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***ANNUAL REPORTS
AND WARRANT***

of the Town of

Middlefield

Massachusetts

1991

MIDDLEFIELD TOWN WARRANT
Commonwealth of Massachusetts

May 2, 1992

Hampshire, SS

To either of the Constables of the Town of Middlefield
Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, to meet in the Middlefield Elementary School in said Middlefield on Saturday, the second of May next, at 11:45 in the forenoon then and there to act on the following articles to wit:

ARTICLE 1. To choose on one ballot:

A Town Clerk, Moderator, Tree Warden, Auditor, Finance Committee Member, Zoning Board of Appeals Member for a term of one year

A Finance Committee Member and a Planning Board Member for a term of two years

A Treasurer, Assessor, Selectman, Cemetery Commissioner, Trustee Public Library, Finance Committee Member, Zoning Board of Appeals Member, Planning Board Member for a term of three years.

Two Constables for a term of three years.

And to resolve on said ballot the following question:

To vote to exclude from the limits of Proposition 2 1/2 Middlefield's share of the \$170,000.00 indebtedness authorized by the Regional District School Committee of the Gateway Regional School District on March 11, 1992, for the purpose of construction, reconstruction and renovation of school buildings including architectural services - Middlefield's share being \$9688.30.

The polls will be open at 12:00 p.m. and may be closed at 5:00 p.m. The business meeting will start at 1:30 p.m.

ARTICLE 2. To hear report of the Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Assessors and School Committee and act thereon.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the salaries of Elected Town Officials and determine the amount of salary for each Elected Official:

Moderator	\$ 60.00	Selectman, Chairman	600.00
Town Clerk	800.00	Selectman, 2nd	300.00
Tax Collector	1,200.00	Selectman, 3rd	300.00
Treasurer	1,200.00	Auditor	45.00
Assessor, Chairman	450.00	Constable, 1st	90.00
Assessor, 2nd	450.00	Constable, 2nd	90.00
Assessor, 3rd	450.00		

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of money to defray the expenses of the Town for the fiscal year July 1, 1992 through June 30, 1993, or take any other action relating thereto:

HIGHWAY AND RELATED EXPENSES

Snow Removal	\$30,000.00
Highway Maintenance	24,000.00
Machinery Expense	15,000.00
Holiday/Vacation Pay	4,000.00
Health Insurance, Employees	10,000.00
Unemployment Compensation	100.00

NATURAL RESOURCES

Dutch Elm Disease Control	150.00
Forest Fire Protection	10.00
Insect Pest Control	100.00
Tree Warden	100.00

GOVERNMENT

COBRA	300.00
Elections	700.00
Hampshire County Retirement	7,184.00
Health & Sanitation	200.00
Interest, Short Term Loans	5,000.00
Printing	1,500.00
Town Counsel	150.00
Social Security	350.00

OFFICE EXPENSES

Selectmen's Secretary	\$2,000.00
Selectmen's Travel and Expenses	500.00
Office Supplies	2,600.00
Assessors' Assistant	5,000.00
Assessors Expense	300.00
Assessors Computer Maintenance	1,600.00
Assessors Registry Fees	100.00
Assessors Tax Map Update	600.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Cemetery Expense	2,000.00
Civil Defense	10.00
Council on Aging	400.00
Conservation Commission	150.00
Disposal Area	18,000.00
Dog Officer & Expenses	600.00
Inspections	2,000.00
Lee Visiting Nurse	350.00
Library Expense	400.00
Maintenance of Public Buildings	7,000.00
Pioneer Valley Planning Commission	59.00
Planning Board	10.00
Street Lights	500.00
Treasurers Bank Charges	
Veterans Agent	10.00
War Memorials & Playgrounds	1,000.00

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sums of money to defray the expenditures of the Middlefield Police Department for the fiscal year 1993, or take any other action relating thereto:

Police Chief Salary	300.00
Police Expenses	2,000.00
Police Cruiser Principle	7,000.00
Police Cruiser Interest	650.00
Police Pagers - E911	500.00

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sums of money to defray the expenditures of the Middlefield Fire Department for the fiscal year 1993, or take any other action relating thereto:

Fire Chief/Forest Warden	\$ 325.00
Fire Department Expense	3,000.00
Fire House Note Payment	1,750.00
Fire House Note Interest	700.00
Fire Department Recovery (5 of 5)	1,500.00
Fire Engine Principle	17,000.00
Fire Engine Interest	6,500.00

ARTICLE 7. To determine the disposition of the Dog Fund.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will transfer the balance of funds in the Recreation Area account to an account named Recreation Expense to FY 1993 or take any other action relating thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$3,000.00 for the Reserve Fund or take any other action relating thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the funds in the revolving account for the Conservation Commission with a limited expenditure of \$2,000.00 to FY 1993 or take any other action relating thereto.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$35,000.00 to cover all Town insurance or take any other action relating thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To determine the manner of repairing the highways and bridges or take any other action relating thereto.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$1,200.00 for the Hinsdale Ambulance Fund and \$576.95 for the Huntington Lions Club Ambulance Fund or take any other action relating thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,309.00 for Hilltown Resource Management Cooperative or take any other action relating thereto.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$10,000.00 to be used for materials for unpaved roads or take any other action relating thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to accept Franklin Regional Transit Authority as the official transportation agent for the Council on Aging.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint a seven member Recreation Advisory Board for the purpose of advising The Board of Selectmen on maintenance and improvements of our recreation areas.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Machinery Earnings Account, funds to come from Town owned machinery being used on State funded road projects.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the balance in Chapter 33, Agreement #34394 forward to FY 1993.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$251,753.38 for Middlefield's share of the budget for the Gateway Regional School District for the period of July 1, 1992 through June 30, 1993, or take any other action thereto, or accept a net assessment a sum which is less than \$251,753.38 as certified by the Gateway Regional School District.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$43,216.00 for Middlefield's Vocation Transportation and Tuition for the period of July 1, 1992 through June 30, 1993, or take any other action relating thereto.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to accept an Equal Educational Opportunity Grant for fiscal year 1992 in the amount of \$245,566.00 under the provisions of G.L. Ch. 70A, s 5 as inserted by Ch. 188 of the Acts of 1985. Said grant shall be expended by the School Committee for direct service expenditures.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to change the Gateway Regional Agreement Section VII Amendments, (B) Procedure, by deleting the last sentence and adding the following: Such amendment shall take effect upon its acceptance by five of the seven member towns, acceptance by each town to be by a majority vote at a town meeting as aforesaid.

Middlefield Elected Town Officials

<u>Office</u>		<u>Term Expires</u>
Town Clerk	Marjorie Batorski	1992
Moderator	Peter Oligny	1992
Treasurer	Nancy Pease	1992
Selectmen and Commissioners of Public Welfare	Ronald Radwich * Ann Jewett Thomas Rock	1992 1993 1994
Assessors	Martin A Main O Kristin Monson John E Rice *	1992 1993 1994
Board of Health and Fence Viewers	Board of Selectmen	
School Committee	Curt Robie - appointed Diane McQuaid	1992 1993
Tax Collector	Neil G Nickerson	1994
Constables	Donald A Savery William L Paschal	1992 1992
Auditor	Martin A Main	1992
Tree Warden	Brian Miller	1992
Trustees of Public Library	Priscilla Suriner Elizabeth Oligny Susan Donnelly	1992 1993 1994
Planning Board	John Hobart Richard Progulske Michael Hale Thomas Duby	1992 1992 1993 1994
Zoning Board of Appeals	Maurice H Pease * Joan Hobart Peter Oligny	1992 1993 1994
Finance Committee	Edward Cook Cameron McQuaid John Hobart Martha Lee Joseph Kearns	1992 1992 1992 1993 1994
Cemetery Commission	Neil G Nickerson Larry F Pease Nancy Burnham *	1992 1993 1994
County Commissioner	Joseph Kearns	1993

