

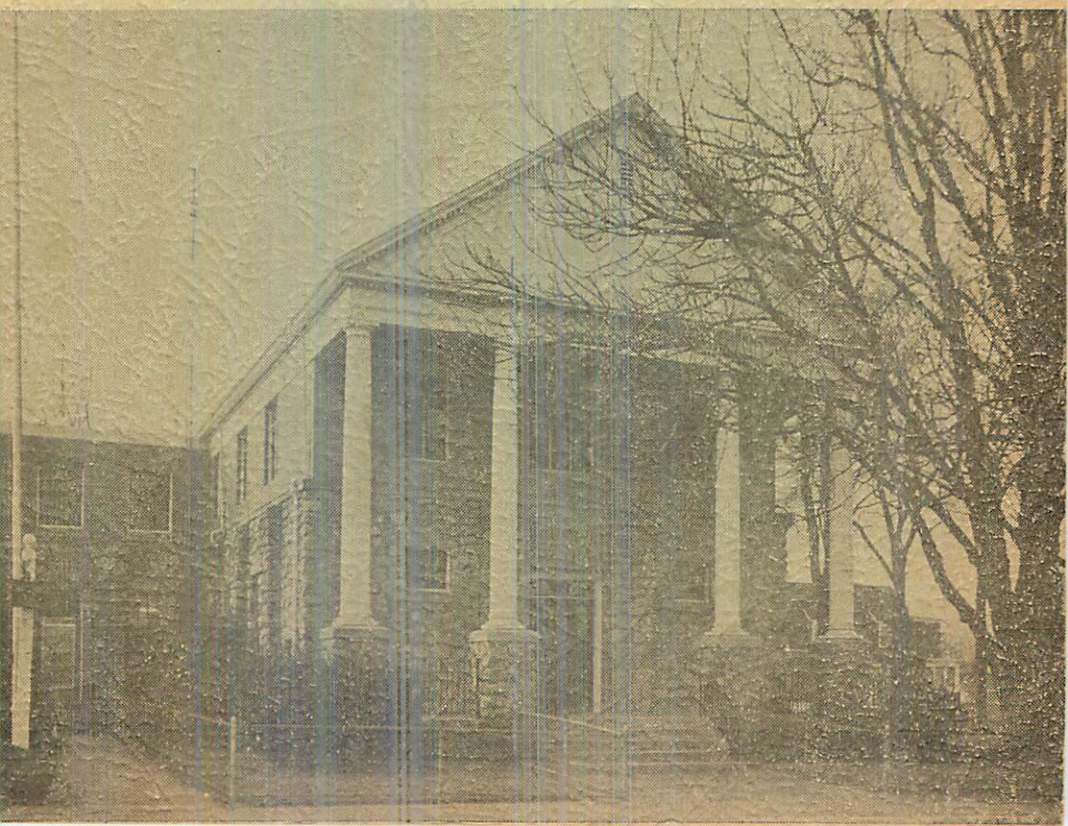


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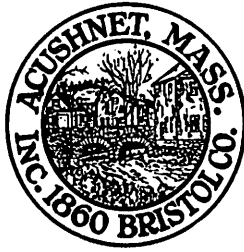
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TOWN of ACUSHNET

MASSACHUSETTS



Town Records and Reports
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF
ACUSHNET
MASSACHUSETTS



FOR THE
Year Ending December 31st
1962

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REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

To the Citizens of Acushnet:

We submit herewith our report for the year ending December 31, 1962.

At the initial meeting following the Town Elections, the Board met for the purpose of organization. At this meeting Gerard Charest was elected chairman of the board and Wilfred Fortin was appointed clerk and secretary of the board.

The Board met every Monday night, as in the past, at 7:00 P.M. in their offices at the Town Hall to hear petitioners and to administer the variety of duties connected with this office.

In our ever continuing endeavor to cope with the increasing problems attending the rapid and expansive growth of our community, the Board quite frequently found it necessary to meet on other week day nights.

The annual audit of the Town was conducted and as in the past, again maintaining her very enviable position of being in fine financial condition, entering the new year with free cash in the approximate

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amount of \$81,000. This accomplishment can be directly attributed to the close supervision of Departmental Budgets, fine co-operation of the Finance Committee, and the excellent record of fiscal control by our Treasurer and Collector as well as an outstanding job of record keeping by our new Town Accountant, Mr. Fortin, in his junior year.

The Town as in the past, again made full utilization of Chapter 90 Maintenance monies made available by the State and County, extending areas resurfaced on North Main Street a considerable distance.

Chapter 90 Construction funds have brought to reality the reconstruction of Middle Road as well as the installation of storm drains and catchers which has alleviated a very serious water problem in this area. 1963 will continue to show improvements along these lines.

Installation of curbs and sidewalks on Crompton Street under the Betterment Provisions of the General Laws, construction and dedication of the new Post Office, surface maintenance of old streets, drains in Laura Keene and Dorothy Streets, additional and improved lighting, are just a few projects of note. Various other accomplishments and improvements too numerous to be mentioned could here be noted; however, the Board in concluding this, its annual report, wish to thank each and every resident of the Town of Acushnet for the effort, support and encouragement which they have given to the Board in trying to

achieve our mutual ends: "Better Town Government."

The Board acknowledges also, the co-operation and assistance of the various town departments. It is indeed gratifying to see so many dedicated peoples working towards our common goal.

Respectfully submitted,

GERARD CHAREST
CLEMENT ST. AMAND, JR.
ELTON A. ASHLEY
Board of Selectmen

DEDICATION



ROBERT E. PARKER

Member Cemetery Board

1922 - 1928

1939 - 1962

Tree Warden

1911 - 1923

TOWN OFFICERS — 1962-1963

TOWN CLERK, TREASURER-COLLECTOR

Allan L. Rawcliffe	Term Expires 1963
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BOARD OF SELECTMEN AND PUBLIC WELFARE

Gerard Charest	Term Expires 1963
Clement St. Amand, Jr.	Term Expires 1964
Elton A. Ashley	Term Expires 1965

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Eugene L. Dabrowski	Term Expires 1963
Rudolph H. Urbanek	Term Expires 1964
Edward Dessert	Term Expires 1965

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Harold Bates	Term Expires 1963
Leo T. Jackson	Term Expires 1964
William Fawcett, Jr.	Term Expires 1965

BOARD OF HEALTH

Sylvano Frates	Term Expires 1963
Joseph H. LePage	Term Expires 1964
Emile R. Houle	Term Expires 1965

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COMMISSIONERS OF TRUST FUNDS

Francis D. O'Leary	Term Expires 1963
Donald P. Lowe	Term Expires 1964
Ovila Boule	Term Expires 1965

TRUSTEES OF FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Frances E. Gifford	Term Expires 1963
Kenneth L. Vincent	Term Expires 1964
Georgette A. Owen	Term Expires 1965

CEMETERY BOARD

Robert E. Parker	Term Expires 1963
Norman R. Burt	Term Expires 1964
Arthur L. Tripp	Term Expires 1965

MODERATOR

A. P. Stuart Gilmore	Term Expires 1963
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PARK COMMISSIONERS

August R. Cote	Term Expires 1963
Edmond A. Richard	Term Expires 1964
Edwin W. Church, Jr.	Term Expires 1965

PLANNING BOARD

Roland Benoit	Term Expires 1963
Edward Hall (Resigned January 16, 1963)	Term Expires 1964
Edmond A. Richard	Term Expires 1965
Conrad Richard	Term Expires 1966
Raymond Henry Conneville	Term Expires 1967

TREE WARDEN

Joseph E. M. Boisclair	Term Expires 1963
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**RESULTS OF THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
MARCH 5, 1962**

Voters per Annual Register at close of Registration February 13, 1962:

Precinct I		
Men	468	
Women	487	955
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Precinct II		
Men	721	
Women	723	
	<hr/>	1444
Precinct III		
Men	203	
Women	212	
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SELECTMEN, MEMBER OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Three Years

	Precinct			
	I	II	III	Total
Elton A. Ashley	393	558	174	1125
Henry E. Curtis, Jr.	26	55	12	93
Edward Hall	183	255	70	508
Joseph H. LePage	74	60	8	142
Earl C. Burt	0	0	1	1
Albert E. Holt	1	2	0	3
John Sylvia	1	0	0	1
Blanks	8	8	3	19
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Total	686	938	268	1892

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ASSESSOR

Three Years

Edward Dessert	423	484	96	1003
Harold Bates	107	100	28	235
J. James St. Don	144	337	138	619
Blanks	12	17	6	35
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Total	686	938	268	1892

TREE WARDEN

One Year

Joseph E. M. Boisclair	582	771	223	1576
Henry Otocky	0	0	1	1
Blanks	104	167	44	315
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Total	686	938	268	1892

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Three Years

William Fawcett	426	492	173	1091
Robert F. Honohan	227	406	85	718
Blanks	33	40	10	83
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Total	686	938	268	1892

BOARD OF HEALTH

Three Years

Louise F. Taber	266	369	141	776
Emile R. Houle	399	540	123	1062
Blanks	21	29	4	54
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Total	686	938	268	1892

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COMMISSIONER OF TRUST FUNDS

Three Years

Ovila Boule	574	773	226	1573
Blanks	112	165	42	319
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Total	686	938	268	1892

TRUSTEE OF FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Three Years

Georgette A. Owen	580	777	229	1586
Ovila Boule	1	0	0	1
Blanks	105	161	39	305
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Total	686	938	268	1892

CEMETERY BOARD

Three Years

Arthur L. Tripp	568	773	248	1589
Henry L. Guilbeault	1	0	0	1
Blanks	117	165	20	302
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Total	686	938	268	1892

MODERATOR

One Year

A. P. Stuart Gilmore	563	775	244	1582
Blanks	123	163	24	310
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PARK COMMISSIONER

Three Years

Edwin W. Church, Jr.	319	549	167	1035
Herbert E. Dunham	320	323	80	723

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Blanks	47	66	21	134
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Total	686	938	268	1892

PLANNING BOARD

Five Years

Raymond Henry Conneville	559	758	222	1539
Blanks	127	180	46	353
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Total	686	938	268	1892

PLANNING BOARD

Five Years

Edmond A. Richard	416	453	63	932
Walter E. Tripp	228	419	196	843
Blanks	42	66	9	117
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Total	686	938	268	1892

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**OFFICERS APPOINTED
BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Richard Barry	Term Expires 1963
Armand Cournoyer	Term Expires 1963
Donald W. White	Term Expires 1963
Frank Crandon	Term Expires 1964
Armand Bertrand	Term Expires 1964
A. P. Stuart Gilmore	Term Expires 1964
Manuel Resendes	Term Expires 1965
Edward Allaire	Term Expires 1965
Joseph J. Baron	Term Expires 1965

POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Gerard Charest	Term Expires 1963
Clement St. Amand, Jr.	Term Expires 1964
Elton A. Ashley	Term Expires 1965

CONSTABLES

James E. Hyde
Earle F. Parker

KEEPER OF THE LOCKUP

Thomas Cawley

DOG OFFICER

Clarence E. Taber, Jr.

RESERVE POLICE OFFICERS

Omer Pineau	Edwin E. Brackett
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Oscar H. Forand
Joseph F. Resendes

Joseph Fagundes
Matthew Niziolek

Sylvano Frates

FIRE CHIEF, FOREST WARDEN, INSPECTOR OF GARAGES

Everett Booker

DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF

Armand Langevin

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Arthur G. LeBlanc
Theophile E. Cote
Lucien Letendre

Term Expires 1963
Term Expires 1964
Term Expires 1965

CLERK, BOARD OF SELECTMEN AND PUBLIC WELFARE

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Wilfred C. Fortin

PERSONNEL BOARD

Warren L. Davis
Herman B. Morse
Joseph A. Guilbeault
Valmore H. Gonneville
Floyd Templeton

Term Expires 1963
Term Expires 1963
Term Expires 1964
Term Expires 1964
Term Expires 1965

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Roger Deschamps
Alton Taber
Steve Gilmore
Lucien St. Amand
Arthur Lafrenais
Ralph F. Macomber
David White

Term Expires 1963
Term Expires 1963
Term Expires 1964
Term Expires 1964
Term Expires 1965
Term Expires 1965
Term Expires 1965

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SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Louis Dunham

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

(Insect Pest Control, Dutch Elm Disease)

Joseph E. M. Boisclair

VETERAN'S AGENT

Arsene Cusson

**BURIAL AGENT FOR INDIGENT SOLDIERS AND SAILORS
VETERANS' GRAVES OFFICER**

Arsene Cusson

TOWN COUNSEL

Ferdinand B. Sowa

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

Charles M. Gibbs

CIVIL DEFENSE LIAISON OFFICER

Lionel Ferreira

CIVIL DEFENSE AUXILIARY POLICE OFFICERS

John Cunha, Lieutenant

Arthur A. Lafrenais, Sergeant

David L. Rawcliffe, Supply Sergeant

Herman DeMello

Richard Gerard

Harold Bates

John Tavares

Joseph G. Lafrenais

Fausto Paulino

Alexander Paulino

Maurice Dion

Charles P. Swift

Joaquim Santos

Aurele Ouimette

Russell C. Adams

Joseph G. Millette

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CIVIL DEFENSE — RESCUE SQUAD

Valmore H. Gonneville	Lin Brown
Ernest J. Letendre	Dennis Gautreau
Leonard Spooner	Walter E. Tripp, Jr.

