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*LITTLE BOAR'S HEAD
DISTRICT*

Annual Report

1949 - 1950

August 31, 1950

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Little Boar's Head District

OFFICERS FOR 1949 - 1950

Moderator, WILLIAM P. FOWLER

Clerk, BLANCHE H. BOYNTON

Commissioners, { WILLIAM P. FOWLER
MARION STOTT
ROBERT A. SOUTHWORTH

Treasurer, RUTH H. FOWLER

Auditor, (HENRY E. PERRY*)
MARLAND D. KNOWLES**

Zoning Board of Adjustment { BLANCHE H. BOYNTON
(HENRY E. PERRY*)
MARION STOTT**
PHILIP N. HOBSON
MARLAND D. KNOWLES
ROBERT A. SOUTHWORTH
(Chairman)

Zoning Inspector, WILLIAM P. FOWLER

*Died March 15, 1950.

**Appointed May 15, 1950.

District Warrant

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE—ROCKINGHAM, SS.

To the Inhabitants of Little Boar's Head District, a village district in the Town of North Hampton, organized under provision of Chapter 196, Session Laws of 1905, qualified to vote in District Affairs:

You are hereby notified to attend the annual meeting of said District to be held at the residence of Marion Stott on the Ocean Boulevard and Willow Avenue in said District, on the first Tuesday of September next (the 5th day of the month), at eight o'clock in the evening (8:00 P. M.), Daylight Saving Time, for the following purposes:

1. To elect a moderator, a clerk, three commissioners, a treasurer, and an auditor for the ensuing year.

2. To hear the reports of the clerk, treasurer, and other officers of said District, and to take such action as may be desired in regard to same.

3. To take such action as you may desire in regard to allowing the same discount on district taxes as is allowed by the Town of North Hampton on town taxes.

4. To raise such sum of money as may be needed for the extinguishment of fires, the lighting of streets, the planting and care of shade and ornamental trees, the supply of water for domestic and fire purposes, the construction and maintenance of sidewalks and main drains or common sewers, the construction, maintenance and care of parks or commons, the maintenance of activities for recreational promotion, the appointing and employing of watchmen and police officers, the en-

acting and enforcing of zoning regulations, and all other district expenses.

5. To take such action as you may desire in regard to giving the treasurer of the District authority to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

6. To see if the District will vote to authorize the commissioners to sell or dispose of any obsolete fire extinguishers and oil drums and other equipment formerly used for spraying the marsh.

7. To transact such other business as may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands this 12th day of August, A. D., 1950.

WILLIAM P. FOWLER,
MARION STOTT,
ROBERT A. SOUTHWORTH,

Commissioners of Little Boar's Head District.

A true copy. Attest:

WILLIAM P. FOWLER,
MARION STOTT,
ROBERT A. SOUTHWORTH,

Commissioners.

We hereby certify that on the 12th day of August, 1950, we posted a true and attested copy of the above warrant on the electric light pole on Willow Avenue opposite the place of said meeting, and a like copy on the door of the District's Fire House on Sea Road, public places in said District.

WILLIAM P. FOWLER,
MARION STOTT,
ROBERT A. SOUTHWORTH,

Commissioners of Little Boar's Head District.

(All property owners as well as voters of the District may attend the annual meeting.)

Commissioners' Report

1949 - 1950

1. **Sidewalks:** A minimum amount of expense was necessary this past year to maintain our sidewalks. The plank walk at Bass Beach will have to be replaced in part for the coming year. It is estimated that this will require 600 square feet of planking at a cost of approximately \$450.00.

2. **Parks and Commons:** The District continues to share with the Garden Club the expense of maintaining the Rock Garden east of the Fish Houses.

3. **Policing:** Watchman service was again maintained for five winter months. During these months the watchman inspected a different section of the District daily for evidences of burglary, storm damage, etc.

William Gilligan was again employed as lifeguard on our beach, six days a week from 10:00 A. M. to 6:00 P. M. from the Fourth of July to Labor Day. We feel that this service is important, and we hope to extend it to seven days a week next summer.

Our old life boat was sold, as it was too heavy and in poor condition. We have purchased a new, light, fourteen-foot life-saving dory. This is an excellent and seaworthy boat, and is kept in immediate readiness at the Bath Houses. The lifeguard has taken it out each day and has instructed a few other young men in its use, thereby broadening the scope of trained personnel available in an emergency.

On August 1, 1950, we held an informal open meeting at Miss Stott's house for the purpose of obtaining the views of the property owners and residents in regard to steps to be taken to keep the beach free of glass and other rubbish. Exhibits of broken glass found on the beach were shown at this meeting. It was the opinion of those present that we should not prohibit picnicking, but should do more policing to preserve order and to prevent glass being broken and

rubbish strewn on the beach. In consequence, the District has hired Alfred Jenness as a special police officer on evenings, from 4 to 12; and has hired Robert H. Dickerman to work for three to four hours, as required, every day, picking up the beach between the Hampton town line and the Rock Garden at the Fish Houses.

