

*Annual Reports and Warrant*  
*of the Town of*  
*Middlefield, Massachusetts*  
*2001*

# **ANNUAL REPORTS**

**of the  
TOWN of**

# **MIDDLEFIELD**

**Massachusetts**

**Fiscal Year 2001**

## **OFFICES HOURS AND MEETINGS**

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

## **TOWN OFFICE PHONES:**

**ASSESSORS 623-8966**

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

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**Town of Middlefield  
2002 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 5th 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 Moderator, Town Clerk, and Tree Warden for a term of one year. 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, 2002 through June 30, 2003, or take any other action relating thereto:

**Salaries of Elected Officials:**

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

**Highway and Related Expenses:**

Snow Removal	50,000.00
Highway Maintenance	75,000.00
Unpaved Roads Materials	15,000.00
Machinery Expense	18,000.00
Fuel	8,000.00
Holiday and Vacation Pay	8,000.00
Health Insurance, Employees	10,000.00
Social Security	9,000.00
Hampshire County Retirement	759.00
Unemployment Compensation	2,000.00

**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)	2,000.00
Elections & Registrations	2,000.00
Health & Sanitation	10.00
Interest, Short Term Loans	6,000.00
Insurance	25,000.00
Printing	750.00
Town Counsel	2,000.00
County Tax/Hampshire Council Gov't	2,958.00

**Office Expenses:**

Selectmen's Secretary	3,500.00
Selectmen's Travel & Expense	800.00
Office Supplies	3,000.00
Assessors Assistant	3,500.00
Assessors Education	1,200.00
Assessors Computer Software/ Maintenance	1,500.00
Assessors Expense	1,500.00
Assessors Registry Fees	150.00
Assessors Tax Map Update	650.00
Tax Collectors Expense	3,500.00
Town Accountant Expense	6,000.00

<b>Miscellaneous:</b>	
Cemetery Expense	3,600.00
Civil Defense	10.00
Council on Aging	1,500.00
Disposal Area	30,000.00
Hill town Resource Mngt Coop	1,898.00
Dog Officer Salary	400.00
Dog Officer Expense	300.00
Historical Commission	500.00
Lee Visiting Nurse	1,000.00
Library Expense	1,750.00
Maintenance of Public Buildings	26,000.00
Pioneer Valley Planning Commission	60.00
Planning Board	10.00
Recreation Committee	2,400.00
Street Lights	500.00
Veterans Agent	100.00
War Memorials & Playgrounds	3,500.00
<b>Police Department:</b>	
Police Chief Salary	1,000.00
Police Expenses	7,600.00
<b>Fire Department:</b>	
Fire Chief/Forest Warden	425.00
Fire Department Expenses	4,500.00
Dispatch Services	3,000.00
Hinsdale Ambulance	1,200.00
<b>Inspectors Salaries:</b>	
Building	3,784.00
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. (\$250.00)

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$5,000.00 for the Reserve Fund or take any other action relating thereto.

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$100.00 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 \$347,304.00 for Middlefield's minimum contribution of the budget for the Gateway Regional School District for the period of July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003, or take any other action thereto.

**ARTICLE 9.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$86,104.00 for Middlefield's share of the over-minimum contribution to the budget for the Gateway Regional School District for the period of July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003, or take any other action thereto, or accept as an over-minimum contribution a sum which is less than \$76,785.00 as certified by the Gateway Regional School District.

**ARTICLE 10.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$26,160.00 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, 2002 through June 30, 2003, or take any other action thereto.

***(The Finance committee recommends that \$20,000 be transferred from the Free Cash account towards this expense. )***

**ARTICLE 11.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 20,000.00 for the Stabilization Fund or take any other action thereto.

**ARTICLE 12.** 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 FY200 1. 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 FY2003.

**ARTICLE 13.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for a new Roll-off dumpster for the town Transfer Station.

**ARTICLE 14.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for a study and update to the heating system at the town hall.

**ARTICLE 15.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$200,000 from Free Cash to the Stabilization Fund.

**ARTICLE 16.** To see if the Town will instruct the Board of Selectmen, acting as the Board of Health, to institute a "pay as you throw" system at the town transfer station.

**ARTICLE 17.** To see if the town will vote to eliminate the position of Town Auditor.

**ARTICLE 18.** 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 Oigny

\_\_\_\_\_  
Larry Pease

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Constable of Middlefield

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



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Board of Selectmen  
TOWN OF MIDDLEFIELD  
Middlefield, Massachusetts

In planning and performing our audit of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Middlefield as of and for the year ended June 30, 2001, we considered its internal control structure in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the general purpose financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated September 13, 2001.

The management of the Town of Middlefield, Massachusetts is responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal accounting control. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by them are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of control procedures. The objectives of such a system are to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition and that transactions are executed in accordance with required authorization, and then recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Because of inherent limitations in any system of internal accounting control, errors or irregularities may still occur without being detected. Additionally, projection of any evaluation of the system to future periods is subject to the risks that procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the degree of compliance with the procedures may deteriorate. Our study and evaluation was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the internal control structure, and therefore will not necessarily disclose weaknesses in the system. However, as a result of our study and evaluation, and in an effort to be of assistance to the Town, we are submitting for your consideration comments and recommendations intended to improve operations and internal accounting control.

We wish to express our appreciation for the courtesies and cooperation extended to us by the management and employees of the Town of Middlefield during our work. We will be pleased to assist you in the implementation of any of the recommendations contained herein.

*Arthur Haynes, P.C.*

Hirbour & Haynes, P.C.  
Paxton, Massachusetts

September 13, 2001

## **Report of the Board of Selectmen**

In this report, we will try to let you know what has happened in the past year to some degree, but more importantly, give you a glimpse of what is coming down the road. Our little town, like it or not, is being pushed into the 21<sup>st</sup> century. We can no longer hide in the corner of the Berkshire Hills, alone and surviving on our own special set of skills.

### **The Past**

We started on repairs to River Road. One small section can now handle automobile traffic. Again, our apologies to the residents of River Road that the repairs have taken so long to begin, and our request for your continued patience as we hope to accomplish more this summer. We have used all of our available Chapter 90 monies on River Road as we said we would because there is no other source of funds available.

We have also tried to improve the state of our disposal area. We installed a new fence and gate along with putting down cement pads for the recycling containers. We also now have an attendant's shed that can provide some shelter from the elements. There are numerous regulations that must now be followed at transfer stations and we are attempting to live up to those standards.

The Town was required to undergo an audit the past year. This was long overdue and, in the long run, will prove very beneficial. The audit pointed out several weaknesses we have (please see notes from the audit report elsewhere in the Town Report) along with suggestions for improvement. We have already begun to address the audit points with the purchase of software designed to assist with many of the accounting and reporting requirements.

The Board of Selectmen have also been active in trying to be a part of the Gateway building project. This is by far the biggest financial issue facing all the Gateway towns in the coming years. As a result of our recent audit, the Town is in a fairly good Free Cash position. The Finance Committee and the Board of Selectmen are hoping to be able to use at least a portion of these funds to help offset some of the Gateway expenses.

### **The Future**

As you can see by reading any daily newspaper, the State of Massachusetts is in poor financial shape and has cut back a great deal of funding to towns and cities in many areas along with contemplating even more cuts. We have a limited taxpayer base and a lot of State owned land in Middlefield, and as the State continues to not pay its share of taxes on the property they own, the rest of us suffer. In addition, we are faced with even deeper cuts in highway funding and funds for education. These cuts come on top of a great deal of increases in demands and regulations. We need to adhere to more stringent environmental regulations, fill out more reports, and try to be more qualified in many more areas. All of these things are being required, yet no funding is provided.

The disposal area is one area that everyone can help with. Middlefield has not done a good job at recycling and as a result, our costs have risen dramatically. We are proposing this year to either have more money appropriated for our disposal costs, or we will have to begin charging by the bag or use some method to "pay as you throw" at the transfer station.

The town audit, as mentioned above, will require all town boards to be more timely with their reports and more careful with their expenses. Overall this will be very beneficial, but there will be some changes as we attempt to bring our reporting standards a little closer to state requirements.

Again, costs associated with the education of our children, are, and should be, our major concern. Educational requirements are now more demanding and they come at a steep price. While we all agree that we may have been negligent in the past regarding the upkeep of our physical plant in the Gateway region, we need to be very diligent in monitoring the costs of improvements. This is one particular area that requires everyone's participation. The Board of Selectmen needs the support and advice of the entire town regarding Gateway's issues.

The Board of Selectmen would like to thank the Highway Department and all of the Town boards for their efforts during the past year. We would also like to thank the townspeople for their cooperation and understanding. At the same time we would ask that everyone realize that all elected officials in Middlefield are basically volunteering their service for the betterment of the town, and that you consider that fact as you open your tax bill or drive over our roads. We welcome advice and suggestions and most of all volunteers. These next few years are going to be very rough financially, and we need all of your help. Please do not hesitate to ask any questions of the Board at any time. We meet every Monday evening at 7:30 p.m..