PUBLIC WEIGHERS

John F. Hatch, Jr.	Samuel F. Stowell, Jr.
Arthur L. Gaudreau	Anton Brockelman
William R. Balderson, Jr.	Karl Svendsen

ELECTION OFFICERS

Precinct I

Henry O. Saucier	Warden
Sarah Hyde	Clerk
Blanche Meunier	Inspector
Mildred G. Mellor	Inspector
Doris L. Laiscell	Inspector
Eva Linhares	Inspector
Alice Carol Belanger	Deputy Inspector
Lucille C. Golas	Deputy Inspector

Precinct II

Jacqueline B. Allain	Warden
Arlette Lapalme	Clerk
Louise Norton	Inspector
Aurora Almeida	Inspector
Doris Girard	Inspector
Ruth Rawcliffe	Inspector
Bertha St. Don	Inspector
William D. Boucher	Deputy Inspector
Lois T. Pinchbeck	Deputy Inspector

Precinct III

Emily H. Dunbar	Warden
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Maria A. Leconte	Clerk
Carolyn S. Gilmore	Inspector
Lucy M. Westgate	Inspector
Olive M. Laycock	Inspector
Annie V. McKowen	Inspector
Edna Ronan	Deputy Inspector
Doris St. Amand	Deputy Inspector

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**REPORT OF THE
BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE**

To the Citizens of the Town of Acushnet:

The Board of Public Welfare herewith submits its report of expenditures during the year ending December 31, 1962.

GENERAL RELIEF

Annual Appropriation	\$4,000.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund	1,200.00
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	\$5,200.00

Expenditures

Cash Grants to Individuals	\$303.20	
Groceries	727.00	
Rent	70.00	
Medical Assistance	175.45	
Paid to other Cities and Towns	3,802.46	
	<hr/>	\$5,078.11
Unexpended Balance		121.89
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		\$5,200.00

A total of ten cases were aided during the year.

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

A total of twenty-six cases (seventy-three children) were aided during the year on this category of relief.

Annual Appropriation	\$16,452.50
Balance U. S. Grants and Administration	2,681.78
U. S. Grants: Aid to Dependent Children	12,966.50
U. S. Grants: Aid to Dependent Children Adm.	2,488.98
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	\$34,592.76

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Expenditures

Cash Grants	\$26,032.73	
Administration	3,493.70	
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Unexpended Balance Town Appropriation		2,016.93
Unexpended Balance U. S. Grants		1,974.59
Unexpended Balance U. S. Grants Administration		1,074.81
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		\$34,592.76

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

A total of eight cases were aided during the year on this category of relief.

Annual Appropriation	\$6,262.50
Balance U. S. Grants and Administration	781.80
U. S. Grants: Disability Assistance	3,648.20
U. S. Grants: Disability Assistance Adm.	357.36
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	\$11,049.86

Expenditures

Cash Grants	\$8,495.28	
Administration	540.00	
	<hr/>	\$9,035.28
Unexpended Balance, Town Appropriation		1,114.30
Unexpended Balance: U. S. Grants		656.28
Unexpended Balance: U. S. Grants Administration		244.00
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		\$11,049.86

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

A total of seventy-nine cases were aided during the year on this category of relief. Of this amount, fifty-five were Acushnet settled, eleven had settlements in other cities and towns, and thirteen cases were State settled.

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Annual Appropriation	\$38,934.00
Balance U. S. Grants and Administration	12,525.52
U. S. Grants: Old Age Assistance	36,837.46
U. S. Grants: Old Age Assistance Adm.	2,716.39
Recoveries and Refunds	7,033.92
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	\$98,047.29

Expenditures

Cash Grants	\$63,664.73	
Paid to Other Cities and Towns	2,570.29	
Administration	5,955.74	
	<hr/>	\$72,190.76
Unexpended Balance Town Appropriation		3,417.72
Unexpended Balance U. S. Grants		21,862.30
Unexpended Balance U. S. Grants Adm.		576.51
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		\$98,047.29

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE AGED

A total of twenty-six cases were aided during the year on this category of relief.

Annual Appropriation	\$22,025.00
Balance U. S. Grants and Administration	2,534.71
U. S. Grants: Medical Assistance for the Aged	15,717.38
U. S. Grants: Medical Assistance for the Aged Adm.	522.92
Refund	7.50
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	\$40,807.51

Expenditures

Cash Grants	\$33,071.14	
Administration	1,084.00	
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Unexpended Balance Town Appropriation	3,960.35
Unexpended Balance U. S. Grants	2,405.94
Unexpended Balance U. S. Grants Administration	286.08
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	\$40,807.51

GERARD CHAREST
CLEMENT ST. AMAND
ELTON A. ASHLEY
Board of Public Welfare

CLASSIFICATION OF PAYMENTS

General Government

Moderator	\$25.00	
Town Reports and Warrants	1,075.20	
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Selectmen:		
Salaries Board of Selectmen and Public Welfare	2,200.00	
Clerk	1,215.98	
Office Supplies, Equipment	154.20	
Telephone	285.05	
Dues, Advertising	176.22	
Student Government Day	171.25	
Middle Road Engineer's Site	54.93	
Town Meeting Tellers	30.59	
Travel Expenses	75.05	
Legal Fees	250.00	
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Town Accountant:		
Salary	1,340.88	
Printing and Postage	137.05	
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Election and Registrations:		
Election Officers	1,032.24	
Registrars	1,144.25	
Clerical Work	239.99	
Recount Tellers	45.00	
Assistant Registrars	246.50	
Printing, Supplies	85.58	
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Treasurer and Collector:

Treasurer and Collector's Salary	4,750.00	
Clerks	5,754.09	
Office Supplies, Equipment, Dues	3,345.87	
Surety Bond	29.25	
Telephone	209.15	
Burglary Insurance	392.69	
Recording Redemption Takings	514.00	
Travel Expenses	159.96	
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Assessors:

Salaries	1,600.00	
Clerk	2,540.20	
Equipment, Supplies	480.52	
Telephone, Dues	109.55	
Listing Conveyances of Land	332.20	
Travel Expenses	26.66	
Sectional Plotting	500.00	
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Town Clerk:

Salary	165.00	
Recording Vital Statistics	250.00	
Recording Street Layouts	33.00	
Equipment, Supplies, Postage	298.59	
Surety Bond	20.00	
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Finance Committee:

Dues	25.00	
Clerk	45.00	
Supplies	22.62	
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Planning Board:

Clerical Help	90.78	
Supplies, Postage, Advertising	98.57	
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Personnel Board:

Supplies		130.00
Tree Warden		150.00

Town Hall and Offices:

Custodian's Salary	3,090.57	
Fuel	1,484.39	
Lights, Water	744.98	
Supplies, Equipment	1,522.48	
Advertising	3.56	
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Police Department:

Chief's Salary	4,608.90	
Police Officers	16,702.35	
Office Supplies, Dues	187.21	
Telephone	371.25	
Gasoline, Tires, Repairs	1,136.74	
Insurance	130.00	
Repair of Equipment	370.18	
Advertising	5.34	
Keeper of the Lockup and Feeding Prisoners	75.80	
Oxygen	28.05	
Out of State Expenses	65.43	
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Fire Department:

Chief's Salary	3,855.75	
Firemen	3,497.26	
Office Supplies, Dues	163.58	
Telephone	787.78	

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Lights and Siren	90.54	
Accident Insurance	161.85	
Supplies and Equipment	2,867.01	
Advertising	10.68	
Gasoline, Oil Repairs	558.12	
Fuel Oil	253.91	
Bulldozing Dump Fire	120.00	
Installing Siren on Poles	190.00	
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		12,556.48
Sealer of Weights and Measures:		
Salary	300.00	
Expenses	17.01	
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		317.01
Building Department:		
Building Inspector	583.33	
Supplies, Travel Expenses	247.03	
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		830.36
Wire Department:		
Wire Inspector	750.00	
Supplies, Travel Expenses	88.35	
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		838.35
Civil Defense:		
Salary—Director	180.00	
Salary—Liaison Officer	180.00	
Lights, Water	26.84	
Repairs, Equipment, Supplies	324.04	
Badges, Uniforms, Boots	9.50	
Fuel	113.60	
Gasoline, Registrations	17.50	
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		851.48
Dog Officer:		
Salary	143.75	
Supplies	43.35	

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Board and Care of Dogs	657.50	
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Inspector of Animals		115.00
Sewer Pumping Charges:		
Paid to City of New Bedford	174.00	
Board of Health:		
Salaries	525.00	
Nurse	4,602.85	
Assistant Nurse	639.50	
School Physician	1,200.00	
Dental Clinic	1,167.25	
Travel Expenses	474.25	
Office Supplies, Postage	192.49	
Telephone	214.07	
Equipment	77.00	
Medical Supplies	254.82	
Participation Tuberculosis Program	542.85	
Pre-Mature Births	384.00	
Advertising and Legal Fees	67.35	
Garbage Collection	2,332.00	
Polio Clinic	33.75	
Burial of Animals	59.00	
	<hr/>	12,766.18
Highway Department:		
Superintendent's Salary	4,266.00	
Labor	26,066.53	
Hire of Equipment—Mowing, Snow		
Removal, Sanding	4,119.95	
Grader Rental	362.50	
Gasoline, Oil, Truck Repairs	3,661.85	
Sand, Gravel, Road Oil	8,061.36	
Equipment and Repairs	989.74	
Lights, Fuel	647.42	
Telephone	239.10	

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Freight, Signs	237.00	
Cleaning Sand Catchers	298.00	
Engineer's Service	15.00	
Advertising	16.02	
Temporary Help, Snow Removal	176.85	
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		49,157.32
Chapter 90 Maintenance:		
Labor	477.36	
Advertising, Paint	22.53	
Police Duty	62.50	
Bituminous Concrete (Contract Work)	7,961.48	
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		8,523.87
Streets Lights:		
Paid to New Bedford Gas & Edison Light Co.		7,509.96
Dutch Elm Disease:		
Removal of Trees	1,355.34	
Reconstruction of Middle Road (Chapter 90)	77,025.61	
Hathaway, Mendall, Mattapoissett Curves	3,391.13	
Sidewalk, South Main Street	1,309.79	
Layout of Clifford Street	325.00	
Layout of Wamsutta Avenue	92.00	
Layout of Wing Lane	150.00	
Curbing and Sidewalks (Betterment Act)	1,632.50	
DeBalsi Property Settlement	3,800.00	
Middle Road Reconstruction Damages	2,848.00	
Middle Road Construction Non-Participating Items	1,067.91	
General Relief:		
Grants	303.20	
Rent	70.00	
Groceries	727.00	
Medical Assistance	175.45	
Paid to Other Cities and Towns	3,802.46	
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		5,078.11

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Old Age Assistance:

Grants	63,664.73	
Paid to Other Cities and Towns	2,570.29	
Salaries	4,359.13	
Supplies and Postage	1,596.61	
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Old Age Recoveries		45.00
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Aid to Dependent Children:

Grants	26,032.73	
Salaries	3,316.53	
Supplies	177.17	
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Disability Assistance:

Grants	8,495.28	
Salaries	540.00	
	<hr/>	9,035.28

Medical Assistance for the Aged:

Grants	33,071.14	
Salaries	1,084.00	
	<hr/>	34,155.14

Veterans' Benefits:

Agent's Salary	700.00	
Office Supplies	7.80	
Ordinary Grants	5,513.72	
Fuel	734.00	
Medical Assistance	9,730.03	
Legal Fees	20.00	
	<hr/>	16,705.55

Schools:

Superintendent's Salary	8,219.29	
Clerk	2,968.00	
Supervisor School Attendance	200.00	
Office Supplies, Postage	474.84	

