

*Eighty-Fifth*  
*Annual Statement*

of the

*Receipts and Expenditures*

of the

*Town of Norfolk*

*Massachusetts*

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1954



With Reports of

**TOWN OFFICERS, SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

**VITAL STATISTICS OF THE YEAR**

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## **TOWN OF NORFOLK**

Incorporated 1870

### **Norfolk County**

Population—(1950 Census) 2617

Actual Population 1719      Prison Colony Population 898

Senators in Congress

**Hon. John J. Kennedy of Boston**

**Hon. Leverett Saltonstall of Dover**

Congressional District—14th

**Hon. Joseph W. Martin, Jr., Congressman**

State Senatorial District—Middlesex and Norfolk

**State Senator—Charles Olson of Ashland**

**County Seat—Norfolk County, Dedham**

County Commissioners

**Frederick A. Leavitt—Chairman**

**Russell T. Bates**

**Clayton W. Nash**

County Treasurer

**Raymond C. Warmington**

County Engineer

**Wallace S. Carson**

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*In Memoriam*

**EDMUND T. BUCKLEY**

TREE WARDEN  
and  
SUPERINTENDENT OF GYPSY MOTH



**WINFIELD M. GEHMAN**

SCHOOL COMMITTEE



**EDNA T. HUBBARD**

TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC LIBRARY



**CLARENCE TELFORD**

STATE REPRESENTATIVE

## TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 1954

MODERATOR	Walter T. Holmes
SELECTMEN, BOARD OF HEALTH	
Term expires 1957	Clarence S. Fuller
Term expires 1956	George A. Carr
Term expires 1955	Walter T. Holmes
BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE	
Term expires 1957	Ethel Bartell
Term expires 1956	Russell Quist
Term expires 1955	Robert Campbell
TOWN CLERK	George F. Campbell
TOWN TREASURER	Clarence S. Fuller
COLLECTOR OF TAXES	Clarence S. Fuller
SCHOOL COMMITTEE	
Term expires 1957	Harry G. Coulter
Term expires 1956	Alvin J. Freeman
Term expires 1955	Eva L. Holmes
ASSESSORS OF TAXES	
Term expires 1957	Wentworth Stuart
Term expires 1956	Harry Richardson
Term expires 1955	Henry Schultz
TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY	
Term expires 1957	Edna T. Hubbard (deceased)
Term expires 1956	Elizabeth C. Foss
Term expires 1955	Ethel Bartell
WATER COMMISSIONERS	
Term expires 1957	George S. Bibber
Term expires 1956	Arthur F. Bremilst
Term expires 1955	Charles H. Weeber, Jr.
TREE WARDEN	Edmund T. Buckley (deceased)
	(Kenneth Wood appointed until March election)
CONSTABLES	Nels T. Carlson
	Alvin B. Callahan
TRUSTEES OF JOSIAH WARE FUND	The Town Treasurer

PLANNING BOARD

Term expires 1959  
Term expires 1958  
Term expires 1957  
Term expires 1956  
Term expires 1955

Roy Jacobson  
Joseph F. Roche, Jr.  
Russell A. Carlson  
Ernest St. Francis  
Stanley Newcomb (resigned)  
James R. Lowell (appointed)

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**OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN AND QUALIFIED**

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Seth Armen

APPEAL BOARD

Term expires 1959  
Term expires 1958  
Term expires 1957  
Term expires 1956  
Term expires 1955

John Ravinski  
George Gehman  
Chairman, Lewis Rawl  
Henri J. Beauchemin  
Carl L. Fredrickson

TOWN COUNSEL

Howard Abbott

DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE

Raymond Hallett (resigned)  
Samuel Johnston (appointed)

DOG OFFICER

Louis Drowne

FIRE ENGINEERS

Raymond Cataldo  
Fred Howard

Harold E. Campbell  
John McCormack  
William Sullivan

FOREST WARDEN (to appoint his own deputies)

Harold E. Campbell

GYPSY MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Edmund T. Buckley (deceased)  
Kenneth Wood (appointed)

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Nels T. Carlson

INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

Joseph F. Roche, Jr.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK

William T. Ray

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

Paul W. Manning

POLICE OFFICERS AND SPECIAL POLICE

John J. Allen  
George Bentley  
Edmund T. Buckley  
(deceased)

Joseph L. Cassidy  
(Pondville Hospital)  
Alfred Green  
(Pondville Hospital)

Harold E. Campbell  
Robert Campbell (Sgt.)  
George A. Carr  
Walter Carr (Franklin)  
Raymond Cataldo  
Roland Chamberlain  
Louis Drowne  
George F. Gehman  
Ellis Hunt  
Albin F. Ober  
Olga Pitt  
Joseph Foley  
George E. Howard  
Lawrence Hassler  
John McDermott  
(Pondville Hospital)

George L. Parker, M.D.  
(Pondville Hospital)  
Walter M. Hobbs, Wrentham  
Nels Carlson  
William Parkman  
James Johnston  
Louis Mariani  
Ralph W. Mason (deceased)  
Eldred Readell  
Frank Sullivan  
Arthur Pellegrini (Franklin)  
John Martin (Franklin)  
George Lockwood  
(Wrentham)  
Fritz Olson (Wrentham)  
John M. Gately (Millis)  
(deceased)

FIELD DRIVER

Roger Callahan

PUBLIC WEIGHERS AND WEIGHERS OF COAL

Carl L. Fredrickson

Warren R. Gilmore

Elmer Hassler

VETERANS' SERVICE OFFICER

F. R. Greeley

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Term expires 1957

William D. Purdon

Term expires 1956

Carl L. Fredrickson

Term expires 1955

Leon Starkey

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Clarence W. Evans

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

A. J. Kay

CUSTODIAN OF VETERANS' GRAVES

William B. Pitt

COLLECTOR OF WATER RATES

Roy Jacobson

SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

Alvin J. Freeman

Douglas A. Saunders

Olive H. Day

Walfred Carlson

Olaf Olson

ADVISORY BOARD

Terms expire 1957

Terms expire 1956

B. Hartley O'Brien

Richard W. Moulton

Franklyn B. Cornell

Donald Lang

Charles Curran

James Langmead

Terms expire 1955

Roy Carlson

J. Henry Shibley

Dr. Philip H. White

REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Philip Lukens                      Seth Armen                      Harry Coulter  
(Term expired November 15, 1954)

INTERIM REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Seth Armen                      Alvin Freeman                      Henri J. Beauchemin

AUXILIARY POLICE

Reginald Beaver	Malcolm Harkins
Robert Beaver	Jack Kay
Edward Bedard	Albert Leverone
Elmer Dearborn	Ernest Sawyer
Hazon Bishop	Thomas Collins
Harry Morriss	Raymond Hallett
Richard Gillette	Peter Deptula
George Ulrich	William Ruminas
Raymond Pelletier	

RECREATIONAL COMMITTEE

Kenneth Wood                      Mrs. Helen Randall                      Walter T. Holmes

JURY LIST

William F. Bishop	Foreman
Richard W. Moulton	Executive
Francis A. Kerr	Foreman
Earl F. Lang	Railroad Employee
Albert A. Leverone	Electronics
George Smith	Retired
John McCormick	Retired
Fred Hurder	Painter
William Burns	Manufacturer
Philip Molloy	Retired
Eugene Sleeper	Retired
Leon Starkey	Bookkeeper
Marian Cavanaugh	Housewife
Flora I. Stefaney	Housewife
Lucy Richardson	Housewife
Elna Weeber	Housewife
Edward Hale, Sr.	Electrician
James Dybes	Office Worker
Wentworth Stuart	Salesman
Ernest P. Campbell	Farmer
William D. Purdon	Retired
William F. Sullivan	Store Employee
Alvin J. Freeman	Insurance
Charles V. Doucett	Machinist

## REPORT OF BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Meetings 2nd and 4th Mondays at 8 P.M.

The hurricanes of 1954 did a great deal of damage to roadside trees in the Town calling for a large expenditure in cleaning up the debris with the State reimbursing for the money spent.

Considerable work has also been done on removing dead elms with the future of the remaining trees looking very doubtful. Some damage was done to Town property by the winds with most of it being covered by insurance.

We feel that the highway and tree crews did an excellent job of opening up the streets in commendable time aided by several cruising radio hams from this town and Wrentham who kept in touch with the police radio system. We now have a two way radio set on one of the fire trucks which should be of great aid.

Road work continued on Main Street under County and State grants with completion of the major part of the street from the railroad bridge to the Franklin line. We expect to start reconstruction from the bridge towards the Walpole line during 1955. Also, we expect to do considerable work on Boardman Street from Rockwood Road to the School. The road is very narrow and a lay out of it is now being surveyed which will enable us to have enough width to construct a proper roadbed.

The parking in the Center has become an acute problem especially because of train commuters. We have negotiated with the railroad for a year to get permission and aid in constructing a 30 to 40 car parking area opposite the railroad station. Some work has been done by the railroad and the Town will complete the project as soon as the necessary legal work can be completed.

The World War II Memorial is completed and set on the Hill with a dedication planned for Spring.

The Town by adding to its water mains each year, is pushing water into various parts of the Town. We are also building our debt up at a rather rapid rate. The school loans, coupled with the anticipated Regional School will increase it considerably more.

The Board requests the cooperation of the Townspeople in using care in dumping in the proper place at the Town Dump. Please dump over the banks and not in the turning areas and roadway.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER T. HOLMES, Chairman  
GEORGE A. CARR  
CLARENCE S. FULLER

## REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

Proceedings Annual Town Meeting—Monday March 1, 1954

### THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

NORFOLK, ss.

To either Constable in the Town of Norfolk, in said County,

Greetings:

You are required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the inhabitants of Norfolk, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to assemble in the New School Auditorium on Monday, March 1, 1954, at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To choose by ballot the following town officers, viz: One Moderator, for one year; one Selectman, for three years; to act as Board of Health; one Town Clerk; one Town Treasurer, one Collector of Taxes, one Tree Warden, two Constables, each for one year; one Trustee of Public Library; one member School Committee; one Water Commissioner, each for three years, one Assessor for three years; two members of Board of Public Welfare, one for three years and one for two years; Planning Board, Five members, one for five years, one for four years, one for three years, one for two years, and one for one year.

Under Article 1 the following were elected:

MODERATOR—Walter T. Holmes  
SELECTMAN, BOARD OF HEALTH, for 3 Years—Clarence S. Fuller  
BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE, for 2 Years—Russell J. Quist  
BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE, for 3 Years—Ethel M. Bartell  
TOWN CLERK—George F. Campbell  
TOWN TREASURER—Clarence S. Fuller  
ASSESSOR OF TAXES, for 3 Years—Wentworth Stuart  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE, for 3 Years—Harry G. Coulter  
TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC LIBRARY, for 3 Years—Edna T. Hubbard  
TAX COLLECTOR—Clarence S. Fuller  
CONSTABLES—Alvin B. Callahan, Nels T. Carlson  
TREE WARDEN—Edmund T. Buckley  
WATER COMMISSIONER, for 3 Years—George S. Bibber  
PLANNING BOARD, for 1 Year—Stanley Newcomb  
PLANNING BOARD, for 2 Years—Ernest St. Francis  
PLANNING BOARD, for 3 Years—Russell A. Carlson  
PLANNING BOARD, for 4 Years—Joseph F. Roche, Jr.  
PLANNING BOARD, for 5 Years—Roy Jacobson

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town, Moderator, Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Tree Warden, Assessors, Board of Public Welfare, Board of Water Commissioners, and School Committee.

Voted the renumeration to Town Officers as follows: Moderator \$1.00; Selectmen \$600.00; Treasurer \$1000.00; Town Clerk \$300.00 plus fees; Tax Collector \$1500.00; Tree Warden \$1.80 per hour; Assessors \$1600.00; Board of Public Welfare \$300.00; Board of Water Commissioners \$225.00; School Committee \$225.00.

Article 3. To grant and appropriate money for all necessary Town expenses as follows, viz:

Voted to raise and appropriate the following:

1. Schools, \$95,631.00.
2. Public Library, \$350.00 plus dog tax.
3. Memorial Day, \$350.00.
4. Electric Lights for town, \$2,948.04.
5. Bonds for Town Officers, \$251.60.
6. Interest, \$100.00
7. Removal of Snow, \$3,800.00.
8. General Relief, \$3,750.00.
9. Roads—Chapter 81, see Article No. 7.
10. Fire Department, \$6,000.00.
11. Law Enforcement, \$6,077.40.
12. Maintenance of Norfolk County Hospital, \$7,284.18.
13. General Expense, \$3,500.00.
14. Extermination of Gypsy Moth and Insect Control, \$1,000.00
15. Soldiers' Relief, \$1,500.00.
16. Old Age Assistance, \$16,500.00.
17. Tree Trimming, \$1,000.00.
18. District Nurse, \$450.00.
19. Aid to Dependent Children, \$1,000.00.
20. To pay the salary of a clerk for the Selectmen, \$300.00.
21. For Reserve Fund, \$1,225.00.
22. Veteran's Administration, \$200.00.
23. Water Department Notes and interest due in 1954, \$3,000.00; by transfer from Water Revenue, \$7,788.75; by appropriation. Total \$10,788.75.
24. Norfolk County Retirement System, \$978.80.
25. O.A.A. Administration and Social Worker Salary, \$1,000.00.
26. Board of Health, \$300.00.
27. County Tax, \$3,210.62.

28. School Notes and Interest: Principal, \$12,000.00; Interest, \$3,840.00.  
Total, \$15,840.00.
29. Assessors, \$2,050.00.
30. Treasurer, \$1,172.00.
31. Tax Collector, \$1,928.00.
32. Town Clerk, \$650.00 plus fees.
33. Town Accountant, \$920.00.
34. Sealer of Weights and Measures, \$50.00.
35. Inspector of Animals, \$75.00.
36. Inspector of Buildings, \$100.00.
37. Election Officers, \$200.00.
38. Registrars of Voters, \$250.00.
39. Water Collector, \$200.00.
40. Tax Titles, \$50.00.
41. Disability Assistance, \$1,000.00.
42. Town Dump, \$300.00.
43. Town Counsel, \$150.00.
44. Selectmen, \$600.00.
45. Board of Public Welfare, \$300.00.
46. Board of Water Commissioners, \$225.00.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1953 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44. General Laws.

Voted unanimously that the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1953, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance or take any other action in relation thereto.

Voted to raise and appropriate \$1,000.00.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Construction, or take any action in relation thereto.

Voted to raise and appropriate \$2,000.00.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highway maintenance to be used with a sum of money allocated by the State, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Voted to raise and appropriate \$3,400.00.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated funds in the Treasury, a sum of money to be used for Highway maintenance and construction, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Advisory Board recommends to raise and appropriate \$2,100.00.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Water Revenue a sum of money for Water Department Maintenance, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Voted to transfer from Water Revenue \$5,000.00.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money from Machinery Fund to the Machinery Maintenance Account, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Voted to transfer from Machinery Fund to Machinery Maintenance \$2,500.00.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury a sum of money to provide quarters for the American Legion Post No. 335, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Voted to raise and appropriate \$250.00.

Article 12. To see if the Town will appropriate from Surplus Revenue the amounts of the State and County share on Chapter 81 and Chapter 90 projects with a proviso that the sums received from State and County are credited back to Surplus Revenue upon receipt, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Voted to transfer from surplus revenue \$20,375.00.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay the overdraft listed below:

1. Street Lighting 1953 \$234.92  
or take any other action in relation thereto.

Voted to raise and appropriate \$234.92. Unanimous vote.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to accept the following streets as town roads:

Cresson Avenue	845 feet
Hunter Avenue	2,000 feet
Litchfield Avenue	575 feet
Harlow Avenue	455 feet
Grove Avenue	400 feet

or take any other action in relation thereto.

Voted to accept the following:

Cresson Avenue to Hunter Avenue	545 feet
Hunter Avenue from Cresson Avenue to Litchfield Avenue	1,100 feet
Litchfield Avenue in its entirety	575 feet
Harlow Avenue in its entirety	455 feet
Grove Avenue in its entirety	400 feet

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury a sum of money to install and maintain two street lights, one on the corner of Birch Road and Chestnut Road and one somewhere on Chestnut Road, or take any action in relation thereto. (Petition.)

Voted to raise and appropriate \$60.00.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury a sum of money to make improvements on River Road in its entirety, or take any action in relation thereto. (Petition.)

Voted no funds.

Article 17. Voted to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury a sum of money for the purchase of a road sweeper, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury a sum of money to purchase a truck or trucks for the Highway Department with permission to trade in one of the present trucks, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Voted to transfer from surplus funds \$4,000.00.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury a sum of money to purchase additional two-way radio equipment, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Voted to transfer from surplus funds \$300.00.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury a sum of money for the purchase of a new Police Cruiser with permission to trade in present Police Cruiser, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Voted to transfer from surplus funds \$1,350.00.

