

Atkinson

NEW HAMPSHIRE

1956

Annual Town Reports



for the year ending December 31, 1956

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Town of Atkinson, N. H.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,

1956

TOGETHER WITH REPORT OF SCHOOLS FOR THE
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1956 AND VITAL
STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 1956



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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

Harry B. Tuttle

Board of Selectmen

Maurice G. Luce	Term Expires 1959
George W. White	Term Expires 1958
Warren E. Kolb	Term Expires 1957

Town Clerk and Town Treasurer

Ruth L. Sawyer

Tax Collector

Harry B. Tuttle

Ballot Inspectors

Henry L. Nye	Etta L. Nye
Flora Currier	Gladys G. Wood

Supervisors of the Check List

Mildred V. Illsley	Ethlyn McKenna
Robert S. Hotchkiss	

Constable

Wilbur R. Moody

Police Officers

Wilbur R. Moody, Chief of Police

Malcolm C. Noyes, Deputy Chief

Wilbur R. Moody (Dog Officer)	Harry B. Tuttle
Frederick F. Bishop	Wilfred C. Senter
Walter S. Brock	Kenneth H. Hurteau
Warren E. Kolb	

Special Police

Una M. Collins	Ruth L. Sawyer
Robert S. Hotchkiss	

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Highway Agent

Daniel Stewart

Sexton

Daniel Stewart

Trustees of Trust Funds

Arthur H. Sawyer	Term Expires 1959
Benjamin O. Wood	Term Expires 1958
Helen F. Bradley	Term Expires 1957

Library Trustees

Anita Hamilton	Term Expires 1959
Marjorie Barnum	Term Expires 1958
Beatrice M. McGregor	Term Expires 1957

Auditors

Gladys R. Dyke	Philo A. Hutcheson
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Health Officer

L. Ruth Gould, R.N.

Memorial Day Committee

Donald H. Nye	Eugene L. Barnum
Rodolphe H. Chabot	Robert H. Bailey

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber

Martin M. Feuer	Warren E. Kolb
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Fence Viewers

Leslie H. Rockwell	Henry L. Nye
George H. Mason	

Atkinson Fire Department

To Report a Fire Dial 2-8440

Administrative

Malcolm C. Noyes	President
Donald H. Noyes	Vice President
Clayton M. Gould	Secretary
Austin B. Wason	Treasurer

Executive

Wilbur R. Moody	Chief
Austin B. Wason	Deputy Chief
Kenneth H. Hurteau	Captain
Leroy D. Barnum	First Lieutenant
Earl F. Pratt	Second Lieutenant
Kenneth H. Hurteau	Maintenance Supervisor

MEMBERS

Robert H. Bailey	Malcolm C. Noyes
LeRoy D. Barnum	Donald H. Noyes
Martin M. Feuer	Earl F. Pratt
Clayton M. Gould	Meredith E. Reynolds
Robert A. Griffin	Howard M. Richards, Jr.
Kingdon H. Hamilton	George E. Rollins
Robert S. Hotchkiss	Daniel W. Stewart
Kenneth H. Hurteau	Bernard A. Toshach
Floyd Kilburn	Austin B. Wason
William B. Little	George W. White, Jr.
Allister F. MacDonald	Millard B. White
Wilbur R. Moody	Richard G. Wood

Building Inspector

Philo A. Hutcheson

Planning Board

Gordon L. Lorentzen	Richard G. Wood
Leroy D. Barnum	Elmer G. Kutzelman
George W. White	

Board of Adjustment

David H. Spofford	Leslie H. Rockwell
Scott Thompson	Edward Radulski
Maurice G. Luce	Warren E. Kolb

TOWN OF ATKINSON

TOWN WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Atkinson, in the County of Rockingham, in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Grange Hall in said Atkinson on Tuesday, the 12th day of March, next at one o'clock in the afternoon and close not earlier than seven P.M. 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.

3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$1,500.00) one thousand five hundred dollars for Civil Defense. This sum will be equaled by the Government Funds which are now available to aid Cities and Towns in this program.

4. To raise and appropriate the sum of (\$500.00) five hundred dollars, for the maintenance and operation of the Kimball Public Library.

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise the salaries of Highway Employees from (1.00) one dollar per hour to (1.25) one dollar and twenty-five cents per hour, also the wages of the highway Agent from (1.30) one dollar and thirty cents per hour to (1.50) one dollar and fifty cents per hour.

6. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of (\$500.00) five hundred dollars, for the cutting of shoulders on town highways.

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$375.00) three hundred and seventy-five dollars for cutting brush on town roads.

8. To see if the Town will vote to accept from the School District, the one room School House located on Academy Avenue.

9. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for an Artesian well and pump system, including installation of tank and pipe to supply water to the Library and Fire House.

10. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for a dug well and pump system, including installation of tank and pipe to supply water to the Library and Fire House.

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$4.00) four dollars monthly, to be paid to the party in charge of the raising and lowering of the Flag located at the Soldier's Monument.

12. To see if the Town will vote to grant the Selectmen authority to appoint a committee to work with the Electric Company to reallocate some of the Town street lights so that they will be located at intersections and bad curves.

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise the salary of the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen (\$50.00) fifty dollars, from (\$350.00) three hundred and fifty dollars to (\$400.00) four hundred dollars.

14. To see if the Town will vote to give the Selectmen authority to appoint a budget committee annually, this committee to consist of not more than three members.

15. To hear reports of Town Officers and Committees, act on same, and transact any other business that may legally come before the Meeting.

Business Meeting will be adjourned until Saturday Evening March 16th (8 o'clock).

Given under our hands and seal, this 18th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-seven.

GEORGE W. WHITE

WARREN E. KOLB

MAURICE G. LUCE

Selectmen of Atkinson.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF ATKINSON, N. H.

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	\$800.00	\$2,138.04	\$800.00
People's Bank Tax	none	7.00	
Railroad Tax	4.00	6.36	4.00
Savings Bank Tax	5.00	8.54	5.00
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance	none	none	
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Dog Licenses	250.00	367.50	250.00
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	none	none	
Yield Tax	none	none	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	2,000.00		2,000.00
1955		55.22	
1956		3,395.50	
1957		23.55	
Revolver Permits	3.00	5.50	3.00
Cemetery Lots	none	20.00	
Land Sale Auction	none	8.00	
Refunds	none	6.00	
Telephone Toll Charges	none	2.40	
Amount Raised by Issue of			
Bonds or Notes	none	none	

Anticipation of Taxes	none	9,942.81	
Poll Taxes	500.00	524.00	500.00
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Total Revenue from all Sources			
Except Property Taxes	3,562.00	16,510.42	3,562.00
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Total Revenue			\$3,562.00

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

Current Maintenance Expenses:

	Appropriations Previous Year 1956	Actual Exp'ditures Previous Year 1956	Estimated Exp'ditures Ensuing Year 1957
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,500.00	\$1,514.15	\$1,500.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,100.00	1,474.72	1,100.00
Election and Registration	250.00	219.02	100.00
Selectmen's Special	none	none	none
Expenses Town Hall and Other Buildings	550.00	550.00	550.00
Social Security	100.00	163.47	150.00
Protection of Persons & Property:			
Police Department	400.00	519.68	550.00
Fire Department	1,850.00	1,889.14	2,400.00
Forest Fire	150.00	none	100.00
Spraying	none	none	none
Dog Officer	35.00	35.00	35.00
Bounties	none	none	none
Health:			
Health Department including			
Hospitals	25.00	none	25.00
Vital Statistics	35.00	16.75	35.00
Remove Dutch Elm Disease	100.00	96.04	100.00
Town Dump	400.00	658.48	400.00
Dump Supervision	300.00		
Highways and Bridges:			
Town Maintenance—Winter	2,000.00	4,917.45	3,000.00
Town Maintenance—Summer	1,400.00	1,395.30	1,500.00
Street Lighting	850.00	836.11	850.00

