

Annual Report



TOWN OF **HAMPDEN**

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1952

Annual Reports
OF THE
Town Officers
OF THE
Town of Hampden



AND OF THE
RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE
Year Ending December 31, 1952

THE PALMER REGISTER, Inc.

Palmer, Mass.

1953

Elected Town Officers --- 1952

Moderator

GEORGE W. INGLE

Clerk and Treasurer

GRACE L. KIBBE

Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare

CHARLES R. MELVILLE, 1953, Chairman

CLIFFORD R. GUNTHER, 1954

HAROLD F. HELBERG, 1955

Clerk to the Selectmen, RUTH W. WOODS

Assessors

PERCY FULLER, Chairman, 1953

WILLIAM D. McCRAY, 1954

RALPH HATCH, 1955

Clerk to the Assessors, ALICE FULLER

School Committee

HARRY R. PROSL, Chairman, 1954

WILLIAM HARRY BURNS, 1953

DANIEL M. FLYNN, 1955

Trustees for Public Library

ELIZABETH Q. MORGAN, 1953

ELEANOR B. McCRAY, 1955

GERTRUDE LYONS, 1954

Collector of Taxes
DOROTHY S. FLYNN

Constables
ALTON GREGORY
JAMES P. LYONS ARTHUR H. GERRISH

Cemetery Commissioners
MARCUS J. GOTTSCHKE, SR., 1953
HOMER FULLER, 1955 NEIL KIBBE, 1954

Planning Board
JOHN R. WALLACE, Chairman, 1956
DORVAL E. VIGER, 1955
MARION WELLS GERRISH, 1953
ABRAHAM WILEY, 1954
WILLIAM P. PATULLO, 1955

Auditor
BERNICE E. BAKER

Tree Warden
AUSTIN K. HARRIS
APPOINTED TOWN OFFICERS

Town Bookkeeper
ROLLYN H. HATCH

Forest Fire Warden
CLIFFORD R. GUNTHER

Inspector of Animals
PERCY FULLER

Inspector of Slaughtering

GEORGE A. PATRIC, Jr.

Sealer of Weights and Measures

WILLIAM L. BUEREAU

Moth Superintendent

CHARLES H. LEMON

Superintendent of Streets

ARTHUR H. GERRISH

Burial Agent

RALPH B. HATCH

Burial Agent for Soldiers and Sailors

FRED C. SAMBLE

Agent for Care of Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves

RAYMOND DUNLEA

Agent for Veterans' Benefits

THOMAS J. FAULKNER

Measurers of Wood, Bark and Charcoal

HOMER L. HATCH

AUSTIN K. HARRIS

Dentist for Dental Clinic

DR. HAROLD I. FISKE

DR. HAROLD J. BENNETT

Pound Keeper and Field Driver

PERCY FULLER

Fence Viewers

DONALD E. DICKINSON
 GEORGE PATRIC, Jr. WARREN DICKINSON

Welfare Agent

MARY CANTWELL

Building Commissioner

GORDON J. WILLCUTT

Electrical Inspector

DONALD A. GAGNON

Plumbing Inspector

WILLIAM P. PATULLO

Board of Appeals

ROBERT S. PEASE, 1955
 DAVID JOYCE, 1953 GEORGE CHAPIN, 1954
 Chairman
 MARCUS GOTTSCHÉ, Sr., 1955
 J. ALBERT LABELLE, 1956

Alternates

EARLE H. HARRIS, 1953 RICHARD FULLER, 1955

Advisory Board

H. LAURENCE FOSTER, Chairman, 1953
 THOMAS FERGUSON, 1953 DONALD WILCOX, 1955
 ERNEST L. WOODS, 1952
 HAROLD J. BENNETT, 1954

Voters Liable for Jury Duty for the Year Beginning

August 1, 1952

JOHN J. MORIARTY GERALD WITKOP
 BEN F. LIBBY CHARLES LEMON

EARLE H. HARRIS	WILLIAM H. BURNS
JOHN F. WHITNEY	DORVAL E. VIGER
RALPH B. HATCH	WILLIAM H. COWPERTHWAIT
HAROLD F. HELBERG	EDWARD H. LARSON
E. NORTON DAVIS	

Board of Registrars

GRACE L. KIBBE	
EDWIN BRENNAN, 1954	FAYE FLYNN
L. NORRIS FITZGERALD	

Special Police

GEORGE FISHER, Sr.	AUSTIN K. HARRIS
W. EDWARD BURLEIGH	LEON COTE
HAROLD D. JONES	EDWARD LARSON

In Memoriam

NELSON M. CAREW

Born: February 5, 1858

Died: March 31, 1952

SELECTMAN:

1913 to 1936

1938 and 1939

Town Warrant

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

County of Hampden

Town of Hampden

To either of the Constables of the said Town of Hampden
in said County:

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Hampden, qualified to vote in elections of Town Officers, to meet at the Town House on Tuesday, the twenty-fourth day of February, A.D. 1953, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes on one ballot to the election officers of said Town, for the following officers, to wit:

To choose a Moderator for one year. To choose a Town Clerk and a Town Treasurer for one year. To choose one Selectman for three years, who shall also be on the Board of Public Welfare; to choose one Collector of Taxes, three Constables, one Tree Warden; one Auditor, all for the term of one year; and one School Committee Member, one Cemetery Commissioner, one Library Trustee; all for the term of three years; one member of the Planning Board for the term of five years. Also to choose all other necessary Town Officers. The polls shall open at 10 A. M. and shall close at 8 P. M.

And you are further hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Hampden, qualified to vote in Town Affairs, to meet at the Town House, Hampden, on Monday, March 2nd, A.D. 1953, at eight o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To hear the Annual Reports of all the officers of the Town and any committee whose duty it may be to report at said meeting and act thereon.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided for by Section 108, of Chapter 41, General Laws, and to raise and appropriate the following sums to cover same or take any other action in relation thereto.

The Advisory Committee recommends that the following amounts be raised and appropriated to pay the salaries of the Elective Town Officers.

Salaries

Selectmen	\$300.00	
	200.00	
	200.00	\$700.00
Treasurer		550.00
Collector		550.00
Assessors	200.00	
	150.00	
	150.00	500.00
School Committee	60.00	
	30.00	
	30.00	120.00
Auditor		15.00
Moderator		35.00
Town Clerk		100.00

Article 3. To raise money and make appropriations

to defray the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year.

The Advisory Committee recommends that the following sums of money be raised and appropriated for the several purposes hereinafter designated and that the same be expended only for the purposes under the direction of the respective boards, committees, or offices of the town as follows:

General Government

Selectmen's Expenses	\$500.00
Accounting Salary	600.00
Accounting Expenses	100.00
Treasurer's Expenses	160.00
Collector's Expenses	300.00
Assessors' Expenses	800.00
Town Clerk's Expenses	150.00
Law & Claims	400.00
Building Inspector—Salaries	300.00
Building Inspector—Expenses	150.00
Elections & Registrations	300.00
Town Hall Maintenance	50.00
Town House Maintenance	2,500.00
Certifying Notes & Other Finance	50.00

Protection of Persons & Property

Police	750.00
Forest Fire Equipment	200.00
Forest Fires	200.00
Forest Fire Warden	50.00
Tree Warden	200.00
Fire House Maintenance	375.00
Fire Truck Maintenance	654.00
Sealer of Weights & Measures	35.00
Moth Eradication	400.00
Dutch Elm Disease	600.00

Health & Sanitation

Meat Inspection	50.00
Animal Inspection	50.00
Health	1,000.00
Town Dump	150.00

Highways

Snow & Ice Removal	1,500.00
Bridges, Railings & Highways	2,500.00
Street Lighting	858.70
Garage Maintenance	500.00

Charities & Veterans Benefits

Old Age Assistance	\$13,000.00
Disability Allowance	2,800.00
General Relief	3,000.00
Veterans Benefits	1,500.00
Aid to Dependent Children	900.00
Southeast Hampden Welfare District	300.00

Library 1,350.00**Unclassified**

Memorial Day	200.00
Soldiers & Sailors Graves	150.00
Town Common	100.00
Printing Town Reports	
Insurance	2,750.00
Reserve	2,000.00
Planning Board	225.00
Advisory Board Expenses	150.00

Cemeteries 425.00**Interest & Debt** 1,050.00

Article 4. To see what disposition the Town will make of the Dog Fund, now in the hands of the Treasurer.

The Advisory Committee recommends that the Dog Fund be paid into the Library Account.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,550.00 for the repair and maintenance of Town Roads and instruct the Selectmen to petition and contract with the Commissioners of the Department of Public Works, under the provisions of Chapter 81, Sec 28 of the General Laws.

The Advisory Committee recommends that the sum of \$2,550 be raised and appropriated for the repair and maintenance of town roads in accordance with the above article.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for Chapter 90 Maintenance, or take any action in relation thereto.

The Advisory Committee recommends that the sum of \$1,000 be raised and appropriated for use on Chapter 90 Maintenance.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with any money that may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for the widening and surfacing of North Monson Road, or take any action in relation thereto.

The Advisory Committee recommends that the sum of \$2,000 be raised and appropriated for the widening and surfacing of North Monson Road.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury a sum of money for Chapter 81 and 90 Highways in the three preceding articles or take any action in relation thereto.

The Advisory Committee recommends the transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of \$17,350.00 for Chapter 81 and 90 highway work as outlined in the three preceding articles.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for planting trees along the highways.

The Advisory Committee recommends that the sum of \$50 be raised and appropriated for planting trees along the highway.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75.00 to be expended in the Town by the Hampden County Trustees for Aid to Agriculture, in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 128, Section 42.

The Advisory Committee recommends that the sum of \$75 be raised and appropriated for aid to agriculture in accordance with the above article.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for the School Department or take any other action relative thereto.

General:

Committee Expense	\$ 225.00
Superintendent Salary	1,750.00
Exp. of Superintendency	1,648.00

Instruction:

Supervisors' Salaries	1,692.00
Teachers' Salaries	25,055.00
Textbooks	900.00
Supplies	1,300.00

Operation:

Janitors' Salaries	3,060.00
Fuel	2,400.00
Miscellaneous	850.00

Maintenance:

Repairs & Replacements	1,600.00
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Auxiliary:

Health	1,060.00
Transportation	14,260.00
Tuition	32,154.00
Miscellaneous	125.00

Outlay:

New Equipment	1,000.00
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Total	\$89,199.00
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The Advisory Committee recommends that several items listed in the above budget be raised and appropriated. Of the total sum to be raised and appropriated for school purposes, the approximate and estimated sum of \$28,300 will be a reimbursement from the State, known as School Aid; according to information furnished to this committee by the School Committee.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400 for the maintenance of the Dental Clinic for the ensuing year, in accordance with the provisions of Section 50, Chapter 111, General Laws or take any other action in relation thereto.

The Advisory Committee recommends that the sum of \$400 be raised and appropriated for the maintenance of the Dental Clinic for the ensuing year.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$694.41 to be paid to the Treasurer-Custodian of the Hampden County Retirement System as provided by Chapter 658, Section 22 of the Acts of 1945, and as further amended by Chapter 530 of the Acts of 1951, to be credited to the Town's share of the funds thereof.

The Advisory Committee recommends that the sum of \$694.41 be raised and appropriated as the town's share of the Hampden County Retirement System.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a Recreation Commission of five citizens, to serve for the term of one year, under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 45, Section 14.

The Advisory Committee recommends that the Selectmen be authorized to appoint a Recreation Commission of five citizens.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250 for the use of the Recreation Commission, or take any other action in relation thereto.

The Advisory Committee recommends that the sum of \$250 be raised and appropriated for the use of the Recreation Commission.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Road Machinery Account to the Road Machinery Fund.

The Advisory Committee recommends that the sum of \$2,500 be transferred from the Road Machinery Account to the Road Machinery Fund.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote taken under Article 26 of the Warrant for the annual meeting held February 7, 1944, which vote was as follows: "To appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to be taken from the Real Estate Revenue Account to purchase from Charles S. Ballard the land on the east side of the Old Cemetery to Chapin Road, and on the north side of the Bradway property line."

The Advisory Committee recommends that the vote of February 7, 1944, under Article 26 of the Warrant, be rescinded.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$1500.00 from the Overlay Reserve to the Reserve Fund or take any other action relative thereto.

The Advisory Committee recommends that the sum of \$1,500 be transferred from the Overlay Reserve to the Reserve Fund.

Article 19. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to appoint a committee of three persons to investigate the possibility of a public water supply for the Town of Hampden, this committee to act without funds and report its findings to the next authorized Town Meeting, or in any event not later than the next annual Town Meeting of 1954.

The Advisory Committee, knowing that a water survey by other than technical personnel is of doubtful value, and recalling

the similar survey of 1946, does not favor the establishment of such a committee.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to accept any sums of monies from organizations or individuals for the development of a children's swimming site in Hampden Memorial Park, these monies to be spent under the direction of the Water Survey Committee for a development study of this site.

The Advisory Committee recommends a negative vote on this article.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$100.00 for the perpetual care of the Byron Stebbins cemetery lot.

The Advisory Committee recommends the acceptance of the sum of \$100.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$100.00 for the perpetual care of the Goodwill cemetery lot.

The Advisory Committee recommends the acceptance of the sum of \$100.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint for a term of three years a committee of five persons one of whom shall be a member of the School Committee, and to be known as the School Building Committee. Said Committee be and hereby is authorized to procure a plot plan of the property accepted under the report of the School Expansion Committee of 1952. Upon presentation of the plot plan aforesaid by the Committee to the Selectmen, the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized and instructed to take said land by eminent domain for school purposes. The Committee is hereby authorized and empowered to obtain preliminary construction and finance plans, and take all



other necessary steps to present to the Town construction and cost details for consideration and vote. Said Committee may submit its plans and costs thereof to the annual meeting of March, 1954, or earlier, if in the opinion of the Committee conditions so warrant, but in no event later than the Annual meeting of March, 1956.

