

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

Town Officers

OF THE

Town of Paxton

MASSACHUSETTS



FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1966

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Citizens Committee

Must be in by the 29th of Jan. @ 5:00 PM
at the Registrar

TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1966

Moderator

J. ARDEN WOODALL

Town Clerk

GEORGE L. McGOVERN

Treasurer

~~MARION E. JENSEN~~

Richard Connell

Town Collector

~~MARION E. JENSEN~~

Fred WARPULA

Constables

WILLIAM O. WYLIE

HAROLD Mullaney
~~AUGUSTUS W. OATLEY~~
(Resigned)

Tree Warden

FREDERICK T. ROBINSON No

Selectmen

SHERMAN S. LUDDEN

Term Expires 1967

JESSE E. MILLS

Term Expires 1968 No

GLIDDEN B. PIERCE

Term Expires 1969

Board of Public Assistance

ROBERT W. McEACHERN

Term Expires 1967

EDWARD G. TAMULEVICH

Term Expires 1968 ✓

~~J. MackENZIE JOHNSTON~~

Term Expires 1969

OK George E. Richardson

" " 1968 ✓

Assessors

ERNEST C. SPRAGUE

Term Expires 1967

OK FRED E. WATSON

Term Expires 1968 ✓

GEORGE C. HUNT, SR.

Term Expires 1969

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School Committee

OK ✓ ~~CHARLES C. CRAIG~~ *resigned* ~~Term Expires 1967~~
 ✓ ROBERT J. HALL Term Expires 1968 ✓
 REGINALD J. SMITH Term Expires 1969
 Robert Hein " " 1970

Municipal Light Board

NO ✓ ~~DEANE O. HOWLAND~~ ~~Term Expires 1967~~
 ✓ GEORGE T. DEWEY, JR. Term Expires 1968 ✓
 ROBERT C. HARRINGTON Term Expires 1969
 William E. ISHAM " " 1970

Cemetery Commission

OK ✓ ~~RUTH ULRICH~~ " " 1968 ✓
 ✓ ROBERT S. PIERCE ~~Term Expires 1967~~
 ✓ H. RENO KENNEN, JR. Term Expires 1968 ✓
~~ROLAND S. WIGHT~~ Term Expires 1969
 CAROLINE L. ISHAM " " 1970

Water Board

OK ✓ KENNETH W. PARSONS Term Expires 1967
 ✓ NORMAN H. OSGOOD Term Expires 1968 ✓
 ✓ ~~HAROLD A. MARTIN~~ *dec.* Term Expires 1969 ✓

Library Trustees

OK ✓ ELIZABETH O. CUNNINGHAM Term Expires 1967
 O. FRANK BURBANK Term Expires 1967
 OK ✓ CONSTANCE G. GREENMAN Term Expires 1968 ✓
 ✓ LAURENS C. SEELYE Term Expires 1968 ✓
 HELEN L. RIDDLE Term Expires 1969
 Mrs. Coates ✓ ~~ALDEN H. JACOBSON~~ *resigned* Term Expires 1969 ✓

Planning Board

5 year List { OK ✓ RICHARD G. CONNELL Term Expires ¹⁹⁷⁰ ~~1967~~
 ✓ WILLIAM R. FULGINITI *resigned* Term Expires 1967
 ✓ HERBERT F. WENTWORTH *5 yrs.* Term Expires 1968 ✓
 ✓ GLORIA S. SMITH Term Expires 1969
 ✓ JOHN E. GIERING (Res.) Term Expires 1970
 ✓ DAVID C. BARTLETT Term Expires 1971
 VERNON HALL " " 1972
 OK ✓ BETTY PETERSON *1 year* " " 1968 ✓
 OK ✓ ROBERT F. PERRY *(4 years)* " " 1968 ✓
 OK ✓ DAVID P. FAERBER *(3 yrs)* " " 1968 ✓

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Board of Health

RAYMOND J. SAVIGNAC

Term Expires 1967

✓ ALICE I. JOHNSON

Term Expires 1968 *no*

NORMAN C. DODGE

Term Expires 1969

Recreation

~~WARREN R. SUNDSTROM~~

~~Term Expires 1967~~

✓ DONALD GREENSLIT

Term Expires 1968 *no*

WALTER D WILDE, JR.

Term Expires 1969

HILTON CUNNINGHAM

Term Expires 1970

DAVID K. BEACH

Term Expires 1971

JEAN M. MCINTYRE

" " 1972

Wachusett Regional School Committee

STANLEY R. COLE

Term Expires ~~1967~~ 1970

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MODERATOR

Finance Board

FRANK F. GEORGE

Term Expires 1967

LINWOOD M. ERSKINE, JR.

Term Expires 1967

CHARLES BRADY

Term Expires 1967

ALFRED A. SHEA

Term Expires 1968

FRANCIS W. RYAN

Term Expires 1968

JAMES J. MELLOR

Term Expires 1968

CHRISTIAN S. BAEHRECKE

Term Expires 1969

NORMAN P. JOHNSON

Term Expires 1969

ROGER A. GORDON

Term Expires 1969

Capital Outlay Committee

FRANCIS W. RYAN

Term Expires 1967

JAMES J. MELLOR

Term Expires 1967

ERNEST C. SPRAGUE

Term Expires 1967

DAVID C. BARTLETT

Term Expires 1967

VINCENT A. PIUCCI

Term Expires 1969

ELIZABETH RICHARDS

Term Expires 1968

J. MacKENZIE JOHNSTON

Term Expires 1967

APPOINTEMENTS BY THE BOARD OF HEALTH**Plumbing Inspector****THOMAS F. HARNEY, JR.****Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering****CARL H. JOHNSON****Public Health Nurse****JOYCE McEACHERN****Burial Agent****GEORGE L. McGOVERN****APPOINTMENTS BY THE SELECTMEN****Board of Appeals**

TIMOTHEOS M. THOUTSIS	Term Expires 1967
WILLIAM E. LINDQUIST	Term Expires 1968
ROBERT F. DILLMAN	Term Expires 1969
DONALD T. LUNDQUIST	Term Expires 1970
ROBERT W. LOVE	Term Expires 1971
ROBERT B. BURKE	ALTERNATE
EDWARD Z. SAVICKAS	ALTERNATE

Care of Clock**WILLIAM O. WYLIE****Dog Officers****CARL H. JOHNSON**
REUBEN H. O'JANNE**Superintendent of Streets****ROBERT S. HANSSON**

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Veteran's Agent

WILLIAM E. LINDQUIST

Inspector of Wires

WARREN P. LEDERER

Building Inspector

FRED E. WATSON

ARTHUR S. PALMER—Assistant

Building Board of Appeals

ALVAH W. TRACY

Term Expires 1967

HAROLD A. MARTIN

Term Expires 1968

ROBERT S. BODYCOTT

Term Expires 1969

FREDERICK G. ANTELL

ALTERNATE

Local Superintendent of Insect Pest Control

FREDERICK T. ROBINSON

**Measurer of Wood and Bark and Field Drivers
and Fence Viewers**

CHARLES C. CRAIG

WILLIAM O. WYLIE

GORDON M. RICHARDS

Board of Registrars

VIOLA PRENTICE

Term Expires 1967

DANIEL F. CRONIN

Term Expires 1968

GENEVA M. CROMPTON

Term Expires 1969

Town Counsel

PAUL REVERE O'CONNELL

Town Accountant

YVONNE KARLE

Term Expires 1967

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Police Department

WILLIAM O. WYLIE—Chief

HAROLD J. MULLANEY—Sergeant

FREDERICK T. WARPULA—School Traffic Officer

WILLIAM E. LINDQUIST

ROBERT P. SHEEHAN

JOHN N. KNIPE

RALPH B. BUTLAND

FRANCIS M. WHITNEY

Reserve Police

ROBERT F. DILLMAN

ROBERT B. LOVE

HAROLD L. SMITH

ROBERT A. LINDQUIST

Special Police

HOWARD K. CRESSWELL—School

JOSEPH TIERNEY—Worcester Water Works

DOUGLAS ROBERTS—Private Property

F. WYMAN ROGERS—Boynton Park

CHARLES C. CRAIG—Memorial Cemetery

Civil Defense

CURTIS J. LANCIANI—Director

FRANK W. BLAKE—Asst. Director

Fire Chief and Forest Fire Warden

LESLIE E. ROBINSON

Veteran's Graves Officer

DONALD G. WYMAN

Conservation Committee

GEORGE FRIEDMAN

Term Expires 1967

HILTON CUNNINGHAM

Term Expires 1967

LLOYD S. JENKINS

Term Expires 1968

IDA M. FRAIOLI

Term Expires 1968

JOHN B. JACOBS

Term Expires 1968

ROBERT F. PERRY

Term Expires 1969

MARY M. BARTLETT

Term Expires 1969

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Group Insurance Advisory Committee

FLORENCE MORRISSEY	GEORGE C. HUNT, SR.
CURTIS J. LANCIANI	KATHERINE S. JACOBS
ROBERT S. HANSSON	

Traffic Planning Committee

LESLIE E. ROBINSON	DAVID C. BARTLETT
ROBERT S. HANSSON	SHERMAN S. LUDDEN
CHARLES C. CRAIG	DEANE O. HOWLAND
WILLIAM O. WYLIE	

School Needs Study Committee

VIOLA C. PRENTICE	Term Expires 1967
CHARLES C. CRAIG	Term Expires 1967
ROBERT J. HALL	Term Expires 1968
ROBERT HEIN	Term Expires 1968
HUGH AARON	Term Expires 1969
RICHARD A. LaPIERRE	Term Expires 1969
REGINALD J. SMITH	Term Expires 1969

Agents for License Commissioners

WILLIAM O. WYLIE	HAROLD F. MULLANEY
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REPORT of the TOWN CLERK**VITAL STATISTICS****BIRTHS****January**

- 4 Son to Walter D. and Louise Wilde, Jr.
- 26 Son to Paul J. and Noreen M. Early.

February

- 11 Son to Robert S. and Nancy A. Hansson.
- 11 Son to Robert S. and Nancy A. Hansson.
- 13 Daughter to Girard J. and Patricia L. Benicaso.

March

- 23 Son to Bernard S. and Joan H. Coblentz.

April

- 8 Daughter to John S. and Eileen M. Allen, 3rd.
- 10 Daughter to William H. and Nancy J. Gerdes.
- 20 Son to George E. and Jean M. Fairbanks.
- 26 Daughter to Wililam M. and Marilyn T. Foley.
- 26 Daughter to Robert A. and Shirley T. Harrist.

May

- 5 Daughter to Howard K. and Carol L. Borggaard.
- 15 Daughter to Walter E. and Marcia A. Priestley.
- 20 Daughter to Eugene A. and Eva R. O'Rourke, Jr.
- 27 Son to Richard F. and Elizabeth J. Galvin.

June

- 4 Daughter to John M. and Jean T. Sheary.
- 4 Daughter to Francis E. and Frances M. Bigwood.
- 11 Daughter to Roger E. and Martha G. Varnum.
- 13 Son to Richard F. and Joyce M. Sheridan.
- 21 Son to James T. and Karen D. Putnam.
- 28 Daughter to Thomas M. and Dorothy M. Braley.
- 30 Daughter to Robert D. and Mary E. Beauregard.

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July

- 5 Daughter to Roger T. and Sandra M. Fanneuff.
- 13 Son to Wilfred F. and Roberta J. DesRosiers, Sr.
- 25 Son to Raymond J. and Nancy E. Miller.
- 26 Son to John P. and Vivian H. Oberg.

August

- 5 Daughter to Charles F. and Patricia M. Luyrink.
- 8 Son to James B. and Frances A. Lavin.
- 12 Daughter to Joseph H. and Alice C. Hennessy.

September

- 12 Son to George N and Vaia Ellis
- 14 Daughter to James A and Ann O'Connor.
- 19 Son to Richard G. and Cynthia M. Stanton.

October

- 4 Son to Russell C. and Betty J. Palmer.
- 4 Daughter to Richard C. and Gail S. Michalak.
- 5 Daughter to David W. and Marguerite T. Modine.
- 6 Son to Richard J. and Shirley M. Dowd.
- 17 Daughter to Robert E. and Janet L. Stutman.

November

- 6 Son to Edward J. and Louise E. Murry.
- 6 Son to Edward J. and Louise E. Murry.

December

- 10 Son to John Lloyd and Linda Irene Wentzell, Jr.

MARRIAGES

April

- 8 Leonard Aldric Robinson of Paxton and Doris Lionna Valenti of Franklin.
- 23 Richard Charles Michalak of Worcester and Gail Sharon Latham of Paxton.
- 23 James F. Hanlan, Jr. of Worcester and June B. Ellis of Paxton.

- 30 Bernard F. Cabana of Paxton and Sharon L. Stevens of Paxton.
- 21 Orla B. Jensen of Paxton and Marion E. Maccabee of Paxton.

May

- 7 Martin V. Sheary of Paxton and Carol C. Mial of Worcester.
- 28 Martin Guilbert Malsch of Connecticut and Margaret Madelynn Alleva of Waterbury, Connecticut.

June

- 4 Richard A. Zuck of Paxton and Cynthia Tarbox of Worcester.
- 11 Jon Randall Kidwell of Paxton and Judith Katherine Nowak of Worcester.
- 25 Roger Bruce Kalom of Connecticut and Sandra May Johnstone of Connecticut.

July

- 23 David Peter Fitzpatrick of Worcester and Sharon M. Cooney of Paxton.
- 30 George W. LeGacy, Jr. of Paxton and Jean E. Haskins of Holden.
- 30 Raymond P. Faucher of Paxton and Diane L. Smith of Sterling Junction.

August

- 20 David Steven Mundel of New York and Elisabeth Richards of Paxton.
- 20 Colin D Johnson of Paxton and Elizabeth Ann Tompkins of Northboro
- 12 Edward Anthony Poswiatoski of Leicester and Patricia Ann Blavackas of Paxton.
- 21 William E. Halley of Worcester and Gloria F. Smith of Paxton.

September

- 10 Michael E. Wilder of Worcester and Joanne Brunell of Paxton.

- 24 Robert J. Mercier of Paxton and Nancy L. Mohan of Worcester.
25 Paul Leo Cooney of Paxton and Susan Palmer of Paxton.

November

- 12 William P. Lawler of Paxton and Marie E. Tebo of Westboro.
26 Robert L. Volger of California and Dorothea A. Jarvis of Boston.

December

- 3 Joseph Frederick LaHair, Jr. of Holden and Christine Ann Ahearn of Paxton.

DEATHS**January**

- 1 Adof G. Settergren 62 years
13 Arthur Lawler 79 years

February

- 19 John Smith Hansson 8 days
23 Lilla M. G. Smith 65 years

April

- 14 Nina (Crockett) Girvan 88 years

May

- 1 Mabel M. Griffin 84 years
8 Arthur Edward Baker, Sr. 56 years

June

- 5 Carl K. Anderson 53 years
8 Phyllis L. Jacobson 46 years
9 M. Erin McGovern 27 years
10 Dorothy G. Wilbur 60 years
13 Nellie Minerva Steele 91 years

July

- 19 Mary M. Daniher 81 years
14 Austin W. Flint 91 years

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August

2	Joseph Koivisto	79 years
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September

28	Walter Lewis Mills	86 years
29	Theodore Albert Gotha	72 years
23	Mabel Cross	78 years

October

13	Blanche Laporte (Sister Marie Thesese (S.S.A.	73 years
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November

3	Norman A. Good	60 years
6	Murray - male	
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7	Gustaf C. Carlson	91 years
11	Constance (Smith) Johnston	72 years
20	Archibald W. Tannahill	92 years
24	George Arthur Hodges	82 years

 DOG LICENSES ISSUED IN 1966

146	Male	
25	Female	
116	Spayed Female	
9	\$10. Kennel	
2	\$25. Kennel	
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298	Total Licenses Issued	
	Paid to Town Treasurer	\$704.75

HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSES ISSUED IN 1966

Total number of Licenses sold Hunting and Fishing	482
Paid to Division of Fisheries and Game	\$2,486.80

REPORT of TOWN MEETING**Held March 7, 1966**

The business meeting was called to order at 8:00 P. M. by the Moderator, J. Arden Woodall, in the Paxton Center School. Count for quorum showed 164 voters present.

