

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

Town of Paxton

MASSACHUSETTS



FOR THE

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IN MEMORIAM

FRED R. DIFLEY

Tree Warden

Moth Superintendent

Measurer of Wood and Bark

and Field Driver and Fence Viewer

BORN MARCH 10, 1880

DIED FEBRUARY 8, 1960

TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1959

Moderator

J. ARDEN WOODALL

Town Clerk

LESLIE E. ROBINSON

Treasurer

MARION E. MACCABEE

Collector of Taxes

MARION E. MACCABEE

Constables

AUGUSTUS W. OATLEY

WILLIAM O. WYLIE

Tree Warden

FRED R. DIFLEY

Selectmen

SHERMAN S. LUDDEN

Term Expires 1960

ROBERT F. McCAULIFF

Term Expires 1961

JESSE E. MILLS

Term Expires 1962

Board of Public Welfare

J. MACK JOHNSTON

Term Expires 1960

RUTH B. McKINLEY

Term Expires 1961

EDWARD G. TAMULEVICH

Term Expires 1962

Assessors

GEORGE C. HUNT

Term Expires 1960

ROBERT A. BELEY

(Resigned) 1961

FRED E. WATSON

Term Expires 1962

School Committee

REGINALD J. SMITH	Term Expires 1960
CHARLES C. CRAIG	Term Expires 1961
ROBERT J. HALL	Term Expires 1962

Municipal Light Board

ROBERT C. HARRINGTON	Term Expires 1960
PAUL E. GARLOCK	Term Expires 1961
GEORGE T. DEWEY, Jr.	Term Expires 1962

Cemetery Commision

GEORGE MACCABEE	Term Expires 1960
JOSEPH R. PEARSON	Term Expires 1961
H. RENO KENNEN, Jr.	Term Expires 1962

Water Board

HAROLD A. MARTIN	Term Expires 1960
CHANNING H. WASHBURN	Term Expires 1961
NORMAN H. OSGOOD	Term Expires 1962

Library Trustees

MIRIAM W. DEWEY	Term Expires 1960
ALDEN H. JACOBSON	Term Expires 1960
KATHERINE I. STANNARD	Term Expires 1961
O. FRANK BURBANK	Term Expires 1961
CONSTANCE G. GREENMAN	Term Expires 1962
LAURENS C. SEELYE	Term Expires 1962

Planning Board

DONALD C. ALEXANDER	Term Expires 1960
VERNON P. WILSON	Term Expires 1961
REUBEN O'JANE	Term Expires 1962
HERBERT F. WENTWORTH	Term Expires 1963
G. LEONARD TROTTIER	Term Expires 1964

Board of Health

NORMAN C. DODGE	Term Expires 1960
RAYMOND J. SAVIGNAC	Term Expires 1961
KATHARINE B. WILSON	Term Expires 1962

Recreation Commission

LOUIS K. CHILDS	Term Expires 1960
RALPH W. WILBUR	Term Expires 1961
JEROME F. MURPHY	(Resigned) 1962
JOHN H. STANSFIELD	(Resigned) 1963
VIRGINIA B. FAY	Term Expires 1964

Wachusett Regional School Committee

YVETTE A. CHILDS	Term Expires 1961
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APPOINTMENTS BY THE MODERATOR

Finance Committee

NORMAN A. GOOD	Term Expires 1960
VINCENT A. PIUCCI	Term Expires 1960
ROBERT A. BRUCE	Term Expires 1961
MERVYN E. RICHARDS	Term Expires 1961
REUBEN O'JANNE	Term Expires 1962
FRANCIS W. RYAN	Term Expires 1962

APPOINTMENTS BY THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Plumbing Inspector

THOMAS F. HARNEY, Jr.

Inspector of Animals & Slaughtering

SUMNER E. TAYLOR

Burial Agent

LESLIE E. ROBINSON

APPOINTMENTS BY THE SELECTMEN

Board of Appeals

FREDERICK A. COOK	Term Expires 1960
FRANKLIN G. FLEMING, Jr.	Term Expires 1961
LINWOOD M. ERSKINE, Jr.	Term Expires 1962
AUGUSTUS P. MULLANEY	Term Expires 1963
BURTON E. JOHNSON	Term Expires 1964
ROBERT B. BURKE	Alternate
SAMUEL P. COOK	Alternate
WILLIAM R. JOHNSON	Alternate

Care of Clock

WILLIAM O. WYLIE

Dog Officer

CARL H. JOHNSON

Superintendent of Streets

WALTER V. PIKE

Veteran's Agent

WILLIAM E. LINDQUIST

Inspector of Wires

ROY M. WENTWORTH

Building Inspector

FRED E. WATSON

Forest Fire Warden

LESLIE E. ROBINSON

Moth Superintendent

FRED R. DIFLEY

Sealer of Weights & Measures

WILLIAM O. WYLIE

**Measurers of Wood & Bark and
Field Drivers and Fence Viewers**

**CHARLES C. CRAIG
WILLIAM O. WYLIE
FRED R. DIFLEY**

Board of Registrars

GENEVA M. COMPTON	Term Expires 1960
ARTHUR LAWLER, Jr.	(Resigned) 1961
DANIEL F. CRONIN	Term Expires 1962

Town Counsel

PAUL REVERE O'CONNELL

Town Accountant

ETTA E. ROBINSON	Term Expires 1960
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Police Department

**AUGUSTUS W. OATLEY — Chief
WILLIAM O. WYLIE — Sergeant**

ROBERT I. BECKER	JOHN V. BLAVACKAS
JOHN N. KNIPE	JON C. MARDEN
HAROLD J. MULLANEY	FREDERICK T. WARPULA

Special Police

**RITA A. ANDERSON (School Crossing
MILDRED WARPULA (Alt. School Crossing)
WILLIAM L. ALLARD (Swimming Pool)
F. WYMAN ROGERS (Boynton Park)**

HOWARD K. CRESWELL
GEORGE C. HUNT, Jr.
DOUGLAS ROBERTS
JOSEPH TIERNEY

RALPH B. BUTLAND
WILLIAM E. LINDQUIST
ROBERT P. SHEEHAN
HUGH B. WYLIE

Civil Defense

DEANE O. HOWLAND, Director
J. MacKENZIE JOHNSTON, Asst. Director

Board of Fire Engineers

LESLIE E. ROBINSON, Chief

GEORGE G. KARLE
GEORGE C. HUNT, Jr.

GORDON M. RICHARDS
RAYMOND H. KIMBALL

APPOINTMENTS TO FILL VACANCIES

Assessors

ERNEST C. SPRAGUE (for Robert A. Beley)

Recreation Commission

ELIZABETH SHELDON (for John H. Stansfield)

Board of Registrars

VIOLA C. PRENTICE (for Arthur Lawler, Jr.)

Civil Defense

PAUL E. GARLOCK (for J. MacKenzie Johnston)
DEANE O. HOWLAND, (for Paul E. Garlock)

Two Town officials who will retire from public office this year are Sherman Ludden as a member of the Board of Selectmen and Leslie Robinson as Town Clerk. Both men have served the Town for a combined total of 27 years. Sherm is a veteran of Town politics, having served as a Selectman for 12 years. During this period, Sherm has helped and guided the Town through many changes. His personal interest and knowledge of Town government has made him a very capable administrator. His wisdom and guidance will be greatly missed by all Town officials.

Les Robinson, like Sherm, has been a faithful and devoted public servant for 15 years. His cooperation over the years to the various boards has been greatly appreciated. His personal attitude and willingness to serve in the best interests of the Town has made him an outstanding Town Clerk. Les will continue to serve in an official capacity as Chief of the Fire Department. It is very satisfying to know that the services of Les will be channeled in another direction and will not be a total loss to the Town.

We believe we speak for a grateful community when we say to Sherm and Les, "Thanks, boys, for a job well done!!"

REPORT
OF THE
TOWN CLERK

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

January

- 3 Sarah E., daughter to Bruce N. and Norma L. Smith.
- 11 Annette G., daughter to Alfred E. and Gloria G. Tremblay.
- 12 John D., son to David A. and June H. Raitto.
- 12 Lynn M., daughter to George J. and June F. Ahearn.
- 24 Bryan E., son to Veikko A. and Phyllis I. Mannila.
- 30 Bryan W., son to Donald W. and Elizabeth M. Kallgren.

February

- 3 Edward W., son to Alfred L. and Hilda E. Blake.
- 14 Evelyn L., daughter to Stuart W. and Mabel E. Morrow.
- 18 Daniel P., son to Ronald S. and Emily J. Wright.
- 27 Karen C., daughter to David K. Jr., and Ella C. Beach.

March

- 3 Molly, daughter to Stanley R. and Deborah Cole.
- 3 Eric R., son to Robert A. and Dorothy A. Rosseland.
- 5 Robert K., son to Alvah W. and Gail J. Tracy.
- 7 Claudia J., daughter to Robert J. and Gwendolyn H. Hall.
- 7 John P., son to Robert J. and Gwendolyn H. Hall.
- 8 Susan L., daughter to Charles A. and Ruth L. Cross.
- 22 Sandra A., daughter to Paul L. and Pauline Alix.
- 26 John F., son to Charles R. and Dorothy M. Griffin.

April

- 9 Andrea L., daughter to William R. and Mary E. Johnson.
- 15 Katharine, daughter to Edwin J. and Eilleen Borezo.
- 17 Paul H., son to Scott and Helen L. Sargent.

May

- 9 Steven J., son to Boyen J. and Faith J. Youngsma.
- 10 Patricia M., daughter to John M. and Helen G. Reid.
- 13 Matthew F., son to Linwod M. Jr., and Margaret C. Erskine.
- 22 Gilbert M., son to Gerard A. and Constance B. Bernier.
- 30 Signe H., daughter to Merrill M. and Lillian R. Lindquist.

June

- 5 Robert G. Jr., son to Robert G. and Rita J. Leanna.
- 6 Geoffrey, son to Robert J. and Mildred L. Ahearn.
- 7 James, son to Armand R. and Mary T. Casavant.
- 20 Deborah E., daughter to Stanley L. and Dora M. Miller.
- 24 Joann L., daughter to Waldo N. Jr., and Barbara M. Pierce.

July

- 9 Suzanne P., daughter to Andrew J. and Teresa M. Williamson.
- 15 Robin A., daughter to Richard L. and Norma Huard.
- 15 Mary J., daughter to George F. and Janice Ahearn.
- 17 John H., son to John A. and JoAnn Hyland.
- 18 David J., son to James L. and Alice C. Dunham.

August

- 13 Marie L., daughter to Raymond V. and Beatrice C. Kauppila.
- 16 Thomas A., son to Charles A. and Joanne Ducharme.
- 26 Mark D., son to Walter D. Jr., and Louise N. Wilde.
- 27 Pamela R., daughter to Arville S. and Hildred E. Burt.

September

- 10 Jane E., daughter to John E. and Leslie A. Giering.
- 25 Scott D., son to Donald P. and Phyllis C. Erickson.
- 29 Elizabeth A., daughter to Richard J. and Virginia I. Dillon.

October

- 1 Ellen J., daughter to Bernard S. and Joan H. Coblentz.
- 10 Elizabeth F., daughter to Frank J. and Marsha E. Knipe.
- 14 Karen L., daughter to Richard E. and Charlotte V. Thalín.
- 28 Brian P., son to Ralph J. and Lois M. Williamson.

December

- 27 Ann L., daughter to George J. and June F. Ahearn.

MARRIAGES

January

- 24 John J. Poplis of Worcester and Barbara A. Plankey of Paxton.
- 30 Marvin E. Fuller of Barre Plains and Louise A. Hanson of Paxton.
- 31 Clifford E. Jacobson and Georgia DeForge of Clinton.

February

- 14 Chester L. W. Johnson and Ellen B. Buck of Paxton.

May

- 16 Donald W. Oatley and Carolyn J. Berglund of Paxton.
- 22 Andrew O. Johnson of Rutland and Helen A. Sjoberg of Paxton.
- 23 Alan M. Wentworth of Paxton and Jacqueline M. Selfridge of Holden.

June

- 20 John A. Hyland and JoAnn M. Tannahill of Paxton.
- 27 John W. Rawson of Leicester and Joan C. Shankle of Paxton.
- 27 Charles R. Sears of Worcester and Sandra J. Blaisdell of Paxton.
- 27 Arthur J. Penttila of Paxton and June C. St. Denis of Worcester

July

- 4 Robert A. Perkins of Paxton and Rose Rushford of Leicester.
- 22 Frank J. Knipe and Marsha E. Lantinen of Paxton.
- 31 William J. Sedelow of Paxton and Margaret J. Vetrano of Worcester.

August

- 1 Donald P. Lareau of Worcester and Barbara J. Blaisdell of Paxton.
- 8 Marcus J. Farrell of Cherry Valley and Lois L. Pickett of Paxton.
- 22 Ralph W. Baker, Jr. and Ruth M. Kinnunen of Pennsylvania

September

- 12 Whitner R. Parker of Holden and Judith E. Daniels of Paxton.
- 20 Woods L. Garrett of Paxton and L. Annette Wiles of Westboro.
- 25 Ronald E. Henderson of Holden and Beverly L. DeWalt of Paxton.

October

- 3 Ralph E. Oatley of Paxton and Mary E. McKeon of Worcester.

November

- 21 Adam P. Urbanovitch of Paxton and RoseMarie M. Rokoszak of Worcester.

DEATHS

January

- | | | |
|---|--------------------|----------|
| 1 | Clifton Marchbank | 57 years |
| 2 | Robert J. Belanger | 4 months |
| 9 | Albert W. Kisk | 55 years |

18	Louise Bascom	40 years
22	Davis H. Morris	82 years
29	Alfred E. Belanger	59 years

March

21	Charlotte E. Jordan	82 years
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May

8	Dana V. Brown	57 years
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June

7	Ida M. Osgood	71 years
24	William L. Shipman	80 years

August

12	Kenneth E. Morse, Sr.	52 years
22	Samuel J. Wharton	77 years

September

25	Margaret A. Barrett	81 years
28	Walter K. Brandt	59 years

October

17	Alfred R. Berard	90 years
18	Budd Emile Pollak	50 years

November

21	G. Eveline Wheeler	57 years
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December

17	Harry O. Reed	81 years
22	Louis J. Rittberg	51 years
30	E. Otelia Rogers	85 years

LICENSES ISSUED IN 1959

258 Resident Citizen Fishing
 119 Resident Citizen Hunting
 157 Resident Citizen Sporting
 26 Resident Citizen Minor Fishing
 49 Resident Citizen Female Fishing
 2 Resident Citizen Trapping
 1 Non-Resident Fishing
 11 Duplicate
 8 Resident Citizen Sporting (Free)
 1 Resident Citizen Fishing (Old Age Assist. or Blind)
 Paid to Division of Fisheries & Game \$2,067.00

Dog Licenses

137 Males
 28 Females
 77 Spayed
 4 Kennel
 Paid to Town Treasurer \$546.50

Miscellaneous

1 Auctioneers License

Report of Voting at Annual Town Meeting

March 2, 1959

Article 1. Election of Town Officers. (896 ballots cast)

Article 2. Voting on the budget as presented by the Finance Committee with amendmants from the floor.

Also under Article 2.

Moved and seconded to raise salary of Town Accountant to \$1,00.00

Motion lost.

Moved and seconded to make salary of Town Treasurer \$600.00

Motion lost.

In favor 75. Opposed 159.

Finance Committee recommendation was \$1,000.00

Moved and seconded that amount for Police Patrol be kept at \$1,800.00

Motion lost.

Moved and seconded that the amount for the Reserve Fund (\$3,000.00) be transferred from overlay surplus.

Voted unanimously.

Moved and seconded to raise the Fire Dept. expense to \$2,200.00

Voted unanimously.

Moved and seconded that the salary for the Building Inspector remain at \$250.00. (Finance Committee approved \$350.00.

Motion lost.

Moved and seconded to increase the Board of Registrars expense to \$200.00.

Motion carried.

Moved and seconded to leave the Veterans Agent salary at \$100.00. (Finance Committee approved \$150.00).

Motion lost.

Moved and seconded to raise the salaries of the school Committee to \$600.00.

Motion lost.

Moved and seconded to increase the amount for Memorial Day to \$225.00.

Motion carried.

Article 3. Bonds required of Town Officials. Voted under Article 2.

Article 4. Voted to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue in accordance with Chapter 44, section 17 of the General Laws.

Article 5. Voted to appoint the American Legion to have charge of the observance of Memorial Day. (Under Article 2).

Article 6. Voted to give the members of the Fire Dept. compensation for their services. (Under Article 2).

