

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE TOWN OF

Kensington

New Hampshire



For the Year Ending December 31

1956



As Compiled By The Town Officers

ANNUAL REPORTS

of the

SELECTMEN, TREASURER, HIGHWAY AGENT,
TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC TRUST FUNDS,
TAX COLLECTOR, TOWN CLERK,
PLANNING BOARD,
VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT., BOARD OF EDUCATION
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of the

Town of Kensington

NEW HAMPSHIRE

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TOWN OFFICERS

Representative to the General Court

Charles R. Eastman

Moderator

Leonard B. Miller

Supervisors of the Check List

J. Clark Jacobs

John R. Perfect

H. Russell Crowell

Town Clerk

D. Everett Palmer

Selectmen

John W. York

Term Expires March, 1956

James R. Rosencrantz

Term Expires March, 1957

Gustave A. Lambert

Term Expires March, 1958

Treasurer

Harry L. Steeves

Tax Collector

Doris P. Swift

Auditors

Mildred Chase

Robert Wadleigh

Trustees of Public Library

Katherine Cram

Thomas R. Powers

Josephine Crowell

Trustees of Trust Funds

Marian P. Kimball
Melvin G. Armstrong
Howard Blake

Board of Education

Leslie C. Briggs Term Expires 1956
Charles H. Bickford Term Expires 1957
James R. Rosencrantz Term Expires 1958

School Treasurer

Josephine Crowell

Road Agent

Horace O. Evans

Constables

James Burdick, Chief of Police George Graves
John Crowell Frank Rosencrantz

Dog Constable

George Graves

Board of Health

Harry L. Steeves

Fire Warden

Horace O. Evans

Deputy Fire Wardens

Sumner Card John York
Frank Rosencrantz Melvin Armstrong

TOWN WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Kensington in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Kensington Town Hall in said Kensington on Tuesday, the twelfth (12th) day of March, next, at 10:30 of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same. The Selectmen's estimated expenditures for the year 1957 amount to \$16,927.20.

BUSINESS MEETING STARTS AT 7:00 P.M.

3. To see if the Town wishes to allow discount on Taxes paid within 30 or 60 days after presentation of Tax bills and determine the amount thereof.
4. To vote on the basis of payment and the amount thereof to be paid the Tax Collector for collection of Taxes.
5. To see if the Town will grant the Selectmen authority to borrow money in anticipation of Taxes.
6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 towards a new furnace for the Kensington Library.
7. To see if the Town will vote (by ballot) to adopt the provisions of the Municipal Budget Law.

8. Provided Article 7 is adopted, the provisions of the aforementioned article be executed by authorizing and directing the Moderator to appoint three members at large for one year, three members at large for two years and three members at large for three years, and thereafter as the terms of the original members expire, unless the Town chooses otherwise, the members at large shall be elected by majority vote by ballot.

9. To see if the Town will vote to establish a zoning commission of five members to recommend the boundaries of various original districts and appropriate regulations, to be enforced therein, to be elected from the floor, to function under the laws of the State of New Hampshire and to make its final report and recommendations at a subsequent town meeting.

10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 for a revaluation of the Town by the State Tax Commission.

11. To transact any other business which may legally come before the meeting.

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

JOHN W. YORK,
JAMES R. ROSENCRANTZ,
GUSTAVE LAMBERT,

Selectmen of Kensington

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

JOHN W. YORK,
JAMES R. ROSENCRANTZ,
GUSTAVE LAMBERT,

Selectmen of Kensington

KENSINGTON TOWN BUDGET

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year
January 1, 1957 to December 31, 1957. Compared with
Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures
of the Previous Year January 1, 1956 to December 31, 1956

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1956	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1956	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1957
From State:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 1,672.28	\$ 1,672.28	\$ 1,600.00
Savings Bank Tax	50.00	44.80	45.00
Reimbursement a/c Exemption of Growing Wood & Timber	435.04	435.04	
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance		15.53	
State Head Tax		16.00	
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Dog Licenses	300.00	231.40	250.00
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	8.00	13.00	10.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	2,500.00	3,094.18	3,000.00
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:			
(a) Poll Taxes — Regular @ \$2	570.00	570.00	580.00
(c) Yield Taxes	300.00	300.00	500.00
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Total Revenues From All Sources Except Property Taxes	5,835.32	6,392.23	5,985.00
Plus Overlay	219.46		
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Amount To Be Raised By Property Taxes	\$52,305.26	\$	\$54,814.24
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TOTAL REVENUES			\$60,799.24

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

	Approp. Previous Year 1956	Actual Expenditures Previous Yr. 1956	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1957
Current Maintenance Expenses:			
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 1,643.02	\$ 1,650.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,000.00	818.75	1,000.00
Election & Registration Expenses	400.00	442.25	200.00
Expenses Town Hall & Other Town Buildings	400.00	220.46	250.00
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Police Department	100.00	94.53	100.00
Fire Department	750.00	750.00	500.00
Insurance	150.00	155.70	175.00
Health:			
Health Dept., Incl. Hospitals	25.00	9.80	25.00
Vital Statistics		15.40	10.00
Highways and Bridges:			
Town Maintenance — Summer	3,500.00	2,511.04	3,500.00
Town Maintenance — Winter	2,000.00	4,527.85	3,000.00
Street Lighting	150.00	114.49	125.00
Gen. Exp. of Highway Dept.	500.00	363.15	500.00
Town Road Aid	242.86	242.86	242.20
Libraries:			
Libraries	550.00	550.00	550.00
Public Welfare:			
Town Poor	1,000.00	739.27	500.00
Old Age Assistance	1,000.00	688.62	1,000.00
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day & Vet.'s Ass'ns.	125.00	125.00	100.00
Public Service Enterprises:			
Cemeteries	300.00	205.86	300.00
Unclassified:			
Damages & Legal Expenses, Including Dog Damage	100.00	199.00	500.00
Employees' Retirement & Social Security		48.59	100.00
Interest:			
On Temporary Loans	100.00	83.34	100.00
On Long Term Notes & Bonds	15.00	15.00	
Highways and Bridges:			
Town Construction	1,000.00	1,486.26	
New Lands and Buildings		610.22	
Payment on Principal of Debt:			
(a) Bonds	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Payments to Other			
Governmental Divisions:			
County Taxes	2,341.83	2,341.83	2,500.00
Schqol Taxes	39,471.43	40,800.00	43,872.04
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$57,921.12	\$60,802.29	\$60,799.24

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

INVENTORY

Lands and Buildings	\$965,715.00
Mills and Machinery (3)	6,250.00
Electric Plants	132,579.00
House Trailers Used as Dwellings (2)	1,000.00
Stock in Trade	4,000.00
Horses (7)	350.00
Cows (349)	23,360.00
Other Neat Stock (44)	1,790.00
Sheep and Goats (53)	530.00
Hogs (33)	330.00
Fowls (5,308)	3,481.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	450.00
Portable Mills	650.00
Wood, Lumber, etc.	5,208.50
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Total Gross Valuation	\$1,145,693.50
Less Veteran's Exemptions	56,000.00
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Taxable Net Valuation	\$1,089,693.50

APPROPRIATIONS

Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,700.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,000.00
Election and Registration Expenses	400.00
Town Hall and Buildings Maintenance	400.00
Police Department	100.00
Fire Department	750.00
Civilian Defense	150.00
Health Department	25.00
Town Road Aid	242.86
Town Maintenance (Sum. & Winter)	5,500.00
New Construction	1,000.00
General Expenses of Highway Dept.	500.00

Street Lighting	150.00
Libraries	550.00
Old Age Assistance	1,000.00
Public Relief	1,000.00
Memorial Day	125.00
Cemeteries	300.00
Dog Damages	100.00
Payment on Debt and Interest	1,115.00
County Tax	2,341.83
School Tax	39,471.43
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Total Town & School Appropriations	\$57,921.12