Resurface Tar Roads	3,750.00	3,504.00	3,000.00
Repairing Rails and Culverts	none	none	none
General Expenses of Highway			
Department	400.00	476.71	400.00
Cutting Brush	375.00	347.24	
Town Road Aid	180.94		180.94
Insurance Town Employees	200.00	192.10	200.00
Special Appropriation			
Lawn Mower	125.00	125.00	
Refund to Fireman's			
Appropriation	400.00	400.00	
Libraries :			
Library	500.00	500.00	500.00
Public Welfare :			
Town Poor	2,500.00	1,158.67	1,200.00
Old Age Assistance	2,200.00	2,002.20	2,400.00
Patriotic Purposes :			
Memorial Day and Veterans			
Associations	200.00	187.32	200.00
Aid to Soldiers and their			
Families	50.00	57.56	50.00
Recreation :			
Parks and Playgrounds	50.00	41.66	50.00
Public Service Enterprises :			
Cemeteries	475.00	376.49	400.00
Unclassified :			
Damage and Legal Expenses			
Including Dog Damages	250.00	25.00	200.00
Abatements Refunded		36.40	none
Taxes acquired by Town		1,858.59	
Interest :			
On Long Notes and Bonds	240.00	263.75	200.00

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Payment on Principal of Debt:

Long Term Notes	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Head Tax		1,717.00	
Anticipation of Taxes	none	10,000.00	none

Payments to Other Governmental

Divisions:

County Taxes	3,200.00	3,038.53	3,038.53
School Taxes	30,290.73	30,290.73	

Total Expenditures	\$57,831.67	\$72,331.26	\$25,414.47
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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ENGINEERS ATKINSON FIRE DEPARTMENT

During the year 1956 we were very fortunate not to have any fire loss.

New equipment purchased by the department this year includes 200 ft. of 2½ inch hose, 100 ft. of booster hose, a hydrant gate and a hose clamp. A 1931 Chevrolet was put into commission to add to the efficiency of the department.

A water hole on Willow Vale was added to our water supply to cover upper Maple Ave.

The Department meets the first and third Monday of each month. September through April, and the first Monday of each month, May through August. Moving pictures are shown and instructions on fire fighting are given during the winter months, outside practice drills are held in the summer.

The department responded to eleven calls, two chimney fires, six brush fires, one oil burner fire, and assisted at two fires at Hampstead and Haverhill, Mass.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the members of our dept. and the town's people for their cooperation and support during the year 1956.

Respectfully submitted,

WILBUR R. MOODY,

Chief of the Board of Engineers.

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

During the year 1956 the Police Dept. had an accident free record. New speed signs were erected on Academy Ave. from a thirty-five mile an hour speed zone to a twenty-five mile an hour zone.

The Conley Grove section of Island Pond was inspected for breaking and entering and the cottages were found to be intact. An inspection of these cottages periodically seems to help the situation.

Although juvenile delinquency is up twelve per cent in the United States we were fortunate to have only two such complaints for 1956.

Respectfully submitted,

WILBUR R. MOODY,

Chief.

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Due to the generosity of Dr. Herbert Q. Horne, the town was given a two stall garage which has been placed behind the fire house. A gravel road was made leading to the garage which is being used for storing salt and the town sander, etc.

A section of upper Maple Avenue was sprayed with brush killer.

Willow Vale was made passable by cutting brush and graveling the road. Because of the water hole Willow Vale will be kept plowed winters for fire protection.

Jerico Road was hard-surfaced (black-topped) and drainage completed from the entrance on Salem Rd. to 30 feet beyond Reynolds driveway.

ROADS TO RESURFACE FOR (1957)

Salem Road	0.87 Miles	
Providence Hill Rd.	1.00 Miles	(Not The Hill)
Meditation Lane	1.05 Miles	
Stage Road	0.58 Miles	
Conley Grove Rd.	0.53 Miles	
(One Section of)		
West Side Drive)	0.50 Miles	
Maple Ave.	1.56 Miles	(One Section)

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL W. STEWART,

Highway Agent.

VALUATION

Lands and Buildings	
(Exclusive of Growing Wood and Timber)	\$1,125,060.00
Electric Plants	43,281.00
Horses, Asses and Mules (5)	250.00
Cows (111)	11,100.00
Other Neat Stock (29)	1,450.00
Sheep and Goats (12)	120.00
Fowls (2578)	1,933.50
Portable Mills (1)	500.00
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Total Gross Valuation	\$1,183,694.50
Less Soldiers' Exemptions	59,000.00
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Net Valuation on which Tax Rate is Computed	\$1,124,694.50

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

31 Permits were issued during the year 1956 broken down as follows:

18 Single Family Homes Total Valuation	\$139,000.00
7 Camps Total Valuation	17,500.00
4 Alterations and Additions Total Valuation	3,500.00
Total	<hr/> \$160,000.00

Two trailer permits were issued with the approval of the Selectmen, each for a period of 5 months while new homes were being built.

All permits were issued for approximately two-thirds of the construction cost as approved by the Federal Agency.

A minimum of 4 inspections were made by the inspector on each new construction.

Respectfully submitted,

PHILO A. HUTCHESON

Building Inspector

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Hall Equipment	80.00
Library, Land and Buildings	7,000.00
Police Department	20.00
Library Equipment	2,000.00
Fire Department: Land and Buildings	3,500.00
Equipment	8,000.00
Highway Equipment	1,000.00
Cemeteries	2,000.00

APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED FOR 1956

Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,500.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,100.00
Social Security or Retirement	100.00
Election and Registration Expenses	250.00
Town Hall and Building Maintenance	550.00
Police Department	400.00
Fire Department \$1,850.00—Forest Fires \$150.00	2,000.00
Resurface Tar Roads	3,750.00
Blister Rust and Care of Trees	100.00
Health Department	25.00
Town Dump	400.00
Town Road Aid	181.43
Town Maintenance—Winter	2,000.00
Town Maintenance—Summer	1,400.00
General Expense Highway Department	400.00
Insurance, Town Employees	200.00
Street Lighting	850.00
Cutting Brush	375.00
Library	500.00
Old Age Assistance	2,200.00
Public Relief	2,500.00
Memorial Day	200.00
Parks and Playgrounds	50.00
Aid to Soldiers and their Families	50.00
Cemeteries	475.00
Damage and Legal Expenses	250.00
Willow Vale, Gravel	200.00
Jericho Road Gravel Tar	200.00
Fireman's Fund	400.00
Lawn Mower	125.00
Dump Supervision	300.00
Payment on Debt—Principal \$1,000.00	

Interest \$240.00	1,240.00
County Tax	3,038.53
School Tax	30,290.73

Total Town and School Appropriations	\$57,861.92
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Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits:

