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Official Reports
Bridgewater
New Hampshire



For Year Ending December 31, 1946

ANNUAL REPORTS

— OF THE —

Selectmen, Clerk, Treasurer,
Road Agents, School Board
and Other Officials

— OF THE —

Town of Bridgewater

— FOR THE —

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1946

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TOWN OFFICERS

Town Clerk

ELIZABETH POLLARD

Selectmen

HOLLIS POLLARD REGINALD MORRILL
EVERETT ATWOOD

Treasurer

INA M. ATWOOD

Tax Collector

EDWARD G. MELLUS

Road Agents

ASHLEY R. BURBANK LAWRENCE MORRILL

Moderator

EDWARD G. MELLUS

Fire Warden

EVERETT E. ATWOOD

Police Officer

DELMORE BUCKLIN

Surveyor of Wood and Lumber

CHARLES E. SPENCER

Supervisors

ELMER P. WISER JANE COOK
MARIETTA GILPATRIC

Trustees of Trust Funds

JOSEPHINE FLETCHER FRANCIS W. CLEMENT
HARRY SMITH

Library Trustee

JOSEPHINE FLETCHER

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Bridgewater in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Grange Hall in said Bridgewater on Tuesday, the eleventh day of March, next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Selectman for three years and all other necessary Town Officers, for the ensuing year.

2. To see if the Town will vote to fix the annual salaries of the Selectmen and other Town Officers.

3. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for General Government.

4. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$331.78 for Class 5 Highways T. R. A., and the State will contribute \$1,327.13.

5. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of Class 5 Highways and Bridges. (Town Roads).

6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to oil the road from the Plymouth-Bridgewater Town Line to the Residence of Harold French. (By Request).

7. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Snow Removal and Winter Sand.

8. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for new Highway Equipment.

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$65.00 for the Lakes Region Association.

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$26.00 for the Newfound Region Association.

11. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Old Home Day.

12. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Fire Protection.

13. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Old Age Assistance.

14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for Blister Rust Control.

15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the State Tax Commission to audit the Town Officers' accounts at the end of each fiscal year until rescinded by vote of the Town.

16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes and deliver inventory blanks when assessing.

17. To transact any further business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this twenty-fourth day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-seven.

HOLLIS L. POLLARD,
EVERETT E. ATWOOD ,
REGINALD C. MORRILL,
Selectmen of Bridgewater.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

HOLLIS L. POLLARD,
EVERETT E. ATWOOD ,
REGINALD C. MORRILL,
Selectmen of Bridgewater.

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description

Town hall	\$ 1,200.00
Furniture and equipment	80.00
Libraries and equipment	200.00
Fire department equipment	150.00
Highway department equipment	4,600.00
Schools, land, building and equipment	3,200.00
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	\$ 9,430.00

Certificate

This is to certify that the information in this report was taken from the official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

HOLLIS L. POLLARD,
REGINALD C. MORRILL,
EVERETT E. ATWOOD,
Selectmen of Bridgewater.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the
Ensuing Year January 1, 1947 to December 31, 1947
Compared with Actual Revenue and Expenditures of
the Previous Year January 1, 1946 to December 31,
1946.

Sources of Revenue

	Actual 1946	Estimated 1947
From State		
Interest and dividends tax, railroad tax and savings bank tax	\$ 302.76	\$ 302.76
For fighting forest fires	7.45	
From Local Sources Except Taxes		
Interest received on taxes and deposits	64.09	64.09
Motor vehicle permit fees	228.13	228.13
Sale of town property	175.00	
† Cash surplus	\$ 1,433.45	\$ 1,433.45
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes		
Poll taxes, regular @ \$2.00	202.00	176.00
Total revenues from all sources except property taxes	\$ 2,412.88	\$ 2,204.43
* Amount to be raised by property taxes	\$13,689.41	\$17,231.82
Total revenues	\$16,102.29	\$19,436.25

Purposes of Expenditures

	Actual 1946	Estimated 1947
Current Maintenance Expenses:		
General Government		
		\$ 11.00
Town officers' salaries	\$ 655.00	
Town officers' expenses	250.39	
Election and registration	133.94	
Audit	85.44	
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	60.46	
Protection of Persons and Property		
Fire department	102.10	125.00
Health		
Vital statistics	4.75	5.00
Highways and Bridges		
Town maintenance, summer	5,097.96	5,000.00
Town maintenance, winter	2,087.62	2,700.00
Town road aid	330.37	331.78
Trees	209.74	
Public Welfare		
Old age assistance	208.21	225.00
Patriotic Purposes		
Memorial Day and veterans' associations	15.00	15.00
Old Home Day	30.00	30.00
Public Service Enterprises		
Cemeteries		50.00
Unclassified		
Advertising and Regional Asso.		26.00
Interest		
On temporary loans	40.00	40.00

Outlay for New Construction
and Permanent Improvements:

Highways and Bridges

New equipment	690.00	2,700.00
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Payments to Other Governmental

Divisions

County taxes	1,292.97	1,292.97
Payments to school districts	4,808.34	5,795.50

Total expenditures	\$16,102.29	\$19,436.25
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* Total estimated "Revenues from All Sources except Property Taxes" deducted from Total estimated "Expenditures" should give estimated "Amount to be raised by Property Taxes."