Article 1. The meeting was called to order at 12:00 noon for the election of Town Officers. The election officers were sworn in and the voting proceeded. The total votes cast 186.

The following officers were elected:

Moderator	J. Arden Woodall
Town Clerk	George L. McGovern
Treasurer	Marion E. Maccabee
Collector of Taxes	Marion E. Maccabee
Constables	Augustus W. Oately
Constables	William O. Wylie
Tree Warden	Frederick Robinson
Selectman	Glidden B. Pierce
Board of Public Welfare	J. Mack Johnston
Assessor	George C. Hunt, Sr.
School Committee	Reginald J. Smith
Municipal Light Board	Robert C. Harrington
Cemetery Commission	Roland C. Wight
Water Board	Harold A. Martin
Library Trustee	Helen L. Riddle
Library Trustee	Alden H. Jacobson
Planning Board	David C. Bartlett
Planning Board	William R. Fulginiti
Board of Health	Norman C. Dodge
Recreation Commission	David K. Beach
Recreation Commission	Walter D. Wilde, Jr.

Article 2. Moderator stated that article 2 be taken up item by item with amendments to be made from the floor.

Budget approved as amended.

(Unanimous vote)

Article 3 through 15. Voted to act on articles 3 through 15 collectively. (Routine Articles)

(Unanimous vote)

Article 16 Voted the Town appropriate \$1,800. to be spent by the Board of Fire Engineers to rewire present fire alarm system and also relocate siren.

(Unanimous vote)

Article 17. Voted that the Town accept provisions of General Laws pertaining to appointment of Fire Chief and authorization of pay for Fire Dept.

(Unanimous vote)

Article 18. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate sum of \$1,500. to pay members of Fire Dept.

(Unanimous vote)

Article 19. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate \$1,000. and transfer from available funds a sum of money to construct offices on 2nd floor of Town Hall.

(Unanimous vote)

Article 20. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,300. for Master Plan of the Town.

(Unanimous vote)

Article 21. Voted that the Town amend By-Laws pertaining to the Finance Committee.

(Unanimous vote)

Article 22. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate sum of \$4,500. to install 8" water main on West St.

(Unanimous vote)

Article 23. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate sum of \$2,000. to resurface road to swimming pool.

(Unanimous vote)

Article 24. Stabilize banks on West Street. This article was withdrawn.

(Unanimous vote)

Article 25. Voted that the Town establish a Conservation Fund by raising and appropriating the sum of \$9,000.

(Motion carried)

Article 26. Voted that the Town authorize Conservation Comm. to spend \$4,500. first payment for Smith property.

(Unanimous vote)

Article 27. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate sum of \$500. for Road Land Taking Act.

(Unanimous vote)

Article 28. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate sum of \$2,800. for new highway sander.

(Unanimous vote)

Article 29. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate sum of \$2,650. for police cruiser.

(Unanimous vote)

Article 30. Voted that the Town transfer from available funds and appropriate the sum of \$700. for drainage on Richards Ave.

(Unanimous vote)

Article 31. Place money in Stabilization Fund. Voted to table this article.

(Unanimous vote)

Article 32. Voted that the Town authorize the Assessors to use up to \$10,000. of available "Free Cash".

(Motion Carried)

Article 33. Voted that the Town change Camp Street to Candlegate Road.

(Motion lost)

Article 34. Voted that the Town request "Spaulding Property" be known as the Major Willard Moore Reservation.

(Unanimous vote)

Moved and seconded to adjourn meeting at 12:00 Midnight.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE L. McGOVERN,
Town Clerk

REPORT of SPECIAL TOWN MEETING May 16, 1966

The business meeting was called to order at 8:00 P. M. by the Moderator J. Arden Woodall, in the Paxton Center School. Count for a quorum showed 60 voter present.

Article 1. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$87.50 for a new check-writer for the Treasurer's Department.

(Unanimous vote)

Article 2. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$2,400. for interest on temporary loans.

(Unanimous vote)

Article 3. Voted that the Town reconsider its vote on Article 21 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting held March 7, 1966.

(Unanimous vote)

Voted that the Town amend the By-Laws pertaining to the Finance Committee which were most recently previously amended under Article 16 of the Warrant for the

annual town meeting held March 5, 1962, by striking out the By-Laws pertaining to the Finance Comittee as so amended and substituting therefor the following:

See Article 21 of the Annual Town Meeting held March 7, 1966 for the Finance By-Laws.

(Unanimous vote)

Article 4. Voted that the Town authorize and empower the Conservation Comimssion to make application for and contract with the U. S. A. for a grant under Title VII of the Housing Act of 1961.

(Unanimous vote)

Article 5. Voted that the Town adopt the resolutions as printed in the Town Warrant.

(Unanimous vote)

A correction was made in the fifth paragraph—the figure \$9,200.00 was changed to read \$4,600.00.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE L. McGOVERN,
Town Clerk

REPORT of SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

November 14, 1966

Article 1. It was voted that the Town transfer the sum of \$599.75 from available funds to the Library Account.

(Unanimous vote)

Article 2. It was voted that the Town transfer from available funds and appropriate the sum of \$6,000. to the Public Assistance Account.

(Unanimous vote)

Article 3. It was voted that the Town transfer from available funds and appropriate to the Town Hall Expense Account the sum of \$300. to pay for extra expense of construction of offices not contemplated in the contract.

(Unanimous vote)

Article 4. It was voted that the Town transfer from available funds and appropriate to the Conservation Fund the sum of \$300. to pay for survey fees on the Smith property.

(Unanimous vote)

Article 5. Voted to pass over this article. (Transfer to Conservation Fund the sum of money from the Conservation Commission budget, which is unspent on December 31, 1966.)

Article 6, and 7 taken up together. It was voted the Town will authorize the Chief of Police to appoint School Crossing Guard and to transfer from available funds and appropriate the sum of \$120. to the School Crossing Guard Account.

(Unanimous vote)

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE L. McGOVERN,

Town Clerk

REPORT of the BOARD OF SELECTMEN

YEAR of 1966

1966 was a very busy year for the Board of Selectmen. Many problems have developed as the result of the increasing number of people moving to Paxton and the kind of services which they require. Many meetings have been held with all departments of the Town to try to solve these problems and we are very appreciative of the cooperation

of all persons concerned. We list below several of the items of general interest.

1. The Federal funds of the Master Plan Study by the firm of Metcalf and Teddy did not materialize and for this reason, the Master Plan Study has not been started. We called a meeting of all department heads to discuss this matter and there will be several articles in the 1967 warrant dealing with this problem.
2. Since the restraining order on dogs was removed in October, we have been plagued with numbers of complaints of dogs running unrestricted. It is our belief that dogs running uncontrolled through the Town constitute a serious problem, particularly when they run in packs. There have been so many complaints of this nature that the Selectmen found it necessary to issue a restraining order to be effective on the 16th of January 1967.
3. The New England Telephone Company has petitioned the Selectmen for permission to put underground cable in several areas in Town. We believe that this is a step forward and will be instrumental in improving the service and eliminate many service interruptions because of snow and ice. Several hearings have already been held and others are being contemplated.
4. A new cruiser has been purchased and the old station wagon cruiser has been repaired and is to be used for emergency ambulance service only.
5. We were notified by the State Department of Natural Resources that the Spaulding property, which was taken over by the State, has been named after Major Willard Moore as voted by the Town at the last annual meeting.
6. Because of the limited funds which have been available for road repair, we have many problems in con-

nection with the maintenance of Town roads and are giving this matter top priority.

7. You will find in the 1967 warrant an article concerned with the forming of a Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Committee in cooperation with all of the other towns contiguous to Worcester. The day of the open dump with all of its attendant problems is fast drawing to an end and we are going to have to make plans for solid waste disposal, either by ourselves or in cooperation with the City of Worcester and contiguous towns. We recommend the establishment of a planning committee for this purpose.
8. The Chairman of the Board of Selectmen was elected Chairman of the Committee on Urban-Suburban Cooperation. This committee is made up of Selectmen representatives from all of the towns contiguous to Worcester. The committee works very closely with the Regional Planning Board and deals with problems which are common to all communities.

Respectfully submitted,

SHERMAN S. LUDDEN, Ch.
GLIDEN B. PIERCE, Clerk
JESSE E. MILLS

LIST OF JURORS

Name and Address	Occupation
Arlene C. Alexander, 18 Brooks Rd.	At Home
Russell P. Audette, 72 Streeter Rd.	Kiln Oper.
William T. Auger, 218 Richards Ave.	Mach. Insp.
Jane F. Becker, 209 Pleasant St.	Office Clerk
Girard J. Benicaso, Jr., 14 Glen Ellen Rd.	Type Setter
Evelyn J. Benson, 10 Grove St.	Secretary
Josephine M. Brodeur, 7 Bel Arbor Dr.	At Home
Charles J. Burba, 23 Pleasant St.	Accountant

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George R. Carlson, 32 Crystal St.	Engineer
Daniel F. Cronin, 2 Orchard Dr.	Foreman in Factory
Charles A. Cross, 10 Briarcliff Lane	Owner of Pat. Shop
Norman C. Dodge, 8 Holden Rd.	Tel. Co. Rep.
Francis P. Eident, 11 Forestdale Rd.	Office Mach. Rep.
Ruth L. Emerson, 2 Camp St.	Office Clerk
David D. Everleth, 77 Grove St.	Tel. Install.
Robert Fowler, Jr., 6 Squantum Rd.	Engineer
Roland Hanson, 543 Pleasant St.	Tool and Die Maker
Carolyn L. Isham, 75 Maple St.	At Home
Colin W. Johnson, 404 Pleasant St.	Bond Broker
Helen G. Jones, 165 Grove St.	At Home
Robert A. Lindquist, 101 Suomi St.	Machinist
Gerald K. Lowe, 6 Nipmunk Rd.	Sales Rep.
Everett L. Pinkham, 376 Pleasant St.	Engineer
Anthony Sinkewich, 307 Pleasant St.	Supt.
Earl J. Yarrington, 633 Pleasant St.	Machinist

REPORT of the BUILDING INSPECTOR

Year of 1966

The following building permits were issued for the year ending 1966:

Builder's Estimated Cost

44 Dwellings	\$1,089,950
8 Garages	10,700
5 Storage Sheds	6,800
3 Swimming Pools	7,300
1 Sauna	200
Addition to Anna Maria College	340,000
10 Other Additions and Remodelings	20,950
TOTAL	\$1,475,900
Total Fees Collected	\$2,656.80
1966 Building Department Budget	\$1,200.00
Inspector's Salary	\$800.00

Expenses	300.00	
Assistant's Wages	69.55	
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		1,169.55
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Balance in 1966 Building Department Account		\$30.45

Other Activity

36 Certificates of Occupancy issued.

1 Request to stop work on car in evening.

2 Replacements of lost permits.

6 Inspections of emergency lights.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED E. WATSON,

Building Inspector

REPORT of the BOARD OF REGISTRARS

The following is a summary of the registered voters in the Town of Paxton at the close of registrations December 1966.

Democrats	197
Republicans	458
Unenrolled	897
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Total	1552

Respectfully submitted,

GENEA CROMPTON
 VIOLA PRENTICE
 DANIEL CRONIN
 GEORGE McGOVERN

REPORT of the TOWN COLLECTOR**1960 Motor Vehicle**

Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1966	\$107.14	
Collected 1966		\$40.00
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1966		67.14
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	\$107.14	\$107.14

1961 Motor Vehicle

Outstanding Jan. 1, 1966	\$188.55	
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1966		\$188.55

1962 Motor Vehicle

Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1966	\$385.40	
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1966		\$385.40

1963 Motor Vehicle

Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1966	\$382.80	
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1966		\$382.80

1963 Personal Property

Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1966	\$88.50	
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1966		\$88.50

1964 Personal Property

Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1966	\$29.75	
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1966		\$29.75

1964 Farm Excise

Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1966	\$30.50	
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1966		\$30.50

1964 Water Lien

Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1966	\$20.00	
Tax Title, 1966		\$20.00

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1964 Real Estate

Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1966	\$1,909.60	
Tax Title, 1966		\$684.25
Collected, 1966		1,225.35
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	\$1,909.60	\$1,909.60

1964 Motor Vehicle

Outstandin, Jan. 1, 1966	\$539.34	
Abated, 1966		\$123.48
Collected, 1966		83.95
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1966		331.91
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	\$539.34	\$539.34

1965 Farm Excise

Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1966	\$77.00	
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1966		\$77.00

1965 Water Liens

Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1966	\$181.51	
Collected, 1966		\$181.51

1965 Personal Property

Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1966	\$272.00	
Collected 1966		\$184.87
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1966		87.13
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	\$272.00	\$272.00

1965 Real Estate

Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1966	\$12,481.61	
Collected 1966		\$10,035.21
Tax Title 1966		498.10
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1966		1,948.30
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	\$12,481.61	\$12,481.61

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1965 Motor Vehicle

Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1966	\$3,551.67	
Committed in 1966	5,894.87	
Collected 1966		\$7,190.90
Abated 1966		992.11
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1966		1,923.33
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	\$10,106.34	\$10,106.34

1966 Farm Excise

Committed	\$437.00	
Collected 1966		\$351.00
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1966		86.00
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	\$437.00	\$437.00

1966 Water Liens

Committed	\$352.84	
Collected 1966		\$253.30
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1966		99.54
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	\$352.84	\$352.84

1966 Personal Property

Committed	\$12,027.60	
Collected 1966		\$9,530.40
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1966		2,497.20
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	\$12,027.60	\$12,027.60

1966 Real Estate

Committed	\$446,207.60	
Omitted Assessment	80.00	
Refund	2,464.00	
Collected 1966		\$411,910.67
Abated and Exempted		21,297.60
Tax Title 1966		618.00
Outstanding, December 31, 1966		14,925.33
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	\$448,751.60	448,751.60

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1966 Motor Vehicle

Committed	\$93,260.27	
Refunded 1966	2,157.55	
Collected 1966		\$78,490.09
Abated 1966		5,739.49
Outstanding, December 31, 1966		11,188.24
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	\$95,417.82	\$95,417.82

Interest

1964	\$ 41.35
1965	264.65
1966	207.25
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	\$513.25

Respectfully submitted

MARION E. JENSEN,
Town Collector

REPORT of the TOWN TREASURER

Financial Statement

Balance, Jan. 1, 1966	\$149,040.69	
Receipts 1966	196,068.88	\$345,109.57
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Payments 1966	\$258,862.89	
Balance, Dec. 31, 1966	86,246.68	\$345,109.57

OUTSTANDING DEBT

New School Bonds	\$190,000.00
School Addition Bonds	116,000.00
Second New School Bonds	545,000.00

Land Taking Bonds	42,000.00
Pumping Station Notes	34,000.00
Dam and Spillway Bonds	30,000.00
Fire Station Notes	58,000.00
Swimming Pool Notes	15,000.00