* - Chairperson

Middlefield Appointed Town Officials

<u>Office</u>		<u>Term Expires</u>
Animal Inspector	Donald A Savery	1992
Arts Council	Cameron McQuaid	1992
	Cynthia Oligny *	1993
	Marjorie Batorski	1993
	Elizabeth Oligny	1994
	Chris Bresnahan	1994
	Laurie Lafreniere	1994
Building Inspector	Walter Smith	1992
Civil Defense Warden	Howard F Pease	1992
Conservation Commission	James Zimmerman	1992
	Diane McQuaid	1994
	O Kristin Monson	1994
Council On Aging	Joan Almorì	No Expiration Date
	Martha Lee	
	Priscilla Suriner	
	Cynthia Oligny	
	James Hale	
	Isabella Jordan (deceased)	
	Elizabeth Oligny	
	Ellen Miller	
	Wayne Suriner	
	Gordon Guild	
	Joyce Slater	
Lydia Sanders		
Disposal Area	Martin A Main	1992
	Henry Roberts	1992
Dog Officer	Donald A Savery	1992
Dutch Elm and Insect Pest Control	Robert P Miller	1992
Field Drivers	Board of Selectmen	
Fire Chief and Forest Warden	Larry F Pease	1992
Deputy Fire Chief	Ronald Radwich	1992
Historical Commission	Timothy Pease	1992
	Brian Miller	1992
	Lydia Sanders	1992
	Albert Sanders	1992

* - Chairperson

Middlefield Appointed Town Officials

<u>Office</u>		<u>Term Expires</u>
Lumber Surveyor	Brian Miller	1992
Wood/Bark Measurer	Edward James	1992
Police Chief	Thomas Austin	1992
Police Sgt	Michael Pensivy, Resigned	
Officer	Curt Robie	1992
Auxiliary	Jimmy Jasmin	1992
	Victor Fastiggi	1992
Plumbing Inspector	William Zeitler	1992
Recreation Committee	Board of Selectmen	
Registrars of Voters	Anita Myers	1992
	Mary Jane Donnelly	1992
	Susan Fastiggi	1992
	Marjorie Batorski	
Street Supt	Robert Miller	1992
Treasurers Assistant	O Kristin Monson	1992
Wiring Inspector	John Savery	1992
	Eric Main	1992

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

LICENSE SUMMARY

Dog Licenses	Each	Amount
21 Males	\$ 3.00	\$63.00
2 Females	3.00	6.00
38 Spayed Female	3.00	114.00
17 Neutered Male	3.00	61.00
1 Kennel	10.00	10.00
Total		<u>254.00</u>

SPORTING LICENSES

23 Resident Fishing	\$12.50	\$287.50
2 Resident Minor Fishing	6.50	13.00
1 Resident Fishing Over 70	FREE	FREE
1 Non-Resident Fishing (7 day fishing)	11.50	11.50
1 Resident Minor Trapping	8.50	8.50
1 Duplicate Fishing	2.00	2.00
30 Total		<u>322.50</u>

7 Resident Citizen Hunting	\$12.50	\$ 87.50
11 Non-Resident Citizen Hunting (Big Game)	48.50	533.50
29 Resident Citizen Sporting	19.50	565.50
4 Resident Citizen Sporting (Over 70)	FREE	FREE
51 Total		<u>1,186.00</u>

STAMPS

15 Archery/Primitive Firearms	5.10	\$ 76.50
1 Mass Waterfowl	5.00	5.00
63 Wildlands Conservation (Resident)	5.00	315.00
12 Wildlands Conservation	5.00	60.00
91 Total		<u>456.50</u>

CLERK FEES

47 @ \$.50 per-----	\$23.50
15 @ \$.10 per-----	1.50
1 @ \$.25 per-----	.25

Vital Statistics

Births Recorded in 1991

February 10	Ethan Christian Cook	Son of Tina Matie Cook and Edward Martin Cook
February 13	James Francis Pease	Son of Marie Anne Pease and Larry Francis Pease
May 22	Ashley Laure Carrington	Daughter of Judith Cummings Carrington and Guy Frank Carrington
May 22	Morgan Alexandra Tosi Cummings	Daughter of Andrea Marcy Tosi and Stephen John Cummings
August 4	Emily Anne Bandoski	Daughter of Linda Lee Bandoski and Stanley John Bandoski II
November 10	Nathan Thomas Bosco	Son of Catherine Terease Bosco and Leonard Lawrence Bosco

Marriages recorded in 1991

January 18 Gerald M Jasmin & Donna M Powers

Deaths Recorded in 1991

August 25	Mamie Harriet King	87 years
November 24	Charles Edward Cook	90 years

Special Town Meetings

March 18, 1991

The Special Town Meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Peter Oligny with 20 people present. They were all registered voters.

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Disposal Account the sum of \$5000 to the interest on the Short Terms Loan Account. A motion was made and seconded to accept the article as read. It was an unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Disposal Account the sum of \$2500 to the Holidays and Vacations account. It was moved and seconded to accept the article as read. It was an unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Disposal Account the sum of \$4000 to the Town Highways Account. Motion was made and seconded to accept the article as read. It was an unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to direct the Treasurer to establish a Conservation Commission Receipt Account. (Filing Fees Account) to receive monies from filing fees. It was moved and seconded the article be accepted. It was an unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 5. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting. It was moved and seconded to dissolve. It was an unanimous vote. The meeting was dissolved at 8:10 P.M.

June 17, 1991

The Town Meeting was called to order by Joseph Kearns, a former member of the Board of Selectmen. As Peter Oligny, Moderator, was not present, a motion was made from the floor to nominate John Rice, Pro. The motion was made and seconded and it was an unanimous vote. The meeting began at 8:00 P.M. with 17 people present.

ARTICLE 1. A motion was made and seconded that the Town Treasurer transfer the sum of \$5000 from the Waste Oil Furnace Account to the Town Highways Account. Mr. Kearns said that it would cost to test each barrel of oil before it could be burned, therefore it was not worth it. There was no discussion and it was an unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 2. A motion was made and seconded the Town transfer the sum of \$3000 from the Disposal Area Account to the Highways Account. It was an unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 3. A motion was made and seconded that the Town transfer the sum of \$1500 from the Assessors Assistant Account to the Town Highways Account. John Rice pointed out that the Assessors Assistant also does work for some of the other Town Officials, such as the Tax Collector and Town Clerk. Being no further discussion, a motion was made to accept the article as read. It was an unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 4. A motion was made and seconded that the Town be able to transfer the balance of funds in the Town Hall Design Account to FY 1992. It was an unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 5. A motion was made and seconded that the Town vote to transfer the sum of \$400 from the Franklin Regional Transportation Authority Account to the interest on Short Term Loans Account. It was an unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 6. A motion was made and seconded that the Town vote to transfer the sum of \$175 from the Firehouse Interest Account to the interest on Short Term Loans Account. It was an unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 7. A motion was made and seconded that the Town vote to transfer the sum of \$450 from Certified Free Cash to the interest on Short Term Loans Account. It was an unanimous vote.

ARTICLE 8. Under this article, it was explained that the monies transferred into the Highways Account covers the engineering costs on the River Road Bridge of \$11,000, signs and posts cost of \$1200. Also, the Selectboard are a bit concerned about the quality of road patching. They feel that it could be better. Also, with the override passing, there will probably be a special Town Meeting sometime in the future to make some adjustments. John Rice explained about the quarterly tax bills, and how with the improved cash flow from them, it will be a help for us.

With no other business, a motion was made and seconded to dissolve the meeting. It was an unanimous vote. Meeting was dissolved at 8:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Marjorie P Batorski
Town Clerk

Report of the Selectmen

During 1991/92 we completed STRAP Grant work on Skyline Trail, finished the reconstruction of Root Road, and saw the completion of work on the River Road Bridge. Brush cutting was done along Skyline Trail and continues along River Road. We met several times with representatives of the State Department of Public Works to discuss budget figures and funding for road work in fiscal 1993. Projects to be completed are oil and stone work on Skyline Trail and Root Road. Reconstruction work will begin on Town Hill Road starting at Starbird Bridge and continuing north 2850 feet. This project involves tree-cutting, installation of culverts, and widening of the road. We are also working on a schedule of road-scraping and maintenance on all town roads.

We have also met many times with Joseph Boudreau of the State Department of Revenue. With his help we have cleared up our debt obligation to the state.

For the future: We are looking into the advantage for us forming or joining a Veterans Service District. We are also meeting with representatives from the towns of Chester, Hinsdale, Huntington and Peru to explore the possibility of securing, with the help of the DPW, federal funding for the rebuilding of Skyline Trail. And, finally, we have joined with other towns in Western Massachusetts to bring pressure upon the state to resume its former practice of paying a sum of money in lieu of taxes for state-owned land, and to restore to the Cherry Sheet line items defining these monies.

The Selectmen meet every Monday at 7:30 pm and we now meet on the first Monday of the month with the town Finance Committee. All meetings are open to the public. We urge you to come meet with us about your concerns.