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Telephone	1,176.03	
Travel Expenses	316.20	
Advertising, Dues	20.47	
Teachers' Salaries	154,690.76	
Books and Supplies	8,674.13	
Tuition	97,636.58	
Transportation	62,474.60	
Janitors' Salaries	23,470.25	
Fuel and Lights and Water	10,961.37	
Maintenance of Building and Grounds	6,966.36	
Graduation Expenses	117.89	
Medical Supplies	42.11	
Athletic Equipment, Supervision and Transportation	1,176.10	
	<hr/>	379,584.98
School Building Committee Expenses		16.60
School Milk and Lunch Fund:		
Salaries—Cafeteria Personnel	5,836.60	
Food Supplies	5,009.21	
Milk	6,988.57	
Freight, Maintenance	759.18	
	<hr/>	18,593.56
Free Public Library:		
Librarian	1,021.28	
Assistants	804.00	
Janitress	480.00	
Books	460.92	
Care of Grounds and Building	1,221.59	
Supplies, Postage	117.36	
Fuel	399.08	
Water, Lights	221.05	
	<hr/>	4,725.28
Park Department:		
Labor	1,658.88	

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Equipment and Supplies	629.25	
Chain Link Fence	720.00	
Legal Fees	25.00	
Advertising	24.92	
Gas, Oil, Repairs	120.12	
Dugouts	490.76	
Water	16.50	
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		3,685.43
Water Department:		
Foreman's Salary	3,980.82	
Clerk	795.00	
Labor	4,011.00	
Notes and Interest	5,617.00	
Telephone	248.31	
Office Supplies, Freight, Adv.	375.02	
Water	8,652.98	
Legal Fees	54.00	
Injuries	35.53	
Equipment and Repairs	1,031.89	
Gas, Oil, Registrations	203.64	
Gravel, Sand, Mix	85.92	
Hire of Equipment	784.18	
Pipe and Fittings	1,237.62	
Meters and Fittings	1,606.39	
Gate Valves and Boxes	1,672.41	
Copper Tubing	1,020.00	
Hydrants	271.97	
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		31,683.68
Wing Lane Water Main		2,455.25
Surface Water Drains		2,428.66
Cemeteries		300.00
Debt and Interest:		
Debt	34,000.00	
Interest	19,900.00	
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		53,900.00

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Temporary Loans	100,000.00	
Interest on Temporary Loans	380.67	
	<hr/>	100,380.67
Joseph Fagundes, Injuries		10.00
Norman Peck, Injuries		35.00
Automobile Damage, J. Guilbeault		50.75
Property Damages, Ernest Ayotte		200.00
Property Damages, Edward F. Holt		175.00
Richard M. Saya, Injuries		11.00
Insurance on Public Buildings		2,685.37
Insurance on Town Motor Fleet		1,863.81
Bristol County Dog Licenses		1,619.50
Pension Fund		8,607.81
Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital		5,542.28
Federal Tax Deductions		41,740.91
State Tax		3,325.20
Teachers Retirement		8,647.07
Bristol County Retirement		6,831.95
Blue Cross-Blue Shield		4,411.48
Life Insurance Deductions		778.68
Group Insurance		5,150.27
Lease—City of New Bedford Property		1.00
Mosquito Control (Assessment)		50.00
Town Beach		670.67
Christmas Decoration		236.01
Memorial Purposes		599.31
July 4th Celebration		434.91
Agency Accounts:		
County Tax	17,343.57	
State Parks	2,611.17	
Bristol County Mosquito Control	1,808.93	
	<hr/>	21,763.67
Trust Fund:		
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	406.54	

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Russell Protestant Poor Fund	647.86	
Cemetery Beautification Care Fund	94.00	
Russell Care of Town Hall	182.51	
	<hr/>	1,330.91
Refunds:		
Taxes, 1961	95.45	
Taxes, 1962	388.03	
Personal Taxes, 1962	8.30	
Motor Vehicle Excise, 1961	707.02	
Motor Vehicle Excise, 1962	1,732.36	
Sunday License and Annual License	51.00	
	<hr/>	3,182.16
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Total Disbursements for 1962		\$1,134,511.88

JURY LIST

The following is a list of jurors submitted by the Board of Selectmen, in accordance with Chapter 234 of the General Laws.

John Arbogast, 919 Middle Road	Retired
Annette LeBlanc, 71 Slocum Street	Housewife
Conrad J. Ledoux, 19 Saucier Street	Bartender
John W. Heap, 17 Wamsutta Avenue	Mailman
Albert L'Heureux, 200 Hathaway Road	Foreman
Edward Dessert, 8 Nye Avenue	Retired
Armand Langevin, 54 Prouteau Street	Mail Carrier
Maurice Dion, 84 Cushman Street	Fixer
Lionel Hipolite, 29 Jean Street	Helper
Albert Bastarache, 23 Hope Street	Maintenance
Stanley Palko, 20 Saucier Street	Foreman
Valmor Gonneville, 12 Grant Street	Overseer
Rolande Benoit, 107 Main Street	Housewife
Antoinette Boissoneau, 189 South Main Street	Housewife
Emily Avery, 175 South Main Street	Clerk
Frances Tobin, 63 South Main Street	Housewife
Ruth Rawcliffe, 308 Mendall Road	At Home
Marjorie LeBoeuf, 80 Mill Road	Waitress
George Doucette, 100 Main Street	Retired
Robert M. LeBlanc, 126 South Main Street	Supervisor
Constance LeBlanc, 126 South Main Street	Teacher
Alice Tripp, 53 Perry Street	Housewife
Helenda Bergeron, 191 South Main Street	Housewife
Frederick J. Gautreau, 65 Slocum Street	Machinist
William Smith, 255 Hamlin Street	Retired

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John C. Rocha, 94 James Street	Reamer
Sam S. Trantham, 60 Wing Road	Weaver
Omer Fournier, 157 Nye's Lane	Mill Worker
Patricia Ann Deschamps, 29 Hamlin Street	Service Girl
Manuel Cambra, 30 Coury Drive	Fabric Worker
Alton Dunbar, Lake Street	Retired
John Travares, 62 Cushman Street	Machine Operator
Edward Farfalowski, 15 Coulombe Street	Truck Driver
Susan Ashley, 54 Slocum Street	Housewife
George Lepalme, 120 James Street	Pressman
Harriet Lauzon, 367 Middle Road	Housewife
Harold Bates, 68 Jean Street	Stock Clerk
Alfred Resendes, 206 South Main Street	Maintenance
Steve McCann, 74 Jean Street	Rubber Worker
Oliva Bergeron, 38 Nye Avenue	Bartender
Teddy Cioper, 308 Middle Road	Gas Station Prop.
Roger Verronneau, 4 Grant Street	Machine Operator
Edward Brackett, 2 Pershing Avenue	Custodian
Stefan S. Orlowski, 34 Jean Street	Foreman
Charlotte E. Benoit, 24 South Main Street	Housewife
Blanche Meunier, 12 Nye Avenue	Housewife
Doris Parker, 36 Robinson Road	Housewife
J. Ernest Ayotte, 24 Wing Road	Painter
Richard Deschamps, 789 Main Street	Farmer
Emile Gonneville, 204 South Main Street	Retired
Armand Cournoyer, 199 South Main Street	Scheduler
August Cote, 26 Enos Street	Office Manager
Thomas Lafleur, 28 Saucier Street	Pressman
John F. Green, 20 Pershing Avenue	Maintenance
Neal M. Furman, 11 LeBoeuf Street	Product Control
Evelyn A. Furman, 11 LeBoeuf Street	At Home
Raymond J. Fortin, 1242 Main Street	Truck Driver
Raymond H. Dean, 8 Hamlin Street	Unemployed
Donald H. Breton, 1242 Main Street	Truck Driver
Martin J. Connor, 14 Coury Drive	Mailman

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Robert E. Comeau, 26 Wamsutta Avenue	Mailman
Joseph Turner, 218 Main Street	Supervisor
Michael Tomkiewicz, 397 Middle Road	Laborer
Walter A. Miller, 1 Lambert Street	Student

ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

Receipts

Taxes

Current Year:

Real Estate	\$329,795.93
Personal	95,559.24
Polls	3,006.00
Motor Vehicle Excise	70,441.57
Farm Animal Excise	360.86
	<hr/> \$499,163.60

Previous Year

Motor Vehicle Excise 1961	14,187.96
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Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Income Tax	44,130.73
Corporation Tax Business	26,705.29
Old Age Meal Tax	3,534.14
School Transportation	38,856.81
School Aid	3,477.05
Vocation Education	24,357.88
Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,998.63
Chapter 90 Reconstruction of	
Middle Road	42,111.65
Veterans' Benefits	5,155.82
Abatement—Ch. 22, Sec. 5, Chap. 59, G.L. 89.23	
School Construction	12,697.45
	<hr/> 232,114.68

County of Bristol

Dog Licenses	1,627.75
Care and Disposal of Dogs	442.50

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Dog Fund	688.49	
Chapter 90 Reconstruction of Middle Road	11,592.83	14,351.57
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Water Rates and Services	32,374.22	
Water—Interest and Costs	92.00	
	<hr/>	32,466.22
Water Liens Redemptions		382.65
Water Main Loan (1962) Wing Lane		3,500.00
Tax Title Redemptions		3,604.10
Licenses:		
Alcoholic	7,550.00	
Common Victualler	75.00	
Automatic Amusement	120.00	
Special Malt Beverages	20.00	
Sunday Store	60.00	
Sunday Entertainment and Dance	430.00	
Dance Licenses	34.25	
Registration of Petroleum Licenses	10.50	
Used Car Dealers Class II	192.00	
Used Car Dealers Class III	72.00	
Junk License	36.00	
Firearms Sale License	10.00	
Peddler's License	12.00	
	<hr/>	8,621.75
Treasurer and Collector		
Interest on Taxes, Tax Titles, Demands	345.65	
Interest on Motor Vehicle	112.64	
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Town Clerk		
Streets and Voters Lists		38.00
Board of Health		
Milk Licenses	18.50	
Trailer Park Fees	1,562.00	
Oleomargarine	8.00	

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Garbage Transportation	8.00	
Day Nursery	4.00	
Massage License	1.00	
Day Camp Licenses	2.00	
Septic Tank Permits	39.00	
Perculation Tests	1.00	
Pasteurization	10.00	
Dessert Mfg. License	5.00	
Nurses' Fees	310.50	
Cities and Towns	360.00	
		2,329.00
Police Department		
Court Fines	1,680.00	
Bicycle Registration	19.25	
Pistol Permits	40.00	
Accident Reports	73.00	
		1,812.25
Fire Department		
Oil Storage and Oil Burner Installation		
Permits	23.50	
Pumping Service	5.00	
		28.50
Wire Permits		487.00
Building Permits and Penalties		344.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures		62.50
Library Fines		56.90
Charities		
U. S. Grants		
Old Age Assistance	36,837.46	
Old Age Assistance Adm.	2,716.39	
Medical Assistance for the Aged	15,717.38	
Medical Assistance for the Aged Adm.	522.92	
Aid to Dependent Children	12,966.50	
Aid to Dependent Children Adm.	2,488.98	

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Disability Assistance	3,648.20	
Disability Assistance Adm.	357.36	
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Commonwealth of Massachusetts		
Old Age Assistance	13,943.65	
Old Age Assistance Adm.	1,350.76	
Medical Assistance for the Aged	11,577.25	
Medical Assistance for the Aged Adm.	258.73	
Aid to Dependent Children	7,862.10	
Aid to Dependent Children Adm.	1,190.94	
Disability Assistance	2,736.34	
Disability Assistance Adm.	177.08	
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Cities and Towns		
Old Age Assistance	563.57	
General Relief	968.88	
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Old Age Assistance Recoveries		16,789.60
Temporary Loans		100,000.00
Street and Sidewalks Loan (Betterment Act)		20,000.00
Miscellaneous		
Auction (Highway Department)	641.00	
Drainage Connection	11.20	
July 4th Celebration	254.00	
Town of Acushnet Trustee—		
Holding Account	481.55	
Federal Deductions	41,740.91	
Teachers' Retirement	8,647.07	
Bristol County Retirement	6,831.95	
Group Insurance	774.36	
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	4,385.77	
State Tax	3,325.20	
Employer's Compensation State Tax	34.85	
Divident Treasurer's Savings	643.34	
Commission Telephone Pay Station	71.92	