Article 21. Voted to raise by bond issue a sum of money to extend the water main on Boardman Street from the present end of said main about in front of the residence of Nelson Hill, westerly approximately a distance of 875 feet to a point of service between the residences of Dorothy Nilson and Richard Moulton under the guarantee conditions of Article 17 as voted at the annual Town meeting on March 6, 1950— or take any other action in relation thereto. (Petition.)

Yes 76, No. 28.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to sell to the Federated Church of Norfolk for \$1,200.00 the plot of land formerly consisting of the Center School playground.

Said plot containing 93,650 square feet more or less and bounded as follows:

Northerly by Main Street, 330 feet.

Easterly by land of Grantor, about 315 feet.

Southerly by land now or formerly church land and land formerly of Parker T. Pearson et ux, 340 feet more or less.

Westerly by lands of Union Congregational Church, 248.59 feet and containing about 2.15 acres,

or take any action in relation thereto. (Petition.)

Voted to sell. Yes 80, No. 28.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury a sum of money to provide for spraying by airplane of insecticides for the control of mosquitoes and Gypsy Moths which cannot be reached by spraying from the roads, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Voted no money.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to transfer to surplus Revenue the following unexpended balances:

Street Lights—Campbell Street	\$25.00
Street Lights—Boardman Street	50.00
Street Lights—Park Street	46.50
Street Lights—Frederickson Road	80.00
Street Lights—Mirror Lake	30.00
Street Lights—King Street	30.00
Street Lights—Alice Avenue	30.00
Street Lights—Ash Road	30.00
Street Lights—Rockwood Road	30.00
Street Lights—Carlson Circle	30.00
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	\$451.50
Water Extension—Mirror Lake	\$4,800.00
Water Extension—Cleveland Street Project	303.28
Water Extension—Alice Avenue Project	91.12
Fire Department—Fire Truck	55.37

or take any other action in relation thereto.

Voted to transfer to surplus revenue the sum of \$5,701.27.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a Committee to study the advisability of the Town obtaining suitable sites for recreational purposes, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Voted that the Moderator appoint a Committee to report at some future meeting.

Article 26. To see if the Town of Norfolk will vote to extend the school bus route to the end of Mirror Lake Avenue, or take any other action in relation thereto. (Petition.)

Dismissed from warrant.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer a sum of money to enlarge and install kitchen and toilet facilities in the building used by the Veterans of Foreign Wars, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Voted no money.

Article 28. To see if the Town will choose any Committee or to hear or act on the report of any Committee or Town Officer or to instruct any Committee or Town Officer.

A true copy. Attest:

GEORGE F. CAMPBELL,  
Town Clerk

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**WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING**

**March 31, 1954**

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, ss.

To either Constable in the Town of Norfolk, in said County,  
Greetings:

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn inhabitants of Norfolk, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble in the Central School on Monday, March 31, 1954 at 8:00 P.M. then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to accept Section 81A through 81GG, both inclusive, of Chapter 41 of the General Laws of Massachusetts, and in pursuance thereof to establish a planning board thereunder consisting of five members with the provision that the members of the existing planning board shall serve as the planning board until the next annual town meeting when one member shall be elected for one year, one shall be elected for two years, one shall be elected for three years, one shall be elected for four years, and one shall be elected for five years and thereafter one member shall be elected annually for five years.

Article 2. To see if the Town will adopt the following By-Law: The Board of Appeals established under Section 10, Paragraph 3, of the Zoning By-Laws of the Town, shall be the Board of Appeals under Section 81Z of Chapter 41 of the General Laws of Massachusetts.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to amend the second paragraph of Section 3 of the Zoning By-Laws of March 16, 1953 by inserting after the phrase "poultry or stock raising" the words "except that the number of swine shall be limited to not more than ten."

Hereof fail not but make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, on or before the hour of said meeting.

Given under our hands and the seal of the Town this 23rd day of March, 1954.

GEORGE A. CARR  
CLARENCE S. FULLER  
WALTER T. HOLMES  
Selectmen of Norfolk

Norfolk, Mass., March 24, 1954

By virtue of the within warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Norfolk to meet in the Central School March 31, 1954 for the purpose within mentioned by posting attested copies in the several places as provided in the By-Laws of the Town.

NELS T. CARLSON,  
Constable of Norfolk

A true copy; Attest:

GEORGE F. CAMPBELL,  
Town Clerk

Meeting opened by the Moderator, Walter T. Holmes, at 8:00 P.M.

Article 1. Voted: That the Town accept Section 81A through 81GG, both inclusive, of Chapter 41 of the General Laws of Massachusetts and establish a planning board thereunder consisting of five members with the provision that the members of the existing planning board shall serve as such planning board until the next annual town meeting when one member shall be elected for one year, one shall be elected for two years, one shall be elected for three years, one shall be elected for four years, one shall be elected for five years and thereafter one member shall be elected annually for five years.

Article 2. Voted: That the Board of Appeals established under Section 10, Paragraph 3, of the Zoning By-Laws shall be the Board of Appeals under Section 81Z of Chapter 41 of the General Laws of Massachusetts.

Article 3. Voted: That the Town amend the second paragraph of Section 3 of the Zoning By-Laws of March 16, 1953 by inserting after the phrase "poultry or stock raising" the words "except that the number of swine shall be limited to not more than ten"

A true record. Attest:

GEORGE F. CAMPBELL,  
Town Clerk

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### WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING

Monday, August 30, 1954

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, ss.

To either Constable in the Town of Norfolk, in said County,  
Greetings:

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn inhabitants of Norfolk, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble in the Central School on Monday, August 30, 1954 at 8 P.M., then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to instruct its Selectmen regarding Article 18 of the Town Meeting of March 10, 1952 as follows:

To construct a War Memorial for World War II Veterans that served during the period of December 7, 1941 through September 2, 1945, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury the sum of \$400.00 to relocate Boardman Street from Rockwood Road to Pitt's Corner, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury or by bond issue a sum of money to extend the water main on Union Street from the present end of said main about in front of the residence of Alfred Wiklund, southwesterly on Union Street, a distance of approximately 1,125 feet to a point of service between the residence of John M. Packard and Harmon Tibbets under the guarantee conditions of Article 17 as voted at the annual Town Meeting on March 6, 1950, or take any action in relation thereto. (Petition).

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury the sum of \$788.25 for (1) Interest on 1953 School Bond Notes due October 1, 1954—\$495.75, (2) Cost of floating 1954 School Bond \$292.50, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury the sum of \$50.00 to install 5 street lights: One at the corner of Ware and Geneva Streets, the second halfway down Geneva Street, the third at the corner of Malcolm and Geneva Streets, the fourth halfway on Malcolm Street, and the fifth at the end of Malcolm Street, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Hereof fail not but make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, on or before the hour of said meeting.

Given under our hands and the seal of the Town this 11th day of August 1954.

CLARENCE S. FULLER  
GEORGE A. CARR  
WALTER T. HOLMES  
Selectmen of Norfolk

Norfolk, Mass., August 16, 1954

By virtue of the within warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Norfolk to meet in the Central School Monday, August 30, 1954 for the purpose within mentioned by posting attested copies in the several places as provided in the By-Laws of the Town.

NELS T. CARLSON,  
Constable of Norfolk

Meeting opened by W. T. Holmes, Moderator at 8 P.M.

Article 1. Voted to instruct its Selectmen regarding Article 18, of the Town Meeting of March 10, 1952, as follows: To construct a War Memorial for World War II Veterans that served during the period of December 7, 1951 through September 2, 1945.

Article 2. Voted (unanimously) to transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury the sum of \$400.00 to relocate Boardman Street from Rockwood Road to Pitt's Corner.

Article 3. Voted to transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury the sum of \$4,400.00 to extend the water main on Union Street from the present end of said main about in front of the residence of Alfred Wiklund, southwesterly on Union Street a distance of approximately 1,125 feet to a point of service between the residence of John M. Packard and Harmon Tibbetts under the guarantee conditions of Article 17 as voted at the annual Town Meeting on March 6, 1950.

Article 4. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$788.25 for (1) interest on 1953 School Bond Notes due October 1, 1954—\$495.75, (2) Cost of floating 1954 School Bond \$292.50.

Article 5. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 to install 5 street lights; one at the corner of Ware and Geneva Streets, the second halfway down Geneva Street, the third at the corner of Malcolm and Geneva Streets, the fourth halfway on Malcolm Street and the fifth at the end of Malcolm Street.

A true copy. Attest:

GEORGE F. CAMPBELL,  
Town Clerk

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### WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Monday, November 15, A.D., 1954

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Norfolk, in said County, Greetings:

You are hereby required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the qualified voters of the said Town of Norfolk to assemble in the Norfolk Central School on Monday, the Fifteenth Day of November, A.D. 1954 at eight o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To see whether the Town shall accept the provisions of Section 16-16I, inclusive of Chapter 71 of the General Laws providing for the establishment of a regional school district together with the towns of Wrentham and Plainville, and the construction, maintenance and operation of a regional school by the said District in accordance with the provisions of a proposed agreement filed with the selectmen. (The vote on this Article will be by ballot as provided in Massachusetts General Laws Ter. Ed., Chapter 71, Section 15).

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the sum of three thousand sixty-seven dollars and fifty cents (\$3,067.50), or any other sum for the use of the Regional District School Committee in the preparation of preliminary plans and specifications for the construction of a regional junior and senior high school, or take any other action in the matter.

Article 3. To choose any committee, hear the report of any committee, and act thereon.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by vote of the Town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk before or at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands and the seal of the Town of Norfolk this twenty-fifth day of October, A.D. 1954.

GEORGE A. CARR  
CLARENCE S. FULLER  
WALTER T. HOLMES  
Selectmen of Norfolk

A true copy. Attest:

NELS T. CARLSON,  
Constable of Norfolk

Meeting opened by the Moderator at 8:00 P.M.

Article 1. Voted: The town accept the provisions of sections sixteen to sixteen I, inclusive, of Chapter seventy-one of the General Laws providing for the establishment of a regional school district, together with the towns of Wrentham and Plainville, and the construction, maintenance and operation of a regional school by the said district in accordance with the provisions of a proposed agreement filed with the selectmen. Yes 224; No 24.

Article 2. Voted: The town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the sum of three thousand sixty-seven dollars and fifty cents (\$3,067.50), or any

other sum for the use of Regional District School Committee in the preparation of preliminary plans and specifications for the construction of a regional junior and senior high school, or take any other action in the matter. Unanimous vote.

Article 3. To choose any committee, hear the report of any committee, and act thereon.

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 P.M.

A true copy. Attest:

GEORGE F. CAMPBELL,  
Town Clerk

## VITAL STATISTICS

General Laws, Chapter 46, Sec. 6

Parents within forty days after the birth of a child, and every householder, within forty days after a birth in his house, shall cause notice thereof to be given to the clerk of the town where such child is born. Blanks may be obtained from the Town Clerk.

### BIRTHS RECORDED IN NORFOLK DURING 1954

Date	Name of Child	Name of Parents
1954		
January—		
6—	Kathleen Joyce Cronin	George T. and Shirley A. Cronin
15—	Jonathan Keith Evans	John Williams and Barbara Evans
18—	Martha Anne Bambery	Alan J. and Ursula F. Bambery
February—		
5—	Denise Lee Pedersen	Theodore Martin and Alberta L. Pedersen
13—	Cheryl Ann Evenson	Frederick D. and Jean E. Evenson
22—	Barbara Ann Ehnes	Henry and Grace L. Ehnes
March—		
3—	Nancy Lynne Kneabone	Ralph Andrew and Editha Susie Kneabone
April—		
6—	Bruce MacLean Gillette	Richard C. and Elizabeth E. Gillette
6—	Bethlyn Gillette	Richard C. and Elizabeth E. Gillette
7—	Thomas William Allen, Jr.	Thomas Wm. and Natalie A. Follis
20—	Julie Anna Neal	Harold Bray and Priscilla Lillian Neal
May—		
20—	Claudia Jean Bergman	Richard Algot and Josephine A. Bergman
June—		
4—	Dana Blake Willard	Virgil Blake and Lois M. Willard
9—	Eric John Carlson	Russell and Constance A. Carlson
17—	Barbara Anne MacNeil	William A. and Barbara R. MacNeil
22—	William Scott Lavallee	Ovila and Barbara T. Lavallee

Date	Name of Child	Name of Parents
July—		
7—	Karl Anders Jacobson	Roy A. and Britta A. Jacobson
17—	Dana Clark Carlson	Roy Wilfred and Priscilla E. Carlson
23—	Karl Leslie Moore	Charles E. and Alice M. Moore
29—	Melvin Scott Long	Melvin C. and Elizabeth F. Long
August—		
13—	William Douglas Hall	Carl F. and Gretchen H. Hall
14—	Mary Judith Allen	John Joseph and Marie E. Allen
15—	Allen George Stepnowsky	Alfred and Nancy Edith Stepnowsky
15—	Cheryl Ann Stone	Charles Henry and Frances L. Stone
26—	Robert William Ford	Joseph W. and Jeannette B. Ford
29—	Theodore William Daniels	Robert Matthias and Helen M. Daniels
30—	Carol Jean Drowne	Louis A. and Jeannette B. Drowne
September—		
2—	John George Robbins	John Henry and Patricia L. Robbins
2—	Kenneth John Baker	Phillips and Louise C. Baker, Jr.
6—	Daniel Gilbert Wilson	Bennett Joshua and Marion L. Wilson
11—	Janice Mildred Pezold	Warren J. and Mary-Lou S. Pezold
17—	Donna Jeanne Readel	Donald Lester and Jeanne A. Readel
28—	Nancy Jane Davis	William and Alice B. Davis
October—		
7—	John Gerard Ryan III	John Gerard and Ella C. Ryan, Jr.
7—	Elizabeth Ann Merrill	Curtis W. and Barbara L. Merrill
13—	Stillborn	
16—	Sandra Lee Deighan	Edward Francis and Vera R. Deighan
19—	Kimberley Ann Eden	Henry and Marilyn S. Eden
27—	William Jay Collins	Thomas and Ruth M. Collins
November—		
9—	Marian Louise Pink	Edwin Simms and Mary A. Pink
9—	Faith Kay Danforth	Frank Hackett & Hilda R. Danforth
9—	Patricia Ann Ray	John Wesley and Mary J. Ray
11—	Carol Zita Lang	Earl Francis and Joesephine M. Lang
14—	Debra Ann Thompson	John Willie and Sylvia W. Thompson
28—	Jeanne Frances Cronin	Geo. Thomas and Shirley A. Cronin
28—	Nelson Richards Hill, Jr.	Nelson Richards and Jeanne P. Hill
30—	Charles Churchill Strathearn Burns	William Edwin and Helen L. Burns
December—		
3—	Ronald William Bodge	Edwin Frederick & Emily M. Bodge
11—	Allen Arne Palo	Arne Lennard Palo and Esther Ruth Helender

## MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1954

Date	Names	Residence	Married by
<b>1954</b>			
January—			
23—	William Howard Ralli Laura Elva Ellis	Walpole Walpole	George F. Campbell, Justice of Peace
February—			
13—	Daniel Adolph Anderson Gloria Mildred Johanson	Franklin Norfolk	George L. Miles, Clergyman
14—	Walter G. Robinson Gertrude M. Hyland	Norfolk Cambridge	James F. Lally, Priest
27—	Herbert Charles Lang Patricia Mary Cashen	Norfolk Norwood	J. F. Minihan, Priest
March—			
5—	Donald L. Readel Jeanne A. Thibedeau	Norfolk Franklin	George F. Campbell, Justice of Peace
6—	Arthur Henry Saucier Marlene Ann McDevitt	Walpole Walpole	George F. Campbell, Justice of Peace
14—	John W. Ray Mary J. Murphy	Norfolk Norfolk	Lester M. Johnson, Justice of Peace
May—			
1—	Harry Leonard Sanborn, Jr. Dorothy Mary Ray	Norfolk Norfolk	Lester M. Johnson, Justice of Peace
21—	Philip F. Molloy, Jr. Carole Ann Smith	Norfolk Dover	G. H. Feiming, Minister
June—			
7—	Patrick Joseph Clancy Kathleen M. Gormley	Melrose Norfolk	Leo B. Flynn, Priest
13—	Julius J. Candela Jean MacDonald	Norfolk Dedham	Rev. Robert R. Kickham, Priest
19—	Richard Andrew J. Leverone Marianne Shimko	Norfolk Norwalk, Conn.	John V. Horgan, Priest
19—	Robert G. Shute Marion Webber	Norfolk Norfolk	Carl Franklin Hall, Clergyman
26—	James L. Murdock Elsie Ruth Richardson	Norfolk Millis	Carl Franklin Hall, Clergyman

