectors in many of these homes points out that there are still some who do not realize the valuable protection these inexpensive devices can provide.

The new Engine 2 was delivered in October and placed in service in November. The State Fire Academy conducted a twelve hour aerial ladder course for the entire department, and hundreds of man hours were devoted to individual certification of operators. It has already proven to be faster, safer and more efficient in the occasion we have had to use it.

Inspections and permit issuance are becoming a significant demand on the time available to accomplish them. Applicants must understand that sufficient advance notice must be given to allow reasonable scheduling and response. Another fee is being

charged if re-inspections are necessary.

Homeowners intending to connect their residential detector systems to the Fire Department, by automatic dialers, must first contact the Fire Chief.

Until the bridge on Route 31 in Holden is repaired, the department is providing fire protection on request for that portion of Holden west of the bridge.

All area communities are experiencing periods of manpower shortages so Mutual Aid will be utilized more to help in the earlier stages of fires.

Energy saving measures implemented at the Fire Station have resulted in approximately one-thousand dollars reduction in the total building energy cost. The cooperation of all users of the facility helped make this possible.

Candidates for new members are always welcome, and our first female member will shortly complete training. Anyone interested should contact me at the Fire Station on any Tuesday evening.

I would like to thank the townspeople, membership, administration and other town departments for their assistance and cooperation during this year.

Brian C. Murphy

Report of the First Responder Group

The Paxton Fire Department First Responders answered forty three calls for medical assistance this year. This represents a 23% decrease in calls from last year.

The group, in addition to its regular training, had an emergency ward orientation at the Memorial Hospital directed by Mrs. Robert Dateo and a special field exercise in diagnosing injuries developed by Wayne Myers of Rutland, a Red Cross Instructor.

Firefighters comprising the first responder group as of July 1, 1982 are:

David Beach	Robert Mortel
Richard Bedard	Brian Murphy
Stephen Bedard	Herb Robinson
John Benoit	Rusty Savignac
Jay Conte	Kevin Sullivan
Richard Jenkins	Matt Wilde

The regular meeting night is the fourth Tuesday of the month.

John A. Benoit, Lieutenant

Brian C. Murphy, Chief, Paxton Fire Department

Report of the Board of Health

During the past year many septic systems were inspected for repairs of faulty disposal. Contact your Board and its inspector, James Lashbrook on all requests for information or reports of faulty systems within the Town. The Board cannot stress strongly enough CARE of your system to alleviate possible breakdowns. Call your Board, Town Hall 753-2803, if you have questions about your system.

Your Board was questioned by the State regarding elderly abuse. We contacted Chief Sheehan and requested any information regarding this problem. His report stated that as far as he knew there is not any report of this in our Town.

Your Board continues to issue Installers and Disposal permits. Licenses are revoked if a company fails to comply with the laws.

We have acted on several permits to keep horses and have given several permits and refused others. Remember, to keep horses in Paxton you must apply for a permit from the Board of Health.

Common Victualers License cannot be granted by the Selectboard until the premises have been inspected by the Sanitary Inspector and his report approved by the Board of Health.

The Board has ruled that any person or persons who have not paid a fee for animal inspection will be reported to the State Department of Public Health.

The Board reports, after investigation, all Paxton Children have been immunized properly according to

State Law. The Board of Health is responsible for all immunization Clinics in Town. All Clinics must be approved by the Health Board and the location will be decided by the Board.

R. E. Johnson, Chairman

O. T. Holland

Dr. Lewis P. James

Report of the Highway Superintendent

Surface treatments with cold mix and seals were concentrated on the west end of Town this past year with sections of Marshall Street, all of Hill, Laurel, Terrace Place, Suomi and part of South Street.

About 3,000 feet of 6 inch subdrain was installed on Reservoir Street in preparation for mix and seal coating this season, which should restore that street to good condition. We plan next year to rebuild the intersection of Reservoir and Pleasant Streets to improve visibility and safety.

Road side mowing and brush cutting among our regular annual maintenance work such as sweeping and catch basin cleaning were all carried out as

scheduled.

The winter turned out to be about normal for snow fall (approx. 96") but on the higher side for ice storms, which resulted in above normal use of sand and salt. Overtime hours were higher too, because many storms occurred on nights, weekends and holidays.

Again we thank the residents for their usual patience and apologize for any road side lawn damage we may have caused. In many areas the homeowners have placed markers at the end of their lawns, which have helped us eliminate this problem.

Respectfully Submitted

Robert S. Hansson

Supt. of Streets

1982 Jury List

Gerald K. Powers, 1 Marshall St., Counselor
Patrick M. Powers, 1 Marshall St., Clerk
Caroline L. Rice, 75 Maple St., Housewife
Edward L. Buck, 40 Asnebumskit Rd., Manager
Vincent McIntyre, 11 Knollwood Rd., Telephone - Retired
Scott L. Farrar, 13 Suomi St., Printer
Rosabla I. Labarge, 636 Pleasant St., Retired
Kenneth Parsons, 16 Orchard Drive, Product Eng.
Michael K. Aijala, 1 Mt. View Drive, Student
Samuel J. Staiti, 765 Pleasant St., President - Oil Co.
Mary Ann Harney, 461 Pleasant St., Housekeeper - Hospital
Howard Wooster, 12 Briarcliff Lane, Draftsman
Joseph Crutcher, 1 Eugenia Lane, Mold Setup Person
Barbara M. Braley, 100 Pleasant St., Librarian
George G. Karle, 279 Pleasant St., Retired
Edward W. McDude, 774 Pleasant St., Student
A. Barbara Rogers, 8 Burtenmar Circle, Homemaker
Frances M. Delaney, 3 Crestwood Rd., Secretary
Ronald Germain, 442 Marshall St., Mechanic
Rose Urbanovitch, Davis Hill Rd., Housewife
Hazel Bemis, 126 Holden, Secretary

Dorothy W. Rosseland, 130 Holden, Teacher
Christopher Martin, 23 Hill St., Letter Carrier
Roberta A. Smith, 8 Streeter Rd., Housewife
Donald G. Marshall, 5 Forestdale Rd., President
Michael Fulginiti, 15 Indian Hill Rd., Real Estate Broker
Julia A. Shea, 17 Monticello Dr., Homemaker
Virginia H. Beard, 110 Holden Rd., Secretary
Miriam Suomu, 96 Pleasant St., At Home
Elizabeth A. Cavanaugh, 6 Spring Drive, Nurse coordinator
Donna L. Ellis, 12 Cutler Rd., Legal Secretary
Rita C. Raymond, 1 Monticello Dr., Crafts Manager
Heidi K. Marengo, 63 Grove St., Secretary
William R. O'Hearn, 65 Grove St., Retired
Donald Perry, 29 Forestdale Rd., Personnel Consultant
Marcia G. Farrar, 12 Burtenmar Circle, Coordinator
Mary-Jeanne Byrnes, 22 Monticello Drive, Teacher
Hope A. Rubin, 5 Arrowhead Drive, Marketing Supervisor
Alfred E. Desrosiers, 7 Indian Hill Rd., Retired
Lesie Ann Williams, 57 Richards Ave., Student
Ruth L. Morse, 4 Mt. View Drive, Housewife
Richard P. Morse, 4 Mt. View Drive, Vice President
John R. Roy, 7 Ashwood Rd., Student
Laurens C. Seelye, 15 Maple St., Manager - Retired

Report of the Librarian of Richards Memorial Library

Circulation	23,320
Interlibrary Loans	352
Volumes in collection	16,045
New registrations	106

The Library Trustees conduct their board meetings on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

Library Hours:

Summer	
Sunday - closed	Wednesday 1-5
Monday - closed	Thursday 1-5, 7-9
Tuesday 1-5, 7-9	Friday 1-5
Saturday - closed	
Winter	
Sunday - closed	Wednesday 9-12, 1-5
Monday - closed	Thursday 1-9
Tuesday 1-9	Friday 9-12, 1-5
Saturday 1-5	

The Library has had a successful year with adult and children's programs. Some of those were: stenciling for adults and children; a folksinger, storyteller, yo yo demonstration and a puppet show for children;

rare book talk, assertiveness training, cooking, and an IRA financial workshop for adults. The Friends Organization is responsible for the financial support of these programs.

The Story Hour age was lowered to 2 years and was highly successful demonstrating a need for serving that age group.

The Paxton Fact Sheet was compiled by Richard Bedard, Jr., sponsored by the Library, printed by the Central Regional Print Shop, and financially supported by two local businesses. It was distributed to the public at no cost.