We have had four new barrels put on the bathing beach at the line between the Beach Hill and the dry sand. These barrels were bought by the District, but are being emptied by the Town.

We are employing three boys to pick up the highways and parking area (exclusive of the beach) every day. We have installed two signs in the parking area, reading as follows:

“Ten Dollars Fine for Throwing Trash on Highways”

The composite result of all these steps has been to make our bathing beach one of the cleanest in the State.

4. Willow Avenue: The Selectmen have now agreed to have the north end of Willow Avenue made a one-way road throughout the year, instead of for only three months each summer. This should eliminate the confusion from the change in its status twice a year. The new regulations will be made effective this September. Traffic is to be allowed from south to north only, from Alvan T. Fuller, Jr.’s, garage to the north end of the road.

5. Fire Protection: A new hydrant has been installed opposite the residence of Alvan T. Fuller, at a cost to the District of \$10.00 a year.

Our annual bill for hydrant service is now stabilized at the figure of \$1,040.00, covering the yearly rental of \$1,040.00, covering the yearly rental of fourteen hydrants from the Hampton Water Works Company. The hydrants are inspected each spring by one of the Commissioners.

6. Mosquito Control: We shall probably require five D.D.T. sprays this year for the control of mosquitoes.

Since the program was instituted two years ago the cost per spray has risen to ninety dollars, owing to labor costs; but we feel that this problem is well in hand and that the residents in general are pleased with the results obtained. Furthermore, we have noticed no appreciable decrease in the number of birds present.

7. Drains and Sewers: It has been found that the new Trunk drains Little River Marsh too thoroughly at low tide, leaving stagnant pools and mud flats twice a day in the ditches and ponds, where they used to be kept filled with water. This tends also to dry out the marsh and to create a fire hazard. To remedy this, we have experimented with putting one or two flash-boards in the concrete outlet to the Great Ditch, to keep a certain minimum amount of water in the ditches and pools at low tide, though still allowing a good inflow of salt water with each incoming tide.

The Commissioners had a survey of the effects of sewage emptying into the ocean at Little Boar's Head made by Wilfred C. Gilbert, the Senior Sanitary Engineer for the State Health Department. His report is printed below for your reference. It is of interest that the report shows our bathing beach to be free of bacteria.

8. Taxes: The Town tax rate for this year is \$34.00 a thousand; and the District rate \$3.00 a thousand. The property valuation of the District is now \$1,019,525.00, from which a current yearly revenue of about \$2,950.00 is to be anticipated from the District tax, after the 5 per cent discount. We recommend that our rate be kept at the \$3.00 figure, and that our expenses be kept within the amount raised thereby. A continuance of the expanded police program, however, might well necessitate some increase in our tax rate.

9. Appointments by Commissioners: In September, 1949, Henry E. Perry was appointed a member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment to fill the unexpired term of Edward R. Hale, who had resigned; Blanche H. Boy-

ton was re-appointed to the Board of Adjustment for a five-year term; and William P. Fowler was re-appointed Zoning Inspector for one year.

On May 15, 1950, Marion Stott was appointed a member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment until September, 1953, to fill the unexpired term of Henry E. Perry, deceased; and Marland D. Knowles was appointed Auditor of the District for the balance of Mr. Perry's unexpired one-year term.

10. **Henry E. Perry:** Our District regrets the death of Henry E. Perry on March 15, 1950. Mr. Perry had given generously of his services as our Auditor and as a member of our Zoning Board of Adjustment.

11. **Annual Meeting:** All property owners as well as voters of the District are invited to the annual meeting on Tuesday, September 5, at 8:00 P. M., at Marion Stott's residence.

WILLIAM P. FOWLER,
MARION STOTT,
ROBERT A. SOUTHWORTH,

Commissioners of Little Boar's Head District.

24 August, 1950.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
Inter-Department Communication

Date: August 29, 1949.
At (Office)

From: Wilfred C. Gilbert,

Senior Sanitary Engineer

Subject: Sewage disposal survey, Little Boar's Head

To: William A. Healey, Director .

Division of Sanitary Engineering

State Health Department

In compliance with a request from the Commissioners of Little Boar's Head, North Hampton, a survey was made of the individual sewage disposal systems of the homes in the District. The survey was begun October

19, 1948, but was postponed because most of the homes were closed for the year. A subsequent survey was made August 18, 21, and 24, 1949, and the following is a report of my findings.

