1977 Bridgewater Annual Town Report

The Town of Bridgewater

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ANNUAL TOWN REPORT FOR 1977

BRIDGEWATER MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER
Incorporated — June 1656

Tenth Congressional District — First Councillor District

Fifth Bristol, Plymouth, Norfolk Senatorial District

Eighth Plymouth Representative District

Senators in Congress
Edward W. Brooke
Edward M. Kennedy

Councillor
John P. Britland
Fall River, Mass.

Representative
Peter Y. Flynn
Bridgewater, Mass.

Sheriff
Linwood H. Snow

Register of Probate and Insolvency
John J. Daley

Annual Town Meeting — Last Saturday in April

AT YOUR SERVICE —
WHEN YOU WANT INFORMATION

EMERGENCY — FIRE 697-6123 — POLICE 697-6118

Accountant  7-4911  Nursing Services  7-4368  Welfare Service Office,
Assessors   7-6952  Selectmen     7-3700  Brockton                   588-3902
Building Inspector  7-4114  Tax Payments     7-4662  M. G. Williams   7-6968
Civil Defense  7-2160  Town Engineer  7-4114
Health Problems  7-6454  Veterans Services  7-2114
Highways  7-2115  Vital Statistics, Records  7-4449
Library  7-4601  Voting, Registration, etc.  7-4449
Sealer of Weights & Measurers  7-2703  Water & Sewer  7-4665

Front Cover: Picture taken by Lt. David Poland of Bridgewater Fire Dept. Frank Caetano, employed under the CETA program as town carpenter built the 13 foot circular desk for the Board of Selectmen and also built the Town Seal. This was Mr. Caetano’s idea to place the seal in front of the desk. It is made of sugar pine, 16 inches in circumference, 2 inches thick, stained and lettered and carved by hand and completed in eight days.

Back Cover: Picture taken by Tom Iafrate, Clerk-Dispatcher in Highway Dept. of Sturtevant Corner, South Street during 1977 snowstorm.
OUR TOWN
THREE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIRST
ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE TOWN OF
Bridgewater, Massachusetts

FOR THE YEAR 1977

Edited by Frances K. Ticchi
OPEN POSTED MEETINGS ARE HELD
BY ALL TOWN BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

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<td>David A. Canepa, Chairman — Every Monday at 7:30 P.M.</td>
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<td>Richard Ghelfi, Chairman — Second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M.</td>
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<td>D. Dorr, Chairman — First and Third Monday of each month at 7:30 P.M.</td>
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<td>Philip W. Silva, Chairman — First Thursday of each month at 7:30 P.M. and Public Hearings as advertised.</td>
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<td>Dr. Lawrence B. Mish, Chairman — Second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 P.M.</td>
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<td>Kevin Dalton, Chairman — Third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 P.M.</td>
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<td>Albert Saccocia, Chairman — During Budget Hearings every Monday night at 7:30 P.M. Special meetings called as necessary by Chairman.</td>
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<td>Wage and Personnel Board</td>
<td>Melvyn Cohen, Chairman — During negotiations every Thursday at 7:30 P.M. Special meetings called as necessary by Chairman.</td>
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<td>Donald Buron, Chairman — Third Wednesday of each month at 8:00 P.M.</td>
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<td>Walter M. Krueger, Chief — First and Third Tuesday of every month.</td>
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<td>Clifford Gerrior, Chairman — Second Tuesday of each month at 8:00 P.M.</td>
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<td>Charles F. Day, Supt. Director — First and Third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 P.M.</td>
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The Board of Selectmen is extremely proud to dedicate the 1977 Town Report to A. Evelyn Nourse who retired as Town Accountant for the Town of Bridgewater in 1977. Her outstanding service and contribution to the town and townspeople over 53 years exemplifies dedication, devotion and loyalty at its highest level. We wish for her a happy and rewarding retirement and all of her many friends throughout the State of Massachusetts and the Town of Bridgewater join us. Therefore, it is with great pride and affection that we dedicate the 1977 Town Report which she has edited for over fifty years.
TOWN OFFICERS

Elected

Moderator
Robert E. Wallace 1977 1978

Selectmen
David A. Canepa, Chairman 1975 1978
Matthew C. Striggles, Clerk 1976 1979
John R. Hickey 1977 1980

Assessors
Henry L. Cormier, Chairman 1975 1978
John L. Revil, Jr. 1977-1980
Anthony P. Anacki, Clerk 1976 1979

Town Clerk
Ronald R. Adams 1976 1979

Tax Collector
Albert Lanzikos 1976 1979

Town Treasurer
Albert Lanzikos 1976 1979

School Committee
Ellen J. Arabasz, Chairman 1975 1978
John Cabral 1977 1980
Donald Buron 1976 1979
Robert S. Stone 1975 1978
Eleanor Kairit 1976 1979
Paul Chouinard 1977 1980
Allan Chiocca 1977 1980
Allen Knight, Res.

Water & Sewer Commissioners
Fred Colby, Chairman 1975 1978
Robert Gabriel 1977 1980
Jay Leach 1977 1980

Planning Board
Robert Dillman, Chairman 1974 1979
Victor A. Auglis 1973 1978
Douglas Dor 1975 1980
Richard Benton 1977 1982

Recreation Commission
Leonard E. Wood, Chairman 1976 1981
Andrew Fruzzetti 1976 1978
Gino Guasconi 1977 1982
Leslie David Freeman 1975 1980
Winnie Mae Gannon 1976 1979

Tree Warden
Raymond Hamlen 1977 1980

Housing Authority
Donald Buron, Chairman 1974 1979
Joyce C. Marcus 1973 1978
Matthew C. Striggles 1977 1982
Marie Perry 1973 1978
Ellen Arabasz, Exec. Sec.

Appointed

Town Accountant
George A. Belcher 1977 1978
A. Evelyn Nourse, Ret.

Historical Commission
Dr. Ralph Bates, Chairman 1977 1979
Lorraine Daley 1977 1978
James K. Moore 1975 1978
Marie Mitchell 1975 1978
Maurice K. Walsh 1977 1979
Lawrence J. Doherty, Jr. 1977 1979
William L. Kendall 1977 1978

Elected

Bridgewater-Raynham Regional School Committee
Dolores A. Trautman 1977 1980
George Gurley 1975 1978
Robert S. Stone 1976 1979

Bristol-Plymouth Regional Vocational Technical School

Trustees of Public Library
J. John Buckley, Chairman 1975 1978
Lorraine B. Daley 1975 1978
Dorothy A. Dunn 1975 1978
Marcia B. Dinneen 1976 1979
George O. Demers 1976 1979
James K. Moore 1976 1979
Mary J. Jarvis 1977 1980
Grace S. Millett 1977 1980
Thomas I. Chew 1977 1980

Board of Health
Richard Ghelfi, Chairman 1976 1979
Guy Clifford 1975 1978
John Meadows 1977 1980

Appointed

(Anointed by Town Moderator)

Advisory Committee
Albert Saccoeca, Chairman 1977 1980
Leo J. Bourque 1977 1980
Elsie Smith 1976 1979
Frank Wallace 1977 1980
Harold Terpeney 1977 1980
Phyllis Tuholski 1977 1980
Dana Pickett 1977 1980
Paul Gavoni 1977 1980
Arthur Wyman 1977 1978

Appointed

(Expiring)

Allan Chiocca, Res.

Richard Gelfi, Chairman 1976 1979
Guy Clifford 1975 1978
John Meadows 1977 1980

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**Industrial Development Financing Authority**

Wayne E. Clark, Chairman 1976 1978
Paul S. Lehtola 1975 1978
Edward Hogan 1976 1980
Frank W. Burrill 1977 1978

**Permanent Municipal Building Committee**

Herbert A. Drew, Chairman 1976 1979
Thomas I. Chew 1975 1979
Alexander Mellen 1976 1981
Gjon Nivica 1977 1979
Henry Pearson 1977 1978

**Mosquito Control Committee**

William Wall, Chairman 1977
Raymond Hamlen 1977

**Appointed by Tax Collector**

Robert L. Lazarus 1977
Deputy Collectors of Taxes

**Gold Cane Committee (1 Year)**

Charles Chassey 1977
Matthew C. Striggles 1977

**DPW Study Committee (1 Year)**

Matthew C. Striggles 1977
Charles Devine 1977
Dana Pickett 1977

**Youth Commission**

Ronald Leonbruno 1977 1980
Nancy Sarno 1977 1978
Frank DiFranco 1977 1978
Robert Hennessey 1977 1980
Richard Dubee, Res. 1977 1979
Barbara Cirelli 1977 1979
Greg Lee, Res. 1977 1979

**Growth Policy Committee**

Dr. Lawrence B. Mish, Chairman 1977
Anthony P. Anacki 1977
Michelle Dahlin 1977
Dr. Robert Dillman 1977
Richard Wyman 1977
Joyce Marcus 1977

**Veterans Council**

Frances K. Ticchi, Chairman 1977 1978
Lino Bonfiglioli 1977 1978
Henry N. Brown, Clerk 1977 1978
Warren Brush 1977 1978
Charles Devine 1977 1978
Marie Mitchell 1977 1978
Helen A. Murray 1977 1978
William J. Newell 1977 1978
Mario Ricci 1977 1978
Charles W. Hooper, Jr. 1977 1978
William Northrup 1977 1978
Arthur Hooper 1977 1978
Charles Hooper, Sr. 1977 1978
Donald Hooper 1977 1978
Lawrence Robbins 1977 1978

**Zoning By-Law Study Committee (1 Year)**

David A. Canepa 1977
Lawrence B. Mish 1977
Richard Ghelfi 1977
Philip W. Silva 1977
Richard Wyman 1977
Charles Herbert 1977
Mitchell Wolski 1977
Paul Lehtola 1977

**Representative to Brockton Multi-Service**

Eleanor MacCurdy 1977 1978

**Municipal Secretaries**

Rose J. Bevis 1977
Marie S. Cole 1977
Mildred H. Carrigan 1977
Irene F. DiLillo 1977
Dorothy E. Dyke 1977
Patricia A. Forrest 1977
Lily A. Gutauskas 1977
Joan C. Leonbruno 1977
Barbara J. Levy 1977
Margaret A. McGinn 1977
Evelyn F. Moore 1977
Dorothy M. Poland 1977
Frances H. Ring 1977
Irma J. Sankunas 1977
Frances K. Ticchi 1977
D. Ann Trautman 1977
Elizabeth C. Turman 1977
Jo-Ann M. Whittemore 1977

**Representative to Brockton Multi-Service**

Mari S. Cole 1977
Irene F. DiLillo 1977
Patricia A. Forrest 1977
Joan C. Leonbruno 1977
Margaret A. McGinn 1977
Dorothy M. Poland 1977
Irma J. Sankunas 1977
D. Ann Trautman 1977
Jo-Ann M. Whittemore 1977

**Selectmen**

To the Citizens of Bridgewater:

The year 1977 has been another one of challenge and change. The Annual Town Elections of 1977 elected a fresh­man member to the Board of Selectmen, John R. Hickey, for three years replacing William H. Blackden.

This past year has seen the most active and progressive administration in many years. The Board’s continuing open­door policy to any and all citizens of our Town who wish to be heard at Selectmen’s meetings, or at any other time, has prevailed with this administration.

The Board of Selectmen held regular posted meetings every Monday evening at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall, plus many other weekly posted meetings, special meetings, public hearings, and conferences as required during the year.

It is with the greatest respect and honor that this Board of Selectmen has the privilege of dedicating the 1977 Town Report to A. Evelyn Nourse. Mrs. Nourse retired September...
1, 1977 after serving the Town of Bridgewater for over 53 years as Town Accountant. Evelyn’s loyalty and dedication was of the highest caliber. It was not uncommon to pass by the Town Hall and see the light burning into the late hours in the Accountant’s office. Evelyn at one time or another represented almost every board or office in and outside of our Town Hall, and we share the respect with all the people that Evelyn has touched. We wish her the happiest retirement fulfilled with all her wishes.

The following portion of this report will give the citizens-taxpayers some knowledge of the activities performed by your Board this past year.

*New Positions.* On September 1, 1977 George Belcher of Somerset assumed the responsibilities of Town Accountant replacing Mrs. A. Evelyn Nourse. Mr. Belcher was Town Accountant in the Town of Norton before coming to Bridgewater. He also had served on the Finance Committee in Foxboro for many years.

Our office was very pleased to retain our present clerk-stenographer, Joan C. Leombruno, in a permanent full time position effective January 1st to assist our Chief Clerk-Secretary, Mrs. Frances K. Ticchi. Both Mrs. Ticchi and Mrs. Leombruno have given our office the added professionalism that has allowed us as Selectmen to carry out our responsibilities with greater knowledge and insight. We are appreciative and grateful to have their assistance.

*CETA-Employment and Projects.* This program is Federally funded and its concept is to distribute monies to the different cities and towns to use for employment of personnel in several areas of Town Government. CETA employees have accomplished a great deal of work and have saved the Town thousands of dollars. Over $600,000 in weekly pay checks has been distributed to CETA employees in our Town, thereby helping many less fortunate who have been unemployed for great lengths of time. CETA projects Chairman, David A. Canepa, urges citizens of Bridgewater to read a separate detailed report on CETA filed in this Town Report.

*Street Lighting.* We have continued the improvements in the street lighting with the assistance of representative from the Brockton Edison Company. New lights have been installed at East Street, Colby Road, Leonard Street, Running River Road, Conant Street, Flagg Street and others.

*Town and Gown Committee.* The Board has met regularly with the Bridgewater State College officials to discuss many areas of the Town and College, including joint drainage problems, ambulance services, the future of Burrill Avenue, parking problems in various areas (no parking and off-street...
parking), and the new laboratory school with its new roadway. Our personal thanks to the College officials for their cooperation extended to our Town.

Town Liaison Assignments. The newest member of the Board, John R. Hickey, initiated a program designed to bring the Selectmen into closer contact with all boards and committees in our Town Government. Each Selectman is assigned to certain boards and committees as liaison, thereafter submitting a report on their ongoing activities. This procedure has given us tremendous insight and added knowledge to the functioning of our Town Government.

Drainage and Easement. Drainage problems and easement rights are always an ongoing involvement in our Town. Matthew C. Striggles was assigned the responsibility to oversee these matters and he is working with Mr. Hickey, Mr. Beninati and Mr. Herbert in resolving the problems and projects with the best interest of the Town, taxpayer and citizen in mind.

Federal Grants. Our Town has been extremely fortunate in receiving Federal monies this past year. There was a time not long ago that many of us looked at Federal Grants as a dream. Much had been said but little had been done with. Your Board takes extra pleasure and pride in informing you that our Town has received two large Grants:

(1) One Grant totalling $560,000 for extensive road construction and to replace two bridges and a culvert-dam. The High Street bridge and Bridge Street bridge are both old and antiquated and in need of expensive repair. The culvert-dam on South Street near Sturtevant’s corner has deteriorated immensely and needs replacing. To achieve these projects through our tax dollar would have taken years and would add another extra burden on the taxpayer’s pocket.

(2) The second significant Federal Grant totalling $129,000 is earmarked for the complete renovation of Scotland Field. This field will be the most advanced recreational facility in our Town, with lighting for night time use.

A total of $724,000 has been received in Bridgewater for Federal Grants within the last three years. Mr. Canepa, Federal Grants Agent, has stated that not only has this money helped out the taxpayer greatly, but it also stimulates the economy within the community and community limits by employing people who are to perform the work on these projects.

We wish to extend personal thanks to our State Senator Robert E. McCarthy and Representative Peter Y. Flynn for their distinguished and continued outstanding work on behalf of the townspeople including their response to town issues and legislative bills. We also thank Peter for his role in coordinating the Student Government Day program with the Bridgewater-Raynham Regional School District each year which is a successful activity.

Continued thanks to our Town Counsel, Robert G. Clark, III, for his professionalism is second to none. This Board is privileged to have this dedicated public servant represent us at all spectrums of municipal government.

Another mention of thanks must go to our Head Custodian, Alex Santilli, who is responsible for our town build-

ings, assisted by Santa Pratti. Mr. Santilli’s commitment to our Town goes far beyond his normal work week, for he is on 24-hour call and it is not uncommon to see him in the Town Hall or Academy Building in the early hours of the day and late hours in the evening.

The Board wishes to thank all the commissions, boards, committees, departments, town employees, and all the citizens of the Town, who have given of their time and efforts during the year.

In closing, we wish to remind the citizens of our Town that we alone cannot manage our municipality because it takes teamwork from all who have committed themselves to see that our Town is a better and happier place to live in, and to this end we have endeavored to do our very best.

David A. Canepa, Chmn.
Matthew C. Striggles, Clerk
John R. Hickey
Board of Selectmen

Town Moderator

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

It has been my great pleasure to serve the Town as Moderator for two terms, one term of which occurred during the Bicentennial year 1976.

Since I will not be seeking re-election in the April 1978 election, but will seek another elective post, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of those members of Town Boards and those Town Officials who have made my two terms in office a gratifying experience.

In closing I would like to re-emphasize my own strong belief in the Democratic process as it is expressed in the New England Town Meeting, and hope that the next Moderator will feel as strongly, that:

"No council of experts, no court of technicians, no economic or fiscal considerations, no group of specially informed or enlightened interests can in any way govern better, understand more completely, or have any deeper comprehension of a citizen’s needs in a community than that citizen himself, whose laws are made in common assembly in Town Meeting.”

Yours very truly,
Robert E. Wallace
Town Moderator

Town Clerk

In compiling my first annual report as Town Clerk I am pleased to report the various activities and actions which occurred from January 1976 to June 1977. The information contained in our street list, voter list and town register were converted to a new data processing system. This change will benefit the citizens of Bridgewater in that the aforementioned lists will be up to date, accurate and less costly to produce.

The number of licensed dogs showed a marked increase this year. The statistics showed of those 1,653 dogs in 1976,
only 867 were licensed. In 1977 of the 1,559 dogs in town, 1,428 were licensed.

The town's zoning maps were updated this year. I received assistance in this project from Mr. Charles Herbert, Town Engineer. The large maps were revised to include all new streets and subdivisions in order to aid members of our Fire, Police and Water Department and the Superintendent of Streets. These changes and additions were also transferred to smaller maps and made available to the public.

This year a new Census by mail system was successfully implemented. The census data sheets included all residents of Bridgewater as well as school children including the grade and school they are attending. This system was successful due to the excellent response from the citizens of Bridgewater. Census done in this manner can be accomplished at one half of the previous cost. All future Town and State Census will be taken by mail.

My thanks to all departments for their cooperation over the past year. My special thanks to Mrs. Patricia A. Forrest, Assistant Town Clerk, for her valuable services to this office and to Mrs. RoseMarie McCampbell for her sincere efforts in assisting the clerk's office for the past year.

We welcome you to the Town Clerk's office, and we hope we have been of some assistance to you over the past year. We, in the clerk's office work to design our services to give all Citizens in Bridgewater the utmost convenience to all available information.

TOWN REPORT FOR 1977

Vital Statistics $1,069.00
Marriage Licenses 638.00
Auctioneer Licenses 13.00
Raffle & Bazaar 140.00
Gas Renewal Permits 20.00
Business Certificates 40.50
Pole Locations 110.00
Zoning Books 114.50
Zoning Maps 34.00
Street Listings 678.00
Financial Statements 735.00
Transfer Dog Lic. & Dup. Dog Tags 3.70
Miscellaneous 24.90
Petty Cash 20.00

$3,640.60

DOG LICENSES FOR 1977

Male 788 @ $3.00 $2,364.00 $275.80
Female 99 @ 6.00 594.00 34.65
Spayed Female 498 @ 3.00 1,494.00 174.30
Kennel 17 @ 10.00 170.00 5.95
Kennel 5 @ 25.00 125.00 1.75
Kennel 6 @ 50.00 300.00 2.10

1413 $5,047.00 $494.55

SPORTING LICENSES

No. Gross Fees
Res. Cit. Fishing 397 @ 8.25 $3,275.25 $99.25
Res. Cit. Hunting 145 @ 8.25 1,196.25 36.25
Res. Cit. Sporting 133 @ 13.50 2,065.50 38.25
Res. Cit. Minor Fishing 46 @ 6.25 287.50 11.50
Non-Res. Cit./Alien Fishing 1 @ 14.25 14.25 0.75

7 Day Fishing 1 @ 8.25 8.25 0.25
Res. Cit. Minor Trapping 6 @ 6.25 37.50 1.50
Res. Cit. Trapping 8 @ 11.50 92.00 2.00
Duplicates 15 @ 1.00 15.00 —
Res. Cit. Sporting Over 70 55 @ Free — —
Res. Cit. Fishing Paraplegic, Blind, Mentally Retarded 1 @ Free — —
Archery Stamps 11 @ 5.10 56.10 1.10
Waterfowl Stamps 64 @ 1.25 80.00 16.00

903 $7,127.60 $206.35

Town Clerk retains Sporting and Dog fees (pursuant to Supreme Court Ruling).

Ronald R. Adams
Town Clerk

Bridgewater State College

1977 was a very productive year for Bridgewater State College, despite severely limited financial resources which continued to affect all state agencies in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. A number of new academic programs were added to the undergraduate curriculum and plans were implemented for the construction of two major buildings on campus.

A new major in Social Work was introduced to prepare students for beginning professional positions in social work and other human service fields. This brings to twenty-seven the number of undergraduate majors available to students who attend Bridgewater State College.

A new minor in Data Processing was also introduced, to complement existing programs in the field of Mathematics and Computer Science.

Several multidisciplinary minors were added to the College curriculum as well. Minors that are multidisciplinary in nature are offered jointly by several academic departments. The new multidisciplinary minors include American Studies, Canadian Studies, Russian and East European Studies, Linguistics, Urban Studies, and Radio and Television Production.

Three new concentrations, in Public Archeology, in International Affairs, and in Public Administration, were also offered for the first time in the fall of 1977.

Ground has been cleared and preparations for construction of the new Burnell Campus School/Academic Class-
The meeting was called to order by the Moderator at 7:30 P.M. The checkers; Marion Skillings and Mary Ferioli were enjoyable activities for the community to share these many stimulating events with us. The 116,000 foot structure, which promises to be a model educational center for southeastern Massachusetts, will house a thoroughly modern K-4 campus school in one section of the complex and offices for College faculty and classrooms in the other section.

Phase I construction of new Student Apartments is also proceeding in the Great Hill area, with eight buildings well along on schedule and due to be ready for occupancy in September, 1978. A total of 192 students will be accommodated in the new apartments. Phase II construction for housing an additional 108 students is expected to follow soon.

In addition to new construction, extensive renovations were carried out over the summer of 1977 to improve and upgrade existing campus buildings. Among these were a $1 million dollar renovation program for the residence halls at Great Hill (Shea and Durgin Halls) and extensive renovations to the College’s other three residence halls, Pope Hall, Woodward Hall, and Scott Hall. Within the next two years major renovations will also be made to Boyden Hall, the main administration and classroom building.

During 1977 Bridgewater State College maintained its full-time undergraduate enrollment of 4,250 students. The Graduate School enrolled 1,800 students in master’s degree programs. The Continuing Education Program, which offers late afternoon, evening, and Saturday morning courses at Bridgewater and at Buzzards Bay, enrolled approximately 3,500 students in the fall, 1977, semester. In addition, 2,000 students attended summer sessions held on the Bridgewater campus and at the College’s extension in Hyannis on Cape Cod. The total number of different students served annually in all the college programs is approximately 11,500.

Throughout 1977 the College continued its many Community Service offerings, reaching out to our area friends and neighbors with special courses, lectures, exhibits, concerts, dramatic productions, and a host of similar worthwhile and enjoyable activities. We encourage members of the area community to share these many stimulating events with us.

We look forward to 1978 as a year of continued commitment and challenge, assured that we shall continue to have the cooperation and support of the Town of Bridgewater and its many fine citizens.

Very cordially,
Adrian Rondileau
President

Special Town Meeting
BRIDGEWATER ACADEMY BUILDING
MONDAY, JANUARY 31, 1977
AT 7:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator at 7:30 P.M. The checkers; Marion Skillings and Mary Ferioli were sworn to the faithful performance of their duties and the guests at the meeting were seated in a designated area. The Moderator then introduced members of the Advisory Board, and the Town Clerk. Mr. Ronald R. Adams, Town Clerk then read the Warrant. The counters sworn in were Mr. St. Elmo Maclay and Mr. Melvin Cohen.

**Article 1.** On a motion by Mr. Martin Levitt and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to appropriate and transfer from Overlay Surplus the sum of $10,000.00 for Road Machinery Expense Account for the remainder of the current financial year.

Passed.

**Article 2.** On a motion by Mr. Ernest Chiocca and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to appropriate and transfer from Overlay Surplus the sum of $6,500 for Snow and Ice Removal Salaries for the remainder of the current financial year.

Passed.

**Article 3.** On a motion by Mr. Leo Bourque and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to appropriate and transfer from Overlay Surplus the sum of $12,814.00 for Salt, Gravel, Calcium Chloride for the Highway Department for the remainder of the current financial year.

Passed.

**Article 4.** On a motion by Mr. Albert Saccocia and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to appropriate and transfer from unexpended appropriation for Grader Repair the sum of $3,000.00 for Highway Department Equipment and Repairs for the remainder of the current financial year.

Passed.

**Article 5.** On a motion by Mr. Russell Goodnow and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town take no action.

Passed.

**Article 6.** On a motion by Mr. Ernest Chiocca and duly seconded, that the Town take no action.

Defeated.

**Article 6.** On a motion by Mr. Andrew Fruzzetti and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to appropriate and transfer from available funds the sum of $66.94 for Olympic Day appropriation for the payment of unpaid bills for Trophies.

Passed.

**Article 7.** On a motion by Mrs. Elsie Smith and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to accept the Antirecession Fiscal Assistance funds amounting to $26,995.00 and authorize the expenditure of the same under jurisdiction of the Board of Selectmen, for Snow and Ice Removal, Truck Hire for the remainder of the current financial year.

Passed.

**Article 8.** On a motion by Miss Germaine Bouchard and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to accept "Antirecession Fiscal Assistance Title II Funds" amounting to $15,191.00 and authorize the expenditure of the same, under the jurisdiction of the Board of Selectmen; $11,005.00
to be used for Snow and Ice Removal Truck Hire, and $4,186.00 to be used for Purchase of Salt, Gravel, Calcium Chloride for the Highway Department.

Passed.

Article 9. On a motion by Mr. Robert Ganriel and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to accept as a Town Way a section of a Private Way in the “Lakeview” Subdivision, consisting of Saddle Drive running 390’ easterly from Lakeside Drive to the intersection of Paddock Drive and the previously accepted portion of Saddle Drive as laid out on a plan entitled, “Lakeview” Subdivision in Bridgewater, Mass., Lot Layout, Owner and Subdivider, the Lakeridge Corporation, Malcolm E. Austin & Associates, 550 Bay Road, Stoughton, Mass., dated December, 1968, duly recorded in Plymouth County Registry of Deeds, Book 15 at Page 607 and plan of Lakeview, Owner and Subdivider, Colin F. Beaton and Bernard J. McCormick, Austin Engineering Co. dated April 1963, modified by the Planning Board as on file in the office of the Town Clerk.

Passed.

Article 10. On a motion by Mr. Saccocia and duly seconded, that no action be taken.

After much debate Mr. Beninati moved the question, duly seconded, it was voted: Yes 122, No 22.

The Moderator then called for a voice vote and declared the motion defeated. Mr. Goodnow questioned the vote and on a counted vote resulted in Yes 38, No 107.

Mr. Dillman moved, duly seconded, the following motion:

Article 10. That the Town vote to amend the Zoning By-Law and Zoning Map of the Town of Bridgewater as follows:

That the “Zoning Map of the Town of Bridgewater” as amended, be amended, altered and/or changed, and that the boundary descriptions as contained on the “Zoning Map of the Town of Bridgewater” and that area of the Town of Bridgewater as hereinafter more fully described be altered, changed and/or amended as to be an Industrial-a District or designated on said Zoning Map as I-a in accordance with the following description:

Beginning at a point situated 800 feet Northerly (north 20° 37’ 33” West) from an iron rod on the Northerly layout line of Pleasant Street, which rod is opposite Old Pleasant Street extended, and which beginning point is situated in the Northerly line of that Zoning District presently known as B-B, said B-B Zone being shown on that document known as the entitled, “Zoning Map, Town of Bridgewater, Mass., Scale 1” = 800’ prepared by the Bridgewater Planning Board, Hayward, Boynton, Inc., Engineer, 68 Main Street, Brockton, Mass., January 27, 1969”, adopted by the Town of Bridgewater under Article 29 at its Annual Town Meeting in 1969 and approved by the Attorney General on November 21, 1969, which “Zoning Map of the Town of Bridgewater” is on file in the office of the Town Clerk, together with amendments prior hereto:

Thence, proceeding 1060 feet, more or less, in a Northeasterly direction parallel to the sideline of Pleasant Street and in the Northerly line of Zone B-B, extended to a drill hole in a stone wall and land now or formerly of Arvid & Bertha D. Joenpolvi:

Thence, turning and running 1845 feet, more or less, in a Northerly direction to the point of intersection formed by the Easterly and Southerly sidelines of the Brockton Edison Co. Easement, so-called;

Thence, turning and running 2170 feet, more or less, in a Northerly direction by the Easterly sideline of the Brockton Edison Co. Easement, so-called, to a point and corner;

Thence, turning and running 2770 feet, more or less, in a Westerly direction to a point and corner which forms the intersection of the dividing line of Zone I-a and Zone R-a as shown on said “Zoning Map”, and the North-westerly line of land of Herbert Baer et als., Trustees of Scotland High Stock-Trust;

Thence, turning and running in a Southerly direction along said Zone I-a and Zone R-a dividing line, which zoning line is parallel to and 3000 feet distant from the base line of Route 24, American Vets Memorial Highway, as shown on said “Zoning Map” hereinbefore described to a point forming the intersection of said line with the Southerly sideline of the Brockton Edison Co. Easement, so-called;

Thence, turning and running in a Northeasterner direction along the Southerly sideline of the Brockton Edison Co. Easement so-called, to a point and corner forming the intersection of said Southerly sideline of the easement and a Westerly line of land of Herbert Baer et als., Trustees of Scotland High Stock-Trust;

Thence, turning and running Southeasterly (South 25° 38’ 07” East) in said property line of Herbert Baer et als., Trustees of Scotland High Stock-Trust, 280 feet, more or less, to a point and corner in a stone wall;

Thence, turning and running Northeasterner (North 47° 49’ 27” East) still in said property line of Herbert Baer et als., Trustees of Scotland High Stock Trust, 85 feet, more or less, to a drill hole in a stone wall;

Thence, turning and running, Southeasterly (South 20° 37’ 33” East) still in said property line of Herbert Baer et als., Trustees of Scotland High Stock Trust, 805 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning.

As laid out on a Plan of Land in Bridgewater, Mass., owned by Herbert Baer, Phyllis R. Ziner, James F. Parker, Trustees of Scotland High-Stock Trust (As Amended), 144 South St., Avon, Mass., as laid out by Hayward-Boynton, and Williams Inc., Surveyors, Civil Engineers, 47 West Elm St., Brockton, Mass., recorded at Plymouth County Registry of Deeds, Book 3905, at Page 463 and Book 3906, at Page 746, on file in the office of the Town Clerk.

After debate the question was moved which resulted in, Yes 113, No 33.

Mr. Wallace then put the main motion before the meeting, Yes 99, No 50. ½ vote required.

The a motion for a recount: Yes 102, No 49.

Mr. Wallace doubted the vote and Town Counsel motioned for a ballot vote, Yes 101, No 51. ½ vote required.

Defeated.

On a motion by the Moderator and duly seconded, the
meeting adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

Ronald R. Adams
Town Clerk

Annual Town Election

BRIDGEWATER-RAYNHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL
SATURDAY April 23rd, 1977

Received from Mr. Ronald R. Adams; Town Clerk, boxes said to contain 6000 ballots for the Annual Town Election to be held this day, April 23, 1977

Warden: Precinct I William O'Donnell 1800
Warden: Precinct II Walter Yurkins 1700
Warden: Precinct III John Colford 1500
Warden: Precinct IV Paul Lehtola 1000

In accordance with the provisions of the Town By-Laws and of the foregoing Warrant, the Town Clerk announced the polls open at 7:00 A.M. The oaths to the election workers had been administered previously. The Wardens received the keys to the ballot boxes.

At 8:00 P.M., the polls were declared closed, and the counters completed their work at 11:45 P.M. The number of ballots cast were 2452. The Town Clerk read the results as follows:

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| Selectman for Three Years | | | |
| William H. Blackden | Candidate for Re-election 238 | 169 | 179 | 151 |
| John R. Hickey | 380 | 543 | 415 | 303 |
| Blanks | 21 | 16 | 15 | 16 |
| Write-Ins | 5 | 1 | | |
| John R. Hickey declared elected. | | | |

| Assessor for Three Years | | | |
| John L. Revel, Jr. | Candidate for Re-election 494 | 549 | 473 | 368 |
| Blanks | 145 | 184 | 135 | 103 |
| Write-Ins | 1 | | | |
| John L. Revel, Jr. declared elected. | | | |

| School Committee for Three Years | | | |
| John P. Cabral | Candidate for Re-election 250 | 286 | 230 | 168 |
| Richard J. Bradley | 177 | 217 | 171 | 125 |
| Allan R. Chiocca | 420 | 485 | 363 | 261 |
| Paul L. Chouinard | 311 | 377 | 328 | 235 |
| Allan S. Knight | 249 | 310 | 235 | 271 |
| Blanks | 510 | 523 | 499 | 353 |
| Write-Ins | 1 | 1 | | |
| Allan R. Chiocca, Paul L. Chouinard, Allan S. Knight declared elected. | | | |

| Bridgewater-Raynham Regional For Three Years | | | |
| James W. Buckley | Candidate for Re-election 172 | 184 | 156 | 93 |
| Daniel F. Clifford | 154 | 220 | 183 | 134 |

Dolores A. Trautman 288 301 247 228
Blanks 25 27 23 16
Write-Ins 1
Dolores A. Trautman declared elected.

Bristol-Plymouth Regional Vocational Technical School for Three Years
Robert S. Stone 460 539 429 372
Blanks 179 193 179 99
Write-Ins 1 1
Robert S. Stone declared elected.

Trustees of Public Library for Three Years

VOTE FOR THREE

Mary L. Jarvis 452 497 396 338
Grace S. Millet Candidate for Re-election 443 510 388 346
Thomas L. Chew, Sr. 390 481 339 306
Blanks 631 710 703 423
Write-Ins 1 1 1

Board of Health for Three Years
John M. Meadows 481 557 437 366
Blanks 158 176 170 103
Write-Ins 2 2
Declared Elected.