The Advisory Committee presents no recommendation on this article. A voice vote was taken with two in favor, two opposed, and the chairman present but not voting.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3000 and appropriate a sum of money from the School Expansion Committee of 1952 account to the School Building Committee account or take any other action relative thereto.

The Advisory Committee presents no recommendation on this article. A voice vote was taken with two in favor, two opposed, and the chairman present but not voting.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from Surplus Revenue Account to the Taking by Eminent Domain account or take any other action relative thereto.

The Advisory Committee presents no recommendation on this article. A voice vote was taken with two in favor, two opposed, and the chairman present but not voting.

Article 26. To see if the Town will authorize and instruct the Selectmen to take by eminent domain an easement for highway purposes a strip of land commonly called Pinewood Road, running generally Easterly from Allen Street a distance of approximately 1200 feet, raise and appropriate a sum of money to compensate for said taking, or take any other action relative thereto.

The Advisory Committee recommends the taking by eminent domain an easement for highway purposes, a strip of land com-

monly called Pinewood Road and the raising and appropriating of \$300 to compensate for said taking.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the Revenue of the financial year beginning Jan. 1, 1953 and to issue a note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

The Advisory Committee recommends the treasurer be authorized to borrow money in anticipation of revenue.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting an attested copy thereof at each of the three places designated by the Town. Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at or before the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this third day of February, 1953.

CHARLES R. MELVILLE

CLIFFORD R. GUNTHER

HAROLD F. HELBERG

Selectmen of Hampden, Mass.

Report of Advisory Committee

January 5, 1953

The Advisory Committee held meetings throughout the year of 1952, several being joint meetings with other town committees and boards. Members of the Committee also attended meetings of the State Association of Town Finance Committees in Boston.

Action was inaugurated by this Committee toward the formation of a Western Branch of the State Association and it is hoped that this action may be brought to a successful conclusion to the benefit of all Advisory and Finance Committees in the Western part of the State.

The Committee wishes to emphasize the value of the joint meetings with other town committees and boards above-referred to. These meetings help each town committee to learn details of the work and problems of other committees. The result is better understanding and cooperation. We believe such meetings should be continued and increased.

The Committee as presently constituted believes that the tax structure of the Town is inequitable and that future Advisory Committees should make a thorough and complete study of the tax problem, with a view toward spreading the tax burden now borne almost entirely by real estate and excise, more evenly among our citizens.

The Committee is gratified to see the town surplus augmented each year and urges the continuance of this procedure. In our opinion, no funds should be withdrawn from this account except for emergencies or expenditures for capital account.

Twelve transfers were made during the year from the Reserve Fund totalling in amount \$2,427.99, leaving \$1,072.01 to surplus. We again recommend continuing the fund at \$3,500.

We have received during the year much cooperation from all town boards, committees and officials with whom we have worked or been in contact. For this cooperation and for the friendly and helpful manner in which it was given, we are appreciative.

Respectfully submitted,

H. LAURENCE FOSTER,

Chairman

ERNEST L. WOODS

THOMAS FERGUSON

Dr. HAROLD J. BENNETT

DONALD WILCOX

Report of Selectmen

During the past year the Selectmen have held regular weekly meetings and have submitted regular weekly warrants to the Treasurer. The exercise of regular Board functions in various departments has resulted in some items for your consideration, as follows:

1. Early in the year the Selectmen met with the State Engineers and pro-rated the Chapter 81 road funds.

2. Bids were solicited for repairs on the roof of the Town House and the contract was subsequently let to the General Roofing Company of Springfield. The project was successfully completed.

3. Considerable funds were saved from the original appropriation for the roof repairs. With these funds, the exterior of the Town House was painted.

4. After several meetings were held with the Telephone Company officials, they consented to discontinue all charges on calls to Springfield.

5. The Selectmen met with State and County officials to request funds for the Chapter 90 Maintenance and Construction work for 1953. Because of the large amount of work being done on Chapter 90 Construction and Maintenance, the Selectmen have asked State and County officials for additional funds for 1953. The Selectmen met with Mr. Benjamin Grout of the Depart-

ment of Public Works, and asked if the State would undertake to paint the white safety lines on the Town roads. Mr. Grout referred the Selectmen to William C. Callahan, Commissioner of Public Works. After a request from the Selectmen, Commissioner Callahan kindly agreed to have the State undertake this project at no cost to the Town. The lines were completed during the fall. The Selectmen feel this is a great safety measure for the Town of Hampden.

6. The Selectmen regret to announce that Mr. John J. Isham has submitted his resignation as Chairman of the Recreation Committee. We all realize the tireless efforts of Mr. Isham in his work, both on the Committee and at the Field, since the project first began. His interest and energy will be missed.

For the ensuing year, some important projects confront the Town of Hampden, which are briefly outlined as follows:

Completion of North Monson Road under Chapter 90 Construction.

The rebuilding of Mill Road and South Monson Road bridges, both sorely in need of repair.

To all committees and public spirited persons who contributed their time and efforts in assisting us with our duties, we extend the thanks of the Town of Hampden, and request your continued cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES R. MELVILLE

CLIFFORD R. GUNTHER

HAROLD F. HELBERG

Board of Selectmen

1952

Report of the Board of Health

Thirty-one cases of disease, listed as dangerous to the public health by the Massachusetts State Board of Health, were reported during the current year, as follows:

Measles	17
Mumps	9
Dog Bite	1
Meningitis	1
Polio	2
Tuberculosis	1

The Board of Health received several complaints from the residents of Pinewood Road concerning the condition of the Town Dump on Pinewood Road and it was decided by the Board that these conditions constituted a health menace and the dump was closed.

After making a complete survey of a possible suitable site for a dump, which would not impair the health or be detrimental to the abutting property owners, it was decided to open a dump on town owned property off Cross Road.

HAROLD F. HELBERG

Southeast Hampden Welfare District

The following is the report of the Southeast Hampden Welfare District comprising the towns of Monson, Hampden and Wales:

Balance as of January 1, 1952	\$3,346.12
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Appropriations from Towns:

Monson	800.00
Hampden	200.00
Wales	200.00
Received from Federal and State	6,422.60
	\$10,968.72

Expenditures:

Salaries, Agent, Social Worker	
Jr. Clerk-Typist	\$8,304.00
Treasurer, Hampden County	
Retirement	340.82
Travel Expenses, Agent	285.92
Rent of Office, Town of Monson	180.00
New England Tel. and Tel.	176.15
District Treasurer	100.00
Travel Expenses, Social Worker	69.14
William Stone, P. M., Stamps	60.00
Conklin Office & Supply Co.	38.13
Expenses to Conference, Agent	
and Social Worker	35.20
Social Service Index	29.25

Royal Typewriter Co., Repairs	28.00
Broadway Office & Supply Co.	22.89
Mary H. Cantwell, Postage—	
Registered OAA liens	12.21
Welch & Baldwin, Treasurer's Bond	10.00
Ribbon Carbon Products	5.75
Hobbs & Warren, Forms	4.27
H. T. Janes & Son, Carbon Paper	4.00
Bradway's News & Variety Store	2.59
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	\$9,708.32
Balance forward to 1953	1,260.40
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	\$10,968.72

Respectfully submitted,

MARY H. CANTWELL, Agent

Report of Bureau of Old Age Assistance

Appropriation	\$13,000.00
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Expenditures:

Town Cases (19)	\$11,212.53
State Cases (2)	995.99
Paid for Settled Hampden Cases—	
To Other Cities and Towns (5)	722.18
Refund	63.50
	\$12,994.20
Balance to Surplus Revenue	5.80
	\$13,000.00

FEDERAL GRANT

Balance as of January 1, 1952	\$1,422.31
Cash Received from Federal Government	7,838.10
Refund	41.85
	\$9,302.26
Cash Paid on Payrolls	\$8,376.28
Unexpended Balance	925.98
	\$9,302.26

RECEIPTS

Cash Received from Other Cities & Towns	\$443.56
Cash Received from State	8,658.39
Accounts Receivable—	
From Other Cities & Towns	339.44
Money Received from Property Liens since 1/1/1952 of which Hampden, the State and the Federal will each receive their proportionate share	1,733.62
Cases Active January 1, 1952	22
Cases Added During Year	5
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Total Cases Aided During Year	27
Cases Closed During Year	4
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Cases Active December 31, 1952	23

Respectfully submitted,

MARY H. CANTWELL, Agent

Report of the Board of Public Welfare

(General Relief and Disability Assistance)

Appropriation	\$4,000.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund	1,800.00
Refund	32.50
	<hr/> \$5,832.50

GENERAL RELIEF (Expenditures)

Cash	\$1,840.05
Board	663.43
Medical	235.15
Groceries	50.00
Rent	23.10
Clothing & Shoes	17.00
Fuel	7.75
	<hr/> \$2,836.48

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE (Expenditures)

Board	\$1,879.95
Cash	734.20
Medical	381.85
	<hr/> \$2,996.00

TOTAL EXPENDITURES

General Relief	\$2,836.48
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Disability Assistance	2,996.00
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	\$5,832.48
Unexpended Balance	.02
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	\$5,832.50

GENERAL RELIEF

Cases Active January 1, 1952	3
Added During Year	3
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Total Cases Aided During Year	6
Closed During Year	3
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Cases Active December 31, 1952	3

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Cases Active January 1, 1952	2
Added During Year	1
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Total Cases Aided During Year	3
Closed During Year	0
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Cases Active December 31, 1952	3

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

FEDERAL GRANT

Cash Received from Federal Government	\$630.00
Paid on Payrolls	\$227.49
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Balance December 31, 1952	402.51

Respectfully submitted,
MARY H. CANTWELL, Agent

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Appropriation		\$1,000.00
Cash Paid on Payrolls	\$999.55	
Balance December 31, 1952	.45	
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	\$1,000.00	

FEDERAL GRANT

Balance January 1, 1952		\$367.82
Cash Received from Federal Government		402.00
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		\$769.82
Cash Paid on Payrolls	\$319.10	
Balance December 31, 1952		450.72
Active Cases January 1, 1952	1	
Closed During Year	0	
Added During Year	0	
Active Cases December 31, 1952	1	

Respectfully submitted,

MARY H. CANTWELL, Agent

Report of Superintendent of Streets

The past year has as usual, been a busy one for the Highway Department. With Chapter 81 funds which are used for general maintenance of all of our town roads and into which the town each year appropriates \$2,550.00 and receives \$9,350.00 from the state making a total of \$11,900.00 available, the department has kept up the scraping, drainage, gravelling, patching (both gravel and bituminous) cutting brush, the resurfacing of about three miles of hardened roads, erection of snow fences, plowing of snow and the purchase of 25 tons of salt for ice control. Several new culverts were purchased and installed. There was, in addition, about 500 feet of new tar surface on gravel, 20 feet wide, laid on Chapin Rd. and 900 feet of new work, one new culvert pipe, gravel a foot deep and two applications of tar pua onto the Hendee and Stafford Rds., and R. F. D. mail route. This completes the Hendee Rd. making another hardened road to the Monson town line and also eliminating the continual scraping and gravelling each year besides making the removal of snow much easier.

The permanent work allotted under Chapter 81 was spent on Thresher Rd. The work consisted of grading, widening and graveling from the end of present hard surface southerly to the foot of the steep hill, about 1500 feet. Proper drainage was also installed and I would recommend hardening this stretch next year.

The Chapter 81 Fund was distributed on the roads as follows: Springfield Rd., \$85.47; East Longmeadow

Rd., \$195.82; Wilbraham Rd., \$88.30; Somers Rd., \$103.10; Stony Hill Rd., \$47.72; Isaac Bradway Rd., \$12-00; Mill Rd., \$122.62; Carmody Rd., \$212.45; Main St., \$514.35; South Rd., \$273.79; Chapin Rd., \$2,207.86; Rock-a-Dundee Rd., 93.47; Scantic Rd., \$264.15; Cross Rd., \$28.45; South Monson Rd., 908.71; Thresher Rd., \$1,931.26; Hendee Rd., \$1,221.43; Howlett Hill Rd., \$92-12; Stafford Rd., \$623.20; North Monson Rd., \$334.81; Bennett Rd., \$242.53; Ames Rd., \$173.74; Glendale Rd., \$118.81; North Rd., \$683.51; Mountain Rd., \$955.09; Burleigh Rd., \$386.36; and Riverside Dr., \$16.60.

Of the Chapter 81 Maintenance of \$11,900, the sum of \$4,125.84 was spent for labor, \$3,953.03 for materials including tar, asphalt, gravel, grits, etc. and \$3,821.05 for equipment.

The Chapter 90 Maintenance Fund was \$3000 with an additional \$1,000 requested by the selectmen and granted in late summer. With this \$4,000, the resurfacing of Main St., from the Catholic Church easterly to the junction of Scantic Rd., was completed using a heavy asphalt (MC-5) and $\frac{3}{4}$ " trap rock cover thus making a good resurface job the entire length of Main St. The North Monson Rd. from Main St. to the junction of Bennett Rd., was resurfaced and honed. Other sections of the South Monson, North Monson and Scantic Rds. were resurfaced and covered with pea gravel. Of this \$4,000, the sum of \$1,098.71 was spent for labor, \$2,277.91 for materials and \$623.10 for equipment.

