

Town of Middlefield



1999 Annual Town Report

And

Warrant for Annual Town Meeting for Fiscal Year 2001

ANNUAL REPORTS

**of the
TOWN of**

MIDDLEFIELD

Massachusetts

Fiscal Year 1999

OFFICES HOURS AND MEETINGS

SELECTMEN:	7:30 p.m. Mondays
TAX COLLECTOR:	7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Mondays 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Saturdays
TREASURER:	7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Mondays 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Saturdays
ASSESSORS:	7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Mondays 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Saturdays
TOWN CLERK:	7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Mondays 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Saturdays

TOWN OFFICE PHONES:

ASSESSORS 623-8966
SELECTMEN 623-2079 (manned only during regular meeting hours)

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Fiscal Year 1999
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Town of Middlefield
2000 Annual Town Meeting Warrant

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 Town Hall in said Middlefield on Saturday the 6th 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:

An Auditor, Moderator, Town Clerk, and Tree Warden for a term of one year. A Tax Collector and a Hampshire Council of Government member for a term of two years. An Assessor, Cemetery Commissioner, Finance Committee member, Library Trustee, two Planning Board members, Selectman, and Zoning Board of Appeals member for a term of three years. 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 the 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 & appropriate the sum of money to defray the expenses of the Town for the fiscal year July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2001, or take any other action relating thereto:

Salaries of Elected Officials:

Moderator	\$100.00
Town Clerk	1,500.00
Treasurer	2,500.00
Tax Collector	5,000.00
Assessor, Chair	1,500.00
Assessor, 2nd	1,500.00
Assessor, 3rd	1,500.00
Selectman, Chair	1,000.00
Selectman	1,000.00
Selectman	1,000.00
Auditor	45.00
Constable, 1st	90.00
Constable, 2nd	90.00

Highway and Related Expenses:

Snow Removal	50,000.00
Highway Maintenance	50,000.00
Unpaved Roads Materials	15,000.00
Machinery Expense	16,000.00
Fuel	6,000.00
Holiday and Vacation Pay	6,000.00
Health Insurance, Employees	8,500.00
Unemployment Compensation	4,000.00

Natural Resources:

Dutch Elm Disease Control	0.00
Forest Fire Protection	10.00
Insect Pest Control	100.00
Tree Warden	100.00

Government:

COBRA (Medicare)	1,200.00
Elections & Registrations	1,000.00
Hampshire County Retirement	4,703.00
Health & Sanitation	10.00
Interest, Short Term Loans	6,000.00
Insurance	25,000.00
Printing	750.00
Town Counsel	1,500.00
Social Security	6,500.00
County Tax/Hampshire Council Gov't	3,287.00

Office Expenses:

Selectmen's Secretary	3,500.00
Selectmen's Travel & Expense	800.00
Office Supplies	3,000.00
Assessors Assistant	5,500.00
Assessors Education	1,200.00
Assessors Computer Software	1,500.00
Assessors Computer Replacement	2,000.00
Assessors Expense	1,500.00
Assessors Registry Fees	150.00
Assessors Tax Map Update	650.00
Tax Collectors Expense	4,000.00

Miscellaneous:	
Cemetery Expense	3,600.00
Civil Defense	10.00
Council on Aging	1,000.00
Disposal Area	18,000.00
Hilltown Resource Management Coop	1,373.00
Dog Officer Salary	400.00
Dog Officer Expense	300.00
Lee Visiting Nurse	1,000.00
Library Expense	1,500.00
Maintenance of Public Buildings	26,000.00
Pioneer Valley Planning Commission	60.00
Planning Board	10.00
Recreation Committee	500.00
Street Lights	500.00
Veterans Agent	100.00
War Memorials & Playgrounds	3,500.00
Police Department:	
Police Chief Salary	400.00
Police Expenses	6,100.00
Fire Department:	
Fire Chief/Forest Warden	425.00
Fire Department Expenses	4,500.00
Dispatch Services	2,650.00
Hinsdale Ambulance	1,200.00
Huntington Ambulance	200.00
Inspectors Salaries:	
Building	3,329.00
Board of Health/Inspection Agent	300.00
Electrical	300.00
Electrical Assistant	100.00
Oil Burner	100.00
Plumbing	300.00
Smoke Detector	100.00
Propane	100.00

ARTICLE 4. To determine the disposition of the Dog Fund.

ARTICLE 5. 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 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$ _____ from the Conservation Commission Wetland's Receipts Reserved Account to the Conservation Commission Wetland's Expense Account.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to accept Franklin Regional Transit Authority as the official transportation agent for the Council on Aging.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$320,763.00 for Middlefield's minimum contribution of the budget for the Gateway Regional School District for the period of July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2001, or take any other action thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$51,742.00 for Middlefield's share of the over-minimum contribution to the budget for the Gateway Regional School District for the period of July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2001, or take any other action thereto, or accept as an over-minimum contribution a sum which is less than \$51,742.00 as certified by the Gateway Regional School District.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$34,612.00 for Middlefield's share of the Transportation and Debt Service (non-foundation budget) & Construction for the Gateway Regional School District for the period of July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2001, or take any other action thereto.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 for the Stabilization Fund or take any other action thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to defray anticipated ongoing expenditures for refurbishing, maintaining and restoring the Middlefield Museum or take any other action thereto.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$12,000.00 for the payment of principal on the Trash Compactor note.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$900.00 for the payment of interest on the Trash Compactor note.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53 E 1/2 that may be spent on the Transfer Station without further appropriation during FY2001. Funds collected may be used for the Transfer Station, for capital equipment, grounds' improvements or other related expenses to benefit the Transfer Station. The Selectmen may spend up to \$5,000 in revolving fund monies for the program during FY2001.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to accept Section 2B and Section 2E of Chapter 53 Acts of 1999 apportionment totaling \$40,935 as an available fund for the highways.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize selling the 1956 Ford Pumper. Proceeds to be deposited into the Stabilization fund for future equipment. Truck to be sold by sealed bid by Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize selling the 1977 Dodge Truck Cab and Chassis. Proceeds to be deposited into the Stabilization fund for future equipment. Truck to be sold by sealed bid by Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a new 3 ton heavy duty truck to include sander body and plow with financing to be \$20,000 to be raised and appropriated in FY2001. Balance of \$40,000 to be financed in FY2002 through FY2005.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to accept MGL Chapter 59, Clauses 41B and 41C elderly exemption clauses.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to add a bylaw to authorize the Baord of Selectmen to accept gifts of land and easements on behalf of the Town without a Town Meeting vote provided no appropriation of funds is necessary for the acquisition. The Board of Selectmen is also authorized to grant nonexclusive easements which the Board of Assessors has determined to have a fair market value of less than \$10,000 or are less than 43,000 square feet in size without a Town Meeting vote

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$3,000.00 for a storage container at the Town Hall or take any other action relating thereto.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$2,000.00 for a generator enclosure to be located at the Town Hall or take any other action relating thereto.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,000.00 for 3 sets of turn out gear, \$4,500 for 2 Scott Air Packs and \$1,650.00 for 11 lenghts of 3" fire hose for the Fire Department or take any other action relating thereto.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to

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ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$40,000 from free cash to offset the tax rate.

ARTICLE 28. To transact any other business to come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies of same in the Middlefield Post Office, on the bulletin board at the Town Hall, a designated place in the Bancroft section of the Town and a designated place in Smith Hollow, seven days at least before time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands at Middlefield the day of April
in the year of Our Lord, two thousand.

Board of Selectmen:

Tom Rock

Peter Oligny

Larry Pease

I have this day posted attested copies of herein warrant as directed

Constable of Middlefield

Date

BOARD OF SELECTMEN REPORT

This past year has been a very active year or the Board of Selectmen. Because of the cooperation of the townspeople and the significant efforts of many elected officials, we have become better off financially to face the coming years and challenges. Our back taxes are at a manageable level, we had several sales of property, and the State has finally begun to address it's obligations to the Town of Middlefield. All of these things have contributed to our improved financial standing. Our free cash is now at a level that we have never reached before. And we have been able to build up our Stabilization account. While we are by no means wealthy, these accomplishments have put us in a position to begin to consider addressing capital needs that we have long put off.

A major accomplishment this past year has been the hiring of Keith Porter of Worthington, as our Highway Superintendent. We would like to thank Don Savery for his years of service to the town. Don was not interested in assuming the superintendent's position and after the hiring of Keith, Don consented to Stay on for a while until the department could get settled in A search for this position had been going on a long time and trying to operate the department without that leadership resulted in some projects not being completed when we had hoped. We now have in place three members of the highway department who we hope to be able keep on a long term basis. Because of the State of the economy in general, employees are hard to find, especially employees willing to work with old equipment who get called in at all hours of the day and night to work under very hazardous conditions. As you will see in the warrant articles dealing with highway maintenance, the costs associated with trying to keep good employees needs to be addressed. Our roads need some major attention and we hope the voters realize by providing this we can only improve our property values.

We have two major road projects that require State and Federal funding. They are Skyline Trail and the Town Hill Road project. We continue to read of the funding problems made even more difficult by the State's need to find funds for the "Big Dig" . At every turn, we seem to run into some problem that the agency helping us has in getting these projects going. This has been very frustrating to the Board while we will continue to push Middlefield's needs, it does not look very promising.

The town of Middlefield is very fortunate to have dedicated citizens that volunteer to keep the town running. The Board of Selectmen would like to express our appreciation to all elected and appointed officials who effectively work for free while trying to better our community. This year we would like to give special recognition to three individuals who have gone over

the top in their support for various Middlefield projects: Bill Allen has been an extremely valuable asset to Middlefield, using his engineering skills and expertise at no cost to the town.

He has made numerous trips to Boston and knows the people that can best help to get projects completed. Curt Robie has shown what perseverance can do. His determination to see that Middlefield has a basketball court and skating rink has now paid dividends. Curt has spent countless hours working on that project and our children will benefit from Curt's efforts. Nancy Pease is retiring from her position as Town Treasurer this year. With all of the State regulations and requirements, this job is almost a full time position. She has guarded our monies well and managed to get our town through some very difficult times. She leaves us in a sound financial position, but with an open office that will be difficult to fill. Thank you all very much.