\$1,030,000.00

DUE ON OUTSTANDING DEBT—1967

School Dept.	Prin.	Int.
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New School		
Due April 4, 1967		\$3,040.00
Due Oct. 1, 1967	\$25,000.00	3,040.00
Addition to New School		
Due Jan. 15, 1967		1,885.00
Due July 15, 1967	10,000.00	1,885.00
2nd New School		
Due March 15, 1967		8,856.25
Due Sept. 15, 1967	35,000.00	8,856.25
Water Dept.		
Land Taking		
Due Feb. 1, 1967		672.00
Due Aug. 1, 1967	5,000.00	672.00
Pumping Station		
Due May 1, 1967		544.00
Due Nov. 1, 1967	3,000.00	544.00
Dam and Spillway		
Due March 15, 1967		487.50
Due Sept. 15, 1967	5,000.00	487.50
Fire Dept.		
Fire Station		
Due May 1, 1967		928.00
Due Nov. 1, 1967	5,000.00	928.00

Swimming Pool

Due March 15, 1967		243.75
Due Sept. 15, 1967	5,000.00	243.75
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	\$93,000.00	\$33,313.00

TRUST FUNDS

	Dog Fund	Prin.	Int.
Library Trust Funds	\$364.03	\$24,540.95	\$1,407.19
E. G. Richards Library Fund			6,968.43
Cemetery Trust Funds		30,690.00	1,619.54
D. Russell Boynton Fund		1,000.00	46.86
E. D. Bigelow School Fund		1,000.00	55.31
E. D. Bigelow VIS Fund		1,000.00	54.22

\$364.03 \$58,230.95 \$10,151.55
 Respectfully submitted,
 MARION E. JENSEN,
 Town Treasurer

C. D. BOYNTON TRUST FUNDS

	Prin.	1966 Int.
People's Savings Bank	\$2,700.00	157.79
Worc. 5c Savings Bank	1,748.00	84.11
Worc. Cty. Inst. for Savings	1,800.00	75.74
Worc. Mechanics Sav. Bank	1,600.00	94.00
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	\$7,648.00	\$411.64

Respectfully submitted,

MARION E. JENSEN,
 Trustee

REPORT of the WATER COMMISSIONERS**Metered Water**

Balance January 1, 1966	\$847.10	
Committed	24,228.25	
Refunds	22.50	
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		\$25,097.85
Receipts	\$22,801.35	
Abatements	10.40	
Water Liens	352.84	
Balance Dec. 31, 1966	1,933.26	
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		\$25,097.85

Installations

Balance January 1, 1966	\$732.88	
Committed	3,408.00	
Refunds	25.89	
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		\$4,166.77
Receipts	\$3,079.66	
Balance	1,087.11	
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		\$4,166.77

In the winter and spring of 1966, Asnebumskit Reservoir was filled which gave us an increase in level of six (6) feet over the level at the beginning of the project. During the summer and fall of 1966, this level dropped about twenty (20) inches but the recovered to about ten (10) inches below the spillway at the end of the year. This performance was with no restrictions on the use of water during the year so we are in a favorable position for the next few years, depending on population increase and amount of rainfall.

Without the benefit of the figures which we expected from the Master Plan, we feel that we must proceed at once with a comprehensive study and search for future water sources, and we have submitted an article in the warrant asking for money for this search.

Water Mains

There were thirty-seven (37) new connections made in 1966 making the total number of connections 827.

Six hydrants were installed, one on each of the following: Mt. View Drive, Brooks Road, West Street, Crowningshield Drive, Walbridge Road, and Asnebumskit Streets:

Water pipe was installed on the following streets:

West St.—by Water Dept.	1000 Feet of 8 Inch
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In Developments

Crocker Hill Drive	755 Feet of 6 inch
Mount View Drive	160 Feet of 6 inch
Brooks Road	375 Feet of 6 inch
Davis Road	270 Feet of 6 inch
Crowningshield Drive	1200 Feet of 6 inch
Walbridge Road	465 Feet of 6 inch
Mount View Drive	520 Feet of 2 inch
Rollingridge Lane	500 Feet of 2 inch

Making a total for the year of 5265 feet.

Respectfully submitted,

KENNETH PARSONS
NORMAN OSGOOD
HAROLD MARTIN
Paxton Water Commissioners

REPORT of the HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

Chapter 90 Construction

West Street

Road was excavated, graded and graveled. 12 inches of burrow gravel was put on and penetrated with $\frac{1}{2}$ gallon of MC-250 and sealed with $\frac{1}{3}$ gallon of MC-800. A two inch surface of crushed surface gravel mixed with one gallon of MC-3 rolled and sealed with $\frac{1}{3}$ gallon of MC-3 will be applied in the early summer.

Side drain and catch basins were installed full length of job, from Station 49 to 65.

Special Account for Highways

Camp Street was widened and graveled for a distance of 800 feet.

Side drain and catch basins were installed on Tanglewood Road for a distance of 200 feet.

Ashwood Road was excavated, regraveled, penetrated with MC-250 and sealed with MC-800 for a distance of 300 feet.

Walbridge Road was excavated, graded and base graveled for a distance of 500 feet.

ROBERT S. HANSSON,
Supt. of Streets

REPORT of the POLICE DEPARTMENT

Complaints Investigated	318
Arrests	7
Summons served for other Police Depts.	246
Forcible Entry to Business Places	5
Forcible Entry to Homes	6
Forcible Entry to Homes attempted	1
Vacant Homes checked	128
Motor Vehicle Accidents	56
Persons Injured in Motor Vehicle Accidents	42
Fatal Motor Vehicle Accident	1
Motor Vehicle Accidents Investigated	51
Stolen Cars Recovered	8
Abandoned cars recovered	2
Boat and Trailer recovered	1
Emergency calls to transport persons to Hosp.	19
Reports of theft of Materials or Articles	10

The following were issued by this department:

25 Pistol Permits at \$2.00	\$50.00
34 Bicycle Registrations at .25	8.00
3 Theft Reports	7.00
31 Accident Reports	103.00
6 Holiday Work Permits	30.00
2 Sunday Work Permits	10.00

Total Amounts turned in to Treasurer	\$208.50
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With delivery of the new sedan, the police vehicles were moved to the lower level of the fire station. The 1962 cruiser wagon is in good mechanical condition and is used for all emergency calls. The new cruiser sedan is used for routine patrol, also any emergency that raises.

At the special town meeting on Nov. 14, 1966 the town voted to have a school crossing guard for one hour in the

morning and one hour in the afternoon. The Department has not been able to locate a suitable person for this duty, and it is hoped that someone will be interested to serve as school crossing guard.

The service rendered by the Police Department is available to all, and is as close as your telephone for any emergency.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM O. WYLIE,
Chief of Police

REPORT of the CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

The Conservation Commission is happy to report the completion of the purchase of the Smith property. We feel that this thirty-six acres will play an important role in the growth of the town because of its unique location in the center of town and adjacent to the school. As Paxton continues to grow, the value of this land and the wisdom of this timely purchase will become even more evident. State reimbursement of \$4,500 of the \$9,000 has been promised and we hope will be received by Town Meeting. Since this \$4,500 was originally appropriated and taxed for conservation acquisition, we hope you will support our article to transfer this money from the General Fund to the Conservation Fund where it will continue to work for you in acquiring open space. We received Federal consent to purchase the property but reimbursement of an additional \$2,250 in the immediate future seems doubtful.

According to projections made by the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning District, Paxton's population by 1990 will be 6,600. This is an increase of 130% over 1965.

For every three homes now, there will be seven in 1990. In addition to our one school now, we will need another, even larger. The Conservation Commission feels that during this time of growth, it is very important that we plan and acquire open space within and between developments. Contrary to popular belief, open space does not cost the town money. The alternate to open space is development. Developments usually cost the town in services, especially schools, over what they pay in taxes. Some towns have found that park or open space increases the value of adjacent properties giving the community enough extra taxes from these properties alone to operate a park and pay off the bonds. Acquiring open space should be considered a method of controlling local taxes.

Your Commission is also concerned about the effect of rising taxes on private ownership of open space. Woodlots and fields require very little town expenses and contribute much to our enjoyment.

We are afraid that if open space taxes continue to rise in proportion to taxes on homes requiring schools and services, that the owners will be encouraged to sell. The buyer will then develop the land into more service-requiring homes. We, therefore, are investigating possible long term open space easements guaranteeing public access to the land and prohibiting development in return for tax compensations.

The Commission has continued its work in the field of education. Conservation projects were included in the school Projects Fairs. Boy Scouts are working on trails and bridges for the nature laboratory beyond the swimming pool parking lot. The Commission is supporting a Nature Day Camp for five-year-olds one afternoon a week during the school year. We have also continued the magazine subscriptions to the school library, the Spring showing of wildlife and conservation films for all towns people, and weekly hikes in the summer.

The Natural Resources Inventory study explained in last year's annual report was not undertaken by the Federal and State agencies involved but will be started in January 1967. The findings of this study at a time when growth pressures are so great on the Town will be of value to many other Town boards.

We would like to enlist your thoughts and cooperation to prevent future pollution of our streams and air. We request that when ever possible, low-suds detergents be used to prevent water pollution. As more homes are built, we will need more complete rubbish disposal if we are to keep our air clean. Back-yard trash burners are a major cause of air pollution and private incinerators are not free of pollution guilt either.

The Conservation Commission anticipates in 1967 continuing the activities of 1966 especially in the field of the Natural Resources inventory and planning for the future acquisitions. The regular Commission meetings are held the last Thursday of the month and interested citizens are always welcome to visit and participate.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY M. BARTLETT, Ch.
HILTON CUNNINGHAM
IDA M. FRAIOLI
GEORGE FRIEDMAN
JOHN B. JACOBS, JR.
LLOYD S. JENKINS
ROBERT F. PERRY, JR.

REPORT of the DOG OFFICER

DOG COMPLAINTS	32
DOG BITES	14
DOGS DESTROYED	3
DOGS FOR ANIMAL RESEARCH CENTER	2

All dogs on the Assessor's list have been licensed for the year 1966.

Respectfully submitted,

CARL H. JOHNSON,
Dog Officer

REPORT of the FIRE DEPARTMENT

Sixty three calls were logged for 1966. This number is about the average for the Department starting in 1963.

4 Buildings
26 Grass and Brush
6 Town Dump
3 Mutual Aid
3 Service
21 Miscellaneous

The miscellaneous calls covered a variety of subjects such as:

Washing down spilled fuel oil.
Assist at two automobile accidents.
Assist at an electric light pole fire.
Investigation of an automatic alarm from the Center School.

Investigation of a reported fire by Wachusett Forest Fire Tower.

Search for a lost child.

Overheated automobile engine.

Limb on electric light wires at Treasure Valley.

Two calls resulting from burning rubbish in fireplaces.

Washing Machine fire.

Investigation of a fire at Town Dump.

Investigation of a kitchen counter top fire.

Removal of a raccoon from a roof.

Shrubbery fire.

Water in cellar caused by heating system.

Wash down hydraulic fluid from road caused by a faulty automatic transmission.

Wet down remains of a brush pile.

Investigate report of an automobile fire.

A large loss in property occurred on January 28th with the burning up of Mr. A. David's barn. The barn was used to store a large amount of farm and other equipment at the time.

A group of representatives from the fire departments of Rutland, Oakham, Spencer, St. Joseph's Abbey, Holden and Paxton met several times at Treasure Valley Scout Reservation this summer to formulate plans for the mutual protection of the reservation. The bulk of the reservation property is in the towns of Rutland, Oakham, Paxton and Spencer. As a result of the meetings, it was agreed that call for a fire at Treasure Valley would initiate fire department response from these 4 towns plus St. Joseph's Abbey with Holden as a back up department.

During the time this series of meetings were being held, two calls were received. The first was for a limb on wires near the Lodge. The second was a brush fire on the north-western boundary of the reservation and was answered by the mutual agreement of the fire departments.

A new Tower was erected this summer with the co-operation of the Electric Light and Highway Departments. This tower serves as a new location for one of the two fire

sirens and also as a means for instruction in the use of fire department ladders. The Electric Light Department set the poles and also co-operated by allowing the use of their bucket truck in the construction of the platforms. These were built by Robert Price and David Putnam. The Highway Department co-operated in digging the trench for the electric cable from the station to the tower.

Three members of the department attended the fall fire school sesison held at Meadowwood Fire Department in Fitzwilliam, N. H. in September.

About fourteen members attended a ten weeks session in standard and advanced "First Aid." It was held at the Fire Station this fall and winter. The course was held one night a week with Kim Packard of Oakham as instructor and finished January 3, 1967.

The first muster for the "Naquog Muster Association" was held in Rutland. This association is made up from the fire departments in Rutland, Hubbardston, Oakham, Holden and Paxton. Paxton's team won the association's grand trophy plus other trophies for individual events. These are and have been on display in the radio room at the fire station.

Representatives from Paxton Fire Department were in the Southbridge and Northboro fire department parades held in conjunction with the anniversary celebration in these towns. They also were in a muster and anniversary parade held in Holden as part of that town's 225th Birthday Celebration.

A Christmas party was held at the Fire Station this year for Fire and Police Department members children. The party was held at the suggestion of one of the members. George Chagnon and Roger Knipe made the arrangements and headed up the committee in charge.

Respectfully submitted,

LESLIE E. ROBINSON,

Chief

REPORT of the BOARD of HEALTH

The Board of Health is pleased to announce that their Nursing Service is certified as a participating home health agency to provide nursing care under the new Medicare Plan. This was accomplished after many meetings with the State Department of Public Health.

Three regular clinics and one makeup clinic were held for Diptheria and Tetanus injections. These clinics were well attended by the Adult population of Paxton.

The Board meets at the Town Hall the first Thursday of each month. Please feel free to call on us for assistance.

The Town Dump is open for TOWNSPEOPLE ONLY Saturday 9-5 and Sunday 9-1. Stickers are required for using the dump and are available at the Town Hall.

The following diseases were reported during the year 1966:

- 83 Mumps
- 49 Chicken Pox
- 6 Salmonellosis
- 7 Scarlet Fever
- 1 Measles
- 55 German Measles
- 1 Meningitis
- 1 Encephalitis

Also reported:

- 14 Animal Bites

State law requires reporting of all communicable diseases.

The following licenses were issued:

- 2 Kindergarten Schools

- 8 Vehicle Licenses—Milk and Cream
- 4 Store Licenses—Milk and Cream
- 1 Oleomargine—Registration

The following appointments were made:

Thomas F. Harney, Jr.—Plumbing and Sanitary Inspector.
 Carl H. Johnson—Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering,
 also Inspector of Meat.

George L. McGovern—Burial Agent.

Respectfully submitted,

NORMAN C. DODGE, Ch.
 ALICE I. JOHNSON, Clerk
 DR. RAYMOND J. SAVIGNAC,
 Third Member

REPORT of the PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Clinics held during the year were as follows:

Vaccination	12
Triple Oral Polio Vaccine	45
Flu Vaccine	28
Diphtheria and Tetanus Clinic at Town Hall	221
Preschool Registration	44
Diphtheria and Tetanus by Dr. Hall at School	199

Calls made during the year:

Welfare, Medicare	101
Medicare	85
Other	99
Arthritis	3

Clinics and meetings	3
1-12 years	1

D. T. clinics for the adults and pre-school children were held in January and February. They were fairly well attended.

The Town Nurse, along with Mrs. Alice Johnson from the Board of Health, attended many meetings on Medicare and the certification of the Board of Health in the Towns. After many hours of preparation by The Board of Health, the Board of Health of Paxton was certified in the Spring of 1966. The case load has not increased more than one or two cases due to Medicare, but it is predicted that 1967 will show a rise in the case load for Medicare patients.