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

INVENTORY

Land and buildings	\$607,025.00
Growing wood and timber	18,650.00
Electric plants	15,490.00
Horses, 19	1,700.00
Oxen, 5	600.00
Cows, 48	5,475.00
Other neat stock, 11	1,005.00
Sheep and goats, 10	100.00
Hogs, 6	72.00
Fowls, 267	333.00
Portable mills, 1	1,700.00
Wood, lumber, etc.	2,000.00
Gasoline pumps and tanks	830.00
Stock in trade	628.92
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Total valuation	\$655,608.92
Less soldiers' exemptions	5,358.92
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	\$650,250.00
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Taxes committed to collector	\$ 14,802.88
Added taxes	142.51
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	\$ 14,945.39
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Average rate percent of taxation for all purposes	2.25

SCHEDULE B—TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER
Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1946

	Liabilities Forwarded From 1945	Appropriations	Receipts and Reimbursements	Total Amount Available	Expenditures	Balance Unexpended	Balance Overdrawn	Assets Forwarded to 1947	Liabilities Forwarded to 1947
Town officers' salaries)		1,025.00		1,025.00	655.00		43.58		
Town clerk's fees)					29.25)				
Town officers expenses)					250.89)				
Election and registration					183.94)				
Town hall and buildings		75.00		75.00	60.46	14.54			
Annual audit		20.00		20.00	85.44		65.44		
Fire department		125.00	7.45	132.45	102.10	30.35			
Blister rust control		100.00		100.00					100.00
Bounties					52.50			52.50	
Vital statistics					4.75		4.75		
Town road aid		330.37		330.37	330.37				
Town maintenance - summer		5,000.00		5,000.00	5,116.36		116.36		
Town maintenance - winter		2,000.00	100.00	2,100.00	2,069.22	30.78			
Clearing trees		500.00		500.00	209.74				
Old age assistance		150.00		150.00	208.21		58.21		290.26

SCHEDULE A—TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER

Comparative Balance Sheets

December 31, 1945 - December 31, 1946

Assets		
	December 31, 1945 (Revised)	December 31, 1946
Cash balance, treasurer	\$ 4,477.72	\$ 4,871.13
Bounties due from state	104.00	52.50
<i>Uncollected Taxes</i>		
Levy of 1946		1,067.64
Levy of 1945	1,839.10	19.65
Levy of 1944	22.30	
Total assets	\$ 6,443.12	\$ 6,010.92
Liabilities		
<i>Unexpended Appropriation Balances</i>		
Blister rust control		100.00
New equipment, truck plow	500.00	
Clearing trees		290.26
<i>Due School District</i>		
Appropriation (regular)	2,641.72	2,868.68
Appropriation (special)	500.00	
Dog licenses	66.62	61.20
<i>Due State of New Hampshire</i>		
Special poll taxes collected	9.00	96.00
Special poll taxes uncollected	102.00	9.00
Total liabilities	\$ 3,819.34	\$ 3,425.14
Net surplus	2,623.78	2,585.78
Total liabilities and net surplus	\$ 6,443.12	\$ 6,010.92

SCHEDULE H—TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER

Summary of Town Clerk's Accounts

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1946

Debits

Motor Vehicle Permits Issued

1945-46 Nos. 10041-10046	\$	3.82	
1946-47 Nos. 10301-10411		224.21	
		<hr/>	\$ 228.03

Dog Licenses Issued

Nos. 1-23			
21 males @ \$2.	42.00		
2 females @ \$5.	10.00		
	<hr/>	\$ 52.00	
Less: 23 fees @ \$.20		4.60	
		<hr/>	\$ 47.40
Receipt from dog constable on 1945 account			13.80
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Total			\$ 289.23

Credits

Remittances to Treasurer

a/c motor vehicle permits	\$	228.03	
a/c dog licenses		61.20	
		<hr/>	\$ 289.23

SCHEDULE E—TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER
Edward G. Mellus - Tax Collector - Levy of 1946
Summary of Warrant As of December 31, 1946

Debits

	Total	Property	Polls
Taxes committed to collector	\$14,802.88	\$14,630.88	\$ 172.00
Added taxes during 1946	142.51	130.51	12.00
Total	\$14,945.39	\$14,761.39	\$ 184.00

Credits

Remittances to treasurer	\$13,803.94	\$13,657.94	\$ 146.00
Abatements	73.81	65.81	8.00
Uncollected taxes	1,067.64	1,037.64	30.00
Total	\$14,945.39	\$14,761.39	\$ 184.00

SCHEDULE F—TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER
Edward G. Mellus - Tax Collector - Levy of 1945
Summary of Warrant As of December 31, 1946

Debits

	Total	Property @ \$2.00	Polls @ \$3.00	Interest
Uncollected taxes, December 31, 1945	\$ 1,839.10	\$ 1,671.10	\$ 102.00	
Added taxes during 1946	14.88	14.88		
Interest collected	62.55			62.55
Total	\$ 1,916.53	\$ 1,685.98	\$ 102.00	\$ 62.55

Credits

Remittances to treasurer	\$ 1,893.07	\$ 1,687.52	\$ 56.00	\$ 87.00	\$ 62.55
Abatements	10.00		4.00	6.00	
Uncollected taxes, Dec. 31, 1945 (*)	19.65	4.65	6.00	9.00	
	\$ 1,922.72	\$ 1,692.17	\$ 66.00	\$ 102.00	\$ 62.55
Excess remittance to treasurer	6.19	6.19			
Total	\$ 1,916.53	\$ 1,685.98	\$ 66.00	\$ 102.00	\$ 62.55

SCHEDULE D—TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER
Classified Summary of Receipts and Expenditures
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1946