Article 7. Voted to appropriate the money received from the Dog Fund to the Richards Memorial Library.

Article 8. Voted to accept the Article as printed. (Electric Light Dept. Expenses).

Article 9. Voted vacation and sick leave for Highway and Water Dept. employees. (Under Article 2). \$1,300 for this item.

Article 10. Voted to transfer \$3,230.55 from Highway Equipment Fund to Highway Equipment Maintenance Fund.

Article 11. Voted to raise and appropriate \$3,100.00 and transfer \$8,525.00 for Chapter 81 Highway Maintenance. (Under Article 2).

Article 12. Voted to raise and appropriate \$1,600.00 and transfer \$3,200.00 for Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance. (Under Article 2).

Article 13. Voted to raise and appropriate \$2,500.00 and transfer \$7,500.00 for construction of West St. under Chapter 90. (Under Article 2).

Article 14. Voted to transfer the amount requested for the Water Dept. budget from surplus. (Under Article 2).

Article 15. Voted to transfer \$400.00 from the Illig Fund to the Illig Property Maintenance Fund.

Article 16. Voted to raise and appropriate \$4,500.00 to extend the water main on West St.

Article 17. Moved and seconded to raise and appropriate \$2,500.00 for alterations to the Town Hall to make additional office space.

Not voted.

Articles 18-19-20. Voted to accept the laying out of Briarcliff Lane by the Selectmen, raise and appropriate the sum of \$1.00 to acquire an easement for public way purposes in said street.

Article 21. Voted to install additional street lights:

- 2 on Hill St.
- 1 on Central Avenue
- 2 on Tanglewood Rd.
- 2 on Briarcliff Lane
- 2 on Marshall St. between South and Laurel St.
- 2 on Marshall St. east of Hill St.

And to increase the amount in the budget to \$2,135.19. (Under Article 2)

Article 22. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for engineering surveys and legal fees with respect to the development and protection of the Town's water supply at Asnebumskit Pond.

Article 23. Voted to table the Article for consideration in 1960. Water main on Streeter Road.

Article 24. Voted to pass over the Article. \$2500 to improve Winter St.

Article 25. Moved and seconded that the Town accept the provision of Chapter 60, Section 6F.

Motion lost. 67 in favor, 90 opposed.

Article 26. Moved and seconded to lay on the table.

Motion lost. 26 in favor, 145 opposed.

Voted to raise and appropriate \$2500 to correct drainage etc. on ball field. 86 in favor, 80 opposed.

Voted to reconsider Article 26. 106 in favor, 28 opposed.

Voted to amend the amount above to \$4,500. 122 in favor 4 opposed.

Voted to adjourn until Tuesday, March 3, 1959, at 8:00 P.M.

Report of Voting at Adjournment of Annual Town Meeting

March 3, 1959

Voted to reconsider Article 17. 43 in favor, 26 opposed.

Article 17. Voted to raise and appropriate \$2500 to make additional office space in the Town Hall. 47 in favor, 19 opposed.

Article 27. Voted to amend section II, paragraph 2, of the Zoning By-Laws. (Amendment No. 1)

Voted to amend the zoning map of the Town of Paxton, 1954, on file in the Town Clerk's office by striking out the present business zone, and establishing one (1) new zone as follows:

Number 1. Starting at the south corner of West St. at Pleasant St., extending 350 feet southerly on Pleasant St. to the Town of Paxton Recreation Land, and land owned by Robert Potter; the depth of the area shall be 200 ft.

62 in favor. None opposed.

(Amendment No. 2)

Voted to accept the Amendment as printed.

Approved by the Attorney General of the Commonwealth, August 25, 1959.

Voted to accept Articles 28-29-30 collectively. Acceptance of Forestdale Road, Orchard Drive, and Glen Ellen Road.

Article 31. Voted to raise and appropriate \$500 to install traffic control lights to be operated during school hours.

Article 32. Voted to raise and appropriate \$1,512.15 to cover an overdraft in the Veteran's Services Account.

Articles 33-34-35. The Articles were ruled out of order by the Town Counsel; street not laid out by Selectmen.

Article 36. Voted to establish a Land Damage Account and to raise and appropriate \$500.00 for this purpose.

Article 37. Voted to authorize the Water Board to enter into an agreement with the Trustees of Anna Maria College and Harrison Prentice for the installation of a water main on Grove St. and Sunset Lane.

Respectfully submitted,

LESLIE E. ROBINSON,

Town Clerk

Report of Voting at Special Town Meeting

Oct. 9, 1959

Article 1. Voted to transfer from available funds the sum of \$4,000.00 for the purpose of connecting the heating system in the old school building with the heating system in the new school building.

Respectfully submitted,

LESLIE E. ROBINSON,

Town Clerk

Report of Voting at Special Town Meeting

Nov. 30, 1959

Voted to take up Article 2 first.

Article 2. Voted that the Wachusett Regional School District issue bonds in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 for the construction and equipping of an addition to the school.

Article 1. Voted that Section 4A of the Wachusett Regional District Agreement be amended by striking out par. 2 and inserting the following:

All costs incurred on or after April 1, 1958, shall be apportioned on the same basis as the operating costs.

Article 3. Voted that Section 2 of the Wachusett Regional District Agreement be Amended by striking out the section and inserting the following:

The Regional District High School shall be located in the Town of Holden Mass., and in such other towns of said District as the Committee may determine.

Article 4. Voted to transfer \$260.00 from available funds for an additional traffic control light during school hours.

Respectfully submitted,

LESLIE E. ROBINSON

Town Clerk

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

1959-1960

The Selectmen have discharged to the best of their ability all duties of their office, including the assumption of responsibility for the carrying out of all instructions given them by vote of the Annual Town Meeting in March 1959.

The new offices have been constructed and to some extent furnished on the first floor of the Town Hall and various boards and departments assigned to those offices. We are indebted to the Police Department and the Board of Public Welfare for their assistance in furnishing their respective offices.

The Town Hall chimney has been rebuilt and other repairs and painting have been completed where needed.

The care of the flag pole on the Common has been placed under a maintenance contract. The care of the Common, itself, has been turned over to the Street Department and it is our intention to try to make the Common into a traditional small town beauty spot.

In addition to the regular duties of the Selectmen, we have found it necessary to have a number of meetings with members of other boards and committees. These are listed below since they are of general interest and will give an idea of the variety of subject matter with which we have concerned ourselves.

March 19

Purpose

Recreation Commission
and School Committee

To discuss grading, drainage and seeding of school ball field and upper play area on Illig property

April 20 Finance Committee and Town Counsel	To go over delegations of Finance Committee
June 25 Recreation Commission	To ask Selectmen for assistance in completing work on play area and school ball field, including drainage of upper field
Board of Health	To request services of Mr. Walter V. Pike in regard to the Town Dump
August 27 Board of Water Commissioners	Purpose To discuss request made by Board of Water Commissioners that all applicants for building permits appear before them before a permit is issued
September 10 Municipal Light Board	To discuss general operation of Light Department and specific complaints received
School Committee	To discuss liability insurance for school, overcrowded conditions at Wachusett Regional High School and condition of boiler in old grammar school
September 24 School Committee and Planning Board	To report on their meeting with School Committees and Planning Boards of other towns
October 29 School Committee	To discuss method of obtaining additional funds for joining heating systems in old and new grammar schools
November 4 Board of Assessors	To appoint a new member for the Board of Assessors

December 10 To discuss problems in Indian Hill
Planning Board Road and Mullens Developments

December 14 To discuss budget items for which
Finance Committee the Selectmen are responsible

During the year, the Selectmen handled the following items of special interest—appointment of a committee to revise the Building Codes; survey of culverts in the Town and recommendation of corrective action for safety purposes; approval of a number of private streets for snow plowing under certain conditions; and development of a schedule of snow plowing operations.

At a Special Town Meeting held on November 30, 1959, the Selectmen requested and received an appropriation to purchase another school traffic light. We have three such lights in operation at the present time. The safety of our school children has always been of great concern to the Selectmen. We will in the future, as in the past, continue to cooperate with the School Committee to give our full support to all safety activities and safety procedures in order that our children are given the best protection.

SERMAN S. LUDDEN, Chairman
 ROBERT F. McCAULIFF, Clerk
 JESSE E. MILLS

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Fire Dept. answered 19 calls in 1959. They were not all sounded on the general alarm. They were:

- 10 grass
- 5 automobile
- 1 home appliance
- 1 building (no fire)
- 2 investigations

This is one of the few years that the property loss in town was at a zero figure.

A recommendation by the Engineers to the Selectmen that the Squad car be housed in the center of town was carried out. It makes this piece of equipment available in a shorter time than when it was at the Highway Dept. garage.

Engine No. 1 was sent to the Farrar Co. to have the pump overhauled and at the same time an improvement in engaging the pump clutch was installed.

A model of a proposed Fire Station was exhibited to the members and to some of the townspeople also. This was constructed by Robert Price.

Honorary badges were presented to Father Flaherty and Reverend Van Blair at the July meeting.

The "red phone" at George Maccabee's was relocated in Donald Wyman's home and an extension on the phone at the Paxton Garage put in the stall adjacent to the two fire trucks.

Eleven members received their badges by completing the course of instruction in the use of Fire equipment. Three members attended a fire school at the Meadowood Fire Dept. grounds in Fitzwilliam, N. H. Three members also attended

a fire rescue school at Ashburnham, Mass. Some of the members have been holding Tuesday night practice sessions right up to the present time.

We wish to thank all the townspeople for their cooperation in helping to keep fire loss at a minimum.

Respectfully submitted,

LESLIE E. ROBINSON
GEORGE G. KARLE
GORDON M. RICHARDS
GEORGE C. HUNT, Jr.
RAYMOND H. KIMBALL
Board of Fire Engineers

REPORT

OF THE

BUILDING INSPECTOR

For the Town of Paxton — Year of 1959

The Town of Paxton has been fortunate in past years in having builders working in the Town who had pride in their work and who have, for the most part, done their best to comply with the Paxton Building Code and to construct sound and safe buildings. One reason for this is the minimum lot size specified in our Zoning By-Laws, which in the past has required a larger investment in land per house than neighboring towns. Now, many towns surrounding Worcester require as large a lot size as we do, so that the speculative builder can now produce a house as cheaply in Paxton as in the other towns.

It is not the purpose of the Building Code or of the Inspector to prevent new construction in the Town, but it is the purpose to see that safe and sound buildings are erected. Some of the houses built during 1959 do not meet the intended

Code requirements and although notified by the Inspector, in some cases the discrepancies have not been taken care of to my satisfaction. I am hoping it will not be necessary to resort to court action.

During 1959, construction in Paxton was as follows:

Residences	30
Additions to Residences	5
Private Garages and Carports	12
Storage Sheds	3
Stables	3
Additions to Business Property	5
Swimming Pool	1
School Building (Anna Maria College)	1
Buildings Erected Under Variances	2

With the influx of speculative building, there is a tendency for the professional builder to discriminate against the intent of our present Building Code, which always has been insufficient in respect to adequate power of enforcement, to meet the requirements of the changing techniques in home building.

Most of the work of the Inspector is in connection with the construction of residences. In addition to the professional builders, who may wish to overlook the requirements of the Building Code to save time and money, the Inspector frequently spends much time and travel in overseeing residential work being done by owners and amateur builders. The Inspector makes a special effort to be as cooperative as possible to accommodate individuals and often much time is spent before work is started in making recommendations on plans and lot requirements, disposal problems and the like, of which Paxton has many. This means work at odd hours, including nights and Sundays.

Likewise, much time and travel is spent because of the stipulation in our law that a Certificate of Occupancy is re-

quired before one can occupy his new dwelling. Better cooperation between owners and contractors would bring about much more trustworthy relations.

Because much of the work of the Inspector is of an advisory nature as to how work should be done to pass future inspections, rather than merely inspections of completed work no accurate records are kept of the number of consultations and inspections. However, some residential work and all places of assembly require many inspections and consultations.

These inspections have revealed discrepancies from improper construction of floor and ceiling joists, which might allow the building to be pulled apart by strong winds, to the placement of a fuel oil tank so close to an oil burner that any malfunction of the burner might ignite the entire fuel supply.

During 1959, your Inspector was appointed to a committee with others in the Town to study the present Building Code and prepare a revised Code. The present Code was adopted in 1947 and was prepared on the assumption that construction in Town would be done by builders who had pride in their work. Today, pride may be compromised for the sake of a quick profit. The new Code goes into much more detail than the old one. It is my personal desire and hope that the Town will see fit to adopt this as it is written as I trust it will be of great value to the Town in years to come.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED E. WATSON

Inspector of Buildings

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

The following diseases were reported during the year 1959:

- 7 Dog Bites
- 1 Mumps
- 55 Chicken Pox
- 2 Measles
- 11 German Measles
- 1 Scarlet Fever

Parents and guardians PLEASE report all communicable diseases to the local Board of Health as required by State law. Children returning to School after such a disease must have a slip from the Board.

The following licenses were issued:

- 5 Milk and Cream
- 3 Methyl Alcohol
- 1 Kindergarten School
- 1 Recreational Camp

The following appointments were made:

Thomas F. Harney, Jr., Plumbing and Sanitary Inspector
Sumner E. Taylor, Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering

Leslie E. Robinson, Burial Agent

The Board meets the first Thursday of each month, and the townspeople should feel free to call at any time for assistance. The cooperation of the Town Officials, residents, and the District Health Office throughout the past year has been appreciated.

Due to the fact that non-residents were using the Paxton dump, stickers were issued for the vehicles of the residents. The same stickers will be used in connection with the swimming pool this summer. Mr. Pike is now in charge of graveling and bulldozing the dump.

Mr. Crawford saw to it that his garbage route was covered although he was in Holden District Hospital for a long period of time, with a badly broken leg.

Mr. Harney, Plumbing and Sanitary Inspector, has continued his excellent work. His report will be found elsewhere in this book.

A Polio Clinic was held May 20th, and another one June 10th, for all persons under forty who had not received the recommended three Polio inoculations. Another Clinic being planned for 1960 for all inoculations, including the fourth.

Respectfully submitted,

NORMAN C. DODGE, Chairman
KATHARINE B. WILSON, Clerk
RAYMOND J. SAVIGNAC, M.D.

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

REPORT ON 90 MAINTENANCE

RICHARDS AVENUE

Grade 2000 ft. of Shoulder
1000 gals. MC-3 Sand Cover

HOLDEN ROAD

1700 gals. MC-3 Sand Cover

GROVE STREET

650 gals. MC-3 Sand Cover
900 ft. of Shoulder

MARSHALL STREET

5300 gals. MC-3 Sand Cover

RESERVOIR DRIVE

1200 gals. MC-3 Sand Cover
2700 ft. of Shoulder

WEST STREET

2000 gals. T-6 Sand Cover
2800 gals. MC-3 Sand Cover
Grade 3100 ft. of Shoulder

ROCKLAND STREET

1250 gals. MC-4 Stone Cover
Grade 600 ft. of Shoulder

REPORT ON 90 CONSTRUCTION—WEST STREET

One Culvert was installed, consisting of 120 ft. of 18 inch C. C. M. Pipe, and d3 Headwalls.

32,000 yds. of Burrow was hauled.

\$6,000.00 balance of 1958 money was spent, together with \$10,000.00 appropriation for 1959, that is why so much was accomplished in 1959.