Planning Board for Five Years
Richard C. Benton, III 458 526 424 367
Blanks 181 205 185 103
Write-Ins 2 1

Housing Authority for Five Years
Matthew C. Striggles Candidate for Re-Election 429 510 418 332
Blanks 210 223 191 138
Write-Ins 1

Declared elected.

Recreation Commissioner for Five Years
Gino Guasconi Candidate for Re-election 471 542 458 358
Blanks 168 191 151 113

Declared elected.

Sewer & Water Comm. for Three Years
James W. Bumpsus Candidate for Re-election 223 187 237 169
Jay D. Leach 359 493 330 265
Blanks 57 53 42 37
Jay D. Leach declared elected.

Sewer & Water Comm. for Two Years
Robert J. Gabriel 489 567 465 359
Blanks 150 166 144 111
Write-Ins 1

Declared Elected.

Tree Warden for Three Years
Raymond Hamlen 534 616 494 404
Blanks 105 117 115 66
Write-Ins 1

Declared Elected.
The meeting was called to order by the Moderator; Robert E. Wallace at 7:30 P.M., then recessed until 8:00 P.M.

The Board of Selectmen, Town Clerk, Town Accountant and Advisory Board were introduced.

A moment of silence was attributed to a fine member of the Democratic Town Committee; Robert G. Clark, Jr. and also to a fine Republican John Buckley.

The following counters were appointed and sworn in: Mr. Lawrence W. Tufts, Mr. Kevin Dalton, Mr. Charles Pratt and Mr. Gerald E. Sundberg.

ARTICLE 1. The Election of Officers had taken place on April 23, 1977. The Moderator read the list of Minor Town Officers as read for the year 1977-1978.

ARTICLE 2. Voted to elect the Minor Town Officers as read for the year 1977-1978.

SURVEYOR OF WOOD & LUMBER
Robert L. Wood

FENCE VIEWERS
Robert Doyle
Matthew C. Striggles

SWORN WEIGHERS
M.C.I.
Anthony Lampietro
John Rodrigues
Lillian Dupre
Michael Maglio
Douglas P. Dana
Gideon Howland
Arthur Guertin

Chuckran's Lumber & Cement Co.
John Chuckran

Bridgewater Sand & Gravel Co.
Lino Merzi
Peter Merzi
Estelle Merzi

Wood's Auto Parts
Allen Wood
Ronald Wagman

ARTICLE 3. On a motion by Mr. Martin Levitt and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town accept the Annual Town Report as printed.

ARTICLE 4. On a motion by Mr. Robert Dillman, and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the "Zoning Map of the Town of Bridgewater" and that area of the Town of Bridgewater as hereinafter more fully described be altered, changed and/or amended so as to be an Industrial-a District or designated on said Zoning Map as I-a in accordance with the following description:

Beginning at a point situated 800 feet, more or less, Northerly from an iron rod marking the Southwest corner of land of Herbert Baer et als., Trustees of Scotland High Stock Trust, which rod is opposite Old Pleasant Street extended, and which beginning point is situated in the Northerly line of that Zoning District presently known as B-B, said B-B Zone being on that document known as and entitled, "Zoning Map, Town of Bridgewater, Mass., Scale 1" = 800' prepared by the Bridgewater Planning Board, Hayward, Boynton, Inc., Engineer, 68 Main Street, Brockton, Mass., January 27, 1969", adopted by the Town of Bridgewater under Article 29 at its Annual Town Meeting in 1969 and approved by the Attorney General on November 21, 1969, which "Zoning Map of the Town of Bridgewater" is on file in the office of the Town Clerk, together with amendments prior hereto;

Thence, proceeding 1060 feet, more or less, in a Northeasterly direction parallel to the sideline of Pleasant Street and in the Northerly line of Zone B-B, extended to a stone wall and land now or formerly of Arvid & Bertha D. Joenpolvi;

Thence, turning and running 1845 feet, more or less, in a Northerly direction to the point of intersection formed by the Easterly and Southerly sidelines of the Brockton Edison Co. Easement, so-called;

Thence, turning and running 1600 feet, more or less, in a Northerly direction by the Easterly sideline of the Brockton Edison Co. Easement, so-called, to a point and corner forming an intersection with a property line now or formerly of Henry Perkins Co.;

Thence, turning and running 2750 feet, more or less, in a Westerly direction to a point and corner in the dividing line of Zone I-a and Zone R-a as shown on said "Zoning Map";

Thence, turning and running 3650 feet in a Southerly direction along said Zone I-a and Zone R-a dividing line, which zoning line is parallel to and 3000 feet distant from the base line of Route 24, American Vets Memorial Highway, as shown on said "Zoning Map" hereinbefore described to a point forming the intersection of said line with the Southerly sideline of the Brockton Edison Co. Easement, so-called;

Thence, turning and running in a Northeastern direction along the Southerly sideline of the Brockton Edison Co. Easement, so-called, to a point and corner forming the intersection of said Southerly sideline of the easement and a Westerly line of land of Herbert Baer et als., Trustees of Scotland High Stock-Trust;

Thence, turning and running Southeasterly in said property line of Herbert Baer et als., Trustees of Scotland High Stock-Trust, 280 feet, more or less, to a point and corner on a stone wall;

Thence, turning and running Northeastern still in said property line of Herbert Baer et als., Trustees of Scotland High Stock-Trust, 100 feet, more or less, to a drill hole in a stone wall;

Thence, turning and running Southeasterly still in said property line of Herbert Baer et als., Trustees of Scotland
The meeting was called to order by the Moderator at 7:40 P.M., and then recessed for ten minutes to allow the Advisory Board to finish their meeting which had started prior to the opening of Town Meeting.

The counters sworn in were: Mr. John Phaneuf, Mr. Alfred Cronin, Mr. George Demers and Mr. Richard Ghelfi.

ARTICLE 7. On a motion by Mr. Peter Dorr and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That no action be taken.

Mr. Dorr moved for a reconsideration in hopes it would fail.

ARTICLE 8. On a motion by Mr. Russell Goodnow and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That no action be taken.

Defeated.

ARTICLE 8. On a motion by Mr. David A. Canepa and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws for the Town of Bridgewater, Mass., by adding a new section, as follows:

Section 9. Special Provisions. 9.5 "No dwelling shall be erected unless the top of the foundation is at least 12" above the center line grade of the roadway opposite the center line of the foundation. All garage floors, attached to the house or not, shall also be at least 12" above the center line grade of the roadway opposite the center line of the driveway. In addition, the elevation of the driveway at the back of the sidewalk, and 6' back of the sidewalk line shall be a minimum of 5" above the gutter grade." Any exceptions to this regulation shall be by way of Special Permit to be adjudicated by the Board of Appeals pursuant to Section II. but only after the unanimous recommendation of the Town Engineer, Building Inspector, and the Highway Superintendent.

3/5 vote Yes: 206 No: 12 Unanimous.

ARTICLE 9. On a motion by Mr. Albert Saccocia and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to accept the proposal of the Bridgewater-Raynham Regional School District School Committee passed on February 9, 1977, to amend the agreement establishing the District (a) by providing that four of the six members of the Regional District School Committee will be elected at a district-wide election, with the requirement that two of the Committee members be residents of Bridgewater and two members be residents of Raynham (the remaining two members to continue to be appointed, one by each Town School Committee): (b) by providing procedures for such district-wide elections; (c) by making technical changes incidental to the foregoing amendments; and (d) by authorizing and directing, insofar as appropriate, the Bridgewater-Raynham Regional School District School Committee to perform such act or acts as may be necessary or desirable to accomplish the foregoing. Further, such amendment or amendments, more particularly to be in accord with the form annexed hereto, incorporated herein and specifically made part hereof containing seven pages commencing with the words "I. Section I. . . and ending with the words "... whichever first occurs." waiving formal reading thereof but adopting its content verbatim all as set forth in a document distributed to the general public entitled "1977 — Proposed Amendments to the Regional School District Agreement for the Towns of Bridgewater and Raynham."

Unanimous.

Mr. Denton moved for a reconsideration in hopes it would fail.
fail.
Unanimous.

see attached agreement

AMENDMENTS TO
REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AGREEMENT
For the towns of
BRIDGEWATER and RAYNHAM

"A"

1. Section I of the Agreement establishing the Bridgewater-Raynham Regional School District is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section I — The Regional District
School Committee

(A) Composition

The powers and duties of the regional school district shall be vested in and exercised by a regional district school committee, hereinafter sometimes referred to as the Committee. The Committee shall consist of six members. Two members shall be appointed. Appointed members shall be those appointed by the local school committee of each member town. Four members shall be elected, of whom two shall be residents of the town of Bridgewater and two shall be residents of the town of Raynham. All members shall serve their full terms and thereafter until their respective successors are elected or appointed and qualified.

(B) Appointed Members

Immediately after each annual town election, the local school committee of each member town shall appoint from its own membership one member to serve on the Committee for the term of one year.

(C) Elected Members

(1) In every year in which the term of office of an elected member expires, a successor to each member whose term is expiring shall be elected by all of the voters of the district at a district election to be held on and to coincide with the annual election day of each member town of alternate years in which an election is required for the Bridgewater-Raynham Regional School District School Committee, as hereinafter provided. The first such election day is to coincide with the annual election day of the town of Raynham. The term of office of each elected member shall be three years and until his successor is elected and qualified.

(2) Any person who is a resident of a member town and is qualified to vote for town officers where he resides shall be entitled to have his name printed on the ballot to be used at a district election if, at least thirty-five days before the date for holding such election, he shall file with the registrar of voters in the town in which he resides a written statement of his candidacy and with it a petition signed by at least fifty persons who reside in one or more of the member towns and who are qualified to vote for town officers where they reside. The Committee shall furnish blank certificates and petitions which shall be in substantially the following form:

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE

I ( ), on oath declare that I reside at (number if any) on (name of street) in the town of ( ); that I am qualified for membership on the Bridgewater-Raynham Regional School District School Committee for a term of (three years) (years to fill a vacancy) to be voted for at the district election to be held on , the day of , nineteen hundred and , and I request that my name be printed as such candidate on the ballot to be used at said district election.

(Signed)

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, ss.

Subscribed and sworn to on this day of , nineteen hundred and before me,

(Signed)

Justice of the Peace, or Notary Public

PETITION ACCOMPANYING STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE

Whereas (name of candidate) is a candidate for membership on the Bridgewater-Raynham Regional School District School Committee for a term of (three years) ( years to fill a vacancy), we, the undersigned, whose residences are as shown below and who are each qualified to vote for town officers where we reside, do hereby request that the name of said (name of candidate) as a candidate for said office be printed on the ballot to be used at the district election to be held on , the day of , nineteen hundred and

We further state that we believe him to be of good moral character and qualified to perform the duties of the office.

The petition, which may be on one or more papers, need not be sworn to. The registrars of voters of the member towns shall cooperate with one another for the purpose of determining the sufficiency of signatures on petitions and, shall deliver such petitions and candidates' statements with written indications of the registrars' determinations to the secretary of the district at least twenty-eight days before the date for holding the district election. There shall not be printed on the ballot for use at such district election the name of any person as a candidate, unless he shall have filed, within the time herein prescribed, the statement and petition herein described.

(3) At least ten days before the date for holding the district election the secretary shall post in a conspicuous place in each town hall within the district the names and residences of the candidates who have duly qualified as such, as they are to appear on the ballots to be used at the district election, and shall cause the ballots which shall contain said names, with a designation of residence, and of the office and term of service, to be printed, and the ballots so printed shall be official and no others shall be used at the election, except as provided in clause (5) of this Section. The names of candidates residing in each member town shall be arranged on the
ballot alphabetically according to their surnames. There shall be printed on such ballots such directions as will aid the voter, as, for example: "vote for one", "vote for not more than two", and the like.

(4) District elections under this Section shall be called by a warrant which shall be addressed to the residents of the member towns qualified to vote for town officers where they reside and signed by the chairman of the Committee and which shall set forth the date of the election, the polling places, which shall be not less than one in each member town, the hours at which the polls will be opened and closed and the number of members resident in each town who are to be elected. Notice of each election shall be given by posting a copy of the warrant attested by the secretary in at least one public place in each member town and by publishing a copy thereof at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the district seven days at least before said election. A certificate of the secretary shall be conclusive evidence of the posting and publication of the warrant. The number and location of the polling place, or places, in each member town shall be determined by the chairman of the Committee after consultation with the appropriate officials of such town; and the hours during which all the polls in the district are open shall be uniform throughout the district; provided, that they shall be opened not earlier than fifteen minutes before six o'clock in the forenoon and not later than twelve o'clock noon, and shall be kept open at least four hours, but in no event later than eight o'clock in the evening. The secretary shall be responsible for preparing the ballots used at the election, and the order of the names appearing thereon and any necessary instructions to voters shall be determined in accordance with clause (3) of this Section. The election officials of each member town shall certify the results of the election to the Committee which shall tabulate such results at a meeting of the Committee; and the chairman of the Committee shall thereupon announce the names of the persons elected to membership on the Committee. Thereafter the certifications of the municipal election officials and the tabulations of the Committee shall be kept by the secretary with the records of the district. Promptly after their election, members of the Committee shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties by the secretary or by the town clerk of the town in which they reside, and in each case a record of such oath shall be made and kept by the secretary or delivered to the secretary by such clerk. Except as provided herein the election shall be conducted in each member town in the same manner as town meetings for the election of town officers. The expenses of that part of an election under this Section which is conducted in a member town shall be borne by such town.

(5) Notwithstanding the provisions of clauses (1), (3) and (4) of this Section, if in any year the district election is to coincide with elections in the towns of Bridgewater and/or Raynham in all respects as to polling places and hours of voting, the Committee may arrange with the appropriate officials of the towns for the official ballots used by the towns at such elections to contain also the instructions and names of candidates for election to membership on the Committee, and to separate ballot shall then be used for the election of Committee members.

(D) Interim Committee

In order to maintain continuity and stability of the Bridgewater-Raynham Regional School District, the members of the Bridgewater-Raynham Regional School District School Committee, as composed under the terms of the original agreement, entitled Regional School District Agreement for the Towns of Bridgewater and Raynham, shall remain in force under original agreement constituting the Bridgewater-Raynham Regional School District School Committee.

(E) Vacancies

If a vacancy occurs among the appointed members of the Committee, the local school committee of the member town involved shall appoint a member from its own membership to serve for the balance of the unexpired term. If a vacancy occurs among the elected members of the Committee, the remaining members of the Committee shall select another person who is a resident of the same member town as the former member of the Committee to fill the vacancy and to serve as a member of the Committee until the next district election. At such election a successor shall be elected to serve the balance of the unexpired term for which the former member was serving, if any; otherwise, the successor shall serve for a term of three years.

(F) Organization

Promptly upon the appointment and qualification of the members and annually thereafter upon the election or appointment and qualification of successors from all the member towns, the Committee shall organize and choose by ballot a chairman from its own membership. At the same meeting or at any other meeting the Committee shall appoint a treasurer and secretary who may be the same person but who need not be members of the Committee, choose such other officers as it deems advisable, determine the terms of office of its officers (except the chairman who shall be elected annually as provided above) and prescribe the powers and duties of any of its officers, fix the time and place for its regular meetings, and provide for the calling of special meetings.

(G) Powers and Duties

The Committee shall have all the powers and duties conferred and imposed upon school committees by law and conferred and imposed upon it by this agreement, and such other additional powers and duties as are specified in sections 16 to 161, inclusive, of Chapter 71 of the General Laws and any amendments thereof or additions thereto, now or hereafter enacted, or as may be specified in any other general law or in any applicable special law.

(H) Quorum

The quorum for the transaction of business shall be a majority of the full membership of the Committee, but less than a quorum may adjourn for a meeting at a later specified date.

2. This amendment shall take effect on July 1, 1977, if prior to that date the towns of Bridgewater and Raynham at town
meetings held in each town have voted affirmatively on this amendment and the General Court has enacted a general or special law authorizing a district-wide election as provided for in Section I, or thirty days after passage of a general or special law by the General Court authorizing a district-wide election as provided for in Section I, whichever first occurs.

The foregoing is a

TRUE COPY, ATTEST:
Ronald R. Adams
Town Clerk

as Voted upon under Article 9, at the Adjourned Annual Town Meeting held on May 2, 1977.

Adjourned
Annual Town Meeting
TUESDAY, MAY 3rd, 1977
BRIDGEWATER-RAYNHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M., and then recessed until 7:50 P.M. The counters sworn in were: Mr. Leslie D. Freeman and Mr. Robert Gabriel.

ARTICLE 10. On a motion by Mr. Melvyn Cohen and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to amend the Wage & Personnel Board By-Law as read including the amendments thereto.

Unanimous.

ARTICLE 10. On a motion by Mr. Melvyn Cohen and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town amend the By-Law recommended at Public Hearing on April 21, 1977 by the following amendments:

On a motion by Mr. Ronald R. Adams and duly seconded, it was VOTED:

Move to amend the Wage & Personnel Board Classification and Compensation By-Law to create the position of Coordinator of Elderly Affairs/Field Representative (Based on thirty-five hour week) at a salary schedule of:

Hire: $8,500.00
First Year: $8,750.00
Maximum: $9,000.00

To take effect October 31, 1977.

Amendment On a motion by Mr. Richard Wyman and duly seconded, it was VOTED: Move to amend the petition “E” as filed with the Wage & Personnel Board to strike the words “thirty-five” and insert the words “forty”.

Unanimous.

On a motion by Mr. David A. Canepa and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to amend the Wage & Personnel Board By-Law by including under Police and Fire Chiefs that they be paid educational incentive salary, the same as paid under the Police and Fire Contracts for personnel within the department.

Yes: 107, No: 71 Passed.

ARTICLE 11. On a motion by Mr. Melvyn Cohen and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $700.00 for Expenses of Coordinator.

Unanimous.

ARTICLE 11. On a motion by Mr. Melvyn Cohen and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $1,541,372.10 for Salaries of all Employees under the Jurisdiction of the Wage & Personnel Board, apportioned as listed on detailed report Items 1 through 49, plus the amended items of Assistant Town Clerk — $275.00, Police and Fire Chief’s Incentive Pay $3,000.00 and Coordinator for 8/12’s of year — $5,700.00 listed on pages 15 and 16 of Advisory Committee Recommendations, said sums to be raised as follows:

Revenue Sharing — Police Salaries $330,000.00
Water Revenue — Employees in Water Dept. 90,300.67
Revenue of 1978 Fiscal Year 1,121,071.43

$1,541,372.10

ARTICLE 34. Approp. $18,295.00 for Fire Dept. Salaries Making Total Salaries $1,559,667.10

ARTICLE 12. On a motion by Mr. Melvyn Cohen and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $49,130.00 for salaries of Elected Officials, $46,880.00 from Revenue and $2,250.00 from Water Revenue as listed in detailed report, Items 1 through 8.

Moved by Mr. Norman Johnson an amendment to Item 4 by striking $15,500.00 and inserting in place $5,355.00.

Defeated.
GENERAL GOVERNMENT

1. Selectmen's Salaries
   Recommended 1977-1978
   $3,675.00

2. Treasurer's Salary
   Recommended
   $6,230.00

3. Collector's Salary
   Recommended
   $9,570.00

4. Assessor's Salary
   One Full Time Assessor
   $12,140.00
   One Member
   $1,680.00
   One Member
   $1,680.00

5. Town Clerk's Salary
   Recommended
   $12,140.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY

6. Salary of Tree Warden
   Recommended
   $840.00

HEALTH AND SANITATION

7. Board of Health
   Recommended
   $1,365.00

   TOTAL SALARIES — ELECTED OFFICIALS
   FROM REVENUE
   $46,880.00

8. Salaries of Water Commissioners
   Recommended
   $2,250.00

   TOTAL SALARIES OF ELECTED OFFICIALS
   $49,130.00

ARTICLE 12. On a motion by Mr. Russell Goodnow and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town raise the sum of $71,016.50 for General Government Expenses, to be raised from Revenue as listed Items 9 through 75 in detailed report.

EXPENSES

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

9. Selectmen's Expenses
   Recommended 1977-1978
   $3,707.50

10. File

11. Typewriter Repairs

12. Adding Machine

13. Advertising — Revenue Sharing
   500.00

14. Court Stenographer

15. Typewriter Table
   50.00

16. Secretary Chair
   75.00

17. Service Contract — Copier
   150.00

18. Accounting — Expenses
   1,500.00

19. Machine
   3,000.00

20. Typewriter

21. Computer

22. Treasurer — Expenses
   2,514.00

23. Tax Title Foreclosure
   4,000.00

24. Out of State Travel
   150.00

25. Collectors — Expenses
   8,037.00

26. Adding Machine — Typewriter

27. Insulated File

28. Assessors — Expenses
   4,718.00

29. Revaluation Expenses
   300.00

30. Preparation of Maps
   3,545.00

31. Typewriter

32. Computer
   2,000.00

33. Files
   250.00

34. Law Department
   4,000.00

35. Town Clerk — Expenses
   1,375.00

36. Specials
   250.00

37. Election & Registration
   4,385.00

38. Electric Machine Account
   250.00

39. Town Hall — Expenses
   1,135.00

40. Fuel & Lights
   3,600.00

41. Emergency Lights

42. Curtains — Blinds
   35.00

43. Insulate Attic

44. Air Conditioner

45. Electric Broom
   35.00

46. Water Bubbler
   350.00

47. Sink Installation
   160.00

48. Fire Extinguishers
   20.00

49. Rubber Runner
   165.00

50. Academy — Expenses
   1,475.00

51. Fuel & Lights
   8,000.00

52. Fire Box-Boiler

53. Stair Treads
   25.00

54. Certification of Town Notes
   100.00

55. Issuance of Bonds — Sewer Dept.

56. Advisory Committee
   475.00

57. Planning Board — Expenses
   950.00

58. Advertising

59. Technical Consultant

60. Equipment
   1,010.00

61. Unpaid Bill — Janitor

62. Engineering

63. Appeals Board
   500.00

64. Conservation Commission
   925.00

65. Industrial & Development
   2,150.00

66. Engineer — Expenses
   2,850.00

67. Equipment
   275.00

68. Plan File
   275.00

69. Atlas

70. Exhaust Fan

71. Bicentennial Commission

72. Books & Mailing

73. Plates

74. Wage & Personnel Board
   800.00

75. Copy Machine and Paper
   950.00

   TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT
   $71,016.50

   * Includes $400.00 for Special Maps

ARTICLE 12. On a motion by Mr. Ernest Chiocca and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town appropriate the sum of $140,257.36 for Protection of Persons and Property Expenses, apportioned in detailed report, Items 76 through 126: that the Town raise the sum of $125,257.36 and that $15,000.00 for Police Cruisers be transferred from Available Funds.

Original reduced — Fire Chief's Car — Actual Bid $6,460.00

On a motion by Mr. Donald C. Buron and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That an increase of $450.00 to afford the Fire Chief the proper equipment to cope with Chemical and oil, an amendment to Item 101, making the total $29,600.00.

Unanimous.
PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY

76. Police Expenses $28,957.36
77. Cruisers from Surplus — 1978 15,000.00
78. Riot Equipment 150.00
79. Firing Range 150.00
80. Booth in Square 50.00
81. Garage Door Repairs 100.00
82. Cell Block Repairs 300.00
83. Out of State — Chief 150.00
84. Officers 1,300.00
85. Target Practice 3,000.00
86. Police School 1,000.00
87. Medical 60.00
88. Maps 12,000.00
89. Radios 50.00
90. Gasoline and Oil 1,900.00
91. Building — Booster — Radio 360.00
92. Electricity 850.00
93. Move Radio Booster 1,200.00
94. Generator 1,400.00
95. Equipment — Federal Grant
96. Radios
97. Ambulance Equipment
98. Record System — Court 660.00
99. Police Record System 2,500.00
100. Traffic Supervisors — Expenses 600.00
101. Fire — Expenses 29,600.00
102. Fuel & Lights 5,000.00
103. Out of State Travel 250.00
104. Repairs to Pumps 200.00
105. Protective Clothing 1,200.00
106. Radios
107. First Responders Course
108. Training and Education 2,000.00
109. Maintenance — Ambulance 2,000.00
110. Purchase Ambulance
111. Communications — Ambulance
112. Equipment — Ambulance
113. Purchase — Chief’s Car 6,460.00
114. Sealer of Weights & Measures 285.00
115. Building Inspector 1,575.00
116. Wire Inspector 298.00
117. Gas Inspector 200.00
118. Insect Pest Control — Expenses 5,417.00
119. Truck & Plow
120. Mosquito Foger
121. Aerial & Ground Control — Mosquitos 10,000.00
122. Safety Shoes 80.00
123. Dutch Elm Diseases — Expenses 3,305.00
124. Tree Warden's Expenses 750.00
125. Dog Officer — Expenses 5,050.00
126. Dog Restraining
TOTAL PROTECTION $140,257.36

HEALTH AND SANITATION

127. Health Expenses $2,324.00
128. Cassette Recorder & Tapes
129. Tuberculosis
130. Cap & Close Dump 115,000.00
131. Curbside Rubbish Collection
132. Tests and Nip
133. Rabies Clinic 500.00
134. Mosquito Control 1,200.00
135. Laboratory Fees 1,000.00
136. Physicians’ Fees 1,000.00
137. Pick-Up Disposal Animals 600.00
138. Previous Year’s Bill
139. Public Health Nurse — Expenses 75.00
140. Sewer Maintenance Expenses 8,175.00
141. Laboratory Equipment
142. Plant Alterations
143. Infiltration — Inflow Anal.
144. Electric Power 5,000.00
145. Heating Fuel 600.00
146. Sludge Removal 3,600.00

TOTAL HEALTH & SANITATION $139,074.00

On a motion by Mr. Donald C. Buron, duly seconded, meeting adjourned at 11:30 P.M.
Books.
Very truly yours,
Ronald R. Adams
Town Clerk

Adjourned
Annual Town Meeting

ACADEMY BUILDING
MONDAY, MAY 9th, 1977

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator at 7:30 P.M. The counters sworn in were: Mr. Thomas I. Chew, Sr., Mr. Willard Banks, and Mr. Kevin Chiocca.
A moment of silence was held for Mr. John Gagne.

ARTICLE 12. On a motion by Mrs. Elsie Smith and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $316,712.07 for Highway Department, apportioned on detailed report under Items 148 through 186; said amount to be raised as follows:

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Motion was amended — Increasing Backhoe to $14,690.00 — amount of bid.

HIGHWAYS

Recommended

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<td>148. Highway — Expenses</td>
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153. Equipment for Men 2,000.00
154. Drainage Pipe & Fittings 26,000.00
155. Road Machinery Expenses 29,180.00
156. Gas Tank — Pump & Wiring 1,600.00
157. Municipal Garage 4,000.00
158. Fuel & Lights (From Surplus — 1978) 55,000.00
159. Street Lighting 160. Chapter 90 Maintenance
161. Chapter 90 Construction
162. Resurface Sidewalks 1,500.00
163. School St. Construction
164. High Street Construction
165. South Street Construction
166. Park Ave. Construction
167. Laurel Drive Construction
168. Infrared Heating — Patch Process 5,922.00
169. Burrill Ave. Drainage
170. Sidewalk Construction 1,854.00
171. Traffic Lights — Center St.
172. Truck 5,632.60
173. Backhoe 24,690.00
174. Compressor
175. Radios
176. Trojan Repairs 3,500.00
177. Grader Repairs 4,000.00
178. Mechanic's Tools 1,000.00
179. Sidewalk Plow
180. Mower Repairs 732.47
181. Loader Repairs
182. Brush Saws
183. Rebuild Sander
184. Sander Box
185. Easements
186. Chapter 825 Projects

TOTAL HIGHWAYS $316,712.07

ARTICLE 12. On a motion by Miss Germaine Bouchard and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $54,510.00 for Veterans Benefits and Veterans Services Expenses, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen and listed as Item 188 in detailed report.

Veterans Services

188. Veterans Services — Expenses $54,510.00

ARTICLE 12. On a motion by Mr. Arthur Wyman and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $3,000.00 for the payment of unpaid bills of previous years for Veterans Services as listed under 189.

189. Veterans Services — Previous Yr. Bill $3,000.00

ARTICLE 12. On a motion by Mr. Peter Dorr and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $250.00 for Marking and Restoring Veterans Graves as listed under Item 190.

190. Marking & Restoring Graves 250.00

TOTAL VETERANS $57,760.00

ARTICLE 12. On a motion by Mr. Peter Dorr and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $55,345.88 for the Public Library and Reading Rooms in connection therewith; $50,910.00 to be raised by taxation and $4,435.88 transferred from State Aid to Libraries; such sums to be inclusive of income from Trust Funds applicable to general library purposes and to be expended under the direction of the Library Trustees, segregated as Items 191 through 196 in the detailed report.

Public Library

191. Library, Expenses $39,560.00
192. In State Travel 350.00
193. Out of State Travel
194. Fuel & Lights 11,000.00
195. Painting Trim
196. Appropriate from State Funds 4,435.88

TOTAL PUBLIC LIBRARY $55,345.88

ARTICLE 12. On a motion by Mr. Ernest Chiocca and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $17,275.00 for Recreation Expenses, to be segregated as Items 197 through 211 in detailed report.

Amendment: Motion to amend the total Recreation budget by $1,300.00 to a total of $18,575.00 for the purpose of a summer recreational program. $600.00 would be for a supervisor under the direction of the Recreational Commission, $200.00 would be for Counselors under the work study program and $500.00 would be for equipment to operate the program. This amendment to be inserted into the Recreation budget as line Item 211A. Submitted by Mr. Andrew Fruzetti, Recreation Commissioner.

Majority Vote, Passed.

On a motion by Mr. Leslie D. Freeman to amend Item 206 to read $1,580.00 for the purpose of adding four band concerts of which two are to be paid from this fund and two are to be given, at no cost to the taxpayer, from the Musician’s Union.

Failed.

Recreation

197. Recreation Expenses $4,335.00
198. Scotland Playground 200.00
199. Legion Field Parking Lot 9,700.00
200. Repair Wiring — Field House
201. Baseball and Soccer Field
202. Ladder for Press Box
203. Tractor
204. Conditioning Field
205. Repair Rest Rooms 400.00
206. Olympic Days 500.00
207. Electricity 400.00
208. Lawn Cutters
209. Trailer
210. Buoy and Ropes
211. Swimming Pool Expenses 1,540.00
211A. Supervisor 600.00
211B. Counselors 200.00
211C. Equipment 500.00

TOTAL RECREATION $18,575.00

ARTICLE 12. On a motion by Mr. Russell Goodnow and
duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $2,425.00 for Civilian Defense Appropriation as listed under Item 212 in detailed report.

**Civilian Defense**

212. Civilian Defense Expenses $2,425.00

**ARTICLE 12.** On a motion by Mr. Leo Bourque and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $210,394.53 for Miscellaneous Appropriations, to be segregated as listed under Items 215 through 236 in detailed report.

**Miscellaneous Appropriations**

215. Council on Aging — Expenses $3,225.00
216. Steam Tables 500.00
217. Drop In Center 1,350.00
218. Recreation 2,000.00
219. Transportation 1,200.00
220. Unpd. Trans. Bill 4,385.00
221. Veterans Council 6,000.00
222. Puosto Program 1,200.00
223. Miscellaneous Printing 2,000.00
224. Veterans of Foreign Wars Rent 450.00
225. Christmas Lighting 1,900.00
226. Christmas Lighting 700.00
227. Multi Health Center 450.00
228. Retarded Citizens Program 1,263.60
229. Plymouth County Extension Service 5,000.00
230. Home care 2,000.00
231. C.E.T.A. Projects — Material 14,500.00
232. Visiting Nurse Association 3,225.00
233. Contributory Retirement 162,110.00
234. Non-Contributory 12,163.60
235. Veterans Retirement 1,500.00
236. Historical Commission 6,710.93

**TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS** $210,394.53

**ARTICLE 12.** On a motion by Mr. Peter Dorr and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town appropriate and transfer from Overlay Surplus the sum of $45,000.00 for a Reserve Fund as listed under Item 237 in detailed report.

**Reserve Fund**

237. Transfers by Advisory Committee from Overlay Surplus $45,000.00

**ARTICLE 12.** On a motion by Mrs. Elsie Smith and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town appropriate the sum of $170,460.00 for Insurance payments as listed under Items 238 and 241 in the detailed report; that $120,000.00 be transferred from Available Funds and that $50,460.00 be raised from taxation.

**Insurance**

238. Group Life & Medical Trans. From Surplus — 1978 $120,000.00
239. Wrkmen's Compensation — Revenue 28,000.00
240. Blanket Insurance 22,000.00
241. Boiler Insurance 1,900.00

**TOTAL INSURANCE** $170,460.00

**ARTICLE 12.** On a motion by Miss Germaine Bouchard and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town appropriate the sum of $39,407.50 for Interest Payments as listed under Items 246 through 250 in detailed report, that $10,000.00 be transferred from available funds and that $29,407.50 be raised from taxation.

**Interest**

246. Temporary Loans (From Surplus — 1978) $10,000.00
247. Academy Renovations 6,075.00
248. Fire Station 2,025.00
249. Fire Truck 21,307.50

**TOTAL INTEREST** $39,407.50

**ARTICLE 12.** On a motion by Mr. Arthur Wyman and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $100,000 for Maturing Debt segregated under Items 251 through 254 in detailed report.

**Maturing Debt**

251. Fire Truck 10,000.00
252. Fire Station Debt 30,000.00
253. Academy Debt 60,000.00

**TOTAL MATURING DEBT** $100,000.00

**ARTICLE 12.** On a motion by Mr. Peter Dorr and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate from Water Revenue the sum of $109,795.00 to be expended under the direction of the Water Commissioners and segregated as listed under Items 255 through 268.

**Water Department**

**From Water Revenue**

255. Water — Expenses $28,495.00
256. Meters & Fittings 11,500.00
257. Hydrants 2,500.00
258. Electric Inspections 100.00
259. Pipe Thawing 200.00
260. Truck 600.00
261. Electric Power 30,000.00
262. Fuel Oil 600.00
263. Insurance & Registration 2,000.00
264. Hydrant — Flagg St. & High St. 3,000.00
265. Water Exploration 30,000.00
266. Reservoir 1,400.00
267. New Wells 1,350.00
268. Mandatory Water Samples 6,075.00

**TOTAL WATER FROM WATER REVENUE** $109,795.00

**ARTICLE 12.** On a motion by Mr. Peter Dorr and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $3,408,976.34 for School Department Expenses; that the sum of $3,406,645.64 be raised by taxation, the sum of $2,330.70 be transferred from Dog Licenses Receipts from County; said sum to be inclusive from trust Funds applicable to general school purposes, to be expended under the direction of the School Committee and segregated as Items 269 through 279 in detailed report.