The sum of \$8,000 was available for Chapter 90 Construction of which the town raised \$2,000. This was all used on the North Monson Rd. The section from the junction of Glendale Rd., easterly about 1800 feet which was started in the fall of 1951 was completed and

is 22 feet wide. It was unfortunate to have to inconvenience motorists for such a long period but, in order to get the most for the money, the work was started in 1951 and could not be completed until the 1952 money was available. Some work has been accomplished on the next section including the removal of trees and the installation of a 36" culvert 68 feet long near the Roy N. Emerson place and a new 36" culvert and all the flex-beam guard rail purchased ready to use next year.

From this Chapter 90 Construction account, \$2,059.22 was spent for labor, \$3,671.27 for materials and \$2,269.50 for equipment.

Besides these three large accounts, the department has a number of other projects including the maintenance of the Town Dump and jobs around the Town House.

Again I stress the need of having wide roads. It "pays off". Most of our bituminous patching is on the edges of the highway and with the increased amount of travel on all the roads there is noticeable wear in these places. Whereas white lines are invaluable to motorists and a safety measure, the roads of the past decade were narrower and heavy trucks keeping to the right of the white lines were forced to travel on the edges of many of these older roads. During these past years the traffic over Hampden's roads has increased considerably.

The Road Machinery Fund has been built up to \$5,000 by charging up the town equipment including trucks, loader, grader, spreaders and sweepers on Chapter 81, Chapter 90 Construction and Chapter 90 Maintenance accounts. From this Fund a sum is transferred every year to the Road Machinery Account to take care of

gas, oil, repairs, etc. By so doing, it is not necessary to raise and appropriate any money for the maintenance of equipment. We feel, however, that if our trucks could be traded every two years or so for new ones, repair and tire bills might be eliminated.

I would like to stress here that some of the expense of maintenance could be held down by cooperation. On Ames Rd. approximately 1500 feet of hardened road was damaged to a costly degree when the tar was broken up by the sharp lugs of a bulldozer and on South Rd., a large culvert pipe was plugged up with an automobile gas tank and 11 two-gallon oil cans pushed to the center of the pipe necessitating time and money to be spent to repair it irrespective of the damage which the poor drainage might cause.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR H. GERRISH

Superintendent of Streets

Report of Assessors

TABLE OF AGGREGATES OF POLLS, PROPERTY,
AND TAXES AS ASSESSED January 1, 1952

Number of persons assessed	All	
	Individuals	Others Total
On Personal Estate Only	10	9 19
On Real Estate Only	441	3 444
On Both Personal and Real Estate	61	2 63
Total number of persons assessed		526
Number of Polls Assessed		507
Value of Assessed Personal Estate		
Stock in Trade	\$22,230.00	
Machinery	89,813.00	
Live Stock	36,210.00	
Total value of Assessed Personal Estate		\$148,253.00
Value of Assessed Real Estate		
Land Exclusive of Buildings	\$301,050.00	
Buildings exclusive of land	1,063,335.00	
Total Value of Assessed Real Estate		\$1,364,385.00
Total Value of Assessed Estate		\$1,512,638.00

Tax Rate per \$1,000.00—\$62.00

Taxes for State, County, and Town Purposes
including Overlay:

On Personal Estate	\$ 9,191.69
On Real Estate	84,591.87
On Polls	1,014.00
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Total Taxes Assessed	\$94,797.56

Number of Live Stock Assessed

Horses	23
Cows (Milch)	347
Bulls 8; Yearlings 105; Heifers 62; Steers 5	172
Swine	22
Fowl	4,345
All others—Goats 18; Mink 500; Donkey 1;	
Chinchilla 87	606

Number of Acres of Land Assessed
(More or Less) 12,060

Number of Dwelling Houses Assessed 486

Each building used as a dwelling counted as ONE
without regard to number of families housed.

Board of Assessors

Hampden, Mass.

I hereby certify that the following is the total appropriations voted at the Annual Town Meeting held March 3, 1952:

Salaries:

Selectmen	\$300.00	
	200.00	
	200.00	
Treasurer	500.00	
Collector	500.00	
Assessors	200.00	
	150.00	
	150.00	
School Committee	60.00	
	30.00	
	30.00	
Auditor	15.00	
Moderator	10.00	
Town Clerk	100.00	
Total Salaries		\$2,445.00

General Government:

Selectmen's Expenses	\$500.00
Accounting Salary	550.00
Accounting Expenses	100.00
Treasurer's Expenses	160.00
Collector's Expenses	300.00
Assessors' Expenses	550.00
Town Clerk's Expenses	150.00
Law & Claims	400.00
Building Inspector, Salaries	150.00
Building Inspector Expenses	160.00
Elections & Registrations	525.00

Town Hall Maintenance	50.00	
Town House Maintenance	2,500.00	
Certifying Notes & Other Fl.	50.00	
Total		\$6,145.00

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police	\$500.00	
Forest Fire Equipment	200.00	
Forest Fires	200.00	
Forest Warden	50.00	
Tree Warden	200.00	
Fire House Maintenance	375.00	
Fire Truck Maintenance	874.00	
Sealer	35.00	
Moth Eradication	400.00	
Dutch Elm Disease	215.00	
Total		\$3,049.00

Health & Sanitation:

Meat Inspection	50.00	
Animal Inspection	50.00	
Health	250.00	
Town Dump	150.00	
Total		500.00

Highways:

Snow & Ice Removal:	\$2,000.00	
Bridges, Railings & Highways	1,500.00	
Street Lighting	858.70	
Garage Maintenance	100.00	
Total		4,458.70

Charities & Veterans' Benefits:

Old Age Assistance	\$13,000.00	
Public Welfare & Disability	4,000.00	

Veterans Benefits	1,500.00
Aid to Dependent Children	1,000.00
Southeast Hampden Welfare District	200.00
Total	\$19,700.00

Library	1,250.00
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Unclassified:

Memorial Day	200.00
Soldiers & Sailors Graves	150.00
Town Common	100.00
Printing Town Reports	513.40
Insurance	2,500.00
Reserve	2,000.00
Planning Board	100.00
Advisory Board Expenses	150.00
Total	\$5,713.40

Cemeteries: Prospect Hill	350.00
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Interest & Debt	1,050.00
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Art. 5 Chap. 81 Maintenance	\$2,550.00
Art. 6 Chap. 90 Maintenance	1,000.00
Art. 7 Chap. 90 North Monson Rd.	2,000.00
Art. 9 Planting Trees	50.00
Art. 10 Hampden County Aid to Agri.	50.00
Art. 11 Schools	80,105.00
Art. 12 Dental Clinic	400.00
Art. 13 Hampden County Ret.	626.59
Art. 15 Recreation Field	250.00

Art. 19	Repairs to Town House	2,000.00
Art. 20	Valuation List	300.00
		\$89,331.59
	Total Appropriations	\$133,992.69

Attest: GRACE L. KIBBE

Town Clerk

March 5, 1952

Board of Assessors
Hampden, Massachusetts

Transfers Voted at the Annual Town Meeting held
March 3, 1952:

Art. 4.	Dog Fund to Library Account	\$532.15
Art. 8.	Chap. 81 & 90 Highways	17,350.00
Art. 16.	Road Machinery Fund to Road Machinery Account	2,000.00
Art. 18.	Overlay Reserve to Reserve	1,500.00
Art. 17.	School Expansion Committee to School Expansion Committee 1952	2,196.59
	Total Transfers	\$23,578.74

Attest: GRACE L. KIBBE

Town Clerk

1952 RECAPITULATION SHEET

Total Appropriations Voted to be raised by Taxation	\$133,992.69	
Total Appropriations Voted to be taken from Available Funds since 1951 tax rate	25,000.00	
Total Appropriations Voted to be taken from Available funds in 1952	<u>23,578.74</u>	
		\$182,571.43
Veterans' Service District		\$607.80
State Parks and Reservations	\$175.01	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	<u>520.46</u>	
		\$695.47
County Tax	\$2,178.56	
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	737.12	
Underestimate of Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment 1951	<u>317.15</u>	
		\$3,232.83
Overlay of current year		\$5,503.12
Gross Amount to be Raised		\$192,610.65

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS

Income Tax	\$15,720.74
Corporation Taxes	2,399.06
Old Age Tax (Meals)	377.05
Motor Vehicles and Trailer Excise	9,000.00
Licenses	700.00

Protection of Persons and Property	20.00	
General Government	300.00	
Health and Sanitation	20.00	
Charities	400.00	
Old Age Assistance (Other than Federal Grants)	7,000.00	
Veterans Benefits	500.00	
Schools	12,410.00	
Interest on Taxes and Assessments	150.00	
Total Estimated Receipts	\$48,996.85	
Overestimate of previous year		
County Tax	219.28	
State Parks and Reservations	18.22	
Available Funds by Auth.	48,578.74	
Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds		97,813.09
Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation on Polls and Property		\$94,797.56
Number of Polls 507 at \$2.00 each	\$1,014.00	
Total Valuation		
Personal Property \$148,253.00 Tax \$	9,191.69	
Real Estate 1,364,385.00 Tax	84,918.7	
	<u>84,571.87</u>	
Total Taxes to be levied on Polls and Property		\$94,797.56
Omitted Assessment		
Polls	2.00	
Real Estate	525.45	
Personal	74.40	
Total Taxes Committed on Polls and Property		\$95,399.41

Taxes Abated during 1952

Commitment of 1952		
Real Estate	\$ 263.50	
Personal	643.56	
Polls	28.00	
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Total Taxes Abated		\$935.06

Statutory Exemptions

Real Estate	\$1,253.64	
Polls	122.00	
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Total Exemptions		\$1,375.64

Motor Vehicles Excise Committed

1951 Excise	\$ 351.63
1952 Excise	11,634.52

Number of Motor Vehicles Assessed
in 1952

819

Commissioners Value of Vehicles \$273,180.00

ABATEMENTS:

Commitment of 1951	\$392.59
Commitment of 1952	539.67

The Town owns the following Real Estate

Long Hill	11 Acres	\$100.00
North Road	¼ Acre	50.00
Ames Road	6 Acres	60.00
Bumpstead Road	40 Acres	400.00
Lookout Mountain	42 1/8 Acres	550.00

We have a meeting the fourth Monday of each month
and we would be glad to have you come in and talk with us.

Respectfully submitted,

PERCY A. FULLER

WILLIAM D. McCRAY

RALPH B. HATCH

Board of Assessors

Tax Collector's Report

1951 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAX

Balance due March 22, 1952	\$97.66
Collected and paid Town Treasurer	97.66
Interest paid Town Treasurer	2.18

1952 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAX

Total Commitments		11,771.71
Payments to Town Treasurer	\$9,965.11	
Abatements	539.67	10,504.78
Balance due December 31, 1952		1,266.93
Interest paid Town Treasurer		10.05

1951 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX

Balance due March 22, 1952	1,027.60
Collected and paid Town Treasurer	636.91
Balance due December 31, 1952	390.69

1952 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX

Total Commitments		9,739.15
Collected and paid Town Treasurer	7,946.11	
Abatements	643.56	8,589.67
Balance due December 31, 1952		1,149.48

1952 POLL TAX

Total Commitments		1,016.00
Collected and paid Town Treasurer	868.00	
Abatements	148.00	1,016.00
Interest paid Town Treasurer		1.19

1951 REAL ESTATE TAX

Balance due March 22, 1952		4,350.52
Collected and paid Town Treasurer		4,097.48
Balance due December 31, 1952		253.04
Interest paid Town Treasurer		147.09

1952 REAL ESTATE TAX

Total Commitments		85,347.65
Collected and paid Town Treasurer	74,234.38	
Abatements	1,517.14	
Under Tax Title	18.60	75,770.12
Balance due December 31, 1952		9,577.53
Interest paid Town Treasurer		32.34

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY S. FLYNN

Collector of Taxes

Town Bookkeeper's Report

1952

Summary of Receipts and Expenditures for 1952

	Receipts	Expenditures
Taxes—1952	\$83,048.49	\$705.39
Taxes—Prior Years	8,618.81	
Tax Title Redemptions	68.43	
Interest on Taxes	250.20	
Motor Vehicle Excise—1952	9,965.11	176.24
Motor Vehicle Excise—1951	892.84	
Interest on Excise	13.85	
Licenses & Permits	858.75	
Income Taxes	19,109.81	
Corporation Taxes	4,090.02	
Meals Taxes	676.90	
State Audit		595.64
State Parks & Reservations		187.97
County Tuberculosis Hospital		619.56
County Tax		2,164.50
Moderator		10.00
Selectmen		652.71
Accounting		652.71
Treasurer		617.91
Tax Collector	726.44	
Assessors		1,012.40
Certifying Notes, etc.		43.67
Law and Claims	50.00	545.30
Town Clerk		249.88

Elections & Registrations		672.98
Town House Maintenance	553.09	2,183.06
Repairs to Town House		1,228.45
Old Town Hall Maintenance		36.00
Insurance	18.75	2,073.79
Advisory Board		126.25
Planning Board		27.59
Town Reports		513.40
Fire Protection		768.35
Police		535.65
Dutch Elm Disease Control		469.43
Moth Eradication		400.00
Tree Warden		199.94
Planting Trees		49.60
Forest Fire Protection		343.80
Sealer	16.00	35.00
Building Inspection		344.56
Health		405.38
Dental Clinic	18.50	400.00
Animal Inspector	23.00	46.00
Meat Inspector		50.00
Town Dump Maintenance		316.28
Highway Machinery Fund	\$4,215.70	
Highways, Bridges & Railings	250.30	\$1,490.97
Snow & Ice Removal		1,802.10
Road Machinery Maintenance		3,813.85
Town Garage Maintenance		142.96
Street Lighting		858.70
Chapter 81	6,765.02	11,899.92
Chapter 90—Maintenance	999.98	3,999.72
Chapter 90—Construction	5,999.85	11,231.47
Welfare District		200.00
Public Welfare & Disability		
Assistance	1,691.41	6,027.47
Old Age Assistance	17,048.73	21,433.98
Aid to Dependent Children	824.34	1,318.65
Veterans' Benefits	861.00	1,707.80