INVENTORY OF THE ROAD COMMISSIONER

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1959

- 1 Oliver 77 Tractor Loader, with Mowing Machine Attachment and Back Hoe Attachment

- 2 Frink One Way Snow Plows for Truck, with Under Frame
- 2 Motor Driven Sand Spreaders
- 1 5½ Yd. Automatic Spreader
- 1 Barrel Tar Heating Kettle
- 1 Walsh Snow Plow for Truck
- 1 Good Roads Plow for Truck
- 1 Blow Torch
- 1 Hone for Tar
- 2 Road Screens
- 5 Tar Barrels
- 1 Roller Wheel Roller
- 80 Catch Basin Blocks
- 150 Cement Bricks
- 4 Lanterns
- 10 Cement Blocks
- 16 Torches
- 1 Austin Western Grader 99M
- 1 Frink One Way Plow for Grader 99M
- 1 Frink V Plow for Grader 99M
- 2 Long Handle Shovels
- 6 No. 2 Round Point Shovels
- 6 No. 2 Square Shovels
- 2 Long Handle Post Hole Shovels
- 12 Picks
- 3 Grub Hoes
- 4 16 Pound Sledge Hammers
- 1 Power Driven Grind Stone
- 2 Dung Forks
- 6 Push Brooms
- 1 Crow Bar
- 10 Snow Shovels
- 5 Axes
- 1 Hoe
- 4 Rakes
- 2 Cross Cut Saws
- 2 Splitting Wedges
- 1 Saw Set

- 1 Pruning Cutter
- 5 Stone Forks
- 6 Grass Scythes
- 1 Set Block and Falls (No Rope)
- 2 Earth Tamps
- 2 Stone Drills
- 2 Stone Wedges
- 3 Brush Scythes
- 2 Oil Cans—Five Gallons
- 1 18 inch Monkey Wrench
- 6 Pain Brushes
- 2 White Wash Brushes
- 6 Cutting Edges for Truck Snow Plow
- 3 Cutting Edges for Grader One Way Plow
- 2 Cutting Edges for Grader V Plow
- 1 Cutting Edge for Grader Wing
- 2 Cutting Edges for Scraper
- 5 Shoes for V Plows
- 1 Set Gauges for Acetylene and 6 Nozzles
- 1 Bench Grinder $\frac{3}{4}$ H.P.
- 1 $\frac{5}{8}$ Electric Drill and Set of Drills $\frac{1}{16}$ " to 1"
- 1 Heavy Duty Set of Box Sockets
- 1 Hack Saw
- 2 Grease Guns
- 1 Anvil and Vise
- 1 Pressure Cleaning Oil Gun
- S-Wrenches, Adjustables, Pliers, Chisels and Box
- 1 2 inch Diaphragm Pump
- 1 3 Horse Chain Saw
- 1 Airco Electric Weder

CHAPTER 81 — FINAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1959—DISTRICT NO. 3—TOWN OF PAXTON

State Allotment \$8,525

Town Allotment \$3,100

Total Allotment \$11,625

State Pays 73.33%

No.	Road Name	Total	Mileage by Types					Allot.	Expend.	Work Other Than	
		Miles	BG-I	BMA	BMT	BG	GR			Dirt	General Maintenance
1	Rockland Rd	.89				.89			90.	150.17	Chap. 90—088
2	Mill St.	.25				.25			25.	18.22	
3	West St.	2.93	.16			2.77			270.	926.27	Chap. 90—2.92 St. Grade Shldrs. Clean drainage
4	Spring St.	1.06				1.06			390.	430.26	S.T
5	Brigham Rd.	1.38				0.40	0.46	0.52	735.	482.60	S.T.
6	Davis St.	1.77				0.34	0.81	0.62	1115.	614.10	Gr. Allot. transferred to No. 20 O'Conner Rd.
7	South St.	0.81				0.81			875.	662.01	S.T.
8	Richards Ave.	2.15			0.47	1.67			200.	483.45	Chap. 90—2.16 Shdr. grading; clean drainage
9	Pleasant St.										
10	Soumi St.	1.10				1.10			560.	240.16	
11	Laurel St.	0.97				0.97			230.	173.00	
12	Terrace Place	0.11				0.11			15.	22.37	
13	Hill St.	0.71				0.71			220.	194.92	
14	Winter St.	0.40						0.40	450.	155.21	
15	Marshall St.	2.48				2.48			225.	363.19	Chap. 90—2:37 Gr. shldrs.

16 Asnebumskit Rd.	0.24			0.24	220.	277.75	
17 Reservoir Rd.	1.22			1.22	115.	221.93	Chap. 90—1:22
18 Walbridge Rd.	0.52			0.15	0.37	80.	26.60
19 Crystal St.	0.32			0.32		35.	163.83
20 O'Connor Rd.	0.62			0.05	0.30	0.27	115.
21 Silver Spring Rd.	0.35			0.35			20.
22 Camp St.	0.73			0.40	0.33	470.	402.12
23 Grove St.	2.51			2.51		820.	889.62
24 Pond St.	0.35			0.23	0.12	210.	158.67
25 Hillside Rd.							
26 Streeter Rd.	0.72			0.72		610.	718.37
27 Maple St.	0.50			0.50		45.	253.80
							Ch. 90—0.24 Clean drainage additional St.
28 Holden Rd.	0.81			0.81		80.	156.64
29 Turkey Hill Rd.	0.13			0.13		20.	Ch. 90—0.81
30 Highland Court	0.16	0.40		0.07	0.05	20.	63.55
31							
32 Brooks Rd.	1.00			0.45	0.55	310.	379.04
33 Sunset Lane	0.46			0.46		40.	46.39
34 Common St.	0.11	0.80		0.03		20.	
35 Colony Lane	0.60			0.06		15.	24.30
36 Whittney Drive	0.17			0.17		20.	126.87
37 Center Drive	0.07			0.07		10.	21.50

38 Indian Hill Rd.	0.12	0.12	25.	58.13	
39 Spring Drive	0.13	0.13	140.	96.88	
40 Ridgewood Rd.	0.16	0.16	170.	217.67	
41 Birchwood Rd.	0.10	0.10	215.	136.06	
42 Franklin St.	0.06	0.06	60.	117.96	
43 Meadowbr'k Dr.	0.07	0.07	145.	260.36	Clean drainage
44 Bel-Arbor Drive	0.15	0.15	20.	38.00	
45 Eagle Lane	0.13	0.13	140.	171.02	
46 Briarcliff Lane	0.20	0.20	80.	173.48	0.14 Extension
47 Crestwood Rd.	0.16	0.16	190.	240.67	
48 Pine St.			10.	35.90	Now included in No. 49
49 Orchard St.	0.18	0.18	20.	77.59	Now includes No. 48
50 Cutler Rd.	0.15	0.15	20.		
51 Holbrook Lane	0.17	0.17	165.	117.73	
52 Elizabeth Lane	0.12	0.12	15.	96.16	
53 Ashwood Rd.	0.20	0.20	20.	183.00	Clean drainage
54 Tanglewood Rd.	0.20	0.20	125.	159.26	
55 Larchwood Rd.	0.10	0.10	10.	45.38	
56 Knollwood Rd.	0.12	0.12	15.	47.61	
57 Alderwood Rd.	0.20	0.20	20.	27.78	Remeasured—add 0.04
58 Oakwood Rd.	0.10	0.10	50.	77.56	
59 Glen Ellen Rd.	0.18	0.18	20.		
60 Forestdale Rd.	0.08	0.08	10.		

Various Rds.
Reserve

900.
365.

Totals

31.14 .16 .04 0.56 25.01 2.31 3.06 11,625.11,624.58

SUMMARY

Labor	\$5,074.20
Equipment	3,507.18
Materials	3,043.20

\$11,624.58

No expenditures for snow.

REPORT OF THE RICHARDS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Income:

Town Appropriation 1959	\$2,940.00
From Dog Fund 1959	452.00
Balance of Trust Funds, 1958	512.77
Income from Trust Funds, 1959	1,187.98
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	\$5,093.30

Expenditures:

Salary, Librarian	\$1,200.00
Salary, Assistant Librarians	499.75
Salary, Janitor	560.04
Salary, Clerk	50.00
Books and Magazines	1,503.43
Lights	55.42
Water	20.00
Fuel	354.47
Repairs and Equipment	321.45
Librarian's Supplies	51.30
Rebinding	-----
Miscellaneous	46.71
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	\$4,662.57
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Balance	\$430.73

The sum of \$253.20 in Fine Money was turned over to the Town Treasurer.

The Library Trustees gratefully acknowledge the contribution of the volunteers who worked at the Library certain Wednesdays to mend books. No rebinding has to be done in 1959.

Respectfully submitted,

CONSTANCE G. GREENMAN
Clerk

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

1959

Circulation:

Adult Fiction	5,199	
Adult Non-Fiction	1,489	
Adult Magazines	748	
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		7,436
Juvenile Fiction	6,729	
Juvenile Non-Fiction	3,169	
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		9,898
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Total Circulation		17,334

Volumes Purchased:

Adult and Youth	329	
Juvenile	237	
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Total Volumes Purchased		566

Comparing this to 1958, the adult circulation dropped 229, and the juvenile circulation increased 2,789. This is due to the change made in policy. The grades no longer come to the Library. Books are sent to school and the lower grades are now regular users instead of just the 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th. This change influenced our buying for 1959. We added approximately 100 new juvenile volumes and lowered the adult and youth purchases by 168.

The "Friends of the Library" group still meet once a month to repair and mend books. The life of a book is increased at least a year by this method.

Respectfully submitted,

EDITH F. CALHANE, Librarian

REPORT OF THE BOARD of PUBLIC WELFARE

For the year ending December 31, 1959

Lump sum appropriated for	
Charities and Old Age Assistance	\$12,788.00

GENERAL RELIEF

Expended:

Paxton Settled Cases (not reimbursable)	
Aided in Town	\$246.22
Aided by other	
Cities & Towns	475.90
Unsettled or State Cases (Fully reimbursable)	
Aided in Town	21.65
Total expended, General Relief	\$743.77
Expended, Civil Service Employee (approx. 50% reimbursable)	372.26
Expended, Old Age Assistance	7,936.69
Expended, Aid to Dependent Children	697.65
Expended, Disability Assistance	311.00
Expended, Adm. (other than salaries) (approx. 50% reimbursable)	580.83
TOTAL EXPENDITURE FROM LUMP SUM	\$10,642.20
Bal., lump sum approp., December 31, 1959	\$2,145.80

BOARD SALARIES

Appropriation, 1959	\$150.00
Expended, 1959	150.00
Balance, December 31, 1959	-----

FEDERAL FUNDS

(Available for Board Expenditure)

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Balance, January 1, 1959	\$1,646.22	
Federal Reimbursement, 1959	6,069.00	
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		\$7,715.22
Expended, 1959		4,680.65
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Balance, December 31, 1959		\$3,034.57

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION

Balance, January 1, 1959	\$352.39	
Federal Reimbursement, 1959	459.43	
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		\$811.82
Expended, Director's Salary (approx. 50% reimbursable)		472.74
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Balance, December 31, 1959		\$339.08

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Balance, January 1, 1959	\$102.50	
Federal Reimbursement, 1959	1,004.50	
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		\$1,107.00
Expended, 1959		781.05
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Balance, December 31, 1959		\$325.95

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN ADMR.

Balance, January 1, 1959	\$28.37	
Federal Reimbursement, 1959	28.34	
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		\$56.71

Expended (other than salary) (approx.. 50% reimbursable)	27.50
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Balance, December 31, 1959	<u>\$29.21</u>
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DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Balance, January 1, 1959	\$330.21
Federal Reimbursement, 1959	498.00

	<u>\$828.21</u>
Expended, 1959	336.30

Balance, December 31, 1959	<u>\$491.91</u>
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DISABILITY ASSISTANCE ADMR.

Balance, January 1, 1959	\$108.75
Federal Reimbursement, 1959	36.04

	<u>\$144.79</u>
Expended (other than salary) (approx. 50% reimbursable)	37.45

Balance, December 31, 1959	<u>\$107.34</u>
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STATE FUNDS

(Not available for Board Expenditure)

Credited to Town Receipts:

State Share, O. A. Assist. granted	\$4,713.24
State Share,	
Aid to Dep. Child. granted	1,174.01
State Share, Dis. Assist. granted	.....
(credited to state share of recovery made)	
State Share, Dis. Assist. Admin.	18.02

Total credit to Town Funds	<u>\$5,905.27</u>
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REIMBURSEMENT FROM OTHER CITIES & TOWNS

(Not available for Board Expenditure)

Persons living in Paxton and aided by Paxton but having settlements elsewhere in the Commonwealth.

Credited to Town Receipts \$341.58

Respectfully submitted,

J. MacKENZIE JOHNSTON
Chairman
RUTH B. McKINLEY, Clerk
EDWARD G. TAMULEVICH
3rd Member

FREDERICK E. CASEY
Director, Public Assistance

REPORT

OF THE

Charlton Home Farm Association

For the Year Ended December 31, 1959

Assets

Cash on hand in Bank	\$2,364.95
Deposits in Savings Bank	12,784.43
Personal property, appraised value	4,700.00
Land and Building, appraised value	18,000.00
Due from Towns	1,625.41
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Total assets	\$39,474.79

Equity

Balance, December 31, 1959		\$34,769.85
Add:		
Increase from revaluation of property and Equipment		3,500.00
Gross income from all sources	\$23,207.26	
Less-Gross expenses	22,002.32	
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		\$1,204.94
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Total		\$39,474.79

Number of residents as of December 31, 1959, twenty eight.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD R. PERKINS, Pres.

ROBERT A. DONOVAN

Sec. & Treas.

RAYMOND L. GIROUARD

C. P. A.

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

1959

Once again the activities of your Police Department have increased as have all other departments. It is stated by the people who conduct Polls of all kinds, that every eighty-six people out of every one hundred, in a period of eighteen months, will call a Police Officer, at one time or another. We of this Department would like to thank the people of Paxton for their co-operation in its efforts to make this a safe Community. Our aim in 1960 will be to serve you better by taking part in all Police Education of all kinds, whenever possible.

Car Accidents	35
Pedestrian Accident	1
Complaints Requiring Investigations	191
Arrests	18
Juveniles Placed on Probation	4
Motor Vehicle Violations sent to Registry	124
Attempted Suicides	3
Completed Suicides	1
Stolen Car Recovered	1
Stolen Cars Reported	3
Stolen Bicycles Reported	3
Stolen Bicycles Recovered	3
House-Breaks	15
House-Breaks Cleared	11
Houses Checked Through Vacation Period	34
Residents Transported to Hospital by Cruiser	17
To Town Treasurer for Accident Reports	\$54.00
Bicycles Registered Through Department	162
To Town Treasurer for Bicycle Registrations	\$40.50
To Town Treasurer for Gun Permits	\$8.00

Respectfully submitted,

Paxton Police Department
AUGUSTUS W. OATLEY, Jr.
Chief

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Receipts:

Lots sold and placed in	
Perpetual Care	\$500.00
Care of lots not in Perpetual Care	62.50
Opening Graves	410.00
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Turned over to Town Treasurer	\$972.50

Income on Trust Funds—1959	\$893.65
Appropriation—1959	1,000.00
Balance, Jan. 1, 1959	86.64

\$1,980.29

Payments:

Maintenance of Cemeteries including general care, opening graves and grass seed.	\$731.23
New power machine, gas, oil and repairs to equipment.	153.01
New section of road opened and water extended.	799.80
Supt., printing By-Laws, straighten- ing old stones and clerical.	206.00
Balance, Dec. 31, 1959	90.25

\$1,980.29

New By-Laws were drawn up this year and were printed. A new section of road was also opened and water extended in the Cemetery to accomodate more lot owners.

Lot markers will have to be installed in the new section and some roads have a coating of oil.

Respectfully submitted,

H. RENO KENNEN, Chairman
JOSEPH R. PEARSON, Clerk
GEORGE MACCABEE
Cemetery Commissioners

REPORT OF THE BOARD of ASSESSORS

Number of Polls assessed	617
Tax on each Poll	\$2.00
Rate of Taxation	\$57.00
Value of Assessed Personal Estate	\$95,465.00

Stock and Trade	\$7,225.00
Machinery	83,150.00
Live Stock	1,590.00
All other tangible Per. Prop.	3,500.00

Value of Assessed Real Estate	\$3,688,525.00
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Land exclusive of buildings	\$476,625.00
Buildings exclusive of land	3,211,900.00

Total Value of Assessed Estate	\$3,783,990.00
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Taxes for State, County and Town purposes
including overlay

On Personal Property	\$5,441.51
On Real Estate	210,245.92
On Polls	1,234.00

Total Taxes Assessed	\$216,921.43
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Number of Livestock Assessed

Horses	10
Cows	292
Bulls	5
Heifers	22
Fowl	2,730
Goats	3

Monkeys	5
Sheep	10
Acres of land assessed	8,962a, 27,526 ft.
Dwellings assessed	628

RECAPITATION

Total Appropriations	\$277,241.90
Appropriations taken from Available Funds	36,640.55
Dept and Interest Charges	40,940.00
Retirement Fund	2,820.15
State Parks and Reservations	776.15
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	482.75
County Tax	6,312.29
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	5,577.98
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment 1958 Underest.	3,280.70
Overlay of Current year	8,942.21
Gross Amount to be raised	\$383,014.68
Estimated Receipts	129,336.47
Overestimates of previous year	116.23
Amounts taken from Available Funds	36,640.55
Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds	166,093.25
Net Amount to be raised by Taxation	\$216,921.43

Respectfully submitted,

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

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

Dog Bites (5)
Dogs killed by cars (1)
Dogs destroyed (15)
Dog Complaints investigated (15)
Notices sent out (52)
Dogs claimed owners (4)

All Dogs on assessors list have been licensed for the year 1959.

