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Annual Report



Town of SEARSPORT MAINE

For the Municipal Year

1946-47

MAR 25 1947

BUDGET COMMITTEE

The Budget Committee met on February 17. Robert Nichols was elected chairman and Victor Greene secretary.

It was voted to make the following recommendations to the annual town meeting on March 10.

High School.....	8,761.78
Elementary Schools.....	13,319.90
Supt. of Schools.....	745.00
Repairs, Insurance, Truancy, etc.	204.96
Carver Library.....	300.00
General Government.....	4,750.00
Town Poor.....	3,000.00
Hydrant Rental.....	2,600.00
Highways and Bridges.....	4,000.00
Patrol Maintenance.....	800.00
Cutting Bushes.....	300.00
Snow Removal.....	2,000.00
3rd. Class Maintenance.....	807.00
Fire Department.....	1,500.00
Sewer Maintenance.....	1,000.00
Memorial Day.....	50.00
Street Lights.....	792.00
Sidewalk Maintenance.....	100.00
Public Nurse.....	85.00
Special Resolve Maintenance.....	25.00
Wharf Maintenance.....	100.00
Union Hall.....	350.00
Dependent Children.....	600.00
Mother's Aid.....	400.00
Total.....	48,590.64

Mr. Scott of The Central Maine Power Company explained the proposed 10 year contract with that company. A discussion regarding the creation of a Water District in Searsport followed.

The meeting adjourned.

VICTOR N. GREENE

Secretary

Annual Report

of the

Municipal Officers

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TOWN OF SEARSPORT

for the

Municipal Year

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1947

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OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF SEARSPORT

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

MELVIN B. THOMPSON CHARLES A. ROGERS, SR.
VICTOR N. GREENE

Superintending School Committee

MAURICE E. CLARK CLIFFORD KINSTLER
CHARLES K. SAWYER

Superintendent Schools

ARTHUR W. WEBB

Tax Collector

RUBY D. WOOD

Town Clerk

CHARLES K. SAWYER

Town Treasurer

FRED E. YOUNG

Auditor

PAUL A. SMITH

Fire Chief

CLIFFORD W. JACKSON

Constable

THORNTON CURTIS

Sealers of Weights and Measures

FRANK PERKINS

Health Officer

FRED A. SMALL

To the Citizens of Searsport

The ledger, distribution book, journal, and individual vouchers from which this report was compiled are on file at the Selectmen's office and are available for inspection.

Respectfully,

M. B. Thompson
C. A. Rogers, Sr.
V. N. Greene

Selectmen of Searsport

Greeting

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

Art. 3. To see if the Town will accept the Annual Report of the Municipal Officers as printed.

Art. 5. To choose and elect Town officers for the ensuing year and how many, Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, a Town Treasurer, a member of the School Board to serve for three years, a Budget Committee, a Road Commissioner, Constables, Surveyors of Sawed Lumber, Surveyors of Wood and Bark, Surveyors of Spars and Timber, Fence Viewers, Sealers of Leather, Viewers and Cullers of Hoops and Staves, and a Fire Ward.

Art. 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they may deem advisable, and to execute quit claim deeds for such property.

- Art. 8. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for the support of the High School.
- Art. 9. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for the support of the Elementary Schools.
- Art. 10. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for the Superintendent of Schools.
- Art. 11. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for repairs, insurance, truancy and equipment for the Schools.
- Art. 12. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for the support of the Carver Memorial Library.
- Art. 13. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for General Government and Incidentals.
- Art. 14. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for the support of the poor.
- Art. 15. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for the use of Hydrants.
- Art. 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to maintain the present Fire Department and to make such changes, as may, in their opinion, become necessary.
- Art. 17. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for the repairs of the Town Roads, and how much to allow for labor.
- Art. 18. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate, for patrol maintenance.

- Art. 19. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate, for cutting bushes on improved and Town roads.
- Art. 20. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for winter breaking and snow removal.
- Art. 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$807 for the maintenance of Third Class Roads, as required under Section 3, Chapter 229, Public Laws of 1937.
- Art. 22. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for the support of the Fire Department.
- Art. 23. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for sewer repairs and maintenance or act anything thereon.
- Art. 24. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for decoration of Soldier's Graves and care of the Monument Lot.
- Art. 25. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for Street Lights.
- Art. 26. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for sidewalk repairs and maintenance, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$85 for Public Health Nursing to be expended under the auspices of the Bureau of Health and Welfare for local service.

- Art. 28. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Special Resolve Road maintenance.
- Art. 29. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for repair and maintenance of the Town Wharf, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 30. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the maintenance of Union Hall.
- Art. 31. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care of Dependent Children.
- Art. 32. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Mothers' Aid.
- Art. 33. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and the Town Treasurer to borrow, as temporary loan or loans, to and for the use of the Town of Searsport, in anticipation of Taxes of the current Municipal Year, sums of money in the aggregate not exceeding twelve thousand dollars, (\$12,000); and to authorize the Town Treasurer to execute the negotiable bonds or notes of the Town therefore payable within the said Municipal Year from moneys raised by taxation therein and upon such terms as shall be satisfactory to the Selectmen of said Town, in accordance with provisions of R. S. Maine, Section 83, Chapter 5 as amended.
- Art. 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50 for advertising our natural resources, advantages and attractions, under the provision of Section 82, Chapter 5 of the revised statutes. Said money to be expended through the State of Maine Publicity Bureau.

- Art. 35. To see if the Town will vote to designate the road from No. 1 highway to The Summers Fertilizer Plant as State Aid Road, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 36. To see if the Town will vote to take over and maintain in good condition the following roads, to wit:
1. From the Atlantic highway to the Gordon cemetery so called.
 2. From the back road to Belfast to the Sargent cemetery so called.
 3. From the Mt. Ephraim Road to the Village Cemetery.
 4. From the Atlantic highway to the Elmwood Cemetery.
- Art. 37. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to appoint a committee of five citizens to work with the Superintending School Committee for the purpose of making a study of the educational facilities in the Town of Searsport. This committee to be instructed to submit a report of its findings at a special or the next regular Town Meeting in March 1948.
- Art. 38. To see whether or not the Town will vote to enter into a contract with Central Maine Power Company for a term of ten (10) years, whereby, in consideration of the furnishing of street lighting service to the Town during the term of said contract, all as more fully set forth in the contract, copy of which has been presented to this meeting, the Town will pay for such street lighting service in accordance with the Company's municipal street lighting rate — contract basis.

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Art. 39. To see what action the Town will take with reference to authorizing the Selectmen to execute and deliver the contract referred to in the preceding Article.

The Selectmen hereby give notice that they will be in session in the Selectmen's Office on Saturday, March 8, 1947, at 9 o'clock in the morning for the purpose of correcting and revising the list of voters.

Given under our hands at Searsport, February A.D. 1947

M. B. THOMPSON
C. A. ROGERS, SR.
V. N. GREENE

Selectmen of Searsport.

ANNUAL REPORT

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

	Valuation		
	R. Estate	P. Estate	Total
Resident.....	362,165.00	39,342.25	401,507.25
Non-resident.....	423,680.00	139,525.00	563,205.00
Grand Totals.....	785,845.00	178,867.25	964,712.25
Tax rate \$52.00 per 1,000.....		50,165.04	
288 polls at \$3.00.....		864.00	
Supplemental Tax.....		1,119.54	
Committed to Collector.....			52,148.58

Appropriations

Free High School.....	4,200.00
Common School.....	9,400.00
Superintendent of Schools	722.00
Text Books and Supplies.....	920.00
Repairs, Ins., etc.....	1,500.00
Carver Memorial Library.....	300.00
General Government.....	5,000.00
Town Poor.....	2,000.00
Hydrant Rental.....	2,647.00
Highways and Bridges.....	4,000.00
Patrol Maintenance.....	800.00
Purchase of Road Machine.....	650.00
Cutting Bushes.....	300.00
Snow Removal.....	2,000.00
3rd Class Road Maintenance.....	807.00
Fire Department.....	1,500.00
Sewer Maintenance.....	1,000.00
Memorial Day.....	50.00

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Street Lights.....	792.00
Sidewalk Maintenance.....	100.00
Public Health Nurse.....	85.00
Special Resolve Road Maintenance.....	100.00
Town Wharf Maintenance.....	50.00
Union Hall.....	350.00
Mothers Aid.....	400.00
Dependent Children.....	300.00
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Total Direct appropriation.....	39,873.00
Assessed for State Tax.....	6,730.55
Assessed for County tax.....	3,108.88
Assessed Overlay.....	1,316.61
Assessed for Supplemental Tax.....	1,119.54
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Total.....	52,148.58

Respectfully submitted,

M. B. THOMPSON

C. A. ROGERS, SR.

V. N. GREENE

Assessors of Searsport.