Interest and Dividends Tax	\$1,368.26
Yield Tax	60.00
Railroad Tax	6.13
Savings Bank Tax	5.09
Motor Vehicle Permits	3,357.74
Dog Licenses	343.50
Business Licenses and Permits	5.50
Int. on Taxes and Income from Trust Funds	50.00
Cash Surplus	5,049.66

Total Revenues and Credits	\$10,245.88
Plus Overlay	1,717.78

Net Amount to be raised by Taxation	\$49,335.82
Less: 280 Poll Taxes at \$2.00	560.00

Amount to be raised by property taxes	\$48,775.82
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TAXES TO BE COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR:

Property Taxes	\$48,775.82
Poll Taxes	560.00

Total Taxes to be Committed	\$49,335.82
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FINANCIAL STATEMENT*Liabilities*

Due Atkinson School District		
from Appropriation		\$19,290.73
State Head Tax Uncollected	\$115.00	
State Head Tax not remitted to State	95.00	
	<hr/>	\$210.00

Outstanding Notes

Haverhill National Bank		
No. 6 Due Oct. 25, 1957 Fire Truck \$1,000.00 each		
No. 7 Due Oct. 25, 1958		
No. 8 Due Oct. 25, 1959		
No. 9 Due Oct. 25, 1960		4,000.00
Haverhill National Bank		
No. 11 Due July 12, 1957 Roads—\$1,400.00 each		
No. 12 Due July 12, 1958		
No. 13 Due July 12, 1959		
No. 14 Due July 12, 1960		5,600.00
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Total		\$29,100.73

Assets

Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1956		\$20,457.96
Unredeemed Taxes:		
Levy 1954	\$ 1.33	
Levy 1955	429.95	
Levy 1956	1,858.59	
	<hr/>	\$2,289.87
Uncollected:		
Levy 1954	\$15.33	
Levy 1955	6.00	
Levy 1956	568.70	
	<hr/>	\$590.03
State Head Tax:		

Levy 1956	\$115.00	
Previous Years	15.00	
	<hr/>	\$130.00
Joint Highway Construction a/c State of N. H.		\$5,600.00
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Total		\$29,067.86
Excess		32.87
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		\$29,100.73

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH L. SAWYER,

Town Clerk and Treasurer.

REPORT OF HARRY B. TUTTLE

TAX COLLECTOR

Dr.

Levy of 1956:

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$48,775.82
Poll Taxes	560.00

Total Warrant	\$49,335.82
Added Taxes	\$111.80
Interest and Summons Collected	25.46

Total Debits	\$49,473.08
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Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$47,440.39
Poll Taxes	524.00
Interest and Summons Collected	25.46
Abatements	914.53

Uncollected, Dec. 31, 1956:

Property Taxes	532.70
Poll Taxes	36.00
Total Credits	\$49,473.08

Dr.

Levy of 1955:

Uncollected, Jan. 1, 1956:

Property Taxes	\$1,262.62
Poll Taxes	34.00
Yield Taxes	8.40

Supplementary Assessment:

Property Taxes	4.85
Poll Taxes	2.00
Interest and Summons Collected	9.99

Total Debits	\$1,321.86
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Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer :

Property Taxes	\$1,210.27	
Poll Taxes	26.00	
Yield Taxes	8.40	
Interest and Summons Collected	9.99	
Abatements	59.20	
Uncollected, Dec. 31, 1956	8.00	
Total Credits		\$1,321.86

Dr.

Levy of 1954:

Uncollected, Jan. 1, 1956:

Poll Taxes	\$4.00	
Yield Taxes	15.33	
		\$19.33
Summons Collected	.20	
Total Debits		\$19.53

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer :

Poll Taxes	\$2.00	
Summons Collected	.20	
Uncollected, Dec. 31, 1956	17.33	
Total Credits		\$19.53

Dr.

Levy of 1952:

Uncollected, Jan. 1, 1956	\$47.00
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Abated	\$47.00
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Dr.

Levy of 1951 :

Uncollected, Jan. 1, 1956	\$3.00
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Remittance to Treasurer	\$3.00
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State Head Tax

Dr.

Levy of 1956:

Original Warrant	\$1,710.00
Added Taxes	30.00
Penalties Collected	9.50

Total Debits	<u>\$1,749.50</u>
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Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Head Taxes	\$1,600.00	
Penalties	9.50	
Abatements	25.00	
Uncollected, Dec. 31, 1956	115.00	
Total Credits	<u> </u>	\$1,749.50

Dr.

Levy of 1955:

Uncollected, Jan. 1, 1956	\$105.00
Added Taxes During 1956	5.00
Penalties Collected During 1956	6.00

Total Debits	<u>\$116.00</u>
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Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Head Taxes	\$80.00	
Penalties	6.00	
Uncollected, Dec. 31, 1956	20.00	
Abatements	10.00	
Total Credits	<u> </u>	\$116.00

Dr.

Levy of 1954:

Uncollected, Jan. 1, 1956	\$15.00
Penalties Collected	1.00

Total Debits	<u>\$16.00</u>
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	Cr.	
Remittances to Treasurer	\$10.00	
Penalties	1.00	
Uncollected, Dec. 31, 1956	5.00	
Total Credits	<u> </u>	\$16.00

Tax Sales Account

	Dr.		
	1956	1955	1954
Taxes Sold to Town, 1956	\$1,858.59		
Unredeemed, Jan. 1, 1956		\$1,687.03	\$1,515.28
Interest Collected		67.13	187.63
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total Debits	\$1,858.59	\$1,754.16	\$1,702.91
	Cr.		
Remittances to Treas., 1956		\$1,257.08	\$1,468.15
Interest Collected		67.13	187.63
Unredeemed, Dec. 31, 1956	\$1,858.59	429.95	47.13
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total Credits	\$1,858.59	\$1,754.16	\$1,702.91

I hereby certify that the above Tax Lists and Tax Sales Accounts, as of December 31, 1956, are correct according to my best knowledge and belief.

HARRY B. TUTTLE,

Tax Collector.

REPORT OF AUDITORS

This is to certify that we have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Trustees of Trust Funds, Trustees of Todd Poor Fund, Treasurer of Library Trustees for the year ending December 31, 1956, and find them correctly cast with vouchers.

PHILO A. HUTCHESON,

GLADYS R. DYKE,

Auditors.

William C. Todd Fund

Balance on hand December 31, 1956	\$1,181.73
Interest added January 18, 1957	35.71
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Balance on hand as of January 18, 1957	\$1,217.44

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1956		\$22,014.23
Notes, Haverhill National Bank		
Anticipation of Taxes	\$9,942.81	
Auto Permits	3,461.07	
Dog Licenses	367.50	
State of N. H. Highway Dept.	1,209.54	
State of N. H. T.R.A.	181.43	
Tel. Toll	2.40	
Cemetery Lots	20.00	
State of N. H. Sav. Bank Tax	8.54	
State of N. H. R.R. Tax	6.36	
State of N. H. Int. and Div. Tax	2,138.04	
People's Bank Stock	7.00	
Pistol Permits	5.50	
Auction Sale	8.00	
Refund, Ins. Emp.	99.39	
Cancelled Check	6.00	
Election Fees	8.00	
		\$17,471.58
		\$39,485.21

Tax Collector, Harry B. Tuttle:

Poll 1954	\$2.00	
1955	26.00	
1956	524.00	
		\$552.00
Property 1955	\$1,210.27	
1956	47,440.39	
		\$48,650.66
Head 1954	\$10.00	
1955	80.00	
1956	1,600.00	
		\$1,690.00

TOWN OF ATKINSON

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Interest 1955	\$7.59		
1956	12.46		
	<hr/>	\$20.05	
Summons 1954	\$0.20		
1955	2.40		
1956	13.00		
	<hr/>	\$15.60	
Yield 1951	3.00		
1955	8.40		
	<hr/>	\$11.40	
Penalties 1954	\$1.00		
1955	7.00		
1956	8.50		
	<hr/>	\$16.50	
		<hr/>	\$50,956.21
Redeemed Tax Sales:			
1954	\$1,468.15		
1955	1,257.08		
	<hr/>	\$2,725.23	
Interest		254.76	
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			\$53,936.20
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Total			\$93,422.01
Less Selectmen's Orders Paid			72,964.05
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Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1956			\$20,457.96

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH L. SAWYER,
Town Clerk and Treasurer.