Respectfully submitted,

CARL H. JOHNSON

Dog Officer

REPORT OF THE PAXTON ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT

I hereby submit the Report of the Paxton Electric Light Department for the year Ending December 31, 1959.

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES

Income:

Metered sales to Private Consumers Rate A.	\$71,007.26
Metered Sales to Private Consumers Rate C.	15,044.27
Sales to other Utilities	299.93
Municipal Revenues	5,384.02
Interest Income	196.29
Miscellaneous Revenues	263.72
Total Income	<hr/> \$92,125.49

Expenses:

Electric Energy Purchased	\$60,663.89	
Maintenance Transmission and Distribution Lines	7,281.53	
Maintenance Consumers Meters	55.26	
Operation of Municipal Street Lamps.	341.19	
Commercial Salaries	635.25	
Salaries of Municipal Lighting Board and Manager	5,897.50	
General office Supplies and Expenses	608.49	
Rent	300.00	
Insurance and bonds	702.33	
Transportation Expense	797.97	
Depreciation	5,383.06	
Uncollectable operating Revenue	214.97	
Misc. General Expense	114.31	
Law Expense	47.20	
Total Expense		\$83,042.95
Net Income for year 1959		9,082.54
		\$92,125.49

PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT

	Debits	Credits
Credit Balance at Beginning of Jan. 1, 1959		\$94,218.34
Credit Balance Transferred from Income account		\$9,082.54
Balance Carried Forward to Balance Sheet	103,300.88	
	\$103,300.88	103,300.88

GENERAL BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

	Additions	Depr. Val. of Plant Dec. 31, 1959
Equipment	\$66.60	11,890.23
Land		\$311.67
Structures		0.00
Transformer Station & Equipt.	\$66.60	11,890.23
Poles. Fixtures & over- head Conductors	6,058.47	54,417.79
Consumers Meters	717.70	10,255.91
Line Transformers	1,927.41	18,963.73
Street Lighting Equipment	2,457.18	11,815.30
Office Equipment	9.95	89.63
Transportation Equipment	3,349.18	5,613.41
Miscellaneous Equipment		592.72
Laboratory Equipment		92.54
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Total additions in 1959	\$14,606.49	
(Paid from Plant income and depreciation fund)		
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Total Property owned by dept. (Depreciated Value)		\$114,042.93
Construction Fund		\$281.65
Cash Operation		6,272.33
Consumers Deposits		292.70
Accounts Receivable		4,949.80
Material and Supplies		2,806.98
Depreciation		7,423.97
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Total Assets		\$136,070.37

LIABILITIES

Of the original amount appropriated by the town for construction of Plant the Dept. still owes	\$1,000.00
The dept. owes consumers for their deposits	291.09
Bills owed as of Dec. 31, 1959	
Accounts Payable	6,272.33
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Total owed by the depart.	\$7,563.42
Surplus of the department in notes paid off in previous years	\$19,116.00
Appropriation for construction	
Repayment	6,090.07
Earning of this and prior years invested in new plant and other assets	103,300.88
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Total Liabilities and Assets	\$136,070.37

During the year the Light Dept. has added 37 new Meters and 65 Kilowatts of new transformer capacity to its plant. It has added 35,398 feet of new commercial overhead wire and 2,094 feet of street light wire.

16,000 feet of old aluminum wire on Grove St. between Pleasant St. and Holden Road was replaced when it was found the steel center wire was rusting badly. The new wire is twice the size of the old wire to take care of the increased load of the colleve and new developments in the area. The cost of this work was \$2,783.25. The 3-phase line on West St. was extended from Center School to Soumi St.

As the result of the vote at the last annual town meeting 8 new mercury vapor street lights were added around the center of the town.

The two underground street light standards were rebuilt

to 30 feet in height. These 8 new lights plus the six original mercury vapor lights around the center of town and 9 other new lights in various parts of the town as voted at town meeting were all placed on all-night operation.

The total cost of this street light work was \$2,475.18. During the year the dept. purchased a used one ton Ford truck with a long stake body to which we have mounted a 36 foot manually operated ladder. Included in the truck body are several built-in stock compartments. The truck is painted a bright orange for Highway safety. The total cost was \$3,349.18 paid for entirely out of Plant profits.

Total consumption of electricity in Paxton for 1959 was 3,571,200 Kilowatt hours which is approximately 11 per cent above 1958. There have been times when the demand on the transformers at the city line substation has exceeded their rated capacity. Instead of waiting until the last minute the dept. is planning to increase the transformer capacity at the city line this year at an estimated cost of about \$7,000.

I wish to express my appreciation to the members of the light commission for their kind help this past year with our labor problems but I feel quite satisfied with our present personnel who are very cooperative with me in our work.

Signed,

ROY M. WENTWORTH,

Manager

We hereby submit the manager's report for our department.

ROBERT HARRINGTON

PAUL GARLOCK

GEORGE T. DEWEY, JR.

Electric Light Commission

REPORT OF THE RECREATION BOARD

The Recreation Committee organized in March, 1959. Mr. Jerome Murphy was elected Chairman; Mr. John Stansfield, Clerk. There were two new members: Mrs. Chapin Fay and Mr. Robert Hall, newly designated member from the School Committee. Mr. John Stansfield subsequently resigned and Mrs. Nathan F. Sheldon was appointed by the Selectmen in his place.

This Committee enjoyed a very successful year, highlighted by the completion of the School Ball Field and Recreation Area Project. This Project, supervised jointly by the Recreation Committee and School Committee, was financed by Town Meeting Appropriated Funds. It involved providing a baseball field for the School; and draining, loaming and seeding all adjacent and recreational areas now in use.

The Pool was opened June 21st and remained open through August 30th — a two week extension over previous years. The Swimming Classes, sponsored by the Sons of Paxton, under the supervisory instruction of the American Red Cross, were conducted from July 7th-August 13th. There was a decided increase in attendance this year.

Weekly water tests were made by Hiram W. Phillips of W.P.I., and again the condition of the pool remained excellent throughout the season. The level of the pool has been raised which has also reacted favorably on these tests.

Mr. William Allard returned as Life Guard and Director of our Morning Recreation Program. He was assisted by Mrs. Wallace L. Connor. The Morning Program was conducted from ten to twelve on Wednesday and Friday mornings from July 8th-August 14th. This was also a two week extension

over the previous year. The program was composed of softball, volleyball, dodgeball, basketball, foot races, kickball and badminton.

The Paxton Little League had a very successful season, also — culminating in participation in the All-Star competition sponsored by their national parent organization.

A Softball League for the Girls has also been undertaken; and although this is suffering from lack of organization and adult supervision, we have hopes that this, too, will prosper as interest in it grows.

The lighting facilities of the basketball court were increased, and there was quite a bit of night basketball activity. Teen-age dances were an innovation on this court. These were very well attended.

The Committee hopes during the coming year to expand the utilization of present facilities and to improve conditions throughout the Recreation Area, in order that additional enjoyment may be provided for the townspeople.

We also wish to extend our congratulations for faithful service and a job well done to our retiring members, Mr. Jerome Murphy and Mr. Louis Childs, who have both served as Chairman of this Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

JEROME MURPHY,
Chairman (Resigned)
HERBERT WENTWORTH,
Ex Officio
VIRGINIA B. FAY, Clerk
ROBERT HALL, Chairman
LOUIS CHILDS
RALPH WILBUR
ELIZABETH SHELDON

REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

I hereby submit the following report for the year 1959.

Appropriations	\$650.00
Expenditures:	
Trimming and Removing Trees	650.00

Respectfully submitted,

FRED DIFLEY,
Tree Warden

REPORT OF THE MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

I hereby submit the following report for the year 1959.

Appropriations:

Moth	\$200.00
Dutch Elm	700.00

\$900.00

Expenditures:

Spraying	\$150.00
Sampling, removing diseased Elms, trimming and disposal	750.00

\$900.00

Respectfully submitted,

FRED DIFLEY,
Dutch Elm & Moth Supt.

REPORT OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS

Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1959		
Metered Water	\$298.91	
Installations	10.48	
Committed—1959		
Metered Water	\$14,544.90	
Installations	2,171.48	
Refunded—		
Metered Water	.98	
	<hr/>	\$17,026.75
Collected—1959		
Metered Water	\$14,419.48	
Installations	1,911.72	
Water Liens	133.48	
Abated—		
Metered Water	14.91	
Overpayments—		
Metered Water	25.94	
Installations	.30	
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1959		
Metered Water	250.68	
Installations	270.24	
	<hr/>	\$17,026.75

There were 36 new connections completed in 1959 which now bring the total full paid installations to 546.

There were 8 hydrants installed:

3 on Grove Street
4 on Sunset Lane
1 on West Street

Water extensions added to Town mains this year were:

2660 ft. of 8 in. pipe on Grove St.
 2510 ft. of 8 in. pipe on Sunset Lane
 1500 ft. of 6 in. pipe on Indian Hill Road
 940 ft. of 6 in. pipe on West St.
 200 ft. of 6 in. pipe on Forestdale Rd.
 820 ft. of 4 in. pipe on Forestdale Rd.
 1200 ft. of 6 in. pipe on Knollwood and
 Asnebumskit Rds.

On the Asnebumskit Pond project, the engineering survey has been completed and a proposed taking line has been established. After consultation with the engineers and the State Dept. of Public Health, we have revised our plans regarding the amount of property we should take for protection of the reservoir. The present proposed taking line includes a strip in front of the present cottages sufficient for adequate clearing of land and planting of evergreens and leaves all of the cottages except one boat house, which is too close to the pond. This should substantially reduce our total cost of the land taking.

After a hearing held by the State Dept. of Public Health, we were given State approval of our planned project and were complimented on our methods of proceeding on the project.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD A. MARTIN, Chairman
 DR. HAROLD H. WASHBURN, Clerk
 NORMAN H. OSGOOD

Board of Water Commissioners

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Balance, Jan. 1, 1959	\$84,878.59	
Recepits—1959	570,369.23	
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		\$655,247.82
Payments—1959	544,211.94	
Balance, Dec. 31, 1959	111,035.88	
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		\$655,247.82

OUTSTANDING DEBT

Water Bonds	\$10,000.00	
New School	365,000.00	
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		\$375,000.00

DUE ON OUTSTANDING DEBT—1960

Water Bonds		
	Prin.	Int.
Due—Feb. 1, 1960	\$2,000.00	\$200.00
Due—Aug. 1, 1960		600.00
New School		
Due—Apr. 1, 1960		5,840.00
Due—Oct. 1, 1960	25,000.00	5,840.00
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	\$27,000.00	\$12,040.00

TRUST FUNDS

	Dog Fund 1959	Prin.	Int.
Library Trust Funds		\$24,540.95	\$1,187.98
Cemetery Trust Funds		25,455.00	893.65
D. Russell Boynton Fund		1,000.00	58.15
E. D. Bigelow School Fund		1,000.00	35.00
E. D. Bigelow V. I. S. Fund		1,000.00	50.19
		<hr/>	<hr/>
		\$52,995.95	\$2,224.97

Respectfully submitted,

MARION E. MACCABEE

Treasurer

C. D. BOYNTON FUND

	Prin.	1959 Int.	Acc. Int.
People's Savings Bank	\$2,700.00	\$103.75	\$452.74
Worcester 5c Savings Bank	1,748.00	89.26	315.19
Worcester Cty. Inst. for Savings	1,600.00	83.26	290.03
Worcester Mechanics Savings	1,600.00	66.21	412.02
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	\$7,648.00	\$342.48	\$1,469.98

Respectfully submitted,

MARION E. MACCABEE

Trustee

REPORT
OF THE
PLUMBING INSPECTOR

Board of Health
Paxton, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I am pleased to submit my report for the past year—
January 1 to December 31, 1959:

Plumbing Permits Issued	52
Plumbing Inspections	149
Cesspool Permits Issued	47
Cesspool Inspections	139
Sub-Division Inspections	2
Soil Tests	3
Complaints of Faulty Sewage Conditions	11
Correct Faulty Sewage Conditions	11

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS F. HARNEY, Jr.
Inspector of Plumbing

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

1957 Personal Property

Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1958	\$1,541.19	
Collected, 1959		\$1,240.00
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1959		301.19
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	\$1,541.19	\$1,541.19

1957 Real Estate

Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1958	\$1,212.50	
Over Payment	15.00	
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Collected		\$1,227.50
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	\$1,227.50	\$1,227.50

1957 Motor Vehicle

Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1958	\$267.43	
Collected, 1959		\$176.78
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1959		90.65
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	\$267.43	\$267.43

1958 Personal Property

Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1958	\$660.80	
Collected, 1959		\$89.60
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1959		571.20
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	\$660.80	\$660.80

1958 Real Estate

Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1958	\$5,364.73	
Refunded, 1959	1.00	
Collected, 1959		\$3,792.21
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1959		1,573.52
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	\$5,365.73	\$5,365.73

1958 Farm Animal Excise

Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1958	\$20.25	
Collected, 1959		\$20.25

1958 Motor Vehicle

Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1958	\$1,540.89	
Committed, Jan. 6, 1959	1,190.96	
Committed, Feb. 16, 1959	212.09	
Refunded	138.69	
Collected, 1959		\$2,496.50
Abated, 1959		216.14
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1959		369.99
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	\$3,082.63	\$3,082.63

1959 Polls

Committed	\$1,234.00	
Collected, 1959		\$1,162.00
Abated, 1959		72.00
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	\$1,234.00	\$1,234.00

1959 Personal Property

Committed	\$5,441.51	
Collected, 1959		\$5,213.51
Abated, 1959		28.50
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1959		199.50
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	\$5,441.51	\$5,441.51

1959 Farm Animal Excise

Committed	\$224.44	
Collected		\$224.44

1959 Real Estate

Committed	\$210,499.57	
Refunded, 1959	599.70	
Collected		\$199,404.35
Abated, 1959		6,288.24
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1959		5,406.68
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	\$211,099.27	211,099.27

1959 Motor Vehicle

Committed	\$38,370.58	
Refunded, 1959	551.41	
Collected		\$31,591.86
Abated, 1959		3,393.29
Outstanding, December 31, 1959		3,936.84
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	\$38,921.99	\$38,921.99

Water Liens

Committed	\$133.48	
Collected, 1959		\$65.08
Outstanding, December 31, 1959		68.40
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	\$133.48	\$133.48

Interest Payments to Treasurer

1957	\$142.64
1958	73.16
1959	26.08

Total	\$241.88
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Interest on Water Lien	\$.11
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Poll Demands to Treasurer

1959	\$7.00
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Respectfully submitted,

MARION E. MACCABEE

Town Collector

REPORT

OF THE

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

RECEIPTS—1959

General Revenue:

Taxes:

Levy of 1959

Polls	\$1,162.00
Personal	5,213.51
Real Estate	199,404.35

 \$205,779.86

Levy of 1958

Personal	\$89.60
Real Estate	3,792.21

 \$3,881.81

Levy of 1957

Personal	\$1,240.00	
Real Estate	1,227.50	
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		\$2,467.50

From State:

Income, Taxes-inc. Ch. 70 Sch.	\$36,692.50	
Corporation Taxes, Business	5,223.80	
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		\$41,916.30

Licenses:

Liquor	\$1,720.00	
Others	52.00	
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		\$1,772.00

Grants and Gifts—State

School Transportation	\$18,603.55	
Vocational	635.04	
Old Age Meal Taxes	358.23	
School Construction	12,378.12	
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		\$31,974.94

Grants—Federal

Old Age Assistance	\$6,069.00	
Old Age Admin.	459.43	
Aid Dependent Children	1,004.50	
Aid Dept. Children Admin.	28.34	
Disability Assistance	498.00	
Disability Assistance Admin.	36.04	
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		\$8,095.31

From County:

Dog Fund	\$452.55
Dogs Destroyed	180.00

\$623.55

Total—General Revenue

\$296,520.27

Special Assessments:

Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:

Levy of 1959	\$31,591.86
Levy of 1958	2,496.50
Levy of 1957	176.78

\$34,265.14

Farm Animal Excise Taxes:

Levy of 1959	\$224.44
Levy of 1958	20.25

\$244.69

Total—Special Assessments

\$34,509.83

Commercial Revenue:

General Government:

Collectors—Demands	\$7.00
Town Clerk—Dog Licenses	543.00
Town Hall—Rents	117.50
Illig Place—Rents	660.00
Police—Pistol Licenses & Bicycle Registration	102.50
Damages—Cruiser	50.35
Sealers—Fees	26.45
Court Fines	5.00
Selectmen—Building Permits	285.00
Damage to Town Hall	2.00
Board of Appeal Hearings	40.00