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Sewer Pumping Charges	174.00	
Sale of Tax Possession Property	2,148.00	
Pro Forma Tax	48.65	
Text Book Damages	6.00	
Special School Milk and Lunch Fund	17,202.82	
Care of Lots and Graves	20.00	
Refund—Park Department	1.60	
Refund—Old Age Assistance	39.05	
Refund—Medical Aid for the Aged	7.50	
Refund—State Park and Recreation	5.41	
Trust Funds:		
Sylvia P. Manter Trust Fund	1,165.25	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	406.54	
Russell Town Hall Fund	182.51	
Russell Protestant Poor Fund	647.86	
Cemetery Beautification and Extra Care Fund	94.00	
	<hr/>	89,992.31
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Total Receipts for 1962		\$1,156,675.37

TRUST FUND ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds: Cash and Securities:

In Custody of Town Treasurer		\$94,838.42
Russell Fund for Care of Town Hall	\$3,222.60	
Russell Public School Fund	7,890.02	
Russell Protestant Poor Fund	15,651.38	
Henry H. Rogers Gift Fund	1,191.91	
Allen & Rhoda R. Russell Library Fund	9,010.93	
Russell Memorial Library Maintenance Fund	8,714.54	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	12,229.08	
Cemetery Additional Fund	1,561.18	
Cemetery Special Care Fund	453.49	
Acushnet Cemetery Corporation	896.88	
Cemetery Beautification and Extra Care Fund	2,587.84	
Sylvia P. Manter Fund for Public Schools	31,425.54	
	<hr/>	\$94,838.42
R. N. Swift Board of Health Fund		6,000.84

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TOWN OF ACUSHNET — BALANCE SHEET

For the Year Ending December 31, 1962

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Cash	\$170,346.45	Motor Vehicle Excise Revenue	\$5,871.43
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes, 1962	5,871.43	Tax Title Revenue	11,432.17
Tax Titles:		Tax Possessions Revenue	3,832.11
Levy of 1960	5,611.07	Departmental Revenue	6,915.08
Levy of 1961	568.62	Water Revenue	541.00
Levy of 1962	5,252.48	Aid to Highway Revenue:	
Tax Possessions	3,832.11	Chapter 90 Maintenance	6,000.00
Accounts Receivable:		Reconstruction—Middle Road	24,034.14
Aid to Dependent Children	3,394.30	Life Insurance Deductions	2.16
Veterans' Benefits	3,520.78	Blue Cross-Blue Shield	8.57
Water Rates and Services	541.00	Town of Acushnet Trustee—	
State and County:		Holding Account	552.31
Chapter 90 Maintenance	6,000.00	Agency Accounts—State and County	1,910.68
Reconstruction—Middle Road	24,034.14	Bristol County Dog Licenses	11.75
Overlay, 1961	95.45	Unclaimed Checks	181.60
Reconstruction of Middle Road	10,593.66	Special School Milk and Lunch Fund	455.06
		Overlay Reserve	6,551.51
		Excess and Deficiency	92,503.45

Water Surplus	10,048.75
Planning Board (Master Plan)	3,000.00
Civil Defense	603.35
Middle Road Layout	1,500.00
Martelle, Coulombe and Dayton Streets Layout	112.99
Lambert Street Layout	125.00
Whelden Lane Layout	150.00
Middle Road Non-Participating Item	49.87
Middle Road Construction Damages	25.00
Hathaway, Mendall, Mattapoisett Roads Curves	655.20
Curbing's and Sidewalks (Betterment Act)	19,467.53
U. S. Grants:	
Old Age Assistance	21,862.30
Old Age Assistance Adm.	576.51
Old Age Recoveries	1,140.00
Medical Assistance for the Aged	2,405.94
Medical Assistance for the Aged Adm.	286.08
Aid to Dependent Children	1,974.59
Aid to Dependent Children Adm.	1,074.81
Disability Assistance	656.28

Disability Assistance Adm.	244.00
Expenses School Building Committee	283.40
New Junior High School	7,391.36
Conservation Commission Departmental	500.00
Town Beach	329.33
Lease of City of New Bedford (Lake St.)	3.00
Christmas Decorations	63.99
Veterans' World War II Memorial	162.00
Property Damages, Manuel Mendonca	170.88
Widening Entrance, Wamsutta Avenue	100.10
Damages in Widening Nestle's Lane	189.72
Wing Lane Water Main	1,044.75
Water System Survey	12,500.00
Surface Water Drains	161.80
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	\$239,661.49

Debt Accounts

Water Loan of 1952	\$15,000.00
Water Loan of 1955	8,000.00
Wing Lane Water Main Loan of 1962	3,500.00
Street and Sidewalk Loan	
Net Funded or Fixed Debt	

	(Betterment Act) 1962	20,000.00
	Surface Water Drains Loan of 1958	4,000.00
	School Project Loan:	
	Ch. 44 C.L., Inside Limit	85,000.00
	Ch. 645 Acts of 1948, Outside Limit	365,000.00
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		\$500,500.00

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APPROPRIATIONS OF 1962

<i>Balance Jan. 1, 1962</i>	<i>Appro- priations</i>	<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Expended</i>
General Government:				
Moderator	\$30.00		\$30.00	\$25.00
Town Clerk	165.00		165.00	165.00
Treasurer and Collector	4,750.00		4,750.00	4,750.00
Board of Selectmen and Public Welfare	2,200.00		2,200.00	2,200.00
Town Accountant	1,560.00		1,560.00	1,340.88
Board of Assessors	1,600.00		1,600.00	1,600.00
Salary—Clerk, Selectmen	1,200.00	Res. Fund 15.98	1,215.98	1,215.98
Salaries, Clerks, Treasurer-Collector	5,865.18		5,865.18	5,751.00
Salary—Clerk, Assessors	2,520.00	Res. Fund 20.20	2,540.20	2,540.20
Salaries—Registrar of Voters	992.00	Res. Fund 152.25	1,144.25	1,144.25
Salaries, Typists, Registrars	239.99		239.99	239.99
Departmental Expenses:				
Selectmen and Town Accountant	3,975.00		3,975.00	3,441.78
Treasurer and Collector	4,828.30		4,828.30	4,650.92
Assessors	1,047.00		1,047.00	948.93
Sectional Plotting	500.00		500.00	500.00
Town Clerk	927.00		927.00	601.59
Registrars of Voters	437.00		437.00	377.08

<i>Balance Jan. 1, 1962</i>	<i>Appro- priations</i>	<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Expended</i>
Planning Board	150.00	Res. Fund 250.00	400.00	189.35
Personnel Board	100.00	Res. Fund 35.00	135.00	130.00
Planning Board (Master Plan)	3,000.00		3,000.00	none
Salary—Janitor	3,176.25		3,176.25	3,090.57
Town Hall and Offices	3,640.00		3,790.00	3,755.41
Finance Committee Expenses	150.00	Res. Fund 150.00	150.00	92.62
Tree Warden	150.00		150.00	150.00
Salary—Police Chief	4,633.20		4,633.20	4,608.90
Salaries—Police Officers	16,511.76	Res. Fund 200.00	16,711.76	16,702.35
Police Departmental	2,300.00	Res. Fund 70.00	2,370.00	2,370.00
Salary—Fire Chief	3,879.70		3,879.70	3,855.75
Salaries—Firemen	4,785.00		4,785.00	3,497.26
Fire Departmental	4,800.00		5,207.31	5,203.47
Salaries—Civil Defense	360.00	Res. Fund 407.31	360.00	360.00
Civil Defense	\$70.58		1,094.83	491.48
Salary—Building Inspector	583.33		583.33	583.33
Building Department	253.50		253.50	247.03
Salary—Wire Inspector	750.00		750.00	750.00
Wire Department	100.00		100.00	88.35
Scaler of Weights & Measures Departmental	25.00		25.00	17.01

<i>Balance Jan. 1, 1962</i>	<i>Appro- priations</i>	<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Expended</i>
Salary—Sealer of Weights & Measures	300.00		300.00	300.00
Insect Pest Control	502.79		502.79	none
Dutch Elm Disease	2,000.00		2,000.00	1,355.34
Salaries—Board of Health	525.00		525.00	525.00
Salaries—Department of Board of Health	6,356.00	Res. Fund 86.55	6,442.55	6,442.35
Board of Health Departmental	5,818.00		5,818.00	5,798.23
Inspector of Animals	115.00		115.00	115.00
Sewer Pumping Charges	174.00		174.00	174.00
Dog Officer Salary	225.00		225.00	143.75
Local Dog Officer Account	300.00	Res. Fund 400.85	700.85	700.85
Salaries—Highway	35,159.89		35,159.89	29,035.09
Highway Department	17,225.00	Res. Fund 2,897.23	20,122.23	20,122.23
Street Lights	8,000.00		8,000.00	7,509.96
Chapter 90 Maintenance	3,000.00	E. & D. 6,000.00	9,000.00	8,523.87
Sidewalk—South Main Street	1,750.00		1,750.00	1,309.79
Reconstruction of Middle Rd. 2,727.47	10,000.00	From State and County		
		53,704.48	66,431.95	77,025.61
Middle Road Construction Non-Participating Items	714.00	(Due from State and County	24,034.14)	
		Res. Fund 403.78	1,117.78	1,067.91
Middle Road Construction Damages	2,873.00		2,873.00	2,848.00

<i>Balance</i>	<i>Appropriations</i>	<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Expended</i>
<i>Jan. 1, 1962</i>				
Hathaway-Mendall-Mattap'sett Rd. Curves	4,046.33		4,046.33	3,391.13
Whelden Lane	150.00		180.00	none
General Relief	4,000.00	Res. Fund 1,200.00	5,200.00	5,078.11
Salaries—O.A.A.	2,245.00		2,245.00	2,245.00
Old Age Assistance	36,689.00		36,689.00	33,271.28
Salaries—M.A.A.	750.00		750.00	750.00
Medical Assistance for the Aged	21,275.00		21,275.00	17,314.65
Salaries—A.D.C.	1,125.00		1,125.00	1,125.00
Aid to Dependent Children	15,327.50		15,327.50	13,310.57
Salaries—D.A.	375.00		375.00	375.00
Disability Assistance	5,887.50		5,887.50	4,773.20
Salary—Veterans' Agent	700.00		700.00	700.00
Veterans' Benefits	14,943.70	Res. Fund 1,062.25	16,005.95	16,005.55
Salaries—School	180,600.00		180,600.00	178,661.01
Administration—School	12,050.00		12,050.00	11,864.33
Schools	133,734.75	Sylvia P. Manter		
		1,165.25	134,900.00	133,129.51
Vocational Education	60,000.00		60,000.00	55,932.96
Salaries—Library	2,305.28		2,305.28	2,305.28
Library—Departmental	1,231.51	Dog Fund 688.49		

<i>Balance Jan. 1, 1962</i>	<i>Appro- priations</i>	<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Expended</i>
Salaries—Park	1,697.76		2,420.00	2,420.00
Park Department	2,032.50	Res. Fund 500.00	1,697.76	1,658.88
Conservation Commission	500.00		2,032.50	2,026.55
Town Beach	1,000.00		500.00	none
Reserve Fund	7,324.84		1,000.00	670.67
July 4th Celebration	400.00	E. & D. 2,675.16	10,000.00	8,695.99
Richard M. Saya Injuries	11.00	Res. Fund 35.00	435.00	434.91
Memorial Purposes	600.00		11.00	11.00
Christmas Decorations	300.00		600.00	599.31
Insurance on Public Buildings	2,685.37		300.00	236.01
Insurance on Town Motor Vehicles	2,500.00		2,685.37	2,685.37
Mosquito Control Assessment	50.00		2,500.00	1,863.81
Salaries—Water Department	9,000.00		50.00	50.00
Water Department	23,576.91		9,000.00	8,379.30
Cemeteries	300.00		23,576.91	23,304.38
Debt	340,000.00		300.00	300.00
Interest on Debts	20,350.00		340,000.00	340,000.00
			20,350.00	20,280.67

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Birth, Marriages, and Deaths — 1962

VITAL STATISTICS

Births:

In Acushnet	1	
In other municipalities	109	
	<hr/>	110
Resident	110	
Non-Resident	0	
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Male	68	
Female	42	
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Affidavits and Corrections		12
Delayed Returns		2

Marriage Intentions: 80

Marriages:

In Acushnet	46	
In other municipalities	46	
	<hr/>	92
Resident Bride and Groom	10	
Resident Groom	41	
Resident Bride	28	

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Non-Resident Bride and Groom	13	
	<hr/>	92
Deaths:		
In Acushnet	27	
In other municipalities	29	
	<hr/>	56

Attest:

ALLAN L. RAWCLIFFE,
Town Clerk

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TREASURER'S REPORT — 1962

<i>Receipts</i>		<i>Disbursements</i>
\$ 148,182.96	Balance January 1, 1962	\$ 68,305.32
42,637.57	January	68,718.34
18,798.74	February	63,489.68
77,970.40	March	87,701.31
72,395.31	April	78,892.48
53,668.71	May	74,081.40
95,459.45	June	126,136.48
107,435.51	July	109,127.78
122,119.29	August	91,148.69
108,133.19	September	160,271.24
294,550.15	October	72,149.13
93,170.25	November	134,490.03
69,336.80	December	170,346.45
	Balance December 31, 1962	
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\$1,304,858.33		\$1,304,858.33
Reconciliation of Treasurer's Cash:		
Bank Balances:		
National Bank of Fairhaven		\$189,066.03
National Shawmut Bank of Boston		3,500.68
New England Merchants National Bank		20,018.00
Fairhaven Institution for Savings		
Account #29896		7,500.00
Account #39578		7,391.36
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		\$227,476.07
Cash on Hand		488.69
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		\$227,964.76

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Outstanding Checks	57,618.31
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	\$170,346.45
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Cash Book Balance	\$179,346.45

Tax Titles 1962

Transferred from Levy of 1962	\$4,409.16	
Taking—Levy of 1962	1,563.34	
Interest and Charges	198.93	
Water Liens Transferred to Tax Titles	56.00	
Water Liens—Taking	17.00	
	<hr/>	\$6,244.43
Redeemed	\$846.62	
Sold—Low Value Sale	99.67	
Foreclosed—to Tax Title Possessions	45.66	
Outstanding December 31, 1962	5,252.48	
	<hr/>	\$6,244.43

TAX TITLES ACCOUNTS

Tax Titles 1961

Outstanding December 31, 1961		\$1,818.25
Redeemed	\$1,105.55	
Sold—Low Value Sale	102.05	
Foreclosed—To Tax Title Possessions	45.66	
Outstanding December 31, 1962	568.62	
	<hr/>	\$1,818.25

Tax Titles 1960

Outstanding December 31, 1961		\$6,234.81
Redeemed	\$474.93	
Sold—Low Value Sale	102.05	
Foreclosed—To Tax Title Possessions	46.76	
Outstanding December 31, 1962	5,611.07	
	<hr/>	\$6,234.81

Tax Titles 1959

Outstanding December 31, 1961		\$964.71
Redeemed	\$231.05	
Sold—Low Value Sale	645.81	
Foreclosed—To Tax Title Possessions	87.85	
	<hr/>	\$964.71

Schedule of Outstanding Debt — December 31, 1962

Date of Loan	Notes Outstanding	Denomination	Rate of Interest	Year of Maturity	Total Outstanding
Water Dec. 1, 1952	15	\$1,000.00	1.90%	1967	\$15,000.00
Water Aug. 1, 1955	8	1,000.00	2.75%	1966	8,000.00
Surface Drainage Dec. 1, 1958	4	1,000.00	2.75%	1963	4,000.00
Junior High School July 15, 1959	365	1,000.00	4.10%	1979	365,000.00
Junior High School July 15, 1959	85	1,000.00	4.10%	1979	85,000.00
Sidewalk-Street Dec. 15, 1962	10	2,000.00	2.70%	1972	20,000.00
Water Loan Sept. 17, 1962	1	3,500.00	1.75%	1963	3,500.00

Fixed Debt and Interest Maturing in 1963

56	Water Loan of Dec. 1, 1952 Notes numbered 303 to 311 incl. @ \$1,000.00 Interest	\$3,000.00
	Water Loan of Aug. 1, 1955 Notes numbered 338 and 339 @ \$1,000.00 Interest	285.00
	Surface Drainage of Dec. 1, 1958 Notes numbered 363 to 366 incl. @ \$1,000.00 Interest	2,000.00
	School Project Loan Act of 1948 Bonds numbered 76 to 100 incl. @ \$1,000.00 Interest	220.00
	School Project Loan of July 15, 1959 Bonds numbered 16 to 20 incl. @ \$1,000.00 Interest	4,000.00
	Sidewalk and Street Loan of Dec. 15, 1962 Note numbered 372 @ \$2,000.00	110.00
		25,000.00
		14,965.00
		5,000.00
		3,485.00
		2,000.00

Interest	540.00
Wing Lane Water Main Sept. 17, 1963 Note numbered 371	3,500.00
Interest	61.25
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	\$64,166.25

Attest:
ALLAN L. RAWCLIFFE, *Treasurer*

TRUST FUNDS

NAME OF FUND	Principal	Balance Jan. 1, 1962	Dividends Deposits	Withdrawn	Balance Dec. 31, 1962
Long Plain Cemetery Addition	\$1,195.00	\$1,503.00	\$58.18	none	\$1,561.18
Long Plain Cemetery Permanent Care	347.00	436.43	17.06	none	453.49
Henry H. Rogers School Fund	2,500.00	1,149.98	44.96	none	1,194.94
Philip H. Oney and Ruhamah H. Cottle	2,000.00	2,580.88	100.96	94.00	2,587.84
Allen & Rhoda R. Russell Library	8,181.98	8,671.67	339.26	none	9,010.93
Russell Memorial Library Maintenance	7,447.22	8,386.44	328.10	none	8,714.54
Russell Protestant Poor Fund	9,912.00	15,709.31	589.93	647.86	15,651.38
Russell Public School	7,067.30	7,592.96	297.06	none	7,890.02
Russell Town Hall	3,000.00	3,280.43	124.68	182.51	3,222.60
Russell Acushnet Cemetery Corp.	579.80	863.12	33.76	none	896.88
Sylvia P. Manter Public Schools	30,182.39	31,347.65	1,243.14	1,165.25	31,425.54
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	10,388.84	12,158.66	476.96	406.54	12,229.08
	\$82,801.53	\$93,680.53	\$3,654.05	\$2,496.16	\$94,838.42

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COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Real Estate 1962

Committed	\$319,045.38	
Refunded	388.03	
	<hr/>	\$349,433.41
Collected	\$329,795.93	
Abated	13,664.98	
Added to Tax Titles	4,409.16	
Taking	1,563.34	
	<hr/>	\$349,433.41

Personal—1962

Committed	\$95,626.96	
Refunded	8.30	
	<hr/>	\$95,635.26
Collected	\$95,559.24	
Abated	76.02	
	<hr/>	\$95,635.26

Polls—1962

Committed		\$3,638.00
Collected	\$3,006.00	
Abated	632.00	
	<hr/>	\$3,638.00

Farm Animal Excise—1962

Committed		\$360.86
Collected		\$360.86

Motor Vehicle Excise—1961

Balance December 31, 1961	\$10,624.03	
Committed in 1962	5,128.99	
Refunded	707.02	
	<hr/>	\$16,460.04
Collected	\$14,187.96	

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Abated	2,272.08	
	<hr/>	\$16,460.04
Motor Vehicle Excise—1962		
Committed	\$80,820.99	
Refunded	1,932.36	
	<hr/>	\$82,753.35
Collected	\$70,441.57	
Abated	6,440.35	
Outstanding December 31, 1962	5,871.43	
	<hr/>	\$82,753.35
Sewer Pumping Charges—1962		
Committed		\$174.00
Collected		\$174.00
Board of Health Trailer Park License Fees—1962		
Committed		\$1,560.00
Collected		\$1,560.00
Board of Health City, Town and State Charges		
Committed		\$360.00
Collected		\$360.00
Public Welfare		
Committed		\$272.80
Collected		\$272.80
Old Age Assistance—Cities and Towns		
Outstanding December 31, 1961	\$696.08	
Committed	563.57	
	<hr/>	\$1,259.65
Collected		\$1,259.65
Sewer Installations		
Committed		\$50.00
Collected (November 6, 1961)		\$50.00

Attest:

ALLAN L. RAWCLIFFE,
Town Collector

REPORT OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

To the Officers and Townspeople of Acushnet:

The annual report of the Board of Park Commissioners, together with reports on youth activities, and the playgrounds under the control of the Board, is herewith presented in accordance with provisions of law, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1962.

The Board held 16 regular meetings and 4 special meetings during the year. We organized in March for the ensuing year, elected August R. Cote as its chairman, and welcomed its newest member, Edwin W. Church.

Bids for a fence to enclose the Little League ball field were advertised for, and was awarded to the low bidder, who was the Atomic Fence Corp., of Fall River, \$720.00. Other bidders were Ornamental Iron Works, New Bedford, \$863.00; Century Fence Co., Fall River, \$1,000.00, and New Bedford Wire and Iron Works, New Bedford, \$1,041.00. Bids were also put out for the materials needed to construct two new concrete dugouts for the Little League. Contract was awarded to low bidder, Buildings Materials, New Bedford, \$274.00.

Thanks to the ingenuity of the man at the park this year, Mr. Henry Martin, the two old wooden dugouts which were removed to make room for the new ones, were put to good use. He used one of them, after reinforcing it, for a much needed storage shed. The other dugout was disassembled and the lumber was used to make three bicycle parking racks, and for supports for the two baskets and backboards which were set up on an unused portion of the oiled surface of Addy

Drive. These baskets are portable and can be removed during the summer. These were put up at no cost to the taxpayers.

The Midget Football League has two new, much needed, goal posts, made of 4" steel tubing, and these are also portable. The old wooden goal posts were also put to good use. They are the posts holding up the two new baskets. Also, several new signs, directing people to our newly enlarged picnic area, were made at no cost to the town.

We had an unexpected large repair bill for our tractor-lawn-mower, but in spite of this, we were able to stay within our budget.

As usual, demands for use of the ball diamonds were heavy. Leagues using our fields at one time or another were: Little League, Pony League, Colt League, CYO, Junior High, and Twi-Light League. We feel quite proud of the fact that our ball fields are rapidly becoming the favorites of the different leagues in this area, and we are constantly hearing praise from managers and players alike, on how they compare with diamonds in the bigger cities. We are continuing to improve the diamonds, at a minimum of expense to the town. As a result of some forward thinking, the Board has devised a way to change the size of the ball diamonds, in the matter of minutes, to accommodate the different leagues, thus saving the taxpayers additional expense.

The pieces of Kiddy equipment, at the park, which were donated by the Lion's Club last year, were found to be in much increased use this year. We feel this is because of the growing population in town, and the fact that more people know that the facilities are there. We feel that these reasons warrant increasing the games and facilities at Kiddy-Land, as well as all other activities at the park. Having a greater

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variety of games at the park, such as baseball, football, basketball, volleyball, softball, tennis, horseshoes, badminton, handball, band concerts, and other organized events, there would be something at the park for everyone, young and old. Adding these things, plus a sprinkler pool for the kiddies, and many other events for townspeople to attend. We feel that all this can be accomplished without increasing our budget.

As a demonstration of co-operation between departments in the town government, the Park Dept. has been cutting the grass, and maintaining the grounds at the Memorial at Parting Ways. In turn, the Selectmen are to have the Street Dept. clear away the brush along Addy Drive, which has long been an eyesore.

Any suggestions which you may have concerning the improvement of your park, will be carefully considered by the Board, as well as appreciated.

In conclusion, we wish to extend our appreciation to those of you who used the facilities at the park in the past year. And to those of you who don't see *much* of your park, we invite, and urge, you to come out and enjoy yourselves. Physical activities will make you feel younger, and add enjoyment to your life.

Respectfully submitted,

AUGUST R. COTE, *Chairman*

EDMUND A. RICHARD

EDWIN W. CHURCH

Park Commissioners

**REPORT OF WATER DEPARTMENT
FOR 1962**

¾" New Water Services Installed	27
¾" Water Services Renewed	7
House Services Cleaned	6
1" New House Services	0
1" House Services Renewed	0
1" to 6" Main Renewed	0
2" to 6" Main Renewed	0
Curb Boxes Raised	40
Curb Boxes Lowered	20
Curb Boxes Broken, Repaired	10
Curb Boxes Replaced for New Ones	15
Curb Boxes Located (Houses Services and Detailed and Redetailed)	202
Curb Stops For House Services, Moved Back	10
6" Water Main Installed by Town	Total 638 feet
4" Water Main Installed by Contractor for Developer	100 feet
1 6" Gate Valves for Mains, 2 4" Gate Valves	Total 3
6" Gate Valves for Hydrants	2
Meters Raised in Cellars	10
Meters Repaired, Cleaned and Tested	70
Meters Stopped	50
Meters Frozen	20
House Services Frozen	5
Repairing Leaks in Street	2
Hydrants Put In	1

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Hydrants Repaired	2
Hydrants Raised	6
Hydrants Flushed	10
Hydrants Painted	156
Hydrants Moved Back	6
Cellar Pumped Out	0
Miscellaneous Complaints (Etc.)	186
Main Gate Valves (Boxes Raised)	4
Main Gate Valves (Boxes Lowered)	2
Main Gate Valves (Boxes Replaced)	1

WILLIAM WUNSCHER

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REPORT OF BUILDING INSPECTOR

January 21, 1963

To the Officers and Residents
of the Town of Acushnet:

A total of 124 permits were issued, during the year 1962,
at an estimated cost, on applications of \$263,235.00.