Date	Names	Residence	Married by
July—			
3—	Alfred B. Chaplin Anite B. Krukley	Norfolk Shirley	Robert Bergeron, Priest
23—	Paul Krill Marie Leamon	Walpole Walpole	George F. Campbell, Justice of Peace
31—	Robert William Mullaney Eleanor Gianetti	Norfolk Franklin	Rev. John J. Glynn, Priest
31—	Bernard F. Mullaney Marie M. McWilliams	Norfolk Franklin	Rev. John J. Glynn, Priest
August—			
28—	Francis J. Leverone Joan M. Guinard	Norfolk Franklin	Rudolph Masciarelli, Priest
September—			
25—	Robert Francis Ravinski Georgia Marie Lang	Norfolk Norfolk	Leo B. Flynn, Priest
25—	John Edward Honohan Mary Teresa Fleming	Walpole Norfolk	Thomas P. Fallon, Priest
November—			
6—	Earl Robert Ridgeon Yvonne Ruth Barber	Franklin Franklin	George F. Campbell, Justice of Peace
25—	Raymond Morrison Moore Dorothy M. Smith	Norfolk Somerville	Don. E. McKaughan, Minister
30—	John K. Comfort Ida M. Johnson (Hennessey)	Walpole Boston	George F. Campbell, Justice of Peace
December—			
23—	Joseph F. Buckles Dorothy E. Regan (Johnson)	Arkansas Norfolk	James O. Eskridge, Minister

### DEATHS RECORDED IN NORFOLK DURING 1954

Date	Name	Yrs.	Mos.	Days	Cause
January—					
11—	Joseph Swedowich	56	10	3	Tuberculosis
April—					
5—	Edmund T. Buckley	56	9	4	Carcinomatosis
May—					
2—	Mary E. Walker	74	1	8	Carcinoma
13—	Annie (Frost) Mitchell	82	8	20	Carcinoma
23—	Winfield M. Gehman	73	10	2	Diabetes
25—	Diane M. Bogigian	3	9	13	Auto Accident
29—	Walter Wilks Statton	86	11	4	Accident
June—					
10—	Margaret Ann Land	92	8	18	Cerebral hemorr'ge
July—					
4—	Elmer Ervin Ware	88	8	20	Cerebral hemorr'ge
12—	John Edward Shea	73	4	20	Broncho-pneumonia
26—	Matilda Peterson	75	6	13	Cerebral hemorr'ge
August—					
3—	Thomas H. Cronin	66	8	6	Carcinoma
15—	Kenneth A. Carr		2		Pneumonitis
September—					
3—	Arthur H. Ward	74	3	16	Cerebral thr'bosis
17—	John L. Best	83	10	26	Carcinoma
October—					
7—	Lillian Louise Ammidown	67	—	—	Coronary thr'bosis
13—	Baby Boy Jones				Stillborn
15—	Edna (Thompson) Hubbard	72	7	4	Rheumatic heart
22—	Ralph Wheeler Mason	82	4	6	Coronary
25—	Howard B. Piper	66	—	—	Coronary thr'bosis
November—					
1—	Martin J. Hanf	84	—	3	Coronary
6—	Leon B. Bremilst	85	10	—	Coronary thr'bosis
17—	Regina Matilda C. Dorion	59	2	11	Myocardial Infra.
December—					
26—	Thomas Leo Kelly	61	—	—	Coronary thr'bosis
28—	Marie E. (Evans) Ferris	73	6	21	Cerebral thr'bosis

In addition deaths were recorded of one hundred sixty-eight non-residents who died either at Pondville Hospital or at the Prison Colony

# Reports of Town Departments

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

The Assessors of the Town of Norfolk herewith respectfully submit their report for the year ending December 31, 1954:

Total appropriations to be raised by Taxation		\$199,105.51	
Total appropriations to be taken from available funds		26,650.00	\$225,755.51
	1954 Estimates	1953 Under Estimates	
Deficits due to abatements in excess of overlay of previous years	\$737.00		737.00
State:			
Tax and Assessments:			
State Parks and Reservations	449.95	100.11	
State Audit of Munic. Accts.	74.14		
Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths	337.41		
	861.50	100.11	961.61
County:			
Tax and Assessments:			
County Tax	3,210.62		
Tuberculosis Hospital	7,284.18	863.16	
	10,494.80	863.16	11,357.96
Overlay of Current Year			5,859.49
Gross Amount to be Raised			244,671.57
Estimated Receipts and Available Funds:			
Income Tax		18,943.86	
Corporation Taxes		9,728.90	
Reimbursement on account of publicly owned land		10,961.31	

Old Age Tax (Meals)	814.05	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	14,500.00	
Licenses	1,533.00	
Fines	260.00	
General Government	584.00	
Health and Sanitation	579.00	
Charities	3,177.00	
Old Age Assistance	14,955.00	
Veterans' Services	311.00	
Schools	7,669.00	
Libraries	42.00	
Public Service Enterprises	7,000.00	
Interest	320.00	
State Assistance for School Construction	6,099.53	
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Total Estimated Receipts	97,477.65	
Overestimates to Be Used as Available Funds:		
County Tax	.31	
Amount voted to be taken from Available Funds	26,650.00	
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Total	26,650.31	
Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds		\$124,127.96
Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation on Polls and Property		120,543.61
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Number of Polls	497 @ \$2.00 each Poll Tax	994.00
Total Valuation:		
Personal Property	360,128.00	
Real Estate	2,296,530.00	
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Total	2,656,658.00	
Personal Property Tax		16,205.76
Real Estate Tax		103,343.85
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Total Taxes Levied on Polls and Property		\$120,543.61

1954 Tax Rate—\$45.00 per thousand

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY C. SCHULTZ, Chairman  
HARRY R. RICHARDSON  
WENTWORTH STUART  
The Board of Assessors

## COLLECTOR OF TAXES REPORT

December 31, 1954

### Taxes collected during the year 1954

	Tax	Interest
1949 Motor Vehicle Excise taxes	\$ 2.00	\$ .04
1950 Motor Vehicle Excise taxes	8.42	.14
1951 Motor Vehicle Excise taxes	5.62	.12
1952 Poll taxes	2.00	.08
1952 Personal Property taxes	40.50	2.51
1952 Real Estate Taxes	1,214.08	79.88
1952 Motor Vehicle Excise taxes	6.40	.11
1953 Poll taxes	12.00	.13
1953 Personal Property taxes	216.45	5.28
1953 Real Estate taxes	6,024.53	123.15
1953 Motor Vehicle Excise taxes	2,654.93	9.27
	\$10,186.93	\$220.71

Total taxes and interest collected for the year 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952 and 1953 equal (\$10,407.64) Ten Thousand Four Hundred Seven Dollars and Sixty-four Cents.

1954 Poll taxes	\$ 938.00	\$ 1.26
1954 Personal Property taxes	15,607.73	2.39
1954 Real Estate taxes	89,392.40	27.36
1954 Motor Vehicle Excise taxes	16,069.13	7.00
	\$122,007.26	\$38.01

Total taxes and interest collected for the year 1954 equals (\$122,045.27) One Hundred Twenty-two Thousand Forty-five Dollars and Twenty-seven Cents.

**Paid Treasurer** a total of (\$132,452.91) One Hundred Thirty-two Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-two Dollars and Ninety-one Cents in taxes and interest during the year 1954.

### Taxes remaining unpaid December 31, 1954

1951 Poll taxes	2.00
1951 Personal Property taxes	8.20
1951 Motor Vehicle Excise taxes	2.00
1952 Poll taxes	2.00
1952 Personal Property taxes	4.50
1952 Motor Vehicle Excise taxes	5.87
1953 Poll taxes	4.00
1953 Personal Property taxes	20.25

1953 Real Estate taxes	2,150.16
1953 Motor Vehicle Excise taxes	34.45
1954 Poll taxes	14.00
1954 Personal Property taxes	581.41
1954 Real Estate taxes	9,674.17
1954 Motor Vehicle Excise taxes	1,562.13

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE S. FULLER,  
Collector of Taxes

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### TREASURER'S REPORT 1954

Balance on hand January 1, 1954	\$ 63,825.50	
Receipts during the year 1954	370,014.50	
	<u>                    </u>	\$433,840.00
Payments, 1954		
Selectmen's Warrants, No. 1 through No. 31	\$385,001.17	
Balance, December 31, 1954		
Norfolk County Trust Co.	\$44,076.82	
Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co.	2,736.12	
Treasurer's Office	2,025.89	
	<u>                    </u>	48,838.83
		<u>                    </u> \$433,840.00

In order to prevent duplication of figures in this town report the Treasurer's Report has been summarized. For a complete analysis of the Treasurer's Receipts and Expenditures refer to the Town Accountant's Report.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE S. FULLER,  
Town Treasurer

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### 1954 TRUST FUNDS

#### Josiah Ware Fund—Care of Town Hall

On hand January 1, 1954		
Home Savings Bank	\$1,775.80	
Interest earned during 1954	53.65	
	<u>                    </u>	\$1,829.45

Dedham Institution for Savings	\$1,278.45	
Interest earned during 1954	38.63	
		1,317.08
Balance on hand December 31, 1954		\$3,146.53

**Maria Frances Mann High School Fund**

On hand January 1, 1954		
Norfolk County Trust Co.	\$1,068.65	
Interest earned during 1954	10.68	
		\$1,079.33
Balance on hand December 31, 1954		\$1,079.33

**Helen A. Ward Library Fund**

On hand December 31, 1954		
Benjamin Franklin Savings Bank		\$540.91

Dividends on this account are remitted by check twice a year to the Town Treasurer, and are credited to the Library Account.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE S. FULLER,  
Town Treasurer

**REPORT OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT**

During 1954 twenty-two new water services were installed in the town, bringing the total to two hundred seven takers.

Eight hundred nineteen feet of water mains were installed on Boardman Street to a point of service between the Moulton and Nilsen residences.

Eleven hundred thirty feet of water mains were installed on North and Union Streets to a point of service between the Packard and Tibbetts residences.

The hydrant near the Fire Station was replaced with a new water crane hydrant to facilitate the loading of the fire trucks with water.

Two new hydrants were installed on Ware Drive and put into service by the Water Department at the expense of the Contractor who developed this area.

There are now sixty-five hydrants giving adequate fire protection to many parts of the town. These have all been painted, the caps greased and the operating mechanism oiled to keep them in the best serviceable condition.

At the present time twelve new water takers are already in view for 1955 and it may well be expected that some thirty will be added during this year.

Water is supplied by the Norfolk Prison Colony and the Town of Wrentham.

There has been a petition received to lay a water main on Everett Street from the Wrentham line to the Walpole line.

The Superintendent of the Water Department is Edwin Pink, Mirror Lake Avenue, and the collector of water accounts is Roy Jacobson, Boardman Street. Both of these men are part time employees, for the present income from water revenue does not warrant full time employment.

It is necessary of course when installing water mains to dig up the streets and at times to restrict travel and cause inconvenience to the vehicles using these streets. The board tries to limit these periods to as short a duration as possible and to restore the black top as soon as is practical.

We appreciate the cooperation of those people who have assisted the Water Department in getting the work done on the new extensions as quickly as possible.

GEORGE BIBBER  
ARTHUR F. BREMILST, Clerk  
CHARLES H. WEEBER, JR., Chairman  
Board of Water Commissioners

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### REPORT OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

The Board of Public Welfare submits its report for the year 1954.

The total amount of monies spent for aid in Old Age Assistance in 1954 was \$30,441.43. Of this amount \$29,860.55 was aid rendered to the aged living in Norfolk and \$580.88 was paid to other cities and towns rendering aid to Norfolk settled cases. The total number of cases aided in 1954 was 40.

The combined total spent in aiding cases on Aid to Dependent Children, Disability Assistance and General Relief was \$5,530.95.

The Medical Care Plan, which is state wide and mandatory, has been put into practice.

Another increase in Old Age and Survivors Insurance in October of 1954 will, no doubt, aid in reducing our costs.

This Board of Public Welfare will interview any recipient or prospective recipient at its regular meetings on the first and third Thursdays of each month at the Town Offices at 7:30 in the evening.

Respectfully submitted,

ETHEL BARTELL, Chairman  
RUSSELL QUIST  
ROBERT CAMPBELL

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### REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Board of Selectmen:

Calls received	107
Building fires	6
Brush fires	29
Auto fires	2
Out of Town fires	2
Dump fires	5
Other emergencies	7
Missing persons	6
Ambulance calls	50

Wish to call your attention to the number of ambulance calls this year. Suggest for the year 1955 a special fund be appropriated to cover this work, rather than have the ambulance cost come out of the Fire Department appropriation.

Engines II and III are obsolete and need to be replaced. One replacement in 1955 at least.

Board of Engineers,

HAROLD E. CAMPBELL  
WILLIAM F. SULLIVAN  
FREDRIC HOWARD  
RAYMOND CATALDO  
JOHN J. McCORMACK

## REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Board of Selectmen:

Following shows main portion of work sheet for the Police Department for the year 1954:

Investigations:	
Motor Vehicle Accidents	47
Deaths	3
With Motor Vehicle Department	31
Outside Police Departments	87
F.B.I.	12
Welfare Department	9
Hospital and Doctor Trips	21
Children Taken Home from School	15
Missing Persons:	
Adults	3
Children	8
Dog Damage	4
Emergency Messages Delivered	33
Motor Vehicle Transfers Signed	118
Motor Vehicle Violators Reported to Registry	68
Motor Vehicle Fatalities (1954)	1
District Court Appearances	171
Superior Court Appearances	16
Summary of Arrests:	
Army Deserter	1
Adultery	1
Assault and Battery	2
Assault and Battery with Dangerous Weapon	1
Attempted Break and Entering	1
Break and Entering	1
Drunk	7
Driving Under the Influence	4
Driving so as to Endanger	3
Fornication	1
Failing to Stop for Police Officer	1
Failing to Slow at Intersection	1
Indecent Exposure	2
Illegitimacy	1
Speeding	3
Suspicious Person	1
Leaving Scene of Accident	1

Operating Without License	2
Operating After License Suspension	2
Operating Unregistered Motor Vehicle	2
Operating Uninsured Motor Vehicle	2
Larceny of Less Than \$100	3

The present two way radio is eleven years old, and for continued radio efficiency, must be replaced in 1955. Also the service of another full time police officer we feel is now necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD E. CAMPBELL,  
Police Officer

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**REPORT OF THE MOTH SUPERINTENDENT  
AND TREE WARDEN**

The town was fortunate in being included in the State Gypsy Moth spray program during the Spring, the benefits having been shown by the absence of Mosquitoes, Elm Leaf Beetles, Tent Caterpillars, and other serious pests. Not only was this program carried out at small expense to the town, but it eliminated the necessity of the usual roadside spraying. The advantages of aerial spray are incontrovertibly obvious.

Hurricanes Carol and Edna exacted a serious toll in their rampages through the town, and, while the greater part of the cleanup work has been completed, much work still remains to be done in trimming and repairing the injured trees. In order to preserve the natural beauty of the town, this work must be carried on as part of a planned program.

Respectfully submitted,

KENNETH H. WOOD,  
Moth Superintendent  
and Tree Warden

## REPORT OF BUILDING INSPECTOR

January 5, 1955

Board of Selectmen:

Herein is enclosed report of Building Department:

Number Permits issued:

Dwellings	21
Dwellings with Garage	4
Dwelling Alterations	7
Garages	7
Sheds	7
Total	45
Total Valuation	\$224,285.00
Monies Taken In	90.00
Violations Checked and Corrected	7

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH F. ROCHE, JR.,  
Building Inspector

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## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND LIBRARIAN OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Place.....Main Street

Hours Open

Monday	7:00 to 9:00 P.M.
Wednesday	7:00 to 9:00 P.M.
Friday	2:30 to 4:30 P.M.

Closed Holidays

Books Loaned	2,129
Magazines Loaned	171
Number of Borrowers	435
Added in 1954	33
Fines	\$41.55

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. EDWARD McCLUE,  
Librarian

## ADVISORY BOARD REPORT

The Advisory Board, consisting of nine members, appointed by the Moderator, met seven times in 1954. Five meetings were held to study the Annual Town Warrant, and published recommendations were submitted to the townspeople before the Annual Town Meeting.