ESTIMATE BY WHICH TAX RATE
WAS DETERMINED

Total Town and School Appropriation	\$57,921.12
Less: Estimated Revenues:	
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$1,672.28
Savings Bank Tax	50.00
Revenue from Yield Tax Sources	735.04
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	2,500.00
Dog Licenses	300.00
Business Licenses and Permits	8.00
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Total Revenues and Credits	\$5,265.32
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	\$52,655.80
Plus overlay	219.46
Net Amount to be raised by Taxation	\$52,875.26
Less: 285 Poll Taxes at \$2.00	570.00
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Amount to be raised by Property Taxes	\$52,305.26
Tax Rate — \$4.80 per \$100.00	

**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1956**

Title of Appropriation	Approp.	Receipts	Total Amount Available	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance	Overdraft
1. Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 1,700.00	\$	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 1,643.02	\$ 56.98	\$
2. Town Officers' Expenses	1,000.00		1,000.00	818.75	181.25	
3. Election and Registration	400.00		400.00	442.25		42.25
4. Town Hall Expenses	400.00		400.00	220.46	179.54	
5. Police Department	100.00		100.00	94.53	5.47	
6. Fire Department	750.00		750.00	750.00		
7. Insurance	150.00		150.00	155.70		5.70
8. Health Department	25.00		25.00	9.80	15.20	
9. Vital Statistics				15.40		15.40
10. Town Maintenance — Summer	3,500.00		3,500.00	2,511.04	988.96	
11. Town Maintenance — Winter	2,000.00		2,000.00	4,527.85		2,527.85
12. Street Lighting	150.00		150.00	114.49	35.51	
13. General Expenses Highway Department	500.00	*	525.00	363.15	161.85	
14. Town Road Aid	242.86	**	1,861.90	1,719.43	142.47	
15. Libraries	550.00		550.00	550.00		
16. Town Poor	1,000.00		1,000.00	739.27	260.73	
17. Old Age Assistance	1,000.00	‡	1,015.53	688.62	326.91	
18. Memorial Day	125.00		125.00	125.00		
19. Cemeteries	300.00		300.00	205.86	94.14	
20. Damages and Legal Expenses	100.00		100.00	130.00		30.00
21. Social Security				48.59		48.59
22. Interest on Temporary Notes	100.00		100.00	83.34	16.66	
23. Interest on Long Term Notes	15.00		15.00	15.00		
24. Town Construction	1,000.00	†	1,339.66	1,486.26		146.60

25. Repairs Town Hall									
26. Bonded Debt									
27. County Tax	1,000.00								
28. Schools	2,341.83								
	39,471.43								
TOTALS	\$57,921.12	\$1,999.23	\$72,020.28	\$62,209.86	\$12,626.81	\$2,816.39			

* From R. Emerson for Culvert.

** From State, T.R.A. Account.

† From C. Comfort for Tar.

‡ From State, Old Age Assistance Recovery.

TOWN BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Cash Balance in Bank	\$3,346.88	
Uncollected Taxes, 1955	40.60	
Uncollected Taxes, 1956	11,040.94	
Yield Tax	1,235.30	
Bal. Due Town 1956 T.R.A. Acc.	142.47	
	<hr/>	\$15,806.19

LIABILITIES

Due Schools	\$10,071.36	
Due State of N. H., Head Tax	200.00	
Due State of N. H., 2% Yield Tax	205.88	
	<hr/>	\$10,477.24
Surplus over Current Liabilities		5,328.95

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

D. Everett Palmer, Town Clerk
January 1, 1956 to December 31, 1956

DOG TAX FOR 1955

Dr.

Received:

For 3 male dogs	@	\$2.00	\$6.00	
For 1 spayed female	@	2.00	2.00	

\$8.00

Cr.

Paid Town Treasurer		\$7.20		
Fees retained by Clerk		.80		

\$8.00

DOG TAX FOR 1956

Dr.

Received:

For 49 male dogs	@	\$2.00	\$98.00	
For 13 female dogs	@	5.00	65.00	
For 20 spayed females	@	2.00	40.00	
For 2 kennel licenses			32.00	
For 12 fines	@	.50	6.00	

\$241.00

Cr.

Paid Town Treasurer		\$224.20		
Fees retained by Clerk		16.80		

\$241.00

AUTO TAX

Dr.

Received for 9 1955 permits	\$8.83	
Received for 464 1956 permits	3,085.35	
	<hr/>	\$3,094.18

Cr.

Paid Town Treasurer		\$3,094.18
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FILING FEES

Dr.

Received for filing fees for 1956		\$13.00
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Cr.

Paid Town Treasurer		\$13.00
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TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

PROPERTY, POLL AND YIELD TAXES

LEVY OF 1956

Dr.

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$52,305.29
Poll Taxes	570.00

Total Warrant	\$52,875.29
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Yield Taxes	1,235.30
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Added Taxes:

Property Taxes	168.00
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Poll Taxes	6.00
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Interest Collected	.83
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Total Debits	\$54,285.42
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Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$41,379.95
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Poll Taxes	414.00
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Yield Taxes	.00
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Interest Collected	.83
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Abatements	214.40
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Uncollected Taxes as per

Collector's List:

Property Taxes	10,898.94
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Poll Taxes	142.00
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Yield Taxes	1,235.30
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Total Credits	\$54,285.42
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PROPERTY, POLL AND YIELD TAXES
LEVY OF 1955

Dr.

Uncollected Taxes—

As of January 1, 1956:

Property Taxes	\$8,699.03
Poll Taxes	160.00
Yield Taxes	186.72

\$9,045.75

Interest Collected During Fiscal Year
Ended December 31, 1956

\$218.37

Total Debits

\$9,264.12

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer

During Fiscal Year Ended
December 31, 1956:

Property Taxes	\$8,699.03
Poll Taxes	124.00
Interest Col. During Year	218.37
Yield Taxes	174.12

Abatements Made During Year

8.00

Uncollected Taxes as per
Collector's List:

Poll Taxes	28.00
Yield Taxes	12.60

Total Credits

\$9,264.12

PROPERTY, POLL AND YIELD TAXES
LEVY OF 1954

Dr.

Uncollected Taxes—		
As of January 1, 1956:		
Poll Taxes	\$16.00	
Yield Taxes	220.34	
	\$236.34	
Interest Collected During Fiscal Year		
Ended December 31, 1956	14.22	
		\$250.56
Total Debits		

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer During		
Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 1956:		
Property Taxes	.00	
Poll Taxes	2.00	
Interest Collected During Year	14.22	
Yield Taxes	220.34	
Abatements Made During Year	2.00	
Uncollected Taxes as per		
Collector's List:		
Poll Taxes	12.00	
		\$250.56
Total Credits		

POLL TAXES
LEVY OF 1953

Dr.

Uncollected Taxes—	
As of January 1, 1956:	
Poll Taxes	\$2.00

Interest Collected During Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1956	.00	
Total Debits		\$2.00

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 1956:		
Poll Taxes	\$0.00	
Interest collected during year	.00	
Abatements made during year	.00	
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's list	2.00	
Total Credits		\$2.00

POLL TAXES
LEVY OF 1952

Dr.

Uncollected Taxes— As of January 1, 1956:		
Poll Taxes	\$6.00	
Interest Collected During Fiscal Year ended Dec. 31, 1956	.76	
Total Debits		\$6.76

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 1956:		
Poll Taxes	\$4.00	
Interest collected during year	.76	
Abatements made during year	.00	
Uncollected Taxes as per collector's list	2.00	
Total Credits		\$6.76

STATE HEAD TAX
LEVY OF 1956

Dr.

State Head Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Original Warrant	\$1,675.00	
Added Taxes	20.00	
Total Commitment		\$1,695.00
Penalties Collected		10.00
Total Debits		\$1,705.00

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:		
Head Taxes	\$1,435.00	
Penalties	10.00	
		\$1,445.00
Abatements		60.00
Uncollected Head Taxes as per Collector's List		200.00
Total Credits		\$1,705.00

STATE HEAD TAX
LEVY OF 1955

Dr.

