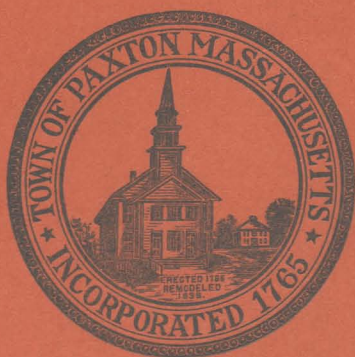


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Town Officers for 1949

Moderator

JESSE E. MILLS

Town Clerk

LESLIE E. ROBINSON

Collector of Taxes

AUSTIN W. WHITNEY (Res.)
MARION E. MACCABEE (Appointed)

Treasurer

MARION E. MACCABEE

Constables

REUBEN O'JANNE (Resigned) **WILLIAM O. WYLIE**
DONALD SISTARE (Appointed)

Tree Warden

FRED R. DIFLEY

Selectmen

LOUIS T. HAMBLIN	Term Expires 1950
SHERMAN S. LUDDEN	Term Expires 1951
ARTHUR J. CROMPTON	Term Expires 1952

Public Welfare

RAYMOND J. LANTINEN	Term Expires 1950
GEORGE G. CARLSON	Term Expires 1951
RUTH B. McKINLEY	Term Expires 1952

Assessors

FRED E. WATSON	Term Expires 1950
GEORGE C. HUNT	Term Expires 1951
ROBERT A. BELEY	Term Expires 1952

School Committee

HARRY CLARK	Term Expires 1950
M. LAWRENCE PRICE	Term Expires 1951
CHARLES C. CRAIG	Term Expires 1952

Municipal Light Board

GEORGE T. DEWEY, Jr.	Term Expires 1950
ROBERT C. HARRINGTON	Term Expires 1951
C. JOHN ABBOTT	Term Expires 1952

Cemetery Commission

ERDIE G. NICHOLS	Term Expires 1950
ARTHUR LAWLER, Jr. (Resigned)	Term Expires 1951
NILS F. BRINK	Term Expires 1952

Water Commission

LLOYD H. PITCHER	Term Expires 1950
HAROLD R. LEFFINGWELL (Res.)	Term Expires 1951
PELLERVO F. O'JANNE	Term Expires 1952

Trustees Richards Memorial Library

ELIZABETH M. LAWLER	Term Expires 1950
HAROLD R. LEFFINGWELL	Term Expires 1950
MIRIAM W. DEWEY	Term Expires 1951
MILTON P. LADD	Term Expires 1951
VERNA E. HOWLAND	Term Expires 1952
HARRY E. WHITCOMB	Term Expires 1952

Planning Board

WILLIAM O. WYLIE	Term Expires 1950
ARTHUR J. CROMPTON	Term Expires 1951
GEORGE G. KARLE	Term Expires 1952
HERBERT F. WENTWORTH	Term Expires 1953
ARTHUR LAWLER, Jr. (Res.)	Term Expires 1954

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MODERATOR

Finance Committee

EVERETT M. STORY	Term Expires 1952
MERVYN RICHARDS	Term Expires 1952
JOHN T. B. CARMODY	Term Expires 1951
WILLIAM J. LAMOTTE	Term Expires 1951
ALFRED W. AMITH	Term Expires 1950
DEANE O. HOWLAND	Term Expires 1950

4th of July Committee

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Regional School Committee

(Per vote of Special Town Meeting)

CHARLES C. CRAIG	JOAN CARMODY
JESSE E. MILLS	

APPOINTMENTS BY THE SELECTMEN

Tellers at Town Election

ARTHUR F. STEVENS	HAZEL TANNAHILL
ANN HATCH	MARY ST. MARTIN
CLARA WENTWORTH	
(Declined because of sickness)	

Care of Town Clock

WILLIAM O. WYLIE

Janitor Town Hall

GEORGE MACCABEE

Supt. of Streets

WALTER V. PIKE

Chief of Police

DONALD SISTARE

Dog Officer

DONALD SISTARE

Sealer of Weights and Measures

REUBEN O'JANNE

Care of Flag and Common

HOWARD CRESWELL

Building Inspector

FRED E. WATSON

Plumbing Inspector

THOMAS F. HARNEY

Inspector of Wires

ROY M. WENTWORTH

Moth Superintendent

NAPOLEON BOUCHER

Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering

SUMNER TAYLOR

Burial Agent

LESLIE E. ROBINSON

Veterans Administrator

SHERMAN S. LUDDEN

Fire Warden

FRANK G. HATSTAT

Field Drivers

ELLIOT CROUCH

CHARLES C. CRAIG

FRED R. DIFLEY

Measurers of Wood and Bark

ELLIOT CROUCH

FRED. DIFLEY

CHARLES C. CRAIG

Police Officers

REUBEN O'JANNE (Res.) AUGUSTUS W. OATLEY, Jr.

WILLIAM O. WYLIE

DONALD SISTARE

GEORGE KARLE

Special Police Officers

AUGUSTUS MULLANEY

GEORGE MACCABEE

FRED DIFLEY

ROBERT BRUCE

PENTTI PENTTILA

ARTHUR J. CROMPTON, Jr.

WALLACE L. CONNOR

F. WYMAN ROGERS (Boynton Park)

Board of Appeals

FRANKLIN G. FLEMING, Jr.	Term Expires 1954
EVERETT M. STORY	Term Expires 1951

Constable

DONALD SISTARE	Term Expires 1950
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Committee to Investigate Regional High School

JESSE E. MILLS	FLORENCE M. ABBOTT
RALPH W. WILBUR	

**REPORT
OF THE
TOWN CLERK**

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

January

- 18 Janet Susan, daughter of George O. and Vaino (Nelson) Lilyestrom.
- 20 Deborah Ann, daughter of Robert B. and Barbara B. (Parker) Pierce.
- 27 George Charles, 2nd, son of George C. and Helyn L. (Austikolins) Lamotte.

February

- 3 Kathleen Joyce, daughter of James E. and Beatrice M. (Kelley) Kelley.
- 19 Bruce, son of Lawrence and Doris E. (Flodin) Soderman.

March

- 26 James Francis, son of William P. and Viola C. (Leno) Morse.

April

- 6 Marilyn Ann, daughter of Gordon M. and Elizabeth M. (Lawler) Richards.

May

- 19 Michael John, son of Edmond R. and Bernadeen O. (Smith) Rochette.
- 25 Mark Reynold, son of Richard H. and Eunice H. (Carlson) Salinger.

June

- 16 Douglas Chapin, son of Chapin and Virginia H. (Basscom) Fay.

July

- 5 Priscilla Kate, daughter of Lloyd S. and Olive (Ayotte) Jenkins.
- 19 Ginger Ann, daughter of Frank A. and Doris M. (Daigle) Urbanovitch.

August

- 24 David Adams, son of Richmond E. and Edith F. (Beaumont) Calhane.

September

- 1 Pamela, daughter of James R., Jr. and Carolyn A. (Everleth) Stone.
- 2 Michael Sidney, son of Michael and Emily S. (St. George) Santoro.
- 5 John Dunkerton, son of Robert D. and Natalie E. (Mossman) Hoyt.
- 7 Mark Doane, son of David D. and Mary C. (Geer) Everleth.

November

- 5 Charles Albert, Jr., son of Charles A. and Beatrice E. (Auger) Craig.

December

- 14 Joanne Alina, daughter of Herbert B. and Lillian G. (Johnson) Hammar.

MARRIAGES

April

- 3 Carl H. Johnson, Jr., of Paxton and Lorain Fletcher of Auburn.

May

- 21 William E. Lindquist of Paxton and Jeanne F. Ferin of Rutland.

June

- 18 George C. Hunt, Jr. and Grace E. Riley of Auburn.
25 Edward O. Gelinas of Worcester and Marjorie Livingston of Paxton.

October

- 15 Herbert R. Pond of Auburn and Beverly J. Maccabee of Paxton.

November

- 24 James Kaba-Hamsy of Brookline and Emily M. Manzi of Paxton.

December

- 10 Bolling R. Powell, Jr. of Vienna, Virginia, and Mary V. Spaulding of Paxton.

DEATHS

February

		Y.	M.	D.
18	Conlon, Kathleen (Primary bronchopneumonia)	—	4	—

March

20	Barr, Annela (Cerebral hemorrhage)	87	3	17
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June

14	Doctor Roy A. Bush (Coronary occlusion)	70	11	28
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August

26	Calhane, David A. (Prematurity)	—	—	2
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September

11	Cote, Charles H. (Cerebral hemorrhage)	79	—	—
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LICENSE ISSUED IN 1949

Dog Licenses

- 103 Males
- 24 Females
- 45 Spayed Female
- 4 Kennel
- 1 Transfer

Paid Town Treasurer \$450.80

Hunting and Fishing

- 148 Resident Citizen Fishing
- 92 Resident Citizen Hunting
- 93 Resident Citizen Sporting
- 59 Resident Citizen Minor and Female Fishing
- 1 Resident Citizen Trapping
- 2 Non-resident Citizen 3-day Fishing
- 2 Duplicate
- 1 Non-Resident Military or Naval Sporting
- 3 Resident Citizen Sporting and Trapping (Free)
- 1 Resident Military or Naval Sporting (Free)
- 1 Resident Citizen Old Age Assistance Fishing (Free)

Paid Division of Fisheries & Game \$867.25

Respectfully submitted,

LESLIE E. ROBINSON

Town Clerk

Report of Voting at Annual Town Meeting

March 7, 1949

Article 1. Election of town officers.

Article 2. Acceptance of reports of town officers and vote on acceptance of budget as presented by the Finance Committee.

Voted to take up Article 32, under Article 2.

Article 32. Voted salary of the Selectmen be two hundred dollars per year, retroactive to January 1, 1949.

Voted to take up Article 31 under item of Constables expenses.

Voted eight hundred twenty dollars (\$820.00) for expenses and seven hundred forty-four dollars (\$744.00) for protection of school children at State Highway crossing.

Article 3. Voted to pay the charges of a Surety Company on bonds of town officers.

Article 4. Voted to authorize the Town Treasurer to borrow money from time to time with the approval of the Selectmen and to renew any note or notes of the Town in accordance with section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Article 5. Voted to have the Moderator appoint a committee to have charge of the Fourth of July celebration.

Fire Department appointed.

Article 6. Voted that the American Legion have charge of the observance of Memorial Day.

Article 7. Voted that one hundred seventy-five dollars (\$175.00) of the Fire Dept. expenses be used to purchase compensation for members services.

Article 8. Voted that money received from the Dog Fund be appropriated to the Richards Memorial Library.

Article 9. Voted to authorize the Assessors to use up to fifty per cent (50%) of the surplus funds available in the hands of the Treasurer when the tax rate is ready to be set, for the purpose of reducing the tax rate for the current year.

Article 10. Voted to install two (2) street lights on Holden Road and that extensions of street lights be made on all other streets now having street lights.

Article 11. Voted to keep street lights on until one (1) A. M. and appropriate two hundred twenty-five dollars (\$225.00) to take care of additional expense.

Article 12. Electric Light Dept. article. Voted acceptance as read.

Article 13. Voted to accept the proposed street, known as Colony Lane, owned by Franklin G. Fleming, Jr., as a Town Street.

Article 14. Voted to authorize the School Committee to appoint any one of their Board to another position, the salary to be forty-five dollars (\$45.00).

Article 15. Voted to authorize the selectmen to appoint a committee of three (3) to work in conjunction with the School Committee to investigate the possibility of building a Regional High School.

Article 16. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5000.00) to purchase and install an adequate lighting system for the School.

Article 17. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for installing hot water facilities at the school.

Article 18. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to sell the remaining land of the "Howe Farm", so-called, in lots suitable for building homes.

Article 19. Voted that Articles nineteen (19), twenty (20), and twenty-one (21), be postponed, and made the main order of business a meeting to be held on Monday, June 6, 1949.

Article 22. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-eight hundred dollars (\$2800.00) as the Towns share of the cost of Chapter 81 maintenance.

Article 23. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of eleven hundred dollars (\$1100.00) as the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 maintenance.

Article 24. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2000.00) as the Town's share of the cost of construction on Marshall St.

Article 25. Voted to transfer one thousand two hundred eighty-five dollars eighty cents (\$1,285.80) from High-

way Equipment Fund to Highway Equipment Maintenance Fund.

Article 26. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of six hundred seventy-eight dollars fifty-seven cents (\$678.57) to pay for the increase in the cost of the wing for the grader.

