

**Town Records and Reports**  
**of the**  
**TOWN OFFICERS**

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**TOWN OF ACUSHNET**

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## TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Fire Department (Emergency) .....	995-1423
Fire Department (Business) .....	995-1554
Police Department .....	995-5191

## TOWN SERVICES

Accountant .....	998-1381
Assessors .....	995-0414
Building Inspector .....	995-0956
Cemetery Department .....	763-2084
Council on Aging .....	995-8528
Dog Officer .....	995-5191
Free Library .....	995-5414
Gas Inspector .....	763-5686
Health Board .....	995-1908
Highway Department .....	995-4224
Park Department .....	995-1264
Planning Board .....	995-7514
Plumbing Inspector .....	995-4258
Selectmen .....	995-1141
Superintendent of Schools .....	995-1125
Tax Collector .....	995-2915
Town Clerk and Treasurer .....	995-2915
Tree Warden .....	763-2152
Veterans' Services .....	995-1141
Visiting Nurse .....	995-1908
Water Department .....	995-2512
Wire Inspector .....	995-1983

**Town Records and Reports  
of the  
TOWN OFFICERS  
of  
ACUSHNET  
MASSACHUSETTS**



**for the  
Year Ending December 31 st  
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# **In Memoriam**

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**ADRIEN R. GONNEVILLE**

Deceased January 7, 1974  
Firefighter

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**CLEMENT ST. AMAND, Jr.**

Deceased February 20, 1974  
Board of Health  
Selectman

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**ARTHUR JOSEPH PROVOST**

Deceased March 24, 1974  
School Committee

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**LUCIEN PIERRE POYANT**

Deceased August 10, 1974  
Assessor  
Selectman

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## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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The Board of Selectmen organized in April with Gerard Charest being elected Chairman for the fifth time in his illustrious career which spans 23 years in our town government.

Much has been accomplished this past year. Much needs to be done, however the economy situation may curb our progress. We have become acutely aware that regionalization is the only answer to most of our major problems.

In the area of sewerage, refuse disposal, transportation, vocational training, all steps taken have been done with the joint co-operation of the City of New Bedford, Fairhaven & Dartmouth. We are also involved with these communities and others in the UHF Police radio system that is to be a reality in the summer of 1975. This is the most modern communications system in which our town is to receive an approximate value of \$30,000 for \$1,800 due to this federal funding program. We are taking every advantage in obtaining federal/state funds where practicable.

We can no longer "go it alone". The problems are not unique to Acushnet. They are everyone's problems. More and more does the government recognize that monies must be spent to accomplish these projects, and that money will be saved by regionalization.

Some of the major accomplishments are listed herewith:

Nye's Lane Drainage and Reconstruction completed to New Bedford line.  
Middle Road Drainage and Reconstruction.  
Lisa Ave. Reconstruction and Curbing.

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## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Northwest Master Drainage and Road Reconstruction (off Nye's Lane) this was a mammoth project nearly completed in December which was an outstanding accomplishment by our Highway Department. The town undoubtedly realized a savings of over \$100,000 by our own forces completing this project.

Drainage system installed in parts of Mattapoisett Rd.  
Student Government Day was held again.

The town took advantage of more Federal funding thru the Neighborhood Youth Corps (NYC) program having utilized the services of our youth who accomplished a great deal throughout the town this past summer. Also our town was unique in having sent some 35 children ages 8-15 to Lincoln Park for a days outing at no cost to our townspeople.

We also took advantage of the CETA program, having hired a Clerk-Typist in the Police Dept. also several laborers in the Highway Department, also several teacher aides in the School Department.

Civil Service has dictated the termination of all our Provisional Police Officers who for so many years performed a valuable service. We thank these men and their families and wish them well.

We were also saddened by the sudden death of veteran Selectman Clement St. Amand, Jr. on February 20.

We also welcomed our new addition Ted Cioper who was elected on April 22 to replace Mr. St. Amand.

The cooperation of all town Boards has once more given Acushnet a "big year". We have had "big" growth, "big" problems, but most of all continue with "BIG" hopes for the future.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gerard Charest, Chairman  
Teddy Cioper  
Robert E. Honohan

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**TOWN OFFICERS — 1974 - 1975**

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**TOWN CLERK-TREASURER-COLLECTOR**

Allan L. Rawcliffe Term Expires 1975

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Gerard Charest Term Expires 1975  
Teddy Cioper Term Expires 1976  
Robert E. Honohan Term Expires 1977

**BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

Eugene L. Dabrowski Term Expires 1975  
Rudolph H. Urbanek Term Expires 1976  
(Resigned June 30, 1974)  
James S. Madruga, Jr. Term Expires 1977  
John Sylvia (C. 101 Acts of 1974)  
(Appointed July 29, 1974)

**BOARD OF HEALTH**

Girard St. Amand Term Expires 1975  
Joseph H. LePage Term Expires 1976  
Emile R. Houle Term Expires 1977

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

Paul E. Bonneville Term Expires 1975  
William D. Savage Term Expires 1975  
William E. Jenkinson Term Expires 1976  
Douglas W. Andre Term Expires 1977  
Edith C. McConville Term Expires 1977

**COMMISSIONERS OF TRUST FUNDS**

Francis D. O'Leary Term Expires 1975  
Leo T. Jackson Term Expires 1976  
Joyce Ann Collins Term Expires 1977

## ANNUAL REPORT, TOWN OF ACUSHNET

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### TRUSTEES OF FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Walter E. Owen	Term Expires 1975
Kenneth L. Vincent	Term Expires 1976
Georgette A. Owen	Term Expires 1977

### CEMETERY BOARD

Raymond J. Fortin	Term Expires 1975
Gerard A. J. Bergeron	Term Expires 1976
Arthur L. Tripp	Term Expires 1977

### PARK COMMISSIONERS

Benjamin T. Briggs III	Term Expires 1975
George Fagundes	Term Expires 1976
Joseph P. Jason	Term Expires 1977

### PLANNING BOARD

Robert W. Hall	Term Expires 1975
Henry L. Guilbeault	Term Expires 1976
Alfred J. Boulanger	Term Expires 1977
Roland Benoit	Term Expires 1978
Ronald Labonte	Term Expires 1979

### HOUSING AUTHORITY

John Sylvia	Term Expires 1976
Camille Boyer	Term Expires 1977
William D. Savage	Term Expires January 29, 1978
(Appointed October 3, 1974)	
Emile R. Houle	Term Expires 1978
John Sousa	Term Expires 1979
Joao M. Acucena	Appointee

### MODERATOR

A. P. Stuart Gilmore	Term Expires 1975
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### TREE WARDEN

Edwin A. Springer	Term Expires 1975
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**RESULTS OF THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION  
MARCH 4, 1974**

Register of voters as of close of registration on February 12, 1974.

Pre- cinct	Democrats		Republicans		Unenrolled		Total
	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	
1	350	382	50	56	319	318	1475
2	270	276	58	61	380	358	1403
3	256	252	78	86	511	515	1698
	<u>876</u>	<u>910</u>	<u>186</u>	<u>203</u>	<u>1210</u>	<u>1191</u>	<u>4576</u>
Democrats		1786		Men			2272
Republicans		389		Women			2304
Unenrolled		<u>2401</u>					<u>4576</u>
		4576					

**SELECTMEN**

Three Years

	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Robert E. Honohan	553	601	544	1698
Teddy Cioper	399	383	575	1357
Scattered	1	0	1	2
Blanks	15	12	12	39
Total	<u>968</u>	<u>996</u>	<u>1132</u>	<u>3096</u>

## ANNUAL REPORT, TOWN OF ACUSHNET

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### ASSESSORS

#### Three Years

James S. Madruga, Jr.	838	803	925	2566
Scattered	0	0	1	1
Blanks	130	193	206	529
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Total	968	996	1132	3096

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

#### Three Years

Douglas W. Andre	367	415	464	1246
Frederick L. Duguay	330	336	402	1068
Anthony C. Ferreira, Jr.	97	119	149	365
Charles R. Gelinas, Jr.	429	398	320	1147
Edith C. McConville	365	382	582	1329
Blanks	348	342	347	1037
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Total	1936	1992	2264	6192

### BOARD OF HEALTH

#### Three Years

Emile Houle	498	501	557	1556
George Fagundes	289	341	418	1048
Leonel Hipolito	152	117	125	394
Blanks	29	37	32	98
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Total	968	996	1132	3096

### COMMISSIONER OF TRUST FUNDS

#### Three Years

Joyce Ann Collins	816	776	955	2547
Blanks	152	220	177	549
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Total	968	996	1132	3096

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**TRUSTEE OF FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Three Years

Georgette A. Owen	844	783	956	2583
Blanks	124	213	176	513
Total	<u>968</u>	<u>996</u>	<u>1132</u>	<u>3096</u>

**CEMETERY BOARD**

Three Years

Arthur L. Tripp	583	613	616	1812
Roy Morse	323	284	448	1055
Blanks	62	99	68	229
Total	<u>968</u>	<u>996</u>	<u>1132</u>	<u>3096</u>

**PARK COMMISSIONER**

Three Years

Joseph P. Jason	808	794	913	2515
Blanks	160	202	219	581
Total	<u>968</u>	<u>996</u>	<u>1132</u>	<u>3096</u>

**PLANNING BOARD**

Five Years

Ronald Labonte	550	599	571	1720
Peter W. Koczera	365	332	513	1210
Blanks	53	65	48	166
Total	<u>968</u>	<u>996</u>	<u>1132</u>	<u>3096</u>

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**HOUSING AUTHORITY**

**Five Years**

John Sousa	552	540	547	1639
Rene V. Racine	365	372	509	1246
Blanks	51	84	76	211
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Total	968	996	1132	3096

**HOUSING AUTHORITY**

**Three Years (To Fill Vacancy)**

Camille Boyer	814	788	921	2523
Blanks	154	208	211	573
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Total	968	996	1132	3096

Attest:  
Allan L. Rawcliffe, Town Clerk

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**RESULTS OF SPECIAL ELECTION, APRIL 22, 1974**

Register of Voters as of close of Registration on April 2, 1974

Pre- cinct	Democrats		Republicans		Unenrolled		Total
	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	
1	351	382	50	56	357	353	1549
2	271	277	58	61	404	379	1450
3	256	253	78	86	547	554	1774
	<u>878</u>	<u>912</u>	<u>186</u>	<u>203</u>	<u>1308</u>	<u>1286</u>	<u>4773</u>
Democrats		1790	Men				2372
Republicans		389	Women				1401
Unenrolled		2594					<u>4773</u>
		<u>4773</u>					

**SELECTMEN**

Two Years (To Fill Vacancy)

	Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
Benjamin T. Briggs, Jr.	129	136	121	386
Teddy Cioper	449	493	716	1658
John Sylvia	485	470	486	1441
Scattered	1	0	0	1
Blanks	2	1	1	4
Total	<u>1066</u>	<u>1100</u>	<u>1324</u>	<u>3490</u>

Attest:

Allan L. Rawcliffe, Town Clerk

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**OFFICERS APPOINTED  
BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

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**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Herve W. Robichaud	1975
David Trindade	1975
John Worthington, Jr., Chairman	1975
Walton E. Braley, Jr.	1976
James S. Madruga, Sr.	1976
David J. Oliver	1976
Richard Ellis	1977
Arthur Howard, Jr.	1977
Edward D. Koranek	1977

**POLICE COMMISSIONERS**

Gerard Charest	1975
Teddy Cioper	1976
Robert E. Honohan	1977

**EXECUTIVE SECRETARY**

Alfred E. Portway

**TOWN ACCOUNTANT**

Wilfred C. Fortin

**CONSTABLES**

Roland Demers	Roger Deschamps	Earle F. Parker
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**KEEPER OF THE LOCKUP**

Joseph E. Pelletier (New Bedford Police Chief)

**DOG OFFICER**

Roger Deschamps

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### RESERVE POLICE OFFICERS

Edwin E. Brackett	Raymond T. Kuthan
Norman Choquette	Oliver Santos
Edward Farfalowski	Frank Czaya, Retired
Oscar Forand	David Rawcliffe
Sylvano Frates	David Souza
Joseph Govey	John Pimental
Thomas Lafleur	Arnold Machado
Roland Rouillier	Rene Dube
Arthur Morris	Joseph Westgate
Joseph Millette	Joseph Ornellas
Joseph F. Resendes, Retired	

### REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Arthur G. Leblanc	1975
Joseph N. Cormier	1976
Lucien Letendre	1977

### FIRE CHIEF, FOREST WARDEN, INSPECTOR OF GARAGES

Arsene J. Cusson

### PERSONNEL BOARD

Robert Comeau	1975
Carl R. Saunders	1975
James S. Madruga, Sr., Chairman	1976
James R. Rooney	1976
Edmond Whalley	1976

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### CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Edward Sylvia	1975
Alton Taber	1975
Peter F. Murphy, Chairman	1976
Frank Pedro, Jr.	1976
Ralph Macomber	1977
Eugene Miller, Jr.	1977
John S. Golda	1977

### SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Robert Collins (Acting)

Stanley Stopka, resigned

### MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

(Insect Pest Control, Dutch Elm Disease)

Edwin A. Springer

### VETERANS' AGENT

### DIRECTOR OF VETERANS' SERVICES

Michael P. Moses

### TOWN COUNSEL

Ferdinand B. Sowa

### CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

Edd R. Aldrich

James S. Madruga, Jr., resigned

### PUBLIC WEIGHERS

Donat Desrochers

Paul R. Fredette, Jr.

