Annual Report of the Municipal Officers of the Town of Aurora for the year ending March 10, 1926

Aurora (Me.)
ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Municipal Officers

OF THE

TOWN OF AURORA

FOR THE

Year Ending March 10

1926

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Advertiser Print, Norway, Maine
Warrant for Town Meeting

To G. R. Dorr, constable of Aurora, in the County of Hancock, State of Maine, greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Aurora, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the town hall in said town on Monday, the 29th day of March A.D., 1926, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.
Art. 2. To see if the town will accept the report as printed.
Art. 3. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.
Art. 4. To choose a chairman of board of selectmen.
Art. 5. To choose a second selectman.
Art. 6. To choose a third selectman.
Art. 7. To choose a board of assessors for the ensuing year.
Art. 8. To choose a board of overseers of the poor for the ensuing year.
Art. 9. To choose a collector of taxes for the ensuing year.
Art. 10. To choose a treasurer for the ensuing year.
Art. 11. To see what per cent the town will vote to pay for collecting taxes for the year 1926.
Art. 12. To choose a member of the superintending school committee for a term of three years.
Art. 13. To choose a constable for the ensuing year.
Art. 14. To choose a chimney inspector for the ensuing year.
Art. 15. To choose a surveyor of wood, bark and lumber for the ensuing year.
Art. 16. To see if the town will vote "yes" or "no" on the question of appropriating and raising money necessary to entitle the town to state aid, as provided in Section 19 of Chapter 25, of the Revised Statutes of 1916.

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Art. 17. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate and raise for the improvement of the section of state aid road as outlined in the report of the State Highway Commission, in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges, the amount being that which the town is allowed to raise under the provisions of Section 18, Chapter 25, of the Revised Statutes of 1916 or Sec. 21, Chapter 25, R. S. amended by Chapter 258, P. L. 1917.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the State of Maine.

Art. 19. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate and raise for town charges.

Art. 20. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate and raise for roads and bridges.

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate and raise for contingent funds.

Art. 22. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate and raise for support of schools.

Art. 23. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate and raise for support of poor.

Art. 24. To see who the town will choose for road commissioner.

Art. 25. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate and raise for repair and maintenance of burying ground.

Art. 26. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate and raise for superintendence account.

Art. 27. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate and raise for repair account for school.

Art. 28. To see what sum of money the town will vote to pay men per day on the highway.

Art. 29. To see what sum of money the town will vote to pay horses per day on the highway.

Art. 30. To see if the town will vote to give selectmen and treasurer authority to hire money in the name of the town, if necessary.

Art. 31. To act on any other article or articles.

Given unto our hands this 10th day of March A. D., 1926.

A. R. MACE,
E. A. RICHARDSON,
O. S. PALMER.
Selectmen’s Report

VALUATION

Real estate, resident.......................... $25,469 00
Real estate, non-resident...................... 42,473 00
Personal estate, resident..................... 7,844 00
Personal estate, non-resident................ 225 00

Total valuation April 1, 1925................ $76,014 00

REAL ESTATE OWNED BY TOWN

Schoolhouse, town hall and Margaret Archer farm, $2,300.00.
No. of polls, 29 at $3.00; tax rate .038; number of polls exempt, 5.

ASSESSED

Overlay ........................................... $113 80
State tax, 1925................................. 544 68
County tax, 1925............................... 158 05
State aid highway............................. 300 00
Support of schools........................... 350 00
Roads and bridges............................ 300 00
Contingent fund............................... 500 00
Town charges.................................. 325 00
Cemetery ....................................... 200 00
Guide boards.................................. 25 00
Superintendence account.................... 34 00
Repair account of school..................... 125 00

Total tax submitted to collector............ $2,975 53
Total tax collected March 9, 1926........... $2,975 53
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ASSETS