PAUL A. SMITH & CO.**Public Accountants****Bangor, Maine****February 14, 1947**

Board of Selectmen
Searsport, Maine

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the terms of our engagement, we have made an examination of the balance sheet of the Town of Searsport, as of January 31, 1947. Our audit has embraced the verification of the assets and liabilities of the Municipality and an analytical review by test of the departmental expenses and income records, transactions and supporting evidence, to the extent necessary in view of the system of internal control: however, we did not make a detailed audit of departmental expenses and income transactions.

Scope of Audit

Cash in the general and Civilian Defense funds was reconciled with certificates obtained from The Merrill Trust Co. for the amounts on deposit. Cash on hand at the close of the Municipal year, in the amount of \$1,316.30, was verified as having been deposited on February 3, 1947. It was necessary to make a detailed examination of all Treasurer's transactions; an overage of \$5.30 has been held in the Treasurer's account. All cash was reconciled to the date of our examination. No expenditures have been made from the Civilian Defense fund, and we would recommend transfer to the general operating fund.

We have proved the 1946 assessment of taxes and compared the amounts in detail with the list committed to the collector. The assessment record, however, does not adequately describe the property assessed for the year 1946, as the 10 year book, in force, had not been completed. Prior year balances were proved and are in agreement with collector's records.

We have examined all tax liens for 1945 taxes and have proved the existence of the outstanding liens of prior years. Collections during the year have substantially reduced the outstanding balances. Further, adjustments, in the amount of \$368.40, were made for items considered uncollectible, adsorbed by a reserve for anticipated losses as previously established on the ledger. It is strongly recommended that even more strenuous efforts be made to enforce collection of all liens that have matured.

We have examined all transactions in accounts receivable; new accounts originate from use of town owned equipment and sale of gravel. During the year, there was charged to the uncollectible reserve a balance due from the State on pauper accounts.

We have made direct examination of transactions creating unpaid current payable obligations, which consist of unpaid commissions, due your tax collector, a treasurer's warrant not paid in full, and income received for the benefit of the Carver Memorial Library, but unpaid at the close of the year.

Notes payable consist of tax anticipation borrowing on January 16, 1947, due on January 31, 1947, but unpaid as of that date. The state subsidy for education had not been received, prior to negotiation of this loan.

We have examined the records of employee funds held for Federal Income tax, teachers' retirement and teachers' pension, and the liability as stated appears to be correct and in accord with proper requirements; however, a deduction has been made, by the State, from school funds, on the assumption that an error

had been made by the town, in payment of teachers' retirement and pension benefits, as school payrolls are based on a calendar year instead of a school year, thus deductions made during July and August were reported to the State as if retroactive to the close of the school year, and the town, therefore, as charged with deductions before payrolls had been received from which deductions were to be made. A detailed reconciliation of payrolls, now in process, will make available a refund to the town, probably to the amount of \$98.55. This anticipated refund is not reflected in your school balances at the close of the year, but since such revenue will be obligated for school expenditures, the status of your unencumbered surplus will not be affected.

We have examined investments and transactions, in detail, of all trust funds; have confirmed by bank certificate amounts on time deposit. At the close of the year, unexpended balances from income were co-mingled with town funds, in the amount of \$104.00, of which \$102.82 is reflected in trust fund detail, as due to certain trusts, and \$1.18 carried as a departmental balance forward, the latter being a refund and not an income from investment earnings. Dividend earnings in the Joanna C. Colcord Fund, of which two-seventh of the income therefrom is not to be expended during the life of the donor, was overdeposited to a segregated investment account, to the extent of \$.28, being due to an error in allocation of increased earnings; proper adjustment, to specified conditions of this fund, should be made in the coming year.

Comments

We have examined, in detail, all transactions in the departmental accounts for the months of February and October, 1946. We have compared all checks issued for the entire year against warrants issued by the selectmen. We have further test checked payrolls and other items of income and expense for the other 10 months; traced all items of cash received and paid to general ledger.

We have added excise receipts No. 91 to 488 inclusive for 1946 and No. 1 to No. 72 inclusive for 1947 and found the total to be in agreement with receipts as issued by the Treasurer. The amount collected has been credited to your surplus account.

At the close of the year invoices for obligation due the State of Maine for the town's share in Aid to Dependent Children and for Board and Care had not been received. This is likely to create overdrafts in the coming year, unless provisions are made by vote of the Town at the next annual meeting to carry forward the unexpended balance in Aid to Dependent Children and to increase the appropriation for Board and Care to meet this extra requirement.

A part of road construction, during the year, was financed from special resolve allocation, combined with joint state Aid allotments. However, charges for state equipment had not been accounted for on the general ledger, and the State Aid construction balance had not been transferred to this account. These charges combined with gravel disallowances, exactly balances what was considered as a balance due from the State; however, depletion of the funds available for Special Resolve Construction, amounted to only \$500.19, leaving an excess of \$2,099.81, still available for future Special Resolve Construction. In order to secure \$1,050.00 more from the State, for State Aid Construction, from 1946 State apportionment, provisions must be made by town appropriation, on which action was taken at the 1946 annual meeting.

Departmental overdrafts exceeded unexpended balances by \$4,736.65. This occurred principally by reason of Highway overdrafts, improvements to Union Hall and Fire Station and in the construction of the Mill Dam. Increased costs of education caused overdrawn balances in school accounts, to the extent of \$1,486.83.

Certificate

Subject to the foregoing qualifications and based upon our examination, we hereby certify that, in our opinion, the accompanying balance sheet and statement of departmental income and expenses fairly present the financial condition of the Town of Searsport, as at January 31, 1947, and the results of operation for the year ended that date.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL A. SMITH & CO.

Public Accountants

BY: W. C. WHEELER

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EXHIBIT A

Comparative Balance Sheet as at January 31, 1947 and January 31, 1946

General Fund

	January 31, 1947	January 31, 1946
Resources:		
Cash, Exhibit B	11,643.17	14,323.97
Taxes Receivables:		
Uncollected Taxes, Sch. A-1 . .	2,758.30	2,121.22
Tax Liens, Sch. A-2	1,433.59	2,521.96
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	4,191.89	4,643.18
Less: Uncollectible Reserve	28.50	396.90
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	4,163.39	4,246.28
Tax Acquired Property, Sch. A-3	523.65	850.13
Accounts Receivable, Sch. A-4 . .	93.41	247.89
Less: Uncollectible Reserve		222.36
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	93.41	25.53
Total Resources	16,423.62	19,445.91

Trust Funds

Resources, Schedule A-6

Cash, Expendable	1,885.76	1,737.78
Investments	42,521.34	42,426.62
Due From Other Funds	102.82	
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Total Resources	44,509.92	44,164.40

EXHIBIT A

Comparative Balance Sheet as at January 31, 1947 and January 31, 1946

General Fund

	January 31, 1947 •	January 31, 1946
Obligations:		
Accounts Payable, Schedule A-5	25.49	.02
Notes Payable.....	4,003.33	
Due Governmental Agencies:		
U. S. Treasurer:		
Federal Income Tax.....	196.00	152.60
State of Maine Treasurer:		
Teachers' Pension.....	274.55	
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	470.55	152.60
Due to Other Funds.....	102.82	
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Total Obligations.....	4,602.19	152.62
Surplus		
Net Departmental Balances		
Forward, Exhibit D.....	371.96	3,731.24
Unencumbered Surplus, Exh. E...	12,193.39	15,562.05
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	11,821.43	19,293.29
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Total Obligations and Surplus..	16,423.62	19,445.91

Trust Funds

Balances, Schedule A-7

Expendable Income.....	1,988.58	1,427.41
Expendable Trust.....	2,000.00	2,000.00
Principal.....	40,521.34	40,736.99
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Total Trust Fund Balances....	44,509.92	44,164.40