Now that the new building plan for the Gateway School District has passed, keeping our tax rate in check will be a formidable job in the coming years. Because we will not feel the effect of the building plan until two or three years from now, we feel it is important to address the capital needs of Middlefield right away. Once our tax rate has to incorporate the Gateway requirements, it will be very difficult to also try to absorb any big expenses on our own behalf. Because of this, we ask that you seriously consider proposed expenditures for capital needs that we have long put off.

The Board of Selectmen, again, would like to thank everyone for their cooperation and help. We welcome your suggestions and comments and appreciate your patience in resolving various issues that are presented to the board. With the election of Peter Oligny, the board became full again in July and we have tried to address citizens concerns as quickly as possible. We would like to extend our sympathy to the family of David Baker who passed away this past winter .

Thomas Rock, Chairman
Larry Pease
Peter Oligny

OFFICERS and COMMITTEES for 1999

ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS Term Expires

Board of Selectmen

Thomas Rock, Chairman	2001
Larry Pease	2000
Peter Oigny	2002

Board of Assessors

Gustel Progulske, Chairman	2000
Githa Jozsef	2001
Kristin Monson	2002

Auditor

Martin 'Archie' Main	2000
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Constables

William Paschal	2001
Donald Savery	2001

Board of Health & Fence Viewers

Board of Selectmen, Chairman	
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Cemetery Commission

Nancy Burnham	2000
Neil G. Nickerson	2001
Larry Pease	2002

County Commissioner

Joseph Kearns	2001
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Finance Committee

Scott Artioli	2001
Archie Main	2001
William Allen	2002
Greg Carpenter	2000
Joseph Kearns	2000

Library Trustees

Susan Donnelly	2000
Chris Bresnahan	2001
Elizabeth Carpenter	2002

Moderator

Joe Kearns	2001
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Planning Board

Michael Hale	2000
Joanne Rennert-Boisvert	2002
Tamarin Paine	2002
Ann Jewett	2001
Jay Wagg Swift	2000

School Committee

Paula Bouffard	2002
Steve Bouffard	2002

Tax Collector

Ann Savery	2001
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Treasurer

Nancy C. Pease	2001
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Tree Warden

Brian Miller	2000
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Town Clerk

Marjorie Batorski	2000
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Zoning Board of Appeals

Peter Oigny	2000
Maurice Pease	2001
Nancy Burnham	2002

APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS TermExp

Town Attorney

Kopelman & Paige	2000
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Animal Inspector - Domestic/Rabies

Donald Savery	2000
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Cultural Council

Peter Oigny	2002
Andrea Tosi	2002
Beth Carpenter	2000
Crocus Hale	2000
Chris Bresnahan	2001
Lois Bell	2001

OFFICERS and COMMITTEES for 1999

APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS *continued*

Building Inspector

Walter Smith 1/2 2000
 Paul Tacy 1/2 2000
 Rick Barus, Alternate 2000

Civil Defense Warden

Larry Pease 2000
 Thomas Austin, Asst. Warden 2000

Conservation Commission

Thomas Troie 2002
 Steve Cummings 2000
 Carolyn Quigley 2001

✕ Council on Aging

Joan Almorì, Co-Chairman 2000
 Judy Carrington Ellen Miller
 Elizabeth Oligny Pricilla Suriner
 Wayne Suriner Gustel Progulske
 Richard Progulske

Disposal Area

Martin Main 2000
 Kathy O'Brien, Assistant 2000

Dog Officer

David Krassler 2000

Dutch Elm and Insect Pest Control

Brian Miller 2000

Field Drivers

Board of Selectmen

✕ Fire and Forest Warden

Larry F. Pease, Fire Chief 2000
 Ronald Radwich, Deputy Fire Chief 2000

Historical Commission

Nancy Burnham 2001
 George Bell 2000
 Jack Cobb 2000

Lumber Surveyor

Brian Miller 2000

Wood/Bark Measurer

Edward James 2000

✕ Police Department

Thomas Austin, Police Chief 2000
 Curt Robie 2000
 Michael Pensivey 2000
 Darren Pensivey 2000

Plumbing Inspector

William Zeitler, Jr. 2000

Recreation Committee

Board of Selectmen

Recreation Sub-Committee

Judy Carrington, Chair 2000

Registrar of Voters

Marjorie Batorski 2000
 Mary Jane Donnelly 2000
 Anita Myers 2000
 Phyllis Turner 2000

Smoke Alarm & Oil Burner Inspector

Larry Pease 2000

Street Superintendent

Keith Porter 2000

Veteran's Agent

~~Cameron McQuaid 2000~~

Westfield River Advisory

Carl Lafreniere 2000

Wiring Inspector

Eric Main 2000

ASSESSORS

In 1999 we reviewed approximately one third of the properties. We appreciate the cooperation of the homeowners in helping us to update our records. We processed 19 abatements and 9 exemptions. Our current tax rate of \$16.71 per \$1,000 is calculated as follows:

Town meeting appropriations	\$737,279.
Total Cherry Sheet	5,417.
State and county charges	1,187.
Overlay reserve	5,848.
Amount to be raised	\$749,731.
Receipts from state	\$101,038.
Estimated local receipts	79,250.
Other available funds	24,659.
Total estimated receipts	204,947.
Net amount to be raised	\$544,784.

Tax Rate: $\frac{544,784}{32,602,252} \times 1000 = 16.71$

Respectfully submitted,
Gustel Progulske, Chairperson
Kristin Monson
Githa Jozsef

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Enclosed is a listing of all building permits issued in your town for calendar 1999, and tables showing totals for all towns in the Hampshire Inspection Program for 1999 and 1998. A total of 214 permits were issued in 1999, up from 196 in 1998 and 136 in 1997. Of these, 35 permits were for new houses, up from 25 in 1998. A complete record of all pertinent information for each permit has been forwarded to the Tax Assessors. If you wish more detailed information regarding any permit(s), you may contact them. As always, feel free to contact me.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HAMPSHIRE INSPECTION PROGRAM

214 building permits were issued throughout the five member towns of the Hampshire Inspection Program in 1999. This is approximately a 10 per cent increase over the past year. Of these permits, 35 were for new homes. The breakdown of permit activity for the five towns is as follows:

Town	Permits	New	
		Homes	Permit fees
Chesterfield	53	11	\$9,093.79
Goshen	47	10	6,219.25
Huntington	55	6	6,120.95
Middlefield	23	3	2,069.95
Plainfield	36	5	6,483.60

For a detailed report of building permits issued in Middlefield during 1999, refer to chart on the next page.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul Tacy
Building Commissioner
Hampshire Inspection Program
99 Main St., Room 232
Northampton, MA 01060
Phone: (413) 628-3836
Fax: (413) 628-4027

CEMETERY COMMISSION

Another year has gone by and spring and summer are drawing upon us once again. As we head into the summer, we should all take a minute and stop and think of how we live, where we've been and where we're headed in our lives. We can all be thankful for being here with our friends and people we know and have known, and with that, we should take time to remember our friends who may have passed away recently, or maybe even a long time ago. We all have some special memories

of those we have known who have gone to another part of life.

A visit to someone's place in any of our cemeteries can bring tears to our eyes because we miss them and yet, maybe some happiness as well knowing we will someday join them. Our cemeteries have had special care from those that keep the grass mowed and trimmed all around. We'd like to take a moment to thank Don Savery for doing a wonderful job in keeping them in nice shape. For Middlefield it seems, all of those who have been involved with keeping them looking good over the years, seem to have a special place in their hearts and have pride in how they kept them looking nice. We thank the towns people for their continuing support. If ever questions arise, please don't hesitate to call any of the members so we may hopefully find answers to any of your questions. Thank you all.

Nancy Burnham
Neil Nickerson
Larry Pease

COUNCIL ON AGING

Middlefield Council on Aging (COA)-- an overview of accomplishments, failures, and changes in 1999.

The Middlefield COA is an active, sharing, supportive department of Town Government designed to meet the needs of residents over 60. This organization is run entirely by volunteers of all ages. There are many jobs to be done, small and not so small----- will you consider contributing your skills and energy in this way? *Be a Volunteer.*

C.O.A. F.Y 99 Stats: (units of service)

Brown Bag distribution	63
Congregate Meals served	661
Health Screening (BP checks, Cholesterol clinic, Flu shots)	229
Letters of Introduction sent	11
Newsletters mailed	268
New Programs (exercise class, knitting)	41
Referrals to other agencies	9
Transportation (miles)	2992
Miscellaneous (intergenerational programs, parties)	45

Funding through Franklin Regional Transportation provides a stipend for volunteer drivers who provide transportation for medical reasons and shopping. There have been occasions when we have been unable to meet transportation needs.

In once instance the Council, together with Highland Valley Elder Services (our elder service provider), was unable to find a workable solution for cuts in services due to cutbacks in medicare funding; that situation has since been resolved. This fall we regretfully accepted the resignation of our Co-Chair Person, Sue Fastiggi. Sue has been enjoying the Arizona sunshine this winter.

The Council on Aging would like to thank the Town of Middlefield and particularly the senior citizens for their continued support of this organization. We would like to extend a heartfelt thanks to all our volunteers --- without their hard work and dedication this organization could not exist.

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS !!!

