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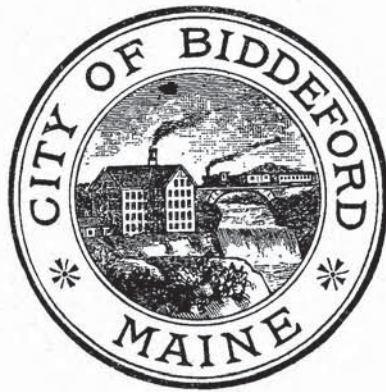
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ANNUAL REPORT

CITY OF BIDDEFORD



For Fiscal Year

Beginning December 1st, 1935

And Ending November 30, 1936

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Mayor
DR. FREDERICK H. MITCHELL

City Treasurer

WILFRID LANDRY

City Auditor

ALBERT E. PARE

Board of Assessors

THOMAS H. SIMPSON, Chief Assessor

LINIERE DOYON

JOHN P. GARTLAND

Tax Collector

SAUL GAGNE

Health and Welfare

Henry Boisvert, Clerk of Overseers of the Poor

Jules Marcoux, Superintendent of the Homestead

Dr. Oscar Perreault, City Physician and Health Officer

Board of Education

DR. FREDERICK H. MITCHELL, Chairman

CORNELIUS DARCY

SUSAN H. PIPER

JOHN J. DUNN

PAUL F. GRACE

Superintendent of Schools

A. ALTON GARCELON, JR.

Truant Officer

WILL STONE

Police Commissioners

ANTOINE A. PETIT, Chairman

JOSEPH VERRIER

ARMAND DUQUETTE

Chief of Police
 RODOLPHE VANASSE

Captain of Police
 CLEMENT DESCHAMBEAULT

Board of Engineers of the Fire Department
 FRANK CANTARA, Chief Engineer
 NAPOLEON VERRIER, First Assistant Engineer
 TIMOTHY A. HAYES, Second Assistant Engineer

Street Commissioner, District No. 4
 ALBERT CADORETTE

Assistant Street Commissioner
 LOUIS A. PARISEAU

Road Commissioners

FRANK ROBBINS	Pool Road District
ARMAND J. PYER	Oak Ridge District
FRANK GOODWIN	Biddeford Pool District
ANDREW H. DAVIS	Fortunes Rocks District
LESTER H. CURTIS	Newtown Road District
EDWARD L. HEBERT	Ward Seven, North
JOHN W. LOWELL	Ward Seven, East
WILLIAM B. DEASY,	Ward Seven, West

Trustees Woodlawn Cemetery

DR. FREDERICK H. MITCHELL, Chairman
 JAMES H. BRADBURY DANIEL JELLERSON

Superintendent of Burials
FREDERICK D. RUMERY

Milk Inspector
HARRY A. DINEEN

Electrical Inspector
SAMUEL LACERTE

Inspector of Buildings
THOMAS BLANCHETTE

Park Commissioner
JOSEPH H. STONE

Board of Registration of Voters
C. WILSON PLACE RAY A. BURLEIGH

December 5, 1936.

Hon. Frederick H. Mitchell
and Members of the City Council,
Biddeford, Me.

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the Council's order of November 2, 1936, we have conducted an audit of the records of the City of Biddeford for the year ended November 30, 1936.

All expenditures were checked and found to be properly substantiated by vouchers. The accounts of the Treasurer and Tax Collector were examined and found to be correct.

Attached please find reports of Treasurer, Tax Collector, Cemetery Funds, Comparative Balance Sheet, Summary of Accounts, Trust Fund Commission, and Summary of Receipts and Disbursements by Appropriation.

The City Officials and Heads of the various Departments are to be complimented for the efficiency shown in the handling of their records.

We wish to express our thanks to all concerned for the kind cooperation rendered us.

To the best of our knowledge and belief, the attached reports are correct.

Respectfully submitted,

State Dept. of Audit

F. L. Elliott.

M. A. Napolitano.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Cash on Hand	\$	5,737.10
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Receipts for Year

Taxes

1936 Real and Personal	\$362,147.55
1936 Poll	7,155.00
1935 Real and Personal	111,882.34
1935 Poll	4,413.00
1934 Poll	1,631.63
1933 Poll	1,793.07
1932 Poll	105.50
1931 Poll	3.00
1929 Poll	52.00

\$ 489,183.09

Tax Liens

1935	\$ 17,350.56
1934	5,213.26

\$ 22,563.82

Tax Deeds

1933	\$ 368.72
1932	442.04
1931	314.35
1929	147.74
1927	112.97

\$ 1,385.82

Excise Tax

1936	\$ 18,528.20
1935	15.17

\$ 18,543.37

Accounts Receivable

\$ 13,018.10

Accounts Payable

\$ 48.85

City Building

Rents\$ 8,725.00

Insurance refund 46.60

\$ 8,771.60

Contingent

Miscellaneous

\$ 1,830.12

General Expense

Licenses\$ 65.12

Void checks 62.25

\$ 127.37

General Licenses

\$ 394.00

Fire Department

Town of North Kenne-

bunkport\$ 100.00

Miscellaneous 16.19

\$ 116.19

Police

Miscellaneous

\$ 132.05

Health Dept.

State of Maine

\$ 55.56

Sewers and Drains

Permits

\$ 186.00

Insane Dept.

Miscellaneous

\$ 121.40

Highway District No. 4

Use of Equipment	\$ 277.25
Insurance Adjustment .	549.32
Miscellaneous	237.35

\$ 1,063.92

Ward No. 7, East

Void Check	\$ 10.20
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State Aid Road

State of Maine	\$ 667.68
Refunds	132.62

\$ 800.30

Special Road Resolve

State of Maine	\$ 934.73
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Snow

State of Maine	\$ 1,140.98
Void Checks	118.00

\$ 1,258.98

Pauper Dept.

Refunds	\$ 66.17
Town of Gorham	12.00
Town of Rumford	79.71
Town of Brunswick	330.25
City of Auburn	12.72
Town of Winthrop	338.59
City of Augusta	200.86
No. Kennebunkport	175.15
State of Maine	16,842.27
So. Portland	210.37
Westbrook	400.21
Lewiston	77.13

Saco	42.09
Portland	368.57
Waterville	206.64
Kennebunk	425.77
Sanford	300.86
Winslow	66.94
Oldtown	130.88
Miscellaneous	92.75

\$ 20,379.93

Mothers Aid

State of Maine \$ 838.37

Homestead

Use of Truck\$ 147.50
 Sale of Supplies 311.61

\$ 459.11

Schools

Saco-Lowell\$ 5,436.60
 State of Maine 26,788.74
 Tuition 766.42
 Miscellaneous 64.58

\$ 33,056.34

Library

State of Maine \$ 170.00

Interest

Interest on Tax

Deeds, Taxes, etc. \$ 145.52

Woodlawn Cemetery	
Sale of Lots	\$ 370.00
W. P. A.	
Refunds	\$ 139.67
Dog Licenses 1936	\$ 500.00
Temporary Loans	850,000.00
State of Maine Bank	
State Tax	1,501.10
State of Maine Rail-	
road & Tel. Tax	526.41
State of Maine Armory	
Rental	500.00
Trust Funds Income	370.72
Miscellaneous	13.00
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Total Receipts	\$1,469,515.64
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Total Available	1,475,252.74
Warrants Paid	1,470,024.13
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Cash Balance, Novem-	
ber, 30, 1936	\$ 5,228.61

Reconciliation of Treasurer's Cash

Cash Book Balance	\$ 5,228.61
Checks Outstanding	12,426.41
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	\$ 17,655.02
Bank Balance	\$ 16,780.77
Cash on Hand	874.25
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	\$ 17,655.02

Summary of Accounts

November 30, 1936

	Overdrafts	Unexpended
1936 Excise Tax		\$ 14,495.30
1935 Excise Tax		15.17
1935 Accounts Payable		67,224.54
City Building		1,345.97
Contingent Fund		1,469.34
Election Department\$	1,532.55	
General Expense	4,922.30	
Salaries		122.57
General Licenses		394.00
Fire Department	28.03	
Police Department	206.11	
Hydrant Rentals	2,496.21	
Street Lights	1,573.90	
Health Department		268.26
Sewers and Drains		444.94
Insane		75.60
Waste Department		508.57
Highway District No. 4... ..	17,057.71	
Fortunes Rocks	9.06	
Newtown Road		27.77
Oak Ridge District	16.72	
Pool Road District	256.15	
Pool District	585.60	
Resurfacing Streets	2,308.78	
Sidewalks		500.00
Ward No. 7, North	78.05	
Ward No. 7, East.....		35.00
Ward No.7,West		11.00
Special Road Resolve	63.74	
1935 Third Class Maintenance	642.60	

1936 Third Class Maintenance	674.40	
Snow Removal	1,334.06	
Third Class Road Construction		684.13
Pauper Department	50,980.10	
Mother's Aid		393.00
Homestead	1,594.04	
Apparatus and Equipment ..	2,093.29	
School Repairs	2,028.47	
Parks.	20.14	
Interest		1,731.88
Overlay		1,734.93
Dog Licenses—1934	532.00	
Dog Licenses—1935	740.00	
1932 Tax Abatements	418.45	
1933 Tax Abatements	164.42	
1935 Tax Abatements	776.56	
1936 Tax Abatements	1,909.51	
1934 Tax Lien Abatements	118.74	
1935 Tax Lien Abatements.	1,348.63	
W. P. A.	5,701.67	
Truant Officer	75.00	
Bank Stock Tax		1,501.10
Railroad and Telephone Tax		526.41
Armory Rental		5.43
Net overdraft to Net City Debt		8,772.08
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	\$102,286.99	\$102,286.99

Comparative Balance Sheet

Nov. 30, 1935 Nov. 30, 1936

ASSETS

Cash	\$ 5,737.10	\$ 5,228.61
Taxes 1936 Real & Personal		305,344.88
Taxes 1936 Poll.....		9,051.00
Taxes 1935 Real & Personal	116,042.74	4,276.60
Taxes 1935 Poll	9,222.00	4,977.00
Taxes 1934	10,592.58	9,663.04
Taxes 1933	10,201.79	9,429.56
Taxes 1932	7,558.08	7,502.58
Taxes 1931	13,281.12	13,278.12
Taxes 1930	11,267.23	11,267.23
Taxes 1929	13,255.37	13,203.37
Taxes 1928	5,128.94	5,159.74
Taxes 1927	4,600.41	4,600.41
Taxes 1926	11,045.42	11,045.42
Taxes 1925	9,585.06	9,585.06
Taxes 1924	7,366.25	7,366.25
Taxes 1923	2,392.87	2,392.87
Taxes 1922	1,139.37	1,139.37
Taxes 1921	2,758.79	2,758.79
Taxes 1920	10.00	10.00
Tax Liens 1935		76,754.77
Tax Liens 1934	12,519.69	6,214.61
Tax Deeds 1933	3,915.74	3,155.56
Tax Deeds 1932.....	4,362.45	3,644.34
Tax Deeds 1931	4,546.29	4,230.94
Tax Deeds 1930	2,312.34	2,312.34
Tax Deeds 1929	2,217.63	2,069.89
Tax Deeds 1928	2,038.86	2,038.86
Tax Deeds 1927	1,023.99	911.02