Receipts

Local Taxes:

Levy of 1946:

Property taxes	\$13,657.94	
Poll taxes	146.00	
	\$13,803.94	

Levy of 1945:

Property taxes	1,687.52	
Polls @ \$2.00	56.00	
Polls @ \$3.00	87.00	
Interest on taxes	62.55	
	\$ 1,893.07	

\$15,697.01

State of New Hampshire:

Interest and dividend tax	102.55	
Railroad tax	.10	
Savings bank tax	200.11	
Fighting forest fires	7.45	
Bounties	104.00	
	\$ 414.21	

Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog Licenses:

1945 account	13.80	
1946 account	47.40	
	\$ 61.20	

Filing fees	2.00	
Registration of motor vehicles	228.03	
Rent of snow plow	100.00	
Sale of old tractor	75.00	
	\$ 466.23	

Temporary loans 2,000.00

Total receipts from all sources \$18,577.45

Cash on hand, December 31, 1945 4,477.72

Grand total \$23,055.17

SCHEDULE D—(Continued)
Classified Summary of Receipts and Expenditures
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1946

Expenditures

General Government

Town officers' salaries	\$	655.00	
Town clerk's auto fees		29.25	
Town officers' expenses		250.39	
Election and Registration		133.94	
Town hall and buildings		60.46	
Annual audit		85.44	
			\$ 1,214.48

Protection of Persons and Property

Fire department		102.10	
Bounties		52.50	
			\$ 154.60

Health

Vital statistics			4.75
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Highways and Bridges

Town road aid		330.37	
<i>Town Maintenance:</i>			
Summer	\$	4,787.26	
Winter		1,443.21	
Point road		129.50	
Sanding		626.01	
New truck plow		690.00	
Clearing trees		209.74	
Tractor insurance		18.40	
Withholding tax		181.20	
			\$ 8,085.32
			\$ 8,415.69

Public Welfare

Old age assistance			208.21
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Patriotic Purposes

Old Home Day		30.00	
Memorial Day		15.00	
			\$ 45.00

SCHEDULE D—(Continued)
Classified Summary of Receipts and Expenditures
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1946

Expenditures (Continued)

Indebtedness

Temporary loans	\$ 2,000.00	
Interest on temporary loans	40.00	
		\$ 2,040.00

Other Governmental Divisions

County tax	1,292.97	
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School District:

1945 appropriation balance	\$ 241.72	
1945 dog licenses	66.62	
1946 appropriation	4,500.00	

(*) 4,808.34
 \$ 6,101.31

Total expenditures for all purposes		\$18,184.04
Cash on hand - December 31, 1946		\$ 4,871.13
Grand total		\$23,055.17

(*) Includes \$ 500.00 Special Appropriation.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

General Government

Town Officers' Salaries

Byron Wiser, auditor	\$	5.00
Edward Mellus, collector		150.00
Reginald Morrill, selectman		125.00
Everett E. Atwood, selectman		125.00
Hollis Pollard, selectman		150.00
Ina Atwood, treasurer		50.00
Elizabeth Pollard, clerk		50.00
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	\$	655.00

Town Officers' Expenses

Byron Wiser, auditor	\$	1.00
John Ray, bonds		52.50
Record Print, town reports		77.02
Anna Proctor, transfer names		.30
F. J. Shores, transfers		11.44
Vera Holmes, transfer name		.20
N. H. Assessors Association		2.00
N. H. Tax Collector Association		2.00
Edward Mellus, collector		26.46
Town Clerks' Association		2.00
Reginald Morrill, mileage		3.00
E. Atwood, selectman		17.00
H. Pollard, mileage, telephone and postage		10.00
Ina Atwood, treasurer		2.50
Jane Cook, mileage		1.50
Marietta Gilpatric, mileage		7.75
Elizabeth Pollard, postage and supplies		4.00
Bristol National bank		5.30
Edson Eastman		22.42
Musgrove Printing House		2.00
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	\$	250.39

Election Expenses

Musgrove Printing House	\$	2.50
Ora P. Morrill, building booths		4.00
Edward Mellus, moderator		15.00

Ina Atwood, ballot clerk	10.00
Marie Whiting, ballot clerk	10.00
Jane Cook, supervisor	16.00
Marietta Gilpatric, supervisor	35.00
Elizabeth Pollard, mileage	5.10
Elmer Wiser, supervisor	32.00
Edward Mellus, sheetrock for booths	3.84
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	\$ 133.94
Town Hall	
R. E. A.	\$ 18.00
Janitor	1.50
Brick School	30.96
Rand's, lock for town hall	10.00
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	\$ 60.46
Protection of Persons and Property	
Fire Department	
Bristol Fire Department	\$ 62.00
Clifford Farquhar	6.60
Ashland Fire Department	18.00
Town of Ashland, forest fire	15.50
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	\$ 102.10
Insurance	
John E. Marsh, tractor insurance	\$ 18.40
Health and Sanitation	
Vital Statistics	
Elizabeth Pollard	\$ 4.75
Old Age Assistance	
State of New Hampshire	\$ 208.21
Memorial Day	
Ashland Legion	\$ 10.00
Bristol Legion	5.00
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	\$ 15.00