A community is only as good as the quality of the hearts and minds of the people who make up that community, or, perhaps a better word, that family. Middlefield is a family. Anger and personal attacks just generate more anger. Cooperation and creativity are what we need in these troubled times. Your town officials and employees - your Treasurer, your Tax Collector, your road crew, your police and fire departments, your Assessors, every one else - work very hard to keep the family together. Join us in that effort.

We wish to extend our sympathy to the families of Charles Cook and Isabella Jordan. Charlie gave the greater part of his life to the town he loved. Isabella brought a caring and watchful eye to our concerns. Charlie and Isabella - part of our family.

Ronald Radwich, Chairman
Ann Jewett
Thomas Rock

MACHINERY EXPENSE (CONTINUED)

Approp	\$15,000.00		\$15,000.00
Buds Chain Saw		16.00	
McLaughlin Supply		75.68	
C.A. Krohne & Sons		222.18	
Robert Miller, Supt		258.00	
Donald Savery, Eq Op		228.00	
Warren Ritter, Labor		180.00	
D & D Auto, Grader head		693.35	
O'Connell		452.96	
Total Spent		<u>16,183.45</u>	<u>16,183.45</u>
Balance			<u>-1,183.45</u>

MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Approp	7,000.00		7,000.00
WEMCO		1,273.21	
New England Telephone		968.23	
O'Connell Oil		2,395.36	
AT&T		269.76	
Warren Ritter, Labor		52.00	
Savery Electric		562.65	
Total Spent		<u>5,421.26</u>	<u>5,421.26</u>
Balance			<u>1,578.74</u>

OFFICE EXPENSE

Approp	2,600.00		2,600.00
Dues		240.00	
Postmaster, Boxes & Postage		355.00	
Moore Business Forms		340.55	
Hobbs & Warren, Supplies		318.25	
Neil Nickerson, Add Mach & Postage		180.42	
Marjorie Batorski, Supplies		23.49	
Nancy Pease, Postage & supplies		67.60	
Stamped Envelop Agency		275.00	
Discount Data Supplies		291.64	
U.S. Stamped Envelopes		320.00	
John Rice, Supplies		21.63	
Impress Printing, Assessor Letters		60.40	
Total Spent		<u>2,493.98</u>	<u>2,493.98</u>
Balance			<u>106.02</u>

INSPECTIONS

Approp	\$ 2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Larry Pease, Fire Insp	190.00	
Joseph E DeFeo, Elec Insp	75.00	
William Zeitler, Plumbing Insp	210.00	
Howard Pease, Burner Insp	30.00	
Walter Smith, Building Insp	1,000.00	
Savery Electric, Elec Insp	25.00	
Total	1,530.00	1,530.00
Balance		470.00

LIBRARY EXPENSE

Balance		5,279.02
Dog Fund		106.82
Approp	300.00	300.00
Available		5,685.84
N.E. Library Assos, Dues	121.12	
Quality Paper Books	76.02	
Literary Guild, Books	46.40	
Cynthia Oigny, Salary	500.00	
Cynthia Oigny, Books	21.64	
American Family Magazine	11.92	
Total Spent	777.10	777.10
Balance		4,908.74

MACHINERY EXPENSES

Approp	15,000.00	15,000.00
Kieras Oil, Diesel Fuel	4,274.66	
Gateway Auto, Parts	2,545.49	
Charlies Garage, gas	599.90	
Springfield Mack, Parts	1,096.86	
Rodney Savery, Repairs	186.00	
Friedman Steel	1,291.15	
Atl. Plow Blades	60.70	
D.P. Billings, Truck to Pittsfield	162.50	
Ralphs	1,501.86	
Wholesale Distributors, Scarifier Tips	138.00	
L.P. Adams, Crowbar	6.49	
Pittsfield Welding, Supplies	424.79	
Robert Miller, Stickers	45.00	
Rodney Savery, Sander & Truck repair	545.00	
City Tire	315.46	
Dalton Tractor, Parts	37.30	
Oliver Auto Body	787.62	
Smiths Sled Shop, Chainsaw parts	38.50	

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY RETIREMENT

Approp	\$5,100.00		\$5,100.00
Hampshire County Retirement		5,954.00	
Total Spent			<u>5,954.00</u>
Balance			<u>- 854.00</u>

HEALTH INSURANCE

Approp	5,000.00		5,000.00
Hampshire County Ins BC/BS		4,780.16	
Total Spent			<u>4,780.16</u>
Balance			<u>219.84</u>

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Approp	200.00		200.00
Balance			200.00

HOLIDAY AND VACATION PAY

Approp	3,500.00		3,500.00
Trans from Disposal area			<u>2,500.00</u>
Available			<u>6,000.00</u>
Robert Miller, Supt '90 & '91 vacation		2,906.00	
Donald Savery, Eq Op		1,704.80	
Warren Ritter, Labor		892.00	
Total Spent		<u>5,502.80</u>	<u>5,502.80</u>
Balance			<u>497.20</u>

INSURANCE

Approp	35,000.00		35,000.00
Stevenson & Co, Bonds		410.00	
MIIA		14,761.59	
Hastings-Tapley		8,217.00	
Total Spent		<u>23,388.59</u>	<u>23,388.59</u>
Balance			<u>11,611.41</u>

FIRE DEPARTMENT RECOVERY

Approp	\$3,000.00		\$ 3,000.00
Motorola		907.00	
Gleason Fire Eq, hose		745.75	
Fire Control Service of NE		1,347.25	
Total Spent		<u>3,000.00</u>	<u>3,000.00</u>
Balance			- 0 -

FIRE CHIEF AND FOREST WARDEN

Approp	\$325.00		325.00
Larry Pease, Fire Chief		325.00	
Balance			<u>325.00</u> - 0 -

FIREHOUSE NOTE

Approp	\$ 1,750.00		1,750.00
Farmers Home Administration		1,750.00	
Balance			<u>1,750.00</u> - 0 -

FIREHOUSE INTEREST

Approp	\$ 1,050.00		1,050.00
Trans to Interest Acct			175.00
Available			875.00
Farmers Home Administration		875.00	
Balance			<u>875.00</u> - 0 -

FIRE TRUCK

Approp	Not ot exceed \$115,000.00		
Borrowed			85,000.00
Approp			10,000.00
Free cash			10,000.00
Stabilization			10,000.00
			<u>115,000.00</u>
W S Darley Co		42,250.00	
Balance to carry over FY 92			<u>42,250.00</u> - 72,750.00

GATEWAY REGIONAL SCHOOL

Approp	\$198,781.00		198,781.00
Approp Vocational			70,791.00
Total Available			<u>268,572.00</u>
Gateway Regional School Dist		248,328.84	
Balance			<u>248,328.84</u> - 21,243.16

ELECTIONS & REGISTRATIONS

Approp	\$700.00	\$	700.00
State Reimb			<u>128.00</u>
Available			828.00

Wayne Suriner, Teller	62.50		
Shirley Savery, "	161.50		
Nancy Burnham "	40.00		
Susan Fastiggi "	82.75		
Hazel Hall "	35.75		
Ellen Miller "	53.00		
Isabella Jordan "	78.25		
Glennis Austin "	40.00		
Lois Leonard Bell "	49.00		
Irene McCusker "	36.00		
Patricia Paschal "	80.50		
Susan Donnelly "	74.25		
Sally Connor "	65.00		
Cynthia Oligny "	44.50		
Charles Winn "	45.00		
Mary Sternagle "	60.75		
Betty Oligny "	22.50		
Joan Almori "	15.75		
Priscilla Suriner "	54.00		
Janet Vreeland "	22.50		
Total Spent	<u>1,123.50</u>		<u>1,123.50</u>
Balance			<u>-295.50</u>

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Approp	\$3,000.00		3,000.00
Gateway Auto, parts	584.61		
Hinsdale Service Ctr, gas	28.00		
Lee Audio & Security	230.00		
Charlies Garage, gas	108.00		
Raynors Bearings, battery & parts	261.32		
L.P. Adams, parts	31.12		
Motorola Inc, radio parts	247.70		
Gleason Fire Equipment, parts	492.46		
Maurice Pease, gas	130.00		
Middlefield General Store, supplies	6.57		
Savery Electric	533.97		
H/S Auto Parts	35.13		
Total Spent	<u>2,688.28</u>		<u>2,688.28</u>
Balance			<u>311.72</u>

COBRA

Approp	100.00		100.00
COBRA	273.13		<u>273.13</u>
Balance			<u>-173.13</u>

DISPOSAL AREA

Approp	\$28,000.00	28,000.00
Trans to Town Highways		7,000.00
Trans to Holidays & Vacation		2,500.00
Trans to Interest		5,000.00
Available		13,500.00