\$1,838.80

Health:

Permits	\$7.00
Inspection of Animals	25.00
Tubercular Hospital	260.71
Vaccine	39.00

 \$331.71

Highways:

State:

Chapter 81	\$7,944.06
Chapter 90, Maint.	3,199.01
Chapter 90, Const.	15,405.41
Chapter 718	2,570.06

 \$29,118.54

County:

Chapter 90, Maint.	\$3,199.01
Chapter 90, Const.	3,999.99

 \$7,199.00

Tractor Rentals	\$2,005.15
Garage Rents	300.00

 \$2,305.15

Public Assistance:

State:

Old Age Assistance	\$4,713.24
Aid Dep. Children	1,174.01
Disability Assist. Adm.	18.02
Veterans Services	1,593.26

 \$7,498.53

Schools:

Outside Tuition:		
Retarded Children	\$36.60	
From Pupils	48.90	
Rent—Hall	15.25	
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		\$100.75

School Lunch:

Milk—Federal	\$15,135.61	
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		\$15,135.61

Milk—Federal	\$15,135.61	
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Library:

Fines	\$253.20	
Book Lost	1.50	
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		\$254.70

Total—Commercial Revenue		<hr/>
		\$63,782.79

Public Services:

Elec. Light Dept.:

Rates	\$90,945.88	
Meter Guarantee	110.00	
Interest—Meter	8.23	
Interest—Depreciation	196.29	
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		\$91,260.40

Water Department:

Rates	\$16,330.20	
Liens	65.08	
Interest	.11	
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		\$16,395.39

Cemeteries:

Perpetual Care	\$500.00	
Opening Graves		
Care of Lots	472.50	
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		\$972.50
Total—Public Services		<hr/>
		\$108,628.29

Interest:

On Taxes	\$241.88	
On School Funds	35.00	
On Library Funds	1,187.98	
On Cemetery Perpetual Care	893.65	
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		\$2,358.51

Municipal Indebtedness:

Notes—Anticipation of Rev.	\$40,000.00	
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		\$40,000.00
Total—Interest—Indebtedness		<hr/>
		\$42,358.51

Agencies:

Withholding Taxes	\$16,985.19	
Retirement Funds	3,151.26	
Blue Cross—Blue Shield	2,022.40	
Group Insurance	604.65	
State Tax	1,257.53	
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Total—Agencies		\$24,021.03

Refunds:

Planning Bd.	\$4.80	
School	6.71	
Blue Cross	2.40	
Electric Light	21.00	
Civil Defense	407.25	
Garage	5.00	
Police	.65	
Library	85.80	
Aid Dep. Children	14.90	
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		\$548.51
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Total—Reciepts		\$570,369.23

PAYMENTS—1959

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Moderator:

Salary	\$35.00	
Expense	10.80	
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		\$45.80

Selectmen:

Salaries	\$950.00	
Clerical	250.00	
Printing—Postage	29.55	
Travel	142.00	
Dues	21.00	
Others	11.65	
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		\$1,404.20

Town Accountant:

Salary	\$500.00	
Supplies	8.24	
Postage	10.00	
Clerical	5.00	
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		\$523.24

Treasurer:

Salary	\$1,000.00	
Supplies—Postage	138.98	
Travel	54.00	
Clerical Assistant	13.27	
Dues	4.00	
Safety Box	7.00	
Repairs to Office Machines	7.75	
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		\$1,225.00

Collector:

Salary	\$1,000.00	
Printing—Postage	195.27	
Dues	4.00	
Travel	12.00	
Assistant	13.73	
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		\$1,225.00

Assessors:

Salaries	\$900.00	
Abstract	131.29	
Printing—Postage	69.89	
Travel	73.57	
Clerk	350.00	
Dues	9.00	
Repairs to typewriter	16.25	
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		\$1,550.00

Finance Committee:

Clerical	\$100.00	
Dues	14.00	
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Legal:

Town Counsel	\$950.00	
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Town Clerk:

Salary	\$200.00	
Recording Statistics	94.00	
Printing—Postage	8.00	
Dues	7.50	
	<hr/>	\$309.50

Registrations:

Salaries	\$100.00	
Street Listing	112.25	
Voting Lists	66.00	
	<hr/>	\$278.25

Elections:

Tellers	\$128.50	
Ballots	73.00	
Booths	96.71	
Sound Equip.	65.00	
	<hr/>	\$363.21

Board of Appeals:

Printing	\$10.00	
Clerical	16.00	
Adv.	24.00	
	<hr/>	\$50.00

Planning Board:

Consultants	\$600.00
Dues	30.00
Subscription	4.00
Clerical	110.00
Conference	23.50
Printing	168.35
Others	8.04

 \$943.89

Town Hall:

Janitor	\$1,155.00
Tel.	271.45
Fuel	765.16
Lights	125.96
Janitor Supplies	15.88
Repairs	417.15
Water	20.00
Flagpole	200.00

 \$2,970.60

Town Offices

 \$2,172.43

 \$2,172.43

Total—General Government

 \$14,125.12

PROTECTION—PERSONS & PROPERTY

Police Department:

Patrolling	\$2,780.05
Rent	90.00
Gas & Oil	300.50
Uniforms	215.95
Repairs	50.35
Office Supplies	39.04

Revolvers & Cartridges	65.50
Radio Checkup	27.50
Bicycle Plates	29.02
Others	10.74

\$3,608.65

School Traffic:

\$939.20

\$939.20

School Traffic Light:

Installation

\$719.32

\$719.32

Fire Department:

Engineers Salaries	\$600.00
Alarm	254.32
Sirens	22.50
Maintenance	767.11
Watchmen	42.50
Gasoline	153.13
Rents	529.00
Postage	7.50
Helmets & Coats	167.40
Insurance	187.50
Supplies	7.50
Dues	17.00

\$2,755.46

Tree Warden:

Moth Dept.:

Labor

\$200.00

\$200.00

Dutch Elm	\$568.00	
Spraying	132.00	
	<hr/>	\$700.00
Trees:		
Labor	\$520.00	
Removal	130.00	
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Sealer:		
Salary	\$50.00	
Die	1.30	
Express	5.10	
	<hr/>	\$56.40
Inspector of Buildings:		
Salary	\$350.00	
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Dog Officer:		
Dogs Investigated	\$274.93	
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Civil Defense:		
Rope	\$20.13	
Communicator returned	407.25	
Sign	17.00	
Training	24.00	
Others	64.60	
1/2 Expense of System	164.75	
	<hr/>	\$697.73
Total—Protections		<hr/> \$10,951.69

HEALTH & SANITATION

Health:

Salaries	\$150.00	
Clerical	30.00	
Tuberculosis	547.50	
Dump	1,200.46	
Postage	27.50	
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		\$1,955.46

Inspector of Animals:

Salary	\$50.00	
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		\$50.00

Inspection of Meat:

Salary	\$5.00	
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		\$5.00

Collection of Garage:

Contract	\$3,009.96	
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		\$3,009.96

Total—Health & Sanitation		<hr/>	\$5,020.42
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Highways:

Chapter 81:

Labor	\$5,074.20	
Trucks	3,589.96	
Materials	2,960.42	
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		\$11,624.58

Chapter 90 Const. 1959:

Labor	\$2,224.30	
Trucks	7,021.66	
Materials	753.75	
	<hr/>	\$9,999.71

Chapter 90 Const. 1958:

Labor	\$1,697.60	
Trucks	3,836.47	
Materials	1,447.64	
	<hr/>	\$6,981.71

Chapter 90 Maintenance:

Labor	\$1,293.30	
Trucks	1,439.33	
Materials	2,067.32	
	<hr/>	\$4,799.95

Chapter 718:

Labor	\$876.90	
Trucks	1,575.02	
Materials	105.77	
	<hr/>	\$2,557.69

Snow Removal:

Labor	\$6,502.90	
Trucks	3,943.44	
Sand & Salt	877.59	
	<hr/>	\$11,323.93

Municipal Garage:

Fuel Oil	\$318.77
Lights	99.31
Supplies	30.63
Water Ref.	5.00
Tools	10.29
Heater Checked	37.50
Wiring Welder	75.96
Tel.	47.20

 \$624.66

Tractor Equipment:

Express	\$7.94
Maintenance	1,287.12
Materials	653.31
Traffic Lights	33.23
Gas & Oil	548.50

 \$2,530.10

Vacation & Sick Leave:

Employees	\$778.60
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 \$778.60

Land Damages	\$500.00
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 \$500.00

Highway Tools	\$450.00
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 \$450.00

Surfacing Streets	\$1,998.28
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 \$1,998.28

Painting White Lines	\$400.00
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 \$400.00

Street Lights		
Current	\$1,930.69	
	<hr/>	\$1,930.69
Total—Highways		<hr/> \$54,499.90
Public Assistance:		
Public Welfare:		
Salaries	\$150.00	
Expenses	1,324.60	
Agent Salary	372.26	
	<hr/>	\$1,846.86
Old Age Assistance:		
Cash Grants	\$12,632.24	
Administration	472.74	
	<hr/>	\$13,104.98
Aid—Dependent Children:		
Cash Grants	\$1,478.70	
Admin.	27.50	
	<hr/>	\$1,506.20
Disability Assistance:		
Cash Grants	\$647.30	
Admin.	37.45	
	<hr/>	\$684.75
Veterans Services:		
Agent—Salary	\$150.00	
Agent—Expenses	46.83	
Aid	2,610.53	
	<hr/>	\$2,807.36
Total—Public Assistance		<hr/> \$19,950.15

Schools:

Committee Salaries	\$375.00
Supt.—Salary	953.64
Clerical	773.30
Printing	303.30
Tel.	230.15
Travel	127.94
Census	68.72
Express—Others	485.23
Dues	37.50
Teachers Salaries	70,822.05
Books	2,657.76
Supplies	2,577.14
Trade School Tuition	394.95
Transportation	20,568.93
Janitors	7,555.06
Evening	225.93
Fuel & Lights	4,988.55
Repairs	2,430.01
Janitors Supplies	833.50
Water	159.71
Furnishings	1,274.35
Rent of Office	101.96
Graduation	43.51
Physician	210.00
Nurses	1,103.59
Others	131.72
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	\$119,058.25

School Lunch:

Payrolls	\$5,933.72
Foods	8,997.06
Express	51.03
Equipment Supplies	135.15
Insurance	5.93
Workshop	21.47
Office Supplies	25.12
Others	28.54

 \$15,198.02

Wachusett Regional High:

Assessment	\$51,766.59
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 \$51,766.59

Library:

Librarian	\$1,200.00
Assistant	499.75
Janitor	560.04
Books	1,477.78
Periodicals	90.20
Binding	3.00
Fuel	353.72
Lights	55.42
Repairs	181.28
Furniture	114.61
Janitors Supplies	13.25
Water	20.00
Printing	13.55
Clerk	50.00
Petty Cash	30.00
Supplies	51.20
File	19.57
Dues	15.00

 \$4,748.37

Total—Schools—Library

 \$191,146.23

Recreation—Unclassified:

Common:

Salary

\$200.00

 \$200.00

Playground:

Instruction

\$704.00

Materials

435.73

Lights

30.61

Testing Water

45.00

Bulldozer

68.00

Labor

369.00

Mowing

16.00

Office Wardrobe

13.99

Others

58.06

 \$1,740.39

Ball Field

\$4,464.85

 \$4,464.85

Memorial Day:

Flags

\$24.00

Band

100.00

Speaker

10.00

Flowers

60.45

Wreaths

37.60

 \$232.05

Town Clock:

Salary

\$60.00

Repairs

10.35

 \$70.35

Town Reports:

Printing and Distriuting	\$622.00	
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\$622.00

Insurance and Bonds:

Fire	\$6,257.30	
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Officers Bonds	279.12	
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\$6,536.42

Illig Place:

Taxes	\$159.60	
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Water	54.35	
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Repairs	113.48	
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\$327.43

Certification of Notes	\$2.00	
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\$2.00

TOTAL—Recreation and Unclassified

\$14,195.49

Public Services:

Water Department:

Commissioners	\$225.00	
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Superintendent	1,200.00	
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Clerk	150.00	
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Postage and Printing	257.04	
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Addressing	11.00	
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Labor	3,744.04	
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Trucks	817.80	
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Pipe and Fittings	3,292.37	
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Equipment	91.28	
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Cold Patch	31.78	
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Express	14.25	
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Fuel and Light	1,007.23	
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Repairs	9.85	
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Travel	43.00	
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\$10,894.64

Water Department Extensions:

West Street	\$4,500.00	
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Water Department:

Survey	\$3,897.50	
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Hydrants	\$342.96	
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Electric Light Dept.:

Commissioners	\$75.00	
Clerks	449.25	
Postage—Supplies	486.68	
Printing	116.68	
Travel	73.38	
Managers Car	616.00	
Telephone	58.59	
Meter Guarantee	102.50	
Dues	25.00	
Others	34.49	
Employees	15,347.70	
Current	54,391.56	
Tools	291.27	
Street Lamps	380.78	
Meters & Transformers	2,459.27	
Materials	5,647.45	
Trucks	3,447.54	
Insurance—Workmen	533.91	
Gas & Oil	284.29	
Rents	300.00	
Express	38.87	
Others	149.95	
	<hr/>	\$85,310.16

Cemeteries:

Superintendent	\$52.00
Labor	967.23
Trucks	486.60
Gas & Oil	7.75
Equipment & Repairs	89.95
Clerk	75.00
Others	211.51
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	\$1,890.04
Total—Public Services	<hr/>
	\$106,835.30

Interest:

Anticipation of Revenue	\$384.44
School Bonds	12,480.00
Water Bonds	460.00
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	\$13,324.44

Municipal Indebtedness:

Anticipation of Revenue	\$40,000.00
School Bonds	25,000.00
Water Bonds	3,000.00
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	\$668,000.00
Total—Interest & Indebtedness	<hr/>
	\$81,324.44

Agencies:

State Parks	\$707.06
Auditing	482.75
County Tax	5,700.60
T. B. Hospital	5,706.51
Dog Licenses	543.00
Pension—Town Employees	2,820.15
Withholding Taxes	16,985.19
Retirement Funds	3,142.61
Blue Cross—Blue Shield	3,823.59

Group Insurance	1,172.76	
State Tax	1,234.12	
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Total—Agencies		\$42,318.34
Trust & Invested Funds:		
Cemetery Perpetual Care	\$500.00	
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		\$500.00
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Total—Trust Funds		\$500.00
Refunds:		
Real Estate	\$600.70	
Departmental	45.11	
Motor Vehicle Excise	699.05	
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Total—Refunds		\$1,344.86
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Total—Payments		\$544,211.94

SUMMARY

RECEIPTS—1959

General Revenue	\$296,520.27	
Special Assessments	34,509.83	
Commercial Revenue:		
General Government	63,782.79	
Public Services	108,628.29	
Interest	2,358.51	
Indebtedness	40,000.00	
Agencies	24,021.03	
Refunds	548.51	
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TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$570,369.23
Cash Bal. Jan. 1, 1959		\$84,878.59
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		\$655,247.82

PAYMENTS

General Revenue	\$14,125.12
Protection—Persons & Property	10,951.69
Health & Sanitation	5,020.42
Highways	56,499.90
Public Assistance	19,950.15
Schools & Library	191,146.23
Recreation & Unclassified	14,195.49
Public Services	106,835.30
Interest & Indebtedness	81,324.44
Agencies	42,318.34
Trust—Invested Funds	500.00
Refunds	1,344.86
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TOTAL PAYMENTS	\$544,211.94
Cash Bal. Dec. 31, 1959	\$111,035.88
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	\$655,247.82

Respectfully submitted,

ETTA E. ROBINSON,

Town Accountant

TOWN OF PAXTON
BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31, 1959

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Cash:			
General	\$111,035.88	Real Estate 57 Overpayment	\$15.00
Accounts Receivable:			
Taxes:		Highway Machinery Rental	2,648.03
Levy of 1959		Electric Light:	
Personal	199.50	Depreciation	7,423.97
Real Estate	5,406.68	Meter Guarantee	292.70
Levy of 1958		Cemeteries:	
Personal	571.20	Accounts Receivable	395.50
Real Estate	1,573.52		
Levy of 1957		Illig Place:	
Personal	301.19	Rents	1,489.56
Motor Vehicle Excise		Group Insurance	11.63
Levy of 1959	3,936.84	Over Estimate:	
Levy of 1958	415.19	State Parks	69.09
Levy of 1957	90.65	County Tax	611.69
Tax Title Possessions	355.02		
		Excess Sales—Land Low Value	73.75
State		Revenue:	
Highways Ch. 81	1,009.65	Motor Vehicle Excise	4,442.68
Highways Ch. 90 Const.	5,000.00		

County	
Highways Ch. 90 Const.	2,500.00
Old Age Assistance	
City of Worcester	341.58
Veteran Service	418.12
Electric Light Rates	4,733.23
Water Dept. Rates	235.12
Water Dept. Lien	68.40
Blue Cross	7.02
T. B. Hospital Assess (underest.)	128.53
Printing Reports	22.00

TOTAL ASSETS

\$138,349.32

Tax Title Possessions	355.02
Departmental	364.20
Aid to Highways	8,509.65
Electric Light	4,733.23
Water Dept.	306.41
Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus	1,525.01
Overlay 1959	2,553.47
Overlay 1958	3,249.65
Overlay 1957	2,753.69
Appro. Accts. Reserved	4,658.47
Federal Grants:	
Old Age Assistance	3,034.57
Old Age Administration	339.08
Aid Dependent Children Adm.	29.21
Aid Dependent Children	325.95
Disability Assistance Adm.	107.34
Disability	491.91
School Cafeteria	27.95
Library Income	430.73
Cemetery Income	90.25
Electric Light—Maint.	6,467.77
Electric Light—Const.	281.65
Water Dept.—Legal Survey	1,815.70
Surplus Revenue	78,424.81

TOTAL LIABILITIES

\$138,349.32

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded of Fixed Debt	\$375,000.00	School Construction:	
		Inside Debt Limit	\$65,000.00
		Outside Debt Limit	300,000.00
		Water System	10,000.00
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	\$375,000.00		\$375,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Invested Funds:		In custody of Treasurer:	
In custody of Treasurer	\$54,569.05	D. R. Boynton Charity	\$1,262.13
In custody of Trustee	8,775.50	E. D. Bigelow School	1,000.00
		E. D. Bigelow Library	22,372.08
		Geo. E. Bigelow Library	500.00
		Richards Memorial Library	1,668.87
		E. D. Bigelow Village Improvements	1,217.71
		Dr. A. J. Howe	136.01
		Cemetery Perpetual Care	25,465.88
		Post War Rehabilitation	946.37
		In custody of Trustee:	
		C. D. Boynton Fund	8,775.50
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	\$63,344.55		\$63,344.55

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board met at least twice each month during the year. Regular meetings are held on the second and last Thursdays of each month at 8:00 P.M.

