Annual Report of the Municipal Officers of the Town of Centerville for the Year 1946-1947

Centerville (Me.)
ANNUAL REPORT
of the
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for the year
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Parlin Printing Co.,—Machias
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AUDITOR'S REPORT

M. F. McFARLAND
Public Accountant and Auditor
Ellsworth, Maine

July 31, 1946

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Centerville:

As requested by your Town officials, I herewith submit the report of your municipality for year ending February 28, 1946.

The report compiled from your town records shows a true condition of your town's finances as of above date.

All old accounts and liens have been charged to surplus.

The data obtained is summarized in the following:

Exhibit A. Comparative Balance Sheet.
B. Treasurer's Report.
C. Assessors' Report.
D. Summary of Appropriations.

2. Overdrawn and Unexpended Balances.
3. Analysis of Surplus Account.

For the very agreeable courtesy shown me I am thankful.

Respectfully submitted,

M. F. McFARLAND
Public Accountant & Auditor.
TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator
EVERETT FOSTER

Treasurer
JULIA GAUDETTE

Selectmen
FRANK FLAHERTY    ALFRED CALER
      HARRIS CALER

Assessors
CHARLES BAGLEY    HARRIS CALER
      CALVIN CALER

Overseer
EVERETT FOSTER

School Committee
CHARLES BAGLEY    FRANK FLAHERTY
      HARRIS CALER

Constable
CALVIN CALER

Fire Ward
CHARLES BAGLEY

Town Clerk
CHARLES CALER

Tax Collector
NORA FOSTER

Health Officer
MELVIN TENNEY
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DISCOUNT ON TAXES

Appropriated $450.00
Bert Floyd $ .24
Harold Sinclair .34
Bessie Stanley .76
Mary Barton 2.40
Lillie Ramsdell .22
Bangor Hydro Electric 3.58
Grace Crandon .90
C. H. Gay .67
Frank Flaherty 5.35
George Frye 6.72
D. W. Hartford 1.46
W. E. Bailey 3.47
Minnie Bagley .63
Margaret Foster .69
Eastern Pulpwood Co. 89.15
Maine Seaboard Paper Co. 261.18
Josephine Leighton 3.87
Middlesex Supply Co. 31.58

Total expenditures $413.21
Balance undrawn $36.79

TOWN OFFICERS EXPENSE

Appropriated by Town $550.00

Expenditures

Everett Foster, Moderator $ 2.00
Julia Gaudette, Treasurer 125.00
Frank Flaherty, 1st Selectman 100.00
Alfred Caler, 2nd Selectman 25.00
Harris Caler, 3rd Selectman 25.00
Charles Bagley, 1st Assessor 50.00
Harris Caler, 2nd Assessor 45.00
Calvin Caler, 3rd Assessor 45.00
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<td>Melvin Tenney, Health Officer</td>
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Total expended $538.00  
Balance undrawn $12.00

**MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNT**

Appropriated by Town $300.00

**Expenditures**

Frances Worcester, treasurer's bond $25.00  
Mark Printing House, town books and supplies 7.40  
John Foster, posting warrant 1.50  
Calvin Caler, posting warrants 3.00  
Parlin Ptg Co., ptg. town reports 33.25  
M. F. McFarland, audit town books 40.00  
Nina Davis, flags 1.50  
F. N. Flaherty, placing flags 2.00  
Leonard Hurlbert, bear bounty 10.00  
Harris Caler, 2 trips to Machias to meet State Assessors 10.00  
Charles Bagley, 2 trips to Machias to meet State Assessors, with car 14.00  
Calvin Caler, 1 trip to Machias to meet State Assessors 5.00  
Charles Bagley, attending school committee meeting in Jonesport 5.00  
Frank Flaherty, attending elections 10.00  
Alfred Caler, attending elections 10.00  
Harris Caler, attending elections 10.00
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Charles Caler, attending elections 10.00
Audrey Caler, elections 10.00
Virginia Caler, elections 10.00
Thurman Caler, elections 5.00
Blanche Caler, elections 5.00
Margaret Foster, elections 5.00
Shirley Caler, elections 5.00
Frederick Bogue, legal advice 4.00
Bernard Henrahen, signing papers for Treasurer 3.00
Julia Gaudette, 1 trip to Addison 2.50
H. A. Barton, weighing salt .35
Erwin Caler, transportation and express on ballots 2.39
F. N. Flaherty, tel. and postage 5.50
Julia Gaudette, postage 4.00