Uncollected Taxes As of January 1, 1956	\$310.00	
Added Taxes During 1956	.00	
Penalties Collected During 1956	25.50	
Total Debits		\$335.50

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer During 1956:

Head Taxes	\$255.00	
Penalties	25.50	
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Abatements During 1956		15.00
Uncollected Head Taxes as per Collector's List		40.00
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Total Credits		\$335.50

STATE HEAD TAX
LEVY OF 1954

Dr.

Uncollected Taxes as of January 1, 1956	\$70.00	
Penalties Collected during 1956	1.50	
	<hr/>	\$71.50
Total Debits		\$71.50

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer during 1956:

Head Taxes	\$15.00	
Penalties	1.50	
Abatements during 1956	5.00	
Uncollected Head Taxes as per Collector's List	50.00	
	<hr/>	\$71.50
Total Credits		\$71.50

STATE HEAD TAX
LEVY OF 1953

Dr.

Uncollected Taxes as of		
January 1, 1956	\$20.00	
Penalties Collected during 1956	.00	
Total Debits		\$20.00

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer during 1956:		
Head Taxes	\$.00	
Penalties	.00	
Abatements during 1956	.00	
Uncollected Head Taxes as per		
Collector's List	20.00	
Total Credits		\$20.00

STATE HEAD TAX
LEVY OF 1952

Dr.

Uncollected Taxes as of		
January 1, 1956	\$10.00	
Penalties Collected during 1956	.50	
Total Debits		\$10.50

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer during 1956:		
Head Taxes	\$5.00	
Penalties	.50	
Abatements during 1956	.00	
Uncollected Head Taxes as per		
Collector's List	5.00	
Total Credits		\$10.50

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS

As of December 31, 1956

Dr.

	Tax Sale on Account of Levies of:	
	1956	1955
(a) Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal Year	\$148.43	
(b) Balance of Unredeemed Taxes January 1, 1956	.00	\$496.24
Interest Collected After Sale	.00	
Redemption Costs	4.50	
Total Debits	\$152.93	\$496.24

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer During Year	\$121.00	
Abatements — During Year	.00	
Deeded to Town — During Year	.00	
Unredeemed Taxes — At Close of Year	31.93	\$496.24
Total Credits	\$152.93	\$496.24

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand January 1, 1956 \$7,309.39

Received from Doris P. Swift,

Tax Collector:

Property tax 1956	\$41,381.95
Poll taxes	412.00
Interest	.83
Head tax	1,435.00
Head tax penalties	10.00
Property tax 1955	8,699.03
Poll taxes	124.00
Yield tax	174.12
Interest	218.37
Head tax	255.00
Head tax penalties	25.50
Poll taxes 1954	2.00
Yield taxes	220.34
Interest	14.22
Head tax	15.00
Head tax penalties	1.50
Poll taxes 1952	4.00
Interest	.76
Head tax	5.00
Head tax penalties	.50

\$52,999.12

Received from D. Everett Palmer,

Town Clerk:

Auto Permits 1956	\$3,085.35
Dog Licenses	224.20
Filing fees	13.00
Auto Permits 1955	8.83
Dog licenses	7.20

\$3,338.58

Received from State Treasurer:	
Interest and Dividend tax	\$1,672.28
Refund on Head Tax	9.00
Adjustment on Head Tax	7.00
Savings Bank Tax	44.80
Recovery on Old Age Assist.	15.53
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	\$1,748.61
Received from Other Sources:	
U.S. Naval Base Community distribution	\$2.00
Redeemed taxes	121.00
Kensington Legion Post No. 105—Unused portion of Memorial Day approp.	25.00
Robert M. Emerson— Culvert work	25.00
Cecil A. Comfort— Road surfacing	339.66
James R. Rosencrantz— overpayment on sal. check	1.00
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	\$513.66
Total	<hr/> \$73,409.36
Paid by order of Selectmen	70,062.48
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Balance December 31, 1956	\$3,346.88

HARRY L. STEEVES,
Treasurer

SELECTMEN'S REPORT OF EXPENDITURES

Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,643.02
Town Officers' Expenses	818.75
Election and Registration	442.25
Town Hall Expense	220.46
Town Hall Expense—Special Appropriation	610.22
Police Department	94.53
Fire Department	750.00
Dog Damage	69.00
Health Department	9.80
Vital Statistics	15.40
Town Maintenance—Summer	1,361.04
Town Maintenance—Winter	4,527.85
Town Maintenance—Special Appropriation	1,486.26
Tar Account	1,150.00
T.R.A.	242.86
Street Lighting	114.49
General Expense of Highway Department	363.15
Library	550.00
Old Age Assistance	688.62
Town Poor	739.27
Patriotic Purposes	125.00
Care of Cemeteries	205.86
Legal Expenses	130.00
Taxes Bought by Town	148.43
Insurance	155.70
Social Security	48.59
Tax Refund	10.00
Interest	98.34
Temporary Loan in Anticipation of Taxes	7,500.00
Long Term Notes	1,000.00
Head Taxes	1,566.00
County Tax	2,341.83
Schools	40,800.00
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	\$70,026.72

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

D. Everett Palmer, Auto Permits	\$169.50
D. Everett Palmer, Town Clerk's Salary	98.00
Mildred Chase, Auditor	19.60
Harold Smith, Auditor	19.60
James Rosencrantz, Selectman's Salary	98.00
Gustave Lambert, Selectman's Salary	98.00
John W. York, Selectman's & Mod. Salary	219.52
Harry Steeves, Treasurer's Salary	117.60
Doris Swift, Tax Collector's Salary	803.20
	\$1,643.02

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Brown & Saltmarsh, Supplies	\$52.43
Doris Swift, Tax Collector's Expense	34.70
Association of N. H. Assessors, Dues	3.00
Alice Wilbur, Typing Trust Fund Report	1.00
Hampton Publishing Co., Town Reports	252.00
Exeter Banking Co., Safe Deposit Box	5.50
Perkins & Prescott, Bonds	70.10
Wheeler & Clark, Supplies for Town Clerk	19.35
Ida M. Horner, Tax Collector Ass'n., Dues	3.00
Sargent Bros., Printing Tax Bills	15.90
D. L. Garrison, Supplies For Town Clerk	8.00
Burroughs Corp., Adding Machine Repairs	13.85
State Tax Commission, Statutes	6.25
D. Everett Palmer, Expenses	129.98
Jessie York, Bookkeeping and Typing	73.99
Harry Steeves, Expenses	22.70
James Rosencrantz, Expenses	25.00
Gustave Lambert, Expenses	25.00
John W. York, Expenses	57.00
	\$818.75

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Beatrice Lambert, ballot clerk	\$14.70
Doris Bickford, ballot clerk	21.17
Grace Gilmore, ballot inspector	23.52
Richard Prescott, ballot inspector	23.52
Wilbur Boyden, Sr., gatekeeper	21.17
William Quirk, gatekeeper	8.23
Percy Dunn, janitor service	29.40
Squamscott Press, printing ballots	25.00
Kurtz Diner, meals for meetings	59.20
Clark Jacobs, supervisor	59.28
Sally Quirk, ballot clerk	6.47
Irene Bragg, gatekeeper	12.94
Exeter Lumber Co., lumber for voting booths	18.65
Russell Crowell, supervisor	58.80
John R. Perfect, supervisor	54.00
John D. Fogg, refinishing ballot box	6.20
	\$442.25

TOWN HALL EXPENSES

N. E. Tel & Tel. Co., telephone	\$84.09
Exeter & Hampton Electric Co.	37.38
Vernon R. Small, new outside light	8.48
Geo. P. & R. C. Kimball, repairs to pump	21.60
Young Hardware Company, supplies	3.48
Merrimack Farmers Exchange, supplies	4.15
Percy M. Dunn, janitor	9.80
Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Co.	32.48
Roy B. Cole, sawing wood	3.00
Walter Trafton, wood	16.00
	\$220.46

