

New Facilities of Paxton Light Department

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

Town Officers

OF THE

Town of Paxton



FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1971

In Memoriam

ARTHUR DOUGLAS ROBERTS

Special Police Officer

Born

November 1, 1911

Died

May 13, 1971

TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1971

Moderator

J. ARDEN WOODALL

Town Clerk

GEORGE L. McGOVERN

Treasurer

DAVID P. FITZPATRICK

Town Collector

FREDERICK T. WARPULA

Constables

WILLIAM O. WYLIE HAROLD J. MULLANEY

Tree Warden

CURTIS J. LANCIANI

Selectmen

HOWARD W. MOORE	Term	Expires	1972
RONALD E. JOHNSON	Term	Expires	1973
HERBERT M. VARNUM	Term	Expires	1974

Assessors

CHRISTIAN'S. BAEHRECKE	Term	Expires	1972
ERNEST C. SPRAGUE	Term	Expires	1973
RICHARD G. BEDARD	Term	Expires	1974

School Committee

FRED A. RUOFF	Term	Expires	1972
KATHERINE S. JACOBS	Term	Expires	1973
PHILIP V. DONOHUE	Term	Expires	1974

Municipal Light Board

ROBERT C. HARRINGTON	Term	Expires	1972
WILLIAM E. ISHAM	Term	Expires	1973
THOMAS F. CUMMINGS	Term	Expires	1974

Cemetery Commission

FRED RUOFF	21701	3 nwell	Term	Expires	1972
CAROLINE L. ISHAM		ALI JUNO	Term	Expires	1973
VIRGINIA M. KIMBAI	LL		Term	Expires	1974

Water Board

FREDERICK G. ANTELL	Term	Expires	1972
DONALD L. MONTAGUE	Term	Expires	1973
BRIAN C. MURPHY	Term	Expires	1974

Library Truestees

G. DONALD FENTON	Term	Expires	1972
HELEN L. RIDDLE	Term	Expires	1972
ELIZABETH O. CUNINGHAM	Term	Expires	1973
O. FRANK BURBANK	Term	Expires	1973
CONSTANCE G. GREENMAN	Term	Expires	1974
LAURENS C. SEELYE	Term	Expires	1974

STOT ASSISTED Planning Board

RICHARD G. CONNELL	Term	Expires	1972
BETTY C. PETERSON	Term	Expires	1972
WILLIAM M. FOLEY	Term	Expires	1973
ROBERT F. PERRY	Term	Expires	1974
ROBERT L. PRICE	Term	Expires	1975
GERALD K. LOWE (Resigned)	Term	Expires	1976

Board of Health

THOMAS P. LAVIGNE	Term	Expires	1972
FRANCIS E. BRUNELLE	Term	Expires	1973
FRANKLIN LANG, JR.	Term	Expires	1974

Recreation

JEAN M. McINTYRE	Term	Expires	1972
GERARD A. BERNIER	Term	Expires	1972
SHIRLEYANN LANCIANI	Term	Expires	1974
ALAN M. WENTWORTH	Term	Expires	1975
JEAN PAUL MORIN	Term	Expires	1976

Wachusett Regional School Committee

JOHN E. HODGSON	Term	Expires	1972
ROGER E. VARNUM	Term	Expires	1973

Finance Board

Term	Expires	1972
Term	Expires	1972
Term	Expires	1972
Term	Expires	1973
Term	Expires	1973
Term	Expires	1973
Term	Expires	1974
	Term Term Term Term Term Term Term Term	Term Expires

CAPITAL OUTLAY COMMITTEE

Appointed by the Selectmen

HAROLD S. SACHS-Finance Commit-	tee		
SVSE Region I man I	Term	Expires	1972
CHRISTIAN S. BAEHRECKE—Assess	ors		
		Expires	1972
WILLIAM L. LAWLER—Finance Boar	d		
Terror Experience 1976	Term	Expires	1972
GERALD K. LOWE—Planning Board			

Term Expires 1972

Appointed by Moderator

FRANK H. MICKEL

DEANE O. HOWLAND

ELIZABETH RICHARDS

Term Expires 1973

Term Expires 1973

Term Expires 1974

Appointed by the Board of Health

Plumbing Inspector
ALBIN F. WRIGHT

Sanitary Inspector JOHN W. REILLY, JR.

Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering FRANK URBANOVITCH

Public Health Nurse

E. JACALYN PIERCE

Burial Agent
GEORGE L. McGOVERN

Appointed by the Selectmen Board of Appeals

JOHN D. ROMMEL, JR.

EDWARD Z. SAVICKAS

WILLIAM E. LINDQUIST

ROBERT F. DILLMAN

TIMOTHEOS M. THOUTSIS

DONALD T. LUNDQUIST

R. RAY SUM A

Term Expires 1972
Term Expires 1973
Term Expires 1974
Term Expires 1975
Term Expires 1976
Alternate

Alternate

Care of Clock
WILLIAM O. WYLIE

Dog OfficerRAYMOND F. KIRWIN

Superintendent of Streets ROBERT S. HANSSON

Town Secretary
YVONNE B. KARLE

Veteran's Agent
WILLIAM E. LINDQUIST

Inspector of Wires
WARREN P. LEDERER

Building Inspector

FRANKLIN G. FLEMING FRED E. WATSON, Assistant

Building Board of Appeals

CHRISTIAN S. BAEHRECKE ROBERT S. BODYCOTT DAVID S. LUDDEN ALVAH W. TRACY Term Expires 1972
Term Expires 1973
Term Expires 1974
Alternate

Local Superintendent of Insect Pest Control
CURTIS J. LANCIANI Term Expires 1972

Measurers of Wood and Bark and Field Drivers and Fence Viewers

WILLIAM O. WYLIE GORDON M. RICHARDS ROBERT F. DILLMAN

Board of Registrars

ROBERTA A. NICHOLSON
VIOLA C. PRENTICE
DANIEL F. CRONIN
Term Expires 1972
Term Expires 1973
Term Expires 1974

Town Counsel

PAUL REVERE O'CONNELL

Town Accountant

YVONNE B. KARLE

Term Expires 1973

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 HAROLD L. SMITH

Reserve Police

ROBERT F. DILLMAN ROBERT B. LOVE ROBERT A. LINDQUIST

Special Police

RALPH J. PIETRO—Worcester Water Works
F. WYMAN ROGERS—Boynton Park
ALFRED J. MIGNEAULT
AMBROSE TOWER—School Grounds
CHARLES F. McMANUS—Town Recreation Program
CHARLES F. BRADY—Black Hill Road
DOUGLAS ROBERTS—Private Property (Deceased)
JESSE E. MILLS—Road Construction
HILTON CUNNINGHAM—Town Recreation Program
LINCOLN WILDING—Special Police &
School Crossing Guard
PHILIP V. DONOHUE—1971 Summer Recreation Program

Civil Defense

ROBERT S. HANSSON—Director GERARD A. BERNIER—Assistant Director

Fire Chief and Forest Fire Worden

LESLIE E. ROBINSON

Veteran's Graves Officer

DONALD G. WYMAN

Conservation Commission

ROBERT M. PAULSON	Term	Expires	1972
CHESTER L. JOHNSON	Term	Expires	1972
HILTON CUNNINGHAM	Term	Expires	1973
JANICE MORAN	Term	Expires	1973
ROBERT FOWLER	Term	Expires	1974
SUSAN P. CORCORAN	Term	Expires	1974
GRACE H. FOWLER	Term	Expires	1974

Group Insurance Advisory Committee

FLORENCE G. MORRISSEY

ROBERT S. HANSSON CURTIS J. LANCIANI

VIOLA C. PRENTICE

School Needs Study Committee

RICHARD A. LaPIERRE	Term	Expires	1972
HUGH AARON	Term	Expires	1972
FREDERICK J. DUNN	Term	Expires	1972
VIOLA C. PRENTICE	Term	Expires	1973
FRED A. RUOFF	Term	Expires	1974
KATHERINE S. JACOBS	Term	Expires	1974

School Planning & Building Committee

FREDERICK G. ANTELL
ROBERT W. HEIN
ROBERT I. BECKER
RICHARD A. LaPIERRE
DAVID P. FAERBER
ROGER E. VARNUM, Chr., (Resigned)

Agents for License Commissioners

WILLIAM O. WYLIE

HAROLD F. MULLANEY

Central Mass. Regional Planning Commission

BETTY PETERSON ROBERT L. PRICE—Alternate

Advisory Committee for Master Plan

RICHARD G. CONNELL (Chariman) 1 Squantum Road HERBERT M. VARNUM (Board of Selectmen) 50 Richards Avenue

LINWOOD M. ERSKINE, JR. Finance Committee (495 Richards Avenue

ROBERT S. HANSSON (Superintendent of Street) 166 Richards Avenue

FRED A. RUOFF (School Committee) 5 Mount View Drive ROBERT FOWLER Conservation Commission) 6 Squantum Road

ROBERT L. PRICE (Planning Board) 22 West Street

At Large

LYNN H. NICHOLSON, 78 West Street
JEROME F. MURPHY, 55 Grove Street
MRS. CAROLINE L. ISHAM, 75 Maple Street
MRS. ELIZABETH M. RICHARDS, 205 Pleasant Street
HOWARD A. AUBERTIN, 10 Birchwood Road
STANLEY F. KACHNOWICZ, 8 Walnut Street

Personnel Advisory Board

RALPH A. KIMBALL, JR. ABERT A. GORDON, III DAVID P. FITZPATRICK CLIFFORD S. DUXBURY, JR. RICHARD G. CONNELL

Study Committee for Athletic Field Complex

JEAN P. MORIN DAVID K. BEACH, JR. HAROLD S. SACHS STANLEY L. MILLER CHARLES J. FOX

REPORT of the TOWN CLERK

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

January

- 6 Timothy Robert Dunn, son to Theodore R. and Patricia M. Dunn.
- 7 Jessica Lee Braley, daughter to Thomas M. and Dorothy M. Braley.
- 19 Christopher John Dean, son to Bradford R. and Elizabeth M. Dean.

February

- 22 Mark David Heiniluoma, son to David and Marilyn A. Heiniluoma.
- 25 Karin Beth Johnson daughter to Bruce Sigfried and Nancy Jane Johnson.
- 25 Amy Lynn Pasternak, daughter to Ronald J. and Carol A. Pasternak.

- 27 Batya Avigail Bloomfield, daughter to David and Mary L. Bloomfield.
- 27 Adina Beryl Bloomfield, daughter to David and Mary L. Bloomfield.

March

- 2 Lisa Ann Tuomivaara, daughter to Karl and Alice E. Tuomivaara.
- 17 Trisha Murphy, daughter to Richard M. and Ann E. Murphy.
- 30 Donald Stephen Metcalf Jr., son to Donald S. and Helen M. Metcalf.

April

- 2 Jacqueline Jean Carrelli, daughter to Robert E. and Betty J. Carrelli.
- 20 Julie Ann Garny, daughter to Donald F. and Dorothy E. Garny.
- 26 John Paul Bergin, son to Paul F. and Ann M. Bergin.

May

- 2 Ross Elliott Johnson, son to Ronald E. and Melinda A. Johnson.
- 12 Kyle Andrew Montague, son to Donald L. and Barbara J. Montague.

June

7 Derek Sean Morrissey, son to Robert W. and Deborah A. Morrisey.

20 Eoin James Clarke, son to Charles W. and Elizabeth A. Clarke.

July

- 8 Matthew Maurice Power, son to Garry M. and Maryann C. Power.
- 6 Jennifer Anne Hall, daughter to Richard S. and Sandra E. Hall.
- 25 Pamela Lynn Kann, daughter to Miland W. and Elizabeth A. Kann.
- 25 Allison Gourlay Paulson, daughter to Robert M. and Audrey Paulson.

August

- 2 Alan Glen Bjorklund, son to Ronald A. and Sandra J. Bjorklund.
- 15 Alicia Andrea White, daughter to William D. and Roberta C. White.

September

- 6 Daniel Joseph Callahan, son to Robert J. and Phyllis E. Callahan.
- 9 Heather Lynn Mannila, daughter to Charles W. & Gail D. Mannila.
- 9 Jennifer Lee Mannila, daughter to Charles W. & Gail D. Mannila.
- 21 Jason Roderick Ayer, son to James R. & Aleksandra Ayer.

October

23 Christopher Scott Beauregard, son to Robert D. and Mary E. Beauregard.

MARRIAGES

January

15 David M. Moriarty of Paxton to Susan A. Gaglio of Hyde Park, Mass.

February

- 2 Sidney Goulding of Paxton to Gertrude Rem of Worcester.
- 14 Peter Don Garabedian of Paxton and Patricia Duffey of Holden.

March

- 20 David Robinson of Paxton to Charlotte Frost of Paxton.
- 20 Charles F. Albrecht of Holden to Linda J. Hassan of Paxton.

April

- 10 Robert William Mann of Oakham and Norma Kay Burtt of Paxton.
- 19 Jonathan D. Hall of Paxton and Susan McCarthy of Worcester.
- 30 Steven Allen Saarinen of Paxton and Catherine Louise Racca of Sterling Junction.

May

- 15 Robert Earle Fowler of Paxton and Marilyn Louise Delfanti of Worcester.
- 28 Brent A. Erickson of Paxton to Susan R. Ostergard of Holden.

- 29 James R. Maher of Paxton and Elizabeth Ann Cooney of Worcester.
- 29 Peter T. Bardhi of Paxton to Susan Suskey of Worcester.

June

- 12 Herbert A. Lunt, Jr. of Portland, Maine to Jean McPherson of Paxton.
- 12 Donald R. Faucher, Jr. of Paxton to Linda C. Bercume of Spencer.
- 19 Andrew P. Bell of Rutland to Sharon A. Warpula of Paxton.
- 20 Joshua Kieval of Auburndale to Madelyn Phillis Dicker of Paxton.
- 26 David Michael Albro of Paxton to Barbara Ann Bates of Sutton.

July

- 3 William F. Roach of Worcester to Janet S. Lilyestrom of Paxton.
- 10 Vahe Krikorian of Paxton to Nancy A. Samson of Worcester.

August

- 14 Brian William Huebner of Chicago, Ill. to Mary Patricia Cross of Paxton.
- 15 Carl William Berger of Worcester, to Karen Ann Martin of Paxton.
- 27 Paul D. Bridge of Gardner to Deborah L. Russell of Paxton.

- 28 Edwin B. Mendala of No. Brookfield, Mass. to Gerrilyn A. Sullivan of Paxton.
- 28 John P. Roche, Jr. of Dedham, Mass. to Ann Stuart Leadbetter of Paxton.

September

- 12 Peter V. Thamel of Paxton to Patricia Ann O'Hara of Westboro.
- 15 M. Paul Stachura of Worcester to Linda J. Wiles of Paxton.
- 18 Norman J. Jolicoeur of Paxton to Maureen E. Neville of Gardner.

October

- 3 Reuben H. O'Janne of Paxton to Anna F. Miller of Paxton.
- 10 Gary Arvanigian of Paxton to Janis Samara of Worcester.

November

- 6 Dennis A. Martin of Paxton to Lenore J. Mitchell of Barre.
- 13 Gordon R. Faucher of Paxton to Gloria Jean Adams of Auburn.
- 18 Aram Arvanigian of Paxton to Linda S. Grier of Jamaica Plain.
- 27 Steven Louis Groccia of Paxton to Maureen Ann Donovan of Holden.
- 28 Roy John Trout of Cambridge to Betty-Jean Wilson of Paxton.

