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**ANNUAL  
REPORT**

**TOWN OF  
MONSON, MAINE  
1971 - 1972**

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**MUNICIPAL OFFICERS**  
**OF THE**  
**TOWN OF MONSON**  
**MAINE**

**FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 1971 - 1972**

**BRING THIS REPORT WITH YOU**

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Hutchins Brothers, Thorndike, Maine

## LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

To the Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Monson:

A financial and general activities summary of your town government for the year 1971-72 is contained in the following Annual Report.

The town ended its fiscal year January 31, 1971, with a surplus of eighteen thousand, two hundred seventy-five dollars and twenty cents which is available to help meet present and future needs of the town.

Reports of S. A. D. 68 activities are contained in a separate report compiled and outlined by your school district.

Citizens who desire additional information about their town government should feel free to contact their town officials. You are urged to attend the annual Town Meeting, March 13, 1972, to act on your town's business for 1972.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. LANDER

Town Manager

**TOWN OFFICERS**

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**Moderator**—Rev. Douglas Brayton

**Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor**

Frank W. Nelson   Hollis Nelson   Paul B. Allen

**Town Manager, Road Commissioner, Tax Collector**

**Town Treasurer**

Robert Lander

**Town Clerk**—Stanley A. Robinson

**Director of S. A. D. No. 68**—Murray Church

**Superintendents of Schools**

Fred Mosler - Allen Savage - S. A. D. No. 68

**Civil Defense and Building Inspector**

John Ruksznis

**Sexton**—Weldon Conner, Guilford, Maine

**Fire Chief**—John Ruksznis

**Health Officer**—Dr. Isaac Nelson

**Sealer of Weights and Measures**

Alfred J. Rioux

**Surveyor of Logs, Lumber, Wood and Bark**

Hollis Nelson

**Town Forest Fire Warden**

John Ruksznis

**Constables**

Berwin Storer  
Worden Smith

Robert Greenleaf  
James D. Canders

## Amounts Raised by Town March 15, 1971

General Government	\$8,000.00
Miscellaneous	1,800.00
Town Hall	1,200.00
Fire Department	2,000.00
Insurance	3,600.00
Town Power	3,000.00
Health Nurse	170.00
Highway	4,000.00
Snow Plowing	9,040.05
Town Tar	5,000.00
State Aid Roads	2,132.00
Town Poor	1,200.00
Aid to Dependent Children	1,300.00
Library	500.00
Memorial Day	150.00
Maine Publicity Bureau	25.00
Cemeteries	1,000.00
Fire Truck Note	1,500.00
Town Hall Note	1,750.00
Interest, Fire Truck and Town Hall	1,474.38
Civil Defense	100.00
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	\$48,941.43
Voted to Take from Surplus:	
Central Community Council	150.00
Municipal Building	500.00
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	\$ 650.00
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Total Voted and Approved	\$49,591.43

## ASSESSORS' REPORT

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### Valuation: Town of Monson

Real Estate, Resident	\$662,270.00	
Real Estate, Non-Resident	405,790.00	
		\$1,068,060.00
Personal Estate, Resident	\$185,180.00	
Personal Estate, Non-Resident	14,960.00	
		\$200,140.00
Total Assessed Valuation		\$1,268,200.00

### Assessment

Valuation x Rate		
1,268,200.00 x .077	\$97,651.40	
171 Polls x \$3.00	513.00	
		\$98,164.40

### Computation of Assessment

Appropriations	\$48,941.43
S.A.D. No. 68 Assessment	44,409.25
County Tax	3,391.50
Overlay	1,422.22
	\$98,164.40



**1971 Tax Abatements**

George Bessey, Paid in Waterville	\$ 3.00
Earl Gregg, Error in Assessment	18.18
Lawrence Holmquist, Paid in Lewiston	3.00
Terris Moore, Paid in Elliottsville	3.00
Clair Sargent, Error in Assessment	38.50
Ruth Savage, Error in Assessment	15.40
Hazel Smith, Error in Assessment	15.40
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	\$96.48

**1970 Tax Abatement**

Benjamin Bernard	\$3.00
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**1968 Tax Abatement**

Malcolm Page	2.88
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	\$102.36

**Total Raised for Taxation 1971-1972**

		\$98,164.40
Commitment, Town of Monson	\$48,941.43	
Commitment, S.A.D. No. 68	44,409.25	
County Tax	3,391.50	
Overlay Account	1,422.22	
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		\$98,164.40
1971 Tax Abatements	96.48	
1971 Tax Discount	1,087.81	
1971 Taxes Collected	92,340.74	
1971 Taxes Uncollected	4,639.37	
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		\$98,164.40



## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

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Name	Poll	Pers.	Real	Total
Brown, Eric			\$200.20	\$200.20
Burke, Adolph			132.44	132.44
Burke, Carl	\$3.00		110.88	113.88
Beckwith, Gerald			141.68	141.68
Cook, Kenneth	3.00		20.02	23.02
Crockett, James & Mabel	3.00		138.60	141.60
Carr, Gertrude			123.20	123.20
Carr, Merton	3.00			3.00
Erickson, Paul	3.00		201.74	204.74
Erickson, Henry & Anna			109.34	109.34
Freeh, Leo & Marlene	3.00		198.66	201.66
Flint, Harold & Florence			77.00	77.00
Greenleaf, Robert	3.00	3.08	177.10	183.18
Guild, Daniel			175.56	175.56
Grant, Paul & Marion	‡3.00		154.00	157.00
Jones, Thaxter			317.24	317.24
Korsman, Maila			83.26	83.26
Korsman, Arvo, Jr.			23.10	23.10
Kronholm, Colby & Barbara	3.00		107.80	110.80
Kugler, Edward & Aimee			469.70	469.70
Luce, Daune & Carolyn	3.00		220.22	223.22
Melia, Malcolm	3.00		137.06	140.06
Perkins, Millard			15.40	15.40
Philbrook, Edward & Charlene	3.00	3.08	152.46	158.54
Reed, Wayne		77.00		77.00
Suomi, Corrine			130.90	130.90