Schools	14,833.98	75,408.00
School Lunch	6,769.25	6,576.13
School Survey Committee		143.66
School Alteration		24,137.03
Library	552.87	1,796.05
Cemeteries	263.95	720.67
Town Common		80.95
Memorial Day		135.50
Recreation Field		243.50
Aid to Agriculture		50.00
Valuation List		292.50
Civil Defense		28.95
Interest on Fire Truck Loan		50.00
Payment on Fire Truck Loan		1,000.00
Retirement System		626.59
Dog Licenses	598.20	598.20
Federal Withholding Taxes	6,291.09	5,929.05
County Retirement Contributions	779.41	750.17
Post-War Rehabilitation Interest	132.95	132.95
Cemetery Trust Funds	200.00	100.00
Sale of Real Estate	1,550.00	
Liens—Old Age Assistance	1,732.62	
Interest on Investment	379.68	
Miscellaneous	49.91	
Temporary Loans	1,000.00	
Total Receipts	\$202,062.79	
Cash Balance, Jan. 1, 1952	84,494.45	
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	286,557.24	
Total Expenditures		\$205,393.17
Cash Balance, Dec. 31, 1952	\$81,164.07	

Analysis of Receipts for 1952

GENERAL REVENUE

TAXES

Levy of 1952

Polls	\$ 868.00	
Personal Property	7,946.11	
Real Estate	74,234.38	\$83,048.49

Levy of 1951

Personal Property	808.83	
Real Estate	7,809.98	8,618.81

TAX TITLE REDEMPTIONS

68.43

FROM STATE

Income Tax—Chapter 62	19,109.81	
Meals Tax—Chapter 64B	676.90	
Corporation Tax—Chapter 63	4,090.02	23,876.73

LICENSES & PERMITS

Liquor & Package Store	800.00	
Lord's Day	4.00	
Milk	3.50	
Junk	24.00	
Pistol	19.00	
Gas	3.00	
Division of Stds.	6.00	
Miscellaneous	9.25	858.75

GRANTS FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Old Age Assistance	7,838.10
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Aid to Dependent Children	402.00	
Disability Assistance	660.00	8,900.10

GRANTS FROM STATE GOVERNMENT

High School Transportation	12,641.88	
Mass. School Fund	2,093.70	
Inspection of Animals	23.00	14,768.58
Court Fines		50.00
TOTAL—GENERAL REVENUE		140,179.89

COMMERCIAL REVENUE

PRIVILEGES

1952 Motor Vehicle Excise	9,965.11	
1951 Motor Vehicle Excise	892.84	10,857.95

DEPARTMENTAL

Town House Income	\$553.09	
Dental Clinic	18.50	
Sealer's Fees	16.00	\$ 587.59

Highway Machinery Fund		4,215.70
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Highway Maintenance

State—Chapter 81—1951	1,468.37	
State—Chapter 81—1952	5,296.65	
County—Chapter 90—1951	999.98	7,765.00

Highway Construction

State—Chapter 90—1951	3,999.90	
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County—Chapter 90—1951	1,999.95	5,999.85
Reimbursement for Accident Damage, etc.		250.30
Public Welfare Reimbursement		
State—Old Age Assistance	8,658.39	
Other—Old Age Assistance	552.24	
State—Aid to Dep. Children	422.34	
State—Disability Assistance	1,031.41	
State—Veterans' Benefits	861.00	11,525.38
School		
Tuition Refunds		98.40
School Lunch Income		6,769.25
Library		
Trust Fund	13.85	
Dog Refund	532.15	
Fines	1.57	
Order Refund	5.30	552.87
Unclassified		
Sale of Real Estate	1,550.00	
Liens—Old Age Assistance	1,732.62	
Miscellaneous	8.40	3,291.02
INTEREST		
Deferred Taxes	250.20	
Motor Vehicle Excise	13.85	
Investment Funds	379.68	
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	132.95	776.68

TEMPORARY LOANS

Anticipation of Revenue	1,000.00
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TOTAL COMMERCIAL REVENUE	\$53,689.99
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AGENCY AND REFUNDS

Federal Funds	
Withholding Taxes	6,291.09

County Funds	
Retirement Contributions	779.41
Dog Licenses	598.20
	1,377.61

Cemetery Perpetual Care Trusts	200.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care Interest	263.95
Insurance Dividends	18.75
Miscellaneous	41.51

TOTAL—AGENCY & REFUNDS	\$ 8,192.91
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TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR 1952	\$202,062.79
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GENERAL GOVERNMENT LEGISLATIVE

1. Moderator—Salary	\$10.00
2. Selectmen—Salaries	700.00
3. Selectmen—Expenses	
Clerk Wages	\$204.07
Printing Postage & Stationery	33.76
Travel	36.00
Telephone	72.23
Ass'n. Dues	15.00
Mass. Law Replacements	30.00
Miscellaneous	42.50
	433.56

ACCOUNTING

4. Auditor—Salary		15.00
5. Bookkeeper—Salary		550.00
6. Accounting—Expense		
Printing, Postage & Stationery	22.96	
Binding Books	55.00	
Assoc. Dues	3.00	
Miscellaneous	6.75	87.71
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TREASURY

7. Treasurer—Salary		500.00
8. Treasurer—Expense		
Printing, Postage & Stationery	113.66	
Ass'n. Dues	2.00	
Miscellaneous	2.25	117.91
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COLLECTOR

9. Tax Collector—Salary		500.00
10 Tax Collector—Expense		
Books, Forms, etc.	\$ 27.73	
Printing, Postage & Stationery	190.26	
Ass'n. Dues	2.00	
Miscellaneous	6.45	\$226.44
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ASSESSORS

11. Assessors—Salaries		500.00
12. Assessors—Expense		
Clerk—Salary	250.00	
Printing, Postage & Stationery	147.80	
Auto Hire	35.00	
Copies of transfers	53.60	

Ass'n. Dues	9.00	
State Meeting Expenses	17.00	512.40
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13. Certifying Notes & Other Finance		
Certification of Petitions	17.50	
Advertising for Bids	19.89	
Interest on Temporary Loan	6.28	43.67
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14. Law & Claims		
Town Counsel		545.30
TOWN CLERK		
15. Town Clerk—Salary		100.00
16. Town Clerk-Expense		
Recording Fees	128.50	
Printing, Postage & Stationery	13.22	
Ass'n. Dues	5.00	
Miscellaneous	3.16	149.88
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17. Elections & Registrations		
Election Officers	367.10	
Printing, Postage & Stationery	183.14	
Street List	122.74	672.98
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18. Town House Maintenance		
Janitor Service	586.06	
Gas Service	95.74	
Lights	852.88	
Repairs & Supplies	299.66	
Telephone	69.65	
New Equipment	247.05	
Miscellaneous	32.02	2,183.06
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19. Repairs to Town House

Roof	696.00	
Painting	509.95	
Eave Trough	22.50	1,228.45

20. Old Town Hall Maintenance

Electricity	11.00	
Repairs	25.00	36.00

21. Insurance

Fire Ins. Bldg. & Contents	\$734.80	
Highway Dept.	118.46	
Fire Dept.	40.34	
Workmen's Compensation	442.49	
Bonds	140.00	
Liability & Blanket Policy	597.70	\$2,073.79

22. Advisory Board

Secretarial Work	76.35	
Ass'n. Dues	10.00	
Travel—Trips to Boston, etc.	37.20	
Miscellaneous	2.70	126.25

23. Planning Board

Ass'n. Dues	12.50	
Stationery	6.94	
Secretarial Work	6.15	
Miscellaneous	2.00	27.59

24. Town Reports

513.40

TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT

 \$11,853.39

PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY
FIRE DEPARTMENT

25. Fire Truck Maintenance

Sunday Watch	100.00	
Equipment	167.15	
Gas and Oil	41.30	
Insurance—Accident	150.00	
Batteries & Misc. Parts	22.30	480.75
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29. Fire House Maintenance

Fuel and Light	219.57	
Telephone	62.03	
Ass'n. Dues—Chief	6.00	287.60
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POLICE

30. Police

Duty at Churches	170.00	
General Traffic Duty	365.65	535.65
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FORESTRY

31. Dutch Elm Disease Control

Salaries	101.05	
Removing Trees	350.00	
Miscellaneous Supplies	18.38	469.43
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32. Moth Eradication

Salaries	\$372.90	
Auto Hire	24.97	
Supplies	2.13	\$400.00
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33. Tree Warden		
Salaries	74.94	
Removing Trees	125.00	\$199.94
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34. Planting Trees—Labor		49.60
35. Forest Warden—Salary		50.00
36. Forest Fires		
Fighting Fires		95.80
37. Forest Fire Equipment		
Indian Pumps & Parts		198.00
38. Sealer of Weights & Measures—Salary		35.00
39. Building Inspection		
Salaries	150.00	
Auto Expense	174.96	
Postage & Printing	19.60	344.56
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TOTAL—PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY		\$3,146.33

HEALTH & SANITATION

40. Health		
Board & Treatment	401.13	
Printing	4.25	405.38
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41. Dental Clinic—Salary		400.00
42. Animal Inspector—Salary		46.00
43. Meat Inspector—Salary		50.00
44. Town Dump Maintenance		
Salaries	154.86	
Bulldozer—New Location	112.00	
Gravel	49.42	316.28
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TOTAL—HEALTH & SANITATION		\$1,217.66

HIGHWAYS

45. Highways, Bridges & Railings

Salaries & Wages	966.92	
Material	435.71	
Equipment & Repairs	88.34	1,490.97

46. Snow & Ice Removal

Salaries & Wages	1,247.68	
Material	201.39	
Chains	115.02	
Rented Equipment	238.01	1,802.10

47. Road Machinery Maintenance

Salaries & Wages	\$253.80	
Gas, oil & grease	1,436.17	
Tires, tubes	655.03	
New Spreader	230.00	
Repairs, parts, etc.	1,238.85	\$3,813.85

48. Town Garage Maintenance

Electricity & telephone	102.53	
Wood sawing	20.00	
Repairs to Building	20.43	142.96

49. Street Lighting

858.70

50. Chapter 81

Salaries & Wages	4,125.84	
Rental of Towing Equipment	1,820.05	
Rental of Other Equipment	2,001.00	
Material	3,953.03	11,899.92

51. Chapter 90—Maintenance

Salaries & Wages	1,098.71
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Rental of Town Equipment	602.70	
Rental of Other Equipment	20.40	
Material	2,277.91	3,999.72
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52. Chapter 90—Construction		
Salaries & Wages	2,889.73	
Rental of Town Equipment	1,834.95	
Rental of Other Equipment	1,893.50	
Material	4,613.29	11,231.47
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TOTAL—HIGHWAYS		35,239.69
CHARITIES & VETERANS' BENEFITS		
53. Welfare District		200.00
54. Public Welfare		
Cash Payments	3,139.61	
Medical	2,496.95	
Provisions, Fuel, Rent	163.42	5,799.98
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55. Disability Assistance		
Cash Payments	54.40	
Medical	173.09	227.49
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OLD AGE ASSISTANCE		
56. Town Appropriation		
Cash Payments	12,335.55	
Other Cities & Towns	722.15	13,057.70
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57. Federal Grant		
Cash Payments		8,376.28
AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN		
58. Town Appropriation		
Cash Payments		\$999.55

59. Federal Grant		
Cash Payments		319.10
60. Veterans' Benefits		
Cash Payments	\$690.61	
Provisions, Fuel, Rent	409.39	
Administrative Office	15.00	1,115.00
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Veterans' Service Center		592.80
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		30,687.90

TOTAL— CHARITIES & VETERANS' BENEFITS

SCHOOLS

61. School Committee—Salaries		120.00
62. School Committee—Expenses		
Secretarial Work	110.55	
Supplies	23.70	
Ass'n. Dues	10.00	144.25
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63. Superintendent's Salary		1,218.80
64. Superintendency Expense		
Clerks in Supt's. office	975.95	
Attendance Officers	10.00	
Printing, Postage & Stationery	96.94	
Telephone	49.27	
Travel Expense	166.79	
Census	50.00	
Expenses at Conventions	55.66	
Misc.	1.06	1,405.67
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65. Teachers' Salaries		21,833.82
66. Supervisor's Salaries		1,855.50
67. Textbooks		698.17

68. Supplies		1,195.72
69. Tuition		
High Schools	21,764.68	
Vocational	4,289.80	
Agriculture	324.67	26,379.15
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70. Transportation		
High School	7,534.98	
Elementary School	5,485.02	
Bonding Expense	380.00	
Special Events—High Schools	25.36	13,425.36
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71. Janitor Salary		2,691.65
72. Fuel		\$1,976.45
73. Repairs & Replacements		
Desks & Chairs	\$422.53	
Repairs	95.86	518.39
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74. Miscellaneous Operating		
Janitor Supplies	431.68	
Telephone	59.45	
Miscellaneous	4.41	495.54
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75. New Equipment		537.49
76. Miscellaneous Auxiliary		
Printing	56.25	
Graduation Exercises	4.00	60.25
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77. Health		
Physician	439.00	
Nurse	390.00	
Medical Supplies	32.79	851.79
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TOTAL—SCHOOLS		75,408.00

78. School Lunch

Salaries & Wages	2,183.00	
Food & Provisions	4,239.51	
Printing	40.80	
Utensils	39.90	
Gas	72.92	6,576.13
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79. School Survey Committee

Aerial Photos	60.00	
Open House	38.78	
Secretarial Work	44.88	143.66
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80. School Alteration

Contractors	20,972.06	
Engineers	368.16	
New Equipment	2,532.53	
Salaries & Wages, Local Help	151.83	
Miscellaneous	112.45	24,137.03
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81. Library