Total expenditures $259.39

Credit

State Treas., bear bounty $10.00

Net total expenditures $249.39
Balance undrawn $50.61

FIRE ACCOUNT

Appropriation $75.00

Expenditures

Everett Foster, fighting fire $3.00
Erwin Caler, fighting fire 1.00
Charles Caler, fighting fire 1.00

Total expended $5.00
Balance undrawn $70.00
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STATE NURSE ACCOUNT

Appropriation $6.00

Expenditures

Treasurer of State $6.00

STATE AID ROAD ACCOUNT

Balance brought forward from 1942 $450.00
No expenditures
Balance undrawn $450.00

SNOW FENCE ACCOUNT

Appropriated 1942 $100.00
Appropriated 1946 200.00

Total $300.00

Expenditures

R. M. Lightbody, 1900 ft. s. fence $278.39
John Foster, hauling snow fence 9.00
Benj. Flaherty, hauling fence 7.50
Fred Pineo, wire 2.60

Total expenditures $297.49
Balance undrawn $2.51

POOR ACCOUNT

Appropriated $400.00

Expenditures

Account of Irving Caler

Alfred Caler, board $334.00
E. B. Foss, clothing 19.05

Total $353.05
Account of Eva Caler  
Treasurer of State, Mother's Aid 256.50

Account of Verdi Bagley
Hanson's Private Hospital 175.00
Everett Foster, three trips to Machias 10.00
Everett Foster, legal advice 3.00

Total expenditures $797.55
Overdrawn $397.55

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE
State of Maine, plowing snow and sanding ice $122.29

APPROPRIATIONS 1946

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$4,056.00

State Tax 1,106.16
County Tax 686.47
Overlay 13.97

Total Commitment $5,862.60
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TAX COLLECTOR

Appropriated $200.00

Expenditures

Nora Foster, collecting tax $176.63
Nora Foster, postage 1.47

Total expenditures $178.10
Balance undrawn $21.90

SNOW AND ICE ACCOUNT

Appropriated $300.00

Expenditures

Stock Pile

John Foster, hauling salt & sand $42.00
Frank Flaherty, helper 18.00
D. W. Hartford, Sr., sand 3.90

Sand

John Foster, with truck 24.00
Benj. Flaherty, helper 12.00
Angus Gaudette, helper 5.25

Plowing Snow

Allen Burns, plowing snow 9.20
Alfred Melanson, helper 2.64
Hathaway Bros., plowing snow 121.37
Merton Allen, wing man 6.00
Kenneth Grant, wing man 2.25
Melvin Dorr, wing man 3.75
Wendall Tucker, wing man 2.63
Erwin Bucknam, wing man 3.38
Snow Fence
Harris Caler, driving posts, stakes 9.00
Benj. Flaherty, driving posts, stakes 10.00
Frank Flaherty, hauling posts, stakes 7.25
Charles Caler, cutting posts 26.25
John Foster, putting up snow fence 6.00
Benj. Flaherty, putting up s. fence 6.00

Total expenditures $320.87

Credit
State Treas., bal. due Town on snow removal $122.29

Net total expenditures $198.58
Balance undrawn $111.42

TOWN ROAD ACCOUNT

Appropriated $300.00

Expenditures

Bridge
Alfred Caler, labor on bridge $13.00
Robert Grant, nails for bridge 1.02
D. N. Ramsdell, nails for bridge .52

Town road
Harris Caler, sweeping tar 3.00
Frank Flaherty, cutting and placing markers 5.00