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Name	Poll	Pers.	Real	Total
Stanchfield, Gerald			65.38	65.38
Stone, Wilbur			169.40	169.40
Shaw, Keith & Lucy	3.00		226.38	229.38
Tompkins, Barbara			107.80	107.80
Thomas, Richard			25.00	25.00
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	\$39.00	83.16	4,211.52	4,333.68

**1971 Uncollected Taxes, Non-Resident**

Name	Pers.	Real	Total
Bragdon, Everett & Mary		11.55	11.55
Flint Bros.		12.32	12.32
Huff, Manley		3.08	3.08
Nadeau, Arthur		38.50	38.50
Raymond, Peter & Nora Lee		63.14	63.14
Taylor, Gordon		104.72	‡104.72
Vaino, Carl		49.28	49.28
Kakulevich, Bronis & Florence		23.10	23.10
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		\$305.69	\$305.69

‡ Paid in Full    † Partial Payment    \*Poll Tax Paid

**1969 Uncollected Taxes**

1969 Uncoll. Taxes Jan. 31, 1972    \$65.01  
 1969 Taxes Collected    39.40

Delinquent:

Wayne Reed    25.61

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\$65.01

## TOWN OF MONSON

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**1968 Uncollected Taxes**

1968 Uncoll. Taxes, Jan. 31, 1972	10.08	
1968 Taxes Collected	7.20	
1968 Tax Abated	2.88	
		\$10.08

**1970 Tax Liens**

1970 Tax Liens Uncoll., Jan. 31, 1972		\$4,014.86
1970 Tax Liens Coll. by Treasurer	\$2,352.44	

## Delinquent:

Adolph Burke	\$132.44	
James & Mabel Crockett	138.60	
Robert Greenleaf	177.10	
Thaxter Jones	340.34	
Maila Korsman	183.26	
Arvo Korsman	24.00	
Colby & Barbara Kronholm	107.80	
Edward and Aimee Kugler	469.70	
Gerald Stanchfield	59.18	
Corinne Suomi	30.00	
	\$1,662.42	\$4,014.86

**1970 Taxes Uncollected**

1970 Uncollected Jan. 31, 1972		\$6,446.58
1970 Taxes Transferred to Tax Liens	\$4,014.86	
1970 Taxes Collected	2,360.55	
1970 Tax Abated	3.00	
1970 Taxes Delinquent:		
Wayne Reed	68.17	
		\$6,446.58

**1969 Tax Liens**

1969 Tax Liens Uncoll., Jan. 31, 1971	\$2,618.85
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1969 Tax Liens Coll. by Treasurer \$1,769.16	
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## Delinquent:

Korsman, Maila	\$166.60
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Korsman, Arvo, Jr.	18.71
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Kronholm, Colby & Barbara Kronholm	98.00
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Kugler, Edward & Aimee	566.38
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\$849.69
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\$2,618.85
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**1968 Tax Liens**

1968 Tax Liens Uncollected Jan. 31, 1971	\$197.52
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1968 Tax Liens Collected by Treas. \$126.72	
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## Delinquent:

Colby & Barbara Kronholm	70.80
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\$197.52
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## TREASURER'S REPORT

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Balance on Hand, Jan. 31, 1971		
Guilford Trust Company	\$ 21,789.57	
Receipts for the Year	140,291.82	
		\$162,081.39
Warrants Paid	\$138,310.94	
Balance on Hand, Feb. 1, 1972	23,770.45	
		\$162,081.39

### General Government

Balance, Feb. 1, 1971	\$ 785.28	
Appropriation	8,000.00	
Received, Water Co.	600.00	
		\$9,385.28

### Salaries

Robert Lander, Town Manager	\$6,365.34
Robert Lander, Treasurer	250.00
S. A. Robinson, Town Clerk	150.00
S. A. Robinson, Registrar of Voters	25.00

#### Assessors :

Frank Nelson	300.00
Paul Allen	300.00
Hollis Nelson	300.00
Glenda Smith	48.75
Jeanne Reed	169.10
	\$7,903.19

**General Government Expenses**

Town Manager	\$488.56	
Town Clerk	61.50	
Assessors	63.05	
Balance Feb. 1, 1972	868.98	
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	\$1,482.09	\$9,385.28

**Incidentals**

Appropriations \$1,800.00

## Expended:

Postage	\$211.15	
Ballot Clerks	80.00	
Moderator	5.00	
Town Report	303.80	
Town Office Supplies	226.06	
Water Rent	44.00	
Audit	452.28	
Misc.	334.25	
M. M. A. Dues	113.00	
Transferred to Town Hall Account	30.46	
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		\$1,800.00

**Town Hall Expense**

Appropriation \$1,200.00

## Expended:

Fuel	\$692.70	
Telephone	340.94	
Balance to Summary	166.36	
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		\$1,200.00

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**Monson Fire Department**

Jan. 31, 1971 Balance	\$ 522.19	
Appropriation	2,000.00	
Received	612.00	
Overdraft from Summary	28.28	
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		3,162.47

## Expended:

Telephone Alarm System	\$ 401.16	
Repairs	100.44	
Supplies & Equipment	1,271.98	
Gas & Oil	38.03	
Pipeline	270.86	
Chief	200.00	
Payroll	792.00	
Misc.	88.00	
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		3,162.47