DETAILED STATEMENT

Town Officers' Salaries

Philo H. Hutcheson, Auditor	\$24.50
Gladys R. Dyke, Auditor	24.50
Ruth L. Sawyer, Clerk and Treasurer	244.66
Warren E. Kolb, Selectman	171.50
Maurice G. Luce, Selectman	171.28
George W. White, Selectman	343.00
Harry B. Tuttle, Tax Collector	534.71

\$1,514.15

Town Officers' Expenses

Ruth L. Sawyer, Town Clerk and Treasurer, Auto Permits and Taxes	\$216.07
Ernest R. Scott, Expense	12.80
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., Phones	55.22
Stanley Snow, Cover, Town Report	35.00
Branham Publishing Co., Auto Book	4.20
Association of N. H. Assessors, Dues	3.00
Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co., Service Academy	2.40
Philo H. Hutcheson, Expense	.60
Wheeler & Clark, Dog Tags, Record Book	14.83
Record Press, Town Reports	445.00
Daniel Stewart, Moving Garage	86.93
Daniel Stewart, Resetting Garage	38.40
Daniel Stewart, Road to Garage	87.02
George W. White, Toll Calls	7.55
Donald Nye, Stamps	5.00
Maurice G. Luce, Tax Meeting, Exeter	7.50
Harry B. Tuttle, Tax Meeting, Exeter	7.50
George W. White, Tax Meeting, Exeter	7.50
Warren E. Kolb, Tax Meeting, Use of Car	10.00
Haverhill Gazette, Ad for Auction	2.40
Edmund C. Little Co., Supplies	.85

Daniel Stewart, Highway Meeting	10.00
Edson C. Eastman, Supplies	10.66
Arthur H. Sawyer, Accident Ins., Selectmen's Office	10.00
Edmund C. Little Co., Supplies	.85
N. H. Tax Collectors' Association, Dues	3.00
N. H. Clerks' Association, Dues	2.00
George W. White, Use of Car Assessing, Trip to Brentwood	40.00
D. L. Garrison, Truck Guide	7.50
Wallace E. Card, Insurance	5.00
State of N. H., Auditing Town Books	150.48
Sargent Bros., Printing Tax Bills	12.70
State Tax Commission, Tax Book Laws	5.00
Edson C. Eastman, Payment Sheets	4.10
Richard Rockwell, Care of Flag	25.00
George W. White, Trips to Concord, Portsmouth, Brentwood	18.00
Haverhill National Bank, Bank Charge	2.52
George W. White, Tax Meeting, Plymouth, 2 Days, Car	20.00
Maurice G. Luce, Tax Meeting, 2 Days	17.60
John W. A. Green, Recording and Copying Deeds	22.40
Harry B. Tuttle, Supplies	1.00
George W. White, Trip to Concord	10.00
Ruth L. Sawyer, Expense, Banking, Supplies	12.73
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	\$1,474.72

Election and Registration

Flora Currier, Ballot Clerk	14.70
Record Publishing Co., Ballots	17.70
Harry B. Tuttle, Moderator	17.64
New Check Lists	70.00
Gladys Wood, Ballot Clerk	14.70
Ethlyn McKenna, Supervisor Check Lists	14.70
Henry L. Nye, Ballot Clerk	9.80
Etta L. Nye, Ballot Clerk	9.80
Mildred V. Illsley, Supervisor Check Lists	14.70
Eugene Currier, Ballot Clerk	1.96
Abbie George, Ballot Clerk	1.96

Daniel Stewart, Ballot Clerk	1.96
Leroy D. Barnum, Acting Moderator	2.94
Margaret E. Wood, Ballot Clerk	1.96
Robert Hotchkiss, Supervisor Check Lists	24.50

\$219.02

Police Department

Malcolm Noyes, Services, Mileage	\$143.13
Warren Kolb, Services	10.29
Gerard Griffin, M.D.	14.60
Wendell P. Clair, M.D.	10.00
Wilfred Senter, Services	10.29
Smith's Fire Equipment, Supplies	55.90
Wilbur Moody, Services, Mileage	154.02
Kenneth Hurteau, Services, Mileage	121.45

\$519.68

Dog Officer

Wilbur Moody, Services	\$35.00
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Vital Statistics

Ruth L. Sawyer	\$16.75
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Insurance of Town Employees

Arthur H. Sawyer	\$192.10
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Fire Department

K. H. Duston, Fuel, Fire House	\$165.20
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., Red Network Phones	270.22
Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co., Service	46.56
Church's Service Station, Gas, Supplies	60.21
Regan Motor Co., Repairs, Parts	23.74
Ernest Merrick, Repairs on Equipment	171.35
Smith's Fire Equip., New Hose, Supplies	464.11
Senter's Auto Supply, Supplies	76.15
Kenneth Hurteau, Salray, Tires, Supplies	164.27
Mass. Bonding Co., Ins., Fire Dept.	184.50
Kinney's Garage, Repairing Equipment	13.30
Haverhill Plating Co., Replating Nozzle	8.00
John D. Osgood, Inc., Light Fixture	1.16

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J. H. Smith, Supplies	17.02
Daniel Stewart, Hot-top and Guard Rails	94.10
Robert Bailey, Labor and Material	17.20
Arthur H. Sawyer, Insurance, Fire House	25.20
Clifford Sawyer, Insurance on Equipment	81.85
Haverhill Rubber Co., Ice Chisel	5.00

 \$1,889.14
Town Dump

Armstrong Const. Co., Pushing over Dump	\$52.00
Daniel Stewart, Care of Dump, etc.	104.30
Edna Wright, Rent of Land	150.00
Portors Bros., Sign for Dump	4.50
Essex Sign Co., Painting Sign	7.50
Robert Kachanian, Gravel, Pushing Dump	18.00
Harold's Locksmith Shop, Lock and Equipment	5.65
Haverhill Hardware Co., Supplies	6.49
J. H. Smith, Inc., Supplies	17.00

 \$365.44
Summer Maintenance

Daniel Stewart, Pay Rolls	\$1,046.12
Rock Asphalt Corp., Oil, Hot-top	278.18
Haverhill Hardware, Spikes	7.00
Elmer Salsman, Removing Curve, South End	64.00

 \$1,395.30
Winter Maintenance

Daniel Stewart, Pay Rolls	\$4,227.16
J. H. Smith, Salt	500.00
G. Wilton Dias, Salt	144.00
Kinney's Garage, Repairs, Parts	42.25
Perkins & Milton, Parts for Sander	4.04