Covenant approval of Asnebumskit Hill Home Sites, covering fifteen (15) lots, all containing 20,000 or more square feet of land was voted.

Much time was devoted to problems connected with the development of Paxton Garden Estates. It appears that the time is rapidly approaching when the Planning Board will need the services of an inspector, to assure that sub-divisions meet all legal requirements.

A field trip was made to inspect the proposed Indian Hill Sub-division and tentative approval was voted.

Chairman Herbert Wentworth was appointed to represent the Planning Board on the Building By-Law revision committee.

A discussion meeting was held with the Princeton and Rutland School Committees to determine if there was any interest in establishing regional Junior High Schools. The Planning Board also attended two meetings at Wachusett Regional High School at which the recently voted addition was discussed. The Board also attended a seminar at Assumption College on regional planning problems.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT F. WENTWORTH,
Chairman
VERNON P. WILSON, Clerk
REUBEN O'JANNE
G. LEONARD TROTTIER
DONALD C. ALEXANDER

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
OF THE
Town of Paxton
MASSACHUSETTS



FOR THE
Year Ending December, 31, 1959

The Hoyle Press, 9 May St., Worcester

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.

The Committee feels that continued progress in instruction will be made easier if each voter will take a more active part in the education activities of the town. We welcome all those interested in discussing School Department problems. The regular monthly meeting is held on the Tuesday evening before the last Thursday of every month at 7:30 p. m.. Other meetings are held when necessary.

During the past year the baseball field has been drained, graded and seeded; also, the upper play area. Through the fine cooperation of the Recreation Committee and the School Committee this project came into fulfillment. We wish to thank the voters of the town for their generosity in making this possible.

The heating system in the old school has been changed over from a coal burning boiler to zone control which is connected to the boiler in the new school. This will mean a savings in labor and fuel.

It is the hope of the Committee that something can be done to correct the audio system in the all purpose room in the new school building this year.

In conclusion, the School Committee wishes to thank the people of the town, our superintendent, the teachers and the custodians for their fine spirit of cooperation during the past year, and also to express the hope for continued support for the future.

ROBERT J. HALL
CHARLES C. CRAIG, Secretary
REGINALD J. SMITH,
Chairman
Paxton School Committee

December 31, 1959

The School Committee would like to urge all those who wish to attend evening school in Worcester to contact the superintendent's office in Holden before making application to enter.

School Directory

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Reginald J. Smith, Chairman	Term Expires 1960
Charles C. Craig, Secretary	Term Expires 1961
Robert J. Hall	Term Expires 1962

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Dr. Charles L. Bowlby	Superintendent of Schools
Mrs. Lois P. Drawbridge	Secretary, School Union 24
Mrs. Thelma K. Coffin	Secretary, School Union 24
Mrs. Hazel A. Pillsbury	Secretary, School Union 24

INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF

Ralph D. Huggett	Principal
William D. Mullaney, Jr.	Grade VII & VIII
Richard M. Lane	Grade VII & VIII
Charles Ricardi	Grade VII & VIII
Mrs. Florence G. Morrissey	Grade VI
Mrs. Joy S. Morey	Grade VI
Mrs. Stina B. Long	Grade V
Miss Barbara L. Davies	Grade V
Miss Janice Klem	Grade IV
Mrs. Lydia B. Smith	Grade IV
Mrs. Eleanor K. Groden	Grade III
Mrs. Nancy Hodes	Grade III
Mrs. Aileen E. Wilmouth	Grade II
Mrs. Helen C. Sullivan	Grade II
Miss Evelyn M. Bass	Grade I
Mrs. Jean D. Fryburg	Grade I
Mrs. Edith B. Feffer	Assistant
Miss Claire F. Slack	Household Arts
Robert G. Lister, Jr.	Industrial Arts

SUPERVISORS

Miss Ruth Innes	Music
Richard H. Bowden	Instrumental Music
George N. Morris	Art
Channing H. Washburn, M. D.	School Physician
Mrs. Helen P. Olmstead	Health
Mrs. Brenda T. Sullivan	School Nurse
Howard K. Cresswell	Head Custodian
Hugh B. Wylie	Custodian
Augustus W. Oatley, Chief of Police	Attendance Officer
Mrs. Dorothy Cooper	Cafeteria Manager
Paxton Garage, Inc.	Transportation

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1959-1960

Fall Term	Sept. 9, 1959 through Dec. 23, 1959
Winter Term	Jan. 4, 1960 through Feb. 19, 1960
Spring Term	Feb. 29, 1960 through April 14, 1960
Summer Term	April 25, 1960 through June 24, 1960

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

October 12, 1959—Columbus Day
 November 6, 1959—Teachers' Convention
 November 11, 1959—Veterans Day
 November 26, 27, 1959—Thanksgiving Recess
 April 15, 1960—Good Friday
 May 30, 1960—Memorial Day

ENROLLMENT

	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954
Elementary	129	134	159	192	211
High School	-----	-----	-----	39	54
	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959
Elementary	240	275	293	322	331
High School	62	78	93	102	103

GRADE ENROLLMENT—PAXTON ELEM. SCHOOL

September, 1959

Grades	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII
	50	47	40	37	46	41	42	28

GRADE ENROLL.—WACHUSETT REG. HIGH SCHOOL

Grades	IX	X	XI	XII
	30	23	25	25

CENSUS—October, 1959*

Age	Pre-School	Elementary	High School
Less than 1 yr.			
1	46		
2	56		
3	50		
4	41		
5	41	14	
6		47	

7	45	
8	41	
9	36	
10	43	
11	40	
12	42	
13	26	11
14	2	20
15	1	23

*Birth to 16 yrs. of age.

REPORT

OF THE

Superintendent of Schools

The calendar year just completed found the Paxton system operating under two school superintendents; Mr. William Buker carried the responsibility until July 1, 1959, when it shifted to myself. Actually, after only six months in the post, I am in no position to point to any outstanding improvements nor to recommend any drastic changes.

School committees and school superintendents are faced most frequently with two basic and often chronic conditions. One of these is the need to expand school facilities. The other is the necessity of keeping instruction and the curriculum in line with the needs and demands of a modern society. In the first instance, it appears that except for a minor change in school plant, that the Paxton School has sufficient capacity to absorb a considerable increase in pupil enrollment, particularly if the pupils are scattered throughout the various grades.

Curriculum improvement requires a longer period of study, yet enrichment has already been undertaken by the introduction of elementary French in Grade 4. Further

advancements have been made in health instruction in all grades and in the adoption of a unified standardized testing program. It is hoped that this testing program, plus the new guidance folders, will lead to better evaluation of the curriculum and of individual pupil needs.

The future holds the promise of better results in reading through the introduction of a departmentalized reading program. Science, too, will be carefully considered in terms of modern needs. A rapidly changing society places new emphasis upon learning; and only by careful study leading to the improvements demanded by this society, can schools and the learning derived therein, be kept adequate to modern needs.

Respectfully submitted,

DR. CHARLES L. BOWLBY
Superintendent of Schools

REPORT

OF THE

Wachusett Regional School District

To the citizens of the Wachusett Regional School District:

A joint report, prepared by the Wachusett Regional School District Superintendent, the High School Principal, and the Committee Secretary is submitted for your consideration and examination. Each of these officials plays a different, but important role in the operation and management of the school.

The Principal, Neal T. Skillings, is most closely connected to the actual operation of the educational program and is responsible for the assignment of teachers to their duties, the development of the daily program of studies and the control of the pupils. With some eighty people on the staff and 1,125 pupils, this is an important position.

The Secretary of the Regional Committee and District is charged with the responsibility of recording the minutes of all meetings and the handling of correspondence and reports.

The School Superintendent deals with overall educational policy, budget recommendations, the purchase of all equipment and supplies and the employment of all personnel.

As was expected, our enrollment this year has continued to climb. January 5, 1960, we had 1,114 pupils attending classes. Of these 592 were from Holden, 103 from Paxton, 94 from Princeton, 135 from Rutland, 162 from Sterling, 26 from Oakham, 1 from West Boylston and 1 from Indonesia. Expressing it another way, we have 318 freshmen, 279 sophomores, 276 juniors, 238 senior, and 3 special students. Of these, 525 are girls and 589 are boys. We are, naturally, great overcrowded and are using nearly every space possible for a classroom. How we shall handle an even larger school population next year is not as yet certain. It is most gratifying to know that before too long the new addition will be built and will relieve this congestion.

As the enrollment increase, so too, does the size of our faculty. At present, we have 65 staff members, 7 custodians and 11 cafeteria workers. Several changes have taken place since last year. Leaving our group were: Lawrence Barrington, Robert Bombard, Mary Clark, Jeannette Costa, Laura Gotschall, Birgit Nelson, Dianne Parker, Carol Smith, and Pauline Rose.

To bring our staff back to the required number we have added: Leo Bachant, Rose Biller, Patricia Carlson, Doris Guertin, Evelyn Ives, Eileen Kinnery, Augustus Luparelli, Jo McFarlane, Constantine Mourginis, Janet Pardee, and Jean Brown.

W. Frank McKinstry, Head Custodian, retired December 1st and has been replaced by Burton H. Fiske.

Pearl Smith has been added to the office clerical force.

As far as we have been able to ascertain, the placement of the 201 graduates of this class is as follows:

	Boy	Girl	Total	Percent
Number in Class	90	111	201	
Four Year College	31	34	65	32
Junior College	19	14	33	17
Nursing School	....	14	14	7
Specialized School	2	11	13	6
Total Continuing Educ.	52	73	125	62
Working	12	29	41	20
Armed Forces	22	2	24	12
P. G.	2	....	2	1
Married	3	4	7	3
Unknown	2	3	5	2
Unemployed	....	1	1	Less than

For the first time, Wachusett has foreign students studying here. In September of 1959, Dwi Soejoso, from Indonesia, joined us in January of 1960, we welcomed Naera Naumann from New Zealand. These young people are very popular with faculty and students and are getting along very well. They are being sponsored by the Future Teachers of America, one of our school activities.

We are continuing the accelerated programs begun last year in English and mathematics. Likewise, students are scheduled together as much as possible according to ability in other subjects. When we can use the new addition, more can be accomplished along this line.

The Joe Berg Science continues to operate satisfactorily.

Our library, even though it is used also as a study hall, continues to serve our students well. As of June, 1959, the situation appeared thus:

Volumes in Library

Fiction	1,199
Non-Fiction:	
Reference	388
Teachers'	42
Other Non-Fiction	2,526
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Less 162 withdrawals	162
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Total	3,993

We are extremely proud that three of our senior students have been named as finalists in the National Merit Scholarship competition; one is a finalist for a National Honor Scholarship; and nine have been awarded Letters of Commendation. This is certainly an outstanding record.

The Wachusett Regional High School is an institution of which one can be justly proud. It continues to gain prestige and stature each year. Next year we may have many difficulties because of overcrowded conditions. However, with the completion of an addition, the year after next should see a good deal of improvement.

By election in the several towns and by appointment of the various school committees the Regional Committee was made up of the following individuals:

	Term Expires	Length of Term
Holden		
Byron S. Davis, Chairman	March, 1960	3 yrs.
William F. Lionett, Treasurer	March, 1963	3 yrs.
Russell H. Gray	March, 1960	1 yr.
Paxton		
Reginald J. Smith, V. Chair.	March, 1960	1 yr.
Mrs. Yvette Childs	March, 1961	3 yrs.

Princeton

C. Wesley Dingman	March, 1960	3 yrs.
Leslie E. Poole	March, 1960	1 yr.

Rutland

Herbert W. Burbank	March, 1963	3 yrs.
Nelson M. Calkins, Jr., Sec'y	March, 1960	1 yr.

Sterling

Mrs. Avis C. Bourne	March, 1961	3 yrs.
David P. Atkins	March, 1960	1 yr.

During the year the Committee held 22 regular meetings and 2 special meetings. Two of our most urgent problems were solved in 1959.

A sub-committee working closely with a similar group from Union 24 interviewed many candidates for the superintendency and visited the school systems of the six most outstanding ones. Three of these were then interviewed by the whole committee and as a result on May 9, 1959, the Committee elected Dr. Charles L. Bowlby as superintendent.

On November 2, 1959, your committee voted once again to authorize a \$1,000,000 bond issue for the construction of additional building space. Since this act was approved at special town meetings in all towns, work on final plans and specifications is now proceeding. The present schedule calls for construction to start in May, 1960 with completion in August, 1961.

In other action the committee early in the year made changes in the curriculum. The most important consisted of the following:

1. Language courses were extended to offer four years of Latin, French and Spanish instead of two;
2. A course in Contemporary Affairs was added in place of U. S. History as a senior course. This is comparison study of government systems.

3. Various changes were also made in the number of elective and the number of required courses.

This year has seen the trend of raising school costs continue. Early in the year the Committee raised the minimum salary for teachers from \$3,800 to \$4,000 and its salary schedule accordingly. This was necessary to remain competitive when hiring teachers and is also the minimum required by law.

The Joe Berg Science Seminars, Adult Education and Summer School programs were continued.

Your Committee wishes to thank the administration, staff, pupils and parents for their cooperation in making ours a better school.

Respectfully submitted,

DR. CHARLES L. BOWLBY
Superintendent
NEAL T. SKILLINGS, Principal
NELSON M. CALKINS, Jr.
Committee Sec'y

Wachusett Regional School District Treasurer's Report

1959

The Treasurer's report for the Wachusett Regional School District for 1959 differs in form from those of previous years. The changes are designed to allow the report to be of more use to the citizens of the participating towns. Lack of space prohibits comments but we believe the figures will prove of interest when properly analyzed.

I. INCOME STATEMENT

Here are shown the actual receipts and expenditures for the past three years and those estimated for 1960.