The Library was the recipient of several gifts this year. A gift set of 20 books - the Thornton Burgess Adventure Series - was presented to the Library by the Thornton Burgess Society. A Christmas Wish List brought gifts of books and several magazine subscriptions.

The Library has seen meeting use by Town Committees and some service groups. The Center School sent several classes for research work and to get acquainted with the Library.

It is because of all the support (financial and volunteer) of the townspeople that we are able to meet the varied needs of the community.

Barbara M. Braley
Librarian

LIBRARY EXPENSE July 1, 1981 to June 30, 1982

SALARY ACCOUNT

Town Appropriation	18,473.00
Expenditures:	
Librarian	10,260.00
Others	7,991.55

EXPENSE ACCOUNT - Income

Town Appropriation	3,933.42
Interest from	
Investments	See Treasurer's Report
Transfer from Fuel Account	450.00

EXPENDITURES:

Petty Cash	45.00
Telephone	602.37
Water	32.00
Postage & Office Expense	607.95

Misc. & Travel	45.15
Maintenance Building & Grounds	715.13
Books & Magazines	6,113.89
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	8,161.39

STATE AID

Received July 1, 1981	1,853.00
Balance	1,026.45
Expenditures	1,358.33

764-C ELECTRIC

Appropriation	1,100.00
Transfer from Fuel	220.00
Expenditures	1,291.85

764-A FUEL

Appropriation	2,916.00
Expenditures	2,181.55
Transfer to Electric	220.00
Transfer to Maintenance	450.00

Report of the Planning Board

During the past year the Board continued its work on the rules and regulations of land in Paxton, and signed numerous "Approval Under Subdivision Control Law Not Required" plans.

The Board also all met with many individuals who submitted zoning and subdivision questions.

Feel free to call Town Hall, Town Secretary with any questions you may have concerning the Zoning Bylaws or the Subdivision Rules and Regulations.

Stephen P. Pik, Chairman
Richard J. Pentland, Clerk
Zarvin J. Kasparian
Kathleen Sears
Charles W. Mello

Report of the Plumbing Inspector

During the fiscal year, July 1, 1981 to June 30, 1982, 21 Plumbing Permits were issued and 24 Plumbing Inspections were made. A total of 87 fixtures were inspected among which were three solar hot water installations.

During the fiscal year July 1, 1981 to June 30,

1982, 1 Gas Fitting Permit was issued and a Gas Inspection was made. One appliance was inspected.

These figures include the work of the Alternate Inspector, Lawrence St. Martin, as well as myself.

Respectfully submitted,
Zigmond Kozlowski
Plumbing and Gas Inspector
By L. B. Wright

Report of the Police Department

In the past year the police department returned \$5,148.00 to the town as a result of traffic fines, permits and reports.

There was one attempted armed robbery and the guilty person was apprehended and is now awaiting trial.

The department has upgraded the training mandated by state and federal law and will continue to do so in the future.

The neighborhood crime watch program is progressing nicely. More people are calling about suspicious events and people than ever before. The importance of this cannot be overemphasized. Please call if your suspicions are aroused in any manner.

Increased traffic enforcement has resulted in fewer serious accidents. It is with great sadness that we must add to this years report, one very serious

accident that resulted in the deaths of three Paxton youths.

The department wishes to thank the citizens, town officials and other departments for their support and we pledge to do our utmost to help keep Paxton a nice place to live.

Calls for service	1,836	Summons served	33
Breaking & entering homes	9	Arrests	16
Breaking & entering other	2	Property damage accidents	63
Auto thefts	1	Personal Injury accidents	23
Motor vehicles recovered	7	Medical assists	48
Vandalism	16	Business checks	7,910
Missing persons	3	Vacant homes checked	1,367
Armed robbery	1		

Robert P. Sheehan
Chief of Police

Report of the Recreation Commission

The Recreation Commission is pleased to report that FY 82 was a successful year with increased par-

ticipation, additional events and upgrading of recreational facilities.

The year began with our annual Independence Day celebration at the town pool. About 200 people were there to enjoy the activities which kicked off with a three mile road race (won by Scott Sieman)

followed by egg throwing, pie eating, softball throwing, horseshoe pitching and the like. The band called "Gallery" provided great background music and favorite tunes on request. All topped off, of course, by a cookout with prices from the good old-times. Even the rain at the end of the afternoon didn't dampen anyone's spirits.

The 5-week activities program for youngsters in grades 1-8 had approximately 150 boys and girls participating. Swim lessons, arts and crafts, team sports and a new rope adventure course made for a busy morning schedule. Field trips were taken to Moore State Park, Benson's Wild Animal Farm, Whalom Park and Hampton Beach. Parents provided snacks and "goodies" on the final day as the kids demonstrated the techniques of mime and other skills they had learned.

Total attendance at the pool throughout the summer was 7,350 separate visits. During the spring the chlorination system was refurbished and the bi-annual sealing and painting was done for an even better summer of '82.

It is important to note that during this fiscal year user fees for all recreational activities was instituted to reduce the cost of our budget to the general tax fund.

The fall and winter indoor program consisted of 15 weekly sessions of gymnastics for 50 grade schoolers, slimnastics for 100 women, basketball for men and boys - 30 in each. Tennis at the Racquet Club of Paxton at special group rates was well attended.

Outdoor activities during the winter were enhanced by the first snowy winter in several years. The Christmas House decorating awards were won by the

Richard Pentlands of Arrowhead Drive, the Aubrey Reids of Crocker Hill Drive and the Paul Locks of Shanandoah Drive. Fruit baskets were given as prizes.

The downhill ski program at Mt. Wachusett on Saturdays was enthusiastically attended by 126 youngsters.

Ice skating at Illig's pond was available with lighting for late afternoon and early evening use. The cross-country ski trails in the wood starting near the town pool were improved and expanded with instruction and guides available on the weekends. The Winter Carnival was held under a February full moon at Illig's Pond. Music, a giant bonfire, hot chocolate, cider and donuts warmed the 100 participants between skating and sliding. The February school vacation program at Mt. Wachusett had 23 skiers.

Almost a full bus load of fans traveled to Boston to watch a Saturday Bruins hockey game.

The first Summer Solstice 10 kilometer road race was held in the early evening of June 19th. Dennis MacCallum won in 33 minutes 40 seconds. Among Paxton residents the first three finishers were John Slabich, Mike Reardon and Howard Aubertin, Jr. The first juniors were Brian Blood and Pamela DiRubio.

Dave Braley was elected in May to fill Ann Mello's unexpired term after her resignation in March.

Respectfully submitted,
John F. McDonald, Chairman
Sybille W. Wolf
Dennis Melican
Claudia Holland
David R. Braley

Report of the Tree Warden & Insect Pest Control Sup't

To the Townspeople of Paxton

So far this year, I have taken care of sixteen calls that have to do with broken limbs, dead trees and visibility obstructions. Six dead trees have been removed, and to this date fourteen have been planted. Trees are being planted to replace any dead trees that have been removed. There is also placement of trees on different streets and town locations where needed.

Spraying of the town common, Town Hall, Fire Station, Electric office and Paxton Center School for

gypsy moth control was accomplished. We were not devastated by the creatures this year because of many factors.

One call from a town resident of mosquito problems has been taken care of. Three diseased elms have also been removed.

A request by Selectmen to check out planned Right-of-Way spraying operations by New England Power Co. has been done. They adhered to all regulations regarding the use of Krenite, and rules laid out by the Pesticide Board of Mass.

A purchase by this department of a 50 gal. power sprayer to be used in control of poison ivy and brush control along town roads where necessitated.

Respectfully
Patrick V. Smith

Report of the Board of Registrars

The Board of Registrars held new voter registrations during the year as required by Law.

The Board also reviewed the voting list and after notifying each person by mail, removed 74 names from the list.

New Totals:

2,466	Registered Voters
491	Democratic
424	Republican
1,551	Unenrolled Voters

Board of Registrars

Josephine Blood, Chairman

Patricia Ranta

Jean McIntyre

George L. McGovern, Clerk

Report of the Water Board Commissioners

During the past year the installation of the new chlorinator and its back up unit at the Asnebumskit Pond pump station has been completed and the system is working well. We have not only gained reliability in a very critical area but an added feature is the automatic switching from an emptying gas cylinder to a full one to assure an uninterrupted flow of chlorine as well as complete emptying of each bottle.

We continue to be plagued with coliform bacteria in certain areas of our distribution system during the hot summer months. Although the condition noted is not dangerous to human health and it does require immediate attention and correction. Our response

has been to increase the chlorine content in the water supply and to flush the distribution pipes by opening hydrants in the area affected. Consistent with other water systems we suspect older cast iron pipes, not concrete lined as a significant contributing factor.