On behalf to the entire town we would like to extend our sympathy to the families of John Nickerson, Janet Vreeland, Warren Ritter, Linda Newmarker, James Jones and Tad Bojarski.

Thomas Rock, Chairman  
Peter Oligny  
Larry Pease

Board of Selectmen

# OFFICERS and COMMITTEES for 2001

## ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS Term Expires

### Board of Selectmen

Thomas Rock, Chairman 2004  
 Larry Pease 2003  
 Peter Oigny 2002

### Board of Assessors

Gustel Progulske, Chairman 2003  
 Nancy Burnham 2002  
 Robin Savery 2004

### Constables

William Paschal 2004  
 Donald Savery 2004

### Board of Health & Fence Viewers

Board of Selectmen, Chairman

### Cemetery Commission

Nancy Burnham 2003  
 Ann Jewett 2004  
 Larry Pease 2002

### County Commissioner

Joseph Kearns 2003

### Finance Committee

Scott Artioli 2004  
 Archie Main 2004  
 William Allen 2002  
 Greg Carpenter 2003  
 Joseph Kearns 2003

### Library Trustees

Susan Donnelly 2003  
 Chris Bresnahan 2004  
 Elizabeth Carpenter 2002

### Moderator

Joe Kearns 2002

### Planning Board

Michael Hale 2003  
 Tamarin Paine 2002

Ann Jewett 2004  
 Jay Wagg Swift 2003  
 Joanne Rennert-Boisvert (resigned) 2002  
 Edward Vivier (apointed) 2002

### School Committee

Steve Bouffard 2002

### Tax Collector

Ann Savery 2004

### Treasurer

Ann Savery 2004

### Tree Warden

Brian Miller 2002

### Town Clerk

Marjorie Batorski 2002

### Zoning Board of Appeals

Peter Oigny 2003  
 Maurice Pease 2004  
 Nancy Burnham 2002  
 Stephen Cummings, alternate

## APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS Term

### Town Attorney

Kopelman & Paige 2002

### Animal Inspector - Domestic/Rabies

Donald Savery 2002

### Cultural Council

Peter Oigny 2002  
 Andrea Tosi 2002  
 Beth Carpenter 2003  
 Chris Bresnahan 2004  
 Lois Bell 2004  
 Phyllis Turner 2003

### Board of Health Agent (septic)

Walter Smith 2002

# OFFICERS and COMMITTEES for 2001

## APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS *continued*

### Building Inspector

Paul Tacy 2002  
Rick Barus, Alternate 2002

### Civil Defense Warden

Larry Pease 2002  
Thomas Austin, Asst. Warden 2002

### Conservation Commission

Thomas Troie 2002  
Steve Cummings 2003  
Carolyn Quigley 2004  
Alan Vint 2004

### Council on Aging

Rita Doktor, Chairman 2002  
Judy Carrington Ellen Miller  
Elizabeth Oligny Pricilla Suriner  
Wayne Suriner Charlene Hunter

### Disposal Area

Martin Main 2002  
Kathy O'Brien, Assistant 2002

### Dog Officer

David Krassler 2002

### Dutch Elm and Insect Pest Control

Brian Miller 2002

### Field Drivers

Board of Selectmen

### Fire and Forest Warden

Larry F. Pease, Fire Chief 2002  
Ronald Radwich, Deputy Fire Chief 2002

### Historical Commission

George Bell 2002  
Jack Cobb 2002  
Roy Haapala 2002  
Lois Leonardo Bell 2002  
Marjorie Batorski 2002

### Lumber Surveyor

Brian Miller 2002

### Wood/Bark Measurer

Edward James 2002

### Police Department

Thomas Austin, Police Chief 2002  
Curt Robie 2002  
Michael Pensivey 2002

### Plumbing Inspector

William Zeitler, Jr. 2002

### Recreation Committee

Board of Selectmen

### Recreation Sub-Committee

Judy Carrington, Chair 2002  
Daniel Suriner Sean Foley  
Bea Basak Laurie Sico Amy Jasmin

### Registrar of Voters

Marjorie Batorski 2002  
Mary Jane Donnelly 2002  
Anita Myers 2002  
Phyllis Turner 2002

### Smoke Alarm & Oil Burner Inspector

Larry Pease 2002

### Street Superintendent

Keith Porter 2002

### Veteran's Agent

Raymond Gero 2002

### Westfield River Advisory

Carl Lafreniere 2002

### Wiring Inspector

Eric Main 2002  
John Savery, alternate 2002

**ASSESSORS**

FY2002 was our Reval Year. State Law requires that all property in the town be assessed within ten percent of market value every three years. For a sale to be a Market Value Sale, the seller and buyer must be unrelated. Improvements that increase the market value of a property will increase the assessment. As property values change in the marketplace, those changes must be reflected on the assessment roll.

The highest increase in our taxes is caused by the State reimbursement reduction of a total of \$31,599.00. The Highway Department was reduced from an FY2002 estimated preliminary cherry sheet of \$27,992.00 to \$6,998.00. The State owned land from an FY2002 estimated preliminary cherry sheet of \$37,451.00 to \$26,846.00.

Our current tax rate is calculated as follows:

Town meeting appropriations	\$1,027,879.86
Total Cherry Sheet Offset	33,705.00
State & county Cherry Sheet charges	404.00
Allowance for Abatements	<u>6,385.74</u>
Amount to be raised	\$ 1,068,374.60
Estimated receipts from state	113,517.00
Estimated receipts local	67,077.00
Free Cash	<u>191,018.85</u>
Total Estimated Receipts	\$ 371,612.85
Net amount to be raised	\$ 696,761.74

Tax Rate:  $\frac{696,761.74}{37,867,486.00} \times 1000 = 18.40$

Respectfully submitted:  
 Gustel Progulske, Chairman  
 Nancy Burnham  
 Robin Savery

**BUILDING INSPECTOR**

309 building permits were issued throughout the member towns of the Hampshire Inspection Program in 2001. Of these, 29 permits were for new homes. The breakdown of permit activity follows:

Town	Permits	New Home Permit fees
Chesterfield	57	\$4,510.20
Goshen	44	75,960.26
Huntington	57	<del>30</del> ,122.56*
Middlefield	20	01,650.75
Plainfield	30	32,792.43
Williamsburg	101	112,770.90

\*Includes extraordinary fee of \$24,504.45 for large Gateway Regional School project.

Compared to last year, the above figures represent an increase of 110 total permits issued. This is due mostly to the fact that 2001 was the first full year our program served the town of Williamsburg, though this has been an exceptionally busy year for residential construction throughout the area.

Zoning enforcement duties, administrative and educational requirements occupy much of the Building Inspector's time. My sincere thanks to Tara Ussailis, my administrative assistant, for her ever cheerful demeanor, and efficient handling of so many of the daily chores and occasional crisis.

Our office at the Davenport School Building in Chesterfield is open Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings to serve residents of all member towns. Residents may phone anytime.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Paul Tacy, Building Commissioner  
 Hampshire Inspection Program  
 P.O. Box 175, 422 Main Road  
 Chesterfield, MA 01012  
 Phone: (413) 296-0127  
 Fax:: (413) 296-0147

### **CEMETERY COMMISSION**

It seems that time goes by too fast, and another year gone by and another summer approaching. So far we have survived another winter without any damage to our cemeteries. We hope everyone saw how wonderful a job Don Savery did keeping the cemeteries mowed and trimmed. We did hear some appreciated comments on how well they looked. If anyone has questions or comments, please call any one of us.

Sincerely,  
Nancy Burnham  
Larry Pease  
Ann Jewett

### **COUNCIL ON AGING**

The Middlefield Council on Aging extend our gratitude to Joan Almorì for her eleven years of service to this committee. We are now under the leadership of Rita Doktor and thank her for helping us during this transition. It's not easy dealing with elders and we thank her for keeping our group in line. Also, Elethea Goodkin of Southern Hilltown Elders Consortium has been helpful in keeping the group going forward. During the past year we have seen some changes with new curtains and blinds at the windows, a new computer system and fax machine and cleaning of the back rooms at the Center.

We still are having lunches delivered from Highland Valley Elder Services on Thursdays and have added to that a coffee hour on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 to 11 a.m. which is open to the public since the store has closed. We also added a Tuesday lunch of soup and sandwiches and this is also available to anyone who would like to join us. This is paid for by

donations only as there is no charge. We have been serving between 15 and 25 in the a.m., ages 2 to 92 so if you are in the area, do stop in and visit.

The Seniors had two outings this past year, one to Wildcat Springs and our Christmas Party at Country Charm in Cheshire. Both events were well attended. We try to contact all seniors for these events and other events along the way. This is all done by volunteers, as are the coffee hours and Tuesday lunch.