Salaries & Wages	805.80	
Books	675.38	
Periodicals	160.85	
Incidentals	153.02	1,795.05
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ENTERPRISES & CEMETERIES

82. Prospect Hill Cemetery

Labor	199.10	
Rented Equipment	61.25	
Repairs, Gas & Oil	33.42	
Miscellaneous	1.26	295.03
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83. Cemetery Funds Income		
Labor	\$286.20	
Fertilizer	4.75	\$290.95
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84. Soldiers & Sailors Graves		
Labor	120.60	
Repair Mower	13.00	
Gas	1.09	134.69
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TOTAL—ENTERPRISES & CEMETERIES		720.67
RECREATION & UNCLASSIFIED		
85. Town Common		
Labor	67.20	
Fertilizer & Trowel	13.75	80.95
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86. Memorial Day		
Flags	15.00	
Planting	32.50	
Refreshments	88.00	135.50
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87. Recreation Field		
Mowing	58.50	
Excavating pool	185.00	243.50
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88. Aid to Agriculture		
89. Valuation		
Printing	270.00	
Labor	22.50	292.50
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90. Civil Defense		
Armbands	12.52	
Radio Supplies	7.37	

Telephone, Postage	3.81	
Miscellaneous	5.25	28.95
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TOTAL—RECREATION & UNCLASSIFIED		831.40
MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNTS		
92. Interest—Fire Truck Loan		50.00
93. Fire Truck Loan		1,000.00
Refunds		
Taxes	705.39	
Motor Vehicle Excise	176.24	881.63
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TOTAL—MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNTS		1,931.63
AGENCY & INVESTMENT		
State		
Audit	595.64	
Parks & Reservations	187.97	783.61
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County		
Tax	\$2,164.50	
Hospital Assessment	619.56	
Retirement System	626.59	
Dog Licenses	598.20	\$4,008.85
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Federal Withholding Taxes		5,929.05
County Retirement Contributions		750.17
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund		132.95
Cemetery Trust Funds		100.00
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TOTAL—AGENCY & INVESTMENT		\$11,704.63
TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR 1952		\$205,393.17

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1952

Account	Appropriation	From Other Sources	Total Available Funds	Expended	Closed to Surplus Rev.	Carried Forward
1. Moderator	\$ 10.00		\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00		
2. Selectmen—Salaries	700.00		700.00	700.00		
3. Selectmen—Expenses	500.00		500.00	433.56	\$ 66.44	
4. Auditor	15.00		15.00	15.00		
5. Accounting—Salary	550.00		550.00	550.00		
6. Accounting Expense	100.00		100.00	87.71	12.29	
7. Treasurer—Salary	500.00		500.00	500.00		
8. Treasurer—Expense	160.00		160.00	117.91	42.09	
9. Collector—Salary	500.00		500.00	500.00		
10. Collector—Expense	300.00		300.00	226.44	73.56	
11. Assessors—Salaries	500.00		500.00	500.00		
12. Assessors—Expense	550.00		550.00	512.40	37.60	
13. Certifying Notes and Other Finance	50.00		50.00	43.67	6.33	
14. Law and Claims	400.00	x \$200.00	600.00	545.30	54.70	
15. Town Clerk—Salary	100.00		100.00	100.00		
16. Town Clerk—Expense	150.00		150.00	149.83	.12	
17. Elections & Registrations	525.00	x 150.00	675.00	672.98	2.02	
18. Town House Maintenance	2,500.00		2,500.00	2,183.06	316.94	\$771.55
19. Repairs to Town House	2,000.00		2,000.00	1,228.45		
20. Town Hall Maintenance	50.00		50.00	36.00	14.00	
21. Insurance	2,500.00		2,500.00	2,073.79	426.21	

Account	Appropriation	From Other Sources	Total Available Funds	Expended	Closed to Surplus Rev.	Carried Forward
22. Advisory Board	150.00		150.00	126.25	23.75	
23. Planning Board	100.00		100.00	27.59	72.41	
24. Town Reports	513.40		513.40	513.40		
25. Fire Truck Maintenance	874.00		874.00	480.75	393.25	
26. Water Holes		b 80.47	80.47			80.47
27. Fire House Repairs		b 179.00	179.00			179.00
28. Fire House Wiring		b 150.00	150.00			150.00
29. Fire House Maintenance	375.00		375.00	287.60	87.40	
30. Police	500.00	x 50.00	550.00	535.65	14.35	
31. Dutch Elm Disease Control	215.00	x 300.00	515.00	469.43	45.57	
32. Moth Eradication	400.00		400.00	400.00		
33. Tree Warden	200.00		200.00	199.94	.06	
34. Planting Trees	50.00		50.00	49.60	.40	
35. Forest Warden	50.00		50.00	50.00		
36. Forest Fires	200.00		200.00	95.80	104.20	
37. Forest Fire Equipment	200.00		200.00	198.00	2.00	
38. Sealer	35.00		35.00	35.00		
39. Building Inspection	310.00	50.00	360.00	344.56	15.44	
40. Health	250.00	x 337.99	587.99	405.38	182.61	
41. Dental Clinic	400.00		400.00	400.00		
42. Animal Inspector	50.00		50.00	46.00	4.00	
43. Meat Inspection	50.00		50.00	50.00		
44. Town Dump Maintenance	150.00	x 300.00	450.00	316.28		133.72

Account	Appropriation	From Other Sources	Total Available Funds	Expended	Closed to Surplus Rev.	Carried Forward
45. Highways, Bridges and Railings	1,500.00		1,500.00	1,490.97	9.03	
46. Snow and Ice Removal	2,000.00		2,000.00	1,802.10	197.90	
47. Road Machinery Maintenance	x 350.00 m3,500.00		3,850.00	3,813.85	36.15	
48. Town Garage Maintenance	100.00	x 50.00	150.00	142.96	7.04	
49. Street Lighting	858.70		858.70	858.70		
50. Chapter 81	2,550.00	e9,350.00	11,900.00	11,899.92	.08	
51. Chapter 90—Maintenance	1,000.00	l1,000.00 e2,000.00	4,000.00	3,999.72	.28	
52. Chapter 90—Construction	2,000.00	e6,000.00 b3,231.69	11,231.69	11,231.47	.22	
53. Public Welfare District	200.00		200.00	200.00		
54. Public Welfare	4,000.00	e1,800.00	5,800.00	5,799.98	.02	
55. Welfare Dis. Assistance— Fed. grant		g 660.00	660.00	227.49		432.51
56. Old Age Assistance— Town	13,000.00	r 63.50	13,063.50	13,057.70	5.80	
57. Old Age Assistance— Fed. grant		g9,302.26	9,302.26	8,376.28		925.98
58. Aid to Dependent Children— Town	1,000.00		1,000.00	999.95	.45	

Account	Appropriation	From Other Sources	Total Available Funds	Expended	Closed to Surplus Rev.	Carried Forward
59. Aid to Dependent Children— Fed. grant		\$ 769.82	769.82	319.10		450.72
60. Veterans' Benefits	1,500.00		1,500.00	1,115.00	385.00	
61. School Committee— Salaries	120.00		120.00	120.00		
62. School Committee— Expenses	225.00		225.00	144.25	80.75	
63. School Superintendent— Salary	688.00	x 550.00	1,238.00	1,218.80	19.20	
64. School Superintendent— Expense	1,413.00		1,413.00	1,405.67	7.33	
65. School Teachers— Salaries	23,080.00		23,080.00	21,833.82	1,246.18	
66. School Supervisors— Salaries	2,667.00		2,667.00	1,855.50	811.50	
67. School—Textbooks	700.00		700.00	698.17	1.83	
68. School Supplies	1,200.00		1,200.00	1,195.72	4.28	
69. School Tuition	28,263.00		28,263.00	26,379.15	1,883.85	
70. School Transportation	13,840.00		13,840.00	13,425.36	414.64	
71. School Janitor— Salaries	2,800.00		2,800.00	2,691.65	108.35	
72. School Fuel	2,000.00		2,000.00	1,976.45	23.55	
73. School Repairs and Replacements	700.00		700.00	518.39	181.61	

Account	Appropriation	From Other Sources	Total Available Funds	Expended	Closed to Surplus Rev.	Carried Forward
74. School—Misc. Operations	850.00		850.00	495.54	354.46	
75. School—New Equipment	500.00	x 75.00	575.00	537.49	37.51	
76. School—						
Misc. Auxiliary	125.00		125.00	60.25	64.75	
77. School Health	1,054.00		1,054.00	851.79	202.21	
78. School Lunch		7,689.30	7,689.30	6,576.13		1,113.17
79. School Survey Committee		b 2,196.59	2,196.59	143.66		2,052.93
80. School Alteration		b24,950.50	24,950.50	24,137.03	813.47	
81. Library	1,250.00	r 546.00				
		b 1.90	1,797.90	1,795.05		2.85
82. Prospect Hill Cemetery	350.00		350.00	295.03	54.97	
83. Cemetery Fund Income		r 263.95				
		b 275.01	538.96	290.95		248.01
84. Soldiers & Sailors Graves	150.00		150.00	134.69	15.31	
85. Town Common	100.00		100.00	80.95	19.05	
86. Memorial Day	200.00		200.00	135.50	64.50	
87. Recreation Field	250.00		250.00	243.50	6.50	
88. Aid to Agriculture	50.00		50.00	50.00		
89. Valuation List	300.00		300.00	292.50	7.50	
90. Civil Defense		b 130.48	130.48	28.95		101.53
91. Hampden County Retirement System	626.59		626.59	626.59		
92. Interest	50.00		50.00	50.00		

93. Maturing Debt	1,000.00		1,000.00	
94. Reserve Fund	2,000.00	1,500.00	3,500.00	1,087.01
Total Appropriations	\$133,992.69			
Total From Other Sources		\$78,053.46		
Total Available Funds			\$212,646.15	
Total Expended				\$195,253.69
Total to Surplus Revenue				\$10,150.02
Total Carried Forward to 1953				\$6,642.44

Reserve Fund Transfers	
14. Law & Claims	\$200.00
17. Elections & Registrations	150.00
30. Police	50.00
31. Dutch Elm Disease	300.00
39. Building Inspection	50.00
40. Health	337.99
44. Town Dump Maintenance	300.00
47. Road Machinery Maintenance	350.00
48. Town Garage Maintenance	50.00
63. School Superintendent's Salary	550.00
75. School—New Equipment	75.00
	<u>\$2,412.99</u>

Key

- x—Transfer from Reserve Fund
- b—Balance from 1951
- m—Transfer from Machinery Fund
- e—Transfer from Excess & Deficiency
- l—Temporary loan in anticipation of reimbursement
- g—State and County Grants
- r—Refunds

BALANCE SHEET — December 31, 1952

General Accounts

Assets		Liabilities	
Cash	\$81,164.07	Highway Machinery Fund	\$6,154.04
Taxes Outstanding		Temporary Loans in Anticipation of Revenue	1,000.00
1951 Personal Property \$ 390.69		1952 Old Age Assistance Liens	1,732.62
1952 Personal Property 1,149.48			
1951 Real Estate 253.04		Credits:	
1952 Real Estate 9,577.53	11,370.74	County Tax	14.06
		County Hospital Assessment	117.56
1952 Motor Vehicle Excise	1,266.93	Veterans' Service Center	27.50
Tax Titles 39.14		Sale of Real Estate Revenue	2,650.00
Tax Possessions 552.03	591.17	Fund for Purchase of Cemetery Land	1,000.00
		Cemetery Perpetual Care Trust Fund	100.00
Departmental Accounts		Federal Withholding Taxes	845.34
Receivable		County Retirement Contributions	150.97
Disability Welfare 53.20		Overlay Reserve	3,143.69
Public Welfare 32.00		Reserve Against Collection of Taxes	
Old Age Assistance 343.14		Overlay—1951 \$ 643.73	
Aid to Dependent Children	150.06	Overlay—1952 2,992.42	
Town House 135.56			3,636.15
		Revenue Reserves	
	714.06	Motor Vehicle Excise	1,266.93

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Funds		
Cash and Securities		
	\$26,965.32	\$ 7,608.72
		16,226.36
		2,110.11
		508.46
		500.00
		11.67
Total	<u>\$26,965.32</u>	<u>\$26,965.32</u>
		Submitted by
		ROLLYN H. HATCH
		Town Bookkeeper

Treasurer's Report --- Trust Funds

Fund	Bal. 1/1/52	Int. 1952	Withdrawn 1952	Bal. 12/31/52
Day Library	\$504.99	\$13.97	\$10.50	\$508.46
Holt, Library	500.00	13.85	13.85	500.00
Library	11.35	.32		11.67
Bumstead Cemetery	2,110.11	58.42	58.42	2,110.11
Helen E. Stacy	105.52	4.14	4.14	105.52
Burleigh, Holt	202.58	5.57	5.57	202.58
Anna S. Leonard	101.02	2.77	2.77	101.02
Stoddard	51.00	1.41	1.41	51.00
Twitchell, Burt	201.06	5.52	5.52	201.06
Marcus Beebe	152.29	4.18	4.18	152.29
Lydia Morris	101.02	2.77	2.77	101.02
Orrin Goodwill	202.58	5.57	5.57	202.58
John Q. Adams	102.04	2.82	2.82	102.04
Thompson, Chaffee	303.13	8.34	8.34	303.13
William Johnson	127.98	3.50	3.50	127.98
Calvin Stebbins	101.02	2.77	2.77	101.02
Milo Chapin	102.04	2.82	2.82	102.04
Elsie M. Hills	1,018.58	28.01	28.01	1,018.58
S. Stacy Hunt	101.02	2.77	2.77	101.02
Henry C. Dickinson	102.04	2.82	2.82	102.04
Jackson Dickey	41.36	1.12	1.12	41.36
George P. West	101.02	2.77	2.77	101.02
Holmes & Beebe	202.58	5.57	5.57	202.58
Flora Carlton	102.04	2.82	2.82	102.04
Wm. J. Sessions	51.00	1.41	1.41	51.00
John Kenworthy	201.02	5.52	5.52	201.02
Mortimer Pease	101.02	2.82	2.82	101.02
John S. Beebe	102.04	2.82	2.82	102.04
Davis, Weeks, Pease	202.58	5.57	5.57	202.58
David Stebbins	101.02	2.77	2.77	101.02
John F. Whitaker	101.02	2.77	2.77	101.02