December

31 William H. Nicholson of Paxton to Patricia A. Martinez of Bellingham.

DEATHS

January	
10 Albert A. Crouch, 14 West St.	83 years
23 Carrie (Addy) Weller, 580 Pelasant St.	95 years
29 William Dunlop, Sr., 262 Richards Ave.	38 years
February	
4 Margaret L. Barry, 62 Pleasant St.	62 years
8 Mary F. Sheehan, 358 Pleasant St.	84 years
March	
28 Giovanna Piucci, 397 Pleasant St.	74 years
April	
17 Deborah Jean Langevin, 57 Marshall St.	19 years
May	
13 Arthur Douglas Roberts, 500 Richards Ave.	59 years
23 Alfred J. Liberty, 20 Walbridge Rd.	80 years
June	
4 William L. Jarvis, Jr., 15 Walbridge Rd.	53 years

13 Jacqueline Wentworth, 36 Highland St. 42 years

July

20	Veikko A. Mannila, 49 Grove St.	51 years		
30	Lorraine Martin, 15 Crestwood Rd.	42 years		
30	Marion Kahrman, 6 Squantum Road	76 years		
	August			
21	Colin W. Johnson, 404 Pleasant St.	66 years		
26	Carlotta M. Manning, 35 Highland St.	74 years		
November				
24	Theresa A. Masters, 8 Grove Street	50 years		
December				
22	Effie May Stevens	87 years		
24	Joseph P. Daigle	71 years		

Dog Licenses Issued

Male

TITUTO	100	
Female	27	
Spayed Female	122	
\$10 Kennel	3	
\$25 Kennel	1	
\$50 Kennel	1	
Total Licenses issued	318	
Paid to Town Treasurer		\$1,019.95

169

Hunting and Fishing Licenses Issued

Total number of licenses issued 349
Paid to Division of Fisheries and Game \$1,917.90

REPORT of the TOWN MEETING

Held March 1, 1971

The business meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by the Moderator, J. Arden Woodall. Moderator declared a quorum was present. Meeting was held at Paxton Center School.

Article 1. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M., for the election of Town Officers. The election officers were sworn in and the voting proceeded. The total votes cast were 428.

The following officers were elected:

Moderator Town Clerk Treasurer Town Collector Constables Constables Tree Warden Selectman Assessor School Committee Municipal Light Board Cemetery Commission Water Board Library Trustee Library Trustee Planning Board Board of Health Board of Health Recreation Board

J.Arden Woodall George L. McGovern David P. Fitzpatrick Frederick T. Warpula Harold J. Mullaney William O. Wylie Curtis J. Lanciani Herbert M. Varnum Richard G. Bedard Philip V. Donohue Thomas F. Cummings Virginia M. Kimball Brian C. Murphy Constance G. Greenman Laurens C. Seevle Gerald K. Lowe Francis E. Brunelle Franklin Lang, Jr. Jean Paul Morin

Article 2. Moderator stated that Article 2 (Town Budget) be taken up page by page with amendments to be

made from the floor, and that the amounts of money set forth in the printed report of the Finance Committee be appropriated, for the several purposes itemized, each numbered item being considered a separate appropriation, and that the same be expended only for such purpose.

Unanimous vote—Budget approved as amended.

Article 3. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate a sum of money with which to pay the proper charges of a surety company for acting as surety on bonds required of Town officials and authorize the Selectmen to approve the same.

Unanimous vote.

Article 4. It was voted that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue for the fiscal period beginning July 1, 1971 and ending June 30, 1972 in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4 and Chapter 849 of the Acts of 1969 and to renew any note or notes which may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

Unanimous vote.

Article 5. It was voted that the Town appoint the American Legion as a committee to have charge of the observance of Memorial Day.

Unanimous vote.

Article 6. It was voted that the Town appoint the Recreation Commission to have charge of the July 4th observance.

Unanimous vote.

Article 7. It was voted that the Town appropriate the money received from the Dog Fund to the Richards Memorial Library.

Unanimous vote.

Article 8. It was voted that the Town transfer the money received or to be received from the State for Library use to the Library Account.

Unanimous vote.

Article 9. It was voted that the Town vote that the money voted for street lights and the income from the sales of electricity to private consumers or for electricity supplied to municipal buildings or for municipal power and from sales or appliances and jobbing during the current fiscal period. be appropriated for the Municipal Light Plant, the whole to be expended by the Manager of the Municipal Light Plant under direction and control of the Municipal Light Board for the expenses of the plant (including out-of-state travel of the employees where necessary) as defined in Section 57, Chapter 164, of the General Laws for the current fiscal year and if this income shall exceed the expense for said fiscal year, such excess shall be transferred to the contruction fund of said plant and appropriated and used for such additions thereto as may be thereafter authorized by the Municipal Light Board.

Unanimous vote.

Article 10. It was voted that the Town provide vacation and sick leave pay to employees of the Highway and Water Department as follows:

Superintendent

Period Employed	(With pay)	(With pay)
Up to 2 Full Years	2 Weeks	1 Week
2 Full Years	3 Weeks	2 Weeks

15 Full Years 4 Weeks 2 Weeks all sick leave to accrue up to four weeks only.

Other Employees

1 Full Year	1 Week	$1 \mathrm{Week}$
2 Full Years	2 Weeks	2 Weeks
15 Full Years	3 Weeks	2 Weeks
20 Full Years	4 Weeks	2 Weeks

All sick leave to accrue up to four weeks only, and no more than two weeks of vacation to be taken at one time without approval of the Superintendent and Select Board.

Unanimous vote.

Article 11. It was voted that the Town transfer the sum of \$9,655.10 from the Highway Machine Rentals Fund to the Highway Equipment Maintenance Fund to be used to furnish supplies and maintain the Town's highway equipment.

Unanimous vote.

Article 12. It was voted that the Town cooperate with the State to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,400 to meet th Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highway Maintenance and that in addition, the sum of \$9,350 be transferred from unappropriated, avaiable funds in the Treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the requirements from State to be restored, upon their receipt, to unappropriated funds in the Treasury.

Unanimous vote.

Article 13. It was voted that the Town cooperate with the State and County to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,800 to cover the Town's share of the cost of the Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance and that in addition, the sum of \$3,600 be transferred from unappropriated, available funds in the Treasury to meet the State's and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimburesments from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to unappropriated, available funds in the Treasury.

Unanimous vote.

Article 14. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 to cover the Town's share of the cost of construction on West Street under Chapter 90, and that in addition, the sum of \$12,000 be transferred from unappropriated, available funds in the Treasury to cover the State's and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to unappropriated, available funds in the Treasury.

Unanimous vote.

Article 15. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate \$792.00 to purchase a new snow plow for the Highway Department.

Unanimous vote.

Article 16. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate \$3,785.00 to purchase a new automatic sander for the Highway Department.

Unanimous vote.

Article 17. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for the purpose of street repairs.

Unanimous vote.

Article 18. It was voted that the Town transfer the amount requested for the Water Department budget from Surplus to the Water Department Account.

Unanimous vote.

Article 19. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,500 for extending the water main from the end of the present line on Marshall Street and then easterly on Marshall Street.

Unanimous vote.

Article 20. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,500 for extending the water main easterly on Marshall Street, starting from the point to which it will be carried under Article 19 above.

Unanimous vote.

Article 21. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate \$58,000 and borrow that sum of money to be paid back within 10 years for the furnishing and installing of a new 12" water main from the pumping station on Holden Road to the Standpipe on Maple St.

Unanimous vote.

Article 22. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$800 for the purpose of grading, installing the necessary gravel, and oiling the parking lot and ramp to the lower yard at the fire Station on Pleasant Street.

Unanimous vote.

Article 23. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate \$19,495 to purchase a new fire truck to replace the present Engine No. 1, present Engine No. 1 to be traded in.

Unanimous vote.

Article 24. It was voted that the Town authorize the Selectmen to appoint a committee of five townspeople, one of whom shall be a member of the Recreation Commission, to study the feasibility of constructing an atheltic field complex.

Unanimous vote.

Article 25 It was voted that the Town transfer the sum of \$1,444 from Recreation Receipts Reserved for Appropriation to Account No. 776 entitled, Recreation Events, to offset the budget request.

Unanimous vote.

Article 26. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,600 for the purpose of reconstructing the front steps of Richards Memorial Library.

Unanimous vote.

Article 27. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,000.00, the appropriated sum after utilization of any money then in the Depreciation Account of the Municipal Light Department to be expended by the Municipal Light Board for the purpose of planning, constructing, landscaping and originally equipping a facility to house the Municipal Light Department on Town owned land at 576 Pleasant Street in Paxton (the present site of the Paxton Fire Station) and to borrow said sum under the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, said sum including the interest thereon to be refunded by the Light Department to the Town of Paxton.

Unanimous vote.

Article 28. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,800.00 in connection with the vote passed under Article 27 for the purpose of planning, con-

structing, originally equipping and landscaping a building to house the Municipal Light Department.

Unanimous vote.

Article 29. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be expended for the purpose of increasing the Police Department to include a full-time officer for daily coverage, such officer to work in conjunction with the present Department.

Voted to table this article. 2/3 vote. 149 for, 5 against.

Article 30. It was voted that the Town authorize the Selectmen to appoint a committee of not less than five persons, one of whom shall be a Selectmen and one the Chief, of Police, to study the question of police requirements in the Town of Paxton and make recommendations to the Board of Selectmen within six months from date and the Selectmen shall forthwith take appropriate action thereon.

Unanimous vote.

Article 31. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate a sum of \$20,000 to be placed in the Stabilization Fund.

Article 32. It was voted that the Town pass over this article to authorize the Assessors to take any sum of money from available funds to reduce the tax levy for the current pear.

Attest:

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE L. McGOVERN, Town Clerk

REPORT of the SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Held August 9, 1971

Meeting called to order at 8:35 P.M. by the Town Clerk. Tellers appointed were Louis Childs and Brian Murphy. Count for quorum showed 50 voters present. James Mellor was elected to serve as Moderator.

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote of the Town on Article 12 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of March 1, 1971, pertaining to an appropriation for Chapter 81 Highway Maintenance purposes and further vote to cooperate with the State and raise and appropriate the sum of \$3400 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highway Maintenance and in addition, vote to borrow the sum of \$9350 under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 6 to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State to be applied to the discharge of the loan, or act in any way thereon.

It was voted to pass over this article. Unanimous vote.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote of the Town on Article 13 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of March 1, 1971, pertaining to an appropriation for Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance purposes, and further vote to cooperate with the State and County, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$1800 to cover the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Maintenance, and in addition, vote to borrow the sum of \$3600 under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 6 to meet the State's and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements

from the State and County to be applied to the discharge of the loan, or act in any way thereon.

It was voted to pass over this article. Unanimous vote.

Article 3. It was voted that the Town rescind the vote of the Town on Article 14 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of March 1, 1971, pertaining to an appropriation for the cost of construction on West Street under Chapter 90 and that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 to meet the Town's share of the cost of construction on West Street under Chapter 90, and in addition, vote to borrow the sum of \$12,000 under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 6 to meet the State's and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be applied to the discharge of the loan.

Unanimous vote.

Article 4. It was voted that the Town amend the vote of the Town on Article 23 of the Warrant for the Annual Meeting of March 1, 1971, pertaining to the appropriation of \$19,495 to purchase a new fire truck by reducing the sums to be raised by taxation from \$19,495 to \$2,495 and by authorizing the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow the sum of \$17,000 under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 7, Clause (9) and to issue a note or notes therefor payable in not more than five (5) years from their respective dates.

Unanimous vote.

Article 5. It was voted that the Town rescind the vote of the Town on Article 31 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting of March 1, 1971, pertaining to an appropriation of \$20,000 to the Stabilization Fund.

Unanimous vote.

Article 6. It was voted that the Town authorize the Assessors to transfer a sum of \$20,000 from available funds to reduce the tax levy for the current year.

Unanimous vote.

REPORT of the SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Held November 1, 1971

The meeting was called to order at 8:45 P.M. by the Moderator, Mr. A. J. Woodall. Moderator declared a quorum was present. Tellers appointed by Mr. Woodall were: Leslie E. Robinson, Alan Wentworth, Christian Baehrecke and Robert Hall.

Article 1. Motion for adoption of K-12 revised agreement for the Town of Paxton. I move that the Town approves and accepts the revised agreement between the member towns of the Wachusett Regional School District proposed by a vote of the Regional District School Committee passed September 27, 1971, and that the selectmen are authorized to lease the Paxton Center School to the District in accordance with section 3 of the revised agreement.

In favor 96—opposed 34. Motion carried.

Article 2. (To grant an easement in, or lease of, a parcel of land to the Paxton Inn, Inc.)

Voted not to accept this article. 33 in favor—opposed 46.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

Respectivly submitted, George L. McGovern

Town Clerk

LIST OF JURORS

Name

Address

Mary J. Barry Rodolphe E. Beaulac Vivian A. Belisle Ladislav H. Berka Lawrence J. Bishop Laina B. Brannlund Joseph P. Cancelmo, Jr. Janice F. Capen Ronald A. Carlson Richard P. Conrad Robert V. Counihan George H. Daniels Suzanne P. Day Harold H. Flint Margaret M. Garabedian Adele K. George John Groden Robert R. Herron Elizabeth B. Hight Edna F. Kennen Virginia M. Kimball George A. Knipe Lorenzo R. Laliberte Richard E. Landers Raymond O. Leadbetter David S. Ludden Walter V. W. Pike Juliette A. Piucci Frank Ranta George F. Sheckleton Jay Snell Doris E. Soderman Elizabeth A. Sprague Lora M. Taylor

5 Orchard Drive 4 Eagle Lane 24 Asnebumskit Road 14 Walbridge Road 26 West Street 51 Suomi Street 286 Grove Street 22 Cutler Road 28 Crystal Street 7 Rollingridge Lane 23 Forestdale Road 15 Mower Street 112 Richards Avenue 21 Spring Drive 69 Pleasant Street 6 Berkshire Drive Eagle Lane 16 Tanglewood Road 11 Crocker Hill Drive 242 Pleasant Street 643 Pleasant Street 8 Crystal Street 13 Orchard Drive 135 Pleasant Street 12 Whitney Drive 285 Grove Street 674 Pleasant Street 397 Pleasant Street 222 Grove Street 559 Pleasant Street 279 West Street Mower Street 12 Crestwood Road

72 Grove Street

Esther L. Van Wyck Alan M. Wentworth Florence A. Wickstrom Chandler W. Wyman, Jr. 221 Grove Street 36 Highland Street 11 Suomi Street 699 Pleasant Street

REPORT of the BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Year Ending December 31, 1971

1971 was an eventful year for your Select Board. Many items were introduced and acted upon. A few of the items are included in this report—it would be impossible to include all of them.

The Police Needs Study Committee completed its report, which was a very comprehensive study, and made its recommendations to the Select Board. Appropriate implementation of these recommendations has begun to take place. Special attention and complete support has been given to the Police Department in obtaining maximum police protection for all citizens and property. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of this special committee for their time and effort.

On September 2, 1971, the Selectmen signed an agreement to participate in the Central Worcester County Consortium for the purpose of securing and utilizing funds under the Emergency Employment Act to alleviate unemployment among residents of the Consortium through employment of these people in public service positions. This participation was undertaken with the intention of using any funds approved to further police protection. Subsequently, our application was approved and funds were allotted that were sufficient to pay the salary for a full-time patrolman for a period

of one year. A full-time officer went on duty as of November 1, 1971.