**Schools (To be expended under the direction of the School Committee)**

Recommended Budget 1977-1978
269. Personal Services $2,612,756.21
270. Expenses 461,962.67
271. Burnell School 141,479.46
272. Vocational Tuition 4,200.00
273. Adult Civil Education 1,000.00
274. Transportation — Vocational Schools 1,728.00
275. Out of State Travel 1,500.00
276. Janitor, Matron 1,500.00
277. Summer Recreation 10,000.00
278. Transportation 172,850.00
279. Roof — Middle School
TOTAL LOCAL SCHOOLS $3,408,976.34

ARTICLE 12. On a motion by Mr. Ernest Chiocca and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $118,925.00 for interest on School Loans and School Maturing Debt as listed under Items #280 and #281 in the detailed report.

280. Interest on School Debt $38,925.00
281. School Debt 80,000.00
TOTAL LOCAL SCHOOLS APPROPRIATION $3,527,901.34

Mr. Richard P. Lombardi moved that the town meeting vote to postpone a vote on Item #283 until Tuesday, May 10, 1977, at such time the Bridgewater Raynham Regional School District will provide a skeleton outline (breakdown) of its budget comparable to that information provided by the Bridgewater Local School Committee relative to its budget.
Yes: 46; No: 72 Failed.

ARTICLE 12. On a motion by Mr. Peter Dorr and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $1,645,824.41 to be paid as the 1977-1978 Assessment to the Bridgewater-Raynham Regional School District as listed under Item #283.

283. Bridgewater-Raynham Assessment $1,645,824.41

ARTICLE 12. On a motion by Mr. Russell Goodnow and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $220,593.00 for Bridgewater's share of the Bristol-Plymouth Regional Vocational School District Assessment as listed under Item #284.

284. Bristol-Plymouth Vocational $220,593.00
TOTAL SCHOOLS $5,394,318.75

ARTICLE 13. On a motion by Mr. Leo Bourque and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $6,339.00 for participation in the Brockton Area Association for Retarded Citizens, Inc. Programs.

ARTICLE 14. On a motion by Mr. Leo Bourque and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $7,716.00 to be expended as Bridgewater's share for joining & sharing the operating costs of the Bridgewater, West Bridgewater and East Bridgewater Multi-Service Center for use by residents of three Towns, the cost to be shared on a pro-rated basis.

ARTICLE 15. On a motion by Mrs. Elsie Smith and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00 to be expended by the Trustees for Plymouth County Extension Service and to choose Mr. Arthur C. Chaffee, Jr. as Director, in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 128, Sections 41 and 42.

ARTICLE 16. On a motion by Miss Germaine Bouchard and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $50.75 for the payment of a bill incurred in fiscal year 1974 by the Industrial and Development Commission.
Yes: 88; No: 2

ARTICLE 18. On a motion by Mr. Peter Dorr and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town appropriate and transfer from Available Funds the sum of $23,479.00 to meet the State's share under the State Aid Construction, reimbursement received therefrom to be returned to Available Funds.

ARTICLE 19. On a motion by Mr. Leo Bourque and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of the revenue of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1977, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable with in one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

ARTICLE 20. On a motion by Mr. Leo Bourque and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That no action be taken.

ARTICLE 21. On a motion by Mr. Ernest Chiocca and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That no action be taken.

ARTICLE 22. On a motion by Mr. Russell Goodnow and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town accept the report of the Youth Study Committee as read.

ARTICLE 23. On a motion by Mr. Ronald Leombruno and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to accept Section 8E of Chapter 40 of the General Laws of Massachusetts as inserted by Chapter 391 of the Acts of 1969, which authorize the establishment of a Youth Commission, for the purpose of carrying out programs which
may be designed or established to meet the opportunities, challenges and problems of youth of the Town and in conjunction with any similar or related programs of any agency of the Commonwealth or any agency of the Federal Government.

ARTICLE 24. On a motion by Mr. Ronald Leombruno and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to establish a Youth Commission pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 8E consisting of seven (7) members appointed by the Selectmen as follows:

Two (2) members to be appointed until the next Annual Town Meeting or until their successors are appointed and qualified to serve until the third succeeding Annual Town Meeting thereafter or until their successors are appointed and qualified and thereafter for terms of three (3) years;

Two (2) members to be appointed until the second next succeeding Annual Town Meeting or until their successors are appointed and qualified and thereafter for terms of three (3) years;

Three (3) members to be appointed until the third next succeeding Annual Town Meeting or until their successors are appointed and qualified and thereafter for terms of three (3) years;

And further, that such Youth Commission as so constituted be and hereby is authorized pursuant to said Chapter and Section as from time to time amended to receive gifts of property of both real and personal, in the name of the Town, subject to approval of the Selectmen and to manage and control the same for the purposes set forth in said chapter and section.

ARTICLE 25. On a motion by Mrs. Elsie Smith and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town accept the report of the Semi-Annual Town Meeting Study Committee, as printed.

ARTICLE 26. On a motion by Miss Germaine Bouchard and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to amend its By-Laws by deleting the present Article 1, Section 1 and 2, and inserting the following:

Section 1. The spring session of the regular Town Meeting shall be held on the Saturday preceding the last Monday in April for the purpose of electing Town Officers and voting upon questions as required by General or Special Law. The spring session shall resume on the first Monday in May at 7:30 o'clock the evening for the primary purpose of dealing with all financial matters of the Town, including the adoption of an annual operating and capital budget and the revision of the Wage & Personnel By-Law, if necessary. The meeting shall be continued on other days, until all articles in the warrant shall have been acted upon. Nothing in this section shall prevent insertion in the warrant of any article on any subject proper for Town Meeting consideration.

Section 2. The fall sessions of the regular Town Meeting shall be held on the second Monday in November — or, should that be a legal Holiday, on the following day — at 7:30 o'clock in the evening for the primary purpose of considering and acting upon matters of planning, zoning, subdivision control, building codes, and the adoption, amendment, or repeal of By-Laws, as well as such other business, including matters involving a transfer of Town funds, as may properly come before the meeting. The meeting shall be continued on other days, until all articles in the warrant shall have been acted upon. Nothing in this section shall prevent insertion in the warrant of any article on any subject proper for Town Meeting consideration.

Mrs. Marie Mitchell moved to change the date to the third Monday in October.

Yes: 24; No: 61

ARTICLE 27. On a motion by Mr. Arthur Wyman and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint a Zoning By-Law Study Committee, consisting of the following:

One member from —
Board of Selectmen
Industrial Development Commission
Conservation Commission
School Department
Board of Health
Planning Board
Zoning Appeals Board
Advisory Committee
Growth Policy Committee
Building Inspector, Town Engineer and four members at large one from each Precinct. The Committee to act under and at the direction of the Planning Board; That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 for purposes of expenses related thereto, to be expended by such Committee.

ARTICLE 28. On a motion by Mr. Peter Dorr and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey the Town's 1/768th fractional interest in the parcels of land in the Town of Wareham, Plymouth County, Massachusetts, shown as Lot 1072, Sheet 110; Lots 1010, 1012 and 1013, Sheet 113; and Lots 1001, 1006, 1007 and 1008, Sheet 115 on the Town of Wareham Assessor's Plan, to Mary W. Doherty of Glastonbury, Connecticut, for the amount of $53.00.

ARTICLE 29. On a motion by Mr. Russell Goodnow and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town accept the report of the Vault Study Committee as read.

ARTICLE 30. On a motion by Mr. Russell Goodnow and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to accept a Scholarship as a Memorial to Charles F. Leach, former Lord Mayor of Scotland.

ARTICLE 31. On a motion by Mr. Ernest Chiocca and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to accept the Edith M. Ames Library Bequest amounting to $2,000.00 in accordance with Clause Second of the Will of Miss Edith M. Ames.

ARTICLE 32. On a motion by Mr. Russell Goodnow and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to designate the Great Woods Grave Yard, on the northwesterly side of Titicut Street as an abandoned cemetery and authorize the Town to properly care for the same.

ARTICLE 33. On a motion by Mr. Russell Goodnow and
duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town accept the Department of Public Works Study Committee report as read.

ARTICLE 34. On a motion by Mr. Leo Bourque and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town accept the Anti-recession Funds amounting to $18,295.00 and authorize the expenditure of the same for Fire Department Overtime Salaries.

ARTICLE 35. On a motion by Miss Germaine Bouchard and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Board of Selectmen be authorized, if it deems it to be in the best interest of the Town to acquire by purchase a certain parcel of land containing 18.37 acres, more or less, situated on the Westerly side of East Street, shown as the rear land on “Plan of Land in Bridgwater, Kurt A. Bartell et al., owners, M.T. Shaw, Registered Land Surveyor dated January 19, 1967”, duly recorded with the Plymouth Registry of Deeds in Book 3416, at Page 621, and to appropriate therefore the sum of $20,000.00.

ARTICLE 36. On a motion by Mrs. Elsie Smith and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $62.50 for the payment of a Police Department bill incurred during the prior fiscal year.

On a motion by Robert G. Clark, III, and duly seconded, the meeting adjourned at 11:40 P.M.

Ronald R. Adams
Town Clerk

Special Town Meeting
BRIDGEWATER TOWN HALL
JUNE 20th, 1977

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator at 7:00 P.M. A moment of silence was held for the late Sgt. William K. Nicolas.

ARTICLE 1. On a motion by Mr. Albert Saccocia and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to appropriate and transfer from Water Revenue the sum of $15,000.00 for the repairs to Wells for the remainder of the current financial year.

ARTICLE 2. On a motion by Mrs. Elsie Smith and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to appropriate and transfer from Overlay Surplus the sum of $12,000.00 for the Fire Department Salaries for the remainder of the current financial year.

ARTICLE 3. On a motion by Mr. Paul Govoni and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to appropriate and transfer from Overlay Surplus the sum of $12,000.00 for Highway Department Salaries for the remainder of the current financial year.

ARTICLE 4. On a motion by Mr. Charles Pratt, Jr. and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to appropriate and transfer from Unexpended Election & Registration Street Listing Salaries the sum of $1,100.00 for Election & Registration Salaries for the remainder of the current financial year.

ARTICLE 5. On a motion by Mr. Dana Pickett and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to appropriate and transfer from Overlay Surplus the sum of $1,700.00 for Police Department Expenses for the remainder of the current financial year.

ARTICLE 6. On a motion by Miss Germaine Bouchard and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to appropriate and transfer from Overlay Surplus the sum of $7,400.00 for Workmen’s Compensation Insurance for the remainder of the current financial year.

On a motion by Mr. David A. Canepa and duly seconded, the meeting adjourned at 7:10 P.M.

Patricia A. Forrest
Assistant Town Clerk

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Special Town Meeting
BRIDGEWATER TOWN HALL
CENTRAL SQUARE
SEPTEMBER 26th, 1977

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M., by the Moderator, Mr. Robert Wallace. A slight recess was called to give ample time for more voters to attend. The meeting was recalled at 7:05 P.M. The Town Clerk read the warrant, and the Moderator read the article.

ARTICLE 1. On a motion by Mr. Albert Saccocia and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to appropriate and transfer from Available Funds the sum of $10,000.00 to increase the sum of $20,000.00 voted under Article #35 at the 1977-1978 Annual Town Meeting for the purchase of a certain parcel of land containing 18.37 acres, more or less, situated on the Westerly side of East Street, shown as the rear land on “Plan of Land in Bridgewater, Kurt A. Bartell et al., owners, M.T. Shaw, Registered Land Surveyor dated January 19, 1967”, duly recorded with the Plymouth Registry of Deeds in Book 3416, at Page 621, to $30,000.00.

Unanimous.

On a motion by John R. Hickey and duly seconded, the meeting adjourned at 7:20 P.M.

Very truly yours,
Ronald R. Adams
Town Clerk

Fall Session
Town Meeting
ACADEMY BUILDING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1977

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator at 7:30
P.M., then recessed until 8:15 P.M. in order for the Advisory Board to complete their meeting. The Town Clerk read the warrant and the Moderator read the articles.

ARTICLE 1. On a motion by Robert Clark and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to amend the Zoning By-Law, in particular Section 6.1, 6.2, 6.3, that all uses permitted in Business District-A, Business District-B, or by Special Permit in Business District-B shall be permitted in both Industrial Areas-A and Industrial Areas-B, and, if permitted in Business-A and Business-B by Special Permit, in the same shall be permitted in Industrial Area-A and Industrial Area-B by Special Permit only and that the table of use regulations, Section 6.3 shall be amended to reflect the same.

¾ required Yes: 52; No: 21

On a motion by David Flynn and duly seconded, a reconsideration in hopes it would not prevail.

Unanimous.

ARTICLE 2. On a motion by David A. Canepa and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to amend the Zoning Map for the Town of Bridgewater in Central Square, to Business-A from its present classification of Residential-D on the easterly side of Central Square (150 feet) from and parallel to the street side line, from the northerly side line of School Street through to the existing Business-A zone on Summer Street.

On a motion by Robert Clark and duly seconded, to amend 370 feet to read 150 feet.

⅔ vote required Yes: 52; No: 21

On a motion by Philip Silva and duly seconded, a reconsideration in hopes it would not prevail.

Unanimous.

ARTICLE 3. On a motion by David A. Canepa and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to accept Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 22D as amended.

On a motion by Robert Clark and duly seconded, to amend article 3 by striking the words “authorizing the Board of Selectmen to establish traffic regulations”.

Unanimous.

ARTICLE 4. On a motion by David A. Canepa and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to appropriate and transfer from available funds the sum of not more than $25,000.00 for its share of a Step I Facilities Study Plan as specified by public law (92-500), and that the sum of no more than $10,000.00 be appropriated to be expended in the discretion of and under the direction of the Sewer Commissioners in conjunction therewith for a complete study of the future needs of the Town together with recommendations for future growth and development.

ARTICLE 5. On a motion by Mr. Paul Govoni and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to approve a certain Proposed Amendment to the Agreement with respect to the Establishment of a Vocational Regional School District known as the Bristol-Plymouth Regional Vocational Technical School District as to Section I, Section IV, and Section V thereof in accord with the text thereof which is available for inspection at the offices of the Bridgewater Selectmen.

Unanimous.

ARTICLE 6. On a motion by Mr. David A. Canepa and duly seconded, it was VOTED:

Amendment — Section 6: That the Town vote to accept Sunrise Drive as a public way of the Town of Bridgewater to a point 880 feet southerly of the southerly line of South Street, as shown on Plan of Proposed Subdivision in Bridgewater, Mass., belonging to Coronet Construction Co. Inc., Scale 1" = 40' dated January 4, 1960, Edward C. Peterson Engineer, on file with the Planning Board, but only after such time that the Planning Board has levied upon any bonds provided for performance of work on roads.

Unanimous.

ARTICLE 7. On a motion by Albert Saccocia and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to appropriate and transfer from the Reserve for Appropriation Account the sum of $25,650.00 for the emergency installation of the box culvert located at Jenkins Mill on High Street.

Unanimous.

ARTICLE 8. On a motion by Mr. Leo Bourque and duly seconded, it was VOTED: That the Town vote to transfer the sum of $4,938.43 from the Reserve for Appropriation Account to the High Street Construction Account.

Unanimous.

On a motion by Mr. Leo Bourque and duly seconded, the meeting adjourned at 11:10 P.M.

A True Copy, Attest:
Ronald R. Adams
Town Clerk
Recount
Town Clerk
for Unexpired Term
(1976-1979)
January 6th, 1977 at 6:30 P.M.

The Board of Registrars assembled in Upper Town Hall and the election officers were sworn into office.

Attorney and Counsel for Ronald R. Adams was Raymond E. Arasbas and appointed agents were: Edward M. Adams, Jayne R. Adams, Bruce Crest, Scotia Crest, Stuart MacLaggen, James Panza, Anthony Lauria and Walter Hewiston.

Attorney and Counsel for Marie E. Perry was John D. Riordan and appointed agents were: Carl Dupre, Thomas Mahoney, Margaret Chiocca, Lindsey Warren, Donald Buron, Raymond Perry, Robert Blakely and Kim Silva, there were in the event that the above agents were unable to be present; alternates designated.

The counters completed their work at 9:00 P.M. and the

DEATHS RECORDED IN BRIDGEWATER — 1977

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Cheryl L. MacKinnon 35
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Marie H. Mitchell 47
John A. Noonan 112
Marie E. Perry 430
Jean M. Shaughnessy 94
Shirley E. Snow 51
Write-Ins 4
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Ronald R. Adams declared elected.

Very truly yours,
Patricia A. Forrest
Acting Town Clerk
7 Reginal A. Easter 50 3 16 Metastatic Carcinoma
12 Keith Deane 22 11 11 Contusions of Lungs & Heart
Laceration of Rt. Lung, auto collision.
15 Ronald S. Pierce 26 11 24 Exposure to Cold — Accident
15 Albert D. Atkinson 83 7 18 Perforated Duodenal Ulcer
23 Veronica Deksnes (Copenas) 85 1 21 Cardiac Arrest Status, Part mass.
myocardial infarction.
25 Paul M. McGuinness 19 0 0 Multiple fractures and internal crush
injuries — resulting from auto collision.
29 Edith J. Wrightington 68 3 4 Metastatic Bowel Cancer

APRIL
3 Earle Clement Brown 80 0 26 Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease — sudden
death — natural causes.
5 Roy Palmer 75 11 4 Metastatic Carcinoma of lung, carcinoma
of rectum & bladder.
5 Mary (Tunewicz) Maliewicz 82 3 13 Massive Cerebrovascular accident. Cerebral
Arteriosclerosis.
8 Mary (Antulonis) Rogers 73 3 14 Myocardial infarction with arrhythmia.
— expired after operative insertion of
cardiac pacemaker — natural causes.
20 John Buckley 79 7 13 Myocardial infarction, coronary artery
disease. Diabetes mellitus.
21 Margaret (Koen) Clark 74 3 9 Arteriosclerotic — Hypertensive heart
disease with Wolfe-Parkinson white syn-
drome — terminal acute congestive
failure.

APRIL
26 Barbara Louise Phillips 22 9 28 Aspiration & early pneumonitis Diabetes
Mellitas, Asthmatic Bronchitis.

MAY
4 Robert S. Raleigh, Jr. 22 3 23 Hemopneumothorax, massive internal
hemorrhage resulting from collision of
motorcycle with truck — accidental.
6 Thurston Lewellynd Stetson 72 6 12 Pulmonary embolus, Thrombi. Pro tibial
fracture.
8 John B. Gagne 90 6 4 Inanition. Carcinoma of the right temple.
9 James E. Flynn 80 9 27 Metastatic Disease, Adenocarcinoma
Right colon.
12 Pauline W. (Macdonald) Blackden 74 11 5 Heart Disease — presumably arterio-
sclerotic — found dead at home —
natural causes.
17 Grace K. (Coyle) Franz 89 11 9 Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease,
Arteriosclerosis.
20 Ursula P. (Urquhart) Hunt 65 4 13 Coronary Sclerosis with probable ven-
tricular arrhythmic — sudden death.
27 Jennie Dallamegra (Abati) 78 2 29 Advanced Arteriosclerotic heart disease.
28 Lester W. Sprague 82 5 24 Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease with pul-
monary edema. Sudden death — natural
causes.
14 Robert E. Harding 84 — Cardiopulmonary arrest acute renal
failure

JUNE
3 Alice M. (Cagney) Hurley 82 0 14 Pneumonitis Heart Failure. Myocardial
Infarction.
4 Eleanor (Scott) Cipriano 58 6 13 Metastatic Carcinoma of the Lung

George R. Easter & Dorothy Whitney
Herbert A. Deane & Lee McGuiggan
Robert D. Pierce & Barbara L. Armstrong
Edwin Atkinson & Margaret McLeod
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Edward J. McGuinness & Maureen Kelly
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Roy Palmer & — — —
— Tunewicz & — — —
John Antulonis & Elizabeth Welch
Harry Buckley & Agnes Whitecross
Phillip Koen & Margaret —
Michael Phillips & Harriette Becker
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Percy W. Stetson & Sarah Stetson
Peter Gagne & Virginia Gagne
John Flynn & Margaret O’Brien
James MacDonald & Catherine Hurley
James M. Coyle & Mary A. Eisnor
Jonathan Urquhart & Josephine —
Fermo Abati & Della Scotti
Alba Sprague & Lura M. Southard
John R. Harding & Sarah Williams
Thomas E. Cagney & Mary T. Collins
Walter Scott & Clara Christinson
8 Frances W. (Sanders) Brodbbeck 93 828 Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease. Chronic Brain Syndrome

23 Peter W. Dumas 83 429 Congestive Heart Failure. Hypertensive Heart Disease. Carcinoma of Colon

24 Annie (Bryant) Raymond 84 711 Acute Congestive heart failure. Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease.

JULY

2 Stanley F. Gilbert 63 108 Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease with cardiac arrhythmia — sudden death — natural causes

Stacia (Adamaitis) Gilbert Ferguson K. Smith 79 2 5 Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease — sudden death — natural causes

Avis M. Benson

16 Roger William Jennings 21 111 19 Fracture of Skull — single motorcycle accident

19 Josephine (Rynkevicz) Balonis 86 0 3 Broncho Pneumonia Hypertension

22 Kurt Ernst Bottcher 61 62 Carcinoma of Colon. Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease. Coronary Occlusion Erica Smolka

22 Rachel (Wheeler) Pope 80 11 1 Carcinoma of Bowel. Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease.

24 Steven J. O'Neill 25 9 1 Fractured skull, Brain Damage

28 Mary (Resmini) Ghelfi 90 9 1 Arteriosclerotic heart disease

29 Enrique Four 28 2 12 Asphyxia, strangulation by hanging, suicide

30 Helen M. (Harden) Fruzzetti 76 9 11 Arteriosclerotic heart disease

AUG.

2 John Thomas Curley 63 8 21 Respiratory failure, Met. rectal carcinoma

5 Aldredo Barufaldi 87 3 4 Coronary thrombosis

10 Robert J. Jesson 61 6 15 Congestive heart failure

12 Eddy Dolor Hitchens 93 4 25 Pneumonitis, arteriosclerotic heart disease.

14 Kenneth E. Bump 64 28 Chronic lung disease with severe acute-bronchopneumonia

16 Ralph Lester Scott 40 2 10 Contusions of spinal cord, uremia

29 Mary (Tighe) Coleman 84 7 27 Congestive heart failure

SEPT.

3 William R. Joseph 50 10 8 Asphyxia — cachexia

5 William F. Joyce 68 — Carbon monoxide poisoning

8 David A. McKinley 59 0 11 Pulmonary congestion with severe edema

11 Florence (Topliff) King 78 8 25 Broncho-pneumonia congestive heart failure

17 Carl E. Grabau 64 3 14 Cirrhosis

23 Joseph John Moruzzi 74 7 9 Myocardial Infarct. with cardiac arrest

OCT.

1 Ralph H. Willard 66 9 24 Heart Disease

2 Mary L. (Amaral) Ferreira 58 4 22 Carcinoma of colon

8 Frank Terra 66 5 19 Metastatic prostate cancer

8 John Fenton 59 0 4 Pulmonary congestion with severe edema

8 Mary L. Walsh 87 6 15 Pneumonia complicating brain stem infarction


20 Reginald Estes 48 10 27 Cardiac Arrest with aspiration vomitus

Walter C. Sanders & Abigail Lamont

Wilfred P. Dumas & Angeline Cote

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Joseph Gilbert & Stella Yesmont

James Smith & Annie Martin

Frank E. Jennings & Grace Hansen

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Francisco Amalar & Mary Silva

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Robert F. Fenton & Alyce Donahue

Michael Walsh & Ellen Sweeney

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Carroll W. Estes & Louise M. Wood
28 Charles C. Macedo 60 6 0 Arteriosclerotic heart disease Manuel Macedo & Mary C. Medeiros

NOV.

6 Scott D. Walker 14 8 12 Cardiac arrhythmia with pulmonary edema resulting from electrocution. David L. Walker & Carol D. Daiker
15 Maude L. Thomas (Jolin) 89 8 3 Cerebral Thrombosis. Arteriosclerosis. Octave Jolin & Hannah Barry
19 Marcella (Grigas) Norkawski 85 11 28 Arteriosclerotic heart disease. Frank Grigas & Mary
19 Steven E. Hagar 21 10 25 Shock, secondary to blood loss, from fracture left arm & hip, internal bleeding, auto collision Roger E. Hagar & Kathleen Sprigg
21 Louis P. Rego 60 9 19 Respiratory Failure. Carcinoma of lung Julio Rego & Virginia Janero
22 Olga (Kondrat) Emerick 84 – 28 Cerebro-vascular accident Karl Kondrat & — —
22 John Jesulaitis 74 5 7 Ventricular Fibrillation congestive heart failure Peter Jesulaitis & Margaret Barisauskas
27 Ruth (Gammons) Bonney 95 7 9 Disseminated pelvic cancer Elijah B. Gammons & Caroline W. Sherman
28 Marion (Laye) Spicka 71 — — Perforated sigmoid colon — — & Della Laye
29 Blanche (Kublicki) Czaikowski 55 — — Bleeding from oesoph. varices. Laener cirrhosis.

DEC.

1 Margaret (Taylor) Sullivan 51 9 11 Undetermined pending further investigation Albert Taylor & Ida May Hodgson
2 Marie (Beals) Yelle 46 11 18 Acute Intracerebral hemorrhage Ardine Beals & Eva Gaulin
7 William G. Sanville 56 7 1 Cachexia, anaplastic carcinoma Eugene Sanville & Alice Jepson
7 Katherine O'Donnell 84 11 3 Metastatic Cancer Patrick O'Donnell & Rose Casey
16 Mary (Luiz) Perry 86 10 11 Cardiorespiratory failure — — Luiz & — —
23 John A. Fernandes 71 2 21 Metastatic pancreatic cancer Joseph Fernandes & Rosa Alves
29 Christopher J. Brady 86 5 11 Lactic Acidosis. Septic shock James J. Brady & Elizabeth Ivory

BRIDGEWATER BIRTHS — 1977

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10 Nicola Lee Semas Stephen L. & Linda C. Palmigiano
10 Amy Lynn Wattmough Douglas & Eleanor A. Flynn
14 Roy Alvin McGinley Roy & Dolores E. Shaffer
15 Ryan Joseph Swartz Arthur D. & Denise A. Bessette
15 Jacqueline Renee Anderson Russell G. & Patricia L. Dragone
19 Anthony Francis Maximillian Colozzi Salvatore & Joanne F. Maloney
21 Michael Joseph Vignali Gilles & Deborah L. Lavoie
21 Joni Marie Calabrese Jeffrey J. & Carole A. Pedro
22 Joseph Peter Cruza, Jr. Joseph P. & Marjorie L. Hallett
25 Peggy Ann Sarty Weston M. & Elizabeth L. Perry
26 Jeremy Bradford Nason Lewis B. & Rosemary J. LaPerle

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7 Joshua Adam Gotreau Wayne E. & Paula J. Rainey
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- Richard C. & Nancy E. Mosher

### Christopher R. & Deborah J. Britton

- Joseph J. & Susan M. Hardy
- Stephen L. & Cheryl A. Raleigh
- Joseph & Deborah A. Kozloski
- James E. & Doreen A. Cody
- Charles F. III & Joyce M. Wilcox
- Barry P. & Francine A. Copeland
- Jose R. & Lucia P. Soares
- James M. & Karen M. Nadeau
- Barnard M. & Helen J. Pollack
- Richard W. & Judith A. Adair
- Gjon N. & Lynne R. Franzoni
- Michael V. & Marion J. Janis
- David E. & Donna M. Braese
- Richard A. & Suzanne F. Murray

### Richard L. & Christine A. Armon

- Philip D. & Gail L. Herrath
- Raymond, Jr. & Linda S. Cote
- Frederick A. & Robert D. Diernbach
- Kenneth R. & Patricia M. Tremblay
- Eduino M. & Maria V. Mendes
- Donald W. & Roberta P. Firing
- Gerard F. & Judith L. Kurtz
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Brian Steven Tuoholski
Dean Michael Tocci
Mark Vincent Macrina
Randall Earle Damon, Jr.
Nicole Lee Stone
Michael John Giovanoni

OCTOBER

Kerri Elizabeth Roderick
Carmen Fernandes
Benjamin Adrian Deeley
Christopher Alan Weir
Christopher Fred Leavitt
Gregory Nicholas Baker
Rhonda Marie Worthington
Lyndsay Lawton French
Michele Marie Gorman
Lisa Marie Langone
Shannon Lee Quinn
Steve Sousa Moura
Marc Anthony Sacco
Derek Steven McLaren
Jessica Lee Wise
Timothy Schumann Cole
Jessica Ann Curley
Stephen Eric Quist
Joseph Wilbur Rosenfield, III

NOVEMBER

Erik Fournier
Sarah Beth Rosenfield
Sarah Elizabeth Medas
Nicholas Damon Fisher
Kevin Michael Curry
Kevin David Horrocks
Katelyn Lee Messaline
Nathaniel Banchiere
Justin Cruz
Michael Cabral
Derek Thomas Hambly
Sean Michael Boyce

DECEMBER

Gregory Brenton Mueller
Lisa Jean Sharland
John O’Hagan Fox
Anthony Jacob Yukna
Kimmerley Ann MacKinnon
Jason John Rouba
Peter Garrett Kaye
Nicole Marie Sprague
Adam Craig Cohn
William D. Chirokas, Jr.
Charles John Tomas
Timothy Stephen Kelly

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Vincent & Geraldine A. Carroll
Randall E. Sr. & Mary A. Barrus
Ronald L. & Janet L. Hunt
Richard B. & Marianne Simonds

Robert J. & Laurel E. Smith
Manuel C. & Filomeno Carvalho
John Francis & Enis H. Ekberg
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Gregory M. & Patricia A. Reale
Roger F. & Linda L. Consalvi
John H. & Patricia E. Griffin
Peter R. & Barbara P. Dolan
John E. & Mariann Cipriano
Stephen C. & Jill Fishman
William D. & Wendy E. Voudren
Stephen F. & Charlene A. Mackiewicz
Joseph P. & Barbara L. Doyle
MARRIAGES RECORDED IN BRIDGEWATER

JANUARY
1 Harrison E. Reed, Jr. of Bridgewater & Catherine Cole of Bridgewater
8 Wesley A. Morris of Bridgewater & Martha L. Savaria of Dudley
9 Theodore J. Mavrelion of Stoughton & Kathryn A. Bryant of Bridgewater
22 Forrest O. Beals, Jr. of Bridgewater & Susanne Nunes of Raynham
22 Joseph J. Walsh of E. Bridgewater & Charlene M. Leighton of W. Bridgewater
23 Joseph P. Dowling of Bridgewater & Evelyn King of Quincy
23 Clinton P. Howard, Jr. of W. Bridgewater & Cynthia R. Charland of Bridgewater

FEBRUARY
12 Thomas G. Fuller of Bridgewater & Carolyn Da:xberger of Bridgewater
13 E. Lloyd Bazinet of Middleboro & Eleanor G. Rosenfield of Bridgewater
14 John E. Cotter, Jr. of Bridgewater & Deborah A. Nolfi of Bridgewater
18 Donald R. Faria of Bridgewater & Serena M. Auglis of Bridgewater
19 David J. Levine of Sherborn & Paula M. Cashner of Bridgewater
19 George C. Guasconi of Bridgewater & Judith E. Barney of Bridgewater
26 Robert Norman Hines of Bridgewater & Eleanor Santos of Bridgewater
26 Paul D. Smith of Bridgewater & Lu-Ann R. Dixon of Bridgewater

MARCH
4 Stephen P. Himmelman of Hanson & Judith E. Enos of Bridgewater
5 Richard J. Picariello of Bridgewater & Constance E. Collins of Weymouth
9 Pedro De Encarnacao of Cape Verde Islands & Shelly A. Tavares of Bridgewater
12 Stephen W. Quinn of Bridgewater & Beth Ann Raleigh of West Bridgewater
13 James M. Baroni of Bridgewater & Deborah A. Pincolini of Bridgewater
13 Arthur M. Barnes, Jr. of Bridgewater & Lucille Bibeau of Bridgewater
19 Robert J. Packer of Whitman & Patricia A. Lowe of Bridgewater

APRIL
1 Michael E. Hennessey of E. Bridgewater & Guida F. Medeiros of Bridgewater
2 Robert E. Burt of Bridgewater & Marjorie A. Lombard of Stoughton
15 Robert G. Francis, Jr. of Bridgewater & Barbara L. White of Mansfield
15 Michael Downing of Raynham & Leslie Jean Casterman of California
16 Glenn L. Bielk of Bridgewater & Clarice Holmquist of Bridgewater
17 Brian D. Lemee of Bridgewater & Janet E. Nelson of Brockton
20 Richard W. Parker of Bridgewater & Anita Harvath of Bridgewater
23 Frederick A. Rudnicki of Bridgewater & Deborah J. Sears of Bridgewater
23 Eric C. Wood of Plymouth & Cynthia Dyke of Bridgewater
30 John J. Loja of Raynham & Kathy A. Maher of Bridgewater
30 Dennis A. Hubble of Bridgewater & Christine E. Hill of Bridgewater

MAY
1 Jeffrey R. Parenteau of Easton & Lorrie M. Bradbury of Bridgewater
1 Edward A. Harkins of Rockland & Karen M. Moore of Bridgewater
1 Frank Cancelliere of So. Easton & Cynthia Rainis of Bridgewater
7 George McCaffrey of Bridgewater & Lorraine A. Savard of Bridgewater
7 Lester A. Doherty of Bridgewater & Judith E. Power of Bridgewater
7 Gregory P. Lee of Bridgewater & Barbara M. Delahantry of Brockton
7 Paul William Scopa of Bridgewater & Ellen B. Wood of Raynham
14 Donald Rand of Bridgewater & Betty Moreshed of Bridgewater
14 Michael J. Bois of Bridgewater & Adeline M. Mccue of Bridgewater
14 James E. McManus of Bridgewater & Janet L. March of Bridgewater
14 Stephan A. Pratt of Bridgewater &

Edward E. & Meredith W. Reed
Wayne P. & Katherine L. Dubee
Kenneth M. & Carlene R. Driscoll
Kenneth L. & Nancy Stone
Robert T. & Susan J. Hobson
Anthony M. & Janice M. Cincotta

H. Lawrence Clark, Jr. of New York & Claudia A. Roque of Bridgewater
Alan R. Dunn of Norton & Priscilla E. Wells of Bridgewater
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27 Michael F. Maguire of Bridgewater & Virginia Spellman of West Roxbury
27 Kevin G. Truelson of Randolph & Ann Marie Gracia of Bridgewater
27 Roy E. Gardner of Bridgewater & Janice C. Mullen of Brockton
28 Mark C. Peterson of Bridgewater & Deborah J. Anderson of W. Bridgewater
28 Peter F. Ross of Bridgewater & Marilyn Marzilli of Bridgewater