Of the 41 homes visited, 13 had either a system whereby the sewage was disposed of completely underground or pipes carried the sewage into the ocean below low tide. Fourteen houses piped the sewage to the ocean with the end of the pipe above at least low tide and in some cases above high tide. Four more were piped to the ocean either above or below low tide but I was unable to locate the outfalls precisely. The remaining 10 sewage systems could not be located but were reasonably adduced to be underground — no offensive conditions could be found upon inspection.

Bacteriological samples were taken at seven points along the shore from Plaice Cove to a point near the Farragut Hotel, as shown on the attached map. Three sets of samples were taken, with results as shown in the following table:

**Most Probable Number of Coliform Bacteria
Per 100 ML of Water**

Date	Location						
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Aug. 18, '49	0	0	0	430	1,500	150	0
Aug. 21, '49	0	0	0	0	240,000	24,000	0
Aug. 24, '49	3.6	0	9.1	150	23	0	93

The presence of Coliform bacteria is an indication of the presence and amount of sewage in water.

NOTE: The map is not included in this printed copy of the report.

The seven locations shown on the map are as follows:—

1. Plaice Cove, Hampton.
2. Bathing Beach at Hampton-North Hampton line, near Barker house.
3. Bathing beach northeast of the Bath Houses.
4. Fish Houses at outlet of trunk.
5. Rocky Beach at end of Atlantic Avenue.
6. South side of Fox Hill Point opposite Nutting house.
7. Bass Beach at Rye-North Hampton line.

Stages of the tide were as follows: *

Date	High	Low	Time of Sampling
Aug. 18	6:43 A.M.**	12:29 P.M.	10:30 A.M.
Aug. 21	9:38 A.M.	3:29 P.M.	3:00 P.M.
Aug. 24	12:00 M.	6:03 P.M.	2:05 P.M.

* "Tide Table," U.S. Coast & Geodetic Survey, Dept. of Commerce. Interpolation was made between Portland and Boston.

** All times are reduced to Eastern Daylight Saving Time.

On all three sampling dates, the sea was calm with gentle on-shore breeze.

Little River was sampled (in duplicate) on August 21, with a resulting MPN of 23 and 23, near Ocean Boulevard; and on August 24, with an MPN of 6.2 and 21 at the Atlantic Avenue bridge inland from the District. There is an almost universal sentiment among residents that the River is heavily polluted from the Village of North Hampton. This would not appear to be true.

ANALYSIS OF SITUATION: This is only intended to be an appraisal of general conditions and is not exhaustive or definitive. All three sets of bacteriological samples were unfortunately taken when the tide was ebbing and an incoming tide might have given different results. However, all but three of the homes were occupied and the sewage load may be assumed to have been at a maximum.

There are two separate problems of interest to the Commissioners: (1) The possible pollution of beaches to the south of the District, and (2) the presence of a nuisance within the District.

(1) The sewer outfalls are so widely scattered and the dilution factor from ocean currents and tides of such significance, I do not believe there is any danger of serious pollution of the beaches. The shore within the limits of the District is rocky, overgrown in places with seaweed, and unattractive for swimming. The

posting of warning signs would be unwarranted and cause disproportionate concern.

The sewage in the ocean is contributed by a population of roughly 114 people (19 houses times 6 persons per house), with perhaps 80 gallons of sewage per person per day, or a total of 9,100 gallons of sewage per day from the District. A public sewage system would be uncalled for under these conditions.

(2) Some 14 outfall sewers end above low tide, causing ponding of the sewage when the tide is out. In some instances this causes a nuisance when the weather is hot and there is an easy on-shore breeze. The aesthetic sense of anyone climbing among the rocks would be offended by the ponded sewage, and anyone using the sidewalk and the park benches along the shore would likewise be offended. I do not believe there is any significant menace to health involved.

RECOMMENDATION: I recommend the District Commissioners be asked to encourage the home-owners to extend all sewer outfalls beyond low tide. This will reduce the nuisance from exposed sewage and odors, while not adding anything to the present sewage load carried by the ocean.

WILFRED C. GILBERT,
Senior Sanitary Engineer.

Zoning Inspector's Report

Since the amendment of our Zoning Ordinance on September 6, 1949, permits are required for all cases of new building construction, moving of buildings, exterior alterations, or material change of land use.

The following permits have been issued, all since April 10 of this year:

Irene L. Barker, new Cape Cod house;

Bernice Drake, porch covered over and screened in;

William P. Fowler, alterations to shed;

Richard Kent, new bedroom and porch.

The following renewals of business permits have been issued this spring:

Robert H. Sawyer, ice cream stand;

Olive M. Ring, restaurant in Business Zoning District.

The petition of Rockledge, Inc. to the Zoning Board of Adjustment, for permission to use two houses on the Ocean Boulevard as summer boarding houses, was denied by the Board on September 17, 1949, after a public hearing at which the Zoning Inspector presented evidence.

WILLIAM P. FOWLER,

Zoning Inspector,

of Little Boar's Head District.