Lawrence Levesque

Roland T. Lajeunesse

David W. Anderson



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### ELECTION OFFICERS

#### Precinct 1

Eva Mach	Warden
Aulette LaPalme	Clerk
Antoinette Boissoneau	Inspector
Laura G. Dulude	Inspector
Aurore A. Gonneville	Inspector
Doris L. Laiscell	Inspector
Mildred Mellor	Inspector
Peter Josefek, resigned	
Valmore Gonneville, resigned	

#### Precinct 2

Claire Gonsalves	Warden
Lois Pinchbeck	Clerk
Yvette Fortin	Inspector
Ruth Rawcliffe	Inspector
Florence Olivier	Inspector
Genevieve Hathaway	Inspector

#### Precinct 3

Amelia Jardin	Warden
Shirley M. Richard	Clerk
Josephine V. Allen	Inspector
Hilary Braley	Inspector
Olive M. Laycock	Inspector
Anna Sameiro	Inspector
Doris St. Amand	Inspector
Bertha St. Don	Inspector

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### BY-LAW REVIEW COMMITTEE

Edwin A. Springer, Chairman	1976
Ronald J. Pelletier, Vice Chairman	1976
Wayne C. Kingsley, Secretary	1976
Norman E. Nichols	1976
Wilfrid Coderre	1976

### COUNCIL ON AGING

Sylvano Frates	1975
Lionel Tetreault	1976
Rev. Stanley Decker	1976
Mary Gobeille	1977
Ernest Oliveira	1977
Valmore Gonneville, resigned	
Benjamin Gilmore, resigned	
B. Edna Rawcliffe, resigned	
Emily Dunbar, resigned	
Michael Linkiewicz, resigned	

### GAS DEPARTMENT

Robert L. Cummings, Jr., Inspector (Civil Service)  
Alexander Duff, Deputy Inspector

### WIRE DEPARTMENT

John T. Koska, Inspector (Civil Service)  
Joseph DeCosta, Deputy Inspector

### BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Rene Pepin, Inspector (Civil Service)  
Amos Souza, Deputy Inspector

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### HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Harold Crapo	1975
Leo T. Jackson	1975
Glenda Mortensen	1976
Ronald Gaudette	1976
Josephine V. Allen	1977
Richard Driscoll, Vice Chairman	1977
Bertha E. Holt, Chairman	1977
Janet Martin, resigned	

### BOARD OF APPEALS

Antonio Finocchi, Vice Chairman	1975
Charles Gelinas, Jr.	1975
Samuel R. Lowe	1975
Adelard J. Jacques, Jr., Chairman	1976
Carl Perry	1977
Freddie Koczera	1977
Richard Langlais, resigned	
Henry Otocky, resigned	

### INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Charles Mayo, Chairman	1976
Norman Alley	1976
Peter M. Vercellone	1977
Rudolph Coles, resigned	
Carl R. Saunders, resigned	

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**SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD**

Edward F. Joseph, Jr., Chairman	1975
Robert W. Hall	1975
Teddy Cioper	1975
Robert Collins	1975
Alton Taber	1975
Clement St. Amand, Jr., deceased	
Stanley Stopka, resigned	

**SAFETY COMMITTEE**

James S. Madruga, Jr., Chairman	1975
Donat Desrochers	1975
Chief Harold E. Bamber, Jr.	1975
Chief Arsene J. Cusson	1975
David Sylvia	1975

**STREET NAME COMMITTEE**

Henry C. Avila, Chairman	1975
Peter W. Koczera, Vice Chairman	1975
Richard A. Gonneville, Clerk	1975
Manuel Goulart	1975
Albert Hubert	1975

**BUILDING BOARD OF APPEALS**

Lucien St. Amand	1975
Raymond F. Leblanc	1976
Alexander Duff	1978
Frederick Law	1979
Conrad Richard, resigned	

**ANIMAL INSPECTOR**

Otis J. Tripp

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TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS — 1974  
VITAL STATISTICS

Births:		
In Acushnet	79	
In other municipalities	0	
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Resident	79	79
Non-resident	0	
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		79
Male	33	
Female	46	
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		79
Affidavits and corrections		6
Marriage Intentions:		124
Marriages:		
In Acushnet	68	
In other municipalities	70	
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Resident Bride and Groom	26	
Resident Groom	51	
Resident Bride	41	
Non-resident Bride and Groom	20	
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TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS — 1974  
VITAL STATISTICS

Deaths:

In Acushnet	15	
In other municipalities	54	
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Resident Deaths:

Women	27	
Men	35	
Non-resident Deaths	7	
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Attest:

Allan L. Rawcliffe, Town Clerk

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**TREASURER'S REPORT**

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January 1, — December 31, 1974

**RECEIPTS**

**DISBURSEMENTS**

\$ 731,184.76	Balance December 31, 1973	
271,011.61	January	\$ 535,192.88
375,490.76	February	337,343.65
424,343.28	March	389,615.98
585,432.04	April	392,193.04
473,816.25	May	430,397.72
504,668.79	June	815,923.21
540,496.05	July	804,822.91
517,237.20	August	288,806.97
527,065.29	September	632,982.11
978,685.48	October	562,352.66
1,056,939.79	November	1,017,569.29
912,264.08	December	818,026.90
	Balance December 31, 1974	873,408.06
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\$ 7,898,635.38		\$ 7,898,635.38
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**TREASURER'S REPORT**

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January 1, — December 31, 1974

**Reconciliation of Treasurer's Cash**

December 31, 1974

<b>Balances per Bank Statements:</b>	
National Bank of Fairhaven (General)	\$461,598.58
National Bank of Fairhaven (Payroll)	13,478.72
Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Co.	473,097.07
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	\$948,174.37
Cash on Hand	2,848.46
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	\$951,022.83
Less Outstanding Checks	77,614.77
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Cash Balance December 31, 1974	\$873,408.06
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**Attest:**

**Allan L. Rawcliffe, Treasurer**



## ANNUAL REPORT, TOWN OF ACUSHNET

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To the Board of Selectmen, Accountant, Finance Committee:

In accordance with G.L. C. 41 S.59 I hereby submit the following estimates and amounts necessary for EXISTING DEBT and INTEREST for Fiscal 1976:

Town Debt	\$302,000.00
Debt Interest	114,077.30
Temporary Loan Interest	15,000.00
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	\$431,077.30

Reimbursements:

Junior High School	12,864.13
Jr. High School Addition	5,719.86
Elementary School	75,466.67
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	94,050.66

Water Debt (to be paid from water revenue and included in Water Department Budget)

Water Debt	9,000.00
Water Debt Interest	730.00
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	9,730.00
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The foregoing represents the amounts required for existing obligations.

If additional loans are authorized and issued adjustments must be made accordingly.

Attest:

Allan L. Rawcliffe, Town Clerk

Existing Debt — \$ 2,314,600.00

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RECEIPTS FOR 1973 — 1974

Taxes:

Current Year

Real Estate	\$2,146,881.80
Personal	583,260.56
Motor Vehicle Excise - 1973	206,397.51
Motor Vehicle Excise - 1974	22,416.02
Farm Animal Excise	368.26

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\$ 2,959,324.15

Previous Years

Motor Vehicle Excise - 1971	748.01
Motor Vehicle Excise - 1972	88,959.64

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89,707.65

Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Beano Tax Fees	2,748.25
Corporation Tax	11,290.58
School Transportation	144,802.24
Vocational Transportation	16,315.00
Vocational Education	122,889.00
School Aid	626,869.65
Tuition and Transportation	
State Wards	6,342.56
School Construction	338,583.53
Educational T V	297.00
Special Education	30,300.00
Handicapped Chapter 69 & 71	558.00
Local Aid - Lottery	55,124.68

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Reimbursement, Decennial

Census Expenses	1,991.75	
State Lunch Fund	17,466.99	
Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,999.98	
Highway Funds, Chapter 81	24,832.00	
Highway Funds, Chapter 1140, Section 20	35,980.00	
Highway Funds, Chapter 1140, Section 22	59,966.00	
Gas Tax, Construction, Maintenance, Policing	16,833.59	
Veterans Benefits	7,444.63	
Abatement - Clause 22, Section 5, Chapter 59 G.L.	8,642.40	
Abatement - Clause 17, Section 5, Chapter 59 G.L.	37.49	
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		1,532,315.32

County of Bristol:

Dog Licenses	3,381.30	
Care and Disposal of Dogs	422.00	
Sale of Dogs	6.00	
Dog Fund	1,802.00	
Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,999.98	
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		8,611.28

Federal Revenue Sharing: 273,382.00

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Water Rates & Services	113,563.28	
Water Interest & Charges	225.50	
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Water Liens Redemptions		3,907.90
Tax Titles Redemptions		14,604.98
Curbing Assessments		9,231.25
Licenses:		
Alcoholic	11,550.00	
Common Victualler	100.00	
Automatic Amusement	300.00	
Special Malt Beverages	530.00	
Sunday Store	50.00	
Sunday Entertainment	647.50	
Dance Licenses	104.00	
Registration of Petroleum	25.50	
Gasoline Storage	2.00	
Firearm Dealer Licenses	15.00	
Ammunition Sales License	2.00	
Used Car Dealer, Class II	288.00	
Used Car Dealer, Class III	180.00	
Junk	82.00	
Auctioneers	19.00	
	<hr/>	13,895.00

## ANNUAL REPORT, TOWN OF ACUSHNET

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### Treasurer-Collector:

Interest on Real Estate & Personal	1,686.90	
Interest on Tax Titles	1,364.52	
Interest on Motor Vehicles	1,482.11	
Interest on Curbing Assessments	65.36	
Municipal Liens	30.00	
Unclaimed Checks	10.93	
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		4,639.82

### Town Clerk:

Street & Voting Lists	87.65	
Sale of Maps	71.50	
Raffle Permits	120.00	
Bazaar Applications	10.00	
By-Law Booklets	12.00	
C.A.T.V. License	250.00	
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		551.15

Planning Board Fees 255.00

Board of Appeals Fees 680.00

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**Board of Health:**

Store & Vehicle Milk Licenses	48.50
Trailer Park License Fees	10,628.00
Oleomargerine	8.50
Garbage Transportation	2.00
Day Camp Licenses	1.00
Sewer Disposal & Septic Tank	
Permits	980.00
Plumbing Permits	856.75
Massage License	2.00
Pasteurization License	20.00
Ice Cream License	10.00
Food Service Establishments	74.00
Food Handlers Permits	70.00
Piggery Permit	5.00
Sewerage Removal	50.00
Vaccination Program	80.00
Nursing Fees	2,052.20
Medicare Nursing	14,483.78
Clinic Fees	1,375.19
Swimming Pool License	10.00
Stable Licenses	530.00
Antibiotic, Anti-Trust Settlement	276.96
Insurance Reimbursement	832.34

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32,396.22

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**Police Department:**

Court Fines	2,542.00	
Firearm I D Cards	318.50	
Photo & Alcoholic Beverages I D	132.00	
Bicycle Registrations	54.75	
Accident Reports	453.00	
Pistol Permits	1,860.00	
Police Services	350.40	
Insurance Reimbursement	1,110.28	
	<hr/>	6,820.93

**Fire Department:**

Oil Storage & Installation Permits	55.50	
Fire Report	3.00	
	<hr/>	58.50

Wire Permits 1,754.13

Building Permits	3,143.00	
Sale of Building Code Books	20.00	
	<hr/>	3,163.00

Gas Piping Permits 600.00

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Sealer of Weights and Measures 288.00

Veterans Benefits Recoveries 2,303.18

Schools:

Fairhaven Share of Speech  
Therapy 5,250.00

School Tuition 310.84

Lost Books 339.55

School Office Rental 800.00

Title VI-B Town of Fairhaven 3,429.00

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10,129.39

Federal Lunch Program 33,965.68

Federal Milk Program 12,718.66

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46,684.34

Smith-Hughes, Geo. Barden Account,  
Vocational Education 6,575.50

E.S.E.A. Title II Library 1,382.97

P.L. 874 7,035.00

Ed. Low Income, Title I, E.S.E.A. 28,257.00

Title I, Project # 74-003-152 20,308.00

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63,558.47



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Library Fines and Sales 364.75

Temporary Loans	500,000.00	
Surface Drainage Loan	264,600.00	
	<hr/>	764,600.00

Investment Funds 955,179.85

Federal Revenue Sharing — Public Safety 214,583.42

Miscellaneous:

Interest on Investment Funds	12,252.92
Premium on Notes	7.50
Accrued Interest	933.33
Federal Deductions	274,722.18
Teachers Retirement	47,260.73
Bristol County Retirement	37,971.71
Group Insurance	2,031.36
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	36,130.04
Annuities	6,371.94
State Tax	76,595.31
Union Dues, Highway & Water	616.00
Teachers Dues	4,450.58
Police Union Dues	1,395.00
Commission, Telephone Pay Station	158.84

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Sewer Pumping Charges	456.00
Hurricane Barrier	
Acushnet Co. Share	2,601.01
Copper Tubing Settlement	33.93
Concrete Pipe Settlement	37.04
Group Insurance Dividends	396.65
Blue Cross - Dividends	5,936.00
Workmen's Compensation	
Dividends	693.84
Public Auction	50.50
Auction, Highway Department	
Junk	449.00
Wetland Dumping Permits	50.00
Special School Milk &	
Lunch Fund	83,526.77
Sale of Graves	90.00
Opening of Graves	460.00
Care of Lots	52.00
Refund Blue Cross	55.32
Refund Recording Fees	8.50
Refund Selectmen	5.52
Refund Assessors	30.00
Refund Town Accountant	7.50
Refund Highway Department	38.23
Refund Veterans Benefits	606.29
Refund Water Department	5.03
Refund Park Department	25.06

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596,511.63

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**Trust Funds:**

Russell Protestant Poor Fund	80.00	
Allen & Rhoda Russell Library Fund	316.80	
Omev - Cottle Fund	79.00	
Cemetery Perpetual Card Fund	1,086.22	
Acushnet Cemetery Corporation	491.15	
Sylvia P. Manter Fund	3,202.67	
Stabilization Fund	74,158.10	
	<hr/>	79,413.94