Patrol
State Treasurer, patrol 258.00

Total expenditures $280.54
Balance undrawn $19.46
VALUATION

Resident Real Estate $5,187.00
Non-Resident Real Estate 97,440.00

Total value of Real Estate $102,627.00
Resident Personal Estate $1,325.00
Total value of Personal Estate 1,325.00

Total valuation $103,952.00
Total Value of Land $95,577.00
Total value of Buildings 7,000.00
Number of Polls 19
Tax rate per $1,000 $56.00

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

Cash $2,003.07
Accounts Receivable 122.29
School Fund Invested 934.24

$3,059.60

Liabilities
Min'l School Fund Principal $934.24

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK FLAHERTY
ALFRED CALER
HARRIS CALER
Selectmen of Centerville
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TREASURER'S REPORT 1946-47

Receipts

March 1, 1946, balance in bank $2,131.41
Nora Foster, Coll. taxes 5,446.59
Nora Foster, discount on taxes 413.21
Nora Foster, excise taxes 24.85
Treas. of State, snow removal 165.33
Treas. of State, State school fund 290.34
Treas. of State, bounty on bear 10.00

Total receipts $8,481.73

Payments

Total Warrants $6,478.66

March 1, 1947, balance in bank $2,003.07

JULIA GAUDETTE,
Town Treasurer
Annual Report
of the
Public Schools
of
Centerville
for the
FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 1947

Superintending School Committee
Harris Caler, Term of office expires March 1947
Frank N. Flaherty, Term of office expires March 1948
Charles J. Bagley, Term of office expires March 1949

Charles J. Bagley—Chairman
Ralph L. Brown—Secretary
Charles J. Bagley—Attendance Officer
REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of Centerville:

I am submitting herewith a report of the public schools of this town covering the fiscal year ending March 1947. The attention of the reader is directed to the SUMMARY which appears in the latter part of this report. From this Summary it will be observed that we have a net balance of $120.80, all accounts considered. We have overdrafts as follows: (1) Support of Schools $138.59, and (2) Superintendence and Office Expense $.17. The school has been operated one full year of thirty-six week since the books were closed in 1946.

It had been planned to paint the interior of the school building and to do some much needed repair work on the building foundation but we were unable to secure the necessary painters and masons. Temporary repairs were made upon the foundation of the woodshed and outbuilding. However, the work upon the foundation of the school building and outbuilding must not be delayed longer than the coming summer. The interior walls and ceiling of the school building should be thoroughly cleaned and possibly painted. The walls and ceiling are so smoky that it is almost impossible for the children to see to read on dull days.

Our financial needs for the coming year as seen by the writer are as follows:

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Grand total $1,459.40

The unexpended balance of $259.62 in the school repair account should be adequate to take care of the
repairs as outlined above. The insurance policy in the amount of $2,000.00, premium $103.40, on the school building and town hall becomes due July 24, 1947. This policy is written for a term of three years.

In concluding this report I want to thank the members of the committee for their continued cooperation and support; also, I wish to express my appreciation to the citizens of Centerville for their support of our educational program.

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH L. BROWN
Superintendent of Schools
SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS

Receipts

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Total Receipts: $1,359.57

Expenditures

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Total Expenditures: $1,052.00

Overdraft: $138.59
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Office Secretary

Town of Jonesport $21.91 $21.91
Overdraft—March 1946 $75.04

Total expenditures for Support of Schools $1,498.16

SCHOOL REPAIRS

Receipts

Unexpended balance $172.77
Appropriation 100.00

$272.77

Expenditures 13.15

Balance $259.62

Expenditures

Merlin Seeley $7.50
J. L. Hammett Co. 5.65

$13.15

SUPERINTENDENCE

COMMITTEE AND OFFICE EXPENSE

Receipts

Appropriation $175.00 $175.00
Expenditures 175.17

Overdraft $0.17

Expenditures

R. L. Brown (Salary) $150.32
R. L. Brown (Office expense) 3.29
Overdraft—1946 21.56

$175.17
**SUMMARY**

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<td><strong>$1,686.48</strong></td>
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*denotes Overdraft—Total $138.76*

Net balance $120.86