SEPTEMBER
3 Samuel F. Isabel of Bridgewater & Donna Jean Berghaus of Bridgewater
4 Robert D. Foley, Jr. of Weymouth & Suzanne M. Rae of Weymouth
9 Alan R. Peterson of Bridgewater & Deborah A. Anderson of W. Bridgewater
10 Harvey M. Greenbaum of Bridgewater & Cecilia A. Leonard of Bridgewater
10 Edward F. Swindelles of Pawtucket, R.I. & Denise R. Rousseau of Bridgewater
11 Wendell W. Weatherby, Jr. of W. Bridgewater & Judith M. Chartier of Bridgewater
16 Johnnie R. Jackson of Bridgewater & Jo-Ann Anderson of West Bridgewater
17 Kevin L. Rae of Bridgewater & Brenda Pereira of East Taunton
17 Stephen R. Sullivan of Quincy & Nancy E. Spencer of Bridgewater
17 John W. Dowd of Bridgewater & Judith A. Imlach of East Bridgewater
17 Charles D. Marotta of Bridgewater & Susan L. Connors of Bridgewater
24 Roy Bays, Sr. of Bridgewater & Joyce M. Wynn of Bridgewater

OCTOBER
1 Raymond V. Cooper of Bridgewater & Doreen Goff of Bridgewater
1 William R. Lemanski of Bryantville & Cheryl Carmichael of Bridgewater
2 George P. Shea of Bridgewater & Christine Puglielli of Malden
6 Leonard M. Dupont of Bridgewater & Yvonne Vonkriegenbergh of Bridgewater
7 James M. Mills of Bridgewater & Diane C. Smart of Whitman
7 Richard Laubinger of Bridgewater & Elizabeth A. Proulx of Bridgewater
7 Antone Almeida of Bridgewater & Joyce Corrigan of Bridgewater
8 Paul Y. Courtney of Weymouth & Judith E. Elias of Bridgewater
8 Dennis Paul Weichel of Bridgewater & Rhonda M. Pritchard of Bridgewater
8 Lawrence C. Berghaus of Bridgewater & Carol A. Mattie of Bridgewater
8 Derrick P. Dupre of Bridgewater & Rosemarie H. Harding of Bridgewater
8 Ralph W. Stone of Brockton & Helen Saint Joan Adams of E. Bridgewater
9 Brian D. Marshall of Marshfield & Patricia A. Cormier of Bridgewater
9 Michael A. Politano of Bridgewater & Laura L. Keely of Randolph
10 John D. Littlefield of Bridgewater & Kathryn J. Swanson of So. Hardwich
14 Anton M. Dahlborg of Bridgewater & Jane E. Beals of Bridgewater
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22 Joseph L. Cormier of Nashua, N.H. & Marjorie White of Bridgewater
22 Robert W. Knochel of Bridgewater & Ruth H. Jennings of Brockton
22 Michael P. Mazzoleni of Bridgewater & Valeri A. Berzinis of Bridgewater
24 Merrill C. Marshall of Bridgewater & Patricia C. Circe of Bridgewater
28 Ralph C. Galante of Bridgewater & Kathleen A. Arbasz of Bridgewater
29 Gary M. Anderholm of Bridgewater & Jeannine D. Bearce of Bridgewater
29 Douglas R. Stubbs of No. Easton & Jill M. Forbes of Bridgewater
29 Michael Bullock of Bridgewater & Charlene Parker of Bridgewater
29 Walter Fenton, Jr. of Bridgewater & Janet E. Guernard of Attleboro

NOVEMBER
5 Michael J. Michaud of Bridgewater & Terese M. McCourt of Bridgewater
5 Denis J. Obshatkin of Raynham & Rachel Louise Levinson of Bridgewater
5 Edward A. Caramanica of Braintree & Dorothy E. Irving of Bridgewater
6 James F. Williams, Jr. of Brockton & Susan J. Lemee of Bridgewater
Phillip H. Sheridan of Bridgewater &
Katherine A. Koutrouba of Bridgewater

Joseph A. Mattie of Bridgewater &
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Julio T. Pimentel of Bridgewater &
Marianne L. Mason of Abington

Cecil A. Bootman of Brockton &
Ann A. Augustine of Brockton

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Charles F. Neville of Bridgewater &
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Robert C. Beck of Fitchburg & Gail I. Watson of Auburndale

December

3 James N. Lewis of Bridgewater &
Patricia A. Baker of Bridgewater

9 James M. Redfern of Bridgewater &
Maureen A. Dennehy of Bridgewater

10 Thomas T. Benson of Bridgewater &
Deirdre Farrell of Hyde Park

18 Lorne W. Benton of Brockton &
Lorraine A. Cornwall of Bridgewater

24 Thomas M. Ford of Bridgewater &
Louise E. Hall of Bridgewater

28 Alfred S. Allsopp Jr. of Bridgewater &
Elizabeth M. Snook of Bridgewater

26 Denis Mark Andrew Root of Bridgewater &
Dorothy Ann (Wood) Harrison of Tenn.

31 Robert A. Barron of Brockton & Carol L. Perriera of
Bridgewater

Groundbreaking 12/16/77 EDA Project $560,000,
reconstruction of High Street (portion) and reconstruction of
South Street culverts. From left to right, D. Crane of OCPC;
D. Canepa, Chairman, Board of Selectmen; H.E. Moore of
Moore Engineering; J. Hickey, Selectman; C. Herbert, Town
Engineer; F. Maher of OCPC; Fire Chief C. Levy and A.
Beninati, Supt. of Streets.
FINANCIAL REPORTS

Town Accountant

1. GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Cash:
- General Funds $1,690,921.02

Revenue Sharing:
- Cash 83,531.84
- P.L. #92-512 246,468.16 $330,000.00

Accounts Receivable:
- Taxes — 1977 Real Estate 80,903.73 $80,903.73
- Farm Property Excise: Levy of 1977 200.25 $200.25

Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise:
- Levy of 1972 259.33
- 1973 4,163.71
- 1974 3,149.81
- 1975 15,975.72
- 1976 29,675.47
- 1977 116,385.95 $169,610.99

Special Assessments:
- Sewer Rates 12,336.44
- Added to 1977 Real Estate 31.88
- Apportioned — Due 1977 67.83
- Committed Interest — Due 1977 35.27 $12,491.42

Special Taxes:
- Taxes in Litigation 14,211.74 $14,211.74
- Tax Sales 43,051.94
- Tax Possessions 16,507.55 $59,559.49

Departmental:
- Highway Department 1,004.62
- School Department 12,380.34 $13,384.96

Water:
- Accounts Receivable 85,906.62
- Added to 1977 483.77 $86,390.39

Water Appropriations 1977-1978 $202,345.67

Aid to Highways:
- Highway Aid 23,479.00

Registry Filing Fees 1.00

Revenue:
- 1977-1978 Appropriations 7,712,899.69
- Net Funded or Fixed Debt 2,310,000.00
- Trust and Special Funds 300,398.24

Deferred Revenue — Sewer Assessments 66,378.48

TOTAL ASSETS $13,073,176.07

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Pay Roll Deductions:
- Group Life & Medical Insurance 17,220.88
- Dues — Firefighters 125.00
- Annuities — Teachers 5,269.77 $22,615.65

Overestimates in 1977:
- County of Plymouth 191.10
- Commonwealth of Massachusetts 4,884.58 $5,075.68

Revenue
- Unexpended Appropriations 34,728.24 $35,460.43

Antirecession:
- Antirecession — Fiscal Assistance 732.19
- Unexpended Appropriation 23,604.77 $32,520.59

Agency:
- Police — Special Detail 46.95
- County Dog Licenses 1,428.55
- Education — Teachers Retirement 363.69
- Council on Aging 312.33
- Growth Policy Committee 200.00
- Library State Aid 8.05
- Recovery Insurance 3,206.25
- Bid Securities 3,350.00
- Planning Board Engineers 5,000.91

Tailings:
- Unclaimed Checks 4,423.03

Trust Fund Income:
- Virginia G. Jones — School 138.74
- Mildred K. Stearns — School 1,449.96
- Mary C. Bryant — Library 171.35
- Mary Parry Farr — Library 209.92
- Abbie F. Gammons — Library 129.34
- Virginia G. Jones — Library 184.59
- Eleanor Reynolds — Library 146.28
- Mildred K. Stearns — Library 192.31
- Pamela K. Wright — Library 51.27
- Flora T. Little — Library 8,401.30
- Flora T. Little — Photo Copies 23,008.33

Sale of Real Estate 95.88

Federal Grants:
- Title I 2,011.77
- Title III 1,568.89 $3,580.66

Revolving Accounts:
- School Lunch Program 23,008.33

Appropriation Balances:
- General Government: Accounting Dept. $3,427.87
- Treasurer — Tax Titles 2,873.50
- Assessors — Revaluation 817.03
- Town Clerk 500.00
- Election and Registration 2,350.00
- Planning Board 28,560.76 $38,529.16

Protection of Persons and Property:
- Police Medical 5,357.46
- Cruisers 15,000.00
- Federal Grant 10,727.35
- Radio 200.00
- Fire Pumper 554.00
- Radios 473.70 $32,312.51

Health and Sanitation:
- Sewers — Purchase Lab. Equipment 100.33
- Plant Alterations 1,891.72
- Infiltration Analysis 1,737.62

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**REVENUE OF 1976-1977**

**Charges Against Revenue:**
- Appropriations 7,606,873.50
- State Taxes & Assessments 206,594.21
- County Taxes & Assessments 86,493.62
- County Assess. 70,415.74
- Unexpended Balances Appropriation 237,128.73
- $ 8,492,945.95

**Balance Reverting to Surplus: $358,844.47**

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Fire 436.00
Sealer 515.10
Building Inspector 4,682.00
Wire Inspector 840.80
Forestry 364.22
Dog Officer 505.00

Health Department 1,038.00
Highway Department 22.00
School Department 9,563.88
Public Library 1,425.12
Playground 1,000.00
Swimming Pool 1,392.80
Civilian Defense 1,060.35
Group Life & Medical Insurance 7,076.00
Workmen’s Compensations 4,472.00
Interest:
Taxes and Assessments 19,102.85
Investments 15,835.79
State Census 3,393.75

$2,753,116.88
$2,872,975.82

RECEIPTS IN EXCESS OF ESTIMATES
$119,858.94
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SURPLUS REVENUE

Surplus — July 1, 1976 $98,187.98
Tax Titles 276,066.43

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WATER REVENUE

Surplus — July 1, 1976 $94,358.88
Uncollected — July 1, 1976 $262,880.94

CHARGES TO CONSUMERS

Less:
Tax Sales $1,599.40
Abatements 1,882.90

$3,482.30
$259,398.64

Telephone Reimbursements $54.76
Interest on Investments 7,824.45
Sale of Junk 10.50
Truck Accident from Insurance 349.53

$8,239.24
$447,685.17

EXPENSES

Operating Expenses $210,802.99
Interest on Debt 48,600.00
Maturing Debt 90,000.00

$349,402.99

UNCOLLECTED — JUNE 30, 1977

$86,390.39

SURPLUS WATER REVENUE — JUNE 30, 1977

$11,891.79
MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Outstanding July 1, 1976 $2,585,000.00

Maturities Paid during Year:
- Academy Building Loan $35,000.00
- Fire Station Loan 10,000.00
- Sewer Loan 60,000.00
- M.G. Williams School Loan 80,000.00
- Water Loan 90,000.00 $275,000.00

Outstanding June 30, 1977 $2,310,000.00

REVENUE SHARING

Balance — July 1, 1976 $27,468.23
Revenue Sharing Funds 274,351.00
Interest Earned 2,582.30
$304,401.53

Payments:
- Police Salaries $219,671.88
- Accounting Machine 1,197.81
$220,869.69

CASH — June 30, 1977 $83,531.84

II. RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

RECEIPTS

GENERAL REVENUE

TAXES:
- 1972 Personal $43.44
- 1973 Personal 21.60
- 1974 Personal 18.96
- 1975 Personal 77.00
- 1976 Personal 443.15
- 1977 Personal 550,361.29
- 1973 Real Estate (Refunds) 459.46 Cr.
- 1975 Real Estate (Refunds) 5,509.90 Cr.
- 1976 Real Estate 12,581.62
- 1977 Real Estate 4,517,023.67

Tax Title Redemptions 268,767.18 $5,343,368.55

FROM THE STATE:
- Local Aid — Lottery $44,861.07
- Land Used for Public Purposes 308,639.98
- Loss on Taxes — Veterans & Widows 7,523.12
- Schools — Chapter 70 1,299,876.23
  - Special Education 114,920.49
  - Construction 41,100.00
  - Transportation 101,832.00
  - Vocational Education 339.00
  - Special Highway Fund 137,648.97
- Bilingual 8,584.07 $2,065,324.93

LICENSES AND PERMITS:
- Animals $1.00
- Antiques 20.00
- Auctioneers 17.00
- Bazaars & Raffles 150.00
- Common Victualers 185.00
- Construction — Health 7,245.00
- Disposal Permits 910.00
- Entertainment 855.15
- Firearms Revolver Permit 505.00
- Food Handlers 5.00
- Gas 236.00

SEWER ASSESSMENTS

Sewer Charges $23,654.46
Sewer Liens Added to Taxes — 1977 5,151.59
Apportioned due — 1976 — 1977 27.44
Committed Interest Due — 1976 — 1977 6.58
Apportioned — Paid in Advance 3,915.63
TOTAL SEWER ASSESSMENTS $43,665.51

FINES AND FORFEITS:
- Court Fines $2,330.70

GRANTS AND GIFTS:
- Federal Grants:
  - Schools — Title I 50,080.00
  - III 13,910.00
- Revenue Sharing P. L. #92-512 274,351.00
- Anti-Recession Assistance 60,481.00 $401,080.70

TOTAL GENERAL REVENUE $7,847,278.08

PRIVILEGES

Levy of 1956 $15.43
Levy of 1962 13.20
Levy of 1968 5.50
Levy of 1969 20.08
Levy of 1970 33.55
Levy of 1971 179.67
Levy of 1972 920.25
Levy of 1973 647.78
Levy of 1974 1,620.18
Levy of 1975 16,988.33
Levy of 1976 267,988.09
Levy of 1977 238,262.42 $526,694.48

EXCISE

Farm Property:
- Levy of 1976 $228.75
- Levy of 1977 662.63 $891.38

TOTAL PRIVILEGES $526,694.48

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

GLADSTONE, MICHIGAN
### DEPARTMENTAL

**Selectmen:**
- Liquor Identification Cards: $74.00
- Postage: 24.09
- Photo Copies: 5.00
  - Total: $103.09

**Collector:**
- Charges: $10,247.53
- Land Court Fees: 587.00
  - Total: $10,834.53

**Town Clerk:**
- Fees Paid to Treasurer: $2,983.80

**Zoning Appeals Board:**
- Postage — Reimbursement: $360.76

**Engineer:**
- Fees: $50.00

**Planning Board:**
- Fees: $428.96

**Conservation Commission:**
- Fees: $75.00

**Academy:**
- Telephone Commission: 151.11

**Law Department:**
- Reimbursement — Arbitration: $2,350.00
- State Census: 3,393.75
  - Total General Government: $20,731.00

### PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:

**Police:**
- Identification Cards: $342.00
- Accident Reports: 1,813.00
- No Trespass Signs: 42.00
- Reimbursement (Radar & Breathalyzer): 2,000.00
- Reimbursement — Previous Year’s Bill: 35.00
- Restitution: 65.00
- Bicycle Registration: 64.00
  - Total: $4,361.00

**Fire:**
- Restitution: 122.72

**Sealer:**
- Fees: $483.90

**Building Inspector:**
- Fees: $8,400.00

**Wire Inspector:**
- Fees: $1,131.00

**Forestry:**
- Accident Recovery: 364.22

**Dog Officer:**
- Fines: $505.00
  - Total Protection: $15,367.84

### HEALTH DEPARTMENT:

**Rabies Clinic:**
- Postage Reimbursed: 72.52
  - Total Health: $897.52

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:**
- Chapter 90 Construction: $87,137.00
  - Miscellaneous: 47.00
  - Total Highways: $87,184.00

### VETERANS SERVICES:
- Reimbursements: $37,914.16

### SCHOOL DEPARTMENT:

- Tuition & Transportation: $14,658.49
  - Use of School: 402.88
  - Library: 7.00
  - Sale of Materials: 25.00
  - Reimbursements — Previous Year: 300.00
  - Restitution: 393.14
  - Petty Cash: 12.00
  - Rebate of Courses: 123.60
  - Total Schools: $15,922.11

### SCHOOL LUNCHES:
- Sale of Lunches: $88,370.92
- Subsidy: 132,809.08
- Telephone: 14.14
  - Total School Lunches: $221,194.14

### PUBLIC LIBRARY:

- Lost Books: 147.25
- Fines & Plates: 1,398.79
- Custodial: 86.36
- Photo Copies: 1,381.36
  - Total Library: $3,013.76

### RECREATION:
- Swimming Pool: $1,285.05

### INSURANCE:
- Group Life & Medical: 878.16
- Workmen’s Compensation: 6,857.31
  - Total Insurance: 7,735.47

### CIVILIAN DEFENSE:
- Reimbursement from State: $1,068.63
  - Total Departmental: $412,313.68

### PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES

**WATER DEPARTMENT:**
- Water Rates: $219,029.49
- Liens Added to 1976 Taxes: 123.00
- Liens Added to 1977 Taxes: 39,544.17
- Telephone Refunds: 54.76
- Interest on Investment: 7,824.45
- Sale of Junk: 10.50
- Truck Accident Insurance Collected: 349.53
  - Total Water: $266,935.90

### PUBLIC INTEREST
- Taxes and Redemptions: $33,931.04

### TRUST FUNDS:
- School Funds: 2,224.10
- Library Funds: 2,826.74
- Little Library: 3,589.35
- Stabilization: 2,653.69
- Investments: 28,118.37
- Revenue Sharing Funds: 2,582.30
- Anti-Recession Funds: 732.19
  - Total Interest: $42,726.74

### TOTAL INTEREST:
- Total: $76,657.78
AGENCY:
County Dog Taxes $2,950.90
Sale of Dogs 603.00
Recording Titles and Lines 548.50
Registry — Filing Fees 349.00
Recovery — Insurance 4,063.74
Sale of Real Estate 53.00
Bicentennial Committee 4,779.71
Police — Special Detail 12,063.36
Fire — Special Detail 93.74
Growth Policy Committee 200.00
Bid Securities 7,273.00
Planning Board — Engineers Fees 42,302.25
TOTAL AGENCY $75,280.20

RESERVE FOR APPROPRIATIONS:
State Aid to Libraries $4,435.88
State Grant to Library 1,800.00
TOTAL RESERVE FOR APPROPRIATIONS $6,235.88

TRUST:
Cemetery Funds Withdrawn $794.53
School Funds Withdrawn 690.00
TOTAL TRUST $1,484.53

TAILINGS:
Unclaimed Checks $831.76
Unidentified Cash .20
TOTAL TAILINGS $831.96

REQUESTS:
Library Funds $2,000.00

INVESTMENTS:
Little Fund $57,711.48
Stabilization Funds 43,384.63
General Funds 5,750,000.00
Revenue Sharing 60,000.00
TOTAL INVESTMENTS $5,911,096.11

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS:
Anticipation of Revenue $500,000.00
TOTAL MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS $500,000.00

RESERVED
Federal Withholding Taxes $561,930.61
State Withholding Taxes 187,443.03
Contributory Retirement 83,845.93
Teachers Retirement 100,980.70
Group Life & Medical Insurance 117,174.52
Dues — A.F.L. & C.I.O. 2,244.50
Teachers 10,062.46
Firefighters 1,126.00
Annuities — Teachers 36,756.54
Accident Insurance 3,114.44
TOTAL RESERVED $1,104,678.73

REFUNDS
Taxes $27,278.72
Tax Sales 5.00
Land Court 2,285.00
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise 8,808.28

Water Accounts Receivable 289.68
Departmental Appropriations 4,832.08
County Tax Overpaid 400.00
TOTAL REFUNDS $43,898.76
TOTAL NON-REVENUE $7,645,505.97

RECAPITULATION OF RECEIPTS
General Revenue $7,847,278.08
Commercial Revenue:
Privileges $526,694.48
Excise 891.38
Sewer Assessments 43,665.51
Departmental 412,313.68
Water Department 266,935.90
Interest 76,657.78
TOTAL COMMERCIAL REVENUE $1,327,158.73
Total Revenue 9,174,436.81
Total Non-Revenue 7,645,505.97
Cash on Hand — July 1, 1976 $16,819,942.98
GRAND TOTAL $17,833,240.25

EXPENSES:
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:
Selectmen:
Salaries of Selectmen $3,675.00
Salaries of Clerks 11,831.61
Expenses 3,473.41
TOTAL SELECTMEN $19,042.52

Advertising Revenue Sharing Reports 244.08

Accounting Department:
Salaries 50,753.44
Expenses 1,216.88
Computer 2,778.09
TOTAL ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT $54,748.41

Treasurer:
Salary of Treasurer 6,230.00
Salary of Assistant Treasurer 275.00
Clerical 7,776.25
Expenses 2,464.74
Tax Title Foreclosures 2,626.50
TOTAL TREASURER $19,372.49

Collector:
Salary of Collector $9,570.00
Salary of Assistant Collector 275.00
Clerical 15,431.75
Expenses 7,417.63
Insulated File 531.25
TOTAL COLLECTOR $33,225.63

Assessors:
Salaries of Assessors $5,355.00
Clerical 10,411.90
Expenses 3,473.25
Preparation of Maps 2,628.00
Field Men — Revaluation 1,986.50
TOTAL ASSESSORS $23,854.65

Law Department:
Salary of Town Counsel $4,725.00
Expenses 6,332.90
TOTAL LAW DEPARTMENT $11,057.90

Town Clerk:
Salary $9,700.00
Clerical 5,730.80
Expenses 1,419.65
Binding Old Records 70.00
TOTAL TOWN CLERK $16,920.45
Election and Registration:

Salaries 10,139.64
Street Listing 3,601.44
Expenses 3,324.90 $17,065.98

Electric Machine Account $ 331.00

Town Hall:

Salaries $9,887.50
Storage Room 594.79
Fuel and Lights 4,034.48
Expenses 1,596.84 $16,113.61

Academy:

Salaries $9,887.50
Fuel and Lights 8,636.72
Expenses 1,754.29 $20,278.51

Planning Board:

Clerical $ 879.48
Zoning By-Laws 325.00
Printing Sub-Control Books 54.24
Advertising 198.88
Expenses 1,091.89 $ 2,549.49

Appeals Board:

Clerical $ 199.44
Expenses 666.34 $ 865.78

Advisory Committee:

Expenses $ 286.38

Industrial & Development Commission:

Clerical $ 28.80
Expenses 1,543.69 $1,572.49

Wage & Personnel Board:

Clerical $550.00
Expenses 569.00 $1,119.00

Conservation Commission $ 422.62
Copy Machines and Paper $ 721.00
Public Works Study Committee 43.00

TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT $272,436.01

PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY:

Police Department:

Salaries $397,716.30
Court Time 9,667.96
Special Detail 12,401.40
Maps 54.45
Radios 61.10
Traffic Supervisors 22,325.96
Traffic Supervisors — Uniforms 420.52
Firing Range 82.13
Riot Equipment 318.65
Equipment — Federal Grant 6,272.65
Target Practice 1,242.88
Police School 1,897.80
Record System — Brockton Court 550.00
Medical 1,404.16
Cell Block Repairs 144.60
Gas and Oil 12,196.43 Booster:

Electricity 114.94
Building 652.71
Other Expenses 25,746.20 $493,270.84

Fire Department:

Salaries $321,939.53
Special Detail 93.74
Fuel and Lights 5,014.83
Repairs to Pumps 400.00
Radios 1,526.30
Maintenance — Ambulance 6,879.20
Expenses 18,279.28 $354,132.88

First Responders Course — Police and Fire $1,263.73

Sealer of Weights and Measures:

Salary $1,627.50
Expenses 242.81 $ 1,870.31

Building Inspector:

Salary $13,775.00
Expenses 1,731.81 $15,506.81

Plumbing Inspector:

Salary $ 2,870.50

Wire Inspector:

Salary $1,890.00
Expenses 237.90 $ 2,127.90

Gas Inspector:

Salary $840.00
Expenses 250.00 $ 1,090.00

Insect Pest Control:

Salaries $12,649.63
Aerial & Ground Control 9,954.75
Expenses 3,325.70 $25,930.08

Dutch Elm Diseases:

Salaries $12,824.58
Expenses 2,234.43 $15,059.01

Improvement of Shade Trees:

Tree Warden $840.00
Expenses 732.50 $ 1,572.50

Forest Fires:

Salaries $ 2,918.73

Dog Officer:

Salary $1,200.00
Expenses 4,072.00 $ 5,272.00

TOTAL PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY $922,885.29

HEALTH AND SANITATION:

Health:

Salaries of Members $ 1,365.00
Edward Cruz — Previous Yr’s Salary 2,460.00
Agent 12,266.84
Physicians Fees 1,000.00
Clerical 6,894.25
Cassettes & Tapes 54.73
Inspectors 1,155.00
Laboratory Fees 411.50
Pickup & Disposal — Dead Animals 600.00
Curbside Rubbish Collection 115,000.00
Cap and close Dump 3,974.00
Rabies Clinic 465.45
Mosquito Control 1,180.00
Enforcement — Sanitary Code 37.29
Expenses 2,082.73 $148,946.79
### Public Health Nurse:
- **Salary**: $5,418.36
- **Expenses**: $75.00

### Sewer Maintenance:
- **Salaries**: $22,631.87
- **Electric Power**: 4,780.17
- **Heating Fuel**: 573.69
- **Expenses**: 4,890.87

**TOTAL HEALTH AND SANITATION**: $187,316.75

### HIGHWAYS:

**Highway Dept.**:
- **Salaries**: $173,907.19
- **Sprinkling — Type I**: 40,000.00
- **Drainage — Pipe & Fittings**: 11,266.76
- **Loader Repairs**: 644.51
- **Traffic Lights & Electricity**: 1,702.24
- **Rebuild Sander**: 2,290.66
- **Snow & Ice — Truck Hire**: 31,693.00
- **Salt, Gravel, Etc.**: 23,202.59
- **Expenses**: 42,787.66

**Road Machinery**:
- **Salaries**: $2,000.00
- **Expenses**: 35,369.76

**Municipal Garage**:
- **Maintenance**: $726.30
- **Fuel and Lights**: 3,924.45
- **Roof Repairs**: 1,390.00
- **Expenses**: 37,369.76

**Street Lighting**:
- **Expenses**: 6,040.75

**TOTAL HIGHWAYS**
- **Salaries**: $9,270.86
- **Veterans Relief**: 49,780.18
- **Veterans Relief — Previous Yrs.**: 474.80

**TOTAL VETERANS SERVICES**
- **Salaries**: $9,270.86
- **Veterans Relief**: 49,780.18

**SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**:
- **Personal Services**: $2,349,948.43
- **Outside Organizations**: 498.05
- **Expenses**: 432,405.12
- **Repairs — Middle School Roof**: 5,732.05
- **Rewiring — Middle School Roof**: 1,951.00
- **Transportation**: 145,929.80
- **Burnell School Tuition**: 123,025.62
- **Vocational Tuition**: 2,613.25
- **Vocational Transportation**: 393.60
- **Out of State Travel**: 2,251.73
- **Adult Civic Education**: 345.00
- **Summer Recreation**: 9,488.49

**Chapter 766 Funds**: $16,871.12

**School Lunch**
- **Federal Grants**:
  - **Title I**: $47,996.23
  - **Title II**: 1,424.02
  - **Title III**: 12,341.11
  - **Title VI**: 610.88
  - **Scholarships**:
    - **Auburnville Fund**: $50.00
    - **Helen Hunt**: 250.00
  - **TOTAL SCHOLARSHIPS**: $62,372.24

**PUBLIC LIBRARY**:
- **Salaries**: $81,518.48
- **Fuel and Lights**: 10,149.38
- **Travel Estates — In-State**: 357.60
- **Expenses**: 38,891.82

**TOTAL PUBLIC LIBRARY**
- **Salaries**: $399,199.86
- **Vetran's Relief**: 44,800.00

**RECREATION**:
- **Athletic Field & Playground**:
  - **Salaries**: $12,734.20
  - **Electricity**: 201.10
  - **Expenses**: 3,602.87

**TOTAL RECREATION**
- **Salaries**: $227,051.25

**UNCLASSIFIED**:
- **C.E.T.A. Projects**: $5,206.45
- **Miscellaneous Printing**: 4,826.07
- **Veterans Council**: 1,085.02
- **Veterans of Foreign Wars Rent**: 1,200.00
- **Stocking Ponds & Liberating Game**: 222.00
- **Christmas Lighting**: 483.10
- **Home Care**: 1,500.00

**Council on Aging**:
- **Expenses**: 3,511.62
- **Drop-In Center**: 611.84
- **Recreation**: 1,183.16
- **State Grant**: 687.67
- **Transportation**: 1,739.30
- **Steam Tables**: 3,610.00
- **Puerto Program**: $2,440.00

**TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED**
- **Salaries**: 125.00
- **Lorin Keith**: 60.00
- **Merritt G. Perkins**: 330.00
- **Mildred K. Stearns**: $1,415.00

**Bridgewater-Raynham Regional School Assessment**: 1,600,852.47

**Bristol-Plymouth Vocational Assessment**: 209,918.99

**TOTAL SCHOOLS**: $5,189,120.33
Multi-Health Center 6,400.00
Retarded Citizen’s Program 6,339.00
Plymouth County Extension 100.00
Visiting Nurse 3,522.00
Bicentennial — Revolving Account 1,433.39
Bicentennial Comm. — Appropriation 3,940.24
Insurance:
  Group Life & Medical 108,383.82
  Workmen’s Compensation 39,016.00
  Blanket Insurance 18,136.00
  Boiler Insurance 702.00
Court Execution 3,500.00
Youth Study Committee 55.41
Contributory Retirement 150,822.00
Non-Contributory 6,081.80
Veterans Retirement 6,540.71
Abandoned Cemeteries $ 400.00
Civilian Defense:
  Salary $ 1,500.00
  Expenses 2,760.82
  TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED $387,939.42

WATER DEPARTMENT:
Salaries of Commissioners $ 2,225.00
Salaries of Employees 92,240.93
Expenses 26,944.06
— 1975 Fiscal
  Meters & Fittings 8,247.06
  Electric Power 28,600.81
  Hydrants 2,419.38
  Fuel Oil 519.45
  Maintenance — Electrical 100.00
  Pipe Thawing 493.78
  TOTAL WATER $161,790.47

INTEREST:
Temporary Loans $ 2,841.80
Academy Renovations 7,537.50
Fire Station Loan 2,475.00
Sewer Loan 24,277.50
School Loan 42,525.00
Water Loan 48,600.00
  TOTAL INTEREST $128,256.80

MATURING DEBT:
Anticipation of Revenue $500,000.00
Fire Station Loan 10,000.00
Academy Loan 35,000.00
Sewer Loan 60,000.00
School Loan 80,000.00
Water Loan 90,000.00
  INTEREST AND DEBT $775,000.00
  $903,256.80

STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSMENT:
State:
  Audit $ 317.81
  Recreation 41,311.23
  Air Pollution 778.43
  Mosquito Control 11,948.15
  Old Colony Planning 2,722.60
  Excise Tax Bills 1,768.80
  Group Insurance (Teachers) $9,449.97
  Water Pollution 46,240.50
  TOTAL $114,537.49

County:
  Tax $189,401.71
  Hospital 12,707.92
  TOTAL STATE & COUNTY ASSESSMENTS $316,647.12

TOTAL EXPENSES $9,018,521.98

OUTLAYS FROM REVENUE:
Police Cruisers $16,285.60
Fire Ambulance 29,518.50
Communications — Ambulance 4,000.00
Equipment — Ambulance 7,827.10
  TOTAL $ 57,631.20

Sewer:
  Sewer Plant Alterations $ 2,566.42
  Construction — Plant 51,404.36
  TOTAL $ 53,970.78

Highway:
  Chapter 90 Construction $78,022.70
  Sidewalk Construction 1,500.00
  Laurel Drive 2,660.41
  High Street Construction 22,874.32
  School Street Construction 1,640.42
  Chapter 825 Projects 2,511.11
  Auburn Street Bridge 1,971.82
  Burrill Ave. Drain 4,474.80
  Compressor 4,155.90
  New Sander Box 4,924.00
  TOTAL OUTLAYS $124,735.48

NON-REVENUE:
AGENCY:
  County Dog Tax $ 3,429.85
  Recording Fees 538.50
  Registry Filing Fees 345.00
  Planning Board — Engineering 24,979.90
  Bid Securities 3,923.00
  Insurance Recoveries:
    Highway $ 645.00
    School 963.74
  TOTAL OUTLAYS $521,491.97

DEDUCTIONS FROM PAY ROLLS:
  Contributory Retirement $ 83,845.93
  Teachers Retirement 100,980.70
  Group Life & Medical 111,559.94
  Federal Withholding 561,930.61
  State Withholding 187,443.03
  Dues A.F.L. & C.I.O. 2,244.50
  Dues — Teachers 10,062.46
  Dues — Firefighters 1,091.00
  Annuities — Teachers 33,726.94
  Accident Insurance 3,722.40
  TOTAL DEDUCTIONS $1,096,607.51

TRUST FUNDS:
  Income — Cemetery Funds $ 794.53

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### III. SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS

- **Selectmen—Salaries**: $3,675.00
- **Selectmen—Clerical**: $11,831.61
- **Selectmen—Expenses**: $3,473.41
- **Selectmen—Typewriter Repairs**: $62.50
- **Advertising—Revenue Sharing**: $244.08
- **Accounting—Salaries**: $72,773.44
- **Accounting—Expenses**: $1,216.88
- **Treasurer—Salary**: $6,230.00
- **Treasurer—Clerical**: $7,776.25
- **Treasurer—Expenses**: $2,464.74
- **Treasurer—Tax Title Foreclosures**: $2,626.50
- **Treasurer—Out of State Travel**: $150.00
- **Collector—Salary**: $9,570.00
- **Collector—Assistant**: $275.00
- **Collector—Clerical**: $15,431.75
- **Collector—Expenses**: $7,417.63
- **Collector—Insulated File**: $531.25
- **Assessors—Salaries**: $5,355.00
- **Assessors—Clerical**: $10,411.90
- **Assessors—Expenses**: $3,473.25
- **Assessors—Revaluation**: $9,887.50
- **Assessor—Salaries**: $2,000.00
- **Assessor—Expenses**: $1,986.50
- **Assessor—Fire Box**: $700.00
- **Law—Town Counsel**: $4,725.00
- **Law—Expenses**: $6,332.90
- **Clerk—Salary**: $9,700.00
- **Clerk—Clerical**: $5,730.80
- **Clerk—Specials**: $70.00
- **Election & Registration—Salaries**: $10,139.64
- **Election & Registration—Expenses**: $3,324.90
- **Election & Registration—Street Listing**: $3,601.44
- **Electric Machines**: $331.00
- **Town Hall—Salaries**: $9,887.50
- **Town Hall—Expenses**: $1,574.29
- **Town Hall Storage Room**: $94.79
- **Academy—Salaries**: $9,887.50
- **Academy—Expenses**: $1,754.29
- **Academy—Fuel and Lights**: $8,636.72
- **Academy—Fire Box**: $700.00