Article 27. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred seventy dollars (\$170.00) to buy a power lawn mower.

Article 28. Voted to lay Article 28 on the table. 50 yes, 10 no.

Article 29. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of forty-one dollars sixty-seven cents (\$41.67) to cover an overdraft of the Board of Assessors.

Article 30. A confirming vote of a sum of money for the pension fund accepted under Article 2.

Article 31. Voted under Article 2.

Article 32. Voted under Article 2.

Article 33. Voted to give the American Legion Post a parcel of land on the "Illig Property" suitable for a Memorial home at such time as the Planning Board formulates concrete plans for development of the property.

Article 34. Voted that the Planning Board be authorized to ask Mr. John J. Callahan if he would sell a fifty (50) foot right-of-way into the "Illig Property" and also the price.

Article 35. Voted not to set aside five thousand dollars

(\$5000.00) from the Post-War Rehabilitation Fund to be used in the development of the "Illig Property."

Article 36. Voted to accept the list of jurors as prepared by the Selectmen.

Article 37. Voted to elect a Board of Health.

Article 38. Voted to adopt a by-law making fifty (50) registered voters a quorum necessary for the Annual Town Meeting and any Special Town Meetings except such parts of the meetings as are devoted exclusively to the election of officers, and that any meeting may be adjourned to a later date though less than a quorum is present.

Article 39. Voted to amend Section IV, article 9, paragraph A, of the "Revised Zoning By-laws" to include the words "Radio Stations".

Article 40. Voted to amend Section VII, article 2, of the "Revised Zoning By-laws" so that it gives a definition of the size of depth of front yards.

REPORT OF VOTING OF ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

June 6, 1949

Article 19. Voted to pass over the Article.

Article 20. Voted to appropriate out of available funds the sum of three hundred twenty-five dollars fifty-four cents (\$325.54) to be paid to George G. Carlson, Crystal St., as reimbursement for one hundred (100) feet of water line extension on Crystal St., the same to be repaid under the Water Dept. fifteen (15) year plan.

Article 21. Voted by a count of fifty-eight (58) to three (3) not to rescind the vote of the Feb. 4, 1946, Annual Town Meeting, article sixteen (16), which concerned money for an extension of water main on Highland St.

REPORT OF VOTING OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

November 30, 1949

Voted to take up articles three (3) and four (4) first.

Article 3. Voted to accept the provision of Chapter 638, sections 14 through 16, of the Acts of the General Court, entitled, "Regional School District Planning Board".

Article 4. Voted to instruct the Moderator to appoint a committee of three (3) to serve on the Regional School District Planning Board and in addition that two hundred dollars (\$200.00) be transferred from surplus money in the School Lighting Account, voted at the Annual Town Meeting, 1949, to meet the town's share in the expense of this committee.

Article 1. Voted by a count of seventy-six (76) to forty-one (41) not to discontinue the fifteen (15) year plan of the Water Department.

Article 2. Because of the vote on Article 1, the proponents of Article 2 stated that they were not interested in water extensions under the fifteen (15) year plan and although a motion was made, it was for explanation of a financing plan and not for consideration of the voters.

Also voted that the Water commissioners be instructed to help in any reasonable way, those that are short of water

during this emergency, with the full confidence of the town and its approval.

Article 5. Voted that the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2000.00) be taken from available funds for the purpose of having a survey made of the potential water supply of the town, and that the Water and Planning Board be instructed to submit at the next Annual Town Meeting a plan for the systematic expansion of the town water supply.

Respectfully submitted,

LESLIE E. ROBINSON

Town Clerk

LIST OF JURORS

FRANK DUSO

LLOYD H. PITCHER

ARMAND L. BOURGET

GEORGE MACCABEE

AUGUSTUS P. MULLANEY

FOSTER T. BORDEAUX

CRAIG H. HILL

HILTON CUNNINGHAM

REPORT OF THE PLUMBING INSPECTOR

The Scientific Committee of the New England Association of Plumbing Inspectors have recently completed a series of test to determine the cause of Hot Water Tank explosions and among the points brought out by the demonstrations and dramatized by a moving picture were the following:

Point One

That excessive pressure causes rupture where as excessive temperature causes explosions.

Point Two

That the energy released in a hot water tank explosion is tremendous - sufficient to cause great property damage in a structure and death to inhabitants of the building.

Point Three

That excessive pressure is relieved speedily by the withdrawal of even a slight amount of water, but that excessive temperature is much more serious.

Point Four

That tank ruptures unaccompanied by excess temperature are not dangerous but that tank ruptures with excessive temperatures, can be disastrous.

Point Five

That hot water tanks should be adequately protected against both excessive pressure and excessive temperature.

Our Paxton Plumbing Ordinance under Section 20 provide Regulations to protect our towns people against the Hazards of Unsafe Plumbing and Inadequately protected Tanks. If the towns people will realize that our Plumbing laws are enforced for their protection they will report all plumbing work being installed for them to the Plumbing Inspector. Competent and Honest Plumbers procure a permit before they start an installation so for your own protection ask your plumber to show you this permit before you let him start work. This is the only way that you can be assured of a safe installation.

A communication was received by your Board of Health from the office of the State Board of Health relative to sewerage disposal, this Town is served by a system of individual cesspools or septic tanks. A drive is under way by the State Board of Health to investigate all undesirable conditions that may be hazardous to the Health of the Community.

The State Board was notified that Paxton had a Health enforcement officer, in the person of their Plumbing Inspectors whose duties included the enforcement of our Town Regulations relative to the Construction - Size and location of Cesspools and Septic Tanks.

At this time there is a Septic tank and drainage field being installed under my instructions near the center of town, this installation is replacing a cesspool that overflowed all over the front lawn creating an odorous and very unhealthy condition for the occupants and neighbors. I will watch the performance of this installation and if it proves to give satisfactory results, Property Owners with similar

offensive and dangerous installations will be notified to make proper corrections. Many complaints have been made to the Board of Health and attempts have been made by property owners to overcome these conditions that did not work out successfully. I feel that these property owners desire to and have tried to rectify these conditions but were misinformed as to the proper methods. If you have a similar problem feel free to consult with me, as your Health Inspector that is one of my duties and I am at your service.

During 1949 there were twenty-four Plumbing Permits issued and all work installed was satisfactory and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS F. HARNEY, Jr.

Inspector of Plumbing

REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

I hereby submit the following report for the year 1949.

Appropriations	\$650.00
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Expenditures:

Spraying trees	\$102.00
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To Howard Tree Co., trimming and removing trees	476.68
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General care	69.70
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\$648.38

Balance	\$1.62
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Respectfully submitted,

FRED DIFLEY,

Tree Warden

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

1949 REAL ESTATE TAXES

Due per Warrant	\$55,212.52	
Abatements Refunded	394.41	
Overpayment Refunded	11.46	
Payments to Treasurer		\$50,780.87
Abatements		564.40
Tax Titles		9.54
Outstanding Taxes		4,263.58
		\$55,618.39
		\$55,618.39

1949 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

Due per Warrant	\$5,217.28	
Payments to Treasurer		\$4,576.66
Outstanding Taxes		640.62
		\$5,217.28
		\$5,217.28

1949 POLL TAXES

Due per Warrant	\$704.00	
Payments to Treasurer		\$624.00
Abatements		46.00
Outstanding Taxes		34.00
		\$704.00
		\$704.00

1949 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAX

Due per Warrants	\$7,015.63	
Abatements Refunded	181.96	
Payments to Treasurer		\$6,141.30
Abatements		215.02
Outstanding Taxes		841.27
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	\$7,197.59	\$7,197.59

1948 REAL ESTATE TAX

Due per Warrant	\$4,686.08	
Payments to Treasurer		\$4,434.13
Tax Titles		8.50
Outstanding Taxes		243.45
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	\$4,686.08	\$4,686.08

1948 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

Due per Warrant	\$529.89	
Payments to Treasurer		\$374.34
Outstanding Taxes		155.55
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	\$529.89	\$529.89

1948 POLL TAXES

Due per Warrant	\$40.00	
Payments to Treasurer		\$22.00
Abatements		18.00
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	\$40.00	\$40.00

1948 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES

Due per Warrants	\$655.41	
1949 Commitment	31.90	
Payments to Treasurer		\$627.33
Outstanding Taxes		59.98
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	\$687.31	\$687.31

1947 REAL ESTATE TAXES

Due per Warrant	\$360.02	
Payments to Treasurer		\$329.84
Abatements		24.15
Tax Titles		6.03
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	\$360.02	\$360.02

1947 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

Due per Warrant	\$248.07	
Payments to Treasurer		\$60.91
Outstanding Taxes		187.16
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	\$248.07	\$248.07

1947 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES

Due per Warrants	\$54.59	
Payments to Treasurer		\$52.59
Abatements		2.00
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	\$54.59	\$54.59

INTEREST PAYMENTS TO TREASURER

Taxes of 1949	\$11.85	
Taxes of 1948	141.51	
Taxes of 1947	28.06	
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		\$181.42

DEMAND PAYMENTS TO TREASURER

Taxes of 1949	\$11.55	
Taxes of 1948	2.80	
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		\$14.35

Respectfully submitted,

AUSTIN W. WHITNEY,
Collector of Taxes

To the Citizens of Paxton:

Inasmuch as I changed my residence this past year, it became necessary that I eventually resign my office as Collector of Taxes. I planned my resignation to coincide with the annual state audit of the town's books to save added expense of a double audit. This resignation took place on January 4, 1950.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for having elected me as your Collector of Taxes at such an early age and having continued to re-elect me for 13 consecutive years.

In spite of the fact that it is difficult for a Tax Collector to do his work well without causing hard feelings, I feel to the contrary that I have made many friends while in office. It has been a real pleasure to serve you.

Respectfully,

AUSTIN W. WHITNEY,
Collector of Taxes

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

for the year 1949

Receipts from Metered Water	\$4,219.93
Receipts from Installations	1,083.95
Rental of Hydrants	1,150.00

Total receipts	\$6,453.88
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The Water Department had 10 bills outstanding for 1949 amounting to \$181.41. It is expected that these bills will be collected very soon.

There were 25 new connections completed during 1949 which now brings the total to 209.

One extension to the water system was completed on Highland Street at a cost of \$1,409.76 with 420 feet of 6 inch pipe used.

A new spillway was completed at the pump station at a cost of \$163.18.

There were three emergency taps installed—West St., Pleasant St., and Grove St., costing \$214.14.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD R. LEFFINGWELL,
Chairman

LLOYD H. PITCHER
P. FRANCIS O'JANNE

REPORT
OF THE
BOARD OF ENGINEERS
PAXTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Department answered 24 calls as follows:

- 1 chimney
- 10 grass
- 4 brush
- 3 car
- 2 to Rutland
- 1 false
- 3 at the dump

In addition the Department went out on 3 calls resulting from burning without a permit.

Several trips were made to the dump without sounding an alarm.

There were three investigations of burning without a permit.

There were 2 investigations made in answer to phone calls. Fires were outside of town limits.

178 permits for burning were issued.

The Department took part in a muster held at Auburn last fall.

The Department purchased 2 oxygen deficiency type masks to conform with state law, and a new dry powder extinguisher has been bought.

15 more men took instruction on the use and working of the equipment under a plan started in 1947.

The Department wishes to thank the townspeople for their cooperation in keeping fires to a minimum during last year drouth.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK G. HATSTAT,

Chief

REPORT ON 90 MAINTENANCE

- No. 23 and 28—Grove Street and Holden Road
Surface Treatments—
2990 Gals. RC-2 Asphalt, Sand Cover
- No. 27—Maple Street
Surface Treatments—
660 Gals. T-6 Tar, Sand Cover and Honed
- No. 8—Richards Avenue
Surface Treatments—
670 Gals. MC-3 Asphalt, Sand Cover and Honed
115 Gals. MC-3 Asphalt, Sand Cover and Seal
975 Gals. AE-3 Emulsion, Sand Cover and Seal
- No. 15—Marshall Street
Surface Treatments—
695 Gals. MC-3 Asphalt, Sand Cover and Seal
- No. 17—Reservoir Drive
Surface Treatments—
1340 Gals. T-6 Tar, Sand Cover and Honed
800 Gals. T-9 Tar, Sand Cover and Seal
- No. 3—West Street
Surface Treatments—
2040 Gals. T-6 Tar, Sand Cover and Honed
875 Gals. T-9 Tar, Sand Cover and Seal
- West Street at Station 23 to 26+50
Widen Curve by removing 600 yds. of earth, 30 yds. of ledge, and refilling with 180 yds. of gravel.