We continue to have monthly blood pressures done by volunteer Cathy Radwich on the third Thursday of the month and we celebrate birthdays at this time also. We also had a flu shot clinic, brown bag distribution, transportation and social events.

At the present time our Center is being used each Wednesday night for Ladies Aid meetings and for ladies weekly get togethers for crafts of ones choice and conversation. All ladies in town are invited to join us at any time.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rita Doktor, chairman  
Priscilla and Wayne Suriner  
Ellen Miller Charlene Hunter  
Judy Carrington Betty Oligny

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

What a difference a year makes! In our report to the Board last year we mentioned our concern about "the recently passed tax cuts", and "the recent economic softening". Add to that the terrorist attacks in New York last September and you have the grounds for a very un-rosy current fiscal outlook.

What do all these far away events have to do with Middlefield? A lot! All these

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE cont'd**

events have led to a state budget outlook that is not a good one. Current state revenues, and future revenue estimates, have dropped off significantly. This has caused a delay in the formulation of the state budget. Rumors circulate daily on how deep state cutbacks are going to be and who is going to "have to pay the piper" for these cutbacks. One is certain, the people of Middlefield are going to have to pay part of the tab. As a matter of fact we are already paying part of the tab.

First off, we are projecting a 10% decrease in state aid to the town for fiscal year 2003. This is a preliminary estimate and could still fluctuate.

Second, it is looking like the state is going to again delay funds for the School Building Assistance Program. This means that our portion of the Gateway project will come due sooner and larger than anticipated in the past.

Third, the annual operating expense for the town Transfer Station continues to balloon. Current estimates are that the Town Transfer Station now adds approximately \$1.00 to the tax rate. It is now ranked as the 4 largest expense to the town. The only items with a larger annual outlay are highway maintenance, snow removal, and the Gateway School District.

Unfortunately, we do not see this expense stabilizing in the near future.

With all of this in mind, the Finance Committee is recommending the following two items to deal with these issues:

First, transfer \$20,000 from free cash to offset the ensuing lack of state money.

Two, we suggest that the town look into instituting a "pay as you go" system at the town transfer station.

The adoption of these two issues should help to stabilize the tax rate for another

year. And with the way the last year has gone, it is the Committees belief that looking ahead one year at a time is the best course to take.

In conclusion, the committee will continue to monitor these and other issues as they develop. As always, if the Board of Selectmen or any town citizen has questions or concerns regarding these issues, or any other issues, please feel free to pass it along!

Respectfully,

Joe Kearns, Chairman

Greg Carpenter

Scott Artioli

Bill Allen

Archie Main

### **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

At the time of writing this report, our dept. has responded to a total of 30 calls this past year, up a little more than last year, most of them being medical, some more serious than others. This is always a challenge for us, and yet we have to handle each one differently. Due to Sept. 11th tragedy, the state offered a class from the academy on how to deal with suspicious envelopes procedures. A number of our members went to this class and we now have 2 kits with basic equipment to deal with this problem. We have been fortunate that it has not occurred, yet it's another training we had to learn. Some of us also attended a Bomb Threat class which was geared more toward schools, but also included many other depts. on how to deal with basic bombs and how they can be made. We're not experts, and we hope to never see a problem of any of this nature, yet we have to have a little knowledge to start with and there are experts we can call upon day or night if

**FIRE DEPARTMENT cont'd**

such a problem should arise.

As you know from last year, our pancake breakfast fund raiser was a huge success and we were able to send a large sum of money to help. Our dept. thanks all of you for making that a success. We wish to thank you for all of your continued support through many years. It is greatly appreciated.

Our calls last year are as follows:

- 2 Chimney fires
- 2 Mutual aid
- 17 Medical calls
- 1 Car fire
- 1 False alarm
- 2 Brush fires
- 2 Structure fires
- 2 Car accidents

Sincerely,  
Larry Pease, Fire Chief  
Ronald Radwich, Deputy Chief

**LEE VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION**

The following is a report of the services performed in Middlefield during the calendar year 2001:

HOME VISITS	# VISITS
Skilled Nursing	52
Physical Therapy	25
Occupational Therapy	7
Maternal Child Health	1

Clinics:  
1-Flu/pneumonia, attendance 22

**LIBRARY**

The Middlefield Library continues to strive to be an important resource to the townspeople of Middlefield. In the past

few years we have concentrated on trying to make the Library as child-friendly as possible to encourage our younger residents to feel comfortable surrounded by books and computers. The addition of the "children's corner" has been very successful. We are also getting a lot of additional circulation among our younger patrons.

We are also always trying to improve our adult selections. As usual, we are cramped for space and somewhat limited in what we can shelve on site, but with the inter-library loan program and the bookmobile, within a short time we can have almost any book available in Massachusetts. With state budget constraints playing a big role in our ability to serve, we ask for your support by perhaps writing to our state legislators seeking their help in keeping the library system functioning. Middlefield has always shown a lot of support for the library and it is deeply appreciated. The Middlefield Library is open on Tuesdays from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., on Thursdays from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. and on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon. We appreciate all the donations to our collection and the support of our budget requests at Town Meeting time. We do get matching funds from the State as long as Middlefield continues to fund the library on its own. We also like to hear from anyone who has suggestions or criticisms (although we like the suggestions best) regarding anything about the operation of the Library. Our long-term goal is to find more space in order to expand our offerings, but in the meantime we are trying to serve as much of the town's needs as possible with what we have.

Cyndy Oligny  
Librarian

## PLANNING BOARD

May and June meetings in 2001 were concerned with Business District issues brought up by the ZBA Public Hearing on a business permit April 30th and continued to June 4th. Selectmen requested a district change. The Planning Board held a Public Hearing on June 4th to consider that change to extend the business District to include the lot beside the Dump. The change was approved at a Special Town Meeting July 30th. The Attorney General approved the change in October 2001. Fall 2001 through Spring 2002 meetings have been concerned with issues of driveway setback, junk cars, and camping trailers used without proper regulation as untaxed vacation homes; or as a campground use, which is not allowed under current town zoning. These meetings culminated in a Public Hearing on Bylaw revision March 16th, 2002, and articles to be presented at Town Meeting May 4th, 2002.

The Governor's Executive Order 418 to address housing constraints continues to take up Planning Board and Selectboard time. The Housing Certification Application required by EO418 was prepared in 2001, but then all 16 pages of it were scrapped when the state changed the form. It was re-prepared with work from Hilltown CDC, Planning Board, and Selectmen. As of March 2002, it was still unclear if the state would find this version acceptable. But it is clear that the state intends to disqualify uncertified towns from eligibility for grant monies.

Spring 2002 agenda calls for the formation of a housing needs and growth committee to fulfill state expectations under EO418, and to make the town eligible for \$30,000 in planning services grant earmarked by

EO418. Also, Middlefield joined with other towns along the Route 20 corridor to submit a sub-regional housing plan as required by EO418. Specifics of Middlefield's comments for that report are due by April 30th, 2002 to the plan coordinator.

To prepare for the pre-planning portion of the \$30,000 grant, residents are asked to respond to a questionnaire soliciting input on visions of Middlefield's future, and important issues of quality of life in Middlefield. Please submit comments and visions to the Planning Board to be passed on to the committee overseeing the grant. Lot divisions with Approval Not Required under subdivision regulations (ANR) were as follows: 4/01 One 76+acre lot was divided in two lots of 30+ and 45+ acres; 6/01 One 11+acre lot was divided in two lots of 4+ and 7+ acres; 6/01 One 8.9 acre section without frontage was transferred from one abutter to the other; 9/01 One 10-acre lot was divided in two lots of 3.6 and 6.1 acres.

There was one Planning Board resignation before the end of term due to health and time constraints. Also Chairman Tamarin Laurel will not seek re-election in May 2002 to avoid conflict of interest between private role and elected official role.

Submitted by:

Tamarin Laurel

Ann Jewett

Mike Hale

J. Swift

& interim appointee Ed Vivier, filling position resigned by Joann Rennert-Boisvert

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

The Middlefield Police Department would like to thank the citizens of Middlefield for their continuing support and cooperation during the past year.

All members of the department continued to fulfill the training requirements of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts certification as police officers. This training has included a forty hour recertification course at the Agawam Criminal Justice Training Academy, firearms qualification and recertification in first aid and CPR. Members of the department also receive additional training throughout the year.

This year the police department will sponsor two members of the Highway Department to attend an EMT course, this will provide the town with two trained EMTs to respond to medical calls during the day.

Police activity for the year has been moderate and covered many types of crime. The department urges citizens to lock their doors when not at home and report any suspicious activity to either this department or the Massachusetts State Police in Russell.

In closing, the department wishes to thank the town for its support, and the Massachusetts State Police, Russell Barracks, Berkshire County Dispatch, the Massachusetts Environment Police and the Hampshire County District Attorneys office for their assistance and cooperation during the past year.