**Total Non-Revenue**: $6,518,773.44
**Total Payments**: $16,068,787.39
**Cash on Hand — June 30, 1977**: $1,774,542.86
**Grand Total**: $17,833,240.25
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| Sarah L. Bates                | Bridgewater Savings Bank            | 500.00                 | 21.96         | 21.96                  | 500.00      |
| Mary C. Bryant                | Bridgewater Savings Bank            | 2,000.00               | 88.05         | 88.05                  | 2,000.00    |
| Mary A. Dunbar                | Bridgewater Savings Bank            | 500.00                 | 21.96         | 21.96                  | 500.00      |
| Mary Parry Farr               | Bridgewater Co-op Bank              | 1,000.00               | 55.00         | 55.00                  | 1,000.00    |
| Abbie F. Gammons              | Bridgewater Savings Bank            | 500.00                 | 21.96         | 21.96                  | 500.00      |
| Samuel P. Gates               | Bristol County Savings Bank         | 3,450.00               | 202.56        | 202.56                 | 3,450.00    |
| Harriet M. Gilbert            | First National Bank Stock           | 3,069.61               | 533.92        |                        | 3,069.61    |
| Harriet M. Gilbert            | Bridgewater Credit Union            | 694.48                 | 51.68         | 1,067.84               | 212.24      | 212.24      |
| Harriet M. Gilbert            | Bridgewater Savings Bank            | 1,944.50               | 85.62         | 85.62                  | 1,944.50    |
| Harriet M. Gilbert            | Bridgewater Savings Bank            | 562.50                 | 24.75         | 24.75                  | 562.50      |
| Sarah A. Goodrich             | Bridgewater Savings Bank            | 1,000.00               | 44.01         | 44.01                  | 1,000.00    |
| Virginia G. Jones             | East Bridgewater Savings Bank       | 1,000.00               | 58.68         | 58.68                  | 1,000.00    |
| Lorin Keith                   | Bridgewater Savings Bank            | 1,000.00               | 44.01         | 44.01                  | 1,000.00    |
| Lewis G. Lowe                 | Bridgewater Savings Bank            | 1,000.00               | 44.01         | 44.01                  | 1,000.00    |
| Ellen Markham                 | Abington Savings Bank               | 1,000.00               | 58.40         | 58.40                  | 1,000.00    |
| Francis A. Parker             | Bridgewater Savings Bank            | 1,000.00               | 44.01         | 44.01                  | 1,000.00    |
| Eleanor Reynolds              | North Easton Savings Bank           | 1,000.00               | 57.88         | 57.88                  | 1,000.00    |
| Mildred K. Stearns            | Bridgewater Savings Bank            | 3,000.00               | 132.12        | 132.12                 | 3,000.00    |
| Anna C. Thompson              | East Bridgewater Savings Bank       | 1,000.00               | 58.68         | 58.68                  | 1,000.00    |
| Mary H. Wilbar                | Bridgewater Savings Bank            | 500.00                 | 21.96         | 21.96                  | 500.00      |
| Pamelia K. Wright             | Bridgewater Savings Bank            | 300.00                 | 18.06         |                        | 318.06      |
| Theodore F. Wright            | Bridgewater Savings Bank            | 162.50                 | 9.77          |                        | 172.27      |
| Theodore F. Wright            | East Bridgewater Savings Bank       | 2,000.00               | 117.40        | 117.40                 | 2,000.00    |
| **TOTALS**                    |                                     | 29,989.11              | 694.48        | 1,838.41               | 220.74      | 30,229.18   |

| **FLORA T. LITTLE LIBRARY FUND** | Mass. Investor | Harbor National Bank | $3,710.48 | $57,711.48 | $61,421.96 | $3,589.35 | $126.66 | $64,884.65 | $3,710.48 |
| **TOTALS**                      |               |                      | $61,421.96 | $3,589.35 | $126.66 | $64,884.65 | $3,710.48 | $57,711.48 | $61,421.96 | $3,589.35 | $126.66 | $64,884.65 |
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NAME OF FUND | HOW INVESTED | Invested Income 7/1/76 | Income Earned | Income Withdrawn | Invested Income 6/30/77 | Total Amount
---|---|---|---|---|---|---
Vernon Street Cemetery | Bridgewater Savings Bank | 826.30 | 190.42 | 60.99 | 251.41 | 1,077.71

**TOTALS**

**BUILDINGS INSURANCE**

- Bridgewater Savings Bank
- Abington Savings Bank

**TOTALS**

**LIABILITY INSURANCE**

- East Bridgewater Savings Bank
- Whitman Savings Bank
- Abington Savings Bank
- Abington Savings Bank

**TOTALS**

**PIANO FUND**

- Town Hall Piano | Bridgewater Savings Bank | 2,129.13 | 127.77 | 2,256.90

**STABILIZATION FUND**

- Bridgewater Credit Union
- Bridgewater Co-operative Bank
- First National Bank of Boston

**TOTALS**

$114,375.80 | $6,821.12 | $121,196.92

Respectfully,

A. EVELYN NOURSE
Town Accountant

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**Assessor’s Report**

The Assessors of the Town of Bridgewater thank property owners of Bridgewater for being so helpful and understanding on our first year of revaluation to full and fair cash value of Market Value of all properties.

We can understand how some property owners felt when they received their tax bill for it works out that one third would pay more, one third would pay about the same, and one third would pay less. We have tried to be fair with everybody, but with 5,444 parcels it is expected that we would have some inequities which we will try to correct. We have received around 250 abatements asking us to re-examine their assessments, which we are in the process of doing and expect to be finished by the end of January.

After revaluation, a few of the elderly, (seventy years old and over) and widows did not receive their abatements because they could not qualify under the requirements of the state law. The Assessors contacted our Senator and Representative and they assured us that several laws are now before both Houses and changes will be made to help those that were hurt on their abatements by revaluation, which we were mandated to do by the courts and the state.

The town now has a full time Assessor, who, with the help of the other two Assessors, keep the assessments up to date. We have a great deal of work this fiscal year of 1978-1979 to keep the assessment cards up to date. We have 150 new homes that have to be gone into and listed; 64 changes for additions and alterations that must be looked at; 15 new garages; 34 new swimming pools; and 4 commercial buildings that all have to be assessed. We are now working with the computer department of Bristol-Plymouth Regional Technical School. Therefore, if the above is kept up, it will be easy for us after 3 or 4 years to update our valuations, if need be, and it would save the town a great deal of money.

It was a trying year for the Assessors, the two clerks and the Computer Department, in setting up a new system. The Assessors thank their Chief Assessor’s Clerk, Mrs. Rose Bevis, and Clerk, Mrs. Elizabeth Turman, for the long hours and hard work they gave the town this past year. We also thank our past Town Accountant, Mrs. A. Evelyn Nourse, and our present Town Accountant, Mr. George A. Belcher, and his secretary, Mrs. Lily A. Gutauskas; the Building Inspector, Mr. Walter Zaverucha; and Mrs. Irma Sankunas in the Treasurer’s office who helped us this past year, because without their help we could not have finished

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our work by October 4th.

As stated in former Town Reports, the Assessors still need more office space in order to better serve you, the taxpayers, and run a more efficient office. This year we have 5,099 Real Estate bills; 345 Personal Property bills; issued 111 Abatements to the elderly; 143 abatements to Veterans; 9 under Clause 18; 10 under Clause 17; and 7 to the blind. We have approximately 500 transfers of property and about 10,000 Auto Excise Taxes, and a great deal of work keeping our maps up to date. Even though the office was enlarged by 72 square feet, we need twice the space that we presently have in order to take care of the above work and the thousands of people that come into our office each year.

Respectfully submitted,
Henry L. Cormier
Anthony P. Anacki
John L. Revil, Jr.

MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAILER EXCISE

State Rate of Taxation 66.00
Number of Vehicles Registered in 1977 (received as of 12/31/77) 11,347
Value of Vehicles Registered $9,826,150.00
Amount of Commitments 571,817.24
Number of Vehicles Registered in 1976 1,500
Value of Vehicles Registered $1,924,550.00
Amount of Commitments 46,774.24
Number of Vehicles Registered in 1975 (received as of Jan-Dec 1977) 7
Value of Vehicles Registered 4,000.00
Amount of Commitment 245.31

PROPERTY EXEMPT FROM TAXATION

Churches, Cemeteries and other Organizations $2,392,539.00
State Farm 10,189,655.00
State College 16,582,250.00
Other State Owned Property 244,225.00
Soldiers, Sailors, Wives, Widows, and Elderly Persons (Clauses 17, 18, 22, 37 & 41) 1,761,681.00
Bridgewater Housing Authority 1,796,000.00

Number of Parcels Assessed 5099
Value of Assessed Real Estate:
- Buildings $101,555,190.00
- Land 26,050,701.00
Total Value of Real Estate $127,605,891.00
Value of Assessed Personal Estate:
- Stock in Trade 87,959.00
- Machinery 68,046.00
- Live Stock 41,181.00
- All other tangible Personal Property 12,353,450
Total Value of Assessed Estate $12,550,726.00

Total Value of Assessed Real Estate January 1, 1977 - Revaluation $140,156,617.00
Total Value of Assessed Real Estate January 1, 1976 62,921,032.00
Total Increase in Valuation $7,235,585.00

TAX RATE SUMMARY

Gross Amount to be Raised $9,384,293.31
Estimated Receipts and Available Funds 3,357,558.78

COMPUTATION OF SCHOOL RATE

Gross Amounts to be Raised $9,384,293.31
Overlays 253,394.57
Net Amount to be raised $9,130,898.74
School Percentage Total School Appropriations $5,619,021.06
Net Amount to be raised $9,130,898.74 61.539%
Computation of Rates:
School Tax Rate
Assessment $4,375,800.91
Valuation $140,156,617.00
General Tax Rate = Total Tax Rate $43.00 less School Tax Rate $31.22 = $11.78

ASSETS OF THE TOWN

Town Hall and Equipment $249,425.00
Forestry 9,000.00
Fire Department and Equipment 380,000.00
Academy Building 507,800.00
Police Department and Equipment 39,809.00
Building Inspector & Engineer 6,540.00
Health Department 4,633.60
Water Department including Mains 29,520,000.00
New Water Tower 480,000.00
Sewer Department 2,000,000.00
Highway Department and Equipment 140,200.00
Bridgewater Public Library 900,000.00
Memorial Building (old Library) 150,000.00
School Department 19,338.50
Schools Dr. Albert F. Hunt School, School St. 714,000.00
M.G. Williams Middle, South St. 5,900,000.00
Mcelwain, Main St. 529,000.00
Flagg, Summer St. 25,000.00
Pratt, Orange St. 40,000.00
Maintenance Building - rear Middle School 29,800.00
Locker Building - South St. 27,500.00
Play Ground & Parks 12,000.00
Treasurer’s Report

A summary of the financial transactions of the Town Treasurer for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1977 is given below. Detailed statements, outstanding indebtedness and investment funds are contained in the report of the Town Accountant.

Cash on hand and on deposit

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Balance June 30, 1977: $17,833,240.25

MONTHLY ANALYSIS

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MONTHLY ANALYSIS

During the past year a total of $270,000.00 was paid out to reduce the bonded debt. The fixed debt outstanding now amounts to $2,255,000.00. A summary of these accounts are contained in detail in the Accountant’s report.

With the continuing growth of the Town the fixed debt will rise sharply due to the requirements of its citizens in the future. This is why your Treasurer is recommending an annual appropriation to the Stabilization Fund. The impact on the tax rate would be minute and the fund would be growing due to the accrued interest. The Town would be able to benefit two fold, first by earning interest on the investment and secondly by reducing the amount to borrow for capital projects and indirectly the cost of interest on such loan.

The status of this fund as of December 31, 1977 was $126,997.04. The original amount appropriated was $80,000.00, therefore the appreciation was approximately 58% with life of said investments averaging ten years.

Collector’s Report

Attached is the Collector’s report for the Fiscal year 1977.

This is the first year in which the real estate tax bills were computerized. The transition was accomplished smoothly with surprisingly minimal amount of problems. This system will enable the real estate owner to receive the tax bill within a relatively short period of time upon announcement of the tax rate by the Assessors.

The Collector wants to emphasize that every owner of real and personal property should receive a tax bill. If there is a change of address or a tax bill is not received, it is then the responsibility of the owner to contact the tax collector’s office for such correction.

It will be a continuing effort of this department to collect delinquent taxes. The Registry of Motor Vehicles hearings have been continuing and the amount realized from this action has exceeded forty-five thousand dollars. The Great and General Court has co-operated with the passage of legislation enabling the Tax Collector to discharge his obligations.

The Collector is requesting that the operations of this department be confined in one area. This consideration is for the purpose of security, efficiency, and accommodation of the taxpayer. It would be for the convenience of the paying public if during the peak periods of real estate tax payments, waiting time be reduced by having four windows to receive payment.

It is my sincere gratitude to Mrs. Levy and Mrs. San- kunas for untiring effort in their duties in the collector’s department during the past year.

Albert Lanzikos
Collector
| Year  | Levy          | Balance  | Committed | Abatement | Cancelled | Refunds | Interest | Cost | Collected | Abatements | Tax Title | Taxes in | Water | Sewer | Balance |
|-------|---------------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------|----------|------|-----------|------------|-----------|----------|--------|-------|--------|---------|
|       |               |          | Fiscal 77 |           |           |         |          |      |           |            | Litigation|         | Lien  | Lien  |        |         |
| FY 77 | Real Estate   | 4,759,467.50 | 7,682.87  | 6,022.25  | 221.00    | 4,524,706.54 | 121,540.71 | 39,727.20 | 272.19 |
| FY 76 | Real Estate   | 68,397.88 | 445.86    | 986.80    | 105.25    | 25,318.78  | 350.00    | 43,174.96 |
| FY 75 | Real Estate   | 665.00    | 12,882.80 | 74.03     | 1.00      | 665.00    | 12,882.80 |
|       |               |           | 6         |           |           |          |          |      |           |            |           |         |        |       |         |
| Mo. 74| Real Estate   | 5,657.66  |           |           |           |          |          |      |           |            |           |         |        |       |         |
| 1973  | Real Estate   | 385.20    |           |           |           |          |          |      |           |            |           |         |        |       |         |
| FY 77 | Personal Property | 552,958.16 | 224.33    | 67.20     | 153.00    | 550,856.62 | 2,596.87 |
| FY 76 | Personal Property | 741.35    | 11.91     | 6.00      |          | 77.00    |
| FY 75 | Personal Property | 77.00     | 6.86      | 4.00      |          | 18.96    |
|       |               |           | 6         |           |           |          |          |      |           |            |           |         |        |       |         |
| Mo. 74| Personal Property | 18.96     | 4.55      | 2.00      | 43.44|
| 1973  | Personal Property | 21.60     | 5.18      | 2.00      | 239,760.42 | 49,271.65 |
| 1972  | Personal Property | 43.44     | 13.90     | 2.00      | 274,889.72 | 39,378.48 |
| 1977  | Motor Vehicle Excise | 403,819.92 | 72.60     | 1,525.50  | 10.96    | 325.00    | 17,371.78 | 2,532.35 |
| 1976  | Motor Vehicle Excise | 154,427.00 | 182,515.94 | 127.60 | 6,874.13 | 528.83 | 2,532.00 | 1,638.88 | 2,141.52 |
| 1975  | Motor Vehicle Excise | 18,622.13 | 19.80 | 383.45 | 623.23 | 357.00 | 647.87 | 10,319.43 |
| 1974  | Motor Vehicle Excise | 5,673.31 | 865.15 | 373.05 | 18.70 | 223.93 | 926.75 | 768.64 |
| 1973  | Motor Vehicle Excise | 14,705.49 | 425.43 | 143.42 | 48.00 | 179.67 | 15.75 |
| 1972  | Motor Vehicle Excise | 1,147.42 | 800.80 | 6.50 | 206.24 | 42.00 | 33.55 |
| 1971  | Motor Vehicle Excise | 43.05 | 152.37 | 107.64 | 28.00 | 20.08 |
| 1970  | Motor Vehicle Excise | 33.55 | 24.90 | 8.00 | 662.63 |
| 1969  | Motor Vehicle Excise | 621.60 | 4.55 | 2.00 | 228.75 |
| FY 77 | Farm Property Excise | 862.88 | 50.50 | 50.00 | 39,544.17 | 1,453.90 |
| FY 76 | Farm Property Excise | 228.75 | 123.00 | 145.50 |
| FY 77 | Water Lien | 41,481.84 | 5,151.39 | 241.39 |
| FY 76 | Water Lien | 268.50 | 20.38 |
| FY 77 | Sewer Lien | 5,424.86 | 11,374.31 | 25.06 |
| FY 76 | Sewer Lien | 20.38 | 27.44 | 49.21 |
| FY 77 | Sewer Bet'mn App't. | 11,467.20 | 3,451.13 | 23.81 |
| FY 76 | Sewer Bet'mn App't. | 76.65 | 6.58 | 40.51 |
| FY 76 | Committed Interest | 3,510.21 | 23,654.46 | 131.76 | 5,424.86 | 12,356.44 |
| FY 76 | Committed Interest | 47.09 | 219,319.17 | 1,882.90 | 41,481.84 | 85,906.62 |
| FY 76 | Sewer Use Charges | 11,613.73 | 29,953.79 | 72,811.17 | 109.28 | 14,153.49 |
| Water Rates | 85,370.11 | 262,930.74 | 289.68 | 6,013,703.12 | 8,708.82 |
| Accounts Receivable | 14,676.27 | 73,379.67 | 3,918.25 | 6,026,330.19 |

Albert Lanzikos, Collector
PROTECTION FOR THE PEOPLE

Police Department

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I submit for your consideration my report for 1977. 1977 has been a very progressive and productive year for the Bridgewater Police Department.

We have received through the Funding Assistance programs of the Governors Highway Safety Bureau a Road Striping and Painting Machine for the Highway Department and a completely equipped Highway Safety Van truck for the Police Department. The Highway Safety van was the result of a program developed by myself and Sergeants George K. Gurley and J. Francis Cloutier along with Officers Thomas Stewart and Leonard Collins. Bridgewater was the first community in the Commonwealth to receive a grant of this type.

The Board of Selectmen have adopted the Rules and Regulations for the Bridgewater Police Department. These Rules and Regulations were developed with the assistance of the Massachusetts Police Institute at no cost to the Town.

Our Department has converted to a new Record System developed by the Massachusetts Police Institute. This system has provided us with an improved method of report writing and filing coupled with statistical and analytical information which is used in strategy planning and development.

In February I attended the three (3) week Command Training School at Babson Institute and have since sent Sergeants Everett Brescia and J. Francis Cloutier to this same school.

Officers Gary LeMoine and Melvin Martin have graduated from a two (2) week State Police Crime Scene Search School and Officer Martin has since graduated from a two (2) week State Police Municipal Investigation School. Sergeant Ronald Piche and Officer Kevin Chiocca have graduated from a one (1) week F.B.I. Firearms Instructors School at Wakefield, Mass. and Officer Donald Shoemaker has graduated from the Southeastern Mass. Regional Police Academy at Fall River which is a 12 week Recruit Training School. There were fifteen (15) other officers who attended other Police Training Schools dealing with such subjects as Search and Seizure, Child Abuse, Juvenile Delinquency, Auto Theft, Rape Investigation and Hostage Negotiations.

May was a tough month for the Police Department. After 25 years of Service to the Town of Bridgewater, Officer Richard P. Dubee was suddenly taken ill and is now in the process of retirement. Later in this same month Sergeant William K. Nicolas passed away unexpectedly. Sergeant Nicolas, who was Acting Captain at the time had been a Police Officer for over 23 years. In September Officer James Bois took ill and after 26 years of service to the Town of Bridgewater must retire. All three men were fine outstanding Police Officers who will be missed by all.

The Sergeants examination has been taken and the results of the exam have been returned. We anticipate the Selectmen will announce the appointments to Permanent Sergeant sometime in January.

In November Robert D. Irving of 12 Naushon Road, Wareham, Mass. and Mark E. Battistini of 347 Main Street, Bridgewater were appointed Permanent Intermittent Police Officers for the Town of Bridgewater. Both officers have been assigned to work with Officers David McGinn and Kevin Chiocca during their training and basic indoctrination.

Because of the number of vacancies in the patrolmen ranks we have been unable to implement the detective position. I hope to have these openings filled in the very near future after which the detective position will be filled.

We have only recently initiated a program of Crime Prevention for the Community. We are in the process of requesting organizational support and community involvement. Our biggest problem has been a lack of sufficient manpower to implement the program and the money necessary to purchase material.

The Department Safety Officer Robert Hennessey has completed his first year as Safety Officer. His dedicated work with our school age children in the area of Safety Education has been a benefit to the community.

I look forward to the filling of all promotions and vacancies in 1978. We are now in the final stages of filing for another Grant in the area of Safety Education and will be seeking an additional grant in the area of Highway Safety as soon as funds are available.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the other departments for their continued cooperation throughout the year. I would also like to give a word of thanks and praise to the members of my own department for their continued cooperation and fine work.

William P. Ferioli
Chief of Police

INCOME 1977

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### Police Activity Report

**and Auxiliary Police**

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**Number of License Suspensions & Revocations**
- Total: 43

**Number of Summons**
- Total: 2163

**Arrests (Actual)**
- Male: 150
- Female: 10
- Juvenile Male: 53
- Juvenile Female: 13

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### Summary of Court Cases

**DART Program**
- Total: 34

**Appealed**
- 12 Man Jury: 6
- 6 Man Jury: 5
- Bound Over: 3
- Taken off list: 1

**CRIMES AGAINST PUBLIC ORDER — COURT CASES**

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**ARRAIGNMENTS AND TRIALS**

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**DISPOSITION OF CASES**

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**Additional Information**

- Defaulted: 27
- Notice to Show Cause Hearings: 19
- No Complaint Issued: 7
- Obscene & Annoying Phone Calls: 1

**Miscellaneous**

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<td>Missing Persons</td>
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Fire Department

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit for your consideration and approval the annual report of the Fire Department for the year ending December 31, 1977.

PERSONNEL

The permanent personnel of the Department consist of the Chief, Deputy Chief, Two Captains, Three Lieutenants, Ten Firefighters, Twelve E.M.T. Firefighters and the Call Firefighters.

The seven additional E.M.T. Firefighters were added as of January 1, 1977, when the new ambulance service was implemented, as voted at the 1976 Annual Town Meeting. Also it was voted at that meeting to reduce the work week from 48 hours to 42 hours per week as of July 1, 1977. That required the addition of three new men, so as to continue with the same number of men on duty at one time, one E.M.T. Firefighter and two Firefighters, that bring the total permanent men to twenty-nine, including the Chief of the Department, who is also the Forest Warden for the town. We also have two employees working under the Federal C.E.T.A. Program.

APPARATUS

Consists of Engine #1; a 1972 Maxim 1,000 G.P.M. Pumper, Engine #2; a 1967 Maxim 1,000 G.P.M. Pumper, Combination #1; a G.M.C. 750 G.P.M. Pumper, Ladder #1; a 1956 Maxim 75' Aerial Ladder, Rescue #1; a 1963 Metro, one 1962 Boat with an outboard motor (for Water Rescue), the Chief's Car a 1977 Ford, Forest Fire #1; a 1965 Dodge (with 4 wheel drive).

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM

The Fire Alarm System is a Gamewell closed circuit that has at present 75 Fire Alarm Boxes, 22 are master boxes that are capable of being tripped from inside a certain building. The Central Station Panel is a 10 circuit unit with 7 circuits now in use. The System has a battery back-up system, plus the Emergency Stand-By Generator. About 90% of the Fire Alarm wiring is overhead on the Telephone Company's poles, the remaining 10% is underground.

RECORD OF ALARMS

The department responded to a combined total of one thousand six hundred and twenty-four (6124) runs during the year. Of the hundred and sixteen (116) Box Alarms, forty-five (45) were False Alarms. We responded to a record number of alarms this year compared to any previous year. A breakdown as to Fire Incidents, Ambulance Incidents,

and Service Incidents follows.

Clarence A. Levy
Chief, Fire Department

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HOSE USAGE

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SPECIAL NOTE

The Fire and Explosion with the greatest Damage Potential occurred on May 2, 1977 at approximately 6:12 a.m. at the rear of the Middle School. The Fire involved two (2) six thousand (6,000) gallon asphalt tar trucks, along with propane tanks. This equipment and material were being used to install a new roof at the Middle School. We were fortunate that the incident occurred at a time of day when there were no teachers or pupils in the building. There were no reported personal injuries.

SUMMARY

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Average FIRE run per day: 1.7
Average AMBULANCE run per day: 2.3
Average SERVICE run per day: 0.5
AVERAGE RUNS PER DAY 1977: 4.5

INSPECTIONS

Inspections, as required by State Law were made of schools, public buildings, the Massachusetts Correctional Institution, nursing home, college, and other specified establishments. Fire Drills were held and observed at all schools. Many Inspections were made in conjunction with Mr. Walter Zavarucha, the Town Building Inspector. The cooperation and support received from his office was appreciated and is herewith acknowledged.

FIRE PREVENTION

Fire Prevention Programs, along with the film "Learn Not to Burn", which was donated to the Department by the Cholerton Insurance Co. (to which I am very grateful), were held at the local schools and other public buildings. Complaints of violations of Fire Prevention Rules and Regulations were received, investigated in depth, and reports were made in all instances. In all cases compliance and cooperation with Fire Regulations were achieved.

CALL MEMBERS

Captain Charles Dyke resigned on June 31, to take up new residence in Raynham. Charlie was a call man for over 22 years and was a very dedicated and knowledgeable call member of the Department.

Robert Cormier, a call man, left on December 31, when he moved out of state.

I have requested Representative Peter Y. Flynn to file a bill in the legislature for the State to purchase a 100 foot Aerial Ladder. Our present Aerial Ladder is over 22 years old. It is becoming very difficult to get replacement parts for this truck. The President of the State College and the Superintendent of the Correctional Institution have endorsed this project. This truck is needed for the extinguishing of fires and life-saving procedures at all State owned buildings and buildings throughout the town.

Also, with the assistance of Representative Peter Y. Flynn's Office I have applied for funding for the Ambulance, made available through the Governor's Highway Safety Bureau which receives its funding through the U.S. Department of Transportation.

During the year the officers and men have attended fire related and E.M.S. seminars. They have also attended schools that are offered by the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy. Many members have been enrolled in the Fire Science Program at the College level. All firefighters are First Responders and have been recertified in C.P.R. as mandated by State Law. The E.M.T.'s are continually working towards their recertification points as required by law. An in-service training program was started on a daily basis for all personnel. Also an in-service Pre-Fire Planning Program was initiated.

BUDGET REQUESTS

I have recommended and requested funds in the fiscal year budget for 1978-1979 to have the Fire Alarm extended to the new Industrial Park off Pleasant St. in Scotland. Also recommended is the replacement of old iron Fire Alarm wires, that have been in use for over 50 years. This should be done a little each year until the replacement has been completed.

I am requesting funds to replace the Rescue Truck, that is over 15 years old, and receiving replacement parts for this vehicle has become very difficult. The recommended new vehicle would be a 4-wheel drive pick-up with a utility body that could also be used as a service truck.

I have also requested funds for a full time clerk-dispatcher. With the addition of the Ambulance Service and the added personnel the need for a full time clerk is very evident.

A special Thank You is in order to Lou Perry, Chairman of the Ambulance Committee for the many hours he has given of his own time to help us achieve one of the finest Ambulance Services in the area.

I also want to thank the C.E.T.A. employees and the Board of Selectmen for the electrical, plumbing, and carpentry work that was done at the Fire Station, with C.E.T.A. funds at fractional cost to the town.

In conclusion, I wish to thank your board, the various Town Departments, the Townpeople, and the officers and men of the department for their loyal support during my first year as Chief of the Fire Department.

CLARENCE A. LEVY
Chief, Fire Department
To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Following is the report of the Herbert K. Pratt Fund for the Bridgewater Fire Department for the year ending December 31, 1977.

The following members of the Fire Department were elected and re-elected to serve as trustees for the year.

Robert Stone  
Robert Bumpus  

Officers of the Board are:

President  
Secretary  
Treasurer  

Clarence A. Levy  
Robert S. Stone  
Albert Lanzikos  

Fund Total as of January 1, 1977  
Earned Interest  
Total December 31, 1977  

Respectfully submitted,  
Robert Stone  
Secretary

BOARD OF TRUSTEES:  
Clarence A. Levy; Robert Stone, David Canepa, Albert Lanzikos; Robert Bumpus; James Levy; Andrew Randall.

Tree Warden

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Ninety-four trees were planted at new homes in 1977. The Bridgewater Improvement Association donated $1,000 to buy trees.

The Forestry Department removed thirty-three trees for various reasons. The largest was an elm tree, 39 inches in diameter, 60 feet high.

There were three aerial sprays throughout the summer months. Fogging was also done to control mosquitos.

Respectfully submitted,  
Raymond Hamlen  
Tree Warden

Sealer of Weights and Measures

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Scales and Balances

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Respectfully submitted,  
Albert W. Hamlen  
Sealer of Weights and Measures

Building Inspector

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1977.

Two hundred fifty-seven (257) building permits were issued with the total estimated cost of construction being $3,395,175.00. In addition, 124 Occupancy Permits were issued and 28 Certificates of Inspection. A total of $8,487.00 in fees was submitted to the Town Treasurer as follows:

- Building Permits, $6,597.00; Occupancy Permits, $1,240.00; Certificates of Inspection, $650.00.
- Twenty-nine (29) permits were denied and sent to the Zoning Appeals Board.

Dwellings 103 $2,703,700  
Additions & Alterations 64 $201,360  
Garages (Residential) 15 $66,900  
Swimming Pools 34 $89,715  
Storage Buildings 14 $29,600  
Commercial Buildings 4 $238,000  
Trailers (temporary) 2 $500  
Underground basement 1 $1,000  
Restaurant 1 $50,000  
Signs 7 $9,100  
Greenhouse 1 $500  
Beauty Shop 1 $4,000  
Cabana 1 $800  
Demolish 9 $506.80

The recent approval of the Scotland Industrial Park by the Planning Board, along with the extension of Route 495 on the westerly borders of the town, indicate that that general area will increase markedly in industrial and commercial uses, as well as being a boost to building construction in the
general area for the employees of the industrial site.

I have worked closely with the Plymouth County Mosquito Control group in town, procuring easements and investigating drainage complaints along with the Town Engineer Charles Herbert and Highway Superintendent Albert Beninati for both the Board of Selectmen and the Planning Board.

I have made a great many inspections of the installation of wood burning stoves which have become increasingly popular due to the energy shortage and the high cost of heating fuels. These inspections were made along with Fire Chief Clarence Levy and Deputy Chief Roderick Walsh.

I have made numerous inspections during the year with the Board of Health Agent Nancy Oliveira in the processing of permits and approvals for septic systems under new building construction.

Dr. Lawrence Mish, Chairman of the Conservation Commission, has been most cooperative with our department in the investigation of marginal areas and their application insofar as building construction is concerned.

During the year, two articles have been added to the State Building Code dealing with the new Energy Code and its relation to fuel conservation, and also new provisions in the code for helping the handicapped, particularly in public buildings, and it was necessary for me to attend several seminars held on the new codes.

With all of the recent subdivision approvals by the Planning Board, plus the numerous street front lots that have been developed, the year 1977 has been an extremely busy one for building construction.

I wish to extend my thanks to David Canepa, Matthew Strigles and John Hickey of the Board of Selectmen, to the Zoning Appeals Board, Planning Board, Fire Department, and all other individuals, boards and departments for their help and cooperation throughout the year.

Finally, a special thanks to Mrs. Frances Ring, department secretary.

Respectfully submitted,
Walter J. Zaverucha
Building Inspector

Civil Defense

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
To the Citizens of Bridgewater:

We at CD made our usual visits to Army surplus depot and acquired many items for various municipal departments; and at savings that would be unheard of any other place of acquirement.

A one ton truck was acquired for the Highway Department at no purchase cost to the Town. We have high hopes of getting another very soon.

A CB radio was installed in the new Police Department safety van. This will greatly enhance communications between BPD and CD surveillance unit WEB and its over one hundred members.

The Auxiliary Police Department was reorganized under the close cooperation of Chief of Police Wm. Feroli, Liaison Officer Sgt. Ron Peche of BPD, Auxiliary Chief Walt Kreuger, Capt. of Auxiliary Police Ron Pagels, Directors of Civil Defense Pat & Don Ford and the Honorable Board of Selectmen. All phases of training are either in process, have already been completed, or are being planned by Sergeant Ron Peche.

The Civil Defense was returned to the upstairs in the Academy Building. An advanced Radiological Officer's training program is being conducted at MCI.

Auxiliary police officers, under Capt. Pagels' instructions, constructed, painted and lettered emergency area signs. These signs will be located at all areas designated by the Police Department. At time of power outage emergency these designated areas will be manned by CD WEB members. It is hoped the local press will publish instructions at the time they are installed.

Plans are formulated for a powerful mobile lighting unit. It will be completed as soon as we at CD can acquire the necessary vehicle.

This fiscal year this municipality was reimbursed by the Massachusetts CD agency an amount in excess of one thousand dollars. Civil Defense cost to each taxpayer is about one dollar per year.

In closing we at Civil Defense wish to sincerely thank Mrs. A. Evelyn Nourse for her many favors and guidance. We also thank the heads of all municipal departments for their cooperation.

Donald E. Ford, CD Director
Patricia L. Ford, CD Dep. Director

Dog Officer

Honorable Board of Selectmen and
Citizens of Bridgewater:

I hereby submit my report as Dog Officer for the Town of Bridgewater for the year ending December 31, 1977.

I would like to express my appreciation to the Board of Selectmen and the Town Clerk's Office for the assistance given to me in the large amount of licenses sold, amounting to over 1,380 this year.

Results of investigation:

- Complaints of dogs creating a nuisance: 1,181
- Strays picked up: 348
- Dogs claimed by owners: 87
- Fines paid: $435
- Persons bitten by dogs: 69
- Persons bitten by cats: 1
Livestock killed by dogs:

- Goat: 1
- Chickens: 34
- Rabbits: 9
- Ducks: 17
- Pigs: 3
- Sheep: 1
- Pigeons: 4

Total killed: 69

Respectfully submitted,
Wilfred Prouty
Dog Officer

Wiring Inspector

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I respectfully submit my annual report as the Inspector of Wires for the year 1977:

- Rough Wires: 116

The latest edition of the Massachusetts Electrical Code was used as a basis for all inspections.