Support was also given by the Selectmen in approving requests for additional lighting from time to time as recommended by the Police Chief, Light Department Manager and residents. A great portion of these recommendations were made for reasons of helping to prevent or discourage crime.

We would like to thank the Paxton Women's Garden Club for installing the new flower boxes on the front of the Town Hall.

Recently, considerable publicity has been given locally to the fact that public officials have ignored or overlooked the Hatch Act Provisions. Your Selectmen have tried to be meticulous in adhering to the provisions of the Hatch Act. Two hearings were held in 1971.

The first public hearing was on February 11 when Mr. Robert Love, through Thompson Liston Associates, sought to eliminate the small pool at the Paxton Navy Yard and to partially pipe the brook which runs through the property.

The second was on May 13, at the request of the Paxton Light Department, in connection with alterations desired on an inland wetland to facilitate the construction of a new Light Department building. This structure has been completed and is an asset to the Town.

At various times during the year, the Selectmen both observed and had brought to their attention a serious development on the Town Common. Vandalism and littering seemed to occur quite often. This matter was referred to the Police Department, which then took steps to remedy the problem. It is almost impossible to correct this type of a problem with-

out the help of parents. Therefore, we appeal to these parents to help in controlling this problem before it becomes necessary for the Selectmen to impose a curfew.

It is with deep regret that we acknowledge the departure from the Board of our fellow Selectmen, Howard Moore, who has chosen not to run for another term of office. He has contributed his time and talents unselfishly and we shall miss him.

The Selectmen meet on the second and last Thursdays of each month. All meetings are open to the public and we sincerely hope that Paxton citizens will feel free to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD W. MOORE, Chairman RONALD E. JOHNSON, Clerk HERBERT M. VARNUM

REPORT of the BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board of Health has been working extensively on possible sites for a Sanitary Landfill area.

At this time next year, we hope to acquire a site for this purpose.

A rabbies clinic for dogs will be held in accordance with State Law.

The following School Clinics were held.

Preschool registration	81
Mumps	2
Tine	50
Flu	22
Physicals	28
Dental Clinic by State Hygienist	
grades	1-8

Respectfully Submitted,

THOMAS P. LAVIGNE FRANCIS E. BRUNELLE FRANKLIN LANG, JR.

Board of Health

REPORT of the CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

The Cemetery Commissioners have asked for an appropriation of \$900.00 for 1972. If received, it will be applied to the continuation of land preparation in Mooreland Cemetery. The fence along Richards Avenue will be removed and replaced with shrubbery.

The vandalism in Center Cemetery is of great concern to the Cemetery Commission. Stones must be reset and a general clean-up of litter is essential. USE OF CENTER CEMETERY AS A SHORT-CUT AND A GATHERING PLACE MUST STOP.

We have asked for the cooperation of the Police Department to enforce the stiupulations.

As of April 1, 1972, the cost of lots with perpetual care will be:

\$200.00 \$400.00 for a three grave lot for a six grave lot

Respectfully submitted,

CAROLINE L. ISHAM VIRGINIA M. KIMBALL FRED A. RUOFF

Cemetery Commissioners

Report of the PLUMBING and GAS INSPECTOR

During the year 1971, forty plumbing permits were issued and 62 plumbing inspections were made with a total 253 fixtures inspected as follows:

Water Closets		57
Bath Tubs		28
Shower Baths		13
Lavatories		64
Sinks		20
Water Heaters	250h 14 h 1	30
Clothes Washers		16
Slop Sink		1
Urinals		2
Dishwashers	W 1	9
Garbage Grinders		7
Wash Trays		3
Drinking Bubbler		1
Gasoline Trap		1
Floor Catch Basin		1

During the year 1971, seven gas fitting permits were issued and seven inspections were made—all in camping vehicles—with a total of 23 appliances inspected as follows:

Ranges	7
Water Heaters	3
Floor Furnace	1
Unit Heater	1
Refrigerators	5
Lights	3
Room Heaters	3

Respectfully submitted,

ALBIN F. WRIGHT
Plumbing and Gas Inspector

Report of the BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

To the citizens of the Town of Paxton:

Priorities for the Water Board have been:

- 1. Increase the pumping capacity.
- 2. Reinforce the primary feeder from the pumping station to the standpipe.
- 3. (a) Increase standpipe storage capacity.
 - (b). Reinforce existing water mains.
- 4. Additional source of water.
- 5. Additional water main extensions.

The first item has been completed by installing an additional pump.

During the past year the installation of a new 12 inch primary feeder has been completed. This new feeder, along with the second pump, recharges the standpipe much more rapidly.

The engineering for the standpipe and water main reinforcing projects should be completed by the Spring, at which time we will request funds to implement the program.

We are continuing our search for an additional source of water.

The 2000 ft. of 8 inch water main extension on Marshall Street has been completed. There were 15 new house connections made, 27 installation repairs, 2 hydrant installations and 55 meters repaired in 1971.

FREDERICK G. ANTELL DONALD MONTAGUE BRIAN MURPHY

Water Commissioners

Report of the CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Last March the Commission's long awaited "Conservation Plan" was made available to all town officers and other interested residents. Many requests for copies were received from other commissions and interested groups throughout the northeast. The plan, a complete outline of the towns conservation needs and objectives, has been so popular that a second printing is being considered.

On May 1st, the Commission assisted the Recreation Committee with Clean-Up Day at the town recreation area. With the help of the local scouts, a foot bridge crossing the outlet of Illig Pond was constructed and the trails on the conservation land were further cleared. We thank the scouts for their help.

Once again, in late April, the Commission suplied the 4th, 5th and 6th grade pupils at the Center School with tree seedlings which were taken home and planted. This has become an annual event in commemoration of Arbor Day.

New rubbish cans and swing top lids were supplied for placement on the Common and at the coffee shop.

In cooperation with the Audubon program at the school, the Commission purchased several hundred copies of a pesticide reprint seen in "Ranger Rick" magazine. These were given to Mrs. Berka, Audubon instructor, for use in her class work.

The Commission has had a very active and constructive year as evidenced recently by several articles in the local paper. We also wish to thank our new associate members, Peter Siemen, Laddie Berka and Frazier Colon for their enthusiastic support. We welcome all town residents to our meetings which are usually held on the last Thursday of every month.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT M. PAULSON,
Co-Chairman
ROBERT FOWLER,
Co-Chairman
SUSAN CORCORAN, Clerk
CHESTER L. JOHNSON
GRACE FOWLER
JANET MORAN
HILTON CUNNINGHAM

REPORT of the DOG OFFICER

Dogs Caught and Destroyed	17
Dogs Caught and Sold	1
Dog Bites Reported	6
Reported Complaints	164
Number of People Fined	6

Owners of dogs are required by law, to license their dogs on or before April 1st of each year.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND F. KIRWIN, Dog Officer

REPORT of the RECREATION COMMITTEE

1971 was a year of change and growth for the Recreation program. The Committee is happy to report that the sign for the Herbert F. Wentworth Memorial Pool was delivered and installed at the beginning of the season.

Spring clean-up day was held in early May with most of this year's work done on the basketball court and the Little League field. Thanks go to the Thrift Shop, American Legion and Sons of Paxton for their donations of time and materials. The basketball court was cleaned up, sealed and repainted and additional lighting was installed. Four new fan-type backboards have been purchased and will be installed in the spring.

Mr. Philip Donohue, hired as our new Recreation Director, has worked closely with the Committee to improve the summer program. A total of 172 children received Red Cross approved swimming lessons during a three week period and streched our facilities to the limit. Next summer's program will be divided into two sessions to provide better instruction in smaller classes. As a new feature, family trips to sporting events were introduced and were well attended.

Seventy young people are signed up for this year's Ski Program with lessons and lift tickets paid for by the families. The Town Highway Department has kept the road to Illig Pond plowed this year and the teen-agers have been keeping the pond plowed and shoveled for skating. We thank them for their help in providing this service for the town people.

The Recreation Committee feels this is the time to ask your help with two of our most serious problems. One is the vandalism at the pool area. This fall we had two street lights broken twice, an electric light meter smashed beyond use, shingles ripped off about one quarter of the roof of the utility building, and damage to the asphalt seal on the pool caused by cars and minibikes.

Our other problem is caused by the unlawful use of skimobiles on Recreation property. These vehicles are a safety hazzard to the young people sliding and skiing on the hill. The Committee has asked the Police Department for increased patrols of the area to help in correcting these problems.

Respectfully submitted,

SHIRLEYANN LANCIANI,

Chairman

GERARD BERNIER
JEAN M. McINTYRE
JEAN PAUL MORIN
ALAN M. WENTWORTH

REPORT of the LIBRARIAN

Circulation:

Adult and Juvenile books	27,710
Reference transactions	2,731
Central Regional interlibrary loans	390
Magazines, pamphlets, films	1,727
Records and tapes	1,345
Total	33,903

7/12

1,169

Volumes added to Collection:

Borrowed from Central Regional Bookmobile	-11
(revolving collection)	426
Total	1.169

Adult and Juvenile books (including gifts)

Townspeople are becoming more and more aware of the

variety of services being offered through the library. Briefly, because of the cooperation of Central Regional system. you may have:

A borrower's card to anyone over 12 years old to use the 70 member libraries of the region.

Special interlibrary loans of books not in our own collection.

Subject requests and information (sometimes xeroxed from magazine articles) through Worcester library.

Booking of films for group showing.

Records and books loaned from the bookmobile, which comes approximately every 6 weeks.

Large print copies of popular titles for the handicapped (or just to rest your eyes/). Other reading services of this type (talking books, cassettes, etc.) for people unable to hold books may be had because of town membership in the Wachusett Home Health Care Agency.

We have had pleased comment on the new cement front steps. The risers are shorter and more even for ease in use.

We are happy to welcome new assistants Kathy Robinson (Mrs. Paul), Sue Marona and Betsy Nelson. It is a pleasure to work with them/

The big event of the year was the June book sale on the common. Alice Nelson and Joanne Langer deserve many thanks for masterminding the project and directing the Library Service Volunteers. The many private donations of books were much appreciated. It was so successful we hope to do it again. When Miss Ruth Sherburne moved this fall,

she gave us a sizeable portion of her library as a start for our next sale.

At Christmas time, we again enjoyed the beautiful decorating and artistic touches of Connie Leonard, Marge Burbank and Betty Cunningham. Story sessions were held for Mrs. Connell's pre-school groups.

The purchase of the 1971 AMERICANA has released the older set for limited circulation—a help to junior and senior high school reference seekers.

I served as a member of the Central Regional Advisory Board, working as nominating chairman and member of a poster committee and visiting many libraries in the region.

It has been a busy year and the interest, support and cooperation of the trustees have made it a pleasure.

Respectfully submitted,

VIOLA C. PRENTICE

Librarian

REPORT of RICHARDS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

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Salary Account	
Town Appropriation	\$8,948.00
Expenditures:	
Librarian	\$4,580.00
Ass't Librarian	1,472.50
Library Trainee	901.45
Pages	770.55
Housekeeper	841.14
Clerk	132.00
Total	\$8,697.64
Expense Account—Incon	ne
Town Appropriation	\$2,805.00
Dog Tax	474.67
Bal. of Income 1970	202.22
Interest from Investm	nents 1971 1,866.09
Total	\$5,347.98
Expenditures:	
Books, magazines & r	ecords \$2,835.60
Fuel	315.34
Telephone	156.70
Office Supplies & Pos	tage 380.65
Water & Lights	225.20
Petty Cash	125.00
Travel & Miscellaneou	s 53.00
Maint.—Building & G	rounds 388.66
Education	100.00
Total	\$4,580.15

Expenditure—Special Article No. 26

Repair of Library Steps

\$3,600.00

State Aid Account

Balance 1971

\$588.90

Richards Trust Account-1970

\$15,354.20 1,788.37

Interest 1971 Balance

\$17,142.57

The sum of \$413.00 in Fine money was turned over to the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

LAURENS C. SEELYE Chairman—Library Board

REPORT of the ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPT.

This year a great deal of time has been spent trying to hold the line on the cost of power. The Paxton Light Department, along with the Municipal Electric Association of Massachusetts, Northeast Public Power Association, and the American Public Power Association, waged a campaign to keep power costs in line. On March 15, 1971, the Federal Power Commission granted the Paxton Light Department a five month suspension of a rate increase requested by New England Power Company. This meant a savings of about \$15,000 to our customers. On August 15, 1971, President Nixon froze all prices for three months; this added another \$9,000 savings to our customers. These two actions have directly saved our customers a total of \$24,000 in 1971. The expense incurred by the Department to save the \$24,000 was

\$2,128.65—\$1,476.65 for legal, engineering and accounting fees, and \$652 for appearances at proceedings and conferences with consultants—net savings \$21,871.35 to our customers. However, on November 15, 1971, New England Power Company put into effect its new R-5 rate. This increase is reflected in your present domestic bill as a power adjustment clause (P.A.C.). The R-5 rate has been settled through negotiations with our legal counsel and the New England Power Company and the Federal Power Commission. When the Federal Power Commission formally accepts the settlement it will be reflected in your bill.

The Light commissioners are presently working on a plan to purchase property on the West side of Town to allow the Department to build a modern high voltage substation. This new station will allow the Department to buy its power at high voltage with considerable savings; also it will allow the Department to import power from modern power plants throughout the region without paying a penalty.

This years' cover on the annual report books is a picture of the New Light Department Operations Center, located at 578 Pleasant Street. The building now houses all the Department's equipment, along with the offices. Although the 1971 March Town Meeting authorized the Commissioners to borrow \$60,000.00 it was only necessary to borrow \$50,000.00. The remaining cost was taken from available funds. The new facility is now open for your inspection, so please don't hesitate to come and visit it.

In the day to day operations, a great deal of time was spent this year trimming the overhead lines. This program was a joint venture with the New England Telephone Company. New Spacer cable was placed along Holden Road. This will furnish more capacity for the water pumping station and also give more reliable service to the Holden Road area.

The new route 122 State Road Project was completed with this Department placing its new cable underground. The

cost of this project was underwritten by the State Department of Public Works.

Two new McGraw Edison 400 Amp oil reclosers were installed at the Asnebumskit substation. These switches will allow better switching and help reduce outages. The men in the Department built a dump truck out of the old bucket truck chassis. This is used in conjunction with our chipper. Projects to be undertaken in 1972:

Reconduct the Paxton Water Department pumping station, Richards Avenue from Worcester County Memorial Park to Brooks Road, Pleasant Street north from Davis Hill Road to Turkey Hill Brook, West Street from Suomi Street to Mill Street. Improvement of our Communications System. Replace or recondition the substation regulators.