SPECIAL APPROPRIATION—TOWN HALL

H. B. Greenwood, repairs	\$106.90
Percy Dunn, painting & repairs	334.00
Young Hardware, paint & supplies	22.35

Geo. P. & R. C. Kimball, new pump	61.48
H. Y. Smith, paint	74.29
Kimball Hardware, paint	11.20

\$610.22

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Weston Emergency Light Co., police supplies	\$47.46
James Burdick, police work	25.72
George Graves, police work	4.41
John Crowell, police work	16.94

\$94.53

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Kensington Volunteer Fire Department	\$750.00
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DOG DAMAGE AND EXPENSE

Leslie Briggs, damage to sheep	\$40.00
Arthur C. Evans, damage to hens	12.00
Roland Sawyer, damage to hens	10.00
George Graves, time and expense as Dog Off.	7.00

\$69.00

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Harry Steeves, Health Officer	\$9.80
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VITAL STATISTICS

John W. A. Green, copying real estate transfers	\$15.40
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HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

SUMMER MAINTENANCE

Arthur C. Evans, labor	\$19.60
Harry Philbrick, labor	175.42
Iafolla Crushed Stone, tar patch	396.40
Horace O. Evans, truck and labor	397.00
Conrad Magnusson, labor	10.78
Eugene Simon, labor	4.94

Arthur Batchelder, gravel	6.90
Weaver Bros. Constr. Co., 200 yds gravel hailed and spread	190.00
16 hrs work on gravel road with grader @ \$10 per hr.	160.00
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	\$1,361.04

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
WINTER MAINTENANCE

Esther Warner, salt	\$28.00
Horace O. Evans, salting & patching	24.00
Conrad Magnusson, labor	6.00
R. G. Watkins, snow removal	4,420.25
Hubert Schweizer, Jr., labor snow fence	19.60
Horace O. Evans, truck & labor for snow fence	30.00
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	\$4,527.85

GENERAL EXPENSE OF HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

C. W. & L. C. Simpson, gravel	\$5.00
Squamscott Press, Highway signs	7.50
Ralph Fish, repairing bridge culvert	10.00
Weaver Bros. Constr. Co.	
24 ft. 12" B.C.C.M. Pipe @ \$4.50	108.00
2 hrs. 5-yd. Truck @ \$4.80	9.60
2 hrs. Michigan Loader @ \$10.00	20.00
Fire House Yard:	
Weaver Bros. Constr. Co.	
Grading & Preparations	10.00
50 gal. Tar @ 27c	13.50
School House Yard:	
Weaver Bros. Constr. Co.	
1 hr. Michigan Loader	10.00
1 hr. Truck	4.80
11 hrs. Labor	22.00
200 gal. Tar @ 27c	54.00

Drinkwater Road:

Weaver Bros. Constr. Co.

Replacing Culvert

3½ hrs. Backhoe @ \$6.50	22.75
7 hrs. Labor @ \$2.00	14.00
8 ft. 18" BCCM Pipe @ \$6.50	52.00

\$363.15

TAR ACCOUNT

Weaver Bros. Constr. Co., applying 11,500
gal. tar @ 10c

\$1,150.00

T.R.A.

Paid State of N. H.	\$242.86
State's Total Share	1,619.04

\$1,861.90

State Paid Direct for 11,500 gal. Asphalt

1,719.43

Balance Due Town \$142.47

SPECIAL APPROPRIATION — TOWN ROADS

Wild Pasture Road:

Weaver Bros. Constr. Company

3 hrs. Grader @ \$10.00	\$30.00
567 yds. Gravel @ 95c	538.65

\$568.65

West School Road:

Weaver Bros. Constr. Company

477 yds. Gravel @ 95c	\$453.15
2 hrs. Backhoe	13.00
3 hrs. Michigan Loader @ \$10.00	30.00
3 hrs. Grader @ \$10.00	30.00
2 hrs. 10-yd. Truck @ \$7.90	15.80

18 hrs. Labor Cutting Brush and Relaying Culvert	36.00	
1,258 gal. Tar @ 27c	339.66	
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		\$917.61
Received from Cecil Comfort for Tar		339.66
STREET LIGHTING		
Exeter & Hampton Electric Co.		\$114.49
LIBRARY		
Thomas Powers, Treasurer		\$550.00
OLD AGE ASSISTANCE		
State of New Hampshire		\$688.62
PUBLIC WELFARE		
Surplus Commodities:		
George W. Hilton, Agent		\$41.47
James Rosencrantz, Distributing Surplus Commodities		59.80
Rockingham County Home, Board and Care		550.00
Exeter Hospital		10.00
Dr. Edwin D. Lee		75.00
Dr. Gerard L. Gaudreault		3.00
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		\$739.27
MEMORIAL DAY		
Kensington American Legion Post		\$125.00
CEMETERIES		
James Rosencrantz, Repairs to Lawn Mower and Supplies		\$35.00
Howard Blake, Caretaker		120.05
Richard Batchelder, Labor		12.87
Eugene Simon, Labor		26.95
Kimball Hardware Co., Supplies		10.99
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		\$205.86

LEGAL EXPENSE

George R. Scammon, Town Solicitor	\$125.00
Frank Batchelder, Legal Advice	5.00
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	\$130.00

TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN

Doris Swift, Tax Collector	\$148.43
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TAX REFUND

James Rosencrantz, Paid Double Head Tax	\$10.00
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SOCIAL SECURITY

State of New Hampshire	\$48.59
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INSURANCE

Perkins & Prescott, Workman's Compensation	\$59.40
Perkins & Prescott, Liability Insurance	96.30
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	\$155.70

INTEREST

Exeter Banking Co., Stumpfield Note	\$15.00
Exeter Banking Co., Temporary Loan in Anticipation of Taxes	83.34
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	\$98.34

TEMP. LOAN IN ANTICIPATION OF TAXES

Exeter Banking Co.	\$7,500.00
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LONG TERM NOTES

Exeter Banking Co., Final Payment on Stumpfield Road Bond	\$1,000.00
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HEAD TAXES

State of New Hampshire	\$1,566.00
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COUNTY TAX

Rockingham County	\$2,341.83
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SCHOOL DISTRICT

Josephine Crowell, School Treasurer	\$40,800.00
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REPORT OF KENSINGTON TRUST FUNDS

Received from Trust Funds \$149.15

Paid:

To Library Moulton Fund	\$32.76
To Library Tilton Fund	16.39
Eugene F. Simon, labor care of lots	20.00
Robert Evans, labor care of lots	5.00
Howard Blake, labor care of lots	75.00

\$149.15

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF KENSINGTON ON DECEMBER 31, 1956