Respectfully submitted,
Joan M. Almorì, Co- Chair



HAMPSHIRE INSPECTION PROGRAM
 99 MAIN STREET ROOM 232
 NORTHAMPTON, MA 01060

Paul F. Tacy, Building Commissioner
 Phone: (413) 628-3836
 Fax: (413) 628-4027

MIDDLEFIELD - 1999

ADDRESS	M/L	OWNER	PERMIT	FOR	COST	FEE	DATE
20 West Hill Rd	405/28	Edward Vivier	399	Shed	2,500	40.00	1/18
174 Town Hill Rd	405/14	Ann Laurie	1699	Renov	17,000	85.00	3/4
113 Skyline Tr	407/2401	John LaFayette	2199	Repl. windows	2,000	25.00	3/25
Cone Rd	410/23	Miriam Prigmore	3199	Foundation		25.00	4/13
245 Skyline Tr	406/46	Robt. Gazda	3599	Gar/breezeway	34,000	78.00	4/15
Cone Rd	410/23	Miriam Prigmore	3799	House	70,000	265.20	4/22
31 Bell Rd	407/47	Crystal Jones	4399	Renov	6,000	30.00	4/29
176 Chipman Rd	411/10	Albert Sirard	7199	Replace porch	2,000	25.00	6/10
148 Skyline Tr	407/15	Gregory Carpenter	8199	Shed	5,000	25.00	6/17
64 Chester Rd	405/49	David McCusker	10799	Addit/Roof	15,000	75.00	7/28
166 Skyline Tr	406/17	Arthur Muller	11299	Deck/Siding		50.00	7/29
153 Skyline Tr	406/7	Charles Winn	11599	Reroof		25.00	7/29
26 Root Rd	407/6402	Sarah Foley	11799	Pool/Deck		50.00	8/2
176 Chipman Rd	411/10	Albert Sirard	12199	Porch	1,000	25.00	8/5
217 Skyline Tr	406/8019	Linda Fontaine-Greenia	13899	Renovations	13,800	69.00	8/24
1 West Hill Rd	403/003	Paul Terkelsen	15899	Garage/shop	21,000	76.80	9/20
45 Chester Rd	406/52	Peter Murphy	16799	House	124,000	302.60	9/30
17 Harry Pease Rd	406/63	Bruce Wehman	17899	Garage/bzway	15,000	158.50	10/18
87 Town Hill Rd	406/115-1	Charles Hunter	19599	House	90,000	382.25	11/4
11 Harry Pease Rd	406/64	Kim Jazlics	20499	Renovations	25,000	125.00	11/23
69 Cone Rd	410/23	Miriam Prigmore	20599	Garage	13,000	57.60	11/23
32 Bell Rd	407/2901	Martin Main	20699	Foundat. repair	2,500	25.00	11/30
71 Town Hill Rd	406/12	Amy Baker	21199	Renovations	3,000	50.00	12/6

Total Permits - 23
 New Dwelling Units - 3
 Total Fees Collected - \$2,069.95

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Once again the Finance Committee has enjoyed the benefits of a full committee over the past year. With each member bringing their own unique expertise to the table. This has been helpful considering the many issues we have had to deal with in the last twelve months. Most notably, Gateway's new school building proposal. It is an issue we have followed closely and will continue to do so in the future. As we all know, it has the potential to greatly effect the financial landscape here in Middlefield. As a committee, we will continue to pour over the numbers and report any important issues that may arise. We are also working on several other issues. First, an effort has been made to map and record all state owned land in Middlefield. Once this is completed, the committee will be able to see if the state is paying a fair and equitable amount to the town in lieu of taxes. This is doubly important considering the continuing acquisition of land, by the state, here in town.

Second, the development of a master plan for the Transfer Station. It is hoped, that once completed, it will lay the groundwork for the redesign of a more efficient and user friendly station. Due to monies already on hand, any changes should have a minimal impact on the finances of the town.

Third, we continue to record and expand on our historical budget database. This spreadsheet program currently provides budget history going back to Fiscal Year 1996. This report is readily available to anyone who wishes to receive a copy. These issues, along with many others, will continue to keep the Finance Committee busy in the coming year. We look forward to the challenges ahead.

Respectfully,
The Middlefield Finance Committee

FIRE DEPARTMENT

In the past year our dept. has responded to less medical calls than in the past. We only had 10 medical calls compared to 15- 20 in other years. We did have more accidents to respond to, and a few more fires. All of this together means we have to try to keep our training flexible for all the different needs. Regulations seem to always have an effect on how we are to be trained and brings with that constant changes to keep up with.

We have many discussions as to how to handle emergencies before they arise and after as to how well we handled each situation. We are volunteers, yet we have to try to be trained as paid professionals do, and though we aren't as precise as the paid pro's are, we all give 100% of what we know. We are proud to be volunteers. All of our Dept. appreciate the support of all those we talk to and continued support from the town.

Our calls this past year are as follows:

10 medical calls	2 chimney fires
1 propane leak	4 fire alarm activations
2 brush fires	2 mutual aid brush fires
1 4-wheeler accident	1 bicycle accident
4 car accidents	1 mutual aid car accident
1 smoke in house	1 gunshot wound
2 wires down	1 wires down on vehicle
1 water call	1 transformer fire
2 structure fires	

A little history of calls from 1989 until the present report:

Our Dept. responded to a total of 275 calls. Might not seem like many, but for a little town like ours, our members have learned many things from all of them. A common sense approach and hands on training is

many times the better way of knowledge and learning.

Respectfully submitted,
Larry Pease
Fire Chief

HAMPSHIRE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Report of Councilor Joseph J. Kearns to the town of Middlefield for the first year of the Hampshire Council of Governments. Middlefield citizens have already been rewarded for their vote to approve the Hampshire Council of Governments. In its first year of operation, the Council returned more in value than the town paid in its assessment. The assessment to support the Council was \$3,287. The purchasing program alone saved the town \$1,822.37, not even counting administrative time saved and the cost of advertising those bids. Middlefield also participated in the Insurance Trust which saved the town and its employees \$9,954.05 in insurance premiums.

Although the Council provided numerous savings and services during its first year, some doubted *its* very existence. That's why the high point of the first year came when the Legislature and Governor ratified the Council Charter. In spite of approval by over 72% of the voters in November of 1998, a technicality in the Governor's veto of a clause in the 1998 enabling legislation created a cloud of legal uncertainty. Financial officers in almost half the member cities and towns withheld their assessments. A full year after the citizen approval, the Legislature passed enabling legislation a second time. This time the Governor signed it with all the relevant clauses. All cities and towns have now paid their assessments. For the first

time in at least a hundred years, the people of Hampshire County, not people in Boston, are in control of their own regional government

Last year the Council doubled the amount of federal surplus property it obtained. In fiscal year 1999, the net current value of property delivered by the Council, after fees and delivery charges, exceeded \$467,000, up from \$225,000 in fiscal year 1998. Items include pickups, stake body trucks, dumb trucks, blazers, cars, filing cabinets, microscopes, snowplows, tools, trailers, computers, jacks, fork lifts, generators, compressors, and school musical instruments. Communities typically pay about 10 percent of the current value of the property, most of which goes to the state.

The Hampshire Council Inspection program provided building inspection and zoning enforcement services for Huntington, Chesterfield, Middlefield, Goshen, and Plainfield in FY 99. In addition, the program is available for emergency use by other towns. This year it provided interim support services for Granby while the town searched for a new permanent building inspector. This year 214 permits were issued, up from 197, with 35 new houses, up from 27 last year. Permit fee income, which goes directly to the towns, was \$29,988, up from \$25,488. For three years the county provided a subsidy to the program to help it become established and prove itself. This year there was no subsidy, but in spite of that, three of the five towns took in more in permit fees than they paid for the program. Other programs the Council sponsors are measured not in dollars, but in quality of life-- or perhaps in lives saved. One of these is providing staffing for a countywide Local Emergency Planning Committee.

Federal law requires every community to plan how to respond to hazardous materials accidents. Hazardous materials accidents do not respect town borders and in most of the country, planning is done on a regional basis. This is the only county-wide LEPC in Massachusetts. So far, the committee has updated SARA Title III plans for most communities and is coordinating a regional plan to unite those local efforts.

Tobacco control efforts throughout the county are coordinated by the Council through a tobacco grant. The Tobacco Free Hampshire County Coalition provides support to local schools and boards of health. At the end of the last fiscal year, over 75% of the population of Hampshire County was covered by regulations protecting restaurant workers and patrons from secondhand smoke and prohibiting retailers from selling tobacco products to minors. Any individual who wants to stop smoking can call this program at 586-3786 for a schedule of free classes and patches. (Well, maybe not free. You paid for these with your cigarette taxes.)

Another grant fund administered by the Council is used to support the Safe Roads Project in Hampshire County. The project works in conjunction with the police departments in every community conducting extensive crash data analysis including injury trends and crash characteristics. The project has also distributed grant applications for overtime police enforcement, trained EMS technicians, and helped MADD and AAA with seatbelt campaigns.

Helping local governments save money and solve problems through regional cooperation is the mission and primary focus of the Council. It is not all the

Council does, however. Most of the human service agencies in the region also benefit from the Council. First, they participate in the cooperative purchasing. Although their numbers seem small, to them they are significant. Without the clout of the cities and towns, they would have little or no buying power. Second, and perhaps more important, they benefit from the regional cooperation fostered by the Council's social services coordinator.

Along with a contribution from the Council of Social Agencies, the Hampshire Council of Governments helps to support a half time consultant who serves as a resource, communication, information and technical assistance center, publishes a human service newsletter, facilitates pro-active social policy, and still finds time to identify and work with regional coalitions working to fill gaps in services.

Finally, the elected Councilors serve as the trustees of Hampshire Care in Leeds. This is the skilled nursing facility that treats you like you own it - because you do. In a year when healthcare providers were in trouble and national nursing home chains were declaring bankruptcy, this facility operated in the black, with no subsidy from Council of Governments funds. While doing that, they also gave the best care in Hampshire County, as shown by the quality of care ratings from the Massachusetts Department of health.

HILLTOWN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COOPERATIVE

The Hilltown Resource Management Cooperative is a unique regional municipal recycling and waste management organization. Created, operated and funded by it's eleven member Towns of Ashfield, Chesterfield, Cummington, Hatfield, Huntington, Middlefield, Plainfield,

Westhampton, Williamsburg and Worthington. The HRMC service area covers 275 square miles and has a total population of 15,500. All HRMC member towns operate small rural transfer stations which offer comprehensive recycling and waste disposal services to all town residents. The HRMC's main goal is to develop a first quality integrated recycling and waste management program for the region. Every year on your behalf the HRMC works on the following programs and efforts:

Monitor area recycling and waste management efforts at the Springfield Materials Recycling Facility and the Northampton Regional Landfill.

Obtain cash and equipment grants from Department of Environmental Protection, the Springfield MRF Advisory Board, the Municipal Recycling Incentive Program as well as from other organizations to assist all of the HRMC towns in their ongoing and innovative recycling efforts!

Work with the HRMC Board of Directors (2 members represent each town) to manage existing programs and create new programs beneficial to the member towns. Through careful budget management efforts, as well as through grant assistance, the HRMC was able to level fund it's operational budget for the sixth year in a row!

Plan and coordinate the Hazardous Waste Collection, Paint Recycling Collection, New Electronics Recycling, Tire Collections, Salvation Army Textile Recycling, Compost Bin Distribution and Recycling Set Out Bins Distribution.

Provide outreach and education workshops and programs to HRMC area schools, residents and community groups. Keeping residents informed about what they already can recycle as well as informing residents about new recycling efforts is the major goal the HRMC's outreach and educational efforts.