About the Cover:

PAXTON MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS CENTER

Dimensions 60' x 100

Height 20'

Square ft. 4400 Garage & live storage

1600 Storage second floor

1600 Office

7600 Total area

Break down of cost:

Administrative	\$115.67
General Contract	36,075,61
Site Work	3,451.45
Drive & parking area	1,110.79
Sewerage	1,179.26
Water Supply	683.59
Flooring	1,005.20
Plumbing	2,566.62
Painting	141.91
Electrical	5,176.08
Heating	1,872.39
Building Material	6,085.61
Labor	1,540.00

Total Cost

\$61,004.18

Respectfully submitted,

CURTIS LANCIANI,

manager

I hereby submit the Report of the Paxton Light Department for the year ending December 31, 1971:

Statement of Income and Expenses

Income:

Metered	S	ales	to	C	consumers
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Rate A Private Consumers	\$158,861.00
Rate B Small Com. Con.	9,321.00
Rate C Large Com. Con.	44,711.00
Rate D Electric Heating	45,552.00
Street Lighting	6,875.00
Municipal Lighting Bldgs.	7,181.00
Power for Municipal Purposes	2,525.00
Resale to Other Utilities	406.00
Miscellaneous Operating Revenue	s 224.00
Area Lighting—Private	1,875.00

\$277,531.00

1,396.00

\$18,677.00

Expenses:

Other Income

Total Income for year 1971

Electric Energy Purchased	176,057.00	
Regulatory Commission Expense	1,879.00	
Maintenance Transformers	98.00	
Street Lighting Expense	899.00	
Meter Reading Expense	1,804.00	
Meter Expense Repair & Testing	20.00	* . Y
Accounting Expense	6,785.00	
Mgr. & Light Board Salaries	12,950.00	
Office Supplies & Expenses	1,660.00	
Mgr. & Light Board Expenses	1,304.00	
Rent	50.00	
Outside Services	650.00	
Overhead Line Expense	24,480.00	20 7 10 10
Depreciation	28,811.00	
Insurance	1,770.00	
Maintenance Underground Cond.	10.00	
Injuries & Damages	185.00	
Interest	838.00	
		\$260,250.00
		Trans.
Operating Income		\$17,281.00

GENERAL BALANCE SHEET As of December 31, 1971

ASSETS

		12/31/71	
	Additions	Depr. Val.	
Land		\$319.00	
Substa. Struc. City Lin	.e	344.00	
Substa. Struc.			
Asnebumskit Rd.	\$6,701.00	14,679.00	
Substa. Equip.		41,063.00	
New Building	61,653.00	61,653.00	
Poles & Fixtures	2,206.00	17,895.00	
Overhead Conductors	7,253.00	67,518.00	
Line Transformers	6,262.00	62,009.00	
House Services	3,243.00	27,377.00	
Consumer Meters	1,189.00	11,671.00	
Street Lighting Equip.	2,656.00	23,391.00	
Office Equipment	430.00	2,585.00	
Cost of Transp. Equip.	4,968.00	25,534.00	
Tools, Shop &			
Garage Equip.	944.00	6,038.00	
Laboratory Equip.		5.00	
Miscellaneous	6.00	*******	
Communications Equip.	. 1,252.00	2,582.00	
Underground Cond.	2,332.00	35,227.00	
Area Lighting Equip.	1,138.00	2,039.00	
764 200 4 00			
Total Add. in 1971 \$1	102,233.00		
Total Depr. Value		\$401,929.00	
Consumer Deposits		254.00	
Accounts Receivable		20,756.00	
Construction Funds		26,882.00	
Materials & Supplies		14,445.00	
Petty Cash		100.00	
Depreciation Funds		27,524.00	
Total Assets		\$491,890.00	

LIABILITIES

Bonds Payable	50,000.00
Owed to Consumers on Deposits	241.00
Appropriated for Construction	2,457.00
Notes paid off in prior years by	
Light Dept.	19,116.00
Appropriation for Const. Repayment	7,090.00
Amount owed by Dept. Dec. 31, 1971	26,786.00
Earnings of this & prior years inve	sted
in new plant & other assets	369,019.00
Contributions in Aid of Construction	n 14,730.00
Customers' Advances for Const.	2,451.00
Total Liabilities	3491,890.00

ACCUMULATED PROFIT STATEMENT

Dek	ot Credit	
Balance from Previous Years	\$350,342.00	
Plus current year profit	18,677.00	
Accumulated Profit		•
December 31, 1971	\$369,019.00	

CURTIS LANCIANI, Manager
Light Commissioners:
ROBERT HARRINGTON,
Chairman
WILLIAM ISHAM, Clerk
THOMAS CUMMINGS,
Third Member

REPORT of the TOWN COLLECTOR

1968 Motor Vehicle

Outstanding Jan. 1, 1971	\$1,048.04	
Refunded 1971	34.65	
Collected 1971		\$178.20
Abated 1971		34.65
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1971		869.84
	\$1,082.69	\$1,082.69
1968 Personal	Property	
Recommitted 1971	\$138.00	
Overpayment Refunded 1971	94.83	
Collected		\$232.83
, F ₁₁ 12	\$232.83	\$232.83
1969 Motor	Vohielo	
1303 110101	Venicle	
Outstanding Jan. 1, 1971	\$225.23	
	11.7	\$39.33
Outstanding Jan. 1, 1971	11.7	\$39.33 4.95
Outstanding Jan. 1, 1971 Collected 1971	11.7	
Outstanding Jan. 1, 1971 Collected 1971 Abated 1971	11.7	4.95
Outstanding Jan. 1, 1971 Collected 1971 Abated 1971 Outstanding Dec. 31, 1971	\$225.23 \$225.23	4.95 180.95
Outstanding Jan. 1, 1971 Collected 1971 Abated 1971 Outstanding Dec. 31, 1971	\$225.23 \$225.23	4.95 180.95
Outstanding Jan. 1, 1971 Collected 1971 Abated 1971 Outstanding Dec. 31, 1971	\$225.23 \$225.23 Excise	4.95 180.95

1970 Water Liens

Outstanding Jan. 1, 1971	\$82.40	
Collected		\$60.40
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1971		22.00
45.00	\$82.40	82.40
1970 Persona	al Property	
Outstanding Jan. 1, 1971	\$669.75	
Collected 1971		\$669.75
2000 2 42 41 YM	\$669.75	\$669.75
1970 Rea	l Estate	
Outstanding Jan. 1, 1971	\$44,751.59	
Refunded 1971	171.12	
Collected 1971		\$41,138.95
Abated		755.96
Tax Title		435.37
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1971		2,592.43
	\$44,922.71	\$44,922.71
1970 Moto	r Vehicle	
Outstanding Jan. 1, 1971	\$11,927.78	
Committed 1971	17,118.20	
Refunded 1971	1,497.93	
Collected 1971		\$24,559.90
Abated 1971	-10%	3,355.33
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1971		2,628.68
Line 110 APP De les Baches	\$30,543.91	\$30,543.91

1971 Farm Excise

Committed 1971 Collected 1971 Outstanding Dec. 31, 1971	\$432.38	423.63 8.75
	\$432.38	\$432.38
1971 Personal	Property	
Committed 1971 Refunded 1971 Collected 1971 Abated 1971 Outstanding Dec. 31, 1971	\$9,346.81 356.50	\$8,808.96 375.10 519.25
1971 Fores	\$9,703.31	\$9,703.31
Committed 1971 Collected 1971	\$181.35	181.35
	\$181.35	\$181.35
1971 Real	Estate	
Committed 1971 Refunded 1971 Collected 1971 Abated 1971 Tax Title Outstanding Dec. 31, 1971	\$841,611.36 2,974.51	\$788,841.93 15,716.58 459.29 39,568.07
	\$844,585.87	\$844,585.87

1971 Motor Vehicle

Committed 1971 Refunded 1971	\$116,166.92 2,524.22	
Collected 1971 Abated 1971 Outstanding Dec. 31, 1971		\$91,822.28 8,670.77 18,198.09
	\$118 691 14	\$118 691 14

1971 Wate	r Liens	
Committed 1971 Collected 1971 Outstanding Dec. 31, 1971	\$897.90	\$724.00 173.90
	\$897.90	\$897.90
Inter	est	
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1968	\$51.70
1969	1.91
1970	1,685.07
1971	912.20
m - 1-3	
Total	\$2,650,88

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK T. WARPULA,
Town Collector

10.007.87

REPORT of the TOWN ACCOUNTANT

RECEIPTS

Personal Taxes:	
1971	\$8,808.96
1970	669.75
1968	232.83
00.437\$	778
Real Estate Taxes:	ralles di 1971
1971	788,841.93
1970	41,138.95
Farm Animal Excise Ta	xes:
1971	423.63
1970	8.85
Forest Law Land:	
1971	181.35
08 0H0,0%	14364
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	xes:
1971	91,822.28
1970	24,559.90
1969	39.33
1968	178.20
Tax Titles	782.90
Interest on Taxes:	
Real Estate	2,409.31
Farm Excise	.12
Motor Vehicle Excise	190.44
Personal Property	51.01
•	02.01

2,155.99

65.00

2,819.00

State & County Aid to Highway	s:
State:	
1971 Chap. 81	9,349.45
1970 Chap. 81	4,370.83
1971 Chap.90 Maint.	1,799.93
1970 Chap. 90 Maint.	1,799.98
1970 Chap. 90 Const.	7,998.30
1969 Chap. 90 Const.	7,999.87
Streeter Rd. Const.	4,380.04
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County:	
1970 Chap. 90 Const.	3,999.65
1969 Chap. 90 Const.	3,999.94
1971 Chap. 90 Maint.	1,799.93
1970 Chap. 90 Maint.	1,799.98
Highway Machinery Rentals	9,675.35
Snow Plowing—State & Others	3,544.07
Public Works	307.50
State Aid to Schools:	
Chap. 70	107,314.46
Chap. 71	5,218.00
Chap. 71 Sec. 16 D	19,119.06
Vocational Education	3,059.00
Title II	1,122.33
Title III	815.60
Chap. 58—State Tax Basis	11,433.87
Bldg. Assistance	31,968.20
Chap. 75 Sec. 10—Tuition Re	imb. 823.00
Federal & State Reimb.:	Anwait nits
State Forest Fish & Game	874.21

Veterans Aid

Federal Highway Safety

Public Health

Misc. School Income:	
Classroom Rental	1,586.00
Lost Books	43.89
Sale of Projects	67.00
E. D. Bigelow Book Fund	52.52
Hazel Gay Scholarship Fund	15.60
School Planning Interest School Lunch:	99.95
Collections	21,373.60
State Reimb.	10,182.61
State Reinio.	10,102.01
Library:	
Interest Income	1,593.17
E. R. Richards Dist. & Int.	2,445.96
State Aid	599.75
County Dog Fund	474.67
Fines	448.00
Recreation Income	1,312.25
Gift (Nature Program)	300.00
Enterprises:	
Paxton Electric Lt. Department	285,435.03
Meter Deposits	90.00
Int. Meter Deposits	12.36
Int.—Depreciation & Const.	748.23
Sale of Misc. Articles	80.60
Reimbursement:	1.5
P. E. Lt. Workmens Comp.	
(To Town)	1,439.28
P. E. Lt. Ins. Reimb. (To Town)	
Aid to Const. to P. E. Lt. (WAA)	

Description on the	
Water Department:	40 100 00
Rates, Inst. & Repairs	42,169.83
Worc. Water Purchased	29.61 784.40
Water Liens	784.40
Electric Lt. Dept. Const. Loan	50,000.00
Water Dept. Pipeline Loan	58,000.00
Cemetery:	
Interest Income	1,348.25
Opening Graves	465.00
Sale of Lots	1,145.00
Care of Lots	5.00
Treasurer's Investments:	
Int. Cert. Deposit	1,662.38
Overpayment on Purchase	307.50
Treasury Bills	119,583.75
Certificate of Deposit	50,000.00
Withholding Accounts:	
Federal Tax	71,240.29
State Tax	17,011.62
Retirement	8,584.45
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	7,525.05
Direct Payments	732.15
Group Ins.	432.00
Direct Payments	51.92
Teachers Annuities	2,620.00
Licenses—Permits, etc.:	
Selectmen	1,951.67
Bd. Health	93.00
Plumbing & Gas Insp.	223.00
Building Insp.	4,331.80
Wiring Insp.	93.00
Planning Board	9.00
Sanitary Insp.	80.00
continued Timb.	00.00

\$2,564,418.58

Assessors	6.00
Bd. of Appeals	80.00
Town Clerk—Raffle	20.00
Dog Licenses	1,026.50
Sale of Street Listings	4.00
Police:	
Court Fines	45.00
Accident Reports	235.00
Pistol Permits	152.00
Bicycle Reg.	2.25
Auction	12.00
Copy Machine—Others	19.10
Sale of Veterans Markers	5.00
Performance Bond:	
A. Sluckis	11,500.00
m	050 000 00
Tax Anticipation Loan	350,000.00
Highway Loan	12,000.00
Misc.:	
Refunds Tractor Equipment	30.27
People's Sav. Bank	29.12
Refunds to Library	6.00
Mullen's Const.	7.00
Vet. Aid	339.00
Stop Payment	541.11
Refund to School	1,376.62
Refund to Water Dept. Exp.	49.59
Return Ck. (Water Spec.'s.)	10.00
P. E. Lt. Stamp Meter	7.10
Mailing Fee	2.00
Refund—P. E. Lt. Dept.	43.92
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$2,358,491.00
Cash—Dec. 31, 1970	205,927.58
Oubii	200,521.00

TOTAL

PAYMENTS 1971

	PAYMENTS 1971	777 (52.5
GENERAL C	GOVERNMENT	
Moderator		
101 Salary	\$35.00	teri L
104 Expenses	9.50	
1.1		
		\$44.50
Selectmen	- 2 2 2 2	
111 Salaries	1,100.00	1,100.00
	Compensation 300.00	300.00
114 Expenses		
Office Ex		
Dues	133.00	
Meetings		344 2
Advertisi		, A- 5115,
Law Boo		
Delivery	Exp. 86.28	- A.
Section 1999		584.15
Town Account		
122 Salary	1,500.00	1,500.00
124 Expenses		
Office Ex		
Dues	5.00	
Meeting	8.00	
	72.4.	00.05
1070 Deleves	TT-13	99.35
1970 Balance		15.00
Typing 197		15.00
Town Treasur	er	
131 Salary	2,500.00	2,500.00
134 Expenses		- 11 de 11 de 12 d
Office Ex	= 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11	
Dues	4.00	- 7.
Contract	48.00	
		322.95

	Town Collector		
141	Salary	1,800.00	1,800.00
	Hire	1,200.00	1,200.00
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144	Expenses		
	Office Expense	854.86	
	Dues	4.00	
	Tax Title Exp.	45.28	
	Meetings & Travel	18.40	
			922.54
145	Equipment		
	Contract	60.00	60.00
			00.00
	Town Secretary		
152	Compensation	4,750.00	4,750.00
154	Expenses		
	Copy Machine Contract	150.00	
	Supplies	283.69	
	Office Supplies	18.00	
	omee supplies		
			451.69
	Amazadadi		
	Assessors		
161	Salaries	2,100.00	2,100.00
162	Clerk Compensation	1,000.00	1,000.00
164	Expenses		
	Office Expense	285.73	
	Dues	36.00	
	Extra Hire	330.00	
			CE1 79
	1970 Balance Held		651.73
	Expenses	99.00	99.00
	1970 Balance Held	33.00	99.00
	Printing Report	1,804.00	
	Timonig Report	1,004.00	

	Finance Committee		
172	Secretary Compensation	175.00	175.00
173	Statistician	100.00	100.00
174	Expenses		
174	Office Expense	28.54	
	Dues	25.00	
			53.54
	Town Clerk		
181	Salary	850.00	850.00
182	Town Clerk Hire	288.00	288.00
184	Expenses		
	Office Expense	124.80	
	Dues	26.00	
			150.80
	Decennial Census	500.00	500.00
	Legal		
194	Town Counsul	4,428.19	4.428.19
	Elections		
204	Expenses		
	Office Expense	21.75	
	Ballots	98.00	
	Counters	246.00	
	Equipment	200.00	
			565.75
	Dogistrons		300.10
010	Registrars	105.00	105.00
212	Registrars Compensation	105.00	105.00
213	Clerk Compensation	100.00	100.00
214	Expenses	138.63	138.63