## **RECREATION COMMITTEE**

The Recreation Committee sponsored a number of events, some familiar, some new, thanks to an enthusiastic group of members. The Winter Carnival held in

February was the first in years, with many original participants now sculpting with their children. Coffee, cocoa and hot dogs warmed the crews as numerous snow masterpieces were created. Trophies and ribbons were awarded to all after a potluck dinner and evening bonfire.

In March the Saverys opened their sugar house so townspeople could explore the process of maple sugaring and enjoy tasty maple treats. Hayrides were provided from Town Hall where the day culminated with another potluck dinner and maple sundaes.

April hosted its yearly visit from the Easter Bunny with dozens of eggs dyed by many helpers in the mounds of snow remaining. Prizes and goodies were shared by all.

Later that month we co-sponsored Bike Day with the Police Dept. Free helmets were available in conjunction with a statewide bike safety program.

This year's Halloween Party had added fun with hayrides and a bonfire. Tricks and treats were plentiful as were the mass of costumed partiers who paraded from the town center to the Town Hall.

In December, carolers rode a horse drawn wagon along Skyline Trail. The Senior Center was open for warm drinks for those awaiting their ride. A potluck dinner and much acclaimed 4-H play rounded out the evening's activities.

It has been a busy year past and we look forward to a busy year to come. This spring we will be working on bringing the playground up to code. We are fortunate to have the help of James Robie who is incorporating the project with his Eagle Scout requirements. As always, continued support and suggestions are welcome, and thanks to all who have made our events a success.

Judy Carrington

Recreation Committee Sub.Chairman

**TOWN CLERK REPORTS**  
**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**  
**JULY 30, 2001**

TOWN OF MIDDLEFIELD  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT  
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 thirtieth of July, 2001 at 8:00 P.M. then and there to act on the following article to wit:

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$112.50 to cover the Huntington Lions Club Ambulance Account or take any other action relating thereto.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$2000.00 from the Town Highway Account to the Holiday and Vacation Account or take any other action relating thereto.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to extend the Business District to include the 28.8 acre lot abutting the Town Transfer Station upon its eastern side and amend the Zoning Districts Map included in Section 2 of the Zoning By-laws, and the map entitled "Zoning Map of Middlefield, Massachusetts, dated May 7, 1994" to include this change, or take any other action relating thereto.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter #53 A funds in the amount of \$40,935.45 M.A. #37725; Chapter #127, in the amount of \$40,935.45 M",A. #38081; Chapter #53B in the amount of \$40,830.26 M.A. #38482; and Chapter #150 in the amount of \$17,546.84 #38482

as available funds for the highways.  
Article 5. 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, Selectboard Chairman  
Peter Oigny, Selectman  
Larry Pease , Selectman

**RESULTS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING JULY 30, 2001**

The Special Town Meeting was opened by the Moderator, Joseph Kearns. He led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. There were at least 114 people present at this meeting. The meeting hall was packed.

Article 1. A motion was made and seconded to accept the Article as read. The Moderator called our attention to the fact that the Article was presented too late to be put on the warrant. A motion was made and seconded to rescind this Article. It was an unanimous vote.

Article 2. A motion was made and seconded to accept the Article as read. Being no discussion on this a vote was taken and it was an unanimous vote. The Article passed.

Article 3. A motion was made and seconded to accept this Article as read. Being no discussion, it was an unanimous vote. A motion was then made to vote on the Article by paper ballot. It was an unanimous vote and the motion was passed. The results of the vote are as follows:

Yes to extend -----133  
No to extend ----- 50

The count was conducted by Mary Sternagle and Barbara Winn, registered voters in the Town. The count was witnessed by Thomas Austin, Police Chief for the Town, and Officer Curt Robie. Signed by Mary Sternagle, Barbara Winn, Thomas Austin, and Marjorie Batorski, Town Clerk (s).

Article 4. A motion was made and seconded to accept the Article as read. Being no discussion, it was an unanimous vote and the Article passed.

Article 5. Being no other business under this Article, a motion was made and seconded to dissolve this meeting. Meeting was dissolved after nine o'clock (9:00 P.M.).

Attest

Marjorie Batorksi  
Town Clerk

### **SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

**November 19, 2001**

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 nineteenth day of November at 8:00 P.M. then and there to act on the following article to wit:

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$26,718.80 from the Stabilization Account to the Town Snow Account to cover over-expenditure in FY2001, or take any other action relating thereto.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to

transfer the sum of \$4,670.15 from the Stabilization Account to the Medicare Account to cover the over-expenditure in FY2001, or take any other action relating thereto.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to accept the "Town Accountant" form of government pursuant to Mass. General Laws Chapter 41, Sec. 55, and abolish the position of Town Auditor or take any other action relating thereto.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$6,000.00 from the Stabilization Account to the Town Accountant Expense Account, or take any other action relating thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$6,532.71 from the Stabilization Account to the Disposal Area Account to cover the over-expenditure for FY2001, or take any other action relating thereto.

Article 6. To transact any other business that may 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 place in Smith Hollow fourteen days at least before time of holding said meeting.

Thomas Rock, Chairman

Larry Pease, Selectman

Peter Oligny , Selectman

### **RESULTS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING NOVEMBER 19, 2001**

Joseph Kearns, the Moderator, opened the meeting. He led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 17 people present, and the meeting started at 8:00 P.M.

Article 1. A motion was made and seconded to see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$26,718.80 from the

Stabilization Account to the Town Snow Account to cover the over-expenditure in FY 2001. It was an unanimous vote and the Article passed.

Article 2. A motion was made and seconded to see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$4,670.15 from the Stabilization account to the Medicare Account to cover the over-expenditure in FY2001. Being no discussion, the Article passed by unanimous vote.

Article 3. A motion was made and seconded to see if the Town will vote to accept the "Town Accountant" form of government pursuant to Mass. General Laws, Chap. 41 Sec.55 and abolish the position of Town Auditor. Peter Oligny, Selectman, explained that under this form, there will be no bill paid unless there is money in that account. As for abolishing the position of Town Auditor, that will be addressed at our Annual Town Meeting. The person to be the Town Accountant will be appointed by the Selectmen, and the Selectmen will come up with a job description. After the discussion, the Article was voted upon and it was an unanimous vote. The Article passed.

Article 4. A motion was made and seconded to see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$6,000.00 from the Stabilization Account to the Town Account Expense Account. Being no discussion, the Article passed. It was an unanimous vote.

Article 5. A motion was made and seconded to see if the Town will vote to transfer the amount of \$6,532.71 from the Stabilization Account to the Disposal Area Account to cover the over-expenditure for FY2001. Some money is being withheld from the revolving Account because: 1. Shed for the dump attendant will be in place soon; (will have to be paid for), 2. The fence is being redone, and will

be in before winter, and 3. cement slabs are being put in under the recycling bins. It was an unanimous vote and the Article passed.

Article 6. Under this Article, Peter Oligny, Selectman, read the letter from the Attorney General, concerning the expansion of the Business Zone. (The expansion was approved). Also a motion was made and seconded to dissolve this meeting. It was an unanimous vote and the meeting was dissolved at 8:30 P.M.

Attest

Marjorie Batorski  
Town Clerk

## VITAL STATISTICS

### **BIRTHS**

April 17, 2001

Mitchell Joseph Main:

son of Wayne Edward Main and Tracy Lee Gero

July 5, 2001

Jonathan Edward Foley:

son of Sean and Sarah Foley

### **MARRIAGES**

May 27, 2001

Gil Pizano to Jessica Levine

June 16, 2001

Geoffrey R.W. Dillon to Renee Lynn Oligny

August 22, 2001

Michael F. Pensivy, Jr. to Susan B. Angelo

September 30, 2001

Donald J. Savery to Kimberly A. Jaszlics

## DEATHS

Josephine Zeithammer DeMoss  
February 18, 2001 81 Years

Tadeusz Bojarski  
January 29, 2001 81 Years

John Francis Nickerson  
May 5, 2001 43 Years

Linda K. Newmarker  
August 9, 2001 54 Years

Warren Frank Ritter  
July 18, 2001 54 Years

Janet P. Vreeland  
November 14, 2001 67 Years

## DOG LICENSE REPORT

### Fee information:

Male Dogs	\$3
Female Dogs	6
Spayed Females	3
Kennel, 4 or less	10
Kennel, 4 or more	50

### Licenses sold:

Male Dogs	37	\$111.00
Female Dogs	8	48.00
Spayed-females	28	84.00
Kennel, 4 or less	5	50.00
Kennel, 4 or more	1	<u>50.00</u>
Total:		\$343.00

79 licenses were sold and the clerk's fee was .75 per license. \$59.25 in fees.

All dogs must have proof of rabies vaccination before a license can be sold.