Total Receipts	\$ 7,803,304.03
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DEFERRED REVENUE ACCOUNTS AS OF 6/30/74

Apportioned Curbing Assessments Not Due \$ 306.39

Apportioned Curbing Assessment Revenue:

Due in 1975	\$ 106.31
Due in 1976	106.32
Due in 1977	62.70
Due in 1978	31.06

DEBT ACCOUNTS AS OF 12/31/74

Net Funded or Fixed Debts	\$ 2,600,100.00
Middle Road Water Loan of 1969	\$ 14,000.00
Peckham Road Water Main Loan of 1971	12,000.00
Street & Sidewalk Loan of 1968	3,000.00
Surface Water Drainage Loan of 1968	4,000.00
Surface Water Drainage Loan of 1969	9,000.00
Surface Water Drainage Loan of 1972	21,000.00

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DEBT ACCOUNTS AS OF 12/31/74

Surface Water Drainage Loan of 1971	16,000.00
Northwest Drainage Loan of 1973	250,000.00
Northwest Drainage Loan of 1974	14,600.00
Street Reconstruction Loan of 1974	53,000.00
Nye's Lane Reconstruction Loan of 1974	116,000.00
Street Construction Loan of 1972	60,000.00
Street Resurfacing Loan of 1970	7,500.00
Municipal Building Remodeling Loan of 1972	40,000.00
School Planning Loan of 1971	20,000.00
School Project Loans:	
Chapter 44, Inside Limit	30,000.00
Chapter 645, Outside Limit	120,000.00
Chapter 645, Outside Limit (Addition)	110,000.00
Chapter 645, Outside Limit (Elementary School)	1,700,000.00

Wilfred C. Fortin, Town Accountant

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**CLASSIFICATION OF PAYMENTS (1973 — 1974)**

**General Government:**

Moderator	150.00	
Town Reports & Warrants	2,777.00	
	<hr/>	2,927.00

**Selectmen:**

Board of Selectmen	4,926.31	
Executive Secretary	18,204.94	
Clerk, Selectmen's Office	986.48	
Office Supplies, Equipment,		
Postage	1,417.35	
Telephone	660.77	
Dues	430.00	
Advertising	709.51	
Student Government Day	1,051.51	
Travel Expenses	205.29	
	<hr/>	28,592.16

**Town Accountant:**

Salary	9,147.45	
Printing & Office Supplies	474.58	
Dues, Travel Expenses	307.31	
Telephone	234.02	
	<hr/>	10,163.36

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Election & Registrars:

Election Officers & Tellers	2,019.22
Registrars	4,378.25
Printing & Supplies	610.90

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7,008.37

Treasurer - Collector & Town Clerk:

Treasurer-Collector & Town Clerk Salary	19,500.00
Clerks	28,629.11
Equipment, Supplies, Dues	12,004.70
Telephone	504.77
Surety Bonds	1,633.00
Recording, Redemptions, Takings	377.29
Travel Expenses	840.00
Advertising	502.20
Recording Vital Statistics	359.79
Certification of Notes	2,121.25

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66,472.11

Assessors:

Salaries	3,750.00
Clerks	15,633.67
Equipment, Office Supplies	1,423.89
Telephone	300.39
Listing Land Conveyances	300.00
Dues	108.00
Travel Expenses	106.72
Sectional Plotting	457.00

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22,079.67

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Town Counsel & Assistant	6,270.75
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Finance Committee:

Dues	60.00	
Clerical Services	235.00	
Supplies, Postage	58.98	
	<hr/>	353.98

Planning Board:

Clerical Services	218.00	
Supplies & Postage	773.99	
Advertising	72.00	
Dues	60.00	
Recording Fee	6.00	
	<hr/>	1,129.99

Board of Appeals:

Clerical Services	192.00	
Postage, Supplies, Repairs	120.08	
Advertising	146.52	
Dues	22.50	
	<hr/>	481.10

Tree Warden:

Salary	150.00	
Supplies	49.75	
Advertising	14.40	
Cutting Trees	395.00	
	<hr/>	609.15



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**Town Hall & Offices:**

Custodian Salary	10,450.44	
Janitor, Parting Ways		
Office Building	3,605.73	
Fuel	8,792.59	
Lights & Water	4,033.99	
Supplies, Equipment, Repairs	7,498.48	
Advertising	23.23	
Travel Expenses	36.40	
	<hr/>	34,440.86

**Police Department:**

Chief's Salary	20,923.29	
Police Officers	233,316.19	
Clerks	16,793.50	
Advertising, Postage, Printing		
Office Supplies	1,552.78	
Telephones	1,832.29	
Gas, Repairs, Tires	17,034.92	
Insurance	1,709.35	
Repairs & Equipment	5,682.17	
Oxygen	116.40	
Travel Expenses, Dues	441.12	
Clothing Allowances	2,674.86	
Riot Expenses & Lockup	1,022.56	
	<hr/>	303,099.43

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Police Cruisers 4,980.00

Fire Department:

Chief's Salary	18,783.39
Firemen	59,579.88
Office Supplies, Printing	345.63
Telephones	1,756.50
Lights	146.19
Accident Insurance	415.16
Supplies & Equipment	4,307.32
Advertising & Dues	62.90
Gasoline, Oil, Repairs	1,445.35
Fuel Oil	675.65
Clothing Allowances	208.68

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87,726.65

Sealer of Weights & Measures :

Salary	579.38
Supplies	92.69

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672.07

Building Department:

Inspector	1,965.65
Deputy Inspector	1,340.00
Clerk	811.69
Supplies, Travel Expenses	1,157.28
Telephone	209.26

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5,483.88

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Wire Department:

Inspector	1,965.65	
Deputy Inspector	1,672.00	
Supplies	74.80	
	<hr/>	3,712.45

Gas Department:

Inspector		1,428.00
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Civil Defense:

Supplies	17.00	
Telephone	16.45	
Lights	24.27	
Fuel	62.05	
	<hr/>	119.77

Dog Officer:

Salary	505.90	
Board and Care of Dogs	600.00	
Dogs Destroyed	109.00	
Advertising	4.68	
	<hr/>	1,219.58

Inspector of Animals		219.00
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Sewer Pumping Charges

Paid to City of New Bedford		171.00
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Board of Health:

Salaries	1,978.13
Nurse	11,808.38
Assistant Nurses	14,734.51
Clerk	8,027.84
School Physician	3,641.16
Plumbing Inspector	1,860.36
Deputy Plumbing Inspector	88.00
Office Supplies, Postage	5,004.08
Telephones	1,049.63
Equipment	698.93
Medical Supplies	956.14
Homemaker Services	6,538.85
Participation N.B.T.B. Program	1,250.49
Heath Test	15.00
Pre-Mature Birth	706.50
Advertising	89.74
Burial of Animals	420.00
Travel Expenses	1,622.30

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60,490.04

Highway Department:

Superintendent Salary	13,688.35
Labor	111,783.19
Hire of Equipment	11,436.93
Gas, Oil, Truck Repairs, Tires	25,865.64
Sand, Gravel, Oil, Asphalt	17,821.79
Supplies	13,710.99

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Fuel, Lights & Water	3,170.43	
Telephone	448.12	
Freight & Signs	454.10	
Advertising	239.89	
	<hr/>	198,619.43

Dump Truck		6,818.00
Sander		3,195.00
Brush Chipper		5,200.00
Pickup Truck		3,190.00

Highway Projects (Chapter 81) :

Labor	2,707.51	
Hire of Equipment	2,838.50	
Supplies	13,641.99	
	<hr/>	19,188.00

Chapter 90 Maintenance:

Labor	861.52	
Supplies	1,791.59	
Contract	3,337.17	
Advertising	9.72	
	<hr/>	6,000.00

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**Dump Contract**

**Paid to Everett & Germaine Booker** 34,980.00

**Street Lights**

**Paid to New Bedford Gas &  
Edison Light Co.** 20,355.02

**Repairing Highway Garage** 6,976.01

**Dutch Elm Disease**

**Cutting Trees** 670.00

**Middle Road Taking & Legal Fees**

10.50

**Engineering Consultant Fees**

1,500.00

**Layout of Bernard Street**

800.00

**Curbing Westland Street:**

**Advertising** 21.60

**Engineering** 1,901.53

**Construction** 3,014.38

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4,937.51

**Resurfacing - Westland Street:**

**Hire of Equipment** 1,591.00

**Supplies** 7,494.00

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9,085.00

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Nye's Lane Resurfacing:

Advertising	43.20	
Engineering	9,284.03	
Construction	62,293.38	
Hire of Equipment	45.00	
	<hr/>	71,665.61

Street Reconstruction, Northwest  
Drainage Project:

Engineering	1,507.27	
Rental of Equipment	10,116.25	
Supplies	219.28	
	<hr/>	11,842.80

Reconstruction - Henrietta Drive 3,100.00

Reconstruction - Cushman Street:

Hire of Equipment	1,138.00	
Supplies	1,758.75	
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Reconstruction - Pleasant Street:

Hire of Equipment	1,059.50	
Supplies	3,168.28	
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**Reconstruction - Potter Street:**

Hire of Equipment	664.50	
Supplies	2,065.57	
	<hr/>	2,730.07

**Northwest Drainage Project:**

Advertising	18.00	
Engineering	28,039.97	
Construction	230,020.10	
Land Taking	96.00	
	<hr/>	258,174.07

Middle Road Layout	6.29
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Reconstruction of Middle Road (Chapter 90) 1968	2,832.43
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Emergency Repairs, Buckley Pond Bridge	5,274.19
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**Veteran's Benefits:**

Agent Salary	1,561.20	
Office Supplies	312.55	
Ordinary Grants	18,010.16	
Fuel	4,524.64	
Medical Assistance	4,333.31	
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Schools:

Superintendent Salary	26,479.70	
Business Manager	11,999.52	
Clerks	33,288.80	
Office Supplies, Postage	5,972.44	
Telephones	5,744.81	
Travel Expenses	1,551.97	
Medical Supplies	387.37	
Teachers Salaries	920,075.01	
Teachers Aids	40,047.78	
Books & Supplies	65,531.54	
Tuition	610,047.16	
Regional Vocational School		
Assessment	104,395.88	
Transportation	271,932.55	
Supervisor School Attendance	1,375.00	
Equipment	1,241.14	
Janitors Salaries	94,655.45	
Fuel & Lights	56,541.60	
Maintenance Buildings		
& Grounds	24,451.36	
Athletic Equipment, Supervision		
& Transportation	9,217.41	
Student Body Activities	4,962.86	
Work Study Activities	296.00	
Civic Activities	89.64	
Fire Guards	206.25	
Medical Expenses	86.00	
Food Service Expenses	13,734.02	
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		2,304,311.26

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Title I, #73-003-180:

Salaries	13,101.00	
Supplies	2,360.48	
Advertising	6.00	
	<hr/>	15,467.48

Title VI, #72-003-16:

Salary	4,176.61	
Returned to State	245.00	
	<hr/>	4,421.61

Title II, E.S.E.A. #72-003-125 1,382.87

Ed. Low Income, Title I,  
#73-003-287:

Salaries	9,701.00	
Supplies	1,630.54	
Transportation	1,850.00	
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Title I, Project #74-003-152:

Salaries	19,045.00	
Supplies	3,096.50	
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**Project M E C A:**

Salaries	7,326.12	
Supplies	1,132.81	
	<hr/>	8,458.93

**New Elementary School:**

Building	72,941.00	
Equipment	74,852.38	
Site Development	9,036.87	
Advertising	106.73	
Freight	23.72	
Dedication Expenses	292.65	
	<hr/>	157,253.35

**School Milk & Lunch Fund:**

Salaries - Cafeteria Personnel	65,291.44	
Food Supplies	49,374.58	
Milk	25,550.16	
Freight & Supplies	3,308.75	
	<hr/>	143,524.93

**Free Public Library:**

Librarian	3,724.14	
Assistant	2,764.46	
Books	1,926.01	
Care of Grounds & Building	3,216.18	

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Equipment, Supplies, & Postage	1,183.11	
Fuel	1,099.53	
Lights & Water	419.89	
	<hr/>	14,333.32

Parks:

Labor	7,131.95	
Equipment, Repairs, Supplies	3,065.84	
Gasoline, Oil, Repairs	230.78	
Advertising	36.02	
Construction	3,931.69	
Telephones	377.59	
Lease of Beach	2.00	
Lifeguard	1,050.00	
Lights & Water	1,262.65	
	<hr/>	17,088.52

Tennis Court, Ice Skating Rink, & Lights (Pope Park)	750.00
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Water Department:

Foreman Salary	13,054.13
Labor	20,648.03
Clerk	2,151.89
Notes & Interest	22,652.50
Telephone	551.25
Office Supplies, Advertising	355.14
Water	38,247.30

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Repairs, Gas, Oil, Tires	601.82	
Fuel, Lights & Water	768.74	
Mix for Patching	985.68	
Hire of Equipment	4,305.70	
Pipes & Fittings	2,338.96	
Meters & Fittings	6,541.28	
Equipment & Repairs	4,722.17	
Gate Valves & Boxes	1,786.62	
Hydrant Parts	359.21	
Copper Tubing	5,103.32	
Freight	19.62	
	<hr/>	125,193.36
Cemeteries		812.00
Debt & Interest:		
Debt	511,790.00	
Interest	193,577.79	
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Temporary Loans	500,000.00	
Interest on Temporary Loans	9,076.26	
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Investment Funds		1,005,179.85
Investment - Federal Revenue Sharing		276,895.27

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Repairing & Remodeling  
Parting Ways Office Building:

Construction	20,908.60	
Repairs	764.87	
Supplies	1,147.60	
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Court Judgement-Elementary School	6,026.01
Outside Details-Police	283.00
Insurance Reimbursement-Police Vehicles	399.69
Engineering Study (Sewerage)	600.00
Southeastern Regional Planning Assessment	1,747.58
Insurance on Public Buildings	9,256.00
Insurance on Motor Vehicles	5,252.72
Bristol County Dog Licenses	3,272.25
Pension Fund	61,677.97
Federal Tax Deductions	274,722.18
State Tax	76,595.31
Teachers Retirement	46,698.52
Bristol County Retirement	37,953.83
Annuities	6,271.94
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	37,496.01
Life Insurance Deductions	2,082.88
Group Insurance	38,952.78
Workmen's Compensation & Employees	
Liability Insurance	10,500.00
Union Dues - Police	1,395.00
Union Dues - Highway & Water	616.00

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Teachers Association Dues	4,326.02
Mosquito Control Assessment	200.00
New Bedford Hurricane Barrier	3,901.52
Conservation Commission Departmental	930.40
July 4th Celebration	891.20
Christmas Decorations	346.03
Memorial Purposes	2,077.20
Council for Aging Expenses	2,168.29
Historical Commission Expenses	545.06

Agency Accounts:

County Taxes	80,461.68	
State Recreation Area	19,950.27	
Mosquito Control Assessment	3,680.09	
Motor Vehicle Excise Bills	791.85	
State Assessment System	318.68	
Southeastern Mass. Air Pollution Control District	136.18	
	<hr/>	105,338.75

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Trust Funds:

Cemetery Perpetual Card Fund	1,577.37	
Long Plain Cemetery Perpetual Care	90.00	
Omey - Cottle Fund	79.00	
Russell Protestant Poor Fund	80.00	
Allen & Rhoda R. Russell Library Fund	316.80	
Stabilization Fund	20,000.00	
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		22,143.17

Refunds:

Taxes	3,433.60	
Motor Vehicle Excise - 1971	96.25	
Motor Vehicle Excise - 1972	2,856.69	
Motor Vehicle Excise - 1973	2,024.00	
Motor Vehicle Excise - 1974	9.90	
Personal Property	19.20	
Tax Titles Expenses	13.00	
Group Insurance	1.84	
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	188.57	
Bristol County Retirement	17.88	
Water	101.20	
Water Interest & Costs	.50	
Building Permits	27.00	
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		8,789.63

Total Disbursements	<hr/>	\$ 7,483,984.54
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**TOWN OF ACUSHNET — BALANCE SHEET**  
**FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1974**

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Cash:		Motor Vehicle Excise Revenue	55,876.12
General Funds	\$ 465,281.01	Special Assessment Revenue	162.94
Investment Funds	305,179.85	Farm Animal Excise Revenue	30.00
Investment-Federal		Tax Titles Revenue	4,223.25
Revenue Sharing	151,562.23	Excess Book Value, Tax Titles, 1967	603.88
School Lunch Petty Cash	26.80	Tax Possession Revenue	980.94
Personal Taxes-1974	651.36	Sale of Real Estate Fund	2,800.00
Real Estate Taxes-1974	20,534.53	Loan Authorized Unissued-	
Motor Vehicle Excise-1972	1,982.96	School Project	100,000.00
Motor Vehicle Excise-1973	3,309.01	Loan Authorized Unissued-	
Motor Vehicle Excise-1974	50,584.15	Northwest Drainage Area	53,000.00
Special Assessments	162.94	Loan Authorized Unissued-	
Farm Animal Excise-1974	30.00	Nye's Lane Reconstruction	116,000.00
		Loan Authorized Unissued-	
		Water System Improvement	1,075,000.00
Tax Titles:		Departmental Revenue	1,493.45
Levy of 1971	15.38	Water Revenue	826.14
Levy of 1972	419.57		
Levy of 1973	2,741.90		
Levy of 1974	1,046.40		

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ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Tax Possessions	980.94	Highway Funds (Chap. 822, Acts of 1963)	106.44
Loan Authorized-School Project	100,000.00	Public Works Highway, S. 22, Acts of 1973	14,691.81
Loan Authorized-Northwest Drainage Area	53,000.00	Aid to Highway Revenue	133,542.81
Loan Authorized-Nye's Lane Reconstruction	116,000.00	Reconstruction of Middle Road	72.68
Loan Authorized-Water System Improvements	1,075,000.00	Life Insurance Deductions	766.68
Accounts Receivable: Veterans Benefits	1,493.45	Blue Cross-Blue Shield	100.00
Water Rates & Services	496.34	Annuities	124.56
Water Liens-1974	329.80	Union Dues-Teachers	6,290.00
State & County:		County Tax	2,916.41
Reconstruction of Middle Road	133,542.81	State Parks	329.22
Southeastern Mass. Air Pollution Control	5.26	Mosquito Control	10.93
Revenue-Fiscal Year, 1975	3,132,686.52	Unclaimed Checks-1973	130.95
Title I, Project #74-003-152	1,833.50	Bristol County Dog Licenses	739.09
Court Judgement-Elementary School	6,026.01	Bristol County Dog Fund	3,832.76
		School Milk & Lunch Fund	26.80
		Reserve for Petty Cash	

# ANNUAL REPORT, TOWN OF ACUSHNET

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## ASSETS

## LIABILITIES

Lost Books-Schools	339.55
Overlay-1973 & 1974	12,629.65
Overlay Reserve	55,036.53
Appropriation Control - 1975	3,132,686.52
Federal Revenue Sharing Funds P.L. 92-512	151,562.23
Excess & Deficiency	436,530.90
Water Surplus	12,424.78
Sectional Plotting Purposes	126.10
Police - Fire Station Study Committee	500.00
Highway Needs Study Committee	462.60
Middle Road Layout	19.71
Martelle, Coulombe & Dayton Streets Layouts	112.90
Lambert Street Layout	125.00
Randall & Besse Street Layouts	164.39
Reconstruction of Middle Road (Chapter 90) 1970	5,300.00

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ASSETS

LIABILITIES

Reconstruction of Middle Road (Chapter 90) 1971	5,200.00
Reconstruction of Middle Road (Chapter 90) 1972	4,900.00
Reconstruction of Middle Road (Chapter 90) 1973	4,900.00
Reconstruction of Middle Road (Chap. 90) 1973	
(Chap. 1140, Sec. 20)	35,980.00
Middle Road Takings and Legal Fees	1.56
Middle Road Construction Damages	25.00
Middle Road Construction Non Participating Items	3.87
Nye's Lane Resurfacing	23,334.39
Nye's Lane Layout	46.00
Nye's Lane Land Takings	198.97
Streets Reconstruction - Northwest Drainage Project	28,157.20

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## ASSETS

## LIABILITIES

Curbing - Westland Street	4,912.49
Accrued Salaries - Teachers	87,479.37
Sylvia P. Manter School Funds	1,174.04
Public Law 874, Title I (1972)	270.00
Public Law 874, Title I (1973)	7,035.00
E.S.E.A. Title II #71-003-234	27.40
Title VI-B 91-230 #72-003-16	600.44
Title I, E.S.E.A. #73-003-180	66.52
E.S.E.A. Title I, (Library) #72-003-125	.98
Ed. Low Income, Title I, #73-003-287	270.46
Test Borings	2,500.00
Elementary School Building Committee Expenses	116.88
New Elementary School	3,445.79
Regional School District Planning Committee	300.80

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ASSETS

LIABILITIES

Senior Citizens Busing	700.00
Community Program for the Aging	600.00
Soil Survey	7,173.72
Repairing & Remodeling Parting Ways Office Building	3,674.25
Veterans World War II Memorial	87.00
Peckham Road Water Main	2,538.84
Master Drainage Plan, Westgate Park, Nye's Lane, Sherwood Forest, Williams Park	3,176.50
Northwest Drainage Project	11,825.93
Sewerage Committee Expenses	100.00
Engineering Study (Sewerage)	1,400.00
<u>\$ 5,624,922.72</u>	<u>\$ 5,624,922.72</u>

Wilfred C. Fortin, Town Accountant

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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

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To the Officers and the Residents of the Town of Acushnet.

The Board of Assessors submits the following report for the Fiscal Year — July 1, 1974 to June 30, 1975.

The population of the Town of Acushnet was estimated to be 8,837 as of January 1, 1974.

**Table of Aggregates**

**Number of Persons Assessed**

Personal Estate	215
Real Estate	2,572
Farm Animals & Equipment	9
Total No. of persons assessed	<u>2,796</u>

**Value of Assessed Personal Estate**

Stock in Trade	35,400.00
Machinery	1,994,868.00
Live Stock	9,310.00
All other tangible property	13,535.00
Total Value	<u>2,053,113.00</u>

**Value of Assessed Real Estate**

Land exclusive of Bldgs.	1,152,510.00
Bldgs. exclusive of Land	7,459,790.00
Total Value	<u>8,612,300.00</u>

Total Value of Assessed Estate	<u>10,665,413.00</u>
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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

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Tax Rate per \$1,000.00 was \$180.00/M and was approved by the Tax Commissioner on August 8, 1974.

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

On Personal Estate	369,560.34	
On Real Estate	1,550,214.00	
Total Taxes Assessed		<u>1,919,774.34</u>

Number of Acres of Land Assessed	10,903.37
Number of Dwellings Assessed	2236
Number of Mobile Homes Assessed	142
Number of Live Stock Assessed as	

Personal Property:

Horses	73
Cows	6
Ponies	33
Sheep	2
Steers	18
Heifers	15
Fowls	35
Others	11

Number of Live Stock Assessed as  
Farm Animals:

Cows	55
Bull	5
Swine	50
Fowl	12,000



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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

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**Recapitulation Sheet**

Total to be raised by taxation	3,132,686.52
Appropriations from available funds	374,874.80
Court Judgement	6,026.01
Workman's Compensation	15,000.00
Reimbursement Requested	3,000.00
Retirement Fund	41,452.00
Hurricane Barrier	2,000.00
Regional Planning	1,165.05
Group Insurance	25,000.00
State Assessments:	
State Parks & Reservations	28,272.76
Audit of Municipal Accounts	3,895.09
Mosquito Control	4,496.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	1,149.00
State Assessment System	318.68
Air Pollution Control	255.57
Under Estimate of Air Pollution	5.26
Special Ed. Chapter 766	6,000.00
Offsets to Cherry Sheet:	
School Lunch Program	10,934.72
Special Education Grant	38,755.00
County Tax	108,939.97
Overlay for Current Year	175,000.00
Gross Amount to be Raised	<u><u>3,979,226.43</u></u>

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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

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**Estimated Receipts and Available Funds:**

Estimated Receipts on the Cherry Sheet	1,272,953.89
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	213,524.47
Licenses	11,994.50
Fines	245.39
Special Assessments	5,363.44
General Government	4,359.01
Protection of Persons and Property	8,367.18
Health & Sanitation	19,334.44
Public Service Enterprises	130,000.00
Interest on Taxes & Assessments	3,481.74
Interest on Deposit	5,179.85
Farm Animal, Mach. & Equip. Excise	237.75
Total Estimated Receipts	<u>1,675,041.66</u>

Overestimates of previous year	
County Tax	9,535.63

**Amounts voted to be taken from Available Funds:**

10/16/73	8,100.65	
3/25/74	81,254.19	
5/4-9/74	4,912.42	
5/4-9/74	<u>280,607.54</u>	
		374,874.80
Total Est. Receipts & Available Funds		<u><u>2,059,452.09</u></u>

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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

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**Recap**

Gross Amount To be Raised	3,979,226.43
Total Estimated Receipts & Available Funds	-2,059,452.09
Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation	<u>1,919,774.34</u>

Personal Prop. Valuation	2,053,113.00	Tax	369,560.34
Real Estate Valuation	8,612,413.00	Tax	1,550,214.00
Total Taxes Levied on Property			<u>1,919,774.34</u>

**Recapitulation of Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise:**

1972 Committed in 1974	37	1,002.90
1973 Committed in 1974	1397	49,179.52
1974 Committed in 1974	4785	186,135.34

Respectfully submitted,

Eugene L. Dabrowski

John Sylvia

James S. Madrugra, Jr.

**BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

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**REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR**

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To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The Building Department issued 175 permits for the year 1974 as follows:

Dwellings	32
Mobile Homes	4
Garages	17
Additions	18
Swimming Pools	21
Commercial & Industrial	9
Demolishing & Relocating	11
Miscellaneous	63
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The fair replacement cost for construction on the above permits is \$1,454,162.00.

The construction of dwellings was 26 less than the 1973 figure of 58 dwellings.

The department collected \$2,031.00 in permit fees for the year 1974.

With the Commonwealth of Massachusetts State Building Code coming into effect as of January 1, 1975, the Building Inspector along with the Deputy Building Inspector have attended several State Code Conferences this past year and will continue to do so in the coming years in order that they may keep abreast with today's Building World.

Respectfully,  
Rene Pepin,  
Building Inspector

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## REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

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To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The year started out very good since Mother Nature blessed us with a mild winter. The months of January, February & March saw the Department doing the normal chores of the season, such as cutting brush, filling sand barrels, patching pot holes and on occasion sanding icy streets.

April, however, brought a change of pace which stayed with us right through the last day of the year. This all started when we undertook the reconstruction of the following streets in the Northwest Drainage Area:

Randall Street (1060 ft.)	St. Lawrence Street (305 ft.)
Lawton Street (220 ft.)	Lussier Street (980 ft.)
Lague Street (780 ft.)	Lambert Street (450 ft.)
Cox Street (1700 ft.)	Park Drive (1664 ft.)
Besse Street (160 ft.)	