224	Planning Board Expenses Storage Vault Office Expense Dues Meetings & Travel	25.00 31.22 30.00 54.00	27 88 87
			140.22
	1970 Clerk Balance Held	150.00	150.00
226	Printing Zoning Bylaws 1970 Bal. & 1971 Approp	. 238.80	238.80
	Town Hall		
232	Caretaker Compensation	1,600.00	1,600.00
234	Expenses		
	Telephone	539.40	
	Lights	381.80	
	Fuel	923.82	
	Supplies	462.21	
	_		0.007.00
222	m		2,307.23
236	Town Hall Repairs Lavatory Facilities	625.00	625.00
244	Record Building		
	Maint. & Supplies	400.00	400.00
	TOTAL GENERAL GOVERN	MENT	\$34,221.07
	PROTECTION OF PERSONS	AND PRO	PERTY
	Police Department		
282	Chief's Salary	2,500.00	2,500.00
283 284	Compensation, Patrolling Expense & Operation	11,540.90	11,540.90
40 1	Office Expense		
	Dues & Meetings	277.88	
	Telephone	556.95	
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	Maint. & Operation of Equipment Misc. Equipment Radio Radio Maint. Officers Supplies	1,879.47 178.80 800.00 299.97 441.95	
		7,	4,435.02
Art.	16 Radar—1970 Balance Held	1,456.00	1,456.00
287	Prisoner Fees 1970 Balance Held	120.00	120.00
	Police Expenses	483.32	483.32
	Fire Department		
302	Officers' Salaries	2,500.00	2,500.00
303	F irefighters' Comp.	1,688.00	1,688.00
304	Expense & Operation		
	Janitor	360.00	
	Station Maint.	447.69	
	Telephones	508.65	
	Lights & Power	245.70	
	Water	24.00	
	\mathbf{Heat}	1,021.18	
	Misc.	424.24	
	Equip. & Vehicle Maint.	869.84	
	Radio Maint.	195.95	
	1970 Balance Held		4,097.25
	Janitor Janitor	30.00	30.00
Art. 2	22 Fire Station Lot & Driveway	798.79	798.79
	Building Inspector		
322	Salary	1,325.00	1,325.00
323	Assistant Compensation	400.00	400.00
324	Expenses		•
	Office Expense Travel & Misc.	400.00	400.00

	Board of Appeals		
334	Office Expenses	15.50	
	Adv.	79.41	
	Dues	15.00	
	200		109.91
	Forestry		
354	Moth Destruction		
	Outside Labor	200.00	200.00
364	Dutch Elm Disease		
	Labor	133.50	
	Outside Labor & Equip.	1,066.50	
			1,200.00
374	Trees		
	Labor	394.45	
	Outside Labor & Equip.	1,179.10	
	Supplies	55.75	
	Equipment	170.70	
	Trees	200.00	
			2,000.00
	Dog Officer		
382	Salary	900.00	900.00
384	Expenses		
	Care & Custody	392.19	
	Supplies	46.39	
	Reg. of Truck	100.00	
	Truck Repair	200.00	
			738.58
385	Equipment	155.0 0	155.00
	Civil Defense		
394	Expense & Equipment	267.82	267.82

402 403	Inspector of Wires Salary Expenses	600.00	600.00 65.00
	TOTAL PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPER	ГҮ	\$38,010.59
HIGH	IWAYS		
574	Chapter No. 81 Maintenance		
914	Labor	6,117.89	
	Town Equipment	1,870.20	
	Materials & Supplies	4,509.74	
	Other Equipment	192.00	
			12,749.83
584	Chapter No. 90 Maintenance		
904	Labor	1,548.47	
	Town Equipment	430.00	
	Materials & Supplies	3,033.83	
	Outside Equipment	387.50	
			5,399.80
	1970 Balance Held Chapter N	To. 90	
	Construction		176.24
594	Chapter No. 90 Construction		
	Labor	6,832.35	
	Town Equipment	1,244.90	
	Material & Supplies	4,919.96	
	Outside Equipment	3,001.50	
* **			15,998.71
604	Street Repair, \$5,000.00		
004	Labor	2,055.44	
	Town Equipment	240.00	
	Material & Supplies	2,698.26	
			4,993.70

624 634	Snow Fence Street Lights	270.00 6,875.00	270.00 6,875.00
644	Town Garage Expenses		402
044	Telephone	205.55	601/
	Lights	174.10	
	Fuel	741.19	
	Maintenance & Supplies	546.84	
	Roof Repairs	1,410.00	HIGH
	Labor	187.18	
			0.004.00
654	Snow Removal		3,264.86
	Labor	13,429.64	
	Town Equipment	3,095.80	
	Supplies	4,027.28	
	Outside Equipment	363.63	
			20,916.35
66 4	Vacation and Sick Leave	3,995.02	3,995.02
, , R , ,	1970 Balance Held Land Taking	715.00	715.00
684A	Repairs to Private Ways		
	Labor	1,496.60	
	Town Equipment	567.00	
	Supplies	2,864.62	
			4,928.22
	1970 Balance Held Backhoe		
	Article No. 15 Snow Plow	792.00	792.00
	Article No. 16		
	Automatic Sander	3,785.00	3,785.00
	1970 Balance Backhoe	200.00	200.00

\$7,664.78

TOTL VETERANS SERVICES

Article No. 17		
Street Repair Spec. (\$10,000))	
Labor	4,170.36	
Town Equipment	995.00	
Supplies	3,865.55	
Outside Labor & Equip.	966.00	
-		9,996.91
Tractor Equipment		
Dues	5.00	
Equip., aint. & Oper.	383.48	
Highway Lts.	48.69	
Labor	246.03	
-		9,683.20
Article No. 19		
Town Meeting, March 1969		
Repair Streeter Road		
Labor	1,575.98	
Town Equipment	541.50	
Materials	2,262.19	
		4,379.67
TOTAL HIGHWAYS	*	\$109,119.51
VETERANS SERVICES		
VETERANS SERVICES		
Veterans Agent		
722 Salary	350.00	350.00
724 Expenses	137.25	137.25
726 Aid	7,140.97	7,140.97
1970 Balance Held, Aid	36.56	36.56

HEALTH AND SANITATION

	Board of Health		
441	Salaries	150.00	150.00
444	Expenses	100.00	100.00
777	Office Expenses	73.98	
	Meetings	9.50	
	in the state of th		
			83.48
	1970 Balance Held, Dump Exp	pense	
	Cleaning Area	187.00	187.00
	Sanitary Engineer		
472	Salary	1,700.00	1,700.00
474	Expenses	700.00	700.00
	Plumbing Inspector		
482	Compensation	510.00	510.00
	Rubbish and Garbage Collecti	on	
494	Expense	150.00	150.00
496	Contract	36,000.00	36,000.00
	Inspector of Animals		
502	Salary	85.00	85.00
503	Assistant	50.00	50.00
534	Community Home Health Ca	re	
	Expenses	2,884.00	2,884.00
TOTA	AL HEALTH & SANITATION		\$42,499.48
SCH	OOLS AND LIBRARY		
	Paxton Center School		
741	Committee Salaries	375.00	375.00
	Administration		
	School Committee	442.40	
	Supt. Office—Salary	10,479.76	
	Supt. Office—Expenses	1,084.59	
	Super Childen Limponses	1,001.00	

Instruction		
	00 050 50	
Principal's Office	20,356.56	
Teaching Salaries	330,082.81	
Supplies	9,396.04	
Other Expense	1,427.62	
Textbook Program	4,937.46	
Library Services Audio Visual	5,826.54 347.00	
Guidance	4,278.93	
Psychological Services	196.00	
r sychological Sel vices	190.00	
Other School Services		
Health Services	4,055.43	
Transportation	39,304.59	
Food Services	1,848.90	
Student Body Activities	298.44	
Operation & Maintenance		
Salaries	23,823.42	
Supplies	2,190.80	
Other Expense	200.00	
Heating Buildings	12,715.04	
Utilities	7,362.26	
Maintenance	8,097.93	
Fixed Charges	442.96	
Community Services	531.40	
Acq. of Fixed Assets	6,141.02	
Program with Others	9,959.42	
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School Title II	1 10/ 96	505,827.32
School Title III	1,184.36 174.37	1,184.36 174.37
School Title III	114.51	174.57
1970 Balance Held		
Paxton Center School	3,472.56	3,472.56
Wachusett Regional High Sc	hool	
and the second s		
754 Expenses 758 Interest		
759 Mat. Debt	255,874.62	255,874.62
Mat. Dept	200,014.02	200,014.02

75 5	School Lunch		
	Payrolls	14,796.24	
	Food	15,821.19	
	Express	431.46	
	Supplies	259.58	
	Miscellaneous	319.25	- 1
			01 005 50
	Richards Memorial Library		31,627.72
762	Librarian Salary	4,580.00	4,580.00
763	Other Compensation		
	Assistants	1,472.50	
	Trainees	935.20	
	Pages	824.30	
	Housekeeper	622.89	
	Clerk	112.00	
	Misc. Aid	150.75	
	- 11.		4,117.64
765	Expense & Operation		-,==110=
	Petty Cash	125.00	
	Telephone	156.70	
	Lights & Water	244.20	
	Office Supplies & Binding	411.36	
	Fuel	315.34	
	Maintenance & Supplies	338.16	
	Education	100.00	
	Book Records & Sub.	2,841.60	
	Travel & Miscellaneous	53.00	
			4,585.36
	Library State Aid	337.50	337.50
	Article No. 26		
	Library Front Steps	3,600.00	3,600.00
TOTA	L SCHOOLS AND LIBRARY		\$815,756.45

RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

T. I.	Recreation		
772	Salaries		
112	Supt.	1,250.00	
	Art Director	600.00	
	Playground Staff	1,316.98	
	Child Care	360.00	
	Pool Staff	2,309.50	7 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 -
	Maintenance	862.10	
	Clerk	50.00	
	MAKE IN HE RESIDEN		6,748.58
774	Recreation Expense		may 1 1000
114	Pool Chemicals	839.31	
	Pool Maintenance	754.87	
	Supplies	234.44	
	Vt. Services	295.00	
	Retarded Day Camp	110.00	
	Expenses & Operation	40.64	
	Lifeguard Equipment	124.24	
	Pool—Badges	130.00	Same Aye
	Renew Inlet Filter	49.47	
	1.0	76.7	2,577.97
775	Equipment		
	Sickel Bar	100.00	
	Trailer Cost	150.05	
	Vac Pump	267.26	
	Hose	100.90	
	E-1972	7. 37	
	3830,0		618.91
776	Events		
	Trips & Admissions	1,566.30	1,566.30
	1970 Balance Held, Pool Conduit	269.13	269.13
	1970 Balance Held, Equipment	29.99	29.99
784	July 4th	457.01	457.01
814	Town Report & Warrant Exp.	1,650.00	1,650.00

824	Memorial Day	263.80	263.80
834	Insurance & Bond	18,591.17	18,591.17
844	Blue Cross-Blue Shield	10,001,11	10,001.11
011	& Group Insurance	8,920.86	8,920.86
	Town Clock	-,-	-,0=0.00
852	Salary	60.00	60.00
854	Expense	9.36	9.36
	1970 Balance Held, Expense	9.90	9.90
864	Town Common Expense		
	Labor	235.78	
	Town Equipment	62.50	
	*. ***		298.28
874	Conservation Expense		230.20
014	Trees	30.00	
	Office Expense & Printing	159.35	
	Office Expense & 11 fitting	100.00	
			189.35
	1970 Balance Held, Conserva	tion 325.00	325.00
904	Regional Planning Comm.	347.82	347.82
824	Certification of Notes	50.00	50.00
044	Certification of Notes	30.00	50.00
TOTA	AL RECREATION AND		
UN	ICLASSIFIED		\$42,982.73
ENT	ERPRISES AND CEMETERIE	ES	
957	Paxton Electric Light Dept.		
	Board Members	225.00	
	Labor	28,349.07	
	Manager	12,725.48	
	Clerks	6,531.25	
	Expense & Operation	232,513.89	
			000 044 00
			280,344.69

Article No. 28

00,611	Paxton Electric Light Dept	. Const.	
	Contract	36,075.61	
	Engineer	250.00	
	Contingencies	15,474.39	
			51,800.00
00	Water Department		,
961	Commissioners Salaries	225.00	225.00
963	Water Department Salaries		
	Supt.	900.00	
	Supt. Labor	229.68	
	Foreman	900.00	
	Foreman Labor	6,164.27	
9-5	Labor—Other	1,662.17	
	Town Equipment	645.30	
	Clerk	498.58	
			11,000.00
964	Water Dept. Expense & Oper	ation	
	Electric Power	2,412.80	
	Gas & Rental	234.07	
	Chemical & Del. Charges	907.36	
	Maintenance & Operation	760.88	
	Office Supplies	311.17	
	Worc. Water Purchased	28.20	
			4,654.48
965	Water Department Stock & S	Supplies	
	Miscellaneous Fittings, Tuk	ning	
	and Pipe	4,110.97	
	Meters & Meter Repairs	1,897.67	
	Hydrants, Markers	262.00	
	ily diamos, inalitors	202.00	
			6,270.64

	1970 Balance Held		
	Water Survey	515.00	515.00
	1970 Balance Held		
	Water Dept. Salaries	385.20	385.20
	Article No. 19 & No.20		
	Water Extensions Marshall Street	9,000.00	9,000.00
	Article No. 21		
	Holden Street		140
	Pipeline—Loan		
	Engineering	2,800.00	q v
	Contract	52,695.25	
	Contingencies	947.34	
.=.	11.00		56,442.59
974	Cemetery Department		
	Supt.	400.00	
	Labor	1,286.15	
	Town Equipment	150.90	
	Office Expense	4.00	
	Supplies	12.92	
	Outside Equipment	20.00	
	Equipment	53.85	
			1,927.82
TOTA	AL ENTERPRISES AND CE	METERIES	\$422,565.42
	REST, MATURING DEBT ID TEMPORARY LOANS		
	Maturing Debt		
318	Fire Station	5,000.00	
698	Highway Grader	2,000.00	
748	School	65,000.00	
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968	Water	Wind Y W	
	Land Toking	5,000.00	
	Pumping Station	3,000.00	
	Dam & Spillway	5,000.00	
		Security of	85,000.00
	Interest		fry all i
319	Fire Station	1,216.00	
699	Highway Grader	420.00	1001
749	School	19,000.00	
969	Water	581	r-10 I
	Land Taking	704.00	TOTAL .
	Pumping Station	704.00	
	Dam & Spillway	325.00	
	Dam & Spinway		204 - 244 404 - 247
	Type 1		22,369.00
999	Interest Temporary Loans		rage to
	Int. Ant. Loans	4,573.61	4,573.61
	Highway Loan	24,675.00	24,675.00
	Tax Anticipation Loans	350,000.00	350,000.00
	TOTAL INTEREST, MAT AND TEMPORARY LO		\$486,617.61
	AGENCIES AND MISC.	REFUNDS	
1971	Personal Prop. Tax	356.50	356.50
1968	Personal Prop. Tax	94.83	94.83
1971	Real Estate Tax	2,974.51	2,974.51
1970	Real Estate Tax	171.12	171.12
1969	Real Estate Tax	64.47	64.47
1968		31.02	31.02
1971	Motor Vehicle Tax	2,524.22	2,524.22
1970	Motor Vehicle Tax	1,497.93	1,497.93
		_,	_,