**Civil Defense**

Appropriation	\$100.00	
Balance to Feb. 1, 1971	72.60	
Received	50.00	
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		\$222.60

## Expended:

John Ruksznis	\$100.00	
Balance to Jan. 31, 1972	122.60	
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		\$222.60

**Insurance**

Appropriation	\$3,600.00
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Overdraft from Summary	265.63
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	\$3,865.63

## Expended:

Highway Group	\$770.41	
Fire Dept.	930.25	
New Municipal Building	142.50	
Bonds, Municipal Officers	212.00	
Workmen's Comp.	446.00	
Social Security	603.47	
Town Truck	381.00	
Lia. C.P.L. of Town	380.00	
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		\$3,865.63

**Town Power**

Appropriation	\$3,000.00
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## Expended:

Central Maine Power Co.	\$2,671.46	
Balance to Summary	328.54	
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		\$3,000.00

**Public Nurse**

Appropriation	\$170.00
Expended	170.00
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**Municipal Building Note**

Appropriation	\$1,750.00
Expended	1,750.00
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**Fire Truck Note**

Appropriation	\$1,500.00
Expended	1,500.00

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**Highways**

Bal. Jan. 31, 1971	\$ 3,135.55	
Appropriation	4,000.00	
Received	38.47	
1971-1972 Excise Tax	11,209.95	

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\$18,383.97

**Expended:**

Clarence Pratt, Labor	\$5,575.50	
Labor	224.75	
Sidewalk	1,733.00	
Bushes, Mowing, Trees	339.12	
Barrows Falls Road	311.41	
Culverts	957.69	
Calcium Chloride & Salt	830.57	
Truck & Tractor Rental	3,600.00	
Bulldozer and Backhoe	219.00	
Misc.	248.26	
Gravel	286.35	
Tires	38.04	
Balance to 1972	4,020.28	

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\$18,383.97

**Highway Equipment**

Balance to Feb. 1, 1971	\$9,378.28	
Received, Rental, Truck & Tractor	3,613.58	

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\$12,991.86

## Expended:

Gas & Oil	\$1,701.18	
Repairs	1,037.51	
New Tires	61.99	
Supplies	266.09	
New Truck	5,103.70	
Balance to 1972	4,821.39	
		\$12,991.86

## Snow Plowing

Balance to Feb. 1, 1971	\$1,483.95	
Appropriation	9,040.05	
Received, Treas. State of Maine	2,283.00	
		\$12,807.00

## Expended:

Farrin Bros. & Smith	\$10,524.00	
Balance to 1972	2,283.00	
		\$12,807.00

## Surface Treatment, Tar

Appropriation	\$5,000.00
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## Expended:

Commercial Paving Co.	\$3,880.00	
Blue Rock Industry, Sidewalk	1,120.00	
		\$5,000.00

## State Aid Roads

Balance Feb. 1, 1971	\$1,066.00
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Appropriation	2,132.00	
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		\$3,198.00

## Expended:

Treas., State of Maine	\$3,198.00
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**Town Poor**

Appropriation	\$1,200.00	
Received	20.00	
Overdraft from Summary	92.50	
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		\$1,312.50

## Town of Monson Poor:

Case No. 1	\$ 38.00	
Case No. 2	390.00	
Case No. 3	139.51	
Case No. 4	10.00	
Case No. 5	265.75	
Case No. 6	57.00	
Express on Surplus Food	412.24	
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		\$1,312.50

**Aid to Dependent Children**

Appropriation	\$1,300.00
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## Expended:

Case No. 1	\$ 52.92
Case No. 2	114.48
Case No. 3	52.92
Case No. 4	30.24
Case No. 5	44.96
Case No. 6	90.72

Case No. 7	151.20	
Case No. 8	34.20	
Balance to Summary	728.36	
		\$1,300.00

#### Common Schools

Appropriated to S.A.D. No. 68	\$44,409.25
Expended to SA.D. No. 68	44,409.25

#### Monson Public Library

Appropriation	\$500.00
Received	35.00

Expended	\$535.00
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\$535.00

#### Memorial Day

Appropriation	\$150.00
Expended to Legion Post No. 116	150.00

#### Recreation Program

Balance Feb. 1, 1971	\$205.93
Received, Treas, State of Maine	267.35

\$473.28

#### Expended:

Supplies	\$207.13
Balance to 1972	266.15

\$473.28

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**Recreation Director**

Balance Feb. 1, 1971	\$418.71	
Received, Treas. State of Maine	384.00	
	<hr/>	\$802.71

## Expended:

U. of M. Gorham	\$240.00	
Supplies	167.17	
Balance to Feb. 1, 1972	395.54	
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**Maine Publicity Bureau**

Appropriation	\$25.00	
Balance Feb. 1, 1971	50.00	
	<hr/>	\$75.00

Expended	\$25.00	
Balance to Summary	50.00	
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**Cemeteries**

Appropriation	\$1,000.00	
Received Perpetual Care	1,907.00	
Received	13.50	
	<hr/>	\$2,920.50

## Expended:

Weldon Connor	\$2,770.50	
Frank Randal, Spraying	150.00	
	<hr/>	\$2,920.50

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**Lake Road Cemetery**

Balance Feb. 1, 1971	\$323.59	
Received	407.35	
	<hr/>	\$730.94
Expended:		
Weldon Connor	\$572.61	
Balance to 1972	158.33	
	<hr/>	\$730.94

**Interest Account**

Collected	\$824.66	
Balance to Summary	824.66	
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**Tax Lien Cost**