## FISHING/SPORTING LICENSE REPORT

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Resident fishing	11	\$247.50
Res fishg handicapped	2	0.00
Resident citizen hunting	5	112.50
Non-res. hunting, big game	5	472.50
Resident sporting	5	200.00
Res. sporting over 70	1	0.00
Archery stamp	1	5.10
Waterfowl stamp	1	5.00
Primitive firearms stamp	1	5.10
Wild. conser. stamp- resident	25	125.00
Wild. conser. stamp- non-res.	6	30.00

Gross fees \$1202.70  
Clerk fees \$13..45  
Net fees \$1189.25

The Clerk receives \$.50 per license. on the stamps, she will get \$.10. There is no fee on the Wild Life Conservation Stamps, residents or non-resident.

TAX COLLECTORS REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2001							
		Warrants	Balance	Taxes Col.	Abate/Exemp		Balance
2001	Real Estate	\$539,929.47		\$498,222.48	\$3,187.50		\$41,706.99
2001	Personal Prop.	\$24,316.25		\$23,941.40			\$374.95
2001	Excise	\$49,770.76		\$40,005.51	\$2,253.73		\$7,511.52
2000	Real Estate	\$519,372.26		\$487,724.48	\$1,760.69		\$29,887.09
2000	Personal Prop.	\$20,928.07		\$21,118.46			(\$190.39)
2000	Excise	\$34,818.10		\$31,781.43	\$631.33		\$2,405.34
1999	Real Estate	\$542,335.55	\$59,754.99	\$32,094.38			\$27,660.61
1999	Personal Prop.	\$24,670.01	\$2,119.92	\$744.58			\$1,375.34
1999	Excise	\$39,077.81	\$3,193.79	\$36,423.62	\$1,096.04		\$4,751.94
1998	Real Estate	\$512,129.43	\$34,203.58	\$21,324.52			\$12,879.06
1998	Personal Prop.	\$22,540.21	\$1,032.56	\$149.22			\$883.34
1998	Excise	\$3,416.18	\$1,349.48	\$3,213.57			\$1,552.09
1997	Real Estate		\$18,505.05	\$14,607.09	\$370.87		\$3,527.09
1997	Personal Prop.		\$986.55	\$65.01			\$921.54 *
1997	Excise		\$4,952.45	\$4,048.33			\$904.12 *
1996	Real Estate		\$25,279.24	\$24,415.73			\$863.51 *
1996	Personal Prop.		\$1,006.43	\$498.87			\$507.56 *
1996	Excise		\$2,953.23	\$2,308.82			\$644.41 *
1995	Real Estate		\$6,304.85	\$6,304.85			\$0.00 *
1995	Personal Prop.		\$144.86	\$68.44			\$76.42
1995	Excise		\$7,135.11	\$6,964.38			\$170.73 *
1994	Real Estate		\$4,249.69	\$4,249.69			\$0.00 *
1994	Personal Prop.		\$29.68	\$0.00			\$29.68 *
1994	Excise		\$961.13	\$68.49			\$892.64 *

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1993	Real Estate		\$1,898.12	\$1,898.12		\$0.00
1993	Personal Prop.		\$117.19	\$89.52		\$27.77 *
1993	Excise		\$618.84	\$92.50		\$526.34 *
1992	Real Estate		\$1,127.21	\$1,127.21		\$0.00
1992	Personal Prop.		\$47.91	\$47.91		\$0.00
1992	Excise		\$46.78	\$46.78		\$0.00
1991	Real Estate		\$35.44	\$35.44		\$0.00
1991	Personal Prop.		\$21.81	\$21.81		\$0.00
1991	Excise		\$1.95	\$1.95		\$0.00
1990	Excise		\$115.09	\$115.09		\$0.00
1988	Excise		\$233.89	\$6.91	\$226.98	\$0.00
* paid after date of fiscal year closing 6-30-01						

TREASURERS REPORT

**TOWN OF MIDDLEFIELD  
APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURES  
FISCAL YEAR 2001**

ACCOUNT	APPROPRIATION	TRANSFERS	AVAILABLE	RESERVE	EXPENDED	CLOSED OUT	FORWARDED
Moderator's Salary	\$100.00		\$100.00		\$100.00		
Selectman's Secretary's Salary	\$3,500.00		\$3,500.00		\$3,500.00		
Selectman's Expenses & Travel	\$800.00		\$800.00		\$455.50	\$344.50	
Selectman's Salary	\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00		
Auditor's Salary	\$45.00		\$45.00		\$45.00		
Treasurer's Audit	\$5,500.00		\$5,500.00		\$0.00		\$5,500.00
Assessor's Salary	\$4,500.00		\$4,500.00		\$4,500.00		
Assistant Assessor	\$5,500.00		\$5,500.00		\$2,580.50	\$2,910.50	
Assessor's Computer Software	\$1,500.00		\$1,500.00		\$1,500.00		
Assessor's Tax Map Update	\$650.00		\$650.00		\$500.00	\$150.00	
Assessor's Expenses	\$1,500.00		\$1,500.00		\$1,393.57	\$106.43	
Assessor's Education	\$1,200.00		\$1,200.00		\$460.00	\$740.00	
Assessor's Registry Fees	\$150.00		\$150.00		\$84.50	\$65.50	
Assessor's Computer Replacement	\$2,000.00		\$2,000.00		\$1,065.00	\$934.95	
Treasurer's Salary	\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00		
Tax Collector Salary	\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00		
Tax Collector's Expenses	\$4,000.00		\$4,000.00		\$2,691.27	\$1,308.73	
Town Coucil	\$1,500.00		\$1,500.00		\$125.00	\$1,375.00	
Printing	\$750.00		\$750.00		\$750.00		
Office Supplies	\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00		\$2,805.70	\$194.30	
Town clerk's Office Equipment		\$2,736.06	\$2,736.06		\$378.20		\$2,357.80
Town Clerk's Salary	\$1,500.00		\$1,500.00		\$1,500.00		
Election and Registration	\$1,000.00	\$189.00	\$1,189.00		\$1,037.50	\$151.50	
Conservation Comm-Wetlands		\$680.32	\$680.32		\$37.75		\$642.57
Planning Board	\$10.00		\$10.00		\$0.00	\$10.00	
Pioneer Valley Planning Comm	\$60.00		\$60.00		\$58.80	\$1.20	
Maintenance Public Buildings	\$26,000.00		\$26,000.00	\$1,048.93	\$27,048.93		
Town Hall Electrical Upgrade		\$2,050.00	\$2,050.00		\$0.00		\$2,050.00
Town Hall Refrigerator & etc.		\$2,800.00	\$2,800.00		\$2,180.00		\$620.00
Town Hall Storage Building	\$3,000.00	\$600.00	\$3,600.00		\$0.00		\$3,600.00
Town Hall Tables & etc.		\$2,513.94					

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Town Hall Tables & etc.	donation		\$3,000.00				
Town Hall Tables & etc.	donation		\$7,000.00	\$12,513.94		\$209.80	\$12,304.14
Police Chief's Salary		\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00	
Constables Salary		\$180.00		\$180.00		\$180.00	
Police Expenses		\$6,100.00		\$6,100.00		\$4,436.90	\$1,613.10
Police Department Grant			\$12,833.51				
			\$15,200.00	\$28,033.51		\$10,785.94	\$17,247.57
Fire Chief /Forest Warden		\$425.00		\$425.00		\$425.00	
Fire Department Grant			\$14,844.00	\$14,844.00		\$14,843.35	\$0.65
Forest Fire Protection		\$10.00		\$10.00			\$10.00
Fire Department Expenses		\$4,500.00		\$4,500.00		\$4,340.93	\$159.07
Dispatch Services		\$2,650.00		\$2,650.00	\$118.38	\$2,768.38	
Turnout Gear		\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00	
Soctt Air Packs		\$4,500.00		\$4,500.00		\$3,794.00	\$706.00
Fire Hose		\$1,650.00		\$1,650.00		\$1,647.00	\$3.10
Ambulance Service - Hinsdale		\$1,200.00		\$1,200.00		\$1,200.00	
Ambulance Service - Huntington		\$200.00		\$200.00	\$50.00	\$2,500.00	
Building Inspector's Salary		\$3,329.00		\$3,329.00		\$3,329.00	
Oil Burner Inspector's Salary		\$100.00		\$100.00		\$100.00	
Plumbing Inspector's Salary		\$300.00		\$300.00		\$300.00	
Electrical Inspector's Salary		\$300.00		\$300.00		\$300.00	
Asst. Elec. Insp. Salary		\$100.00		\$100.00		\$100.00	
Propane Inspector's Salary		\$100.00		\$100.00		\$100.00	
Smoke Detector Inspector Salary		\$100.00		\$100.00		\$100.00	
Civil Defence		\$10.00		\$10.00			\$10.00
Dog Officer's Salary		\$400.00		\$400.00		\$400.00	
Dog Officer's Expenses		\$300.00		\$300.00			\$300.00
Tree Warden		\$100.00		\$100.00		\$100.00	
Insect Pest Control		\$100.00		\$100.00			\$1,000.00
Highway Maintenance		\$50,000.00		\$50,000.00	\$2,452.15	\$52,452.15	
Machinery Expense		\$16,000.00		\$16,000.00	\$451.04	\$16,451.04	
Fuel		\$6,000.00	\$4,500.00	\$10,500.00		\$10,088.47	\$411.63
Town Snow		\$50,000.00		\$50,000.00	\$30,543.13	\$80,543.13	
Street Lights		\$500.00		\$500.00		\$399.08	\$100.92
Unpaved Roads		\$15,000.00		\$15,000.00	\$116.30	\$15,116.30	
Chapter 113B			\$105,367.30	\$192,903.30		\$92,865.52	\$40.78
Chapter 11			\$123,975.20	\$109,338.97		\$82,272.80	\$27,066.17