1968	Motor Vehicle Tax	34.65	34.65
	Elect. Lt. Meter Deposit	55.40	55.40
	Water Dept. Refunds	106.31	106.31
	Dog Licenses Coll. Cty.	1,016.75	1,016.75
	Federal Taxes w/h	71,240.29	71,240.29
	State Taxes w/h	17,011.62	17,011.62
	Blue Cross-Blue Shield w/h	8,427.22	8,427.22
	Employees Group Ins. w/h	493.64	493.64
	Retirement w/h	8,584.45	8,584.45
	Teachers Annuities w/h	2,620.00	2,620.00
	State Assessments	149.24	149.24
	State Parks	4,498.32	4,498.32
	Auditing	95.78	95.78
	County Tax	27,239.98	27,239.98
	M. Vehicle Bills	390.00	390.00
	T. B. Hospital	1,200.04	1,200.04
	Retirement System	15,070.08	15,070.08
	Central Mass. Polution	32.92	32.92
	Cemetery P/C	1,145.00	1,145.00
	Wm. Burtt Retainer	1,500.00	1,500.00
	Hazel Gay Income Acct.	20.00	20.00
	Certificates of Deposit		
	& Treasury Bills	169,891.25	169,891.25

TOTAL REFUNDS, AGENCIES

& MISC.	\$338,537.54
TOTAL PAYMENTS	\$2,337,975.18
CASH BAL. DEC. 31, 1971	226,443.40

\$2,564,418.58

TOWN OF PAXTON

	ASSETS		LIABILITIES		1
	Cash	\$226,443.40	Guarantee Deposits		7
1971	Personal Prop. Tax	519.25	Planning Board		
1971	Real. Estate Tax	39,568.07	Subdivision Retainers	\$21,331.43	(
1970	Real Estate Tax	2,592.43	Municipal Lt. Meter Dept.	244.01	
1971	Farm Animal Excise	8.75	School Planning	5,534.60	
1971	Motor Vehicle Excise	18,198.09	Agency	and Produced and Medical	,
1970	Motor Vehicle Excise	2,628.68	Dog Licenses & Dogs Sold	22.25	;
1969	Motor Vehicle Excise	180.95	State Parks	925.39	
1968	Motor Vehicle Excise	869.84	County Tax	1,297.22	ī
	Tax Titles	1,256.96	Recreation Held for		
	Tax Title Possessions	442.56	Appropriation	1,759.43	1
1971	State Aid to Highways	7,998.30	Trust Fund Income, etc.		
1971	County Aid to Highways	4,000.00	Edward Bigelow-Fund	387.22	
	Water Rates & Inst.	4,722.94	Hazel Gay—Mund	21.15	
1971	Water Liens	173.90	E. R. Richards Library	17,800.16	
1970	Water Liens	22.00	Library Income Acct.	495.70	
	Central Mass. Polution	32.92	Library State Aid	588.90	
	Tax Title Revenue	177.56	School Title III	917.69	
	Elect. Lt. Dept. Rates		School Lunch	404.63	
	& Installation	20,661.82	Cemetery Income Acct.	596.04	
	Loan Authorized	Majora (1 € 1 mm) 1 the (2.0 ± 1.0	Water Dept. Loan Bal.	1,557.41	
	Fire Truck	17,000.00	Reserve — General		
	Advice of Audit Ins.	401.14	Personal Prop. 1968	138.00	
			Approp. Balances Held	11,081.32	
			Municipal Lt. Const.		

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& Depreciation	54,405.32
Water Dept. (special)	50.00
Non Revenue	
Highway Machinery Rentals	9,677.52
Highway Loan Outstanding	12,000.00
Fire Truck Loan	1
Authorized & Unissued	17,000.00
Overlay - 1971	13,193.49
Overlay - 1970	17,355.51
Reserve Overlay Surplus	12,151.21
Motor Vehicle Revenue	21,877.56
Farm Animal Revenue	8.75
Aid to Highway Revenue	12,000.69
Water Dept. Revenue	4,918.84
Municipal Light Dept. Revenue	20,661.82
Surplus Revenue	87,496.30

NET FUNDED & FIXED DEBT

Loans	\$709,000.00	
Schools		\$521,000.00
Land Taking		17,000.00
Pumping Station		19,000.00
Dam & Spillway		5,000.00
Fire Station		33,000.00
Grader		6,000.00
Water Dept.—Holden Rd. Pipeline		58,000.00
P. E. Lt. Dept. Const.		50,000.00
	\$709,000,00	\$709,000,00

TRUST & INVESTMENTS

Library	
E. Richards Library Trust	\$45,097.08
People's Mech. Sav. Bank	15,354.20
Bigelow Accounts	19,054.26
Cemetery	:•
Trust Funds	24,330.00
Spencer Sav. Bank	8,524.04
Worc. Federal	3,200.50
C. D. Boynton Trust Funds	7,648.00
People's Mech. Sav. Bank	2,270.89
D. Boynton Poor Fund	
Trust Fund	1,000.00
People's Mech. Sav. Bank	1,134.11
Post War Rehabilitation	1,590.66
Bigelow	
School Book Fund	1,000.00
Village Improvement	1,314.85
Stabilization	
People's Mech. Sav. Bank	47,808.74
Worc. Federal	4,076.44
Municipal Lt. Depreciation	
& Construction	54,4 0 5.3 2
Meter Deposit Account	244.01
School Construction	11,374.30

Grammar School Account Conservation Account See Treasurer's report for updated interest.

63.44 1,078.40

\$250,569.24

REPORT of the INSPECTOR OF WIRES

New Homes Inspected	17
Wiring Permits Issued for Other Wiring	37
Wiring Inspections—approximately	110
Fees Collected and Remitted to Town Treasurer	\$93.00

Respectfully submitted,

WARREN P. LEDERER
Inspector of Wires

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 1971.

Democrats	230
Republicans	419
Unenrolled	1102
Total	1751

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERTA NICHOLSON VIOLA C. PRENTICE DANIEL F. CRONIN GEORGE L. McGOVERN

Report of the PERSONNEL ADVISORY BOARD

During 1971, the Personnel Advisory Board met and counseled with the Finance Committee concerning salary recommendations for the 1971 and 1972 budgets. For 1972, we recommended a salary policy as follows: all elected and appointed officials (those performing volunteer services for the town) should receive no salary increases; all town employees (those who rely on the town for their livelihood) should be eligible for salary increases in line with wage control guidelines. We are continuing to evaluate job and salary levels within the town.

A study of data processing needs of the Town of Paxton was completed during the year and presented to the Finance Committee for their action.

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH A. KIMBALL, JR.,
Chairman
RICHARD G. CONNELL
CLIFFORD S. DUXBURY, JR.
DAVID P. FITZPATRICK
ALBERT A. GORDON, III

REPORT of the BOARD OF ASSESSORS

During January 1971, the Assessors revalued all properties of changed status, e.g. new or completed construction, alterations or additions to existing real estate or improvements of the area. All adjustments were made equitable for a level of full-market value of January 1, 1969 when the last complete revaluation of the town took effect. The increase of real-estate valuations amounted to about \$1,025,000 or 3.9% to a new level of \$27,148,752.

This increase in valuation was \$35,000 higher than the one of the previous year. This year to date, we have visited 103 properties and we anticipate a smaller increase in valuation for real estate changes during 1971. There were also a smaller number of property transfers during the year.

The 1971 Annual Town Meeting approved appropriations in the amount of \$1,192,755., an increase of 3.3% over the previous year. This would have meant no tax-rate increase if State reimbursements were received at the 1970 level. However, the Cherry Sheet, issued late in June 1971, brought Paxton a loss of nearly \$140,000. This was due mainly to the incorrect equalized valuation of many cities and towns as compared to the accurately assessed property valuations in Paxton as required by law. This loss in State aid would have meant a tax-rate increase of about \$5.25/M. The Assessors initiated action with the Selectmen and Finance Committee regarding the calling of a Special Town Meeting to change certain financing approved by the Annual Meeting and thereby reducing the amount to be raised by taxation. After this meeting early in August, the 1971 tax rate was set at \$31.00/M, an increase of \$2.50 or 8.8% over the previous year.

It is unlikely that a similar loss of State aid will occur

in the near future. We note that according to some unofficial reporting, Paxton would be entitled to an increase of \$48,000 in School Aid, an item of the Cherry Sheet amounting to about one-half of all State reimbursements.

Nevertheless, the Assessors continue to be concerned about rising expenditures effected by local action as well as by certain laws and regulations outside of local control in view of Paxton's limited tax base. The even greater dilemma of many other communities and the need for innovation in municipal financing should also be of real interest to the citizens of Paxton.

During the past year the Board of Assessors processed 2,521 motor vehicle excise tax bills prepared by the State amounting to \$133,284.92 and granted 416 abatements at \$12,065.70.

The Assessors approved 23 applications for abatements of the elderly under Clause 41. There were 67 abatements for veterans under Clause 22. Including five other statutory exemptions, the total taxes abated were \$12,959.98.

There are 1,463 parcels of taxable real estate. The Board approved 35 applications for real-estate abatements amounting to \$3,983.15.

The valuations of properties exempt from taxation are as follows:

Commonwealth of Massachusetts	\$228,890.00
City of Worcester, Parkland	33,350.00
Town of Paxton	1,499,235.00
Private Cemeteries	99,230.00
Private Schools	4,406,635.04
Charitable organizations	372,540.00
Total assessed valuation	
of Exempt Properties	\$6,639,880.04

The valuations of reservoir land owned by the City of Worcester and the Town of Leicester are limited by State Statute. Their valuation of \$234,490 can only be taxed by 43% netting the Town \$3,100.31 in taxes during 1971.

To expedite the issuance of tax bills and make all assessing information more available, the Assessors have again initiated the request for the computerization of Paxton's valuation records. If approved by the Annual Town Meeting, the system will be put in effect during this year and the 1973 tax bills will be issued by this method.

Little has been done in the past with the taxation of personal property required by Chapter 59 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Forms will have been mailed to all tax-payers by the middle of February and all returns are expected by March 1, 1972. The form is self explanatory. These forms will not be sent every year and amendments will have to be filed on changes in subsequent years. We will appreciate the cooperation of all taxpayers in this matter.

The Assessors met 94 times during last year. We continue to be available evenings by appointment as well as during the scheduled meeting on the first Monday of each month.

1971 RECAPITULATION

Valuations

Assessed Personal Property \$301,510.00 Assessed Real Estate \$7,148,752.00

Total \$27,450,262,00

Expenditures

Appropriations to be raised
by taxation \$1,155,755.00
Appropriations to be taken from
available funds 23,282.01

Offsets	5,302.23
Retirement	15,070.08
State Tax and Assessments	6,375.63
County Tax and Assessments	29,737.24
Overlay	29,285.17

Gross Amount to be raised

\$1,264,807.36

Less Estimated Receipts and Available Funds

Estima	ated receipts from Local	
Aid	and Agency Fund	\$208,345.46
Motor	Vehicle & Trailer Excise	109,995.34
Public	Service Enterprise,	
Wat	er Dept.	41,000.00
Others		10,788.73
Availa	ble Funds	43,719.66

Total of Estimated Receipts and Available Funds

\$413,849.19

Net Amount to be raised by Taxation of Property

\$850,958.17

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST C. SPRAGUE,
Chairman
CHRISTIAN S. BAEHRECKE
RICHARD G. BEDARD

REPORT of the ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

In 1971, the Zoning Board of Appeals held five public hearings at the Town Hall.

A summary of the Board's action on the five petitions which it received in 1971 is as follows:

Conditional Special Permits granted	2
Conditional Variance granted	1
Variance not granted	1
Special Permit not granted	1
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Total	5

Copies of the minutes of these public hearings are on file with the Town Clerk and are public records.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD Z.SAVICKAS, Chr. JOHN D. ROMMEL, JR., Clerk ROBERT F. DILLMAN WILLIAM E. LINDQUIST TIMOTHEOS M. THOUTSIS DONALD T. LUNDQUIST R. RAY SUMMA

REPORT of the TREE WARDEN

I am pleased to present my fourth annual report of the Tree and Insect Control Department.

The 1971 appropriation was used to remove several dead and diseased trees, and a roadside trimming and tree program was also started.

The Department is presently trying to replace any tree it removes with a new one. We have been using Norway Maples and Japanese Crab Apples in the replacement program.

Because of the new burning and dumping laws, the cost of tree removal has increased considerably. We now chip our stumps and truck our diseased wood to private dumps.

The tree planting program will continue in 1972 as part of the roadside beautification program.

If enough interest is shown, it may be possibe to have a 1972 Town-wide chipping program. If you feel this program is worthwhile, please contact your Selectmen as they are the ones to make such a decision.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

CURTIS LANCIANI,

Tree Warden

I sub mit the following financial report for your review:

APPROPRIATIONS

Moth Control	\$200.00
Trees	2,000.00
Dutch Elm	1,200.00

\$3,400.00

EXPENDITURES

MOTH CONTROL

Labor	&	Inspection	200.00
		TI	=00.00

DUTCH ELM

Labor		27.95
Gas	~	25.75
Tools		170.70
Outside Services		975.60

TREES

Labor		\$300.00
Trees		200.00
Outside	Services	1,500.00

\$3,400.00

Respectfully submitted,

CURTIS LANCIANI

Tree Warden

REPORT of the FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Fire Department was called out for service 59 times during 1971 as follows:

- 7 Building or structure
- 9 Grass & brush
- 9 Motor vehicle
- 3 Mutual aid
- 31 Miscellaneous

The amount of calls is 3 less than for 1970 and indicates a temporary leveling off in the sharp decline from the 1966-69 period.

The largest decrease was in the grass and brush fire category amounting to 53% less than in 1970. This is the lowest number of calls in this group in the last 20 years, but was by no means totally unexpected. The burning ban imposed by the State went into effect as of July 1 last year and contributed considerably to the low number. I wish to express my appreciation to the Paxton residents for their cooperation with the ban.

The number of building and structure fires was 3 less than last year but the dollar loss was considerably higher. The greatet loss occurred on June 10 at a severe house fire at 32 Camp St.

Through the courtsey of Mr. Robert B. Love, the Fire Department was allowed the use of a small building on property where the "Brick Steamer Restaurant" was formerly located for fire training purposes. The building was used for training in use of breathing equipment under actual smoke conditions. Also, training was given in ventilation and the effect of ventilation under smoke conditions. Training had

been done in extinguishing actual fires. The department was about half done with the building when it was destroyed by fire in the early hours of July 1st. The dollar loss of this building would probably be considered neglible but the training loss to the department was large.

A new truck to replace the present Engine No. 1 was voted at the annual town meeting of 1971 and is expected to be delivered this year. The present Engine No. 1 is to be turned in to the manufacturer as a trade in.

Work is nearly completed on the necessary equipment to tie the fire detection system in St. Columba's Church into the Town fire alarm system. This will be tried out in a few weeks. This leaves one important building to be considered. I refer to the Town Hall. The occupancy of this building plus the documents kept in it make it more imperative that some serious thought be given to fire detection and early warning for this structure. It is again recommended that thought be given to updating the fire alarm system because the present one is practically at the saturation point.

Respectfully submitted,

LESLIE E. ROBINSON, Chief

REPORT of the HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

Chapter 90 Construction

West Street

Eleven hundred feet of West Street from Station 10 to Station 21 was excavated, drainage installed, graveled, penetrated and topped with a $2\frac{1}{2}$ inch crushed gravel road mix.