90 CONSTRUCTION—MARSHALL STREET

Station 52+00 to Station 33+00

Surface with $\frac{1}{4}$ Gal. T-4 Tack Coat

Add 3" Surface Gravel Mix and Place with 1 $\frac{1}{3}$ Gals. T-6

Tar

Seal with $\frac{1}{2}$ Gal. MC-3 Asphalt and Roll

Station 33+00 to Station 24+00

Excavate and Widen to 22 ft.

Apply 18" Gravel

Add one new Culvert

1180 ft. Cable Guard Rail

Grade Shoulders and Slopes

INVENTORY OF ROAD COMMISSIONER

as of December 31, 1949

- 1—Oliver 70 Tractor Loader and Mowing Machine Attachment
- 1—Frink One Way Snow Plow for Truck
- 1—Frink V Snow Plow for Truck
- 1—Motor Driven Sand Spreader
- 1—1-Barrel Tar Heating Tar Kettle
- 1—Walsh Snow Plow for Truck
- 1—Blow Torch
- 1—Road Drag
- 1—Road Screen
- 7—Tar Barrels
- 1—Roller Wheel Roller
- 75—Chimney Bricks
- 5—Lanterns
- 16—Torches
- 1—Roll Stock Fence Wire

- 1—Austin Western Grader 99M
- 1—Frink One Way Plow for Grader 99M
- 1—Frink V Plow for Grader 99M
- 4—Long Handle Shovels
- 10—Snow Shovels
- 5—Worn Out Shovels
- 6—No. 3 Round Point Shovels
- 16—No. 2 Round Point Shovels
- 3—No. 3 Square Point Shovels
- 4—No. 2—Square Point Shovels
- 12—Picks
- 3—Grub Hoes
- 4—16-Pound Sledge Hammers
- 14—Pick Handles
- 2—Dung Forks
- 4—Push Brooms
- 2—Crow Bars
- 1—Hoe
- 6—Rakes
- 1—Axe
- 2—Cross Cut Saws
- 2—Splitting Wedges
- 1—Saw Set
- 1—Pruning Cutter
- 6—Stone Forks
- 3—Grass Scythes
- 1—Set Block and Falls (No Rope)
- 2—Earth Tamps
- 2—Stone Drills
- 3—Stone Wedges
- 1—Wheelbarrow
- 4—Brush Scythes
- 1—Manhole Frame and Cover
- 1—Oil Can
- 1—18" Monkey Wrench

- 2—Paint Brushes
- 3—Cutting Edges for Truck Snow Plow
- 2—Cutting Edges for Grader One Way Plow
- 1—Cutting Edge for Grader V Plow
- 3—Shoes for One Way Plows
- 1—Shoe for V Plow
- S Wrenches, Adjustables, Pliers, Chisels and Box Wrenches.

REPORT OF THE BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Balance January 1, 1949	\$181.56
Appropriation	4,000.00
Federal reimbursement	3,043.83

\$7,225.39

Expenditures:

Case No. 12	\$571.60
26	633.80
33	562.00
34	565.60
35	131.63
36	1,018.40
38	496.40
42	34.42
43	584.40
44	511.60
45	336.05
46	262.27

\$5,708.17

Less: Advance payment for
Jan. paid in 1948

240.50

\$5,467.67

Add: Advance payment for
Jan. paid in 1949

249.40

\$5,717.07 \$1,508.32

**REPORT
OF THE
BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE**

Appropriation		\$800.00
Expenditures:		
Case No. 1	\$509.28	
2	50.00	
3	30.00	
Salaries	150.00	
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		739.28
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Balance		\$60.72

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND LANTINEN, Ch.
GEORGE G. CARLSON, Clerk
RUTH B. McKINLEY, 3rd Mem.
Board of Public Welfare

REPORT OF THE AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Balance Jan. 1, 1949	\$187.34	
Appropriation	500.00	
Federal reimbursement	199.45	
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		\$886.79
Expenditures:		
Case No. 1		125.49
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		\$761.30

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND LANTINEN, Ch.
GEORGE G. CARLSON, Clerk
RUTH B. McKINLEY, 3rd Mem.
Board of Public Welfare

REPORT OF THE FEDERAL GRANT ADM.

Appropriation		\$75.00
Expenses:		
Supplies and postage	\$18.34	
Assoc. meetings	24.05	
Administration expense	8.49	
		<hr/> \$50.88
Balance		<hr/> \$24.12

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE ADM.

Balance Jan. 1, 1949	\$4.94	
Federal reimbursement	13.57	
		<hr/> \$18.51

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND LANTINEN, Ch.
GEORGE G. CARLSON, Clerk
RUTH B. McKinley, 3rd member
Board of Public Welfare

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1949

The following is a list of equipment necessary to raise the efficiency of this department.

1 Filing Cabinet complete	\$50.00
3 sets Accident Flares	15.00
1 Collapsible Stretcher	50.00
2 Portable Emergency Lights	30.00
4 Fire Extinguishers (CO2)	100.00
4 First Aid Kits	40.00
4 Pair Scotch Light Traffic Gloves	15.00
	<hr/> \$300.00

Accidents 11

Possibly three of these due to inadequate road markings, the remainder due to speed and improper operation.

Fatalities 1

This accident occurred at 1:25 A. M., assumed cause being, excessive speed.

Arrests 2

One on a charge of drunkenness and operation without a license.

The second on a charge of operating without a license.

Three others were detained for questioning and later released.

Investigations 32

These comprise house calls, reports of thefts of miscellaneous items and general maliciousness.

Summons served for Outside Police 3

Motor Vehicle Transfers 33

The department was called to supply police protection at the local station of the Yankee Network, (at their expense) during a labor dispute.

Church traffic duty provided for 39 Sundays.

School children, protection provided throughout the entire year of 1949.

The department inspected property during owners absence to those requesting it.

The report received by this department from the State Police shows 5 arrests made by them in town, during the year 1949.

The Paxton Police Association purchased Cruiser Coats for regular officers.

As of November 1, 1949 there were 69,000 more motor vehicles registered in Massachusetts than a year ago, and 32,000 more licensed operators, making the exposure to accidents greater than ever before.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD W. SISTARE

Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Lots Sold		\$1,200.00
Amount placed in trust fund		1,200.00
Collected for Care of Lots, Not in Perpetual Care	\$97.50	
Opening graves	74.00	
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	\$171.50	
Turned over to Town Treasurer		\$171.50
Income from Trust funds	\$354.59	
Balance from income account	351.97	
Cemetery Appropriation	250.00	
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	\$956.56	
Paid for upkeep of cemeteries		\$956.56

Respectfully submitted,

ERDIE NICHOLS, Clerk
F. NILS BRINK

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Number of Polls assessed	352
Tax on each Poll	\$2.00
Rate of Taxation	\$38.20

Value of Assessed Personal Estate—

Stock in Trade	\$7700
Machinery	77,088
Live Stock	49,290
All other Tangible Personal Property	2500

Total	\$136,578.00
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Land—Exclusive of Buildings	\$273,164
Buildings—Exclusive of Land	1,172,190

	\$1,445,354.00
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Total Valuation of Assessed Estate	\$1,581,932.00
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Taxes for State, County and Town Purposes,
including Overlay:

On Personal Estate	\$5,217.28
On Real Estate	55,212.52
On Polls	704.00

Total	\$61,133.80
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Number of Live Stock Assessed:

Horses	45
Cows	324
Bulls, Yearlings, Steers and Heifers	32
Swine	8
Sheep	13
Fowl	5579
All Others	520
Acres of Land Assessed	8,962a.,—27,526 ft.
Number of Dwelling houses Assessed	304

RECAPITULATION

Total Appropriations	\$81,593.44
Appropriations to be taken from available funds	15,785.80
Debt and Interest Charges	8,033.75
State Parks and Reservations	85.49
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	336.36
County Tax	3,449.92
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	1,614.14
Overlay of Current Year	809.96
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Gross Amount to be Raised	\$111,708.86
Estimated Receipts	50,575.06
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New Amount to be raised by Taxation on Polls and Property	\$61,133.80

Respectfully submitted,

FRED E. WATSON, Chairman
 GEORGE C. HUNT, Clerk
 ROBERT A. BELEY
 Board of Assessors

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

I herewith submit my report as Librarian of Richards Memorial Library for 1949.

Total Circulation	4234
Adult Fiction	2436
Adult Non Fiction	366
Adult Magazines	384
Juvenile Fiction	835
Juvenile Non Fiction	96
Juvenile Magazines	111
Number of Volumes Purchased	161
Adult	91
Juvenile	50
Youth	20
Number of Volumes Borrowed	6
From Boston	2

The Library at the present time has 4865 volumes. According to the standards set by the Department of Education, Division of Public Libraries, we should have 6000 volumes. This shortage has come about thru re-cataloging, weeding and volumes lost.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNA J. HATCH

Librarian

REPORT OF THE RICHARDS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

FUNDS FOR USE IN 1949

Appropriation	\$1050.00	
Dog Fund	302.88	
Rebates	19.19	
Unexpended Balance	149.14	
Total	<hr/>	\$1521.21
Income from Trust Fund	\$747.71	
Income from George Bigelow Fund (\$500.00)	10.00	
Income from Library Fund (\$1668.87)	40.96	
Total	<hr/>	\$798.67
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Grand Total		\$2319.88
Expenditures:		
Salary—Librarians, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Hatch and Substitute	\$561.00	
Salary - Janitor, Mr. Carlson	500.02	
Books and Magazines	360.73	
Electric Light Co.	33.03	
Fuel	217.50	
Water Dept.	20.00	
Repairs & Replacements	240.21	
Miscellaneous	219.96	
Total	<hr/>	\$2152.45
		<hr/>
Balance		\$167.43

Respectfully submitted,

VERNA T. HOWLAND Clerk

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Bal. Jan. 1, 1949	\$53,030.91	
Receipts - 1949	166,891.97	
	<hr/>	\$219,922.88
Payments per Warrants	\$162,512.56	
Bal. Dec. 31, 1949	57,410.32	
	<hr/>	\$219,922.88

OUTSTANDING DEBTS

Water Bonds	\$40,000.00	
Grader	600.00	
Water Ext. Whitney Drive	600.00	
Water Ext. Grove St.	1,400.00	
	<hr/>	\$42,600.00

DUE ON OUTSTANDING DEBT—1950

		Int.
Water Bond-Due Feb. 1, 1950	\$3,000.00	\$800.00
Water Bond-Due Aug. 1, 1950		740.00
Grader-Due Nov. 1, 1950	600.00	7.50
Whitney Water Extension		
Due Nov. 12, 1950	600.00	7.50
Grove St. Water Extension		
Due Mar. 18, 1950	700.00	17.50
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Total	\$4,900.00	\$1,572.50

TRUST FUNDS

	Dec. 31, 1949	Income 1949	Dog Fund 1949
Library Trust Funds	\$24,540.95	\$817.86	\$302.88
Cemetery Trust Funds	18,475.00	354.59	
D. Russell Boynton Fund	1,000.00	21.63	
E. D. Bigelow School Fund	1,000.00	20.00	
E. D. Bigelow V.I.S. Fund	1,000.00	26.13	
Howe Farm Fund	7,781.87	199.30	
	<hr/> \$53,797.82	\$1,440.51	\$302.88
War Bonds - Post Rehabilitation			\$8,500.00
Interest on War Bonds			897.79

Respectfully submitted,

MARION E. MACCABEE

Treasurer

C. D. BOYNTON FUND

	Prin.	Int. 1949	Accrued Int.
People's Saving Bank	\$2700	\$55.35	\$109.62
Worc. Five Cent Sav. Bank	1748	40.23	75.46
Worc. Cty. Ins. for Sav.	1600	32.80	64.96
Worc. Mech. Sav. Bank	1600	32.80	64.96
Totals	<hr/> \$7648	\$161.28	\$315.00

Respectfully submitted,

MARION E. MACCABEE

Trustee

**REPORT
OF THE
TOWN ACCOUNTANT**

I hereby submit my report of Receipts and Expenditures of the Town of Paxton for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1949.