Collected		\$152.85
Expended	\$107.45	
Balance to Summary	45.40	
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**Petty Cash**

Feb. 1, 1971	\$100.00	
Feb. 1, 1972	100.00	
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**TOWN OF MONSON SAVINGS ACCOUNTS****Soldiers' Monument**

Feb. 1, 1971 Balance	\$250.00	
Interest Earned	12.65	
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		\$262.65
Feb. 1, 1972 Balance	\$262.65	

**Honor Roll**

Balance to Feb. 1, 1971	\$375.25	
Interest Earned	18.97	
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		\$394.22
Feb. 1, 1972, Balance	\$394.22	

**Monson Better Health Association**

Balance July 14, 1971	\$6,587.40	
Interest Earned	157.17	
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	\$6,744.57	

## Expended:

Town of Dover-Foxcroft, Ambulance	\$200.00	
Donald Keene, Doctors Office	300.00	
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	\$500.00	\$6,244.57
Balance Feb. 1, 1972	\$6,244.57	

**Chapin Trust Fund**

Balance Feb. 1, 1971	\$2,882.74	
Interest Earned	145.90	
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		\$3,028.64
Balance Feb. 1, 1972	\$3,028.64	

**Wentworth Trust Fund**

Feb. 1, 1971	\$485.82	
Interest Earned	24.54	
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		\$510.36
Balance Feb. 1, 1972	\$510.36	

**Town of Monson Saving Account No. 1108**

Balance Feb. 1, 1971	\$4,073.62	
Interest Earned	206.19	
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		\$4,279.81
Balance Feb. 1, 1972	\$4,279.81	

**Perpetual Care**

Balance Feb. 1, 1971	\$5,521.76	
Interest Earned	281.57	
New Investments	400.00	
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		\$6,203.33
Balance Feb. 1, 1972	\$5,900.98	
Expended to Cemeteries	302.35	
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		\$6,203.33

**Rebecca Julia Crafts Sheridan**

Balance July 14, 1971	\$700.00	
Interest Earned	8.75	
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		\$708.75
Balance Feb. 1, 1972	\$708.75	

**School and Ministerial Account**

Balance Feb. 1, 1971	\$1,045.08	
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Received Interest	52.89	
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Balance Feb. 1, 1972	\$1,097.97	\$1,097.97

**Monson Spring Water Co.**

Feb. 1, 1971 Debt of	\$6,000.00
Feb. 1, 1972 Debt of	5,000.00
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**County Tax**

Appropriation	\$3,391.50
Expended:	
Treas. Piscataquis County	\$3,391.50
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**Overlay**

Appropriation		\$1,422.22
Expended:		
1971 Tax Discount	\$1,087.81	
1971 Tax Abatement	96.48	
1970 Taxes	3.00	
1968 Taxes	2.88	
Balance to Summary	232.05	
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		\$1,422.22

**Summary of Accounts****Overdraft Unexpended**

Town Hall Expense	\$166.36
Supplemental Taxes	85.65
Misc. Charge	30.46
Town Hall Meeting Room	133.67

Town Power		328.54
Aid to Dependent Children		728.36
Maine Publicity Bureau		50.00
O. E. O.		150.00
Interest		824.66
Tax Lien Cost		45.40
Overlay		232.05
Fire Dept.	28.28	
Insurance	265.63	
Town Poor	92.50	
Fire Truck & Building Interest	44.37	
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	\$430.78	\$2,775.15
1971 Overdraft	430.78	
1971 Unexpended	2,775.15	
Balance to Surplus	2,344.37	

#### Town of Monson Surplus

Balance Feb. 1, 1971	\$12,743.88	
Received, Treas., State of Maine:		
Veterans Exemption	2,198.45	
Bank Tax	72.28	
Dog Tax, Refunds	12.43	
Telephone Tax	1,553.79	
Balance of Accounts	2,775.15	
	<hr/>	\$19,355.98
Expended:		
Voted at Town Meeting	\$650.00	
Overdraft of Accounts	430.78	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,080.78

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Balance Feb. 1, 1972	18,275.20	
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		\$19,355.98

**Municipal Notes, Town of Monson**

Balance of Notes with Northeast Bank  
of Guilford:

Town Hall	\$28,000.00	
Fire Truck	4,000.00	
Note, Tolford Durham -Water Company	5,000.00	
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Total of Municipal Notes	\$37,000.00	

## REPORT OF THE TOWN MANAGER

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To the Board of Selectmen, Citizens and Taxpayers  
of the Town of Monson:

It is my pleasure for the fifth time to present to you  
your annual Town Report. The Books were audited by  
Bryant Brown of Brown Associates, Brunswick, Maine.

The Town is very fortunate to have Mrs. Gina Reed  
working in the office under the Emergency Employment  
Program. This makes it much more convenient for the  
Townpeople to have the office open more hours per  
week.

Highways: The year 1971 has been a year of more  
improvement in Town and State Highways. The Select-  
men voted to have the sidewalk on Main Street resur-  
faced. This was a great improvement as there hasn't  
been any work done on it since it was built in 1955 or  
1956. Town Road Improvement funds were spent on the  
seven mile square road. Tarring of the State Aid Road  
was completed along with the tarring of the Willimantic  
Road. This makes traveling over this road a great im-  
provement compared with the past conditions which  
made travel impossible in the Spring.

Norton Hill needs to be rebuilt, as this section of  
roadway is in very poor condition. With the building  
boom in this section of town, the hill should be rebuilt.  
The Town received another special grant of five thous-  
and dollars to rebuild more of the Barrows Falls Road.

By having an additional employee under the

Emergency Employment Program in the Highway Department makes it possible to widen right-of-ways from trees and bushes. Some sections have been sprayed.