Tax Deeds 1926	1,027.14	1,027.14
Tax Deeds Prior to 1926 .	994.44	994.44
Accounts Receivable	18,033.59	14,090.25
State Aid Road 1936	4.35	885.59
Common Schools	10,458.20	11,508.96
Home Economics	356.74	191.59
Physical Education	626.84	471.41
Superintendent's Salary ..	805.02	635.04
Text Books	1,186.39	
Insurance, Rent, Transporta- tion, Light & Power....	1,537.92	1,416.02
School Committee and Office Expense	46.05	296.43
Supplies	187.18	1,518.14
Vocational Education		11.66
Trust Funds Interest	13,929.64	13,967.02
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Total Assets	\$323,315.61	\$ 585,625.92
Net City Debt	578,747.34	525,026.65
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Total	\$902,062.95	\$1,110,652.57

Comparative Balance Sheet

Nov. 30, 1935 Nov. 30, 1936

LIABILITIES

Bonds Payable Funding ..	\$165,000.00	\$ 148,500.00
Bonds Payable Refunding	355,000.00	325,000.00
Bonds Payable Sewers	5,000.00	
Bonds Payable High School		
Annex	70,000.00	60,000.00
Bonds Payable State Road	4,000.00	3,000.00
1935 State Tax	95,327.99	
1936 State Tax		95,327.99
1935 County Tax	25,554.79	
1936 County Tax		27,163.33
1935 Accounts Payable..	42,175.69	
1936 Accounts Payable ...		10,659.58
Manual Training	89.74	776.23
Text Books		1.91
Medical Inspection	375.41	541.49
Vocational Education ...	5.00	
Woodlawn Cemetery	150.00	519.01
1936 Dog Licenses	279.00	138.00
Tax Anticipation Notes ..	100,000.00	425,000.00
Notes Payable	25,000.00	
Trust Fund Income	175.69	58.01
Trust Fund Reserve	13,929.64	13,967.02
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Total Liabilities	\$902,062.95	\$1,110,652.57

Trust Fund Commission.

November 30, 1936.

Balance, November 30, 1936	\$ 10,175.38
January 18, 1936, Deposit \$ 10,000.00	
Interest	453.60
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	\$ 10,453.60
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Pepperell Trust Company Savings Ac- count No. 15557	\$ 20,628.98

City of Biddeford**Proof of Change Net Debt**

Net Debt November 30, 1935, \$578,747.34	
Add	
Adjustment, 1934 Tax Liens	31.33
Adjustment, 1935 Tax Liens	13.03
Net Overdraft	8,772.08
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	\$ 587,563.78
Less	
Bonds Paid	\$ 62,500.00
Adjustment 1935 Tax Liens	5.41
Adjustment, 1935 Taxes	31.72
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	\$ 62,537.13
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Net Debt November 30, 1936	\$ 525,026.65

CITY OF BIDDEFORD OUTSTANDING BONDS

Funding Bonds.

Aug. 1, 1935 \$165,000.00 \$16,500.00 Aug. 1, '36-'45

Refunding Bonds

May 1, 1920 5%	25,000		May 1, 1940
May 1, 1925 4%	50,000		May 1, 1945
May 1, 1926 4¼%	25,000	25,000	May 1, 1936
Aug. 1, 1927 4¼%	5,000	5,000	Aug. 1, 1936
Sept. 15, 1929 4½%	200,000		Sept. 15, 1949
May 1, 1914 4%	50,000		May 15, 1939

Sewer Bonds.

July 5, 1922 4½% 5,000.00 5,000.00 July 5, 1936

State Road Bonds.

July 1, 1926 4% 4,000.00 1,000.00 July 1, '31-'39

High School Annex Bonds

Apr. 1, 1925 4% 70,000.00 10,000.00 Apr. 1, '31-'42

\$599,000.00 \$62,500.00

Total Bonded Debt, November 30, 1935 \$ 599,000.00

Paid in 1936..... 62,500.00

Total Bonded Debt November 30, 1936 \$536,500.00

Respectfully submitted,

WILFRID LANDRY,

Treasurer.

Trust Funds

Fund Number	Name of Fund	Cemetery Lot No.	Bank of Deposit	Balance 11 - 30 - 35	Interest to 11 - 30 - 36	Withdrawn 11 - 30 - 35 to 11 - 30 - 36	Balance 11 - 30 - 36
1.	Charles Beaumont	36W	P	\$ 100.00	\$ 2.51	\$ 2.51	\$ 100.00
2.	J. E. Brooks	216W	P	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
3.	Jeremiah Bunker	B-P	B	671.07	20.29	20.29	671.07
4.	Ellen Burnham	487W	B	50.33	1.52	1.52	50.33
5.	Emeline Burnham	164W	B	238.02	7.19	7.19	238.02
6.	Horace Clark	243W	B	76.82	2.30	2.30	76.82
7.	Cleaves Poor Fund		B	1407.87	42.53	42.53	1407.87
8.	Cleaves Poor Fund		P	461.43	11.60	11.60	461.43
9.	Elizabeth Cole	319W	B	212.75	6.41	6.41	212.75
10.	Celanise Crochiere	St. J.	B	93.95	2.83		96.78
11.	Celanise Crochiere	St. J.	B	93.95	2.83		96.78
12.	George B. Curtis	121W	B	100.51	3.03	3.03	100.51
13.	Sarah B. Curtis	861W	B	153.60	4.63	4.63	153.60
14.	Amanda Davis	143W	P	200.00	5.02	5.02	200.00
15.	Annie M. Dustin	618W	B	50.39	1.52	1.52	50.39
16.	Emmons	518W	B	101.05	3.05	3.05	101.05
17.	Mary A. Farwell Ellis	8G	B	104.06	3.14	3.14	104.06
18.	W. M. T. Flanders	622W	P	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
19.	Wm. J. Graves	842W	P	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
20.	Sophia Harvey	421W	P	150.00	3.76	3.76	150.00
21.	Elizabeth B. Haines	158-9	P	200.00	5.02	5.02	200.00
22.	Cynthia J. Haynes	114W	B	101.38	3.05	3.05	101.38
23.	Ann R. Hamilton	270C	B	105.85	3.19	3.19	105.85
24.	Eben Hill	160W	P	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
25.	Albert O. Hill	870W	P	200.00	5.02	5.02	200.00
26.	Thomas G. Hill	407W	P	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
27.	Jennie M. Johnson	598W	B	100.55	3.03	3.03	100.55
28.	Mary Joy	668W	B	101.11	3.05	3.05	101.11
29.	Benj. F. Kenniston	14W	B	215.44	6.50	6.50	215.44
30.	Alveretta Littlefield	11W	B	101.11	3.05	3.05	101.11
31.	Jack Fund	152W	B	226.61	6.84	6.84	226.61
32.	William Mason	320W	B	105.12	3.17	3.17	105.12
33.	Ministerial Fund		B	1049.45	31.72		1081.17
34.	Christine Murphy	858W	P	50.00	1.24	1.24	50.00
35.	Betsey Murray	557W	B	297.82	8.99	8.99	297.82
36.	Mary McWhirter	529W	B	100.45	3.02	3.02	100.45
37.	Leavitt-Patrick	546W	P	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
38.	Charles Ricker	532W	B	100.45	3.02	3.02	100.45
39.	Julia A. Ricker	541W	B	75.67	2.27	2.27	75.67
40.	Charles Smith	392W	B	101.85	3.07	3.07	101.85
41.	Hannah Smith	317W	B	110.48	3.33	3.33	101.48
42.	Mary A. Smith	262-264W	B	651.91	19.69	19.69	651.91
43.	Thomas D. Suhr	221G	B	104.10	3.14	3.14	104.10

44.	Hannibal D. Taylor	DMR	P	50.00	1.24	1.24	50.00
45.	Goodrich & Wilson	23W	P	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
46.	Jane F. Webster	60W	B	190.83	5.75	5.75	190.83
47.	Abraham Kay	490W	B	97.17	2.93	2.93	97.17
48.	Jothram W. Benson	108W	B	104.14	3.14	3.14	104.14
49.	Ida M. Witham	30W	Y	154.51	4.65	4.65	154.51
50.	Lizzie Hutchins	124-5W	P	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
51.	J. S. Hill	111W	Y	150.06	4.53	4.53	150.06
52.	George H. Stone	777W	Y	100.34	3.02	3.02	100.34
53.	John R. Bonser	130W	Y	100.04	3.02	3.02	100.04
54.	Mabel G. Chillis	829W	Y	157.80	4.76	4.76	157.80
55.	Georgia A. Warren	460W	Y	211.00	6.38	6.38	211.00
56.	George A. Antoine	260W	Y	150.60	4.53	4.53	150.60
57.	Chas. & Augusta Smith	382W	Y	100.68	3.03	3.03	100.68
58.	Wm. Elliott	524W	Y	150.06	4.53	4.53	150.06
59.	Edwin H. & Marietta Dennett	269W	Y	100.57	3.03	3.03	100.57
60.	Lois A. Drew Strout	211W	Y	202.93	6.11	6.11	202.93
61.	W. W. Center	830W	Y	150.06	4.53	4.53	150.06
62.	Clarence E. Huff	221W	Y	100.31	3.02	3.02	100.31
63.	Mary A. Thompson	885W	B	202.99	6.12	6.12	202.99
64.	Nellie M. Haley	836W	B	100.31	3.02	3.02	100.31
65.	Mary A. Day	446W	B	309.69	9.35	9.35	309.69
66.	Charles Staples	434W	Y	100.04	3.02	3.02	100.04
67.	Oren Foss	851W	Y	100.50	3.03	3.03	100.50
68.	Anna D. Clark	472W	Y	201.28	6.08	6.08	201.28
69.	J. F. P. Waterhouse	103W	Y	100.77	3.03	3.03	100.77
70.	Catherine Weymouth		B	50.00	1.50	1.50	50.00
71.	D. O. Goldthwaite	102W	B	200.00	6.05	6.05	200.00
72.	John S. Fogg	171W	B	200.00	6.05	6.05	200.00
73.	Mary Haines	193G	B	125.00	3.77	3.77	125.00
74.	Flora M. Kay	490W	Y	102.58	3.09	3.09	102.58
75.	Henrietta Smith	196W	Y	200.05	6.05	6.05	200.05
76.	Orinda F. Odall	249W	Y	200.18	6.05	6.05	200.18
77.	Nellie Tarbox		W B	100.00	3.02	3.02	100.00
78.	Alice F. Gilpatrick		P	200.00	5.02	5.02	200.00
Total				\$13,929.64	\$408.10	\$370.72	\$13,967.02

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City
Council:

Gentlemen:

We herewith submit a list of abatement of taxes
by the Board of Assessors during the fiscal year ending
November 30, 1936.