Donald Savery, Eq Up	714.25	
Martin Main, Attendant	1,842.38	
Middlefield General Store		
Trash Bags	84.54	
Dave Wickles, Trucking	3,485.00	
City of Northampton, Dumping fees	6,588.35	
Robert Miller, Supt	16.13	
Heartland School, Building	145.00	
Bannish Lumber, Lumber for bldg	702.15	
Total Spent	<u>13,554.80</u>	13,554.80
Balance		<u>- 54.80</u>

DOG OFFICER

Approp	\$600.00	600.00
Donald Savery, salary	300.00	
Donald Savery, supplies, etc	142.38	
Total Spent	<u>442.38</u>	442.38
Balance		<u>157.62</u>

FRANKLIN REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Approp	\$400.00	400.00
Trans to Interest Acct	400.00	400.00
Balance		<u>- 0 -</u>

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Approp	\$6,035.00	6,035.00
Peter Oligny, Moderator	60.00	
Marjorie Batorski, Town Clerk	800.00	
Neil Nickerson, Tax Collector	1,200.00	
Nancy Pease, Treasurer	1,200.00	
John Rice, Assessor Ch	450.00	
Kris Monson, Assessor	450.00	
Martin Main, Assessor	450.00	
Joseph Kearns, Selectman Ch	600.00	
Ronald Radwich, Selectman	300.00	
Ann Jewett, Selectman	300.00	
Martin Main, Auditor	45.00	
Donald Savery, Constable	90.00	
William Paschal, Constable	90.00	
Total Spent	<u>6,035.00</u>	6,035.00
Balance		<u>- 0 -</u>

CEMETERY EXPENSE

Approp	\$1,500.00		\$ 1,500.00
Nancy Burnham, office supplies		7.81	
Brenda Small, mowing		440.00	
Donald A Savery, tree removal		610.00	
Marjorie Batorski, Notary Services		9.50	
Hobbs & Warren, certificates		108.89	
Sentury Uniform, flags		79.00	
Total Spent		<u>1,305.20</u>	<u>1,305.20</u>
Balance			<u>194.80</u>

CIVIL DEFENSE

Approp	\$10.00		10.00
Balance			10.00

COMPUTER MAINTENANCE

Approp	\$1,600.00		1,600.00
AT&T		1,387.42	
Total Spent			<u>1,387.42</u>
Balance			<u>212.58</u>

CONSERVATION COMMISSION EXPENSE

Approp	\$150.00		150.00
Kris Monson, supplies		20.55	
Diane McQuaid, postage		12.20	
Postmaster, box rent		10.00	
Dues		45.00	
Total Spent		<u>87.75</u>	<u>87.75</u>
Balance			<u>62.25</u>

COUNCIL ON AGING

Approp	\$300.00		300.00
Balance			1,725.39
Donations			518.00
Highland Valley Elder Services			406.00
FRTA			310.00
State Formula Grant			630.00
Available			<u>4,048.39</u>
Country Journal, newsletter		238.00	
Mass COA Dues		40.00	
Joan Almorì, supplies		151.80	
Ellen Miller, Brown Bag Dist		30.00	
Betty Oligny, supplies		29.56	
Total Spent		<u>489.36</u>	<u>489.36</u>
Balance			<u>3,559.03</u>

STRAP GRANT

Balance available		\$68,559.75
Robert Miller, Supt	3,426.76	
Donald Savery, Eq Up	2,710.00	
Warren Ritter, Labor	1,982.38	
Donovan Bros, gravel	20,626.95	
Cap-rite, reclaim	10,722.55	
All States, oil & eq	9,906.93	
Jones Tractor, gravel	1,150.50	
LP Adams, pipe	24.15	
Brewster pease, Drott	6,300.00	
Total Spent	56,850.62	56,850.62
Balance to FY 1992		<u>11,709.13</u>

ASSESSORS REGISTRY FEES

Approp. \$100.00		100.00
Registrar of Deeds, Transfers	37.75	
Total Spent		<u>37.75</u>
Balance		<u>72.25</u>

ARTS LOTTERY COUNCIL

AVAILABLE		438.69
Cynthia Oligny, theater supplies	150.00	
Total Spent		<u>150.00</u>
Balance		<u>288.69</u>

ASSESSORS ASSISTANT

Approp. \$5,000.00		5,000.00
Trans to Town Highways		<u>1,500.00</u>
Available		3,500.00
Susan Donnelly, clerk	3,558.00	
Total Spent		<u>3,558.00</u>
Balance		<u>- 58.00</u>

AMBULANCE SERVICE

Approp. \$1,700.00		1,700.00
Hinsdale Ambulance	1,200.00	
Huntington Lions Club Ambulance	500.00	
Total Spent	<u>1,700.00</u>	<u>1,700.00</u>
Balance		<u>0</u>

TOWN HIGHWAYS

Approp.	\$24,000.00	
Trans from Disposal Area	\$7,000.00	
Trans from Waste Oil Heater	5,000.00	
Trans from Assessor Asst.	1,500.00	
 Total Available	 \$37,500.00	 \$37,500.00

Robert Miller, Supt	7,053.77	
Donald Savery, Eq Op	5,997.58	
Warren Ritter, Labor	4,968.76	
Martin Main, Mowing	1,803.75	
All States Asphalt, calcium	1,400.00	
Wholesale Dist, scarifier	687.70	
Hampshire County House of Correction,sgns	808.75	
Lane Construction, Hot Mix	1,700.56	
Brewster Pease, Drott	270.00	
HRP Associates, Engineering-R.R. Bridge	11,110.57	
Andrew Mayer, wood chipper	2,012.50	
Jones Tractor, gravel	201.00	

Total Spent		38,014.94
Balance		- 514.94

TOWN SNOW

Approp.	\$30,000.00	and available	\$30,000.00
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Robert Miller, Supt	8,046.54	
Donald Savery, Eq Op	6,659.22	
Warren Ritter, Labor	4,468.14	
Donovan Bros., sand	9,059.69	
International Salt, road salt	3,165.00	
Brewster Pease, Drott	240.00	

Total Spent	31,560.81	31,560.81
Balance		-1,560.81

GLENDALE BROOK BRIDGE - ENGINEERING

Approp.	\$3,000.00		\$ 3,000.00
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Tighe & Bond, Engineering	2,500.00	
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Total Spent		2,500.00
Balance		500.00

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AVAILABLE - STATE FUNDS APPROVED \$38,238.00

Robert Miller, Supt	994.38	
Donald Savery, Eq Op	608.00	
Warren Ritter, Labor	556.50	
Martin Main, Chipper	<u>600.00</u>	
Total Spent	2,758.88	<u>2,758.88</u>
Balance to be carried to FY 1992		<u>35,479.12</u>

EAST RIVER ROAD BRIDGE REPAIR

NO APPROP

Robert Miller, Supt	616.00
Donald Savery, Eq Op	579.50
Warren Ritter, Labor	517.50
Stockbridge Construction, Trailer- to return bridge to State	600.00
Berkshire Eagle, Advertising	<u>291.92</u>
Total Spent	2,604.92

EAST RIVER ROAD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT

AVAILABLE		\$197,000.00
BURROWED		180,000.00
Stockbridge Construction	179,990.99	
HRP Associates, Engineering	<u>15,679.46</u>	
Total Spent	195,670.45	

Refer to Town Highways for additional HRP Billing for engineering for this project.