Tarring of Town highways was again done by Commercial Paving Co. of South Portland.

Snowplowing was done by Farrin Bros. & Smith. They have been plowing Monson Streets and Roadways for twenty-five years.

Cemeteries: Weldon Connor was again appointed sexton of all Town Cemeteries. He has made many improvements this past year. The Hillsile Yard has been cut back and sprayed all the way around. On the Lake Road Yard another section has been rebuilt and reseeded because the first sections lots were all sold out. Work was begun last fall to clear the whole yard. All yards were sprayed again like last year. The Old Yard at the Church is all completed and some repairs on the fences were made. At this time, I want to thank Mr. Connor for the time and pride he takes in the Town of Monson Cemeteries. They always look their very best.

Recreation: The Recreation Program was again sponsored under the Youth Study Program of the Federal Government. Miss Eleanor LaPointe was the director for the ten week program. Mothers of the community helped in the transportation of the smaller children to and from the beach. As money is made available, the land around the beach can be much improved.

Frank Hanscome and Neil Turner ran a Junior League baseball team this past summer with help from parents and interested persons. If Federal Funds become available, I would like to see a full time recreation director this coming summer.



Water Co.: A new main was installed on Center Street and made an improvement in the water service in that section of town. A new pump was installed in the lower well when a problem developed with the old pump. Water has been low in both wells all winter, due to light rains during the fall months. The Directors of the Water Co. wish to express their thanks for the patience and understanding shown by the Townspeople during the breakdowns. As the demand for more water grows in the community, the Water Co. should be thinking of some type of a back up system such as a pipeline into Lake Hebron or another well and pump.

Once again, I would like to thank the citizens and taxpayers of Monson, for their co-operation and participation in town affairs, and helping me make Monson a more successful Town. It has been most enjoying working for you.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. LANDER

Town Manager

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Jan. 1, 1971 — Dec. 31, 1971

Beginning in the middle of June, Miss Marcia Anderson, a Neighborhood Youth Corp. employee came into our library for training. I found her a very apt pupil and in a very short time she was sufficiently trained to work in the library without constant supervision.

During July and August, we had the library open two forenoons, one evening, five afternoons each week Miss Anderson had a story hour for the young children twice each week.

In September, Miss Anderson went back to school and we cut our hours, however, we are open 14½ hours as compared to 5½ hours each week in 1970. I am sorry to say this has not increased the circulation of books.

Mrs. Dolly Hughes, brought her third grade pupils down to visit the library, also Mrs. Prudy Sawyer and Mrs. Betty Kiah brought the sub-primary and first grade pupils.

Mrs. Kiah has brought the second grade pupils down every other week to get books and more recently Mrs. Hamalainen, brought the third grade pupils in to get books. We are so happy to have the school encouraging the children to borrow books from the library.

The library borrows books from the Maine State Library, Bangor Public Library and the Bookmobile. We borrowed large type books from the Maine State Library and the Bookmobile for people who have visual problems. We had large type Readers Digests given to us. We also have taken books to people who are unable to come to the library.

The library purchased 51 adult books, 44 childrens books and several magazines.

The circulation for 1971:

Juvenile Books	1181
Adult Fiction	1931
Adult Non-Fiction	221
Bookmobile	671
Magazines	209
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Total Circulation	4213
Record Albums	42

#### Library Association Officers

President	Mrs. John Durham
Vice President	Mrs. Oliver Jackson
Secretary	Mrs. Viola Michele
Treasurer	Mrs. Wayne Huff
Auditor	Mr. James Durham
Librarian	Miss Vivienne Bray
Assistant Librarian	Mrs. George Wentworth

#### Trustees

Mrs. John Durham	Mr. Robert Brown
Mrs. Oliver Jackson	Mr. James Durham
Mrs. Howard Thompson	Mr. Wayne Huff
Mrs. George Wentworth	
Mrs. Donald MacPherson	

VIVIENNE BRAY, Librarian

## FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

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The following fires were extinguished by the Monson Fire Department during this past year:

- 1 2 Chimney Fire
- 2 Building Fires
- 2 Dump Fires

1 2 car accident on Tenney Hill. The Dept. washed down gas spilled and assisted in caring for injured passengers.

The Department conducted preliminary search and assisted the Sheriff's Dept. in recovering victims of the drownings at Monson Pond.

During the summer months two firemen were on duty at the fire station on Sunday, P. M., thus assuring a faster response in case of an emergency. The men on duty were able to do many chores deeded to be done around the station. This Sunday duty gave us more time for drills which were held twice a month from May to October.

The fire station floor was painted, some work was done on our office and a hose rack was built to store hose that is not carried on the trucks.

The Forestry Dept. turned over to the Fire Dept. a 6 x 6, 900 gallon tank truck to be used as needed in our area on any fires that occur.

We purchased 800 feet of new hose this year. Some of the hose will be loaded on the trucks and the rest stored in the fire station. We also bought a resuscitator from our Firemans Fund. The men are training to use the machine properly.

We are having cupboards built in our kitchen downstairs. A new stove and sink will also be installed. This kitchen will be available for small suppers and other activities of the townspeople.

Our annual Baked Bean Supper and our Community Calendar programs were very successful this year. We sincerely appreciated your participation in these activities.

On behalf of the Monson Fire Dept., I wish to express my appreciation for your cooperation for the past year:

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. RUKSZNIS

Fire Chief

State of Maine  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE  
Augusta, Maine 04330

Jan. 6, 1972

Chairman

Subject: Material for Town Report

Dear Sir:

During the year your community has been provided with the services of a public health nurse from the Division of Public Health Nursing, Department of Health and Welfare. A report of these services is enclosed. We know that many individuals in the town helped the nurse to carry out her program. We acknowledge with appreciation their cooperation and assistance.