24 August, 1950

Little Boar's Head, N. H.

Treasurer's Report

Fiscal Year Ending August 31, 1950

RECEIPTS

Balance in Treasury Aug. 31, 1949:	
New Hampshire National Bank . . .	\$499.37
Portsmouth Savings Bank	599.25
	\$1,098.62
<i>From Interest on Deposits:</i>	
Portsmouth Savings Bank to April	
1, 1950	28.71
<i>From Town of North Hampton:</i>	
1949 tax levy	\$2,875.73
On account of 1950 tax levy	2,500.00
	\$5,375.73
<i>Miscellaneous:</i>	
From Oliver Henckel, for dory, hook,	
line and rowlocks	25.00
	\$6,528.06
TOTAL RECEIPTS	

EXPENDITURES

Fire Protection

Hampton Water Works Company,	
<i>Hydrant rental:</i>	
Jan. 1, 1950-June 30, 1950	\$515.00
July 1, 1950-Dec. 31, 1950	520.00
	\$1,035.00
Herbert S. Knowles,	
Shoveling out hydrants	12.00
	\$1,047.00
<i>Sidewalks</i>	
Joshua F. Drake, labor on boardwalk	\$232.33
Clinton Hendry, cleaning sidewalks	
and cutting grass along sidewalks	67.80
	\$300.13

Police Service

Herbert S. Knowles, watchman duty five winter months	\$75.00
Alfred M. Jenness, police duty at beach	109.24

Expense of lifeguard and lifeboat:

William P. Gilligan, lifeguard duty, nine weeks	\$440.00	
William P. Gilligan, life- guard's chair and umbrella	15.98	
Walter S. Jackson Co., one extra pair oars	7.50	
Walter S. Jackson Co., ac- cessories for lifeboat	4.54	
Marcus Lowell & Son, life- boat and one pair oars	156.00	
Joshua F. Drake, reel, wheels and labor on lifeboat	67.62	
William P. Gilligan, accesso- ries for lifeboat and mile- age	12.80	
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		\$888.68

Recreational Promotion

Ralston Tree Service, three applica- tions of fly and mosquito spray	\$270.00
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Parks and Commons

State of New Hampshire, 4 No Park- ing signs	\$8.00
Picking up papers and re- fuse from beach and road- sides:	
Charles A. Lamprey	\$53.08
David J. Lamprey	67.33
Carl Dalton	18.36
Joseph Cutts	19.83
Robert H. Dickerman	20.00
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	\$178.60

Hutchinson & Coney, 4 steel barrels for beach	31.50	
Rye Beach—Little Boar's Head Gar- den Club, District's share of rock garden expense	200.00	
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Zoning

Katharine E. Berry, multigraphing Rockledge notices	\$2.00	
William P. Fowler, cash for 1 cent post cards75	
Ellen McCue, stenotyping Rockledge notices	15.00	
William P. Fowler, film and develop- ing pictures of Sawyer rubbish heaps	1.36	
	<hr/>	\$19.11

Miscellaneous

Exeter News-Letter, printing 1949 Precinct Reports	\$48.00	
Hobbs Insurance Company, Treasur- er's bond	20.00	
Boston Photocopy Print Co., multi- graphing sewage report	3.10	
Harry A. Naves, painting firehouse and benches	22.80	
Hampton Publishing Co., printing 1M letterheads	12.00	
William P. Fowler, telephone tolls, 6/20/49-8/2/50	10.44	
L. G. Cate, 2 Ship signs	27.50	
	<hr/>	\$143.84
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		<hr/> \$3,086.86

Little Boar's Head District

Five Year Analysis of Income and Expenditures

	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950
Tax Rate:	\$3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00
<i>Income:</i>					
District tax levy, less discounts and abatements	\$2,600.28	\$2,643.02	\$2,723.02	\$2,875.73	\$2,908.31
Interest on deposits	31.96	24.55	26.87	28.98	28.71
Miscellaneous	4.00	2.00	.....	.....	25.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$2,636.24	\$2,669.57	\$2,749.89	\$2,904.71	\$2,962.02
<i>Expenditures:</i>					
Fire Protection	\$950.40	\$948.70	\$1,020.48	\$1,226.71	\$1,047.00
Sidewalks	767.35	471.55	449.38	331.96	300.13
Police (including lifeguard)	60.00	60.00	79.90	237.00	888.68
Parks and Commons	306.00	331.84	302.69	427.74	418.10
Rrecreational Promotion (includes mosquito spray) .....	.....	114.91	305.00	242.00	270.00
Zoning .....	.....	.....	52.13	46.81	19.11
Miscellaneous	48.50	95.02	107.00	98.89	143.84
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$2,132.25	\$2,022.02	\$2,351.58	\$2,611.11	\$3,086.86

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