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ANALYSIS OF CHANGE IN UNENCUMBERED SURPLUS

EXHIBIT E

For the Year Ended January 31, 1947

Surplus, January 31, 1946, Exhibit A.....		15,562.05
Transactions Affecting Prior Years:		
Credits—		
Gain on Sale of Town Property.....	61.00	
Net Credits Affecting Prior Years.....		61.00
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		15,623.05
Transactions Affecting Current Years:		
Operating Accounts—		
Departmental Balance, Exhibit D		
Overdrafts.....	6,665.52	
Unexpended.....	1,928.87	
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	4,736.65	
Appropriations, Exhibit D.....	2,550.00	
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		7,286.65
Excise Tax, Exhibit B.....	1,420.84	
Overlay, Exhibit C.....	1,316.61	
Supplemental Taxes, Exhibit C.....	1,119.54	
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		3,856.99
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Net Loss for the Year.....		3,429.66
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Surplus, January 31, 1947, Exhibit A.....		12,193.39

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SCHEDULE A-6

SUMMARY OF RESOURCES

As at January 31, 1947

Cemetery Funds:

U. S. Savings Bond Series G, February 1, 1957:

No. V546820G.....	5,000.00
No. V546818G.....	5,000.00
No. M3387225G.....	1,000.00
No. M3387226G.....	1,000.00
No. M3387227G.....	1,000.00
No. M3387228G.....	1,000.00
No. M3387229G.....	1,000.00
No. M3387230G.....	1,000.00
No. M3387232G.....	1,000.00
No. M3387233G.....	1,000.00
No. M3387234G.....	1,000.00
No. D1705972G.....	500.00
No. D1705975G.....	500.00
No. D1705976G.....	500.00
No. D1705977G.....	500.00
No. C3408449G.....	100.00
No. C3408450G.....	100.00
No. C3408451G.....	100.00
No. C3408452G.....	100.00
No. C3408458G.....	100.00
No. C3408459G.....	100.00
No. C3408460G.....	100.00
No. C3408461G.....	100.00
No. C3408462G.....	100.00
No. C3408463G.....	100.00
No. C3408464G.....	100.00
No. C3408466G.....	100.00
1 Bangor & Aroostook 1st Con. Ref. 4% 1951. No. 4083	1,000.00
1 American Tel. & Tel. Capital Stock, No. L291138	100.00
1 American Tel. & Tel. Capital Stock, No. L290862	100.00
7 International Telegraph Co. Capital Stock, No. 1674	700.00
1 International Telegraph Co. Stock, No. BA85157..	100.00

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Time Deposits:

The Merrill Trust Co.....	216.10	
Penobscot Savings Bank.....	543.46	
Bangor Savings Bank.....	1,889.92	
	<hr/>	2,649.48
Total Cemetery Funds.....		<hr/> 26,849.48

SUMMARY OF RESOURCES

As at January 31, 1947

Worthy Poor:

1 Boston Edison Co. 2 3-4%, December 1, 1970. No. M34540.....	1,000.00
The Merrill Trust Co. Time Deposits	
No. 1958.....	3,579.20
No. 2464.....	162.24
No. 3501.....	455.59
No. 1790.....	2,300.60
No. 848.....	266.89
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	6,764.52
Due from General Funds:	
To Angie Gilmore Fund.....	17.50
To Gordon Fund.....	47.50
To Olive Jennie Lawrence.....	37.82
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	102.82
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Total Worthy Poor.....	7,867.34
William Otis Barney Fund	
The Merrill Trust Co. Time Deposit No. 1959	3,187.82
Carver Memorial Library:	
3 American Tel. & Tel. Co. Stock No. N137630	429.29
1 Boston Edison Co. Bond 2-3-4% 1970, No. M25834	1,038.99
U. S. Treasury Bond 2½%, No. 3718J, 1946-69	500.00
2 U. S. Savings Bonds, Series F, No. Q339266-7F, 1955	37.00
The Merrill Trust Co. Time Deposits.....	4,600.00
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Total Carver Memorial Library Funds	6,605.28
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Total Trust Fund Resources	44,509.92
	Exhibit A

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Receipts

Appropriation.....	\$5,000.00
Receipts and Other Credits.....	282.35

Total Available.....	\$5,282.35
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Expenditures

Salaries:

Melvin B. Thompson, 1st Selectmanzz	300.00
C. A. Rogers Sr., 2nd Selectman.....	250.00
V. N. Greene, 3rd Selectman.....	400.00
F. E. Young, Treasurer.....	400.00
Charles K. Sawyer, Town Clerk.....	45.00
Ruby G. Wood, Tax Collector.....	1,114.66
M. B. Thompson, Assessor.....	25.00
Charles A. Rogers, Sr., Assessor.....	25.00
V. N. Greene, Assessor.....	25.00
Fred Small, Health Officer.....	27.50
Mina Sawyer, Ballot Clerk.....	9.00
Mrs. Harry Clements, Ballot Clerk	8.00
W. A. Smith, Ballot Clerk.....	8.00
Harry Merrithew, Ballot Clerk.....	8.00

Total.....	2,645.16
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Office Equipment and Supplies:

Loring, Short and Harmon.....	1.20
Marks Printing Co.....	30.60
Grace Harriman.....	17.44

Searsport Hardware.....	11.68	
Fred L. Towers.....	8.00	
City Job Print.....	33.43	
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Total.....		102.35
Fuel:		
Waldo Gas and Oil Co.....		102.60
Officers Bonds:		
Talbot Stevenson Agency.....	40.00	
Palmer Insurance Agency.....	17.50	
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		57.50
Insurance:		
B. F. Colcord Insurance Agency.....		261.36
Lights, Telephone and Janitor:		
Central Maine Power Co.....	41.90	
N. E. Tel. and Tel. Co.....	31.85	
William Hamilton.....	159.00	
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		232.75
Incidental:		
Ralph Whittier.....	1.30	
M. B. Thompson.....	60.95	
Ruby Wood.....	60.00	
Paul Smith, Auditors.....	252.04	
Searsport Water Co.....	34.00	
Register of Deeds.....	54.00	
Bangor Daily News.....	68.00	
Maine Municipal Ass'n.....	35.00	
Bureau of Census.....	3.00	
R. E. Whitcomb.....	5.00	
Thornton Curtis, Constable.....	18.10	

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Frank Perkin, Special Police.....	17.00	
Clinton Dakin, Special Police.....	10.00	
John Rainey, Special Police.....	10.00	
Wilfred Hamel, Special Police.....	10.00	
Dwight Moody, Special Police.....	10.00	
Carl Howard Jr., Special Police.....	15.00	
Frank Grant.....	4.75	
Searsport Drug Co.....	2.85	
Harvard Bowdoin.....	25.54	
Alden Stinson.....	17.56	
The Gallowell Press.....	1.00	
Fred Young.....	11.55	
The Miro Flex Co.....	53.39	
The Merrill Trust Co.....	10.00	
City Job Print.....	276.75	
		1,066.78

Moving Fountain:

Harvard Bowdoin.....	17.94	
Alden Stinson.....	12.89	
Daniel Rich.....	11.25	
Andrews Garage.....	6.00	
		48.08
Abatements.....		152.28
Use of Tractor.....		12.60
Other Charges.....		2.00
		4,683.46
Total Expenditures.....		
Unexpended Balance to Surplus	598.89	

UNION HALL

Appropriation.....	350.00	
From Surplus.....	350.00	
Rent.....	290.00	
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Total Available.....		990.00
Expenditures:		
Wm. Hamilton, Janitor.....	106.00	
C. M. Power Co.....	73.97	
R. M. Thompson, fuel.....	183.00	
Gulf Oil Co.....	10.00	
C. G. Carley.....	387.25	
Linwood Howard.....	7.92	
Searsport Hardware Co.....	33.07	
Hall Hardware Co.....	38.20	
Archer Gilkey.....	28.50	
F. L. Perkins.....	19.72	
Harry Merrithew.....	36.00	
C. W. Stiles.....	1,006.00	
Harvard Bowdoin.....	3.42	
Alden Stinson.....	.76	
Lewis Rich.....	28.57	
James Shaw.....	1.50	
Searsport Drug Co.....	.60	
C. N. Swift.....	2.00	
Fletchers Hardware.....	12.31	
Cooper and Company.....	110.25	
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Total Expenditures.....		2,089.04
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Overdraft to Surplus.....		1,099.04