RECEIPTS

General Revenue:

Taxes:

Levy of 1949

Polls	\$624.00
Personal	4,576.66
Real Estate	50,780.37

\$55,981.53

Levy of 1948

Polls	\$22.00
Personal	374.34
Real Estate	4,434.13

\$4,830.47

Levy of 1947

Personal	\$60.91
Real Estate	329.84

\$390.75

Tax Title Possessions:

Sold	\$850.00	
	<hr/>	\$850.00

From State

Income Tax	\$12,091.69	
Corporation Tax	6,428.62	
	<hr/>	\$18,520.31

Licenses and Permits

Liquors, Stands	\$883.50	
	<hr/>	\$883.50

Court Fines:

Fees	\$10.00	
	<hr/>	\$10.00

Grants and Gifts - State

Schools	\$868.40	
School Supt.	192.69	
Vocational Schools	873.33	
O. A. A. Meal Tax	124.18	
	<hr/>	\$2,058.60

Grants and Gifts - Federal

Old Age Assistance	\$3,043.83	
	<hr/>	\$3,043.83

From County:

Dog Fund	\$302.88	
	<hr/>	\$302.88

Total—General Revenue		\$86,871.87
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Special Assessments

Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes

Levy of 1949	\$6,141.30	
Levy of 1948	627.33	
Levy of 1947	52.59	
	<hr/>	\$6,821.22

Total - Special Assessments		\$6,821.22
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Commercial Revenue—Departmental

General Government

Tax Collector—Demands	\$14.35	
Town Clerk—Dog Licenses	452.60	
Rents—Town Hall	266.89	
Rents—Illig Place	360.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,093.84

Protection of Persons and Property

Sealer's Fees	\$21.50	
	<hr/>	\$21.50

Health and Sanitation

Inspector of Animals	\$25.00	
	<hr/>	\$25.00

Highways

State

Chapter 81—1948	\$1,641.21	
Chapter 81—1949	6,106.00	
Chapter 90—Maintenance—1948	1,098.86	
Chapter 90—Maintenance—1949	1,099.89	
Chapter 90—Construction	4,998.00	
	<hr/>	\$14,943.96

County

Chapter 90, Maintenance—1948	\$1,098.86	
Chapter 90, Maintenance—1949	1,099.89	
Chapter 90, Construction	2,499.00	
	<hr/>	\$4,697.75

Town

Tractor Rentals	\$1,111.15	
	<hr/>	\$1,111.15

Charities

Individuals	\$277.00	
State—Old Age Assistance	1,766.75	
Aid Dependent Children	220.01	
	<hr/>	\$2,263.82

Schools

Refunds	\$72.75	
Library		
Refund	19.19	

Insurance	
Dividends	1,441.33
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	\$1,533.27

Total—Commercial Revenue—Departmental	\$25,690.29
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Commercial Revenue—Public Service

Electric Light Dept.

Light and Power	\$36,227.40
Meter Guarantee	45.00
Interest—Meter Deposit	3.73
Interest—Depreciation Fund	302.94
Sale of Line	1,100.00
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	\$37,679.07

Water Department

Meter Rates	\$5,717.60
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	\$5,717.60

Total—Public Service	\$43,396.67
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Commercial Revenue—Cemeteries

Perpetual Care Bequests	\$1,200.00
Care of lots	97.50
Opening Graves	74.00
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	\$1,371.50

Total—Commercial Revenue—Cemeteries	\$1,371.50
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Commercial Revenue—Interest

On taxes	\$181.42	
On School Fund	20.00	
On Savings Account	33.77	
On Library Funds	798.67	
On Cemetery Perpetual Care Fds.	706.56	
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		\$1,740.42

Total—Commercial Revenue—Interest	\$1,740.42
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Refunds

Electric Light, Construction Loan	\$1,000.00	
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		\$1,00.00
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Total Receipts		\$166,891.97

P A Y M E N T S

General Government

Selectmen

Salaries	\$600.00	
Expenses	233.09	
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		\$833.09

Town Accountant

Salary	\$400.00	
Expenses	7.95	
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		\$407.95

Treasurer		
Salary	\$350.00	
Expenses	85.00	
	<hr/>	\$435.00
Tax Collector		
Salary	\$400.00	
Expenses	100.00	
Reserve Fund	48.96	
	<hr/>	\$548.96
Assessors		
Salaries	\$300.00	
Expenses	325.19	
	<hr/>	\$625.19
Legal		
Counsel	\$300.00	
Reserve Fund	162.40	
Contingent	.61	
	<hr/>	\$463.01
Town Clerk		
Salary	\$150.00	
Expenses	67.40	
	<hr/>	\$217.40
Record Building		
Expense	\$2.69	
	<hr/>	\$2.69

Elections

Ballots	\$43.00
Tellers	42.00

 \$85.00

Registration

Registrars	\$25.00
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 \$25.00

Planning Board

Expenses	\$749.85
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 \$749.85

Town Hall

Janitor	\$884.00
Fuel	387.25
Lights	79.05
Repairs and Painting	675.77
Water	20.00
Telephone	79.12
Office Furniture	243.04
Janitor's Supplies	24.16
Express	3.55

 \$2,395.94

Board of Appeals

Expense	\$8.78
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 \$8.78

Contingent

Sealer	\$28	
Moderator	20.00	
Legal	43.58	
Flagpole	45.00	
Health	10.00	
Collection of Garbage	100.00	
Witnesses	51.00	
Clearing Dump	9.00	
	<hr/>	\$290.86

Pension Fund

Town Employees	\$673.20	
	<hr/>	\$673.20

Total—General Government		<hr/> \$7,761.92
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Protection of Persons and Property

Constables

Services	\$820.00	
	<hr/>	\$820.00

Dog Officer

Services	\$25.00	
	<hr/>	\$25.00

School Traffic

Policing	\$599.00	
	<hr/>	\$599.00

Fire Department		
Engineers	\$400.00	
Expenses	1,427.51	
	<hr/>	\$1,827.51
Building Inspector		
Services	\$150.00	
	<hr/>	\$150.00
Sealer of Weights		
Services	\$25.00	
Expenses	5.00	
	<hr/>	\$30.00
Tree Warden		
Labor	\$648.38	
	<hr/>	\$648.38
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Total—Protection Persons and Property		\$4,099.89
Health and Sanitation		
Salaries	\$30.00	
Expenses	800.00	
Contingent	4.05	
Reserve Fund	100.00	
Tubercular Hospital	1,212.04	
Inspector of Animals	50.00	
Inspector of Meat	5.00	
	<hr/>	\$2,201.09
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Total—Health and Sanitation		\$2,201.09

Highways

Chapter 81	\$9,799.86	
Chapter 90, Maintenance	3,299.69	
Chapter 90, Construction	9,007.11	
Equipment Maintenance	1,261.36	
Snow Removal	3,000.00	
Snow Removal—Reserve Fund	668.90	
Snow Plow Wing	1,682.40	
Street Lights	764.06	
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		\$29,483.38
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Total—Highways		\$29,483.38

Charities

Public Welfare

Salaries	\$150.00	
Expenses	589.28	
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		\$739.28

Old Age Assistance

Federal	\$2,960.72	
Town	2,756.35	
Administration	50.39	
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		\$5,767.46

Aid Dependent Children

Federal	\$125.49	
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		\$125.49

Veterans Benefits

Aid

\$231.00

 \$231.00

Total—Charities

 \$6,863.23

Schools and Library

Grade, High and Trade

School Committee

\$225.00

Census

25.00

Payrolls

17,524.03

Grade Transportation

1,920.00

High and Trade Trans.

1,374.80

High and Trade Tuition

7,786.68

Books and Supplies

1,284.98

Lights

120.17

Water

37.82

Repairs

767.12

Fuel

738.62

Graduation

17.80

Dues

5.00

Miscellaneous

265.51

 \$32,092.53

School Lighting

Installation

\$3,939.40

 \$3,939.40

School Hot Water

Installation

\$468.00

 \$468.00

Library

Librarian	\$561.00
Janitor	500.02
Books and Magazines	360.73
Bindery	5.62
Lights and Fuel	250.53
Water	20.00
Repairs and Painting	240.21
Miscellaneous	214.34

 \$2,152.45

Total—Schools and Library

 \$38,652.38

Recreation and Unclassified

Common	\$200.00
Town Clock	60.00
Memorial Day	95.00
Insurance and Bonds	3,766.19
Printing Reports	500.00
Fourth of July	49.71
Halloween	48.97
Power Lawn Mower	170.00
Illig Place—Repairs and Painting	460.55

 \$5,350.42

Total—Recreation and Unclassified

 \$5,350.42

Enterprises and Cemeteries

Electric Light Department

Commissioners	\$75.00
Clerical	186.00
Insurance	402.02
Travel and Office Expense	327.29

Meter Refunds	56.84	
Employees	6,007.00	
Current	19,310.29	
Trucks	394.04	
Dues	15.00	
Materials and Supplies	7,136.00	
Substation	4,289.35	
Rents	180.00	
Express	24.59	
Tree Trimming	32.00	
Legal	3.00	
Construction Loan—Refund	1,000.00	
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		\$39,438.42

Water Department

Salaries	\$125.00	
Maintenance and Installations	4,968.58	
Hydrant Rentals	1,150.00	
Highland Street	1,409.76	
George Carlson—Refund	325.54	
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		\$7,978.88

Cemeteries

Center and Mooreland	\$956.56	
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		\$956.56

Total—Enterprises and Cemeteries		<hr/>
		\$48,373.86

Interest

On Water Bonds	\$1,660.00	
On Water Extensions Notes	41.81	
On Grader Notes	32.95	
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		\$1,734.76

Total—Interest		<hr/>	\$1,734.76
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Maturing Debts

Water Bonds	\$3,000.00	
Grove Street Extension	700.00	
Whitney Aveune Extension	600.00	
Grader	2,000.00	
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		\$6,300.00

Temporary Loan

Highway Note		<hr/>	6,000.00
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Total—Maturing Debts		<hr/>	\$12,300.00
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Agency

State Parks and Recreation	\$106.36	
Auditing Municipal Accounts	286.45	
County Tax	2,944.10	
County—Dog Licenses	505.25	
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		\$3,842.16

Trust Funds

Cemetery Perpetual Care Bequests	1,200.00	
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		\$1,200.00

Total—Agency and Trust Funds		<hr/>	\$5,042.16
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Refunds

Real Estate Taxes	\$405.87
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	236.10
Fire Dept.—Rent of Hall	7.50

Total—Refunds	<u>\$649.47</u>
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Total Payments	<u>\$162,512.56</u>
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SUMMARY

Receipts

General Revenue	\$86,871.87
Special Revenue	6,821.22
Commercial Revenue	
Departmental	25,690.29
Public Service	43,396.67
Cemeteries	1,371.50
Interest	1,740.42
Refunds—Electric Light Dept.	1,000.00

	<u>\$166,891.97</u>
Cash on hand, January 1, 1949	53,030.91

	<u>\$219,922.88</u>
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Payments

General Government	\$7,761.92
Protection—Persons & Property	4,099.89
Health and Sanitation	2,201.09
Highways	29,483.38
Charities	6,863.23

Schools and Library	38,652.38
Recreation and Unclassified	5,350.42
Enterprises and Cemeteries	48,373.86
Interest	1,734.76
Maturing Debts	12,300.00
Agency and Trust	5,042.16
Refunds	649.47

	\$162,512.56
Cash on hand, December 31, 1949	57,410.32
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	\$219,922.88

TOWN OF PAXTON
BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31, 1949

ASSETS		LIABILITIES AND RESERVES	
Cash:		Overestimates 1949	
In Banks and Office	\$57,410.32	State Audit of Municipal Accounts	
Accounts Receivable:		Assessments	\$49.91
Taxes:		County Tax	166.79
Levy of 1947	\$187.16	Tuberculosis Hospital Assess.	383.02
Levy of 1948	399.00		
Levy of 1949	4,938.20		
			\$599.72
	\$5,524.36	Illig Place Rentals	\$1,409.88
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise		Dog Licenses—for County	5.15
Levy of 1948	\$59.98	Sale of Cemetery Lot Fund	10.00
Levy of 1949	841.27	Highway Machinery Rental Fund	1,136.49
		Excess on Low Value Tax Title Sales	
	\$901.25	Sec. 79, Chap. 60—General Laws	50.00
Tax Titles:	\$50.45	Federal Grants:	
Tax Possessions	3,627.64	Aid to Dependent Children	
		Administration	\$15.44
	\$3,678.09	Aid	2.65
Electric Light:	1,783.56	Old Age Assistance	
Water:	1,217.80	Administration	81.60
Aid to Highways:		Assistance	182.58
State:			
			\$282.27