I wish at this time to thank the Board of Selectmen, the office of the Building Inspector, and the townspeople for the help they have given this office.

Respectfully submitted,
Albert M. Greiner
Inspector of Wires

AMBULANCE LICENCES - Front Row — Fire Chief Edwin T. Gibson of West Bridgewater, left, Fire Chief Clarence A. Levy of Bridgewater, center, Fire Chief Robert K. Winsor of East Bridgewater, right. Rear Row - left to right - Firefighter/EMT’s Dean W. Swanson, James E. Lorrey, Donald F. Sherman, of East Bridgewater, James Ames, Police Officer/EMT and Allen Breer, Firefighter/EMT of West Bridgewater, Mr. Louis Perry, Chairman of the Ambulance Committee, Firefighter/EMT’s Michael Mazzoleni and John Fox, Selectman David A. Canepa of Bridgewater, Mr. Michael Manugian, Selectman of West Bridgewater, Dana G. Chase, Selectman and Stanley B. Goldman, Ambulance Committee of East Bridgewater.
HEALTH

Board of Health

To the Citizens of Bridgewater:

During the year 1977, the Board of Health has solved numerous problems and concerns of the residents of Bridgewater.

A great deal of time and effort was spent by our Health Agent conducting percolation tests and soil examinations in an effort to determine the suitability of the soil for on-site sewage disposal for new construction being issued. Twenty-two repairs to existing systems and additions to existing systems were also issued and inspected.

All septic system designs for new construction are reviewed and approved by the Board of Health prior to the issuance of a building permit by the building inspector. Inspections of all newly installed systems are also conducted to insure compliance with Title 5 of the State Environmental Code.

Restaurant inspections have been conducted and will continue on a regular basis. Establishments have been reinspected when any unsatisfactory conditions were found to exist. Bacteria swab counts are taken of eating utensils to insure a safe sanitary condition.

Numerous lead paint testing of private homes and day care facilities have been conducted by our Health Agent. Action has been taken to remove lead paint where positive lead levels were found.

A public hearing was held on June 8, 1977 regarding a proposed demolition landfill to be located on Plain Street. Many area residents attended this hearing to voice their concern with the proposal. The Board voted unanimously to deny the application.

Another issue faced by the Board of Health was the hearing of pigs in residential neighborhoods. On November 16, a public hearing was held to amend existing regulations regarding pigs and piggeries.

The Charles George Trucking Company continues to execute the curbside residential garbage and rubbish pick-up throughout the town. The Board is very satisfied with the service provided.

In April, Ms. Nancy Oliveira was appointed to replace Mr. Douglas Plunkett, who resigned to accept a position in Duxbury. Also, under the CETA program, Ms. Deanna Tarantino was appointed as Junior Clerk Typist. Mrs. Margaret McGinn continues to serve the Board as secretary and Ms. Janice Walsh as Public Health Nurse. Dr. Leo Zalon serves as the Board’s physician. In May, the Board reorganized and elected Mr. Richard Ghelfi, Chairman and Mr. Guy Clifford, Clerk.

The Board is appreciative of the efforts of its employees and their contributions to the Town’s health.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard P. Ghelfi, Chairman
Guy C. Clifford, Clerk
John M. Meadows, Member
Nancy Oliveira, Health Agent

Multi-Service Center

Introduction: The Bridgewater Multi-Service Center, which serves the citizens of Bridgewater, East Bridgewater and West Bridgewater is located at 200 North Bedford Street, East Bridgewater, has been in operation since November 1973.

Program: Since its inception, the program has responded to the human service needs of 1,395 persons. The program is designed to respond to the total needs of individuals by helping them deal with their physical, social and family environment. Services are provided by mental health professionals and paraprofessionals, who recognize that problems with housing, food, employment, education and vocational needs are part of the task of crisis intervention, diagnosis and treatment of individuals and groups. When appropriate the staff, through a client advocate, coordinates additional services with other public/private agencies.

Services: The following services are offered at the facility: information and referral to appropriate agencies; evaluations; counseling (individual, group and family); psychological testing; educational seminars for improving parenting skills for parent groups and for women’s personal growth; adolescent group therapy; community and/or school consultation; aftercare; home visits when indicated.

Core Services: Through the community based program the following core services can be obtained from the Brockton Multi-Service: twenty-four hour emergency services (580-0800); inpatient care (Brockton Area Facility, Taunton State Hospital); Adolescent/Pre-Adolescent Alternative Education Program; Adult Day Treatment Program (partial hospitalization); Early Intervention Services (infants to age three); Information and Referral Health Line (584-HELP); Legal Services Program (586-6625); specialized programs for the elderly; and community alternative living programs.

Professional Staff: Harris Kagan, M.S., Program Manager; Mariel Briggs, Special Needs Assistant; Mary Graca, Office Manager; Ellen Handschu, M.S.W. Psychiatric Social Worker; Edwina Rothblatt, M.Ed., Staff Psychologist; Christine Ward, M.Ed., Staff Psychologist and William Winick, M.D., Staff Psychiatrist. The staff will be increased by one staff psychiatric social worker and one clinical supervising social worker by March 1, 1978.

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Total number of cases: 317
Total number by location:

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Active case load: 180
Total number of cases closed: 203

Town Budget Request
Fiscal Year — July 1, 1978 to June 30, 1979

The budget request represents operational costs for the facility and program expenses only. All personnel costs are met by state, federal and third party payments.

BUDGET
July 1, 1978 to June 30, 1979

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Telephone 2,500.00
($100 increase due to rate change)

Equipment 225.00
Office Supplies 500.00
Maintenance 550.00
Maintenance Agreements 222.00
Insurance 100.00
Inside Reproduction 200.00
Miscellaneous 200.00

Total Direct $15,808.00

Clerical Overhead
(Computer processing and Bookkeeping) 1,264.00

Grand Total $17,072.00

Town Share (based on population):

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Harris Kagan, Program Manager
Martin W. Kane
Financial and Administrative Officer
Approved: Paul J. Tausek
Center Director

BERMing Hale St. by Highway Department.
Surveying Flagg St. by A. Beninati
Plymouth St. Culvert Installation by Highway Department.
Plymouth County
Mosquito Control Project

Concerning activities of the Project for 1977 we are pleased to report that there were no confirmed cases of Eastern Equine Encephalitis (neither human nor horse) in Plymouth County. However, frequent periodic monitoring of pools of mosquitoes by the Lakeville Encephalitis Field Station with the cooperation of the Project, indicated virus activity in each location late in the season. The heaviest virus activity was in Halifax.

The Project experienced one of their busiest seasons since its inception and received more than double the calls of last year for various activities. The Project answered each call efficiently through radio dispatched units covering 531.23 square miles.

At the beginning of the spring season the area was hit by two major spring storms; this coupled with a ban placed on one of our most useful insecticides, (Baytex®) hampered our spring larvicide program, which covered 14,933 acres. The areas sprayed at this time were only those where breeding was the heaviest. Periodic monitoring of larval activity and populations throughout the summer kept the Project abreast of fluctuating populations of adults, 405 acres were sprayed for larvae by pump cans and mist blowers and 11,475 catch basins were treated. The adult populations peaked during late July to mid-August and many calls were received for adult spraying which was accomplished by using mist blowers and cold aerosol foggers, spraying a total of 322,093 acres. In more heavily infested areas the Project used a Bell Helicopter spraying 29,969 acres. Although the Project was busy spraying we maintained operation of one backhoe unit all year and another unit which worked seasonally reclaiming 26,785 feet of trench and maintaining 14,725 feet of salt marsh ditches. Many areas in which the machine was unable to work made hand work necessary for maintenance and 96,534 feet were cleaned.

The Project wishes to thank all city and town departments for their invaluable assistance and also the fine work of many CETA groups. Their cooperative efforts in the cleaning of many brooks, streams and drainage trenches are appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,
Arthur L. Westgate
Superintendent

Inspector of Animals

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my annual report as Inspector of Animals for the year 1977:

A total of 4,518 animals were inspected.

4,015 cows and heifers, 107 bulls, 40 beef cattle, 107 horses, 48 ponies, 5 sheep, 10 goats, 293 swine, 110 barns were inspected, 24 instate inspections, 40 dog bite quaran- tines and 1 cat quarantine.

Respectfully submitted,
Francis R. Copeland
Inspector of Animals

Mosquito Control Committee

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Committee met formally in April and formulated plans for mosquito control in the Town during the spring and summer. It was decided to continue the limited aerial spray, night fogging, and larval survey and control programs employed over the past several years. These operations were carried on or directly supervised by the Tree Warden, and an account of the aerial spray and fogging operations is included in his report.

The larval survey and control programs began on a part time basis in April, became a full time operation at the end of June, and continued through August. This part of the program was conducted by two temporary employees who are licensed by the Commonwealth to apply pesticides. Laboratory facilities and some of the equipment used in the larval control program were provided by Bridgewater State College. Additional records were compiled on the actual and potential mosquito breeding sites in the Town. Monies for the spraying and survey work were derived from the budgets of the Board of Health and Forestry Department.

The Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project supplemented our programs by ditching, water management and spraying operations which are conducted on a year-round basis. Contact is also maintained with The Massachusetts Encephalitis Laboratory in Lakeville and no confirmed cases of mosquito-borne equine encephalitis of horses were reported in the Town during the year.

Respectfully submitted,
Raymond Hamlen
Lawrence Mish
William Wall, Chairman

Public Health Nurse

To the Board of Health:

The following is a summary of all clinics held during 1977 as well as other matters pertaining to public health:

Measles, mumps and rubella
Kindergarten ........................................... 27
Tetanus-diphtheria boosters
First grade ............................................ 111
Eleventh and twelfth grades ......................... 99
Mantoux Clinics
Grade school employees .......................... 65
Bridgewater-Raynham Regional High
Seniors .................................................. 98
Employees ............................................. 59
Bridgewater residents or
The annual rabies clinic was held in May at the Town Garage. This year a vaccine effective for two years was used on 276 dogs.

In the spring, the three pre-school clinics were held offering diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus, oral polio and the combined vaccine of measles, mumps and rubella. Thirteen children were seen.

Materials for lead paint testing, for children ages one through six, and mantoux tests for Bridgewater residents or employees are available in the Board of Health Office, as are containers for bacteriological examinations.

According to Chapter III Section 6 of the General Laws all contagious or infectious diseases are required to be reported to the Board of Health office.

Animal bites .................................... 24
Chicken Pox .................................... 16
Gonorrhea ...................................... 3 females 4 males
Hepatitis ....................................... 2
Measles ......................................... 1
Meningitis ...................................... 1
Mumps .......................................... 4
Salmonellosis .................................. 4

All animal bites are reported to the Animal Inspector with follow-up done on all contagious or infectious diseases when indicated. House visits were made according to the patient’s needs.

Respectfully submitted,
Janice R. Walsh, R.N.
Public Health Nurse

Visiting Nurse Association

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

During the 1976-77 fiscal year the Bridgewater Visiting Nurse Association through its professional staff has provided home health care and health conferences for the residents of Bridgewater. Services of this non-profit agency are available to all residents regardless of color, creed, national origin, sex or ability to pay.

Accreditation — the agency was surveyed in April 1977 by Miss Winnifred G. Perry, R.N., and received full accreditation from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

Home Health Care — has been provided by:

Nursing visits 1873
Physiotherapy visits 192
Occupational therapy 2
Speech therapy visits 1
Home Health Aide hours 1857½

Monthly Health Conferences — are held at Hemlock Drive and the Drop In Center. The average attendance has been 35 persons.

Sources of Income — the agency receives an allocation from the Old Colony United Way (in October BVNA members held a United Way Day in Bridgewater). The Town of Bridgewater allocates funds to pay the salary of the supervisor, who is required for agency accreditation by Federal law. Additional funds are raised through membership dues, fashion shows, a dinner dance and interest earned on invested funds.

Professional Advisory Committee — a committee (composed of local professional personnel, businessmen and consumers) meets quarterly and advises the agency through the Board of Directors.

Professional Staff — serving the agency includes Jeanne Clark, R.N., supervisor; Hilary Hamilton, R.N. and Aline Clish, R.N., staff nurses; Jeannette Irving, R.N. and Marjorie Winsor, R.N., part time nurses; Phyllis Rose, clerk; Betty Surgens and Marie Bairos, home health aides.

Mrs. Stanley Hatch
President
Veterans Services

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

An erratic demand for benefits during 1977 was a distinguishing characteristic of this year's business. When it appeared that expenses might be less than those of 1976, a strike at the General Dynamics Shipyard, Quincy, Mass., suddenly supplied us with a number of unexpected cases. While these cases are eligible only for rent, food, and fuel during the heating season, and although individuals are not eligible if they are receiving union benefits or have sufficient assets, the impact on our budget can be substantial.

Later in the year, a series of injuries and surgery involving eligible veterans resulted in protracted hospitalization which will have an eroding financial effect extending into the present fiscal year.

We have also been notified by the Commissioner of Veterans Services that a small increase has been allowed in the various categories of benefits. We believe in itself will have no significant budgetary effect, since the State will absorb one-half of the increase, the other factors mentioned above may require additional funds to be sought for 1978.

On the brighter side, small increases in SS, an increase in allowable income from $1600 to $1900 for V.A. non-service connected pensioners and a basic increase from $157 to $185 monthly in these cases will help to decrease our own expenses for these veterans and their families.

If the CETA program is continued by the Federal government, this will be an aid to our people, as we have been successful in placing a number of veterans who are otherwise unable to obtain employment, on this program.

We also continue to help widows, and veterans who, due to injury or illness have no income or resources with which to support their families.

It is suggested that veterans who have problems involving the V.A., and do not know what procedure to follow, should contact our office. Veterans Services, (State and Town) is not part of the V.A., (Federal), but we are in constant contact with that agency.

Respectfully submitted,
James A. Baker
Veterans Agent

Council on Aging

The Bridgewater Council on Aging this past year received the support of the Town Meeting in its request for the establishment of a fulltime Coordinator of Elder Affairs/Field Representative. This vote by the Town assured Bridge-water's seniors of the commitment of their community to its elders and its willingness to assure that our seniors will be given every opportunity to continue to live full and secure lives.

Many of our seniors are now receiving benefits and services offered by the Department of Elder Affairs, other state agencies and the Federal Government which have been brought to their attention by our Coordinator, Florence Collett. This is a major step in improving the quality of life of our senior citizens. In addition, there are social programs offered, through our Council and the Golden Agers, which add to the fulfillment of the Town's commitment. Of special importance is the cooperation that has been shown by the Board of Selectmen and other town officials and departments in our efforts to implement the programs for the elderly.

The most gratifying of all, however, is the interest shown by so many of the Town's service organizations. Many have volunteered to assist with transportation, providing food baskets during holidays and clothing and other articles for distribution to seniors. This is especially important in view of the severe cutbacks in services by Old Colony Elderly Services, Inc. Although the home care corporation concept is an excellent one, in which seniors are given assistance in the home so that they will not have to leave their homes, the withdrawal of transportation and other services, and cutback of home care by Old Colony, has placed a severe hardship on many of our seniors who had come to depend on these aids in their daily lives. Many more volunteers are needed in Bridgewater to take up the slack caused by these cutbacks.

We look forward to continued support from the Town and its people in our efforts to meet the needs of our more than sixteen hundred senior citizens.

Respectfully submitted,
Clifford Gerrior
Chairman

Coordinators of Elder Affairs

The purpose of the Coordinator of Elder Affairs Office, located at 35 rear South St., is for the purpose of rendering special services, programs, benefits, updated legislative knowledge, transactions and detailed factual information to our elderly. To know and to understand their needs; to evaluate situations and produce helpful measures of meaningful guidance.

Visitation were made to 1,605 Senior Citizens in 1977. Transportation was provided to places of necessity: Doctors, Dentists' offices, Medical Centers, Hospitals, Welfare, Social Security and SSI offices.

Referrals were made to: Brockton Health Line for assistance pertaining to Medical problems, Multi-Service Center/Old Colony Elderly Service, Self Help, Blue Cross/Blue Shield, Welfare, SSI, Social Security, Homemaker Service, Chore Service, and Senior Citizens Opportunity for Personal Enrichment.

Twelve Bridgewater volunteers delivered dinners to our twenty-four elderly citizens. Meals were provided by OCES. Shopping trips are provided each Monday to nearby Malls. The "Telephone Line" was set up in an effort to bring a human voice into private homes daily. Knowledge of problems arising through these calls are quickly passed onto the Coordinator.

At the Drop In Center, Arts and Crafts, Health Clinics,
Nutritional programs were made available to our Seniors on a weekly basis. Twenty-eight large afghans and lap robes were made at the Drop In Center and distributed to our elderly.

The Coordinator has been collecting and storing furniture, books, dishes, and clothing for men and women. Any mentioned articles will be donated to any Senior Citizen upon request.

Distribution of monthly Newsletter (timely articles and data). Friends of Library happily make friendly visits to shut-ins, taking them books to read. The Garden Club donated colorful plants for Senior Citizens. A discount list was prepared and has been issued to all seniors. Bridgewater Visiting Nurse Association was instrumental in presenting a nutritional program.

Respectfully submitted,
Florence Collett
Coordinator of Elder Affairs

Veterans’ Graves Officer

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my report of the year 1977.

Markers and flats have been placed on the following graves:

WWI

John T. Cummings
John Buckley
James E. Flynn
W. A. MacFarland

George Boston
Joseph Czaikowski
Roy Palmer
Stanley Gilbert
David A. McKinley
William Sanville

Korean Vets

Ralph L. Scott
Reginald L. Estes

I wish to thank the Selectmen and the Highway Department for the assistance given me during this year.

Respectfully submitted,
Mario J. Ricci
Veterans’ Graves Officer

Housing Authority

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen, on behalf of the residents of Hemlock Drive, we, the Committee, would like to thank your Board and particularly the Highway Department, Police Department and Fire Department for another year of outstanding service.

To the School Committee we extend our sincere gratitude for the hot lunch program afforded our people through the efforts of Mr. Kenneth Gebo.

This Committee is extremely proud of the service that Mrs. Ellen Arabasz has performed this past year not only as our Chief Administrator but also as an undaunted advisor to our tenants in times of personal needs that are beyond the realm of duty. We are most appreciative of the services William Levy has accomplished this past year. Under his direction all ninety-eight units were refurbished.

This Committee is currently attempting to acquire more dwellings through the Department of Community Affairs. The need continues to grow in Bridgewater. Presently there is a waiting list of 100 applicants.

This past year has been a pleasure for this Committee to serve our Senior Citizens and to be associated with the aforementioned people in our town.

Respectfully submitted,
Donald C. Buron, Chairman
Marie Perry
Matthew Striggles
Joyce Marcus
Stephen Bonfiglioli

Trustees for County Cooperative Extension Service

In accordance with the General Laws of the Commonwealth, Chapter 128, the Trustees for Plymouth County Cooperative Extension Service are empowered to receive, on behalf of the County, money appropriated by any town or by the Federal Government for carrying out the provisions of the law under which they are appointed.

Our agents have made contacts during the past year in every community either by public meetings, individual visits, group discussions, demonstrations, or otherwise, in attempting to assist the needs of the citizens toward helping to solve management problems, better living, and better community service, and have been ably assisted by many local volunteer leaders.

A total expense of $100.00 was incurred during the year for the purchase of material needed in carrying on the various Extension programs. The appropriation made by your town was used for residents of the town and expended as follows:

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**FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

1976-77 Appropriation $100.00
Suggested Appropriation for 1977-78

$100.00

Respectfully submitted,
Edgar W. Spear
Director

The Plymouth County Cooperative Extension Service’s office is located on High Street, Hanson, and can be reached by calling 293-3541 or 447-5946.

This is repetitious, but for the information of new residents, we are the educational arm of the University of Massachusetts, and the U.S.D.A. at the county level. This is where the name “Cooperative Extension” is derived.

We have many new and varied educational programs for you.

Agriculture is only one area in which our staff has expertise.

In addition to our regular staff, we have four Regional Community Development Specialists who work closely with all the towns on varied projects and are available for assistance to all.

Our Community Resource Development Specialist has programs for the county that are designed to increased community effectiveness in making and implementing social and economic decisions. It is an educational effort to improve economic opportunity and quality of living in a community. Community Resource Development assists people in solving problems that require group decisions and group actions.

Free bulletins are on display at our office on lawn care, gardening, nutrition, home canning and freezing, to name just a few. If you pass our office on your travels, please stop and get to know us. We continue to test soil free of charge for Plymouth County residents.

More home food production and preservation by gardeners is taking place and our Home Economists are available for advice. The world is changing and so are today’s families. The Cooperative Extension Home Economics program seeks to help people make wise decisions for themselves, their families and their communities.

Educational programs in Home Economics focus on:

- Food, Nutrition and Health, Management and
- Family Finances, Consumerism and Housing,
- Human Development and Family Life, Textiles,
- Clothing and Environmental Design

You can obtain information about current programs, as well as up-to-date consumer information, by requesting the free monthly newsletter.

Our Expanded Foods & Nutrition Program located in Brockton was federally funded through the University of Massachusetts eight years ago and is aimed at improving the diets of limited income people through education. This is now being expanded to the rest of the county.

In the adult phase of the program, Nutrition Assistants work with families of limited income primarily through home visits to:

- Improve eating habits
- Buy food wisely and economically
- Store and care for food sanitarily
- Know the food needs of children, adults, and elderly
- Understand the relationship between good nutrition and good health.

In the 4-H youth phase of the program, Nutrition Assistants and volunteers work to provide education to youth, which will contribute to personal development and improvement of diets and nutrition of their families.

In Bridgewater this past year, our 4-H Department had, in addition to 51 traditional 4-H members, 731 young people who participated in Chick Embryology, and on Giant Pumpkin Seed Contest.

Contact your Town Director, Arthur Chaffee with any suggestions for us to be of better service.

Our Board of Trustee members are:

Mr. Gilbert Blackledge, Chairman, Whitman
Mr. Fred Freidenfeld, Vice-Chairman, Middleboro
Mrs. Sally Carver, Secretary, Marshfield
Mr. Arthur Chaffee, Bridgewater
Mrs. Eileen Rawson, Duxbury
Mr. Howard Hayward, West Bridgewater
Mr. Robert Haviland, Hingham
Mr. Phillip Gibbs, West Wareham
Dr. Gerard Burke, Chairman of County Commissioners, Brockton
FACILITIES FOR THE PEOPLE

Water Department

This has been a year of quite a few changes in the Department. In January, Mr. Arthur D. Joyce resigned and was replaced by Mr. Robert J. Gabriel. Mr. Charles A. Dyke, Superintendent, resigned to accept a position in private industry. Mr. Robert E. Bois was appointed Superintendent.

Mr. Jay D. Leach became a member of the Board in April.

At this time the Commissioners would like to express their thanks and gratitude to Mr. James W. Bumpus, Mr. Arthur D. Joyce and Mr. Charles A. Dyke, for their many years of faithful service to this Board and to the Town of Bridgewater.

The past year has been a busy one for our Department. In May, we had a major breakdown on our largest well at Carvers. It was necessary to put on an emergency water ban and have the pump replaced by a complete new one. This was done in a one week period. We were able to buy water from East Bridgewater to help us during this troubled period.

In November, we had all the wells shut down, one at a time, for extensive repairs. There are still some minor repairs to be made at the well sites. With a program of preventive maintenance, these major breakdowns can be eliminated.

The Department, through its Board of Commissioners, is still looking for further sources of water to supplement our present supply.

Approximately eighty (80) new services were installed this past year.

Eleven (11) old services have been renewed from the main to the property line.

We had ten (10) service leaks, three (3) major main breaks and seven (7) hydrants that were broken and had to be repaired or replaced. Six (6) frozen services required attention.

In February, we had a major main line break on Broad Street near Crapo Street on the existing 8" main. This main was installed in the 1890's and has been a problem for quite some time, because of its age. The Commissioners are recommending that it be replaced this year, from Central Square to the East Bridgewater line on Route #18.

We wish to express our appreciation to our own employees and all the other departments for their cooperation during the year.

Respectfully submitted,
Board of Water Commissioners
Fred E. Colby, Chairman
Robert J. Gabriel, Clerk
Jay D. Leach, Member

Sewer Department

The new sludge de-watering equipment was installed at the Sewer Treatment Plant in March of 1977 and put into operation in the latter part of April 1977. Some problems have been encountered in the operation of the new equipment, most of them of a minor nature and we have been able to resolve them.

The Chief Operator and his assistant attended two (2) courses in Basic Waste Water Treatment at Lowell Tech. during the year. Both men received college credits upon completion of these courses.

At the present time the Treatment Plant is running at the capacity for which it was designed.

We wish to express our appreciation to our own employees and all other departments for their cooperation during the year.

Respectfully submitted,
Board of Sewer Commissioners
Fred E. Colby, Chairman
Robert J. Gabriel, Clerk
Jay D. Leach, Member

Engineering Department

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The year 1977 was the third year of the operation of the Engineering Department, which still shares quarters in the Academy Building with the Building Inspector, Plumbing & Gas Inspectors Planning Board, and the Conservation Commission.

For the Board of Selectmen, there were many requests for gravel and fill removal permits to be checked out and reported on, as well as several drainage complaints to be checked. Sewer drainage easements were prepared, and a special thanks goes to the crew for Mosquito Control Work from Plymouth County.

As stated in our last annual report, all of our hopes were fulfilled by the final approval of the original submission to the E.D.A. (Economic Development Administration) by that agency of a $560,000.00 Federal Grant for the Town for bridge and curb installations. This grant, which was certified as of October 1, 1977, was an increase of $72,800.00 over our original request of $487,000.00. Thanks go to David Canepa, Chairman, and to all members of the Board of Selectmen for their cooperation in support of this project, as well as George Belcher, Accountant Ted Welte and Frank Maher of O.C.P.C; John Ryan of H.V. Moore's office. Contracts have been drawn up for the first two projects, and they have already begun. They are High Street Reconstruction, $114,980.00, and South Street box curbs, $78,895.00. Plans and specs will be drawn up soon for the other two projects, which are the new bridges over the Mattfield River at High Street and at Bridge Street.

Respectfully submitted,
Board of Water Commissioners
Fred E. Colby, Chairman
Robert J. Gabriel, Clerk
Jay D. Leach, Member
During 1977, while our E.D.A. grant was being reviewed, the plant on High Street at Jenkins Products Co. collapsed and required immediate replacement. Plans and specs were drawn up and Robert Gabriel Co. installed the new reinforced concrete culvert for $25,650.00. This was originally a part of the High Street reconstruction Project submitted to E.D.A.

One of the most beneficial purchases for the Town was made in 1977 when $30,000.00 was paid for the Gurecki property on ast Street for a town-owned sand and gravel pit, for highway department use. This property contains 18.5 acres, and should apply to the Town many thousands of yards of sand and gravel.

The new fountain at the Academy Building has at last been tested and compiled and is presently wearing its new winter over.

The State D.P.W. has promised that a new bridge will be built on High Street over the railroad tracks, and this should be finished in 1978.

New vaults for storage of records of the Treasurer and Town Clerk have been built in the basement of Town Hall by CETA crews.

Borings were taken in Lake "Nip" by the State D.P.W. to determine sub-soil characteristics, and the results showed a heavy reponderance of silt and muck, except for the inaccessible reas.

The Plymouth County Solid Waste Study Committee, on which I serve for the Selectmen, has concluded its meetings but has as yet not formulated its final determinations.

The Study Committee for Town Hall vital records has completed its study and arranged for temporary storage quarters.

The Town Engineer also serves on the Zoning By-Law Study Committee, and its sub-committee, and they plan to have a report ready to submit for the Annual Town Meeting, May 1st.

For the Planning Board: During 1977, contract work was completed in the alignment of curbing, street pavement, grading and awns, by Simeone Construction Co., plus installation of permanent bounds, at "Lakeridge" (Bridle Road and Saddle Drive) for $15,835.00; and at "College Park" (Harvard Street, Dartmouth Road, Brown Avenue and Colby Road) for $16,500.00. Ready for acceptance are subdivision roads; legge Street, Ashhead Road, and the second portion of Stephani Lane. The following subdivision streets are still under way and their ultimate completion guaranteed through the placement of cash bonds with the Treasurer: Alexander Drive, Apple Tree Circle, Deer Trail, Quail Farms, Riverview Circle, Running River Road, and Bayberry Circle in "Spring Acres".

Recently a start was made on cutting out the long road which will service the Scotland Industrial Park, and the roads in the "Vernon Forge I" subdivision have also been started to be "touched up". Ready for Public Hearings on the Definitive Subdivision plans are "Beechwood Knoll" off Birch Street, and "Long Acres", which is the 255 lot development of the Chaffee Farm land.

Donald Schmidt of the Department of Community Affairs (D.C.A.) is still working on a study for the Town of permit issuing procedures, and he has been an invaluable assistance to us on the Board in matters of zoning and subdivision rules. In that regard, we were fortunate to be able to complete the new Revised Subdivision Control Rules & Regulations this year, receive Planning Board approval, and have printed 500 copies.

For the School Department, the Town Engineer and the Building Inspector have been continuing the inspection of the re-roofing work at the Williams Middle School, and assisted Custodian Paul Anacki in the layout of bounds at the football field at the Bridgewater-Raynham Regional High School.

For the Recreation Commission, the Town Engineer prepared plans for the completion of construction of the 64-car parking area of Bedford by Warren Bros. Co. at a final cost of $7,465.00. The striping of parking spaces will be done in 1978.

We were also very pleased to have the application for a H.U.D. Grant for Scotland Field Development approved in the amount of $129,000.00. Plans and specs for the completion of this athletic field are now being drawn up and it is expected that the work will be accomplished this summer of '78.

For the Board of Health, both the Building Inspector and the Town Engineer have worked with the new Health Ageno in the checking of sanitary systems, areas, depths and elevations of septic system installations. She has very capably streamlined the details and procedures for approvals between the Health Department and the Engineering and Building Departments.

And finally, our thanks go to David Canepa, Matthew Struggles and John Hickey of the Board of Selectmen, the Building Inspector, the Planning Board, the Conservation Commission, the Board of health, Highway Superintendent, Town Counsel, Town Clerk, Town Accountant, and all other departments for their cooperation, courtesy and understanding.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles R. Herbert
Town Engineer

Highway Department

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens:

I hereby submit to you my annual report for the Highway Department ending December 31, 1977.

As I look back on the past year, it being my first full year as Superintendent, I feel the Highway Department has had a full and productive year. The men worked hard, always giving their fullest cooperation to myself and the general public.

Early in the year Mr. Kenneth Eldredge took over as foreman for the department. He has been supportive of me, and his cooperation and dedication have proven invaluable to the Highway Department.

Mr. Thomas Iafrate and Mr. Paul Stoehr, who filled the new positions of highway clerk/dispatcher and town mechanic respectively, have proven to be an asset to myself, the department, and the town as a whole over the past year. Their work, I feel, will continue to be a great aid to the departments operation in the future.

The Highway Department’s major workload for the year consisted of the following:
Drainage: Complete or partial drainage systems were installed on: Hayward St., Hooper St., Harvard St., and Ball Ave. Work was also done on the system at the Middle School. Drainage was also done on Oak and High Streets with the utilization of funds from the Economic Development Administration. This work began the High St. reconstruction project. A partial system at Flagg and Conant streets, due to building in the immediate area, was needed. This was completed during the summer.

Cross drains were also installed on Cherry and Vernon streets to aid in draining off low road areas.

Our drainage systems were kept in proper working order throughout the year with continual cleaning of our near 1000 catch basins.

Construction: Last summer the dangerous situation at the culvert by Jenkins Mill on High Street was eliminated when a new box culvert was installed by the R.J. Gabriel Construction Company. Thanks to the speed at which the Selectmen’s Office and other Town departments acted a possible disaster was averted.

Reconstruction of the section of Plymouth Street from the Hayward Street intersection and continuing beyond Wood Street was also completed over the summer. The work done, primarily funded by Chapter 90 funds for reconstruction, included; a finish coat of bituminous concrete, painting of lane markings, installation of berms, and the loaming and seeding of shoulders.

The sections of Oak Street and High Street under the EDA federal reconstruction project also had some resurfacing done. A top coat of bituminous concrete was laid on Oak Street from Crapo to High Street, and a base course was put on High Street from Oak Street to the railroad bridge.

Road Resurfacing: After weeks of preparation, such as cutting back and sweeping edges and patching, the following streets were resurfaced: South St. from Central Square to the fairgrounds area, Fiske Drive, Douglas Drive, Bridle Road, Harvard Street, Colby Road, Dartmouth Road, Brown Ave., and a portion of Atkinson Drive. Also, the infrared patch process was proven as a successful road repair process, which we utilized in the Square area last summer.

Road Sealing Process: Due to the cost of bituminous concrete a number of our roads had to be sealed. This process will be used more widely so as to hold the existing road surface together until funds are allocated for bituminous concrete resurfacing or complete reconstruction, if necessary.

The following streets were patched, oiled, sanded, and rolled: East Street, Forest, Vernon Street from Spruce to the Middleboro line, Green Street, Hayward Place, Clover Drive, Curve Street, Sunrise Drive, Lakeside Drive, Pond Street, Roberts Road, and Oak Street from High Street to the West Bridgewater line.

Roadside Maintenance: A finish top of bituminous concrete was laid on the following sidewalks: Plymouth Street from the railroad tracks to Spring Street, both sides of Laurel Drive, Hale Street, Maple Avenue, and Mount Prospect Street.

Other maintenance work pursued by this department included: laying of curbing at the intersection of Plymouth Street and Summer Street; mowing of the 6 abandoned cemeteries, and Alden Square; patching streets; trash pickup from the roadsides and Common area; weekly sweeping of the Common area and other Town roads. Also, during the month of November the men and machines of the department cleaned the gutters of leaves. This helped keep the catch basins clear of any debris, thus helping to alleviate future flooding problems, and greatly improving the appearance of the Common, and outlying areas of town.

The bridge archway at the High Street river was cleaned again this year, and we also replaced granite posts on the Common again. Many tons of mix were used to lay berms along many of the Town roads also.

Signs: For many reasons the department has had to replace numerous damaged or missing street and regulatory signs. Vandalism, seemingly the number one cause, persistently increases year after year. The spiraling costs of these signs is becoming an added expense to the department also. Warning devices and other equipment have also been damaged on construction sites when left over night.

Planned Subdivisions: Over the past year many newly planned subdivisions have come up for approval by the Planning Board. Much time and effort has been spent by Mr. Herbert, Town Engineer, Mr. Zaverucha, Building Inspector, and myself on revisions, and recommendations of these proposed plans, which were then submitted to the Planning Board for their approval.