TOWN OF SEARSPORT

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HEALTH NURSE

Appropriation.....	85.00	
Paid: State Treasurer.....		85.00

HYDRANT RENTAL

Appropriation.....	2,647.00	
Paid: Searsport Water Company.....		2,600.00
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Balance carried forward.....		47.00

CIVILIAN DEFENSE FUND

Balance Jan. 31, 1946.....	329.53	
No expenditures		
Balance Jan. 31, 1947.....		329.53

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation	792.00	
Paid Central Maine Power Co.....	789.50	
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Balance carried forward.....		2.50

SEWER MAINTENANCE

Appropriations.....	1,000.00	
Receipts.....	10.00	
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		1,010.00

Labor:

Payrolls.....	1,296.51
James Moody.....	36.40
James Carr.....	4.90
Kenneth Evans.....	2.00

 1,339.81

Supplies:

Searsport Hardware Co.....	143.28
Charles Rogers Sr.....	21.30
F. L. Perkins.....	.75
Cooper and Co.....	221.56
Harry S. Lord.....	42.88
Andrews Garage	5.50
Roger Harriamn.....	3.48
Fletcher's Hardware Store.....	.95

 439.70

Albert Nichols, trucking.....	15.00
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 Total Expenditures..... 1,794.51

 Overdraft to Surplus..... 784.51

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation.....	1,500.00
Receipts.....	20.00

 1,520.00

Labor at Fires

Ralph Closson.....	41.40
Clair Shute.....	7.20
Kenneth Fraser.....	5.40
Ray Dakin.....	8.10

TOWN OF SEARSPORT

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C. N. Swift.....	38.70
Alton Jackson.....	40.50
Carl Wood.....	43.20
Clyde Closson.....	4.50
Harry McCaslin.....	4.50
Herbert Forrest.....	4.50
Warner Hamilton.....	18.90
Charles K. Sawyer.....	13.50
Thornton Curtis.....	22.50
Lester Conary.....	16.20
Cecil Card.....	16.20
Daniel Rich.....	52.20
Harrison Jackson.....	36.90
Alton Small.....	21.60
Clifford E. Jackson.....	27.90
Raymond Davis.....	30.60
C. W. Jackson.....	45.00

499.50

Salaries of Hose Company.....

100.00

Fire Alarm:

Central Maine Power Co.....	51.00
Warner Hamilton.....	2.00

53.00

Apparatus and Supplies:

Eastern Fire Equipment Co.....	239.85
First National Stores.....	1.68
Everett Maddocks.....	.35
Victor Chemical Co.....	32.40
Searsport Hardware Co.....	12.76
Searsport Drug Co.....	5.00
Fletchers Hardware Store.....	5.49

297.53

Incidental:

Fred Small.....	10.50	
Central Maine Power Co.....	15.37	
Horace Remick.....	10.00	
Consumer's Fuel Co.....	20.07	
Roberts Garage.....	2.43	
Andrews Garage.....	3.00	
Daniel Rich.....	3.38	
Linwood Howard.....	15.00	
Bayview Service Station.....	33.77	
Warner Hamilton.....	2.00	
Forest Nickerson.....	4.50	
Oscar Gamble Jr.....	1.50	
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		121.52
Total Expenditures.....		<hr/> 1,071.55
Balance to Surplus.....		<hr/> 448.45

CARVER MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Appropriation.....	300.00	
Received from State.....	35.00	
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		335.00
Paid Library Association.....		335.00

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MEMORIAL SERVICES

Appropriation.....	50.00
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Expenditures:

Raymond Nickerson.....	1.98
Charles Colson.....	1.16
John Moody.....	1.65
Searsport Drug Co.....	12.00

16.79

Balance to Surplus.....	33.21
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MEMORIAL WORLD WAR II

Balance Feb. 1, 1946.....	109.95
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Expenditures:

Daniel Rich.....	12.00
Frank Perkins.....	3.75
Harvey Brock.....	14.00

29.75

Balance to surplus.....	80.20
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WHARF MAINTENANCE

Balance Feb. 1, 1946.....	75.18
Appropriation.....	50.00

125.18

Expenditures:

Raymond Davis.....	45.00	
Daniel Rich.....	23.00	
By Payroll.....	48.88	
Andrews Garage.....	1.00	
Searsport Hardware Co.....	.52	
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		118.40
Balance forward.....		<hr/>
		6.78

COMMON SCHOOLS

Balance Jan. 31, 1946.....	1,587.75	
Appropriation.....	9,400.00	
Received from the State.....	3,621.82	
Other Credits.....	10.60	
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Total Available.....		14,620.17
Expenditures—(Payroll).....		15,308.47
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		—688.30

HIGH SCHOOL

Balance Jan. 31, 1946.....	744.83	
Appropriation.....	4,200.00	
Tuition (Prospect).....	60.00	
Received from the State.....	1,500.00	
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Total Available.....		6,504.83
Expenditures (Payroll).....		7,023.01
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Overdraft.....		518.18

TOWN OF SEARSPORT

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TEXTBOOKS AND SUPPLIES

Balance—Jan. 31, 1946.....	83.57	
Appropriation.....	920.00	
Other Credits.....	9.27	
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Total Available.....		1,012.84
Expenditures, Payroll.....	1,230.35	
Other Charges.....	39.69	
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Total Expenditures.....		1,270.04
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Overdraft.....		257.20

SCHOOL REPAIRS

Balance Jan. 31, 1946.....	41.72	
Appropriation.....	1,500.00	
Other credits.....	39.69	
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Total Available.....		1,581.41
Expenditures (Payroll).....		1,591.37
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Overdraft.....		9.96

MEDICAL RESERVE

Balance Jan. 31, 1946.....	20.00	
Paid State Bureau of Health.....	5.00	
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Balance.....		15.00

SUPERINTENDENCE

Appropriation.....	722.00	
Paid by payroll.....	741.22	
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Overdraft.....		19.22

FIRE HOUSE CONSTRUCTION

From Surplus.....		1,500.00
Daniel Rich.....	358.70	
Payrolls.....	333.20	
Cooper & Co.....	213.89	
C. G. Carley.....	1,377.14	
Andrews Garage.....	3.00	
C. N. Swift.....	8.00	
C. W. Jackson.....	112.00	
Alton Jackson.....	106.90	
Harrison Jackson.....	46.80	
Searsport Hardware.....	59.27	
Waldo Gas & Oil Co.....	275.00	
Roger Harriman.....	19.80	
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		2,913.70
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Overdraft.....		1,413.70

MILL DAM

From Surplus.....	700.00
Sale of Cement.....	86.40
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Total Available.....	786.40

Expenditures:

Elizabeth & A. S. Trundy.....	200.00
Payrolls.....	455.16
Clyde Chapman.....	6.00
Baneroff & Martin Mills.....	27.52
State Sand & Gravel.....	30.00
Clifford W. Jackson.....	62.50
Daniel Rich.....	383.35

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Cooper & Co.....	443.60
Allan Mollison.....	51.00
Use of town tractor.....	31.50
Frost and Wilkins.....	42.50
Hall Hardware Co.....	31.64
Andrews Garage.....	16.00
Searsport Hardware.....	3.94

1,784.71

Overdraft.....

998.31

PURCHASE OF ROAD MACHINE

Appropriations.....	650.00
Receipts.....	426.60
Other Credits.....	134.27

1,210.87

Expenditures:

Eastern Tractor and Equipment.....	1,755.75
Hilton Mortland.....	30.00
Bayview Service Station.....	107.54
Andrew's Garage.....	20.95
Martin's Tydol Station.....	31.72
Other charges.....	426.60

2,372.56

Overdraft to Surplus.....