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	Balance Beginning of Year	Book No.	Balance at End of Year	Balance Beginning of Year	Percent	Amount	Expended During Year	Balance End Year
				PRINCIPAL							
1912	John F. Gill	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	\$ 100.00	1	\$ 100.00	\$ 30.71	3 1/4	\$ 4.26	8.00	\$ 26.97
1914	Hannah Moulton	Library	Manchester Savings	1,000.00	2	1,000.00		3 1/4	32.76		
1916	Mary S. Blake	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	3	100.00	5.76	3 1/4	3.45	4.00	5.21
1918	Lizzie Osgood	Cemetery	Exeter Banking Co.	100.00	4	100.00	5.60	3	2.64	4.00	4.24
1922	James P. Bartlett	Cemetery	Exeter Banking Co.	107.00	5	100.00	3.43	3	2.59		6.02
1923	George M. Gove	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	150.00	6	150.00	29.11	3 1/4	5.87	8.00	26.98
1925	Ellen F. Bingham	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	130.00	7	100.00	6.36	3 1/4	3.48	4.00	5.84
1928	Clara A. Rhodes	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	100.00	8	100.00	6.06	3 1/4	3.46	4.00	5.52
1929	William H. Eaton	Cemetery	Exeter Banking Co.	200.00	9	200.00	9.64	3	5.25	4.00	10.89
1931	Susan L. Webster	Cemetery	Manchester Savings	200.00	10	200.00	14.45	3 1/4	7.01	8.00	13.46
1932	Robert T. Brown	Cemetery	Exeter Banking Co.	200.00	11	200.00	14.33	3	5.37	8.00	11.70
1935	Frank L. Wadleigh	Cemetery	Exeter Banking Co.	100.00	12	100.00	2.96	3	2.56		5.52
1937	Sarah A. Green	Cemetery	Exeter Banking Co.	100.00	13	100.00	2.82	3	2.56		5.38
1938	Oliver Clifford	Cemetery	Exeter Banking Co.	95.00	14	95.00	3.12	3	2.45		5.57
1940	Clara E. Kimball	Cemetery	Amoskeag Savings	300.00	15	300.00	22.19	3 1/4	10.54	8.00	24.73
1942	Mary J. Smith	Cemetery	Amoskeag Savings	200.00	16	200.00	20.21	3 1/4	7.20	8.00	19.41
1944	Marcia D. Tilton	Cemetery	Amoskeag Savings	1,000.00	17	1,000.00	69.38	3 1/4	35.02	12.00	92.40
1944	Mary A. Tilton	Library	Amoskeag Savings	500.00	18	500.00		3 1/4	16.39	16.39	
1944	John Wadleigh	Cemetery	Exeter Banking Co.	150.00	19	150.00	5.22	3	3.88	4.00	5.10
1945	Mary E. DeRochemont	Cemetery	Amoskeag Savings	100.00	20	100.00	25.81	3 1/4	4.09		29.90
1948	Benjamin Lovering	Cemetery	Exeter Banking Co.	100.00	22	100.00	3.00	3	2.58		5.58

1948	Frank Poor	Cemetery	200.00	23	200.00	12.62	3	5.33	4.00	13.95
1952	Arthur T. York	Exeter Banking Co.	200.00	25	200.00	8.83	3 1/4	6.83	4.00	11.66
1952	Charles E. Fish	Amoskeag Savings	200.00	26	200.00	10.64	3 1/4	6.89	4.00	13.53
1953	Charles N. Robie	Amoskeag Savings	200.00	27	200.00	6.85		6.76	4.00	9.61
			TOTALS		\$319.10	\$189.22	\$149.15	\$359.17		

Audited and approved, February 20, 1957 — Mildred L. Chase, Robert E. Wadleigh

AUDITOR'S REPORT

The 1956 annual audit of the several departments of the Town of Kensington has been completed, and the results of this audit filed with the State Tax Commission as required by law.

ROBERT E. WADLEIGH
MILDRED L. CHASE

Auditors.

REPORT OF TREASURER
KENSINGTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Year Ending Dec. 31, 1956

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Cash on hand January 1, 1956	\$46.81	
Rec. from Town Appropriation	550.00	
Rec. from Tilton Fund	16.39	
Rec. from Moulton Fund	32.76	
Rec. from sale of books	20.00	
Rec. from fines and other sources	16.00	
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Total		\$681.96

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Librarian's Salary	\$312.00	
Janitor Service	62.00	
Light and heat	89.55	
New Books	96.88	
Misc. expenses	52.96	
Total		\$613.39
Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1956		\$68.57

Respectfully submitted,
T. R. POWERS

Treasurer

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Circulation of Books

Kensington Public Library — 1956

Fiction	1141
Juvenile	940
History	116
Biography and Autobiography	124
Adventure and Travel	36
Poetry and Drama	32
Science	96
Religion	20
Sociology	29
Miscellaneous Non-Fiction	46
Magazines	185
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Total	2,765

NELLIE HILLIARD,

Librarian

**REPORT OF THE KENSINGTON VOLUNTEER
FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT
February 1, 1956 to February 1, 1957**

RECEIPTS

February 1, 1956 Cash on hand		\$205.92
Received from:		
Town of Kensington	\$750.00	
Perkins and Prescott Agency		
Refund on insurance	2.24	
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Total Receipts		\$958.16

PAYMENTS

Insurance	\$204.32	
Oil	126.54	
Lights	35.57	
Battery for Lantern	4.00	
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Total Expenses		\$307.43
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Cash on hand, February 1, 1957		\$587.73

H. RUSSELL CROWELL,
Treasurer

On February 7, 1957, I examined the books and reports of H. Russell Crowell, Treasurer of the Kensington Volunteer Fire Department, and found them correct, with a balance of \$587.73.

HARRY L. STEEVES,
Auditor

FOREST FIRE WARDEN REPORT

YOUR TOWN DUMP

USE IT FREELY

CARE FOR IT

Your town dump has been set up for your personal convenience. It provides a suitable place where you can dispose of the large amounts of dangerous, inflammable waste material and other useless items which accumulate around your household and local stores, brush, etc., cut on your property. The town dump has become a valuable and indispensable asset in modern community life.

The most successful town dumps are supervised—regular days provided for their use and inflammable material consistently burned. The town dump which receives no attention, where waste material is scattered about without supervision of any description, soon becomes a community menace and a liability rather than an asset.

Many people still burn debris around their homes. A large number of such fires get out of control causing unnecessary damage and expense to the burner. Why burn at home? Make use of your town dump and eliminate the hazard of burning. It will be easier for you—personally and financially.

If however, you do burn on your premises:

1. Secure a permit from your local forest fire warden—the law requires it. The warden won't refuse you if conditions are safe.
2. Be sure to properly supervise your burning. Don't leave it.
3. Make certain your fire is DEAD OUT before leaving it.

Save yourself much possible difficulty. Use your dump freely—help keep it safe.

Number of Local Fires	6
Number of Acres Burned	0

MERTON A. WEBBER,
District Fire Chief

HORACE O. EVANS,
Forest Fire Warden

ANNUAL REPORTS
OF
Officers of the School District
OF THE
TOWN OF KENSINGTON, N. H.

For the Year Beginning July 1, 1955 and Ending
June 30, 1956

SCHOOL WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Kensington, N. H. qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the Ninth day of March 1957, at 7:30 o'clock in the evening 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 heretofore 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 what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state equalization fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.

9. To see if the District will grant the School Board authority to study the possibilities of a cooperative school for grades seven and eight and to appoint a committee to work with them.

10. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands at said Kensington, N. H. this Tenth day of February, 1957.

CHARLES H. BICKFORD,
JAMES R. ROSENCRANTZ,
LESLIE C. BRIGGS,

School Board of
Kensington, N. H.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

CHARLES H. BICKFORD,
JAMES R. ROSENCRANTZ,
LESLIE C. BRIGGS,

School Board of
Kensington, N. H.

KENSINGTON SCHOOL BUDGET

	1955-56 Expenditures	1956-57 Budget	Expended to Feb. 1	Adopted Budget 1957-58
Administration:				
Salaries of district officers	\$ 82.00	\$ 161.00	\$	\$ 161.00
Supt.'s Salary	207.00	202.40	202.40	244.75
Tax for state wide Supervision	212.00	232.00	230.00	264.00
Other Adm. Per. Salaries	196.92	170.00	168.08	177.11
Supplies & Exp.	131.41	150.00	111.06	150.00
Instruction:				
Teachers' Salaries	6,816.50	7,075.00	3,595.91	9,900.00
Books & Other Instruc. aids	114.84	150.00	162.20	300.00
Scholars' Supplies	444.31	225.00	130.65	250.00
Supplies & other expenses	291.98	200.00	138.20	175.00
Operation of School Plant:				
Janitor's Salaries	644.75	650.00	394.00	750.00
Fuel	619.59	620.00	239.86	700.00
Water, light, supplies & exp.	491.86	400.00	172.37	425.00
Maintenance of School Plant:				
Repairs & Replacements	458.48	900.00	543.26	200.00
Auxiliary Activities:				
Health Supervision	191.15	200.00	188.80	225.00
Transportation, high	875.00	3,130.00	875.00	3,230.00
Transportation, elem.	3,283.85	1,570.00	2,550.00	1,620.00
Tuition, high	7,897.25	13,800.00	4,560.00	16,750.00
Tuition, elem.	5,911.90	7,875.00	2,850.00	4,230.00
Spec. funds & activities		50.00		50.00
School Lunch School Milk reimburs.	68.73		77.73	175.00
Fixed Charges:				
Teachers' Retirement	490.84	500.00	185.46	675.18
Ins., treas. bond, etc.	295.20	300.00	290.20	300.00
TOTAL CURRENT EXP.	\$29,725.56	\$38,560.00	\$17,665.18	\$40,952.04
Capital Outlay:				
Additions & improvements	* 285.77			
New Equipment	* 15.36		15.00	500.00
Debt and Interest:				
Principal of debt	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Interest on debt	500.00	460.00	240.00	420.00
DEFICIENCY APPROP.		1,860.00		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OR SCHOOL APPROP.	\$32,526.69	\$42,880.40	\$19,920.18	\$43,872.04