We have endeavored to make an equitable distribution of the cost of the service and hope you will agree that we have made a fair estimate of the share to be paid by your town. If you wish to have the public health nursing service continued, will you please have the enclosed article printed in the town warrant to be acted upon at town meeting.

Sincerely yours,

DEAN FISHER, M. D.

Commissioner

## REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

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### Maine State Department of Health and Welfare DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING

Report to the Town of Monson  
For Year Ending December 31, 1971

The Division of Public Health Nursing continued to offer its services to townspeople during the 1971 calendar year. A brief summary of services given by the Division staff is presented in this report.

**Home Visiting**, to assist families to cope with health problems:

Number of individuals visited	11
Number of home visits made	60
Number of supporting and coordinating activities, such as procuring physician's recommendations and conferring with social workers	2

Kinds of problems included mental retardation, crippling conditions, heart defects, communicable disease, hearing and vision loss, and health promotion.

**Child Health Conferences**, conducted in Monson to provide health supervision for Monson, Blanchard Plantation and Willimantic infants and preschool children.

Number held	3
Number of Monson children admitted	9
Number examined by physician	9
Number found to have problems needing medical and/or nursing follow-up	3



**Immunizations**, given to Monson children attending child health conferences:

Kind of Immunization	Number of doses given
DPT (diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus)	
1st dose	3
2nd dose	1
3rd dose	1
Booster	4
Polio	
1st dose	1
2nd dose	1
Booster	4
Measles	1
German Measles (rubella)	5
Total number of doses of biologicals given	21

**Miscellaneous Other Service**

Five visits were made to town officials and club leaders to organize the child health conferences. Appreciation is expressed to volunteers and others who assisted in carrying out the public health nursing program.

Respectfully submitted,

VALERIE L. MORRELL, R. N.

Public Health Nurse

**AUDITOR'S REPORT**

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February 14, 1972

Board of Selectmen

Monson,

Maine

Pursuant to your request, we have examined the financial statements of the various funds of the Town of Monson, Maine for the year ended January 31, 1972. Our examination was conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying comparative balance sheet and related statements of operations and unappropriated surplus present fairly the financial position of the Town of Monson, Maine at January 31, 1972, and the results of the operations of the General Fund for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted principles of governmental accounting applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Respectfully submitted,

Bryant M. Brown

C O M M E N T S  
SCOPE OF AUDIT

ASSETS:

Cash and cash items were verified by physical count and/or by direct confirmation. Cash columns were footed and traced to general ledger accounts. Cancelled checks were examined for the entire twelve month period. Taxes receivable were scheduled and reconciled with previous balances and current collections.

Tax Liens were analyzed and supporting documents examined.

TRUST FUNDS:

Trust funds were scheduled and proved. Savings bank passbooks were examined and balances confirmed by the depository bank. Securities were examined and counted. All interest was posted to date and recorded.

NOTES PAYABLE:

An analysis of notes payable was prepared, and outstanding balances were proved by direct confirmation. All interest payments were current.

GENERAL FUND:

A detailed analysis was made and a test check made of documents supporting expenditures.

GENERAL

The books and records were maintained in an accurate and orderly manner. The Manager and office personnel were very cooperative and anxious to make any changes that would prove beneficial. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Town officials for their most courteous and helpful treatment during the period of our engagement.

## EXHIBIT A

## COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

## ASSETS

January 31, 1972      January 31, 1971

## GENERAL FUND

Cash on Hand and in Bank:

General	\$23,770.45	\$21,789.57
Petty	100.00	100.00
	<u>23,870.45</u>	<u>21,889.57</u>
Accounts Receivable	24.96	809.94
Taxes Receivable	4,733.15	6,521.67
Tax Liens	2,582.91	2,816.37
	<u>31,211.47</u>	<u>32,037.55</u>
Total Current Assets	\$31,211.47	\$32,037.55

## DEBT FUND

Amount Necessary to Retire Debt from Future Revenue	\$37,000.00	\$41,250.00
	<u>37,000.00</u>	<u>41,250.00</u>

## TRUST AND SPECIAL FUNDS

Trust Funds:

Securities	\$26,000.00	\$26,000.00
Time Deposits	10,411.38	9,319.54
	<u>36,411.38</u>	<u>35,319.54</u>
Special Funds:		
Time Deposits	5,772.00	5,493.95
	<u>5,772.00</u>	<u>5,493.95</u>
TOTAL	\$42,183.38	\$40,813.49
	<u>42,183.38</u>	<u>40,813.49</u>

## LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND SURPLUS

January 31, 1972      January 31, 1971

## GENERAL FUND

## Reserves:

Departmental Bal. Carried

Forward (Ex. D)	\$12,936.27	\$19,293.67
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## Surplus:

Unappropriated (Ex. C)	18,275.20	12,743.88
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TOTAL	\$31,211.47	\$32,037.55
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## DEBT FUND

Notes Payable	\$37,000.00	\$41,250.00
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## TRUST AND SPECIAL FUNDS

## Trust Funds:

Principal	\$34,948.00	\$33,848.00
Unexpended Inc.	1,463.38	1,471.54
	<u>\$36,411.38</u>	<u>\$35,319.54</u>

## Special Funds:

Special Reserve	\$5,377.78	\$5,118.70
Honor Roll	394.22	375.25
	<u>5,772.00</u>	<u>5,493.95</u>
TOTAL	\$42,183.38	\$40,813.49