1,161.69

Respectfully submitted,

M. B. THOMPSON

C. A. ROGERS, SR.

V. N. GREENE

Selectmen of Searsport.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

TOWN POOR

Appropriation.....	2,000.00	
Received account of Idella Stairs	23.25	
Total Available.....		2,023.25

Expenditures

Clifford Eaton		
Searsport Drug Co.....	2.45	
Waldo County Hospital.....	34.50	
E. W. Gilkey.....	188.16	
		225.11
Nancy Moody		
F. L. Perkins.....	214.42	
Clement & Adams.....	1.85	
		216.27
Wilfred Catlin		
Fred Young.....	2.78	
R. L. Torrey.....	9.00	
Searsport Drug Co.....	27.05	
		38.83
Charles Keller		
George Clements.....	32.00	
Dr. Seth Read.....	6.00	
Fred Young.....	29.50	
		67.50

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Idella Stairs

Eugene Stevens.....	5.00
Maurice Clark.....	13.25
R. L. Torrey.....	5.00

23.25

Mark Porter

F. L. Perkins.....	42.87
Robert Thompson.....	1.40
Fred Young.....	40.92
O. S. Vickery.....	12.00
George Clements.....	15.00

112.19

Helen Ames

City of Brewer.....	615.26
City of Belfast.....	4.00
Waldo Co. Hospital.....	100.50

719.76

Willis Nickerson

Craig Gesner.....	45.00
George Clements.....	172.70
Fred Young.....	2.00
R. L. Torrey.....	38.40

258.21

Clarion Kinney

Mrs. Henry Littlefield.....	30.00
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Heber Kinney

George Clements.....	90.00
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E. S. Williams

Eugene Stevens.....	5.00
R. L. Torrey.....	5.00

10.00

Reuben Dodge

Ellis Andrews.....	22.00
Waldo Gas & Oil Co.....	10.26
C. M. Power Co.....	2.43

 34.69
Frank Roberts

Philip White.....	8.00
Clark's Market.....	40.00

 48.00
Florence Billings

George Clements.....	46.00
City Drug Store.....	13.18

 59.18
Veteran No. 1.

Clark's Market.....	4.98
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Veteran No. II.

Fred Young.....	5.00
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 Total Expenditures..... 1,942.97

 Balance..... 80.28
BOARD & CARE OF DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Appropriation.....	300.00
Paid: State Treasurer.....	510.88

 Overdraft..... 210.88

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MOTHER'S AID

Appropriation	400.00
Paid: State Treasurer.....	328.00

Balance to surplus	72.00
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Respectfully submitted,

M. B. THOMPSON

C. A. ROGERS, SR.

V. N. GREENE

Overseers of the Poor

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriation.....	2,000.00	
Receipts.....	908.85	
	<hr/>	2,908.85

Expenditures

Payrolls.....	2,389.22	
Charles Rogers, Jr.....	142.62	
Edwin Hamilton.....	3.00	
Fred Doliber.....	33.00	
Kelly Doliber.....	12.54	
Allan Mollison.....	150.00	
B. M. Clark.....	25.00	
Use of Tractor.....	67.73	
	<hr/>	2,823.11
Balance.....		<hr/> 85.74

TOWN ROADS

Appropriation.....	4,000.00	
Other Credits.....	520.31	
	<hr/>	4,520.31

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41

Expenditures

Payrolls.....	1,835.46
Percy Seekins.....	15.00
Almon Rivers.....	54.02
Archie Merithew.....	27.85
Searsport Hardware.....	21.11
Gilbert Fowler.....	22.40
Cooper & Co.....	19.00
F. L. Whitcomb.....	20.48
Bayview Service.....	49.97
Andrews Garage.....	3.00
Royal Merithew.....	25.50
Eugene Nickerson.....	34.86
Warner Hamilton.....	3.00
Bancroft & Martin.....	353.21
Bancroft Roller Mills.....	328.11
Town of Stockton.....	60.77
Irving Sawyer.....	13.72
Charles Rogers, Jr.....	26.73
Benjamin Merithew.....	29.25
Ira Veazie.....	34.50
Allan Mollison.....	1,492.90
Use of Tractor.....	133.88
Other Charges.....	307.91

 4,912.63

Overdraft to Surplus.....

 392.32

CUTTING BUSHES

Appropriations.....	300.00
Other Credits.....	320.31

 620.31

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Expenditures

Payrolls.....	740.97	
Pyam Gilkey.....	10.50	
E. A. Nickerson.....	29.25	
	<hr/>	780.72
Overdraft to Surplus.....		<hr/> 160.41

TRACTOR

Receipts and Credits.....	570.84
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Expenditures

Southworth Machine Co.....	196.67	
Gulf Oil Corporation.....	43.11	
Payrolls.....	127.48	
Andrews Garage.....	136.81	
State Treasurer.....	1.60	
Daniel Rich.....	18.36	
Hall Hardware Co.....	29.40	
Searsport Hardware.....	2.71	
Other Charges.....	13.64	
	<hr/>	569.78
Balance to Surplus.....		<hr/> 1.06

PATROL MAINTENANCE

Appropriation.....	800.00	
Paid to State Treasurer.....	855.00	
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Overdraft to Surplus.....		55.00

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STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

Balance.....	600.00
No Expenditures.....	

Balance, Jan. 31, 1947.....	600.00
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THIRD CLASS MAINTENANCE

Appropriation.....	807.00
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Expenditures

Payrolls.....	95.02
State Treasurer.....	2.20
Other Charges.....	12.60

109.82

Balance.....	697.18
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SPECIAL RESOLVE MAINTENANCE

Balance, Jan. 1, 1946.....	137.71
Credits.....	2,203.34

2,342.05

Expenditures

Payrolls.....	1,668.92
Wilbur Marden.....	164.72
Use of Tractor.....	107.10
Other Charges.....	320.31

2,261.05

Balance.....	81.00
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SPECIAL RESOLVE CONSTRUCTION

Received from the State.....	1,155.73	
Cost of Construction.....	2,203.34	
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Balance due from the State.....		1,047.61

SIDEWALK MAINTENANCE

Appropriation.....		100.00
Expenditures		
Searsport Hardware Co.....	.63	
Payrolls.....	27.95	
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		28.58
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Balance to Surplus.....		71.48

GRAVEL PIT

Sale of Gravel.....	55.34	
Gravel Used by Town.....	173.64	
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		228.98

Respectfully submitted,

M. B. THOMPSON
C. A. ROGERS, SR.
V. N. GREENE
Road Commissioners

NOTICE TO DOG OWNERS**Officers Commanded to Kill Dogs to Make Return**

Section 163. Officers to make returns. Each police officer or constable to whom the warrants named in the 2nd paragraph of the preceding section are issued shall return the same at the time specified and shall state in his return on each warrant the number of dogs killed or otherwise disposed of and whether all unlicensed dogs within his precinct have been disposed of, and the names of persons against whom complaints have been made under the provisions of said section. Such officers shall receive from the city, town, or plantation the sum of \$2 for each dog killed or otherwise disposed of, and for other services rendered under the provisions of this chapter they shall receive such compensation as the municipal officers may determine.

Provided, however, that in the event the owner of a dog, that has been ordered to be killed, desires to conform with the law in regard to the dog at the time the officer calls to attend to his duty, he may pay the regular fees due, plus an extra fee of 85 cents to the officer. The officer shall make a return on the warrant to that effect, and pay over the regular fee to the city or town clerk, retaining the 85 cents.

Provided further, that in no case shall such officer be entitled to more than \$2 as a fee for disposing of any dog.

REPORT OF TREASURER

Receipts

Balance, February 1, 1946	13,944.44
1946 Town Taxes.....	49,399.06
1945 Town Taxes.....	1,344.52
1944 Town Taxes.....	15.50
Tax Liens	1,489.47
Cost and Interest.....	257.43
1946 Excise Tax.....	1,081.07
1945 Excise Tax.....	339.77

State

Department of Education.....	5,093.63
State Aid Highway.....	1,155.73
Snow Removal.....	720.69
Bank Stock Tax.....	122.41
R. R. & Tel. Tax.....	75.14
Library Stipend.....	35.00

Trust Funds

Cemetery Trust Fund Interest.....	586.90
Library Trust Fund Interest.....	46.10

Other Receipts

Withholding Tax Receipts.....	1,958.60
Merrill Trust Company Loan.....	4,000.00
Interest Special Funds.....	530.51
MTRA and Old Pension Receipts	219.64
Union Hall.....	290.00
Tractor and Grader.....	875.78
Sale Town Property.....	364.56
Cement and Gravel.....	111.98

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Sale C.M.P.Co. Bond	1,057.68	
High School Tuition	60.00	
Refund Carver Memorial Library	50.00	
Fire Department	20.00	
Worthy Poor	24.43	
General Government	11.35	
Refund, Text Book Account	9.27	
Sewer Account	10.00	
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		85,360.66
Paid by Warrant	74,041.72	
Cash in Bank	11,318.94	
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		85,360.66