Never before had the Highway Department attempted such a large project. There were 7000 linear feet to be excavated, filled with gravel, graded, compacted and surfaced. When this work was completed, the task of landscaping almost three miles of edges had to be done, but the weather got cold and the landscaping on Park Drive and part of Lussier Street was postponed until spring.

It was now late in October and the Department transferred their efforts to the reconstruction of Lisa Avenue. This was another street that required the removal of large quantities of bad material and

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**REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

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replacing it with good gravel. The surface was placed on Lisa Avenue just two weeks before the asphalt plant closed for the winter, and again the landscaping was postponed until spring.

From Lisa Avenue we moved to Mattapoisett Road where we started to construct a drainage system containing 926 feet of concrete pipe and five manholes. We left this job for one day to build a leaching basin on Anthony Street and again for one week to put in one catch basin and 120 feet of concrete pipe on Peckham Road. The end of the year found us still on Mattapoisett Road with about half of the drainage system in the ground.

In addition to the various projects mentioned, the normal functions of the Department were also carried out. Duties such as rubbish collection, brush cutting, sign replacement, sand barrels snow fencing, patches and many other chores too numerous to mention.

We sincerely hope to continue the type of road reconstruction that we did this year and hopefully we can shorten the long list of poor streets that we now have.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert F. Collins  
Acting Highway Superintendent

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### REPORT OF VETERAN'S AGENT

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To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

Sirs:

The Veterans Agent and Director of Veterans Services submit for your approval a report of activities for the year ending 31 December 1974.

The Veterans office assisted numerous veterans and their families in the completion of various questionnaires, schooling, on the job training, also assisted veterans and widows in receiving Supplemental Security Income, and this took the people off the Veterans Benefits rolls and saved the taxpayers a considerable amount of money.

This year the Veterans Department has saved the Town of Acushnet in excess of \$5,000.00, for assistance, through Supplemental Security Income, and Veterans Pensions with the Veterans Administration.

Ordinary Grants (Living Expenses)	\$ 6781.44
Fuel Allowances	2,237.09
Doctors - Dental	604.00
Medicine - Drugs	1,094.09
Hospital Exp.	52.44

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REPORT OF VETERAN'S AGENT

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Misc. - Medex Ins.	1,018.50
Office Expenses	307.05
Agents Salary	1,085.24
Total Exp.	<u>13,179.85</u>

Salary V A	
Office Exp.	1,392.29
Benefits Expended	<u>\$ 11,787.56</u>

This office is informing the Town Taxpayers that the money spent by this office is being reimbursed 50% by the State of Massachusetts.

Veterans Benefits Rolls	# 10
Cases Pending	4
People assisted	36

Respectfully submitted,  
Michael P. Moses  
Veterans Agent\*  
Director of Veterans Services



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**REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES**

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Tested, adjusted and sealed measuring and weighing devices.

Carried out routine commodities inspection.

Fees collected and turned in to the Town Treasurer:       \$171.60

Salary and expenses for equipment:                               485.63

Respectfully submitted,

Edmond F. Whalley

Sealer

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REPORT OF THE CEMETERY BOARD

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To the Townspeople of Acushnet:

Money provided for cemetery care is derived from interest gained on Perpetual Care Funds.

SCHEDULE OF PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

Single Graves — \$ 100.00

8 Graves Lots — \$ 200.00

Still available for sale are:

Friends' Cemetery — 24 Grave Sites  
Wing Road

Long Plain Cemetery — 12 Grave Sites  
Main Street

Respectfully submitted,  
Arthur Tripp  
Cemetery Board, Chairman  
Raymond Fortin  
Gerard A. J. Bergeron

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**REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF  
RUSSELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

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To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The number of borrowers increased during the past year - - - both adults, young adults, and juveniles. This is very gratifying to those who are committed to the operations of your library - personnel and Board of Trustees.

The "Summer-Read-In" program was again successful and certificates awarded. The Story Hour and film showing were broken down into two groups - kindergarten through 3rd grade, and 4th through 7th grades. A project on the history of Acushnet in co-ordination with the schools has been started and will be in full swing during 1975.

Although a program for the loan of books between all libraries in Massachusetts has been put into effect during 1974 by the State library, we have always been open to other than resident borrowers. We have always felt a program of reciprocity with other public libraries would be of greatest benefit to our taxpayers, and are happy State officials have seen fit to put this into effect. Our librarian has co-operated with Boston on reference services, loaned and received books under the Inter-Library program. All Town schools (Elementary & Junior High) have been issued cards through Public Library Services for use of visual materials.

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REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF  
RUSSELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY

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The members of the Community Awareness Program of the 7th Grade generously raised and donated over \$ 66.00 to establish a paperback collection for juveniles and young adults. These books have been very popular and we will continue to expand the collection. Adult paperbacks also have been purchased and donations received. All this helps to increase the services of your library when people continue to be generous with donations of periodicals and books - - this is greatly appreciated.

Maintenance - wise, the outside trim of the library was painted.

We also held a very successful art show in celebration of Massachusetts Art Week - - our 15th straight annual show.

Library hours - Tuesdays & Thursdays - 2 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Saturdays - 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Respectfully yours,

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Georgette A. Owen

Walter E. Owen

Kenneth L. Vincent

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**RUSSELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY**  
**STATISTICAL REPORT FOR 1974**

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Volumes at beginning of year		15,237
Hard bound volumes purchased	233	
Hard bound volumes donated	103	
Paperbacks purchased	272	
Paperbacks donated	52	
Volumes lost/withdrawn	7	
Volumes added during year		653
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		15,890
Periodical subscriptions purchased	20	
Periodical subscriptions donated	29	
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Subscriptions for year	49	
Issues received during year		736

**REGISTRATION**

Borrowers at beginning of year		2,476
Adult/young adult borrowers registered	93	
Juvenile borrowers registered	120	
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Registered borrowers for year	213	
Borrowers at end of year		2,689

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**RUSSELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY**  
**STATISTICAL REPORT FOR 1974**

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**CIRCULATION**

Patrons' interlibrary loan requests filled		162
Books lent to interlibrary loan		2
Bookmobile records borrowed		144
Adult/young adult books circulated	12,377	
Juvenile books circulated	9,607	
Total circulation at end of year	<hr/> 21,984	

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara Bonville, Librarian

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## REPORT OF THE ACUSHNET FIRE DEPARTMENT

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To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The following is a report of activities by the Acushnet Fire Department for the year ending 31, December 1974.

The Fire Department is made up of three (3) permanent full time firefighters and a full time Chief. We also have a complement of twelve (12) Call Fire Officers and thirty-two (32) Call Firefighters. We maintain two (2) Fire Stations, Station # 1 located in the Town Hall and Fire Station # 2 located on Main Street in the North end of Town. The Station in the North end of Town is manned strictly by Volunteer Call Fire Officers and Call Firefighters. We keep two trucks in that station.

Our fire fighting equipment consists of four combination fire trucks, *ie.* pumper, ladder, hose and water carriers; one (1) rescue truck; and one (1) Rescue Boat and trailer. The age of our trucks vary from twenty-six (26) years old to eight (8) years old. (1949 to 1967) Our activities consisted of 342 actual truck responses to incidents listed below:

Automobile accidents	12
False alarms	11
Automatic alarms	28
Ambulance calls	8
Persons locked out of their homes	4
Bomb scares	12

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REPORT OF THE ACUSHNET FIRE DEPARTMENT

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House fires	12
Persons burnt	1
Barn fires	6
Shed fires	7
Truck and car fires	20
Junk Yard car fires	2
Brush and woods fires	46
Grass fires	21
Electrical fires	8
Chimney fires	1
Road flare fires	2
Waste basket fires	2
Light fixture fires	1
Stove fires	3
Smoke in buildings	4
Smoke complaints & investigations	10
Flooded oil burners	4
Rescue boat response	4
Mutual aid	3
Flooded cellars	6
Tower calls	14
Wells filled	12
Animals in tree	4
Fuel and gasoline wash down	11
Fuel oil storage permits	32
Oil burner installation permits	33
Blasting permits	4
Copies of fire report to Insurance Co.	1
Other various & miscellaneous permits	263



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**REPORT OF THE ACUSHNET FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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We instituted the "Tot Finder" program which consists of placing a decal in the bedroom window of Children under 12 years old, elderly, sick, cripple or old people. Our window decals mean look here first. This program was financed by three (3) of our civic minded businesses in town. Their assistance and concern is greatly appreciated by our Town residents.

The Fire or Emergency telephone number is 995-1423, for normal business or for information the phone number is 995-1554.

The Members of the Fire Department wish to express their gratitude to the people of Acushnet and all the various departments that make up our little community.

Respectfully submitted,

Arsene J. Cusson

Fire Chief

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REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

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To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The Planning Board hereby submits the following report for the year 1974.

Regular meetings were held on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 P.M. in the Town Hall.

An official map of the town was drawn at the direction of the Planning Board and approved by the voters at Town Meeting.

There were no new subdivisions approved during 1974.

The Board is currently working on a zoning ordinance and map. It is hoped that this zoning proposal will be presented for Town Meeting approval during 1975.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald R. Labonte, Chairman

Robert W. Hall, Clerk

Henry L. Guilbeault

Roland Benoit

Alfred Boulanger

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**SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL PLANNING &  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIST. COMMISSION**

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To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

We are pleased to report that Acushnet continued during 1974 to benefit from its membership in the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD).

SRPEDD is one of the State's 13 regional planning agencies and Acushnet is one of the District's 30 municipalities. Formed in accordance with Chapter 40B of the Massachusetts General Laws, the District enables Acushnet to plan jointly with its neighbors for the purpose of promoting with the greatest efficiency and economy the coordinated and orderly development of the area and the general welfare and prosperity of our citizens.

This planning is done by a full-time staff with policy guidance being provided by a Commission composed of two representatives from each community. Acushnet's delegates are Robert Honohan on behalf of the Board of Selectmen and Henry Guilbeault from the Planning Board.

Acushnet provided \$ 1,165.05 of the District's 1973 budget of \$515,000. In return we received 172 manhours of direct assistance,

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**SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL PLANNING &  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIST. COMMISSION**

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thus saving the town over \$ 1,700.00. The principal project was zoning by-law draft. In addition the town benefited from the District's areawide work on such topics as transportation, housing, and economic development.

Acushnet will be similarly benefited in 1975. SRPEDD will continue to provide technical assistance to the municipalities within its boundaries as well as be conducting valuable regional planning efforts such as transportation and water resource protection.

Board of Selectmen Representative  
Robert E. Honohan

Planning Board Representative  
Henry L. Guilbeault

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## ACUSHNET HISTORICAL COMMISSION

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To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

This Commission was established by a Town Meeting to preserve anything of historical value, research historical events and plan a Bicentennial Celebration for the Town. The first year, we researched and planned that which we thought would be something of lasting importance to our community. This year was spent with the carrying out of some of these plans.

We were the first in Southeastern Massachusetts to fly the Bicentennial Flag over our Town Hall. This flag is given to us with a certificate, as a Historical Community, by the Secretary of State. A plaque was placed at the Head of the River, to mark the site of the battle with the British on September 8, 1778. This battle was re-enacted in September of 1974 and will become a yearly event.

A bicycle trail has been marked out and signs are being placed connecting this trail with that of Fairhaven, New Bedford, Westport and Dartmouth. This bikeway will be recorded with the State Department and become a tourist attraction. Maps with local places of interest and their history will be printed and made available to tourists.

We wish to thank Ronald Gaudette for the making of the stocks that have been placed on the lawn of the Parting Ways Building. They were made to simulate the original ones that were located at the Rivers End, where the last whipping took place in 1779 for stealing.

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**ACUSHNET HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

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The plans for the museum in the Long Plain School are in the near future, with hopes that they will be realized in the fall of 1975.

We have researched and put plaques on fifty homes dating before 1860 and are still looking for more. The oldest house now standing in Acushnet was built in 1720. These homes have been accepted by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, John Davoren, as Historical Sites.

This commission would welcome any ideas as to ways to celebrate our 200th birthday and if anyone knows of anything of historical interest, please contact us. Our meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 P.M. in the Town Hall and are open to the public.

Historical Commission

Chairperson, Bertha E. Holt

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REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

I hereby submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1974.

OFFICERS OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Harold E. Bamber Jr., Chief of Police

Roger D. Deschamps, Sergeant

Roland L. Demers, Sergeant

PERMANENT PATROLMEN

Detective Patrolmen

Earle F. Parker	530 Middle Rd.
Stephen J. Cassidy Jr.	85 Nye's Lane

Patrolmen

John Monteiro	5 William St.
Henry C. Avila	64 Pembroke Ave.
Barry W. Monte	121 Gammons Rd.
Gil Marques Jr.	33 Club Ave.
Richard G. Langevin	6 Pine St.

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REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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**Patrolmen / Perm. P / T**

Normand H. Soucy	12 Joseph St.
Paul R. Dextraze	47 Park Drive
Michael Poitras	4 John St.
Donald Guenette	35 Nye Ave.
George Sylvia	275 Russells Mill Rd., Dart.
Joseph Pontes	402 Cross Rd., Dart.
George Marote	330 Middle Rd.
George Parker	62 Jean St.
Edmund Gelinas	19 Holiday Dr., Fairhaven
Malcolm Lopes	9 Bentley St., New Bedford
Albert Silva	12 Harmony St., New Bedford
William Mazur	248 Battles St., Brockton

**Patrolmen Perm. Inter.**

Wm. Jenkinson	36 Robinson Rd.
Mary Ann Antonietta	34 Agnes St., New Bedford
Maria Otocky	937 Main St.

**Permanent Clerk / Typist**

Mary Ann Antonietta	34 Agnes St., New Bedford
Patricia Dube	26 Lisa Ave.