For SAUL GAGNE, Collector of Taxes for 1936.

Saco-Lowell Shops—Real Estate	\$46,119.30
Saco-Lowell Shops—Personal	2,799.00
General Real Estate Abatemnt	579.56
General Personal Abatement	258.65
Poll Tax Abatement	153.00

Total	\$49,909.51

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS H. SIMPSON.

LINIERE DOYON.

JOHN P. GARTLAND.

TAX COLLECTOR

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City
Council of the City of Biddeford.

I herewith respectfully submit my report as Col-
lector of Taxes for the fiscal year 1936.

1935 Taxes

Personal and Real Estate

Uncollected Tax	\$116,042.74	
Supplemental	136.80	
	<hr/>	\$116,179.54
Abated by Assessors	754.96	
Cash to Treasurer	23,354.63	
By Lien to Treasurer	87,793.35	
Uncollected Personal	4,276.60	
	<hr/>	\$116,179.54

Poll Taxes

Uncollected Poll Tax	9,222.00	
Sup. Polls	168.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 9,390.00
Abated by Assessor	21.00	
Cash to Treasurer	4,392.00	
Amount uncollected	4,974.00	
Cash on hand	3.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 9,390.00

1935 Excise Tax

Amount collected	15.17	
	<hr/>	\$ 15.17

Total Uncollected Taxes

Personal	4,276.60	
Polls	4,974.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 9,250.60

Interest and Cost

Cash to Treasurer	113.31	
	<hr/>	\$ 113.31

1936 Taxes**Real Estate**

Commitment Book Adds . . .	\$603,871.26	
Sup. Tax Collected	155.55	
	<hr/>	\$604,026.81
Cash to Treasurer	312,455.25	
Abated by Assessors	46,698.86	
Uncollected Tax	244,872.70	
	<hr/>	\$604,026.81

Personal

Commitment Book Adds . . .	113,113.86	
Sup. Tax Collected	5.10	
	<hr/>	\$113,118.96
Cash to Treasurer	49,589.13	
Abated by Assessors	3,057.65	
Uncollected Tax	60,472.18	
	<hr/>	\$113,118.96

Poll Taxes

Commitment Book Adds . . .	16,098.00	
Sup. Polls Collected	261.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 16,359.00
Cash to Treasurer	7,155.00	
Abated by Assessors	153.00	
Uncollected	9,051.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 16,359.00

1936 Excise Tax

Amount Collected	18,528.20	
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Total Uncollected Taxes for 1936

Real Estate	244,872.70	
Personal	60,472.18	
Poll	9,051.00	
	<hr/>	\$314,395.88

Respectfully submitted,

SAUL GAGNE, Tax Collector.

WELFARE DEPARTMENT.

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Biddeford:

As Clerk of the Overseers of the Poor, I respectfully submit the following as a true and correct report of the expenditures of the Pauper Dept. for the Fiscal Year, ending Nov. 30, 1936.

1936 does not show any improvements over 1935, our streets were still filled with idle men, so the Pauper Dept. continued to be stormed by a vast army of unemployed. Some of these men succeeded in getting jobs during the year but their pay was so small that they had to continue on the Relief rolls just the same.

Although economy is the watchword of the Pauper Dept. no one is permitted to suffer.

The Pauper Dept. is but a child of Fate, its favorable or unfavorable report depends entirely upon local conditions. If local conditions are good, the Pauper Dept. report will be favorable, if local conditions are bad, the Pauper Dept. report will be unfavorable.

Every Dept. in the City Building has its duties to perform and the Pauper Dept. duties are to provide for those that are destitute and in distress, through lack of employment, with the necessities of life.

It matters not who the Overseer of the Poor is, he must provide the poor unfortunates of our city with food when hungry and fuel when cold. If they come in small numbers, it will not cost the City much but if they come in hundreds, the City must expect to pay plenty.

In 1936 they came to the Pauper Dept. from every walk of life, and they represented every trade and vocation, some came to the Dept. their shoulders bent with the passage of time, with tears in their eyes, asked for a little help that they might not have to go Over the Hill

to the Poor Farm. We could not send them to the Homestead, as the place is always full.

The total expenditure of the Pauper Dept. for 1936 was \$151,390.00. \$25,000.00 of this was for State and Out of Town cases. This money was paid back to the City of Biddeford, reducing the Net Cost of the Pauper Dept. to \$126,390.99.

The Pauper Dept. paid in 1936 \$13,213.15 for board and care of children in schools and orphanages and State children. This must be paid every year regardless of business conditions.

The number of cases on Welfare for 1936 average 400 cases per week, an average of 1,800 persons. Prospects for 1937 are brighter than they were in 1936 as the first two payrolls of 1937 show a savings of \$6,000.00.

As Clerk of the Overseers of the Poor, I want to assure you, Hon. Mayor and Councillors of the City of Biddeford, that I have endeavored to measure up to your standard, if I did not do so, it is not because I did not try.

Beginning December, 1935—Ending November, 1936

Appropriation	\$ 75,000.00
Credits	25,410.89
Total	100,410.89
Expenditures	151,390.99
Overdraft	50,980.10
Groceries	\$ 71,730.03
Mo. All	2,956.00
Milk	1,337.35
Fuel Oil	12,826.88
Wood	11,275.85
Shoes and Clothing	8,892.77
Rent	7,752.67

Board and Care	12,569.73
Doctors	3,636.00
Prescriptions	2,687.65
Hospitals	3,012.47
Sanitorium at Fairfield	673.42
Undertakers	1,080.00
Moving	582.44
Misc. (Printing, Tel. Bragg, Parcel Post Transp., Office Supplies, etc.)	125.15
Biddeford Paupers out of Town	4,082.12
Flood Relief	115.50
Case Workers	2,111.50
State of Maine	3,943.46
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Total Expenditures	\$151,390.99

MOTHER'S AID.

Appropriation	\$5,000.00
Credits	838.37
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Total	\$5,838.37
Expenditures	5,445.37
Bal Unexpended	393.00

INSANE DEPT.

Appropriation	\$500.00
Credits	121.40
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Total	\$621.40
Expenditures	545.80
Bal. Unexpended	75.60

HENRY BOISVERT, Clerk.

THE HOMESTEAD

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council:

I respectfully submit the following report for the fiscal year ending November 30, 1936.

From thirty to forty-six persons were accommodated at the Homestead during the year 1936. The flood caused damage to land and property to the amount of \$2,500.00.

I give below a list of all City property at the Homestead.

Products Raised at Homestead

Potatoes	550 bu.	Carrots	32 bu.
String Beans	42 bu.	Beets	52 bu.
K. & W. Beans	39 bu.	Corn	450 bu.
Tomatoes	12 bu.	Cabbage	1½ tons
Turnips	62 bu.	Hay	52 tons
Onions	16 bu.	Cucumbers	43 bu.

Stock at Homestead

3 Horses	5 Cows
4 Hogs	2 Heifers, 1 yr. old
1 Bull	1 Heifer, 2 yrs. old
165 Pullets	

Farm Implements

1 Sulky Plow	2 Cultivators
1 Manure Spreader	1 Veider
1 Spring Harrow	1 Horse Hoe
1 Corn Planter	1 Double Hayrack
2 Horse Rakes	1 Single Hayrack
1 Mowing Machine	1 Work Rack
2 Single Harnesses	2 Hitching Falls
2 Double Harnesses	1 Platform Scale
1 Double Working Sled	1 Disk Harrow
1 Double Working Wagon	1 Market Wagon
2 Walking Plows	1 Single Dump Wagon

Number of Inmates at Homestead at the End of Each Month

December	37	June	46
January	30	July	46
February	38	August	40
March	41	September	44
April	43	October	40
May	40	November	43

Furniture at Homestead

42 Beds	1 Ice Chest
100 Chairs	1 Bacher Chair
1 Clock	1 Set of Dishes
1 Electric Washer	6 Tables
2 Kitchen Stoves	1 Electric Refrigerator

Expenditures

Salaries	\$1,041.25
Groceries	1,812.55
Tobacco and Matches	382.00
Coal	489.69
Bread	697.04
Expense of the Barn	1,240.07
Water	149.40
Repairs	294.28
Beds and Bedding	132.61
Telephone and Electricity	342.69
Clothing	325.66
Gas and Fuel Oil	270.38
Disinfectant and Soap	135.67
Barber and Barber Supplies	149.35
Prescriptions and Drugs	267.54
Hardware	233.51
Doctor—Extracting Teeth	93.40
Insurance on House, Barn and Truck	172.95
Seeds and Fertilizer	242.90
Blacksmith and Repairs	72.82
Exchange of Truck	300.00
Harness and Repairing	83.40
Stock	50.00
Transportation of Inmates during Flood	30.00
Buying 8 Hogs	20.00
1 New Sink	23.99
Total	\$9,053.15

Financial Statement

December	\$ 677.95	
January	697.83	
February	669.35	
March	660.69	
April	810.75	
May	844.43	
June	1,077.66	
July	757.69	
August	670.74	
September	742.13	
October	729.15	
November	714.78	
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Total		\$9,053.15

During the year the following necessary repairs and improvements have been made:

1 New Sink was put in the kitchen.

1 New Floor in the Stable.

Income

Rent of land for 2 ice houses	\$150.00	
Farm Produce	459.11	Revenue

I wish, at this time to thank the Honorable Mayor and members of the City Council for the splendid co-operation given me during the past year.

Respectfully submitted by:

JULES MARCOUX,

Superintendent Homestead.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City
Gentlemen:

We have the honor to submit to you the following report for the year 1936:

It contains a statement of the prevalence of communicable diseases in this City, the work done in prevention and suppression of diseases.

Communicable Diseases Reported

Pneumonia (all forms)	27
Measles	20
Mumps	5
Scarlet Fever	1
Diphtheria	1
Tuberculosis	10

Death Due to Communicable Diseases

Pneumonia	27
T. B.	6
Influenza	4
Diphtheria	1

Death Due to Other Causes

Cancer	25
Puerpural	9
Infants	17
Other causes	176
Total number of deaths.....	260
Total number of births	447

In the field of prevention, the disastrous Flood in mid-March, commanded important hygienic measures.

Fortunately, little material damage was done here, in comparison to the many other cities in the fourteen

states that were overwhelmed. But floods leave in their wake a health problem of the first order. Hundreds of people have endured serious hardships. The inevitable outcome was impaired vitality and lowered resistance to disease, at the very time when the disturbed conditions in the environment expose young and old to unusual health hazards.

Consequently, emergency measures were immediately adopted to prevent the spread of epidemic diseases, more especially Typhoid Fever, intestinal disorders and Pneumonia.

Six thousand persons were inoculated against Typhoid Fever.