INTEREST - SHORT TERM LOANS

Approp. \$2,000.00		2,000.00
Trans Franklin County Trans	\$ 400.00	
Trans Firehouse Interest	175.00	
Trans Free Cash	4,500.00	
Trans Disposal Area	<u>5,000.00</u>	
Total Available	12,075.00	12,075.00
1st Agricultural Bank	12,875.00	
Bureau of Accounts	<u>200.00</u>	
Total Spent		<u>13,075.00</u>
Balance		<u>-1,000.00</u>

PIONEER VALLEY PLANNING COMMISSION

Approp	\$ 57.00		\$ 57.00
Pioneer Valley Planning Comm		57.75	
Total Spent			<u>57.75</u>
Balance			<u>- .75</u>

PLANNING BOARD

Approp	10.00		10.00
Balance			10.00

POLICE DEPARTMENT EXPENSE

Approp	2,000.00		2,000.00
Victor Fastiggi, Ammo		107.00	
Curt Robie, Insp Stickers		15.00	
Metro Mobile Phone		133.94	
Sentry Uniform		230.70	
Country Journal, Ad		10.63	
W Mass Comm Radio		635.54	
Jurek, Ammo		300.95	
Postmaster, Box		6.50	
Thomas Austin, ID Cards		34.50	
Hilltown Police Assoc, Dues		40.00	
Gateway Auto Parts		30.02	
Hinsdale Servicenter, Gas		342.57	
Cummington Fire Assoc		7.00	
Gould Pub.		72.15	
Total Spent		<u>1,966.50</u>	<u>1,966.50</u>
Balance			<u>33.50</u>

POLICE CHIEF SALARY

Approp	300.00		300.00
Thomas Austin, Chief		300.00	<u>300.00</u>
Balance			<u>- 0 -</u>

POLICE CRUISER

Approp	21,000.00 for 3 years		21,000.00
Natick Auto		21,000	<u>21,000.00</u>
Balance			<u>- 0 -</u>

PRINTING

Approp	\$ 1,500.00		\$ 1,500.00
Country Journal, Ads & Town Report		731.11	
Berkshire Eagle, Ads		177.78	
Impress Printing, Dump Stickers		140.00	
Total Spent		<u>1,048.89</u>	<u>1,048.89</u>
Balance			<u>451.11</u>

RECREATION AREA

Carry over (from 1985 Revenue Sharing)			4,420.00
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RECREATION

Approp	100.00		100.00
Balance			100.00

REGIONAL RESOURCE PLANNER

Approp	250.00		250.00
Balance			250.00

RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COOPERATIVE

Approp	1,309.00		1,309.00
Hilltown Resource Mgmt		1,309.00	<u>1,309.00</u>
Balance			<u>- 0 -</u>

RESERVE FUND

Approp	3,000.00		3,000.00
Balance			3,000.00

SELECTMENS EXPENSE

Approp	500.00		500.00
Mass Municipal Assoc, Dues		330.00	
Betty Oligny, Ledger Sheets		32.20	
Total Spent		<u>362.20</u>	<u>362.20</u>
Balance			<u>137.80</u>

SELECTMEN SECRETARY

Approp \$ 2,000.00		\$ 2,000.00
Betty Oligny, Salary	2,000.00	<u>2,000.00</u>
Balance		- 0 -

STREET LIGHTS

Approp	600.00	600.00
WMECO	418.24	<u>418.24</u>
Balance		181.76

TAX MAPS

Approp	600.00	600.00
Cartographic Assoc	552.15	<u>552.15</u>
Balance		47.85

TOWN HALL BUILDING

Approp	3,000.00	3,000.00
Barry Architects	500.00	<u>500.00</u>
Balance - carry over to 1992		2,500.00

TOWN COUNSEL

Approp	150.00	150.00
Francis Collins, Atty	150.00	<u>150.00</u>
Balance		- 0 -

TREE ACCOUNTS

Approp - Dutch elm - 150.00		150.00
Insect Pest Control - 100.00		<u>100.00</u>
Available		250.00
Robert Miller, Supt	32.25	
Warren Ritter, Labor	<u>217.75</u>	
Total Spent	250.00	<u>250.00</u>
Balance		- 0 -

FOREST FIRE PROTECTION

Approp \$	10.00		\$	10.00
Balance				10.00

TREE WARDEN

Approp	100.00			100.00
Balance				100.00

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION

Approp	100.00			100.00
Unemp. Comp		58.26		58.26
Balance				<u>41.74</u>

VETERANS AGENT

Approp	10.00			10.00
Balance				10.00

VISITING NURSE

Approp	350.00			350.00
Lee VNA		350.00		350.00
Balance				<u>- 0 -</u>

WAR MEMORIALS & PLAYGROUNDS

Approp	1,000.00			1,000.00
Justamere Treefarm		456.50		456.50
Balance				<u>543.50</u>

WASTE OIL HEATER

Approp	5,000.00			5,000.00
Trans to Town Highways		5,000.00		5,000.00
Balance				<u>- 0 -</u>

WESTERN MASS COALITION OF GOVERNMENT

Approp	100.00			100.00
Balance				100.00

Treasurer's Report Fiscal Year 1991

Receipts

Cemetery Perpetual Care			590.00
Cemetery Sale of Lots			285.00
Commonwealth of Mass			51,246.00
Council On Aging	\$ 23.00	Donations	
	406.00	Highland Valley	
	1,284.00	Office of Elder Affairs	
	<u>310.00</u>	Refund-Franklin County	
		Regional Transit Authority	2,023.00
Election & Registration - State Aid			128.00
Historical Commission - Donations			30.00
Inspections, Licenses, Permits			
	\$1,395.00	Building	
	5,519.00	Dump	
	245.00	Electrical	
	132.00	Licenses	
	70.00	Oil Burners	
	180.00	Plumbing	
	139.00	Permits	
	<u>120.00</u>	Smoke Detectors	7,780.00
Interest on Checking Account			2,483.61
Library - Dog Fund			106.82
Miscellaneous Income			8,177.51
Taxes			377,410.26
Treasurer's Warrant (agency accounts)			
	250.08	Blue Cross/Blue Shield	
	2,022.25	Division of Fisheries & Wildlife	
	201.25	Dog Fees	
	273.13	Cobra (medicare)	
	6,951.00	Federal Income Tax	
	3,810.02	Hampshire County Retirement	
	2,928.33	State Income Tax	
	212.75	Town Clerk (fees)	<u>16,648.81</u>
		Total Receipts	466,909.01

Liabilities

Fire Engine Loan	85,000.00
no payments in FY 91	
Balanced Owed	<u>85,000.00</u>
Payment for FY 92	17,000.00
Fire House Loan - still owed	
	17,500.00
Payment FY 91	<u>1,750.00</u>
Balance Owed	15,750.00
Interest Paid FY 91	875.00

Treasurer's Report Fiscal Year 1991

Liabilities (continued)

Police Cruiser Loan	\$ 14,000.00
no payments FY 91	
Balance owed FY 92	<u>14,000.00</u>

Cash Reconciliation FY 91

Cash Balance FY 90	\$ 77,981.08
Cash Receipts FY 91	466,909.01
Revenue from notes and transfers from checking account	
Money Market and other funds	<u>755,716.98</u>
Total Cash	<u>1,300,607.07</u>
Plus uncashed checks	49.88
Adjusted Cash	<u>1,300,656.95</u>
Less service charges and cost of checks	(606.23)
Total Adjusted Cash	<u>1,300,050.72</u>
Less Total Warrants	(1,283,378.10)
Cash Balance FY 91	<u>14,672.62</u>

Trusts and Funds

Art Council	
Balance FY 90	424.64
Withdrew FY 91	<u>(150.00)</u>
	274.64
Interest FY 91	<u>18.98</u>
Balance FY 91	<u>293.62</u>

Cemetery Perpetual Care	
Balance FY 90	13,541.67
Deposit	515.00
Interest FY 91	<u>579.11</u>
	14,635.78
Withdrew to purchase	
Certificate of Deposit	<u>(14,000.00)</u>
Balance FY 91	<u>635.78</u>

Cemetery Perpetual Care	
Certificate of Deposit	
purchased 1/1/91	<u>14,000.00</u>
Balance FY 91	<u>14,000.00</u>

Treasurer's Report Fiscal Year 1991

Trusts and Funds (continued)

Sally Dickson Charity Fund - certificate of deposit

Balance FY 90	\$ 8,752.48
Interest FY 91	<u>1,670.24</u>
Balance FY 91	10,422.72

Sally Dickson School Fund - certificate of deposit

Balance FY 90	5,198.24
Interest FY 91	<u>663.98</u>
Balance FY 91	5,862.22

Escrow Account

Balance	11,244.34
Deposit	<u>513.91</u>
Interest FY 91	553.12
Balance FY 91	<u>12,311.37</u>

Historical Commission

Balance FY 90	1,058.43
Interest FY 91	<u>50.64</u>
Balance FY 91	1,109.07

Stabilization Fund

Balance FY 90	29,618.94
Interest FY 91	<u>1,952.62</u>
Balance FY 91	31,571.56

Strap Grant

Balance FY 90	65,817.35
Transferred	<u>(56,850.62)</u>
	8,966.73
Interest FY 91	<u>2,742.40</u>
Balance FY 91	11,709.13