Respectfully submitted,

JOYCE McEACHERN, R. N.

Public Health Nurse

LIBRARY REPORT

Circulation:

Adult and juvenile books	13,972
Reference aids	533
Magazines, pamphlets, films	1,126
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Total	15,631

Volumes added to collection:

Adult and juvenile books purchased	407
From Central Regional Library	667
From McNaughton Book Service	180
Gifts	48
Interlibrary Loans	109
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Total	1,411

During this year many new people have become regular borrowers in the library as the town continues to grow. We are making a special effort to assist students and children in satisfying their recreational and personal reading needs as well as in supplementing their school libraries. The high school students and younger children account for about half of the library's circulation. We agree with the American Library Association which maintains that "the public library is a key place to help develop youthful exuberance and potential involvement into informed leadership and effective citizenship."

We have attended monthly meetings of the Central Massachusetts Regional Library Advisory Council and as active members of the Regional System have benefited greatly. There are free films available to clubs and individuals, which may be picked up and returned at this library. Books deposits also from the Regional Library add many useful books to our collection and special individual requests for a particular book are easily filled.

In addition to our town appropriation, we receive the benefit of State Aid, by meeting certain standards set up by the Division of Library Extension, such as: number of hours open, personnel, and the percentage of the budget used for purchase of books.

There are many people in the community who have been thoughtful, generous, and helpful. Those who have provided artistic exhibits, informative and decorative displays, and intelligent advice are responsible for much of the pleasure that our borrowers gain from their visits to the library.

Library Hours:

Winter: Tues. 1-5, 7-9 Wed. 9-12, 1-5 Thurs. 1-5, 7-9
Fri. 9-12, 1-5 Sat. 1-5.

Summer: Closed Wed. a.m. and all day Fri.

Other hours are the same.

Other hours are the same.

KATHERINE S. JACOBS,
Librarian

REPORT of RICHARDS MEMORIAL LIBRARY**Income:**

Town Appropriation 1966	\$7,655.00
Dog Fund 1966	364.03
Income from Trust Funds 1966	1,407.19
Balance of Income 1965	582.64

\$10,008.86**Expenditures:**

Salary, Librarian	\$3,600.00
Salary, Assistant	1,362.70
Salary, Pages	467.25
Salary, Janitor	720.00
Salary, Clerk	50.00
Books	1,987.08
Fuel	403.65
Telephone	108.50
Librarian's Supplies	138.93
Water	20.00
Travel	34.35
Petty Cash	40.00
Lights	160.45
Miscellaneous	10.40
Maintenance	448.70
Book Case	366.00

\$9,918.01

Refund to Library Acct. 11.22

\$9,906.79**Balance**

\$102.07

State Aid:

Grant 1967	\$599.75
Balance 1966	276.76

	<u>\$876.51</u>
Expended 1966	355.62

Balance	<u>\$520.89</u>
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E. G. Richards Trust:

Total Income including interest	\$6,968.43
Balance	\$6,968.43

The sums of \$276.25 in fine money and \$1.20 from the sale of discarded books were turned over to the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH O. CUNNINGHAM
Clerk

REPORT of the RECREATION COMMITTEE

The Paxton Recreation Committee was organized in March 1966 as follows: Mr. David K. Beach, Jr., Chairman; Mr. Hilton Cunningham, Co-Chairman; Mr. Walter Wilde; Mr. Donald Greenslit; Mr. Warren Sundstrom; and two ex-officio members, Mr. Herbert Wentworth from the Planning Board and Mr. Reginald Smith from the School Committee.

Mr. Cunningham represented the Recreational Committee at meetings of the Conservation Committee.

As in the past, regular meetings were held on the second Tuesday of each month with additional meetings being held when necessary.

The Recreational Committee furnished what assistance and facilities we had at our disposal to the Paxton Little League. The Little League field has been in use for many years and is starting to show the wear of time. Within the next few years, the infield of the Little League ball field will have to be rebuilt.

Since the new swimming pool was installed, water tests taken at regular intervals have shown that the water in the swimming pool met the strictest requirements for bathing water. However, as the season progresses we have been aware of the water becoming more cloudy. This in on way affects the condition of the water but it is not as attractive. Therefore in 1966 we took several steps to improve the appearance of the water. The major step was the paving of the road from the school parking lot to the recreation area parking lot. This almost eliminated the dust being stirred up by automobiles. In addition, a pool vacuum was purchased which allowed us to vacuum the solids which had settled to the bottom of the pool over night. We hope to redesign the main drain valve for the pool during 1967 so that this can be cracked open daily to drain off the sludge which is beyond the reach of the pool vacuum.

Near the end of the 1966 swimming season, bubbles were observed coming up from the bottom of the pool at the point nearest to the parking lots. We were able to continue in operation until the season ended. We then dug into the surface of the pool and found that one of the fittings in the chlorination system was made of improper material, not according to the specifications for the pool. This fitting had deteriorated and finally broke. Because this piece did not meet specifications originally setdown by the Recreation Committee, the architect and contractor of the swimming pool will bear the major costs of repairing this.

Because of the popularity of the pool over the past few years, the 1967 season is planned to run longer than the 10 week season which we have had in the past. Tenta-

tive plans for the 1967 call for opening the pool on the Saturday following the closing of school and running at least through Labor Day weekend.

Red Cross swimming classes in 1966 caught all of us by surprise. In the past we have had an average of 80 students taking this program but in 1966 we were swamped with approximately 200 children. In addition to this, a lifesaving class was held, a class in competitive swimming and on two evenings of the week an instructional class for adults. All of these programs are planned for 1967 and because of the increased activity we hope to have class either 4 or 5 days per week instead of the 2 days per week we had in the past. We urge the citizens of Paxton to take full advantage of these courses, regardless of age. As in the past, the SONS OF PAXTON sponsored this program.

New equipment installed during 1966 were swings for the children and park type benches around the swimming pool. In addition, work was started on opening a picnic area. We hope to complete the picnic area in 1967.

The Recreation Committee is now examining the possibility of expanding our Recreation Program. In this light, we would appreciate suggestions and comments from the people of Paxton. Either drop a letter to us at the Town Hall or stop in at any one of our monthly meetings on the second Tuesday of each month.

DAVID K. BEACH, JR.
HILTON CUNNINGHAM
WALTER WILDE
DONALD GREENSLIT
WARREN SUNDSTROM
HERBERT WENTWORTH
REGINALD SMITH

SCHOOL NEEDS STUDY COMMITTEE REPORT

During the past year, the members of the School Needs Study Committee continued to assess the future school needs of Paxton. In this connection the members worked very closely with the Paxton School Administration and representatives from the Regional Superintendent's office. They also met with various Town officials including members of the Board of Selectmen, the Planning Board, and the Capital Outlay Committee.

Early in the year the Committee voted unanimously to endorse and participate in the Master Plan recommended by the Planning Board. It was realized that if possible, school planning should be an integral part of total community planning. As the year progressed, however, it appeared that funds to conduct the Master Plan might not be available and the Committee voted to take alternate and more immediate steps to secure school needs data. Preliminary studies of school enrollment and census figures indicate that additional schoolroom space would be needed within the next three year period.

Information obtained by the Administration and Superintendent's office, including correspondence with several educational consultants, indicates that a separate study could be conducted to obtain school needs study data at a very modest cost. Although it is the sincere desire of the Committee to participate in a community-wide study, it does not believe that the school needs of the children of Paxton can wait any longer, and the Committee must take separate action.

At the end of the year, therefore, the Committee voted unanimously to submit an Article to the voters at the Town Meeting for consideration and action of an appropriation of \$1,000. to complete a School Needs Study, providing funds

have not been made available at that time for a Master Plan, or if a study of the school needs is not included in the first phase of the Master Plan Study.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD A. LaPIERRE, Ch.
REGINALD J. SMITH, V.-Ch.
HUGH AARON
CHARLES C. CRAIG
ROBERT J. HALL
ROBERT W. HEIN
VIOLA PRENTICE

REPORT of the TREE WARDEN

I hereby submit the following report for the year 1966:

Appropriation	\$900.00
Expenditures	\$900.00
Hired Equipment	\$128.00
Labor	752.00
Signs made	20.00

Work done on the following streets:

Marshall Street	Hill Street
Suomi Street	West Street
Maple Street	Grove Street
Rutland Road	Leicester Road

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK T. ROBINSON
Tree Warden (reg.)

REPORT of the LOCAL SUPERINTEDENT of INSECT PEST CONTROL

I hereby submit the following report for the year 1966:

Appropriations	\$1,000.00
Expenditures as follows	\$1,000.00

Brewer Tree Experts:

Spraying	\$120.00
Topping Trees	170.00
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	\$290.00
Hired Equipment	240.00
Labor	470.00
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	\$1,000.00

Sprayed—Common St., Maple St., Richards Ave., Grove St., West St., Black Hill Rd., Laurel St., Hill St., Marshall St., South St., Camp St., Crystal St., Walbridge Rd., Streeter Rd., Boy Scout Camp, Rockland St.

Sampling, removal of diseased Elms, trimming and disposal.

FREDERICK T. ROBINSON,
Pest Control Supt.

REPORT of the LOCAL SUPERINTENDENT of INSECT PEST CONTROL

I hereby submit the following report for the year 1966.

Appropriations	\$200.00
Expenditures	\$200.00

Work Done:

Labor	\$200.00
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Picked up 50 "Gypsy Moths" on Camp St.
Picked up 35 "Gypsy Moths" on Brooks Road
Picked up 20 "Gypsy Moths" on Brigham Hill Road
Picked up 10 "Gypsy Moths" on Davis Hill Road

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK T. ROBINSON
Pest Control Superintendent

REPORT of the INSPECTOR of WIRES

Wiring Permits issued for new homes	46
Wiring Permits issued for other wiring	58
Wiring Inspections approximately	160
Fees collected and paid to Town Treasurer.	
Total	\$353.00

Respectfully submitted,

WARREN P. LEDERER
Inspector of Wires

REPORT of the CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Balance, Jan. 1, 1966	\$1,163.86
Income 1966	1,619.54

\$2,783.40

Expenses:

Maintenance of Cemeteries, including general care, opening graves, grass seed and fertilizer	\$1,367.36
Repairs to machinery, tools, gas and oil	202.82
Supt., clerical, postage and supplies	223.00
Balance, Dec. 31, 1966	990.22

\$2,783.40

Received and turned over to Town Treasurer:

Care of lots, not under perpetual care	\$30.00
Opening graves	655.00
Lots sold and placed in perpetual care	725.00

\$1,410.00

For the third year the Cemetery Commissioners have not asked for any appropriation this year.

Respectfully submitted,

H. RENO KENNEN, Ch.
ROBERT S. PIERCE, Clerk
ROLAND S. WIGHT,
Third Mem.

REPORT of the BOARD of APPEALS

The Board of Appeals received seven petitions in 1966. Four were granted, two were refused and one was dismissed.

Respectfully submitted,

TIMOTHEOS M. THOUTSIS,
Chairman
WILLIAM E. LINDQUIST,
Vice Chairman
ROBERT F. DILLMAN, Clerk
DONALD T. LUNDQUIST
ROBERT W. LOVE
ROBERT B. BURKE, Alt.
EDWARD Z. SAVICKAS, Alt.

REPORT of the BOARD of PUBLIC WELFARE

Lump sum appropriation, Charities and

Old Age Assistance	\$14,960.00
Special Appropriation	6,000.00

\$20,960.00

EXPENDED:

General Relief	\$3,906.46
(Above reimbursed 66.1 % by State)	
Naquag Welfare District	1,060.00
Old Age Assistance	2,278.10
Aid to Families with Dependent Children	00.00

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Disability Assistance	2,166.51
Medical Assistance for the Aged	
Medical Assitance	11,485.93

Total Expended	20,897.00
Balance, December 31, 1966	\$63.00

BOARD SALARIES

Appropriation, 1966	\$150.00
Expended, 1966	150.00
Balance, Dec. 31, 1966	00.00

FEDERAL FUNDS

(Available for Board Expenditure)

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Balance, Jan. 1, 1966	\$2,922.03
Federal Reimb., 1966	4,083.00
Expended, 1966	\$7,005.03 4,880.28
Balance, Dec. 31, 1966	\$2,124.75

**OLD AGE ASSISTANCE
ADMIN. ACCT.**

Balance, Jan. 1, 1966	none
Federal Reimb., 1966	43.47
Expended, 1966	\$43.47 00.00
Balance, December 31, 1966	43.47

AID TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Balance, Jan. 1, 1966	\$302.05	
Federal Reimb. 1966	00.00	
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		\$302.05
Expended, 1966		00.00
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Balance, Dec. 31, 1966		\$302.05

**AID TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN
ADMIN. ACCT.**

Balance, Jan. 1, 1966	26.35	
Federal Reimb. 1966	00.00	
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		26.35
Expended, 1966		00.00
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Balance, Dec. 31, 1966		\$26.35

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Balance, Jan. 1, 1966	\$443.67	
Federal Reimb. 1966	1,366.00	
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		\$1,809.67
Expended, 1966		1,462.72
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Balance, Dec. 31, 1966		\$346.95

**DISABILITY ASSISTANCE
ADMIN. ACCT.**

Balance, Jan. 1, 1966	00.00	
Federal Reimb. 1966	21.81	
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		\$21.81
Expended, 1966		00.00
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Balance, Dec. 31, 1966		21.81

**MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE AGED—
MEDICAL ASSISTANCE**

Balance, Jan. 1, 1966	\$760.64	
Federal Reimb., 1966	8,658.55	
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		\$9,419.16
Expended, 1966		8,094.01
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Balance, Dec. 31, 1966		1,325.15

**MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE AGED—
MEDICAL ASSISTANCE
ADMIN. ACCT.**

Balance, Jan. 1, 1966	\$116.50	
Federal Reimb., 1966	74.82	
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		\$191.32
Expended, 1966		15.00
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Balance, Dec. 31, 1966		\$176.32

STATE FUNDS

Not available for Board Expenditure but credited to
Town Receipts:

State Share, AFDC	00.00
State Share, GR	2,731.52
State Share, DA	1,525.82
State Share, OAA	2,420.48
State Share, MAA-MA	6,543.24
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Total State Reimb.	\$13,221.06

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD G. TAMULEVICH,
Chairman
ROBERT W. McEACHERN,
Clerk
J. MacKENZIE JOHNSTON

REPORT of the ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPT.