An unusually high number of burst pipe sections were replaced this past year one of which occurred on private property and went undetected for several months. You are asked to report any unusual wet area to the Water Dept. for investigation to minimize the possible waste of this most valuable commodity.

STATISTICS

Total Services	1,097
New Services 81 - 82	5
Total Gallons Pumped	104,966,000

Robert Thompson

Charles Glassbrenner

Charles Scholl, Chairman

Report of the Council on Aging

The Paxton Council on Aging distinguished itself again in the handling of various duties outlined by the Montachusett Dept. of Elders Affairs. Among the favorite of course is the By-Monthly shopping bus transportation to various shopping centers, educational trips. Also there is our Annual Dinner, we provide the Senior Citizen meeting center, plus Flu & Pneumonia shots yearly in October. New projects were added this past season with remarkable appreciation, namely the Fuel Assistance. The applications were processed at the Paxton Town Hall, precluding eligible town residents from having to travel to neighboring towns as in previous years. Included also was the distribution of Government Sur-

plus Food for those qualifying for residents unable to be present because of illness, etc. A Council on Aging team visited homes of eligible residents and proceeded to process their applications for one or both of the commodities described; therefore preventing anyone being overlooked from receiving their fair share.

Happy to report that the Paxton Council on Aging was presented a plaque for meritorian service, this presentation was an award from the Montachusett Opportunity Council who represents the State of Mass.

Segments of the White School Bldg. on West Street are in process of being readied into a Paxton Senior Citizen Center, further details will be forthcoming in the not too distant future. A much needed necessity, I might add; a sentiment voiced by hundreds of Paxton Senior Citizens.

Respectfully submitted

John R. Bauer, Chairman

Report of the Town Collector

1975 Fiscal Motor Vehicle

Recommended	\$69.30	
Collected		\$69.30
	<u>\$69.30</u>	<u>\$69.30</u>

1976 Fiscal Motor Vehicle

Recommended	\$16.50	
Collected		\$16.50
	<u>\$16.50</u>	<u>\$16.50</u>

1977 Fiscal Motor Vehicle

Recommended	\$36.30	
Collected		\$36.30
	<u>\$36.30</u>	<u>\$36.30</u>

1978 Fiscal Motor Vehicle

Outstanding 7/1/81	\$ 2.00	
Recommended	26.68	
Abated		\$ 2.00
Collected		26.68
	<u>\$28.68</u>	<u>\$28.68</u>

1979 Fiscal Motor Vehicle

Outstanding 7/1/81	\$466.96	
Recommended	118.80	
Abated		\$381.71
Collected		204.05
	<u>\$585.76</u>	<u>\$585.76</u>

1980 Fiscal Motor Vehicle

Outstanding 7/1/81	\$3,871.66	
Recommended	66.00	
Refunded	367.40	
Abated		\$2,806.94
Collected		1,449.17
Outstanding 6/30/82		48.95
	<u>\$4,305.06</u>	<u>\$4,305.06</u>

1981 Fiscal Personal Property

Outstanding 7/1/81	\$29.78	
Collected		\$29.78
	<u>\$29.78</u>	<u>\$29.78</u>

1981 Fiscal Real Estate & Forest Law

Outstanding 7/1/81	\$59,708.84	
Refunded	1,245.32	
Abated		\$ 980.28
Tax Title		8,180.16
Collected		50,417.20
Outstanding 6/30/82		1,376.52
	<u>\$60,954.16</u>	<u>\$60,954.16</u>

1981 Fiscal Water Liens

Outstanding 7/1/81	\$415.40	
Collected		\$399.40
Outstanding 6/30/82		16.00
	<u>\$415.40</u>	<u>\$415.40</u>

1981 Fiscal Motor Vehicle

Outstanding 7/1/81	\$11,322.95	
Committed	18,381.17	
Refunded	1,580.68	
Abated		\$ 2,564.99
Collected		28,037.62
Outstanding 6/30/82		682.19
	<u>\$31,284.80</u>	<u>\$31,284.80</u>

1982 Fiscal Farm Excise

Committed	\$1,329.82	
Collected		\$1,329.82
	<u>\$1,329.82</u>	<u>\$1,329.82</u>

1982 Fiscal Personal Property

Committed	\$13,717.30	
Refunded	10.88	
Abated		\$ 26.10
Collected		13,702.08
	<u>\$13,728.18</u>	<u>\$13,728.18</u>

1982 Forest Products Tax

Committed	\$318.25	
Collected		\$318.25
	<u>\$318.25</u>	<u>\$318.25</u>

1982 Fiscal Real Estate & Forest Law

Committed	\$1,548,566.02	
Refunded	2,360.30	
Abated		\$ 25,428.37
Collected		1,470,637.72
Outstanding 6/30/82		54,860.23
	<u>\$1,550,926.32</u>	<u>\$1,550,926.32</u>

1982 Fiscal Water Liens

Committed	\$3,715.03	
Collected		\$2,161.64
Outstanding 6/30/82		1,553.39
	<u>\$3,715.03</u>	<u>\$3,715.03</u>

1982 Fiscal Motor Vehicle

Committed	\$87,931.42	
Recommended	5.00	
Refunded	854.92	
Abated		\$ 3,702.30
Collected		78,124.82
Outstanding 6/30/82		6,964.22
	<u>\$88,791.34</u>	<u>\$88,791.34</u>

Interest Received During 1981 - 1982

Personal Property	\$ 2.04
Real Estate	7,232.65
Farm Excise	3.74
Motor Vehicle	379.90
	<u>\$7,618.33</u>

Interest Received from Savings Account

\$184.24 Guaranty Bank

Water Department Receipts

Readings	\$58,099.26
Installation & Repairs	1,369.34
Worcester Water Used	90.57
	<u>\$59,559.17</u>

Electric Light Department Receipts

\$1,206,925.84

June T. Herron (Mrs.)

Town Collector

Report of the Town Accountant

To the Residents of Paxton:

In accordance with Provisions of Chap. 41 Sec. 61 of the General Laws, I submit the report of the financial condition of the Town of Paxton for the fiscal year 1982.

The certified "Free Cash" figure is \$293,150.00.

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved for the cooperation I have received during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Yvonne B. Karle
Town Accountant

RECEIPTS 82F**TAXES**

1982 Real Estate	1,470,637.72
1981	50,417.20
1982 Personal Property	13,702.08
1981	29.78
1982 Farm Animal	1,329.82
Forest Products	318.25

GRANTS AND REIMBURSEMENTS

School Chap. 70	191,821.00
Building Assistance	15,051.76
Title IV	1,224.00
Transportation	31,862.00
Vocational Transportation	772.00
Tuition State Words	1,592.00
Related Transportation	7,164.00
Dist. Tuition	587.00
Library State Aid	1,881.00
Council on Aging Grant	250.00
Lottery	20,167.00
Highway	24,793.80
Maintenance	22,861.00
Gas Tax	22,343.00
Local Aid	165,852.00

Grant - Police Safety	2,461.00
Public Funds	21,619.86
Taxes abated Elderly	3,887.89

PRIVILEGES

1982 Motor Vehicle Excise	78,124.82
1981	28,037.62
1980	1,449.17
1979	204.05
1978	26.68
1977	36.30
1976	16.50
1975	69.30

DEPARTMENTAL RECEIPTS

Selectmen	5,725.80
Board of Health	
Sanitary Insp.	785.50
Gas & Plumbing Insp.	140.00
Disposal Waste	1,229.00
Animal Insp.	105.00
Building Insp.	3,526.52
Planning Board	58.50
Wire Insp.	361.00
Town Clerk	85.50
Board of Appeals	200.00
Collector	
Filing Fees	32.00
Advertising	20.00
Interest on Personal Property	2.04
Interest on Real Estate	7,232.65
Interest on Farm Animal	3.74
Interest on Motor Vehicle	379.90
Interest on Account	184.24
Transfers from Stabilization	27,100.00
Treasurer	
Tax Titles	17,418.43
Interest on Tax Titles	2,061.51
Miscellaneous charges	1,830.36
Interest on Operating Cash	73,268.55
Treasurer Tailings	377.84
Police Department	
Court Fines and Permits	5,148.00
Fire Department Sale of Truck	800.00