One special meeting was held at which time transfers were made from the Reserve Fund of \$2,500.00 to meet the following emergencies:

November 10	Machinery Maintenance	\$ 500.00
November 10	Board of Assessors	200.00
November 10	Water Maintenance	500.00
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	Expenditures	\$1,200.00
	Balance December 31	\$1,300.00

The Board wishes to express its appreciation for the assistance and cooperation of the Town Officers and heads of the departments.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD W. MOULTON, Chairman  
DR. PHILIP H. WHITE  
FRANKLYN B. CORNELL  
ROY CARLSON  
DONALD LANG  
HENRY SHIBLEY  
CHARLES L. CURRAN  
JAMES F. LANGMEAD  
B. HARTLEY O'BRIEN, Secretary

## CIVIL DEFENSE REPORT

January 8, 1955

Board of Selectmen  
Norfolk, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I would like to submit the following report of the Civil Defense Department.

During 1954 we have accomplished the following:

- (1) Completely uniformed our Auxiliary Police unit which consists of twenty-five active members.
- (2) Conducted several drills using our Auxiliary Police and our mobile amateur radio cars.
- (3) Conducted several surveys on emergency parking areas, hospital bases, water supplies and emergency food supplies.
- (4) Have been in contact with the State Civil Defense Agency on all matters concerning our town.
- (5) Purchased the following equipment:
  - a. A new aerial for our radio station which enables us to communicate with all surrounding towns.
  - b. A radio receiver set on the State Police frequency which enables us to receive all Civil Defense alerts as soon as it is broadcast. We also plan to use this set on prison breaks as the prison is on the same frequency.
  - c. Police hats and night sticks for our Auxiliary Police unit. All other parts of the uniform were purchased by the members individually.
- (6) Assisted the town by the use of radio cars during hurricanes Carol and Edna and the prison break.
- (7) Are conducting a survey of the other phases of Civil Defense such as transportation, evacuation, first aid, etc.

We would like to extend to Ray Hallett our sincere appreciation for the fine job he did as Director until being forced to resign on advice of his doctor.

We would like to thank all the departments of the town for their fine spirit of cooperation. We especially wish to thank the Police Department who have been of invaluable aid in training our Auxiliary Police unit.

I personally would like to thank everyone that is connected with our local unit for their fine spirit of unselfishness and help.

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL J. JOHNSTON,  
Director of Civil Defense  
for Norfolk

## REPORT OF VETERANS' SERVICES

January 10, 1955

The Selectmen,  
Norfolk, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I am herewith submitting my report for the Department of Veterans' Services for the year 1954.

During the year 1954 I have authorized the spending of \$1,194.67 to either Veterans or their dependents. I have been able to give advice or assistance to many Veterans or their dependents.

I have attended two meetings of the Southeastern Massachusetts Veterans' Services Officers Association this year. I have given out several Korea Bonus applications and also applications for the G.I. Bill, and I have more of each available, if anyone should wish them.

My office is in my home, and I am available to help any Veteran or his dependent with any problem that they might have, as in the past.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK R. GREELEY,  
Director

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## REPORT OF CUSTODIAN OF VETERANS' GRAVES

December 15, 1954

Board of Selectmen,  
Norfolk, Mass.

Dear Sirs:

I have very little to report as Custodian of Veterans' Graves.

There are 36 veteran graves in Norfolk Cemetery and 14 at Pondville. The work of caring for them has been very light during the past few years.

The present yearly amount I consider large enough.

Respectfully yours,

WILLIAM B. PITT

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

The equipment of the department amounts to the following:

- 1—1954 2½ ton Dodge truck
- 1—1952 2½ ton International truck
- 1—1951 2½ ton Dodge truck
- 1—1948 2½ ton International truck
- 1—1950 ½ yard Oliver tractor with front end loader and  
mower attachment
- 1—6 ton Motor grader
- 1—12 ton Roller
- 1 Bucket type gravel loader
- 6 snowplows
- 1—1954 Grace road sweeper
- 1 McCormick Deering tractor (no longer in service)
- Miscellaneous tools

I would recommend trading the Oliver tractor for a new tractor this year as it has given us a lot of trouble.

The work program was completed as planned except a small portion of Chapter 90 construction money which will be carried over into 1955. We have used our equipment and men in cooperation with the Tree Warden clearing the streets of fallen trees and brush caused by the hurricanes, Carol and Edna.

Respectfully submitted,

AZOR J. KAY,  
Superintendent of Streets

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## REPORT OF THE TOWN PLANNING BOARD

To the Board of Selectmen,  
Town of Norfolk

The following is a report of the Town Planning Board for the year of 1954.

Number of Meetings	12
Number of Plots Approved	37
Number of Plots Rejected	1
Number of Cases Referred to Appeal Board	3

Percentage of Town plotted, scaled and mapped, 30%, approximately.

The Board is now duly recognized and accredited by the Land Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and Registry of Deeds of Norfolk County.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH ROCHE, JR., Chairman  
ROY JACOBSON  
RUSSELL CARLSON  
JAMES LOWELL  
ERNEST ST. FRANCIS, SR.

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#### RECREATIONAL COMMITTEE REPORT

Your committee feels that there is a definite need for recreational facilities both for the present and for the future.

Several possibilities have been investigated with a view to both summer and winter activities.

The activities under consideration are as follows:

- (1) We feel there is a need for a summer recreational director to handle playground activities as well as swimming. The Town is large enough now to operate its own Red Cross Life Saving Classes instead of traveling to out of town facilities for this purpose.
- (2) There is an immediate need for a Community Camp Site available for Boy and Girl Scouts and other local organizations.
- (3) The Town owns tennis courts that can be repaired if a survey shows that there is sufficient interest in their use.
- (4) We feel there is a need for safer skating facilities. There is in existence a Town owned hockey rink that can be reconditioned and put to good use for hockey but there is need of a larger area for general skating. We have checked several sites which could be easily developed into shallow safe general skating areas.

These suggestions are offered in the hope that they can be of benefit to the youth of the town and create a greater interest in community activities.

KENNETH WOOD, Chairman  
MRS. HELEN RANDALL  
WALTER T. HOLMES

## REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

### Annual Report of Receipts for Year 1954

Cash on Hand, January 1, 1955		\$ 63,825.50
Receipts:		
Taxes and Interest	\$132,452.91	
Water Collections	8,597.07	
Licenses	1,804.00	
U. S. Government—Federal Grants:		
Old Age Assistance	12,032.83	
Aid to Dependent Children	1,159.88	
Disability Assistance	415.59	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, State Grants:		
Old Age Assistance	12,798.39	
Aid to Dependent Children	724.70	
Disability Assistance	126.29	
Veterans' Benefits	502.75	
Public Health	80.00	
Reimbursement for Loss on Taxes	11,274.36	
Reimbursement for School Transportation	7,740.10	
Reimbursement Vocational School	952.57	
Union Superintendent (Represents 2 yrs.)	3,621.84	
Chapter 70 School Aid	11,500.00	
Reimbursement School Project	6,099.53	
Income Tax	9,241.88	
Corporation Business Tax	9,250.41	
Old Age Tax—Meals	521.47	
Chapter 81—Highways	7,137.15	
Chapter 90—Highways	10,922.60	
County Grants:		
Chapter 90—Highways	3,000.00	
Dog Licenses	481.90	
Bounties	12.00	
Public Welfare from Cities and Towns	4,250.22	
Norfolk County Retirement Fund	1,697.01	
Massachusetts Teachers Retirement Fund	2,010.60	
Federal Withholding Tax	7,918.26	
Community Milk Fund	1,038.59	
Highway Machinery Fund	3,264.85	

Tax Titles Redeemed	181.18	
Permits—Building	90.00	
Fees—Dog Licenses	771.80	
Fines—Library	9.60	
Rental of School Auditorium	52.50	
Municipal Liens	20.00	
Interest on Helen A. Ward Fund	16.20	
Checks Cancelled on Old Age Assistance	237.45	
Checks Cancelled (Returned to Cash)	16.42	
Insurance Proceeds	75.00	
Insurance Dividends	98.80	
Reimbursement by Contractor on Telephone Use	179.75	
Miscellaneous Receipts	16.20	
Ambulance Hire	70.00	
Payments Cancelled on Hurricane Relief	385.00	
Deposit Returned	13.50	
Sale of Land	1,200.00	
Water Loan—Principal	3,500.00	
—Accrued Interest	2.10	
School Bond Issue—Principal	90,000.00	
—Accrued Interest	215.25	
—Premium on Bond Issue	234.00	
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Total Cash Receipts		370,014.50
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Total Cash Available		\$433,840.00
Cash Expended (Detail Listed Hereunder)		385,001.17
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Balance, December 31, 1954		\$48,838.83

## REPORT OF EXPENDITURES

### Schools

Salaries:		
Superintendent	\$ 3,149.88	
Teachers' Salaries	38,119.69	
Committee Salaries	225.00	
Nurse	612.00	
School Health	100.00	
Custodian	2,794.44	
School Census	35.00	
Truant Officer	15.00	
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		\$45,951.01

Transportation:		
Bus	10,868.50	
Train	143.64	
Miscellaneous	58.75	
	<hr/>	11,070.89
Tuition:		
Walpole High School	25,594.06	
Vocational	1,163.55	
Evening	97.50	
	<hr/>	26,855.11
Text Books	2,056.36	
Supplies	1,592.17	
Fuel	1,293.85	
Lights	825.49	
Gas	31.00	
Traveling Expenses	293.60	
Postage, Stationery and Printing	144.42	
Telephone	563.31	
Insurance	774.08	
Repairs	278.02	
New Furnishings	659.43	
Custodian Supplies	1,027.38	
General Expense	185.40	
	<hr/>	9,724.51
Total School		<hr/> 92,701.52

**School Addition**

Contractor	93,950.00	
Architect's and Planning Fees	6,305.22	
Equipment	2,687.60	
Other	302.30	
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Total School Addition		103,245.12
Ball Field		75.60

**Library**

Librarian	240.00	
Books and Periodicals	250.45	
Fuel	108.00	
Cleaning and Repairs	41.73	
Light	44.03	
Insurance	35.21	
	<hr/>	719.42

**Town Officers**

Selectmen	600.00	
Town Clerk	300.00	
Recording Fees	247.00	
Supplies	42.79	
Town Treasurer	1,000.00	
Supplies	112.98	
Other	53.80	
Tax Collector	1,500.00	
Supplies	341.49	
Deputy	43.00	
Other	26.46	
Assessors	1,747.00	
Registry of Deeds	77.19	
Supplies	194.70	
Clerk	225.75	
Board of Welfare Administration	300.00	
Water Commissioners	225.00	
Water Collector	200.00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	50.00	
Inspector of Animals	75.00	
Election Officers	200.00	
Registrar of Voters	244.75	
Other	4.80	
Town Accountant	720.00	
Supplies	108.60	
Town Counsel	150.00	
Selectmen's Clerk	300.00	
Tax Title Expense	29.67	
Inspector of Buildings	100.00	
	<hr/>	9,219.98

**Memorial Day**

Franklin Band	120.00	
Flowers	41.50	
All Other	136.98	
	<hr/>	298.48

**Chapter 81 Roads — Town**

Wages	1,687.02	
Equipment and Repairs	89.53	
Insurance	212.00	
All Other	111.45	
	<hr/>	2,100.00

**Chapter 81 Roads — State**

**(Includes \$3,400.00 of Town Appropriation)**

Wages	9,034.02	
Shovel Hire	112.00	
Stone, Gravel, Sand	1,391.30	
Oil and Tar	4,041.84	
Equipment and Repairs	46.48	
All Other	385.11	
Machinery Fund	739.25	
	<hr/>	15,750.00

**Chapter 90 Maintenance**

Wages	892.20	
Asphalt, Gravel, Supplies	1,995.30	
Machinery Fund	112.50	
	<hr/>	3,000.00

**Chapter 90 Construction—1953**

Wages	852.78	
Shovel Hire	657.98	
Materials	275.70	
Machinery Fund	602.00	
	<hr/>	2,388.43

**Chapter 90 Construction—1954**

Wages	3,491.03	
Shovel Hire	990.02	
Asphalt, Gravel, Sand	761.72	
Materials	124.95	
Machinery Fund	1,647.00	
	<hr/>	7,014.72

**Surveying and Street Planning on Boardman Street**

Surveying		282.80
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**Snow Removal**

Wages	2,146.93	
Repairs	349.14	
Gas and Oil	373.25	
All Other	930.68	
	<hr/>	3,800.00

	<b>Machinery Maintenance</b>		
Gas and Oil	845.62		
Repairs	1,109.69		
Equipment	452.25		
All Other	543.96		
			2,951.52
	<b>Sidewalks</b>		
Wages			47.70
	<b>Equipment</b>		
Road Sweeper	985.05		
Truck	3,978.50		
			4,963.55
	<b>Street Lighting</b>		
Boston Edison Co.			2,581.42
	<b>Bonds for Town Officers</b>		
Bonds			251.50
	<b>Fire Department</b>		
Wages	1,769.75		
Fuel	113.43		
Lights	114.86		
Telephone	277.52		
Insurance	301.09		
Supplies	361.33		
Gas and Oil	121.00		
Equipment	2,515.29		
Repairs	415.43		
			5,989.90
	<b>Law Enforcement</b>		
Wages	5,138.00		
Town of Franklin—Radio	220.15		
Gas and Oil	207.90		
Repairs	217.13		
Equipment	59.04		
Fuel and Lights	38.11		
Telephone	16.70		
Insurance	83.06		
All Other	89.50		
			6,069.59

	<b>Equipment</b>		
Police Cruiser		1,333.28	
2-Way Radio		884.27	
		<hr/>	2,217.55
	<b>Gypsy Moth and Tree Trimming</b>		
Wages		184.20	
Insurance		60.75	
Supplies and All Other		35.59	
State Assessment		148.00	
		<hr/>	428.54
	<b>Hurricane Relief</b>		
Wages		6,034.13	
Equipment Rental		1,716.25	
All Other		581.17	
		<hr/>	8,331.55
	<b>Water Maintenance</b>		
Wages		1,310.76	
Water Purchase		910.40	
Shovel Hire		120.00	
Insurance		41.50	
Pipe Fittings		2,900.97	
All Other		204.89	
		<hr/>	5,488.52
	<b>Union Street Project</b>		
Outside Contractor		3,329.30	
Engineer's Services		287.25	
Materials and Piping		416.29	
All Other		19.63	
		<hr/>	4,052.47
	<b>Boardman Street Project</b>		
Outside Contractor		2,396.11	
Engineer's Services		206.74	
Materials and Piping		345.64	
All Other		21.62	
		<hr/>	2,970.11
	<b>Mirror Lake Extension</b>		
Outside Contractor		849.87	
Engineer's Services		363.66	
Materials		175.25	
		<hr/>	1,388.78

**Public Welfare**

General Relief:		
Direct Aid	1,264.80	
Hospital, Doctors, etc.	1,813.78	
	<hr/>	3,078.58
Old Age Assistance—Town Funds	16,500.00	
Old Age Assistance Administration—Town	1,000.00	
Aid to Dependent Children—Town Funds	611.70	
Disability Assistance—Town Funds	274.65	
	<hr/>	18,386.35
Old Age Assistance—Federal Funds	13,941.79	
Old Age Assistance Administration—Federal	685.78	
Aid to Dependent Children—Federal Funds	1,521.40	
Disability Assistance—Federal Funds	276.70	
	<hr/>	16,425.67
Soldiers' Relief	1,252.92	
Veteran's Administration	108.16	
	<hr/>	1,361.08
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Total Public Welfare		\$39,251.68

**General Expense**

Dues	47.50	
Printing and Advertising	861.62	
Supplies	48.65	
Fuel	113.26	
Light	59.29	
Postage	101.19	
Repairs	110.50	
Insurance	1,311.12	
Telephone	147.16	
Custodian of Graves	30.00	
Delivery of Town Reports	71.55	
All Other	614.20	
	<hr/>	3,516.04
District Nurse	450.00	
Board of Health	4.50	
American Legion Quarters	250.00	
Civilian Defense	360.90	
Ambulance	2,500.00	
Norfolk County Tax	2,753.62	
Norfolk County Dog License	779.60	
Norfolk County Hospital—Maintenance	2,650.27	
Norfolk County Retirement Fund Contributions	1,656.50	

Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement Contributions		2,010.60
Federal Withholding Tax		7,834.91
Norfolk County Retirement Board (Town's Share)		978.80
School Milk Program		980.28
Honor Roll		975.00
Town Dump		165.00
State Audit Expense		74.14
State Parks and Reservations Assessment		448.18
Refunds on Real Estate Taxes—Abatements		407.70
Refunds on Motor Vehicle Taxes—Abatements		760.43
Refunds on Personal Property Taxes—Abatements		18.00
Bond Issue Expense		292.50
School Notes: Principal	12,000.00	
Interest	4,785.00	
		<u>16,785.00</u>
Water Notes: Principal	9,000.00	
Interest	1,768.75	
		<u>10,768.75</u>
		<u>\$385,001.17</u>