I hereby submit the Report of the Paxton Light Department for the year ending December 31, 1966:

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES

Income:

Metered Sales to Consumers	
Rate A Private Consumers	\$115,214.86
Rate B Small Com. Con.	8,814.05
Rate C Large Com. Con.	38,076.57
Rate D Electric Heating	8,362.62
Street Lighting	5,031.68
Municipal Lighting Bldgs.	6,066.60
Power for Municipal Purposes	2,127.70
Resale to Other Utilities	271.92
Miscellaneous Operating Revenues	660.00
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	\$184,626.00

Expenses:

Electric Energy Purchased	103,147.71
Maintenance Transformers	303.00
Street Lighting Expense	466.80
Meter Reading Expense	958.00
Accounting Expense	3,981.11
Mgr. and Light Board Salaries	8,441.00
Office Supplies and Expenses	1,043.06
Mgr. and Light Board Expenses	2,190.41
Rent	350.00
Outside Services	2,142.85
Main. of Overhead Equip.	9,971.68
Overhead Line Expense	2,473.04
Depreciation	16,502.90
Insurance	722.13
Main. of Station Equip.	71.50
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Total Expenses	\$152,765.19

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Income for year 1966	\$31,860.81
Other Income	870.45
Total Income for year 1966	<u>\$32,731.26</u>

GENERAL BALANCE SHEET

As of December 31, 1966

Assets:

	Additions	Depr. Val. 12-31-66	
Land		\$311.67	
Substa. Struc. City Line		388.20	
Substa. Struc.			
Asnebumskit Rd.	\$95.83	14,792.67	
Substa. Equip.		203.50	12,978.47
Poles and Fixtures	3,406.39	32,586.94	
Overhead Conductors	14,484.53	49,788.38	
Line Transformers	7,792.11	33,002.36	
House Services	4,715.99	17,043.71	
Consumers Meters	738.00	11,661.69	
Street Lighting Equip.	1,884.47	16,165.62	
Office Equipment	1,520.61	2,095.20	
Cost of Transp. Equip	.....	15,477.52	
Tools, shop & garage equip.	595.53	2,041.76	
Laboratory Equipment	.....	19.70	
Miscellaneous	.....	226.85	
Communications Equip.	.....	434.48	
Undeground Conductors	8,236.89	8,236.89	
Total Additions in 1966	\$43,673.85		
Total Depr. Value		\$217,252.11	
Consumer Deposits		255.72	
Accounts Receivable		16,075.95	
Construction Funds		29,311.66	
Materials and Supplies		8,767.48	
Total Assets		<u>\$271,662.92</u>	

Liabilities:

Owed to Consumers on Deposits	\$253.51
Appropriation for Construction	656.64
Notes Paid off in prior years by Light Dept.	19,116.00
Appropriation for Construction Repayment	7,090.07
Amount owed by Department Dec. 31, 1966	2,549.96
Earnings of this and prior years invested in new plant and other assets	234,106.44
Contributions in Aid of Construction	7,890.30
Total Liabilities	\$271,662.92

ACCUMULATED PROFIT STATEMENT

	Debit	Credit
Balance from Previous Year		\$201,604.22
Plus Current Year Profit		32,731.76
Surplus Adjustment	229.04	
Accumulated Profit Dec. 31, 1966 used in Plant Additions in prior years	234,106.44	
	\$234,335.48	\$234,335.48

The Light Department has had a very busy year. The manager has taken part in several local, State and Federal Hearings, and Meetings, to see what can be done to lower the cost of electricity in Paxton. As of September 1, 1966, the electric rates were reduced with an annual savings to the customers in excess of ten thousand dollars. We are still working towards a further reduction in the rates. Because of the recent rate reduction we are not asking for an increase in the Stret Lighting account, although plans are to continue with the lighting program that has been in effect for the past year.

The Department has ordered a new line truck to be delivered in 1967 which will enable us to hold the line in hiring additional help, but still improve the service. The Spacer Cable was completed and placed in use, giving better

service to the Center of Town. The line wires on Pleasant St., north, were replaced to improve the service in that area. A 500 KVA transformer will be installed at the Asnebumskit Rd., substation to increase the capacity to 3000 KVA. Approximately 3700' of URD underground cable was placed in service, plus 1000' of overhead line added to the plant.

The new offices in the Town Hall have been completed, giving more room to the Light Department. This room was badly needed. A card ledger and a new billing system was set up, an additional adding machine purchased, an addressograph machine, with stencils, was also added. Our office is open Monday through Friday, 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., and our customers should feel free to come in, or telephone, anytime during these hours.

An increase of 15.74% over 1965 in kilowatt hours used was achieved. This was due primarily to the new homes built in the past year, of which there were ten new all electric ones. Total kilowatt hours purchased in 1966 amounted to 7,790,501, with a peak demand of 2323 on December 20, 1966 at 5:30 P.M.

As you can see by the above report, your Light Department is growing, but its aim is still to keep in contact with the customers and to give the best service possible.

Respectfully submitted,

CURTIS LANCIANI, Manager
Paxton Light Department

We hereby submit the Manager's Report for our Department.

Respectfully submitted,

Paxton Light Commissioners

DEANE O. HOWLAND, Chairman
GEORGE T. DEWEY, Clerk
ROBERT C. HARRINGTON,
Third Member

REPORT of the NAQUAG WELFARE DISTRICT

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand January 1, 1966	\$3,187.94
Payroll Deductions	2,897.09
State Tax—Employer's Comp.	6.76
Mass. Hospital Service, Inc. Refund	4.54
Frederick E. Casey—Expense Reimb.	3.71
Federal Reimbursements	7,531.80
State Reimbursements	4,328.03
Rutland Contribution	2,300.00
Paxton Contribution	1,060.00
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	\$21,269.87

PAYMENTS

Payrolls	\$11,148.84
District Director	
of Internal Revenue	1,555.96
Commonwealth of Mass.—State Tax	231.50
Health Insurance	618.39
Worcester County Retirement System	591.44
Town of Rutland—Rent	600.00
Retirement Assessment	832.37
Naquag Welfare District—	
Employer's Compensation	6.76
Expenses	1,163.97
Cash on hand December 31, 1966	4,521.14
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	\$21,269.87

Respectfully submitted,

MARION H. FAY, Treasurer

REPORT of the TOWN ACCOUNTANT

RECEIPTS

Prior Years

Personal	\$184.87
Real Estate	11,260.56
Motor Vehicle Excise	7,314.85

1966

Personal	\$9,530.40
Real Estate	411,910.67
Motor Vehicle Excise	78,424.91
Farm Excise	351.00
Tax Titles	210.07
Interest on Taxes	513.25
Licenses and Permits	2,723.50
Water Liens	454.81

Grants—Federal, State and Others

Vocational Trans. and Reimb.	1,432.82
Other Cities and Towns	1,662.12
Tuition Reimb.	453.93
Construction—Schools	32,347.34
Superintendent Reimb.	824.20
Chap. 69, 70, 71—Schools	37,133.16
State Taxes	5,188.93
Local Aid	12,869.88
Income Taxes	1,400.00
State Tax Refund	608.58
Dutch Elm	126.10
Meal Tax	883.42
Sales and Use Tax	27,293.80
Special School Fund	55.31
Hazel Gay Fund	13.20

Other Income:

Coal—School Department	10.00
Equipment—School Department	250.00
Rent—School Hall	3.00
Reimb. to Dog Expense	30.00
Dogs Sold	19.00
Sale of Stock	54.51
Interest—Mullen Bond	43.44
State Comp. on Taxes Withheld	41.53
Town Clerk—Dog Licenses	689.50
Street Listing	4.00
Gas Registration	5.50
Incomes—Howe Interest	2.21
Police Dept.—Permits and Licenses	88.00
Accident and Theft Reports	114.00
Bicycle Registration	8.75
Court Fines	70.00
Gun Sold	30.00
Board Appeals—Filing Fees	160.00
Bldg. Insp.—Elev. Insp.	15.00
Building Inspector Permits	2,586.80
Sanitary Inspector	300.00
Plumbing Inspector Fees	911.00
Planning Board	50.00
Wire Inspector Fees	353.00
Sewage Dis. Insp.	30.00
Board of Health—Licenses	6.00
Nurse—Home Calls	244.00
Clinic	81.00

New Offices Town Hall:

From Electric Light Dept.	1,000.00
Invested Funds	931.50

Highways:

State:

Chapter 81	10,822.10
Chapter 90 MT	10,999.71

Chapter 90 Const.	1,799.89
Snow Plowing	368.25
County Chapter 90 Const.	7,299.75
Insurance Damage	45.00
Permits	110.00
Highway Equipment	7,427.78
Garage—Rental	300.00

Public Assistance:

Federal Grants:

Old Age Assistance	4,083.00
Disability Assistance	1,366.00
Medical Aid	8,658.52
Oaa. Fed. Adm.	43.47
DA Fed. Am.	21.81
MA Fed. Am.	74.82

State Grants:

General Relief	2,731.52
Old Age Assistance	2,420.48
Disability Assistance	1,525.82
Medical Aid	6,543.24
Veterans' Services	658.59
Charities Reimb. Special	688.77

School Cafeteria

\$29,026.79

Library:

Income on Accounts	1,567.62
Dog Fund	364.03
State Aid	599.75
Fines	273.00
Books Sold and Lost	4.45
E. G. Richards—Interest	1,720.98

Electric Light Department:

Rates	185,044.65
Meter Deposits	94.40
Interest on Meter Deposits	11.52
Interest on Depreciation Account	870.45
Ins. Reimb.	722.13

Water Department:

Rates	23,101.69
Installations	3,196.94

Cemeteries:

Perpetual Care	825.00
Care and Opening Graves	685.00
Interest Income	1,619.54
Equipment Sold	25.00
Federal Taxes Withheld	34,201.07
State Taxes Withheld	3,934.09
Retirement	5,115.40
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	4,678.01
Group Ins.	518.55
School Dues Withheld	605.00
Temporary Loan	175,000.00

Refunds:

Blue Cross-Blue Shield Appro.	\$85.75
Electric Light Dept.	77.50
Land Damage	100.00
Insurance Bonds	250.12
Library	5.07
C. D. Account	40.00
Dutch Elm	70.00
Memorial Day	10.00
M. V. 1965	1.10
School Lunch	8.70
Police Exp.	75.75
Bi-Cent. Comm.	12.00

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Water Dept.	3.19
Collector's Petty Cash	100.00
Board of Health	45.80
Library	6.15
Selectman Exp.	80.75
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Total Receipts	\$1,196,068.88
Bal. Jan. 1, 1966	149,040.69
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TOTAL	\$1,345,109.57

PAYMENTS—1966

General Government:

Moderator:

Salary	\$35.00
Expenses	22.00
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	\$57.00

Selectmen:

Salaries	1,100.00
Clerical	250.00
Office Expenses and Dues	218.45
Meetings and Travel	219.30
File	298.00
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	\$2,085.75

Accountant

Salary	1,200.00
Expenses	39.21
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	1,239.21

Treasurer:

Salary	1,800.00	
Clerical	134.30	
Printing—Office Expense	278.70	
Travel	90.00	
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Collector:

Salary	1,800.00	
Clerical	79.10	
Office Expenses	375.90	
Petty Cash	100.00	
	<hr/>	2,355.00

Assessors:

Salaries	1,050.00	
Clerical	1,100.00	
Office Expense and Abstract	1,034.04	
Travel	48.00	
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Finance Committee:

Clerical	100.00	
Statistician	100.00	
Expenses	58.18	
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Legal 2,929.55

Town Clerk:

Salary	450.00	
Assistant	10.00	
Office Expense	100.23	
Recording	81.00	
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Registrars:

Salaries	100.00	
Office Expense	247.84	
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Elections:

Tellers	515.98	
Printing	140.20	
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Planning Board:

Clerical	185.00	
Office Expense	346.71	
Maps	28.00	
Advertising	9.90	
Subscription	12.20	
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Paymaster		87.50

Record Building:

Repairs	242.55
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Town Hall:

Janitor	1,200.00	
Supplies and Repairs	974.64	
Fuel	669.76	
Lights	177.31	
Telephone	344.48	
Water	10.00	
	<hr/>	3,376.19

New Offices	2,930.78
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TOTAL—General Government	<hr/> \$23,323.81
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Protection—Persons and Property

Police Department:

Patrolling	5,618.85
Court Case	24.00
Office Expense	245.42
Telephone	369.24
Cruiser Maintenance	808.73
Equipment and Supplies	678.34
Others	249.54

7,994.12

Purchase—Cruiser

2,650.00

Fire Department:

Engineers Salaries	\$700.00
Payrolls	1,487.50
Re-Wiring	717.69
New Equipment	1,400.60
Equipment Maintenance	210.69
Vehicle Maintenance	638.32
Water	20.00
Fuel	727.13
Lights	254.58
Building Maintenance	90.23
Telephones	501.42
Office Expense	32.00
Miscellaneous	233.67

\$7,013.83

Board of Appeals:

Expenses

\$143.16

Building Inspector:

Salary	\$800.00
Assistant	21.00
Expenses	239.20

\$1,060.20

Wire Inspector:

Salary	\$400.00	
Travel	65.00	
	<hr/>	\$465.00

Civil Defense:

Expense		\$160.03
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Conservation:

Expense—1965	\$200.00	
Expense—1966	166.22	
Purchase of Land	9,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$9,366.22

Dog Officer:

Salary	\$300.00	
Expenses	54.99	
	<hr/>	\$354.99

Trees:

Removal	\$842.50	
Dutch Elm	1,136.73	
	<hr/>	\$1,979.23
Moth Control		200.00

TOTAL—Protection, Persons and Property \$31,386.78

Health and Sanitation:

Board of Health:

Salaries	\$150.00
Clerical	100.00
Therapist	50.00
Care of Dump	1,741.44

Dues—Office Expense	21.00	
Water Analyses	30.00	
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		\$2,092.44
Nurse:		
Salary and Travel	\$622.25	
Telephone	164.16	
Supplies	37.86	
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		\$824.27
Collection of Garbage		\$3,937.72
Inspector of Meat and Slaughter		\$5.00
Inspector—Animals		\$50.00
Inspector—Plumbing:		
Salary	\$800.00	
Expense	200.00	
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		\$1,000.00
Inspection—Sanitation		\$50.00
T. B. Hospital Assessment		\$372.12
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TOTAL—Health and Sanitation		\$8,331.55
Highways:		
Chapter 81:		
Salaries	\$5,858.90	
Trucks	2,392.90	
Supplies	4,042.38	
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		\$12,294.18
Chapter 90—Maintenance:		
Salaries	\$1,126.40	
Trucks	635.70	
Supplies—Material	3,637.06	
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		\$5,399.16

Chapter 90—Construction:

Salaries	\$4,784.60	
Trucks	2,343.70	
Other Trucks	4,092.50	
Materials	8,698.50	
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		\$19,919.30

Highways:

Special Account No. 1:

Labor	\$1,079.90	
Trucks	1,448.30	
Materials	1,042.60	
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		\$3,570.80

Special Account No. 2:

Supplies	\$217.71
Balance—1965	\$40.00

Snow and Sanding:

Labor	\$7,849.14	
Trucks	3,181.06	
Materials	1,469.30	
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		\$12,499.50

Snow Fence Purchased	\$250.00
Road Land Taking	\$550.00

Care of Common:

Salary	\$234.75	
Expense	48.40	
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		\$283.15

Vacation and Sick Leave	\$2,056.90
Sander—Purchased	\$2,778.74
Drainage—Richards Ave.:	\$700.00
Street Lights and Signs	\$5,055.77

Town Garage:

Lights	\$150.34
Fuel	568.14
Telephone	157.14
Supplies and Repairs	8.49

 \$884.11

Tractor Equip. Maint.:

Payroll	\$85.30
New Equipment	746.02
Gas Oil and Repairs	4,353.79
Supplies	1,254.37
Traffic Lights	45.07
Others	220.03

 \$6,704.58

TOTAL—Highways

\$73,203.90

Public Assistance:

OAA Federal:

Aid	\$4,615.38
Care	256.90
Medical	8.00

 \$4,880.28

D. A. Federal:

Aid	\$1,058.63
Care	387.59
Medical	16.50

 \$1,462.72

M. A. A. Federal|Ma

\$8,094.01

Naquag District

\$1,060.00

Board Salaries

\$150.00

General Relief

\$3,906.46

O. A. A. Town:

Aid	\$1,945.60	
Medical	213.50	
Medical Equipment	119.00	
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		\$2,278.10

D. A. Town:

Aid	\$1,115.67	
Care	991.84	
Medical	59.00	
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		\$2,166.51

M. A. A. Town Ma	\$11,485.93	\$11,485.93
M. A. A. Adm Ma	\$15.00	\$15.00

Veteran's Services:

Agent Salary	\$150.00	
Expenses	80.99	
Aid	1,663.58	
Medical	734.40	
Insurance	33.00	
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		\$2,661.97
TOTAL—Public Assistance		\$38,160.98

Paxton School Committee:

Administration:

School Com. Exp.	\$235.72
Supt. Salaries	2,926.98
Office Salaries	3,050.47
Census-Bind Regis.	112.90
Supplies	369.70
Other Expense	216.65

Instruction:

Superv. Salary	\$6,726.81
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Rinehart-Audubon	1,325.00
Other Expense	68.00
Principal's Salary	9,306.69
Prin. Off. Salary	2,104.08
Prin. Off. Suplies	129.03
Other Expense	116.48
Teachers' Salary	153,516.22
Substitutes' Salary	1,537.50
Tutoring Salary	296.00
Supplies	5,209.51
Other Expense	377.30
Spec. Class Sal.	5,769.21
Supplies	247.89

Other Expense

Adult Civic Ed.	97.01
Textbook Program	2,809.47
Library Services	3,088.00
Audio Visual	164.77
Guidance Salary	2,167.03
Psychological Service	90.00
Educational T.V.	148.75

Other School Services:

Health Salaries	\$1,888.60
Supplies	83.67
Transportation	27,602.76
Food Services	
Referee and Transp.	100.00
Other Student Activities	193.56

Operation and Maintenance:

Custodial Salary	\$14,650.29
Supplies	1,116.20
Other Expense	181.55
Fuel	5,591.51
Supt. Telephone	151.92
Lights	5,658.40

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Telephone	317.70
Water	166.77
Maintenance	3,787.51
Fixed Charges:	
Rent — Supt. Office	\$329.32
Community Services:	
Custodial Even. Fees	\$79.88
Acquisition of Fixed Charges:	
Acq. of Equipment — Supt.	\$16.05
Acq. of Equipment	197.03
Programs with Other Schools:	
Tuition	\$3,071.29
TOTAL	<hr/> \$267,391.18
School Committee Salaries	\$375.00
School Dues	\$605.00
School Construction No. 2	\$2,153.72
Wachusett Regional Assessment	\$107,625.59
School Lunch:	
Labor	\$10,618.71
Food	17,658.65
Express	260.33
Miscellaneous	298.57
TOTAL — School Lunch	<hr/> \$28,836.26
Library Income Account:	
Librarian	\$600.00
Petty Cash	10.00
Assistants	342.55
Clerk	50.00

Janitor	120.00
Office Expepnse	56.85
Books, etc.	723.14
Janitor Supplies	59.29
Lights	60.83
Fuel	179.56
Telephone	27.14
Water	10.00

\$2,239.36

Library Approp. Acct.:

Librarian	\$2,960.00
Petty Cash	30.00
Travel	34.35
Assistants	1,587.40
Janitor	540.00
Janitor Exp.	734.81
Office Exp.	148.99
Books	1,496.08
Telephone	81.36
Fuel	278.61
Lights	115.12
Water	10.00

\$8,016.72

Library State Aid:

Repairs	\$179.66
Window Cleaning	40.00
Books Bound	136.79

\$356.45

TOTAL — School and Library

\$417,599.28

Recreation:

1965 Bal. brought forward	\$1.75	\$1.75
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1966 Appropriation:

Labor	\$1,672.75	
Office Expense	13.75	
Mt. and Equip.	1,676.08	
Care of Grounds	895.19	
Current	139.28	
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		\$4,397.05

Special Art Resurfacing Pool	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
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Unclassified:

Printing and Dist. Reports	\$874.00	\$874.00
Memorial Day	297.45	297.45
Fourth of July	352.88	352.88
Insurance and Bonds	8,271.16	8,271.16
Pension Fund	8,236.86	8,236.86
Bi Cent. Comm. 1966 Bal. B|F	111.95	111.95
Care of Town Clock	60.00	60.00
Certification of Notes	10.00	10.00
Town Officials Dinner	238.44	238.44
Regional Planning Board	190.32	190.32
Blue Cross Blue Shield and Group Insurance	4,896.89	4,896.89
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TOTAL — Recreation and Unclassified		\$29,938.75
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Electric Light Department:

Comm. Salaries	\$225.00
Supt. Salary	8,216.00
Clerks	3,339.10
Payrolls	13,898.73
Other Payrolls	3,098.78
Mgr. Expense	798.07
Workmens Exp.	258.10
Rent	350.00
Office Expense	2,440.75
Office Equipment	1,994.75

Telephone	278.82
Insurance	1,280.14
Supplies	45,428.50
Mt. Truck and Equip.	1,312.13
Current	96,830.18
Legal	573.68
Misc.	59.00

		\$180,381.73
Meter Deposit Acct.	\$55.40	\$55.40

Water Department:

Commissioners Salary	\$225.00
Supt. Salary	1,500.00
Payroll	3,732.15
Truck	220.70
Clerk	300.00
Office Exp.	488.26
Gas, Oil and Repairs	281.61
Chemicals	419.90
Supplies	7,709.84
Fuel	124.40
Current	2,189.40
Hydrants	1,069.35

\$18,260.61

Pumping Station Relocation:

Labor	\$219.00
Trucks	1.60
Supplies	565.26
Express	4.10

		\$789.96
Dam and Spillway	\$253.20	\$253.20

West Street — Extension:

Labor	\$690.80
Trucks	134.40
Other Trucks	228.00
Supplies	3,249.01
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	\$4,302.21

Cemeteries:

Supt. Salary	\$156.00
Payroll	1,010.50
Trucks	96.70
Office Expense	6.00
Clerk	100.00
Gas, Oil and Repairs	76.85
Misc.	347.13
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	\$1,793.18

TOTAL — Enterprises \$205,836.29

Municipal Indebtedness:

School	\$70,000.00
Land — Water	5,000.00
Fire Station	5,000.00
Swimming Pool	5,000.00
Water Loan	5,000.00
Pumping Station	3,000.00
Temporary Loans	175,000.00
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TOTAL — Municipal Indebt. \$268,000.00

Agencies, Int. Etc.:

Interest Maturing Debt.	\$36,316.50
Interest Temp. Loans	2,183.66
Cemetery P/C	825.00
Hazel Gay Fund	10.00
Treasury Bills Purchased	49,528.16
Ref. Taxes	2,944.00

Ref. M.V.	2,818.45
Ref. Water Rates and Inst.	48.39
Ref. Bldg. Permits	34.00
Ref. Licenses Selectmen	10.00
Federal Taxes Withheld	34,201.07
State Tax Withheld	3,934.09
Retirement	5,115.40
Dog Licenses for Cty.	715.50
Blue Cross - Blue Shield Withheld	4,553.95
Group Insurance Withheld	498.08
T.B. Assessment	885.54
State Audit	1,158.20
State Parks	2,019.67
County Tax	15,010.99
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	270.90
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TOTAL — Agencies, Int. Etc.	\$163,081.55
Total Payments	\$1,258,862.89
Cash Balance	
Dec. 31, 1966	\$86,246.68
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Total	\$1,345,109.57

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BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1966

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Cash	\$86,246.68	Payroll Deductions:	
Treasury Bills Purchased	49,528.16	Blue Cross - Blue Shield	\$146.48
Accounts Receivable:		Employees - Group Insurance	21.39
Taxes:		Guarantee Deposits:	
Levy of 1966		Retainer - Garbage	600.00
Real Estate	15,405.33	Municipal Lights Meter	265.72
Personal	2,497.20	Depreciation	29,073.60
Levy of 1965		Construction	238.06
Real Estate	1,948.30	Ill'g Property	781.87
Personal	87.13	Mullens Construction	1,049.71
Levy of 1964	29.75	Tax Title Revenue	516.54
Levy of 1963		Tax Title Foreclosures	42.06
Personal	88.50	Trust Fund Income:	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer:		Hazel Gay Fund	17.95
Levy 1966	11,122.24	E. D. Bigelow School Fund	140.31
1965	1,923.33	Cemetery Income	990.22
1964	331.91	Richards Memorial	6,806.66
1963	382.80	Federal Grants:	
		General Relief	1,243.55
		Charities	4,366.85

1962	385.40	Revolving Funds:	
1961	188.55	School Lunch	4,169.21
1960	67.14	Library Income Account	257.17
Farm Animal Excise:		Library State Aid	520.06
Levy 1966	86.00	Cemeteries Acct. Receivable	587.00
1965	77.00	School Federal Titel III	1,580.98
1964	30.50	Appropriation Balances Held:	
Tax Titles	1,901.53	Master Plan	11,300.00
Tax Title Possessions	415.36	Fire Dept. Re-Wiring	1,082.31
Aid to Highways:		Conservation Fund	300.00
State	14,034.80	Conservation Committee	12.50
County	7,300.00	Highways - Ch 90 Const.	2,080.70
Departmental:		Street Repairs (Sp 5000)	1,032.10
General	2,290.85	Police - School Crossing	120.00
Water Department:		School Construction II	10,114.77
Rates	2,707.24	Swimming Pool Const.	1,932.29
Liens, 1966	99.54	Blue Cross - Blus Shield	624.41
		Dam Spillway	1,924.71
		Pumping Station	1,257.81
		Dogs Sold	12.00
		Receipts in Reserve:	
		Road Machinery	9,571.40
		Snow Plowing	368.25
		Street Easement	41.00
		Overlay:	
		1966	5,083.85

	1965	2,513.50
	1964	551.61
	Overlay Surplus - Reserve Fund	3,486.89
	Revenues: Reserved:	
	Motor Vehicles	14,401.37
	Farm Animals	193.50
	Water Department	2,806.78
	Aid to Highways	21,334.80
	Surplus Revenue	53,613.30
TOTAL ASSETS	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$199,175.24	\$199,175.24
	TOTAL LIABILITIES	

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debts	\$1,030,000.00	School Construction	\$851,000.00
		Water Spillway	300,000.00
		Land Taking	420,000.00
		Fire Station & Pumping Station	920,000.00
		Swimming Pool	150,000.00
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			\$1,030,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust & Invested Accts.	\$158,526.24	D. Russell Boynton	\$1,673.80
		E. D. Bigelow School Fund	1,000.00
		Hazel Gay Fund	100.00
		T. Bigelow Lib. Fund	500.00
		R. Memorial Lib. Fund	1,668.87
		E. D. Bigelow Lib. Fund	22,372.08
		E. D. Bigelow V. I. Fund	1,000.00
		P. W. Rehabilitation	1,255.42
		Stabilization Fund	44,749.75
		E. D. Boynton F. G. P.	7,648.00
		Richards Library Fund	45,079.08
		Cemetery P/C	31,479.24
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	\$158,526.24		\$158,526.24

Respectfully Submitted,

YVONNE B. KARLE,

Town Accountant

REPORT of the REGISTERED SANITARIAN

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit the report of activities in the performance of my duties for the year January 1 to December 31, 1966.

	Fees Collected	
Plumbing Permits Issued	44	1,010.00
Plumbing Inspections	120	
Sewage Disposal Permits Issued	47	470.00
Sewage Disposal Inspections	185	
Complaints Faulty Sewage Conditions	17	85.00
Correct Faulty Sewage Conditions	17	
Foundation Inspections	46	
Eating Place Inspections	12	
Occupancy Approval to Building Inspector	29	
Day Care Permits	2	30.00
Total		\$1,595.00

For the past number of years, I have tried to explain how important it is to check your septic tank at least once a year. For the past few years, on practically all of the complaints regarding septic tanks, failure has been due to neglect or lack of cleaning. In recent years, septic tanks have only been covered with one foot of dirt so that it should be an easy matter to uncover the access panel and check the sludge in the bottom of the tank. Most septic tanks have a depth of 48 inches of liquid. When you have accumulated sludge in the bottom of your tank to the depth of 16 inches, your tank needs cleaning, and it should be done without any unnecessary delay. If you have saved last year's Annual Report, please read what I have said in detail about this on pages 37 and 38.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS F. HARNEY, JR.
Registered Sanitarian

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
OF THE
TOWN of PAXTON



FOR THE
Year Ending December 31, 1966

Whitney Press, Paxton, Mass.

ORGANIZATION

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Charles C. Craig, Chairman	Term Expires 1967
Robert J. Hall, Secretary	Term Expires 1968
Reginald J. Smith	Term Expires 1969

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Dr. Charles L. Bowlby	Superintendent of Schools
Resigned August 31, 1966	
Irving H. Agard	Superintendent of Schools
William F. Carey	Assistant Superintendent
Mrs. Lois P. Drawbridge	Administrative Assistant
Mrs. Alice H. Sproule	Administrative Secretary
Mrs. Doris E. Sherblom	Accounting Secretary
Mrs. Isabel B. Muzzy	Accounting Secretary
Miss Betty P. Rayner	General Secretary

INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF

Charles F. McManus	Principal
Richard M. Lane	Assistant Principapl & VIII
Paul A. Zendzian	VII & VIII
Paul G. Bernard	VII & VIII
Miss Patricia A. McCarthy	VII & VIII
James D. Ross	VII & VIII
Mrs. Stina B. Long	VI
Mrs. Florence G. Morrissey	VI
Miss Martha B. Graves	V
Mrs. Barbara R. MacPhee	V
Mrs. Jane E. Wynn *	V
Mrs. Agnes H. Barbadoro	IV
Miss Sylvia A. Farnum *	IV
Miss Sandra J. King	IV
Mrs. Margaret M. Chapman *	III
Mrs. Eleanor K. Groden	III
Mrs. Lois Kasprzak	III

Mrs. Phyllis Edinberg	II
Mrs. Judith A. Fernald *	II
Miss Donna M. Johnson	II
Miss Karen Lundgren *	II
Miss Evelyn A. Bass	I
Mrs. Nina R. Lawson	I
Mrs. Judith Russell	I
Mrs. Eleanor H. Perry	Special Education
Miss Susan C. Kelleher *	Remedial Reading
Miss Carol J. Krauss *	Household Arts
Daniel J. Mortell	Industrial Arts
Mrs. Ruth B. Wentworth	Art
Mrs. Claire S. Hashway	French
Mrs. Eileen L. Berman *	Guidance
Mrs. Carol S. Furneaux *	Music
Richard H. Bowden	Music
Richard B. Fletcher	Physical Education
Mrs. Betty D. Valardi *	Physical Education
* New teachers	

PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

Mrs. Jennie A. Blavackas	Secretary
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HEALTH

Dr. Albert E. Hall	Physician
Mrs. Joyce McEachern	Nurse

LIBRARY

Mrs. Viola C. Prentice	Clerk
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CAFETERIA

Mrs. Beatrice Robinson	School Lunch Manager
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CUSTODIAL STAFF

Howard K. Cresswell	Head Custodian
Charles A. Craig	
Richard Palmer	
Miss Anne Poutuu	

TRANSPORTATION

George C. Hunt, Jr.