Old Home Day

Josephine Fletcher \$ 30.00

Auto Permits

Elizabeth Pollard, clerk \$ 29.25

Bounties \$ 52.50

Withholding tax \$ 181.20

Interest \$ 40.00

Audit \$ 85.44

School District \$ 4,808.34

County tax \$ 1,292.97

ROAD AGENT'S REPORTS

Ashley Burbank, Agent—Dirt Roads

Ashley Burbank, agent, labor	\$ 598.55
Ashley Burbank, horses	28.50
Ashley Burbank, truck	306.50
Archie LaPlant, Jr., labor	527.88
Irving Foster, horses	22.50
Bernard Gray, labor	86.45
Richard Barnes, labor	39.60
Leo Gilpatric, labor	27.95
Robert Gilpatric, labor and gravel	4.70
Arthur Forbes, labor	60.00
Stearl Hazeltine, labor	5.25
Lawrence Morrill, labor	27.75
Lawrence Morrill, truck	4.50
Reginald Morrill, labor	27.75
Ira Morrill, labor	27.75
Everett Morrill, labor	24.00
Pete Lizotte, labor	27.75
George Poirier, labor	12.00
Alfred Burbank, labor	6.00
Bert Forbes, labor and cement mixer	15.00
Archie LaPlant, white paint	7.40
Richard Avery, 13 loads sand @ .30	3.90
John Jenness, 43 loads sand @ .20	8.60
Chase Grain Mill, cement	20.45
New England Metal Culvert Co.	71.52
Wilder's Service, welding	5.25
Rand's Hardware, bolts and spikes	6.65
Jerry's Garage, fan belt for Pullford	1.10
Beckley's Garage, gas and oil for Pullford	24.50
E. E. Atwood, bridge planks	139.65
E. E. Atwood, truck	4.00
Thomas Vaillant, blacksmith	28.83
W. B. Brown, tools	32.58
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	\$ 2,234.81

Lawrence Morrill, Agent—Dirt Roads

Lawrence Morrill, agent	\$ 474.00
Lawrence Morrill, truck	333.75
Ira Morrill, labor	324.00
Everett Morrill, labor	293.25
Raymond Stickney, labor	114.00
Donald Morrill, labor	103.50
Wilfred Morrill, labor	60.00
Harris Brock, labor	9.00
Harry Smith, labor	38.25
Reginald Morrill, labor	84.00
John Morrill, labor	24.00
Carl Morrill, labor	42.00
Archie LaPlant, Jr., labor	33.75
Charles Black, labor	14.25
Wallace Watrous, labor	8.25
Ashley Burbank, labor	33.75
Ashley Burbank, truck	12.00
Z. Brock	4.50
Victor Morrill, truck	10.50
H. J. Follansbee, tools and brushes	25.03
Cavis Bros., tools and paint	31.50
Leslie Breck, bridge plank	50.00
New England Metal Culvert Co.	43.92
W. B. Brown, scythe and snaths	16.00
Lilla Morrill, railing posts	10.00
Fred's Auto, welding grader	8.45
Henry H. Morrill, gravel	23.25
Walter Merrill, dynamite and caps	2.00
John Jenness, sand	3.00
Roy Woodward, sand	2.25
D. A. Bucklin	11.28
Everett Atwood, bridge plank and stringers	70.08
C. P. Stevens	7.19
Beckley's Garage, gas and oil for Pullford	1.76
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	\$ 2,322.46

Point Road, Lawrence Morrill, Agent

L. Morrill, agent	\$ 33.00
L. Morrill, truck	27.00
Reginald Morrill, labor	12.00
Ira Morrill, labor	33.00
Walter Stevens, labor	6.00
Walter Merrill, truck	6.00
Everett Morrill, labor	6.00
Wilfred Morrill, labor	9.00
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	\$ 132.00

Cutting Trees, Lawrence Morrill, Agent

Lawrence Morrill, agent	\$ 44.25
Lawrence Morrill, truck	10.50
Everett Morrill, labor	41.25
Ira Morrill, labor	41.25
John Morrill, labor	32.25
Wilfred Morrill, labor	39.00
H. J. Follansbee, tools	14.54
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	\$ 223.04

Dirt Roads—Z. Brock, Agent

Z. Brock, agent	\$ 9.00
Z. Brock, truck	10.80
H. Brock, labor	6.00
Cal Evans, labor	6.00
Roy Woodward, 6 loads sand	1.50
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	\$ 33.30

Sanding, Zachariah Brock, Agent

Roy Woodward, 38 loads sand	\$ 9.50
Z. Brock, agent	63.75
Z. Brock, truck	85.50
Charles Ross, labor	69.75
Lawrence Fogg, labor	15.00
Harris Brock, labor	34.50
Cal Evans, labor	37.00
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	\$ 315.00

Sanding, Ashley Burbank, Agent

Ashley Burbank, agent	\$ 18.00
Ashley Burbank, truck	15.00
Archie LaPlante, Jr., labor	3.75
Alfred Burbank	9.00
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	\$ 45.75

Sanding, Lawrence Morrill, Agent

Lawrence Morrill, agent	\$ 21.00
Wilfred Morrill, labor	18.00
Lawrence Morrill, truck	21.00
Ira Morrill, labor	21.00
Everett Morrill, labor	3.00
Roy Woodward, sand	3.75
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	\$ 87.75

John Jenness, Agent—Sanding

J. L. Jenness, truck	\$ 144.00
M. A. Jenness, labor	19.60

Leslie Parks, labor	19.60
Arthur Forbes, labor	1.40
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	\$ 184.60

Snow Removal—Lawrence Morrill

Lawrence Morrill, agent	\$ 74.15
Lawrence Morrill, truck	38.25
Donald Morrill, labor	15.00
Reginald Morrill, labor	12.75
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	\$ 140.15