Permits	398.00
Overpayment Gas & Plumbing Insp.	51.00
Use of Copy Machine	50.05
Highway Snow Plowing	1,392.00
School Miscellaneous	
Vandalism	2,474.00
Hazel Gay Awards	32.40
Bigelow Book Fund	55.24
Reimbursement Telephone	16.03
School Rental	330.00
Adult Education	639.45
Individual Tuition	1,854.84
Refund Unemployment Comp.	778.00
School Lunch	36,390.11
Recreation	3,408.30
Library Fines	485.20
Interest Income	6,781.55

PAXTON MUNICIPAL LIGHT

Rates	1,206,925.84
Treas. Int. on Operating Cash	28,188.71
Interest on Dep. & Const.	36,350.58
P.E.L. Meter Deposit	2,302.74
Teras. Int. on M. Dep.	252.29
P.E.L. Refunds	40,278.82
P.E.L. Debt payment to Town	30,943.75

WATER DEPARTMENT

Rates	58,099.26
Inst. and Repairs	1,369.34
(Worc. Water) Collected	90.57
1982 Water Liens	2,161.64
1981 Water Liens	399.40

CEMETERY

P/C	3,000.00
Opening Graves	2,395.00
Int. Income	7,248.63

PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS AND AGENCIES

Dog Lic. for County	1,289.50
Federal Tax W/H	172,526.16
State Tax W/H	54,044.02
Teachers Retirement W/H	32,333.84
County Retirement W/H	21,840.31
Health Insurance W/H	25,496.74
Group Insurance - Life W/H	613.65
Annuities W/H	15,467.03
Disability Insurance W/H	1,158.06
Health Insurance D.P.	895.55
Teachers Dues	2,652.00

LOANS

Fire Truck	175,000.00
Highway Antic of Rev.	23,249.20
Tax Anticipation	300,000.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS	4,630,374.48
CASH ON HAND 7/1/81	978,444.51
TOTAL	5,608,818.99

REVENUE SHARING

Total Receipts - Grant	60,930.00
67,072.82 Int.	6,142.82
CASH BAL. ON HAND 7/1/81	34,290.28
TOTAL	<u>101,363.10</u>
	5,710,182.09

PAYMENTS 1982F

	Appropriation	Expended
GENERAL GOVERNMENT		
MODERATOR		
Salary	35.00	35.00
Expense	30.00	29.84
SELECTMEN		
Salary	1,100.00	1,100.00
Secretary	4,015.00	
From Reserve	334.75	4,015.00
Expense	1,325.00	
	192.45	1,481.45
Exp. Bal. Bt. fwd.	66.48	9.80
ACCOUNTANT		
Salary	4,300.00	4,300.00
Expense	50.00	
	175.00	224.50
TREASURER		
Salary	4,850.00	4,850.00
Hire	1,350.00	1,350.00
Expense	1,090.00	1,056.15
Data Process.	1,500.00	1,285.71
D.P. Bal. Bt. fwd.	187.33	136.48
Cert. of Notes	50.00	45.00
Surplus Rev. to Stabilization		75,000.00
COLLECTOR		
Salary	4,700.00	4,700.00
Expense	1,415.00	
From Reserve	290.00	1,659.15
TOWN SECRETARY		
Salary	5,370.00	5,370.00
Expense	1,030.00	
From Reserve	540.30	1,570.30
ASSESSORS		
Salary	3,240.00	3,240.00
Expense	1,136.00	1,001.36
Exp. Bal. Bt. fwd.	405.95	398.95
Data Process	4,050.00	
From Reserve	6.21	4,056.21
C. & Val. update	3,000.00	1,875.00
Cl. & Val. update Bal. Bt. fwd	450.00	450.00
Clerk Salary	2,970.00	2,970.00
FINANCE BOARD		
Salary	593.00	593.00
Expense	100.00	74.00
TOWN CLERK		
Salary	1,300.00	1,300.00
Hire	484.00	484.00
Record Keeping	90.00	90.00
Expense	225.00	221.19
Storage	210.00	38.31

LEGAL	6,175.00	
	4,644.00	10,042.60
ELECTIONS	665.00	547.25
REGISTRARS		
Comp.	150.00	150.00
Clerk	165.00	165.00
Street Listing	500.00	500.00
Reg. Exp. Bal. Bt. fwd.	440.00	440.00
Expense	890.00	691.11
PLANNING BOARD		
Clerk	100.00	100.00
Expense	200.00	59.40
TOWN HALL		
Janitor Salary	2,175.00	1,990.60
Expense Bal. Bt. fwd.	87.47	59.69
Expense	2,050.00	
From Reserve	738.60	2,757.05
A - Heating Fuel	4,000.00	2,949.75
C - Electricity	600.00	550.65
Repairs	800.00	60.23
Art. 14 - Energy Saving		
Bal. Bt. fwd.	953.45	721.60
Smoke Detector	1,900.00	1,869.30
Total General Government		148,071.63

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Salary	68,582.00	66,676.68
Expense	4,951.00	4,948.37
B - Vehicle Fuel	12,000.00	10,944.07
Prisoners Fees	600.00	480.00
Art. 19 - Cruiser	8,000.00	7,997.26
Art. 13 - Crossing Guard	1,300.00	1,300.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Firefighters	7,020.00	
	2,855.44	3,770.04
Expense	4,700.00	4,685.57
A - Heating Fuel	5,640.00	
To Vehicle Fuel	200.00	
To Electricity	600.00	3,092.61
B - Vehicle Fuel	862.00	
from Heating Fuel	200.00	
From Reserve	52.00	1,112.45
C - Electricity	900.00	
From Heating Fuel	600.00	1,499.90
D - Protective Gear	1,200.00	1,199.10
Equipment	1,000.00	
S. T. Meeting	1,000.00	1,999.60
Hose Replacement	1,000.00	1,000.00

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Salary	1,300.00	
From Exp.	300.00	
From Reserve	200.00	1,529.50
Expense	475.00	
To Salary	300.00	122.31

BOARD OF APPEALS

Expense	200.00	102.65
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FORESTRY

Moth	200.00	
S. T. Meeting	500.00	85.00
Dutch Elm	700.00	
Bal. Bt. fwd.	49.53	749.50

TREE WARDEN

Salary & Others	1,800.00	1,415.00
Expense	100.00	68.74

DOG OFFICER

Salary	1,350.00	1,350.00
Expense	950.00	676.95

INSPECTOR OF WIRES

Salary	810.00	810.00
Hire	50.00	50.00
Expense	75.00	31.20

COMMUNICATIONS

Dispatchers Comp.	31,976.00	30,327.45
Expense Bal. Bt. fwd.	23.05	23.05
Expense	1,922.00	1,483.56

EMERGENCY MEDICAL

E.M.S. Bal Bt. fwd.	760.00	760.00
E.M.S.	3,800.00	614.10
Contract Ambulance	4,000.00	4,000.00
Expense	1,500.00	
From Reserve	23.98	1,523.98

Total Protection of

Personal Property		156,428.64
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HEALTH AND SANITATION

BOARD OF HEALTH

Salary	30.00	30.00
Expense	100.00	89.89
Upper Blackstone		
Bal. Bt. fwd.		31.00

Upper Blackstone Disp.	80.00	
From Reserve	1,150.00	1,230.00
Sanitary Inspector	3,485.00	3,485.00

GAS & PLUMB. INSP.

Bal. Bt. fwd.	51.00	
Ck. refund	51.00	102.00
Salary	300.00	227.50

INSP. OF ANIMALS

Assist. Bal. Bt. fwd.	25.00	25.00
Assistant	50.00	50.00

COMM. H. HEALTH

From Reserve	192.00	2,630.75
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Total Health and Sanitation

	8,051.14
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PUBLIC SERVICES

HIGHWAY

Wage - Bal. Bt. fwd.	642.00	642.00
Wage	110,298.00	101,643.19
Expense Bal. Bt. fwd.	5,683.56	5,542.33

Expense	52,432.00	
From Reserve	2,500.00	49,022.50
A - Fuel Oil	3,750.00	2,087.81

Vehicle Fuel Bal. Bt. fwd.	411.11	411.11
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B - Vehicle Fuel	15,000.00	12,105.74
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C - Electricity	400.00	
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From Reserve	300.00	595.40
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TOWN COMMON

	200.00	76.30
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Street Lights	13,500.00	
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From Reserve	61.59	12,581.47
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Art. 18 - Garage Doors		
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From Stabilization	7,100.00	7,100.00
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Total Public Service

	191,807.85
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VETERANS SERVICES

AGENT

Expense	200.00	160.45
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Aid	1,000.00	
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From Reserve	1,772.30	
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S. T. Meeting	5,000.00	7,772.30
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Total Veterans Services