Work with local officials on solid waste and recycling planning, technical assistance, monitoring DEP regulatory efforts, improved transfer station operations, educational information, Town handouts for residents, new transfer station signage and participate in regional and statewide efforts on DEP policy development.

The HRMC looks forward to the coming year with much anticipation. We have made the SMRF recycling program more efficient by adding plastics, we now have fully developed electronics recycling program, we are planning a much needed SMRF roll off box repair program and will investigate battery and universal waste recycling for HRMC region.

The HRMC is here to serve your town's needs. Feel free to contact us on our Community Help Line any time if you any questions!

Happy New Year To All,
Eric Weiss, Administrator
HRMC

December 30, 1999

HRMC Budget Plastics Program Costs Reallocation Proposal

Approved By the HRMC Board - 12/7/99
To all member Towns,

Because of the change in the plastics program during this fiscal year (FY 2000) all HRMC Towns will be paying for the costs of hauling plastic to the MRF starting July 1, 2000. I have attached an estimate for each town to use when evaluating the increases in hauling fees for next fiscal year 2001 budget. Reminder, we will pay for the hauling increases resulting from the plastics program change this fiscal year 2000 from our budget. The total reallocated within the HRMC budget is \$9000, to be reallocated as follows:

New, MRF Box Maintenance Program	= \$4000
New, Battery Recycling Program	= \$1000
Fully Fund Elec. Recycling Program	= \$2000
Local Program Aid Efforts Increase	= <u>\$2000</u>
Total Amount reallocated	= \$9000

Note: These reallocations were voted on and approved by the HRMC Board at their meeting of 12/7/99. We also need the final numbers to get exact costs and expenses for the entire fiscal year for all HRMC programs.

During the upcoming fiscal year the HRMC will now be able to start two new programs, while also providing better funding for other existing program efforts. First, a MRF box maintenance program (many of the roll off boxes are in need of repair, ASAP). Second, a battery recycling program (which I get a lot of requests for). Third, fully fund the electronics recycling program (the effort will grow next year after this years great success). Fourth, an increase in our local aid efforts (signs, handouts etc.) to all member towns (increasing this portion of our budget, which has not been increased for the past few years, to \$5000). I look forward to working with you in the upcoming year.
Note: for HRMC assessments by town refer to the chart on the following page.

Respectfully submitted,
Eric Weiss, Administrator, HRMC
P.O. Box 630; Williamsburg, MA 01096
Help Line 413-258-3845
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Email: hrmc@crocker.com , HRMC

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Our members continued work on inventory and conservation of materials: labeling and filing.
The Museum was open most Thursdays during the summer and on Saturdays coinciding with other town events.
We received well over one hundred visitors and answered genealogical inquiries from families with Middlefield roots from as far away as California.
Respectfully,
Jack D Cobb, Chairman
Roy A Haapala, Secretary
Nancy Burnhan, Treasurer
Maryann Axenroth George Bell
Cindy Duby, Associate Member

LIBRARY

The Middlefield Library continues to try to serve the specific needs of the townspeople. Because we are very limited by space constraints, we have tried to concentrate on requests for certain types of books while at the same time, attempting to keep our collection current. Having access to the internet has been a great help to many of the students while enabling us to provide a great deal of research material without using up our space with numerous volumes of quickly outdated research publications.
We will be trying to set up a small reading area for children to encourage their use and enjoyment of the library. In today's fast paced society, it is very important for young children to learn research techniques early in their development. Again, because of the space limitation, this area is requiring research of our own in finding a way to accomplish this goal.
We would like to thank everyone for their suggestions and welcome all comments on how to improve the service we provide.
The library has received numerous donations of books and materials and for that we are very thankful. We would also like to thank everyone who helped with a recent bake and book sale which netted the library over \$100.00.
Again this year we are asking for your support to approve the budget amount on the town warrant. In order for our library to receive matching funds from the state, the town needs to show a continued and expanded interest in the library.
Middlefield has been very supportive in the past and we hope that support continues.

Cyndy Oligny
Librarian



HILLTOWN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COOPERATIVE

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HILLTOWN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COOPERATIVE
 FY 2001 MEMBER TOWN ASSESMENT
 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
 7/1/2000 - 6/30/2001

TOWN NAME	POP EST	PERCENT OF TOTAL POPULATION (%)	FY 98' ASSESMENTS (\$)
ASHFIELD	1715	11.06%	\$6005.93
CHESTERFIELD	1048	6.76%	\$3670.10
CUMMINGTON	785	5.06%	\$2749.07
GOSHEN	830	5.35%	\$2906.66
HATFIELD	3184	20.53%	\$11150.37
HUNTINGTON	1987	12.81%	\$6958.47
MIDDLEFIELD	392	2.53%	\$1372.78
PLAINFIELD	571	3.68%	\$1999.64
WESTHAMPTON	1327	8.56%	\$4647.15
WILLIAMSBURG	2515	16.22%	\$8807.53
WORTHINGTON	1156	7.45%	\$4048.31
TOTALS/AVG	15510	100.00%	\$54316.02

- * POPULATION FIGURES BASED ON 1990 CENSUS
- * FOR THE SIXTH YEAR IN A ROW THIS IS A LEVEL FUNDED ASSESMENT BUDGET!!

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
 ERIC WEISS
 ADMINISTRATOR, HRMC
 December 10, 1999

LEE VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION

The following is a report of the services performed in Middlefield during the calendar year 1999:

HOME VISITS	# VISITS
Skilled Nursing	54
Physical Therapy	47
Home Health Aide	134 visits/143.5 hrs.

CLINICS SESSIONS	ATTENDANCE
Flu/pneumonia 1	24

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The members of the Middlefield Police Department wish to thank the citizens of Middlefield for their continued support of the department and their assistance during the past year. Each year the workload of the department increases. The number of police calls and the seriousness of some of the calls has required officers to spend more time investigating and documenting incidents. The amount of time officers are required to attend court increases annually as does the amount of training officers are required to attend. Recent changes in Massachusetts gun laws have put an extra burden on the department and especially the role of the police chief. The number of hours required to process license applications has increased dramatically. Equipment and office expenses continue to rise as the department struggles to maintain state and federal required standards for police departments. Over the past several years, the department has been fortunate to receive grant funds from the Massachusetts Community Policing Block Grant Program to modernize department equipment and pay for a large portion of the department's expenses. Each year officers have spent a considerable amount of time to complete the grant application. This program is

funded on an annual basis and is subject to annual appropriations of both the state and federal government. If this program were to end, the department would be hard pressed to continue to provide present services.

In 1990 members of the department requested that the town fund the purchase of a new police cruiser. At that time the department guaranteed the town that the cruiser would be in service for at least ten years. The cruiser is still in service. Expenses related to the cruiser have continued to escalate each year. This past year extensive repairs were needed to repair systems in the cruiser. Auto-body work was required to repair body rot on the vehicle including the painting of fenders, doors and tailgate. New cruiser markings were also added to the vehicle. It is hoped that the vehicle will be able to remain in service for an additional number of years. In the next five years, the time will come when it will be necessary for the town to consider replacement of the police cruiser.

Officers of the department continue to serve on primarily a voluntary basis. Provisions in the Community Policing Block Grant have allowed officers to be paid for some of the time spent from their normal jobs to attend mandated training programs. It is becoming increasingly difficult to recruit and maintain qualified police officers due to mandated training requirements and the time required answering calls and processing paperwork. In future years, the department will be asking the town for funds to pay the chief and officers for some of the time required to serve the residents of Middlefield.

The statistics below represent the number and type of police calls that the department

responded to during the past year. Not included in these figures are hours spent doing community policing, school education programs, sponsoring town activities, mutual aid, court time and office hours.

Discharge of Weapon resulting in death/injury - 2
Personal Injury accident - 2
Assault & Battery - 2
Attempted Suicide - 2
Operating Under the Influence - 1
Car Accidents -6
Receiving Stolen Property - 2
Disturbed Person - 2
Illegal Hunting - 4
House Checks - 10
House alarms- 8, Good Will Checks - 8
Domestic Disturbance - 8
Motor Vehicle Driving Complaints - 4
Arrests - 3
B&E - 8 counts
Weapon Confiscation - 1
Summons Served - 6
Disturbing the Peace - 1
Trespassing- 3, Search- 1, Threading- 1
Revoking of FID Card - 2
Rape of a Minor Child- 1, Child Abuse - 1
ATV Accident with Injuries - 1

Respectfully submitted:
Thomas Austin, Chief
Curt Robie, Sergeant
Michael Pensivey, Training Officer
Darren Pensivey, Officer

RECREATION COMMITTEE

As in the past, the Recreation Committee sponsored a number of holiday events in town. Each year we welcome the Easter Bunny and Santa, with festivities surrounding their presence. Halloween is also fun-filled with the parade, prizes, games and goo!
Thanks to donations of both time and money, our celebrations have drawn more and more participants, both young and old.

As always, we ask that any willing and able people join us in planning these events!

Respectively submitted,
Judy Carrington

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT TOWN OF MIDDLEFIELD COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS 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 Town Hall in said Middlefield the **twenty first of June, 1999** at 8:00 P.M., then and there to act on the following articles to wit:

ARTICLE 1 To see if the town will vote to rescind the vote at the Annual Town Meeting, Article 18, under Town Clerk, Fireproof cabinet \$1,500.00, Computer software \$500.00, Bookshelves \$1,000.00 or take any other action relating thereto.

ARTICLE 2 To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies of the same in the Town Post Office, on the bulletin board at the Town Hall, a designated place in the Bancroft section of the Town and a designated place in Smith Hollow fourteen days at least before time of holding said meeting.

Thomas Rock, Chairman Larry Pease
Selectman Selectman

RESULTS OF THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING JUNE 22, 1999

ARTICLE 1 A motion was made and seconded that the Town vote to rescind the vote at the Annual Town Meeting, May 1, 1999, Article 18, under Town Clerk, Fireproof cabinet---\$1500.00, Computer Software---- \$500.00, Bookshelves----- \$1,000.00. It was an unanimous vote and the article passed.

ARTICLE 2 Under this Article, being no other business to conduct, a motion was made to adjourn this meeting. Meeting adjourned.