 \$4,917.45
General Expenses of Highway Department

Haverhill Hardware, Supplies	\$19.11
Kinney's Garage, Repairing Equip., Parts	203.40

Perkins & Milton, Motor for Sander	71.01
Portors Bros., Bolts for and Repairing Snow Plow	19.50
Wood Engineering Co., Light	15.50
Morrow's Motor Shop, Supplies	9.45
Ray Road Equip. Co., Cutting Edges and Bolts	138.74

\$476.71

Public Relief

Mrs. Olive E. Roxbury, Board and Care	\$241.50
Dorothy M. Scott, Board and Care	166.80
Hale Hospital, Board and Treatment	225.90
Village Store, Groceries and Supplies	226.12
K. H. Duston, Fuel	56.45
George W. Hilton, Surplus Foods	175.31
City of Haverhill, Ambulance Service	10.00
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., Phone Service	30.39
Pentucket Shoe, Merchandise	6.95
Enterprise Stores, Merchandise	9.27

\$1,158.67

Memorial Day

Gift for Speaker	\$15.00
Flora Currier, Wreaths	50.00
Felt Crafters, Flags	21.00
General Ice Cream Co., Ice Cream	9.60
School Band	85.00
Village Store, Tonic	6.72

\$187.32

Cemeteries

Daniel Stewart, Pay Rolls	\$376.49
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Dog Damage and Legal Expenses

Perkins & Holland, Legal Advice	\$10.00
Frank A. Batchelder, Legal Advice	15.00

\$25.00

Taxes Bought by Town

Harry B. Tuttle, Tax Collector	\$1,858.59
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Discounts and Abatements

Eleanor Duvall	\$26.00
Albert Brooks	10.40

 \$36.40
Dump Supervision

Wilbur Moody, Services	\$80.00
Kenneth Hurteau, Services	58.80

 \$138.80
Libraries

Library Trustees, as noted	\$500.00
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Old Age Assistance

Treasurer, State of N. H.	\$2,002.20
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County Tax

Winston H. Lothrop	\$3,038.53
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Head Tax

Treasurer, State of N. H.	\$1,717.00
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Aid to Soldiers and Families

D. D. Chase Lumber Co., Supplies	\$26.16
Haverhill Lumber Co., Supplies	31.40

 \$57.56
Parks and Playgrounds

Daniel Stewart, Pay Rolls	\$41.66
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Interest

Haverhill National Bank,	
Int. on Five Notes (Highway)	
From May 12, 1955 to July 12, 1956	\$163.75
Int. on Five Notes (Fire Truck)	100.00

 \$263.75
Loans

Haverhill National Bank,	
Anticipation of Taxes	\$10,000.00

Fire Truck	1,000.00
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<i>Elm Tree Removal</i>	\$11,000.00
Walter Weeks, Labor	\$96.04
<i>Street Lighting</i>	
Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co.	\$836.11
<i>Schools</i>	
Atkinson School District	\$28,973.58
<i>Cutting Brush</i>	
Daniel Stewart, Pay Rolls	\$282.24
Rockingham Tree Service	65.00
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	\$347.24
<i>Resurface Tar Roads</i>	
Daniel Stewart, Pay Rolls	\$1,172.84
Rock Asphalt Corp., Oil for Roads	2,331.16
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	\$3,504.00
<i>Social Security</i>	
Treasurer, State of N. H.	\$163.47
<i>Town Hall</i>	
Atkinson Grange Committee	\$550.00
<i>Special Appropriations</i>	
Willow Vale, Gravel, Cut Brush	\$223.00
Jericho Road, Tar and Gravel	224.00
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	\$447.00
<i>Lawn Mower</i>	
Morrow's Boat Shop	\$125.00
<i>Firemen's Fund</i>	
Reimbursement, as voted	\$400.00

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF ATKINSON, N. H., ON DECEMBER 31, 1956

TRUST FUNDS—PURPOSE OF CREATION		HOW INVESTED		Amount of Principal	Balance of Income Beginning of Year	Rate of Interest	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance of Income End of Year
Date of Creation	These Funds are all Cemetery Funds								
1912 Aug. 1	Caroline Upton Cemetery Fund	133944							
	Donor, Caroline Upton		Manchester Sav. Bank	\$100.00	\$1.22	3	\$3.30	\$3.50	\$1.02
1912 Oct. 16	Mary M. Tolman Cemetery Fund	134649							
	Donor, Mary M. Tolman		Manchester Sav. Bank	100.00	41.25	3	4.61	8.00	37.86
1927 June 30	Susan E. Page Cemetery Fund	147260							
	Donor, Susan E. Page		Manchester Sav. Bank	400.00	7.96	3	13.34	12.50	8.80
1930 July 7	Moses B. Stevens Cemetery Fund	156040							
	Donors, Frank E. Emerson, Minnie E. Emerson		Manchester Sav. Bank	200.00	7.69	3	6.79	6.50	7.98
1941 May 5	Tilton and Gentis Cemetery Fund	181108							
	Donors, Susie Freke and Kenneth Gentis		Manchester Sav. Bank	150.00	6.09	3	5.11	6.00	5.20
1944 May 22	Samuel Smith Cemetery Fund	186539							
	Donor, Estate Mary Brennan		Manchester Sav. Bank	100.00	1.22	3	3.30	3.50	1.02
1949 Feb. 7	Ada Whittaker Cemetery Fund	197649							
	Donor, Ada Whittaker		Manchester Sav. Bank	150.00	3.98	3	5.03	5.00	4.01

1949	Mar. 15	Carlisle B. Mason Cemetery Fund Donor, Carlisle B. Mason	197781 Manchester Sav. Bank	160.00	4.50	3	5.38	6.00	3.88
1949	Mar. 22	James P. Lucy Cemetery Fund Donor Gladys M. Lucy	197843 Manchester Sav. Bank	150.00	3.98	3	5.03	5.50	3.51
1949	May 27	Edgar F. Shannon Cemetery Fund Donor, Estate Edgar F. Shannon	198104 Manchester Sav. Bank	100.00	1.17	3	3.30	3.25	1.22
1950	Jan. 30	Minna F. Weeks Cemetery Fund Donor, Minna F. Weeks	199230 Manchester Sav. Bank	200.00	1.05	3	6.59	7.00	.64
1956	Oct. 22	C. T. and May Tuthill Cemetery Fund Donor, Margaret Tuthill	211040 Manchester Sav. Bank	100.00	—	3	.54	—	.54
1904	July 14	William C. Todd Cemetery Fund Donor, William C. Todd	154013 Amoskeag Sav. Bank	250.00	262.98	3	16.79	27.00	252.77
1908	Mar. 16	Sarah E. Knight Cemetery Fund Donor, Sarah E. Knight	154743 Amoskeag Sav. Bank	100.00	67.64	3	5.47	12.00	61.11
1928	Nov. 27	William B. Thomas Cemetery Fund Donor, William B. Thomas	172937 Amoskeag Sav. Bank	100.00	7.46	3	3.51	6.50	4.47
1934	Jan. 29	Elizabeth C. Clark Cemetery Fund Donor, Susan M. Clark	200115 Amoskeag Sav. Bank	1,000.00	125.59	3	36.85	37.00	125.44
1933	May 14	Paul and Elizabeth Heald Cemetery Fund, Donor, John Heald	206282 Amoskeag Sav. Bank	200.00	41.12	3	7.90	10.00	39.02
1935	Dec. 16	Mary G. Marble Cemetery Fund Donor, Lawrence Y. W. C. A.	208725 Amoskeag Sav. Bank	200.00	41.84	3	7.90	10.00	39.74
1936	Sept. 24	J. M. Goodrich Cemetery Fund Donor, J. M. Goodrich	211807 Amoskeag Sav. Bank	150.00	11.43	3	5.29	7.00	9.72