**ANNUAL REPORT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES—1954**

Account	Appropriation	Receipts	Transfers	Spent	Balance
Selectmen	\$ 600.00			\$ 600.00	
Town Clerk	300.00			300.00	
Town Clerk Expense	350.00			289.79	\$ 60.21
Town Treasurer	1,000.00			1,000.00	
Town Treasurer Expense	172.00			166.78	5.22
Tax Collector	1,500.00			1,500.00	
Tax Collector Expense	428.00			410.95	17.05
Assessors	1,600.00		\$ 150.00	1,747.00	3.00
Assessors Expense	450.00		50.00	497.64	2.36
Town Accountant	720.00			720.00	
Town Accountant Expense	200.00			108.60	91.40
Board of Public Welfare	300.00			300.00	
Water Commissioners	225.00			225.00	
Water Collector	200.00			200.00	
Election Officers	200.00			200.00	
Registrar of Voters	250.00			249.55	.45
Inspector of Buildings	100.00			100.00	
Inspector of Animals	75.00			75.00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	50.00			50.00	
Town Counsel	150.00			150.00	
Selectmen's Clerk	300.00			300.00	
Tax Title Expense	50.00			29.67	20.33
General Expense	3,500.00	\$ 75.00		3,516.04	58.96
Fire	6,000.00			5,989.90	10.10

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**ANNUAL REPORT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES—1954**

Account	Appropriation	Receipts	Transfers	Spent	Balance
Fire Truck	Bal. 55.37				55.37
Police Cruiser	1,350.00			1,333.28	16.72
Police	6,077.40	5.13		6,069.59	12.94
Two-Way Radio (\$600. Balance)	900.00			884.27	15.73
Gypsy Moth	1,000.00			180.94	819.06
Gypsy Moth Assessment		337.41		148.00	189.41
District Nurse	450.00			450.00	
Board of Health	300.00			4.50	295.50
Maintenance Norfolk County Hosp.—1953	(863.16)	863.16			
Maintenance Norfolk County Hosp.—1954	7,284.18			2,650.27	4,633.91
Ambulance	2,500.00			2,500.00	
Surveying of Boardman Street	400.00			282.80	117.20
Chapter 81—State	Bal. (247.86)	247.86			
Chapter 81—Town	2,100.00			2,100.00	
Chapter 81—State and Town	15,775.00			15,750.00	25.00
Chapter 90—Maintenance	1,000.00	2,000.00		3,000.00	
Chapter 90—Construction 1953	2,388.43			2,388.43	
Chapter 90—Construction 1954	2,000.00	6,000.00		7,014.72	985.28
Sidewalk	Bal. 1,000.00			47.70	952.30
Snow Removal	*3,800.00			3,800.00	
Road Sweeper	1,000.00			985.05	14.95
Truck	4,000.00			3,978.50	21.50
Machinery Maintenance	2,500.00		500.00	2,951.52	48.48
Street Lighting	2,998.04			2,581.42	416.62

**ANNUAL REPORT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES—1954**

Account	Appropriation	Receipts	Transfers	Spent	Balance
Tree Trimming	1,000.00			99.60	900.40
Hurricane Relief				8,331.55	(8,331.55)
General Relief	3,750.00			3,078.58	671.42
Old Age Assistance—Town	16,500.00			16,500.00	
Old Age Assistance Administration—Town	1,000.00			1,000.00	
Aid to Dependent Children—Town	1,000.00			611.70	388.30
Disability Assistance—Town	1,000.00			274.65	725.35
Soldiers' Relief	1,500.00			1,252.92	247.08
Veterans' Administration	200.00			108.16	91.84
School	95,631.00			92,701.52	2,929.48
School Addition	15,000.00	90,000.00		103,245.12	1,754.88
Ball Field	Bal. 128.53			75.60	52.93
School Milk Program	Bal. 43.05	1,038.61		980.28	101.36
Library	350.00	481.90		719.42	112.48
Memorial Day	350.00			298.48	51.52
American Legion Quarters	250.00			250.00	
Bonds—Town Officer	251.60			251.50	.10
Norfolk County Retirement	978.80			978.80	
Reserve Fund	1,225.00		(1,200.00)		25.00
Civilian Defense	Bal. 566.07			360.90	205.17
New Honor Roll	Bal. 1,000.00			975.00	25.00
Town Dump	300.00			165.00	135.00
Water Maintenance	5,000.00	1.29	500.00	5,488.52	12.77
Union Street Extension			4,400.00	4,052.47	347.53

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**ANNUAL REPORT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES—1954**

<b>Account</b>	<b>Appropriation</b>	<b>Receipts</b>	<b>Transfers</b>	<b>Spent</b>	<b>Balance</b>
Boardman Street Extension		3,500.00		2,970.11	529.89
Mirror Lake Water Extension	6,486.28		(4,400.00)	1,388.78	697.50
Holbrook Street Extension		1,846.14			1,846.14
Spring Street Extension		905.49			905.49
School Notes	12,000.00			12,000.00	
Interest on School Notes	4,335.75	449.25		4,785.00	
Water Notes	9,000.00			9,000.00	
Interest on Water Notes	1,788.75	2.10		1,788.75	22.10
Interest on Loans	100.00				100.00
Old Age Assistance—Federal	Bal. 5,157.39	12,032.83	(348.82*)	13,941.79	2,899.61
Old Age Assistance Admin.—Federal	Bal. 213.58	266.90	534.72*	685.78	329.42
Aid to Dep. Children—Fed.	Bal. 2,745.90	1,159.88	( 52.78*)	1,521.40	2,331.60
Aid to Dep. Chil. Admin.—Fed.	Bal. 178.87	29.27	23.51*		231.65
Disability Assistance—Federal	Bal. 1,088.06	415.59	(899.49*)	276.70	327.46
Disability Assistance Admin.—Fed.	Bal. 272.42	42.65	(125.65*)		189.42
State Audit Assessment			74.14*	74.14	
State Parks and Reservations 1953	Bal. 100.11		(100.11*)		
State Parks and Reservations 1954	449.95			448.18	1.77
Norfolk County Tax 1953	Bal. .31		( .31*)		
Norfolk County Tax 1954	3,210.62			2,753.62	457.00
Norfolk County Retirement Board	Bal. (40.51)	1,697.01		1,656.50	
Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement		2,010.60		2,010.60	
Federal Withholding Tax	Bal. (83.35)	7,918.26		7,834.91	
Abatements—Taxes		1,186.13		1,186.13	

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Account	Appropriation	Receipts	Transfers	Spent	Balance
Norfolk County Dog	Bal. 16.20	771.80		779.60	8.40
Bond Issue Expense	292.50			292.50	
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Total Expenditures				\$381,001.17	
* Adjustments					

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## OUTSTANDING BOND ISSUES

### School Building Loans

Maturity Dates:		
November 1, 1969	\$150,000.00	
November 1, 1969	30,000.00	
April 4, 1969	90,000.00	
	\$270,000.00	

### Water Loans

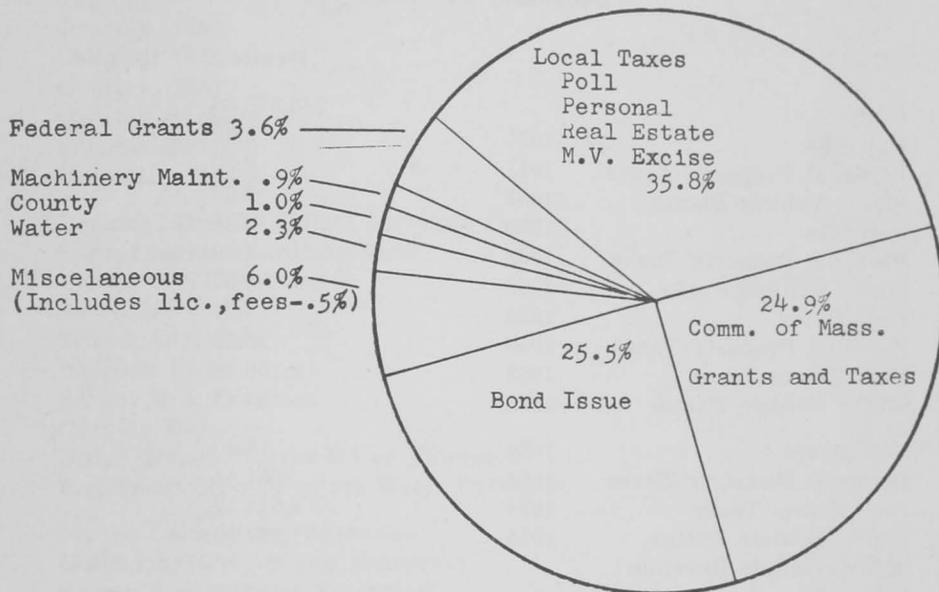
Maturity Dates:		
December 15, 1956	\$ 3,500.00	
December 1, 1960	3,000.00	
December 15, 1960	12,000.00	
August 1, 1961	7,000.00	
April 15, 1967	21,000.00	
May 15, 1968	32,000.00	
	\$ 78,500.00	
Total Outstanding Debts	\$348,500.00	

## WATER DEPARTMENT

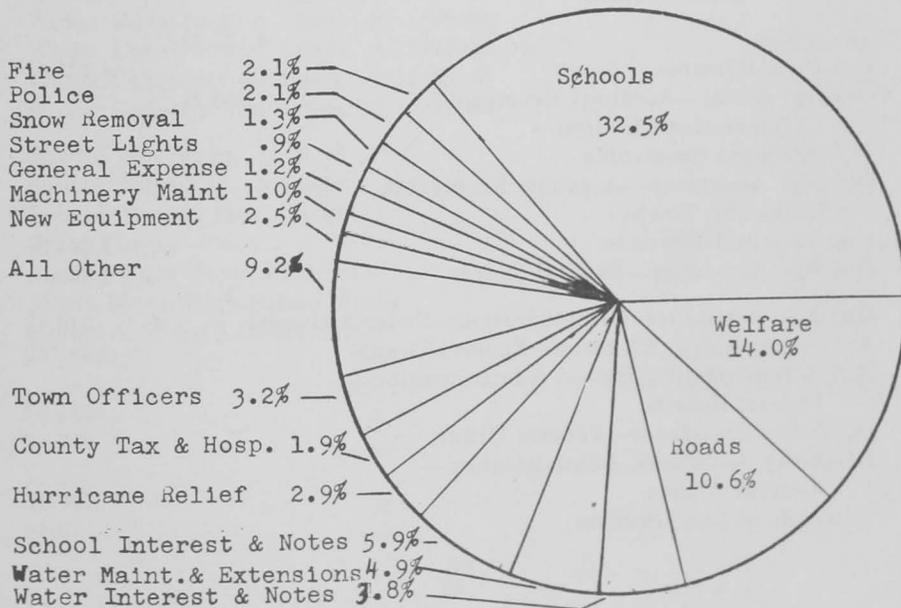
### STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS—1954

Sales of Water		\$ 6,026.33	
Water Maintenance	\$5,488.52		
Less: Water Connections	1,808.81		
	\$3,679.71		
Actual Water Maintenance		\$3,679.71	
Add: Interest on Water Loans		1,768.75	
		5,448.46	
Total Operating Cost of Water Department			5,448.46
Net Profit Before Payment on Notes			577.87
Payments on Notes		9,000.00	
Less: Receipts From Sale of Material on Extension Projects		761.93	
		8,238.07	
Net Effective Payment on Notes			8,238.07
Net Total Loss			7,660.20

SOURCES OF FUNDS - 1954



EXPENDITURES - 1954



## TRIAL BALANCE

December 31, 1954

		Debits	Credits
Cash		\$48,838.83	
Poll Tax	1951	2.00	
Personal Property Taxes	1951	8.20	
Motor Vehicle Excise	1951	2.00	
Poll Tax	1952	2.00	
Personal Property Taxes	1952	4.50	
Motor Vehicle Excise	1952	5.87	
Poll Taxes	1953	4.00	
Personal Property Taxes	1953	20.25	
Real Estate Taxes	1953	2,150.16	
Motor Vehicle Excise	1953	34.45	
Poll Taxes	1954	14.00	
Personal Property Taxes	1954	581.41	
Real Estate Taxes	1954	9,674.17	
Motor Vehicle Excise	1954	1,562.13	
Motor Vehicle Revenue			1,604.45
Water Charges Receivable		4,505.20	
Water Revenue			4,505.20
Water Connections—Deposits			750.00
Water Available Surplus			803.62
Tax Titles		4,125.41	
Tax Title Revenue			4,125.41
General Relief—Accounts Receivable		800.21	
Aid to Dependent Children— Accounts Receivable		62.93	
Old Age Assistance—Accounts Receivable Cities and Towns		741.37	
Departmental Revenue			1,604.51
Old Age Assistance—Federal Grants			2,899.61
Old Age Assistance Administration—Federal Grants			329.42
Aid to Dependent Children—Federal Grants			2,331.60
Aid to Dependent Children Administration— Federal Grants			231.65
Disability Assistance—Federal Grants			327.46
Disability Assistance Administration— Federal Grants			189.42
Proceeds of Dog Licenses			8.40

Road Machinery Fund		3,293.13
Helen A. Ward Library Fund Income		56.33
Proceeds of Land Sale		1,750.00
Tailings		200.02
Overlay, 1952	177.25	
Overlay, 1953		1,182.23
Overlay, 1954		2,241.84
Overlay Surplus		638.69
Surplus Revenue		40,626.73
Hurricane Relief	7,946.55	
Regional District School Planning Cost		3,067.50
Surveying on Boardman Street		117.20
Chapter 90, Construction		985.28
Sidewalks		952.30
School Addition		1,754.88
Baseball Field		52.93
School Milk Program		101.36
Civilian Defense		205.17
Union Street Project Water Extension		347.53
Boardman Street Project Water Extension		529.89
Mirror Lake Water Extension		697.50
Holbrook Street Water Extension		1,846.14
Spring Street Water Extension		905.49
Net Funded Debt	348,500.00	
Water Construction Loan, 12/ 1/52-60		3,000.00
Water Construction Loan, 12/15/45-60		12,000.00
Water Construction Loan, 8/ 1/46-61		7,000.00
Water Construction Loan, 4/15/53-67		21,000.00
Water Construction Loan, 5/15/53-68		32,000.00
Water Construction Loan, 12/15/54-56		3,500.00
School Notes, 11/ 1/49-69		150,000.00
School Notes, 11/ 1/49-69		30,000.00
School Notes, 4/ 1/54-69		90,000.00
Trust Funds—Cash	4,766.77	
Josiah Ware Town Hall Fund		3,246.53
Maria Mann High School Fund		1,079.33
Helen A. Ward Library Fund		540.91
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	\$434,529.66	\$434,529.66

## REPORT OF STATE AUDIT

This is not a complete analysis of the Town's audit.

We feel it unnecessary to print the whole report. It is on file at the Selectmen's Office and may be seen upon request.

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### THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

#### Department of Corporations and Taxation

##### Bureau of Accounts

State House, Boston 33

September 15, 1954

To the Board of Selectmen  
Mr. Walter T. Holmes, Chairman  
Norfolk, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the general accounts of the town of Norfolk for the period from April 20, 1952, and of the accounts of the water collector for the period from April 8, 1953, to July 14, 1954, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. William Schwartz, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

HERMAN B. DINE,  
Director of Accounts

HBD:JRB

Mr. Herman B. Dine  
Director of Accounts  
Department of Corporations and Taxation  
State House, Boston

Sir:

As directed by you, I have made an audit of the general accounts of the town of Norfolk for the period from April 20, 1952, and of the accounts of the water collector for the period from April 8, 1953, the dates of the previous examinations, to July 14, 1954, and report thereon as follows:

The financial transactions as recorded on the books of the departments receiving or disbursing money for the town or sending out bills for collection were examined, checked, and verified.

The books and accounts of the town accountant were examined and checked. The receipts, as recorded, were checked with the available departmental records and with the treasurer's books, while the payments were compared with the treasury warrants and the treasurer's records of payments.

The ledger accounts were analyzed for the period covered by the audit, the appropriations as recorded on the ledgers were checked with the amounts voted by the town as shown on the town clerk's record of town meetings, the transfers from the reserve fund were compared with the amounts authorized by the finance committee, and a balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared showing the financial condition of the town on July 14, 1954.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked. The recorded receipts were analyzed and verified by comparison with the records of the several departments collecting money for the town and with other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury, while the disbursements were compared with the selectmen's warrants authorizing the payments.