Chapter 81	\$894.00
Chapter 90, Construction	4,000.00
County:	
Chapter 90, Construction	2,000.00
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	\$6,894.00
Underestimate 1949	
State Parks and Reservation	
Assessments	\$31.18

Unexpended Balances:	
Record Building Repairs	\$47.31
Library	167.43
Regional High School Com.	200.00
Water Extensions	663.24
Water System Survey	2,000.00
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	\$3,077.98

Electric Light:	
Depreciation Fund	\$13,789.23
Construction Fund	5,729.93
Meter Deposit Fund	185.00
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	\$19,704.16

Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus	
Overlays-Reserved for Abatements	
Levy of 1947	\$187.16
Levy of 1948	399.00
Levy of 1949	199.56
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	\$785.72

Revenue—Reserved Until Collected:	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Ex.	\$901.25
Tax Title and Tax Possessions	3,678.09
Electric Light	1,783.56

Water	1,217.80
Aid to Highways	6,894.00
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	\$14,474.70
Surplus Revenue	33,842.01
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	\$77,440.56

DEBT ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	\$42,600.00
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	\$42,600.00

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Departmental Equipment Loan	\$600.00
Water System Loan	40,000.00
Water Mains Extension Loans	2,000.00
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	\$42,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Funds		D. Russell Boynton Char. Fund	\$1,098.04
Cash and Securities:		Edward D. Bigelow—Schl. Fund	1,000.00
In custody of Town treasurer	\$64,345.25	George E. Bigelow—Lib. Fund	500.00
In custody of Trustee	7,963.00	Richards Mem. Library Fund	1,668.87
		Edward D. Bigelow Lib. Fund	22,372.08
		Edward D. Bigelow Vill. Imprv.	1,065.90
		Dr. Andrew Jackson Howe Fund	8,122.94
		Cem. Perpetual Care Funds.	19,119.63

Post War Prehabilitation Funds 9,397.79

\$64,345.25

C. D. Boynton General Purpose

7,963.00

\$72,308.25

\$72,308.25

Respectfully submitted,

ETTA E. ROBINSON,

Town Accountant

REPORT OF THE PAXTON ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT

For the Year Ending December 31, 1949

ASSETS

	Balance Dec. 31, 1948	Additions During 1949	Depre., etc. chrgd. off d'ring 1949	Balance Dec. 31 1949
Land	\$311.67			\$311.67
Structures	67.57		\$8.80	58.77
Transformer Station and Equipment	5,337.23	\$5,037.26	254.47	10,120.02
			1,100.00a	
Street Lines	22,837.47	2,928.97	1,318.69	23,347.75
Consumers' Meters	3,406.23	721.20	173.93	3,953.50
Line Transformers	8,322.52	1,484.19	411.80	9,394.91
Street Lighting Equipment	3,068.73	1,208.38	159.45	4,117.66
Office Equipment	197.55		10.40	187.15
Trucks	3,489.33		114.47	3,374.86

Laboratory Equipment	187.28	8.36	178.92
Miscellaneous Equipment	876.11	31.32	844.79
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Total	\$48,101.69	\$11,380.00	\$3,591.69 \$55,890.99
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Total Property Owned by Department (Depreciated Value) \$55,890.00

The Department has:

Construction Fund	\$6,576.13
Deposits made by Consumers	185.00
Amounts owed the Department by Consumers	937.16
Materials and Supplies on Hand	4,554.89

Depreciation Fund on Deposit in Bank (This may
be used for extraordinary repairs or for Extensions
and Additions) 13,789.23 \$26,042.41

Total Assets \$81,832.41

Of the Original Amount appropriated by the Town for

Construction of the Plant the Department still owes \$2,000.00

The Department owes Consumers for their deposits 158.41

Total owed by Department \$2,158.41

Surplus of the Department

Notes Paid out of Earnings of the Department

\$19,116.00

Appropriation for Construction Repaid the Town

5,090.07b

Earnings of this and prior years invested in Plant
and Other Assets

55,567.93 \$79,774.00

Total Liabilities and Surplus

\$81,932.41

(a) lines in Rutland sold to Gardner Electric Light Co. for \$1,100.00

(b) includes \$1,000 repaid to Town Treasurer for Appropriation for Construction.

STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENSES

Income

Metered Sales to Private	
Consumers	\$31,960.96
Street Lighting	760.25
Lighting Municipal Buildings	775.28
Interest Received on Depreciation	
Fund	302.94
Interest Received on Consumers	
Deposits	3.73
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Total Income	\$33,803.16

Expenses:

Electric Energy Purchased	\$19,310.29
Maintenance of Street Lines	585.90
Repairs Meters	10.67
Maintenance of Street Lights	81.70
Salary Bookkeeper	186.00
Salary Manager and Light Board	2,808.26a
Office Supplies and Expense	274.49
Rent	180.00
Insurance	402.02
Legal	3.00
Gas, oil, etc.	329.77
Depreciation of Plant (Amt. trans.	
to Depreciation Fund)	2,491.69
General Expense	28.28
Interest Paid on Consumers' Deposits	8.00
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Total Expense	\$26,700.07

Net Profit for the Year	<hr/> \$7,103.09
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(a) Balance of Manager salary allocated to new construction

The year 1949 has been a year of increases, in new homes, customers lines and new and larger transformers in response to much larger use of electricity.

Service for twenty-two new customers was provided, 10 customers were changed from 2 wire to 3 wire service, and 3 customers were furnished with meters and time switches for hot water service.

With the return from daylight to standard time in Oct. it became evident that Worcester County Electric Co. was not in a position to adequately handle our system without the installation of regulators and sundry equipment at our city line sub-station. Because of this emergency we were able to get this from the manufacturer on comparatively short notice and it was put into operation December 28. This will now give our customers much closer and even voltage than before independent of our supplies.

We have almost increased our station load to what it was when the Yankee Network Station was operating at full capacity.

The department has added about 3 miles of new wire for new customers and about 2 miles of wire for 14 new street lights added in 1949 and 110 kilowatts of new transformer capacity.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE T. DEWEY, Jr.

C. JOHN ABBOTT

ROBERT C. HARRINGTON,

Commissioners

ROY M. WENTWORTH, Manager

ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
OF THE TOWN OF
PAXTON



MASSACHUSETTS

Year Ending December 31, 1949

ORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

DECEMBER 31, 1949

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Charles C. Craig, Chairman	Term Expires 1952
M. Lawrence Price, Sec.	Term Expires 1951
Harry Clark	Term Expires 1950

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

William H. Buker	Phone, Holden 2370
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ART SUPERVISOR

Mrs. Lucy P. Hurley	Phone, Worcester 5-3476
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MUSIC SUPERVISOR

Ruth S. Innes	Phone, Holden 2235
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TEACHERS

Grades VII-VIII—Mrs. Freda T. Kelsey, Principal
 Grades V-VI—Mrs. Margaret E. Ratcliffe
 Grades III-IV—Mrs. Dorothy K. Wilbur
 Grade II—Mrs. Kathleen King
 Grade I—Mrs. Beryl W. Barnes

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Leroy E. Mayo, M. D.	Phone, Haolden 4441
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SCHOOL NURSE

Brenda T. Sullivan, R. N.	Phone, Holden 4634
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ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Donald W. Sistare, Chief of Police	Phone, Worc. 3-6155
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CUSTODIAN

Howard Cresswell	Phone, Rutland 128-12
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REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The School Committee submits the following pages of reports of the various activities of the School Department, and hopes that citizens of the town will give them careful study. The problems of the Department continue to increase as the total enrollment increases, and as the corresponding costs of instruction increase.

The Committee has given a great deal of study toward the preparation of the budget for the coming year, and has submitted detailed explanations of the budget to the Finance Board. It is hoped that the voters of the town will vote the required funds. The Committee stands ready and willing to answer all questions regarding the budget.

First grade enrollment in the past year has not increased according to our expectations as compiled in the school census. It therefore was not necessary to engage the services of another teacher, although equipment and desks were purchased for an additional room. It is hard to determine at this time what the enrollment will be when the fall term starts. If there is a decided increase it may be necessary to engage another teacher.

The classrooms have been provided with book shelves which have been built on the walls and several of the rooms have been painted. The outside of the building has had one coat of paint, and provision has been made for the second coat in the spring.

The new lighting system has been installed in the school building with very beneficial results to the children and the teachers. The Committee is very pleased to announce that the cost of this system was one fifth less than the amount asked for and we wish to thank the voters of the town for their consideration in granting this appropriation. A hot water heating system, attached to the present boiler, inexpensively provides hot water during most of the school year. These safeguards add to the health and comfort of our children.

The Committee has purchased and set up a set of six outdoor swings to accomodate a greater number of children who desire to use them. Also the material and equipment for the erection of outdoor basket-ball and volley-ball court.

A small kitchen in the basement has been set up and equipped for the convenience of the children, teachers and the organizations who use the school for a meeting place.

It has come to the attention of the Committee that due to the very large enrollment at Commerce High School in Worcester no pupils will be admitted in their freshman year. This will mean that other plans will have to be worked out. The Committee wishes to call to the attention of parents of children under the age of sixteen, that such children may not be gainfully employed unless they obtain an employment certificate from the superintendent of Schools.

During the past year, quite a number of the residents of the town have attended evening school in Worcester. Provision for tuition costs in the schools had not been considered in the preparation of the annual budget. The Committee must ask, in all fairness, that those who wish to attend such classes should first contact the Superintendent of Schools.

The Committee wishes to thank the people of the town, our Superintendent, Mr. William H. Buker, our teachers, and our building custodian for the fine spirit in which they are administering the affairs of the department.

Respectfully Submitted,

CHARLES C. CRAIG
M. LAWRENCE PRICE
HARRY CLARK

Paxton School Committee

FINANCIAL REPORT
of the
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
for the year 1949

FUNDS FOR USE IN 1949

Appropriation for grade, High and Trade Schools	\$34,220.00
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EXPENDITURES

GENERAL CONTROL

Committee Salaray	\$225.00
Committee Expenses	23.91
Superintendent Salary	500.02
Supt. Office Expense	219.04

\$967.97

EXPENSE OF INSTRUCTION

Teacher Salaries	\$11,051.08	
Supervisors; Art, Music Penmanship	625.12	
Books	400.39	
School Supplies	530.71	
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OPERATION OF PLANT

Janitor Salary	\$2,145.86	
Janitor Salary—balance from 1948	316.68	
Janitor Supplies	84.15	
Fuel	738.62	
Lights	132.57	
Water	37.82	
Phone and Misc.	90.17	
	<hr/>	\$3,545.87

MAINTENANCE OF PLANT

Repairs, Replacement, Upkeep (One coat of paint outside, several rooms inside)	\$820.97	
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AUXILIARY AGENCIES

Health	\$312.48	
Transportation—Grade	2,976.00	
Transportation—High and Trade	2,718.80	
Tuition—High and Trade	7,756.06	
Misc.—Graduation, etc.	23.88	
	<hr/>	\$13,787.22

OUTLAY

New Equipment	\$363.10	
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Total Expenditures		\$32,092.43

GIFTS AND GRANTS FROM THE STATE

Transportation	\$4,681.00	
Supt. Salary and Transp.	192.69	
State Aid for Schools	3,681.09	
Vocational Aid	873.33	
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Actual cost to the town		22,664.32
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Total Expenditures		\$32,092.43

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

NEW LIGHTING SYSTEM

Appropriation	\$5,000.00	
Expenditures	3,939.40	
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Unexpended balance		\$1,060.60

HOT WATER HEATING SYSTEM

Appropriation	\$500.00	
Expenditures	468.00	
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Unexpended balance		\$32.00

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee and Citizens of Paxton:

It was expected a year ago that it would be necessary to increase our teaching staff. In August we made a careful survey and found an additional teacher would not be needed for the present. We had no changes in the classroom staff during the year.

The writer was very much pleased to know that the citizens voted to change the lighting in all the rooms and make many other necessary improvements. This lighting change will certainly increase the efficiency of the work of the pupils.

Several tests have been given by the administrator in English and Arithmetic. In checking the works of the students at the Worcester High Schools Grade IX, we see such tests are paying good dividends.

The Rinehart Functional Hand Writing System was introduced in September. We can see in these few months a great improvement in penmanship.