A fair construction cost is \$478,750.00.

Fees Rec'd for Permits		Est. Cost
\$130.00	26 Dwelling Permits	\$188,800.00
56.00	28 Private Garages	18,200.00
36.00	18 Additions and Alterations	22,900.00
80.00	52 Miscellaneous Permits	33,335.00
25.00	Penalty Fees	
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\$327.00	124 Permits	\$263,235.00

Respectfully submitted,

RENE PEPIN,
Building Inspector

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REPORT OF VETERANS' BENEFITS

28 January 1963

To the Officers and Residents
Town of Acushnet, Mass.

The Veterans' Agent respectfully submits the following
report for the year ending December 31, 1962:

Original Appropriation	\$15,643.70
Transfer	1,062.25
Total for the Year	16,705.95
Amount Spent 1962	16,705.55
Unexpended Balance	.40
Ordinary Grants	6,060.22
Nursing Home	4,021.05
Medicine	1,947.95
Rest Home	1,504.50
Hospital	1,148.13
Fuel	854.00
Doctors	305.00
Miscellaneous	156.90
Agent's Salary	700.00
Office Expenses	7.80

Respectfully submitted,
ARSENE J. CUSSON, Agent,

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

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

The Board of Health respectfully submits the following
report for the year 1962:

Immediately following the election the newly elected member, Emile R. Houle, was sworn into office by the Town Clerk. At the first regular meeting the Board organized as follows:

Chairman—Sylvano Frates

Secretary—Emile R. Houle

Agent and Inspector of Licenses—Joseph H. Lepage

During the last year no tuberculosis patients required hospitalization at the Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital. This hospital was closed as of December 31, 1962 for the care of Tuberculosis patients and all patients will be sent to Norfolk County Hospital. Six premature births were reported to the board and one case received financial assistance for the amount of \$108.00. The amount of \$276.00 was reimbursed the City of New Bedford for care given a case with an Acushnet settlement.

Dental Clinic was conducted throughout the school year with 24 clinics held. A total charge of \$1,516.00 for the clinics with \$348.75 credited for payment by the children, leaving the net cost to the Board of Health of \$1,167.25. There were 74 examinations; 267 fillings; 68 extractions; 2 X-rays; 62 prophylaxis; and 108 treatments.

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During December 1962 the Board of Health and the Bristol County Health Association sponsored a Heaf Testing Program for all school children. A total of 1150 children took advantage of the program, and of this amount there were 18 children who had a positive reaction. All positive reactors and their families will be asked to come in for a chest X-ray when the Mobile X-ray unit is in Town.

Oral polio vaccine (Sabin) was offered to all children 3 months of age to 7 years, and 1264 doses of Oral Vaccine were given. This was Type I and III of the Oral Vaccine. In the coming year we plan to offer Oral Polio Vaccine to all children through the age of 18 years.

Well Baby Clinic was held monthly on the first Wednesday of each month September through June. A total of 274 children attended clinic. Flu immunization clinics were held with a total of 680 doses of flu vaccine given.

A total of 20 were issued Food Handler's Certificates, and 23 Burial Permits were issued and recorded in 1962.

A total of 36 applications for Septic Tank Permits were received and 34 permits were issued. New regulations adopted by the Board of Health in November 1962 require a percolation test by a Registered Professional Engineer prior to the issuing of any Septic Tank Permit. The above regulations were published in the Standard Times in November 1962.

Thanking everyone for their cooperation during the year we present the following statistical report:

Milk and Cream Store License	18
Milk and Cream Vehicle	18
Removal of Garbage	8

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Day Camps	2
Trailer Parks	2
Massage and Vapor Baths	1
Pasteurization of Milk	2
Day Nursery	4
Manufacture of Frozen Desserts	1
Oleomargarine Dealers	15
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	71
Reportable Diseases:	
Infectious Mononucleosis	1
Snake Bite	1
Meningitis—H Influenza	1
Chicken Pox	23
Dog Bite	18
German Measles	8
Measles	63
Mumps	23
Scarlet Fever	26
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	164

Respectfully submitted,

SYLVANO FRATES
JOSEPH H. LEPAGE
EMILE R. HOULE
Board of Health

**REPORT OF THE
SCHOOL PHYSICIAN AND NURSE**

Acushnet, Massachusetts
January 30, 1963

To the Members of the School Committee,
The Superintendent, Teachers, and
Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

We respectfully submit for your consideration our report of data concerning our activities during the year 1962.

School health examinations were conducted on all children who entered the first grade. Physical examinations were also given to all students in Grades 4, 6 and 9; and to all aspirants for the Baseball and Basketball teams. 426 physical examinations were completed, which revealed the following conditions:

Dental defects	95
Emotional problems	5
Nutritional abnormality	1
Eye condition	1
Ear conditions	80
Nose and throat conditions	105
Cardiac abnormality	5
Postural defects	40
Foot defects	13

Notices were sent to 128 parents, and 103 referrals were completed.

The Massachusetts Vision Examination was given to 1183

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children, of which 72 had vision defects. Parents were notified, and 53 of these children underwent corrective treatment.

The Massachusetts Pure-Tone Audiometer Test for Hearing was given to 1112 children. 47 children had hearing defects; parents were notified, and 41 of these underwent corrective treatment.

With the help of the Bristol County Health Association, the Heaf Test for Tuberculosis was offered to all children attending school in Acushnet in December. A total of 1150 children were tested and 18 had positive reactions. All positive reactors and their families will be notified and asked to have chest X-rays when the Mobile X-ray Unit is in town.

At the Clinic which is held in Russell Memorial Library at 2 P.M. on the first Wednesday of each month, we:

- a. Attended to 274 children.
- b. Gave 87 Vaccinations against Smallpox.
- c. Inoculated 100 children against Diphtheria, Pertussis, and Tetanus.
- d. Inoculated 337 individuals with Salk Vaccine for Anterior Poliomyelitis (Infantile Paralysis).

During May and June, Clinics were held for an Oral Polio Program, offering the Sabin Oral Vaccine for Type I and Type III Anterior Poliomyelitis (Infantile Paralysis) to all children from age 3 months to 7 years. A total of 1264 children underwent this immunization. During 1963, we believe we will be able to offer this program to all children through 18 years of age.

This year, we were again able to offer an immunization program against "Flu", and inoculations of Influenza Virus Vaccine were given to 680 persons.

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Thus, we have given a brief outline of the essential data concerning our accomplishments during the past year. It has been a pleasant duty, and we feel satisfied that we have done much in the interest of better community health.

It has been a great satisfaction and pleasure to have had the able assistance of Mrs. Lois Pinchbeck, R.N. and are very sorry that she is forced to resign due to the pressures of her home and household duties.

We enjoyed immensely the comradeship and co-operation of the Students, the Parents, the School Committee, the Superintendent and Teachers, and Co-workers, and especially to the Board of Health whose financial backing has made some of these immunization programs possible.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM A. JEFFREY,
School Physician

KATHERINE H. CHURCH, R.N.,
School Nurse

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

To the Citizens of Acushnet:

As chairman of your Planning Board, I have the honor of submitting this Board's report for the fiscal year 1962.

It is appropriate at this time to review the calendar of events for the past year.

The first scheduled meeting after the Town Meeting and Elections was an organizational meeting at which the election of officers was undertaken. Conrad Richard was appointed chairman and Edward Hall clerk. A work agenda was also established at this date in order to insure maximum efficiency at forthcoming meetings.

The first item of this agenda facing the new Board was that of preparing a Master Plan for the Town. It is well to mention at this time that Commonwealth Statute directs that a Planning Board established under Chapter 41 G.L., Section 81A, is required under Section 81D to prepare a Master Plan. Since a Master Plan is in a sense a master blueprint containing specifications for both long and short range development of community facilities, its preparation is predominantly technical and professional in nature.

Town Meeting appropriation of \$3,000 combined with \$9,000 of available Federal funds (upon application and/or approval of) then made it possible for the Planning Board to

consider the hiring of professional consulting planners to aid us in the preparation of our Master Plan.

Weekly meetings were then substituted for the regular semi-monthly meetings during April, May, and June. The above period of time was devoted initially to the interviewing of representatives of qualified consulting firms and secondly with a review of the merits of their individual proposals for carrying out such a Master Plan Study.

After a careful evaluation of all the consultants, the Board went on record as unanimously selecting the firm of Atwood & Blackwell, Consultant Planners of Boston.

At this time, we submitted our formal application to the Planning Division, Department of Commerce, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which is the vehicle for such contracts under the Federal Area Redevelopment Administration. As of this writing, official certification of the application is still pending but its approval is expected shortly.

The balance of our schedule has been largely devoted to the preparation of Sub-Division Regulations. These regulations, while lengthy and somewhat complex, have been resolved to a large extent and to the general satisfaction of the entire Board. A public hearing on December 19, 1962, produced a somewhat disappointing attendance; however, spirited discussion of several points by interested parties are being evaluated and a compromise that will benefit the community as a whole will be reached prior to the adoption of these regulations. Official adoption by the Board will be shortcoming.

Several plans of proposed subdivisions were examined and processed by the Board. The major portion of the plans submitted were plans whose existence had been previously established or that did not require Planning Board approval.

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In closing, it is anticipated that the bulk of the work on the Master Plan Study will be carried out in the coming year, and its results will establish courses of action that can be adopted and thereby making it possible to achieve the objectives of efficient municipal operations.

Respectfully submitted,

CONRAD RICHARD, Chairman
ROLAND BENOIT
EDWARD HALL
EDMOND RICHARD
RAYMOND GONNEVILLE
Planning Board Members

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**REPORT OF ACUSHNET FIRE DEPARTMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1962**

Everett Booker, Chief of the Department
Armand Langevin, Deputy Chief

During the year 94 emergency calls were answered.

Autos	7
Brush	8
False	3
Grass	21
House	9
Barns	3
Miscellaneous	5
Oil Stoves	2
Rubbish	8
Tower Calls	42
Woods	6
Garages	3
Electric Wires	4
Cellars Pumped	11
Incinerators	1
Permits Granted For Open Air Fires	1,642
Blasting Permits Issued	5
L. P. Gas Permits	14
Oil Burner Installation Permits	23
Oil Storage Permits	31

Respectfully submitted,

EVERETT BOOKER,
Fire Chief

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Board of Selectmen
Town Hall
Acushnet, Mass.
Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report for the year 1962.

Officers of the Department

James E. Hyde, Chief

Harry Swift, Sergeant

Patrolmen

Harold Wood	17 Saucier Street
Joseph Almeida	6 Allen Street
Charles M. Gibbs	36 Jean Street
John Monteiro	90 Hope Street
Donald Hinckley	131 South Main Street
Earle Parker	530 Middle Road
Henry Avila	860 Main Street
Oliver Santos	1149 Main Street
Joseph Francis	38 LeBoeuf Street
Arnold Machado	89 Cushman Street
Edwin Church	34 Lisa Avenue

Arrests Made in Town by State Police

	1961	1962
Being Connected, Setting Up and Promoting Lottery		1
Possession of Lottery Slips		1

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Incest	2
Breaking and Entering (Day)	1
Larceny	1
B. and E. with Intent to Commit Larceny	1
Del. Larceny	1
Breaking and Entering and Larceny (Day)	1

Arrests Made by Town Police

Disturbing the Peace	3	1
Breaking and Entering	9	7
Unauthorized Use of Motor Vehicle	7	4
Unlicensed Operator	3	3
Speeding	5	4
Breaking Glass	1	2
Operating After Suspension	2	2
Failing to Keep Right	1	3
Drunkenness	11	12
Allowing an Improper Person to Operate	2	1
Deserter	1	0
Driving Under the Influence	6	6
Failing to Stop	1	2
Operating to Endanger	7	4
Leaving the Scene	2	3
Neglect of Family	1	2

Other Activities of Department

	1961	1962
Motor Vehicle Accidents	65	75
Those with Property Damage	31	23
Those with Personal Injuries	34	52
Street Lights Reported Out	195	289
Missing Persons Reported	29	14
Dog Bites	30	44
Bicycles Registered	73	77

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Family Arguments	52	44
Light Tickets	40	38
A.W.O.L.	3	1
Doors Found Open	12	18
Dead Persons Found	1	2
Windows Broken	39	31
Road Watch Cars Stopped	32	177
Cars Stopped for Minor Violations	130	143
Licenses Suspended in Town	29	20
Licenses Suspended by Other Departments	44	38
Ambulance Service Rendered	157	159
Stolen Cars Reported	459	326
Confined to State Hospital	3	6
Autos Found in Acushnet	11	13
Dogs Run Over	49	53
Called to Night Clubs	56	30
Parking Tickets	62	51
Shooting Complaints	30	40
Prowlers Investigated	40	54
Bicycles Found	40	12
Dumping Rubbish	7	4
Livestock Killed by Dogs	10	5

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Money Returned from Court	\$1,680.00
Amount Received from Gun Permits	40.00
Amount Received from Bicycle Plates	19.25
Amount Received from Accident Reports	73.00
Firearms Sale Licenses	10.00
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	\$1,822.25

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES E. HYDE,
Chief of Police

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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

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

The Board of Assessors submits the following report for the
year 1962:

The population of the Town of Acushnet was approximately
6130 as of January 1, 1962.