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF MIDDLEFIELD
COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS
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 Town Hall in said Middlefield the **twenty first of June, 1999** at 8 p.m. then and there to act on the following articles to wit:

ARTICLE 1 To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$6438.39 from the Insurance Expense Account or take any other action relating thereto. (this transfer is to go to the Town Snow Account)

ARTICLE 2 To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$3000.00 from the Health Insurance Expense account for the purchase of equipment for the Town Clerk as voted at the Annual Town Meeting and

to carryover the balance from FY99 to FY2000, or take any other action relating thereto.

ARTICLE 3 To see if the Town will vote to carryover balance in Maintenance of Public Buildings from FY99 to FY2000, or take any other action relating thereto. (sum not to exceed \$6,000.00)

ARTICLE 4 To transfer the sum of \$6800.00 from Sander Account to the Stabilization Account or take any other relating thereto.

ARTICLE 5 To transfer the sum of \$4000.00 from the Snow Plow account to the Stabilization Account or take any other action relating there to.

ARTICLE 6 To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting..

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies of the same in the Town Post Office, on the bulletin board at the Town Hall, a designated place in the Bancroft section of Town, and a designated place in Smith Hollow fourteen days at least before time of holding said meeting.

Thomas Rock, Chairman(s) Larry Pease
Selectman Selectman

RESULTS OF THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING JUNE 21, 1999

ARTICLE 1 It was moved and seconded that the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$6438.39 from the Insurance Expense Account to the Town Snow Account. It was an unanimous vote and the Article passed.

ARTICLE 2 It was moved and seconded that the Town vote to transfer the sum of \$3000.00 from the Health Insurance Expense Account for the purchase of equipment for the Town Clerk as voted at the Annual Town Meeting. It was an unanimous vote and the Article passed.

ARTICLE 3 It was moved and seconded that the Town vote to carry over the balance in Maintenance of Public Buildings from FY99 to FY2000. It was an unanimous vote and the Article passed. (not to exceed \$6,000.00).

ARTICLE 4 It was moved and seconded that the Town transfer the sum of \$6800.00 from the Sander Account to the Stabilization Account. It was unanimous vote and the Article passed.

ARTICLE 5. It was moved and seconded that the Town transfer the sum of \$4000.00 from the Snow Plow account to the Stabilization Account. It was an unanimous vote and the Article passed.

ARTICLE 6 To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting. As there was no other business, a motion was made that this meeting be adjourned. It was an unanimous vote and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies of the same in the Town Post Office, on the bulletin board at the Town Hall, a designated place in the Bancroft section of Town, and a designated place in Smith Hollow fourteen days at least before time of holding said meeting.

Thomas Rock, Chairman(s) Larry Pease

Selectman

Selectman

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT
TOWN OF MIDDLEFIELD
COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS
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 in said Town, qualified to vote in elections and Town Affairs to meet in the Middlefield Town Hall in said Middlefield the **thirtieth day of August, 1999**, at 8:00 P.M. then and there to act on the following articles to wit:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote 'That for the purpose of financing in part, costs of preliminary design and engineering services in connection with the District's school building project, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, there be and hereby is authorized under and pursuant to Chapter 71, Section 16(D), of the General Laws and District Agreement, as amended, for the incurring debt on full faith and credit of the District by the issuance and sale at one time or from time to time of bonds or notes in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$95,000.00

ARTICLE 2. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies of the same in the Town Post Office, on the bulletin board at the Town Hall, a designated place in the Bancroft section of Town and a

Tax Collectors Report for Fiscal Year 1999

F. Year	Tax	Balance	Warrants	Refunds	Total	Taxes Col.	Abated	Tax Titles + A dj.	Balances
1999	RE		509,263.62	3,197.11	512,460.73	230,723.66	6,760.10	399.44	274,577.53
1999	PP.		23,574.11	14.78	23,588.89	21,683.17	243.76	RF. 14.78	1,647.18
1999	MVF		27,248.59		27,248.59	23,652.49	102.91		3,193.19
			560,086.32	3,211.89	563,298.21	276,059.32	7,406.77	399.44 14.78	279,417.90
1998	RE	65,223.61		2,022.93	68,246.54	84,811.17		RF. 2,022.93	31,412.44
1998	PP	592.58			592.58	56.29			536.29
1998	RB	33,671.11			33,671.11	33,671.11			-0-
1998	MVE	10,627.93	3,095.24	69.17	13,792.34	9,907.91	415.62	RF 69.17	3,399.64
		111,115.23	3,095.24	2,092.10	116,302.57	78,446.48	415.62	2,092.10	35,348.37
1997	RE	31,145.08			31,145.08	12,238.03			18,907.05
1997	PP	982.69		24.61	1,007.30	45.83			961.47
1997	MVF	8,466.85			8,466.85	3,144.15	371.25		4,951.45
		40,574.62		24.61	40,619.23	15,428.01	371.25		24,819.97
1996	RE	23,969.73			23,969.73	12,446.54			11,523.19
1996	PP	1,063.14		17.14	1,080.28	50.18	6.53		1,023.57
1996	MVE	2,590.12		38.75	2,628.87	1,045.01	1,089.06		494.80
		27,622.99		55.89	27,678.88	13,541.73	1,095.59		13,041.56
1995	RE	14,094.00			14,094.00	7,789.15			6,304.85
1995	PP	132.39		10.79	143.18	55.97		RF 10.79	76.42
1995	MVE	678.96		46.25	725.21	313.23	173.75	RF 46.25	191.98
		14,905.35		57.04	14,962.39	8,158.35	173.75	57.04	6,573.25
1994	RE	8,702.14			8,702.14	6,403.01			2,299.13
1994	PP	38.56			38.56	8.89			29.67
1994	MVE	449.53			449.53	71.25	175.96		202.32
		9,190.23			9,190.23	6,483.15	175.96		2,531.12
1993	RE	4,454.97			4,454.97	3,326.37			1,128.60
1993	PP	117.18			117.18	-0-			117.18
1993	MVE	1,104.79			1,104.79	28.75	457.20		618.84
		5,676.94			5,676.94	3,355.12	457.20		1,864.62
1992	RE	2,978.92			2,978.92	1,968.37			1,010.55
1992	PP	48.31			48.31	-0-			48.13
1992	MVE	523.34			523.34	104.80	371.76		46.78
		3,550.57			3,550.57	2,073.17	371.76		1,105.64

TAX COLLECTORS REPORT

Tax Collectors Report for Fiscal Year 1999

F.Year	Tax	Balance	Warrants	Refunds	Total	Taxes Col.	Abated	Tax Titles + A dj.	-	Balances
1991	RE	587.04			587.04	-0-	551.60			35.4
1991	PP	21.81			21.91	-0-				21.8
1991	MVE	280.10			280.10	45.00	235.10			-0-
		888.95			888.95	45.00	786.70			57.2
1990	MVE	561.24			561.24	48.13	398.02			115.0
1989	MVE	568.84			568.84	24.48	544.36			-0-
1988	MVE	248.89			248.89	15.00				238.8
		214,903.85	563,181.56	5,441.53	783,546.94	403,677.94	12,196.98	399.44	2,163.92	365,108.6

Taxes Collected 403,677.94
 Int. Collected 21,856.93
 M.L. Collected 1,050.00
426,584.87

Respectfully Submitted
 Neil G. Nickerson
 Tax Collector

TREASURER'S REPORT	Town of Middlefield	July 1, 1998 to June 30, 1999			Balance	Balance		
Accounts		Appropriation	Transfer Amt.	Available	Reserve	Expenditures	Closed Out	Brought Forwd
Chapter 11			\$123,975.00	\$123,975.00				\$123,975.00
Chapter 113B- Fy98 bal.			105,367.30	105,367.30				105,367.30
Snow Removal		40,000.00	6,438.39	46,438.39		46,438.39		
Town Highway- Plow for 4x4		4,000.00		4,000.00			4,000.00	
Town Highway- Sander			6,800.00	6,800.00			6,800.00	
Highway Maintenance		43,000.00		43,000.00	1,924.56	44,924.56		
Machinery Expense		16,000.00		16,000.00		15,881.04	118.96	
Fuel- Town Highways		6,000.00		6,000.00		3,798.08	2,201.92	
Unpaved Roads		15,000.00		15,000.00	7.50	15,007.50		
Health Insurance		5,000.00	(3,000.00)	2,000.00			2,000.00	
Holidays & Vacations		3,000.00		3,000.00		720.00	2,280.00	
Unemployment Insurance		3,500.00		3,500.00	1,106.00	4,606.00		
Salaries- Elected Town Officers		12,825.00		12,825.00		12,825.00		
Dog Officer		400.00		400.00		400.00		
Fire Chief/Warden		425.00		425.00		425.00		
Police Chief		400.00		400.00		400.00		
Selectmen's Secretary		3,500.00		3,500.00		3,500.00		
Tree Warden		100.00		100.00			100.00	
Inspector's Salaries		3,120.00		3,120.00		3,120.00		
Ambulance- Hinsdale & Huntington		1,400.00		1,400.00		1,200.00	200.00	
Assessors Assistant		5,500.00		5,500.00		4,086.00	1,414.00	
Assessors Expense		2,000.00		2,000.00		1,896.22	103.78	
Assessors Registry of Deeds		150.00		150.00		92.00	58.00	
Assessors Computer Software		1,500.00		1,500.00		1,500.00		
Assessors Tax Map Update		650.00		650.00		0.00	650.00	
Arts Lottery Cultural Council			3,928.40					
			3,000.00	6,928.40		3,859.00		3,069.40
Cemetery Expense		3,600.00		3,600.00		2,173.28		1,426.72
Civil Defense		10.00		10.00		0.00	10.00	
Conservation & Wetlands			477.32	477.32		57.00		420.32
Council on Aging		1,000.00	4,802.32					
			2,400.00					
			1,000.00	9,202.32		3,572.98		5,629.34
Council on Aging Water System		2,000.00		2,000.00		2,000.00		
Disposal Area- Transfer Station		18,000.00	2,281.36	20,281.36		20,281.36		
Trash Compactor Note		6,000.00		6,000.00		6,000.00		
Trash Compactor Interest		1,140.00		1,140.00		1,140.00		
Dog Officer's Expense		300.00		300.00	30.00	330.00		
Election & Registration		1,000.00	216.00	1,216.00		1,216.00		