1937	June 1	Sawyer and Cross Cemetery Fund Donors, Arthur H. Sawyer, Clifford Sawyer, E. E. Sawyer, Mary Cross, Herbert N. Sawyer	214673 Amoskeag Sav. Bank	200.00	1.83	3	6.60	6.00	2.43
1938	May 16	D. E. and Cora I. Bartlett Cemetery Fund, Donor, Cora I. Bartlett	218418 Amoskeag Sav. Bank	200.00	2.52	3	6.61	6.50	2.63
1939	Aug. 19	Emma F. Greenough Cemetery Fund Donor, Emma F. Greenough	223118 Amoskeag Sav. Bank	100.00	.78	3	3.29	3.25	.82
1943	May 17	Geo. M. Wason Cemetery Fund Donor, Geo. M. Wason	235275 Amoskeag Sav. Bank	300.00	19.24	3	10.45	11.00	18.69
1946	May 25	George P. Dow Cemetery Fund Donor, Dr. Farley	247642 Amoskeag Sav. Bank	500.00	17.69	3	16.95	25.00	9.64
1946	Sept. 3	Cyrus Dinsmore Cemetery Fund Donor, Cyrus Dinsmore	248859 Amoskeag Sav. Bank	300.00	11.84	3	10.19	10.50	11.53
1947	July 28	Ida M. Perkins Cemetery Fund, Donor, Ida M. Perkins	252415 Amoskeag Sav. Bank	100.00	.80	3	3.29	3.25	.84
1952	Mar. 1	Paul A. Rich Cemetery Fund Donor, Paul A. Rich	269385 Amoskeag Sav. Bank	100.00	3.58	3	3.38	3.25	3.71
1952	May 23	Greenleaf Clarke Cemetery Fund Donor, Mrs. Asher Arnold	1 Share Am. Tel. & Tel. Co. Div. 273062 Amoskeag Sav. Bank	—	15.78	3	16.23	10.00	22.01
				\$5,710.00	\$712.23		\$223.02	\$255.00	\$680.25

ARTHUR H. SAWYER
BENJAMIN C. WOOD
HELEN F. BRADLEY

Trustees

VITAL STATISTICS

Births

January 3, 1956. Keith Douglas Reynolds, son of Meredith E. Reynolds and Helen C. (Johnson) Reynolds.

February 2, 1956. John Philip Consentino, son of Albert B. Consentino and Gloria (Leveille) Consentino.

February 19, 1956. David Alan Nye, son of Francis E. Nye and Mary (Sweeney) Nye.

May 3, 1956. Amy Lynne Wright, daughter of George E. Wright and Grace M. (Chase) Wright.

May 6, 1956. Jane Marie Bradley, daughter of Norris A. Bradley and Sylvia M. (Lewis) Bradley.

June 11, 1956. Susan Johnston Mallen, daughter of Charles A. Mallen and Mildred (Johnston) Mallen.

June 27, 1956. William Malcolm MacDonald, son of Allister F. MacDonald and Martha E. (Glynn) MacDonald.

July 3, 1956. Patricia Ann Noyes, daughter of William F. Noyes and Marie A. P. (Dube) Noyes.

July 10, 1956. Susan Dale Moore, daughter of Herbert J. Moore and Ann (Clement) Moore.

July 14, 1956. Glenda Lee White, daughter of Millard B. White and Mildred (Carrow) White.

July 17, 1956. Keith Sterlino Hollenbeck, son of John A. Hollenbeck and Blossom L. (Batchelder) Hollenbeck.

September 12, 1956. Alexander Robert Stewart, son of Daniel W. Stewart and Betty A. (Killey) Stewart.

October 13, 1956. Debbie Lee Devlin, daughter of Frank E. Devlin and Thelma M. (Platt) Devlin.

Marriages

May 2, 1956. John E. Stone and Elvira S. Miles, both of Marlboro, Mass. Married by Rev. T. D. Hadley.

June 12, 1956. Richard A. Barnes of Atkinson and Helen P. Barnes of Kensington, N. H. Married by Rev. Stanley White.

July 14, 1956. Elmer R. Davis of Bradford, Mass. and Margaret M. Flaherty of Haverhill, Mass. Married by Rev. T. D. Hadley.

September 24, 1956. Donald L. Soini and Carmella M. Duratti both of Peabody, Mass. Married by Rev. T. D. Hadley.

December 23, 1956. Frank E. Bouchard and Miriam E. Miller both of Atkinson, N. H. Married by Rev. T. D. Hadley.

Deaths

January 23, 1956. Isabel Harrop at Brookline. Parents: Charles W. Bradley and Anne (Sullivan) Bradley.

March 3, 1956. William H. Albree at Haverhill. Parents: John D. Albree and Helen (Beverstock) Albree.

March 22, 1956. Anna Daigneault at Lawrence. Parents: David St. Pierre and Darie (Ouellette) St. Pierre.

March 26, 1956. Charles F. Banks at Hampstead. Parents: Benjamin Banks and Elizabeth G. Banks.

August 8, 1956. Charles J. Tuthill at Plaistow. Parents: James H. Tuthill and Delight A. (Randall) Tuthill.

September 22, 1956. Ethel B. Eno at Haverhill. Parents: Russell M. Barker and Lucinda (Elliott) Barker.

October 7, 1956. John S. Bies at Atkinson. Parents: John H. Bies and Dorothea (Dense) Bies.

October 20, 1956. Infant Radulski at Haverhill. Parents: Edward Radulski and Blanche (Zembra) Radulski.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE KIMBALL PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Library Trustees feel they have completed an active and successful year. During this time, it has been our single desire to have the people of Atkinson take an increased interest in their Library. We have therefore tried all in our power to help them develop the Library as a growing source of Information and Enjoyable Reading, and as an attractive Building of which they could be justly proud.

It was consequently very gratifying to have had the Atkinson Garden Club sponsor an Arbor Day planting of white Birch trees by the 4H Group, on the grounds of the Library; and the Atkinson Woman's Club appoint a Committee to purchase books for a Club Book Shelf. There is also growing interest, within the Garden Club, in planting a living Christmas Tree on the front lawn of the Library. This indeed is active interest.

The Trustees attended a Governor's Conference in Concord in early May, and a meeting of Trustees and Librarians in Hampstead during the same month. It is very evident to us at these meetings that we compare very favorably with other Libraries in towns of our size. However, it is interesting to note that all the Libraries are concerned with the same thing — namely — the increase of Town cooperation and patronage. The Kimball Library Trustees are most happy to announce a definite increase this year.

The Trustees joined other town groups in setting up a display at the Atkinson Fair in August. The theme was of a "Wide World" nature, with Book Jackets displayed to show the Geographical Background of each in conjunction with the Globe. We hope you enjoyed the "Library Corner" at the Fair.