Contractor

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1966 - 1967

September 7, 1966	November 10, 1966
November 14, 1966	January 20, 1967
January 23, 1967	March 31, 1967
April 3, 1967	June 23, 1967

NON-SCHOOL DAYS

October 12, 1966	Columbus Day
November 4, 1966	Teachers' Convention
November 11, 1966	Veterans Day
November 24, 1966	Thanksgiving Recess
November 25, 1966	Thanksgiving Recess
March 24, 1967	Good Friday
May 29, 1967	
May 30, 1967	Memorial Day

VACATION PERIODS

Christmas	December 24, 1966 - January 2, 1967
Winter	February 18, 1967 - February 26, 1967
Spring	April 15, 1967 - April 23, 1967

September 1966—ENROLLMENT—Paxton Center School

Grade	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	Spec.	TOTAL
	69	91	72	85	73	64	83	57	7	601

WACHUSETT REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

Grade	IX	X	XI	XII	TOTAL
	57	35	34	52	178

WORCESTER BOYS TRADE HIGH SCHOOL — 2

WORCESTER INDUSTRIAL TECHNICAL INSTITUTE — 2

PRE-SCHOOL CENSUS

Children born in:	1966	1965	1964	1963	1962	1961
	19	26	43	46	47	65

SCHOOL BUDGET

1000	ADMINISTRATION	\$8,021.00
2000	INSTRUCTION	234,140.00
3000	OTHER SCHOOL SERVICES	34,090.00
4000	OPERATION & MAINTENANCE	35,897.00
5000	FIXED CHARGES	354.00
6000	COMMUNITY SERVICES	150.00
7000	ACQUISITION OF FIXED ASSETS	1,208.00
9000	PROGRAMS WITH OTHER DISTRICTS	3,769.00
TOTAL		\$317,629.00
TITLE III Proposed Expenditures		\$1,580.98
Balance on Hand		1,580.98
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As Superintendents of Schools, we respectfully submit our 1966 Annual Report to the School Committee.

Organization

School Union No. 24, organized under the provisions of Chapter 71 of the General Laws of Massachusetts, provides for the centralization of the administrative functions of the public school systems in Holden, Oakham, Paxton, Princeton, Rutland and Sterling.

School Union No. 24 employs the Superintendents, the central office staff, provides office space and supplies for the administration, and apportions the operating costs to the member towns on the basis of pupils enrolled in grades one through eight.

The 1967 enrollment of pupils in the Union and the percentage of costs apportioned is as follows:

Town	Membership	Percentage
		January - June 1967
Holden	2,055	49.2
Oakham	94	2.2
Paxton	602	14.4
Princeton	284	6.8
Rutland	450	10.6
Sterling	694	16.6
	<hr/> 4,179	<hr/> 100%

Change in Organization

On July 1, 1967, Oakham will withdraw from School Union No. 24, join with the communities of Barre, Hardwick and Hubbardston to form School Union No. 2, and participate in the operation of the Quabbin Regional School District. This change in administrative organization was originated by an affirmative School Committee vote in each of the communities involved and was approved by the Massachusetts Department of Education as consistent with the Department's purpose of encouraging the formation of co-terminus grade one through twelve educational units throughout the state.

As a result of the withdrawal of Oakham from School Union No. 24 the pupil enrollment and the percentage assessment of costs is revised as follows:

Town	Membership	Percentage
		September - December 1967
Holden	2,055	50.3
Paxton	602	14.7
Princeton	284	7.0
Rutland	450	11.0
Sterling	694	17.0
	<hr/> 4,085	<hr/> 100%

Coordinating Personnel

Beginning on August 1, 1966 School Union No. 24 and the Wachusett Regional School District jointly employed a Superintendent of Schools as the administrative officer for the grade 1-12 program. Efficiencies in operation and a more coordinated educational program should result from the centralization of administrative responsibility.

The 1967 budgets provide for the employment of an assistant superintendent in charge of curriculum and Federal projects. Pupils from five separate community school systems feed into Wachusett Regional High School and there is a need to coordinate the educational programs between the high school and the elementary schools and between the several elementary schools. The continued increase in Federal participation in educational projects makes it desirable to develop a specialist in these activities so that this school system will qualify for available aid.

State Aid

It is still too early to accurately evaluate the effectiveness of the State Sales Tax as a means of supporting public school education in these communities. The delayed start of the program, the inaccuracies that developed in the assembly of some of the formula data, and the variations that developed in applying the formulas to individual communities, have contributed to the uncertainties that prohibit an accurate estimate of 1967 receipts from the state for educational purposes.

In the next few years, the Sales Tax will result in increased state participation in the cost of public schools and a reduction in the percentage of the local real estate tax expended for education. The Sales Tax has greatly expanded the tax base of this state and realistically eliminated total dependence on the property holder.

The formulas for distributing these additional funds are based on the community's ability to pay as determined

by the valuation of the community and by the community's expenditures for educational purposes. These factors in the formula, ability and effort, favor and reward those communities that have provided above average educational opportunities and continue to do so.

Current Situation

The school year 1966 can be identified as a year of minor changes with general continuation of programs established in previous years.

After a year of evaluation, we would report that the Grade 6 - 8 organization is proving to be very successful. The special facilities provided in 1965 have proven to be a definite asset to the junior high school program.

Staff

We have ten new teachers on our staff. The new teachers were hired to replace teachers that left, or to provide for additional classes due to an ever increasing enrollment

A remedial reading teacher was employed to provide additional reading help for the pupils.

To better provide for the teaching of girls physical education, a woman instructor was employed on a part-time basis.

Health Program

We can point with pride to a fine health program. Some of the accomplishments of the past year include:

- 45 pupils received the oral polio booster
- 630 pupils received eye and ear tests
- 199 pupils received physical examinations
- 148 pupils received diptheria and tetanus shots

The Tine Test Program is being planned for pupils in Grade One.

Paxton continues to face an increase in pupil population,

To accomodate the pupil increase as of September 1967, we plan to convert the Household Arts Room in the 1957 Building to a general classroom. The removal of wall cabinets and the installation of new chalkboard and tack-board and pupil furniture will provide an excellent teaching space.

All indications point to required kindergarten programs in the very near future. Our planning should include provisions for a kindergarten program.

As our school population increases, our school library needs to expand. The present library is now faced with growing pains and must be expanded if we are to continue the fine program presently in existence.

A Final Word

It is pprofesionally rewarding for your Superintendents to be associated with a comunity that continues to face its educational challenges in such a straightforward and effective way.

IRVING H. AGARD,
Superintendent of Schools
WILLIAM F. CAREY
Assistant Superintendent

REPORT of the SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The School Committee takes pleasure in presenting the following reports and data relating to the School Department and recommends them to the voters so that they may better understand what is being done and who is involved in our educational system. The Committee continues to solicit the interest and support of the Town in matters relating to the education of our children, and urges interested citizens to attend the meetings of the Committee at Center School on the Tuesday before the last Thursday of the month.

The most significant development of the past year was the selection, employment and assumption of his duties of our new Superintendent, Mr. Irving Agard. Mr. Agard comes to School Union 24 and the Wachusett Regional High School from a like position in the Wilbraham area, and his experience, knowledge of our problems and hard work have already made a significant impression on the Committee and the school.

During the year, the Committee, or members of the Committee, have served the Town on the Wachusett Regional High School Committee, the School Needs study Committee, the Recreation Committee, and have met as part of the Union 24 Committee as the need has arisen.

The increase in enrollment which we have 'enjoyed' for the last several years continued in the year just completed, with the result that enrollment at Center School topped the 600 mark in September. This has meant that the full- and part time faculty has now reached the level of 34 persons, with several others required on a full-or part-time basis to round out the school staff.

An innovation in the Spring of the year, continued in the Fall, was an evening adult education course, taught to several townswomen by one of our teachers, Mr. Mortell. The courses, in Ceramics, were proposed by the Committee so that better utilization of our fine facilities might be achieved, and were self-supporting, in effect.

The Committee wishes to thank the voters, the Administration, the faculty and staff for their fine cooperation in the year 1966 and to express its sincere hope for continued support in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES C. CRAIG, Ch.
ROBERT J. HALL, Sec.
REGINALD J. SMITH

REPORT of the SCHOOL NURSE

Clinics held during the year were as follows:

Vaccination	12
Oral Sabin Polio Triple Booster	45
Diphtheria and Tetanus	148
Flu Vaccine	28
Pre-School Registration	44
Audio-Visual Exams	630
Conf. and meetings	2
Physicals by Dr. Hall	199
Nurse Pupil Conf.	861
Nurse Teacher Conf.	17

Physicals are being done on all first, fourth and seventh graders by Dr. Hall our school physician. Also physicals are done on all pupils taking part in the sports program.

Absenteeism has been high in 1966 due to the flu and to the many different types of viruses.

This year, the children in the first grades received a booster of the Triple Oral Polio Sabin Vaccine. It is hoped that next year there will be available enough vaccine to offer the booster dose to more of the students besides the first graders.

Diphtheria and Tetanus boosters will be given the first part of February and following that, the Tine test will be available to all first graders upon request.

Remember to report all communicable diseases to the School Nurse at SW 1-4230.

Respectfully submitted,

JOYCE McEACHERN, R. N.

School Nurse

REPORT of the SUPERINTENDENT

As Superintendent of Schools, I respectfully submit my first Annual Report to the Wachuset Regional School District Committee.

The invitation to serve as Superintendent in this school district last spring was accepted with enthusiasm because of the inherent opportunity to work towards a coordinated grade one through twelve instructional organization in a period of changing educational requirements.

As each year passes, our citizens' expectations and the resulting responsibilities of the public schools have become

more demanding. Admission requirements to institutions of higher learning are increasingly more restrictive. Schools specializing in terminal education are involved in developing specific skills previously unrecognized and unneeded in our business and industrial life. A high school diploma is no longer a guarantee of gainful employment and a productive life, but rather, the first bench mark in a life-long educational process. The public schools are continually challenged to provide better educational opportunities for additional numbers of pupils.

There is, in a period of educational challenge and intellectual ferment, a tendency to forget the basic goals of a good public school program, "to educate every pupil to the fullest extent of his ability, to prepare him for any subsequent educational program he may undertake and to provide him with the opportunity to become a contributing member of society." Each new program and the evaluation of existing programs must be measured against these stated goals.

Wachusett Regional High School, serving the pupils from five member towns, must provide educational leadership and a coordination of programs for all the elementary and junior high schools in the District, if the total educational effort is to be both productive and efficient.

With the organizational and educational objectives stated, to improve existing programs and develop coordination between all grade levels, what has been accomplished in the past five months?

In two areas, English and Foreign Language, specific programs to coordinate the grade eight-grade nine transition period between the school systems have been instituted. The establishment of total subject matter requirements and the assigning of specific responsibilities is being accomplished and should be ready for operation and evaluation in September 1967.

The addition to the staff on July 1, 1967 of an assistant

superintendent, being jointly employed by the District and School Union No. 24, and assigned to curriculum development and improvement of instruction, will facilitate the further coordination of the total program.

The complete cooperation given me by the educational and supporting staff members is deeply appreciated. I am continually impressed by the preparation and excellence of the instructional personnel and by the attention to the interest of the District displayed by the supporting staff. I am confident that the challenges of improved educational opportunity will be met.

The support, advice, counsel and many personal kindnesses by School Committee members is appreciated and acknowledged.

Respectfully submitted,

IRVING H. AGARD

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

ENROLLMENT

The size of the student body here at Wachusett again is growing in numbers. As of January 3, 1967 we had a school population of 1,566 students. This is 49 more than the 1,517 we had on the comparable date in 1966. These 1,566 students are divided as follows: Holden 787, Sterling 290, Paxton 177, Rutland 165, Princeton 102, Oakham 37, West Boylston 3, and one each from Barre, Berlin, Boylston, Hubbardston, and Leominster. There are 445 freshmen, 381 sophomores, 374 juniors, 359 seniors and 7 post graduates. We can truthfully say we are crowded. The capacity of this building, if we followed recommended utilization figures, is only 1,350. We are already 216 in excess of this number. Something must be done quickly to provide more classrooms or we shall be confronted with double sessions or some other type of inferior education. As far as we can see now, enrollments will continue to increase each year.

STAFF

Again this year, our professional staff numbers 100 members, as follows: 2 administrators, 4 guidance personnel, 90 classroom teachers, 2 librarians, 1 nurse, and 1 study hall monitor. In addition to the above, we have 17 cafeteria workers, 10 custodians, 3 part-time Driver Education instructors, 6 lay readers, 3 secretaries in the General Office and 2 in the Guidance Office. The Superintendent's Office has been located in this building for about two years and has a secretarial force of 3.

Only a few changes in the staff have taken place since last year's report. One of the most significant was the election of Mr. Irving H. Agard as Superintendent of Schools. Neal T. Skillings, after serving as Acting Superintendent for about 1½ years, returned to full time duty as High School Principal.

Three new English teachers are with us this year. They are Edward Gallagher, Mrs. Joyce Wiggin, and Mrs. Jean Williams. They replace Mrs. Iris M. Gleason, John R. Osterholm, and David J. Weinstock.

Howard E. Groom has taken over Miss Geraldine Guertin's spot as a Guidance Counselor while she is on a leave of absence studying for her doctor's degree.

In the Household Arts Department, Mrs. Sally E. Kakitis has replaced Mrs. Alice B. Makepeace; and in the Industrial Arts field, Philip J. O'Connor has taken over the position formerly held by Aimo Moilanen.

Miss Carolyn Heald replaced Mrs. Beverly J. Schofield in February and has continued in this Girl's Physical Education position the present school year.

The Science Department is without the services of Malcolm B. Fraser whose replacement is David A. Beckwith.

CLASS OF 1966

At our 12th graduation, June 19, 1966, the Class of 1966 numbered 367 members—not our largest class but one of our most distinguished. 156 (43%) attended four-year colleges, 62 (17%) entered two-year colleges, 9 (2%) went to nursing schools, 39 (11%) will continue their education at business or technical schools and 7 (2%) either went to preparatory schools or returned to Wachusett for post-graduate work. Thus, 273 members of this class (75%) are continuing their education—the largest percentage in the history of the school. 21 (5%) entered the Armed Services and 71 are employed.

These graduates have entered 92 institutions of higher learning from Maine to California in twenty states and one foreign country. To date, 53 graduates have been awarded financial aid in excess of \$32,000.

The Class of 1966 has won more national honors than any in our history. Among the members was a foreign exchange student from Denmark, a graduate who spent a summer touring Germany under the auspices of the American Field Service—also a boy who had spent his senior year in Germany sponsored by the same organization, a girl who has completed her freshman year at Pembroke College after being accepted to attend after her junior year here at Wachusett Regional High School, and a number of others who have received national recognition for their scholastic accomplishments.