The cash balance on July 14, 1954 was proved by reconciliation of the bank balances with statements furnished by the banks of deposit and by actual count of the cash in the office.

The records of tax titles held by the town were examined and checked. The additions to the tax title account were checked with the collector's records, the tax titles redeemed were compared with the receipts as recorded on the treasurer's cash book, and the tax titles on hand were listed and checked with the records at the Registry of Deeds.

The savings bank books representing the investment of trust funds in the custody of the treasurer were examined and listed, the income being proved and the withdrawals verified.

The books and accounts of the tax collector were examined and checked. The tax and motor vehicle and trailer excise accounts outstanding according to the previous examination, as well as all subsequent commitments were audited and proved. The payments to the treasurer were checked with the treasurer's cash book, the abatements were compared with the assessors' records of abatements granted, the transfers to the tax title account were verified by comparison with the treasurer's records of tax titles held by the town, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the controlling ledger accounts in the town accountant's office.

The records of departmental and water accounts receivable were examined and checked. The recorded payments to the treasurer were compared with the treasurer's cash book, the abatements were checked with the records of the departments authorized to grant them, and the outstanding accounts were listed and proved with the town accountant's ledger.

It is recommended that water collections be paid over to the town treasurer at least monthly.

Verification of the outstanding tax, departmental and water accounts was made by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, the replies received thereto indicating that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

The town clerk's records of dog and sporting licenses issued were examined and checked. The payments to the Division of Fisheries and Game were verified by comparison with the receipts on file and the payments to the treasurer were checked with the treasurer's cash book.

The surety bonds furnished by the several town officials for the faithful performance of their duties were examined and found to be in proper form.

The records of receipts of the selectmen and of the police, health, public welfare, library, and school departments, as well as of all other departments collecting money for the town, were examined, checked, and reconciled with the treasurer's and town accountant's books.

In addition to the balance sheet, there are appended to this report tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash, summaries of the tax, excise, tax title, departmental and water accounts, as well as schedules showing the condition and transactions of the trust funds.

While engaged in making the audit cooperation was received from all town officials, for which, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, I wish to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM SCHWARTZ,  
Assistant Director of Accounts

WS:JRB

**TOWN OF NORFOLK**  
**BALANCE SHEET—JULY 14, 1954**

**GENERAL ACCOUNTS**

	<b>Assets</b>		<b>Liabilities and Reserves</b>
	Cash,	\$79,738.20	State and County Assessments 1954:
	Accounts Receivable:		State Parks and Reservations, \$ 449.95
	Taxes:		State Audit of Municipal
	Levy of 1951:		Accounts,
	Poll,	\$ 2.00	74.14
	Personal Property,	8.20	Gypsy Moth,
	Levy of 1952:		337.41
	Poll,	4.00	County Tax,
	Personal Property,	13.50	3,210.62
	Real Estate,	649.09	
	Levy of 1953:		\$ 4,072.12
	Poll,	8.00	Employees' Payroll Deductions:
	Personal Property,	120.15	Federal Taxes,
	Real Estate,	3,537.20	93.90
	Levy of 1954:		Contributory Retirement System, 79.75
	Poll,	108.00	
	Personal Property,	2,829.61	Guarantee Deposits:
	Real Estate,	87,262.13	Water,
		94,541.88	750.00
	Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		Agency:
	Levy of 1949,	2.00	County - Dog Licenses,
	Levy of 1950,	8.42	229.80
			Tailings - Unclaimed Checks,
			200.02
			Trust Fund Income:
			Helen A. Ward Library Fund,
			48.23
			Premium on Water Loans,
			234.00
			Accrued Interest on Water Loans,
			215.25
			Federal Grants:
			Disability Assistance:

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Revenue Reserved Until Collected:

Motor Vehicle and Trailer

Excise,	2,303.43
Tax Title,	3,018.34
Departmental,	10,930.29
Water,	4,794.62
Aid to Highway,	2,000.00

23,046.68

Surplus Revenue:

General:

Current Year,	7,328.80
Prior Years,	4,055.13

11,383.93

Water,	645.30
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\$248,533.10

\$248,533.10

**DEBT ACCOUNTS**

Net Funded or Fixed Debt:		Serial Loans:	
Inside Debt Limit:		Inside Debt Limit:	
General,	\$32,000.00	General:	
Outside Debt Limit:		School,	\$32,000.00
General,	\$250,000.00	Outside Debt Limit:	
Water,	79,000.00	General:	
	329,000.00	School,	250,000.00
		Water,	79,000.00
			329,000.00
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	\$361,000.00		\$361,000.00

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**TRUST ACCOUNTS**

Trust Funds:		In Custody of Treasurer:	
Cash and Securities:		Care of Town Hall Fund:	
In Custody of Treasurer,	\$4,663.81	Josiah Ware,	\$3,054.25
		School Fund:	
		Maria Frances Mann,	1,068.65
		Library Fund:	
		Helen A. Ward,	540.91
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	\$4,663.81		\$4,663.81

## REPORT OF NORFOLK, PLAINVILLE, WRENTHAM REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The following report summarizes the work of the committee from November 15th to the time the Town Reports are published.

On November 23rd the committee met together with the superintendents of school from the three towns and Mr. Simeon Domas of the Massachusetts School Building Assistance Commission for purposes of organization and instruction. Officers were elected as follows: Hugh McC. Marshall, chairman; Edward Hemmingsen, vice-chairman; Seth Armen, treasurer; Miss Bethyl Davis, secretary.

It was decided to hold regular meetings on the first and third Thursdays of the month at the Wrentham High School at 7 P.M. Also a meeting was arranged by Mr. Domas to be held in Mr. John Marshall's office during the week of November 29th. This was a building needs conference.

Mr. Domas outlined steps to be followed, reports and work to be done in order to expedite the building of the school. These covered such subjects as educational specifications, planning costs, educational consultant, bonding, selection of the superintendent, projected pupil population, school site, name of school, etc.

The building needs conference was held in Boston with Mr. John Marshall and Mr. Domas who instructed the committee on the proper procedures to be followed in the handling of the above subjects as well as the choice of an architect and financial matters.

At our December 2nd meeting the building needs were reviewed and our organization set up. Arrangements were made to visit and inspect sites and some recently built school such as the Mansfield H. S. The committee engaged a surveyor to furnish us with the necessary information regarding land.

The three superintendents of school, Messrs. Roy, Nourse and Delaney, were engaged as consultants to prepare educational specifications and school requirements.

Plans were made for choosing a name for the school and a Regional School seal.

On December 5th the committee visited the Vogel School site in Wrentham and two other suggested sites. Sub-committees were appointed to call on owners of land abutting the sites and to call on legal counsel. Considerable time was devoted to the study of maps and the discussion of the desirable location.

On December 9th the committee discussed the earliest possible date for the opening of school. The hope exists that this may be possible in September 1956 but it was decided that the only fair time to open such a school would be at the beginning of a school year. Other matters discussed were dates for inspection of school sites by the School Building Assistance Commission, choice of a clerk of the works to supervise construction, preparation of maps and surveying work and visits to other schools to obtain proper background.

On December 16th the committee studied maps prepared by Mr. John Warren, our surveyor, of the Vogel School property and other maps of the town. Details pertaining to the submission of our planning budget were discussed and agreed upon. The correspondence received from architects who made inquiries were given to the members of the committee for study.

On January 6th the work on Form P for our planning budget was completed. Arrangements were made for banking facilities. The need for an operating budget for the committee was explained and the details agreed upon.

The superintendents of school submitted a very complete report on educational specifications covering all phases of proposed studies in the Regional School. This was discussed, approved and accepted and the superintendents were requested to proceed with the work of estimating school facilities necessary to carry out the educational program.

On January 13th a full discussion was held on correspondence and brochures submitted by architects. The committee voted on which architects were to be interviewed and also voted on the engaging of legal council. The proper time for engagement of a Regional School superintendent was discussed as well as the results of visits to proposed school sites.

Between meetings various members of the committee have met to further study sites and the work of the surveyor.

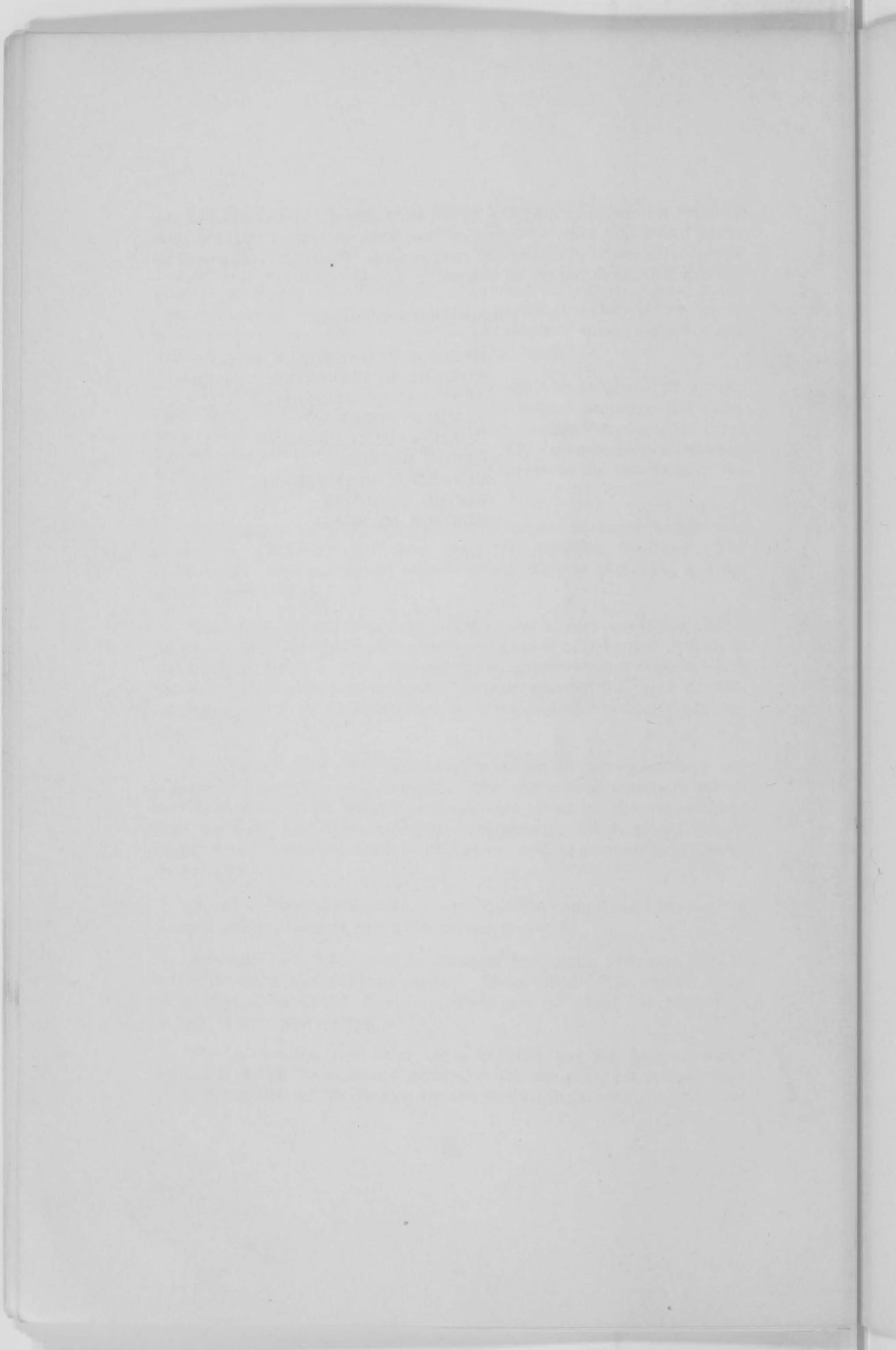
Meetings have been held on January 20th, 26th, 27th and 28th to interview architects and hear reports. These will be followed by visits to schools designed by these architects one of whom we expect to choose in the near future.

The committee has been complimented by the Massachusetts School Building Assistance Commission for the progress it has made since the voting of the Region by the three towns. We, in turn, are

grateful for the help given us by all state officials and citizens of the three towns and hope to carry on this work as fast as possible consistent with sound planning and construction. Progress reports will be published in local papers as frequently as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

HUGH McC. MARSHALL, Chm.  
EDWARD HEMMINGSEN, Vice-Chm.  
SETH ARMEN, Treasurer  
ALVIN J. FREEMAN  
HENRI J. BEAUCHEMIN  
LEROY WILSON  
CLARENCE SKINNER, JR.  
ROGER GOODWIN  
ARTHUR M. BOND



ANNUAL REPORT

*of the*

School Committee

*and*

Superintendent of Schools

FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,

**1954**

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of Norfolk:

The School Committee submits its Annual Report.

Regular meetings of the School Committee are held at the Principal's Office at 7:30 P.M. on the Thursday evening before the fourth Monday of each month, except during July and August. Special meetings are also held when necessary.

For the benefit of new residents of our Town, the School Committee again wishes to repeat the rule for entrance age for children into the first grade of our school system—Children who have reached the age of 5 years on or before the first day of April may enter the first grade in September of that year. Leading educators are of the opinion that most children are not ready for school before this age and some thought has been given to changing the entrance age to 6 years, but no change in our rule, as stated above will be made for the present.

The school program under the able direction of our Superintendent and our principal and assistant principal is progressing satisfactorily. Our teaching staff is most co-operative and the splendid progress is heartening and we should all feel proud of the accomplishment.

The Physical Education program under the direction of Mr. Cosentino continues to progress satisfactorily in all grades. The basketball games with other schools have created much interest and they have helped to develop good sportsmanship. The program should be expanded and is now a most important phase of our educational system.

In September, 1954, your committee has inaugurated an instrumental music class of instruction, which has been received with great enthusiasm by the students and the parents. Such a program is needed in our elementary school and we have great hopes for this type of musical instruction. If we can continue with this program, we believe that it will be of utmost benefit to our students when they enter our new Regional High School.

Norfolk's School plant is now adequate for our needs for the present, and with the addition of the new classrooms, we expect to have enough classroom space for several years. While we will have many more students in the next few years, the Regional Junior-Senior High School in 1956 or 1957 will release 3 classrooms for our elementary needs.

The school budget for 1955 has been carefully planned by your committee. It will be necessary to appropriate \$101,260.00 which represents only a moderate increase over the 1954 budget. The principal increase is accounted for by an increase of the tuition rate at Walpole High School, and an increase in the salary account. One additional teacher will be required for part of 1955 and our present teaching staff will be granted the usual step-rate increase.