TABLE OF AGGREGATES FOR 1962

Number of Persons Assessed	All		
	Individuals	Others	Total
Personal Estate Only	28	2	30
Real Estate Only	1,989	17	2,006
Both Personal and Real Estate	100	4	104
Total Number of Persons Assessed			2,140
Total Number of Polls Assessed			1,819
Value of Assessed Personal Estate			
Stock in Trade	\$17,500.00		
Machinery	1,098,990.00		
Live Stock	10,980.00		
All Other Tangible Property	24,660.00		
Total Value of Assessed Personal Estate			\$1,152,130.00
Value of Assessed Real Estate			
Land Exclusive of Buildings	\$850,900.00		

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Buildings Exclusive of Land	3,352,550.00
Total Value of Assessed Real Estate	4,203,450.00
Total Value of Assessed Estate	\$5,355,580.00
Tax Rate per \$1,000.00 (approved by the Tax Commissioner April 4, 1962)	\$83.00
Taxes for State, County and Town Purposes, including Overlay	
On Personal Estate	\$95,626.96
On Real Estate	348,891.83
On Polls	3,638.00
Total Taxes Assessed	\$448,612.79
Number of Live Stock Assessed as Personal Property	
Horses	45
Cows	24
Steers	14
Swine	12
Sheep	26
Fowl	1,985
All Others	8
Number of Acres of Land Assessed	10,902.26
Number of Dwelling Houses Assessed	1,598

FARM ANIMAL EXCISE

Number of Persons Assessed	26
Number of Cows Assessed	392
Number of Laying Hens Assessed	10,916
Number of Cockerels Assessed	420
Number of Swine Assessed	185
Number of Heifers Assessed	35
Number of Steers Assessed	2

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Number of Bulls Assessed	5
Total Value of Farm Animal Excise Assessed at \$5.00 per thousand	\$72,166.25
Total Tax Committed on Farm Animal Excise for 1962	\$360.86

RECAPITULATION SHEET OF 1962

Appropriations from Available Funds 1962	\$98,149.62
In 1961 since the 1961 rate was fixed	3,956.58
Appropriation 1962	688,418.36
Deficit for 1960	446.25
Pension Fund	8,607.81
Group Insurance	5,600.00
State Assessments:	
State Parks and Reservations	2,857.42
County Assessments:	
County Tax	18,881.00
1961 Underestimate	140.81
Tuberculosis Hospital	5,542.28
Bristol County Project (Mosquito Control)	1,932.93
Overlay for Current Year	19,620.53
Total (Gross Amount to be Raised)	<u>\$854,266.99</u>

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS

Income Tax	\$72,091.93
Corporation Taxes	23,461.89
Old Age Tax (Meals)	3,797.76
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	50,268.55
Licenses	5,404.55
Fines	186.25
General Government	1,013.28
Health and Sanitation	2,029.00
Charities (other than Federal grants)	12,748.62
Old Age Assistance (other than Federal grants)	30,552.19

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Veterans' Services	7,031.79
School	57,287.35
Public Service Enterprises (such as Water Dept.)	23,620.28
Cemeteries	93.00
Interest: On Taxes and Assessments	908.89
State Assistance for School Construction	12,697.45
Farm Animal Excise	622.26
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Total Estimated Receipts	\$303,815.04
Overestimates of previous year to be used as	
Available Funds—State Recreational Areas	\$217.95

AMOUNTS TO BE TAKEN FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS

E. and D.—Legal Fees—Middle Road	\$556.52
Reconstruction Wing Road—Highway Dept.	
Maintenance	1,636.49
Reconstruction Pembroke Ave.—Highway Dept.	
Maintenance	1,263.57
Police—Salaries Police Officers	300.00
E. and D. —Dog Officer's Salary	200.00
E. and D.—Planning Board Master Plan	3,000.00
S. P. Manter Trust—School	1,165.25
County Dog Dist.—Library	688.49
Water Surplus—Water Dept. Salaries	8,883.56
E. and D.—Debt and Interest	54,350.00
Overlay Reserve—Reserve Fund	7,321.84
E. and D.—Reserve Fund	2,675.16
E. and D.—Middle Road Construction, Ch. 90	10,000.00
E. and D.—Middle Road Construction Damages	2,873.00
E. and D.—Sidewalk—South Main Street	1,750.00
E. and D.—Whelden Lane Layout	150.00
E. and D.—Conservation Commission Departmental	500.00
Surplus War Fund—Mattapoisett, Hathaway and	
Mendall Road Curves	1,528.91

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Foreclosed Property—Mattapoisett, Hathaway and Mendall Road	2,517.42
E. and D.—Middle Road Construction Non-Participating Items	714.00
Total Available Funds	<u>\$102,077.21</u>
Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds	\$406,110.20
Net amount to be raised by Taxation on Polls and Property	\$448,156.79
Number of Polls—1819 at \$2.00	\$3,638.00
Total Valuation	
Personal Property	\$1,152,130.00
Real Estate	4,203,450.00
Real Estate Tax at \$83.00 per thousand	\$348,891.83
Personal Property Tax at \$83.00 per thousand	95,626.79
Total of Polls, Personal and Real Estate Tax	<u>\$448,156.79</u>
Water Liens added to taxes	455.65
Total Amount of 1962 Taxes on Polls, Property and Assessments added to taxes	<u>\$448,612.44</u>

RECAPITULATION OF MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAILER EXCISE ASSESSED FOR THE YEAR 1962

Date of Comm'tment	Number	Commissioner's Value	Excise Tax
1961 Excise Committed in 1962			
January 10, 1962	118	\$145,150.00	\$4,930.74
February 12, 1962	33	25,150.00	198.25
1962 Excise Committed in 1962			
March 2, 1962	461	156,180.00	10,354.58

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March 23, 1962	242	83,080.00	5,499.28
May 25, 1962	552	204,950.00	13,548.18
June 7, 1962	265	90,260.00	5,938.36
July 6, 1962	240	86,590.00	5,616.34
July 25, 1962	329	109,420.00	7,050.33
August 24, 1962	286	111,970.00	6,483.07
September 20, 1962	304	177,440.00	11,361.94
October 10, 1962	252	138,910.00	6,718.38
November 15, 1962	368	191,200.00	6,010.30
December 4, 1962	154	81,770.00	1,618.70
December 19, 1962	56	22,970.00	621.53
Totals	3,660	\$1,625,040.00	\$85,949.98

Respectfully submitted,

RUDOLPH H. URBANEK, Chairman
EDWARD DESSERT
EUGENE L. DABROWSKI
Board of Assessors

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SCHOOL REPORT
For 1962

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE
ACUSHNET SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

1962

DIRECTORY

School Committee Membership

	Term Expires
Leo T. Jackson, Chairman	1964
William Fawcett, Jr.	1965
Harold Bates	1963

Superintendent of Schools

Albert F. Ford Executive Secretary of the School Committee

Non-Teaching Personnel

Mrs. Doris A. Messier	Senior Clerk
Dr. William A. Jeffrey	School Physician
Mrs. Katherine Church, R.N.	School Nurse
James E. Hyde	Supervisor of Attendance
Matthew Niziolek, Custodian	Parting Ways School
Joseph F. Resendes, Custodian	Marie S. Howard School
Omer Pineau, Custodian	Mason W. Burt School
Edwin E. Brackett, Custodian	Long Plain School
Oscar H. Forand, Custodian	Junior High School
Arthur R. Morris, Custodian	Junior High School
Mrs. Beatriz R. Harkins, Cafeteria Manager	Junior High School

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Mrs. Virginia A. Baird, Cafeteria Helper	Junior High School
Mrs. Edna Ronan, Cafeteria Helper	Junior High School

STAFF OF INSTRUCTION
ELEMENTARY GRADES

Howard School

	Grade Level
Mrs. Frances E. Gifford, Principal	1
Miss Stacia Skoczolek	2
Miss Isabelle Kosztyla	3
Mrs. Olivine F. Frost	4

Burt School

Miss Alma Schumann, Principal	4
Mrs. Mary B. Thomas	1
Mrs. Mildred F. Meade	2
Mrs. Yvonne J. Parker	3

Long Plain School

Miss Ruth H. Taber, Principal	4
Miss Dorothy E. Reynolds	1
Mrs. Matilda Bertrand	2
Mrs. Sophronia Howard	3

Parting Ways School

Mrs. Isabelle G. Braley, Principal	5
Mrs. Anna M. Gacek	5
Mrs. Esther J. Livesley	5
Mrs. Jessie C. Dahlberg	6
Miss Barbara A. Koska	6
Mr. C. Roger Johnson	6
Miss Muriel Barnes	4
Miss Marian L. Poisson	3

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SECONDARY GRADES
Acushnet Junior High School

	Grade Level
Mr. Edward J. Tynan, Principal	
	Social Studies 9
	Boys' Physical Education 8,9
Mrs. Suzanne I. Whelan	
	English 8,9
	French 9
Mrs. Frances T. Duff	
	Algebra 9
	Business Mathematics 9
	Mathematics 8
Mrs. Eleanor F. Eastham	
	Social Studies 7,8
Mr. Ronald E. Hall	
	Science 7
	Social Studies 7
	Boys' Physical Education 7
Mrs. Carol M. Ripley	
	Science 8
	Music 7,8
Mr. Donald J. Mayer	
	English 7,8
Mr. John Souza	
	Science 9
	Mathematics 8
	Industrial Arts 7,8
Mrs. Eleanor D. Townsend	
	Mathematics 7
	Home Economics 7,8
Mrs. Verna Wuorela	
	Business Practice 9
	Art 7,8
	Girls' Physical Education 7,8,9

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AGE AND GRADE DISTRIBUTION

October 1, 1962

Grade	Age																	Total
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17					
1	21	64	3															88
2		16	56	8	1													81
3			31	58	7	1												97
4				22	51	14	7											94
5					19	53	14	6	2	1								95
6						18	42	10	5									75
7							16	44	17	3	1							81
8								18	48	17	11							94
9									15	38	12	6	2					73
Total	21	80	90	88	78	86	79	78	87	59	24	6	2					778

ATTENDING OUT OF TOWN

Grade	New Bedford		Fairhaven		New Bedford	Bristol County	Total
	High School		High School		Vocational High School	Agricultural High School	
9	None		None		27	2	29
10	66		1		33	1	101
11	51		1		19	1	72
12	31		1		24	None	56
Total	<u>148</u>		<u>3</u>		<u>103</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>258</u>

ATTENDING SPECIAL CLASSES IN NEW BEDFORD

Lincoln School	12
DeValles School	2
	<u>14</u>

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT — 1962

The annual report submitted here is the thirty-first in a consecutive series released by the writer.

The School Committee held twenty-four meetings at the Acushnet Junior High School during the year. On March 6, 1962 the School Board organized for the year with Leo T. Jackson as Chairman.

After many years of creditable teaching service in the Acushnet public schools, Mrs. Elva S. Gurney, retired on January 15, 1962. Her last days of teaching were completed in grade six at the Parting Ways School.