	7,932.75
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SCHOOLS — PAXTON CENTER

Bal. Bt. fwd	54,321.50	*54,321.02
1982F	982,359.00	
Vandalism	2,474.00	
S/A - Adm.		4,814.00
Supt. Office		16,864.99
Princ. Office		38,450.26
Teaching		454,480.22
Spec. Subject Teachers		31,242.00
Textbooks		3,824.65
Library		21,033.33
Audio Visual		400.00
Guidance		15,114.47
Health Serv.		8,455.92
Transportation		49,776.00
Food Services		2,259.26
Student Activities		707.44
Operation and Maint.		60,758.65
Fuel		50,116.93
Utilities		17,967.89
Buildings		21,295.63
Equipment		1,404.15
Fixed Charges		121.08
Community Services		461.57
Fixed Assets		31.93
Programs & Other Schools		34,142.71
Instruction - S/B		36,984.08
Guidance		6,289.00
Psychological Serv.		2,028.45
Transportation		16,411.21
Tuition		12,700.00
Tuition Other		9,270.00
Total Paxton Center School		<u>*917,405.72</u>

Total Wachusett Regional	<u>*452,042.53</u>
Total Schools	1,423,769.27

LIBRARY

Librarian	10,260.00	10,260.00
Others	7,375.00	
S. T. Meeting	838.00	7,981.55
Expense	3,592.00	
Cty. Dog Fund	.52	
From Heating Fuel	514.45	4,380.54
Heating Fuel	2,916.00	
To Electricity	220.00	
To Expense	514.45	2,130.05
Electricity	1,100.00	
From Heating Fuel	220.00	1,231.30
Total Library		<u>25,983.44</u>

RECREATION AND CELEBRATIONS**RECREATION**

Rec. Comp.	17,941.00	
To Expense	1,700.00	15,439.84
Expense Bal. Bt. fwd.	302.63	153.66
Expense	2,905.00	
From Comp.	1,700.00	
From Reserve	2,650.00	6,108.97
B - Vehicle Fuel	300.00	
To Electricity	52.70	84.24
C - Electricity	475.00	
From Heating	52.70	526.96
Repairs H. W. Pool		
From Stabilization	2,000.00	2,000.00

MEMORIAL DAY

Bal. Bt. fwd	50.00	40.00
1982F	500.00	265.00
JULY 4th	500.00	500.00
Total Recreation and Celebrations		<u>25,118.67</u>

UNCLASSIFIED

Town Reports	3,000.00	2,491.20
Ins. and Bonds	49,775.00	45,589.95
Ins. Deductibles		
Bal. Bt. fwd.	1,000.00	1,000.00
Empl. Ins.	40,000.00	35,729.10
Town Clerk		
Salary	60.00	60.00
Conservation		
Clerk Bal. Bt. fwd.	220.00	220.00
Central Reg. Pl.	560.00	559.65
Council on Aging	3,000.00	
S. T. Meeting	657.00	3,657.00
Investigation		
Art. 18 - Senior Citizen Center		
Bal. Bt. fwd.	2,000.00	2,000.00
Meeting Place	600.00	600.00
Unemployment		
Security		
From Reserve	10,010.00	
		<u>9,105.00</u>
Total Unclassified		101,011.90

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE**WATER DEPARTMENT**

Comm. Salary	225.00	225.00
Other Comp.	2,850.00	2,850.00
Expense	11,677.00	10,550.95
C - Electricity	10,000.00	8,848.24
Water Quality	1,000.00	880.09
Chlorinator	2,500.00	2,495.00
Art. 20 - Water Extension		
From Stabilization	10,000.00	9,984.56
Art. 12 - Hydrant	1,300.00	1,292.28
Total Public Serv. Ext.		<u>37,126.12</u>

MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST

Maturing Debt	67,525.00	67,525.00
Interest Bal. Bt. fwd.	51.87	51.87
Interest	24,982.00	
From Reserve	3,971.41	28,952.66
Total Maturing Debt and Interest		<u>96,529.53</u>

REFUNDS

82 - Per. Property		10.88
82 - Real Estate		2,360.30
81 - Real Estate		1,245.32
82 - M. Vehicle Excise		854.92
81 - M. Vehicle Excise		1,580.68
80 - M. Vehicle Excise		367.40
To State - Veterans		5,295.00
To State - overpayment		
Tornado Grant		287.69
Total Refunds		<u>12,002.19</u>

INTEREST ON TRUST AND INV.

Library for Operation		3,780.95
Cemetery for operation		2,723.22
Total Interest Expended		<u>6,504.17</u>

LOANS FIRE TRUCK PURCHASE	174,911.00
Highway Antic of Reimb.	48,043.00
Total Loans	222,954.00

GRANTS

Highway Chap. 570	1,144.00
School Title IV	176.86
Library State Aid	1,358.33
Council on Aging	250.00
Total Grants	2,929.19

REVOLVING ACCTS.

School Lunch	36,395.72
School Adult Ed.	702.80
School Hazel Bag Awards	30.00
Recreation	3,664.52
Total Revolving Accts.	40,793.04

PAXTON MUNICIPAL LT. DEPT.

Meter Deposit	2,240.05
Exp. Operation	1,164,401.52
P.E. Light Mat. Debt and Int. to town	30,943.75
Total P. Mun. Lt.	1,197,585.32

PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS & CALL FOR AGENCY

Call for Cty. - Dog. Lic	1,289.50
Fex Tax W/H	172,525.56
State Tax W/H	54,044.02
Cty. Retirement W/H	20,192.46
Mass. Teachers Ret. W/H	28,095.52
Emp. Ins. W/H	21,899.46
Emp. Ins. Retained D/P	1,346.89
Emp. Ins. Group W/H	535.83
Emp. Ins. - Group Retained D/P	48.36
Teachers Dues	2,652.00
Disability Ins. W/H	1,064.06
Annuities W/H	14,074.35
Cemetery P/C	3,000.00
Total Payroll Ded. & Coll for Agencies	320,768.01

ASSESSMENTS

Cty. Tax	78,229.97
Auditing	525.64
M. V. Bills	525.00
Cty. Retirement System	50,250.00
Retired Municipal Teachers	4,243.56
State Parks	19,683.35
Central Mass. Air Poll.	824.31
Total Assessments	154,281.83

LOANS

Tax Anticipation	300,000.00
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TREASURERS TAILING W/adj.

	.63
Total Payments	4,479,649.32
Cash 6-30-82	1,129,169.67
	5,608,818.99

REVENUE SHARING

Total payments	64,500.00
Cash on Hand 6-30-82	36,863.10
	101,363.10
	5,710,183.09

Town of Paxton Balance Sheet 1982F

ASSETS

Cash and Int.	1,129,169.67
Revenue Sharing	36,863.10
Real Estate - 82	54,860.23
Real Estate - 81	1,376.52
Tax Title - Rec.	9,013.02
Foreclosures	605.34
M.V. - Receivable 82	6,964.22
M.V. - Receivable - 81	682.19
M.V. - Receivable - 80	48.95
Rater Rates Rec.	2,738.85
Water Liens - 82	1,553.39
Water Liens Prior yrs.	16.00
State Aid Highways	23,249.20
Cemetery P/C	531.64
Paxton Municipal Light Rates	
Inst. Receivable	58,680.63
State Parks	1,510.17
	1,327,863.12

Appropriation Control Budget and Articles	2,246,207.73
Appropriation Control Revenue Sharing	64,000.00

LIABILITIES

Treas. Tailings	732.29
Prov. for ab. ex. - 82	51,138.84
Prov. for ab. ex - 81	30,518.37
Surplus Prov. for ab. ex.	65,593.97
Tax Title - Reserved for Uncollected Tax Liens	9,618.36
Reserve for Uncol. M.V.	7,695.36
Water Inst. Repairs	1.54
Reserved for Uncol. Water REc.	4,306.70
Water Guarantee Deposit	50.00
Reserve - Rev. Sharing	36,863.10
School Lunch Rev. Acct.	2,902.06
School Adult Ed. Rev. Accot	52.65
School Bldg. Rental Rev. Acc.t	360.00
Recreationn - Reading Acct.	1,597.13
Highway Chap. 570	3,510.80
Highway Chap. 329	14,970.00
Highway Loan Antic. Rev.	23,249.20
Departmental Rev.	531.64
Cemetery Int. Income	14,194.62
Cemetery Int. Income Held	400.52
Richards Mem. Lib. Int. Income	18,782.61
E. D. Bigelow School Fund	211.22
Hazel Gay Awards - School	4.41