REPORT

	APPROP- PRIATIONS
Ambulance	1,700.00
Arts Council (1)	
Assessor's Assistant (2)	5,000.00
Assessors' Registry Fees	100.00
Cemetery Expense	1,500.00
Chapter 90	
Chapter 15 (3)	
Chapter 121 (4)	
Chapter 199 (5)	
Civil Defense	10.00
Computer Maintenance	1,600.00
Conservation Commission	150.00
Council on Aging	300.00
Balance FY90	
Donation and Refund	
Highland Valley	
State Aid	
Disposal Area (6)	28,000.00
Dog Officer's Salary & Expense	600.00
Elected Town Officers' Salaries	6,035.00
Elections & Registrations (7)	700.00
Fire Warden & Chief's Salary	325.00
Fire Department Expense	3,000.00
Fire Dept Recovery System	3,000.00
Fire Engine (8)	10,000.00
Firehouse Note	1,750.00
Interest on Note(9)	1,050.00
Forest Fire Protection	10.00
Franklin Regional Transit Auth (10)	400.00
Gateway Regional School District	269,572.00
Hampshire County Retirement	5,100.00
Health Insurance-employer's share	5,000.00
Health and Sanitation	200.00
Hilltown Resource Mgmt Co	1,309.00
Historical Commission Expense Balance	
Donations	
Holidays & Vacations (6)	3,500.00
Inspections, Licenses, Permits Expense	2,000.00

OF THE TREASURER

TRANSFERS	TOTAL AVAILABLE	RESERVE FUND	EXPEN-DITURES	BALANCE FORWARD	BALANCE OUT
	1,700.00		1,700.00		
	150.00	150.00	150.00		
(1,500)	3,500.00	58.00	3,558.00		
	100.00		37.75		62.25
	1,500.00		1,305.20		194.80
			36,309.65		
29,016.00	29,016.00		29,016.00		
38,238.00	38,238.00		2,758.88	35,479.12	
11,970.42	11,970.42				
	10.00				10.00
	1,600.00		1,387.47		212.58
	150.00		87.75		62.25
1,725.39					
333.00					
406.00					
1,284.00	4,048.39		489.36	3,559.08	
(14,500.00)	13,500.00	57.80	13,557.80		
	600.00		442.38		157.62
	6,035.00		6,035.00		
128.00	828.00	295.50	1,123.50		
	325.00		325.00		
	3,000.00		2,688.28		311.72
	3,000.00		3,000.00		
10,000.00					
10,000.00					
85,000.00	115,000.00		42,250.00	72,500.00	
	1,750.00		1,750.00		
(175.00)	875.00		875.00		
	10.00				10.00
(400.00)	0.00		0.00		
	269,572.00		248,328.84		21,243.16
	5,100.00		2,541.50		2,558.50
	5,000.00		4,780.15		219.84
	200.00		0.00		200.00
	1,309.00		1,309.00		
6.48					
30.00	36.48		0.00	36.48	
2,500.00	6,000.00		5,502.80		397.20
	2,000.00		1,530.00		470.00

Insurance	35,000.00	
Interest Short Term Loans Expense (6)	2,000.00	5,000.00
(10)		400.00
(9)		175.00
(11)		4,500.00
Library (12)	300.00	
Machinery Maintenance Expense	15,000.00	
Maintenance Public Buildings	7,000.00	
Medicare (Cobra) Towns Share	100.00	
Office Expense	2,600.00	
Pioneer Valley Planning Corp	57.00	
Planning Board	10.00	
Police Chief's Salary	300.00	
Police Department Expense	2,000.00	
Police Cruiser (13)	7,000.00	14,000.00
Printing	1,500.00	
Recreation	100.00	
Recreation Area (14)		4,420.00
Regional Resource Center	250.00	
River Road Bridge Construction East (15)		175,000.00
Selectmen's Expense	500.00	
Selectmen's Secretary's Salary	2,000.00	
Strap Grant (16)		78,559.74
Street Lights	600.00	
Tax Map Update	600.00	
Town Council	150.00	
Town Highways (17)	24,000.00	13,500.00
Town Hall Building (18)		3,000.00
Town Snow Removal	30,000.00	
Treasurer's Warrant		
BlueCross/Blue Shield		
Division of Fisheries & Wildlife		
Dog Fees		
Federal Income Tax		
Hampshire County Retirement		
Hampshire County Tax		
Medicare (Cobra) Employees Share		
State Income Tax		
Town Clerk Fees		
Tree Accounts		
Dutch Elm Disease	100.00	
Insect Pest Control	150.00	
Tree Warden	100.00	
Unemployment Compensation	100.00	

35,000.00		23,388.59		11,611.41
12,075.00	1,000.08	13,075.08		
300.00	477.10	777.10		
15,000.00	1,183.45	16,183.45		
7,000.00		5,461.26		1,538.74
100.00	173.13	273.13		
2,600.00		2,939.00		106.02
57.00		57.75		.75
10.00		0.00		10.00
300.00		300.00		
2,000.00		1,966.50		33.50
21,000.00		21,000.00		
1,500.00		1,048.89		451.11
100.00		0.00		100.00
4,420.00		0.00	4,420.00	
250.00		0.00		250.00
175,000.00		198,275.37	18,284.38	
500.00		362.20		137.80
2,000.00		2,000.00		
78,559.74		56,850.61	11,709.13	
600.00		418.24		181.76
600.00		552.15		47.85
150.00		150.00		
37,500.00	514.94	38,014.94		
3,000.00		500.00	2,500.00	
30,000.00		31,560.81		
		35,170.74		
		250.08		
		2,022.25		
		201.25		
		6,951.00		
		3,810.02		
		719.00		
		273.13		
		2,928.33		
		212.55		
100.00		100.00		
150.00		150.00		
100.00		0.00		100.00
100.00		58.26		41.74

Upper Glendale Falls Bridge		
Engineering Survey	3,000.00	
Veteran's Agent	10.00	
Visiting Nurse	350.00	
War Memorials & Playgrounds	1,000.00	
Wast Oil Furance		5,000.00
		(5,000.00)
Western Massachusetts Coalition	100.00	
Hampshire County Assessment		
Payments on Short Term Loans		

Total Expenditures

Breakdown of Treasurers Warrant

Department of Environment - Assessment
Dog Fees Adjustment
Dump - Refund
Medicare - Cobra Adjustment
Motor Vehicle Excise Refund
Neil Nickerson Fees
Personal Property Tax Refund
Purchase of Certificates of Deposit
Purchase of Certificates of Deposit
Real Estate Tax Refund
Return of Bid Money
Total of Treasurers Warrant

3,000.00	2,500.00	500.00	
10.00	0.00		10.00
350.00	350.00		
1,000.00	456.50		543.50
5,000.00			
100.00	0.00		100.00
3,120.50			
	175,000.00		
	80,000.00		
	75,000.00		
	54,295.75		
	<u>1,283,378.10</u>		

112.50
6.00
40.00
3.23
130.07
515.00
13.02
20,000.00
14,000.00
275.92
75.00
<u>35,170.74</u>

Footnotes

- (1) Monies were taken from the Arts Council savings account.
- (2) Transferred to Town Highways
- (3) Monies borrowed for Chapter work (these monies are reimburseable)
- (4) Monies borrowed for Chapter work (these monies are reimburseable)
- (5) Monies borrowed for Chapter work (these monies are reimburseable)
- (6) \$5,000.00 transferred to Interest, Short Term Loans, \$2,500.00 to Holidays and Vacations and \$4,000.00 to Town Highways
- (7) State Aid
- (8) \$10,000.00 transferred from Free Cash, \$10,000.00 taken from the Stabilization Fund and borrowed \$85,000.00
- (9) Transferred to Interest, Short Term Loans
- (10) Transferred to Interest, Short Term Loans
- (11) Monies transferred from Free Cash
- (12) Monies transferred to the Library Income Account
- (13) Monies borrowed to purchase Police Cruiser
- (14) Balance carried forward from Fiscal Year 1990
- (15) Monies borrowed to construct River Road Bridge (these monies are reimburseable)
- (16) Strap Grant monies
- (17) Explained in footnotes (2) and (6)
- (18) Monies taken from Free Cash

REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS

The FY 1992 tax rate of \$14.80 per \$1000 of valuation reflects an increase of 21.3% above the FY 1991 level and a whopping 58% above the FY 1990 tax rate of \$9.35. These increases have been caused by a combination of higher school budgets, reduced State Aid, purchase of capital equipment and reduced taxable valuation. Proposition 2 and 1/2 levy limit overrides of \$70,000 for FY1991 and \$35,000 for FY 1992 have enabled the Town to fund these budgets.