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Town Hall Generator	\$2,000.00		\$32,000.00			\$2,000.00
Disposal Area	\$18,000.00		\$18,000.00	\$6,469.01	\$24,469.01	
Hilltown Resource Management Corp.	\$1,373.00		\$1,373.00		\$1,372.78	\$0.22
Cemetary Expense	\$3,600.00		\$3,600.00	\$66.80	\$3,666.80	
Board of Health Insp. Salary	\$300.00		\$300.00		\$300.00	
Health & Sanitation	\$10.00		\$10.00			\$10.00
Visiting Nurse	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00	
Council on Aging	\$1,000.00	\$5,338.60				
grant		\$2,600.00	\$8,938.60		\$7,772.93	\$1,165.67
Library Expense	\$1,500.00	\$5,278.07				
		\$1,415.40	\$8,193.47		\$6,143.55	\$2,049.92
Recreation Expense	\$500.00		\$500.00		\$257.73	\$242.27
Recreation - Basketball Court		\$145.46	\$145.46		\$0.00	\$145.46
War Memorials & Playgrounds	\$3,500.00		\$3,500.00		\$3,279.25	\$220.75
Middlefield Museum	\$500.00		\$500.00		\$500.00	
Historical Commission		\$1,649.97	\$1,649.97		\$1,403.54	\$246.43
Arts Lottery Cultural Council		\$3,135.40	\$3,135.40		\$2,124.00	\$1,011.40
Interest Short Term Note	\$6,000.00		\$6,000.00	\$1,021.23	\$7,021.23	
Trash Compactor Note	\$12,000.00		\$12,000.00		\$12,000.00	
Interest	\$900.00		\$900.00		\$558.00	\$342.00
Hampshire County Retirement - Town	\$4,703.00		\$4,703.00		\$4,366.00	\$337.00
Unemployment Compensation	\$4,000.00		\$4,000.00		\$2,381.00	\$1,619.00
Health Insurance Employer's Share	\$8,500.00		\$8,500.00		\$8,017.51	\$482.49
Medicare - Town Share	\$1,200.00		\$1,200.00	\$884.82	\$2,084.82	
Social Security - Town Share	\$6,500.00		\$6,500.00	\$2,685.20	\$9,185.20	
Holiday & Vacation	\$6,000.00		\$6,000.00		\$5,868.25	\$131.75
Town Insurance	\$25,000.00	\$4,500.00	\$20,500.00		\$19,196.00	\$1,304.00
Reserve Fund	\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00			
Stabilization Fund - due	\$10,000.00		\$10,000.00		\$10,000.00	
Gateway Regional School District	\$394,492.00		\$394,492.00		\$394,492.00	
County Tax - Hamp. Council of Gov't		\$3,368.00	\$3,368.00		\$3,368.00	
New Town Truck	\$20,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$55,000.00		\$47,343.53	\$7,656.45
Treasurer's Warrant						
Motor Vehicle Excise Refund					\$717.50	
Real Estate Tax Refund					\$2,180.83	
IRS					\$1,416.68	
Tax Collector's fees					\$1,433.75	

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Blue Cross & Blue Shield					\$1,505.51		\$93.21
Federal Income Tax					\$14,900.00		
Hampshire County Retirement					\$227.62		
Medicare					\$2,184.82		
Social Security					\$9,185.20		
State Income Tax					\$6,557.00		
Sale of Firearms - 50%					\$125.00		
Police - outside duty					\$10,700.00		
Division of Fisheries & Wildlife					\$2,090.50		
Dog Licenses					\$288.25		
Town Clerk Fees					\$142.25		

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**Chipman Road**

Keith Porter	Supt.	\$	2,870.00
Edward Vivier	Eq Op.	\$	1,967.50
Matthew Radwich	Eq Op.	\$	1,967.50
Brewster Pease	Drott	\$	9,253.00
Underground Supply	culverts	\$	1,282.60
Gordon Miller	Hay	\$	30.00
Gateway Auto	seed	\$	59.90
Donovan Bros	gravel	\$	13,868.94
Atlantic		\$	79.74
John S. Lane & Son	Gravel	\$	159.04
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>31,538.22</b>

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**LINE PAINTING**

Markings		\$	3,711.51
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>3,711.51</b>

**CHESTER ROAD**

Keith Porter	Supt	\$	2,564.00
Edward Vivier	Eq. Op	\$	1,582.00
Matthew Radwich	Eq. Op	\$	1,771.50
Brewster Pease		\$	3,932.00
Labrie Asphalt		\$	46,779.65
Jones Tractor		\$	5,163.75
Underground Supply	Culverts	\$	2,086.20
Gateway Auto		\$	29.95
Allstates	Asphalt	\$	6,025.65
Donovan Bros	Gravel	\$	15,861.89
Atlantic		\$	154.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>85,950.59</b>

**TOWN HILL ROAD**

Stedler Const	Gd rls	\$	40,276.25
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>40,276.25</b>

**TOWN HIGHWAYS****APPROPRIATION \$ 50,000.00**

Keith Porter	Supt	\$	12,956.00
Edward Vivier	Eq Op	\$	10,175.40
Matthew Radwich	Eq Op	\$	9,519.26
Henry Roberts	Mowing	\$	4,810.00
Brewster Pease	Backhoe	\$	200.00
Staples		\$	125.24
MSPCA		\$	35.00
Lane Construction		\$	1,646.33
Beaver Solutions		\$	760.23
Dues		\$	300.00
Chief Supply		\$	170.45
Dalton Tractor		\$	86.00
Carmel trapping		\$	450.00
Dufour Stickers		\$	87.00
LP Adams		\$	18.11
Donovan Bros	Gravel	\$	5,246.08
TCI	Tires	\$	2,491.78
Country Journal		\$	77.00
Town of Chesterfield		\$	300.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>49,453.88</b>

**TOWN SNOW****APPROPRIATION \$ 50,000.00**

Keith Porter	Supt	\$	17,658.43
Edward Vivier	Eq Op	\$	12,253.69
Matthew Radwich	Eq Op	\$	11,963.34
Rodney Savery Jr	Eq Op	\$	69.88
Brian Miller	Eq Op	\$	107.50
Robert Miller	Eq Op	\$	139.75
Donovan Bros	sand	\$	15,537.14
A. Nugent	Trucking	\$	4,062.60
Freedman Steel		\$	315.00
Gateway Auto		\$	60.70
Granite state	Salt	\$	3,356.85
Cargill	Salt	\$	6,378.24
John S. Lane	Chip	\$	3,601.10
D A Services		\$	800.00
ACT Vehicle		\$	32.80
Atlantic	Plow bl	\$	1,282.84
Grimaldi Trucking		\$	346.55
Waste Mgmt		\$	204.69
Allstates	Calcium	\$	588.00
Becks	Trucking	\$	1,752.15
G Richardson	Plow	\$	1,500.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>82,011.25</b>

TOWN HIGHWAYS			
<b>FUEL ACCOUNT</b>		<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 6,000.00</b>
Transfer from Ins. Acct			<b>\$ 4,500.00</b>
<b>Total Available</b>			<b>\$ 10,500.00</b>

Country Oil	Diesel	\$	9,548.63
Charlie's Garage	Gas	\$	539.84
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>10,088.47</b>

TOWN HIGHWAYS			
<b>UNPAVED ROAD MATERIALS</b>		<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 15,000.00</b>

John Lane	gravel	\$	5,450.96
Becks	trucking	\$	1,996.10
Donovan Bros	gravel	\$	6,945.49
Jones Tractor	gravel	\$	573.75
Brin Denas serv.	trucking	\$	150.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>15,116.30</b>

<b>NEW TRUCK</b>		<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 55,000.00</b>
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Sarat Ford		\$	46,112.00
California Cont		\$	199.90
Specialized Radio		\$	476.63
Sign Smith		\$	400.00
Klein Comm		\$	155.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>47,343.53</b>

<b>AMBULANCE</b>		<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 1,450.00</b>
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Lions Club		\$	250.00
Hinsdale Vol. FD		\$	1,200.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>1,450.00</b>