School Title Acct.	53.99
School Title Acct.	1,224.82
Library - Gift	25.00
Library State Aid	3,402.12
Reserved for Uncol. P.E. LT.	58,680.63
Paxton E Lt. Meter Deposit	7,652.02
Paxton E. Lt. - Deprec. Const.	496,342.45
Cty. Retirement W/H	1,647.85
Mass. Teachers Ret. W/H	4,238.32
Emp. Ins. W/H	3,597.28
Emp. Ins. Direct Pay	1,714.33
Emp. Group Life W/H	77.82
Group Ins. Retained	14.34
Dis. Ins. W/H	94.00
Annuities W/H	1,964.68
Cty. Tax Assessment	216.42
Central Mass Air Pol.	97.54
Retained for Enc. Bills	107,808.20
Unrestricted Balance Surplus Reserve	351,725.92
	<u>1,327,863.12</u>

NET FUNDED FIXED DEBTS

School	90,000.00
P. Electric Lt.	100,000.00
Water Standpipe	203,850.00
Library	155,000.00
Fire Truck	175,000.00
Total	<u>723,850.00</u>

TRUST AND INVESTMENTS

Library Trust Accounts (Prin. only)	\$19,178.87
Plus 216 Shares of AT & T Stock	stock quote
Plus E. G. Richards Trust	\$46,571.22
Cemetery P/C Account	\$36,181.80
Other Cemetery Trust Accts.	
# 208339	\$500.00
# 1176910	\$6,200.00
# 241315	\$5,705.00
# 803965	\$6,250.00
# 803980	\$5,675.00
Nanigan	\$4,000.00
C. D. Boynton Accounts	
# 63180 (Prin. only)	\$2,700.00
# 176908 (Prin. only)	\$1,609.79
# 803963 (Prin. only)	\$1,616.50
# 9-803977 (Prin. only)	\$1,748.00
Accumulated Interest Balance	\$11,233.16
D. Russel Boynton Poor Fund	
(Prin. only)	\$1,000.00
Accumulated Interest Balance	\$3,018.27
Bigelow School Book Fund (Prin. only)	\$1,000.00
Post War Rehabilitation Fund Balance	\$3,086.68
Bigelow Village Improvement	
Prin. (Can't spend)	\$1,000.00
Accum. Int.	688.88
Stabilization Balance	\$160,550.33
Conservation Account	\$10,066.05
Hazel Gay - 6 Shares AT & T Stock	stock quote

Town Treasurer's Report

Year Ended June 30, 1982

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF INTEREST INCOME

	INTEREST EARNED DURING YEARS ENDED:	
	June 30, 1981	June 30, 1982
Town Operating Funds	\$ 67,455.45	\$ 75,330.06
Electric Operating Funds	25,207.12	33,999.14
Electric Depreciation Fund	12,294.06	30,827.75
Stabilization	13,124.44	17,506.96
Cemetery Trusts	7,159.87	6,781.55
Library Trusts	7,433.31	7,248.63
Revenue Sharing	1,352.76	6,142.82
Miscellaneous Trusts	1,947.54	2,291.83
Sub - Total	\$135,974.55	\$180,128.74
Less - Interest Cost of Short Term Loans	(2,000.00)	(3,088.83)
Net Investment Income	<u>\$133,974.55</u>	<u>\$177,039.91</u>

OPERATING CASH

Balance July 1, 1981	\$ 978,444.51
Add - Receipts for the year	4,630,374.48
Subtract - Payments for the year	<u>4,479,649.32</u>
Balance June 30, 1982	<u>\$1,129,169.67</u>

ANALYSIS OF OPERATING CASH - JUNE 30, 1982

Town Operating Funds Invested in	
Mass. Municipal Depository Trust	\$ 378,904.88
Town Cert. of Deposit - 14.75%	300,000.00
Town Funds in Checking	(53,729.68)
Electric Funds in M.M.D.T.	169,825.83
Electric Cert. of Deposit - 14.75%	100,000.00
Electric Funds in Checking	335.40
Electric Depreciation Funds in M.M.D.T.	33,833.24
Electric Depreciation Funds Cert. of Deposit - 14.75%	200,000.00
Total June 30, 1982	<u>\$1,129,169.67</u>

NON-OPERATING ACCOUNT BALANCES JUNE 30, 1982

Richards Memorial Library Trust	\$ 46,571.22
Library Trust Accounts	19,178.87
Cemetery Perpetual Care Accounts	40,181.80
Cemetery Trust Accounts	24,330.00
Village Improvement Fund	1,688.88
D. Boynton Poor Fund Trust	1,000.00
D. Boynton Trust Income Account	3,018.27

C. D. Boynton Trust Accounts	7,674.29
C. D. Boynton Income Account	11,233.16
Stabilization Account	160,550.33
Income from War Bond Account	3,086.68
Conservation Account	10,066.05
Bigelow School Book Fund	1,000.00
Uncommitted Revenue Sharing	1,224.10
AT & T Stock - Library	216 Shares
AT & T Stock - Hazel Gay Fund	6 Shares

OUTSTANDING DEBT AS OF JUNE 30, 1982

	Year of Maturity	Principal	Interest	Total
School Addition	1985	\$ 90,000.00	\$ 4,387.50	\$ 94,387.50
Water Standpipe	1995	203,850.00	66,579.00	270,429.00
Library Addition	1990	150,000.00	32,250.00	182,250.00
Fire Truck	1986	175,000.00	52,286.10	227,286.10
Electric Substation	1986	100,000.00	11,924.50	111,924.50
(to be paid from electric revenue; not taxation)				
Highway	1983	23,249.20	2,092.43	25,341.63
(to be reimbursed by state)				
TOTALS		\$742,099.20	\$169,519.53	\$911,618.73

Respectfully submitted
David P. Fitzpatrick
Town Treasurer

Report of the Paxton School Committee

The 1981-1982 academic year, the second year of Proposition 2½, would be considered another highly successful year.

- Good progress on the implementation of the recommendations of the "School Audit Report" completed in the spring of 1981.
- Board of Education recognition of "Promising Practices" developed at our school.
- Many extraordinary school projects developed and completed.
- Outstanding performance by The Parent Teachers Organization.
- Work completed on strengthening the computer curriculum.
- Consultant's report on the "Study of the Superintendency" completed and accepted by Union 64 and WRHS for implementation commencing September, 1982.
- White Building made available to the Selectboard for use by The Senior Citizens.

- Energy conservation measures, in the forms of increased insulation, completed within allowable budget and allowed realization of a 1.5 year payback.
- Enrollment continues to decline as projected.
- Estimated per pupil cost for 1982-83 is \$2,737; this is an 11.35% increase over 1981-82.
- Minimal Staff turnover but lost time above average.
- Positive gains being realized from good leadership and direction.

Your School Committee is proud of the outstanding job being done in educating our children. Performance of recent Paxton graduates at W.R.H.S., National Test Scores continue to support the high student achievement level.

The Superintendency, Paxton Administration, Supporting Staff and Teaching Staff are to be congratulated for their role in maintaining this high standard.

The Selectboard, Finance Committee and other Town Government Personnel have been extremely supportive and helpful in allowing us to achieve our goals.

We recognize that each succeeding year under Proposition 2½ will become more difficult: we are

dedicated to maintaining our Educational Philosophy for the operation of The Paxton School System.

We thank all of you for your past help and ask each of you to continue your support during the troubled times that lie ahead.