Item	Receipts			ESTIMATED
	ACTUAL			
	1957	1958	1959	1960
Opening Cash Bal.	\$8,335.91	\$39,393.97	\$49,677.39	-----
Assessed Towns	439,788.58	508,322.50	533,768.58	621,118.58
Tuition	60,214.96	11,707.19	12,115.85	11,000.00
State Reimburse.	81,499.35	83,528.04	80,653.92	80,493.92
Rentals & Misc.	2,182.31	2,109.28	1,889.12	2,250.00
Federal Grants	14,949.21	6,668.50	6,162.91	9,300.00
Cafeteria	47,394.54	48,386.30	50,069.38	----- (1)
Athletic Fund	4,413.46	3,608.10	4,524.70	----- (2)
Adult Education	5,847.49	3,458.25	3,412.80	4,000.00
Miscellaneous	-----	72.17	271.03	1,000.00 (3)
State Tax Withheld	-----	-----	1,314.52 (4)	-----
Trans. from Surplus	-----	-----	-----	10,000.00
TOTALS	\$664,625.81	\$707,254.30	\$743,860.20	\$739,162.50

Notes:

- (1) To date no tax money has been used in Cafeteria Program.
- (2) Athletic Fund supports football and basketball.
- (3) In 1959 \$1,000 was transferred to general funds, thus reducing assessment.
- (4) Deposited in 1960.

Item	EXPENDITURES			ESTIMATED
	ACTUAL			
	1957	1958	1959	1960
General Expense	\$7,817.66	\$8,178.36	\$11,346.58	\$12,870.00
Exp. Intruction	280,915.74	321,049.61	366,656.07	438,449.00
Oper. of Plant	52,002.39	56,979.87	53,019.26	58,250.00
Maintenance	6,695.23	9,507.11	18,891.81*	6,700.00
Outlay	15,649.91	12,742.75	9,313.75	9,600.00
Aux. Agencies	21,056.05	22,284.84	22,366.38	26,666.00
Cafeteria	47,389.15	47,502.62	52,841.83	----- (1)
Athletic Fund	3,204.78	3,437.60	4,376.91	----- (2)
Adult Education	5,260.53	3,596.65	----- **	-----
Debt & Interest	175,132.50	172,297.50	169,462.50	186,627.50
Miscellaneous	117.90	-----	-----	-----
Total Expend.	\$625,231.84	\$657,576.91	\$708,275.09	\$739,162.50
Closing Cash Bal.	39,393.97	49,677.39	35,585.11	-----
			\$743,860.20	

Notes:

(1) To date no tax money has been used in Cafeteria Program.

(2) Athletic Fund supports football and basketball.

* Part of expenditures will be reimbursed by insurance payment in 1960.

** Adult Education charges now allocated to regular accounts.

II. BALANCE SHEET

The Balance Sheet for the past three years shows the amounts assessed to individual towns. It also shows the Surplus Account. This account should be a reserve against contingencies. For the year 1960, \$10,000.00 is to be transferred to operating accounts to reduce the amount assessed against the towns.

ASSETS

Item	12/31/57	12/31/58	12/31/59
Cash	\$39,393.97	\$49,677.39	\$35,585.11
Accounts Receivable:			
Holden	271,689.14	279,218.16	328,971.28
Paxton	47,826.41	51,766.59	58,074.85
Princeton	47,849.81	47,594.54	57,354.77
Rutland	63,943.81	70,270.79	78,877.28
Sterling	77,013.33	84,918.50	97,840.40
Tuition	-----	30.00	361.02
Misc. Receivables	53.90	-----	-----
Total	<u>\$547,770.37</u>	<u>\$583,475.97</u>	<u>\$657,064.71</u>

LIABILITIES

Item	12/31/57	12/31/58	12/31/59
Revolving Funds:			
Cafeteria	\$3,769.61	\$4,653.29	\$1,880.84
Athletic Fund	3,095.78	3,266.28	2,164.07
Adult Education	1,081.96	(1)	(1)
Federal Grants	6,986.75	2,274.88	3,745.00

Revenue Reserved
until Collected:

Town Assess.	508,376.40	533,798.58	621,118.58
Departmental	-----	-----	361.02
Tailing Account	-----	22.17	22.17
Appropriations Bal.	-----	-----	-----
Non-Revenue	-----	-----	-----
School Construction	576.99	35.89	35.89
State Tax Withheld	-----	-----	1,314.52
Surplus	23,882.88	39,424.88	26,422.62
Total	<u>\$547,770.37</u>	<u>\$583,475.97</u>	<u>\$657,064.71</u>

(1) See Note on Income Statement.

III. BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

as of December 31, 1959

Net Funded	<u>\$1,735,000.00</u>
Bonds dated 6/1/51. Interest 2.20%	
Payable \$5,000 yearly through 1971	60,000.00
Bonds dated 6/1/52. Interest 1.90%	
Payable \$75,000 yearly through 1972	975,000.00
Bonds dated 2/15/53. Interest 2.60%	
Payable \$50,000 yearly through 1973	700,000.00

Note: Bonds for addition will probably be issued early in 1960 but none will mature in that year.

IV. GROWTH OF DISTRICT

PUPILS and COSTS

The purpose of this section of our report is to give some measure of how the District costs and enrollment have grown and how the growth occurred by towns.

The first portion of the following tabulation shows that in three years the number of students increased by 13%. The second portion shows that during the same time the cost to the towns for their assessments increased but 8.2%. These figures should not be used for any other measurement than that of assessment per pupil.

Number of Pupils

(as of October 1 in year shown)

Town	1957	1958	1959	Change from 57 to 59	
				No.	%
Total Dist.	969	1047	1095	126	13.0
Holden	535	563	594	59	11.0
Paxton	92	103	103	10	11.4
Princeton	88	89	98	10	11.4
Rutland	117	134	136	18	15.3
Sterling	137	158	165	28	20.4

Assessment Per Pupil per Fiscal Year

Town	1958	1959	1960	Change from 58 to 60	
				No.	%
Total Dist.	\$525	\$510	\$568	\$43	8.2
Holden	508	498	554	46	9.1
Paxton	520	503	564	44	8.5
Princeton	544	535	585	41	7.5
Rutland	547	524	584	37	6.7
Sterling	562	538	587	25	4.4

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM F. LIONETT

District Treasurer

WACHUSETT REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

GRADUATES—JUNE 1959

Sandra Blaisdell
 Geraldine Conner
 Carol Grensavitch
 Karen Lamotte
 Marsha Lantinen
 Marguerite Sinkewick
 Dianna Washburn

Robert Brodeur
 Arthur Clockedile
 David Hammar
 John Hyland
 Norman LaBossiere
 Robert Pickett
 Walter Seelye

Principal's Report

January 1960

The school membership as of October 1, 1959 was 334 and presently totals 337. This membership is distributed through a total of fifteen classrooms which includes double grades through the seventh and one single grade eight. Changes in school personnel include the following: Mrs. Jean Fryburg in grade one, Mrs. Nancy Hodes in grade three, Miss Janice Klem and Mrs. Lydia Smith in grade four, Mrs. Joy Morey in grade six, and Mr. Charles Ricardi in grade seven.

Several changes have taken place in the school curriculum. Fourth grade pupils are learning Conversational French under the direction of Miss Klem. Mr. Richard Bowden, musical instrument teacher is providing instruction to all fourth graders in learning how to play the tonette. Through this device he will be able to determine those youngsters who seem to have a good sense of rhythm and an ability to do fairly well on regular orchestral instruments.

In addition to the above mentioned changes in the curriculum, a new method of teaching handwriting has been introduced in the first grades. This system of handwriting is known as manuscript writing which is the printed form

of writing such as is found in reading books. It is believed that this new program will serve as an aid in the reading program since the children will not be faced with the problem of learning to recognize words and letters in two different styles, namely the manuscript (printed form), and the cursive (the style used in writing a signature).

Grades seven and eight are now departmentalized in several areas. Mr. Lane teaches Social Studies in both seventh grades and also grade eight; Mr. Mullaney teaches Mathematics in these three classes; Mr. Ricardi handles Science; Miss Slack has Home Economics and Mr. Lister, Industrial Arts.

The school's extracurricular program for the current school year has been well organized. Largely through the efforts of Mr. Richard Lane, a new basketball league has been formed and will be known as the "Mountain Junior High League". This league will comprise the towns of Paxton, Rutland, Princeton and Sterling. Girls' basketball will also be played in this league and Miss Barbara Davies will coach their team. Mr. William Mullaney, in addition to supervising the production of the school magazine will also coach baseball. A cheerleading program for girls in grades seven and eight will be handled by Miss Davies with the assistance of Mrs. Morey. The school baseball field has been completed and will be ready for use next spring.

Graduates in June 1959 are listed below:

Christine Ann Ahearn	Wayne Mannila
Sharon Margaret Cooney	Nancy Rita McMahon
Sheila Ethel Cooney	Nancy Ethel Migneault
John Mason Cunningham	Rebecca Mitchell
Edmund Joseph Faucher, Jr.	Pauline Selma Niemela
Richard Earl Fogg	Terrill Doris Parks
Deanne Ralph Huggett	Susan Allen Pitcher
Thomas Peter Hughes	Paul Stewart Robinson
George Carl Hyland	Anthony Paul Sinkewich
Edward William Johnson	Suzanne Elizabeth Smith

Timothy George Kelly
 Henry Reno Kennen
 Arthur Lawler III
 Warren John Lederer

Philip Carlton Start
 Maureen Elizabeth Tivnan
 Paula Catherine Tivnan
 Barbara Ann Urbanovitch
 Richard Paul Veaudry

The American Legion awards given annually at graduation to the outstanding boy and girl in the class were received by Deanne Huggett and Barbara Urbanovitch.

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH D. HUGGETT, Principal

REPORT OF THE ART SUPERVISOR

The year 1959 was a year of major developments for the Art Department of Union No. 24.

A workshop for the teachers of the entire expanded union was held at the Worcester Art Museum in October. The program was conducted entirely by the staff of the museum and was organized for the purpose of acquainting the teachers with the service of the museum to the schools and within the scope of art.

Because of the greater demands on my time as art supervisor, it became impossible at the beginning of the present school year to visit grades 1, 2, and 3, to teach art. As a consequence of this, Miss Charlotte Crout of Lexington, a graduate of the class of 1959 of the Massachusetts College of Art, was elected in December to teach these classes. She will be a capable addition to our teaching staff.

On behalf of the classroom teachers and the children, I wish to express appreciation to the several school committees and to Dr. Bowlby for making it all possible.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE N. MORRIS

R E P O R T

OF THE

MUSIC SUPERVISOR

A five-fold program of musical activities is carried on in all the grades: singing, rhythm activities, creative activities, listening and playing instruments. The grade teachers carry on the program assisted by the visits of the music consultant.

A Music Workshop was held in November for all elementary teachers in the Union to acquaint them with the new series of music books. The acquisition of new books and audio-visual equipment has been a great assist to the program. Each teacher now has access to melody bells, a rhythm band set, recordings and record players and a tape recorder.

The largest group of students ever to attend the Children's Concert as part of the Worcester Music Festival in October was the Holden Union Students with about three hundred.

The Chorus performed at the Graduation Exercise.

Mr. Richard Bowden continues his fine program of instrumental instruction. A pre-band instrument, the tonette, was incorporated in the music program at the fourth grade level. The purpose of this instrument is to aid the music reading program and to screen potential instrumental pupils. Instrumental classes meet thirty minutes weekly and include

pupils with one to three years training. Fifth and sixth grade pupils were allowed to begin in September and more pupils will be added as the fourth grade tonette pupils convert to instrument. The instrumental pupils played in the Spring Concert at the Holden Junior High, with the other pupils of the Union, and at the Graduation Exercises in Paxton. Proportionately Paxton has the smallest group of all the union towns studying instruments which is unfortunate.

I feel the music program is progressing satisfactorily and the year has been a profitable one.

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH S. INNES,
Music Supervisor

REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL HEALTH SUPERVISOR

The importance of health education to the individual, the community and the nation has received local, state and national recognition.

In order for the schools to contribute to the nation's health school health education is becoming an integrated phase of the general education program and the various phases of school health activities are being combined into three specific areas: Health Services, Health Instruction and Healthful School Living.

The goal of the school health program is to help children become well adjusted, keep them physically fit, increase their health practices so that they are prepared to make decisions affecting their own health.

Parents are primarily responsible for the health of their children but the school can assist them in building up and maintaining the highest level of health for each child and in developing the necessary ability for each child to deal with the health problems in life. The roll of the school is to supplement the efforts of parents in promoting the health of their children.

The approval of the school health committee and the support of the superintendent of schools has enabled progressive steps to be made with the following achievements:

1. A Technician Program was implemented after two registered nurses were trained to do vision and hearing tests by a technician from the State Department of Public Health. These nurses assisted the school health personnel so that the vision and hearing tests were done simultaneously with weighing and measuring. By combining these procedures, children left the classroom only once rather than three different times. The early completion of these tests enable parents to be notified about the defects found so they could be corrected more quickly.
2. A survey to determine the number who are prepared to administer first aid was made. As a result the American Red Cross Standard First Aid Training Course will be conducted in Holden, Paxton and Rutland the first part of January 1960. The course will be given by the Chairman, American Red Cross First Aid Training for the teachers in the school union. Approximately forty teachers will take the course. First Aid Emergency Teams will be set up in each school.
3. A survey was also made of the health textbooks in the union schools. It was found that no health textbooks were available in some schools while in other schools the books were twenty years old. The health committee selected a 1960 health textbook which is regarded as the most modern and outstanding approach to classroom instruction in health.

5. Starting in January all teachers will be offered an opportunity to take a course in modern methods of teaching elementary physical education. A staff member of Boston University will conduct the course.

In addition to the foregoing, the routine physical examinations and the school immunization clinics were administered by the school physicians with assistance of the school nurse and the supervisor of school health. The pre-school registrations were conducted and well attended.

The pupils in our schools are entitled to a basic, fundamental knowledge of modern health reflecting physical education practices. The steps taken so far will improve our present program and bring it more in line with state and national recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN P. OLMSTEAD,

Supervisor

Reimbursements from State and Federal Depts.

General School Fund, Chap. 70	\$22,870.00
Superintendent's Salary	None
Transportation	18,603.55
Vocational Tuition and Transportation (Boys' and Girls' Trade)	635.04
Special Transportation	-----
Bigelow Fund	35.00
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	\$42,143.54

REGINALD J. SMITH,

Chairman

CHARLES C. CRAIG, Secretary

ROBERT J. HALL

School Committee

DR. CHARLES L. BOWLBY

Superintendent of Schools

BUDGET - 1960

Account	Appro. 1959	Spent 1959	Recom. 1960
Moderator			
Salary	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00
Expenses	20.00	10.80	20.00
Selectmen			
Salaries	950.00	950.00	950.00
Expenses	475.00	454.20	575.00
Town Accountant			
Salary	500.00	500.00	500.00
Expenses	25.00	23.24	25.00
Town Treasurer			
Salary	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Expenses	225.00	225.00	225.00
Town Collector			
Salary	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Expenses	225.00	225.00	225.00
Assessors			
Salaries	900.00	900.00	900.00
Expenses	650.00	650.00	1,430.00
Finance Committee			
Expenses	125.00	114.00	125.00
Town Clerk			
Salary	200.00	200.00	200.00
Expenses	175.00	109.50	200.00
Legal			
Town Counsel	1,000.00	950.00	1,500.00
Elections			
Expenses	400.00	363.21	525.00
Registrars			
Salaries	100.00	100.00	100.00
Expenses	200.00	178.25	210.00

Planning Board			
Expenses	950.00	939.09	1,020.00
Board of Appeals			
Expenses	50.00	50.00	50.00
Town Hall			
Expenses	2,900.00	2,900.00	2,900.00
Record Building			
Expenses	50.00	.....	50.00
Reserve Fund			
Transfer	3,000.00	2,373.94	3,000.00
Police			
Patrolling	2,780.00	2,780.00	3,250.00
Expense	828.00	828.00	1,341.00
School Traffic			
Expenses	1,000.00	939.20	1,000.00
Fire Department			
Salaries	600.00	600.00	600.00
Expenses	2,200.00	2,155.46	2,287.00
Tree Warden			
Moth Destruction	200.00	200.00	200.00
Dutch Elm Disease	700.00	700.00	800.00
Trees	650.00	650.00	650.00
Building Inspector			
Salary	350.00	350.00	350.00
Expenses	.....	.....	300.00
Sealer—Weights and Measures			
Salary	50.00	50.00	50.00
Expenses	10.00	6.40	20.00
Dog Officer			
Expenses	300.00	274.93	300.00
Civil Defense			
Expenses	600.00	290.48	300.00
Radio Equipment	.....	.....	300.00