The distribution for the Class of 1966 is as follows:

Four-Year Schools

Massachusetts:		Gordon	1
Harvard	1	Amer. International	1
Mt. Holyoke	1	Atlantic Union	1
Tufts	4	Stonehill	1
Wheaton	1	Bentley	1
Northeastern	6	Our Lady of the Elms	2
Anna Maria	5	Assumption	1
Boston Univ.	3	Springfield	1

Nichols	3	Vassar	1
Holy Cross	1	Skidmore	2
Worcester Polytech.	9	Rensselaer	1
Mass. Col. of Pharm.	1	Hartwick	1
Univ. of Mass.	16	Cornell	1
Worcester State	20	Ithaca	1
Bridgewater State	1	Eliz. Seton	1
Westfield State	5		
Fitchburg State	1	New Jersey:	
Mass. Col. of Art	1	Upsala	1
Lowell Tech.	5		
Mass. Maritime	1	Pennsylvania:	
Southeastern Mass. Tech.	4	Lehigh	1
		Susquehanna	1
Maine		Univ. of Scranton	1
Bates	3	York Junior	1
Colby	4		
Nasson	1	Michigan:	
Husson	1	Calvin	1
New Hampshire:		Kansas:	
Nathaniel Hawthorne	1	Ottawa	1
Dartmouth	2		
Keene State	1	Kentucky:	
Plymouth State	1	Univ. of Kentucky	1
Univ. of N. H.	2		
Vermont:		Colorado:	
Norwich Univ.	1	Univ. of Colorado	1
Middlebury	1		
Univ. of Vermont	2	Ohio:	
		Heidelberg	1
Rhode Island:		South Carolina:	
Bryant	1	The Citadel	1
Univ. of R. I.	1		
Connecticut:		North Carolina:	
Yale	1	Duke	1
Albertus Magnus	1		
Univ. of Bridgeport	1	Virginia:	
Coast Guard Acad.	1	Bridgewater	1
Univ. of Conn.	2	California:	
		Northrop Inst. of Tech.	1
New York:		Oklahoma:	
New York Univ.	1	Southeastern State	1

Utah:		Peter Bent Brigham	1
Brigham Young	1	Leominster Hospital	1
		Grace-New Haven, Ct.	1
Two-Year Schools			
Massachusetts:		Business Schools:	
Worcester Junior College	11	Northampton Com. Sch.	1
Endicott Junior College	1	Salter Sec.	4
Dean Junior College	1	N. E. School of Account'g	2
Fisher Junior College	1	Burdett	1
Becker Junior College	6	Cambridge Sch. of Bus.	3
Wentworth College	5		
Franklin	1	Other:	
Leicester Junior College	1	Chamberlain Sch. of Ret.	1
Quinsigamond Community	22	Girls Trade	4
Stockbridge College	1	Broms Hairdressing	1
Mt. Wachusett Community	2	Butera Sch. of Art	1
		Cinderella Model. Sch.	2
Vermont:		Worc. Ind. Tech. Inst.	2
Vermont College	1	Henri's Hairdress. Sch.	1
		Lenox School	1
Connecticut:		School of Prac. Art	4
Mitchell	1	Vesper George	1
Univ. of Conn.	1	Kents Hill	1
		Culinary Institute	2
Nursing Schools:		Bruno Hairdressing Sch.	1
Deaconess Hospital	3	Weaver Airline School	3
St. Vincent Hospital	1	Total Graduates	367
Mass. General Hospital	1	Boys	195
Memorial Hospital	1	Girls	172

Number attending 4-year schools	155	42%
Number attending 2-year schools	61	17%
Number attending nursing schools	8	2%
Number attending business schools	12	3%
Number returning for P. G.	4	1%
Number in other educational institutions	29	8%
Number continuing education	269	73%
Number entering Armed Services	24	7%
Number entering employment	69	19%
Other	5	1%

CLASS OF 1966

Town	4-year College		2-year College		Nursing		Bus.		P. G.		Other		Service		Work		Other	
	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G	B	G
Holden	45	47	22	11	....	6	3	5	3	....	6	9	11	1	15	12	....	1
Paxton	9	10	4	1	....	1	....	2	....	....	2	2	1	....	3	5	....	....
Princeton	1	7	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	1	1	....	2
Rutland	7	11	3	1	....	....	1	1	1	....	1	2	2	....	7	5	....	....
Sterling	10	4	9	8	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	4	8	1	13	6	1	....
Oakham	2	2	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	1	....	....	1	....	....	1
Total	74	81	39	22	....	8	4	8	4	....	11	18	22	2	40	29	1	4

Town	Tot. Stu.	Boys	Girls	No. Cont. Ed.
Holden	197	105	92	157-80%
Paxton	40	19	21	31-78%
Princeton	14	4	10	10-71%
Rutland	42	22	20	28-66%
Sterling	65	41	24	36-55%
Oakham	9	4	5	7-78%

CLASS OF 1966**HONORS**

- 3 Certificates of Merit
- 16 Merit Letters of Commendation
- 1 New York University Merit Scholar
- 1 Westinghouse Science Talent Search Award
- 3 National Mathematics Exam Finalists
- 1 Outstanding Achievement-Mass. Assoc. of Mathematics
- 3 Distinguished Achievement-Mass. Assoc. of Mathematics
- 1 1st in Math Fair
- 1 2nd in Math Fair
- 1 3rd in Math Fair
- 1 3rd—French IV—A.A.T. National Exam
- 1 French II—A.A.T. National Exam
- 1 A.A.T.S.P. Spoken Spanish Contest Winner
- 1 A.A.T.S.P. Exam-High Score

LIBRARY STATISTICAL REPORT**Volumes in Library:**

Fiction	1,957
Non-Fiction	5,343
Total	7,300
Less Withdrawals	54
Total	7,246

Number of books added Sept, 1965-June, 1966:

Non-Fiction	426
Fiction	214
Total	<hr/> 640

Periodicals:

Magazines	70 (incl. 7 gift subscriptions and 2 foreign language)	
Newspapers	2 daily, 1 Sunday, 1 weekly	Total 74

Cir. Books-Fiction:

Sept.	280
Oct.	488
Nov.	613
Dec.	414
Jan.	609
Feb.	226
March	338
April	250
May	412
June	14
Total	3,644

Cir. Books-Non-Fiction:

Sept.	273
Oct.	551
Nov.	525
Dec.	498
Jan.	212
Feb.	589
March	521
April	404
May	517
June	37
Total	4,127

Total fiction and non-fiction: 7,771

Circulation Periodicals and other non-card material (Record for 1966 only)

Jan.	217
Feb.	123
March	87
April	205
May	216
Total	848

Attendance (exclusive of class groups)

September	1,298
October	2,143
November	2,508
December	2,156
January	2,968
February	1,004
March	2,642
April	1,752
May	2,331
June	57
Total	18,859

As a final word, I should like to say that, while we badly need more space, we feel well pleased with the past year. We have a fine school—one of the best anywhere. Wachusett's reputation is an excellent one. Many thanks to all those who have made this situation possible.

Resectfully submitted,

NEAL T. SKILLINGS
Principal

TREASURER'S REPORT—1966

I. 1966

Cash Flow in 1966

Opening Balance 1/1/66	\$ 147,257.02
Total Receipts (See A)	1,996,059.07
Total Expenditures (See B)	1,990,007.25
Closing Balance 12/31/66	153,308.84

(A) Receipts		(B) Expenditures	
Assessments	\$1,013,826.58	Admin.	\$38,475.15
Short Term Loans	480,000.00	Instruction	778,881.26
Withheld	178,982.88	Other Services	29,053.80
Int. Earned	1,040.28	Operations	109,649.95
Tuition	36,476.77	Fixed Charges	17,145.71
St./Fed. Voc. Aid	45,154.17	New Assets	12,237.47
Construction Aid	142,317.05	Withheld Paid	169,268.88
Cafeteria	78,123.40	Cafeteria	81,878.33
Athletic Fund	4,720.22	Athletic Fund	7,928.33
Retirees 32B Pymts.	524.26	Long Term Debt	265,367.50
Misc.	14,893.46	Short Term Debt	48,000.00
		Misc.	120.87
	<u>\$1,996,059.07</u>		<u>\$1,990,007.25</u>

Balance Sheet:

Item	Assets		
	12-31-64	12-31-65	12-31-66
Cash	\$139,168.09	\$147,257.02	\$153,308.84

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Accounts Receivable:

Holden	530,203.67	548,729.26	586,540.61
Paxton	111,652.84	112,992.59	131,555.94
Princeton	55,091.99	60,989.36	78,553.16
Rutland	133,811.35	132,000.54	126,366.17
Sterling	199,876.73	209,114.83	212,943.70
Tuition	11,031.93	10,045.17	172.24
Prepaid	-----	-----	-----

Total Receipts	\$1,180,836.60	\$1,221,128.77	\$1,289,440.66
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Liabilities

Revolving Funds	\$16,481.58	\$23,818.11	\$17,032.31
Unclaimed Checks	22.17	22.17	22.17

Revenue Reserved
Until Collected:

Assessments	1,030,636.58	1,063,826.58	1,135,959.58
Tuitions	11,031.93	10,045.17	-----
Withheld	1,232.47	1,325.80	10,941.42
Main. Fund	22,269.96	23,223.00	24,263.28
Building Fund	1,887.77	387.77	87.77
Surplus	97,274.14	98,480.17	101,134.13

Total Liabilities	\$1,180,836.60	\$1,221,128.77	\$1,289,440.66
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II. Bonded Indebtedness

As of 12/31/66, our bonded indebtedness was as follows:

Issue	Rate	Annual Pay	Principal Remaining	Year Pay Completed
6/1/52	1.90%	75,000.00	450,000	1972
2/15/53	2.60%	50,000.00	350,000	1973
3/15/60	3.50%	100,000.00	400,000	1970
6/1/51	2.20%	\$5,000.00	\$25,000	1971

Total Outstanding	\$1,225,000
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III. 1967 Budget

The following tabulation shows the 1967 budget with comparative data for 1966 in the first column. Exact comparisons are not possible since there have been certain account changes to conform to state standards.

Account	1966	1967
Administration	\$42,992	\$39,852
Instruction	796,404	857,522
Other Services	30,795	41,479
Oper. and Maint.	112,058	115,986
Fixed Charges	30,500	46,550
Community Services	.....	1,300
Acquisition Fixed Assets	10,128	18,332
Total Operating	\$1,022,877	\$1,121,021
Debt Service	265,368	259,033
Total Budget	\$1,288,245	\$1,380,054

IV. Miscellaneous Cost Data

There is no universally accepted index to measure efficiency of education. The following tabulation is to be considered as of strictly statistical interest. It simply states briefly the trend of the District's costs.

No. of Pupils	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967
Holden	688	748	778	781	766	789
Paxton	118	139	162	165	158	178
Princeton	89	94	87	74	79	101
Rutland	154	176	177	193	180	165
Sterling	233	258	257	291	289	283
Total	1282	1415	1461	1504	1472	1516

Budget Data	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967
Gross Budget	1,102,974	1,210,521	1,241,330	1,288,245	1,380,054
Debt Service	284,373	278,037	271,703	265,368	259,033
Oper. Budget	818,601	932,484	969,628	1,022,877	1,121,021
Assess. Towns	864,640	992,375	1,030,637	1,063,637	1,135,960
Oper./Pupil	578	638	645	695	739
Assess./Pupil	611	679	685	723	749

V. Surplus Account

\$35,000 of the Surplus showing in the Balance Sheet as of 12/31/66 will be used to reduce town assessments in 1967. This leaves Surplus but slightly in excess of the 5% of operating costs which we have used historically as our goal in the Surplus retained for emergency.

VI. Cost Trends

The following tabulation contains data for the past ten years and shows the growth of our District. Total expenditures include money expended for operation of the cafeteria, which is self supporting but do not include construction costs. Cost of instruction includes salaries, books, travel, and all other teaching materials and services.

Year	No. Pup.	Total Expend.	Cost of Instruct.	Other Oper.	Debt. Service
1957	821	\$625,232	\$290,916	\$159,183	\$175,133
1958	969	657,577	321,050	164,247	172,280
1959	1047	708,275	366,666	172,146	169,463
1960	1095	779,392	420,554	174,721	184,127
1961	1145	966,124	470,820	198,261	297,043
1962	1282	1,044,232	523,046	230,478	290,708
1963	1451	1,164,047	618,903	260,771	284,373
1964	1461	1,236,975	694,053	264,848	278,074
1965	1504	1,278,952	742,727	264,522	271,703
1966	1472	1,340,738	778,881	296,489	265,368

Increase

57-66	651	715,506	478,965	137,306
%	88%	111%	167%	94%

Costs have risen and will continue to rise. If Wachusett Regional School District is to continue to be a leader, our costs will go considerably higher. To us it appears that what the District taxpayer can honestly ask is that each dollar spent produces a dollar of result. This we feel is the joint goal of the administration and the school committee.

William F. Lionett

Treasurer

Wachusett Regional School District

Report of the Secretary

As Secretary of the Wachusett Regional School District Committee, I respectfully submit my report for the year 1966.

The Wachusett Regional School District Committee was organized on March 14, 1966 with the following members in attendance: William Morgan, Chairman (Princeton), William Lionett, Treasurer (Holden), Stanley Cole, Secretary (Paxton), Arnold Weller, Vice Chairman (Rutland), Frank Lambert (Sterling), Avis Bourne (Sterling), Arthur McLean (Sterling), Attilio Alinovi (Rutland), Ralph Oberg (Holden), Howard Greis (Holden) and David Nichols (Princeton).

22 Regular Meetings were held and 3 Special Meetings were held.

During the year a new Superintendent was elected, a record budget of \$1,380,053.50 approved and an educational philosophy adopted. Elected members of the five member towns have given many hours of their time in their continuing efforts to provide your children with the best high school education available.

Respectfully submitted,

Stanley R. Cole
Secretary

Wachusett Regional School District Committee Report

In August 1966 Mr. Irving H. Agard assumed responsibility of Superintendent of the District and of Union No. 24. In the short time since then he has impressed the Committee with his ability as an administrator and we are extremely optimistic that he will provide the leadership which will as-

sure a high quality education for all our students. At this time the Committee would also like to express its appreciation to Mr. Neal T. Skillings who served as Acting Superintendent from December 1964 until Mr. Agard arrived in August.

During the year the Committee developed and adopted goals which will guide all the actions of the Committee and the administration. They are as follows:

Statement of Goals

THE GOAL OF WACHUSETT REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IS TO EDUCATE EVERY PUPIL TO THE FULLEST EXTENT OF HIS ABILITY, PREPARE HIM FOR ANY SUBSEQUENT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM HE MAY UNDERTAKE AND TO PROVIDE HIM WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO BECOME A CONTRIBUTING MEMBER OF SOCIETY.

- A. We believe that to accomplish this goal we must evaluate each area of the curriculum to be certain that we
 - 1. Recognize that pupils vary in interest level and learning capacity.
 - 2. Challenge each pupil intellectually.
 - 3. Foster enthusiasm for learning opportunity in all pupils.
 - 4. Develop the latent ability of every pupil.
- B. We believe that we must attempt to establish an academic environment which will:
 - 1. Attract high quality teachers, administrative and supporting personnel.
 - 2. Develop close student-teacher relationships.
 - 3. Encourage innovations in educational techniques.

- C. We believe that in working toward our goal we must:
1. Recognize the financial capabilities and limitations of the taxpayers of the region.
 2. Exercise continuous and exacting stewardship over public funds entrusted to the District School Committee.
 3. Continue to examine and evaluate each educational activity to be certain that it is an efficient and realistic means of achieving the stated goal.
- D. We believe that Wachusett High School must equip every pupil with the ability to:
1. Communicate, both orally and in writing.
 2. Read and critically analyze written works.
 3. Understand and appreciate both the responsibilities and the obligations of American citizenship.
 4. Master the financial and mathematical complexities of our society.
 5. Develop an understanding and appreciation of the role of scientific knowledge in our daily lives.
 6. Analyze a problem and search for answers.
 7. State clearly and factually an opinion.
 8. Accept the decisions of the majority and to protest a decision or support a minority cause within the legal guide lines of our constitutional government.
- E. We believe that a sound educational program at Wachusett High School can produce graduates who have been educated to:
1. Demand an active and participating role in the continued growth of this country.

2. Perform at a high level of productivity in a wide range of occupations.
3. Gain entrance to and profit from such subsequent educational programs to which they may aspire.
4. Recognize the value and the importance of each human being, despite their differences.
5. Respect the rights of individuals.

The major problem facing the Committee is how to provide adequate facilities for the continuing expansion of the student population. Our high school is already filled beyond state standards and each year enrollments increase. Search for the solution to this problem will have top priority during 1967.

The Reports of our Committee Secretary, Treasurer, the Superintendent and School Principal are integral parts of the Committee's Report.

Respectfully submitted,

William S. Morgan, Jr., Chairman
Arnold C. Weller, Jr., Vice Chm.
William F. Lionett, Treasurer
Stanley R. Cole, Secretary
Attilio Alinovi
(Mrs.) Avis C. Bourne
Charles C. Craig
Howard Greis
Francis X. Lambert
Arthur E. McLean
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