Forty-two houses were vacated and people were not allowed to occupy them until they were put in a sanitary condition.

Every known precaution was taken to guard food and water supply against contamination.

This year 1,381 children were vaccinated against Small-pox.

Ninety-one children were given the Von Pirquet test for Tuberculosis; of these 20 had positive reaction.

With the improvement of sanitary conditions and the co-operation of physicians, nurses and the public, we hope to eventually wipe out communicable diseases.

At this time we wish to thank all who make it possible for us to continue the above program.

Respectfully submitted,

OSCAR PERRAULT, M. D.,

Health Officer.

Note: Complete financial report will be found in the Auditor's Report.

MILK INSPECTOR

To the Honorable Mayor, and City Council of the City
of Biddeford, Maine.

Gentlemen:

I herewith respectfully submit my report as Milk
Inspector for the year 1936.

A systematic campaign has been conducted for the
purpose of raising the standard of all raw milk used lo-
cally to Grade "A", and the results are shown in the
quality of milk being sold in the local market. We have
been fortunate to have had the assistance of a State
Milk Inspector furnished by the Department of Agricul-
ture.

There are 1,225 cows producing milk and by-
products for local consumption. These cows produce
about 7,000 quarts of milk daily and have all been
tested for T. B.

A total of 864 samples were taken from milk
trucks, stores and dairies and sent to Augusta Maine
State Laboratories, for the purpose of testing for bac-
teria, butterfat, and purity.

Calls at stores, distributors, producers, dairies	379
Calls received at office and home	162
Licenses approved	209
Licenses refused	17
Licenses revoked	2

I would recommend that enough copies of the City
Ordinance governing the handling and sale of milk be
printed and a copy sent to each milk producer and re-
tailer.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY F. DINEEN,

Milk Inspector.

CITY PHYSICIAN.

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council:

Since I assumed office in July, 1936, I attended the following cases:

Office Calls	468
House Calls	122
Surgical Cases	10
Confinement Cases	6

Respectfully submitted,

OSCAR PERRAULT, M. D.,

City Physician

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

November 30, 1936.

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of Biddeford,
Maine:

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the school laws of Maine, I respectfully submit the following report of the school department covering the period of the municipal year 1936.

With the exception of the Wentworth Street building all schools under the supervision of this department have been in full operation during the year. The Wentworth Street school, closed for the past four years was, at the beginning of the present school year in September, reopened.

With the assistance of the W. P. A. several items of alterations and repairs have been accomplished.

In the High School building two unused small rooms on the second floor were made into one room, and was equipped as a classroom for thirty-six pupils. This additional room was urgently needed to care for the increased enrollment in the school. Another small, unused room near the main entrance to the building was renovated by the W. P. A. and equipped as a reception and waiting room. The front corridor was also repainted, and furnished as a fitting entrance hall. The basement room originally designated as a machine shop has been assigned as a Mechanical Drawing room as a part of the Manual Training course of the schools. Here have been installed the drawing desks, tables, and cabinets formerly used by the drawing classes of the evening school.

At the Washington Street school, sanitary conditions have been greatly improved, by walling up the di-

rect doorways from classrooms to dressing rooms and making entrances to these latter from the inner corridors. A sliding blackboard was constructed between the two upper Special English grade rooms, thus enabling these two rooms to be used as one during music periods, and assemblies. The interior of this building was repainted throughout.

The crumbling and frost-thrown foundations of the District No. 1 school, Hollis Road, have been renewed by sinking the old granite blocks to below the frost level, and building thereon walls of brick.

The lower room of Wentworth Street school, and rooms of rural schools, Districts No. 1, No. 9, No. 11 and No. 13, have been repainted.

The flagpoles of the High, Emery, and Washington Street schools have been removed from the roofs of these buildings, and in the case of the first two, have been set up in the school grounds. The pole at the High School was replaced by a new one. It was found, upon examination, that these poles were badly in need of repairs which could only be made by taking them down. Hereafter they can be kept in proper and safe condition. The pole at the Washington Street school will be set during the next few weeks.

In the Emery school, a new ventilating system from the two pupils' dressing-rooms should be installed as soon as possible, the piping of the old system having been removed by a W. P. A. project two years ago. This recommendation was contained in my report of last year.

In rural schools, Districts No. 1, No. 13, No. 9, oil-burning heaters were installed during the summer to replace old wornout barrel type wood-burning stoves. In District No. 11, the old stove was replaced by a smaller coal stove (parlor heater type).

The Wentworth Street school was reopened to permit a reorganization of the elementary school system to

include a Sub-primary grade. This redistribution was made as follows:

Emery School—Grades, Sub-primary to 8th, inc
Wentworth Street School—Grades, Sub-primary to 2nd, inc.

Birch Street School—Grades, 3rd to 7th, inc.

Bradbury Street School—Grades, Sub-primary to 2nd, inc.

Washington Street School—Grades, Sub-primary to 7th, inc.

Washington Street School, Special English—Grades, 3rd to 6th, inc.

Beginning with the winter term, Dec. 28, pupils in the eighth grade in all rural schools will be permitted to attend the Emery school and transportation for these pupils will be furnished. Under this programme these pupils will not only benefit by the classes in Manual Training and Home Economics but will be better prepared to enter High School.

Any child five years of age at the opening of school in September, or within two weeks thereafter, in any year will be admitted to the Sub-primary grade. Those whose birthdays come after that date will be admitted in September of the following year.

By the introduction of this additional grade into the city's public school system, it is believed that pupils in subsequent grades will not only be better prepared but in the upper grades will be able to take on certain desirable advanced work. This plan also should affect a decrease in the number of retardations.

The modernization of basal textbooks, begun two years ago, has been continued.

Due to the over-crowded conditions in the Mountain Road school, District No. 13, and to the small enrollment in the Kennebunk Road school, District No. 10, the upper room of the latter school has been designated

as the school for grades 4-8 inclusive for pupils of both Districts No. 10 and No. 13, thus leaving at District No. 13 grades Sub-primary to 3rd inclusive. Transportation is being furnished for the pupils so transferred.

Transportation facilities have been extended and improved. A new seventy-one passenger Standard School Bus was put into service on the Pool Road, and plans made for larger buses on each of two other transportation routes.

The pupil registration at the beginning of the current school year was as follows:

	Boys	Girls	Total
High School	235	280	515
Emery	182	173	355
Washington Street	99	95	194
Birch Street	60	58	118
Bradbury Street	18	14	32
Wentworth Street	16	16	32
District No. 1	10	8	18
District No. 5	14	13	27
District No. 8	7	9	16
District No. 9	7	7	14
District No. 10	14	17	31
District No. 11	6	5	11
District No. 12	19	13	32
District No. 13	15	16	31
Totals	702	724	1,426

The classroom instruction of pupils has been conducted efficiently by the teachers, who have shown a splendid spirit of loyalty to the schools and to their profession. New teachers joining the system are:

High School—Maurice Rhuland, Kenneth McKiniry, Walter Mitchell, Eleanor Gowen.

Emery School—Mrs. Jane L. Folsom.

Rurals—Dorothy Wildes, Barbara H. Moody, Edna Wilds, Mrs. Elizabeth Morrison.

The following named teachers left the service in June by resignation or by leave-of-absence:

Henry D. Small, Harold Crozier, Harold Baker, Ruth Edwards, Grace Burbank, Sarah Means, June Fields, Madeleine Davis.

All schools again accepted the offer of the Biddeford Savings Bank to extend its services for a School Savings Program. All schools are now participating in this project in Thrift.

The School Calendar for the year 1936-1937 follows:

Fall term:

Schools open Monday, September 14, 1936.

Holidays: York County Teachers' Convention, Tuesday, October 6; Columbus Day, Monday, October 12; State Teachers' Convention, Thursday, Friday, Oct. 29-30; Armistice Day, Wednesday, November 11; Thanksgiving Recess, Thursday, Friday, November 26-27.

Schools close Friday, December 18, 1936.

Vacation 1 week. 14 weeks.

Winter term:

Schools open Monday, December 28, 1936.

Holiday: New Year's Day, Friday, January 1, 1937.

Schools close Friday, February 19, 1937.

Vacation 1 week. 8 weeks.

Spring term:

Schools open Monday, March 1, 1937.

Schools close Friday, April 16, 1937. 7 weeks.

Schools reopen Monday, April 26, 1937.

Holiday: Memorial Day, Monday, May 31, 1937.

Schools close, Friday, June 18, 1937. 8 weeks.

Accompanying the report is the financial report of this department for the fiscal year, December 1, 1935, to November 30, 1936, inclusive.

I wish to take this occasion to express a proper appreciation to the municipal officers, to the members of the Board of Education, to the teachers, and to all other citizens for their interest and aid in making this a very successful year in the schools.

Respectfully submitted,

A. ALTON GARCELON, jr.

Note: Complete financial report will be found in the Auditor's report.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

To the Board of Trustees of the McArthur Library Association:

The report of the Biddeford Public Library for the year ending Nov. 30, 1936, is as follows:

The library was open 305 days, 11 hours each day, except Sundays and holidays, and four evenings a week during July and August.

The children's room is open afternoons from 3 to 5.30. On Saturdays and vacations the room is open from 10—12 and 2—5.30.

The circulation was 48,001; 11,790 of this number were children's books.

The largest circulation was in February; the smallest in August. Average daily circulation was 157 books.

Total new registration was 583; 243 of this number was in children's room.

Registered borrowers number about 4,574; 534 children; 46 non-residents deposited a dollar for library privileges, and 41 withdrew the deposit when leaving for home.

969 books were added, 187 of these for the children's room; 537 were purchased from City and State appropriations; 24 from McArthur Library Association funds; 219 from fine money, 47 of these children's books; 189 were gifts.

161 books were rebound. 37 were worn out discarded. (12 of these children's); 37 were lost (3 of these children's), 2 were paid for. Some were lost in the flood.

Total number in library, 24,580; children's room 2,617.

The library subscribes for 73 periodicals, and there are 10 gift subscriptions.

The Maine Library Association Round Table Conference was attended by Mrs. Bridger, which was held in the spring at Freeport. The annual meeting at Waterville in September was attended by Mrs. Emerson and Mrs. Bridger.

As usual this library has observed the nationwide "Children's Book Week" which is a feature of the November display of the latest and finest of the children's books of the year. This year the colorful decorations with posters and the center table with the merry-go-round loaded with new picture books attracted a large number of excited children. Mr. George Love took some very fine and clear photographs of this display.

The Story Hour has had an average attendance of 27 children.

For the first time in twenty years, the eighth grade classes for instruction in the use of the library, were discontinued. We regret this, for there is much need of this teaching, which cannot be done efficiently, without cooperation with the schools, and the schools depend on the library for the reference material in connection with the school work.

The McArthur Library Association has provided a fire-proof room, and The Biddeford Journal Co. has the Journal files here deposited, in a safe and convenient place for reference.