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Accounts	Appropriation	Transfer
Fire Dept.- 3 sets turn-out gear	3,000.00	
Fire Department- Two Scott air packs	4,000.00	
Fire Dept.- Hose	1,650.00	
Fire Department Expense	4,500.00	
Fire Dept. Dispatch Services	2,650.00	
Fire House Note	1,750.00	
Fire House- Interest on Note	355.00	
Gateway Regional School District	346,377.00	
Hampshire County Retirement	9,588.00	
Hampshire Council of Governments	1,455.60	
Hampshire Co. Electric Aggregation	419.00	
Health & Sanitation	10.00	
Hilltown Resource Management Cooperative	1,373.00	
Historical Commission Expense		1,649.91
Middlefield Museum	500.00	
Insurance	25,000.00	(6,438.39)
Interest Short Term Notes	6,000.00	
Lee Visiting Nurse Assoc.	1,000.00	
Library Expense	1,000.00	5,066.50
		1,147.79
		172.50
		193.44
Maintenance Public Buildings	26,000.00	
Office Expense	3,000.00	3,000.00
Pioneer Valley Planning Commission	60.00	
Planning Board	10.00	
Police Department Expense	4,100.00	2,000.00
Police Department Grants		2,160.99
		16,000.00
Printing	750.00	
Recreation Expense	1,000.00	
Recreation-Basketball Court		58.80
		172.50
		7,000.00
Recreation- Basketball Court Liner	1,500.00	
Reserve Fund	3,000.00	
Selectmen's Travel & Expense	800.00	
Street Lights	500.00	
Tax Collector's Expense		
Related legal expenses	4,000.00	

Available	Reserve	Expenditures	Closed Out	Brought Frwd
3,000.00		3,000.00		
4,000.00		3,682.80	317.20	
1,650.00		1,512.00	138.00	
4,500.00	184.67	4,684.67		
2,650.00		2,636.55	13.45	
1,750.00		1,750.00		
355.00		175.00	180.00	
346,377.00		346,377.00		
9,588.00		9,588.00		
1,455.60		1,455.60		
419.00		0.00	419.00	
10.00		0.00	10.00	
1,373.00		1,372.78	0.22	
1,649.91		0.00		1,649.91
500.00		298.31	201.69	
18,561.61		16,975.00	1,586.61	
6,000.00		2,653.21	3,346.79	
1,000.00		1,000.00		
7,580.23		2,249.91		5,330.32
26,000.00		17,383.96	2,616.04	6,000.00
6,000.00		2,178.63	821.37	3,000.00
60.00		58.80	1.20	
10.00		0.00	10.00	
6,100.00		5,978.85	121.15	
18,160.99		11,546.21		6,614.78
750.00		653.00	97.00	
1,000.00		489.42	510.58	
7,231.30		115.20		7,116.10
1,500.00		1,500.00		
3,000.00		2,996.47	3.53	
800.00		388.00	412.00	
500.00		383.74	116.26	
4,000.00		1,151.75	2,848.25	

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Accounts	Appropriation	Transfer	Available	Reserve	Expenditures	Closed Out	Brought Frwd
Town Counsel	1,500.00		1,500.00		290.63	1,209.37	
Treasurer's Audit	5,500.00		5,500.00		0.00		5,500.00
Tree Accounts							
Dutch Elm Disease	150.00		150.00		0.00	150.00	
Insect Pest Control	100.00		100.00		0.00	100.00	
Veteran's Agent	10.00	4,000.00	4,010.00		2,931.36	1,078.64	
War Memorials & Playgrounds	2,000.00		2,000.00	522.00	2,522.00		
Social Security- Employer's Share	2,000.00		2,000.00	2,436.97	4,436.97		
Medicare Employer's Share	1,200.00		1,200.00	110.91	1,310.91		
SUBTOTALS	\$668,327.60	\$293,870.13	\$962,197.73	\$6,322.61	\$657,176.14	\$36,245.01	\$275,099.19
Treasurer's Warrant (revolving accounts)							
Motor Vehicle Refunds					252.17		
Real Estate Refunds					6,413.68		
Tax Collector Fees					2,090.00		
Federal Income Tax					6,586.00		
Hampshire County Retirement					1,536.49		
Medicare (employee's share)					1,310.91		
Social Security (employee's share)					4,436.97		
State Income Tax					3,284.04		
Dog Licenses					261.25		
Division Fisheries & Wildlife					1,878.75		
Town Clerk Fees					135.20		
Police Outside Work					1,331.25		
Note Paid					130,000.00		
Cost of checks					186.75		
Division of Medical Assistance		26,650.00			26,650.00		
TOTALS	\$668,327.60	\$320,520.13	\$962,197.73	\$6,322.61	\$843,529.60	\$36,245.01	\$275,099.19

FOOTNOTES:

- 1 Transferred from Insurance.
- 2 Carried forward from FY1998.
- 3 Transferred to Office Expense.
- 4 \$3928.40 FY98 balance, \$3000.00 Grant.
- 5 \$477.32 FY98 Balance.
- 6 \$4802.32 FY98 Balance, \$2400.00 Grant and \$1000.00 partial reimbursement for water filter.
- 7 \$2281.36 Overage taken from disposal area income account.

FOOTNOTES continued next page

FOOTNOTES (continued):

8 \$216.00 Grant.

9 Monies that were in Historical Commission bank account.

10 \$5066.5 FY98 Balance, \$1149.79, \$193.44, dog fund, and \$172.50 earned money.

11 Carried forward from FY1998.

12 Transferred from Stabilization Fund.

13 \$2160.99 Balance of Old Grant, \$16000.00 New Grant.

14 \$58.88 Balance from FY98, \$172.50 Earned Money, \$7000.00 Sally Dickson Fund money.

15 Transferred from Stabilization Fund.

16. Check received from Medical Assistance and returned.

**CASH RECEIPTS
FISCAL YEAR 1999
JUNE 30, 1999**

Arts Lottery Cultural Council Grant	\$3,000.00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	80,368.00
Council on Aging Grant	2,400.00
Reimbursement from State	1,000.00
Disposal Area stickers and others	4,445.25
Elections and Registrations Grant	216.00
Inspections, Licenses and Permits	
Board of Health	200.00
Building Permits	1,514.99
Plumbing Inspections	200.00
Smoke Detectors, Gas/Oil Furnace Inspections	240.00
Other Inspections, Licenses or Permits	340.00
Division of Medical Assistance (believed sent in error)	26,650.00
Interest on Checking Account	4,311.67
Dividends on Investment	2,757.08
Historical Commission (to correct an error)	22.00
Library	
Grant	1,147.79
Dog Fund	193.44
Money Earned	172.50
Miscellaneous Receipts	13,495.42
Planning Board Lot Division	80.00
Recreation Basketball Court	
Money Earned	172.50
Reimbursement Chapter Work	123,417.18
Taxes	
Taxes	741,796.51
Demand Warrant	105.00
Interest on Taxes	24,044.85
Rollback Taxes	33,671.11
Registration Fees	689.35
Tax Titles and Liens	1,050.00
Treasurer's Warrant Revolving Accounts	
Federal Income Tax	6,586.00
Hampshire County Retirement	1,536.49
Medicare	1,310.91
Social Security	4,436.97
State Income Tax	3,284.04
Dog Licenses	261.25
Division of Fisheries & Wildlife	1,878.75
Police Work for Other Towns	1,706.25
Town Clerk Fees	<u>135.20</u>
TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS	<u>\$1,088,836.50</u>

**FISCAL YEAR 1999
CASH RECONCILIATION
JUNE 30, 1999**

\$142,640.20	Cash Balance FY1998
<u>1,088,836.50</u>	Cash Receipts FY1999
1,231,476.70	Total Cash FY1999
<u>(839,847.60)</u>	Less Warrants FY1999
391,629.10	
<u>(106,736.00)</u>	Pioneer Valley Commission Funds
284,893.10	
<u>(17,514.46)</u>	Transfers
267,378.64	
<u>(1,247.68)</u>	Bad Checks
266,130.96	
<u>(186.75)</u>	Cost of Checks
265,944.21	
<u>126.10</u>	Interest on \$26650.00
266,070.31	
<u>(0.80)</u>	Over and short
\$266,069.51	Ending Cash Balance FY1999

LIABILITIES

FIRE HOUSE NOTE

To be paid	\$3,500.00
Paid	<u>(1,750.00)</u>
Owe	<u>\$1,750.00</u>
Interest Pd Fy99	\$175.00

TRASH COMPACTOR NOTE

Principal	\$30,000.00
Owe	\$18,000.00
Paid	<u>(6,000.00)</u>
Owe	<u>\$12,000.00</u>
Interest Pd Fy99	\$1,140.00

**FUNDS, INVESTMENTS AND TRUSTS
FISCAL YEAR 1999**

<u>INVESTMENT 2/99</u>	\$100,000.00
Dividends	<u>1,766.11</u>
Total Fy1999	\$101,766.11

<u>CEMETARY PERPETUAL CARE CD</u>	
Beginning Balance	\$16,603.78
Interest	<u>899.45</u>
Ending Balance	\$17,503.23

<u>CEMETARY PERPETUAL CARE MM</u>	
to be used for expenses when needed	
Beginning Balance	\$4,413.61
Withdrew to cover expenses	<u>(603.00)</u>
	\$3,810.61
Interest	<u>61.45</u>
Ending Balance	\$3,872.06

<u>SCHOOL FUND</u>	
no longer controlled by S. Dickson will	
Beginning Balance	\$1,514.48
Interest	<u>32.05</u>
Ending Balance	\$1,546.53

<u>SALLY DICKSON CHARITY FUND CD</u>	
Beginning Balance	\$15,027.56
Interest	<u>809.94</u>
Ending Balance	\$15,837.50

<u>ESCROW</u>	
Beginning Balance	\$1,849.35
Interest	<u>71.63</u>
Ending Balance	\$1,920.98

<u>STABILIZATION FUND</u>	
Beginning Balance	\$34,151.59
Withdrawal	<u>(6,000.00)</u>
	\$28,151.59
Deposit	<u>16,603.00</u>
	\$44,754.59
Interest	<u>1,483.76</u>
Ending Balance	\$46,238.35

FISCAL YEAR 1999

TOWN HIGHWAYS

Appropriation		\$43,000.00
Donald Savery, Eq. Op,	\$14,503.90	
Edward Vivier, Eq. Op.	\$12,616.25	
Matthew Radwich, Eq. Op.	\$5,417.92	
Lane Construction, Hot Mix	\$4,682.74	
William Allen, Engr.	\$1,987.00	
Underground Culverts	\$1,738.80	
Henry Roberts, Mowing	\$1,625.00	
Heritage Surveyors	\$950.00	
Smith's Sled Shop	\$562.95	
Brian Miller	\$440.00	
Ken Hall	\$375.00	
Country Journal, ad	\$15.00	
Berkshire Co. Dues	\$10.00	
Total		\$44,924.56
BALANCE		(\$1,924.56)

TOWN SNOW

Approp.		\$40,000.00
Trans from Insurance		\$6,438.39
Total Available		\$46,438.39
Donovan Bros, sand	\$14,594.07	
Cargill Salt	\$12,351.66	
Brian Miller, Eq. Op.	\$8,800.00	
Dave DiNicola, Eq. Op.	\$3,481.50	
Matthew Radwich, Student	\$2,794.50	
Edward Vivier, Eq. Op.	\$2,185.73	
Eastern Salt	\$1,337.18	
Arthur Muller, Eq. Op.	\$728.75	
Donald Savery, Eq.Op.	\$165.00	
Total		\$46,438.39
BALANCE		\$0.00

UNPAVED ROADS - MATERIAL

Appropriate		\$15,000.00
Trans from reserve		\$7.50
Total Available		\$15,007.50

Jones Tractor stone & Gravel

\$15,007.50

Total

\$15,007.50

BALANCE

\$0.00

HIGHWAY DEPT - FUEL

Approp.