A committee has been appointed to study the Regional High School. This committee, consisting of Charles Craig, Mrs. John Carmody and Jesse E. Mills, has had one meeting with a similar committee from Holden, Rutland and Princeton. It is expected that the results of the committee's study will be brought before the town in 1950.

The Holden School Committee has voted to accept any student from Paxton who desires to enter Holden High School.

Our next need is to provide school lunches. Many pupils are transported and should have an opportunity to have a hot lunch. There are several ways this may be carried out.

The second need is to increase the playground equipment. Sufficient equipment solves many discipline problems on the playground.

The interest that allied organizations and many citizens have taken in providing the pupils with extras has been greatly appreciated.

Paxton is fortunate in having a School Committee which gives so freely of its time. Before any policies are established or changed, your Committee gives them careful consideration.

The Union Committee has adopted a set of regulations which will tend to unify the educational interests of the four towns.

It has been a pleasure to work with the teachers, pupils, school officials and citizens of Paxton.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. BUKER

REPORT OF THE ART SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent of Schools:

In the primary grades the pupils are taught to see shapes and to draw accordingly.

At the intermediate level, principles of arrangements, balance and harmony are emphasized.

Since the War, there have been many changes in art education. Instead of being an activity for the talented pupil it has become a subject for all pupils. Today art knowledge has become very helpful in properly equipping the modern home; this phase is better known as a part of functional art, and functional art is a part of the environment in which we live. Painting, designing, sculpturing and all arts must meet the requirements of a new and modern age. Our art courses today must meet the demands of the present day. They must combine the three major phases: creative activity, appreciative experiences, and functional activity. How is art used in the home? How is art used in the school? All these must be considered.

Few children from our schools will ever become accepted artists, but each child has potential powers of esthetic enjoyment and creative expression. Therefore, Art education is most essential to a child's full development. Everyone can develop a better personality in an environment which desires, expects, and encourages him to do so.

The children and teachers should be highly commended for their diligence and cooperation in connection with our art instruction.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. LUCY P. HURLEY

REPORT OF THE MUSIC SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The place of music in the public schools is widely acknowledged as of deep significance. Some of the phases of music which the school offers are:

I. Providing for the correct use of the singing voice in free and spontaneous song and caring for it through its changes and development into maturity.

II. Providing for independent reading, since power to interpret the printed page is the only means of independence in the selection of music and its performance.

III. Providing opportunity to hear good music of various sorts.

Lessons on trumpet, trombone, clarinet, saxophone, drums and violin are being conducted weekly.

32 Paxton pupils are taking advantage of the class in instrumental lessons which are given at no extra charge to the students.

The interest shown in both the instrumental and vocal work is gratifying.

Respectfully submitted,
RUTH S. INNES

**REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL PHYSICIAN**

January 6, 1950

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The school physician submits the following report for Paxton for 1949-1950:

In the spring of 1949, immunization for diphtheria was completed.

In May, of last year, the pre-school children were examined at a special Clinic, and those who required vaccination received it.

Physical examinations, for this year, have not been done as yet.

Respectfully submitted,

LEROY E. MAYO, M. D.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I hereby submit the annual report as School Nurse for the year ending December 31, 1949:

The hearing of our school children is being tested with an audiometer. Unfortunately, hearing loss in the early stages is rarely noticed by parents and teachers or the child himself. Early detection and treatment are necessary to prevent serious hearing impairment. Notices will be sent to the parents of children who fail the test.

A pre-school clinic was held with the parents present. This gave the doctor and excellent opportunity to explain the defects found.

The Visual Test has been given and most of the defects have been corrected.

Throughout the year, the following routine work has been done:

Field Visits	11
First Aid	33
Weighed and Measured	522
Vision Test	29
Hearing Test	142
Classroom Inspections	87

Pupils excluded	12
Pupils readmitted	12

I wish to thank everyone who has helped throughout the year to make my work pleasant and effective.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. BRENDA T. SULLIVAN

STAFF—1949-1950

Grade	Teacher	College	Began Here
VIII-VII	Freda T. Kelsey, Prin.	Fitch. Nor.	Nov. 1948
VI-V	Margaret E. Ratcliffe	Worc. S.T.C.	Oct. 1946
IV-III	Dorothy K. Wilbur	Worc. S.T.C.	Sept. 1946
II	Kathleen M. King	Bridgewater	Sept. 1947
I	Beryl W. Barnes	Wors. S.T.C.	Jan. 1947
Music	Ruth S. Innes	Lowell S.T.C.	Sept. 1949
Art	Lucy P. Hurley	Worc. Art. S.	Sept. 1949

ENROLLMENT FALL TERM 1949

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
	17	19	14	16	15	13	14	8	116

SUMMARY OF REGISTERS

1948-1949

Grades	Total Membership	Average Membership	% of Attendance
VIII	13	13.00	95.88
VII-VI	18	17.75	94.95
V-VI	28	27.45	93.49
II-III	31	29.74	92.92
I	24	21.70	90.81
	114	109.64	93.6

CENSUS

	Boys	Girls	Total
5 to 7 years of age	11	18	29
7 to 16 years of age	68	51	119
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	79	69	148
Under 5 years of age			98
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			246

GRADUATES—JUNE 16, 1949

Irene Clarice Clockedile	Doris Ann Mullaney
Irving Robert Darwin	Kevin Jerome Murphy
Pauline JoAnne Frigo	Charles Sumner Putnam
Eilleen Nellie Hyland	Lorna Jeanette Rabinow
William Herbert Johnson	Phyllis Louise Robinson
Robert Samuel McKinley	Robert Anton Sjoberg

PERFECT ATTENDANCE RECORD

3 Years

Lynn Johnson

2 Years

Joan Hughes

1 Year

John Hyland
Anne Smith

Barbara Lupien
Kendall Tupper

AMERICAN HUMANE SOCIETY POSTER AWARDS

First Prize — Jane Smith

Second Prize — Linda O'Janne

Robert Price, Eilleen Hyland

Honorable Mention — Joan Hughes

AMERICAN LEGION AWARDS

Charles S. Putnam

Lorna J. Rabinow, Jane Smith

ESSAY CONTEST

"I'M GLAD I'M AN AMERICAN"

First Prize — Lorna J. Rabinow

Second Prize — David Bruce

Third Prize — Patricia White

Honorable Mention — Brian Murphy

TUITION PUPILS

School	Number	Rate Per Yr.
North High	2-Agriculture	\$180.00
Classical	5	\$180.00
South High	11	\$180.00
Commerce	13	\$180.00
Boy's Trade	4	\$225.00
Girl's Trade	2	\$225.00
Holden High	2	\$205.00
Leicester High	1	\$100.00
Evening School	3	\$.20 per hr.

**REPORT
OF THE
REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
PLANNING BOARD**

January 25, 1950

A great deal of effort is being spent regarding the possibility of providing a Regional High School to take care of the Towns of Holden, Rutland, Princeton, Sterling, and Paxton. Three sub-committees have been appointed to study the questions of education, site, and finances. These committees are working out the problems which confront the various towns. In the near future a report will be presented to these towns for their consideration.

We urge all the Town's people to take an active interest by their attendance at any meetings on this subject.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles C. Craig, Chairman
Joan K. Carmody, Secretary
Jesse Mills

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

Twenty-seventh Report

Paxton, Mass.

The Town of Paxton is indeed fortunate in many ways. Being situated on the border of a city the size of Worcester has certain drawbacks as well as advantages. The citizens of Paxton have the advantage of the many opportunities for employment in the larger city, but can always come home to the peace, quiet and beauty of the smaller town.

One of the disadvantages of this position is the traffic generated in the city which pours through the town at certain times of the day and especially on holidays. Most of this traffic is not seeking anything in Paxton, but is trying rather to get from where it has been to where it wants to go, rapidly and with as little inconvenience as possible. Both the town of Paxton and the traveling public would be better served if the central portion of the town could be by-passed with limited access way so located and so marked that those seeking Paxton would have no trouble in finding it, and those seeking a way around would be equally well accommodated. Paxton's loss would be negligible and her gain would be a safer, quieter main thoroughfare and one in which business could be transacted without interruption from through traffic.

A map showing a suggested by-pass route accompanies this report. It is recommended that, if the town is interested, an article be introduced in the next warrant instructing the Planning Board to meet with the representatives of the State Dept. of Public Works and ascertain the possibilities of such a by-pass.

Another fortunate circumstance is the town's acquisition of the so-called Illig property comprising some 47 acres in the center of the town. This land by its location and topography lends itself to many uses that will be beneficial as well as economical for the town to consider. First among these would be the construction of a community center and town building. Such a building would have many uses and could be built in units so that its expense need not be borne all at one time. The basement could house all the present town equipment in one fireproof structure, with access from the rear at ground level. As future means might dictate, the first and second stories could include space for fire and police headquarters as well as space for town offices, an auditorium large enough for town meetings and other gatherings and eventually a gymnasium, and if it seemed feasible even a swimming pool.

The suggested location of the building is well back from Pleasant St. so that adequate approaches and landscaping may be had and so that full advantage may be gained from the difference in elevation between the front and rear of the building. The old Illig house should be either sold or given away but most certainly removed from the property, as the new building would be located directly in back of the old house. At some future date, it would be advisable for the town to acquire either the property directly south or directly north of the old Illig huse as the eventual development of the town building will take place to the rear

of these properties and full advantage of the eventual beauty of the structure could not otherwise be gained.

It is recommended that a competent architect be consulted regarding size and other details of the building.

As mentioned previously, the suggested structure need not be built all at one time. Accompanying illustrations show a suggested design, not necessarily of the right size nor capacity, as the final design should be left to the architect. It is however recommended that a building of the general type shown be seriously considered. First construction could very well be a basement large enough to accommodate the future structure which, when covered with a temporary roof, could store all the present town equipment. Temporary landscaping could even hide so much as would appear from the street. At the same time or later, the right end wing could be erected on the foundation with accommodations for the present fire equipment that could then enter Pleasant St. at grade.

As shown in the all over plan of the Illig Property, to be discussed later, a roadway could be built from West St., approaching the rear of the Town House foundation. This would allow town vehicles access to the main highway from the lower level of the structure with very little grade encountered. Accommodations in the basement should be allowed for a heating plant that would eventually take care of the completed structure. Suggested parking space could be made available on level land at the rear of the building to accommodate any activity within the building.

Development of the northerly portion of the Illig Property should also take place in several stages. The plan showing the eventual development is submitted, together

with suggestions for its accomplishment by steps. One of the first of these steps should be the clearing out of the area north of the present pond for an outdoor swimming pool. This site is recommended rather than the present pond because of its location with respect to natural water supplies of the area, the fact that it can be constructed while it is dry without draining the other pond, and its water supply can be controlled both as to quantity and purity at all times. If water from the main pond is needed to supply the swimming pool in addition to the present spring, chlorination of this water can be very easily achieved if its purity is ever questioned. A small building should be erected adjacent to the pool to house safety equipment, toilets and accommodations for the lifeguards. This building need not be expensive nor ornate.

It is noted that on the westerly side of the Illig property there is a jog in the line as it approaches West St. accommodating a parcel 170 feet wide by 300 ft. long. If this 170 ft. width could be added to the westerly side of the property for its entire depth along the westerlyside, it would be beneficial in several ways. In the first place, it would give better control of the outfall from the present pond and the proposed swimming pool, as well as making it possible for expansion of both of these if future need ever developed. It would also make possible the development of seating areas west of the proposed athletic field so that some time in the future spectators could watch activities on the field without facing the afternoon sun. The area is now wooded and should be kept that way for the present. If it could be acquired without much expense, it would make a very desirable addition to the property.

The second step in the area development should be the laying of drain tile from Pleasant St. through the swampy area in the northeasterly corner of the property down

through the water course now draining that swamp back of the present atheletic field, for the full width of the property. With this accomplished eventual grading of the area can be carried out as time and funds permit. As will be seen by an examination of the plan, the grading of the property has been estimated so that cuts would very nearly balance the fills, thereby making it unnecessary to use any outside material. This grading could be roughly divided into a northerly and southerly project along a line marked A—B on the plan. There would be no great advantage to this method unless the grading were done by town equipment. If the project were let out to contract, the contractor must necessarily charge for his time in moving his equipment to and from the job, so that once he was there it could be seen that expense would be saved by doing the whole job at one time. If on the other hand sufficient town equipment is available from time to time that is not being used for other purposes, the project could easily be spread over more time, and money saved through not hiring expensive outside equipment.