RECEIPTS:

Balance (actual or estimate)	2.30	107.55		
State Aid	2,174.09	3,008.97		
School Milk	68.73		77.73	175.00
State Building Aid		400.00		400.00
Other	38.00			
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TOTAL RECEIPTS	2,283.12	3,516.52		
DISTRICT ASSESSMENT	† 30,050.00	39,405.84		
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TOTAL APPROP. VOTED				
BY SCHOOL DIST.	\$32,267.52	\$42,922.36		

* Spent from Playground Fund.

† Includes March 1955 appropriation of \$28,124.41, March 1956 deficiency appropriation of \$1,860 and overpayment by selectmen of \$65.59 (to be carried to 1956-57 appropriation).

February 9, 1957

This is to certify that on the above date, I examined the records and accounts of the School Board of Kensington, N. H., and find them correct as to methods and amounts showing a cash balance of \$107.55 and a balance of \$441.37 in the Playground Fund as of June 30, 1956.

PARKER BLODGETT, Auditor.

SCHOOL BOARD REPORT OF EXPENDITURES

Administration:

Salary of District Officers:

Leslie C. Briggs	\$25.00	
Charles Bickford	15.00	
Carl M. Caspar	15.00	
Josephine Crowell	20.00	
Lucy Blodgett	2.00	
Parker Blodgett	2.00	
James R. Rosencrantz	3.00	
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		\$82.00

Superintendent's Salary 207.00

Statewide Supervision:

New Hampshire State Treasurer		212.00
Clerk's Salary	\$184.92	
Percy Dunn (Census)	6.00	
Percy Dunn (Truant Officer)	6.00	
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		196.92

Supplies and Expenses:

Exeter School District	\$8.75	
Treasurer's Expenses	8.01	
Carl Caspar's Expenses	6.00	
Leslie Briggs' Expenses	5.00	
Supervisory Union	89.15	
The Squamscott Press	6.50	
Exeter News Letter Company	8.00	
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		131.41

Teacher's Salaries:

Mildred Crowell	\$2,600.00
Eleanor Henry	300.00
Esther Prescott	2,650.00
Pearl Marston	1,266.50

6,816.50

Books and Other Instructional Aids:

Houghton Mifflin Co.	\$9.05
Row, Peterson & Co.	18.62
Ginn & Co.	3.26
Lyons Band Instrument Co.	7.93
McCormick-Mathers Pub. Co.	3.75
Scott, Foresman & Co.	60.58
World Book Co.	11.65

114.84

Scholar's Supplies:

Scott Forsman & Co.	\$60.40
World Book Co.	4.12
Row, Peterson & Co.	17.56
McCormick-Mathers Pub. Co.	4.29
Mainco Trading Co.	66.71
Milton Bradley Co.	144.68
Allyn & Bacon Inc.	50.75
Gledhill Bros., Inc.	67.15
Portsmouth Paper Co.	5.83
Exeter School District	10.02
Leslie C. Briggs	2.30
Tri-State Office Equip. Co., Inc.	10.50

444.31

Supplies & Other Expenses:

Rinehart System	\$150.00
Milton Bradley Co.	7.66
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	74.32
University of New Hampshire	60.00

291.98

Janitor's Salary:

Percy Dunn	644.75
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Fuel:

F. Wilbur Jewell	\$319.33
Callahan Oil Co., Inc.	300.26

619.59

Water, Light, Supplies & Expenses:

William M. Horner	\$78.00
Swift & Co.	8.75
Geo. B. Robbins Disinfectant Co.	4.00
Acme Chemical Co.	24.87
M. F. Bragdon Paint Co.	19.30
Young Hardware Co.	16.08
Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co.	289.98
Portsmouth Paper Co.	50.88

491.86

Maintenance of School Plant**(Repairs and Replacements):**

F. Wilbur Jewell	\$9.00
Paris Mfg. Co.	13.05
Leslie C. Briggs	5.15
Theodore H. Von Kamecke	5.67
A. H. Rice Co., Inc.	11.32
Smith's Fire Equipment	3.50
J. H. Morgan & Son	410.79

458.48

Health Supervision:

School Nurse	\$188.60
Exeter School District	2.55

191.15

Transportation, Interstate**Passenger Service:**

High School	\$2,000.00
Elementary	2,100.00
Balance due Marshall Trans. Co. for Elementary (1954-55)	58.85

4,158.85

Tuition:

High School	\$7,897.25
Junior High School	5,911.90

13,809.15

Special Activities:

School Milk Reimbursement	68.73
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New Hampshire Teachers' Retirement:

Teachers	\$460.35
Nurses	10.35
Superintendents	13.74
Clerks	6.40

490.84

Insurance, Bonds and Expenses:

Charles R. Eastman	\$18.60
Farm Bureau Insurance Co.	107.10
The DeMerritt Agency	15.00
Perkins and Prescott Agency	154.50

295.20

Land and Buildings:

*Weaver Bros. (Grading)	\$245.00
*John W. York (Seeding etc.)	28.35

273.35

New Equipment:

*American Playground Device Co.	\$15.36
*Leslie C. Briggs (Ftgs. etc.)	12.42

27.78

Payment on Bond	2,000.00
Interest Payment on Bond	500.00

Grand Total \$32,526.69

*From Playground Fund

February 9, 1957

This is to certify that on the above date, I examined the records and accounts of the School Board of Kensington, N. H. and find them correct as to methods and amounts, showing a cash balance of \$107.55 and a balance of \$441.37 in the Playground Fund as of June 30, 1956.

PARKER BLODGETT,
Auditor

SCHOOL TREASURER'S REPORT

July 1, 1955 to July 1, 1956

DR.	
Cash on hand, July 1, 1955	\$744.80
Received from Selectmen	
Current appropriation	29,984.41
Advance on next year's appro.	65.59
Received from State Treasurer	2,174.09
Received from misc. income	108.23
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	\$33,077.12

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Paid by order of School Board	\$32,528.20
Cash on hand, July 1, 1956	548.92
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	\$33,077.12