In May, Mrs. Daniel E. Owen and Miss Lena G. McArthur donated one thousand dollars each, the income of which, after one-tenth goes into the fund, is to be used for the benefit of the children's department.

For the large number of books from the private library of Mrs. Ina Kennon Wood, and for the books, magazines and current pamphlets, from other friends of the library, we wish to express thanks.

Financial Account

Source of funds—City of Biddeford.....\$4,250.00
 State of Maine 170.00

\$4,420.00

Paid for Binding\$ 91.87
 Books 816.52
 Fuel 91.60
 Light 214.31
 Periodicals 94.90
 Repairs 39.15
 Salaries 2,880.75
 Supplies 158.42
 Telephone 32.48

\$4,420.00

Paid from McArthur Library Association
 funds\$1,072.33

Statement of Money Received at Desk

Cash on hand Dec. 1, 1935\$ 27.45
 Received from Deposits 50.50
 Fines 188.01
 Junk50
 Postage 10.29
 Telephone 1.20

\$ 277.95

Paid for Books\$183.66
 Express 2.45
 Periodicals 5.25
 Postage 15.77
 Refunds 44.68
 Supplies 16.79

\$ 268.60

Cash on hand \$ 9.35

Respectfully submitted,
 EMMA HATCH, Librarian.

BOARD OF POLICE

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council:

We respectfully submit herewith the report of the Police Department for the fiscal year nineteen hundred and thirty-six.

We extend our sincere thanks to you, Mayor and every member of the Council, for your cooperation in our efforts to improve the Police Department.

We congratulate the Chief, the Captain and every officer for their excellent work. Every member of the Department realized the duty owed to the public, and performed that duty conscientiously and faithfully.

We earnestly recommend that appropriate action be taken by the City Council for the installation of a modern police signal system. The signal system now in use has been in operation for over twenty years; it is antiquated, and costs the City of Biddeford close to one thousand dollars a year for rental. The City has been paying that sum yearly for over twenty years and still that telephone signal system is the property of the telephone company. Arrangement for the purchase and installation of a modern police signal system and payment of same could be made at the rate we are paying for the rental of the present signalling apparatus, from the regular police department appropriation; within six years the system would be paid for, and would become the property of the City of Biddeford; thereafter the City would be saving one thousand dollars yearly.

This modern system for calling and signalling police officers would afford greater protection to the public, as well as to the police officers and enable the department to be of greater service and efficiency in the prevention of crime and the apprehension of law offenders.

Respectfully submitted, Antoine A. Petit, Chairman.

Joseph Verrier, Armand Duquette,

Police Commissioners.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

To the Honorable Board of Police Commissioners.
Gentlemen:

The annual report for the year ending November 30, 1936, is hereby submitted to you in accordance with the City Charter.

Therein will be found a summary of the law violations during the year.

The Police Department consists of a Chief, a Captain, two desk clerks, one daytime and one at night; two traffic officers, one daytime and one at night; eight patrolmen, two doing duty daytime and six on duty at night; and six special police officers doing duty on Sundays, at dances, circuses, parks, etc.

The police officers patrol an area of twenty-five square miles of territory and attend to the safety of twenty thousand inhabitants of the City, they also attend to traffic which has been very heavy during the Spring and Summer seasons.

The appropriation for the Police Department for 1936 was	\$ 22,000.00
Credits	1,302.97

Total	\$ 23,302.97
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Expenditures were divided as follows:

Spent by former chief from December 1, 1935, to January 6, 1936, \$2,094.84.

Expenditures from January 6, 1936, under new administration

Payroll	\$ 18,366.68
Gas and Oil	475.05
Supplies	138.50
Telephone	997.83

Lights	15.32
Garage	21.25
Repairs	229.94
New Equipment	926.00
Miscellaneous	184.32
Ice	59.35
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Total	\$ 23,509.08
Overdraft	\$ 206.11

While in the past, the City Council made special appropriation for the purchase of new equipment for the police department, all expenditures for the administration of the department for the year 1936 have been paid out of the regular police department appropriation, including a new cruising car and repairs to the police motorcycle.

Below are the cases taken care of by the Police Department from January 6, 1936, to November 30, 1936:

Manslaughter	1
Store doors found unlocked	286
Auto collisions	10
Persons injured in auto accidents	38
Sick persons taken to Hospital	19
Intoxication	316
Assault and Battery	18
Assaults	22
Larceny	37
Robbery	3
Assault with dangerous Weapon	3
Reckless driving	8
Speeding	27
Operating Autos without Licenses	16
Improper registration	7
Operating Motor vehicles under the influence of	

Intoxicating Liquor	23
Larceny of Autos	4
Obtaining Stolen Property	1
Idle and disorderly persons	3
Breaking and entering	9
Worthless checks	2
Passing bad checks	4
Non-support	2
Automobiles recovered from outside cities	9
Violation of the Working Law	1
Panhandling	3
Transporting Liquor	1
Obtaining money under false pretences	2
Avoiding Railroad Fare	3
Interfering with an officer while performing his duty	1
Carrying concealed weapons	3
Hit-and-run driver	1
Automobile accidents reported to Police Station ..	369
Number of persons killed by autos	1
Collided with electric cars	2
Persons found dead in houses by Police	1
Suicide	1
Accidental Drowning	2
Persons reported missing	1
Juveniles taken to the Judge's private office	34
Lodgers cared for at Police Station	685
Malicious Mischiefs	5
Attempts to rape	2
Violation of City Ordinance	2
Cases taken care of by Police Department	1,988

The Police Department has returned to the citizens of Biddeford, upon their own valuation and their signature in the police records, the amount of \$8,885.35 of stolen property.

I appreciate the good work done by the Captain and all the Police Officers during the Flood and throughout the year.

I sincerely thank the Police Commissioners and the Judge and Recorder of the Municipal Court for their hearty cooperation and also each and every one connected with the Police Department.

Respectfully submitted,

Rodolphe Vanasse,

Acting Chief of Police.

REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City
Council of the City of Biddeford.

Gentlemen:

In compliance with the City Ordinance, I have the honor of submitting for your consideration the Annual Report of the condition and operation of the Fire Department for the fiscal year ending Nov. 30, 1936.

Organization

Engine Co. No. 1, Engine Co. No. 2, Ladder Co. No. 1, Hose Co., No. 2.

Permanent Force

Chief engineer, 1st assistant engineer, 2nd assistant engineer, 1 lieutenant, 2 enginemen assigned to Engine 1 and Engine 2; 1 relief engineman, 1 chauffeur, 1 tillerman assigned to Ladder 1; 1 reliefman for Ladder 1; 1 chauffeur for Hose 2; 1 reliefman for Hose 2; 2 hosemen assigned to Hose 2.

Call Force

3 captains assigned to Engine 1, Engine 2 and Ladder 1.

3 Company clerks.

21 hosemen assigned to Engine 1 and Engine 2.

10 ladder men assigned to Ladder 1.

1 steam engineer assigned to Engine 3.

Apparatus

The equipment of the Fire Department Nov. 30, 1936, consisted of motor apparatus, as follows:

1—Engine 1, Ahrens-Fox, 750 gallons per minute. Booster, hose and pumper.

1—Engine 2, Ahrens-Fox, 1,000 gallons per minute. Booster, hose and pumper.

1—Ladder 1, Ahrens-Fox 75-foot Aerial Ladder truck, with following equipment: 34/ feet ladders, ladder pipe used as water tower, 1 inhalator and equipment, 1 life net, (rope), and 1 army stretcher.

1—Hose truck, Combination Hose 2. Hose and Booster (Chevrolet).

1—Hose truck, Hose 1, Hose and Deck gun. (G M C)

1—Steam engine, No. 3, 700 gallons per minute capacity, drawn by Hose 2.

1—Portable forest pump, capacity 100 gallons per minute.

Hose

There are 800 feet of 1-inch rubber hose, distributed as follows:

Engine No. 1, 200 feet of Booster hose.

Engine No. 2, 200 feet of Booster hose.

Hose No. 2, 200 feet of Booster hose.

In reserved, 100 feet of 1-inch Booster hose; 200 feet of $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch Booster hose.

We have on hand at fire headquarters at the present time the amount of 10,500 feet $2\frac{1}{2}$ -inch rubber line, cotton jacket fire hose. All of this is double jacket. 1,000 feet $1\frac{1}{2}$ -inch forest fire hose.

The amount of $2\frac{1}{2}$ -inch hose distributed throughout outside the City limits are as follows:

At the City Homestead, 500 feet; Biddeford Pool fire station, 700 feet; corner of Pool Road and Guinea Road (George Piper) 500 feet.

Chemicals (Pony Tanks)

There are nine 3-gallon pony extinguishers distributed on the fire apparatus, including two of the fire foam types.

Additions and Improvements in the Fire Department

Windshields were installed on the following apparatus: Engine No. 2 and Ladder No. 1, at the cost of \$50.00.

The City purchased for the Fire Department 1,500 feet of 2½-inch rubber line double jacket fire hose.

1 Portable forest fire pump, 1,000 ft., 1½-inch rubber line hose and equipment for same.

1 275-gallons water tank for forest and grass fire service. This tank was bought to carry water, when water is not available in the woods.

4 Wheat lights to replace those worn out of service. These lights are guaranteed to throw a light through smoke.

1 Siphon. This siphon was bought during the flood condition in this City last March. This siphon is used to siphon cellars and saved the fire pumps for fires only.

5 Tires and Tubes were bought for Hose No. 2 replacing those worn out of service.

1 Tire and Tube for Hose No. 1 replacing one blown out while going to a fire.

6 Tires and Tubes for the following apparatus: Engine No. 1, Engine No. 2 and Ladder No. 1. These tires and tubes are replacements.

1 Grease Gun, the latest type, replacement one out of service.

1 12-ton Hydraulic Jack. This jack is to be used in the Fire Department service.

1 Electric Clock to replace one owned by the Western Union Co.

2 Nozzles, Blanchard new type nozzles, one for each engine.

1 Hydrant installed at corner of St. Mary and Hazel streets, which was badly needed.

Fire Alarm System

2,000 feet No. 14 wire was bought to renew wires worn and broken from long service.

2½ miles of No. 10 wire for the same purpose.

1 Set of Rectifiers were installed by the Game-well Co. in replacing and charging the batteries, at a saving to the City.