Plans call for grading, loaming, seeding and blacktopping with Type I surface and berm which will make the section from the school entrance to Suomi Street completed by the end of 1972.

One section from the school entrance to the center of town remains to be reconstructed. We plan to start this project in 1973.

Chapter 81 and Special Accounts for Highways

Approximately 3215 feet of drainage was installed on Tanglewood Road, Alderwood Road, Ridgewood Road, Streeter Road, Davidson Road and Walnut Street. The culvert pipes on Nanigian Road at the brook were replaced with new arch culverts.

Approximately 350 feet of Forestdale Road was excavated, graveled and asphalt penetrated.

About 1250 feet of Brooks Road received surface gravel and an asphalt penetration.

Approximately 600 feet of Streeter Road was scarified, widened, graveled, drainage installed and asphalt penetrated.

Thirteen streets received some kind of surface treatment such as hones, mixes, and seal coats.

Ditching, shoulder maintenance, graveling, brush cutting, guardrail aligning, sweeping, catch basin cleaning, etc. was done on various streets throughout the town.

Similar work will be planned for 1972 with, hopefully, more emphasis placed on surface treatment.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT S. HANSSON Supt. of Streets

REPORT of the PLANNING BOARD

The Paxton Planning Board was organized for the year 1971 as follows: Robert L. Price as Chairman; Betty C. Peterhon as clerk and representative to the Central Mass. Regional Planning Commission, with Robert Price as alternate member; and Gerald K. Lowe as representative to the Capital Outlay Committee.

Two preliminary subdivision plans were submitted during the year and meetings were held with the developers to discuss these proposed plans.

Considerable time was spent by the Planning Board discussing the Master Plan for the Town, particularly on the subject of priorities for the various projects proposed by the Master Plan. The Planning Board has discussed the Master Plan with other Town boards and committees and will continue to do so this coming year, in an effort to implement portions of the Master Plan.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT L. PRICE, Chairman BETTY C. PETERSON, Clerk RICHARD G. CONNELL

REPORT of the TOWN TREASURER

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

December 31, 1971

Balance January 1, 1971	\$205,927.58
Recepits 1971	2,358,491.00

\$2,564,418.58

Balance December 31, 1971:

Town Operating	\$27,127.88
Electric Light Operating	17,298.63
Electric Light Meter Deposit	244.01
Electric Light Construction	21,087.71
Electric Light Depreciation	16,018.98
Library Account	17,800.16
School Planning	5,534.60
Performance Bonds	21,331.43
Certificates of Deposit	100,000.00

\$226,443.40 Payments 1971 \$2,337,975.18

\$2,564,418.58

ANNUAL REPORT

TRUST FUND AND SAVINGS ACCOUNT ACTIVITY Year Ended December 31, 1971

	Balance Jan. 1, 1971	Deposits	Interest Withdraw	Balance als Dec. 31, 1971
Richards Library:				
E. Richards Trust	\$45,079.08		\$1,589.71(1)	\$45,079.08
Peo. Mech. Sav. Bank	15,354.20	\$1,589.71(1)	856.25	17,800.16
Bigelow Accounts (2)	19,054.26		1,031.57	19,054.26
216 Shares AT&T	,		561.60	
Cemetery:				
Trust Funds (2)	24,330.00		1,348.25	24, 330.00
Spencer Sav. Bank	8,524.04	900.00(3)	575.48	9,999.52
Worc. Fed. Sav. & Loan	3,200.50		170.23	3,370.73
C. D. Boynton:				
Trust Funds (2)	7,648.00		424.81	7,648.00
Peo. Mech. Sav. Bank	2,270.89	424.81	120.99	2,816.69
D. Boynton Poor Fund:				
Trust Fund	1,000.00		55.32	1,000.00
Peo. Mech. Sav. Bank	1,134.11	55.32	57.05	1,246.48
Post War Rehab. Acct.	1,590.66		78.77	1,676.40

Bigelow:					
School Book Fund (2)	1,000.00		52.52		1,000.00
Village Improvement	1,314.85		86.96		1,401.54
Stabilization Accounts:					
Peo. Mech. Sav. Bank	47,808.74		2,709.12		50,517.86
Worc. Fed. Sav. & Loan	4,076.44		107.01		4,183.45
Electric Light:					¥.
Depreciation Acct.	24,213.09	16,018.98	387.36	24,600.45	16,018.98
Construction Acct.		20,726.84	360.87	•	21,087.71
Meter Deposit Acct.	197.05	90.00	12.36	55.40	244.01
School Planning Acct.		5,434.65	99.95		5,534.60
School Construction Acct.	11,374.30		604.99		11,979.29
Grammar School Acct.	63.44		3.38		66.82
Hazel Gay—6 Shares AT&T			15.60		
Conservation Acct.	1,078.40		58.24		1,136.64
Land Escrow Acct.		390.00	5.57		395.57

⁽¹⁾ Represents distribution (earnings) from trust having constant balance of \$45,079.08, established by Ellis G. Richards, benefactor of Richards Memorial Library.

⁽²⁾ Represents several savings accounts held in trust and placed on permanent dividend order.

⁽³⁾ Represents proceeds from salies of lots.

OUTSTANDING DEBT

	Year of	Principal	Incurred	Paid in	1971	Balance
Personal Control Contr	Maturity	Jan. 1, 1971	in 1971	Principal	Interest	Dec. 31, 1971
School Department						3
First Addition	1972	\$10,000.00		\$5,000.00	\$320.00	\$5,000.00
First Addition	1975	80,000.00		20,000.00	2,560.00	60,000.00
Second Addition	1979	76,000.00		10,000.00	2,470.00	66,000.00
Third Addition	1984	420,000.00		30,000.00	13,650.00	390,000.00
Water Department						
Land Taking	1975	22,000.00		5,000.00	704.00	17,000.00
Pumping Station	1978	22,000.00		3,000.00	704.00	19,000.00
Dam & Spillway	1972	10,000.00		5,000.00	325.00	5,000.00
Pipe	1976		\$58,000.00			58,000.00
Electric Light Department						
Building	1976		50,000.00			50,000.00
Fire Department			W			
Fire Station	1978	38,000.00	1 526,1	50,000	1,216.00	33,000.00
Highway Department						
Grader	1974	8,000.00	\	20,000.00	420.00	6,000.00
Totals		\$686,000.00	\$108,000.00	\$85,000.00	\$22,369.00	\$709,000.00

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID P. FITZPATRICK, Town Treasurer

REPORT of the BUILDING INSPECTOR

Permits

Fee

65 Building Permits

\$3,591.80

3 Demolition Permits

In addition to the above, the Building Inspector also collected fees for Percolation Tests and Septic Field Permits totalling \$740.00.

BUILDING BUDGET

Salaries

Building Inspector

\$1,325.00

Assistant

400.00 \$1,725.00

Expenses

Office Supplies, Travel Expense and Miscellaneous

400.00

\$2,125.00

Respectfully submitted,

FRANKLIN G. FLEMING Building Inspector

REPORT of the POLICE DEPARTMENT

Year of 1971

The number of house breaks in Paxton was less than average when compared with figures from surrounding towns. The increase in breaks occurred due to vacant houses during the summer months. Several residents have installed burglar alarm systems during the year, many as a result of having a break. These alarm systems offer security to the homeowner and are a great help to the Police Department.

At the 1971 annual town meeting, the Police Budget was increased, making it possible to patrol the Town all day Saturday and every evening during the week.

Last October, the office of Manpower Affairs informed the Select Board that its request for a position of patrolman for the Town had been approved under the Emergency Employment Act and requested that the position be filled by November 1, 1971. This position was posted in the Division of Employment Office in Worcester. Francis Whitney, a part-time police officer of Paxton, applied and was hired. The grant is for one year at a salary of \$5,973 for a 40 hour week. This position is funded by the Federal government and the money is paid directly to the officer from the Emergency Employment Act Office located in Shrewsbury, Massachusets.

During the year, this department received numerous complaints on the operation of recreational vehicles, namely, mini-bikes, mini-cycles and snow-mobiles. Rules and regulations for these vehicles are under the Division of Motor Boats, Chapter 90B. This department has copies of these regulations for the owners and operators of such vehicles.

Recreational vehicles are not allowed on the Paxton Center School property by order of the School Committee. The Paxton Recreation Committee has ruled that mini-bikes are not allowed on the Little League Field or the swimming pool area. Snow-mobiles are excluded from the area along Pleasant Street and the Little League Field. This part is reserved as a safe area for sliding and skiing. The Selectmen have asked that this department enforce these rules when required.

Under the Capital Outlay Program, a new cruiser is scheduled for 1972 to replace the present vehicle, which has almost 100,000 miles of use. With a full-time patrolman and increased coverage, the cruiser use will average 3,600 miles per month. The 1969 cruiser wagon has approximately 10,000 miles and is in excellent condition for any emergency.

The citizens of Paxton have been very alert in observing strange vehicles in their neighborhood and have reported many incidents that were checked out and which possibly prevented a break or theft.

At this time, I would like to thank the Fire Department for its services at several accidents, also the Light Department, Highway Department and the Holden Barracks of the State Police for assistance when requested.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM O. WYLIE
Chief of Police

Calls recorded	1097
Calls for information	362
Complaints investigated	449
Motor vehicle accidents investigated	49
Recreation vehicle accidents investigated	1
Accident casualties to hospitals	13
Emergency calls for cruiser ambulance service	45
Vacant houses checked	286
Alarm calls investigated	29
House breaks investigated	28
Business breaks investigated	4
Thefts of various articles	11
Motor vehicles stolen	3
Motor vehicles recovered	4
Holdups and robbery	2
Arrests	11
Summonses served	15
Motor vehicle citations issued	368
Suicides	1

The following was issued by this department:

	Fees
37 Accidents reports	\$185.00
12 Theft reports	49.00
52 Pistol permits	104.00
26 Firearm I. D. cards	48.00
9 Bicycle registrations	2.25
Amount turned over to Treasurer	\$388.25

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

OF THE

TOWN OF PAXTON



FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1971

PAXTON SCHOOL DIRECTORY

School Committee

Fred A. Ruoff, Chairman

Mrs. Katherine S. Jacobs, Secretary
Philip V. Donohue

Term Expires 1972
Term Expires 1973
Term Expires 1974

Administrative Staff

Dr. Edward P. Yaglou Superintendent of Schools William F. Carey Assistant Superintendent Edward R. O'Connor Assistant Superintendent Mrs. Lois P. Drawbridge Administrative Assistant Mrs. Alice H. Sproule Secretary Mrs. Doris E. Sherblom Accounting Mrs. Isabel B. Muzzy Accounting Mrs. Marjorie A. Pearson Receptionist Mrs. Mary L. Wernholm Accounting

Instructional Staff

Charles F. McManus	Principal
Richard M. Lane Assistan	nt Principal
Mrs. Lois Kahn	VIII
John J. Koski, Jr.	VIII
Mrs. Patricia A. Wadsworth	VIII
Paul A. Zendzian	VIII
Stephen D. Porcaro	VII
James D. Ross	VII
Richard E. Johnson	VII
Mrs. Stina B. Long	VI
Mrs. Florence G. Morrissey (Retired June 1971)	
Mrs. Mary M. Donahue	VI
*Mrs. Thelma G. Heselbarth	V
Miss Judith A. Hodgen	V
Mrs. Marguerite A. Rydant	V
Mrs. Jane E. Wynn	v

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Art
French
Guidance
Home Economics
Industrial Art
Instrumental Music
Music
Physical Education
Physical Education
Reading
Transition
Speech Therapy

Supporting Staff

Mrs. Jennie A. Blavackas
Forrest R. Gilmore, Jr.
Mrs. Joyce McEachern, R.N.
Dr. Albert E. Hall
Mrs. Beatrice Robinson
Mrs. Madeline M. Rafferty
Ambrose R. Tower
Donald L. Carlson
Julian E. MacDonnell
Paxton Garage, Inc.

Principal's Secretary
Director-Pupil Services
School Nurse
School Physician
Cafeteria Manager
Library Clerk
Head Custodian
Custodian
Custodian
Transportation Contractor

66

89

97

72

631

PRE-SCHOOL	CENSUS-	OCTOBER	1,	1971
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WACHUSETT REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

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65

Grade	IX	\mathbf{X}	XI	XII	Total
	86	66	54	75	281

REPORT of the SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The year 1971 has had its challenges, its demands, and, most important, its rewards for working to provide quality education for the youth of Paxton. We are pleased to submit our report for the year 1971 to the voters.

In addition to the regularly scheduled School Committee meetings held the second Wednesday of each month, the Committee Members have attended the Wachusett Regional School District Committee meetings twice a month, K-12 Regional District Planning meetings, meetings for purposes of Collective Bargaining, special meetings with the P.T.A. for cooperative planning and community involvement, and discussion meetings with the teaching staff.

In 1971 we had the lowest teacher turnover since 1965, only two teacher changes. In 1965 our staff changes numbered eight; in successive years 1966-1970 the changes were ten, thirten, nine, eleven and four, respectively. In addition to the reduction in the number of new teachers employed, the number of available experienced teachers is excellent.

In light of the recent defeat of the proposed K-12 Regional School District by four of the five towns in School Union 64, the Committee has requested the Board of Selectmen to activate the Paxton Planning and Building Committee. We face the 1973 Kindergarten mandate and the questioned continued long-range use of the White Building.

In cooperation with the P.T.A. the Committee mailed out questionnaires to all parents asking their reactions to the quality of the education that the children are receiving in the Paxton Center School. We are now trying to answer the many questions and comments, both positive and negative, in the form of a newsletter. We will continue to strive for active community involvement.

Student safety is and must be an ongoing concern. Working with the Department of Public Safety the following corrective and protective measures were taken in the White Building: insallation of fire-smoke dampers in all air chambers, installation of new fire-rated classroom doors, and a thorough check of the existing wiring.

We have worked diligently to present a realistic 1972 budget, consistent with prevailing economic conditions. This has not been an easy task as we were faced with increased costs to meet the full year salary commitments resulting from last year's Collectively Bargained Contract, including in our budget for the first time the cafeteria manager's salary, absorbing the increased fuel and electric rates, cost increases in supplies and instructional material, and the need to continue necessary maintenance programs.

We realize that we have briefly touched on many areas, Committee involvement in various meetings and planning, the need to provide Kindergartens and other facilities, staff, community involvement, building maintenance and budgeting. To better understand the functions of your School Committee, we invite you to attend our School Committee meetings.

A sincere note of thanks to Mr. Robert J. Hall who served as Member and Chairman of the School Committee from 1959 to 1971.

We express our appreciation to the Administration, the Teaching Staff, and the Community for their support.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED A. RUOFF, Chairman KATHERINE S. JACOBS, Sec. PHILIP V. DONOHUE

School Administration Annual Report

As Superintendents of Schools we respectfully submit our 1971 Annual Report to the School Committee of Paxton.

As we review 1971 we see growth, change, in-service training and planning, implementation of new programs, and a continuation and improvement of existing programs. In a report as brief as this, certainly not all areas of change and improvement can be mentioned, and to those responsible for accomplishments not cited, we apologize.

We are pleased with the very limited teacher turnover these past two years; four teachers in 1970, and only two teachers in 1971. A stable teaching staff is, we feel, most important, and hope that this trend continues.

A genuine note of thanks to Mrs. Florence G. Morrissey who retired after eighteen years of dedicated service to the youth of Paxton.

Our total school enrollment showed the increase we predicted last year: 631 in 1971, 618 in 1970. Our preschool census figures suggest that we will continue to see an increase of students over the next few years.