The Fiction and Non-fiction shelves for Adults and Children of all ages have been extended periodically throughout the year with fresh and inspiring reading material. Many of the new Titles have been on our shelves before they were available at local book

shops. The Reference Library shows a steady and continuous growth. The State Bookmobile makes its regular stops every few months and is very generous with its supply of lending material.

The Library Building has been much improved in the last few years with the acquisition of a bathroom and central heating system. The Library room is always kept comfortably warm during open hours. The Board has recently completed arrangements to have the present electric fixtures, in this room, replaced with new silver bowl reflector fixtures, which we feel will be a great improvement over the old, very inadequate system. The walls and ceiling are being painted, and the Trustees have purchased, with money from their Gift Fund, attractive Drapes for the windows. There are still plans for additional shelves and study areas with appropriate furniture to make the Library an inviting and comfortable place to visit and in which to work. Our Youth of today has much to learn and we hope to place at their disposal every necessary source of information, current as well as past, in pleasant and accessible form.

The Trustees feel that the only unsolved problem which faced them this past year was that of the inadequate water supply at the Library. It is a problem which seemed to be getting greater each year. However, the Trustees met with their neighbors the Fire Dept. and, with the help of the Board of Selectmen, have come up with a very satisfactory solution. This proposal has been inserted in the Town Warrant as an article we fervently hope will be acted upon affirmatively by the Town.

The Board of Trustees and the Library staff, Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds have worked together in complete harmony and increased friendship. It is indeed a pleasure to serve a Town Office and derive from it not just gratification in service well-done, but a sense of warm neighborliness as well. We extend our thanks to all who have made this successful year possible.

Respectfully submitted,

ANITA H. HAMILTON, *Chairman*

MARJORIE P. BARNUM, *Treasurer*

BEATRICE MCGREGOR, *Secretary*

Trustees.

KIMBALL PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Kimball Public Library Trustees received from the Town, \$500.00. It was deposited in Merrimack National Bank on May 4th and July 30th, \$250.00 on each date. On November 16th we received from the Atkinson Women's Club, \$21.69 for books of local interest. Our balance in the bank on March 13th, was \$3.25. Our total balance received and deposited was \$524.94. Expenditures for 1956 were as follows:

May 11	Campbell & Hall, Inc., Books	\$41.28
May 31	Elgin E. Reynolds, Part-payment, furnace	100.00
June 25	American Library Association, Booklists	6.00
Aug. 17	Campbell & Hall, Inc., Books	157.03
Nov. 1	Mitchell & Co., Books	12.15
Nov. 1	First Church of Christ Scientist, Haverhill, Bookcases	5.00
Nov. 1	Warren H. Ells, Repairs	4.50
Dec. 11	Campbell & Hall, Inc., Books	85.57
Dec. 31	Campbell & Hall, Inc., Books	26.00
Dec. 31	J. Russell Colcord, Electrical Work	40.00
Dec. 31	Elgin E. Reynolds, Renovations	40.00
Dec. 31	Service Charges on Checking Account	3.04

Total	\$520.57
Balance	\$4.37

On February 29th, the Gift Fund was deposited in the Haverhill Savings Bank.	\$188.63
Interest	3.31
Balance	\$191.94

Marjorie P. Barnum,

Treasurer.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

To the Trustees of the Kimball Public Library:

The work in the library has continued as in the past, for the interest of the townspeople.

I have tried very hard to meet all requests and through the cooperation and excellent service given at the State Library we are nearly always able to do this. The Bookmobile has made regular visits and left a wide selection of supplemental reading.

Our informative materials on New Hampshire have been limited for many years, however, the Women's Club generously gave \$25.00 for this purpose and we now have several more copies of New Hampshire materials.

We also have had several individual donors of books and magazines this year; Mrs. Hadyn Brown, Mrs. George Rollins, Miss Marilyn MacEwen and Jonathan Osgood. These were greatly appreciated.

The library hours have remained as in the past, Tuesday 7-9 P. M., Saturday, 2-5 P. M.

Please come and use your library.

I acknowledge with sincere appreciation the cooperation the Trustees have given me again this year.

Respectfully submitted,

BEATRICE E. REYNOLDS,

Librarian.

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

SCHOOL BOARD

of the

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF ATKINSON

NEW HAMPSHIRE

OFFICERS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF ATKINSON

Board of Education

Name	Term Expires
Martin M. Feuer, Chairman	1957
Kenneth H. Hurteau	1958
David Rockwell	1959
Harry B. Tuttle (elected annually)	Moderator
Malcolm C. Noyes (elected annually)	District Clerk
L. Edna Wright (elected annually)	District Treasurer
Gladys Dyke (elected annually)	District Auditor
Philo A. Hutcheson (elected annually)	District Auditor
Malcolm C. Noyes (appointed)	Truant Officer
Mrs. Wanda Kolb (appointed)	School Census Taker
Wendell V. Davis	Superintendent of Schools

SCHOOL WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of Atkinson
qualified to vote in district affairs:*

You are hereby notified to meet at the Grange Hall in said district on the fourteenth day of March, 1957, at 7:30 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 agent 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 what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of the 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 foundation aid 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 authorize the school board to make application for and to receive, in the name of the district, such advances, grants-in-aid or other funds for educational purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from Federal, State, local or private agencies.

10. To see if the district will raise and appropriate six hundred and thirty dollars (\$630) to increase the total insurance coverage of the two schools from \$35,000 to \$69,000.

11. To see if the district will authorize the school board to apply against current expenditures for the 1956-57 school year, an amount not to exceed eight hundred dollars (\$800) of unanticipated income.

12. To see if the district will vote to transfer the one-room school building and property on Academy Avenue, to the town.

13. To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75 (seventy-five dollars) to increase the school board salaries to:

Chairman \$125 (one hundred and twenty-five dollars)

Member \$100 (one hundred dollars)

Member \$100 (one hundred dollars)

14. By petition, to see if the Atkinson School District will vote to petition the State Board of Education, to become a part of a Cooperative School District for the education of the Secondary School Children (7-12) with other districts in the area including the districts of Brentwood, Newton Plaistow, Danville, Kingston, Hampstead, or any two of the districts in addition to the School District of Atkinson.

15. By petition, if the preceding article is adopted, to see if the district will elect two (2) representatives to serve on an interim committee who shall prepare a financial budget for the operation of the proposed Cooperative School District, and include in the organization warrant an article calling for an appropriation for the proposed Cooperative School District during the first year and such other items of business as needs to be acted upon at the organization meeting.

16. To transact any further business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands at said Atkinson this fourteenth day of February, 1957.

MARTIN M. FEUER

KENNETH H. HURTEAU

DAVID J. ROCKWELL

School Board.

The Polls will be open to vote for District Officers from 7:30 to 8:30 P.M. The other articles of the Warrant will be taken up at 8:30 o'clock.

FINANCIAL REPORT

of the Atkinson School District for the Fiscal Year beginning
July 1, 1955, and ending June 30, 1956.

 CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Section 24 of Chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes Annotated, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

J. A. OSGOOD,

Superintendent.

MARTIN M. FEUER

KENNETH H. HURTEAU

DAVID ROCKWELL

July 9, 1956

School Board.