It is recommended that a portion of the present athletic field westerly of the school house be reserved for future expansion of the school building and the balance be eventually converted into additional parking area when the new field, to be graded south of the present one, is in use. The new field will then be large enough for football, baseball, tennis, basketball practice, volley ball, soccer and softball. The area will be of sufficient size so that a football field will come within the outfield only of the baseball layout, and tennis courts can be far enough away so that practice on either baseball or football field will not interfere with tennis. As seen by the plan, the grading will eventually produce a bank on the easterly side of this new field that will accommodate a considerable number of spectators. If interest and money permit at some future

date, seats could be installed; however, a well grassed bank could be made usefull for some time to come. It was originally proposed that a roadway lead into the property from West St. through one of the properties east of the school. It has been learned that this arrangement may not be possible, therefore an alternate suggestion is made, using part of the school property laying east of the Building, thus obviating the necessity of purchasing additional land. As pointed out above, such a roadway would serve the basement level of the new town house, as well as a parking area adjacent thereto and would eventually lead near to all other activities on the property. Picnic areas and other recreational activities should be eventually developed as shown in the ultimate plan. Naturally this does not all have to be accomplished in the immediate future.

As interest develops and demand increases, the area could take on the aspect of a small park with a recreational program enhanced by a tennis court, softball diamond, baseball diamond, three-way paddle tennis, volley ball, badminton court, outdoor basketball, football and soccer fields. In addition such items as heavy swings, baby swings, slippery slides, Jungle Jims, fire places and picnic or play tables can be added from time to time. The original shelter for use of the lifeguard mentioned above could be enlarged to include dressing rooms for football and other games if desired, as well as dressing rooms for bathers.

It is recommended that the recreational committee have general charge of the program above outlined and that they seek volunteer playground personnel to instruct those using the area, in the best use of the equipment and games. The use of a part time playground director could be of considerable aid to the committee for the first year or two. It is of course expected that no swimming would be allowed

without an instructor who is a competent water safety man and who could instruct in swimming and diving as well. A development such as this would mean that the residents of Paxton would not have to depend upon parks and their facilities of Worcester for their recreation. The facilities would be under their own control, would be less crowded and would be frequented by friends and neighbors rather than by total strangers.

A base map has been in progress during the past year showing present streets drawn to scale of 1 in. - 400 ft. together with as many individual property lines as could be secured at the time, as well as all buildings within the central portion of town. As more property lines can be secured in the future, they can be added to the base tracing, and up-to-date prints furnished as needed.

A start can now be made on a master plan for Paxton. This can be commenced right away with the addition of all the present water, sewer, light and other public utility lines together with all public property, including public buildings. Such a map forms the basis for future studies by the Planning Board and for the use of other town boards and commissions, and on such a map practical suggestions can be worked out and recorded for future consideration and accomplishment. With this map, the town can through its long range capital budget study, program its public works both financially and physically and have a complete picture of what needs to be done and a good idea when it can be accomplished.

In addition, progress has been made upon a series of large scale maps of that portion of town approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from the center. The maps are at a scale of 40 ft. per inch, similar to those produced by the State Highway

Dept. They will have the location of all buildings and available property lines when finished, and can show in greater detail all public utilities.

Both sets of maps, those at 400 ft. per inch and those at 40 ft. per inch can be cut into sections and fastened into the present binders, or they can be used in one piece as wall maps when it seems feasible. The assessors should find both sets an aid in the fulfillment of their duties, and the Planning Board, upon whom falls the task of re-numbering streets, will find them valuable for that purpose as well. The maps will also be used by the Water Board working in conjunction with the Planning Board in their studies of the distribution system.

The zoning by-law and map have been reviewed, brought up-to-date, completely rewritten and redrawn. Consideration of these items should be given at the town meeting so that Paxton may have the benefit of modern trends in zoning practice.

Respectfully Submitted,

HERBERT F. WENTWORTH,
Chairman

WILLIAM O. WYLIE, Clerk

ARTHUR CROMPTON

GEORGE KARLE

ARTHUR LAWLER

M. O. SAUNDERS,

Consultant

Springfield, Mass., January, 1950

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Members of the Board of Selectmen met March 10, 1949 and organized as follows:

LOUIS T. HAMBLIN, Chairman
SHERMAN S. LUDDEN, Clerk
ARTHUR J. CROMPTON,
Third Member

Permits were issued during the year for new buildings, remodeling and repairs at an approximate cost of \$133,700.00.

The following Licenses and Permits were issued during the year.

- 12 Pistol
- 4 Milk and Cream
- 5 Common Victualers
- 6 Sunday Ice Cream and Soft Drinks
- 2 Methyl Alcohol
- 1 Innholders All Alcoholic Beverages for 1949
- 1 Restaurant All Alcoholic Beverages for 1949
- 1 Retail Package Store All Alcoholic Beverages
for 1949
- 2 Sunday Amusement
- 1 Special Malt
- 1 Riding School
- 1 Nursery School

All recommendations requested by the State Inspector of Buildings were completed this year namely, removing the closets under the stair ways.

Banquet Hall was painted, new chairs purchased for the Selectmens office and new cellar stairs were built.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS T. HAMBLIN, Chairman
SHERMAN S. LUDDEN, Clerk
ARTHUR J. CROMPTON,
Third Member

BUDGET 1950

Accounts	Appropriated 1949	Spent 1949	Recom. 1950
Selectmen			
Salaries	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00
Expenses	250.00	233.09	250.00
Town Accountant			
Salary	400.00	400.00	400.00
Expenses	15.00	7.95	15.00
Treasurer			
Salary	350.00	350.00	350.00
Expense	85.00	85.00	85.00
Tax Collector			
Salary	400.00	400.00	400.00
Expenses	100.00	100.00	125.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund		48.96	
Assessors			
Salaries	300.00	300.00	300.00
Expenses	366.00	325.19	335.00

Legal	300.00	300.00	500.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund		163.01	
Town Clerk			
Salary	150.00	150.00	150.00
Expenses	80.00	67.40	80.00
Elections	100.00	85.00	200.00
Registrars			
Salaries	25.00	25.00	25.00
Expense	50.00	-----	100.00
Town Hall	2,400.00	2,395.94	2,400.00
Planning Board	750.00	749.85	750.00
Board of Appeals	25.00	8.78	25.00
Police Department			
Services	820.00	820.00	900.00
Expenses	-----	-----	50.00
School Traffic	744.00	599.00	744.00
Dog Officer	25.00	25.00	25.00
Fire Engineers	400.00	400.00	400.00
Fire Department	1,780.00	1,427.51	2,263.00
Building Inspector	150.00	150.00	150.00

Sealer of Weights			
Salary	25.00	25.00	25.00
Expenses	5.00	5.00	5.00
Moth Department	200.00	-----	200.00
Tree Warden	650.00	648.38	650.00
Health			
Salaries	30.00	30.00	30.00
Expenses	800.00	800.00	400.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund		104.05	
Collection of Garbage	-----	-----	1,000.00
Inspection of Animals	50.00	50.00	50.00
Inspection of Meat	5.00	5.00	5.00
Highways—Chapter 81	2,800.00	2,800.00	2,800.00
Chapter 90 Maint.	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,100.00
Chapter 90 Const.	2,000.00	2,000.00	-----
Snow Removal	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,500.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund		668.90	
Snow Fence	-----	-----	250.00
Street Lights	945.00	764.06	800.00

Public Welfare			
Salaries	150.00	150.00	150.00
Expenses	650.00	589.28	950.00
Old Age Assistance	4,000.00	2,756.35	4,500.00
Old Age Administration	75.00	50.39	75.00
Veteran's Benefits	300.00	231.00	200.00
Schools	34,220.00	32,092.53	33,465.00
Library	1,050.00	1,050.00	1,437.00
Balance 1948		149.14	
Dog Fund		302.88	
Interest on Account		650.43	
Common	200.00	200.00	200.00
Town Clock—Care of	60.00	60.00	60.00
Repairs	15.00	-----	15.00
Memorial Day	100.00	95.00	100.00
Insurance and Bonds	2,500.00	2,341.93	2,600.00
Printing Reports	500.00	500.00	500.00
Fourth of July	50.00	49.71	50.00
Halloween	50.00	48.97	50.00

Water Department			
Salaries	125.00	125.00	175.00
Expenses	4,975.00	4,968.58	6,550.00
Hydrant Rentals	1,150.00	1,150.00	1,150.00
Cemeteries	250.00	250.00	250.00
Income		706.56	
Interest on Notes	25.00	-----	25.00
Certification of Notes	10.00	-----	10.00
Moderator's Salary	15.00	15.00	15.00

It is recommended by the State Auditor that an appropriation of \$15.00 be set for Moderator and that the Contingent Account be done away with. Also that the Reserve Fund be raised to \$1,500.00 this year to be taken from the Reserve Fund, Overlay Surplus.

CHAPTER 81—FINAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1949

District No. 3—Town of Paxton

State Allotment \$7,000.00			Town Allotment \$2,800.00			Total Allotment \$9,800.00			State Pays 71%
No.	Road Name	Total Miles	Milage By Types				Allot.	Expend.	Remarks—Work other than Gen. Maint.
		B.M.A.	B.M.T.	Gravel	Dirt	B.G.			
1	Rockland Street	0.89				0.89	166.00	190.09	Ch. 90 0.43 mi.
2	Mill Street	0.25		0.25				71.06	
3	West Street	2.93				2.93	330.00	881.05	Ch. 90
4	Spring Street	1.06				1.06	665.00	798.51	
5	Brigham Road	1.38		0.66	0.72		240.00	665.49	Gravel 950'x14'x6"
6	Davis Street	1.77		0.81	0.69	0.27	\$329.00	380.66	Gravel 400'x16'x6"
7	South Street	0.81				0.81	50.00	281.09	
8	Richards Avenue	2.15	0.48			1.67	215.00	380.77	Ch. 90
9	Pleasant Street								
10	Soumi Street	1.10				1.10		99.33	
11	Laurel Street	0.97				0.97	50.00	309.72	
12	Terrace Place	0.11				0.11	332.00	245.91	0.11 mi. new G.G. surf. 16' wide. Pen ½ T-4, Seal 1/3 MC-3
13	Hill Street	0.71		0.24		0.47	964.00	927.68	0.22 mi. new BG surf. 16' wide. Pen ½ T-4, Seal 1/3 MC-3
14	Winter Street	0.40			0.40			21.44	

15	Marshall Street	2.48		1.30	1.18	105.00	951.92	Ch. 90 1.18 m. Chap. 90 Constr. 34+50-32+00-20' RMT grav. repl.
16	Asnebumskit Road	0.24			0.24	910.00	204.17	
17	Reservoir Street	1.22			1.22	40.00	234.88	Ch. 90
18	Walbridge Road	0.52		0.52			64.70	
19	Crystal Street	0.32		0.19	0.13	\$305.00	255.54	Gravel 600'x14'x6"
20	O'Connor Road	0.62			0.56	0.06	75.00	283.25
21	Silver Spring Road	0.35				0.35		
22	Camp Street	0.73		0.38	0.27	0.08	457.00	470.16
23	Grove Street	2.51				2.51	411.00	765.79
24	Pond Street	0.35		0.35			270.00	29.39
25	Hillside Street							
26	Streeter Road	0.72				0.72	150.00	101.48
27	Maple Street	0.50				0.50	20.00	81.84
28	Holden Road	0.81				0.81	50.00	61.63
29	Turkey Hill Road	0.13				0.13	92.00	90.47
30	Highland Court	0.16	0.04	0.05		0.07		
31								
32	Brooks Road	1.00		0.45	0.55			247.60
33	Sunset Lane	0.46				0.46	123.00	164.33
34	Common Street	0.11	0.08			0.03		
35	Colony Lane	0.06				0.06		539.91
								0.06 mi. new B.G. sur. 24' wide-Pen ¼ T-4, Seal 1/3 MC-3

Maintenance
Reserve

\$3,180.00
271.00

SUMMARY

Labor	\$5,004.07
Materials	2,204.66
Equipment	2,591.13
TOTAL	\$9,799.86

TOTALS	27.82	0.05	0.56	4.68	3.84	18.70	\$9,800.00	\$9,799.86
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§ Includes additional allotments as provided by Chapter 706 Acts of 1949

Roads Added in 1949

No.	Name	Description	Length	Type
35	Colony Lane	St. Hwy. to end	0.06	Gravel
12	Terrace Place	Gravel	528'x15'x6"	
13	Hill St.	Gravel	1500'x16'x4"	
35	Colony Lane	Gravel	350'x24'x4"	

N. J. DALTON, Dist. Highway Engineer

TOWN WARRANT

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

WORCESTER, ss:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Paxton

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, who are qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet in "Allen Hall" on Monday, the sixth (6th) day of March, 1950 at 12:00 noon, then and there to act on the following articles, namely:

ARTICLE 1. To bring to the election officers their votes for Town Officers to be voted on the official ballot, as follows:

Moderator, Town Clerk, Collector of Taxes, Treasurer, two (2) Constables, Tree Warden, each for a term of one year, one (1) member of the Board of Selectmen for three years, one (1) member of the Board of Public Welfare for three years, one (1) member of the Board of Assessors for three years, one (1) member of the School Committee for three years, one (1) member of the Municipal Light Board for three years, one (1) member of the Cemetery Commission for three years and one (1) member of the Water Commission for three years, and one member for one year, two (2) trustees of the Richards Memorial Library each for a term of three years, one (1) member of the Planning Board

for a term of five years and one (1) member for a term of four years, one member of the Board of Health for a term of three years, one (1) member for a term of two years, and one (1) member for a term of one year.