Respectfully submitted,

FRED E. YOUNG

Treasurer

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

YEAR 1944

Rivers, Almon S. & Charlotte.....	37.00
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37.00

YEAR 1945

Overlock, Chester.....	4.04
Rivers, Almon S. & Charlotte.....	10.32
Stairs, Percy.....	76.70
Tripp, Lloyd.....	4.20

95.26

YEAR 1946

Bragdon, William E.....	19.50
Card, Cecil J.....	55.64
Chamberlain, Charlotte.....	15.60
Coffin, James.....	3.00
Colson, Christine.....	52.00
Conner, Irvin L.....	85.62
Curtis, Myron E.....	64.34
Cushman, Ernest & Eunice.....	23.80
Downes, Maud & Charles.....	15.04
Dunham, Arthur.....	28.60
Florence, Edith B.....	105.04
Fowler, Gilbert S.....	19.64
Grindle, John E.....	31.20
Greenlaw, Percy.....	4.30
Hall, Raymond.....	6.50
Harriman, Roger.....	21.80
Hill, Alice M. Heirs.....	35.00

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Littlefield, Amy B.....	41.60
Littlefield, John.....	13.50
Merithew, Wm. Heirs.....	45.35
Merithew, Benjamin.....	10.40
Miner, Jack.....	2.60
Moulton, Harold & Mertie.....	28.04
Moody, James.....	3.00
Overlock, Chester.....	43.04
Prescott, Charles.....	25.10
Rivers, Almon S. & Charlotte.....	74.24
Roberts, Allan.....	1.56
Roberts, Edward F.....	55.64
Roberts, Frank.....	3.00
Seekins, Eugene & Margaret.....	8.00
Stairs, Percy.....	79.70
Stairs, Isabel.....	18.20
Staples, Ralph Heirs.....	5.20
Tripp, Lloyd.....	34.20
Tyson, Eleanor M.....	182.00
Verrill, Edward & Evelyn.....	23.80
Ward, Irene E.....	82.16
Ward, Elliot.....	10.40
Ward, Clifton E.....	31.60
Ward, Ruth.....	32.76
Warren, Leo.....	26.00
Young, Ed.....	3.00

 1,470.71

NON-RESIDENTS

Berry, Willard Heirs.....	5.20
Halling, Olgat & Cathleen D.....	28.60
Kingsbury, Nathaniel.....	20.80
Mason, Wm. Heirs.....	2.60
Merritt, Jessie H.....	104.00

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Moody, Leon, Heirs.....	2.60
Thorne & Pratt.....	2.60
Wood, Paul L.....	52.00

218.40

SUPPLEMENTAL TAX 1946

Sambrook, Inez.....	36.40
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Collected since Feb. 1st.....

36.40

901.13

2,626.64

Respectfully submitted,

RUBY D. WOOD

Tax Collector

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

RECORD OF DEATHS

December 9, 1945—Beulah I. Estey
February 1, 1946—Edwin M. Curtis
February 10, 1946—Charles Keller
February 28, 1946—George Elmer Engstrom
March 9, 1946—Florence N. Wardwell
March 19, 1946—Lydia F. Andrews
April 13, 1946—Olive A. Reed
April 16, 1946—Larry J. Barter
April 16, 1946—Jessie H. Webber
May 29, 1946—Clara M. Cummings
June 3, 1946—Alice G. Hill
June 6, 1946—Albert M. Kane
June 6, 1946—Joseph A. Simpson
June 11, 1946—Eliza C. Blethen
June 20, 1946—Ada C. Bowler
July 12, 1946—Alexander H. Nichols
August 18, 1946—LeRoy E. Small
August 27, 1946—Frank H. Patterson
September 3, 1946—Mae E. Felker
September 3, 1946—Alonzo A. Seekins
September 11, 1946—Esther P. Pendleton
September 24, 1946—Baby Boy George
October 5, 1946—Ivory N. Clark (Also known as John I. Clark)
October 8, 1946—Ruth E. Small
October 26, 1946—Charles H. Treat
November 29, 1946—Mary E. McCaslin
December 3, 1946—Georgia L. Ford
December 7, 1946—Anne M. Partridge
December 15, 1946—Maude D. Colcord
January 6, 1947—Rachel F. Whitcomb
January 12, 1947—Anne V. Hamel

January 15, 1947—Byron H. Merchant	
January 20, 1947—Gideon E. Mayo	
Total number of Births.....	40
Total number of Marriages.....	22

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES K. SAWYER
Town Clerk

REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

List and Cost of Fires Attended

1946

Jan.	9—Stanley Lamphier.....	32.40
Mar.	8—Desmond Ashey.....	44.10
Mar.	7—Percey Stairs.....	37.80
Apr.	1—Town Dump.....	24.30
Apr.	5—Searsport Terrace	12.60
Apr.	11—Mrs. Nathan Gilkey.....	4.50
Apr.	12—Prospect St.....	5.40
Apr.	17—Oliver Atwood.....	5.40
May	2—Lester Young.....	21.60
May	3—Searsport Harbor	6.30
May	3—College Club Inn.....	17.10
May	13—Town Dump.....	33.30
May	16—Raymond York.....	18.90
May	20—Gilkey Field.....	18.00
June	24—Thistle Camps.....	10.80
June	14—Eames Farm.....	19.80
July	15—Ralph Bradley.....	15.30
Aug.	16—Chster Overlock.....	3.60
Aug.	22—Chas. Greeley.....	9.90
Sept.	4—Sally Dow... ..	14.40
Sept.	6—Mill Dam.....	8.10
Oct.	3—Care of Hose.....	14.40
Oct.	25—Care of Hose.....	8.10
Nov.	20—J. F. Eames.....	10.80
Nov.	23—Jay Curtis.....	21.60

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Dec.	2—Geo. Varney.....	21.60	
Dec.	3—Mark Porter.....	46.80	
Dec.	5—Care of Hose.....	12.60	
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	Total.....		499.50

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. JACKSON
Fire Chief

**REPORT OF
CARVER MEMORIAL LIBRARY ASSOCIATION**

To the Board of Selectmen of the town of Searsport:

Herewith is my report as Treasurer of the Carver Memorial Library Association for the year ending January 31, 1947.

Receipts

Balance Feb. 1, 1947.....	360.80	
Membership fees.....	6.00	
Contributions for Books.....	3.00	
State Appropriation for Books	35.00	
Town of Searsport annual appropria- tion 1946.....	300.00	
Interest from invested funds.....	92.21	
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Total receipts.....		797.01

Expenditures

Central Maine Power Co., lights	30.02	
George Campbell, Janitor.....	120.00	
Consumers Fuel Co., 6 tons coal.....	117.02	
Elsie H. Gilkey, Librarian.....	118.00	
Henrietta G. Cook, Asst. Librarian	36.00	
A. Ashey, sawing wood.....	4.00	
Eastern News Co., 2 books.....	3.48	
The H. R. Huntting Co., 22 books.....	44.27	
R. A. Harriman, 2 cords wood.....	27.00	
Merrill Trust Co., checking charges....	1.64	
Postage account.....	.65	
Searsport Hardware Co., electric bulbs	1.08	
C. G. Carley. furnace repair.....	163.93	
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Total expenditures.....		667.09
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Balance February 1, 1947.....		129.92

The W. B. Trundy and the Charles F. Gordon Book Funds**Receipts**

Balance Feb. 1, 1947.....	62.79	
Interest from funds.....	40.09	
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Total receipts.....		102.88

Expenditures

The H. R. Huntting Co., 6 books	9.29	
The Personal Book Shop, 14 books	21.00	
Pictorial History of World War II.....	3.00	
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Total expenditures.....		33.29
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Balance in the Book Funds Feb. 1, 1947		69.59

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES H. DUNCAN

Treasurer

Searsport, Maine
February 1, 1947

TOWN OF SEARSPORT

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REPORT OF SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

For the Fiscal Year February 1, 1946 to February 1, 1947

The fall term of school began Septaember 3, 1946 nd closed on December 13, 1946. The remaining school year will be divided into three periods of seven weeks each separated by one week vacations occuring the week of February 16 and April 13. Schools will close on June 6, 1947.