## EXHIBIT B

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND  
DISBURSEMENTS

Year Ended January 31, 1972

Cash Balance, February 1, 1971		\$21,789.57
CASH RECEIPTS:		
Tax Coll. Current Yr.	\$92,290.74	
Prior Years	2,422.55	
Int. on Delinquents	463.62	
	<u>                    </u>	\$95,176.91
Tax Liens		4,256.58
Excise Tax Collections:		
Motor Vehicl. 1971	\$8,095.22	
1972	3,114.73	
	<u>                    </u>	11,209.95
Departmental Accounts		12,585.44
Trust Funds, new	\$ 950.00	
Income	2,194.35	
	<u>                    </u>	3,144.35
Welfare Reimbursements:		
State	755.37	
Municipalities	741.06	
	<u>                    </u>	1,496.43
Other:		
Accounts Receivable	\$1,321.66	
Lien Cost	148.40	
Lien Interest	866.22	
Supplemental	85.65	
Tax Anticipation Loan	10,000.00	
Miscellaneous	.23	
	<u>                    </u>	12,422.16
<b>TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS</b>		<b>140,291.82</b>

## TOWN OF MONSON

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TOTAL CASH AVAILABLE \$162,081.39

## CASH DISBURSEMENTS:

Departmental Accounts \$73,594.61

## Note Payments -

New Building	\$ 1,750.00	
Fire Truck	1,500.00	
Tax Anticipation	10,000.00	
	<u>          </u>	13,250.00

Trust Fund Investments 900.00

Welfare, State Poor \$1,057.87

Municipalities	2,692.14	
	<u>          </u>	3,750.01

School Administrative District 44,409.25

Miscellaneous 2,407.07

TOTAL CASH DISBURSEMENTS 138,310.94

CASH BALANCE, January 31, 1972 \$23,770.45





EXHIBIT D  
STATEMENT OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS

	Appropriations	Other Credits	Total Available	Expenditures and Debits	12/31/72 Balance Forward
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT:</b>					
Town Charges	\$8,000.00	\$1,385.28	\$ 9,385.28	\$8,516.30	\$ 868.98
Town Hall Expense	1,200.00		1,200.00	1,200.00	
New Building - Basement	500.00	2,000.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	
Miscellaneous	1,800.00		1,800.00	1,800.00	
	<u>11,500.00</u>	<u>3,385.28</u>	<u>14,885.28</u>	<u>14,016.30</u>	<u>868.98</u>
<b>PROTECTION:</b>					
Fire Department	2,000.00	1,162.47	3,162.47	3,162.47	
Civil Defense	100.00	122.60	222.60	100.00	122.60
Insurance	3,600.00	265.63	3,865.63	3,865.63	
Town Power	3,000.00		3,000.00	3,000.00	
	<u>8,700.00</u>	<u>1,550.70</u>	<u>10,250.70</u>	<u>10,128.10</u>	<u>122.60</u>

	Appropriations
<b>HEALTH AND SANITATION:</b>	
Public Health Nurse	170.00
Monson Better Health Ass'n	
Sewer Study	
	<hr/> 170.00 <hr/>
<b>HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES:</b>	
Highways, General	4,000.00
Highway Equipment	
Snow Plowing	9,040.05
Surface Treatment Tar	5,000.00
State Aid Road Construction	2,132.00
	<hr/> 20,172.05 <hr/>
<b>WELFARE:</b>	
Town Poor	1,200.00

Other Credits	Total Available	Expenditures and Debits	1 31 72 Balance Forward
	170.00	170.00	
500.00	500.00	500.00	
7,352.00	7,352.00	7,352.00	
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7,852.00	8,022.00	8,022.00	
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14,383.97	18,383.97	14,363.69	4,020.28
12,991.86	12,991.86	8,170.47	4,821.39
3,766.95	12,807.00	10,524.00	2,283.00
	5,000.00	5,000.00	
1,066.00	3,198.00	3,198.00	
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32,208.78	52,380.83	41,256.16	11,124.67
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112.50	1,312.50	1,312.50	

	Appropriations
Aid to Dependent Children	1,300.00
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	2,500.00
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**EDUCATION:**

Common Schools

**RECREATION:**

Monson Free Public Library	500.00
Recreation Program	
Recreation Project	

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500.00

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**CEMETERIES:**

General Care	1,000.00
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Other Credits	Total Available	Expenditures and Debits	1 31 72 Balance Forward
	1,300.00	1,300.00	
<u>112.50</u>	<u>2,612.50</u>	<u>2,612.50</u>	
<u>44,409.25</u>	<u>44,409.25</u>	<u>44,409.25</u>	
35.00	535.00	535.00	
802.71	802.71	407.17	395.54
473.28	473.28	207.13	266.15
<u>1,310.99</u>	<u>1,810.99</u>	<u>1,149.30</u>	<u>661.69</u>
1,920.50	2,920.50	2,920.50	

TOWN OF MONSON

	Appropriations
Lake Road Cemetery	
	<hr/> 1,000.00 <hr/>
INDEBTEDNESS:	
Municipal Building Note	1,750.00
Fire Equipment Note	1,500.00
	<hr/> 3,250.00 <hr/>
INTEREST:	
Municipal Building	1,264.38
Fire Equipment	210.00
	<hr/> 1,474.38 <hr/>
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS:	
County Tax	3,391.50
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Other Credits	Total Available	Expenditures and Debits	1 31 72 Balance Forward
730.94	730.94	572.61	158.33
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2,651.44	3,651.44	3,493.11	158.33
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	1,750.00	1,750.00	
	1,500.00	1,500.00	
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	3,250.00	3,250.00	
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34.37	1,298.75	1,298.75	
10.00	220.00	220.00	
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44.37	1,518.75	1,518.75	
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	3,391.50	3,391.50	
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	Appropriations
<b>UNCLASSIFIED :</b>	
Memorial Day	150.00
Maine Publicity Bureau	25.00
Tax Lien Cost	
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	175.00
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	\$52,832.93
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Other Credits	Total Available	Expenditures and Debits	1 31 72 Balance Forward
	150.00	150.00	
50.00	75.00	75.00	
152.85	152.85	152.85	
<u>202.85</u>	<u>377.85</u>	<u>377.85</u>	
<u>93,728.16</u>	<u>146,561.09</u>	<u>133,624.82</u>	<u>12,936.27</u>