From Jan. 1, to Dec. 1, 1936. The Fire Department responded to a total of 341 calls during year. Of these:

Box alarm	41
Telephone Alarm	228
Still and Verbal	21
Automatic Sprinkler	0
Special Call	51
False Alarm	2
Sent aid to the following: North Kennebunkport..	7
Covered Saco Fire Department	1
No. Hose lines laid	49
No. feet of 2½-inch hose	21,850
No. feet of 1½-inch hose	3,000
No. feet of ladders raised	2,259
Pony tanks 2½ gallons used at fires.....	17
Boosters used at fires	172
Fire foam used at fires	1
Pyrene used at gasoline and grease fires	13
No. hours engines work at fires	40½ hours
Inhalator used by Fire Department	2
Inhalator used outside City (Wells, Maine, Drakes Island)	1

Fire Losses in and Outside City Limits**Valuations**

Value of Buildings	\$ 677,454.05
Value of Contents	361,289.00
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Total value of both	\$1,038,743.05

Insurances

Insurance on Buildings	\$ 532,198.37
Insurance on Contents	309,428.00
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Total insurance on both	\$ 841,626.37

Losses

Insurance loss on Buildings	\$ 24,352.50
Insurance loss on Contents	21,611.01
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Total insurance loss on both	\$ 45,963.51

Losses Insured and Uninsured

Loss on Buildings	\$ 31,191.55
Loss on Contents	25,237.00
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Total losses on both	\$ 56,428.55

Insurance and Losses to Fires Outside City Limits

Value of Buildings	\$ 71,834.05
Value on Contents	17,580.00
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Total value on both	\$ 89,414.05

Insurance on Buildings	\$ 53,088.37
Insurance on Contents	10,721.79
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Total insurance on both	63,810.16

Insurance Losses

Insurance loss on Buildings	\$ 9,205.18
Insurance loss on Contents	1,780.29
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Total insurance loss on both	\$ 10,985.47

Losses Insured and Uninsured

Loss on Buildings	\$ 12,529.23
Loss on Contents	3,256.29
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Total losses on both	\$ 15,785.52

Actual Insurance Loss of City

Loss on Buildings—City ..	\$24,352.50
Loss on Buildings—Outskirts.....	9,205.18
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Total loss	\$15,147.32
Loss on Contents—City	\$21,601.01
Loss on Contents—Outskirts	1,780.29
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Total loss	\$20,830.72

City Insurance Loss

City	\$15,147.52
Outskirts	20,830.72
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	\$35,978.05

Loss Insurance and Uninsured

Loss on Buildings—City ..	\$25,237.00
Loss on Buildings—Outskirts	3,256.29
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Total loss	\$21,980.71

Loss on Contents—City	\$31,191.55
Loss on Contents—Outskirts	12,529.23
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Total loss	\$18,662.32

Loss Insured and Uninsured

City	\$21,980.71
Outskirts	18,662.32
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	\$40,643.03

Improvements at the Fire Station

Box 55, which was on the Fire Station, was moved to the corner of Summer and Alfred streets. This box is 412. This box was changed to give the property owners and citizens better protection. Box 55 can be sounded in the fire station on the transmitter.

The apparatus doors were installed with lower windows, as this will lighten the floor, and give the truck drivers a chance to see if there are people in front of the station when going out to a fire.

Two water outlets were installed outside the station so that the men can wash the apparatus outside the station, and keep the station dry.

The fire alarm boxes were painted throughout the city. Hose No. 1 was painted and varnished.

The fire apparatus was all varnished during the year.

The furnace and boiler room was painted and white washed.

All this work was done by the permanent men of the fire department during the year. This did not cost the City of Biddeford for the labor, all the City had to do was buy the material and the men did the work.

Recommendations and Approved

The forest fire pump and 1,000 ft 1½-inch hose.

The rectifiers were installed for the fire alarm system.

The hydrant at the corner of St. Mary and Hazel streets was installed.

Recommendations

1—Chief's car, to be used for the Fire Department service and emergency work as in drowning and gas cases and other work that the Fire Department would have for it.

Booster brakes for the following apparatus to bring them up to the driving safety while out going to a fire.

Engine No. 1, Engine No. 2 and Ladder No. 1.

1—Relief valve for Engine No. 1 to replace one that is not giving service when needed. This valve is important, as when the engine is pumping this relief valve is of great safety to the men, as not to hurt and maim any men while they are at work fighting a fire.

I desire herein to publicly thank the Honorable Mayor and members of the City Council for their cooperation, also the officers and members of the Fire Department for their whole hearted cooperation and loyalty, also the Chief of Police and his men who did wonderful work, and also the Street Commissioner and his men for their help throughout the year.

Appropriation and Expenditures

Appropriation	\$27,500.00
Credits	116.19
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Total appropriation and credits	\$27,616.19

Expenditures

Salaries	\$20,096.23
Gas, Light and Power	252.13
Telephone	163.15
Water	67.62
Office Supplies	24.55
Gasoline Grease and Oil	252.84
Coal	585.94
Fire Alarm System	583.19
Equipment	3,911.15
Truck Repairs	74.88
Building Repairs	109.25
Janitor Supplies	379.12
U. S. Post Office, Freight and Express	22.30
Meals	25.59
Insurances	733.65
Time Clock	15.00
Repairs on Equipment	49.00
General Supplies	247.90
Painting equipment, and Trucks	28.28
Laundry60
Ice	21.85
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Total expenditures for fiscal year 1936	\$27,644.22
Overdraft	\$ 28.03

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK CANTARA,

Chief, Fire Department.

STREET DEPARTMENT

District No. 4

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council:

In accordance with the provision of the Charter of the City of Biddeford I report herewith as Street Commissioner the activities of said Department for the year ending November 30, 1936.

One hundred and two thousand gallons of tar were used on streets during the year. The following streets were treated with tar: May Street, Alfred Road, Green Street, South Street, Main Street, Highland Street, Mt. Pleasant Street, Extension Granite Street, Graham Street, Union Street, Harvey Street, West Cutts Street, Oak Street, Middle Street, Acorn Street, Pinette Avenue, Clifford Street, Judge Street, George Street, Gove Street, Simard Avenue, Pike Street, Cadorette Avenue, Miller Avenue, Freeman Street. Four thousand gallons were used on the River Road.

Some of these streets have received two applications of tar and were scarified and graded and rolled.

Gravel roads were built on the following streets: Extension Pike Street, Main Street, West Cutts Street, Harvey Street, Cote's Court, Dupont Street. Approximately one thousand five hundred yards of gravel were used on Cleaves Street.

Sewers and Drains

Two hundred feet of ten-inch sewer was relaid on Middle Street through ledge. Many sewers were dug up and pipes ranging from six to thirty-six inches were replaced. Eighteen new pockets were built on the following streets: One on South Street, one on Small's Court, two on Vine Street, two on West Cutts Street, one on Hill Street, two on Maple Street, two on Cleaves Street, one on Pike Street, two on Main Street, one on Sullivan Street, one on Mitchell Lane and two on Clifford Street.

Sidewalks

This department did not expend any money for sidewalks because of a Federal Project which financed the construction of many miles of sidewalks in the City. The only cost to the City was for material which was paid out of the Works Progress Administration appropriation. Report of such expenditures will be found in the Federal Relief report.

Bridges

A new bridge was built on South Street over Boston and Maine Railroad by the Boston and Maine Railroad Company. The City of Biddeford expended but five hundred dollars for that project for the approaches to that bridge.

Recapitulation

Thirty-eight trees were cut down and limbs and shrubs were removed. Bushes and weeds were removed from streets and highways.

Gutters were dug and about forty driveway culverts were put in.

About one thousand gallons of cold patch were used on streets and sidewalks maintenance. Improvements were made at the Birch Street tool house for the new tractor and plow.

I recommend that the City purchase a 1/2-yard shovel and a power stone crusher.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT CADORETTE.

Street Commissioner.

Note: Complete financial report will be found in the Auditor's Report.

BUILDING INSPECTOR

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council:

I herewith submit a report of building permits granted during the year 1936:

Total number of permits granted	108
Permits for new buildings	70
Permits for remodeling	38

I wish to extend my hearty thanks to the Mayor and City Council for their kind cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS BLANCHETTE,

Building Inspector.

ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council:

I herewith submit my report for the year 1936.

Two hundred and one inspections of electrical installations were made and two hundred and one permits granted.

Nine defective installations were found and condemned.

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL LACERTE,

Electrical Inspector.

FEDERAL RELIEF

November 30, 1936.

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Biddeford, Me.:

It pleases me to give to you gentlemen, and to the public, a report of the work accomplished, through the Works Progress Administration, for the City of Biddeford, Maine.

From the beginning of the fiscal year, December 1, 1935, to November 30, 1936, we have received Federal aid amounting to a total of \$139,554.46. This was paid directly to our citizens, who were employed on various projects. Although the City must furnish all material, we were very fortunate in obtaining material amounting to \$6,139.00 from the Federal Government.

The following projects were in operation, or completed, during the year:

The Airport Project is still in operation, making a third runway 3,000 feet long.

A Public Building Project was in operation throughout the year, employing 10 men. Under this project, many necessary repairs were made to several schoolhouses, which had previously been condemned by officials of the Board of Health as being unsanitary. The interior of Washington St. School was painted and the windows were puttied. General repairs were made at the Wentworth St. School. At the High School and rural schools, flag-poles were taken down from the roofs and erected at ground level in the respective school yards.

Comfort Stations for Ladies and Men were installed in the City Building near the South St. entrance.

The Police Station was completely renovated.

A Sewing-room Project has been operating throughout the year.

A Social Service Project, distributing food and clothing, was also a great benefit to the City.

The Ledge Project on Birch Street was in operation during the winter months. This project was to quarry and crush rock, which was to be used on sidewalks in the spring. Approximately 2,500 tons of rock was crushed which made quite a saving, as the City had been paying \$2.00 per ton for such in the past.

A Project was started for widening South Street 15 feet, beginning at the junction of South and Elm Sts. to Bradbury St. This project has been renewed and accepted, and work will start again soon.

We started a Flood Relief Project immediately after the flood to repair damages done in flooded areas. On Springs Island we made asphalt road work on Maple and Walnut Sts., and new sidewalks on every street on the island. The roads from Thatcher Creek Bridge on upper Main St. to the junction of Main and South Streets, and from Vine St. to same junction, were rebuilt.

A Bridge Project employing 25 men has just been completed, Nov. 16, 1936. A new bridge was built to replace one that was washed away by the flood waters.

The Streets and Sidewalks Project, which had been delayed on account of the Flood Relief Project, was started on August 7, 1936. Since that time we have covered approximately 16,958 1-3 sq. yds. of asphalt sidewalks, relaid approximately 1,630 1-3 sq. yds. of brick sidewalks and reset 4,084 1-2 feet of old and new curbs. This project ended on Nov. 24th of this year.

On November 19, a Sewer Project was started. This project is to construct 600 feet of sewer running from Alfred Street through Summit and Round Hill Streets to the present sewer on Round Hill Street. This project employs twenty-two men.

From March 19 to March 25, 1936, during the flood, all the men from the Airport Project were called upon to aid in removing tenants from the Springs Island area, the City Homestead and the neighboring houses. 10 trucks from the Airport Project were also used and six row-boats were borrowed for the purpose.

Later men from the Ledge Project were called upon to help with the distribution of water, at stations set up at the City Square and Franklin Street Garage. After the flood waters had receded, we proceeded to fumigate and clean out every home and store affected by flood waters. Each laborer gave an 8-hour day's service gratis as his work period was up.