Basically our suggested modifications related to the layout and profiles of proposed roads, proposed drainage systems, drainage easements and runoff destinations, and the effect of the new roads on existing runoff and drainage systems on our present roads. Changes on preliminary plans were recommended so as to insure that these new roads would meet Highway Department specifications, and that there would be no need to spend Town funds on these roads after acceptance. These subdivisions included:

Deer Trail Pine Tree Est. Beechwood Knoll Pomona Park Riverview
Scotland Industrial Park Vernon Forge
Jolly Meadow Est. Spring Acres

Long Acres

Snow and Ice: Weather conditions the first three months of the year, as you all know, were most severe, keeping the men and equipment extremely busy during this period. The roads were sanded 23 times, spreading approximately 3000 tons of sand with approximately 20% salt mixed in. Plowing operations were numerous at this time as plows were sent out during 7 storms.

The last months of 1977 were considerably milder with little snow accumulating in this area. However, due to unusual amounts of rainfall in December, coupled with freezing temperatures at night, our sanding crews were out much more often. Approximately 1000 tons of sand were used during 8 sanding operations in December alone. The men are to be commended for their dedication and unending
efforts during one of our severest winters in a long while. I also appreciate the assistance afforded us by the Police Department during these snow storms and other related emergencies.

State or Federal Programs Applied for: Mr. Iafrate and I have been actively pursuing any State or Federal grants or programs for which notification was received. The following have been applied for and are pending:

1. Federal Aid programs, Section 203, Rail-highway Crossings — aid for the reconstruction of the Town’s rail/highway crossings. As of now, we are on top of a high priority list — to be acted on in the near future.
2. Governor’s Salt Shed Program (Chapter 356) — new
3. Aid for work on Secondary and Off System roadways (Federal) — new

Also through the Governor’s Highway Safety Program we were able to acquire, at no cost to the Town, a paint striping machine. We have found this to be helpful in doing stop lines, parking lines, and some crosswalks, which would not ordinarily be done when our street painting is put out to contract.

Federal Excess Property: At this time I would like to sincerely thank the members of the Board of Selectmen, Representative Flynn, Mr. Ford of the Civil Defense Program, and all others concerned for diligent and unending efforts in obtaining a Government Surplus Vehicle for this department. In October of 1977 we took delivery of (1) 1968 Willys Jeep.

CETA — Roadside Beautification Program: This program, which started last summer, has resulted in improving the appearance of our Town roadways. The men worked in many areas of town, cutting back brush, loaming and seeding road sides, and the general cleaning of the road shoulders. With the utilization of the CETA program, another dimension has been added to the department enabling me to do this type of work without having to put aside road construction work. I feel the CETA people are an asset, and I would like to thank them for their continued effort and cooperation.

Conclusion: It is with great admiration for my men that I say “Thank You, for a job well done.” Without their cooperation and dedication throughout the year the department’s accomplishments would be few. It is my privilege to serve as Superintendent of the Highway Department for the Town of Bridgewater.

A special note of thanks to the Board of Selectmen, who have always aided myself whenever possible, and with whom I have always had a good rapport. To Mrs. Frances Ticchi, who has always been very helpful and cooperative. Also, to the Police Department who are always cooperative when called upon.

To all the other boards, departments, committees, and commissions, a sincere thank you for all your help and cooperation over the past year, also.

MECHANICS REPORT OF 1977

A year of repairs and preventive maintenance for the departments involved, the Police Department, Water & Sewer Department, Forestry Department, and Recreation Department.

The availability of a full time CETA Employee aided the mechanic to quickly and more effectively service the selected departments. At times more than one CETA employee was utilized to complete regular service operations such as oil changes, greasing, filter changes etc.

Listed are the majority of repairs performed throughout these following departments.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:

Complete engine overhaul on Truck #69
In chassis overhaul on Truck #67
Complete engine overhaul, all hydraulic cylinders repacked
All new pins and bushings, new heater installed in Trojan Loader
#59 Mack Sander had a complete brake overhaul valve job, and all accessories checked for proper operation.
Roadside Mower completely overhauled
Four complete transmission and clutch overhauls on Dump Trucks
Repair brake system on Street Sweeper
Engine overhaul on Shovel Dozer
Spring & Fall check on all vehicles for inspection stickers
Spring check over and seasonal maintenance on Cemetery Mowers
Care of Chain Saws and Brush Cutters used on Road Side Brush removal
New Starter and Block Heater installed in Screening Plant
18 complete tune ups on trucks
37 Oil and Filter changes plus lube jobs
12 Brake adjustments
Mounted V Plow on sidewalk tractor — rebuilding job
Preparatory work on snow and ice equipment
Installed new springs on one truck with Box Sander #67

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

32 Oil, Filter, and Lube Jobs
8 Transmission tune-ups
12 Brake Overhauls
Complete tune-ups on 8 cruisers
One valve overhauls
Replaced one exhaust system
Checked out and repaired many electrical problems
Replaced burned out lights

WATER & SEWER DEPARTMENT:

Removed engines from two trucks to replace corroded core plugs
Serviced Backhoe, installed engine block heater to aid cold weather starting.
Serviced and repaired several emergency mud pumps.
Complete brake overhaul on service and Dump Truck
Checked Anti-Freeze on all vehicles
Three complete tune-ups

FORESTRY DEPARTMENT:

Installed new clutch to pickup
Tuned up two trucks
Repaired brakes on pickup
Overhauled carburetor on Sprayer
Repaired starter cords on several Chain Saws
Repaired ignition system on pickup
RECREATION DEPARTMENT:
Installed new clutch assembly
Tune truck, Oil change, Filter greased

The four wheel drive vehicle which had been obtained through Federal Excess property, proved invaluable to the Highway Department. It provides necessary roadside service and transporting parts needed in the daily care of repairing.

Albert Beninati
Superintendent of Streets

Public Library

Our fifth year in the new library building was a year of expansion in library activities. New services were added to reach more people, and the physical layout of the library was changed to provide better access to materials, and to the staff.

A new, larger section for magazines has been completed. New shelving has been installed to display the magazines more effectively and to allow more room for storage of circulating copies. The additional space has also made it possible to shelve more new subscriptions.

A new Young Adult area has been established near the main entrance to the library. Additional shelving and new paperback book racks have been added in order to house the new young adult books that have been purchased.

The Art Room and the Aldrich Area have been moved and combined to make a larger, more attractive place for exhibitions. The exhibits can be seen from the main floor of the library, and it is now much easier for the library staff to supervise the area.

The desk of the Assistant Librarian has been brought out on the main floor of the library so that she can assist patrons easily. The Reference Librarian is stationed at the Reference and Information Desk daily to answer questions and to help with in-depth research. In the Children's Room, the circulation desk has been moved in order to make a larger space for story hours, and several new reading and play areas have been created. By instituting these changes, we have been able to make better use of the space available, utilize our staff to capacity, and provide more direct and complete service to the people of Bridgewater.

The program calendar of the library was full this year. Three travelogues were presented, as well as a musical program, a poetry reading, and many lectures.

New programs were added to the Children's Room this year, while old programs were continued and expanded.

Extra story hours for preschoolers were added so that story hours now run during the entire school year. Programs for their parents continued, with speakers from several town departments and local agencies participating. During the summer, bedtime story hours were held for children and their parents, bringing families into the library together. Other summer programs included storytelling visits in several neighborhoods and a popular summer reading program, "Haunt Your Library", for older children. This program included storytelling, films, and crafts, and culminated in a "haunted house" in the library's meeting room.

A weekly film series, begun in the fall, has proved to be very popular, as have the crafts programs during school vacations. Children's Book Week in November was celebrated in grand style, with a cake commemorating Peter Rabbit's 75th birthday, a play for the children, and an exhibit of children's drawings.

During the school year 38 elementary classes visited the library for book talks, tours, and the opportunity to borrow library materials. Children from Woodie's Day Nursery also paid a visit, and several scout troops came to learn about folklore and how to use libraries. The new filmstrip projector, purchased this year, has facilitated programs for these groups as well as for local organizations using library facilities.

The Friends of the Library have continued their dedicated support of the library in many ways. They have hosted lectures, musical programs, travelogues, and author's nights. They have raised money for the benefit of the library by sponsoring an annual bookfair, and by purchasing copies of best sellers to be rented by the library patrons at a minimal fee so that, when enough money is collected, the Friends can purchase another book to add to the rental collection. The Friends have formed a group of volunteers to bring library materials to the homebound and elderly. They also purchase family memberships to museums for Bridgewater residents to use. The board of the Friends includes Barnet Brown, vice-president; Ruth Gamson, recording secretary; Iva Lutz, corresponding secretary; and Lillian Brown, treasurer.

The Art Advisory Committee arranged many art exhibits this year including exhibitions of painting and photography. The committee members are Nancy Blumberg, John Phaneuf, and Robert Daniel.

ADDITIONAL SERVICES

Telephone directories for most major cities in the United States have been added to the reference collection.

"Common Knowledge", the library's newsletter, has been increased in size this year in order to include all the activities of the library. This newsletter is mailed free to all members of the Friends group and to town officials. It is also available to townspeople at the circulation desk.

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Library activity index .......................... 111,549

III. NEW BOOKS ADDED:
Adult ............................................. 4,866
Children's ........................................ 1,391

IV. AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS ADDED .... 187

V. MONEY COLLECTED FROM FINES
AND LOST BOOKS .................. $1,700.13
(Returned to town)

GIFTS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The Friends of the Library supported the library in many ways. A special thanks to G. Stephen Ryer, past president, for his long and dedicated service to the Friends group and to the library.

The Speaker's Bureau at Bridgewater State College has provided us with many speakers for our library programs.

The CETA Program has provided us with a full time evening custodian and two clerical assistants. The Neighborhood Youth Corps has provided us with student help throughout the year.

The Ousamequin Club, with the devoted help of Clara Crane, has continued to raise funds which have enabled them to purchase valuable books for our collection. The Bridgewater Garden Club continued their support of the library by providing floral arrangements and Christmas decorations, as well as donating special gardening books for the library collection.

Special thanks go to A. Evelyn Nourse, former Town Accountant, for all of her help in the past, and for her generous donation of Bridgewater town reports.

Thanks also go to Laurence Doherty, Jr., former chairman of the Art Advisory Committee, for his years of dedicated service to the library.

A special thanks must go to the members of the Board of Library Trustees for their continued direction and assistance.

We would like to acknowledge the cooperation of the various town officials, town boards and committees.

Respectfully submitted,
G. Matthew Sperber
Library Director

Library Trustees

December of 1977 marked the fifth anniversary for the new building of the Bridgewater Public Library. A special anniversary celebration will be held in the spring of 1978.

Library statistics show that in 1977 an increasing number of Bridgewater residents came to the library for programs and to borrow materials. To meet the increasing demand for materials, both book and periodical collections have been substantially increased. The Trustees have also reorganized some sections of the library, as well as their own subcommittee structure. In the interest of greater efficiency, the subcommittees have been reduced from 7 to 4. To make better use of the building, the art exhibition area has been relocated and the periodical collection has been moved to a larger area.

In February, the library was awarded a Visual Resources Grant for the purchase of large print books. This project was federally funded through the Massachusetts Bureau of Library Extension with Title I funds of LSCA (Library Services and Construction Act), a federal source of library funding.

The library continues to sponsor programs and films of interest to the community, and all Bridgewater residents are encouraged to come. During this past year, these free programs ranged from a travelogue of Italy to a demonstration of canning. Because of the demand, the number of children's programs has increased. A Thursday afternoon film program has been successful, and visits from the public schools have also continued this year.

The Historical Room has a great deal of material concerning Old Bridgewater. With the specialized help of Elizabeth Carbonara, the collection has been put in order and reclassified. The Trustees are grateful for her excellent work.

The library has remained open until 9 p.m. on Monday through Thursday evenings in response to the demand of townspeople. This important step was achieved by closing an hour earlier on Friday and Saturday, and adding two additional hours, thus making it possible to remain open later on four week nights. The Trustees hope to extend library hours even more in 1978, particularly on weekends. There is an even greater demand for more library hours and, budget willing, the Trustees will be happy to fill this need.

The Trustees would like to thank the Ousamequin Club and the Garden Club for their continued support. The Art Advisory Committee, established under the direction of Laurence Doherty, Jr., has been tireless in providing fine exhibits throughout the year. The Friends of the Library have worked hard to provide funds for special projects such as the library's newsletter "Common Knowledge", which is written by the library staff, and to sponsor programs of community interest.

Without a staff, the library would just be a building housing materials. We have been particularly fortunate in having a fine, loyal staff. Many of the expanded services were accomplished with the aid of the professional staff. Lucille Bousquet, Assistant Librarian, has continued to supervise the circulation staff, and in addition to her usual duties, she has helped patrons with genealogical research, and represented the Director at library meetings and social functions when necessary. Elizabeth Gregg, Reference Librarian, has continued to provide reference and information services to the library patrons, has served as editor of the library's newsletter "Common Knowledge", has been responsible for library publicity, and has taken charge of setting up the new Young Adult Area. Diane Dugal, Technical Services Librarian, has undertaken a major inventory of the library collection, has begun to update and revise the card catalog to accommodate listings for recordings, non-print materials, large print books and other special categories, and has con-
tinued to train and supervise the library’s technical help. Caroline Parr, Children’s Librarian, has done an excellent job taking over the responsibilities of the Children’s Room, has rearranged the Children’s Room to be colorful, cozy, and comfortable, and has doubled the number of story hours held so that there will be space available for all children who wish to attend. Ralph Saunders, Custodian, has undertaken many special projects this year including moving the shelving to make room for the new Art Area, the construction of special wall units for the hanging of art works, and with his expertise in altering various pieces of shelving and furniture, he has saved the town much expense. Our thanks also go to the other staff members for their continued dedication. The clerical staff includes Ruth Gamson, Betty Levesque, Ann O’Leary, Marie Plouffe, Dorothy Poland, and Emily Scroggs. The pages are Deana Beckett, Sandra Estabrook, Gael Hennessey, Jody Larson, Carolyn Ninesling, Mark Schneider, Christine Souza, Thomas Tardie, Jennifer Thomas, Nancy Turman, and Martha Williams.

A particular thank you is accorded to G. Matthew Sperber, our library Director, who we feel has done an excellent job for the library. His innovative ideas and his ability to maximize the use of our materials and staff hours have greatly benefited the library.

The Trustees themselves have worked hard to continue improving the high level of library service in Bridgewater. They have had 10 full meetings and many subcommittee meetings. The members of the Board are J. John Buckley, Chairman; Mary Jarvis, Vice-Chairman; Marcia Dinneen, Secretary; Thomas Chew, Lorraine Daley, George Demers, Dorothy Dunn, Grace Millet, and Kenneth Moore.

Respectfully submitted,
Marcia Dinneen, Secretary
Board of Trustees

CETA Projects Report

On Friday, May 20, 1977, it was the last day for the old CETA Town Building Employees to work. Much has been accomplished with these men — such as painting, meeting room, storage room, etc. but much more had to be done, including electrical, plumbing, more carpenter work, etc. After interviewing many more CETA applicants we were very fortunate to hire three real good mechanics to work on the Town Buildings.

On Wednesday, May 25, 1977, Thomas Dowd, a licensed electrician, and Donald Sweetman, a licensed plumber, came to us (Town Departments) thru the CETA program.

Old pipelines, gas and obsolete water, were removed from both buildings and new material installed. Lights were installed in the new storage rooms on switches, also new lights and more switches in the Police record room. A new project at the Academy building, lights had never been installed to the rear of the Academy cellar — all cement (6 lights, one switch). Work also was done for the Recreation Commission.

Repair material was paid for by the Recreation Commission and new project material thru CETA funds.

A major project was laid out for both these men at the Highway Garage. On June 15th to June 30th they worked there except for a couple of small jobs, such as a small plumbing job for the Senior Citizens and checking and picking up a refrigerator for the Academy cellar.

About this time a new sink was installed in the Town Hall. This project had been in the works for years. A rest room is very much in need for the girls at the Town Hall because as it is now, there is no place to relax, to sit, or lie down. We are now working on this plan.

A new bubbler has been installed in conjunction with this project. The old one was stripped, taken apart, new parts ordered and the bubbler was repaired and reinstalled at the Town Barn, giving them a much needed fountain.

On Monday, July 18th, a new project at the Town Barn started. This was a continuation of the prior project and meant a move of old lines replaced with new wire. Compressors moved, air lines, in general more working space, better lighting, more plugs and reconstruction of lights and power.

On Monday, July 25th, Frank Caetano, a carpenter, and James Panza, a laborer, were assigned to the Town Hall for a massive renovation program.

First of many jobs was in the Assessors Office. A wall was taken down and rebuilt about six feet beyond. A huge safe/file was taken out and brought to the cellar by Collins Crane Company (our men were unable to handle the job). New floors, ceiling and paneling to match rest of office, plus a new light fixture, were installed. This gave the Assessors Office about 100 square feet more of space.

A number of small jobs were done in between such as minor repairs and a dropped ceiling was installed in the cell block of the Police Station. Tom Dowd dropped the lights and ventilation below the new ceiling.

Tuesday, August 16th, the Assessors Office was 99% complete, giving them a new entrance, new counter for maps, and area space to talk to Town residents without them crowding into the office.

While these projects were being done, daily maintenance was going on such as leaky roofs and gutters, broken windows, door checks, etc.

The next major project was the Town Clerk’s office. Closets were torn out, wall book shelf torn out and a counter installed in their place. A new wall was built, new floor (closet area). Matching paneling was purchased in New Bedford by the Town Clerk.

A new console was installed at the police station, made entirely to the Chief’s specifications. Complete change of bulbs was made in offices and lights repaired. Two men were sent to Town Garage to cut thru block wall and install two new windows.

Another major project was at the Fire Station, where more storage was built over the Maintenance Repair Station, involving steel girders, etc. New lights, new plugs, and drop lines for the charging of batteries without using 50 to 100
feet of extension cords were installed. Hot and cold water lines were installed to new ladies room (CETA clerk-dispatcher) and water line to fill water tank on trucks within the garage while the trucks are in place.

On October 12th, we were sorry to lose James Panza, a CETA laborer, to Highway Department, who was a great help to us and did excellent work being done around the Town Buildings. He caught on fast and we were able to use him on his own merits numerous times. He was a very likeable and helpful fellow to all who came in contact with him.

Heating units in the Fire Department were repaired, new plugs and lights checked, replaced or changed over to satisfy the users. Also, work at the Water Department — pumping stations were checked out and a complete new changeover at the High Street Pumping Station was done. At the stations, all circuits were checked, repaired or replaced where needed. Quite a renovation job was also done at the Sewer plant.

On Tuesday, November 29th, Frank Caetano started the desk for the Selectmen's Office. It is a U-shaped, 3 desk unit, solidified into one. Meanwhile Tom Dowd and Don Sweetman were lining up and pricing material to set up emergency generator for the Highway Department to be used so that work could continue during a power failure.

A new rug was installed in the Selectmen's Office. The new desk was installed in place and finished in place. The top was made at the Bristol-Plymouth Regional School by the students and they did a beautiful job. When the top was finished it was put in place. After this work was completed, it turned out to be one of the best looking offices in the County. The finishing touch was the hand carved Town Seal made by Mr. Caetano, who spent many hours on this project. After seeing it in place and the obstacles conquered to accomplish this, it was well worth the work. Mr. Caetano is now making another Town Seal for the Police Department.

All in all, I feel this program was used by the Town in a very advantageous manner. Work on the buildings has been done that had been waiting for years. New lights, fixtures, plugs were installed where needed, and many more things were done that were needed in individual departments. Also more space was made wherever possible with very limited funds. The savings on these projects were immense and quite a few were accomplished at no cost at all to the Town as the labor was paid for by CETA.

There is not a department that at one time or another has not utilized the use of these three men (except the school department, which we hope will some day). They are all good licensed men.

The following departments have been aided, or still on the list for aid: Home for the Elderly; Public Library; Memorial Building; Recreation Commission; Bridgewater Visiting Nurse; Police Department; Fire Department; Highway Department; Town Hall; Academy Building; and the various departments within the Town Hall and Academy.

We express our deep appreciation to Head Custodian, Alex Santilli, under whose supervision the above CETA employees worked most of the time. It was a teamwork effort and the results were excellent.

David A. Canepa
Coordinator of CETA Program
Chairman, Board of Selectmen

A Breakdown of the expenditures are as follows:

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EDUCATION

Bridgewater Public Schools

PERSONNEL

Superintendent of Schools
Stephen J. Childs, Box 113, R.F.D. 4, Middleboro
Residence Tel: 947-4139 — Office Tel: 697-6914

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Anne Norkowski, 483 Walnut Street

Office Personnel
Superintendent's Office
Nina A. Auglis
Ann Chruniak
Josephine Coughlin

Office open:
8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. — Monday through Thursday;
8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. — Friday

School Office Personnel
Helen Bumpus
Diane Buron
Maryann Gebo
Elizabeth Sironen, P. P.S. Dept.
June Manganaro, Guidance Dept.
Carolyn Burnett, Library
Marion Giampoli
Helen Lankalis
Helen Caswell

School Health Personnel
Shirley Lauffer, R.N.
Anne M. Smith, R.N.
Nancy J. Swift, R.D.H.
Hector B. Douglass, M.D.
Leo Zalon, M.D.

Director of School Lunch Program
Kenneth Gebo

Attendance Officers
James A. Bois
Bren Rose

Superintendent of Maintenance and Custodians
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Maintenance Men
Edward Amaral
Alfred Shepard
Louis Calabrese

Custodians

James Ellis
Louis Fernandes
Francis Mullen
Filippo Presti
Andrew Randall (and Driver)
Raymond Resmini
William F. Pincolini
Stephen Chruniak
John Ferreira

Van Drivers
Fred McLaughlin
Betty Williams

CALENDAR FOR SCHOOL YEAR

Fall term begins September 7, 1977
Fall term ends December 23, 1977
Winter term begins January 3, 1978
Winter term ends February 17, 1978
Spring term begins February 27, 1978
Spring term ends April 14, 1978
Summer term begins April 24, 1978
Summer term ends June 23, 1978

Days Out
October 10 — Columbus Day
November 4 — Teachers' Convention
November 11 — Veteran's Day
November 24, 25 — Thanksgiving Day
January 16 — Martin Luther King Day
March 24 — Good Friday
May 29 — Memorial Day

(Subject to approval of School Committee)

NO SCHOOL SIGNALS

Because State Law now requires that all schools including elementary conduct sessions for a minimum of 180 days each year, the no school signal will be used only when absolutely necessary. Schools will, therefore, be in session on most stormy days. Parents will have to decide on such days whether or not younger children should attend school.

1. The signal for no school will be sounded by the Fire Department at:
   7:00 a.m. — Grades K to 8
   6:45 a.m. — High School

2. No-school announcements will be given on Stations WBET-
Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee:

I am submitting for your consideration the Superintendent's report for the calendar year 1977. Reports of the school principals and the director of pupil personnel services will be provided for your study. This is my first report as Superintendent of the Bridgewater Public Schools. Data for this report was gathered from individual reports submitted by the principals, the director of pupil personnel services and various staff members who submitted reports to their immediate supervisors. These will also be made available to you at your convenience. In addition, the school committee minutes were reviewed and utilized to provide information.

ENROLLMENT

This past year has shown a stable period of pupil population in the Bridgewater schools. However, as this report is being written, the school system is witnessing a steady growth each week, especially at the Middle School. As of January 19, 1978 there were 2314 pupils enrolled in grades K-8.

All available classroom space is being utilized. The Middle School still continues to house three fourth grade classes which really belong in an elementary school. The St. Thomas Aquinas parish center continues to house 228 pupils in grades K-4.

Looking ahead over the next few years, it is very easy to predict that the Bridgewater Public Schools will experience significant growth in pupil population. This is in contrast to the general state and national trends of decreases in student enrollments. It should be obvious to all citizens that our town is on the brink of an upsurge in home construction. Recent Planning Board hearings have been in the process of reviewing almost 300 new homes to be built within five years. Projections from various agencies, such as the Old Colony Planning Council, describe significant residential growth for the Town of Bridgewater. I hope our town will be successful in dealing with the growth that will come, especially when the I-495 extension is a reality.

LABORATORY SCHOOL

The new laboratory school will not be ready for occupancy until midsummer of 1980 because construction "could not take place until the Bureau of Building Construction scheduled the first pre-construction meeting which precedes the actual beginning of the construction process. That pre-construction meeting in turn could not take place until receipt of final approval of the awarding of the contract by the Federal Government since the Commonwealth of Massachusetts is in receipt of a Federal Fund to help defray the payment of the interest due for the construction loan," as stated in a letter from President Rondileau to Mrs. Kairit, Chairman of the CEPAB Committee. Questions that need answers are found in Mrs. Kairit's letter dated November 28, 1977, such as the staffing of the Burnell School and whether or not an administrator will be provided.
PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS

A. This past year marked the first time in the history of the Middle School that a recognition day for the eighth grade class was held. As a result of the Awards Committee’s recommendations, the eighth grade classes will receive diplomas and awards at the conclusion of each school year. In addition, seventh graders will participate in an awards program. The efforts and dedication of the Awards Committee should be commended.

B. Team organization in grades five and six continues to function efficiently. Feedback from all concerned parties has been positive.

C. The school lunch program, in all schools, continues to be of the highest quality. In the Middle School there were several significant improvements, particularly in the old cafeteria. Mr. Gebo, our school lunch director, was appointed to serve in a similar capacity at the Bridgewater-Raynham Regional High School. This consolidation of positions has resulted in a significant savings in administrative salaries.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

1. The School Committee file an article in the warrant to establish an Elementary School Building Committee.

2. The School Committee consider retaining rental of the Parish Center even when the new lab school becomes a physical reality. By 1980 pupil population, in my opinion, will warrant this additional space. The three fourth grade classes at the Middle School could be housed here. It might be well to consolidate the fourth grades at the Parish Center as was done several years ago with the fifth grades while the new addition at the Middle School was being constructed.

3. The School Committee endorse a plan for reviewing and updating curriculum in grades K-8.

4. The School Committee complete its obligation in recommending a plan for school district organization as required by July, 1978.

CONCLUSION

It is a privilege to serve the children and parents and citizens of Bridgewater in the capacity of Superintendent of Schools. This is my fifteenth year of service to the town.

I sincerely hope that the citizens of Bridgewater continue to recognize the many hours of devotion given by their elected officials, the Bridgewater School Committee.

May I state how fortunate I am to have an office staff of the highest caliber. Miss Anne Norkawski, Mrs. Nina Auglis, Mrs. Josephine Coughlin and Mrs. Ann Chruniak share in any successes we have had this past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Stephen J. Childs
Superintendent of Schools

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS, OCTOBER 1, 1977

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Name                  Position                         Started       College                        Degree
Joyce Serras                  Language Training                      Oct. 1977      Bridgewater State                   B.S.
Bren Rose, Title VI              Intervention Counselor                  Sept. 1973      Univ. of Ct., Bridgewater          B.S., M.Ed.
Janis Burke, Title I                  Math Tutor                             Sept. 1975     Anna Maria College                B.A., M.Ed.
Maureen Boatman, Title I          Reading Specialist                     Sept. 1976      Eastern Conn. State College        B.A.
Judith Cingolani, Title I Lang. Therapist          Oct. 1977      Univ. of Mass.                     B.S.
Anita Stiles, Title I Instructional Aide              Sept. 1977      Annhurst College, Ct.              B.A.
Mary Suplee, Title I Instructional Aide                         Nov. 1977
Cynthia Kirker, Title I Secretary                                   

BRIDGEWATER-RAYNHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

At a meeting of the School Committee held on January 30, 1978, the Committee voted unanimously to submit the report of the Superintendent as its report for 1977.

The members of the Bridgewater-Raynam Regional School Committee include Mr. George K. Gurley, Chairman; Mr. Clifford W. Bettencourt, Vice-Chairman; Mrs. Shoshanah Garshick, Secretary; Mr. Reginald L. Nickerson, Mr. Donald C. Buron and Mrs. Dolores A. Trautman.

George K. Gurley, Chairman
Bridgewater-Raynam Regional School Committee

To the School Committee:

I am submitting for your consideration my report for 1977. The report was compiled by reviewing the minutes of the School Committee for the period from January 3, 1977 to and including December 19, 1977. Reviewed also were the annual reports as submitted by the headmaster, assistant headmasters, directors and department heads. All reports are available for review in the office of the Superintendent. This is my sixth report as Superintendent of the Bridgewater-Raynam Regional School District.

Issues

The major issue which came to conclusion in 1977 was the "One Man, One Vote" issue. The towns of Raynam and Bridgewater each unanimously approved an amendment to the Bridgewater-Raynam Regional School District Agreement. The new agreement calls for a district-wide election of School Committee members of the Bridgewater-Raynam Regional School District. In the agreement each town is insured that three members will serve on the School Committee.

The position of the Bridgewater-Raynam Regional School District School Committee was upheld by each of the towns in separate town meetings. The School Committee's position was that there was a moral imperative to meet the standards of the doctrine of "One Man, One Vote," but at the same time, it did not intend to disrupt the existing structure and organization of the School Committee. The unanimously voted amendment may be interpreted as a vote of confidence by the member towns to the Regional School Committees, past and present.

The Bridgewater-Raynam Regional School Committee in cooperation with the Raynam School Committee was also successful in implementing a Joint Bid for School Bus Transportation. Both school districts as a result of the joint venture were able to make substantial savings in pupil transportation costs.

As a result of concerns raised by the B-R (Bridgewater-Raynam) Regional School Committee regarding underfunding by the state, a public meeting was held with state legislators, Senator John F. Parker, Senator Robert E. McCarthy and Representative Peter Y. Flynn. Due in part to the efforts of these gentlemen, B-R received its full entitlement last year of state funding in all categories.

The Special Education program was further strengthened when the School Committee appointed Dr. Robert Hartman as Director of Special Education. Dr. Hartman, a clinical psychologist, is well respected in the area having established this reputation as Director of R.E.A.D.S., a regional medical-educational collaborative located at the Lakeville Hospital in Lakeville, Massachusetts.

Programs that were expanded by additional personnel and offerings include the Reading Center, the Summer School Program, and the Adult Evening School Program. The Adult Evening School program is now under the direction of Mr. Calvin White who replaced Mrs. Arlene Carter who retired as a counselor. Mrs. Carter was well known to parents and students of Raynam and Bridgewater. Her contributions to our district were many and varied. She will be missed.

Course changes occurred in Science. Mr. John Manning, Department Head, presented his rationale for expanding the Earth Science offering to ninth-grade pupils. This was adopted by the School Committee. A new course, Practical Physics, was also presented by Mr. Manning. This course is designed to meet the prerequisites of students entering the paraprofessional general field of engineering technology. The course was started in September 1977.

In the extracurricular area a ski club was reintroduced and made available to students. A boys' junior varsity tennis
program was instituted as well as a girls' varsity soccer program.

**Conclusion**

This annual report has not included specific statement or highlights from the reports of others as a response to the request from one of the member towns for a more concise annual report. I urge those interested persons, however, to avail themselves of the opportunity to read all of the annual reports as submitted. A sense of purpose and action of those involved in the educational process will evidence itself through such readings. The reports as submitted were informative and encouraging, yet were seeking and recommending improvements. A "status quo" attitude does not appear to be prevalent among the authors of the annual reports submitted to the B-R School Committee.

This administration will continue to seek better ways to educate the children of Raynham and Bridgewater and to serve the communities. As Superintendent of the Bridgewater-Raynham Regional School District, I am keenly aware of the contributions of many persons within and outside of the educational community which are the major sources of its quality.

My sincere thanks to those with whom I work daily in striving to make B-R a school district of the highest quality. They are the fiber of this school.

Respectfully submitted,
Edwin Denton, D.Ed.
Superintendent

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Report of Bristol-Plymouth Regional Technical School Committee

I hereby submit my first Annual Report to the citizens of the Bristol-Plymouth Regional School District. This has been an eventful year in the history of Bristol-Plymouth. On January 31, 1977, Mr. Charles F. Day, the first Superintendent-Director of Bristol-Plymouth, retired. Mr. Daniel J. Saunders was appointed Acting Superintendent-Director at that time. At a subsequent meeting he was appointed Superintendent-Director to become effective July 1, 1977.

The School Committee representing the Bristol-Plymouth School District was comprised of the following people:

Frank Moskal  
Robert S. Stone  
John D. Ryder  
William R. Powers  
William H. Gallagher, Jr.  
Peter J. Wasylow

Berkley  
Bridgewater  
Middleboro  
Raynham  
Taunton

The Educational Program at Bristol-Plymouth Regional Technical School serves 738 High School students and 125 Post Graduate students in 17 Occupational Programs.

This year we commenced our House Building Program which is an extension of the Carpentry Shop. This program also utilizes the facilities and students of Electrical, Industrial Maintenance, Painting & Decorating, and the Machine Drafting Departments. Our Summer Program, an experiment in career awareness, proved to be highly motivating and successful.

We have expanded our Food Trades Program so that now Senior Citizens of the region may avail themselves of the services of this particular shop and, at the same time, offer to our students an expansion of their educational training.

The Academic Program at the school continues to stress basic concepts in English, Math, Social Studies, and Science. We have instituted a Remedial Math Program which is a much needed addition. Our students have competed in local and state oratorical contests. We have published four editions of the SCRIBE Literary Magazine which has received accolades on local and state levels. We have placed three High School Seniors into our Data Processing Post Graduate Program as a pilot program to determine the feasibility of having a High School Data Processing Program. Although our philosophy is to teach those skills which are necessary for direct employment, we have attempted to assist those students who after two or more years at Bristol-Plymouth have shown a desire to further their education directly upon graduation by offering special accelerated courses that would be of assistance to them. Only a small percentage of our graduates go on to higher education, but their success in higher education speaks for itself.

The Guidance Department was most active in providing an effective program to meet the needs of our entire student body. Every attempt was made to comply with state and federal laws regarding Title IX and Chapter 622. Through the Guidance Department every student applicant to Bristol-Plymouth is tested and interviewed prior to his selection.

The Special Needs sector of the Guidance Department is in full compliance with Chapter 766. This department serves students with varied special needs. In addition to the full-time employees of Bristol-Plymouth who are engaged in special education, the school is a member of the Vocational Technical Special Needs Collaborative which makes it possible for Bristol-Plymouth to economically provide a greater range of services. Presently, 70 students, or approximately 10% of the total school enrollment, have been identified as having special needs and other referrals are currently being evaluated. In addition, over 10 students participate in an adaptive physical education program, funded this year through a grant under P.L. 94-142. We are very pleased that Bristol-Plymouth's Title I proposal was one of the first vocational school programs to be approved and funded, and we are optimistic that the program will be a success.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank our School Committee, Advisory Board, and the enthusiastic parents and citizens who support Bristol-Plymouth.

Respectfully submitted,
Daniel J. Saunders
Superintendent-Director

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Planning Board
To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

1977 was a busy year for the Planning Board of Bridgewater. The continued increase in sub-division work required monitoring of the older developments, and the setting up of guidelines and controls for the newer areas.