School fund deposited with the Union Trust Co. of Ellsworth, Me. $1,000.00

Balance in treasury 1,051.41

Balance due from M. S. Richardson on lease of Margaret Archer farm 97.04

Total assets $2,148.45

A. R. MACE,
E. A. RICHARDSON,
O. S. PALMER,

Selectmen of Aurora.
School Department

Flora Perkins, teaching..........................$30 00
Bessie Crosby, board............................12 00
Bessie Crosby, board.............................8 00
Flora Perkins, teaching..........................40 00
Carolyn Orcutt, superintendent..............16 66
Mrs. Ray Magoon, board.........................28 00
City of Bangor, tuition........................40 00
Flora Perkins, teaching..........................50 00
Silver, Burdette Co., books....................1 39
Mrs. Ray Magoon, cleaning......................3 00
Cora Tolman, teaching..........................90 00
O. L. Jordan, cleaning yard....................3 50
Mrs. A. R. Mace, board.........................36 00
Carolyn Orcutt, books...........................1 06
City of Bangor, tuition........................40 00
A. N. Palmer Co., books.........................95
Starkey, Toner Co., books.......................52
Carolyn Orcutt, superintendent..............16 66
Gertrude Jordan, teaching........................20 00
Gertrude Jordan, teaching........................20 00
Gertrude Jordan, teaching........................50 00
Mrs. A. R. Mace, board.........................36 00
City of Bangor, tuition........................40 00
A. R. Mace, fuel, etc...........................18 57

Total amount of school orders.................$602 31

CEMETERY

Amount unexpended and raised by town............$200 12

Paid:
Andy E. Giles.....................................$50 00
A. R. Mace.........................................42 59
Andy E. Giles.....................................38 37

$130 96

Amount unexpended...............................$69 16
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50-50 HIGHWAY

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BACK ORDERS

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TOWN CHARGES

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Amount unexpended: $11.98

**HIGHWAY**

Amount raised by town, 1925: $300.00

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Amount overexpended, 1924: $7.19

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G. R. Dorr ............................................................... 4 50
Everett Mace ............................................................ 3 50
E. A. Richardson ...................................................... 44 75
Bert Ware ............................................................... 7 00
O. S. Palmer ........................................................... 7 00

Total orders drawn, 1925, for highway....................... $260 95

Amount unexpended .................................................. $ 31 86

SNOW

Amount raised by town .............................................. $160 53

Russell Williams, 1924-5 ........................................... $ 3 00
O. L. Jordan ............................................................ 50 17
E. A. Silsby ............................................................. 14 00
G. R. Dorr ............................................................... 28 00
Ray Magoon ............................................................. 1 35
D. B. Ritchie ........................................................... 2 73
H. A. Rowe ............................................................... 9 34
George Giles ............................................................ 5 06
O. S. Palmer .............................................................. 1 95
E. A. Richardson ....................................................... 46 00
A. R. Mace ................................................................. 93 88
W. G. Richardson ...................................................... 3 50
E. L. Silsby .............................................................. 24 50

$283 48

Amount overexpended on snow................................. $122 95

STATE ROAD

H. A. Rowe ............................................................. $ 77 00
O. S. Palmer ............................................................ 92 75
D. B. Ritchie ............................................................ 70 00
Ray Magoon ............................................................. 150 50
W. G. Richardson ...................................................... 70 00
W. A. Rowe ............................................................... 56 00
Shirley Garland ......................................................... 26 25
Emery Mace ............................................................... 71 75
E. L. Silsby .............................................................. 94 50
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E. A. Richardson .................................................... 52 50
A. R. Mace ............................................................ 119 00
Everett Mace .......................................................... 25 50
L. Palmer ................................................................. 8 75
Bert Ware ................................................................. 17 50
George H. Butler ....................................................... 19 25
C. S. Silsby ............................................................... 19 25
Herbert Richardson ................................................... 3 50
Olin L. Jordan .......................................................... 29 75
A. R. Mace, material .................................................. 45 95
C. W. Crosby, gravel .................................................. 25 00
A. N. Jewett ............................................................. 2 75