Foremen and Timekeepers had no limit, working all day and night with only a few hours' relief.

I wish to thank those who have helped me in the administration of my department.

I am also submitting a report of expenditures for each project as follows:

Airport	\$ 3,745.64
City Bldg. and Schools	3,277.99
Poor Farm Bridge	858.17
Streets and Sidewalks	9,579.27
Dress Factory	3,902.36
Administrative	2,743.72
Social Service	322.18
Birch Street Ledge	1,183.23
South Street Ledge	23.95
Safety Project	25.01
Recreation Project	121.95
Summit Street Sewer	73.38
Total	<hr/> \$25,856.85

Distribution of expenditures for different projects:

AIRPORT

Gravel	\$295.20	
Hardware	148.81	
Lumber	129.55	
Cement	27.20	
Repairs	2.10	
Travel	4.00	
Land	100.00	
Gas and Oil	7.85	
Labor	3.50	
Miscellaneous	917.29	
Transportation	1,380.00	
Dynamite	143.00	
Tools	127.19	
Tool Sharpening	11.75	
Equipment	448.20	
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Total		\$3,745.64

CITY BUILDING AND SCHOOLS

Hardware	\$ 662.65	
Lumber	450.22	
Paint	829.57	
Cement Plaster	122.65	
Trucking	1.15	
Gas and Oil	24.89	
Other Supplies	30.38	
Miscellaneous	99.88	
Paint Brushes	34.40	
Labor	479.15	
Repairs	2.00	
Plumbing Material	541.05	
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Total		\$3,277.99

POOR FARM BRIDGE

Hardware	\$ 84.31	
Miscellaneous	32.10	
Equipment Rental	210.00	
Repairs	9.50	
Sharpening Tools	7.65	
Tools	8.30	
Gas and Oil	11.75	
Cement Plaster	203.35	
Lumber	116.94	
Crushed Stone	15.60	
Gravel	14.55	
Sidewalk Comp. and Asphalt ...	140.22	
Labor	3.50	
Other Supplies40	
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Total		\$ 858.17

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS

Gravel	\$ 421.88	
Hardware	70.70	
Lumber	166.83	
Gas and Oil	532.33	
Other Supplies	2.91	
Repairs	92.00	
Miscellaneous	223.23	
Tools	134.50	
Equipment Rental	1,852.50	
Sidewalk Comp. and Asphalt .	5,809.12	
Cement	160.47	
Curbing	110.25	
Sharpening Tools	2.55	
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Total		\$9,579.27

DRESS FACTORY

Stationery, Office Supplies	\$ 7.40	
Hardware	8.90	
Trucking	46.54	
Thread	261.40	
Material, Percal, etc.	1,521.64	
Other Supplies	448.45	
Repairs	2.00	
Salaries	403.00	
Rent Building	225.00	
Rent Sewing Machines	879.50	
Miscellaneous	98.53	
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Total		\$3,902.36

ADMINISTRATIVE

Miscellaneous	\$ 87.50	
Office Supplies	9.72	
Travel	116.10	
Flood Relief	362.40	
Salaries	2,146.00	
Transportation	22.00	
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Total		\$2,743.72

SOCIAL SERVICE

Hardware	\$.85	
Lumber	10.25	
Office Supplies	21.50	
Trucking	68.98	
Light	20.05	
Tel. & Tel.	66.81	
Miscellaneous	133.74	
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Total		\$ 322.18

BIRCH STREET LEDGE

Hardware	\$ 62.48	
Lumber	95.32	
Power	117.45	
Trucking	1.75	
Lights	3.00	
Gas and Oil	67.63	
Repairs	60.26	
Miscellaneous	525.21	
Small Tools	239.08	
Tool Sharpening	8.80	
Cement	2.25	
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Total		\$1,183.23

SOUTH STREET LEDGE

Gas and Oil	\$ 1.20	
Miscellaneous	10.25	
Repairs, Tools	12.50	
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Total	\$	23.95

SAFETY PROJECT

Office Supplies	\$ 25.01	
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Total	\$	25.01

RECREATION PROJECT

Hardware	\$ 2.00	
Labor	83.00	
Plumbing Material	36.95	
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Total	\$	121.95

SUMMIT STREET SEWER

Tools	\$ 7.83
Lumber	59.74
Hardware	5.81
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Total	\$ 73 38
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Grand Total	\$25,856.85

Work done on streets and sidewalks, flood area,
ending August 6, 1936:

Gravel Road, 2,950 ft.x26 ft. wide

Asphalt Road Work:	Sq. Yds.
Maple and Walnut Sts.	2217 1-2
Asphalt Sidewalk in flood area	2294 3-9
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Total Sq. Yds.	4511 5-6

Regular streets and sidewalks project for different
sections in the city, August 7, 1936, to November 24,
1936:

Asphalt Road Work:	Sq. Yds.
Graham St.	1540
Corner West Cutts and Western Ave. ...	17
Green St. from Center uphill	20 2-9
Center from Kossuth to Green	48
Kossuth St. from Center to South, both sides	373 1-3
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Total Sq. Yds.	1998 5-9

Asphalt Sidewalks:	Sq. Yds.
Birch Street	2787
St. Marys St.	1774
Jefferson St. from South to Main	272
Birch St., West side from Prospect	315 5-9
Birch St., from Summer to Hill	119 8-9
Foss St., from Birch to Schoolhouse	155 1-9
Mt. Vernon, West side	1270 4-9
Foss, opposite schoolhouse	141 2-9
Mt. Vernon, Foss to Summer	77 7-9
Foss St., right side down hill	201 4-9
Summer St., front of garage	26
Mt. Vernon, upper Foss to Summer	69 1-3
State Street	2085
Harvey to West Cutts	85
West Cutts from Harvey to Western Ave.	233 1-3
West Cutts from Western Ave. to R. R. Ave.	191
Main St. from Harvey to Horigans Ct.	176 4-9
Harvey St. from Main to end	104
Main St. from R. R. to Harvey St.	313 4-9
Around Emery School, Birch, Hill and Summer Sts.	589 4-9
Bradbury St. from Main to Cutts	111 1-9
State St., both sides	2085
Foss St. from Birch to Mt. Vernon	217 2-9
Foss St. from Mt. Vernon to No. 96-2nd	98
Mt. Vernon, Foss to driveway	122
Mt. Vernon, opposite No. 30 and No. 32	28 7-9
St. Marys from Main to driveway	36 4-9
Main St. from St. Marys to R. R.	182 2-9
Water St. from White Wharf to Landing	334 4-9
Kossuth, North side from Center to cement	115 1-3
Kossuth, South side from Center to South	210 2-3
Water St. from White Wharf to Landing	334 4-9
Judge St., West side	275

Judge St., East side	147	8-9
Simards Ave., Gove St. to Cleaves St.	92	7-9
Cleaves St. from Opp. Judge to Simards Ct. .	563	8-9
Cleaves St., Opp. No. 190	63	1-3
Cleaves St., Opp. No. 200	43	1-3
Summer St. from Birch St. to Fall St.	112	4-9
Summer, Cor. Birch	25	5-9
Fall St., near Summer, North side	64	8-9
Fall St., near Summer, South side	55	
Water St., from White's Wharf	651	1-9

Total Sq. Yds. 16,958 1-3

Brick Sidewalks:	Sq. Yds.
Jefferson St. from South end of church	268 1-3
Green St. from Center to cement driveway ..	99 1-3
Center from Green to Kossuth to Jefferson Sts.	215 7-9
Jefferson St. from Center St. to Church	111 7-9
Main St. from St. Marys to No. 338, including driveway	187 2-3
Main St. from driveway to corner Elm St. ..	266 2-3
Main from Horigans Ct. to box shop	146 2-3
Main near R. R. Ave.	93 1-3
Franklin St. near cor. Main St.	44 1-3

Total Sq. Yds. 1,630 1-3

Resetting Old Curbing:	Feet
State St., South side	722
Jefferson St.	248
Birch St. from Prospect to No. 78	108
Foss St. from Birch to schoolhouse	84
Birch St. from Summer to Hill St.	166
Foss from Birch to Mt. Vernon	80
Main St.	412

Green, Center	312	
Emery school	18	
Main St. from St. Marys to R. R.	194	
St. Marys from Main to driveway	40	
Kossuth from Center St. to new curb	252	
Main St. near Elm	60	
Bradbury from South to No. 65	273	
Bradbury St. from No. 65 to Cutts	346	
Main St. from Western Ave. to R. R. Ave. ..	178	
Main St. near Horigans Ct.	18	1-2
Summer St. from Birch to Fall	202	
Fall St. near Summer	98	
Resetting New Curbing:		
Emery school	148	1-2
Kossuth St. near South	50	
Mt. Vernon, Opp. No. 30 and No. 32	37	
Foss St. Opp. No. 93	37	1-2
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Total No. of feet	4,084	1-2

Amount of Payroll received from the Federal Government for different projects:

Airport	\$ 40,139.23
City Building and Schools	7,372.97
Poor Farm Bridge	4,472.30
Streets and Sidewalks	17,097.53
Dress Factory	45,501.50
Social Service	5,233.70
Birch Street Ledge	10,102.59
South Street Ledge	1,732.41
Flood Area, Streets and Sidewalks	7,902.23
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Total	\$139,554.46

Material donated by Federal Government:

Airport, Dynamite and Caps	162.00
Birch St. Ledge, Dynamite and Caps	350.00
Birch St. Ledge, Truck	429.00
Streets and Sidewalks, 3 Carloads of Asphalt	2,970.00
Flood Project, 1 Carload of Tar, applied on upper Main St.	850.00
Poor Farm Bridge, Structural Steel	840.00
Poor Farm Bridge, Lumber Strip Floor	216.00
Poor Farm Bridge, 920 ft. Steel Cable	322.00
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Total	\$6,139.00

Respectfully submitted,

CONRAD T. FORTIER.

Mayors of Biddeford Since 1855

- 1855-6 Daniel E. Somes, Republican.
- 1857 James Andrews, Republican.
- 1858-9 Cyrus Gordon, Democrat.
- 1860 Jonathan Tuck, Democrat.
- 1860 Esreff H. Banks, Republican, unexpired term of Jonathan Tuck.
- 1861-2 Seth S. Fairfield, Democrat.
- 1863-4 John Q. Adams, Democrat.
- 1865-6 Charles A. Shaw, Democrat.
- 1867-8 Ferguson Haines, Democrat.
- 1869 James R. Clark, Democrat.
- 1870-1 E. W. Wedgewood, Democrat.
- 1872 Francis G. Warren, Democrat.
- 1873 James H. McMullan, Republican.
- 1874-5 Francis G. Warren, Democrat.
- 1876 John H. Burnham, Democrat.
- 1877 Alfred Pierce, Republican.
- 1878 Charles M. Moses, Republican.
- 1879 James A. Strout, Democrat.
- 1880 Charles M. Moses, Democrat.
- 1881-2 Elisha E. Clark, Republican.
- 1883-5 E. W. Staples, Democrat.
- 1886-7 Samuel F. Parcher, Democrat
- 1888-9 C. E. Goodwin, Democrat.
- 1890-3 E. W. Staples, Democrat.
- 1894-5 Charles S. Hamilton, Republican.