Fund	Bal. 1/1/52	Int. 1952	Withdrawn 1952	Bal. 12/31/52
Orcutt	51.66	1.41	1.41	51.66
Beebe, Stanton	152.29	4.18	4.18	152.29
Chas. W. Whitaker	101.02	2.77	2.77	101.02
Bennett, Kenworthy	102.04	2.82	2.82	102.04
Rose Cory	102.04	2.82	2.82	102.04
Joseph Stimson	101.02	2.77	2.77	101.02
N. & E. Langdon	101.02	2.77	2.77	101.02
Jennie Shaw	51.00	1.41	1.41	51.00
Davis Pease	101.02	2.77	2.77	101.02
George Pond	50.69	1.39	1.39	50.69
Martha Edson	51.15	1.41	1.41	51.15
John Bartlett	208.74	5.72	5.72	208.74
C. I. Burleigh	50.83	1.39	1.39	50.83
D. L. & D. R. McCray	153.58	4.20	4.20	153.58
Henry M. Davis	101.51	2.77	2.77	101.51
J. L. Gottsche	101.78	2.77	2.77	101.78
Wm. & Fred Leach	200.00	5.50	5.50	200.00
Alvin Bennett	100.00	2.75	2.75	100.00
Charlotte & C. Merrill	100.00	2.75	2.75	100.00
Medicke	100.00	2.75	2.75	100.00
Irving Newell	300.00	8.25	8.25	300.00
Anton Waska	100.00	2.75	2.75	100.00
Marcus Chaffee	50.00	1.39	1.39	50.00
Agnes Vidders	50.00	1.39	1.39	50.00
A. Newman	100.00	2.75	2.75	100.00
Lillie Bradway	100.01	2.56	2.56	100.01
Byron Stebbins	200.00	4.88	4.88	200.00
Gutberlet	100.00	2.75	2.75	100.00
Harry Goodwill				100.00
Balance December 31, 1951		10,489.47		
Byron Stebbins		100.00		
Harry Goodwill		100.00		
Interest for 1952		292.09		
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		10,981.56		

Withdrawn in 1952	288.30	
Balance December 31, 1952		10,693.26

Respectfully submitted,

GRACE L. KIBBE

Treasurer

Treasurer's Report

Balance January 1, 1952	\$84,494.45	
Receipts for 1952	202,062.79	
		\$286,557.24
Expenditures for 1952	\$205,393.17	
Balance December 31, 1952	81,164.07	
		\$286,557.24

Post War Rehabilitation Fund:

Series A 1 7/8% Certificate	\$10,000.00
Springfield Institution for Savings	6,226.36
Federal Payroll Taxes Withheld	6,291.09
County Retirement Deducted	736.65

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined the books of the Town Treasurer and Town Bookkeeper and to the best of my knowledge and belief, have found them to be correct.

BERNICE A. BAKER

Auditor

January 16, 1953

Town Clerk's Report

Dogs licensed in 1952:

137 Males	\$274.00	
29 Females	145.00	
74 Spayed	148.00	
1 Kennel	50.00	
3 Kennel @ \$10	30.00	\$647.00

Paid County Treasurer June 1, 1952	\$215.60
Paid County Treasurer December 1, 1952	382.60
Clerk's Fees @ 20¢ each	48.80
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	\$647.00

Births:

21 Male	
15 Female	
	36

Deaths:

16 Male	
4 Female	
	20

Marriages:	20
Documents recorded	62

Respectfully submitted,

GRACE L. KIBBE

Town Clerk

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

The Cemetery Commission reports the two cemeteries were mowed and raked twice, and perpetual care lots were mowed and raked three times.

Sunken graves and low places were filled and seeded, also driveways were plowed of snow several times. More money should be appropriated, as the cost of labor is high and the interest on trust funds is low.

Respectfully submitted,

MARCUS J. GOTTSCHKE, Sr.

NEIL S. KIBBE

HOMER L. FULLER

1952

HAMPDEN MEMORIAL PARK COMMITTEE

The paddle pond was enlarged and deepened in anticipation of a Red Cross supervised swimming instruction program this summer.

There is a large number of young people in town who are anxious to take advantage of this program.

Due to the Korean War, there was no Town baseball team this year, because of the number of young men in the Service.

Several of the organizations in Town held outings and picnics at the Park this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN B. ISHAM

Chairman

REPORT OF TREE WARDEN

During 1952 the town was remarkably free from storms accompanied by high winds and therefore little damage was suffered by trees along the highways. However, in conjunction with the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company and the Worcester County Electric Company, this department removed many branches and trees which were dead or partially so constituting a menace to the safety of motorists and pedestrians as well as to the utility wires were they to fall on them during a high wind.

The usual number of rock maples were set out along the highways for future shade trees. I would like to emphasize to townspeople again that if they so request, trees may be set along the highways near their properties. I would like to be notified before the Spring planting season begins in the event the town votes to continue the tree planting program.

Respectfully submitted,

AUSTIN K. HARRIS

Tree Warden

REPORT OF DUTCH ELM COMMITTEE

In making my report on Dutch Elm Disease for 1952, I started in April by cutting and burning one condemned elm that could not be cut in 1951 for lack of funds.

In July I sent samples from two trees to the Shade Tree Laboratories, University of Massachusetts, and both were found to be diseased. They were cut and burned.

In November samples from eleven elms were sent to the Shade Tree Laboratories and all were cut and burned, making a total of nineteen diseased elms cut and burned in 1952.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. LEMON

Moth Superintendent

1952

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

The Hampden Volunteer Fire Department was called out twenty-four times during the year ending December 31, 1952. There were sixteen grass fires, three chimney fires, three dump fires and two building fires.

Respectfully submitted,

CARL M. OFFICER, Fire Chief

1952

REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN

The Forest Warden Reports:

193 open air fire permits issued for the year 1952.

14 grass and brush fires.

Please call your local forest fire warden for a permit before you burn rubbish or brush. Help try and save our forests from destruction.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD R. GUNTHER

Forest Fire Warden

1952

BUILDING COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

For the year ending December 31, 1952 there were one hundred and sixty-five permits granted. These were as follows:

New Houses	28
Garages	2
Additions to houses	8
Alterations to houses	6
Poultry houses	3
Move shed	1
Move garage	1
Additions to garages	2
Alterations to garages	2
Alter shop to house	1
Alter house to garage	1
Alter garage to house	1
Demolish barn	1
Demolish garage	1
Plumbing	34
Electrical	78

Respectfully submitted,

GORDON WILLCUTT

Building Commissioner

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

1952

The Planning Board held 12 regular meetings during the past year, two special meetings and two joint meetings with the Selectmen, Board of Appeals and the Advisory Board.

Several plans for real estate development have been submitted to the Board for approval. One plan was submitted by Calvin Wehr for a development to be made from Allen Street running south, parallel to Allen Place. This plan has been approved tentatively. Other plans have either been rejected or are under consideration. A plan indicating the further extension of the Baldwin development on Stoney Hill Road has been submitted and approved.

At a special town meeting last Fall, the Board presented two articles establishing a minimum floor area for new single family dwellings. The articles were voted favorably upon at the meeting and the regulation is now awaiting the approval of the Attorney General.

There has been continued discussion on industrial and camp zoning, along with betterment tax problems. Our lack of a Master Plan has hindered us to a great extent but we are in hopes of having such a map before the end of the ensuing year. To this aim, Mr. Harold F. Helberg has agreed to give us such help as he is able.

The Board also voted to engage the services of a clerk to take the minutes of all regular and special meetings and hearings. The Board has secured the services of Mrs. Harold F. Green for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN WALLACE, Chairman

MARION GERRISH

DORVAL VIGER

ABRAHAM WILEY

WILLIAM PATULLO

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Scales Tested and Sealed	12
Gasoline Meters tested and sealed	9
Oil and grease machines tested and sealed	8
Fees collected	\$16.00

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM L. BUEREAU

Sealer

REPORT OF ANIMAL INSPECTOR

I have inspected the barns in which are kept the following animals:

644 head of cattle
22 horses
15 goats
34 swine
1 donkey

It has been necessary for me to quarantine two dogs.

Respectfully submitted,

PERCY A. FULLER

1952

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

I inspected during 1952:

36 hogs and 2 beef

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE PATRIC

Inspector of Slaughtering

1952 Report of the Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture Town of Hampden

The Trustees are grateful for the support and cooperation of the following local citizens who have, without remuneration, assisted our County Agents in various farm practices, home problems and work with boys and girls in 4-H Activities.

Mrs. William Cox, Mrs. E. E. Dickinson, Mrs. Warren Dickinson, Mrs. Edward Finn, Earle H. Harris, Nancy Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Libby, Mrs. Lawrence Smith and Mrs. Donald E. Wilcox.

Chapter 128 of the General Laws permits a city or town to appropriate money to be expended by the Trustees for carrying out the purposes of the act. Any such local appropriation to the Trustees is held by the County Treasurer and used exclusively for reimbursing a local resident of the town for necessary expenses they may incur in performing such duties as may be assigned them.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

1952 Appropriation	\$50.00
1951 Unexpended Balance	23.74

Total Available for 1952	73.74
Total Expenditure in 1952	56.21
1953 Balance Available	17.53
1953 Recommended Appropriation	75.00

Respectfully submitted,

Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture

By L. B. Boston, Clerk

12/10/52

1952

GYPSY MOTH REPORT

I have completed the search for Gypsy Moth clusters and wish to report that we found and destroyed about 800 clusters.

Most of Wilbraham Road was quite clean, except for one large oak. There were quite a large number of clusters on the upper part of Ames Road.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. LEMON

Moth Superintendent

Library Trustees' Report

MRS. ELIZABETH Q. MORGAN	Term expires 1953
MISS GERTRUDE M. LYONS	Term expires 1954
MRS. ELEANOR McCRAY	Term expires 1955

Appropriation by the Town	\$1,250.00	
Dog Fund from the Town	532.15	
Available from Holt Fund	11.00	
Interest	1.90	\$1,795.05

Expended		
Wages	\$805.80	
Books	675.38	
Magazines	160.85	
Incidentals	153.02	\$1,795.05

MORTON L. DAY FUND

Balance in Fund Jan. 5, 1953	\$504.99
Interest received	13.97
Withdrawal for Christian Herald	
Subscriptions to shut-ins Jan. 5, 1953	10.50
Balance in Fund Jan. 5, 1953	508.46

We recommend for the maintenance of the Library for the year 1953 an appropriation of \$1,250.00 and the Dog Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

GERTRUDE M. LYONS, Chairman

ELEANOR B. McCRAY

ELIZABETH Q. MORGAN

Library Trustees

Librarian's Report

Circulation of Books and Magazines	11,923
Total Attendance	7,899
Average Daily Attendance	52
Books Bought	295
Books Donated	142
Magazines Bought	45
Magazines Donated	217

Donors of Books: In memory of Corp. Albert M. Hayes, Jr., 6; In memory of Charles S. Ballard, 2; G. Lyons, 1; Mrs. G. Gallagher, 5; Cynthia Toulson, 1; Linda Peterson, 1; Mrs. A. Hayes, 1; Mrs. B. Baker, 2; S. Connor, 13; T. Bottum, 2; D. Gagnon, 35; R. & E. Woods, 3; Prof. W. V. Sessions, 12; Dupont Company, 1; Mrs. H. Burnham, 2; D. Brack, 14; J. Green, 4; H. H. Thresher, 1; J. Buereau, 1; Mrs. B. Officer, 2; Mrs. F. Garfield, 2; Mrs. H. H. Thresher, 1; Mrs. V. Melville, 2; Mrs. Homer Hatch, 30.

Donors of Magazines: G. Lyons, 68; E. Breck, 11; Al. Woods, 19; J. Lyons, 14; Mrs. F. Garfield, 12; D. Gagnon, 50; F. S. Jones, 6; H. L. Foster, 35; R. Clifford, 2.

Donors of Old Town Reports: G. Lyons, 4.

Circulation was divided as follows: Magazines, 2,567; Adult fiction, 2,635; Juvenile fiction, 4,131; Adult non-fiction, 1,286; Juvenile non-fiction, 1,304.

Registered Borrowers	477
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From the School	265
Others	212
Books Reviewed by the School Children	627
State Reading Certificates issued:	
Small	96
Large	10

Money collected for fines and paid to the Town Treasurer, \$1.57.

The trustees and librarians attended the spring meeting of the Western Massachusetts Library Club at the Longmeadow Library and the fall meeting at Williston Academy in Easthampton.

The trustees also attended a meeting of the Trustees Division of the Massachusetts Library Association at the Fitchburg Library.

The appearance of the library has been improved through the installation of an indirect lighting system. This was done at little cost since the fixtures were removed from one of the school rooms.

An electric banjo clock, with chimes, has been given to the library in memory of Mrs. Mary (Anderson) Sessions, widow of the late William J. Sessions, by her relatives and friends. Mrs. Sessions, who was a library trustee at one time, was always vitally interested in our library and a regular attendant as long as her health would permit.