Snow Removal—Ashley Burbank, Agent

Ashley Burbank, agent	\$ 87.25
Ashley Burbank, truck	17.25
Bertram Forbes, labor	26.25
D. Bucklin, tractor bulbs	1.05
Howard's Service, oil	11.96
G. Poirier, labor	30.00
Fred Lamond, batteries	19.40
W. M. Auclair	1.05
Willey's Express	1.08
Jones' Express	2.03
Lillian Young	1.50
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	\$ 198.82

Snow Removal—Z. Brock, Agent

Z. Brock, agent	\$ 254.25
Z. Brock, truck	10.80
Z. Brock, rent for tractor house 1945-1946	50.00
Charles Carr	76.74
A. M. Flanders	109.69

Del's Garage	3.00
Fred's Auto	27.40
Tax on 600 gallons oil	24.00
Harris Brock	38.00
Charles Ross	192.00
L. Fogg	33.00
Z. Brock, coal	1.00
Lyons Iron Works	22.40
Roy Vancour, trip to Barre @ .08 a mile	12.80
Al. Bartlett, welding	11.50
Z. Brock, express on bolts	1.44
R. Tucker, plowing Point, 7 hours	21.00
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	\$ 889.02

John Jenness, Agent—Snow Removal

J. L. Jenness, truck	\$ 87.00
M. A. Jenness, labor	29.40
Harry Cass, labor	9.80
Orion Heath, labor	11.20
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	\$ 137.40

OLD HOME DAY REPORT

Receipts

Cash on hand	\$	16.37
Received from town		30.00
From sale for benefit Red Cross and European Relief		52.40
	\$	<hr/> 98.77

Paid

Philip Spaulding, tuning piano	\$	5.00
Record Print, printing 125 invitation postal cards		3.75
Internal Revenue, tax on evening dance		4.40
Supplies		1.00
Kenneth R. Bartlett, treasurer, Plymouth Chapter Red Cross		26.20
American Friends Service Committee, Philadelphia, Pa.		26.20
Cash on hand		32.22
	\$	<hr/> 98.77

MRS. S. S. FLETCHER,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS

Whittemore Point fund	\$ 966.91
Emerson Cemetery fund for care of John Batchelder lot	552.26
Emerson Cemetery fund	628.49
Old Home Cemetery fund	1,072.69
Webster Cemetery fund	87.06
Cross fund for care of Webster Cemetery	73.13
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	\$ 3,380.54

Paid

Whittemore Point fund	\$ 18.00
Emerson Cemetery fund	20.00
Emerson Cemetery fund for care of John Batchelder lot	10.00
Balance in Savings banks	3,332.54
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	\$ 3,380.54

JOSEPHINE. H. FLETCHER,
FRANCIS W. CLEMENT,
Trustees of Trust Funds.

LIBRARY TRUSTEES' REPORT

Cash on hand \$ 251.52

Paid

H. R. Huntting Co., books \$ 44.14

Christine S. Gray, care River Road station 10.00

Jessica Watrous, care Turnpike Station 10.00

In savings bank 187.38

\$ 251.52

JOSEPHINE H. FLETCHER,

ETHEL M. YOUNG,

CHRISTINE S. GRAY,

Trustees.

SCHEDULE E—TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER
Trustees of Trust Funds Statement of Trust Fund Principal and Income
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1945

Name of Fund	Date of Creation	Bank Book Number	Original Amount of Principal	Rate of Interest	Balance Dec. 31, 1944	Income Activity Earned During Year	Expended During Year	Balance Dec. 31, 1945	Principal & Income Dec. 31, 1945
<i>Depository - New Hampshire Savings Bank</i>									
Emerson cemetery fund, January 24, 1911		62363	\$ 300.00	2%	\$ 313.91	12.26	10.00	\$ 316.17	\$ 616.17
Old Home cemetery fund, April 1, 1914		63141 (a)	500.00	2%	545.31	21.16	15.00	551.47	1,051.47
Whittemore Point fund			500.00	2%	443.76	18.98	15.00	447.74	947.74
<i>Depository - Plymouth Guaranty Savings Bank</i>									
Webster cemetery fund, September 16, 1899		3365 (b)	50.00	2½%	37.88	2.18	3.00	37.06	87.06
Cross cemetery fund, April 1, 1900		3586	50.87	2½%	22.26 (c)			22.26	73.13
<i>Depository - Amoskeag Savings Bank</i>									
John C. Batchelder									
Legacy fund, November 29, 1938		220434	500.00	2½%	16.44 (c)			16.44	516.44
Totals			\$ 1,900.87		\$ 1,379.56	\$ 54.58	\$ 43.00	\$ 1,391.14	\$ 3,292.01

NOTE: (a) Principal created April 1, 1914
Principal added September 2, 1914
\$ 400.00
100.00
\$ 500.00

(b) Original amount of Principal was \$100.00 - Several Years ago \$ 50.00 of principal was expended.
(c) No entries made during fiscal year 1945.