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### REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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In appreciation for their service to this Department and Town, I would like to mention the following names and say "thank you".

Arnold Machado	89 Cushman St., Acushnet	1962 - 1974
David Rawcliffe	308 Mendall Rd., Acushnet	1967 - 1974
Joseph Millette	28 Wamsutta Ave., Acushnet	1966 - 1974
David Souza	203 So. Main St., Acushnet	1968 - 1974
John Pimental	319 Main St., Acushnet	1968 - 1974
Joseph Westgate	1257 Main St., Acushnet	1971 - 1974
Joseph Ornellas	9 Norwood St., Acushnet	1973 - 1974
Rene Dube	26 Lisa Ave., Acushnet	1973 - 1974
Patty Parker, Clerk/Typist	530 Middle Rd., Acushnet	1972 - 1974

#### Activities of the Police Department

Street lights reported out	213
Property checks, vacations	208
Ambulance service	346
Dog bites reported	46
Summons served	155
Vehicles recovered, from other Towns	685
Recoveries made in Acushnet	19
Stolen vehicles from Acushnet	13
Recovery of stolen vehicles from Acushnet	11

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REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Activities of the Police Department

Parking tickets issued	142
Accidents investigated, 1974	226
Accidents investigated, 1973	161
Fatalities	0
Protective custody (New drunkenness law)	24
Arrests, Motor Vehicle, Narcotics, B & E, Larceny, etc.	90
House breaks, 1973	26
House breaks, 1974	39
Attempted house breaks, 1973	8
Attempted house breaks, 1974	6
Business establishments, breaks, 1973	15
Business establishments, breaks, 1974	19
Armed robbery	2
Motor vehicle violations, Citations issued, 1973	366
Motor vehicle violations, Citations issued, 1974	477
Complaints answered, 1973	2504
Complaints answered, 1974	2672
Miscellaneous incidents	298

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REPORT OF THE ACUSHNET BOARD OF HEALTH

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To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The Board of Health respectfully submits the following report for the year 1974.

Immediately following the election, the newly elected member, Emile R. Houle, was sworn into office by the Town Clerk.

At the next regular meeting the Board organized as follows:

Chairman .....	Girard R. St. Amand
Clerk .....	Joseph H. Lepage
Inspector .....	Emile R. Houle

This year has been a very eventful year in the health care program of the Board of Health. After many attempts, we have been able to contract with St. Luke's Hospital for supervision which will start as of January 1, 1975. Also as of this date Mrs. Church was appointed Chief Nurse-Director of the Nursing Division of the Board of Health.

We contract with Easter Seal Society for Physical Therapy, Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy, and Medical Social Work. These services are provided at the rate of \$17.00 per visit.

We contract with St. Luke's Hospital for Homemaker-Home Health Aide's which they supply. The rates for this service were increased to \$4.00 per hour as of November 1, 1974.

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## REPORT OF THE ACUSHNET BOARD OF HEALTH

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With the coming of the new Special Needs Law, Chapter 766, we have been active in helping the School Department implement this law. The Nursing Department is responsible for home visits and Dr. Jeffrey has been responsible for the physical examinations for all children who are up for Core evaluation. This has added a new dimension to our work and it is especially rewarding to help any child or their parents with a special education need.

Nursing visits are increasing with the early discharge of patients from the hospital and we have found it necessary to use part-time help in the Nursing Department as the work load increases. We have a school nurse on duty 8:00 A. M. to 3:00 P. M. every day with extra coverage as the programs warrant. 8,121 Nursing Services were rendered during 1974.

As of October 25, 1974 the State Department of Public Health, Division of Health Care Standards and Regulations did a survey of the Nursing Division of the Acushnet Board of Health. Miss Ann M. McCabe, the Home Health Agency Surveyor spent the day in Acushnet and met with Dr. Jeffrey and Mrs. Church. Her recommendations were followed and we were certified as of this date for a year with no deficiencies.

We have set up a new Professional Advisory Committee with Dr. Jeffrey, Mrs. Jeanne O'Leary R.N., Mrs. Christina Gaudette, Social Worker. This Committee had their first meeting on November 6th. To complete this committee we are planning to add a consumer representative in 1975. This was at the request of Miss McCabe, our Agency Surveyor.

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**REPORT OF THE ACUSHNET BOARD OF HEALTH**

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Senior Citizen Counselling sessions were held with a good response. We are planning to continue these on a monthly basis in 1975.

In 1975 we are planning a screening program for lead poisoning for all children 6 years old and under.

At the present time St. Luke's Hospital is notifying this Board directly of all new births who we visit.

We had a total of two premature births this year.

All residents who need Food Handler Cards are skin tested at 100 Brock Ave., New Bedford. We issued 76 Food Handler Cards this year.

In January we Heaf tested 534 children with 14 positive reactors. Mantoux program was conducted for these reactors.

We hold Well Baby Clinics the first Wednesday of each month except July and August. We keep careful check of school health records and parents are notified so that any children who may need immunizations can either go to their own Doctor or attend our clinic.

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**REPORT OF THE ACUSHNET BOARD OF HEALTH**

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The following immunizations were completed at clinic:

27 Measles	12 TD
40 Measles & Rubella	11 Rubella
44 Mumps	6 Smallpox
77 DPT	3 Tine
102 Polio	

We held 2 Flu Clinics this year, one in the afternoon for the Senior Citizens and one at night for all other residents. 710 residents took advantage of these clinics.

We are also planning to offer a Blood Pressure screening program to the Police and Fire Department personnel.

The following is a report of Communicable Diseases for 1974:

23 Dog Bite	3 Hepatitis
30 Chickenpox	2 Scarlet Fever

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**REPORT OF THE ACUSHNET BOARD OF HEALTH**

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The following is a report of the permits issued:

22 Stable	6 Sewage Trans.
3 Trailer Park	23 Installers
2 Day Camp	36 Food Service
1 Swimming Pool	9 Vehicle Milk
2 Piggery	12 Store Milk
1 Massage	12 Oleomargarine
2 Pasteurization	

**REPORT OF THE PLUMBING INSPECTOR**

78 Septic Tank Permits

57 Plumbing Permits

Respectfully submitted,

ACUSHNET BOARD OF HEALTH  
Girard R. St. Amand  
Joseph H. Lepage  
Emile R. Houle

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REPORT OF THE GAS INSPECTOR

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To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

I have had 55 gas inspections from the date of January 1, 1974 to December 31, 1974.

At this time I would like to thank members of the Town Clerk's Office, Selectmen's Office and home owners for their co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert L. Cummings, Jr.  
Gas Inspector



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### REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

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#### ANNUAL REPORT 1974 — 75:

An annual survey has been made of trees on town roads to continue the practice of removing weak and dead trees.

The Tree Warden, Selectmen Office, Building Inspector and Planning Board are working together with a Community Resource Development Specialist of the Extension Service and the Bristol County Tree Wardens Association to formulate guidelines to be used by home builders and others who of necessity must dig or fill or travel around trees. This was brought to mind since some of the street trees removed recently were dead after the building of homes along the street.

The Police Department has been most cooperative in notifying the Tree Warden of dangerous situations involving hanging branches or breaking up of trees during storms and high winds. This has happened twice on Sundays in recent months when the Highway Department was not readily available, so we were able to, in a short time, correct this emergency situation.

The Shade Tree Nursery is a reality in the area of the Elementary School and Jr. High School with the help of school officials. Students are taking an active part in the growing of these trees.

Respectfully submitted,

Edwin A. Springer

TREE WARDEN

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REPORT OF THE WIRE DEPARTMENT

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To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The Wire Department issued 178 Wiring permits in the year 1974.

Total Expenditures:	\$ 92.16
Total fees received from Wiring permits:	\$1,563.00

Joseph DeCosta, Deputy Wire Inspector and John T. Koska, Wire Inspector wish to thank Applicants, Town Officers and Employees for their cooperation in our effort to fulfill our responsibilities of the Wire Department.

Respectfully submitted,

John T. Koska  
Inspector of Wires

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### REPORT OF THE PARK COMMISSIONERS

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The year 1974 was once again a year of progress for the Park Department. At Pope Park on Main Street, construction of a new Little League field, and the complete fencing and general improvement of the Pony League diamond served to make the Park one of the finest baseball parks in the area.

In response to requests for programs other than athletics, a federally funded Arts and Crafts program was held from June until September with great attendance and results.

Attendance at the Town Beach on Lake Street was up again this year, as many families took advantage of the swimming and picnic facilities.

For 1975, general improvements at Pope Park and at the Town Beach, continuation of the summer Arts and Crafts program, and a furthering of our concern for the recreational and athletic needs of the Town of Acushnet, will be our aim.

Respectfully,

Benjamin T. Briggs III  
George Fagundes  
Joseph Jason  
Park Commissioners

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**REPORT OF THE COUNCIL ON AGING**

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To the residents of the Town of Acushnet, Massachusetts:

The members of the Acushnet Council on Aging wish to make the following report on your health program.

At these Clinics the following services are given by a Registered Nurse from the Board of Health, to our Senior Citizens: Urine Test, Temperature, Pulse, Respiration and Blood Pressure. A total of 405 flu shots were given to our Senior Citizens.

Hot meal program started March 25. We served 11,970 meals to December 31, 1974.

We wish to acknowledge publicly our gratitude to the Volunteers that work with the Hot Meal Program:

Sylvano Frates  
Ernest Oliveira  
Roseline Fredette  
Rachel Lemrise  
Magdalena Swzaja  
Jeanne Morris  
Yvonne La Perriere

Mary Gobeille  
Gertrude Sayles  
Louise Wexler  
Laura Dowd  
Alice Hopp  
Isabel Frates

It is the wish of the Council to be of service to our fellow Senior Citizens. Meetings of the Council are held every 2nd Wednesday and 4th Wednesday of the month at the Drop in Center, Parting Ways Building. Drop in Center open Monday through Friday 9:30 A. M. to 5:00 P. M.

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REPORT OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY

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To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The Acushnet Housing Authority is pleased to announce that after one year of occupancy the 75 residents of Presidential Terrace have joined together to become a united community, and have settled into their new homes with a sense of pride and dignity.

The Authority would like to thank all persons who have helped in anyway to make Presidential Terrace housing for the elderly a final reality.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Sylvia, Chairman  
E. Houle, Vice Chairman  
W. Savage, Secretary  
J. Sousa, Treasurer  
C. Boyer, Asst. Treasurer  
R. Bergeron, Executive Director  
S. Keighley, Clerk

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**REPORT OF THE BY-LAWS COMMITTEE**

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To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The By-Law Committee has met periodically throughout the year as the need arose to review existing or proposed By-Laws.

Recently the Town Clerk has had printed an updated edition of the Town By-Laws which are available at his office.

**Edwin A. Springer, Chairman**

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**CIVIL DEFENSE  
TOWN OF ACUSHNET**

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To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The following is a list of goals that I wish to pursue:

**SHORT RANGE GOALS:**

1. Set up Emergency Medical Service — accomplished
2. Recruit members for a rescue squad — in process
3. Set up a temporary office — accomplished
4. Reorganize Acushnet Civil Defense — accomplished
5. Enroll in C.D. U.S.A. Course — 3 members enrolled
6. Recruit Staff — in process
7. Recruit Civil Defense Radio Officer — accomplished
8. Arrange for Instructor to conduct basic rescue course — in process
9. Request Federal Expert to make In-Depth-Hazard Analysis — accomplished
10. Try to get telephone for office — accomplished

**INTERMEDIATE RANGE GOALS:**

1. Review and up-date Acushnet Emergency Operations.
2. Draw up plan based on Hazard Analysis.

**LONG RANGE GOALS:**

1. Request Plans and Operations Course for Acushnet.
2. In the process of setting up Administrative Plan for the Town of Acushnet.

Respectfully submitted,  
Edd Aldrich  
Civil Defense Director

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## REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The year 1974 saw a 400% increase in the activities of the Acushnet Conservation Commission due to the sudden impact of the wet-lands protection act.

We held 7 Commission meetings, 3 public hearings for wet-land alteration permits, 25 on-site inspections concerning violations or determination of wet-lands, sent out 3 letters of warning threatening court action if violation did not desist, and referred 2 cases to the Board of Health for illegal dumping. We also attended meetings of the Buzzards Bay River Basin Commission and worked with a developer to establish a green belt in his sub-division to prevent a drainage problem in the future.

Work has been progressing in Davis Park, our 10 acre holding in the northeast part of Town. The parking lot has been graded and we have contracted to have trails cut and points of interest to be marked. With the funds requested for next year we hope to have signs made and this should enable us to open the park to the public.

We were greatly pleased when the sewerage flowing out of the New Bedford storm drain culvert under the Acushnet Saw Mill was finally stopped this year. We filed the first complaint in 1966 and have continued to do so every year since.

In 1975 we are going to ask the Town Meeting to approve a local wet-lands protection law. This will give control of wet-lands to the Town and the State cannot over-ride our decision unless the Court determines we were in error. At the present time Court action is not necessary because we have no zoning.



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**REPORT OF THE SAFETY COMMITTEE**

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To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

Recommendations have been made to the State to alter catch basins throughout the Town so as to help prevent one form of bicycle rider injury. This legislation is now pending and while waiting for a decision the Town will have the Highway Department paint the ground around each catch basin as a warning to bicyclists.

There has been a problem with open water holes and condemned buildings and many complaints have been made. As a remedy the property owners were asked to post warning signs regarding these water holes and 4 unsafe buildings were torn down and removed by the owners upon request of this Committee.

Also brush has been cut and removed on Middle, Hathaway, Mendall and Mattapoisett Roads to provide better visibility for traffic.

The New Bedford Traffic Commission has installed a No Parking sign on Mill Road near Tarkiln Hill Road upon our request. This was done to make negotiation of this corner by Fire apparatus and school buses safer.