A sum of money has been given to the library in memory of Mrs. Mary (Brennan) Lyons, widow of the

late Edward P. Lyons, by her friends and relatives. A suitable memorial will be placed at a later date.

Book Week was fittingly observed. Thornton W. Burgess, our summer neighbor at Laughing Brook spoke to the children of the Consolidated School on one afternoon sponsored by the library. Many called to see the old pictures of Hampden taken about 40 years ago by Miss Jeanette Metcalf; the Alaska trophies exhibited by Mrs. Carrol Willey; the railroad exhibit of the Cub Scouts of the den of Mrs. Howard MacMullen; and the reproduction of Old Deerfield Village made by the 4th grade pupils of Mrs. Miriam Bryans.

Through the courtesy of Mr. Albert W. Rockwood of Beacon St., Boston (whose wife is the former Lucia Beebe), and the Lucius Beebe Memorial Library, of Wakefield, Mass., we have received a copy of the Beebe Genealogy published a few years ago. This book contains excellent photographs of two of the old houses of Hampden, and data on three of its oldest families.

Theodore P. Bottum of Easthampton, a former resident, has given us a copy of "Pilgrim's Progress" by John Bunyan printed in 1817. He has also presented us with another copy of the "History of Wilbraham" (of which Hampden was formerly a part) written 90 years ago by Rev. Rufus P. Stebbins, D.D., born on Somers road, and one of Hampden's most illustrious sons.

An attractive new library sign has been placed on the front of the building, under the library window, which is more easily read from Main Street than was the previous sign.

We are always pleased to receive for our collection, pictures of Early Hampden, including churches, mills,

stores, houses, the Scantic River, etc., also any maps of or books about our village.

Respectfully submitted,

MIRIAM P. BRYANS

Librarian

ARLINE M. HOWLETT

DORIS S. HATCH

DORRIT H. FINN

Assistant Librarians

1952

REPORT OF SCHOOL EXPANSION COMMITTEE

So that all the people of Hampden will have an opportunity to study the report of this Committee well in advance of the annual Town Meeting, a detailed report dated February 5, 1953, has been distributed.

Respectfully submitted,

School Expansion Committee of 1952

DANIEL M. FLYNN, Chairman

GEORGE W. INGLE, Secretary

H. LAURENCE FOSTER

WALTER RUTHERFORD

WELLS E. CARVER

Report of the School Committee

School Committee:

Harry Prosl, Chairman	1954
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William Harry Burns	1953
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Daniel Flynn	1955
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Harold A. Truell, Superintendent of Schools

Mrs. Jeannette Green, Secretary

ITEMIZED FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1952

	Appropriation	Amount Transferred from Reserve Fund	Total Funds Available	Expended	To Be Returned to Excess & Deficiency*
General Control:					
School Committee, Salaries	\$120.00		\$120.00	\$120.00	
School Committee, Expenses	225.00		225.00	144.25	\$80.75
Superintendent's Salary	688.00	\$550.00	1,238.00	1,218.80	19.20
Expense of Superintendence	1,413.00		1,413.00	1,405.67	7.33
Expenses of Instruction:					
Supervisors' Salaries	2,667.00		2,667.00	1,855.50	811.50
Teachers' Salaries	23,080.00		23,080.00	21,833.82	1,246.18
Textbooks	700.00		700.00	698.17	1.83
Supplies	1,200.00		1,200.00	1,195.72	4.28
Expenses of Operation:					
Janitors' Salaries	2,800.00		2,800.00	2,691.65	108.35
Fuel and Light	2,000.00		2,000.00	1,976.45	23.55
Miscellaneous	850.00		850.00	495.54	354.46
Maintenance:					
Repairs and Replacements	700.00		700.00	518.39	181.61
Auxiliary Agencies:					
Health	1,054.00		1,054.00	851.79	202.21
*Transportation	13,840.00		13,840.00	13,425.36	414.64
Tuition	28,263.00		28,263.00	26,579.15	1,883.85

	Appropriation	Amount Transferred from Reserve Fund	Total Funds Available	Expended	To Be Returned to Excess & Deficiency*
Miscellaneous Outlay:	125.00		125.00	60.25	64.75
New Equipment	500.00	75.00	575.00	537.49	37.51
Totals	\$80,225.00	\$825.00	\$80,850.00	\$75,403.00	\$5,442.00

* Includes transportation of all pupils, elementary, trade and high schools.

SUMMARIZED
FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT FOR 1952

Appropriation for School Support	\$80,225.00	
Amount transferred from Reserve Fund	625.00	
Total Available		\$80,850.00
Expenditures		75,408.00
Unexpended Balance (To be returned to "Excess & Deficiency")		\$ 5,442.00

CREDITS AND NET COST OF SCHOOLS
TO TOWN FOR 1952

Net Expenditures as above	75,408.00
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Credits

From the Commonwealth:

Superintendent's Salary	\$410.15	
Chapter 71, Section 7A (transportation)	10,897.06	
Chapter 643	14,312.81	
State Wards, Tuition and transportation, 1951	1,233.84	
State Wards, Tuition and transportation, 1952	656.13	
Vocational Education	1,170.93	
		\$28,680.92

From other sources:

Tuition refund	34.90	
		34.90
Total		28,715.82

Amount paid from local taxation for schools \$46,692.18

1953 SCHOOL BUDGET

GENERAL CONTROL

School Committee Salaries	\$ 120.00
School Committee Expense	225.00
Superintendent's Salary	1,750.00
Expense of Superintendence	1,648.00

EXPENSE OF INSTRUCTION

Supervisors' Salaries	1,692.00
Teachers' Salaries	25,055.00
Textbooks	900.00
Supplies	1,300.00

EXPENSE OF OPERATION

Janitors' Salaries	3,060.00
Fuel and Light	2,400.00
Miscellaneous	850.00

MAINTENANCE

Repairs & Replacements	1,600.00
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AUXILIARY AGENCIES

Health	1,060.00
Transportation	14,260.00
Tuition	32,154.00
Miscellaneous	125.00

OUTLAY

New Equipment	1,000.00	
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TOTAL BUDGET		\$89,199.00

CREDITS FROM THE COMMONWEALTH

Superintendent's Salary	\$ 600.00	
Chap. 71 Sec. 7A		
(Transportation)	11,000.00	
Chapter 643	14,000.00	
State Wards' Tuition & Trans.	1,200.00	
Vocational Education	1,500.00	
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TOTAL ESTIMATED CREDITS		\$28,300.00

NET COST OF EDUCATION FROM

TOWN TAXES	\$60,899.00
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ANNUAL REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The past year has been a busy one for this Committee. Wilbraham withdrew from the Union. Investigation by this Committee determined that we remained in the Union with East Longmeadow and that Mr. Harold Truell continues as our Superintendent with tenure.

As a result of the withdrawal of Wilbraham, Hampden lost both the Art and Music Supervisors to Wilbraham where they were offered full time positions. We wish them both well and thank them for the work they did while in Hampden. We especially regret Mrs. Tower's leaving our system after her many years of outstanding services.

We have been fortunate in obtaining an experienced Music Teacher in Mrs. Alice Fitzgerald. Our Art Teacher, Mrs. Virginia Midyette, comes to us well recommended and is taking a pleasing interest in our school.

The Committee elected two new teachers to permanent teaching positions during the year—Mrs. Miriam Bryans (4th grade) and Mrs. Violet Lunden (6th grade). The Committee chose local teachers whom it felt were qualified and would be less likely to resign after the first year to accept a position elsewhere due to more attractive rates of pay. For example, during the preceding three years, we lost eight teachers.

This Fall a new salary schedule was adopted for the teachers, bringing them more nearly into line with the rates in surrounding towns.

It was the opinion of the entire Committee that the extra amount paid to the Principal for her extra duties as principal should also be brought into line with surrounding towns. Inasmuch as the \$500 being paid in Hampden was \$100 to \$200 higher than in surrounding towns, the Committee took this year to reduce this amount from \$500 to \$400 while raising the base pay from \$2700 to \$3100, leaving an overall increase of \$300 per year.

With the growing school system, the Committee has felt it necessary to stress to the entire teaching staff the need for cooperation—not only with the Superintendent and the Committee, but among themselves.

The Committee hired Mrs. Jeannette Green as secretary in order to get more complete coverage of discussions into the minutes and to eliminate the need of any participant dividing his attention between taking

part in discussions and recording same for the minutes.

Bus contracts came up for renewal this year. Specifications were so written as to give both local contractors an opportunity to bid on the routes they were operating. In addition, the specifications called for four full time busses in an effort to relieve the condition causing some children to arrive at school early and some having to wait 30 to 40 minutes after school closed before a bus could pick them up.

Bids were received for a three-year period. Mr. Frank Kuzmeskus of Montague was \$3000 per year below the next bidder. This resulted in obtaining the use of four busses for \$12,000 per year; whereas the cost for 3 full time and one part time bus was \$13,840 per year under the old contracts. This Committee would have liked to continue the association with the local contractors who gave excellent service over a long period of years. However, as the State contributes better than 90% of the cost of transportation, and in view of the difference in the bids amounting to \$9000 for the three year period, this Committee did not wish to risk losing State Aid by awarding to other than the low bidder. The transportation is still far short of what the Committee considers desirable and feels that another bus may eventually have to be added. This can be accomplished, if necessary, without increasing the direct cost to the town for transportation.

Many needed improvements have had to be put aside during the past year due to lack of funds. The Committee spent most of the small repair fund to provide storage space and shelving for School Supplies and a work room with bench and shelving for the Custodian. This was a "must" because no facilities were available as these needs were formerly met in the space now occupied by the new lunchroom.

The two new school rooms provided by the town and turned over to the School Board at the beginning of 1952 have helped enormously. The new lunchroom and kitchen handles the school Lunch Program very well.

The "New Equipment" fund was used largely to continue the Committee's program of replacements of the old screw down type desk, some of which are over 30 years old. This program will require at least two more years to complete.

Recently the Lion's Club of Hampden purchased, for the school, a new eye-testing machine which will be used by the School Nurse. This equipment was badly needed and we want to express our appreciation to the Lion's Club for this fine gift.

The coming year promises to bring new problems. It is expected that East Longmeadow will withdraw from the Union. This will mean Hampden will have to employ its own Superintendent. Even if a teaching Superintendent or a combination principal-Superintendent can be obtained, this may result in a greater burden to the town.

Inasmuch as each child between the ages of 7 and 15 years is worth approximately \$65 to the town in State reimbursement, the Committee plans to place greater stress on the School Census during the coming year.

Money has been requested in the year's budget to take care of improvements and repairs that are badly needed.

The School Committee extends its appreciation to its supervisors, teachers, lunch program employees, medical and dental staff, transportation employees and cus-

todian for their cooperative attitude and harmonious, effective operation during the past year.

An item recommended for town consideration is expanding the School Committee to a five-person committee. A five person committee would result in better distribution of representation among the various sections of the town and would more closely reflect the wishes of the town as a whole.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY R. PROSL, Chairman

WILLIAM HARRY BURNS

DANIEL M. FLYNN

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Hampden School Committee

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee of the Town of Hampden:

My seventh annual report as Superintendent of Schools in the Town of Hampden is submitted herewith. Superintendency Union #15

At this time last year Superintendency Union No. 15 was composed of the towns of East Longmeadow, Wilbraham, and Hampden. As the towns have continued to grow larger and the duties of the Superintendent of Schools increases, it is the desire of many progressive towns to have their own school executive. At the last regular town meeting in Wilbraham, the voters of the town voted to have the town of Wilbraham withdraw from the School Superintendency Union No. 15 as of July 1, 1952, and employ a full-time Superintendent of Schools to supervise its educational program. For many years the town of Wilbraham has been a member of Superintendency Union No. 15. It is with regret that this school union loses such a nice town as one of its component parts. Nevertheless, the union realizes the growth of this town is such that it needs a full-time Superintendent of Schools, and, therefore, the towns of Hampden and East Longmeadow wish it continued success during future years.

The duties of the union as a whole are to select the Superintendent of Schools, special teachers, supervisors

and the union secretaries. The school nurse is engaged separately by the individual towns. The Superintendent's salary is proportioned as follows: East Longmeadow, 75 per cent, and Hampden, 25 per cent. The expenses of the Superintendency Union which include the secretaries' salaries and the maintenance of the Superintendent's office are paid proportionately by these towns as follows: East Longmeadow, 80 per cent, and Hampden, 20 per cent. The above percentages became effective July 1, 1952. Previous to that time, the percentages that each town paid were as follows: Expenses of the Superintendency Union; East Longmeadow, 45 per cent, Wilbraham, 41 per cent, and Hampden, 14 per cent; Superintendent's salary; East Longmeadow, 55 per cent, Wilbraham, 35 per cent, and Hampden, 10 per cent.

Over the past years these percentages have fluctuated yearly due to the increase in the number of teachers being employed in the various towns.

Mrs. Ruth G. Backus was appointed Elementary Supervisor for Superintendency Union No. 15 for the school year 1951-1952. At that time the school union was composed of the towns of East Longmeadow, Wilbraham, and Hampden. With the withdrawal of Wilbraham from School Superintendency Union No. 15 July 1, 1952, it was not necessary to continue Mrs. Backus' services as Elementary Supervisor. May we say that Mrs. Backus did an outstanding job during the year. Her untiring efforts and evident interest in the pupils were greatly appreciated.

Miss Christine G. Clark resigned her position as private secretary to the Superintendent of Schools, effective July 1, 1952. Miss Clark gave freely of her time and was greatly appreciated by all those who knew her. We wish her continued success in her new position.

Mrs. Mary (Marsella) Stewart was appointed to fill the vacancy. Mrs. Stewart comes to us having had experience as private secretary in the offices of the Graham Refrigeration Products Company, Springfield, Massachusetts, and the Package Machinery Company. She comes to us highly recommended.