\$6,000.00

Country Oil

\$2,170.90

Charlies Garage

\$734.28

Hinsdale Mobil

\$468.05

Stalk, NEO, motor oil

\$424.85

Total

\$3,798.08

BALANCE

\$2,201.92

MACHINERY EXPENSE

Approp.

\$16,000.00

Gateway Auto

\$5,415.06

Tyler Equipment

\$2,415.65

Delurey Sales,parts

\$1,992.57

Lawson Products

\$1,554.39

City Tire

\$885.00

Springfield Mack

\$744.78

Safety Kleen

\$659.95

Howe Bros

\$443.51

Berkshire Plate Glass

\$314.50

Cronation Welding

\$303.62

Huntington Hardware

\$283.04

Future Supply

\$216.93

McLaughlin

\$174.00

Merriam Graves

\$168.94

Raynor's Bearings

\$126.60

Chief Survey Supply

\$82.95

ERC Wiping Prod.

\$41.31

Smith's Sled Shop

\$30.00

L.P. Adams

\$28.24

Total

\$15,881.04

BALANCE

\$118.96

AMBULANCE

Appropriation

\$1,400.00

Hinsdale Vol.Fire Dept

\$1,200.00

Total

\$1,200.00

BALANCE

\$200.00

ASSESSORS ASSISTANT

Appropriation \$5,500.00

Mary White \$4,086.00

Total \$4,086.00

BALANCE \$1,414.00

ASSESSORS COMPUTER

Appropriation \$1,500.00

FRCOG SOFTWARE \$1,500.00

Total \$1,500.00

BALANCE \$0.00

ASSESSORS EXPENSE

Appropriation \$1,500.00

Gustel Progulske, reimb supply \$338.02

B & H Computer \$307.70

Compucenter \$288.00

Advanced Business Sup. \$180.53

Gazette News \$165.00

Dues \$150.00

McFarlane \$126.76

Staples \$112.76

Kopelman & Paige, Atty \$101.45

Whalley Computers \$40.00

A.M. Sullivan \$26.50

M. Hewes \$21.50

Postmaster, box rent \$20.00

Country Journal, ad \$18.00

Total \$1,896.22

BALANCE (\$396.22)

ASSESSORS REG. FEES

Appropriation \$150.00

Hampshire County Reg. \$92.00

Total \$92.00

BALANCE \$58.00

ASSESS. TAX MAP UPDATE

Appropriation \$650.00

BALANCE \$650.00

AUDIT - Town Books

Appropriation \$5,500.00

BALANCE

\$5,500.00

CEMETERY EXPENSE

Appropriation \$3,600.00

Donald Savery, mowing, etc \$2,095.78

U.S Flags \$77.50

Total

\$2,173.28

BALANCE

\$1,426.72

CIVIL DEFENSE

Appropriation \$10.00

Spent \$0.00

Balance

\$10.00

CONSERVATION COMM.

Carry Over \$477.32

Dues \$37.00

Postmaster \$20.00

Total

\$57.00

BALANCE

\$420.32

COUNCIL ON AGING

Appropriation \$1,000.00

c/o \$4,802.32

Grant - Mass.Elder Service \$2,400.00

Grant - Elder Serv. \$1,000.00

Total Available

\$9,202.32

Town of Russell \$576.00

Ellen Miller, Brown Bags \$520.79

Moody Energy \$433.97

Kittteredge Supply, silverware \$398.95

Susan Fastiggi \$249.75

Impress Prtg. Newsletter \$245.00

Joan Almorì, Reimb. Sup. \$226.76

Sheraton Inn, Xmas Party \$192.00

John Savery Elec \$150.00

Berkshire Heating \$142.50

Helen Bolduc, Trans \$138.29

Dues	\$80.00
Noble Hospital	\$63.00
Betty Oigny, Trans	\$54.45
Huntington Hdwe	\$28.02
Bell Atlantic	\$21.50
P. Suriner, reimb	\$20.00
Crystal Killela, cleaning	\$20.00
Postmaster, box rent	\$12.00

Total	\$3,572.98
BALANCE	\$5,629.34

COUNCIL ON AGING- Water Filtration

Available (approp)	\$2,000.00
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K. Henshaw	\$2,000.00
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Total	\$2,000.00
BALANCE	\$0.00

CULTURAL COUNCIL

Available	\$6,928.40
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Gateway High, band & opera	\$550.00
Jim Douglas	\$520.00
Min.Theater of Chester	\$400.00
Karen Glickman	\$365.00
John Porcino	\$330.00
H. Lopin	\$325.00
Jim Root	\$300.00
Tim VanEgmond	\$300.00
Gateway Middle School, Band	\$250.00
Sevenars	\$200.00
W.M. Rentals	\$199.00
Becket Arts	\$100.00
Ann Jewett, reimb	\$20.00

Total	\$3,859.00
BALANCE	\$3,069.40

DISPOSAL AREA

Appropriation	\$18,000.00
Trans from Earnings	\$2,281.36
Total Available	\$20,281.36

City of Northampton	\$7,998.10
Dave Wickles Trucking	\$7,580.00
Archie Main, Attendant	\$1,380.00
Kathleen O'Brien, Attendant	\$1,230.00
Jones Tractor	\$790.50

Brewster Pease, Drott	\$420.00
Brian Miller	\$280.50
Edward Vivier	\$225.62
Matthew Radwich	\$129.37
Lancer Label	\$119.77
Donald Savery	\$55.00
Paul Richardson, reimb, sticker	\$20.00

Total		\$20,228.86
BALANCE		\$52.50

DOG OFFICER EXPENSE

Appropriation		\$300.00
Trans from Reserve		\$30.00
Total Available		<u>\$330.00</u>

Education, course	\$300.00
Dues	\$30.00

Total		\$330.00
BALANCE		\$0.00

DOG OFFICER SALARY

Appropriation		\$400.00
David Krassler	\$400.00	
Total		\$400.00
BALANCE		\$0.00

ELECTIONS & REGIST.

Approp.		\$1,000.00
Rec'd from State Elec.		\$216.00
Total Available		<u>\$1,216.00</u>

Priscilla Suriner, teller	\$210.00
Betty Oigny, teller	\$195.00
Mary Sternagle, teller	\$150.00
Shirley Savery, Teller	\$115.00
Lois Leonardo-Bell, Teller	\$60.00
Gustel Progulske, teller	\$35.00
Cheryl Harper, teller	\$35.00
Patricia Paschal, teller	\$25.00
Nancy Burnham, teller	\$15.00

Total		\$840.00
BALANCE		\$376.00

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Appropriated		\$12,885.00
Nancy Pease, Treasurer	\$2,500.00	
Neil Nickerson, Tax. Collector	\$2,500.00	
Gustel Progulske, Assessor	\$1,500.00	
Marjorie Batorski, Town Clerk	\$1,000.00	
Kris Monson, Assessor	\$1,000.00	
Geitha Jozzeph	\$1,000.00	
Larry Pease, Selectman	\$1,000.00	
Thomas Rock	\$1,000.00	
Ronald Radwich, Selectman	\$1,000.00	
Joseph Kearns, Moderator	\$100.00	
Donald Savery, Constable	\$90.00	
William Paschal, Constable	\$90.00	
Archie Main, Auditor	\$45.00	

Total \$12,825.00
BALANCE \$0.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief & Warden Salary Appropriation		\$425.00
Larry Pease, chief	\$425.00	

Total \$425.00
BALANCE \$0.00

FIREHOUSE, PAYMENT

Appropriation		\$1,750.00
USDA Rural Dev.	\$1,750.00	

Total \$1,750.00
BALANCE \$0.00

FIRE HOUSE INTEREST

Appropriation		\$355.00
USDA Rural Dev.	\$175.00	

Total \$175.00
BALANCE \$0.00

DISPATCH SERVICES

Appropriation		\$2,650.00
Berkshire County Dispatch	\$2,636.55	

Total \$2,636.55
BALANCE \$13.45

FIRE DEPT EXPENSE

Appropriation		\$4,500.00
Gleason Equip	\$1,119.00	
Worthington Garage	\$988.79	
Deiling Radiator	\$585.00	
Moore Medical, supplies	\$462.29	
Pittsfield Fire Safety	\$335.00	
Com-Tech	\$313.39	
Galls Inc., supplies	\$161.81	
Specialized Radio	\$141.00	
Ritchie's Garage	\$137.06	
Gateway Auto	\$125.16	
Merriam Graves	\$115.68	
Charlies Garage	\$84.50	
LaMaoutain Towing	\$50.00	
Huntington Hdwe	\$37.99	
Buds Chain Saw	\$18.00	
St.Martin's, sticker	\$10.00	

Total		\$4,684.67
BALANCE		(\$184.67)

FIRE DEPT TURNOUT GEAR

Approp.		\$3,000.00
Gleason	\$3,000.00	
Total		\$3,000.00

BALANCE		\$0.00
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FIRE DEPT SCOTT AIR PACKS

Approp.		\$4,000.00
Fire Tech Safety	\$3,682.80	
Total		\$3,682.80

BALANCE		\$317.20
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FIRE DEPT HOSE

Approp		\$1,650.00
Spent	\$1,512.00	
Total		\$1,512.00

BALANCE		\$138.00
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GATEWAY REG. SCHOOL

Total Available \$346,377.00

Gateway Reg. School Dist \$346,377.00

Total \$346,377.00
BALANCE \$0.00

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY RET.