Effective September 5, 1962 the following teachers were elected and assigned to the Parting Ways School:

Mr. C. Roger Johnson of Mattapoisett, grade six
Mrs. Esther J. Livesley of Fairhaven, grade five
Miss Marian L. Poisson of Acushnet, grade three

In a re-organization of classes in the Parting Ways School Mis Muriel Barnes was assigned to teach grade four. Underlying factors contributing to the necessity of changing the distribution of pupils in the Parting Ways School are stressed here. Enrollment pressures throughout the town in grades three and four made it impractical to house all these school children at the Long Plain School, the Marie S. Howard School, and the Mason W. Burt School. To accommodate an overflow registration in grades three and four, two classes at

these levels were set up in the Parting Ways School beginning on September 5, 1962.

At the present time there are no spare rooms remaining at the Parting Ways School or in any other local public school. Being fully aware of these limitations and noting a gradual upturn in enrollments at all grade levels, the Board sponsored the following article to appear on the warrant for a Special Town Meeting held July 26, 1962:

Article 14—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a five man School Building Committee, one of whom shall be a member of the Acushnet School Committee, and to empower said selected School Building Committee to act as follows:

1. To explore the need for new school construction.
2. To make specific recommendations to the Town concerning land taking, if any, and new school plant housing, and further, to raise, appropriate and transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for the expenses of said School Building Committee; or take any other action relative thereto.

This article received an affirmative vote and the Moderator forthwith appointed Walter E. Owen, Walter Witkos, Jr., Leo T. Jackson of the School Committee, Harold E. Harding, and Roger W. Gaudreau to serve as the members of the newly created School Building Committee. This group has been busily engaged in research which will ultimately produce a specific recommendation with respect to the need for more classrooms.

A study of the Age and Grade Distribution chart, which is a part of this report, will reveal the basis for concern in the matter of providing adequate school housing for the children of Acushnet.

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At each grade level where the total enrollment exceeds ninety pupils, there are pressures for four classrooms. At present there are four third grades and four fourth grades. Two years hence these pupils will be assembled in the Parting Ways School as four fifth grades and four sixth grades. Upon completion of the sixth grade in June of 1965, how will these pupils be absorbed in three seventh grade rooms at the Junior High School?

Securing an answer to this question is one phase of the housing problem. A practical solution suggests expansion of the Junior High School facility.

With no classrooms available for the assignment of additional enrollees in any of the four elementary schools, what will happen in the near future if the first grade registration exceeds one hundred pupils? Seeking an answer to this question is another facet of the problem.

Is it possible to effect a change in grade organization to permit of one construction project to encompass the need for classroom space at elementary as well as secondary levels? Research now being conducted by the School Building Committee may provide a specific recommendation in this direction. As a gradual growth in school population becomes factual, it is clear that additional new school facilities must be made available.

For the most part repairs to the several school buildings were routine in nature. One notable exception was the removal of the belfry and bell at the Parting Ways School. Deterioration had set in and a hazard persisted. The bell and its hangar were installed in concrete near the flagpole and were preserved for posterity.

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Extensive interior repairs to walls and ceilings were completed in the Parting Ways School. An auxiliary heating unit was installed in the basement. Additional hot water facilities were installed.

The exterior walls and trim at the Long Plain School were painted and the roof cupola was repaired. Adjustments were made in the automatic heating equipment. Interior walls and ceilings were plastered and painted.

A considerable washout was experienced on the school site at the Howard School. Temporary fill was provided here. Much blacktopping is needed to prevent similar damage in the future. Much interior painting was completed in the Howard School. Corrections were made in direct radiation units and in lines providing hot water services.

New classroom wall panels were installed in the grade three room at the Burt School. A new exterior door was furnished and installed in the fourth grade classroom.

Wear and tear was experienced in the operation of numerable automatic devices in the Acushnet Junior High School. These findings were normal, particularly in the third year of operation. Several key replacements were made on an as needed basis. The functioning of automatic equipment requires a constant surveillance.

Site development and repairs as well as extensive replacement of outside trim among several schools will occupy the attention of the School Committee in 1963. Fireproof materials, to be installed on the basement floor timbers in the Parting Ways School, have been requested by the State Building Inspector.

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It has been gratifying to note the increased use of the gymnasium and the assembly hall facility in the Junior High School by local community groups. As of this writing, the gymnasium is being used four nights in each school week.

In a similar vain, it is noteworthy that the Junior High School facility is being utilized for voting purposes in precinct three. The Board of Selectmen, with the approval of the School Committee, has designated the Junior High School as a Civilian Defense Shelter to be used in public emergencies.

The number of Special Class enrollees, currently tuition pupils in the Lincoln School in New Bedford, has increased so sharply that the State Department of Education will insist that accommodations for these people be provided in the Junior High School. Plans are being made to seek out a qualified instructor and to organize a Special Class in the Acushnet Junior High School in September, 1963.

Financial Statement

	Schools	
	Expended 1962	Estimated 1963
Administration	\$11,861.50	\$13,000.00
Teachers' Salaries	155,190.76	174,059.00
Janitors' Salaries	23,470.25	23,660.00
Books and Supplies	8,663.03	8,000.00
Maintenance	8,543.03	9,000.00
Fuel	7,752.42	9,000.00
Repairs	3,333.17	4,000.00
Transportation	47,324.60	55,000.00

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Tuition	56,853.62	62,000.00
Athletics	315.10	400.00
Sundries	344.54	374.00
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Total Expenditure	\$323,652.02	\$358,493.00
Available 1962	327,550.00	
Balance 1962	3,897.98	
Estimated Revenue	98,281.00	104,221.00
Estimated Net Cost	225,371.02	254,272.00

Vocational Education

Total Expenditure	\$55,932.96	\$60,000.00
Available 1962	60,000.00	
Balance 1962	4,067.04	
Estimated Revenue	24,000.00	28,000.00
Estimated Net Cost	31,932.96	32,000.00

The story in the Junior High School cafeteria is one of a continuing high participation in the school lunch program. During the school year ending in June, 1962 the total of meals served reached 41,150. Gross receipts were tallied at \$17,426.69. The opening cash balance in September, 1962 was \$1,869.51 with an inventory on hand valued at \$218.45.

The efforts of teaching and non-teaching personnel to contribute to a wholesome and productive classroom atmosphere are recognized and appreciated.

Community growth is a key factor which, in itself, is descriptive of current trends in Acushnet. Many more families are moving into this town. To the extent that more people seek out municipal services in Acushnet, pressures will remain for

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augmented public facilities. The membership of the Acushnet School Committee is keenly aware of the impact of growth in the local public schools. This growth manifests itself in an increased teaching staff and an enlarged pupil-teacher ratio. The challenge of shaping administrative policy to fit an ever changing set of circumstances is being squarely faced by the Acushnet School Committee.

Respectfully yours,

ALBERT F. FORD,
Superintendent of Schools

January 15, 1963

The above report has been approved as the annual report of the Acushnet School Committee for the year ending December 31, 1962.

Regular meetings of the School Committee are held in the Acushnet Junior High School on each third Monday evening at 7:00 P.M.

LEO T. JACKSON, *Chairman*
WILLIAM FAWCETT, JR.
HAROLD BATES
Acushnet School Committee

**REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF
RUSSELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

To the Officers and Townspeople of Acushnet:

Another library year has come to a close, and another major repair work completed. Water seepage was noticed along one wall of the main library room. This, naturally, necessitated immediate attention. Finding the offending area in a slate roof was another matter. However, it was located and the work completed. Gutter work and replacement of missing slates were part of the already proposed 1962 repairs. Before the year ended, we found that all the valleys as well as the flashing around the chimney needed replacement. Since so much had already been done to the roof, the Board of Trustees felt this work should be completed if at all possible. With this in mind, the Finance Committee was asked for a \$500 transfer for repairs. The work on the roof then proceeded, and once again we have a sound roof which should last for many years.

During the year, the librarian continued to add to our reference library volumes for which our junior and high school students had need. This is a continuing process, and one that cannot be neglected. Each year the major portion of our book and periodical allowance goes into these volumes.

The art exhibit in observance of Massachusetts Art Week (the last full week in May) sponsored by the Board of Trustees was a huge success, and it is our intention to continue this educational and cultural exhibit yearly. In conjunction with

the weeklong exhibit, Open House was held at the Library. This gives our townspeople a chance to visit and ask questions of our library staff. It also gives people from other communities opportunity to see what we in Acushnet are doing, and a chance for the exchange of ideas.

The monthly one-man shows of painting in various media were continued throughout the year. These continue to be popular with both adults and young people, and for that reason, we hope to be able to keep this project going for a long time. These exhibits may be viewed during library hours only.

The Story Hour was again the highlight of the summer months, and this year slides and lectures pertaining to the subjects read were added to the delight of the youngsters. Our library staff deserves credit for taking on this added library-connected feature on their own outside of regular library hours.

Book certificates for reading were again awarded during the year. A new service was instituted — the placement of books in the classrooms of any teachers making such a request of the librarian.

We continue to supplement our own books by making use of the Bookmobile service as much as possible. During the past year over 6,500 books were borrowed from the Bookmobile for our townspeople's pleasure and education.

Again we wish to thank those who donated books and periodicals to our library. Since our book and periodical budget is not overly large, all such donations are welcome.

Many years ago when transportation was a problem, a small branch library was established at 1243 Main Street for the benefit of those residing in the north end of the town, with Mrs. Lydia Tripp in charge. For many years, the Trustees

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felt this service was not too essential as the original problem of transportation no longer existed. However, because Mrs. Tripp was nearing the retirement age of seventy, no action was contemplated during that time. Mrs. Tripp became seventy during 1962, and the Trustees felt that some action should be taken at this time. It was voted to close the branch at Long Plain as of December 31, 1962, and the few active borrowers notified and transferred to the main library. Much thought was given this action, and the Board feels that at some time in the future, another branch may become essential if the expanding growth of the town continues. When that time comes, the problem will be taken up, and a type of library service keyed to the prevailing demands will be instituted. We have expressed the townspeople's thanks to Mrs. Tripp for her many years of service.

During 1963, it is our hope to continue our program of repair and replacement. Our card index file is greatly outmoded — it is the one from the old Town Hall library — and we expect to replace it with a modern, efficient unit. We again will continue to gear our book purchases to the greatest good, and stress service to our townspeople — both adult and juvenile. It is your library — it is to your advantage to use its services.

Library hours are: Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays from 2:00 to 5:00 P.M., Thursday evenings from 6:00 to 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCES E. GIFFORD

GEORGETTE A. OWEN

KENNETH L. VINCENT

*Russell Memorial Library
Board of Trustees*

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**RUSSELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY
STATISTICAL REPORT FOR 1962**

RUSSELL MEMORIAL		
Number of volumes January 1, 1962		9,669
Number purchased	166	
Number donated	96	
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Number accessioned		262
Number discarded		198
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Number of volumes December 31, 1962		9,733
Registered borrowers January 1, 1962	2,154	
New adult	74	
New juvenile	181	
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Registered borrowers December 31, 1962		2,409
Circulation:		
Fiction adult	5,528	
Fiction juvenile	10,742	
Non-fiction adult	3,422	
Non-fiction juvenile	5,562	
Periodicals	2,980	
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Total circulation		28,234
LONG PLAIN BRANCH		
Registered borrowers January 1, 1962		111
Circulation:		
Books	1,050	

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Periodicals	300	
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Total circulation		1,350
Total circulation for the town		29,584
Increase over 1961		4,837

Respectfully submitted,
OLIVE M. GIFFORD,
Librarian

REPORT OF THE WIRE INSPECTOR

To the Board of Selectmen:

The Wire Department is submitting the following report for the year ending December 31, 1962:

65 Type A Permits	\$325.00
81 Type B Permits	162.00
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Total received by Town Clerk	\$487.00

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN T. KOSKA,
Wire Inspector

TOWN OF ACUSHNET

Incorporated 1860

Acushnet, on the inlet of Buzzards Bay, was settled about 1659, and incorporated as a town in 1860. The name was derived from the Indians, meaning "A Bathing Place."

The village of Acushnet was destroyed during the King Phillip's War. In September 1776, another historic battle occurred between the Minutemen and British Troops at the present bridge on Main Street.

The influence of many groups of immigrants living here in Acushnet is evident in the local cuisine. In addition to the fishcakes, hastt puddings, pumpkin pies of the Yankee influence, there are breads and salads of the French Canadiens, and thick cabbage soup of the Polish.

Two well know personages came from Acushnet, William Bradford, of the Marine painter, and Clement Nye Swift, painter of Briton subjects, were both natives of Acushnet. Here can also be found impressive structures such as the Methodist Episcopal Church on Main Street. It is of ivy-colored field stone with a slender, shingled spire, surrounded by a guilded dolphin.

Located three miles from New Bedford, Acushnet now has a population of 6,100

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