TABLE III—TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER
Statement of Indebtedness, Valuation and Taxes, Ten Year Period

Fiscal Year Ended	Temporary Loans	Long Term Notes	* Net Debt or Surplus	Valuation	Taxes Assessed	Uncollected Taxes	Unredeemed Taxes	Local Tax Rate Per \$100.00	Average State Tax Rate Per \$100.00
January 31, 1937	\$	\$	\$ 3,665.16	\$526,651.00	\$12,112.97	\$ 2,592.97	182.70	2.30	3.43
January 31, 1938			3,350.74	538,524.00	12,385.05	4,193.33	209.06	2.30	3.41
January 31, 1939	2,000.00	*	10.57	549,954.00	14,738.63	3,273.65	249.43	2.68	3.48
January 31, 1940	3,000.00	*	1,109.50	542,495.00	12,809.50	2,552.52	381.38	2.36	3.45
January 31, 1941	1,650.00	3,000.00	* 2,155.50	569,352.00	14,132.33	3,543.82	223.00	2.48	3.41
January 31, 1942		2,000.00	8.07	579,589.00	15,417.07	2,805.16	354.50	2.66	3.35
January 31, 1943		1,000.00	1,394.18	586,559.00	15,367.85	3,789.07	250.29	2.62	3.23
January 31, 1944			3,153.97	585,406.00	10,654.39	1,452.47	250.29	1.82	3.03
December 31, 1944			3,992.32	607,420.00	11,298.01	1,682.13		1.86	3.07
December 31, 1945			2,603.78	595,890.00	11,083.55	1,861.40		1.86	3.26

* "Net Debt" - Indicates excess of total liabilities over total assets.

"Surplus" - Indicates excess of total assets over total liabilities.

**DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING
STATE TAX COMMISSION**

Concord, New Hampshire

February 24, 1947

Certificate of Audit

This is to certify that we have audited the accounts and records of the Town of Bridgewater for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1946, and, with exceptions as indicated in the report, found them to be in good order. In our opinion, Schedules included herewith reflect the true financial condition of the town, together with the results of operations for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1946.

Respectfully submitted,

**HAROLD G. FOWLER, Director,
Division of Municipal Accounting,
State Tax Commission.**

Alan R. Matthews, Auditor.

Norman P. Schauer, Accountant.

HELP YOUR FOREST FIRE WARDEN PREVENT FIRES - IT PAYS!

Prevention is one of the most important phases of all fire effort. This is particularly true of forest fire control work. Preventing forest fires preserves valuable forest growth and other property, conserves man power and permits their use in productive channels, saves taxpayers' money and conserves fire fighting equipment.

The prevention of forest fires is the most important and difficult part of the work of your forest fire warden who heads a local organization set up primarily for the security of your community's forest property. Appointed by the State Forester upon recommendation of the Selectmen, he is charged by law with the responsibility of local administration of forest fire laws, fire prevention and suppression. In his work he is aided by deputy forest fire wardens who, in emergency, may assume his power and authority. The warden is guided in his work by instructions received from the State Forester and by the District Fire Chief who represents the State Forester.

The importance and value of the work of the forest fire warden and his deputies is, perhaps, best appreciated during hazardous periods when fire danger is greatest. The public, however, looks to him at all times for speedy and economical suppression of going fires.

To properly fulfill his mission, the warden needs the generous and understanding cooperation of the public at large. He attempts to secure this cooperation by the posting of caution notices, news items and by word of mouth, always carefully explaining the necessity of restrictions imposed. In the matter of giving cooperation, however, the public often fails. The record shows that an average of 7,300 acres of woodland are burned over by forest fires in New Hampshire each year. Analysis of fire causes reveal the fact that more than 98 percent of all forest fires are, consistently, the result of human carelessness and are preventable.

The careless smoker fails to properly extinguish his cigar, cigarette or pipe ashes or thoughtlessly throws them from the car window; the debris burner fails or refuses to consult the warden, as the law requires when the ground is not covered with snow, before attempting to burn; campers fail to properly extinguish their fires or frequently build fires when conditions are unfavorable.

The elimination of human causes from the forest fire problem is the answer. This is not as difficult of accomplishment as it might appear at first glance. Let each one who reads this—

1. Use ordinary common sense with fire in and near woodland.
2. Comply with requirements on the use of fire in and near woodland and when the ground is not covered with snow, secure written permission to burn from the forest fire warden.
3. Be careful when smoking in or near woodlands. Don't throw lighted material from moving vehicles.
4. Cooperate with and assist the warden and urge others to do so!
5. **HELP YOUR FOREST FIRE WARDEN PREVENT FIRES**—his efforts are only as effective as is the cooperation you give him!

1946 Fire Record

Number of investigations	0
Number of fires	2
Acreage burned	6 acres
Number fire permits issued	0

E. E. ATWOOD,
Forest Fire Warden.

DELMORE BUCKLIN,
JOHN JENNESS,
ELMER WISER,

Deputies.

School Report

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Bridgewater qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Grange Hall in said district on the 11th day of March 1947, at 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see if the district will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the district, as determined by the school board in its annual report.
9. To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate \$349.00 to be made available immediately for 1946-1947.
10. To see if the school district will authorize the school board to sell the Turnpike School House.
11. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Bridgewater this
20th day of February 1947.

ELIZABETH P. POLLARD,
BERTRAM FORBES,
DAVID B. DICKINSON,
School Board of Bridgewater.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

ELIZABETH P. POLLARD,
BERTRAM FORBES,
DAVID B. DICKINSON,
School Board of Bridgewater.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BRIDGEWATER
SCHOOL DIRECTORY

District Officers

Edward G. Mellus	Moderator
Alice Dickinson	Treasurer
Alice Dickinson	Clerk
G. T. Young	Auditor

School Board

Bertram Forbes	Term Expires 1947
Elizabeth Pollard, Chairman	Term Expires 1948
David Dickinson	Term Expires 1949

Teacher

Mrs. Carrie B. Tibbetts	River Road
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Attendance Officer

Mrs. Marietta Gilpatric

Superintendent of Schools

C. Maurice Gray

School Nurse

Mrs. Anna Lovett, R. N.