Board of Health			
Salaries	150.00	150.00	150.00
Expenses & Dump	1,870.00	1,805.46	1,274.00
TB Hospital	-----	-----	548.00
Garbage Collection	3,040.00	3,009.96	3,300.00
Inspector of Animals			
Salary	50.00	50.00	50.00
Inspector of Meat & Slaughtering			
Salary	5.00	5.00	5.00
Highways:			
Chapter 81	3,100.00	3,100.00	3,100.00
Chapter 90, Maint.	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,800.00
Chapter 90, Constr.	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Street Repair	2,000.00	1,998.28	2,000.00
Highway Expenses	450.00	450.00	250.00
Street Lights			
Current	2,135.19	1,930.69	2,267.00
Town Garage			
Expenses	900.00	619.66	900.00
Snow Removal			
Expenses	11,500.00	11,323.93	11,500.00
Vacation & Sick Leave			
Salaries	1,300.00	778.60	1,300.00
Public Assistance			
Salaries	150.00	150.00	150.00
Expenses	12,788.00	10,642.20	11,288.00
Veterans Services			
Agent's Salary	150.00	150.00	150.00
Agent's Expense	75.00	46.83	75.00
Aid	4,150.00	2,610.53	3,000.00
Schools			
Salaries	375.00	375.00	375.00
Expenses	120,554.00	119,058.25	136,735.00
Out of State Travel	-----	-----	125.00
Wachusett Regional High	51,766.59	51,766.59	85,074.85

Richards Memorial Library			
Expenses	2,940.00	2,940.00	3,508.00
Common			
Salary	200.00	200.00	-----
Expenses	25.00	-----	500.00
Recreation			
Expenses	1,815.00	1,740.39	2,645.00
Printing			
Expenses	600.00	622.00	650.00
Memorial Day			
Expenses	225.00	225.00	250.00
Transfer—Reserve	7.05	7.05	-----
Insurance & Bonds	5,353.97	5,353.97	7,285.00
Transfer—Reserve	1,182.45	1,182.45	-----
Town Employees	2,700.00	2,404.53	2,889.00
Town Clock			
Salary	60.00	60.00	60.00
Expenses	40.00	10.35	20.00
Water Department			
Salaries	225.00	225.00	225.00
Expenses	10,785.00	10,669.64	10,770.00
Cemeteries			
Expenses	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Certification of Notes	10.00	2.00	10.00
Interest on Temporary Loans			
Trans. Reserve	-----	384.44	500.00
Maturing Debt and Interest			
School			
Notes	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00
Interest	12,480.00	12,480.00	11,680.00
Water System			
Notes	3,000.00	3,000.00	2,000.00
Interest	460.00	460.0	360.00

TOWN WARRANT

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Worcester ss:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Paxton,

GREETINGS:

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 Town affairs, to meet in Fellowship Hall of the Congregational Church on Monday, the 7th day of March 1960, at 12:00 noon, then and there to act on the following article:

Article 1. To bring in to the Election Officers their votes for the following Town Offices:

Moderator	1 year
Town Clerk	1 year
Treasurer	1 year
Collector of Taxes	1 year
2 Constables	1 year
Tree Warden	1 year
Selectman	3 years
Public Welfare	3 years
Assessor	1 year
Assessor	3 years
School Committee	3 years
Municipal Light Board	3 years
Cemetery Commission	3 years
Water Board	3 years
2 Library Trustees	3 years
Planning Board	5 years
Board of Health	3 years
Recreation Commission	2 years
Recreation Commission	3 years
Recreation Commission	5 years

all of the above to be voted for upon one ballot.

The polls will be open from 12:00 noon until 8:00 P. M.

The Business Meeting will be called to order at the Paxton Center School Auditorium at 7:30 P. M.

The voters will be called to act upon the following articles at the Business Meeting.

Article 2. To see what sums of money the Town will raise by taxation and appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the Town for the fiscal year 1960 and especially for any and all of the following to wit:

Moderator, Selectmen, Town Accountant, Treasurer, Town Collector, Assessors, Legal, Town Clerk, Elections, Registrars, Town Hall, Planning Board, Board of Appeals, Finance Committee, Police Department, School Traffic, Dog Officers, Fire Engineers, Fire Department, Building Inspector, Sealer, Tree Warden, Moth, Dutch Elm Disease, Health, Inspector of Animals, Inspector of Meat, Collection of Garbage, Highways, Public Welfare, Veterans Services, Schools, Library, Common, Town Clock, Insurance and Bonds, Printing, Memorial Day, Swimming Pool, Water Department, Cemeteries, Interest on Notes, Certification of Notes.

(Approved by Finance Committee)

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 officials and authorize the Selectmen to approve the same.

(Approved by Finance Committee)

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, 1960, and to issue a note or notes of the Town therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes of the Town as may be given

for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

(Approved by Finance Committee)

Article 5. 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 6. 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.

(Approved by Finance Committee)

Article 7. 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.

(Approved by Finance Committee)

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote that the money voted for street lights 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 the Municipal Light Plant, the whole to be expended by the Manager of the Municipal Light Plant under the direction and control of the Municipal Light Board for the expense of the plant for the current fiscal year, as defined in Section 5, Chapter 164, of the General Laws and Chapter 235 of the Acts of 1937, and if 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 be thereafter authorized by the Municipal Light Board.

(Approved by Finance Committee)

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,300. to provide vacation and sick leave pay to employees of the Highway and Water Departments as follows:

"After having worked for the Town one full year, one week vacation with pay and one week sick leave with pay; after having worked for the Town two full years, two weeks' vacation with pay and one week sick leave with pay. After having worked for the Town one full year, the Superintendent to receive two weeks' vacation with pay, and one week sick leave, and after two years, three weeks' vacation with pay and one week sick leave with pay; sick leave may accrue up to two weeks only,"

or act in any way thereon.

(Approved by Finance Committee)

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$2,726.78 from Highway Equipment Fund to Highway Maintenance Fund to be used to furnish supplies and maintain the Town's highway equipment, or act in any way thereon.

(Approved by Finance Committee)

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to cooperate with the State to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,100. to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highway Maintenance and that in addition the sum of \$8,525. be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State to be restored, upon their receipt, to unappropriated funds in the treasury, or act in any way thereon.

(Approved by Finance Committee)

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to cooperate with the State and County to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,800. to cover the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance and that in addition the sum of \$3,600. be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State and County share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to

be restored, upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or act in any way thereon.

(Approved by Finance Committee)

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500. to cover the Town's share of the cost of construction on West Street under Chapter 90, and that in addition the sum of \$7,500. be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to cover the State and County share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, or act in any way thereon.

(Approved by Finance Committee)

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the amount requested for the Water Department budget from surplus to the Water Department account, or act in any way thereon.

(Approved by Finance Committee)

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$400. from the Illig Fund to the Illig Property Maintenance Fund, the same to be used to pay taxes and make necessary repairs, or act in any way thereon.

(Approved by Finance Committee)

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Recreation Commission to raze or have razed the Illig house by October 1, 1960 and to transfer from the Illig Fund the sum of money necessary to defray any necessary expense arising from said razing, or act in any way thereon.

Article 17. To see if the Town will authorize the Water Commissioners to acquire land adjacent to Asnebumskit Pond by purchase or by right of eminent domain, or act in any way thereon.

(Approved by Finance Committee)

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate not exceeding \$82,000 to acquire the land described in Article 17 and determine how said appropriation shall be raised whether by taxation, transfer of available funds or borrowing and if by borrowing to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to issue and sell bonds or notes of the Town therefor, or act in any way thereon.

(Approved by Finance Committee)

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to install five new hydrants in the following locations:

- 2 on Indian Hill Road Development (Mullens)
- 1 on Knollwood Road
- 1 on Arlene Drive
- 1 on Town water extension

at a cost of \$300. per hydrant and raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500. for the above purpose, or act in any way thereon.

(Approved by Finance Committee)

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,500. to extend a six inch water main from the end of the present line on West Street to Suomi Street (South), or act in any way thereon.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,500. to extend the water main on West Street, or act in any way thereon.

(Not Approved by Finance Committee)

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,500. to extend the water main on Streeter Road from Richards Avenue toward Grove Street, or act in any way thereon.

(Not Approved by Finance Committee)

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$450. for the purpose of purchasing

a 3-section ladder of approximately 48 feet in length and authorize the Board of Engineers to buy the same, or act in any way thereon.

(Approved by Finance Committee)

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to install lights as follows:

- 2 on Forestdale Rd.
- 2 on Glen Ellen Rd.
- 2 on Hill St.
- 1 on Corner of Ledyard Rd. and Central Ave.
- 2 on Marshall St.
- 2 on Orchard Dr.,

or act in any way thereon.

(Approved by Finance Committee)

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws as follows:

Amendment No. 1

Amend Section II of the Zoning By-Laws by inserting at the end of paragraph I (under C. Limited Industrial) a new line: Also a "Business A."

D. Agricultural

Amendment No. 2

Amend Section II of the Zoning By-Laws by striking out paragraph 2 in its entirety and inserting in place thereof the following new paragraphs:

- 2. Two subdivisions of the Residence Zone are hereby established, designated as "Residence A" and "Residence B." All restrictions and regulations established by this By-Law applicable to a Residence Zone shall apply to a Residence A and to a Residence B Zone alike, unless hereinafter expressly provided to the contrary. Also, a Business Zone to be designated as "Business A."

3. Said zones and subdivisions thereof are shown on a map on file in the office of the Town Clerk, entitled "Zoning Map of Paxton, Massachusetts, March 7, 1960," which map, together with all explanatory matter thereon, is hereby incorporated in and made part of this By-Law.

Amendment No. 3

Amend Section IV of the Zoning By-Laws by inserting at the end thereof the following new paragraphs:

In the Agricultural Zone, no building shall be erected or altered and no buildings or premises shall be used for any purpose except:

- A. Any use permitted as of right in Residence Zones.
- B. Nursery, market garden, greenhouse, orchard, forestry, or other use of land or buildings for commercial agricultural production.
- C. Commercial poultry or livestock farm (except a pigery or fur farm), provided that the buildings housing the poultry or livestock be located not less than fifty feet from any adjoining property line.
- D. Accessory use on the same lot with and customarily incident to any of the above permitted uses and not detrimental to the neighborhood.
- E. Any of the following additional uses, provided the use is not injurious, noxious or offensive to the neighborhood and only if authorized in each case by the Board of Appeals:
 1. Salesroom or stand for the sale of nursery, greenhouse, garden or farm produce (including articles of home manufacture from such produce), provided that the major portion thereof is raised on the premises (or made from produce so raised).
 2. Commercial kennel, animal or veterinary hospital.

3. Commercial riding stable.
4. Fur farm.
5. Commercial ski tow or recreation camp.
6. Any other use permissible by special authorization of the Board of Appeals in Residence Zones.

F. Signs subject to the same restrictions and requirements as set forth for signs in Residence Zones.

Amendment No. 4

Amend Section VII of the Zoning By-Laws by striking out the entire table in subparagraph A of paragraph 1 (headed: "Required Lot Width Through Building" and "Required Lot Area") and inserting in place thereof the following new table:

Zone	Required Lot Width Through Building	Required Lot Area
Residence A	125 ft.	20,000 sq. ft.
Residence B	175 ft.	40,000 sq. ft.

and by striking out the last sentence in said subparagraph (beginning: "In a Business Zone . . .") and inserting in place thereof the following new sentence:

In a Business Zone, no dwelling shall be erected upon a lot having less frontage, width, or area than the frontage, width, and area, respectively, required for the erection of a dwelling in the Residence A Zone.

Amendment No. 5

Amend Section VII of the Zoning By-Laws by inserting at the end of subparagraph A of paragraph 1 (immediately preceding subparagraph B, which begins "B. Lot Size Exceptions."), the following:

In an Agricultural Zone, no building except a one-story building of accessory use shall be erected upon a lot having less frontage on a street or less width between the street and the building than the frontage or the width

between the street and building, respectively, required for the erection of a building in a Residence B Zone, or shall be erected upon a lot which has a lot width, measured through that part of the building where the lot is narrowest, of less than 250 feet, or a lot area of less than five acres.

The required lot area in an Agricultural Zone is established, among other purposes, to encourage agricultural and similar open uses of the land, to preserve the character of the Town, and to avoid a scattered pattern of residential growth. Consistent with these purposes, it is the intent of the Town that land located in an Agricultural Zone be considered as having a potential use primarily for farming, forestry, and low density residence (rather than for suburban-type development, as in a Residence Zone), and that such limited use be recognized in determining its local real estate valuation for the duration of said zoning classification, to such extent as is not contrary to statute.

It is also the purpose of the Town to provide additional areas for suburban development when and as justified by future conditions. Consequently, it is the intent of the Town to amend the Zoning Map from time to time by reclassifying appropriate portions of the Agricultural Zone into a Residence Zone, although only in the manner set forth by statute for adopting such change. However, in order to effectively regulate the speed and location of such development and to insure the maximum duration of zoning protection to open uses, it is the further intent of the Town to change an area from an Agricultural to a Residence Zone only if the following conditions are met:

1. The area to be reclassified directly abuts an existing Residence Zone.
2. Such area is separated from other portions of the Agricultural Zone by significant changes in topography or use.

3. Public roads serving the area and the abutting Residence Zone are adequate to accommodate the prospective increased traffic and to provide satisfactory access for fire apparatus and school busses.
4. Water mains serving the area or to be extended for such service are adequate to accommodate the prospective additional demand.
5. The owners of at least 50 per cent of the acreage to be included in the area make application for or give written consent to its reclassification.
6. The estimated total number of potential lots in the area, together with similar lots in areas previously reclassified but still undeveloped, does not exceed the number of new homes built in the Town during the preceding five years.

In its required report on the proposed change, the Planning Board shall state whether, in its own opinion, each of the above conditions are met, and shall give the specific evidence and facts on which such opinion is based. However, the opinion of said Board and the limitations of said conditions shall be binding upon the Town only to such extent as is not contrary to statute.

Amendment No. 6

Amend Section VII of the Zoning By-Laws by changing the table in subparagraph B of paragraph 3 (headed: "Zone," "Required Side Yard Width," and "Required Rear Yard Depth"), as follows:

Under the heading "Zone," strike out the word "Residence" and insert in place thereof "Residence A."

Insert above the requirements for a Business Zone, the following new requirements: Under "Zone," insert "Residence B and Agricultural"; under "Required Side Yard Width," insert "15 ft. for one-story accessory buildings

if 175 ft. or more from front lot line; 25 ft. for all other buildings"; and under "Required Rear Yard Depth" insert "Same as in Residence A."

Amendment No. 7

Amend Section VIII of the Zoning By-Laws by striking out at the beginning of paragraph 1 the words: "Residence District Heights. In a residence zone . . ." and inserting in place thereof the following:

Residence and Agricultural District Heights. In a Residence Zone and in an Agricultural Zone . . .

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to appoint the Police and Fire Departments as a committee to have charge of the July 4th observance and appropriate the sum of \$600. for this purpose, or act in any way thereon.

(Approved by Finance Committee)

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22. to cover the overdraft in the Printing Account.

(Approved by Finance Committee)

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to be used for land damages and legal expenses in connection with the relocation and rebuilding of West Street, or act in any way thereon.

(Approved by Finance Committee)

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote of the Town at a Special Town Meeting on April 26, 1915 entitled, Rules and Regulations of Mooreland Cemetery, and request the Board of Cemetery Commissioners to establish proper, up-to-date regulations, or act in any way thereon.

(Approved by Finance Committee)

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and

appropriate the sum of \$1,000. to be used to improve the acoustics in the Paxton Center School, or act in any way thereon.

(Approval by Finance Committee given subject to a guarantee that acoustics will be adequately improved)

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to convert the home economics room at the Paxton Center School into a classroom and to pay for the relocation of the home economics room, or act in any way thereon.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to accept Section 11A of Chapter 85 of the General Laws.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to establish the sum of \$100. as the annual salary for each member of the Municipal Light Board, or act in any way thereon.

(Not approved by Finance Committee; Committee does approve the establishment of an annual salary of \$75. for each member)

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500 for the purpose of expanding the shelving space at the Richards Memorial Library, or act in any way thereon.

(Not Approved by Finance Committee)

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors to use a part of available "Free Cash" to prevent or reduce any increase in the tax rate, or act in any way thereon.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000. to be used as follows:

\$8,000. for the purchase of a truck

\$2,000. for the Truck Maintenance Account,

or act in any way thereon.

(Approved by Finance Committee)

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,650. for the purpose of installing a new motor in the Town grader, or act in any way thereon.

(Approved by Finance Committee)

AND YOU ARE DIRECTED to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one of which shall be at the Post Office, as required by By-Law, seven days at least, before the day set for holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT and make due return of this Warrant with your doing thereon at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

GIVEN under our hands this 8th day of February, 1960.

SHERMAN S. LUDDEN
ROBERT F. McCAULIFF
JESSE E. MILLS

Selectmen of Paxton

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