The Safety Committee is made up of the Fire and Police Chiefs and one member from each precinct. If there exists any unsafe conditions in your area, please feel free to call either Chief for action.

Respectfully submitted,

James S. Madruga, Jr., Chairman  
Chief Arsene J. Cusson  
Chief Harold E. Bamber, Jr.  
Donat Desrochers  
David Sylvia

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**REPORT OF THE STREET NAME COMMITTEE**

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The Street Name Committee respectfully submits the following report for the year 1974.

The Street Name Committee held 10 meetings during the year 1974. The following is a summary of business conducted during the year:

Held meeting with developer of proposed Maplewood Estates off Middle Rd. to discuss the naming of 6 new streets for that development.

Changed the name of Berard St. to Dalton St. by unanimous vote of the residents of that street.

Discussed changing the name of Park Drive. Reviewed petition on the matter and residents voted unanimously to oppose any name change.

By vote of the 1974 annual Town Meeting the Street Name Committee was given the task to review the conditions of all town streets and report at the 1975 annual Town Meeting. After much hard work and long hours of getting the report together it is now ready.

The Street Name Committee also conducted a survey of needed street signs in town and gave this report to the Massachusetts Street Name Sign Program. The survey taken shows that approximately 330 street signs will be needed.

The Street Name Committee requested a special article be placed on the Town Warrant for the 1975 annual Town Meeting to purchase a Street Name Making Machine and related material to start a street sign replacement program in town. The machine would be used by the Highway Department.

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## REPORT OF THE STREET NAME COMMITTEE

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In summation, the Street Name Committee feels a street sign replacement program should be started in Acushnet. The replacement of the already decayed wood street signs and in some cases non existing street signs with larger and reflective street signs would be a safety factor and also beautify the Town as well.

Thank You

Respectfully Submitted,

Peter Koczera, Chairman  
Henry Avila, Vice Chairman  
Richard Gonneville, Clerk  
Manuel Goulart  
Albert Hubert  
Members, Street Name Committee

## REPORT OF STREET CONDITIONS BY THE STREET STUDY COMMITTEE

Streets are listed in the following condition:

Excellent \* Good \* Fair \* Poor

Additional information is also included:

### LEGEND

- @ — Accepted
- \* — Partially accepted
- CS — Connector street
- DE — Dead end street
- (0) — Number of registered voter residents

REPORT OF STREET CONDITIONS BY THE STREET  
STUDY COMMITTEE

STREET	CONDITION
Addy Dr.	Good CS (0)
Alden Rd.	Excellent CS (5)
@ Allen St.	Good CS (30)
Anthony St.	Poor (Petition Rec'd. on this St.) CS (34)
Bardsley St.	Excellent CS (32)
@ Barksdale Ln.	Fair DE (12)
Bartlett St.	Poor CS (4)
* Beech St.	Poor DE (3)
Belanger St.	Poor DE (7)
@ Bernard St.	Fair to Poor CS (26)
@ Bessey St.	Good DE (2)
@ Bertrand Way	Excellent CS (31)
* Birch St.	Poor CS (23)
@ Bitteau St.	Excellent CS (0)
* Blain St.	Fair DE (13)
@ Boylston St.	Excellent CS (46)
Brookside Dr.	Poor CS (11)
@ Budano Dr.	Excellent CS (33)
* Burr Ave.	Good DE (9)
* Burt St.	From Middle Rd. to Norman St. Fair CS (48) - From Norman St. to Nye's Ln. Poor (almost impass- able) CS (0)

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REPORT OF STREET CONDITIONS BY THE STREET  
STUDY COMMITTEE

STREET	CONDITION
Charles St.	Poor DE (2)
Clara St.	Poor DE (0)
Cleveland St.	Poor CS (18)
* Clifford St.	Excellent CS (21)
@ Club Ave.	Excellent CS (30)
* Conduit St.	From N.B. Line to Darling St. Poor CS(7) - From Meadow Ln. Southerly Excellent DE (2) From Westland St. to Norwood St. Poor CS (0) - Off Ward St. Poor DE (4)
@ Coulombe St.	Excellent CS (34)
County St.	Poor CS (4)
@ Coury Dr.	Excellent CS (46)
@ Cox St.	Excellent CS (20)
Crandon Dr.	Poor DE (9)
@ Crompton St.	Good CS (37)
Crowell St.	Fair CS (4)
@ Cushing Ln.	Fair DE (12)
* Cushman St.	From east of So. Main St. Fair CS (12) - From west of James St. Poor DE (2) - From east of James St. Excellent DE (26)
Dalton St.	Poor DE (15)
* Darling St.	Excellent CS (40)
* Dayton St.	Poor CS (7)

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REPORT OF STREET CONDITIONS BY THE STREET  
STUDY COMMITTEE

STREET	CONDITION
@ Diane St.	Good CS (21)
* Dorothy St.	Good CS (11)
Doty's Mill Rd.	Excellent CS (5)
@ Earle St.	Good CS (13)
@ Elaine Way	Excellent CS (26)
Eileen St.	Poor DE (2)
Elwood Ln.	Poor DE (2)
Enos St.	Poor DE (4)
@ Fairfield St.	Fair CS (27)
@ Farewell St.	Good CS (0)
First Ave.	Good CS (0)
@ Frank St.	Good CS (60)
Francis St.	Fair DE (10)
Gammons Rd.	Good CS (31)
@ Garfield St.	Very Good CS (36)
Gill St.	Fair DE (6)
Granite Dr.	Excellent DE (4)
* Grant St.	Fair DE (18)
Greenmeadow Dr.	Poor CS (31)
Guillotte St.	Fair CS (12)

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REPORT OF STREET CONDITIONS BY THE STREET  
STUDY COMMITTEE

STREET	CONDITION
Hamlin St.	Good CS (113)
@ Harbeck St.	Fair CS (42)
Harding St.	Poor DE (2)
Harrison St.	Fair DE (5)
@ Hartley St.	Good DE (2)
* Hathaway Rd.	Good CS (104)
@ Hayes St.	From John St. Westerly Fair DE (4) - From So. Main St. Easterly Poor DE (4)
Hebert Rd.	Poor CS (0)
Henrietta Dr.	Excellent CS (14)
@ Henry Dr.	Good CS (20)
@ Highland St.	Poor DE (5)
@ Hill St.	Excellent CS (14)
@ Hindle St.	Poor DE (2)
Hiram St.	Good DE (6)
Holly Ave.	Excellent CS (38)
@ Homestead Ave.	Poor CS (22)
@ Hope St.	From So. Main St. Easterly Poor CS (18) - From So. Main St. Westerly Fair CS (74)
James St.	Poor CS (69)
@ Jean St.	Good CS (97)
John St.	Poor (Section from Pembroke Ave. Poor) CS (43)
Joseph St.	Good CS (22)

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REPORT OF STREET CONDITIONS BY THE STREET  
STUDY COMMITTEE

STREET	CONDITION
Keene Rd.	Good CS (74)
@ Kendrick St.	Excellent CS (23)
@ Lague St.	Excellent CS (23)
Lake St.	Good CS (34)
@ Lambert St.	From Lussier St. to Park Dr. Excellent CS (11) - From Taber St. Northerly Poor DE (15)
@ Lantern Ln.	Good DE (29)
@ Laura Keene Ave.	Good CS (49)
* Lawson Ave.	East of So. Main St. Fair CS (39) West of So. Main St. Fair CS (54)
@ Lawton St.	Poor CS (6)
@ Leboeuf St.	Fair to Poor CS (25)
Leonard St.	Excellent CS (35)
@ Lisa Ave.	Excellent DE (35)
@ Ludlow St.	Excellent CS (42)
@ Lussier St.	Excellent CS (17)
@ Main St.	From N.B. line to So. Main St. Good CS (120) From So. Main St. to Hamlin St. Good CS (190) From Hamlin St. to Perry Hill Rd. Good CS (145)



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REPORT OF STREET CONDITIONS BY THE STREET  
STUDY COMMITTEE

STREET	CONDITION
@ Main St.	From Perry Hill Rd. to Leonard St. Good CS (84) From Leonard St. to Robinson Rd. Good CS (103) From Robinson Rd. to Quaker Ln. Good CS (90) From Quaker Ln. to Rochester line Good CS (23)
@ Manchester Ln.	Good DE (19)
Maple St.	Poor DE (3)
Mapleton St.	Poor CS (2)
@ Marion St.	Good CS (17)
Martelle St.	Poor DE (8)
@ Mary Dr.	Excellent CS (25)
* Mason St.	Good CS (10)
* Mattapoisett Rd.	Fair CS (43)
@ Meadow Ln.	Excellent CS (38)
* Mendall Rd.	Good CS (56)
@ Michael Way	Good CS (13)
@ Middlefield Pl.	Good CS (22)

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REPORT OF STREET CONDITIONS BY THE STREET  
STUDY COMMITTEE

STREET	CONDITION
* Middle Rd.	From N.B. Line to Mason St. Excellent CS (243) From Mason St. to #530 Under Const. CS (38) From #530 to Peckham Rd. Fair CS (192)
Mill Rd.	Excellent CS (6)
@ Monmouth St.	Poor DE (25)
@ Morningside Ave.	Poor DE (17)
@ Morse's Ln.	Fair DE (16)
Morton Ln.	Poor DE (2)
Mulberry St.	Very Poor DE (5)
@ Myrtle Ave.	Poor (Petition recd. on this street) CS (21)
Nelson Ave.	Almost Impassable CS (3)
@ Nestle's Ln.	Good to Fair DE (30)
@ New York Ave.	Fair CS (7)
@ No. Anthony Dr.	Good CS (21)
@ Northfield Pl.	Good CS (17)
@ Norwood St.	Good DE (25)
Norman St.	Good DE (16)
@ Noyer St.	Good CS (11)
@ Nye Ave.	Poor CS (69)

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REPORT OF STREET CONDITIONS BY THE STREET  
STUDY COMMITTEE

STREET	CONDITION
@ Nye's Ln.	From Middle Rd. to Pine St. Excellent CS (45) From Pine St. to N. B. Line Excellent CS (79)
@ Oak St.	Poor CS (6)
* Oliveira Ave.	Excellent DE (68)
@ Orchard St.	Fair CS (9)
@ Pageotte St.	From James St. Easterly Poor DE (2) - Area off Wing Ln. Excellent CS (31)
@ Park Ave.	Fair CS (17)
@ Park Dr.	Excellent DE (42)
@ Parkside Ave.	Good CS (19)
Parris Ln.	Poor DE (9)
@ Paulette St.	Fair CS (6)
* Peckham Rd.	From East end to #148 Good CS (61) - From #148 Westerly to N.B. Line Fair to Poor CS (29)
@ Pedro St.	Fair CS (5)
* Pembroke Ave.	Good to Fair CS (54)
Perkins Ln.	Fair DE (6)
@ Perry Hill Rd.	Excellent CS (28)

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REPORT OF STREET CONDITIONS BY THE STREET  
STUDY COMMITTEE

STREET	CONDITION
@ Pershing Ave.	Excellent CS (54)
@ Pine St.	Poor CS (12)
@ Pine Dr.	Poor CS (18)
@ Pleasant St.	Good DE (18)
Pope St.	Good CS (8)
* Porter St.	Good DE (39)
@ Prouteau St.	Excellent DE (30)
Providence St.	Poor DE (3)
 Quaker Ln.	 Fair CS (37)
 @ Randall Street	 Excellent CS (12) From Lussier St. to Highland St. Poor
Rene St.	Excellent DE (11)
@ River St.	Good CS (3)
* Rivet St.	Fair DE (5)
Robinson Rd.	Good CS (30)
@ Rock St.	Fair CS (30)
@ Rogerson Ave.	Fair DE (56)
@ Roosevelt St.	Fair to Good CS (27)
Rotch St.	Poor CS (5)
* Russell St.	Good CS (14)

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REPORT OF STREET CONDITIONS BY THE STREET  
STUDY COMMITTEE

STREET	CONDITION
@ Saucier St.	Fair to Poor CS (48)
Sears Ln.	Good DE (7)
@ Second Ave.	Good CS (0)
Sivigny St.	Poor DE (1)
@ Slocum St.	Excellent CS (156)
@ So. Main St.	From Fairhaven Line to Lawson Ave. Good CS (59) - From Lawson Ave. to Pembroke Ave. Good CS (64) From Pembroke Ave. to Main St. Good CS (156)
So. Orchard St.	Poor DE (2)
@ St. Lawrence St.	Excellent DE (5)
Sunset Ave.	Poor DE (0)
@ Taber St.	Excellent CS (13)
Therrien Ln.	Poor CS (2)
Third Ave.	Poor DE (2)
Thomas St.	Poor CS (0)
Thornton St.	Almost impassable CS (2)
@ Tootle Ln.	Fair (Acushnet Section) DE (10)

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REPORT OF STREET CONDITIONS BY THE STREET  
STUDY COMMITTEE

STREET	CONDITION
@ Union St.	North of Lawson Ave. Excellent DE (9) South of Lawson Ave. Poor DE (0)
Victor St.	Poor DE (2)
@ Village Ave.	Poor CS (41)
@ Ward St.	Good DE (13)
@ Wamsutta Ave.	From Main St. to Pedro St. Good CS (86) From Pedro St. to Parkside Ave. Poor CS (20)
@ Westland St.	Excellent CS (48)
* Whelden Ln.	Poor DE (6)
@ White St.	Good CS (10)
@ Wilbur Ave.	Fair CS (17)
William St.	Poor DE (10)
@ Willow St.	Fair CS (5)
* Wing Ln.	Good CS (59)
@ Wing Rd.	Good CS (55)
Wood Rd.	Poor CS (7)
Woodland Rd.	Poor DE (2)