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

Also to choose any other necessary officers of the Town for the ensuing year.

The polls will be open from 12:00 noon until eight (8) o'clock P. M.

The business meeting will be called to order at 7:30 o'clock P. M.

ARTICLE 2. To hear the reports of the town officers and the committees and act thereon, and to act upon recommendations contained in said reports and to raise and appropriate said sums of money as may be required in accordance with said reports or otherwise, or act in any way thereon.

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

ARTICLE 4. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Town treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1950, and to issue a note or notes of the Town therefor, payable within one (1) year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one (1) year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the town will vote to appoint a committee to have charge of the Fourth of July celebration, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the town will vote to appoint the American Legion as a committee to have charge of the observance of Memorial Day, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the town will vote to give the members of the Fire Department compensation for their services, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the money received from the Dog Fund to the Richards Memorial Library, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Assessors to use up to fifty (50) per cent of the surplus funds in the hands of the Town Treasurer available when the tax rate is ready to be set, for the purpose of reducing the tax rate for the current year, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the town will vote to install two additional street lights on all streets now having street lighting, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 11. To see that there be included in the tax levy for electricity, a sum to be used for street lights, and that this sum and the income from the sales of electricity to private consumers or for electricity supplied to municipal buildings or for municipal power, and from sales of appliances and jobbing during the current fiscal year, be appropriated for Municipal Light Plants, 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 ex-

pense of the plant for the current fiscal year, as defined in Section 57, Chapter 164, of the General Laws and Chapter 235 of the Acts of 1937, and that if this sum and this income shall exceed the expense for said fiscal year, such excess shall be transferred to the construction fund of said plant and appropriated and used for such additions thereto as may thereafter be authorized by the Municipal Light Board.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to lay a main drain or common sewer southerly and westerly from "Whitney Drive" across land of various owners to Richards Avenue as shown on a plan designated "Sketch of proposed drainage system of Whitney Development, dated February, 1949"; or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the town will vote to authorize the acceptance of deeds of easement for a main drain or common sewer in land of various owners southerly and westerly from "Whitney Drive" to Richards Avenue as shown on a plan designated; "Sketch of proposed drainage system of Whitney Development, dated February, 1949"; or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to lay out Whitney Drive, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven thousand dollars (\$7,000.00) to purchase a new fire truck, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven hundred fifty dollars

(\$750.00) for the purpose of replacing or relocating the present fire alarm siren.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the town will vote to cooperate with the State to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 highways, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the town will vote to cooperate with the State and County to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 highway maintenance, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) for construction on Marshall St., under Chapter 90, said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State, or County, or both, for this purpose, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the town will vote to transfer one thousand one hundred eleven dollars fifteen cents (\$1,111.15) from Highway Equipment Fund to the Highway Equipment Maintenance Fund to be used to furnish supplies and maintain the town's highway equipment, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) to pay an unpaid legal bill, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the town will vote to accept Section 97, Chapter 41, of the General Laws, relative to the Police Department, as recommended by the State Division of Accounts, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the town will vote to transfer from overlay surplus the sum of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) to the Reserve Fund account, as recommended by the State Auditors, this fund to be used as reserve fund and also to provide for expenses previously charged to the contingent fund, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the town will vote to transfer from the Illig Fund the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) to the account of the Illig Property Maintenance Fund, as recommended by the State Auditors, this fund to be used to pay taxes and make necessary repairs, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the town will vote to adopt the following as a by-law: "The receipts of the Water Department shall be used for water extensions"; or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the town will vote to transfer from surplus, an amount equal to the receipts of the Water Department for 1949, to the account of the Water Department, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Water Department to charge the total cost of installation from the water main to the meter to all new subscribers, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the town will vote to appoint a committee of five members, to work in conjunction with the Water Commission on water extensions, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of one thousand dollarsc (\$1,000.00), to be taken from

the Dr. Andrew Jackson Howe Fund", to be used by the Planning Board to employ an architect to draw up working plans of a Town Building, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Planning Board to meet with the Mass. Dept. of Public Works, in regards to by-passing the center of town when Route No. 122 is rebuilt, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to start the construction of a swimming pool, or act in any way thereon.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the town will vote to adopt the follwing by-law:

"The Finance Committee and Planning Board, acting together as a Programming Committee, shall prepare a Long Range Capital Budget for the town. The heads of all town departments, each year, shall by the first day of November give the Programming Committee an estimate of their needed capital expenditures for the coming six year period.

The Programming Committee shall then immediately proceed to set up a schedule of Capital Projects covering the following six year period, together with tables showing the income and expenses by departments during the past ten (10) years and estimates for the same items for the coming years.

The object of the budget thus achieved shall be to guide the Finance Committee, the Selectmen, and the voters of the town in planning each year's expenditures".

ARTICLE 33. To see if the town will vote to accept the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen, or act in any way thereon.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting two (2) attested copies thereof, one (1) at the Post Office and one (1) at the Town Hall as required by by-law, seven (7) days at least before the day set for holding said meeting.

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

Given under our hands this ninth (9th) day of February, 1950, A. D.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS T. HAMBLIN
SHERMAN S. LUDDEN
ARTHUR J. CROMPTON

Selectmen of Paxton

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**PLANNING
BOARD**

Paxton, Mass., February 21, 1949

To the Citizens of the Town of Paxton:—

This is the second report on finances of the Town and how they add up to make your tax rate.

The figures of the years 1947, 1948 are actual operating expenditures. Those under 1949 are the budget and projects listed in the warrant, while 1950 and 1951 are estimates.

Because there has been such an increase in operating costs, additional money from the state only helps us maintain our 1948 tax rate, without any special projects. The addition of these projects in the warrant will make a tax rate of \$39.73.

HERBERT F. WENTWORTH, Chairman
WILLIAM O. WYLIE, Clerk
ARTHUR CROMPTON
GEORGE KARLE
ROBERT BELEY

	Actual 1947	Actual 1948	Estimates 1949	Estimates 1950	Estimates 1951
RECEIPTS					
From Local Taxation	\$44,137.25	\$48,038.14	\$62,006.00	\$64,077.00	\$66,027.00
From State	17,597.16	19,984.78	24,664.00	20,000.00	26,500.00
From Miscellaneous	8,575.00	13,417.16	14,270.00	15,000.00	15,500.00
A. TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$70,309.41	\$81,440.08	\$100,940.00	\$105,077.00	\$108,027.00
DISBURSEMENTS					
Retirement of Debt and Interest on Debt	8,140.00	8,195.00	8,035.00	6,475.00	5,125.00
State Taxes	1,389.46	396.33	425.00	450.00	475.00
County Taxes	3,971.70	3,993.20	3,450.00	3,500.00	3,600.00
Assessors Overlay	1,282.25	2,054.58	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
General Government	5,156.00	6,840.90	8,419.00	9,500.00	9,750.00
Protection of Persons and Property	3,300.00	3,905.00	4,186.00	5,686.00	6,000.00
Health and Sanitation	730.00	935.00	2,499.00	2,500.00	2,700.00
Highways	7,500.00	10,403.60	8,120.00	8,500.00	8,500.00
Charities	4,500.00	5,396.47	5,375.00	5,400.00	5,500.00
Soldiers Benefits	300.00	200.00	600.00	750.00	1,000.00
School and Library	25,450.00	30,535.00	35,270.00	38,270.00	43,270.00
Water Department	2,475.00	1,275.00	6,250.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
Recreation and Unclassified	2,815.00	3,960.00	3,760.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
B. TOTAL DISBURSEMENT	\$67,009.41	\$78,090.08	\$88,389.00	\$94,531.00	\$99,420.00
C. BALANCE LEFT FOR SPECIAL PROJECTS	\$3,300.00	\$3,350.00	\$12,551.00	\$10,546.00	\$8,607.00

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Water Extensions	\$3,300.00	800.00			
Marshall St. Construction		2,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Honor Roll		300.00			
Repairs to Bell Hanger		250.00			
New Lighting at Schoolhouse			5,000.00		
Hot Water at Schoolhouse			500.00		
Drain from Whitney Drive			3,200.00		
New Wing for Tractor			681.00		
New Lawn Mower			170.00		
Library Heating System					1,500.00
2 Snow Plows for trucks @ \$750				1,500.00	750.00
Toilet improvements at school				500.00	500.00
Recreation improvement at school				250.00	250.00
New Siren Fire Dept.				1,500.00	
Relocation of Siren					750.00
Painting of Stand pipe					1,500.00

D. TOTAL SPECIAL PROJECTS	\$3,300.00	\$3,350.00	\$12,551.00	\$6,750.00	\$8,250.00
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E. BALANCE LEFT FOR SURPLUS C. D.				\$3,796.00	\$357.00
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Tax Rate	34.50	34.00	39.73	39.00	39.00
Valuation	1,261,032.00	1,393,000.00	1,543,000.00	1,643,000.00	1,693,000.00
Poll Tax Revenue	632.00	664.00	700.00	750.00	800.00

RECEIPTS

From Local Taxation

This is the amount which will be realized from taxation on real estate and personal property together with poll taxes.

From State

This is the money which comes from the State as our share of income and corporation taxes, gasoline taxes, meal taxes, refunds of school tuition and transportation, etc.

From Town - Miscellaneous Sources

This revenue comes from such sources as Motor Vehicle taxes, licenses, rent of town hall, revenue from water department and cemeteries, etc.

TOTAL RECEIPTS

This is the "income" of the town and is the total of the above three items.

DISBURSEMENTS

Retirement of Debt and Interest on Debt

These are the bonds and interest thereon which will become due and payable in the years indicated. These bonds include the so-called "Water Bonds" which will not become paid up until 1964, and bonds issued to pay for the Grader and the Whitney Road, Grove Street, and Colony Lane water extensions.

State Taxes

These are the taxes which must be paid to the State to cover the town's share of the costs of running the State, State parks, and municipal audits.

County Taxes

These are the taxes which must be paid to the County to cover the town's share of the costs of running the County, including the T. B. Hospital.

Assessors' Overlay

This is the money set aside by the Assessors and included in the tax rate to provide a fund from which possible abatements can be made.

General Government

These costs include the salaries and expenses of such town officers as the Selectmen, Town Accountant, Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, Assessors, Town Clerk, Registrars of Voters, Moderator and the costs of running the Town Hall, Planning Board and Elections.

Protection of Persons and Property

These costs cover the Police and Fire Department, the Dog Officer, Tree Warden, Moth Department, Building Inspector and Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Health and Sanitation

These costs cover the Board of Health, Inspector of Meat and Animals and Garbage collection.

Highways

This includes maintenance work under both Chapters 81 and 90, cost of snow removal and street lights.

Charities

This covers the cost of public welfare, old age assistance and aid to dependent children.

Soldiers Benefits

This covers the cost of aiding veterans.

School and Library

These costs include salaries and expenses of running our schools including High School tuition and transportation. It also covers the expense of running the Library over and above the income from trust funds.

Water Department

These costs cover the labor and expense incurred in running the Water Department.

Recreation and Unclassified

This includes such items as the care of the common, flag, cemeteries, town clock, cost of insurance and bonds, printing, etc.

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

This is the bare "operating expense" of the town and is the total of the above thirteen items.