The State mandated revaluation of all real property for FY 1993 is in progress. Current indications are, based on 1991 sales, that land valuations will not change. Residence valuations may increase about 4%. Whereas the number of sales is reduced from the level of former years, sales prices remain remarkably close to our assessed valuations. Questions that the Board of Assessors receives from taxpayers indicate that many people believe a general increase or decrease in valuations will directly raise or lower taxes. In fact, the size of the budget approved at the Annual Town Meeting has the most direct and greatest effect on the level of taxes we must pay.

This year, the Town initiated quarterly real estate tax billing. The cooperation of taxpayers in meeting the more frequent bill due dates has generally been good. Many people have expressed favorable reaction to paying taxes in four installments instead of the former two larger payments. This procedure has improved cash flow as intended. It does, however, involve considerably more clerical effort on the part of the Assessors and Collector.

The FY 1992 tax rate is calculated as follows:

Total Town Meeting Appropriations:	\$527,973.00
Total State/County Charges:	6,570.00
Overlay Reserve	7,500.71
Ch. 811/637 Overdraft	36,310.00
Bridge Acc't Overdraft	3,818.00
 Total Amount to Be Raised	 <u>\$582,171.71</u>
 Receipts from State	 89,798.00
Estimated Local Receipts	46,431.00
Free Cash	12,500.00
 Total Receipts	 <u>148,729.00</u>
 Net Amount To Be Raised	 \$433,442.71
 Tax Rate: 433,442.71 x 1000 = \$14.80	
<u>29,286,670.00</u>	

Kristin Monson
Martin Main
John Rice

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

FISCAL 1991

FY YEAR	TAX	BAL 7/1/90	WARRANTS	REFUNDS	TOTALS	TAXES COLLECTED	ABATED	ADJ PLUS OR -	BALANCE
1991	R.E.		\$354,798.00	\$ 186.62	\$354,984.62	\$283,087.08	\$ 5,403.72	\$ 468.71	\$ 66,025.11
	P.P.		10,242.34	13.02	10,255.36	10,082.92	26.03		146.41
	R.B.		407.50		407.50				-0-
	MVE		15,398.76	10.00	15,408.76	11,549.90	155.00		3,703.86
			380,846.60	209.64	381,056.24	305,127.40	5,584.75	468.71	69,875.38
1990	R.E.	\$ 52,131.07		66.56	52,197.63	30,517.31	1,587.54	570.41	19,522.37
	P.P.	538.79			538.79	519.34		.02	19.43
	W.P.	10,387.20			10,387.20	10,387.20			-0-
	MVE	10,933.67		130.06	11,063.73	8,127.41	290.06	261.25	2,907.51
		84,924.40		196.62	73,187.35	49,551.26	1,877.60	831.68	22,449.31
1989	R.E.	\$ 16,077.44			16,077.44	11,480.63	534.74	75.00	4,137.07
	P.P.	152.24			152.24	83.53		9.98	58.73
	MVE	5,234.63			5,234.63	2,475.21	217.95	200.75	2,340.72
		21,464.31			21,464.31	14,039.37	752.69	285.73	6,536.52
1988	R.E.	\$ 3,656.04			3,656.04	2,515.16		44.98	1,095.90
	P.P.	94.95			94.95	82.78			12.17
	MVE	1,379.96			1,379.96	448.44	111.15	225.99	1,046.36
		5,130.95			5,130.95	3,046.38	111.15	270.97	2,154.43
1987	R.E.	56.32			56.32	56.32			-0-
	P.P.	87.08			87.08	74.62			12.46
	MVE	217.49			217.49	108.40	73.13	5.00	40.96
		360.89			360.89	239.34	73.13	5.00	53.42
1986	R.E.	\$ 48.60			48.60	42.12			6.48
	P.P.	56.07			56.07	56.07			-0-
	MVE	25.00			25.00	25.00			-0-
1985	MVE	15.00			15.00	15.00			-0-
1984	P.P.	50.40			50.40	50.40			-0-
1983	P.P.	57.75			57.75	57.75			-0-
1982	P.P.	56.35			56.35	56.35			-0-
1981	P.P.	317.52			317.52	102.61	214.91		-0-
1980	P.P.	236.43			236.43	78.80	157.63		-0-
1979	P.P.	205.00			205.00	68.33	136.67		-0-
		938.45			938.45	429.24	509.21		
TOTALS		\$112,948.67	\$380,846.60	\$406.26	\$482,267.86	\$372,556.18	\$ 8,908.53		\$101,075.54

TAXES COLLECTED \$372,556.18
 INTEREST COLLECTED 3,464.54
 MUNI LEINS 850.00
\$376,870.72

Respectfully Submitted,
 Neil G. Nickerson, Tax Collector

Middlefield Police Department
Annual Report

The Middlefield Police Department would like to thank the citizens of the Town of Middlefield for their support and cooperation during the past year. The members of the Department during the year have all continued to maintain the training requirements of the Commonwealth and have exceeded the 40 hour minimum requirement. On the average each member has received approximately 60 hours of training ranging from emergency first aid and Chapter 90 Laws to firearms training. The police cruiser that the town purchased two years ago continues to prove its importance in regard to the improvements it has made on the response time to police calls. Maintenance of the cruiser continues to be accomplished mainly by the members of the Department who on many occasions use their own finances to pay for washing during the winter and for parts, oil, etc. Because of the distance the state police have to travel to respond to a Middlefield emergency maintaining this vehicle is a priority of the members of the Department.

The number of serious incidents in the Town increased this year as can be seen in the annual police activity log. For this reason the Department will be asking the Town for equipment and training that will help to protect officers and other equipment that will be used to protect the citizens of the Town. The Middlefield Police Department continues to be one of only a handful of police departments in the state that is entirely voluntary. All that the members of the Department ask, is that they be provided with proper equipment to guarantee their safety so that they may continue to provide a level of service that is respected by area police departments and the state police.

During the upcoming year the Department will continue its training and will be actively involved in the establishment of the Emergency 911 System in the Town.

In closing the Department again wants to thank the Town for their support and also wants to thank the Massachusetts State Police Russell Barracks and the Massachusetts Environmental Police for their assistance and cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Austin, Chief
Curt Robie, Sargent
Victor Fastiggi, Training Officer
Jimmy Jasmin, Officer

Middlefield Police Department
Activity Log

Arrests.....	2	Vandalism.....	4
Motor Vehicle Accidents.....	7	Hunting Complaints.....	12
Domestic Violence.....	2	Assisted Game Warden.....	8
Trespassing.....	6	Recreational Vehicle Complaints.....	12
House Alarms.....	8	Assisted Fire Dept.....	2
Mutual Aid.....	5	Checking Hunting Licenses.....	60
Medical Calls.....	4	Suspicious Vehicles.....	5
Motor Vehicle Citations.....	10	Court Hours.....	24
Breaking and Entering.....	6	Phone Traps.....	2
Larceny.....	5	Assault and Battery.....	2
Discharge of a Firearm.....	12	Hit and Run.....	5
Arrest Warrants Served.....	3	Suicide.....	1
Court Orders Served.....	10	Assist Western Mass Electric.....	2
Assisted State Police.....	9		

Conservation Commission

The Conservation Commission inspected 8 sites in 1991 to determine if Notices of Intent were required. Two sites required Notices of Intent - One has been filed and is currently under review by DEP. One Amended Order of Conditions was issued.

The Conservation Commission determined the other sites would not violate any portion of the Wetlands Protection Act.

This year the Conservation Commission sent out a mailing to landowners explaining the Conservation Commission's role in applying the Wetlands Protection Act and reminding landowners that they are responsible for complying with these regulations.

The Conservation Commission is available to answer questions and inspect sites to determine if a Notice of Intent needs to be filed.

Respectfully submitted,

James M Zimmerman Chairman
Kristin Monson
Diane McQuaid

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

1991 was an exciting year for the Middlefield Fire Department. After 39 years and several extra months of waiting due to Operation Desert Storm, the Town's new fire engine arrived. Our appreciation to Frank Zwack of Zwack Inc., Stephentown, N.Y. and the Darley Corp. for their guidance and service with the new truck. Our equipment is continually being updated to meet National Fire Prevention standards with the additions of new hose, nozzles, suction, SCBA (breathing apparatus), and a new base radio. The department has also acquired a pick-up truck which will be converted to a rescue/brush truck. Our thanks to the Department of Environmental Management for finding us this vehicle.

New members Val Kirchner and Steve Baker EMT's have assisted with training and have offered 2 CPR courses, a first aid course and Aids Awareness course which were open to towns people. Our Junior Fire Department continues to be very active and a big asset to us with 7 eager members.