TOWN OF MONSON

## ANNUAL TOWN WARRANT

MARCH 13, 1972

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To Robert Lander or any other Resident in the Town of Monson, in the County of Piscataquis, and the State of Maine

## GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Monson, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Monson Gym, in said town, on Monday, the 13th day of March, A. D. 1972 at seven o'clock in the evening then and there to act on the following articles to wit:

Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year and fix his compensation.

Art. 3. To choose one Selectman who will also serve as Assessor and Overseer of the Poor for three years and to fix the Board of Selectmen's compensation for the ensuing year.

Recommended

\$900.00

Art. 4. To choose a Town Treasurer for the ensuing year and fix his compensation.

Art. 5. To choose a Fire Chief and to authorize him to form his department with complete authority over the same in behalf of the Town of Monson.

Art. 6. To choose all other necessary officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 7. To see if the Town will vote to purchase security bonds for necessary town officers rather than accept local bondsmen.

Art. 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on its behalf to sell and dispose of any Real Estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon on such terms as they deem advisable and to execute and deliver quit-claim deeds for such property.

Art. 9. To see if the Town will vote to fix a time when taxes shall be due and payable.

Art. 10. To see if the Town will vote to allow a discount and, if so, what percent on taxes paid prior to June 15, 1972.

Art. 11. To see if the Town will vote to charge interest, and if so, what percent on taxes remaining unpaid September 1, 1972 with said interest to begin on the above date.

Art. 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$170.00 for public health nursing, said sum to be expended by the Maine Department of Health and Welfare, Bureau of Health, for local public health nursing services in Monson for the fiscal year July 1, 1972 - June 30, 1973.

Recommended

\$170.00

Art. 13. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of the State law relative to construction of State Aid Roads, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for roads, highways and bridges as follows:

A. Highway, general, including Sanding	
Recommended	\$4,000.00 plus Excise Taxes
B. Surface Treatment, Tar	
Recommended	\$5,000.00
C. State Aid Roads	
Recommended	\$3,198.00
D. Snow Plowing	
Recommended	\$8,242.00

Art. 14. To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for General Government.

Recommended	\$8,000.00
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Art. 15. To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Miscellaneous Charge.

Recommended	\$1,800.00
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Art. 16. To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Town Hall Expense.

Recommended	\$1,200.00
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Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the protection of persons and property as follows:

## A. Town Power

Recommended	\$3,000.00
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## B. Fire Department

Recommended	\$2,000.00
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Art. 18. To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to retire the Municipal notes of the Town with Guilford Trust Co.

## A. New Municipal Building

Payment	\$1,750.00
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Interest	1,190.00
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Total	<u>                    </u>	\$2,940.00
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## B. New Fire Truck.

Payment	1,500.00
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Interest	110.00
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Total	<u>                    </u>	\$1,610.00
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Art. 19. To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for charity accounts as follows:

## A. Town Poor

Recommended	\$1,200.00
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Art. 20. To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the maintenance of cemeteries as follows.

Recommended	\$1,000.00
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Art. 21. To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Monson Free Public Library.

Recommended	\$500.00
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Art. 22. To see what sum, if any, the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the following accounts:

A. Memorial Day

Recommended	\$150.00
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B. Maine Publicity Bureau

Recommended	\$25.00
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Art. 23. To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Office of Economic Opportunity Program and additional services provided by the Central Community Council.

Recommended	\$150.00 from Surplus
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Art. 24. To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for a Summer Recreational Program.

Recommended	Snow Sled Refunds
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Art. 25. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$200.00 each for perpetual care of the cemetery lots as follows:

A. Perley & Eugenie Stevens

B. Neola Jacobson

Art. 26. To see what sum of money, if any, the

Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the insurance protection of town properties and liabilities of the town.

Recommended \$3,600.00

Art. 27. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to take from surplus \$500.00 to complete the downstairs area of the New Municipal Building.

Art. 28. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply interest collected from taxes and tax liens to accounts that may overdraft.

Art. 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 for the Sesquicentennial Committee.

Recommended \$1,500.00

Art. 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise, or appropriate from surplus, \$100.00 for the purpose of defraying the costs of providing comprehensive mental health services to the citizens of Monson by the Counseling Center.

Recommended \$100.00

Art. 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$100.00 for the Older American Center.

Recommended \$100.00

Art. 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to be paid to Dover-Foxcroft to establish an Equipment Fund to replace County Ambulance.

Recommended \$200.00

## NOTICE

A veteran who will be 62 years old before April 10 must have on file with the assessors, by April 1, an application for property tax exemption.

The registrar gives notice that he will be open regular office hours Monday March 13, 1972, for the purpose of correcting the list of voters. Must be registered voter of town to vote.

Given under our hands this eighteenth day of February, A .D. 1972.

FRANK W. NELSON

PAUL B. ALLEN

HOLLIS F. NELSON

Selectmen of the Town of Monson

A true copy, attest: Robert Lander

Resident of the Town of Monson