Appropriation \$9,588.00

Hampshire Co. Retirement Sys \$9,588.00

Total \$9,588.00
BALANCE \$0.00

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY TAX

Off cherry Sheet \$1,455.60

Hampshire Co. Treas \$1,455.60

Total \$1,455.60
BALANCE \$0.00

HAMP. CO. ELEC. AGGREG

Approp \$419.00

BALANCE \$419.00

HEALTH & SANITATION

Appropriation \$10.00

BALANCE \$10.00

HEALTH INSURANCE

Appropriation \$5,000.00

trans to T.Clerk file acct (\$3,000.00)

Available \$2,000.00

BALANCE \$2,000.00

HILLTOWN RESOURCE MGMT

Appropriation \$1,373.00

HRMC \$1,372.78

Total \$1,372.78
BALANCE \$0.22

MIDDLEFIELD MUSEUM

Appropriation		\$500.00
JackCobb, reimb	\$284.31	
Post Master, box rent	\$14.00	
Total		\$298.31
BALANCE		\$201.69

HOLIDAYS & VACATIONS

Appropriation		\$3,000.00
Edward Vivier, Eq. Op	\$322.00	
Donald Savery, Eq. Op.	\$256.00	
Matthew Radwich, Eq. Op.	\$142.00	
Total		\$720.00
BALANCE		\$2,280.00

INSPECTIONS

Appropriation		\$3,120.00
Building Insp, county	\$1,820.00	
Walter Smith, Bd. of Health	\$300.00	
Eric Main, Elec.	\$300.00	
Larry Pease, Smoke,oil burn.	\$300.00	
W. Zeitler, Plumbing	\$300.00	
John Savery, Elec. Asst	\$100.00	
Total		\$3,120.00
BALANCE		\$0.00

INSURANCE

Appropriated		\$25,000.00
Trans to Town Snow		\$6,438.39
Available		\$18,561.61
MIIA	\$13,111.00	
Hastings/Tapley	\$3,864.00	
Total		\$16,975.00
BALANCE		\$1,586.61

INTEREST-SHORT TERM

Appropriated		\$6,000.00
Bank Boston	\$2,628.21	
Bureau of Accts	\$25.00	
Total		\$2,653.21
BALANCE		\$3,346.79

LIBRARY EXPENSE

Appropriation		\$1,000.00
c/o balance		\$5,066.50
Rec'd from State Grant		\$1,477.99
Recd from supper		\$172.50
Recd from dog fund		\$193.44
Total Available		<u>\$7,910.43</u>

Peter Oigny, reimb computer	\$850.90
Cynthia Oigny, Librarian	\$500.00
Baker & Taylor, bks	\$379.13
Cynthia Oigny, reimb supplies	\$234.89
New Generation tech	\$164.00
Scarecrow	\$64.25
Postmaster, box rent	\$36.00
Quality Paperback	\$20.74

Total		\$2,249.91
BALANCE		\$5,660.52

MAINT. PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Appropriation		\$26,000.00
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Moody Energy	\$5,470.55
WEMCO	\$5,317.10
Bell Atlantic	\$2,968.61
Paul Richardson, janitor	\$2,231.25
O'Connell Oil	\$445.16
Bay Oil	\$357.50
AT&T	\$298.47
Wheeler Oil	\$85.50
Brigham Paper, supplies	\$83.41
L P Adams	\$54.91
Pitts. Fire & Safety. Exting	\$40.00
Lock Shop, keys	\$31.50

Total		\$17,383.96
BALANCE		\$8,616.04

MEDICARE

Appropriation		\$1,200.00
Transfer from Reserve		\$110.91
Total Available		<u>\$1,310.91</u>

Bank Boston	\$1,310.91
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Total		\$1,310.91
BALANCE		\$0.00

OFFICE SUPPLIES

Appropriation		\$3,000.00
US P.O., envelopes	\$370.40	
Staples, supplies	\$329.21	
McFarlane	\$288.00	
Hampshire Co. membership	\$263.80	
Dues	\$215.00	
Country Journal, adv.	\$196.96	
Philatelie Fulfillment Service	\$185.20	
Postmaster, stamps	\$140.00	
Courier Printing, warrant pads	\$130.50	
Commonwealth of Mass.	\$35.00	
Maurice Pease. reimb.supplies	\$14.56	
N.E. Documents	\$10.00	

Total		\$2,178.63
BALANCE		\$821.37

PIONEER VALLEY PLAN COM

Appropriation		\$60.00
Pioneer Valley Plan Comm.	\$58.80	

Total		\$58.80
BALANCE		\$1.20

PLANNING BOARD

Appropriation		\$10.00
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BALANCE		\$10.00
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POLICE CHIEF, salary

Approp.		\$400.00
Thomas Austin	\$400.00	

Total		\$400.00
BALANCE		\$0.00

POLICE EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$4,100.00
Trans from stabilization		\$2,000.00
Available		\$6,100.00

Balise	\$3,066.63
Comfare - weapons	\$604.95
Dues	\$559.00
T. Austin	\$260.00
Jurek	\$201.86

Scenic Screens	\$194.50
Richies Service	\$180.00
Galls, Inc	\$169.97
Bell Atlantic	\$134.82
Sentry Uniforms	\$129.50
Staples, supplies	\$89.03
Business Radio Lic.	\$85.00
M Barstow	\$70.00
St. Martins, gas	\$63.50
Gould Publ.,	\$54.95
Chester Elec.	\$53.14
IMDE	\$50.00
Postmaster	\$12.00

Total

\$5,978.85

BALANCE

\$121.15

POLICE DEPT - GRANTS

New Grant		\$16,000.00
Balance c/o		\$2,007.48
Bal. Grant to increase budget		\$153.51
Total Available		\$18,160.99
T. Austin	\$2,975.00	
C. Robie	\$566.43	
Whorles	\$64.05	
Ann Savery, reimb.	\$87.00	
Betty Oigny, reimb	\$13.33	
Beth Carpenter, reimb	\$20.99	
StoCote	\$200.36	
MultipleZones	\$3,800.00	
M. Pensivy	\$60.00	
D.Pensivy	\$60.00	
Chester Municipal Elec.	\$39.41	
Staples	\$848.73	
P,C. Warehouse	\$1,707.00	
NRA Sales	\$49.05	
Gall's	\$105.96	
Sentry Uniforms	\$888.90	
Ed. Chaffee	\$60.00	
Total		\$11,546.21
Bal. to 2000		\$6,614.78

PRINTING

Appropriation		\$750.00
Impress Printing	\$415.00	
Cindy Duby, typing	\$160.00	
Country Journal, ballots	\$78.00	
Total		\$653.00
BALANCE		\$97.00

RECREATION BB COURT

c/o		\$58.80
Dinner		\$172.50
Sally Dickson Fund		\$7,000.00
Liner - approp		\$1,500.00
A available		<u>\$8,731.30</u>

StoCote, Liner	\$1,500.00	
L.P. Adams	\$115.20	

Total		\$1,615.20
BALANCE		\$7,116.10

REC. EXPENSE

Approp.		\$1,000.00
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Maurice Pease, Reimb. 2 tables	\$279.98	
E. Barber, Hayride	\$150.00	
Judy Carrington, reimb. supplies	\$59.44	

Total		\$489.42
BALANCE		\$510.58

SELECTMEN'S SECY.

Appropriation		\$3,500.00
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Betty Oigny	\$3,500.00	
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Total		\$3,500.00
BALANCE		\$0.00

SELECTMEN'S EXPENSE

Appropriation		\$800.00
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MMA Dues	\$388.00	
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Total		\$388.00
BALANCE		\$412.00

SOCIAL SECURITY

Appropriation		\$2,000.00
Transfer from Reserve		\$2,436.97
		<u>\$4,436.97</u>

BankBoston	\$4,436.97	
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Total		\$4,436.97
BALANCE		\$0.00

STREET LIGHTS		\$500.00
Appropriation		
WMECO	\$383.74	
Total		\$383.74
BALANCE		\$116.26

TAX COLL EXP		
Appropriation		
Postmaster	\$606.75	
FRCOG, software	\$500.00	
Dues	\$45.00	
Total		\$1,151.75
BALANCE		\$2,948.25

TRASH COMP. NOTE		
Approp		
		\$6,000.00
Bank Boston	\$6,000.00	
Total		\$6,000.00
BALANCE		\$0.00

TRASH COMP. INTEREST		
Approp.		
		\$1,140.00
Bank Boston	\$1,140.00	
Total		\$1,140.00
BALANCE		\$0.00

TOWN COUNSEL		
Appropriation		
		\$1,500.00
Koppleman & Paige	\$290.63	
Total		\$290.63
BALANCE		\$1,209.37

TREE WARDEN		
Appropriated		
		\$100.00
BALANCE		\$100.00

FOREST FIRE PROTECTION

Appropriated \$10.00

BALANCE \$10.00

DUTCH ELM DISEASE

Appropriated \$150.00

BALANCE \$150.00

INSECT PEST CONTROL

Appropriated \$100.00

BALANCE \$100.00

UNEMPLOYMENT COMP.

Appropriated \$3,500.00

Trans. from Insurance \$1,106.00

Total Available \$4,606.00

Ma. Div. Empl. & Training \$4,606.00

Total \$4,606.00

BALANCE \$0.00

VISITING NURSE

Appropriated \$1,000.00

Lee Visiting Nurse Assoc. \$1,000.00

Total \$1,000.00

BALANCE \$0.00

VETERAN'S AGENT

Appropriated \$10.00

Trans \$4,000.00

Available \$4,010.00

Warren Ritter \$2,931.36

Total \$2,931.36

BALANCE \$1,078.64

WAR MEM & PLAYGROUNDS

Appropriated \$2,000.00

Paul Richardson \$2,522.00

Total \$2,522.00

BALANCE (\$522.00)