We responded to 20 calls in 1991:

5 chimney fires	12 smoke det. inspections
9 medical calls	were issued
4 brush fires	6 propane permits
2 mutual aids	

This is the fifth and final year for the "Recovery" program but we are tightening the belt due to the economic situation and only requesting \$1500.00 - half of the proposed \$3000.00. We thank the taxpayers of Middlefield for their support with this 5 year program which has enabled us to modernize our equipment and help meet National Fire Protection standards.

Thanks to all the members and towns people who have helped with our projects contributing many hours of their time to upgrade the department.

Disposal Attendant Report

In 1991, the Disposal Area again demonstrated the immense value of cooperative involvement in containing governmental costs. As the only activity in which taxpayers directly determine success or failure, it has been inspiring to witness the enthusiasm and grit with which our Town has attacked the universal problem of recycling. Funds freed up by declining disposal costs have been used to offset the impact of reduced state revenues and increasing costs in virtually every other area of government.

In December, 1991, the HRMC (our Co-op) was signally honored by the Mass Municipal Assoc for its uniquely common-sense and low-budget methods of attacking recycling problems. Nonetheless, statistics clearly indicate that sizable additional savings can be realized through a conscientious effort on the part of a minority of transfer station users.

We aren't standing still. A Salvation Army Collection Box has been sited to channel reusable clothing to the needy. A plastics recycling system is in place with a separate building dedicated to that purpose. This structure may also provide space to shelter reusable goods for recycling within the community. Plans for a waste oil heating unit at the Town Garage will simultaneously eliminate a toxic waste and save fuel dollars.

The initial phase of recycling is working. Significant future strides can be made by more informed consumer buying practices and by fine-tuning the basics:

1. Clean and crush all tins
2. Tightly bundle all paper products
3. Separate ALL recyclable plastics: only #1 and #2 plastics plus all beverage containers
4. Remove all tape, staples and plastic from paper & cardboard items
5. Remove plastic components from glass and cans
6. No tape, plastic, rope, string or other noncompatible components should be attached to recycle items (paper, glass or tin)

Unlike many surrounding towns, Middlefield has refrained from bag fees and clear plastic bag requirements to ensure compliance with recycling objectives. Clearly, however, this position can only be maintained if voluntary cooperation is at a very high level.

Simply stated, recyclables put in the wrong bin means higher tax bills in our mail boxes. All suggestions for improving the Transfer Station are always welcome.

Respectfully submitted,

M Archie Main
Disposal Attendant

BUILDING INSPECTOR

List of Permits issued in 1991

<u>Houses</u>		
Augustus Neumann		Chipman Rd
Roy Schumann		Town Hill Rd
Demont Const. Co.		Skyline Trail
Rich Pieciak		Chester Rd
Jane Peirce		Chester Rd

<u>Sheds</u>		
Bishop Kukieke		Skyline Trail
William Allen Jr.		Cone Rd
John Richardson		Chester Rd
Art Muller		Skyline Trail

<u>Garages</u>		
Thomas Duby		Chipman Rd
Hal Martin		Skyline Trail
Henry Rock Sr.		Skyline Trail

<u>Barns</u>		
Steven & Judith Gagnon		Chester Rd

<u>Additions</u>		
Hal Martin		Skyline Trail
Tom Rock		West Hill Rd
Mike Brighentti		West Hill Rd

<u>Perc Tests</u>		
Dave Lapinski	2	Curtin Rd
Maureen Sullivan	1	Cone Rd
Steve Feldmesser		
Mike Nevers	1	Chester Rd
Gordon Guild	1	Skyline Trail
Charles Renaldi	1	West Hill Rd

<u>Stove Permits</u>		
Kirk Dowsey		Skyline Trail
Jim Martone		Becket Rd

<u>Septic Repair</u>		
Ann Jewett		West Hill Rd
Gordon Miller		Chipman Rd
William O'Connor		Skyline Trail
Curt Robie		Skyline Trail
Art Muller		Skyline Trail
Wayne Suriner (Alderman Property)		Skyline Trail

Respectfully submitted,

Walter D Smith
Building Inspector

COUNCIL ON AGING

The Middlefield Council on Aging has enjoyed an active and informative year. This past year 14 luncheons were held, attended by a total of 311 elders, either at the Senior Center or at the school during the winter months, about 20 meals were taken to the homebound. Many of these luncheons were attended by guest speakers with subjects ranging from the new health care proxy law to alternate living arrangements for the elderly.

Health care continues to be a focus of concern and we were able to provide a Cholesterol Clinic, a Flu Clinic (with the aid of the Lee V.N.A.) and check monthly Blood Pressures. The total number of medical services provided was 192. "Vials of Life" have been distributed to all those interested; anyone who does not have one and wants to participate may call a Council member for information.

Transportation to the "city" for groceries and doctor appointments is provided by volunteer drivers, reimbursement for gas is provided by the Franklin Regional Transit Authority and State Formula Grants. A total of 2550 miles have been driven this year.

Intergenerational programs continue to be a source of pleasure. Gateway Regional School once again sponsored an Easter Program of music and snacks and a Christmas Program of music and a Holiday Luncheon. The Middlefield C.O.A. hosted an ice cream social with the local youth and a luncheon after which entertainment was provided by the local youth drama club.

The newsletter continues to go to print on a quarterly basis and is presently being mailed to 80 households.

The Brown Bag distribution continues and has recently been increased to a monthly distribution.

We have had 6 new members join our ranks through the year and have been deeply saddened by the loss of three very special people. Helen Alderman Nov. 1990, Charley Cook Nov. 1991 and Isabella Jordan Jan. 1992. We trust they are now at peace in the arms of God.

The Middlefield Council on Aging is made up entirely of volunteer members; without their dedication and commitment this organization would not exist. For many, their participation goes far beyond the monthly meeting, luncheons, quarterly newsletter, brown bag distribution, and transportation. These volunteers are astute to the needs of all our seniors and often preform tasks or acts of kindness without hesitation or direction. More than 2000 volunteer hours per year are presently being utilized. Thank you volunteers.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan M Almorì Chairperson
Lydia Sanders Vice Chairperson
Betty Oligny Secretary
Ellen Miller Treasurer
Gordon Guild

James Hale
Cindy Oligny
Joyce Slater
Priscilla Suriner
Wayne Suriner

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

"The Face we choose to miss,
Be it but for a day -
As absent as a hundred years
When it has rode away."

Emily Dickenson, Sonnet CXXXIV

Your Cemetery Commissioners met on a regular monthly basis during 1991. Commencing in late June through September, 1991, Fred Rogers of Becket took over the mowing of the town's five cemeteries.

Although there are still Plots available for sale in Pine Grove Cemetery (to year-round residents and/or natives of Middlefield only), this Commission foresees the time in the not-so-distant future when additional cemetery land must be found. For this reason, effective as of the date of this report, such purchases will be limited to ONE PLOT (containing 4 burial lots) per family or individual as defined above. Cost of same remains at \$500 and it is hoped an increase will not be necessary in the immediate future.

Although cemetery mowing costs have remained stable for three years, maintaining cemetery grounds properly and respectfully today, includes more than 'mowing' and more than our small annual budget can be expected to handle. For example: winter storms fell old trees and large branches which must be cut and cleared away; through spring and summer weeds, brambles and saplings proliferate along the back walls and boundary lines of the cemeteries; cemetery roadways erode, some have disappeared. Just a few of the ongoing serious problems we have to, and do - address. Each year we take care of one or two of the most demanding ones. In 1992, a 50' section of eroded roadway in Pine Grove Cemetery will be initiated and will be completed when funds are available. (Let it herein be noted: Perpetual Care is intended for 'mowing of graves and its surrounds and pathways', not for maintenance of Town owned property, that is, the Cemetery itself. You buy the Plot, not the Cemetery.)

On other matters, we have had several inquiries regarding the number of cremains allowed per grave lot. As of the date of this report, the number allowed, depending on urn size is no more than eight per lot. Cemetery Regulations require ashes to be contained in an indestructible container for burial.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank Middlefield Grange and 4-H Members who consistently and generously give of their time each year to place Flags on our Veterans grave sites. Flag 'staffs' for these graves must come from Veteran Services as your Commission is not the official agent for it. The Department of Veteran Services, Town Hall, Dalton, Mass., has been of help to local families in the past.

Finally, thanks to all of you out there for your support during 1991.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Burnham, Chairman

Larry Pease, Clerk

Neil G Nickerson, Comm.

LEE VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION

Home Visits

Skilled Nursing	41
Physical Therapy	3

Clinics	Sessions	Attendance
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Flue Immunization	1	28
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