The School Committee wishes to express its thanks to the teaching staff for its continued loyalty. To the parents and all citizens of Norfolk, who so generously co-operate with us, we thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

ALVIN J. FREEMAN, Chairman  
EVA L. HOLMES  
HARRY G. COULTER

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#### NORFOLK SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mr. Alvin J. Freeman, Chairman	Term Expires 1956
Mr. Harry Coulter, Secretary	Term Expires 1957
Mrs. Eva Holmes, Member	Term Expires 1955

#### Superintendent of Schools

George C. Roy, 261 Exchange Street, Millis                      Millis 316-21

School Office—  
Central School                      Franklin 1225

### SCHOOL PERSONNEL

Teacher's Name	Institution Where Studied Beyond High School	Position	Began Service in Norfolk
George C. Roy	Providence, B.A. Boston Univ., Ed. M., C.A.G.S.	Superintendent	1949
Gertrude D. MacBride	Castine Normal	Principal	1919
H. Olive Day	Bridgewater, S.T.C., B.S. in Ed.	Assistant Principal Grade 8	1940
Michael H. Cosentino	Arnold College, B.S.	Instruction of Physical Ed. Grade 7	1952
Helene O'Toole	Marymount College, B.A. Boston Univ.	Grade 6 and 7	1954
74 Judy Leonard	Rosary Hill College, B.A. Boston Univ., Ed. M.	Grade 6	1953
Julia C. Dardi	Boston, S.T.C. Bridgewater, S.T.C.	Grade 5	1952
Ann M. Crowley	Univ. of Vermont, B.A.	Grade 4	1953
Patricia Moore	Boston, S.T.C., B.S. in Ed.	Grade 4	1954
Ellen M. Crowley	Univ. of Vermont, B.A. Hyannis, S.T.C.	Grade 3	1952
Priscilla Sargent	Univ. of Mass., B.A. North Adams, S.T.C.	Grade 3	1953
Audrey P. McDevitt	Garland Jr. College, A.S., Vassar, Boston Univ., Hyannis, S.T.C.	Grade 2	1951
Ann E. O'Brien	Regis College, B.A. Boston, S.T.C.	Grade 2	1954

Teacher's Name	Institution Where Studied Beyond High School	Position	Began Service in Norfolk
Ruth Fernald	Framingham S.T.C. Boston Univ.	Grade 1	1949
Barbara Strelke	Univ. of Mass., B.A. Hyannis S.T.C.	Grade 1	1949
<b>Supervisors</b>			
Eleanor Cole		Music	1954
Warren S. Freeman	Boston U., B.M., M. Ed. Harvard U.	Instrumental Music	1954
Marjorie Werner	Cleveland Institution of Art	Art	Jan. 1955
<b>Health</b>			
A. R. Stagg, M.D.		School Physician	
Madeline Harding, R.N.		Nurse	1954
Beverly B. Penniman, R.N.		Nurse	1954
<b>Resigned</b>			
Anne M. Berkland	Emmanuel C., B.A. Hyannis S.T.C.	Grade 4	1950
Clarissa Sanford	Abbott Academy Holland House Training School	Grade 1	1952
Charlotte Roberts	Boston Univ., B. of M.	Music	1953
Sigurd Frosell	Mass. School of Art B. of Ed.	Art	1954
Nellie Saunders, R.N.		Nurse	
<b>School Custodians</b>			
Eldred Readel (Full-time)			
Donald Readel (Part-time)			

### ESTIMATED BUDGET FOR 1955

Teachers' Salaries	\$ 42,100.00
Superintendent's Salary, Expenses	3,550.00
Fuel	1,250.00
Nurse	625.00
High School Tuition	32,510.00
Vocational Tuition	600.00
Books and Supplies	2,500.00
Committee Salaries	225.00
Census	35.00
Physician	100.00
General Expenses	1,000.00
Light and Power	900.00
Custodians	3,100.00
Maintenance of Grounds	1,500.00
Transportation	10,600.00
Vocational Transportation	150.00
Truant Officer	15.00
Furnishings	100.00
Insurance	400.00
	\$101,260.00

#### Finances

	1954	1955
Budget	\$95,691.00	\$101,260.00
Expended	91,391.00	
Reimbursement	27,533.22	27,266.67
	\$63,857.78	Probable Net Cost \$73,993.33

#### Reimbursements

Ch. 70 as amended	\$16,973.88	\$17,500.00
Union Superintendent	1,866.67	1,866.67
Transportation	7,740.10	7,600.00
Vocational Tuition and Transportation	*952.57	*300.00
	\$27,533.22	\$27,266.67

\*This year we paid for two for part of the year and now for one at Vocational School. Last year we paid for five; therefore the return is less.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee of the Town of Norfolk:

Herewith I submit my sixth annual report as Superintendent of Schools in Norfolk. It includes a report of the Principals, Supervisors, School Physician, and the School Nurse. This report gives us a brief outline of the local educational happenings during the year just closed.

### Personnel

Last summer both Mrs. Anne M. Berkland, Grade 4 teacher, and Mrs. Barbara Strelke, Grade 2 teacher, resigned to be at home. Our Supervisor of Art, Mrs. Dorothy Wallace, resigned to accept a similar position in Natick, and Charlotte Roberts, Supervisor of Music, also left. Mrs. Nellie Sanders, R.N., who had worked for many years in Norfolk, resigned to devote full time to her nursing duties in Franklin.

The following new members were added to our personnel:

Ann O'Brien	Grade 2
Patricia Moore	Grade 4
Helen O'Toole	Grade 6 and 7
Eleanor Cole	Music
Sigurd Frosell	Art
Madeline Harding, R.N.	Nurse
Beverly B. Penniman, R.N.	Nurse

Mrs. Clarissa Sanford, first grade teacher, resigned to be at home. Mrs. Barbara Strelke, former second grade teacher, was hired to fill this vacancy. Marjorie Werner has been employed to replace Sigurd Frosell who found it necessary to be at home.

We wish success and happiness to the new members as well as to those who have left us.

### New Areas

Last September we initiated the Rinehart Handwriting System. Under the present plan a representative meets monthly with our faculty after school hours. Individual specimens prepared by each pupil are collected, rated, and the results evaluated by the system. Each teacher receives a monthly report for each pupil. We feel that with this system great strides have been made and greater ones will be made in the future.

### **Major Objectives of the Handwriting Program in Norfolk**

1. To teach the pupils to read and write both cursive handwriting and hand lettering (manuscript).
2. To predicate all techniques on the idea that the welfare of the child is of major concern and that everything possible will be done to insure correct posture and angle of vision. All handwriting and hand lettering will be built on the natural writing slate of the child in order that this correct posture and angle of vision may be maintained with ease and reduce to a minimum the problem of transition from lettering to cursive handwriting in the third grade.
3. To provide expert guidance and consultant services.
4. To insure a tenable handwriting philosophy based on extensive research and experience.
5. To provide adequate instructional and motivational materials for teachers and pupils with careful direction and follow-up to see that these materials are properly used.
6. To make adequate provision for individual differences as it relates to the handwriting of each child, also to permit teachers to proceed at the rate best suited to the class.
7. To give adequate attention to the problem of the left-handed writer and make available effective tests to determine the ratio of dexterity in prescribing for a beginner.
8. To teach the concomitants of neatness, accuracy and attention to detail along with a mastery in technical handwriting.
9. To achieve and surpass national norms in speed and quality of handwriting.
10. To teach handwriting with a minimum expenditure of time, effort and materials without over-emphasis on this special subject.

Instrumental Music under the direction of Warren Freeman, former Dean of Music at Boston University, was begun last fall. The response has been overwhelming. Sixty-four boys and girls have taken up instruments to participate in the school band. In addition he has a string group which is the nucleus for a school orchestra. Through the cooperation of Mrs. MacBride, Principal, and interested women, under the direction of Mrs. Eva Holmes, material was purchased and uniforms were made for each band member. The Christmas performance, played to a full audience, was most pleasantly executed and received. Moving pictures were taken of this recital and will be shown in the near future. Our Band Director, Mr. Warren Freeman, has reported elsewhere and I suggest you read his report for further details.

Arrangements have been made whereby our school shares in a film cooperative. Under this plan each month new motion pictures are made available. Millis, Foxboro, Wrentham, Plainville, Norton, Mansfield, and Franklin are the other participating towns. This plan has met with considerable favor of all.

### **Professional Outlook**

This past year your School Committee and Superintendent attended a professional conference at Newton and Franklin. School Union meetings were held in Millis and Norfolk.

Your Superintendent represented Norfolk in the national New England and state conference, and again attended the Advanced Administration Institute held at Harvard during the summer.

Your Principal attended conferences at the University of Massachusetts and Swampscott. Your Principal served as Chairman of one of the groups at the Norfolk County Teachers' Convention, as did your Superintendent.

Several members of the faculty have studied to improve themselves professionally. Boston University, Boston State Teachers' College, and Bridgewater State Teachers' College have attracted them.

In connection with the handwriting program, after-school faculty meetings are held monthly. Other meetings are scheduled for specific purposes.

### **Parents**

When and if situations arise when for school business purposes any parent or citizen wishes to consult privately with the principal, teacher, or superintendent, it may be arranged by calling Franklin 1225. It is best to call the school before 10 A.M., daily or after 2:15 P.M. whenever possible. If emergencies arise, call anytime. We encourage cooperation between the home and the school and feel that if problems arise, conferences between parents and faculty members may be most helpful.

### **Plant**

During the last school year it was necessary to use the auditorium for one of the second grades.

The opening of the new four-room primary grade addition in September, which houses two first and two second grades, has been most timely and helpful. The classrooms are very adequate in size;

equipped with running water; green chalkboards; ample bulletin board area; sufficient storage units; ideal clothes closets which are teacher controlled; acoustical tile; direct exits and entrances to and from the playground; and allow for the use of movable school furniture. There are lavatories in this section of the building for this entire group. A combination health-teachers' room is also included. This health area allows the School Physician and School Nurses to conduct examinations privately and without interruptions. A large storage room, along with a very pleasant and serviceable corridor completes the addition. Each of these classrooms and health room has a telephone from which a member of the staff may call or be called from the office. In one of the corridors is a very fine built-in display case. Under the present arrangement it is no longer necessary to use the auditorium for daily classes. Temporarily a vacant classroom is used for the Superintendent's office.

### **Art**

Our new Art Instructor did not work too long a time after September due to ill health. Miss Marjorie Werner, a graduate of the Cleveland School of Art, has been appointed to handle this area starting in January. We appreciate the fact that cooperatively the windows in the entire school were appropriately decorated for the Christmas Season in the absence of an art supervisor.

### **Insurance**

For the second year we have made available on a voluntary basis the \$1 per pupil per year school policy. Any student from Kindergarten through the senior year in high school is eligible for this accident insurance at a cost of only one dollar a year.

The insurance will pay up to a maximum of Twenty-Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) per injury. Dental expense is covered up to \$50.00 and applies only to injuries to sound natural teeth.

Bills for such medical expense are paid for treatment received for as long as twenty-six weeks following the accident.

In addition this policy covers a phase which we hope we will never need. In the event of dismemberment or death, additional payments are made.

This plan in which participation is entirely voluntary, protects the student during the policy term (the policy is written for a twelve month period) for injuries received:

- a. while attending school during the hours and on the days when school is in session, including coverage for sports, gym, physical education activities, shop, field trips, etc.
- b. while traveling to and from school.
- c. while participating in school sponsored and supervised activities either away from school premises or after school hours.

This policy does not cover medical expenses, death, or dismemberment for injuries sustained as a result of the practice and/or play of interscholastic sports by students enrolled in grades 9 through 12; (2) injuries caused by war or act of war; (3) service or treatment rendered as part of the school duties by a physician, nurse, or any other person employed or retained by the School; (4) eye glasses or prescriptions therefor; (5) Non commercial air travel. The policy does not cover football activity.

The above details are repeated to be informative and to be a permanent record.

This year we have 300 availing themselves of this policy.

### **Enrollment**

There are 350 pupils enrolled in grades one through eight with the following grade distribution on October 1, 1953: Grades 1—51; 2—57; 3—56; 4—27; 5—50; 6—44; 7—37; 8—28; Total 350 students.

The chart which follows this section gives the pupil, teacher, grade distribution as of October 1, 1954 showing a total of 372 as of that date.

At the secondary level we now have the following distribution: Walpole High School—93; Wrentham High School—1; Norfolk County Agricultural School—3; Peabody School—1. At Walpole High we have 14 Seniors. When the seniors leave Walpole High in June and the classes move up, the new Freshman class from Norfolk in September will approach 42. Our enrollment then at Walpole High will be in the neighborhood of 121.

Before pupils graduate from Norfolk arrangements are made to hear representatives from Walpole High, Norfolk Agricultural and Peabody Schools. On the basis of ability, past performance and interest, we attempt to assist pupils in making the proper secondary school decision. Parent conferences in this connection are scheduled at times.

It has been arranged for the office at Walpole High School to contact parents by phone daily when pupils are absent.

Looking ahead it would seem that the new regional school will be available just about the time more space will be needed for the first six grades. The present tuition rate at Walpole High is \$311.95 as compared to \$288.00 last year.

**Enrollment by Grades, October 1, 1954**

Teacher	Grade	Boys	Girls	Totals	Totals
				By Room	By Grade
Ruth Fernald	1	16	12	28	56
Clarissa Sanford	1	16	12	28	
Audrey McDermitt	2	8	13	21	43
Ann E. O'Brien	2	10	12	22	
Ellen Crowley	3	10	17	27	54
Priscilla P. Sargent	3	14	13	27	
Ann Crowley	4	16	13	29	55
Patricia Moore	4	12	14	26	
Julia Dardi	5	21	12	33	33
Judy Leonard	6	18	16	34	48
Helene O'Toole	6	9	5	14	
	7	6	8	14	43
Michael Cosentino	7	15	14	29	
H. Olive Day	8	26	14	40	40
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		197	175	372	372

**CENSUS  
October 1, 1954**

	Ages 5-7	7-16	Over 16
Boys	36	197	16
Girls	34	173	18
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Totals	70	370	34

**Norfolk School Calendar 1954-55**

For practical and economical reasons the Central School calendar is based on the Walpole High School calendar.

September 8, 1954	School opens for fall term	
December 23 at noon	16 weeks	72 days
January 3 - February 18	7 weeks	35 days
February 28 - April 15	7 weeks	34 days
April 25 - June 17	8 weeks	39 days
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	38 weeks	180 days

October 12  
October 29  
November 11  
November 25 and 26  
April 8  
May 30

Columbus Day  
Teachers' Convention  
Armistice Day  
Thanksgiving Recess  
Good Friday  
Memorial Day

May I at this time extend my appreciation for the cooperation offered by the members of the School Committee, the Principal, Assistant Principal, and the entire school personnel and the townspeople.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE C. ROY,  
Superintendent of Schools

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## REPORT OF THE NORFOLK CENTRAL SCHOOL

To the Superintendent of Schools:

This report is issued each year so that the citizens of Norfolk may have information in regard to the activities carried on in our elementary school.

Mutual understanding and close co-operation between the home and school are most important where the best educational opportunities are desired for all children. The principal and teachers welcome the visits of parents and are always pleased to be able to provide information about the school program or to discuss with parents questions and suggestions about their children.

The staff of Norfolk Central School is pledged to provide a well planned, carefully balanced instructional program and in co-operation with the home we shall help each child to develop to the fullest capacity.

We are grateful that the new addition to our school has been completed, and that the first and second grades are now happily situated in that area.

Where the construction of the new wing started we felt the need of more protection for the students, and it was at that time that the Safety Council, made up of all students from grades seven and eight,

was organized. It is now in operation in the building and on the playground. We believe that it answers a two-fold purpose by developing a deep sense of responsibility in those who serve, as well as caring for the safety of the entire student body.

The Stamp and Bond program which is in effect as in the past, is in charge of two students from grade eight. The yearly sales have amounted to \$877.15.

Through the co-operation of the P.-T.A., National Education Week was observed by teacher-parent conferences held in the respective classrooms, at the adjournment of the P.-T.A. meeting. Many parents availed themselves of this opportunity to meet the members of the faculty, and to visit the new classrooms.

The motion picture program has been developed to such a degree that educational films are available at all times and may be used when they are needed to correlate with classroom work.

We believe the Christmas season at Norfolk Central School was physically and spiritually an inspiration to the parents who visited, the pupils who participated, and the teachers who supervised the programs.

One of the objectives of the Norfolk Teachers' Club was a mobile library, which was realized during the past year and gained national recognition in the National Education Association's news letter. This traveling unit is available to the children of all classes in the Norfolk Central School.

In addition to this the Teachers' Club as in the past helped to defray expenses for Christmas parties which were held in the individual classrooms. It also acted as host to the graduating class of 1954 at a marshmallow and wiener roast.

The pupils of the sixth grade again have the opportunity to study wild life, rock formations, trees, erosion and other problems in science as presented by the Massachusetts Audubon Society Nature and Conservation program. Conservation of our natural resources cannot be too strongly emphasized today. We are sure our boys and girls are well aware of this problem because of the bi-weekly instruction which they receive from Mrs. Manley of the Massachusetts Audubon Society. We are deeply grateful to the School Department for providing this excellent nature instruction.

Each year the pupils of the sixth, seventh and eighth grades participate in the S.P.C.A. animal poster contest. This contest provides added incentive for showing kindness to animals through art correlation. Many of our pupils were again listed among the winners of silver and bronze medals as well as a year's subscription to the animal magazine.

In spite of last year's crowded conditions the eighth grade girls were able to enroll in a 4-H Sewing Project. The girls were interested in their work and accomplished much in their half hour period each week. Dish towels, aprons, skirts and blouses were made. In June each girl entered one article in the 4-H Contest Day held at the Norfolk County Agricultural School in Walpole. We were pleased to receive three blue ribbons, six red ribbons, two third and three fourth place ribbons. We wish to thank the School Department for the privilege of including sewing in our curriculum.

The members of the faculty and the pupils of the Central School continue to assist the P.-T.A. in its activities throughout the year. The pupils presented a Minstrel Show at the April meeting of the P.-T.A. All who participated in the program felt this was one way of saying "Thank You" for the excellent Field Trips sponsored by the P.-T.A. each spring.

In conclusion we wish to take this opportunity to thank you, the School Committee, the teachers, the pupils, the custodian, the parents and all citizens of Norfolk for the fine spirit of co-operation and support which have made possible any success that we may have achieved.

Respectfully submitted,

GERTRUDE D. MacBRIDE,  
Principal

H. OLIVE DAY,  
Assistant Principal

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### REPORT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent of Schools:

In the year, 1954, the Physical Education Program for the Norfolk Central School children consisted of the following activities. In the fall the older boys were instructed in the fundamentals of football such as, passing, kicking and ball handling. The girls were playing a leadup game to volleyball and dodgeball.