FINANCIAL REPORT
of
School Treasurer and School Board
For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1946

Treasurer's Report

Cash on hand June 30, 1945	\$ 56.16
From Selectmen	
Appropriations for current year	4,500.00
Balance of previous appropriation	400.00
Dog tax	58.20
From all other sources	14.46
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Total amount available for 1945-1946	\$ 5,028.82
Less school board orders paid	4,998.09
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Balance on hand as of June 30, 1946	\$ 30.73

ALICE B. DICKINSON,

July 13, 1946.

Treasurer.

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Bridgewater, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1946, and find them correct in all respects.

G. T. YOUNG,

August 1, 1946.

Auditor.

SCHOOL BOARDS' REPORT

Year Ending June 30, 1946

From Selectmen

1945 appropriation	\$ 4,500.00
Dog tax	58.20
Balance previous appropriation	400.00
From all other sources	14.46
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Total receipts from all sources	\$ 4,972.66
Cash on hand July 1, 1945	56.16
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Total amount received	\$ 5,028.82

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books and other financial records of the school board of Bridgewater of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1946, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

G. T. YOUNG,
Auditor.

June 30, 1946.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS 1945-1946

Salaries of District Officers

Lillian L. Clement, school board	18.75	
Clara B. Jenness, school board	25.00	
Elizabeth Pollard, school board	18.75	
Edward G. Mellus, moderator	3.00	
	<u> </u>	\$ 65.50

Superintendent's Salary

Annie L. Remick, union treasurer		\$ 107.85
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Truant Officer and School Census

Marietta Gilpatric, salary	7.50	
Musgrove Printing House	.50	
	<u> </u>	\$ 8.00

Expenses of Administration

Musgrove Printing House, supplies	2.90	
Annie L. Remick, union treasurer	28.40	
First National Bank, Bristol		
service charges	7.36	
Debit memos	1.50	
Lillian L. Clement, postage	1.06	
Hazen K. Sturtevant, legal advise	15.95	
Clara B. Jenness, postage, mileage	9.80	
Elizabeth Pollard, mileage	7.40	
J. L. Hammett Co.	2.55	
Public School Pub. Co.	1.15	
Alice Dickinson, postage	3.78	
	<u> </u>	\$ 81.85

Teacher's Salary

Carrie B. O'Sullivan		\$ 1,140.80
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Text Books

Ginn & Co.	9.88	
Row, Peterson & Co.	1.29	
Iroquois Pub. Co.	3.08	
The Sugar Ball Press	5.78	
L. W. Singer Co.	1.12	
Scott, Foresman & Co.	3.85	
	<u> </u>	\$ 25.00

Scholars' Supplies

Lyons & Carnahan	.29	
Charles E. Merrill Co.	3.10	
Gledhill Bros., Inc.	18.83	
Laidlow Bros.	3.15	
Ginn & Co.	.48	
Row, Peterson & Co.	2.76	
J. L. Hammett Co.	3.11	
Philip Morris Co.	2.40	
Scott, Foresman Co.	.97	
L. Kenneth Tilton, Bristol School District, treasurer	.50	
	<hr/>	\$ 35.59

Other Expenses of Instruction

Carrie B. O'Sullivan		\$ 50.00
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Janitors' Service

Carrie B. O'Sullivan	22.10	
Elizabeth Forbes	17.90	
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Fuel

Guy S. Davison, slabs	24.00	
Byron Wiser, one cord wood	18.00	
Clara B. Jenness, throwing in wood	1.00	
Socony Vacuum Co., fuel oil	56.84	
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Light and Janitor Supplies

N. H. Electric Cooperative, Inc.	13.50	
White River Paper Co., drinking cups	2.12	
Albert P. Blake, chemical	6.80	
L. Kenneth Tilton, treasurer, Bristol School District	.79	
Cavis Bros. Co., thermometer and soap	.57	
Elizabeth Pollard, supplies	2.71	
	<hr/>	\$ 26.49

Minor Repairs and Expenses

Masury Young Co.	17.43	
John L. Jenness, lock	7.25	

Bertram Forbes, putting up blackboard	1.88	
	<hr/>	\$ 26.56
Medical Inspection		
Anna Lovett, nurse		\$ 46.30
Transportation of Pupils		
Marietta Gilpatric	540.00	
Mabel Huckins	432.00	
John L. Jenness	432.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,404.00
Tuition—High School		
Ashland School District	159.37	
Plymouth School District	102.18	
Bristol School District	413.76	
	<hr/>	\$ 675.31
Tuition—Elementary		
Bristol School District		\$ 97.00
Insurance		
John C. Ray		\$ 87.76
Per Capita Tax		
F. Gordon Kimball, state treasurer		\$ 80.00
Alterations of Old Buildings		
William Timson, work on cellar	31.50	
Leo Gilpatric, work on cellar	2.25	
Clifton Willoughby, work on cellar	7.50	
Albert Blake, heater	595.00	
A. F. Haines	175.75	
	<hr/>	\$ 812.00
New Equipment		
J. L. Hammett Co., blackboard	13.13	
Gledhill Brothers, clock	10.25	
	<hr/>	\$ 23.38
Withholding Tax		
Collector of Internal Revenue		\$ 64.86
Total payments		<hr/> \$ 4,998.09

GENERAL STATISTICS, 1945-1946

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Pupils	2	2	0	3	3	0	0	3	13
Promoted	1	2	0	2	3	0	0	3	11
Retarded	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
Sept. ages	5-11	7-2	9-5	9-6				13-6	

Between 5 and 8—3; between 8 and 14—10; average attendance 11.79; absence 1.04; membership 12.83; percent attendance 90.76; pupils not absent nor tardy 0; cases of tardiness 15; elementary pupils transported 7; elementary tuitions paid 3; high school tuitions paid 6; school houses 1; teachers 1; board meetings 5; school visits by board members 8; by superintendent 22; by citizens 30; one school nurse part time; days school in session 177.