H. Kasparian, Secretary
B. Lorge
D. Lucey
P. McCarthy, Chairman
B. Scarbeau, Vice Chairman

Paxton School Directory

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Philip McCarthy - Chairman	Term Expires 1984
Barbara Scarbeau - Vice Chairman	Term Expires 1984
Haroutune Kasparian - Secretary	Term Expires 1983
Daniel Lucey	Term Expires 1985
Barbara Lorge	Term Expires 1985

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

Dr. Edward P. Yaglou	Superintendent of Schools
William F. Carey	Assistant Superintendent
Peter Farrelly	Assistant Superintendent
Peter Larratt	Business Manager
Shirrell Foster (Resigned)	Administrative Secretary
Dianne Master	Administrative Secretary
Doris E. Sherblom	Accounting Secretary
Mary L. Wernholm	Accounting Secretary
Nancy E. Carlson	Accounting Secretary
Marjorie A. Pearson	Receptionist/Clerk Typist
Cathleen Bradshaw	Receptionist/Clerk Typist

INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF

Thomas Fowler-Finn (Resigned Aug. 1982)	Principal
Mary Donahue	English VI-VIII
Richard E. Johnson	Science VI-VIII
Lois Kahn	Social Studies VI-VIII
Stephen D. Porcaro (Resigned 4/1/82)	Reading VI-VIII
Margaret Reynolds Long Term Substitute	Reading VI-VIII
Marguerite Johnson	Math VI-VIII
Patricia A. Wadsworth	English VI-VIII
Paul A. Zendzian	Science VI-VIII
Victoria K. Copp	V
Thelma G. Heselbarth	V
Mary L. Bogren	IV
Richard M. Lane	IV
Ginger Urbanovitch	III
Janice E. Laperle	III

Jeanne K. Couture	II/III
Claire Reavey	II
Evelyn M. Bass	I
Nancy Oakes	I
Jean Sheary	K
Helene MacLeod	Transition
Constance Garvey Marr	Librarian
Gertrude R. Healy	French/Spanish
Barbara Marks	Art
Charles T. Gruszka (Interim Principal)	Guidance
Maryann O. Morin	Home Economics
Daniel J. Mortell	Industrial Arts
David F. Hebert	Music
Roger H. Prince	Physical Education
Betty D. Valardi	Physical Education
Roberta Tidman	Learning Disabilities
Claudia Aitken	Learning Disabilities
Patricia Belsito	Math Tutor

SUPPORTING STAFF

Jeannie A. Blavackas	Principal's Secretary
Melinda Johnson, R.N.	School Nurse
Dr. Jeffrey Burl	School Physician
Eileen M. McCorkle	Cafeteria Manager
Ambrose R. Tower	Head Custodian
Donald L. Carlson	Custodian
Richard Morrow	Custodian
Gerard Bernier	Custodian
Paxton Garage, Inc.	Transportation Contract

ENROLLMENTS — OCTOBER 1, 1981

Grade		Grade	
K	32	IX	53
I	32	X	65
II	32	XI	87
III	48	XII	69
IV	46		
V	43		
VI	48		
VII	60		
VIII	54		
TOTAL	395	TOTAL	274

Report of the Wachusett Regional School District Committee

The 1981-82 year was an arduous one for the Wachusett Regional School Committee. There were no easy solutions or choices. The maintenance of quality educational programs was the foremost ob-

jective which motivated us.

With the cooperation of a strong Administration and a dedicated faculty, staff cuts were held to a minimum. No academic programs were eliminated, though it was necessary to remove some specific courses.

The tremendous financial burden of the new facilities notwithstanding, we expect to be fully equipped and operational for the 1982-83 school year.

Community involvement has increased our awareness of the necessity of continuing those extra-curricular activities that contribute to the total education of emerging adults. We are most grateful for the help we have received from parents and the business community, and look forward to even greater participation from all quarters in the future.

The students themselves have assisted in establishing priorities which assure that the quality of education at Wachusett Regional High School is something they can depend on and which will serve them well in the future.

Respectfully submitted,
 Stuard L. Johnson, Chairman
 Richard J. Buckley
 Roy V. Bunting
 Burton H. Fiske
 John H. Goewey
 David L. Johnson
 Mary A. Kelley
 James F. Leland
 Eugene A. O'Rourke, Jr.
 Ellis C. Paakkonen
 Ruth M. Stevens
 G. Wayne Stoddard
 Clark H. Stuart

WACHUSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT RECONCILIATION OF SURPLUS FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1982

	6/30/81	6/30/82
BEGINNING SURPLUS	439,593.15	572,669.47
ADD:		
Audit Reclassifications	171.00	-0-
Net Income (Statement #2)	712,781.82	575,746.93
Miscellaneous Income	2,262.00	
	<u>1,154,807.97</u>	<u>1,148,416.40</u>
LESS:		
Carryover Appropriations from Current to Next Fiscal Year	155,214.72	190,331.00
Surplus Applied to Reduce Current Ending Fiscal Year's Assessments	350,000.00	350,000.00
Surplus Applied to Unbudgeted Appropriations	76,923.78	-0-
ENDING SURPLUS	<u>572,669.47</u>	<u>608,085.40</u>
Phase in to FY83 Budget (Vote of WRSDC 7/26/82)		233,792.00
Surplus Applied to Reduce FY83 Assessments (Vote of WRSDC 7/26/82)		<u>200,000.00</u>
REMAINING SURPLUS AFTER APPLICATION		<u>174,293.40</u>

WACHUSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF CONDITION JUNE 30, 1982

	6/30/81	6/30/82
ASSETS		
(GENERAL ACCOUNTS)		
Cash (General, Investments, Petty Cash)	2,619,429.78	1,146,751.05
Accounts Receivable	-0-	-0-
Loans Authorized	<u>3,359.57</u>	<u>3,359.57</u>
	2,622,789.35	1,150,110.62
Net Funded or Fixed Debt	<u>4,570,000.00</u>	<u>4,180,000.00</u>
	<u>7,192,789.35</u>	<u>5,330,110.62</u>
LIABILITIES AND RESERVES		
Temporary Loans	-0-	-0-
Payroll Withholdings	50,045.89	49,279.96
Tailings	4,704.94	605.14
Federal Grants	8,469.61	10,116.23
Cafeteria & Other Revolving Accounts	9,528.94	24,840.17
Accounts Payable	155,214.72	190,331.00
Planning & Building Costs	<u>1,742,520.10</u>	<u>178,662.33</u>
APPROPRIATION		
Loans Authorized & Unused	3,359.57	3,359.57
Insurance Settlement	<u>12,037.16</u>	<u>11,306.02</u>
RESERVED FOR APPROPRIATION		
Escrow Account	8,196.89	8,769.39
Contingency Maintenance Fund	45,737.75	54,450.50
Building Fund 1953 Project	10,204.31	10,204.31
Reserve for Petty Cash	100.00	100.00
Surplus	<u>572,669.47</u>	<u>608,086.00</u>
	2,622,789.35	1,150,110.62
(DEBT ACCOUNTS)		
Serial Loans, School Construction	<u>4,570,000.00</u>	<u>4,180,000.00</u>
	<u>7,192,189.35</u>	<u>5,330,110.62</u>

WACHUSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT INCOME STATEMENT FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1982

	6/30/81	6/30/82
INCOME		
Assessments from Member Towns	2,698,577.00	2,923,953.00
State Revenues (Exhibit A)	2,027,187.89	2,236,275.89
Other Revenues (Exhibit B)	653,690.30	484,506.44
Surplus Reduction Applied to Assessments	350,000.00	350,000.00
Carryover Appropriations from Prior Fiscal Year (Exhibit C)	151,568.91	155,214.72
Surplus Transfers for Unbudgeted Appropriations (Exhibit C)	<u>76,923.78</u>	<u>-0-</u>
GROSS INCOME	<u>5,957,947.88</u>	<u>6,149,950.05</u>
EXPENSES		
Operating and Debt Service (Exhibit C)	<u>5,245,166.06</u>	<u>5,574,203.12</u>
NET INCOME	<u>712,781.82</u>	<u>575,746.93</u>

Report of the Superintendent Wachusett Regional School District and School Union No. 64

1981-82 has seen us through the second year of Proposition 2½. The process of coping was a little smoother as we and other town departments learned to work more efficiently together under the new rules. The Finance Committee was very helpful to both elementary and regional school committees during the budgeting and appropriation process. Enrollments declined at both the elementary and high school levels, but costs of people and equipment climb more than 2½ percent per year; therefore we are thinning down programs to keep within the limitations voted 3 to 2 by the citizenry.

Needless to say, this is a source of much discouragement to staff members, and the indecision which has surrounded the questions "How much money will there be?" and "Who's the next to go?" has added to the discouragement. The law requires notification of non-tenured teachers by April 15th if they are not to be reappointed for the following year. Each year, at that time, so little is known about the amount of state aid to be expected for the following year, that the school committee pink slips the largest number of non-tenure teachers that may **possibly** be laid off if the worst-case budget should come true, as a way of protecting itself from having commitments to more teachers than it can afford. Then, by summer, as town meetings are held and the cherry sheet is issued, the committee acts to reinstate some or all of those people. Many citizens ask, "But the teacher **was** hired back, so what's the problem?" The problem is that we told people that they were dispensable, that we valued their services less than those of most of the staff, and we caused them all the anguish of the threat of job loss. Any of **us** caught in that situation would not take it so lightly as those who, from the outside, reassure "All's well that ends well."