The largest amount of sub-division work occurred in the western part of town with Tory Hill Estates, Vernon Forge, Spring Acres Estates being a few of the larger developments. The preliminary plans for all the newer sub-divisions for 1977 were submitted prior to the annual town meeting in the Spring, which voted to enlarge residential lot sizes in Zone A and B to one acre. This lot increase has reduced the number of new sub-division submissions, but did not affect the plans previously brought to the board.

The largest sub-division in the history of the town called Long Acres on the Chaffee Farm, calls for 257 houses and focuses upon the issue of planned growth in the town. This development, coupled with other plans in preliminary or definitive stages of acceptance, will add approximately 1200 new houses to the town when completed. Such an enormous increase in residential housing will strain the existing municipal facilities and has already created a worsening situation in our existing water supply. The conditions require serious thought by the citizens of Bridgewater, and could force the town to establish a firm policy to protect water supplies, as well as other town resources such as open space and recreational areas.

The Scotland Industrial Park was initiated during 1977 in the area zoned for industry at the last Annual Town Meeting. It is the belief of the Board that this development will help to broaden the tax base of the town, and also provide new conservation areas for Bridgewater. In addition, the completion of roads at Lakerridge and College Park subdivisions, concludes some of the older developments that the Board has been waiting to finish over the past two years. In this vein, the Planning Board has submitted eight streets for acceptance by the town at the Annual Town Meeting including Oak Ridge Lane, Stephani Lane, Ashhead Road, Legge Street, Clover Drive, Darlene Drive, Morris Avenue, and Mellen Place.

The Board had proposed zoning changes to the Annual Town Meeting that would conform to the mandated State Regulations, and has also included other articles brought to our attention by the special zoning By-law Study Committee. With the help of Donald Schmidt of the Department of Community Affairs and the Town Engineer, the Rules and Regulations for sub-divisions within Bridgewater have been updated. In addition, the Board has continued to be active in developing proposals for Bikeways in the town.

In conclusion, we would like to express our appreciation to the people of Bridgewater for past support and ask for their continued help and understanding in facing some of the future planning decisions this report suggests. We would also like to extend our gratitude to Mr. Charles Herbert, Mr. Walter Zaverucha, and Mr. Beninati for their help during the year and to the various town departments that have aided us. And finally, a special thanks to Mrs. Leslie Dorr for her efforts to keep a part-time Board functioning properly.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Dillman
Douglas Dorr
Richard Benton
Gerald Provost
Victor Auglis

Zoning Appeals Board
To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Zoning Appeals Board submits the following report of its activities for the year 1977, also its recommendations for the coming year. In 1976 there were 25 appeals, or petitions, which came before the Board. In 1977 there were 30 appeals, or petitions, broken down as follows:

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Once again, as reported in previous years, it can be seen from the number and nature of appeals coming before the Board that the permits for variances, or other relief, deal

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mainly with existing uses, and the Zoning By-Laws as now constituted, are functioning in a most satisfactory manner. There have been few, if any, complaints concerning the provisions of the present Zoning By-Laws that have come to the attention of the Zoning Appeals Board. Had there been widespread dissatisfaction with the present provisions of the Zoning By-Law, it would have been reflected in the nature and substantially would have increased the number of appeals coming before the Zoning Appeals Board.

As a result of Town Meeting action, a committee was appointed to bring the current Zoning By-Law into conformity with Chapter 808 of the Acts of 1975 which rewrote Chapter 40A of the General Laws governing zoning. This committee is acting under the direction of the Planning Board.

At a Special Town Meeting the present Zoning By-Law was amended to permit Commercial uses in Industrial areas which had been permitted under the original Town By-Law of 1957. As a result, this permits Commercial uses, in the main, on Bedford and Elm Streets areas. This change, had it come sooner, would have eliminated two of the zoning hearings where petitioners wanted to build Commercial establishments on Bedford Street.

Once again the Board was faced with the problem concerning the disposal of septage within the Town of Bridgewater. The Board refers to its decision of the appeal of Claude Dubord dated November 3, 1977 for further details concerning the problem. Attention is specifically directed to Chapter 111, Section 31D, of the General Laws which mandates that cities or towns must provide an area for the disposal of septage. The aforementioned section reads as follows:

"Cities, towns and sewerage districts, may, subject to the approval of the department (State Department of Public Health) provide facilities for the receipt and disposal of privy, cesspool and septic tank contents collected for hire by private persons and shall establish such charges for the use of such persons of such facilities as may be necessary for defraying the cost of construction, operating, and maintaining the same. The commissioner (State Commissioner of Public Health) may investigate facilities for the receipt and disposal of privy cesspool and septic tank contents in cities, towns and sewerage districts. If in his opinion he determines such facilities are inadequate for proper disposal of such contents, he may recommend necessary action for protection of the public. If after a reasonable time the city, town or sewerage district fails to act upon his recommendations in a manner satisfactory to him, upon an order issued by the department, a city, town, or sewerage district shall provide facilities for the receipt and disposal of privy, cesspool, and septic tank contents collected for hire by private persons. The city, town, or sewerage district shall establish such charges for the use by such persons of such facilities as may be necessary for defraying the cost of constructing operating and maintaining the same. Nothing in this section shall prevent a city or sewerage district or a combination of cities and towns or cities, towns and a sewerage district from acting jointly in carrying out the provisions of this section."

It is, therefore, suggested and recommended that an ad hoc committee or that a committee be appointed by the Town Moderator, or Board of Selectmen, to act under the direction of the Town Board of Health, or Water and Sewer Commissioners to thoroughly investigate the serious problem of sewerage and septage disposal within the Town and submit to the next annual Town Meeting, or sooner, appropriate plans or recommendations.

We further recommend that the aforementioned committee include representatives of, but not limited to, the following: Board of Health; Sewer and Water Commissioners; Board of Selectmen; Planning Board; Advisory Committee; Building Inspector; Town Engineer; and four members at large chosen from geographical districts, and any other persons or organizations that would be of assistance.

The Board feels this is a situation which could rapidly grow into one of crisis proportions and one which could cost the Town of Bridgewater hundreds of thousands of dollars if a remedy is not found soon for the proper disposal of septage.

Respectfully submitted,
Philip W. Silva, Chairman
Zoning Appeals Board

Veterans Council

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Since forming the Bridgewater Veterans Council in 1969, it has planned, coordinated and formulated two yearly parades, on Memorial Day and Veterans Day, the latter a town effort, each year in a different town. In 1977 the Town of West Bridgewater hosted the three Bridgwaterers on Veterans Day and it was an excellent turnout for Bridgewater. However, we did miss the cadence of the Bridgewater-Raynham Regional School Band which participated in the Raynham parade. We appreciate sharing the Regional Band with the Town of Raynham, and hopefully a schedule can be worked out. The M.G. Williams Middle School Band under the direction of Albert Borzomato, Music Director, deserves special thanks for its fine performance.

The Council lauds its Veterans, town officials, Girl and Boy Scouts, National Guard, Police and Fire Departments, and the Minutemen for continued participation in honoring Bridgewater Veterans. Without you our parades would lack the town spirit. We would like to see more Veterans join us; you don't need the uniform, just the heart for joining, as Veteran Basil Warren does, and it is gratifying to see Mr. Warren making the march.

The Council gives special recognition to Charles Hooper, Sr. for fifty years of faithful service to the Town in organizing the Memorial Day Parade; to Charles Hooper, Jr., for placing flags in the Common and on Veterans Graves; to the Highway Department for maintaining the flag poles; and to Alex Santilli for raising the Academy flag each day.

Since flags are synonymous with parades and government, the Council expresses a desire to have a flag waving
from the Town Hall building. The Town Hall is the town’s official administration building and without a flag it is like a parade without the cadence of a band!

Respectfully submitted,
Frances K. Ticchi, Chairman
Bridgewater Veterans Council

Advisory Board

Bridgewater property went to full valuation in 1977, resulting in a tax rate of $43.00. We should not be misled by the $43.00 tax rate as it is costing you just as much in tax dollars, if not more. The cost of municipal government is rising sharply. Most of the increase is due to increased pay and fringe benefits. Some is due to additional services which the voters have demanded. The Advisory Board feels that the town must attempt to stabilize the tax rate and to guard the expenditures of departments even more closely.

The Scotland Industrial Park was approved by the voters at our annual town meeting. Hopefully this will attract new industry to broaden the tax base. The development and completion of Route 495 promises to be attractive to prospective businesses; however, it will also lead to additional subdivisions, which will create a need for additional services. Surveys indicate that the proposed rapid growth of our town will continue, and as a result we must make a prudent selection of services, a selection that will enhance the quality of life of our residents.

We would like to recommend that more people participate in town government, attend town meetings and be concerned about the expenditures to be made by all departments. If we are to preserve the democratic form of government and the present form of town meetings in Bridgewater, participation of all concerned is of primary importance.

The Advisory Board meets frequently in the upper Town Hall and the meetings are open to the public. Committee members have been assigned to town departments so they can bring firsthand knowledge to the entire board of the budgets to be presented by these departments. This has been beneficial and has created a good working relationship with all parties concerned.

We would like to thank the town department heads for their cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully,
Albert Sacoccia, Chmn.
Elsie Smith, Clerk
Leo Bourque
Paul Govoni
Dana Pickett
Phyllis Tuholski
Harold Terpenny
Frank Wallace
Arthur Wyman

Historical Commission

The Bridgewater Historical Commission, in 1977, pushed forward its listing of old houses, cemeteries, churches, schools, and industrial sites for the inventory conducted under the auspices of the Massachusetts Historical Commission. The Bridgewater Historical Commission also conducted special investigations of such things as the historical impact of improvement of the Scotland Field, new Route 495 Extension, the proposed industrial park off Route 104 (Pleasant Street), rebuilding of bridges and dams in the Town of Bridgewater, and changes in the structure of the town’s municipal buildings.

By the end of the year, the commission was exploring the possibilities of creating an archaeological district comprised of Fort Hill, Titicut and its associated complex of archaeological sites in the southern section of Bridgewater.

Ralph S. Bates
Chairman

Wage and Personnel Board

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Wage and Personnel Board recommended adjustments in salaries for non-contract employees pursuant to the Wage and Personnel Classification and Compensation By-Law. As required, we compared similar positions in neighboring towns and have taken into consideration the ability of the taxpayers of the Town to finance the recommended increases. The recommendations were approved by the Voters at the Annual Town Meeting.

The Town was operating under the second year of its contract with the Bridgewater Branch of the Massachusetts Police Association: Local 1700 American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO, State Council 41, representing the highway, water, sewer, forestry, custodian and playground employees; and the Bridgewater Permanent Firefighters Assn., which expire June 30, 1978. We, as the Town’s representatives in collective bargaining are preparing for up-coming negotiations with the Unions which are now four (4) in number due to the election of clerical and library employees to join the National Association of Government Employees.

We wish to thank the Selectmen, Advisory Board, Town Counsel, Town Accountant and all Departments, Boards and Committees for their assistance and cooperation during the past year.

We wish to welcome Kenneth Perry to the Board and George Belcher as Town Accountant and Secretary to the Wage and Personnel Board and look forward to their contributions.

We are certain that all citizens of the Town of Bridgewater join us in expressing our gratitude to Mario Ferioli and Raymond G. Pelletier, Jr. for their years of devotion, energy and positive contributions rendered not only to the Board, but also to all of the citizens of the Town of Bridgewater. We wish them the best in their future endeavors.
Respectfully submitted,
Melvyn D. Cohen, Chairman
Anthony Belloli
Kenneth Perry
Richard Wyman
Wage and Personnel Board

Industrial Development Commission

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The year 1977 has been one of change for the Industrial Development Commission. We have seen the birth of the Scotland Industrial Park and take a certain amount of pride in our efforts toward that end. We have witnessed the broadening of our zoning by-laws which promises increased commercial development in areas formerly designated for industry only. In view of these major developments we are confident that a balanced plan of commercial-industrial and residential growth can be realized in our town.

With the majority of our members appointed in the past year, we have turned much of our energy and enthusiasm toward understanding the complex responsibilities of the commission and training ourselves to execute them. Members have attended Industrial Development Workshops, viewed promotional films and filmstrips, and have just recently begun to work with an extensive Industrial Development Kit specifically designed for Bridgewater by the Old Colony Planning Council.

This year, in an effort to expand and decentralize activities we have assigned members as liaisons to several areas representing our special interests. At the present time these assignments include the Bridgewater Industrial Park, the Scotland Industrial Park, the Old Colony Planning Council and its Overall Economic Development Program, the Interstate 495 extension, federal funding for water main development, and the Growth Policy Commission. Through its member liaisons, the Commission is kept informed of new developments in these vital areas.

In our efforts to monitor industrially zoned land, members have attended several Zoning Appeals Board hearings to either offer support or voice opposition to cases involving the rezoning of industrial property.

The future plans of the commission include the revitalization of the Industrial Development Finance Authority, the development of an industrial sites brochure for prospective clients, the revision and reprinting of the Street Directory Map, and a renewed commitment to the further growth of a balanced commercial-industrial tax base in our town.

The commission wishes to thank the Board of Selectmen for their continuing support and extends a special thanks to our secretary, Miss Diane Freeman, for her fine work.

Respectfully submitted,
Kevin J. Dalton, Chairman
Alfred W. Cronin, Vice Chairman

Vault Study Committee

Passage of Article 27 at the 1976 Annual Town Meeting created a Vault Study Committee consisting of the Town Engineer, Building Inspector, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, one member of the Board of Selectmen, one member of the Advisory Committee and one member of the Permanent Municipal Building Committee. At the organizational meeting called by Town Clerk, Paul Lyons, Thomas Chew of the Permanent Municipal Building Committee was elected chairman and Elsie Smith of the Advisory Board was elected secretary. Other members of the committee included David Canepa, Charles Herbert, Albert Lanzikos, and Walter Zaverucha. Ronald Adams became a member of the committee following his election as Town Clerk, replacing Paul Lyons.

The Vault Study Committee submits the following report of its findings for your acceptance. Following the organizational meeting, an inspection was made of our present vault storage. It was noted at that time, that official Town records dating back to 1656 are being stored in a small vault just outside the Office of the Town Clerk. The vault is of brick construction, has a double metal door, and at the time of our inspection was at capacity. Additional records of the Town Clerk, ballots and other bulky items which should have been in a fire-proof vault were stored in the former coal bin located under a set of wooden stairs leading to the basement. The area is nothing more than a locked closet. Records belonging to the Town Treasurer were being stored in another part of the basement in an enclosed area that was once used by the Forestry Department as an office and chemical storage area. Both areas were found to be damp, dirty and poorly lighted. A further examination of the basement area found it to be cluttered, poorly lighted, and inadequately ventilated. The boiler is in an unprotected well about two feet below floor level. Paint and other combustibles were also being stored in the basement area.

A letter received some time ago from the Secretary of State, Paul Guzzi, which cited the need for the Town to take immediate action to provide better vault storage facilities for vital Town records, was reviewed by the committee. Based on the specifications for record storage contained in the letter and our inspection of our present facilities, it was obvious that no quick or easy solutions were available. It was agreed that to construct the type of vault that would be necessary to meet State requirements within the present Town Hall structure would not be economically feasible.
However, because of the obvious need for immediate positive action, the committee investigated several "temporary" solutions including alternative methods of record retention. After careful consideration of several alternatives, the committee voted to recommend to the Selectmen that an offer of free vault storage space from the Plymouth-Home National Bank, be accepted as soon as it could be arranged. The agreed terms for the use of this space are for "temporary" storage for a period not to exceed 5 years.

It is the consensus of this committee that there are no suitable long-term solutions presently available for the required protection of vital Town records. We further believe that this in itself is not the primary problem but rather is only part of a much larger problem — that of inadequate town office facilities. It is our recommendation, therefore, that the Vault Study Committee be dismissed and that the Board of Selectmen and Permanent Municipal Building Committee be charged with determining a permanent solution for the proper and adequate storage of Town records; that they further be charged with determining the space needs of the various Town departments, that a program be developed for meeting those needs, and that specific recommendations for a plan of action be presented at the next Annual Town Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas I. Chew, Chairman
Ronald Adams
David Canepa
Charles Herbert
Albert Lanzikos
Elsie Smith
Walter Zaverucha

Youth Commission
Study Committee

During the course of the past year, the Study Committee has met with many community leaders in the area of youth, including the Chief of Police of the Town of Bridgewater and other representatives of his department; officials of the Bridgewater-Raynham Regional High School; Bridgewater Recreation Commission; representatives of Youth Commissions of several area towns; a meeting with a group of young people from Bridgewater; the Director and Assistant Director of Puosto, Inc.; the Regional Director of the Office for Children and other members of his staff; and the Director of a drug rehabilitation center for teenagers. Meetings in addition were also held where only the Study Committee were present to discuss areas of individual investigation.

The Study Committee has found that there are young people living in Bridgewater who do not take part in any type of activities other than mandatory attendance of public school. There are also youth who lack a positive direction in their lives. The reasons for this situation are many and varied, and could only be illuminated by a case-by-case study.

The Study Committee concludes that all the youth of Bridgewater could benefit by the formation of a Youth Commission in the Town, and the Study Committee has submitted articles in the Town Warrant to afford the voters of Bridgewater an opportunity to address themselves to this question.

If established, the Youth Commission would function as a central information center, aware of all areas of activities in the Town. The Youth Commission would encourage youth to participate in existing programs in the community thereby not duplicating the efforts and prerogatives of other established Town boards. The Youth Commission would also design new approaches to programs involving participation of the members of the community. The Commission would be concerned with the needs of the youth of Bridgewater.

It would not be the responsibility of the Youth Commission to establish a youth center, drop-in-center or anything of this type. The Study Committee concludes that this concept is not feasible for our Town.

Programs of the Youth Commission would be such as to provide social activity, entertainment, and in some cases special educational opportunities to the youth of Bridgewater. The Study Committee does not recommend Town funding of the Youth Commission, thereby allowing the Youth Commission the opportunity to seek alternate methods of funding when deemed necessary, such as securing government grants, both State and Federal, personal gifts, work projects, or small charges to cover costs of programs.

The Study Committee concludes that the formation of a Youth Commission will be a positive step toward addressing the problems of the youth in Bridgewater which would result in the formulation of plans of action and the fostering of attitudes that will improve the quality of life for all our citizens.

Respectfully submitted,
Ronald Leombruno, Chairman
Daniel Clifford
William Ferioli
Harry Gustafson
Geraldine Govoni
Robert Kelly
David Morwick
Roger Provost
David Silva
Clifford Stevens, Jr.
Beatrice Veronesi
Marlborough Williams

Youth Commission

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
and the Citizens of Bridgewater:

The Youth Commission has been meeting twice monthly since its members were appointed in August, 1977. The first two meetings in September served as organizational meetings at which the members discussed the many and varied approaches that the Youth Commission could use to be of
service to the community. It was also arranged to have Ms. Ann Donovan who is in charge of the Volunteer Probation Officers Program at the Brockton District Juvenile Court as guest speaker at the first meeting and Mr. Neil Fitzgibbon, who is the Assistant Director of the Boston Branch of the Big Brother Program as guest speaker at the second meeting. The members felt that these guest could supply the Commission with input in the area of youth and also they felt that these programs would be worthy of publicity. As a result of these early meetings, nine referrals were made to the Big Brother Association from Bridgewater.

The first activity sponsored by the Youth Commission was a dance held at the Middle School for the sixth, seventh and eighth grade students. There were over three hundred children in attendance at this function. Chaperones consisted of Youth Commission members and several additional Bridgewater residents. Four High School students donated their time to take charge of the Snack Bar at the dance, and the cooperation of the Middle School Officials combined with the many individual efforts made the activity a success. Several private donations and the profit realized from the dance gave the Commission a modest treasury.

During November and December the members planned to sponsor a Christmas Party for the young people of the Town. The party was held on December 17, 1977 at the Bridgewater vets Club. One hundred fifty children between the ages of four to eight years old attended, free of charge. The Commission feels that this project was very successful in that it afforded many citizens, and Town merchants and service organizations, the opportunity to take an active part in the Spirit of the Season. Entertainment at the party was provided by Bridgewater teenagers who put on many varied acts revolving around a circus theme. The Commission members were very pleased with the success of the party, in terms of the generosity of the many people involved and also that the party served as a format whereby teenagers could take part in an activity to benefit the younger members of their generation. There were thirty gifts remaining after the party which the Commission turned over to the Council of Churches for distribution in Bridgewater.

The Youth Commission will continue to work towards the goal of providing meaningful activities to the young people of Bridgewater in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
Ronald Leombruno,
Chairman
Nancy Sarno
Barbara Cirelli
Frank DiFranco
Robert Hennessey

Conant Funds Committee

On March 3, 1975 a meeting of the Conant Funds Committee was held at 4 PM at the Bridgewater Academy Hall. Present were committee members Mrs. Douglas Peay, Dr. Leo Zalon, Atty. John Daly and Wayne Clark. Chairman.

Member David Flynn was unable to attend.

The members were informed by Mr. Clark of a conversation with Mr. Edward Dane, Trust Officer of the Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co., trustee of the Conant Funds. Mr. Dane indicated that the Bank and its counsel were interested in working with the committee to develop plans for eventual use of the Conant Funds although said funds are not yet available to the Town in total.

It being the feeling of the members that the construction of a Hospital in the Town of Bridgewater would be neither practical nor possible, it was voted to contact the Brockton, Goddard and Cushing Hospitals for suggestions as to methods of offering health care in the Town, perhaps through a clinic to be located in the town and to be tied in with any or all of the three hospitals.

Mr. Clark was invited to attend a meeting of the Greater Brockton Hospitals Council at which representatives of all three hospitals were present. The Council members were given information concerning the Conant Funds and asked to jointly or severally, present suggestions for the best use of the Conant Funds.

On April 1, 1976 a letter was received from the Council accepting our request and asking to meet with our Town Committee.

On June 23, 1976 a meeting was held at 3 PM at the Academy Building. All members of the Conant Committee, except Mrs. Peay and Mr. Flynn, were present. Also present were representatives of:

- Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Company
- Hutchins and Wheeler,
- Attorneys for the Bank
- Goddard Hospital — 1
- Cushing Hospital — 1
- Brockton Hospital — 2
- Herman Smith Associates — Chicago
- Bridgewater Visiting Nurse Association
- Bridgewater Ambulance Committee

*Hospital Consultants — employed by the Brockton Hospital to prepare, for it, a master survey of the hospital’s future needs and plans.

There was a general discussion of the health needs of the Town and a general agreement that further study of the needs was essential.

Subsequent to the June 23rd meeting, the Brockton Hospital offered to ask their consultants, Herman Smith Associates, to make a special survey of the Town’s needs, this study to be paid for by the Brockton Hospital.

In August 1976 the first special study was received from the Brockton Hospital. This was essentially a statistical survey and copies were made available to our Committee and to the Cushing and Goddard Hospitals to assist them in any planning which they might be carrying on.

In January 1977 a second and final report was received from the Smith Associates through the kindness of the Brockton Hospital. Mr. Harold Estabrook, Chairman of the Trustees and Mr. Wayne Henry, President of the Brockton
Conservation Commission

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The main objective for the year for the members of the Conservation Commission was to make an application to the State and Federal Governments for reimbursement for the money spent for the land at Camp Titicut.

In the process of applying, a letter was received from the State that the Open Space Plan for the Town of Bridgewater, submitted ten years ago, was now out of date and would have to be updated before any applications for self-help funds could be made.

It was at this point that the Soil Conservation Service, represented by Mr. Clifford Jones, came to the aid of the Town and stimulated the formation of a Town Advisory Group (TAG). For the purpose of preparing a new long range open space plan under the new Federal guidelines, a large committee was formed with representatives from all Town Government bodies and interested town groups. Many hours of meetings followed, many hours of investigation in digging up data were involved, and after six months of intensive work an acceptable plan was drafted. The final report, with maps and plans for the future, is now available and is the basis for application for Self Help Funds and future purchases by the Town for conservation reasons. This future planning is based on a questionnaire submitted to the Problems of Democracy Classes at the High School and their parents.

The plan involves recreation and conservation areas throughout the town distributed so that all facilities are in reach of the various population centers. This includes a projection for purchasing land on North Street, South Street, Prattown area, and the Stanley area. It involves acquisition of conservation land in the Prattown area, land in the vicinity of Camp Titicut, Vernon Street, North Street, and the development of land already owned by the town at Camp Titicut and Great Hill. This latter site is still the #1 priority for the developing of a skiing, toboggan, and sliding area. This report may be viewed at the office of the Town Engineer and at the Town Hall.

In other business of the Conservation Commission, meetings were held regularly on the second Monday of each month. Hearings were held on special occasions for the purpose of filling the requirements of the Wetlands Act for those interested in developing land which is known to be wet, either by the presence of standing water year round, or by the presence of water periodically, detected by the typical marsh and swamp vegetation as described in official State Publications. Hearings in this respect were held for land on Comfort Street, Vernon Street, Pleasant Street, and Conant Street. Approval has been granted in all these cases, but only at great expense to the developer to insure that the drainage was prepared properly and there would be no adverse effects to the immediate neighbors or the town in general.

Although no wetlands hearing has as yet been held for the Scotland Industrial Park, the Commission has met with the developers in the preliminary planning and will have hearings for each lot in the park as it is developed. It has already been promised, and it is hoped that about 200 acres of this land which is part of the Hockomock Swamp complex, will be turned over to the Conservation Commission. This will be the largest area of conservation land in the town.

The activities of the Commission would not be possible without the assistance of the various members: Charles Herbert, Town Engineer; Walter Zaverucha, Building Inspector; and Frances Ring, Secretary; and the Chairman appreciates the assistance of these individuals.

Respectfully submitted,
Lawrence B. Mish, Chairman
Conservation Commission
**RECREATION**

**Recreation Commission**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
and to the citizens of Bridgewater:

In 1977 the new Little League Field and Soccer Field were open for use. As was so well deserved, the new field was dedicated to Joe Lazaro. Joe was honored at this time for his twenty-five years of service to the youth of our town.

A new event in our Olympic Days was the first annual Veterans Day NEAAU Road Race, with over fifty participants running the ten mile route through the three Bridgewater waters. Trophies and medals were awarded in seven categories.

Prattown Community Club hosted the Horseshoe Tournament this year, we would like to thank them for their cooperation.

The Summer Recreation Program held at Legion Field, revived this past summer after an absence of many years, was a huge success. Gretchen Klaiber of Bridgewater was appointed Head Supervisor of the program, that ran from July 11, to August 19, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. Ms. Klaiber, a graduate of Ithaca College was assisted by three students from Bridgewater State. These students were obtained through the work-study program, eighty percent funded by the college. We wish to thank Mr. David Morwick for his assistance in selecting these students.

There were three hundred and eighty children registered for the program with ages from 5 to 14 years. Activities included softball, arts and crafts, volley ball, bubble gum contests, relay, plays performed by the youth group from Brockton Multi-Service Association, a visit from Officer Robert Hennessey of the Bridgewater Police Safety Program. Free lunches were served at Legion Field and the College Pool for all youngsters participating in the recreation or swim program. These lunches were provided by Brockton Self-Help Inc. with the assistance of Mary Sexton and funded by the Bureau of Nutrition.

The final event was an Olympic track and field day for all the children of Bridgewater consisting of a variety of running, throwing and jumping events. Ribbons were awarded in every event, and a trophy was given for the high score winner in the boys and girls division.

Also sponsored by the Recreation Commission was a six-week tennis program for adults and children conducted by Nancy Goudreau, a private tennis instructor at the Legion Field courts. This program offered eighteen hours of group instruction and followed a progressive schedule of tennis skill activities covering basic shots and plays.

The Tennis Tournament at the college courts was also conducted by Mrs. Goudreau, this event grows each year with the popularity of tennis.

We would like to thank Harry Lehmann and Bridgewater State for making the swim program possible again this year. The use of the college fields also helps to relieve the pressure on town fields.

During the past year the parking lot at Legion Field was surfaced, it is to be seal-coated and lined this year. Bridgewater-Improvement Association planted new trees along Bedford St. We would like to thank the association for helping us make Legion Field a complex the townspeople can be proud of.

Thanks to the efforts of Mr. David Canepa of the Board of Selectmen, Mr. Charles Stevenson of the Old Colony Planning Council, and Mr. Charles Herbert Town Engineer, we have been able to procure a federal community block grant of $129,000.00 for the recreational development of Scotland Field. It has taken all involved over one year to put this grant together.

After reserving space for a future fire substation and water standpipe, the scope of the development will include a lighted fenced tournament softball field, an open softball field, a soccer field, off-street parking and family picnic areas. The entire six plus acres will be utilized.

The softball fields would be used throughout the summer by the mens and womens softball leagues and would relieve scheduling problems at Legion Field. Little League would also have the opportunity to use the open softball field in the spring. Soccer could be played in the spring as well as the fall. The Scotland Association would still have their annual parade and field day and possibly expand their field day, by including a sports tournament of some sort.

The Recreation Commission will make every effort to make the town proud of this complex and hope that a great number of townspeople will make use of it.

The new Town Advisory Group made a survey of open space and recreational needs in our town for the future. We compliment them for their efforts on a fine report, it is worthy of reading by every citizen.

After many postponements and hearings in court, we hope a settlement is near on the Jenney Leonard property on Cherry Street. It has many possible uses as a recreational site. As the town grows there is an ever-increasing demand for more recreation areas by athletic organizations. We will continue to pursue new areas and improve our present facilities.

We would like to thank the Board of Selectmen, Town Accountants A. Evelyn Nourse and George A. Belcher, the Advisory Board, Town Clerk Ronald Adams, Engineer Charles Herbert, Building Inspector Walter J. Zaverucha, Police Department, Raymond Hamlen Tree Warden and the many organizations and people that used our facilities in 1977.
Respectfully yours,
Leonard E. Wood, Chairman
Winnie Mae Gannon, Clerk
Gino Guasconi
Leslie David Freeman
Andrew Fruzzetti

Summer Swimming Program

To the Recreation Commission:

Approximately 1,000 children and adults participated in the 1977 Bridgewater Summer Swimming Program conducted at the Bridgewater State College pool from June 15th through August 12th.

Instruction was provided at all swimming skill levels, in basic rescue and water safety, and in advanced life saving, competitive swimming, diving, and synchronizing swimming.

A total of 192 American Red Cross certificates were earned during the season in the following classifications: 114 beginners, 37 advanced beginners, 18 intermediates, four swimmers, six advanced swimmers, six in basic rescue and water safety, and seven in advanced life saving. Included in the above were 48 certificates earned by adults, the highest number ever recorded in the local program.

In the 18-year period that the program has been conducted under town sponsorship, a total of 4,083 American Red Cross certificates have been issued.

The competitive swimming team, coached by Paul Craffey, participated in one intramural meet and five dual meets, winning over Easton, Pembroke, and Middleboro and losing to Hanson and Middleboro.

The team finished second in the 11th Annual Bridgewater Relay Carnival held on Wednesday, July 20th. Randolph won the relay event. Hanson finished third, and Weymouth was fourth. A total of 140 individual swimmers participated.

Two hundred and sixty-nine individual participants representing 12 area teams took part in the 14th annual Bridgewater Junior Chamber of Commerce meet held on July 28th and August 1st.

Randolph won top team honors in the Jaycees meet followed by the Hanover Swim and Tennis Club, Bridgewater finished third. Also taking part were Easton, Cedar Swim Club of Taunton, Hanson, Manning Pool of Brockton, Weymouth, Whitman, Braintree, Great Harbors Club of Pocasset, and Middleboro.

The synchronized swimming club, coached by Ellen Chiocca, was also very active. The group hosted the ninth annual Bridgewater Synchronized Swimming Festival on Friday, August 5th. Bridgewater won team scoring honors with 57 points. Other team scores were Hanson 31, Wessagusset Beach of Weymouth 21, Middleboro 12 and Lake St. Beach of Weymouth 9.

The Bridgewater staff, in cooperation with the Water Safety Committee of the Old Colony Chapter, American Red Cross, conducted a workshop for area instructors and swimmers interested in synchronized swimming on Monday, July 18th.

The Bridgewater director also corresponded with other area aquatic leaders toward the implementation of a program of communication and joint efforts designated to assist all area programs and to enable all area professionals to be well informed about both local and regional activities and programs.

The annual water show was held on Monday, August 8th and the synchronized swimming show was held on Thursday, August 11th. The theme for the synchronized performance was "The World of Walt Disney."

The following special awards were presented for competitive swimming: Leading scorer Eileen Bent and Liz Munise (tie); Competitor's award, Patty Cole; and Most valuable, Bill Lecuyer.

Special medals were presented to six swimmers who set new team records during the season, Liz Munise, Eileen Bent, Ricky Cole, Sheryl Burnett, Pat Dowd, and Laurel Dodge.

The regular 1977 staff was supplemented by five persons working part-time under the CETA program supported by federal funds. The following comprised the staff for the 1977 season:

Harry Lehmann, Director
Paul Craffey, Assistant Director
Ellen Chiocca, Instructor
Robin Dodge, Instructor
Judith Querzoli, Instructor
Donna Davis, Registrar/Clerk (CETA)
Holly Dodge, Registrar/Clerk (CETA)
Nancy Fredrickson, Registrar/Clerk (CETA)
Mary Williams, Registrar/Clerk
Michael Gourdin, Locker room attendant (CETA)
Ronald Hlinka, Locker room attendant (CETA)
Debra Lehmann, Locker room attendant (Part-time)
Martha Morin, Locker room attendant
Robert Robak, Locker room attendant (CETA)
James Cummings, Filter plant operator
Anthony Souza, Maintenance man (Part-time)

Children participating in the swimming program were provided with the opportunity to take part in the Summer Food Service Program sponsored by the federal government.

The Bridgewater program was started by a volunteer committee in 1958 and came under town sponsorship in 1960. Over the years it has provided a balanced instructional and recreational program for the children and adults of the community.

The many special events conducted as part of the program each summer provide opportunities for inter-community cooperation, and many area programs have been upgraded due, in part, to the positive influence of the local project.

The success of the program is the result of the cooperative efforts of many individuals and groups. Dr. Adrian Rondi-
leau, president of Bridgewater State College, makes available the necessary facilities and equipment. Members of the Recreation Commission, Advisory Committee, and Wage and Personnel Board help to determine the level of financial support. The cooperation, advice, and counsel of the Town Accountant and the Town Treasurer and members of their staffs are invaluable.

Members of the Bridgewater State College faculty and administration have been most helpful as have editors, correspondents, and photographers of the Brockton Enterprise and the Bridgewater Independent, local school administrators and teachers, and the director of Project Contemporary Competitiveness.

Members of the professional staff, volunteer instructors, and pool aides have been enthusiastic, dedicated, and creative in their continued effort to provide the best possible aquatic program for the community.

Respectfully submitted,
Harry Lehmann, Director
Bridgewater Summer Swimming Program

Presentation of hand-carved Town Seal by Frank Caetano to Selectmen David A. Canepa and John R. Hickey.
Chairman Canepa makes award presentation to Joe Lazaro.
1977 Memorial Day Parade
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