<b>ASSESSORS ASSISTANT</b>		<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 5,500.00</b>
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Mary White		\$	2,345.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>2,345.00</b>

<b>ASSESSORS REGISTRY FEES</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>150.00</b>
Hampshire County	\$	84.50	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>84.50</b>	

<b>ASSESSORS EXPENSE ACCOUNT</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,500.00</b>
Postmaster	\$	24.00	
Dues	\$	162.96	
Country Journal	\$	11.00	
Staples	\$	409.29	
MacFarlane	\$	188.26	
H. Roberts	\$	10.00	
N. Burnham	reimb	\$	31.65
G. Progulske	reimb	\$	218.91
Koppelman & Paige	\$	12.50	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,068.57</b>	

<b>ASSESSORS COMPUTER SOFTWARE</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,500.00</b>
FRCOG	\$	1,500.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,500.00</b>	

<b>ASSESSORS EDUCATION</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>800.00</b>
University of Mass.	\$	785.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>785.00</b>	

<b>ASSESSORS TAX MAP UPDATE</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>650.00</b>
Pioneer Land Services	\$	500.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>500.00</b>	

<b>ASSESSORS COMPUTER REPLACEMENT</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,200.00</b>
Staples	\$	1,065.95	

<b>AUDIT OF TOWN RECORDS</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,500.00</b>
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<b>CEMETERY EXPENSE</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 3,600.00</b>
Transfer from Reserve		<b>\$ 66.80</b>
<b>Total Available</b>		<b>\$ 3,666.80</b>

Donald Savery	mowing	\$	3,127.00
Pond Brook Tree serv.		\$	100.00
Taylor Memorials	stone	\$	267.00
Carrot Top	Flags	\$	172.80
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>3,666.80</b>

<b>CIVIL DEFENSE</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 10.00</b>
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<b>CONSERVATION COMMISSION</b>	<b>CARRYOVER BAL</b>	<b>\$ 334.44</b>
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Country Journal		\$	13.75
Postmaster		\$	24.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>37.75</b>

<b>COUNCIL ON AGING</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>
Grant - Elder Affairs		<b>\$ 2,600.00</b>
Carryover Balance		<b>\$ 5,338.60</b>
<b>Total Available</b>		<b>\$ 8,938.60</b>

Crystal Killela		\$	280.00
Joan Almorì		\$	579.54
Impress		\$	275.00
Dues		\$	80.00
Ellen Miller		\$	265.00
Priscilla Suriner		\$	160.88
Bruce Wehman		\$	876.21
Town of Russell		\$	370.00
Postmaster		\$	14.00
BarW Storm Windows		\$	700.00
Janet Rock		\$	156.00
Willards		\$	218.13
Yarnes Window		\$	990.00
Rainbow distilled water		\$	112.00
Moody Energy		\$	804.49
Kathy O'Brien	cleaning	\$	215.00
Betty Oligny		\$	10.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>6,106.25</b>

<b>Cultural Council</b>	State Grant	\$	3,300.00
Carryover Balance		\$	3,135.40
<b>Total</b>		\$	<b>6,435.40</b>

Postmaster	box rent	\$	24.00
S Glazier		\$	600.00
Sevenars		\$	300.00
Becket Arts		\$	150.00
NE Percussion		\$	300.00
Miniature Theater-chester		\$	100.00
Chester Elem School		\$	300.00
J. Porcino		\$	350.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		\$	<b>2,124.00</b>

<b>DISPOSAL AREA</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	\$	18,000.00
Transfer from Stabilization		\$	6,532.71
<b>Total Available</b>		\$	<b>24,532.71</b>

Dave Wickles	Trucking	\$	9,698.00
City of Northampton		\$	11,609.65
M.A. Main	Attend	\$	690.00
Kathleen O'Brien	Attend	\$	2,310.00
Lancer Label	stickers	\$	161.36
HRMC	hazmat	\$	63.70
<b>TOTAL</b>		\$	<b>24,532.71</b>

<b>DOG OFFICER SALARY</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	\$	400.00
David Krassler		\$	400.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		\$	<b>400.00</b>

<b>DOG OFFICER EXPENSES</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	\$	300.00
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<b>ELECTED OFFICERS SALARY</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	\$	19,325.00
Joe Kearns	Moderator	\$	100.00
Marjorie Batorski	Clerk	\$	1,500.00
Nancy Pease	Treas	\$	5,000.00
Ann Savery	Tax coll	\$	5,000.00
Gustel Progulski	assessor	\$	1,500.00
Nancy Burnham	assessor	\$	1,500.00
Robin Savery	assessor	\$	650.00
Thomas Rock	Selectman	\$	1,250.00
Peter Oligny	Selectman	\$	1,250.00

Larry Pease	Selectman	\$	1,250.00
Martin Main	auditor	\$	45.00
Donald Savery	Constable	\$	90.00
William Paschal	Constable	\$	90.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>19,225.00</b>

<b>ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATIONS</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>
Transfer from State Elections		<b>\$</b>	<b>189.00</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>1,189.00</b>

Priscilla Suriner	teller	\$	139.50
Betty Oigny	teller	\$	152.00
Ellen Miller	teller	\$	72.00
Cheryl Harper	teller	\$	30.00
Nancy Burnham	teller	\$	72.00
Ann Savery	teller	\$	30.00
Lois Leonardo-Bell	teller	\$	131.00
Patricia Paschal	teller	\$	90.50
Mary Sternagle	teller	\$	72.00
Elizabeth Carpenter	teller	\$	55.50
Cynthia Oigny	teller	\$	18.00
Gustel Progulske	teller	\$	18.00
Shirley Savery	teller	\$	18.00
Janet Vreeland	teller	\$	77.00
Ellen Denault	teller	\$	36.00
Country Journal	ballots	\$	26.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>1,037.50</b>

<b>FIRE CHIEF SALARY</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>425.00</b>
Larry Pease		\$	425.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>425.00</b>

<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT EXPENSE</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,500.00</b>
Staples		\$	289.93
Klein Comm		\$	65.00
Miriam Graves		\$	119.78
Gateway Auto		\$	446.26
ComTech		\$	1,641.67
Dufour		\$	58.00
Moore Med		\$	94.54
Galls		\$	108.98
Charlies Garage		\$	113.10
Sinopoli	Rad recore	\$	340.00
LockShop	rekey	\$	300.00

Specialized radio	\$	381.22
Pittsfield Fire & Safety	\$	132.45
Gleason	\$	150.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,240.93</b>

<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT GRANT</b>	<b>Grant amount</b>	<b>\$ 14,844.00</b>
Gleason Fire equip	\$	269.00
Industrial prot imager	\$	9,500.00
Galls	\$	1,251.27
Specialized Radio	\$	3,823.08
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>14,843.35</b>

<b>DISPATCH SERVICES</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 2,768.38</b>
Bershire County	\$	2,768.38
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,768.38</b>

<b>FIRE DEPT- TURNOUT GEAR</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 3,000.00</b>
Gleason Fire Equip Gear	\$	3,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,000.00</b>

<b>FIRE DEPT- 2 SCOTT AIRPACKS</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 4,500.00</b>
FireTech	\$	3,794.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,794.00</b>

<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT - HOSE</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 1,650.00</b>
Gleason Fire Equip hose	\$	1,647.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,647.00</b>

<b>GATEWAY REGIONAL</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 394,489.00</b>
Gateway Regional	\$	394,491.92
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>394,491.92</b>

<b>HAMPSHIRE COUNTY RETIREMENT</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 4,703.00</b>
Hampshire Cty Ret	\$	4,366.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,366.00</b>
<b>HAMPSHIRE COUNTY TAX</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 3,369.00</b>
Hampshire County Govt	\$	3,369.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,369.00</b>
<b>HEALTH AND SANITATION</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 10.00</b>
<b>HEALTH INSURANCE</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 8,500.00</b>
Hampshire County	\$	8,017.21
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>8,017.21</b>
<b>HILLTOWN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 1,373.00</b>
HRMC	\$	1,372.78
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,372.78</b>
<b>HISTORICAL COMMISSION</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 500.00</b>
Carryover Balance	\$	1,649.97
Donation	\$	30.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,179.97</b>
Jack Cobb                      reimb	\$	1,154.89
Jan Vreeland                    reimb	\$	108.65
Barwind                         windows	\$	640.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,903.54</b>
<b>HOLIDAYS AND VACATIONS</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 6,000.00</b>
Keith Porter                    Supt.	\$	3,305.25
Edward Vivier                 Eq. Op.	\$	1,056.25
Matthew Radwich             Eq. Op.	\$	1,507.75
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,869.25</b>

**INSPECTIONS**

Hampshire County	Building	\$	3,329.00
Walter Smith	Bd. Of health	\$	300.00
Eric Main	Electric	\$	300.00
John Savery	Asst. Elec.	\$	100.00
Larry Pease	Oil Burner	\$	100.00
Larry Pease	Smoke Alarm	\$	100.00
Larry Pease	Propane	\$	100.00
William Zeitler	Plumbing	\$	300.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>4,629.00</b>