September 3	December 20, 1946								Total
Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Pupils	0	4	3	1	2	3	1	0	14

Sessions 146; percent attendance 97%; tardy 0; superintendent's visits 9; nurses visits 2.

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1947-1948

Tentative calendar, subject to local school board changes and approval.

Open	September 3	Close	November 26
Open	December 1	Close	December 19
Open	January 5	Close	February 20
Open	March 1	Close	April 16
Open	April 26	Close	June 15

Days Out

Plymouth Fair.

Teachers' Institute—maximum of 4 days.

Armistice Day—long week-end, November 10 and 11.

Memorial Day—Monday, May 31.

Desired number of days on which pupils are actually in attendance is 180 less days on which teachers attend institutes, making 176 or 177 actual school days.

Pupils may enter the first grade provided they are 6 before January 1.

Vaccination is required by state law unless child has written excuse from doctor.

BRIDGEWATER TUITIONS, 1946-1947

Plymouth High School	\$ 102.40
Elizabeth Forbes	Grades 9
Leo Gilpatric	Grade 9
Marilyn Quint	Grade 9
Clifton Willoughby	Grade 9
Maurice A. Jenness	Grade 10
Mary A. Willoughby	Grade 11
Bristol High School	\$ 115.00
Jeanette Pierce	Grade 12
Jacqueline Denton	Grade 12
Elementary Tuition	\$ 36.00
Robert Gee	Grade 1
Marcia Fowler	Grade 1
Elizabeth Gee	Grade 3
Robert Cook	Grade 4
Nancy Brock	Grade 6
Shirley Brock	Grade 6
Virginia Morgan	Grade 2

COMPARATIVE BUDGETS

	Budget 1945-46	Spent 1945-46	Budget 1946-47	Estimate 1947-48
Salaries district officer	\$ 78.75	\$ 65.50	\$ 78.75	\$ 111.00
Superintendent's salary	100.07	107.85	100.07	120.00
Truant officer and census	7.50	8.00	7.50	7.50
Expenses of administration	58.40	81.85	64.52	100.00
Teacher salary	1,100.00	1,205.66	1,200.00	1,800.00
Text books	30.00	25.00	30.00	40.00
Scholars' supplies	50.00	35.59	50.00	60.00
Flags				
Other expenses of instruction	5.00	50.00	5.00	100.00
Janitor service	50.00	40.00	25.00	25.00
Fuel	75.00	99.84	150.00	200.00
Light, janitor supplies	35.00	26.49	35.00	35.00
Minor repairs and expenses	25.00	26.56	162.00	50.00
Medical supervision	50.00	46.30	50.00	60.00
Transportation of pupils	1,512.00	1,404.00	1,512.00	1,700.00
High school tuition	600.00	675.31	770.00	680.00
Elementary tuition	180.00	97.00	180.00	260.00
Other special activities	5.00		10.00	5.00
Per capita tax	80.00	80.00	60.00	44.00
Insurance and other charges	35.00	87.76	85.00	114.00
Alteration of old buildings		812.00		
New equipment	10.00	23.38		10.00
	\$ 4,086.72	\$ 4,998.09	\$ 4,574.84	\$ 5,521.50

SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR 1947-1948

School Board's statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1947.

Detailed Statement of Expenditures

Support of Schools

	Elementary	
Teachers' salaries	\$ 1,800.00	
Text books	40.00	
Scholars' supplies	60.00	
Other expenses of instruction	100.00	
Janitor service	25.00	
Fuel	200.00	
Water, light, janitor's supplies	35.00	
Minor repairs and expenses	50.00	
Health supervision (medical inspection)	60.00	
Transportation of pupils	1,700.00	
Payment of elementary tuitions	260.00	
Other special activities	5.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 4,335.00

Other Statutory Requirements

Salaries of district officers (Fixed by district)	\$ 111.00	
Truant officer and school census (Fixed by district)	7.50	
Payment of tuition in high schools and academies (estimated by board)	680.00	
Superintendent's excess salary (Fixed by supervisory union)	120.00	
Per capita tax (report of state treasurer)	44.00	
Other obligations imposed by law or established by district	224.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,186.50

Total amount required to meet school board's budget		\$ 5,521.50
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Estimated Income of District

Balance June 30, 1947 (estimate)	\$	25.00
Dog tax (estimate)		50.00
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Deduct total estimated income (Not raised by taxation)	\$	75.00
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Assessment required to balance school board's budget	\$	5,446.50
Special Appropriation Proposed (Articles in Warrant)		
High School Tuition	\$	75.00
Transportation	\$	274.00
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	\$	349.00
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Total assessment required to cover budget and appropriations	\$	5,795.50

ELIZABETH P. POLLARD,

BERTRAM FORBES,

DAVID B. DICKINSON,

School Board.

Bridgewater, N. H., February 12, 1947.