- 1896-7 Carlos Heard, Citizen and Democrat.
- 1898-9 Levi W. Stone, Citizen and Republican.
- 1900-1 Nathaniel B. Walker, Citizen, Democrat and Republican.
- 1902 Joseph Gooch, Citizen, Republican and Democrat.
- 1903 Joseph Gooch, Citizen and Republican.
- 1904-5 Nathaniel B. Walker, Citizen and Republican.
- 1906-7 Gilman P. Littlefield, Citizen and Republican.
- 1908-9 Cornelius Horigan, Democrat and Independent.
- 1910-12 Albert O. Marcille, Democrat and Independent
- 1913-15 James G. C. Smith, Democrat and Independent
- 1916 Leopold A. Girard, Democrat and Independent.
- 1917-19 Hartley C. Banks, Democrat and Independent
- 1920 Thomas F. Locke, Democrat and Independent.
- 1921 Ulysses E. Fosdick, Republican and Citizen.
- 1922-25 Edward H. Drapeau, Democrat and Independent.
- 1926-29 George C. Precourt, Progressive and Republican.
- 1930-31 Cornelius Horigan, Democrat and Independent.
- 1932 Jerome A. Morin, Republican and Progressive.
- 1933 Jerome A. Morin, Progressive.
- 1934 George E. Beauchesne, Progressive.
- 1935-6 Arthur J. Remillard, Democrat.
- 1936 February, Dr. Frederick H. Mitchell.

City Clerks of Biddeford Since 1855

1855-7	Levi Loring Jr.
1857-9	Frederick D. Edgerly
1860	George H. Knowlton
1861-9	Frederick D. Edgerly
1870-2	John A. Staples
1873-4	Cyrus P. Berry
1875-6	Samuel Tripp
1879	Frank W. Roberts
1880-2	Charles H. Parcher
1883-93	Edgar A. Hubbard
1894-5	Charles E. Pillsbury
1896-7	William P. Freeman
1898-9	Dennis Murphy
1900-3	Dayton T. Moore
1904-6	Daniel H. B. Hooper
1907-9	Albert O. Marcille
1910-17	Thomas F. Locke
1918-21	Edmond Bergeron
1922	Ernest Petit
1923-5	Arthur H. Hevey
1926-9	Alfred Lantagne
1930-1	Joseph J. Salvas
1932-4	Joseph O. LaCourse
1935	Armand Duquette

Auditor's Report

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS AND COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS

To the Honorable Mayor and the City Council of Biddeford:

GENTLEMEN:—I have the pleasure to submit the following report for the year ending November 30, 1936, in accordance with the provisions of the City ordinances.

Title of Account		Debits					Credits					Summary of Acc'ts		Balance Sheet at Close		
		Opening Entry—Dr.	Cash Received	Tax Commitment	Journal Dr.'s	Warrants or Orders	Total Debits	Opening Entry—Cr.	Cash Paid by Treas.	Appropriation	Cash Credits	Journal Credits	Total Credits	Dr. Overdrawn	Cr. Unexpended	Dr. 1936
Treasurer's Reconciliation		\$ 5,737.10	\$1,469,502.64		\$ 13.00		\$1,475,252.74		\$1,470,024.13			\$1,470,024.13			\$ 5,228.61	
Selectmen's Reconciliation																
1936 Taxes—Real and Personal				\$716,985.12	160.65	\$ 103.17	717,248.94			\$ 362,147.55	\$ 49,756.51	411,904.06			305,344.88	
1936 Taxes—Poll				16,098.00	261.00		16,359.00			7,155.00	153.00	7,308.00			9,051.00	
1936 Taxes—Excise				3,683.87		349.03	4,032.90			18,528.20		18,528.20	\$ 14,495.30			
1935 Taxes—Excise										15.17		15.17		15.17		
1935 Taxes—Real and Personal		116,042.74			168.52		116,211.26			111,882.34	52.32	111,934.66			4,276.60	
1935 Taxes—Poll		9,222.00			168.00		9,390.00			4,413.00		4,413.00			4,977.00	
1934 Taxes		10,592.58			1,084.49		11,677.07			1,631.63	382.40	2,014.03			9,663.04	
1933 Taxes		10,201.79			1,571.86		11,773.65			1,793.07	553.02	2,346.09			9,429.56	
1932 Taxes		7,558.08			319.24		7,877.32			105.50	269.24	374.74			7,502.58	
1931 Taxes		13,281.12					13,281.12			3.00		3.00			13,278.12	
1930 Taxes		11,267.23					11,267.23								11,267.23	
1929 Taxes		13,255.37					13,255.37			52.00		52.00			13,203.37	
1928 Taxes		5,128.94				30.80	5,159.74								5,159.74	
1927 Taxes		4,600.41					4,600.41								4,600.41	
1926 Taxes		11,045.42					11,045.42								11,045.42	
1925 Taxes		9,585.06					9,585.06								9,585.06	
1924 Taxes		7,366.25					7,366.25								7,366.25	
1923 Taxes		2,392.87					2,392.87								2,392.87	
1922 Taxes		1,139.37					1,139.37								1,139.37	
1921 Taxes		2,758.79					2,758.79								2,758.79	
1920 Taxes		10.00					10.00								10.00	
1935 Tax Liens					7,596.09	87,798.35	95,394.44			17,350.56	1,289.11	18,639.67			76,754.77	
1934 Tax Liens		12,519.69			515.60		13,035.29			5,213.26	1,607.42	6,820.68			6,214.61	
1933 Tax Deeds		3,915.74					3,915.74			368.72	391.46	760.18			3,155.56	
1932 Tax Deeds		4,362.45					4,362.45			442.04	276.07	718.11			3,644.34	
1931 Tax Deeds		4,546.29					4,546.29			314.35	1.00	315.35			4,230.94	
1930 Tax Deeds		2,312.34					2,312.34								2,312.34	
1929 Tax Deeds		2,217.63					2,217.63			147.74		147.74			2,069.89	
1928 Tax Deeds		2,038.86					2,038.86								2,038.86	
1927 Tax Deeds		1,023.99					1,023.99			112.97		112.97			911.02	
1926 Tax Deeds		1,027.14					1,027.14								1,027.14	
Tax Deeds Prior to 1926		994.44					994.44								994.44	
Accounts Receivable		18,033.59			13,898.16		31,931.75			13,018.10	4,823.40	17,841.50			14,090.25	
Net City Debt		578,747.34	(Net overdraft \$8,772.08)		44.36		578,791.70					62,537.13			525,026.65	
Bonds Payable—Funding						16,500.00	16,500.00	\$165,000.00				165,000.00			\$ 148,500.00	
Bonds Payable—Refunding						30,000.00	30,000.00	355,000.00				355,000.00			325,000.00	
Bonds Payable—Sewers						5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00				5,000.00				
Bonds Payable—High School Annex						10,000.00	10,000.00	70,000.00				70,000.00			60,000.00	
Bonds Payable—State Road						1,000.00	1,000.00	4,000.00				4,000.00			3,000.00	
1935 State Tax						95,327.99	95,327.99	95,327.99				95,327.99				
1936 State Tax									\$ 95,327.99						95,327.99	
1935 County Tax						25,554.79	25,554.79	25,554.79								
1936 County Tax										27,163.33		27,163.33			27,163.33	
1935 Accounts Payable					187.66	47,400.53	47,588.19	42,175.69		48.85	5,412.50	114,812.73	67,224.54			
1936 Accounts Payable															10,659.58	
City Building					283.49	9,917.14	10,200.63			100.00	8,771.60	11,546.60		1,345.97		
Contingent Fund					1,990.84	13,347.92	15,338.76			1,890.12		18,000.18		1,469.34		
Election Department					192.00	8,353.55	8,545.55			7,000.00	13.00	7,013.00	\$ 1,532.55			
General Expense					3.00	12,046.67	12,049.67			7,000.00		7,127.37	4,922.30			
Salaries						12,177.43	12,177.43			12,300.00		12,300.00			122.57	
General Licenses										394.00		394.00			394.00	
Fire Department		5.60			27,638.62	27,644.22	27,644.22			27,500.00	116.19	27,616.19	28.03			
Police Department		8.25			23,500.83	23,509.08	23,509.08			22,000.00	132.05	22,132.05	206.11			
Hydrant Rentals		2,092.09			21,404.12	23,496.21	25,588.30			21,000.00		21,000.00	2,496.21			
Street Lights		1,964.42			21,609.48	23,573.90	25,538.32			22,000.00		22,000.00	1,573.90			
Health Department						1,287.30	1,287.30			1,500.00	55.56	1,555.56		268.26		
Sewers and Drains					541.05	541.05	541.05			800.00	185.00	985.00		414.94		
Insane		32.00			513.80	545.80	577.80			500.00	121.40	621.40	75.60			
Waste Department					57.89	4,933.54	4,991.43			5,500.00		5,500.00	508.57			
Bridges						500.00	500.00			500.00		500.00				
Highway District No. 4					86.87	53,034.76	53,121.63			35,000.00	1,063.92	36,063.92	17,057.71			
Fortune's Rocks						809.06	809.06			800.00		800.00	52.06			
Newtown Road						772.23	772.23			800.00		800.00		27.77		
Oak Ridge District						616.72	616.72			600.00		600.00				
Pool Road District						450.00	450.00			450.00		450.00		256.15		
Pool District						1,085.60	1,085.60			500.00		500.00		585.60		
Resurfacing Streets						14,308.78	14,308.78			12,000.00		12,000.00	2,308.78			
Sidewalks										500.00		500.00		500.00		
Ward No. 7, North						778.05	778.05			700.00		700.00				
Ward No. 7, East						575.20	575.20			600.00	10.20	610.20	78.05			
Ward No. 7, West						389.00	389.00			400.00		400.00	35.00			
State Aid Road, 1936														11.00		
Special Resolve Road, No. 1			4.35			12,099.46	12,103.81			5,300.00	800.30	6,100.30			885.59	
1935—Third Class Maintenance						998.47	998.47			934.73		934.73	63.74			
1936—Third Class Maintenance						642.60	642.60						642.60			
Snow Removal						674.40	674.40						674.40			
Third Class Road Construction						12,596.04	12,596.04			10,000.00	1,258.98	11,261.98	1,334.06			
Pauper Department					11,112.19	140,278.80	151,390.99			75,000.00	20,379.93	95,379.93	50,980.10			
Mother's Aid						1,515.00	3,930.37			5,000.00	838.27	5,838.27			393.00	
Homestead						105.01	9,033.15			7,000.00	459.1					