DIRECTORY OF TEACHERS

Teacher	Position	Training	Salary	Yrs. Residence Exper.
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HIGH SCHOOL

Victor Greene	Principal	Univ. of Maine* Boston Univ.***	\$2,677.00	22 Searsport
H. McCaslin	Commercial	Bryant-Stratton**	1,700.00	22 Searsport
Hazel Clemors	Assistant	Univ. of Maine*** New Haven Normal	1,428.00	13 Belfast

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Byron Meader	Junior High	Wash. State Normal	1,800.00	1 Ellsworth
Lucy Clements	Prin. Gr. 3-4	Colby 3 yrs.**	1,372.00	9 Searsport
Alice Carter	Grades 4-5	Farmington**	1,354.00	13 Searsport
Eleanor Meader	Grades 1-2	Farmington Univ. of Me.*	1,200.00	1½ Ellsworth
Grace Knox	Sub. P.-1	Castine	1,354.00	9 Stockton Springs
Luella Bowden	Grade 6	Farmington*** Gorham*	1,354.00	5 Searsport
Lillias Buck	Park	Castine***	1,480.00	35 Searsport
Wesley Shorey	No. Searsport	Lee Academy	1,000.00	Enfield

The number of * indicate number of Summer School attended.

Average salary for Elementary teachers is \$1,364.25.

Average salary for Secondary teachers is \$1,935.00.

ANNUAL REPORT

Enrollment by Grades for the Fall Term of 1946-1947

	Sub.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Tot
School-Grades	Prim.													
High School										20	14	8	11	53
Junior High								26	18					44
Nichols							19							19
Central		25	22	25	17	20	22							131
Park		4	6	2	4	2	2	3	2	1				26
No. Searsport		2	1	1		1	2	2	1	1				11
Totals		31	29	28	21	23	26	24	29	20	20	14	8	11 284

ATTENDANCE REPORT

	Enroll- ment 1945-46	Av. attend. per day Fall Term	Enroll- ment 1946-47	Av. attend. per day Fall Term	% Attend- ance
High School	49	45.76	53	47.62	89.8
Junior High	38	32.56	44	41.59	94.5
Nichols 6	28	24.10	19	18.01	94.7
Central 4-5	32	28.90	27	23.17	85.8
Central 3-4	38	33.60	32	29.85	93.3
Central 1-2	35	31.82	40	38.19	95.4
Central Sub. P.-1	35	32.37	32	29.39	91.8
Park	23	19.84	20	19.12	95.6
No. Searsport	10	9.82	11		
	288	258.77	278		

CONVEYANCE REPORT

	Number Conveyed	
School	Boys	Girls
Junior High	10	4
Nichols 6	10	7
Central		
Grades 4-5	5	5
Grades 3-4	13	4
Grades 1-2	7	14
Sub. P.-1	7	11
Park	11	6
	63	51
	Total	114

**RECAPITULATION OF SEARSPORT SCHOOL
ACCOUNT FISCAL YEAR 1946-1947**

Elementary Schools Accounts

Resources

Balance forward.....	1,587.75	
Appropriation	9,400.00	
State School Fund.....	3,621.82	
Miscellaneous	10.60	
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		14,620.17

Expenditures

Teachers.....	10,620.17	
Janitors.....	821.96	
Conveyance.....	2,812.00	
Fuel.....	922.17	
Lights.....	132.17	
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		15,308.47

Deficit.....	688.30
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High School Account

Resources

Balance forward.....	744.83	
Appropriation	4,200.00	
Tuition.....	60.00	
State School Fund.....	1,500.00	
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		6,504.83

ANNUAL REPORT

Expenditures

Teachers.....	5,664.56	
Janitor.....	621.92	
Fuel.....	649.80	
Lights.....	86.73	
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		7,023.01
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Deficit.....		518.18

Texts and Supplies Account**Resources**

Balance forward.....	83.57	
Appropriation.....	920.00	
Misc. receipts.....	9.27	
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		1,012.84

Expenditures

Elementary Texts.....	601.57	
Secondary Texts.....	124.43	
Elementary Supplies.....	329.36	
Secondary supplies.....	214.68	
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		1,270.04
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Deficit.....		257.20

General Account**Resources**

Balance forward.....	41.72	
Appropriation.....	1,500.00	
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		1,541.72

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Expenditures

Repairs.....	994.46
Equipment.....	244.25
Insurance.....	284.72
Compulsory Education.....	28.25

1,551.68

Deficit.....

9.96

Superintendent

Appropriation.....	722.00
Expended.....	741.22

Overdraft.....

19.22

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mr. Carl Sawyer*	Term Expires March 1947
Mr. Maurice Clark	Term Expires March 1948
Mr. Clifford Kinstler	Term Expires March 1949

*Appointed to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Dr. Raymond L. Torrey.

To the School Committee and the Citizens of Searsport:

According to the Laws of Maine pertaining to Public Schools, I herewith submit the following report on the conditions and the progress of the schools of Searsport for the year ending February 1, 1947.

This year there have been three new teachers added to our teaching personnel and two changes within the system. The resignations of Mrs. Spier and Mrs. Curtis left two vacancies which were filled by Mr. and Mrs. Byron Meader. Mrs. Clements was promoted to the Principalship of the Central School and Mrs. Carter was transferred to Grades Four and Five. Mr. Meader is teacher of the Junior High and Mrs. Meader is teacher of Grades One and Two.

In order to open the North Searsport School it was necessary to open with a substitute. Mrs. Margaret Clements substituted until Wesley Shorey, a graduate of Lee Academy was secured for the position. He is teaching the school under a sanction from the State Department of Education.

Last Summer the exterior of the Central School was painted and the Nichols school was completely redecorated both inside and outside. The teachers and children of the Central school are deserving of much praise for their efforts to improve the grounds in front of the building. The gravel work was paid for from the proceeds of their operetta.

For new equipment this year it was possible to obtain new seating for the sixth grade at the Nichols school and a new teachers desk for the sub-primary room.

Textbooks have been slow in delivery, but the greater part of our needs were on hand when schools opened. Expenditures for texts have been largely for the elementary schools. New texts purchased this year have been: English Grade 3, Geographies Grades 4 and 6, Basic Readers Grade 5, Arithmetics Grades 3, 4, 5 plus number books for the Primary Grades.

In keeping with the educational trends of today, Science study demands greater attention than ever before. To meet this challenge the Primary Grades were partially equipped with books that are correlated with their basic reading series. In grades 5, 6, 7 and 8 a complete series of science textbooks have been installed.

The required amounts for meeting the State Standards have been spent on the maintenance of the High School library and laboratory.

A new roller-type hectograph machine was purchased this year for use at the Central School. The grades also were supplied with pressed crayons and an ample supply of construction paper in eight solid colors.

It is the firm conviction of your Superintending School Committee that the educational facilities and opportunities which are offered in the Town of Searsport are in need of careful study and appraisal.

Today, there are five separate buildings being operated and maintained. Elementary conveyance since the last Town Meeting has been expanded so that it now provides transportation for more than 49% of the pupils in the elementary schools. There is general overcrowding in the Central School and the Junior High. Enrollment figures show that the number of pupils per grade warrant a teacher for each grade instead of the present overlapping of grades. Present conditions make no provision for future growth of your town. By analysis, the average enrollment per grade in the High School does not coincide with the average enrollment in the elementary grades. Inequality of opportunity does exist at the present time within the school system. For illustration consider the North Searsport children who have had sanction teachers for two consecutive years.

These conditions lead us to believe that it is necessary and proper that there be a committee appointed to study and evaluate the present school structure. In several conversations with the members of the State Department of Education they have expressed a willingness to come to Searsport and work with us on such a project. For this purpose there has been an article placed in the Warrant for your consideration.

This year an active P.T.A. has been organized with Mrs. William Seaman serving as President. The support of this organization is welcomed in the solution of our common problem.

Appropriations for schools need to be much greater this year for several reasons. The appropriations requested last year were too small and resulted in our tax rate for schools dropping from .0162 to .01543 when the average for the state climbed to .01855. This occurred at a time when all operating expenses were increasing. Teachers were raised 5% over last year and were also given a sick leave benefit of three days. Textbooks and supplies were up an average of 15 to 25 percent over a year ago and are expected to be up to a 40 percent increase by July 1, 1947. These are some of the contributing factors which, when added together, resulted in a net deficit of \$1,473.64.

The budget for the fiscal year 1947-1948 has been set up to allow for the \$1,500.00 minimum pay for teachers as provided for in the bills before the present legislature.