JOSEPHINE E. CROWELL,
Treasurer

KENSINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT BONDS

\$32,000.00 @ 2%

Payable at Exeter Banking Company

Date	Principal	Interest	Amt. Due
June 1, 1952	\$32,000.00	\$320.00	\$ 320.00
Dec. 1, 1952	32,000.00	320.00	2,320.00
June 1, 1953	30,000.00	300.00	300.00
Dec. 1, 1953	30,000.00	300.00	2,300.00
June 1, 1954	28,000.00	280.00	280.00
Dec. 1, 1954	28,000.00	280.00	2,280.00
June 1, 1955	26,000.00	260.00	260.00
Dec. 1, 1955	26,000.00	260.00	2,260.00
June 1, 1956	24,000.00	240.00	240.00
Dec. 1, 1956	24,000.00	240.00	2,240.00
June 1, 1957	22,000.00	220.00	220.00
Dec. 1, 1957	22,000.00	220.00	2,220.00
June 1, 1958	20,000.00	200.00	200.00
Dec. 1, 1958	20,000.00	200.00	2,200.00
June 1, 1959	18,000.00	180.00	180.00
Dec. 1, 1959	18,000.00	180.00	2,180.00
June 1, 1960	16,000.00	160.00	160.00
Dec. 1, 1960	16,000.00	160.00	2,160.00
June 1, 1961	14,000.00	140.00	140.00
Dec. 1, 1961	14,000.00	140.00	2,140.00
June 1, 1962	12,000.00	120.00	120.00
Dec. 1, 1962	12,000.00	120.00	2,120.00
June 1, 1963	10,000.00	100.00	100.00
Dec. 1, 1963	10,000.00	100.00	2,100.00
June 1, 1964	8,000.00	80.00	80.00
Dec. 1, 1964	8,000.00	80.00	2,080.00
June 1, 1965	6,000.00	60.00	60.00
Dec. 1, 1965	6,000.00	60.00	2,060.00
June 1, 1966	4,000.00	40.00	40.00
Dec. 1, 1966	4,000.00	40.00	2,040.00
June 1, 1967	2,000.00	20.00	20.00
Dec. 1, 1967	2,000.00	20.00	2,020.00

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board of Kensington, New Hampshire:

It is with pleasure that I submit my ninth annual report as superintendent of schools.

The school year 1956-1957 started with the following teaching staff:

Mrs. Esther Prescott, principal and teacher of Grades 4-6; Mrs. Pearl Marston, teacher of Grades 1-3; Mrs. Virginia Lincoln, part-time teacher of Grades 1-2; Mrs. Eleanor Henry, music teacher; Miss Mary Shea, school nurse; Mr. Harold Mataver, handwriting teacher.

Mrs. Pearl Marston, who served as the part-time teacher last year, replaced Mrs. Crowell as teacher of the primary grades.

Mrs. Virginia Lincoln of Exeter has replaced Mrs. Marston as part-time teacher.

This staff is competent and conscientious and it is making every effort to provide good training for the boys and girls.

The action taken by the Exeter School Board which will require the Kensington School District to provide education for the seventh grade starting with the next school year and for the seventh and eighth grades as of September, 1958, poses a problem. One solution would be to think in terms of permanent housing for these grades in the local school. In the case of Kensington the census figures would indicate that a four room school would be necessary by September, 1958, so that each room would house two grades.

Another solution to the problem would be to think in terms of joining in the formation of a Cooperative School District with other districts in the area to build a Junior High School for the seventh and eighth grades.

An unofficial committee representing the districts of Brentwood, East Kingston, Exeter, Kensington, Newfields and Stratham has held several meetings to study this possibility. I believe that at the school district meeting the next step should be taken; namely, to form an official committee to continue the study of this proposal.

There appear to be certain advantages to the latter solution of the problem both educationally and financially.

As far as the next school year is concerned, a minimum of three full time teachers will be needed. Perhaps the best division of grades would be for one teacher to have Grades 1-2 with about twenty-five students; a second teacher to teach Grades 3-4 with about thirty students, and a third teacher to have Grades 5-7 with about thirty students.

The Parent-Teacher Association continues to contribute to the school program in many ways.

I call your attention to the reports of the school nurse and of the music teacher and the tables which follow.

I again express appreciation to the citizens, the members of the School Board, and the teachers for their continued support and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND A. HOYT,

Superintendent

Supervisory Union No. 16

Kensington, New Hampshire

January 17, 1957

REPORT OF THE MUSIC SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent of Schools:

For many children entering the first grade, the musical experiences that they have in the school are among their first. It is true that radio and television give children the opportunity of listening to music, and this is good, if the music is good. Fortunate are those children who have had a musical environment in the home during their pre-school years.

The importance of the classroom teacher in the school music program cannot be over-emphasized, for it is she who can provide richness in the lives of the children, as daily musical experiences for the pupils must be provided by her. Much help can be given her with a record player and some good records.

As music educators stress the importance of bodily response to music, much is done, especially in the lower grades with this type of musical experience. Responding to music through various types of rhythmic activities, action songs, singing games, dancing and work with rhythm band are examples of this type of activity.

As many children have not found their singing voices when they first enter school, work to obtain this result is important.

In the third grade, work with tonettes is begun. This is valuable as a beginning for note-reading, and also often gives the pupils an interest in studying another instrument later on. A clarinet instructor recently told a new pupil that he thought that her work with the tonette in school had been a big help to her in learning to play this new instrument. It is true that the tonette and clarinet have similar features.

Learning the fundamentals of music, note-reading, part-singing, dancing, listening to music, and music appreciation are also part of the music program.

In the spring, a musical program by the pupils of the Kensington school was presented at the Town Hall. With the proceeds from this program, a record player was purchased for the schoolhouse.

The pupils also participated in the annual Memorial Day services.

In closing, I wish to thank Mr. Hoyt, the members of the School Board, the P.T.A., the teachers and the parents for their co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

ELEANOR HENRY,

Kensington, New Hampshire
January 11, 1957

SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY 1955-1956

Exeter	\$3,298.50
East Kingston	166.50
Greenland	355.50
Kensington	207.00
Newfields	168.75
Stratham	303.75
State's Share	2,500.00
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	\$7,000.00

SCHOOL HEALTH REPORT

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The past year has been a healthy one for the Kensington children. No undo epidemic of communicable disease has occurred.

All the children who were eligible have received two polio inoculations. Most parents took advantage of this opportunity and consequently ninety five percent of the pupils have had two shots. There are no plans at present to give a third inoculation through the schools.

A new Speech clinic has been set up at the Exeter High School for one day each week. Any child in Supervisory Union No. 16 needing help with his or her speech is eligible to attend. Several from each school, including Kensington, are enrolled.

The vast majority of minor conditions such as tonsils, visual disturbances, etc. have been corrected during the past year but we do have some dental needs that are as yet unmet. Perhaps another dental clinic in the future will be the solution to this problem.

I wish to thank both the parents and teachers for their help this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY G. SHEA, R. N.

School Nurse

Kensington, New Hampshire

January 11, 1957

COST OF INSTRUCTION PER INDIVIDUAL PUPIL

	1955-1956	1954-55
Average number of pupils under instruction, both elementary and high school	134	107
Total expenses \$32,526.70 divided by 134 equals	\$242.74	
As compared to \$25,587.60 divided by 107 equals		\$239.14
Cost of transportation \$4,158.85 divided by 134 equals	\$31.04	
As compared to \$4,183.15 divided by 107 equals		\$39.09

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1957-1958

School Opens—September 4 (Wed.)		
Closes—December 20 (Fri.)	75 days	16 weeks
Opens—January 2 (Thurs.)		
Closes—February 21 (Fri.)	37 days	8 weeks
Opens—March 3 (Mon.)		
Closes—April 25 (Fri.)	40 days	8 weeks
Opens—May 5 (Mon.)		
Closes—June 17 (Tues.)	31 days	7 weeks
	183 days	39 weeks

Holidays:

- October 17 and 18 — State Teachers' Convention
- November 11 — Veterans' Day
- November 28 and 29 — Thanksgiving Recess
- May 30 — Memorial Day

School will be dismissed at noon on September 4 and November 28.