The Wachusett budget for fiscal '83 has been, and will continue to be, adjusted so as to insure a total assessment to the five towns equal to the fiscal '82's assessment. Most other municipal departments have been granted slight increases for fiscal '83. Wachusett has tightened up on its program offerings, eliminating non-mandated programs which serviced

the fewest students. The Wachusett faculty has been cut from 124 teachers in 1980-81, to 111 teachers in 1981-82, to 107 teachers in 1982-83, as of this writing. (The rate of decrease in the number of teachers has been double the rate of decrease in the number of students.) The Paxton Elementary School budget has been granted a small increase for fiscal '83 (including a \$16,000 special article for energy conservation measures), to serve approximately twenty fewer students.

Management Consultant, James C. Pritchard of Boston, has completed a study of the six school districts' expectations of and the services rendered by the Superintendent's Office. The study was 90 percent funded by grants from the Norton Foundation and the Wyman-Gordon Foundation. Your superintendents are enthusiastic about the improvements in services which could be achieved. However, as of this writing, the major recommendations have not been scheduled, due to the fiscal limitations placed on the towns.

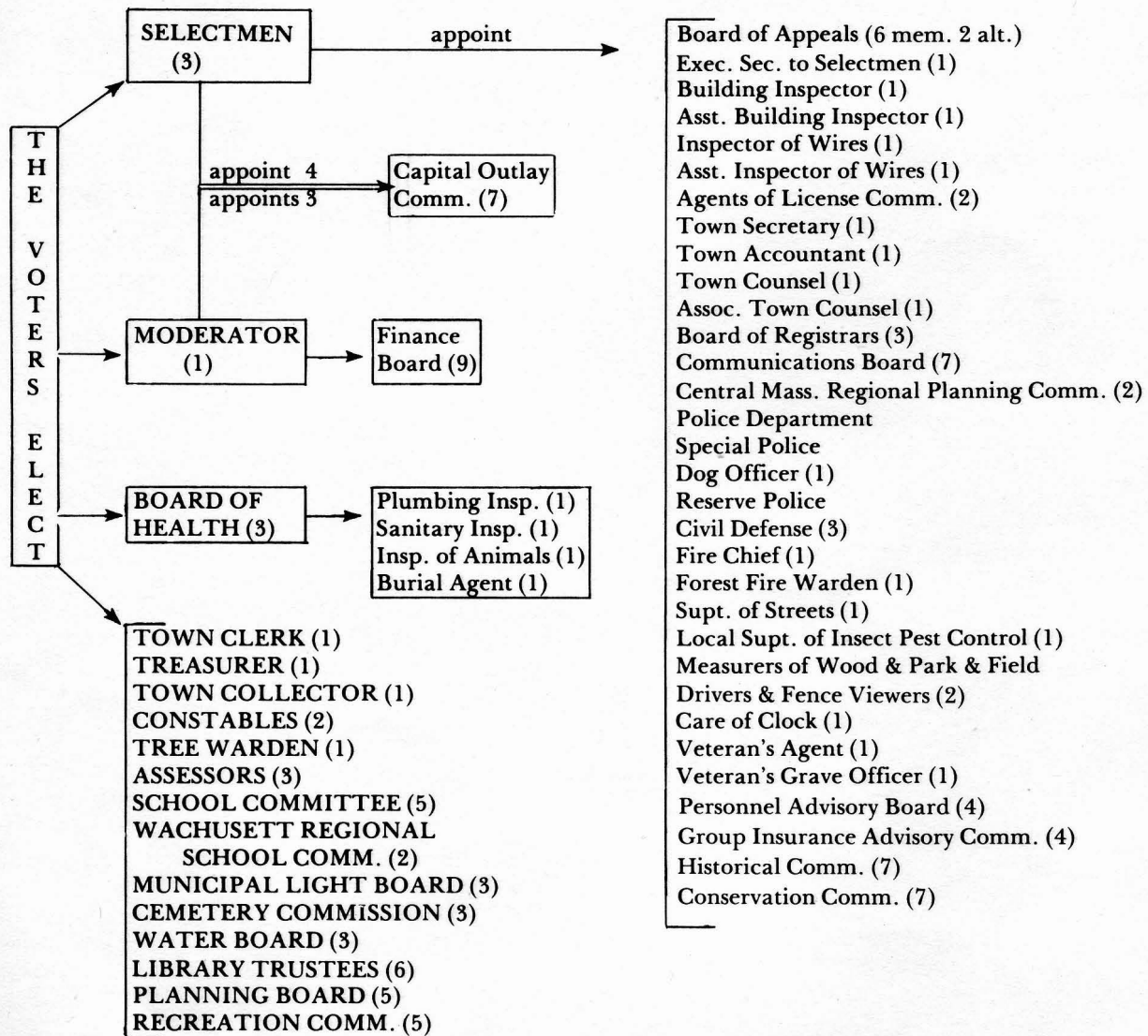
Periodically, we remind the towns of the State's financial incentives offered to encourage Kindergarten through Grade 12 regionalization (not centralized schools, but governance by one school committee instead of six). As of the most recent calculation, if we were to reorganize K-12, we would receive in FY'83, almost \$2 million more in state aid than we now do. (This compared to the \$14.5 million total of all six school committee budgets.)

While the Paxton voters did not approve an annual town meeting article to revise the zoning By-Law with regard to the storage of school busses, we urge the Paxton School Committee to continue to explore alternatives to allow for open competition for school bus service. The current contractor is doing an excellent job for us; this recommendation should in no way be understood to reflect anything but satisfaction. However, we continue to recommend that a zoning change is required if we are to have the advantage of readily available busses in Paxton without the disadvantage of a monopoly bidder.

We continue to appreciate the concern, the volunteerism, and the sincere cooperation of the citizens, staff, and students of the town as we weather a difficult time. The central core of your public education system appears reasonably healthy, serving Paxton's young people with an eye to the twenty first century.

Edward P. Yaglou, Superintendent
William F. Carey, Assistant - School Union 64
Peter Farrelly, Assistant - Union and Region

The Structure of Paxton's Town Government



COMMUNITY INFORMATION

EMERGENCY NUMBERS:

Fire 756-1400
Police 791-9296
Medical 791-9296

COMMUNICATIONS CENTER

791-6600

Open 24 hours/day to provide information and assistance to the residents of Paxton.

TOWN HALL OFFICES, 697 Pleasant St., Mon. - Fri. 9-4

Accountant/Secretary 753-2803 / 754-7638
Mon. - Fri., 9-4
Assessors 754-7638
Mon. evening*, 7:30-10
Board of Health 753-2803 / 754-7638
Meet 2nd Tues. evening*, 7:30
Building Inspector 753-2803 / 754-7638
Thurs. evenings by appointment
Town Clerk 753-2803
Tues. morning 9-12, Thurs. evening 7:30-9:30
Town Collector 753-2803 / 754-7638
Wed., Fri. morning 9-12, Thurs. evening 7:30 - 9:30
Conservation Commission 753-2803 / 754-7638
Meet 2nd Thurs. evening as needed
Council on Aging 753-2803 / 754-7638
Meet 1st & 3rd Thurs. morning, 9 except July & August, 1st Thurs. only
Planning Board 753-2803 / 754-7638
Meet 3rd Mon. evening* 7:30-9:30
Police Department 755-1104
Recreation Commission 753-2803 / 754-7638
Meet 2nd Mon. evening', 7:30
Selectboard 754-7638
Mon. - Fri. mornings, 9-12
Meet 2nd & last Thurs. evening, 7:30
Water Board 753-2803 / 754-7638
Meet 2nd Mon. evening, 8:00

DOG OFFICER 791-6600

ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPT., 578 Pleasant St., 9-4 756-9508
Monthly meeting third Tuesday at 5 p.m. at Light Dep't.

FIRE DEPARTMENT, 576 Pleasant St. 791-6600

HIGHWAY & WATER DEPARTMENTS, 107 Holden Rd., 7-3:30 753-9077

LIBRARY, Richards Ave. 754-0793

Library Trustees meet 1st Tues. evening*, 7:30

Library Hours:

	Winter	Summer
Mon.	Closed	Closed
Tues.	1-9	1-5, 7-9
Wed.	9-12, 1-5	1-5
Thurs.	1-9	1-5, 7-9
Fri.	9-12, 1-5	1-5
Sat.	1-5	Closed

SCHOOLS:

Paxton Center School, West Street 798,8576

Wachusett Regional High School, 1401 Main St., Holden 829-6771

Wachusett Regional Superintendent's Office 829-3537

Paxton School Committee

Meets 2nd Tues. evening, Sept. - June, 7:00, Center School

Wachusett Regional School District Committee

Meets 2nd & 4th Mon. evening, 7:30, High School

*Winter meetings may be rescheduled to conserve fuel.