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**REPORT OF THE ANIMAL INSPECTOR**

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To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

Number of dogs quarantined:	31
Number of Cattle inspected:	857
Cattle (including cows, heifers, calves, bulls & beef)	
Number of horses inspected:	54
Number of ponies inspected:	25
Number of swine inspected:	56

Respectfully submitted,

Otis J. Tripp  
Animal Inspector

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**JURY LIST**

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The following were drawn as prospective Jurors for the year 1974 in compliance with Chapter 234 of the Generals Laws:

George R. Lebeau	5 Willow St.	Electrician
Joseph Janik	272 Hamlin St.	Inspector
Alphonse Spirlet	922 Middle Rd.	Retired
Cecelia C. Cummings	1235 Main St.	Housewife
Emily Avery	26 Enos St.	Housewife
Adrienne Boucher	504 Main St.	Housewife
Stephen Baldyga	16 Harbeck St.	Machinist
Adhemar Picard	13 Hope St.	Retired
Jeannette Boucher	26 Enos St.	At Home
James St. Don	80 Mecca Way	Cutter Setter
Albert Dewhurst	47 James St.	Weaver
Boleslaw Gonet	239 Robinson Rd.	Loomfixer
Rosemary Barksdale	18 Barksdale Ln.	Hairdresser
Lucille Golas	10 Garfield St.	Grocery Clerk
Eugene Gula	728 Main St.	Machinist
Loretta Finocchi	42 Prouteau St.	At Home
Leonard Meredith	24 Rock St.	Salesman
Robert H. Varley	30 Boylston St.	Retired
Edd R. Aldrich	130 Conduit St.	Retired
Margaret B. Borden	29 Roosevelt St.	At Home
Antone Machado	179 So. Main St.	Foreman
Mary Ann Besse	28 Oliveira Ave.	Housewife
Sarah Hyde	6 Pine St.	Inspector
Roland Leblanc	31 Meadow Ln.	Machine Oper.
Armand Bertrand	58 Wing Ln.	Real Estate
James S. Madruga, Sr.	76 Jean St.	Grinder



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*The Commonwealth of Massachusetts*  
*Department of Corporations and Taxation*  
*Bureau of Accounts*

May 14, 1974

To the Board of Selectmen  
Mr. Gerard Charest, Chairman  
Acushnet, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the Town of Acushnet for the period from January 1, 1972 to August 11, 1973, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Robert M. Crosby, Assistant Chief of Bureau.

Very truly yours,

Gordon A. McGill  
Director of Accounts

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Mr. Gordon A. McGill  
Director of Accounts  
Department of Corporations and Taxation  
Boston, Massachusetts

Sir:

In accordance with your instructions, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the Town of Acushnet for the period from January 1, 1972 to August 11, 1973 and report thereon as follows:

An examination and verification was made of the financial transactions as recorded on the books of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the Town or committing bills for collection.

An analysis was made of the town accountant's ledgers for the period covered by the audit. The receipts were checked with the treasurer's books and the payments were compared with the warrants authorizing them and with the treasurer's records of payments. The appropriation accounts were checked with the town clerk's record of town meeting proceedings, and the recorded transfers from the reserve fund were verified by comparison with the records of the finance committee.

The necessary adjusting entries resulting from the audit were made, and a balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared showing the financial condition of the town on August 11, 1973.

The appended balance sheet shows an overdraft in the "Arbitration Award - Elementary School Building" account amounting to \$6,026.01, contrary to the provisions of Section 31, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

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The examination of the vouchers submitted by the various departments for payment showed several instances of insufficient detail and documentation of the charges. Such information is essential in order that the town accountant can make a proper determination as to whether or not a voucher shall be approved for payment as required by the provisions of Section 56, Chapter 41 of the General Laws.

The books and accounts of the treasurer were examined and checked in detail. The receipts, as recorded, were analyzed and checked with the records of the several departments collecting money for the town and with other sources from which money was paid into the treasury, while the payments were compared with the selectmen's warrants authorizing the treasurer to disburse town funds.

The cash book footings were verified, and the cash balance on August 11, 1973 was proved by actual count of the cash in the office, by examination of the savings bank book, and by reconciliation of the bank balance with a statement furnished by the bank in which town funds are deposited.

The Federal Revenue Sharing Funds were examined and checked. The funds received from the Federal government were listed, the appropriation voted was checked with the town clerk's record of town meeting proceedings, and the payments were compared with the selectmen's orders authorizing the disbursement of Federal Revenue Sharing Funds. The cash balance on August 11, 1973 was proved by verification of the savings bank book.

As of the audit date, August 11, 1973, \$16,996.74 in the Federal Revenue Sharing savings bank book is due the revenue general cash account.

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The payments made on account of maturing debt and interest were compared with the amounts falling due and with the cancelled securities on file. The outstanding coupons were listed and reconciled with the balance in the coupon account as shown by a statement furnished by the depository.

The savings bank books and securities representing the investment of the several trusts and investment funds in the custody of the town treasurer and the board of health were examined and listed. The income was proved and all expenditures or transfers to the town were checked in detail.

The records of tax titles held by the town were examined and listed. The amounts added to the tax title account were compared with the collector's records, the reported redemptions of tax titles were checked with the treasurer's cash book, and the tax titles and tax possessions on hand were listed, reconciled with the accountant's ledger, and compared with the records at the Registry of Deeds.

The books and accounts of the tax collector were examined and checked. The motor vehicle excise outstanding on January 1, 1972, as well as all subsequent commitments of taxes, excise, and assessments, were audited and compared with the assessors' warrants issued for their collection. The payments to the treasurer were verified, the recorded abatements were checked with the assessors' records of abatements granted, the taxes transferred to the tax title account were proved, and the outstanding accounts were listed and proved with the respective controlling accounts in the general ledger.

The records of departmental and water accounts receivable were examined and checked. The commitments were proved, the collections were checked with the treasurer's recorded receipts, the abatements were verified by comparison with the records in the departments authorized to grant them, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the respective controlling accounts in the general ledger.

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The outstanding tax, excise, departmental, and water accounts were verified by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, the replies received thereto indicating that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

The town clerk's records of dog and sporting licenses issued and of receipts from miscellaneous charges, as well as the records of licenses and permits issued by the selectmen, were examined and checked in detail, the payments to the town treasurer and to the State being verified.

The records of receipts of the sealer of weights and measures, and of the health, school, and library departments, as well as of all other departments collecting money for the town or committing bills for collection, were examined, the reported payments to the treasurer being checked with the treasurer's cash book and with the town accountant's records.

The surety bonds of the town officials required to file such surety for the faithful performance of their duties were examined and found to be in proper form.

Appended to this report, in addition to the balance sheet, are tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash, summaries of the tax, tax title, tax possession, departmental, and water accounts, as well as schedules showing the condition and the transactions of the trust and investment funds.

During the progress of the audit cooperation was extended by all town officials, for which, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, I wish to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,  
Robert M. Crosby  
Assistant Chief of Bureau

**TOWN OF ACUSHNET — BALANCE SHEET**  
**AUGUST 11, 1973**  
**GENERAL ACCOUNTS**

ASSETS		LIABILITIES and RESERVES	
Cash:		Temporary Loans:	
General:		In anticipation of revenue 1973 - 1974	\$500,000.00
In office & banks	\$123,090.62		
Investments	5,179.85	State & County Assessments 1973 - 1974:	
		<u>\$128,270.47</u>	
Special:		State:	
Federal Revenue Sharing		Recreation Areas	\$22,866.68
Advance for Petty:		Mosquito Control	4,009.31
School Lunch		Motor Vehicle Excise	791.85
Accounts Receivable:		Assessment	318.68
Taxes:		Southeastern Air	
Levy of 1973 - 1974:		Pollution Control	130.92
Personal Property	379,864.12	County:	
Real Estate	1,359,789.80	Tax	86,751.68
		<u>1,739,653.92</u>	<u>114,869.12</u>

# GENERAL ACCOUNTS (CONT.)

Motor Vehicle Excise:		Payroll Deductions:	
Levy of 1971	1,730.41	State Taxes	850.68
Levy of 1972	14,510.00	County Retirement System	380.94
Levy of 1973	45,457.90	Teachers' Retirement	
	<u>61,698.31</u>	Board	534.54
		School Employees'	
		Annuities	50.00
		Union Dues	5.00
		Group Insurance	1,100.15
			<u>2,921.31</u>
Special Assessments:			
Sidewalk 1973	391.61		
Committed Interest 1973	38.66		
	<u>430.27</u>		
		Agency:	
Tax Titles and Possessions:		County - Dog Licenses	261.05
Tax Titles	5,411.46	County - Sale of Dogs	3.00
Tax Possessions	473.54	Excess - Sale Lands of	
	<u>5,885.00</u>	Low Value	603.88
			<u>867.93</u>
Departmental:			
Veterans' Services		Stabilization Fund -	
		To be Invested	20,000.00

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## GENERAL ACCOUNTS (CONT.)

Water:			Federal Grants:		
Liens 1973	1,408.40		Revenue Sharing Funds -		
Rates & Charges	9,115.91		Public Law #92-512	44,164.27	
		10,524.31	Smith Hughes - George		
			Barden Fund	1,372.76	
Aid to Highways:			Public Law #81-874	27,428.00	
State	34,900.54		Elementary & Secondary		
County	11,242.27	46,142.81	Education Act	807.14	
			Public Law #91-230	1,246.56	
Estimated Receipts -			Education Children		
to be Collected		844,845.85	Low Income Families	6,445.84	
					81,464.57
Revenue 1973 - 1974:					
Taxes to be Committed		977,768.07			
Loans Authorized:			Revolving Funds:		
School	100,000.00		School Lunch	8,845.34	
Drainage	264,600.00	364,600.00	School - Lost Books etc.	120.80	
					8,966.14



**GENERAL ACCOUNTS (CONT.)**

Unprovided for or Overdrawn Accounts: Arbitration Award - Elementary School Bldg.	Appropriation Balances:	
	Revenue:	2,747,925.92
	General	
	Water:	6,026.01
	Maintenance & Operation	61,600.31
	Non - Revenue:	
	New Elementary School	16,140.75
	Repairs & Remodeling	
	Parting Ways Office	
	Building	14,868.56
	Water Mains	2,538.84
	Federal Revenue Sharing:	102,002.60
	Police - Salaries	
		<hr/> 2,945,076.98
	Loans Authorized & Unissued	364,600.00
	Insurance Recovery - Police	214.19
	Sale of Real Estate Fund	2,800.00
	Receipts Reserved for Appropriation:	
	Highway - Chapter 822, Acts of 1963	106.44

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GENERAL ACCOUNTS (CONT.)

Reserve Fund -	
Overlay Surplus	30,921.47
Overlay Reserve for Abatements:	
Levy of 1973	89,126.40
Revenue Reserved until Collected:	
Motor Vehicle Excise	61,698.31
Special Assessment	430.27
Tax Title & Possession	5,885.00
Departmental	8,484.95
Water	10,524.31
Aid to Highway	46,142.81
	<u>133,165.65</u>
Reserve for	
Petty Cash Advance	26.80
Surplus Revenue:	
General	45,236.04
Water	160.60
	<u>45,396.64</u>
	<u>\$4,340,523.64</u>
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DEBT ACCOUNTS

Outside Debt Limit:

General:

School 2,095,000.00

Public Service Enterprise:

Water 41,000.00

2,136,000.00

\$2,434,650.00

\$2,434,650.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT FUNDS

Trust & Investment Funds:	In Custody of Treasurer:	
Cash & Securities:	Welfare Funds:	
In Custody of Treasurer	Acushnet Instructive	\$1,619.55
In Custody of Trustees	Nursing Association	24,500.48
	Russell Protestant Poor	
		<u>\$26,120.03</u>
	School Funds:	
	Sylvia P. Manter	33,455.06
	H.H. Rogers	1,989.57
	Russell Public	11,798.27
		<u>47,242.90</u>
	Library Funds:	
	Allen & Rhoda Russell	13,626.72
	Russell Memorial	10,742.24
	Library Maintenance	
		<u>24,368.96</u>
	Russell Fund - Care of Town Hall & Library	4,151.25

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TRUST AND INVESTMENT FUNDS

Cemetery Funds:	
Perpetual Care	16,980.66
Beautification & Extra Care	3,331.84
Special Care	668.35
Russell Fund - Care of Improvement Acushnet Cemetery	1,099.60
Sale of Lots & Graves: Long Plain Cemetery	2,744.43
Friends Cemetery	194.18
	<u>25,019.06</u>
Conservation Fund	2,619.12
Stabilization Fund	35,549.20
In Custody of Trustees: R. N. Swift Board of Health Fund	6,945.08
	<u>\$172,015.60</u>
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## **ACUSHNET AT A GLANCE**

**Incorporated: February 13, 1860**

**Type of Government: Open Town Meeting**

**Population: 8,900 (estimated)**

**Valuation: 10,665,413.00**

**Tax Rate: \$180.00/per \$ 1,000.**

**Registered Voters: 4,576**

**Total Area: 18 square miles**

**Number of Dwellings: 2378 (including Mobile Homes)**

**Churches: 6**

**Public Schools: 3**

**Parochial Schools: 1**

**Banks, Credit Union: 1**

**Principal Industries:**

**golf ball mfg., road surface materials, farming, apple,  
peach orchards, box factory, saw mill, landscape nurseries**

**Twelfth Congressional District:**

**Congressman Gerry Studds — 999-1251**

**Fourth Bristol Representative District:**

**Rep. William Q. MacLean, Jr. — 992-4235 Home  
727-5455 Office**

**Second Bristol Senatorial District:**

**Senator Mary Fonseca — Tel. 672-4100**

**ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS: 1st Monday in March**