Mrs. Ruth B. Hulton continues doing outstanding work as the assistant secretary in the office of the Superintendent of Schools.

Changes in School Personnel

Miss Maxine Westfall, supervisor of music, and Mrs. Helen B. Tower, supervisor of art, for all grades in the Hampden Consolidated School resigned their positions effective June 30, 1952.

During the school year 1951-1952, Miss Westfall and Mrs. Tower were music and art supervisors respectively in the towns of Wilbraham and Hampden. As the town of Wilbraham withdrew from the union July 1, 1952 and the pupil enrollment in its schools was sufficient to require a full-time music supervisor and art supervisor, it was necessary for these two teachers to choose the town in which they wished to continue to be supervisors. Both teachers felt that as long as the Wilbraham position was a full-time position and the position in Hampden would be a part-time position, it would be better if they accepted the full-time position. May we express our appreciation to Miss Westfall and Mrs. Tower in behalf of the citizens in the town of Hampden, members of the school committee, and the teaching staff for all that they have done for the girls and boys who have attended the Hampden schools.

Mr. Edward C. Burleigh resigned his position as school custodian effective October 31, 1952. Mr. Bur-

leigh was custodian of the school for approximately seven years. His interest in the Hampden Consolidated School was ever present. He was always interested in the welfare of each individual child. Much was done by him for the school and the community as a whole. May we take this opportunity to express to Mr. Burleigh in behalf of the citizens of the town of Hampden, members of the school committee, and the teaching staff our appreciation for all that he has done for the boys and girls in Hampden. We personally feel that Mr. Burleigh was an able, conscientious, and reliable member of the school personnel. Mr. Byron Russell was appointed custodian of the Hampden Consolidated School effective November 10, 1952 to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Burleigh.

Dr. Norman J. Yosko has been school physician for the town of Hampden for several years up to June 30, 1952. We wish at this time to thank Dr. Yosko for the fine work which he has done for the school and its teachers. His co-operation and interest in the school has been greatly appreciated. Dr. John J. Quinn was appointed as school physician, effective September 1, 1952.

Even though Dr. Harold Fiske was not a member of the school personnel as his department comes under the Board of Health, we do wish to take this opportunity to express to him our appreciation for all that he has done for the boys and girls in the town of Hampden. He has given of his time and services freely.

This is the first year that there have been eight classrooms in the Hampden Consolidated School housing children attending grades 1 through 8. Having eight classrooms increased the Hampden Consolidated School teaching staff by two teachers. Further information on the present teaching staff may be obtained by referring

to the "List of Hampden Teachers and Other Employees" at the end of this report.

School Enrollment

The pupil enrollment in the Hampden Consolidated School continues to increase gradually. This year it is possible to have a separate classroom for each grade which relieves the overcrowded condition which has existed during the past years.

Based on the school census taken October 1952, we present the following table showing the anticipated enrollment for the next five years for grades 1 through 8.

ANTICIPATED GRADE ENROLLMENT

September, 1953 — June, 1958

October 1952

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
1953-1954	36	27	33	39	32	26	25	30	248
1954-1955	21	36	27	33	39	32	26	25	239
1955-1956	31	21	36	27	33	39	32	26	245
1956-1957	34	31	21	36	27	33	39	32	253
1957-1958	26	34	31	21	36	27	33	39	247

If a careful study is made of the above table, it will show that the anticipated enrollment of the Hampden Consolidated School for the coming five years is relatively stable. There has been no provision made for any migration of families to the town of Hampden. If this should take place, without doubt the enrollment of children attending school will change materially. At the present time we have only one over-crowded classroom and that is grade 3. At this very moment there are 39 pupils in this classroom which is too large a number for the

size of the classroom. Nevertheless, the present housing conditions are much better than they have been for some time.

School Costs

The school appropriation for the calendar year 1952 was \$80,225.00. Of this amount the school committee spent \$75,408.00 leaving a balance of \$4,817.00. Of this \$75,408.00 spent by the committee for the education of the children in the town of Hampden, the town received \$28,680.92 from state reimbursement and other credits of \$34.90, leaving a net cost to the town of Hampden of \$46,692.18 for the operation of its schools in the year 1952. It is estimated by your Superintendent of Schools that the state reimbursement for the town of Hampden during the fiscal year of 1953 will be approximately \$28,300.00.

Repairs

There were no major repairs made at the Hampden Consolidated School during the calendar year 1952. Minor interior repairs were made.

Hot Lunch Program

During the school year 1951-1952, the cost of Type A lunch was 20 cents at the Hampden Consolidated School. Even though prices have gone up since that time, we are endeavoring to carry on this program giving the children as good a lunch as possible at this same price for the school year 1952-1953. The only way we are able to do this is due to the volume of lunches served, available state aid, and the efficiency in which the head dietitian, Mrs. Alma Temple, and her able assistant, Mrs. Rachel Dickinson, plan and execute the daily menu. Few schools in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts carry on this program without special appropriation from the

town to help defray its cost. Up to this time, the program is functioning on a paying basis without aid from the town.

The following information for the calendar year 1952 may be of interest in showing the sizeable program that is now carried on:

Lunches served	23,031
Milk, in addition to that served with lunch	8,046
United States Department of Agriculture Claims	\$2,073.32
Student payment	4,598.00
Salaries	2,175.50
Food and Supplies	4,829.98

May we express our sincere appreciation to Mrs. Shirley Fuller, school nurse, Dr. John J. Quinn, school physician, Dr. Harold Bennett, school dentist, and Mr. Byron Russell, building custodian, for their continued interest and services in the Hampden Consolidated School.

The schools are yours. Parents and friends are invited to visit the classrooms as well as the buildings. Your teachers are interested in doing excellent work, especially when they know that it is appreciated by the parents. Hampden pupils are the center of the school program. It is desired that parents visit the schools frequently and enjoy their hospitality.

The many courtesies extended have been greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD A. TRUELL,
Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

The school nurse has assisted the school physician with the following:

Physical Examinations:	112
Enlarged Tonsils:	6
Heart Murmur:	5
Notices sent.	
Number of children whose tonsils are removed:	62
Posture Defect:	1
Number weighed and measured:	239
Hernia:	1
Head Inspection:	239
Infested Heads:	8
Ears Examined:	122
Notices sent.	1
Reported Scarlet Fever Cases, (first grade):	1

All first grade throats checked following reported case.

Pre-School Clinic

Children examined:	20
Vaccinations:	12
Number of children with enlarged tonsils:	9
No other defects found.	
Tonsils already removed:	3
Number of children wearing glasses:	1

The school nurse has assisted the school dentist with the examination of the teeth.

Number of children examined:	221
Notices sent:	142

Four children had the benefit of four weeks vaca-

tion at Camp Frederick Edwards, gaining from two and one half to four pounds. All four children were given the Patch Test and were found negative.

I wish to thank the Teachers' Club and the Lions' Club for their fine cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

SHIRLEY C. FULLER, R. N.

School Nurse

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

The school physician has completed the following:

Physicial Examinations of the school children 112

Physical Examinations of the school personnel 13

The school physician has responded to school emergencies.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. QUINN, M. D.

School Physician

REPORT OF HAMPDEN SCHOOL DENTAL CLINIC
FROM JANUARY TO JULY 1952

Patients	245
Visits	125
Examinations	245
Cleanings	110
Per. Teeth Filled	178
Temp. Teeth Filled	182
Per. Teeth Extracted	28
Temp. Teeth Extracted	89
Amalgam Fillings	210
Cement Fillings	235
Porcelain Fillings	35
Total Operations	1067
Certificates	22

Respectfully Submitted,

HAROLD I. FISKE, D. M. D.

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1952-1953

First Term: Wednesday, September 3, through Tuesday, December 23.

Second Term: Monday, January 5, through Friday, February 20.

Third Term: Monday, March 2, through Friday, April 24.

Fourth Term: Monday, May, through Friday, June 19.

Schools will close on all legal holidays and on Monday, September 15, Children's Day at the Eastern States Exposition; Friday, October 24, Hampden County Teachers' Association Convention, and Friday, April 3, Good Friday. Schools will close at noon on Wednesday, November 26, for Thanksgiving.

Regular meetings of the Hampden School Committee are held on the first and third Wednesdays of each month.

CHILDREN IN THE SCHOOL CENSUS AND THEIR DISTRIBUTION

October 1, 1952

	5-7 Years	7-16 Years	Total
Boys	29	132	161
Girls	29	124	153
Total	58	256	314

Distribution:

In Public School	34	234	268
In Trade School	0	14	14
In Private School	0	7	7
Not enrolled in any school	24	1	25
	<hr/> 58	<hr/> 256	<hr/> 314
Total on October 1, 1951	60	269	329

NUMBER OF PUPILS IN ELEMENTARY GRADES

Five Year Period 1947-1952

(As of October each year)

Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
1947	20	28	30	18	22	35	18	20	191
1948	25	26	31	29	18	24	31	11	195
1949	35	18	22	30	30	19	26	30	210
1950	38	35	22	25	28	31	18	27	224
1951	35	42	32	27	24	30	34	16	240
1952	27	33	39	32	26	25	30	29	241

NUMBER OF PUPILS IN THE SEVERAL
HIGH AND TRADE SCHOOLS

Five Year Period 1947-1952

(as of December each year)

Year	Junior Classical High Technical High High School of High Trade School School Commerce School Schools					Total
	School	School	School	School	Schools	
1947	10	7	10	10	15	52
1948	13	9	10	13	15	60
1949	7	9	10	15	14	55
1950	24	6	9	13	18	70
1951	16	5	14	30	26	91
1952	12	3	12	27	23	77

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GRADUATES — JUNE

1952

Eddie Sten Benson	Marion Yvonne LaBelle
Francis Arthur Bernard	Robert George Labody
Ralph Joseph Butler	Nancy Winifred Lombard
Patricia Elizabeth Connors	William Ellsworth Munsell
Ernest Burdett Dillon	Nola Bernice Rossi
John Marshall Dunsmoor	Philip Earl Tracy
Judith Helene Henrich	Barbara Joan Wiley
Dorothy Alena Johnson	Jeanette Mary Witkop

LIST OF HAMPDEN TEACHERS AND OTHER EMPLOYEES

Name	Grade	Date Appointed	Education and Professional Training
Eleanor E. McCray	8	1937	Classical High School Extension Courses
Helen C. Flynn	7	1939	Hyannis
Violet Lundem	6	1952	Washington State
Lucy B. Kerr	5	1948	Plattsburg
Miriam Bryans	4	1952	Bridgewater
Helen Colling	3	1951 B.S.	Framingham
Hamilis Steere	2	1951 B.S.	Westfield
Charlotte Goss	1	1951 B.S.	Fitchburg
Virginia Midyette	Supervisor of Art	1952 E.A.	Smith College
Alice Fitzgerald	Supervisor of Music	1952	
Byron Russell	Custodian	1952	
Shirley Fuller	School Nurse		
John J. Quinn	School Physician		

SCHOOL DIRECTORY, JAN. 1, 1953

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Harold A. Truell, 52 Allen Street, East Longmeadow

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

Mrs. Mary Stewart, 37 High Street
East Longmeadow

Mrs. Ruth Hulton, 111 Maple Street, East Longmeadow

SUPERVISOR OF HANDWRITING

William L. Rinehart, 740 Main Street, Waltham 54

SCHOOL DENTIST

Dr. Harold J. Bennett, Hampden

SUPERVISORS OF ATTENDANCE

Byron Russell, Hampden

Alton Gregory, Hampden

GROUND OBSERVER CORPS REPORT

The Ground Observer Corps functioned briefly on several alerts, but lacking sufficient man-power for a 24 hour stand-to, was put on an inactive basis.

The Air Corps is strongly interested in maintaining this station in Hampden and has been in constant touch with the local G.O.C. supervisor. The necessary personnel needed to maintain these look-outs on a nation-wide basis would pin down a quarter of a million soldiers so the job has been left to the civil population to maintain on a volunteer basis as no funds are provided.

Respectively submitted,

HAMILTON de LISLE

Supervisor

CIVIL DEFENSE REPORT

The Hampden Civil Defense Corps has been organized on a twelve division basis, to wit:

Civilian War Aid—Harry Burns—Director

Air Raid Wardens—Leon Cote—Director

Transportation and Evacuation—Arthur Gerrish—
Director

Public Information and Education — George W.
Ingle, Director

Visual Education—Edward Burleigh—Director

Fuel Co-ordinator—William Buereau—Director

Warning Service and Communications — Bernard
Goyer—Director

Medical Services — Harry Johnson, Administrative
Assistant.

Fire-Fighting—Carl Officer—Chief

Police—C. R. Melville—Chief

Air Warning Service and Ground Observer Corps—
H. deLisle—Supervisor
R. Benjamin—Chief Observer

The organization is complete and a certain amount of equipment has been purchased. Beyond this point the lack of necessary man-power and funds has placed this

service in a static condition pending developments on a state and nation-wide level.

Respectfully submitted,

HAMILTON deLISLE

Director

FRANK A. WAKEFIELD

Assistant Director

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WATER SURVEY COMMITTEE REPORT

The Water Survey Committee would like to submit the following progress report to the Town of Hampden.

The Water Survey Committee has been meeting and working since summer as a citizens' group and now as an official town committee surveying available swimming sites. The site with the best possibilities for development with the least cost which could be readied for a 1953 children's swimming program was in Memorial Park. The cleaning out and enlarging of the park pond was recommended to the Town Recreation Committee. This recommendation was carried out by the Town Recreation Committee.

From the experience gained in 1953, the possibilities of further development of this site will be determined.

Respectfully submitted,

JASON G. DOUBLEDAY

Chairman

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