**INSURANCE****APPROPRIATION \$ 25,000.00**

MIA		\$	15,544.00
Hastings Tapley		\$	3,652.00
Transfer to Fuel Acct.		\$	4,500.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>23,696.00</b>

**INTEREST - SHORT TERM LOANS****APPROPRIATION \$ 6,000.00**

Fleet Bank		\$	3,693.38
Bureau of Accounts		\$	50.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>3,743.38</b>

**LIBRARY EXPENSE****APPROPRIATION \$ 1,500.00**

Carryover Balance		\$	5,277.51
Dog Fund		\$	254.66
State Grant		\$	1,415.40
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>8,447.57</b>

Postmaster		\$	44.00
DEM Co	books	\$	707.84
Quality Paperback	books	\$	241.69
Brodart	furniture	\$	1,258.08
G C Services	books	\$	63.18
Baker & Taylor	books	\$	1,331.87
Cynthia Oligny	Salary	\$	570.00
Garrett Book Service	books	\$	129.10
World almanac		\$	18.08
Regent Books		\$	537.80
Story House	books	\$	456.33
Gaylord Bros	rack	\$	361.69
Lake shore		\$	423.89
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>6,143.55</b>

<b>MACHINERY EXPENSE</b>		<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 16,000.00</b>
Gateway Auto	parts	\$	4,850.78
Klein Communication		\$	458.00
Smiths Sled Shop		\$	116.87
Merriam Graves		\$	250.93
Atlantic	parts	\$	624.65
Lawson Products		\$	444.62
Tyler Equip.	parts	\$	97.45
Safety Kleen		\$	538.65
Raynors	parts	\$	63.32
McLaughlin	parts	\$	157.00
Hilltop sharpening		\$	32.00
Springfield Mack	parts	\$	239.80
Nutmeg Intl. Trucks	parts	\$	357.56
Cronation Welding		\$	302.00
Calif. Contractors	supplies	\$	103.75
Pittsfield Lawn & Tractors		\$	66.75
Orange Motors	parts	\$	70.81
ERC	supplies	\$	85.27
Superior Spring		\$	299.92
Rodney Savery	repairs	\$	650.00
Bart Truck	plow parts	\$	233.55
Town of Chester	wing plow	\$	750.00
TCI Tire Center		\$	393.50
Zwack Inc	motor	\$	664.88
Howe Bros	axle	\$	4,541.00
dufors		\$	58.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>16,451.06</b>

<b>MAINT. - PUBLIC BUILDINGS</b>		<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 26,000.00</b>
Transfer from Reserve			\$ 1,022.93
<b>Total Available</b>			<b>\$ 27,022.93</b>
AT&T		\$	342.97
Verizon	telephone	\$	3,201.26
MCI	telephone	\$	53.06
WMECO	Elec.	\$	6,154.57
Paul Richardson	Janitor, T.Hall	\$	2,226.00
Moody Energy	Oil & Propane	\$	13,602.93
Whiting Oil	gas tank	\$	25.20
ERC Wiping		\$	93.77
Complete Electric	repairs	\$	60.00
L.P. Adams		\$	83.48
Betty Oligny,	reimb	\$	43.74
Brigham Paper	supplies	\$	176.59
Donovan Bros	gravel	\$	480.09
Rainbow Dist.	water cooler	\$	122.00

Berkshire Lab	water test	\$	79.00
Pittsfield Fire & Safety		\$	108.45
Staples		\$	41.54
Lock Shop	repairs	\$	105.00
J & J Lock	keys	\$	23.28
<b>TOTAL</b>		\$	27,022.93

<b>MEDICARE</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	\$	1,500.00
Tramser from Reserve		\$	684.82
<b>Total Available</b>		\$	<u>2,184.82</u>

Bank Boston		\$	2,184.82
<b>TOTAL</b>		\$	2,184.82

<b>OFFICE EXPENSE</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	\$	3,000.00
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Dues		\$	155.00
Postmaster		\$	584.00
Country Journal	Ads	\$	168.25
MacFarlane Office	Rep.Copier	\$	188.25
Staples	supplies	\$	259.17
U.S.Postal Service	envelopes	\$	369.20
Hampshire Co.Adm.	bids	\$	84.56
Betty Oligny,	reimb	\$	12.17
Curry Copies	T.Clerk	\$	15.00
Fleet Bank	Treas	\$	69.25
Maurice Pease	Postage	\$	11.93
Connors Supply	supplies	\$	35.91
<b>TOTAL</b>		\$	1,952.69

<b>PLANNING BOARD</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	\$	10.00
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<b>PIONEER VALLEY PL COMM</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	\$	60.00
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Pioneer Valley Planning Comm		\$	58.80
<b>TOTAL</b>		\$	58.80

<b>POLICE CHIEF SALARY</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	\$	1,000.00
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Thomas Austin		\$	1,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		\$	1,000.00

<b>PRINTING</b>		<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>750.00</b>
Cindy Duby	Town Rep.	\$		275.00
Impress Printing	Annual Report	\$		475.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>		<b>750.00</b>

<b>POLICE DEPT EXPENSE</b>		<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>6,100.00</b>
Thomas Austin		\$		585.00
Curt Robie		\$		130.00
Ritchies Genl Serv.	Repairs	\$		1,128.38
Chester Munic. Elec		\$		285.48
Staples		\$		1,201.69
Gall's		\$		95.02
Motorola		\$		85.00
Gould		\$		109.85
Dues		\$		460.00
Verizon		\$		208.00
Edmund Chaffee		\$		70.00
Sentry Uniform		\$		79.75
Postmaster	box rent	\$		14.00
Hamp. Co. Training		\$		100.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>		<b>4,552.17</b>

<b>POLICE DEPT GRANT</b>		<b>Grant</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>28,033.51</b>
Sentry Uniform		\$		887.20
Staples		\$		2,284.31
Motorola		\$		1,874.00
Thomas Austin		\$		3,745.00
Curt Robie		\$		690.00
Edmund Chaffee		\$		120.00
Berk Net		\$		182.10
Pittsfield Comm Sys		\$		160.00
D. Pensivy		\$		60.00
Chester Munic. Elec.		\$		124.34
Verizon		\$		460.52
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>		<b>10,587.47</b>

<b>RECREATION COMM EXP.</b>		<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>500.00</b>
Judy Carrington	Reimb	\$		57.73
M Noonan, horses	Xmas	\$		200.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>		<b>257.73</b>

<b>SELECTMEN'S SECY</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 3,500.00</b>
Betty Oigny	\$	3,500.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,500.00</b>

<b>SELECTMEN'S EXPENSE</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 800.00</b>
Country Journal Ads	\$	22.50
MMA Dues	\$	408.00
TriCounty Meeting	\$	25.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>455.50</b>

<b>STREET LIGHTS</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 500.00</b>
WMECO	\$	407.99
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>407.99</b>

<b>SOCIAL SECURITY</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 6,500.00</b>
From Stabilization		<b>\$ 4,670.15</b>
<b>Total Available</b>		<b>\$ 11,170.15</b>
Bank Boston	\$	11,170.15
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>11,170.15</b>

<b>TAX COLLECTORS EXPENSE</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 4,000.00</b>
Postmaster box rent	\$	80.00
Staples supplies	\$	59.96
FRCOG	\$	1,000.00
Dues	\$	73.24
Classes	\$	65.00
Advanced Business Sys	\$	194.44
MacFarlane	\$	92.63
Country Journal ads	\$	196.00
Phoenix Computer	\$	1,950.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,711.27</b>

<b>TOWN COUNSEL</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 1,500.00</b>
Kopelman & Paige	\$	125.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>125.00</b>
<b>TOWN HALL STORAGE SHED</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 3,000.00</b>
<b>TOWN HALL GENERATOR ENCL.</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 2,000.00</b>
<b>TOWN HALL TABLES AND KITCHEN EQUIP</b>	<b>Carry over balance</b>	<b>\$ 5,513.94</b>
Betty Oligny supplies	\$	209.80
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>209.80</b>
<b>TREE WARDEN &amp; INSECT PEST</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 200.00</b>
Brian Miller	\$	100.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>100.00</b>
<b>UNEMPLOYMENT</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 4,000.00</b>
Div of Emp & Training	\$	2,381.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,381.00</b>
<b>VISITING NURSE</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>
Lee VNA	\$	1,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>
<b>VETERANS AGENT</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 100.00</b>
<b>WAR MEMORIALS &amp; PLAYGROUNDS</b>	<b>APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 3,500.00</b>
Charles H. Winn, Jr. mowing	\$	2,145.00
Paul Richardson mowing	\$	1,280.00
Country Journal	\$	19.25
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,444.25</b>