TABLE I
KENSINGTON PUPILS
Total Enrollment January 1, 1957

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Tot.
Kensington School	11	12	17	13	11	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	70
Exeter High School	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	15	13	9	11	6	70
St. Michael School	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	3
Exeter Day School	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Phillips Academy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Totals	12	13	18	13	11	6	16	17	14	9	11	6	146
1956 Comparisons	2	14	15	10	6	16	17	14	9	12	7	2	134

TABLE II
Statistics for Ten Years Ending June 30, 1956

School Year	Weeks	Boys	Girls	Total Pupils	Ave. Attend.	Ave. Absence	Ave. Membership	Percent of Attend.	Cases	Tardiness	Visits of Supt.
1946-47	36	23	34	47	40	2	42	95	9	44	
1947-48	37	26	24	50	46	3	49	95	2	36	
1948-49	37	22	22	44	38	4	42	90	7	51	
1949-50	38	29	23	52	47	4	51	93	4	56	
1950-51	38	29	31	60	55	4	59	93	9	53	
1951-52	38	30	30	60	52	6	58	89	2	63	
1952-53	38	23	29	61	58	2	60	95	3	51	
1953-54	38	37	36	73	67	3	70	95	13	46	
1954-55	38	38	29	67	62	4	66	95	8	38	
1955-56	38	38	35	73	64	6	70	91	7	50	

TABLE III
Perfect Attendance for Entire Year 1955-56

Aucoin, Dana
Steeves, Lloyd

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF KENSINGTON FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1956

Date, 1956	Name of Child	Sex	No. of Children	Living or Stillborn	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
Feb. 2	Melvin G. Armstrong, 3rd	M	2	L	Melvin Armstrong, Jr.	June P. Glass	Exeter, N. H.	Newfields, N. H.
Feb. 7	Karen L. Thomas	F	2	L	Samuel A. Thomas	Marie E. Plouffe	Scranton, Penn.	Boston, Mass.
Feb. 29	Andrew M. Turhill	M	2	L	John W. G. Turhill	Nora E. Machado	Chicago, Ill.	Toronto, Ontario
Mar. 17	Katherine Clark	F	2	L	Walter S. Clark	Jean L. Bodwell	Exeter, N. H.	Lawrence, Mass.
Mar. 20	Frances A. Buchanan	F	1	L	Francis A. Buchanan	Lucille C. Mara	Lynn, Mass.	Lynn, Mass.
Mar. 24	Kathryn J. Kuegel	F	4	L	Robert S. Kuegel	June Webster	Port Chester, N. Y.	Mt. Vernon, N. Y.
Mar. 26	Susan L. Bodwell	F	3	L	Harold Bodwell, Jr.	Elizabeth A. Taatjes	Methuen, Mass.	Kingston, N. H.
Apr. 21	Martha E. Kimball	F	2	L	Paul W. Kimball	Marian Clement	Exeter, N. H.	Manchester, N. H.
June 21	Charlotte J. Crowell	F	1	L	Herbert R. Crowell	Josephine E. Sanborn	Exeter, N. H.	Newburyport, Mass.
June 28	Alan D. McLean	M	5	L	Donald A. McLean	Dorothy A. Wilbur	Exeter, N. H.	Haverhill, Mass.
Aug. 14	Lea G. Fortin	F	3	L	Gerard J. Fortin	Jacqueline Chereau	Stewartstown, N. H.	Le Mans, France
Sept 1	Sarah W. Howe	F	4	L	Parkman Howe, Jr.	Helen McIntosh	Climon, Mass.	Milwaukee, Wisc.
Sept. 5	Julia Fay Evans	F	2	L	George T. Evans	Susan N. Deaton	Exeter, N. H.	Bremerton, Wash.
Sept. 10	Donna J. Groetz	F	2	L	James L. Groetz	Dorothy R. Hankin	Exeter, N. H.	Exeter, N. H.
Sept. 15	Sherrie Briggs	F	4	L	Leslie C. Briggs	Martha E. Card	Plaistow, N. H.	Newburyport, Mass.
Oct. 1	David W. Wilbur	M	1	L	William J. Wilbur	Nancy C. Bishop	Exeter, N. H.	Epping, N. H.
Oct. 5	Brian B. Jacobs	M	3	L	John C. Jacobs	Dorothy A. Bodwell	Groton, Conn.	Exeter, N. H.
Nov. 24	Harvey J. Wilbur	M	12	L	Edward H. Wilbur	Alice A. Simon	Kensington, N. H.	Roxbury, Mass.
Nov. 26	Barry A. Russell	M	1	L	Arthur M. Russell	Barbara L. Sanborn	Exeter, N. H.	Newburyport, Mass.

I hereby certify that the above record is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. — D. EVERETT PALMER, Town Clerk.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN TOWN OF KENSINGTON FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1956

Date	Place of Marriage	Name & Surname of Groom & Bride	Age in Yrs.	Color of Each	Condition	Place of Birth	Name of Parents	Name, Residence, Official Station of person by whom Married
Apr. 28	Kensington, N. H.	Ernest Joseph Plourde Lillian Alice George	28 19	W W	1 1	Madawaska, Me. Brentwood, N. H.	Joseph P. Plourde Mathede Levsur Arthur George Margaret Douglass Homer G. Boudreau	Richard Hobblin Min. of the Gospel Kensington, N. H.
May 27	Kensington, N. H.	Allan Homer Boudreau Evelyn Clara George	22 17	W W	1 1	E. Kingston, N. H. Kensington, N. H.	Arthur George Charlotte Rock Arthur George Margaret Douglass	Richard Hobblin Min. of the Gospel Kensington, N. H.
June 21	So. Kingston, N. H.	Louis Edward St. Laurent Doris Marple Remick	35 34	W W	2 2	Troy, Vt. Lynn, Mass.	Amie A. St. Laurent Clema N. Gately William A. Marple Helen L. Gay	Will C. Chappell Clergyman Exeter, N. H.
July 15	Kensington, N. H.	Francis Theodore Stefan Helen Jeanette Blake	45 35	W W	1 1	Lawrence, Mass. Bradford, Mass.	Adam Stefan Katherine Harold P. Blake Mabel Baker	D. Everett Palmer Justice of the Peace Kensington, N. H.
Aug. 4	Kensington, N. H.	Kenneth Bruce Buxton Shirley Ann Gingrass	19 18	W W	1 1	Danvers, Mass. Exeter, N. H.	Horace F. Buxton Frances L. McNeil Joseph A. Gingrass Goldie A. Young	Richard Hobblin Min. of the Gospel Kensington, N. H.

I hereby certify that the above record is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. — D. EVERETT PALMER, Town Clerk.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF KENSINGTON FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1956

Date 1956	Name and Surname of of Deceased	Age	Place of Birth	Sex	Sin., Mar., Wid.	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Jan. 2	Edith Louise Nash	84		F			
Feb. 9	George O. Weare	93	Hampton Falls, N. H.	M	Widowed	Jonathan Weare	Sophrina French
Mar. 4	Fannie E. M. Evans	77	Kensington, N. H.	F	Single	Charles M. Evans	Phoebe Merrill
Aug. 2	Bessie Clow Rounsefell	67	E. Wolfeboro, N. H.	F	Married	Henry A. Clow	Annie Philpott
Aug. 5	Horace Everett Palmer	32	Newburyport, Mass.	M	Married	D. Everett Palmer	Beatrice I. Evans
Aug. 10	Georgianna Renew	79		F			
Aug. 12	Arthur W. Evans	81	Kensington, N. H.	M	Married	Charles A. Evans	Abbie C. Lowe
Sept. 27	Mary Wilbur Lazarovich	62		F			
Oct. 11	Alfred Jordan, Sr.	69	E. Haverhill, Mass.	M	Widowed	Edwin F. Jordan	Nellie Dempsey
Oct. 23	Annie Courtney Kirk	65	Exeter, N. H.	F	Married	Thomas Courtney	Margaret McAllister
Nov. 2	George Irving Armstrong	76	Richmond, P.Q., Can.	M	Single	Henry Walter Armstrong	Amelia Rowe
Nov. 4	Allen C. deRochemont	68	Newington, N. H.	M	Married	Clarence deRochemont	Ella Wilson
Dec. 18	Ruth Ada Brewster	34	Kensington, N. H.	F	Married	George Beckman	Ada Wilbur

I hereby certify that the above record is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. — D. EVERETT PALMER, Town Clerk.