Total orders drawn on treasurer ...................................... $2,904 49

TOWN OF AURORA

STATEMENT OF THE EXPENDITURE FOR PATROL MAINTENANCE IN THE YEAR, 1925

Estimated number of miles under patrol maintenance, 9.65.
Patrol joint fund ....................................................... $589 50

Expended as follows:
Patrolman’s wages .................................................. $855 74
Cost of extra help ..................................................... 66 10
Cost of material ......................................................... 18 38

The following work was done:
Cutting bushes ......................................................... $ 56 37
Dragging ................................................................. 270 92
Raking rocks ............................................................ 70 76
Work with road machine and grader ................................ 47 00
Cleaning ditches and culverts ...................................... 132 36
Repairing guard rail ................................................... 11 52
Surfacing: gravel ...................................................... 241 04
Shoulder work ........................................................... 110 25

Expenditure on patrolled road ......................................... $940 22

State’s expenditure on patrol, road machine work, gravel surfacing, and supervision, $772.97.

Town’s expenditure on patrol and road machine work, $339.47.
Treasurer's Report

H. T. SILSBY, Treasurer

Dr.

1925

Mar. 10 To balance in treasury $ 685.51
May 1 M. S. Richardson, for rent 6.60
June 10 M. S. Richardson, for rent 15.00
July 14 Union Trust Co., temporary loan 500.00
25 State, for tax on bank stock 27.27
25 State, acct. State school fund 13.33
Aug. 14 State, acct. 3rd class road 49.97
Sept. 8 Town clerk, dog licenses, 1925 14.00
21 M. S. Richardson, on rent 5.00
29 State, acct. State road 776.45
Oct. 2 Cemetery Association 65.00
Nov. 9 two burial lots in cemetery 30.00
14 Leland Archer, for rent 5.00
 Dec. 1 State, dog licenses, refunded 1.14
 1 State, school fund 158.13
 1 State, acct. secondary schools 80.00
 1 State, R. R. and Tel. tax 14.02

1926

Jan. 25 Leland Archer, on rent 5.00
 23 Leland Archer, on rent 5.00
Mar. 2 Union Trust Co., int. on deposit 10.51
 9 M. S. Richardson, on rent 28.00
 9 H. T. Silsby, coll., in full taxes
1925 2,975.53

Mar. 10 To balance in treasury $1,051.41

$5,470.46
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1925

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<td>State, patrol of state roads</td>
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$5,470.46
Aurora School Report

Following is my annual report as Superintendent of Schools:

Miss Flora Perkins taught the Spring term, Mrs. Cora Tolman the Fall term and Miss Gertrude Jordan the Winter term. The attendance has been better than usual this year. There are seven pupils registered at present. Much better results could be obtained if we could procure a teacher for a year instead of only a term.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Receipts

Unexpended from last year .................. $116.21
Appropriated by town ...................... 350.00
From State .................................. 238.13
School fund notes .......................... 40.00
R. R. and Tel. tax .......................... 14.02

Total receipts ............................. $758.36

Expenditures

Teachers’ wages and board .................. $420.00
Fuel .......................................... 18.57

$438.57

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Bangor high school:

H. Richardson .............................. $60.00
G. Jordan ................................. 60.00

$120.00
Text books:

Silver, Burdett ........................................ $ 1 39
A. N. Palmer ........................................ 95
Starkey & Toner .................................. 52
C. S. Orcutt ...................................... 1 06

$ 3 92

Total expenditures .................................. $562 49
Unexpended balance .............................. $195 87

REPAIRS

 Appropriated ........................................ $125 00
Unexpended .......................................... 42 29

Total resources ................................... $167 29

Paid Erma Magoon ................................ $ 3 00
Olin Jordan ........................................ 3 50

$ 6 50

$160 79

SUPERINTENDENCE

Balance unexpended .............................. $ 2 34
Appropriated ....................................... 34 00

$ 36 34

Paid Carolyn S. Orcutt .......................... 33 33

Balance unexpended .............................. $ 3 01

Respectfully submitted,

CAROLYN S. ORCUTT, Superintendent of Schools.