Instructions were also given in techniques of soccer.

During the winter days when the play area was unavailable, novelty games of basketball were employed in our auditorium.

Our younger children played games which motivated good living habits.

The boys of Grades seven and eight competed against Walpole, Franklin and Wrentham in basketball and sported a three win and two loss record.

A tumbling team, games of Low Organization, and fundamentals of basketball, and baseball with presentation of sport awards highlighted our Physical Education Demonstration which was held one spring evening.

The Junior High baseball team enjoyed themselves while competing against surrounding communities.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL COSENTINO,  
Physical Education Supervisor

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### REPORT OF MUSIC SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent of Schools:

While it is a little to early to report great progress in our vocal music program, I feel deeply satisfied with the response of both pupils and teachers of the Norfolk Schools. I cannot speak of the cooperation of the teachers or the enthusiam of the children except in superlative terms. We were called upon to produce three Christmas Programs, one of them half an evening's rather formal Carol sing, the other two, Pageants complete with costumes, in which all the children participated. This strenuous accomplishment would have been impossible without such cooperation and enthusiasm on the part of all concerned.

The regular classes have been carried on in much the same general way as under the last two supervisors, much rote song work in the lower grades, with formal note reading beginning at about the fourth grade level. A program of "reading readiness" in the first three grades utilizes their rote songs to learn to recognize tune and tune patterns by sight as well as sound. Part singing, begun in the early grades with rounds and simple chord endings, is continued in the upper grades, until the seventh and eighth grades are doing fairly acceptable four-part harmony. Lack of true tenors and basses here, limit the amount and quality of four-part music we can do at present.

We will begin shortly on the music for graduation, at which time we should feel a true sense of accomplishment.

Very truly yours,

ELEANOR C. COLE,  
Music Supervisor

## REPORT OF INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I have the honor to submit to you my first report on the work carried on in the Norfolk Central School in the field of instrumental music.

In the Fall of 1954, instruction was made available on all orchestral and band instruments to children in the Norfolk Central School. The first step in the program was to hold a special school assembly to explain the new program and to show the children certain aspects of musical instrument performances and to explain how students might enter the new program. Following the assembly, a special notice giving details of the program was sent home to the parents. A home visit to every home where a child had expressed interest in the program was arranged. Instruments were made available to the students through a special plan worked out by the Beacon Musical Instrument Company of Boston.

When the home visits had been completed, a total of sixty-three students were enrolled in the program. Instruction is being given on the following instruments: violin, cello, trumpet, cornet, clarinet, saxophone, trombone, tuba, and all percussion instruments. One of the features of our instrumental program was the ensemble experience which the children were given right from the very first. In a sense, they were members of a band or orchestra from the very first lesson. This valuable experience in ensemble playing has been an important factor in maintaining the interest of all of the players during the very trying introductory period.

A Christmas concert was given on December 20. In addition to the very excellent singing by the glee club under Miss Cole's direction, the instrumental groups made their first public appearances. The performance by the band was greatly enhanced by the new uniforms which were made by a group of ladies under the direction of Mrs. Eve Holmes.

Plans are now being worked out for the band to prepare for the Memorial Day exercises and for other important civic and school functions. It is expected that the orchestra will reach its full strength next Fall when the new string players have been given more ensemble experience.

Although our instrumental program is just in its beginning stages, I am certain that a good start has been made toward a solid program of instrumental instruction for the boys and girls of Norfolk. Not only

will the band and orchestra serve important functions as groups, but the individual values to each player will be important in making richer and fuller lives for our young people in these uncertain times.

I cannot close this report without voicing my sincere thanks to you, Mr. Roy, to Mrs. McBride, and the teachers as well as to the parents for the parts all of you have played in the development of our instrumental music program in Norfolk.

Respectfully submitted,

WARREN S. FREEMAN,  
Instrumental Music Supervisor

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### REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The following is the report of the School Physician for the year ending December 31, 1954:

Total number of students examined	124
Total number examined at pre-school clinic	42
Defects found and noted	13
Tonsils	6
Cervical glands	2
Dental	2
Low Arches	2
? Asthma	1
Defects found and under observation	
Spastic	1
Speech defect	1
Heart murmur	2

Respectfully submitted,

A. RITCHEY STAGG, M.D.,  
School Physician

## REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE—NORFOLK—1954

(January to June)

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I hereby submit my report as School Nurse in the Central School, Norfolk, from January 1, 1954 through June 30, 1954.

No. of Schools Visited	1
No. of School Visits	20
No. of Inspections of Pupils in School	833
No. of Inspections of Pupils in Homes	16
No. of Home Visits	35
Assisted Doctor to Exam.	(Pre-School Clinic) 42 (Registered) 49
Hearing Tests	24
Failures	7
Under Treatment	3
Vision Tests	92
Failures	10
Received Treatment	6
Taken Home	9
First Aid	3
Room Inspection	70
Sanitary Inspection	4
Weighed	38
Excluded	4
	(1 ? Chicken Pox, 2 Rash, 1 Sore Throat)
Conferences	10
Health Talks	14
Dental Clinic	(In Chair Treated) 38 (Examined) 86
Contagion Found in Schools	? Chicken Pox 1
Contagion Found in Home	? Chicken Pox 1
Meetings Attended	(4 In Service Education) (3 State and County Health Meetings)

Without the co-operation of the School Committee and School Personnel, the health program would be at a sad loss. I feel we have had great co-operation and wish to thank everyone for this co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

NELLIE SAUNDERS, R.N.,  
School Nurse (Resigned June)

## REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I hereby submit my report as School Nurse in the Central School, Norfolk, beginning September, 1954, to December 31, 1954.

The School Health Department's duties consist of regular physical examinations, routine visits to the school, control of communicable diseases and consultations with the faculty on psychological problems. In addition to these, we have rendered first aid, taken home children because of illness and made home visits when requested.

In September all children were given physical examinations by the school physician. Physical examinations are required by the state on one-third of the pupils annually.

The Massachusetts Vision Test was given to 374 pupils which is the total enrollment of the school. Of these children tested, 24 were re-tested, 7 notices were sent home to parents and there are 12 now wearing glasses. Hearing tests were also done in all grades.

In November Miss Powers, one of the State dental hygienists, examined the teeth of all pupils and recommended treatment on those found to have dental caries.

The health of the children is above average. In surrounding towns there have been several epidemics of communicable diseases. These may be expected to occur every three to six years, as a new group of non-immune children come to school.

We are fortunate in having a new health room which makes a very pleasant and convenient place to carry on a health program.

We wish to thank the school authorities and personnel who have been very co-operative.

Respectfully submitted,

MADELEINE I. HARDING, R.N.

BEVERLY B. PENNIMAN, R.N.

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### 1954 GRADUATION EXERCISES—NORFOLK CENTRAL SCHOOL

Monday Evening, June 7, 1954

Washburn Hall, 8:00 P. M.

#### PROGRAM

Processional

Marshals—Patricia Woodworth, Michael Dineen

Invocation

Rev. Carl F. Hall

Welcome

David Trenouth, Class President

Salutatory

"Horace Mann, the Educator"

Shirley Pearson

Selections by the Junior High Glee Club

“One World”

“The Galway Piper”

Presentation of Class Gift

Acceptance of Class Gift

Accordion Solos

“La Spagnola”

“Whispering Hope”

Valedictory

“American Citizenship”

Selections by the Junior High Glee Club

“Look for the Silver Lining”

“America, Our Heritage”

To the Class of 1954

Honorable Mentions and Awards

Class Song

Words by Nancy Hallet

Presentation of Diplomas

Benediction

Recessional

Geoffrey O'Hara

Bryceson Treharne

Carol Zaccardi

Robert Purdon, Grade Seven

Jacqueline Kerr

Di Chiara

Elizabeth Bigelow

Jerome Kern

Helen Steele

Mr. George C. Roy

Mrs. Gertrude D. MacBride

Mr. Alvin J. Freeman

Rev. Leo Flynn

#### Graduates

Browning Kelley Baker  
Elizabeth Carver Bigelow  
Althea Louise Callahan  
William Robert Crane  
Katherine Daley  
Charles Delmar Daniels  
Georgette Anne DiSciullo  
Marilyn Kay Dwyer  
Christine Mary Farrell  
John W. Foden  
Richard L. Follis  
Daniel Joseph Gorham  
Paul Gorham  
Nancy Lou Hallet  
Harland T. Herrick

Jacqueline I. Kerr  
Donna Jeanne Lukens  
Fred J. Meda, Jr.  
Thomas Andrew Molloy  
Shirley Eleanor Pearson  
Alberta Pedersen  
Mary Lou Pezold  
Cynthia Louise Quist  
Paul Edward Roche  
William Thomas Salisbury, Jr.  
Arthur Robert Samsel  
David John Thenouth  
Charles H. Weeber, III  
Carol Anne Zaccardi  
Priscilla Carol Denton

**WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

**Monday, the Seventh Day of March, A.D. 1955**

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

NORFOLK, ss.

To either Constable in the Town of Norfolk, in said County,

Greetings:

You are required in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify and warn the inhabitants of Norfolk, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to assemble in the New School Auditorium on Monday, March 7, 1955, at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To choose by ballot the following town officers, viz: One Moderator, for one year; one Selectman, for three years; to act as Board of Health; one Town Clerk; one Town Treasurer, one Collector of Taxes, one Tree Warden, two Constables, each for one year; two Trustees of Public Library, one for three years and one for two years; one member School Committee; one Water Commissioner, each for three years; one Assessor for three years; one member of Board of Public Welfare for three years; one member of Planning Board for five years; two trustees of Josiah Ware Fund, one for three years, one for two years; two members of Regional District School Committee, one for three years, one for two years.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town, Moderator, Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Tree Warden, Assessors, Board of Public Welfare, Board of Water Commissioners, School Committee, Planning Board and Regional District School Committee.

Article 3. To grant and appropriate money for all necessary Town expenses as follows, viz:

1. Schools
2. Public Library
3. Memorial Day
4. Electric Lights for the Town
5. Bonds for Town Officers
6. Interest
7. Removal of Snow
8. General Relief

9. Fire Department
10. Law Enforcement
11. Maintenance of Norfolk County Hospital
12. General Expense
13. Extermination of Gypsy Moth and Insect Control
14. Soldiers' Relief
15. Old Age Assistance
16. Tree Trimming
17. District Nurse
18. Aid to Dependent Children
19. To pay the salary of a clerk for the Selectmen
20. For Reserve Fund
21. Veterans' Administration
22. Water Department Notes and Interest due in 1955
23. Norfolk County Retirement System
24. O.A.A. Administration and Social Worker Salary
25. Board of Health
26. County Tax
27. School Notes and Interest
28. Assessors
29. Treasurer
30. Tax Collector
31. Town Clerk
32. Town Accountant
33. Sealer of Weights and Measures
34. Inspector of Animals
35. Inspector of Buildings
36. Election Officers
37. Registrars of Voters
38. Water Collector
39. Tax Titles
40. Disability Assistance
41. Town Dump
42. Town Counsel
43. Selectmen
44. Tree Warden
45. Board of Public Welfare
46. Board of Water Commissioners
47. Ambulance Fund
48. Regional School
49. Planning Board
50. American Legion
51. Civil Defense
52. Recreation

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1955 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Construction, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highway Maintenance to be used with a sum of money allocated by the State, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated funds in the Treasury, a sum of money to be used for Highway maintenance and construction, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Water Revenue a sum of money for Water Department Maintenance, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Maintenance Account, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 11. To see if the Town will appropriate from Surplus Revenue the amounts of the State and County share on Chapter 81 and Chapter 90 projects with a proviso that the sums received from State and County are credited back to Surplus Revenue upon receipt, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury a sum of money to install and maintain two street lights on Tucker Road; one

street light in front of package store of Lawrence Curtis on Myrtle Street; and one street light at corner of Main Street and Carlson Circle.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury a sum of money to provide for spraying by airplane of insecticides for the control of mosquitoes and Gypsy Moths which cannot be reached by spraying from the roads, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, a sum of money for the dedication of the World War II Memorial or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to lease to Norfolk Post American Legion the land and buildings known as City Mills School for a term of five years at \$1.00 per year, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote: For all future extensions of water mains, the water takers on such extensions shall be charged the regular water rates plus a 3 percent annual charge for the cost of the extension and installation of an eight inch line for a period of fifteen years, and that the Water Board be authorized to enter into contracts with such takers whereby said takers shall guarantee payment of such three per cent annual charge for said period of fifteen years in addition to the regular water rates, and that all other persons desiring to connect to said extension within the fifteen year period be obligated to pay such proportionate part of the original cost of the extension as said Board decides is fair and just, for the remainder of the fifteen year period, provided a contract entered into with said Board and that all contracts hereunder shall be signed and delivered to the said Board before any money shall be expended on any extension. All such contracts shall be recorded by said Board in the Registry of Deeds of Norfolk County and shall constitute a lien on the premises affected hereby, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by a bond issue or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury a sum of money to install approximately 4000 feet of water mains on Everett Street from the residence of James Valentine to the Wrentham Town line and to install in the Town of Wrentham approximately 1600 feet of water mains to make a connection with the existing main in the Town of Wrentham under the conditions of Article 17 as voted at the Annual Town Meeting on March 6, 1950. (Petition)

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury a sum of money to pay the principal and interest on the bonds voted in Article 17 becoming due in 1955.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by a bond issue or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury a sum of money to extend the water mains northerly on Rockwood Road a distance of approximately 3500 ft. to land formerly owned by Estella Callahan, now owned by William Oblaczynski, under the conditions of Article 17 as voted at the Annual Town Meeting on March 6, 1950.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury a sum of money to pay the principal and interest on the Bonds voted in Article 19 becoming due in 1955.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury a sum of money to resurface Tucker Road for a distance of approximately 2000 feet, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury a sum of money to resurface Chestnut Street a distance of approximately 400 ft. or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury a sum of money to purchase a new tractor for highway department and grant permission to the Selectmen to trade or sell one Oliver Tractor and one McCormick Tractor, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury a sum of money to purchase a fire truck and grant permission to the Board of Selectmen to trade or sell one 1929 Model A Ford Fire Truck or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to change Chapter 1, Section 3 of the Zoning By-Laws, first paragraph, to read as follows: In a residential district no building shall be erected which is designed or intended to be used for mercantile, mechanical, manufacturing or other commercial use on land situated in a residential district and no foundation or cellar hole shall be used as a residence except as hereinafter provided, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 1, Section 3 of the Zoning By-Laws, sub-topic No. 3 relative to trailers, busses, or other mobile units to read as follows: Parking of trailers, busses, and mobile units, or use of trailers, busses, or other mobile units for residence in excess of thirty days, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 1, Section 8, of the Zoning By-Laws, to read as follows: In residential districts as provided in Section 31 and laid out after the adoption of this By-Law shall provide for each dwelling a minimum frontage of 150 feet and a minimum lot area of 30,000 square feet. Lots shown on any plan duly recorded by deed or plan at the time this By-Law is adopted may be used, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 1, Section 9 of the Zoning By-Laws to read as follows: The percentage of lot which may be covered by any building used for dwelling purposes shall in no instance exceed the following maximum provisions: (a) one family: Twenty-five percent, and no building shall be erected within fifty feet of the side line of any street, nor within twenty-five feet of a side line; nor within twenty-five feet of any rear lot line, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to add to Chapter 1, Section 10, Paragraph D, of the Zoning By-Laws, to read as follows: A permit under which no work is commenced within six months after issuance shall expire; or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 1 of the Zoning By-Laws by adding a new section to read as follows: Section 11: Enforcement A. Whoever violates any provision of this By-Law shall be liable to a fine of not more than twenty dollars (\$20.00) for each violation. B. If any owner, agent or occupant fails to obey any lawful order of the Inspector of Buildings with respect to any violation or any use contrary to the provisions of this By-Law, the Inspector of Buildings shall revoke any permit issued for the occupation of the premises, shall make complaint to the Supreme Court or any court of competent jurisdiction for an injunction or order restraining further use of the premises and shall take any other action that may be necessary to enforce the provisions of this By-Law, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 31. To see if the Town will choose any Committee or to hear or act on the report of any Committee or Town Officer or to instruct any Committee or Town Officer.

The polls shall be open a 9:00 A.M. and will be closed at 8:00 P.M. Hereof fail not, but make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, on or before the hour of said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal of the Town this 24th day of January A.D. 1955.

WALTER T. HOLMES  
GEORGE A. CARR  
CLARENCE S. FULLER  
Selectment of Norfolk

A true copy,

Attest:

Constable of Norfolk

January, 1955.



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