We have been able to maintain a deirable teacher-pupil ratio at all levels: Grade 1—22; Grade 2—24; Grade 3—23; Grade 4—25; Grade 5—22; Grade 6—23; Grade 7—24; Grade 8—25. Our goal has been to keep our classes 25 and under. This goal was completely realized this year.

The questionnaire sent out by the P.T.A. and School Committee provided us with an instrument to measure our successes and failures, as seen by the parent. Many parents indicated a positive attitude toward the non-graded primary program and requested its extension into Grade 4 and beyound. This positive interest was followed by a series of staff meetings to implement the non-graded program in Grade 4 and, hopefully, Grade 5.

Considerable emphasis was placed on curriculum study and in-service training. Our teachers participated in a 15-week in-service course dealing with new techniques and approaches to the teaching of reading. Sixteen teachers took individual course work in their major field of teaching. Staff members worked cooperatively with teachers in School Union 64 revising, updating, and preparing curriculum guides and materials. We continue to work in the area of drug education and also health and science.

An effective and productive ROSE summer School Program was conducted. The preschool testing, so successful the preceding year, was continued with nearly 100% of the preschool children participating. We improved our method of reporting the results of the testing to the parents. Previously we had reported after school started. This year the results were in the hands of the parents prior to school's opening. The success of our total Summer Program dictates that it be continued.

The "accountability testing," basically a test of academic achievement, was conducted in cooperation with the State Department of Education. This test was administered to all fourth grade students in the State of Massachusetts. Com-

paring the results at the state level our students did especially well.

Our students enjoyed many excellent and educationally sound Field Trips. They visited such areas as: Plimoth Plantation, Boston State House, Worcester Art Mueum, Logan Airport, Sturbridge Village, Wachusett Sanctuary, Worcester Science Center, Franklin Park Zoo, New England Aquarium, and the Higgins Armory.

The competition for Federal Funds is becoming increasingly keen. For the first year since the inception of the program, we did not receive any Title III funding. We did receive \$1,122 Title II Funds for the purchase of Library Books and Materials, and \$1,155 Title I, Summer Program. We must improve in this area.

Two new extra curricular programs have been added. For the first time we have a Bowling Program for the Junior High School girls, a Track Program for the Junior High School boys, and a Ski Program for the Junior High School girls and boys.

In the area of building maintenance and improvement we have seen considerable success. To meet the anti-pollution requirements we converted to the use of number 2 fuel oil. Major roof repairs were made to the 1963 Addition. The exterior of the White Building was painted, heat valves were provided in the classrooms of the White Building for better heat control, and many interior areas of the Building were painted.

The year 1971 was a successful one. We pledge our efforts to making 1972 equally so. It is a pleasure to work with a dedicated Staff, School Committee and Community.

EDWARD P. YAGLOU WILLIAM F. CAREY EDWARD R. O'CONNOR

Report of the WACHUSETT REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

1971 has seen great educational progress at Wachusett Regional High School. The 3R Program (Resourcefulness, Relevance, Responsibility), a direct result of the collective bargaining with the Wachusett Teachers Association, was launched with 150 seniors participating. The initial results of this experiment in community assisted education indicate that it will be a resounding success.

The semester electives originated by the English department gave our seniors a much wider, more imaginative choice of courses which met with enthusiastic response. As a result, we have encouraged it expanion into the social studies area. We have, also, enlarged our independent study activity in that field.

The computer courses we encouraged have generated great student excitement and have given those involved an important new educational opportunity which will better enable them to function in a modern society.

The Wachusett administered program for the perceptually handicapped and other special students has reached the point where it is effectively serving about 500 students in grades K-12, and has received broad approval as one of the best in Massachusetts.

The quality of our science programs and effectiveness of the support they receive from the Science Seminar were amply demonstrated by the Wachusett sweep of all seven top awards at the Worcester County Science Fair and four of thirteen first awards at the State Science Fair.

Our other departments have continued to win more than their share of awards and our athletic teams have amassed outstanding records in spite of the serious crowding in part of our high school building and very inadequate athletic facilities.

In an effort to solve these space problems within Massachusetts Department of Education Guidelines, and thereby gain their approval of our plans, we presented to the voters of the region a K-12 regionalization proposal. This plan had been the result of two years of deliberation by an independent Planning Board appointed by town moderators. It was at best a set of difficult compromises and, for a variety of reasons, failed to win voter approval. We hope that by our honest efforts to present this plan to you we will have at least succeeded in eliminating one of the state's objections to further support for school facilities for our region. The Committee hopes to present to the towns a program for solving th student squeeze at Wachusett sometime during he coming year. In that regard we will also be conducting a detailed study of the feasibility of a year round school.

Since communication is one of the keys to better operations, we have made a real effort to improve it in all directions within the high school, and with the help of the guidance department, the administration and the local press, we believe that you are better informed about Wachusett's operation than you have been in the past.

Finally, and of greatest importance to each of us, we have found ways of more effectively using our funds and facilities and of increasing our outside reimbursements. As a result, we have just adopted a budget for 1972 which will enable us to provide an education of continuing quality to about 3% more students and yet to slightly decrease the assessments to our member towns. Although there is still much to be done, we are proud of this record which was accom-

plished by the cooperative efforts of a fine, dedicated teaching staff, an efficient supporting group, an effective administration and your School Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD A. GREIS, Chairman GEORGE A. CHAMBERLAIN 3d JOHN CORBIN PHILIP V. DONOHUE JOHN E. HODGSON GEORGE P. GIBBS HARRY HALLIDAY DONALD F. KAMINSKI JOHN F. KANE WILLIAM S. MORGAN, JR. DAVID R. NICHOLS G. WAYNE STODDARD ROGER E. VARNUM WILLIAM A. WALLACE

Report of the District Treasurer

I. Financial Statements

Balance Sheet December 31, 1971 Assets

Item 12-31-70 12-31-71 Cash \$255,232 \$216,110 Accounts Receivable-Comm. of Mass. 42,948 Total \$255,232 \$259,058

Liabilities

Item	12-31-70	12-31-71
Withheld Amounts	\$4,964	\$9,543
Miscellaneous Accruals		6,618
Migrant Account	21,270	3,907
Contingency Maintenance Fund	6,422	28,678
Cafeteria Funds ,	25,832	23,355
Federal Funds	27,019	25,976
Building Fund	13,330	
Surplus	156,395	160,981*
	\$255,232	\$259,058

^{*}On January 10, 1972, the WRSC voted to use surplus as follows:

\$33,000 reserved for potential payment of salaries held back under wage freeze

75,000 to reduce assessments to member towns

Income and Expense

Year Ended 12-31-71

12-31-71
\$1,892,194
238,119
108,191
71,325
\$2,309,829
\$1,979,913
185,442
\$2,165,355
\$144,474

Income and Expense

	Year Ended
Cafeteria Fund	12-31-71
Income	\$136,494
Expenses	138,971
Increase (Decrease) in Fund	(\$ 2,477)
Migrant Fund	
Income	\$292,563
Expenses	309,926
Increase (Decrease) in Fund	(\$ 17,363)
Reconciliation of Surplus	
	1971
Beginning Surplus, January 1	\$156,295
Add:	
Net Income	144,474
Miscellaneous Payments	212
Less:	
Applied to Assessment 1971	60,000
Contingency Maintenance Fund Reserve for Completion	25,000
of 1970 Alterations	EE 000
Closing Surplus, December 31	55,000 \$160,981*

^{*}See note on Balance Sheet

II. Bonded Indebtedness as of 12-31-71

 Issue	Rate	Annual Pmt.	Balance	Final Pmt.
 6-1-52	1.90%	\$75,000	\$75,000	1972
6-1-53	2.60%	50,000	100,000	1973
6-1-69	4.41%	50,000	50,000	1972
		-		
			\$225,000	

III. Budget Comparison

	1970	1971	1972		
Administration	\$58,547	\$76,228	\$79,187	100	
Special Education	on 66,152	108,810	117,966		
Voc. Education-					
Agriculture	31,373	35,037	37,259		
Instruction	1,107,241	1,253,902	1,392,347		
School Services	115,372	222,593	264,268		
Maintenance	149,066	184,824	190,856		
Fixed Charges	59,07 0	62,135	78,439		
Com. Services	1,400	1,600	1,600		
Fixed Assets	129,819	119,064	41,691		
Debt Service	301,171	189,543	179,713		
Total Budget	\$2,019,211	\$2,253,736	\$2,383,326		
Net Assessment to Towns					
	\$1,702,040	\$1,832,194	\$1,828,090		
Percent Change			minus 0.2 %		

REPORT of the SUPERINTENDENT

1971 has seen promising work within the Regional High School on curriculum, instruction, guidance, and student affairs. At the same time it has seen much ado but no action regarding our regional organization and the expansion of our facilities.

Regarding regionalization, we continue to find that negotiating six teacher contracts takes more than six times the amount of time as negotiating one, and that developing six separate budgets takes almost six times the amount of time as developing one. As the society seems to challenge all authority more and more, management requires more time,

more consultation, and more expert advice. Our six-way administrative overhead appears destined to increase. As the challenges and the expectations for education-for-all rise, and as the negotiation process becomes more complex, school committeemen find their committee work demanding inordinate amounts of time. One of the means of achieving coordination among our six districts is to have school committee members serve on union, regional, planning, building, study, and bargaining committees. When a school committee member holds up his hand and says "I do" to his town clerk, he has just joined, on the average, four committees. All this to say we are wearing out school committee members as well as administrators, and we can expect increasing difficulty finding thoughtful people with sufficient leisure to serve on our school committees.

In the matter of facilities at Wachusett, we shall be proposing school building planning to the Regional School Committee and the State Department of Education in the near future. Permit us to restate the several student "capacities" of Wachusett:

Classrooms	1550		
Library	900	Art and Music	900
P.E. Outdoors	2 fields	Science	1350
inadequate for any		Shops	1350
high school		Cafeteria	1350
P.E. Indoors	1350	Guidance	900

Our students and staff have been most tolerant of our increasing crowding, but the effects of crowding on humans (as on animals) are definitely seen here. If it were not for the generous cooperation of the Town of Holden and the determination of our athletes and coaches, we would be unable to field our 21 inter-scholastic teams plus the 3 additional teams slated for 1972.

Our faculty continues to be our strength. The lower incidence of faculty turnover has led to less time spent orient-

ing new folks and to improved teamwork among teachers. We have been consciously attempting to place more and more responsibility out onto individuals in our organization. Many of our teachers have grasped responsibility eagerly, made solid decisions, and implemented change far more efficiently than we could have by executive order alone. We have many talented people here, people with strong desires and needs to lead and to be challenged. To challenge them here is to keep them here, in many instances.

A year ago, we stated that as we had moved ahead with curricular relevance, we had probably also slipped backward in the area of individualization—knowing students as individuals. We are most pleased that, despite the austerity imposed by economic conditions, the 1972 budget includes an additional guidance counselor beginning in September. The guidance department now numbers 5; this number has remained constant for three years, during which the number of students has risen from 1697 to 1877. We are searching for a person strong in career and occupational counseling, this in keeping with our continued efforts to update and expand our occupational curriculum while maintaining our traditionally high standards of college preparatory work. One guidance counselor won't completely satisfy our needs for individualization, but it will help implement our increasing commitment to being a comprehensive high school—a school whose curriculum really serves each student's needs.

In closing, I must express appreciation: To the school committee members who devote hours which the citizens never realize, who have displayed great integrity, who have been sensitive both to the task of education and to their employees' well-being. To town officials, especially town clerks, who have been most helpful, especially during our regionalization vote. To our administrators and department heads who have not only spurred curricular reexamination and helped teachers to sharpen up their teaching skills, but who have also managed dollars well, knowing that the taxpayer was strain-

ing. To the unsung supporting staff who care for the school and the cafeteria and the paperwork so conscientiously that we tend to take them for granted. To the teaching staff which generally prepares well, teaches well, and cares for individual human beings. And to the students themselves who are, 97% of them lively, thoughtful, courteous, great people to work for.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD P. YAGLOU
Superintendent of Schools

REPORT of the PRINCIPAL

Enrollment

Once more this year we have seen an increase in the size of our student body here at Wachusett. As of October 1, 1971, our total enrollment numbered 1877 as compared with 1810 on October 1, 1970. These 1877 students are divided in the following manner: Holden—929, Sterling—307, Paxton—281, Rutland—222, Princeton—129, 1 each from Leicester, Oakdale, Barre, West Boylston and Spencer and 4 from Worcester. There are 488 freshmen, 494 sophomores, 439 juniors and 456 seniors. Boys number 950 and there are 927 girls. Since the rated capacity of this building is 1504, it is very obvious that we are still badly overcrowded.

Staff

Our professional staff has remained the same in number this year. We have 3 administrators, 5 guidance counselors, 99 teachers (seven of them new as replacements), 1 librarian, 1 nurse and 5 study hall monitors. In addition, we have 1 cafeteria manager and 18 assistants, 13 full time custodians, 4 lay readers and 6 secretaries.

Class of 1971

The class of 1971 had acceptances from schools and colleges in 27 states and 1 foreign country. Of the 368 graduates, 182 (49%) will attend four-year colleges, 72 (20%) are entering two-year colleges, 33 (9%) are planning to go into business, technical or nursing schools—a total of 78% who plan to continue their education. 68 (18%) plan to work and 6 (11/2%) will join the Armed Services. This class has the highest percentage of graduates continuing their education in the history of the school, 53% of the class were accepted by four-year colleges although only 49% are planning to attend.

More than \$52,000 (for the freshman year alone) of financial aid was awarded to the members of the class. In renewable scholarships, it amounts to more than \$100,000.

2 Merit Scholars

Charlotte Richardson Holly Richman

1 Merit Finalist

Thomas White

14 Letters of Commendation

David Dimmick
Theodore Dourdeville
Peter Fifield
Douglas Gresham
Roger Hjulstrom
Nancy Karsberg
Thomas Knapp

Eric Lindquist
David Mills
Karen Lindsay
Christopher Nelson
Karen Stewart
Nicholas Taylor
Susan Wisner

1 Westinghouse Science Talent Search Honors Group

Nicholas Taylor

3 Finalists in Olympiad Mathematics Contest (N. E. Actuarial Society)

Charlotte Richardson Nicholas Taylor James Pond

3 Certificates of Merit in Olympiad Mathematics Contest

Richard Foy Holly Richman Thomas White

1 Honorable Mention in Massachusetts Science Fair Richard Daniels

1 Honorable Mention in Kiwanis Science Fair Richard Daniels

1 Margaret E. Sherman Science Scholarship Richard Daniels

1 R.O.T.C. Scholarship

Peter Fifield

5 members of the class who graduated in three years

Ruth Cole Kim Nichols Lorinda Killion Martha Roadstrum Helen Zwiep

REPORT of the SANITARY INSPECTOR

The Statistical Summary of Environmental Activities is as follows:

Food Service Examinations	6
Retail Food Service	9
Soil examinations percolation tests	41
Soil examinations deep hole	48
Subdivision examinations (multi tests)	2
Complaints Air, land, water	112
Landfill explorations (areas)	3

There were a number of requests made for commercial recreational and multi-family development advice, during the year and this trend will continue through 1972. An area of concern yet to develop will be in the local determination of wetlands; the Conservation Commission has complete jurisdiction as of February 7, 1972 of the Hatch Act, all such requests for approval should be accompanied by a statement of Environmental Impact from this Board.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. REILLY M. SC. Sanitary Inspector

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