In closing I wish to express my appreciation for the cooperation and support of all, which can only mean better schools.

Respectfully submitted,

.. ARTHUR A. WEBB
Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Superintending School Committee:

May I begin my report this year by paying respect to the teachers and all the rest of you who have helped me this year. It has been an especially busy year for me and I appreciate all of the help I have received.

The school program is being maintained on much the same basis as last year. The enrollment has increased over the war years and is now about 20% above that of last year.

The Senior Class has eleven members: 5 boys and 6 girls. This is in contrast to the last two years during which time but one boy was graduated.

This year we joined the Audio Visual Service at the University of Maine. Thus we have the opportunity to make use of the projector in the classroom. The speaking contest was held last May at Searsport. Searsport was represented by Joan Marshall and Chester Walker. Joan received the second place award for the girls.

Last spring the school bought an electric Victrola and radio. It has been greatly enjoyed by the boys and girls. Several school dances have been held, thus far, the last one being sponsored by the Parent Teacher's Association and consisted of a trip to the Grange hall at North Searsport. It is probable that others will be held in the future.

Mr. Meader has maintained complete charge of the boys' athletic program with a marked degree of success.

Several games of baseball were played last fall, preceding our basketball season. Although beset by difficulties, the season from many angles has been a successful one. Baseball will take their attention this spring.

Complete basketball uniforms and warm-up jackets have been bought for the basketball teams. Mrs. Carter supervised the making of the girls' uniforms. The appreciation of the school is extended to her and to those who assisted her. The cost of these uniforms approximated \$350. Doris and Halton Smith generously donated \$100 for this purpose.

In several respects, our school system should be well planned for a long range program. It is my sincere belief that the town should authorize a complete study of our entire school program, in an endeavor to offer to the young people of this community the best educational facilities possible, consistent with the ability of the people to pay.

Respectfully,

VICTOR N. GREENE
Principal.

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SERVICE

The following is a report of the Public Health Nursing Service submitted for 1946.

The greater part of the Nurse's time was spent in home visiting, so that the parents might have the latest information available on standards of health and hygienic care, in order to maintain good family health.

The Nurse made 28 visits to your town during which the following Nursing visits were made:

- 5 to expectant mothers
- 8 to infants
- 45 to preschool children
- 16 to school children.

As heretofore, crippled children have been kept under supervision through home visits and attendance at Crippled Children's Clinics.

Tuberculin skin testing was done in the high school and an X-ray Clinic was held in July, giving reactors and contacts of active cases of tuberculosis the opportunity to have a chest X-ray.

80 children were vaccinated against Smallpox.

One of the highlights of the public health Nursing program for the year, was the conference held in Augusta for Lay Committee Members. We hope that next year your town may be represented at such a meeting.

With Community Health Committees organized and participating in the program, more Child Health Conferences and Immunization Clinics can be held.

Will you help to improve the health of your community?

Respectfully submitted,

JESSIE S. KELLEY

Public Health Nurse

EXHIBIT D
STATEMENT OF DEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS

Year Ended January 31, 1946

	Balance 1-31-45	Appropriations	Departmental Receipts	Other Credits	Total Available	Cash Disbursements	Other Charges	Total Charges	Lapsed Balances Overdrafts	Balance Unexpended	Balance 1-31-46
General Government:											
General Government		4,000.00	216.93	45.50	4,262.43	5,003.36	297.82	5,301.18	1,038.75		
Union Hall		350.00	391.20		741.20	540.15		540.15		201.05	
Superintendence		598.00			598.00	673.79		673.79	75.79		
		4,948.00	608.13	45.50	5,601.63	6,217.30	297.82	6,515.12	1,114.54	201.05	
Protection of Persons & Property:											
Civilian Defense	329.53				329.53						329.53
Street Lights		792.00			792.00	780.00		780.00		12.00	
Fire Department		2,000.00			2,000.00	1,887.02		1,887.02		112.98	
Hydrants	76.67	2,575.00			2,651.67	2,600.00		2,600.00		51.67	
Night Police		600.00			600.00					600.00	
	406.20	5,967.00			6,373.20	5,267.02		5,267.02		776.65	329.53
Health & Sanitation:											
County Nurse		85.00			85.00	85.00		85.00			
Highways and Bridges:											
Town Roads & Bridges		3,000.00			3,000.00	3,609.51	575.00	4,184.52	1,184.51		
Snow Removal		2,000.00	974.49	14.64	2,989.13	1,575.33	613.59	2,188.92		800.21	
Patrol Maintenance		623.00			623.00	764.90		764.90	141.90		
Third Class Maintenance	706.52	807.00			1,513.52	1,379.05	254.25	1,633.30	119.78		
State Aid Construction	600.00				600.00						600.00
Gravel Pit			9.76	64.80	74.56	3.00		3.00		71.56	
Tractor			20.00	1,442.45	1,462.45	630.76		630.76		831.69	
Special Reserve Maintenance	127.82	100.00			227.82	38.26	50.85	89.11			138.71
Cutting Bushes		300.00			300.00	93.23		93.23		206.77	
Sidewalk Maintenance		150.00			150.00					150.00	
Sewer Maintenance		150.00			150.00	998.26		998.26	848.26		
Purchase of Bulldozer		670.00			670.00					670.00	
	1,434.34	7,800.00	1,004.25	1,521.89	11,760.48	9,092.30	1,493.69	10,585.99	2,294.45	2,730.23	738.71
Charities:											
Town Poor		2,500.00	11.35		2,511.35	1,132.42	68.68	1,201.10		1,310.25	
Other Town Poor				168.68	168.68	168.68		168.68			
Mothers' Aid	284.17	910.00			1,194.17	598.50		598.50		595.67	
Board & Care of Children		400.00			400.00	296.13		296.13		103.87	
	284.17	3,810.00	11.35	168.68	4,274.20	2,195.73	68.68	2,264.41		2,009.79	
Education:											
Common Schools	793.03	9,767.00	3,508.17		14,068.20	12,480.45		12,480.45		1,587.75	
High School	532.01	4,433.00	1,560.00		6,525.01	5,780.18		5,780.18		744.83	
Textbooks & Supplies	280.18	594.00	238.70		1,112.88	1,029.31		1,029.31		83.57	
School Repairs	305.04	508.00			813.04	771.32		771.32		41.72	
Medical Reserve	25.00				25.00	5.00		5.00		20.00	
	1,935.26	15,302.00	5,306.87		22,544.13	20,066.26		20,066.26		2,477.87	
Unclassified:											
Wharf Maintenance	55.45	50.00			105.45	16.71	13.56	30.27			75.18
Interest:											
Carver Memorial Library Trust											
Fund Interest			115.60		115.60	115.60		115.60			
Tax Lien Interest			140.59		140.59					140.59	
Cemetery Perpetual Care	25.00		622.60		647.60	622.60	25.00	647.60			
Oliver Jennie Lawrence Fund	82.26		233.39		315.65	315.65		315.65			
Worthy Poor Interest (Gordon)	66.84		45.50		112.34	112.34		112.34			
Worthy Poor			35.00		35.00	35.00		35.00			
Notes						11.45		11.45	11.45		
	174.10		1,192.68		1,366.78	1,212.64	25.00	1,237.64	11.45	140.59	
Library:											
General Maintenance		350.00	35.00		385.00	385.00		385.00			
Patriotic Commemoration:											
Memorial Day		75.00			75.00	36.00		36.00		39.00	
Memorial World War II		500.00			500.00	390.05		390.05			109.95
		575.00			575.00	426.05		426.05		39.00	109.95
Special Assessment:											
State Tax		6,730.55			6,730.55	6,730.55		6,730.55			
County Tax		3,108.88			3,108.88	3,108.88		3,108.88			
		9,839.43			9,839.43	9,839.43		9,839.43			
Total - All Departments	4,289.52	18,726.43	8,158.28	1,736.07	62,910.30	54,803.44	1,898.75	56,702.19	3,420.44	5,897.31	3,731.24
	Exhibit A	Exhibit C	Exhibit B			Exhibit B				Exhibit E	Exhibit A

Balances Forward:
 Protection of Person
 & Property

Highways and
 Bridges

Education

Unclassified

Recreation

Total—Exhibit A

329.53
 738.71
 2,477.87
 75.18
 109.95

3,731.24