 RECEIPTS

Federal Aid:

National School Lunch and Special Milk	\$244.27
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State Aid:

Foundation Aid	1,705.31
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Local Taxation

Current Appropriation	31,473.58
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Total Net Receipts from All Sources	\$33,423.16
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Cash on hand at beginning of year, July 1, 1955

General Fund	\$805.67
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Grand Total Net Receipts	\$34,228.83
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REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

for the

Fiscal Year July 1, 1955 to June 30, 1956

SUMMARY

Cash on hand, July 1, 1955	
(Treasurer's bank balance)	\$805.67
Received from Selectmen:	
Current Appropriation	\$31,473.58
Received from State Treasurer:	
State Funds	1,705.31
Federal Funds	244.27
Total Receipts	<hr/> \$33,423.16
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year	
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(Balance and Receipts)	\$34,228.83
Less School Board Orders Paid	31,084.95
Balance on hand June 30, 1956	
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(Treasurer's bank balance)	\$3,143.88
July 6, 1956	

L. EDNA WRIGHT,

District Treasurer.

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Atkinson, New Hampshire, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, and find them correct in all respects.

PHILO A. HUTCHESON,

GLADYS R. DYKE,

August 2, 1956

Auditors.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

1955 - 1956

Salaries of District Officers

Kingdon Hamilton, Chairman of School Board	\$125.00	
Martin Feuer, School Board Member	100.00	
Kenneth Hurteau, School Board Member	100.00	
Edna Wright, Treasurer	30.00	
Harry B. Tuttle, Moderator	5.00	
Malcolm Noyes, Clerk	5.00	
Philo Hutcheson, Auditor	5.00	
Gladys Dyke, Auditor	5.00	
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		\$375.00

Superintendent's Salary

Supervisory Union No. 55	\$265.50
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Tax for State Supervision

Treasurer, State of New Hampshire	\$216.00
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Salaries of Administrative Personnel

Malcolm Noyes, Truant Officer	\$20.00	
Wanda Kolb, Census Taker	25.00	
Supervisory Union No. 55, secretarial salaries	195.00	
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		\$240.00

Supplies and Other Expenses

American Education Publications	\$2.00	
American School Board Journal, magazines	15.00	
D. J. Casey Paper Co., Inc., stationery items	3.15	
New Hampshire School Boards Ass'n., dues	10.00	
Rush-A-Service, printing ballots	21.85	
Supervisory Union No. 55, office expenses, travel, etc.	162.50	
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		\$214.50

Principals' and Teachers' Salaries

Pauline Anderson (\$2,750.00)*	\$2,011.30	
Esther Clark	26.90	
Olive Clark	8.15	
Mary Gumb	19.30	
Frances M. Libby (\$2,750.00)*	2,027.00	
Herbert Millbury	24.45	
Ida E. White (\$2,700.00)*	1,943.10	
Charles Yeaton (\$3,300.00)*	2,569.10	
Merrimack National Bank, tax	1,873.60	
National Education Ass'n., dues	20.00	
New Hampshire Education Ass'n. dues	24.00	
New Hampshire Teachers' Retirement Sys.	902.50	
N. H. - Vt. Hospitalization Service	30.60	
Plaistow, Hampstead, Atkinson and Newton Teachers' Association, dues	4.00	
Supervisory Union No. 55, music supervisor and helping teacher	342.72	
	<hr/>	\$11,826.72

*Contracted Salary

Books and Other Instructional Aids

Allyn and Bacon, Inc.	\$31.20	
Campbell & Hall, Inc.	2.60	
Follett Publishing Company	144.11	
Houghton Mifflin Co.	9.08	
The Macmillan Co.	5.20	
James Millard, Jr.	3.16	
National Education Association	3.60	
Scott Foresman & Company	134.72	
Silver Burdett Company	13.05	
The Sugar Ball Press	32.47	
Supervisory Union No. 55, books purchased and distributed by office	20.18	
The John C. Winston Company	22.04	
Wm. H. Wise & Co., Inc.	4.72	
	<hr/>	\$426.13

Scholars' Supplies

American Book Company	\$16.17
American Education Publications	14.50

The Bond Tobacco Company, tissues	9.00	
Casey Press, Printers, report cards	5.50	
Follett Publishing Company	6.99	
J. L. Hammett Company	6.34	
Houghton Mifflin Co.	21.40	
National School Methods, Inc., class record books	4.20	
Milton Bradley Company	112.50	
Scott, Foresman and Company	78.47	
Supervisory Union No. 55, workbooks and pamphlets	33.60	
	<hr/>	\$308.67

Salaries of Clerical Assistants

Supervisory Union No. 55	\$100.00
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Other Instructional Expenses

F. E. Compton & Company	\$122.07	
Arthur C. Croft Publications	3.80	
J. L. Hammett Company	3.43	
Charles Homeyer & Co., Inc.	5.56	
Houghton Mifflin Co.	1.10	
Milton Bradley Company	5.40	
Moore-Cottrell Subscription Agencies	12.05	
New England Tel. & Tel.	80.46	
News Map of the Week	19.75	
Ralph Owens	2.00	
Simon & Shuster, Inc.	6.18	
Supervisory Union No. 55, share of travel expense and tests	182.84	
University of New Hampshire	6.50	
Wood Press	24.00	
World Almanac	1.10	
World Book Company, Tests	2.21	
	<hr/>	\$478.45

Salaries of Janitors

Richard Huntress	\$648.00	
Supervisory Union No. 55	9.81	
	<hr/>	\$657.81

Fuel or Heat

K. H. Duston	\$635.56
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Light and Janitor's Supplies

Dep Chemical Co., Inc., floor brushes	\$11.00
Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co., light service	561.24
Haverhill Hardware	2.38
Hillyard Sales Co., wax	56.25
Masury-Young Company, floor materials	85.79
Milton Bradley Company, toilet paper, misc. brushes, etc.	38.20
John D. Osgood, Inc., light bulbs	9.12
Plaistow School District, floor wax	3.35
Waxine Company, sweeping compound	10.80
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	\$778.13

Repairs and Replacements

J. Russell Colcord	\$3.00
Demers Plate Glass Company	7.05
Herbert L. Gebow	250.00
Haverhill Hardware	18.08
C. Henry Lenz	16.75
Letoile Roofing Company	224.82
Rudolph J. McGirr	104.35
New Hampshire Dept. of Agriculture	1.00
New Hampshire Supply Company	10.23
Smith's Fire Equipment Company	6.35
Supervisory Union No. 55, minor repairs and expenses	31.86
H. E. Tuck & Son	18.35
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	\$691.84

Health Supervision

Bigelow & Bradeen, first aid	\$15.30
Raymond E. Moore, M. D.	50.00
Supervisory Union No. 55, nurse's salary and travel	444.80
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	\$510.10

Transportation

Robert Hotchkiss	\$2,148.40
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Tuition

City of Haverhill	\$4,889.28	
Salem School District	500.00	
Sanborn Seminary	1,649.00	
	<hr/>	\$7,038.28

Other Special Activities

Haverhill Rubber Company	\$41.35	
J. L. Hammett Co.	10.13	
Atkinson School Milk Fund	244.27	
	<hr/>	\$295.75

State Retirement

New Hampshire Teacher Retirement Sys.	\$784.30	
Supervisory Union No. 55	70.83	
	<hr/>	\$855.13

Insurance, Bonds and Expenses

Arthur H. Sawyer	\$126.83	
Supervisory Union No. 55, share of rent—office	49.56	
	<hr/>	\$176.39

New Equipment

Bob's Garage	\$15.31	
Wayne Graffan	21.27	
Haverhill Hardware	6.23	
Milton Bradley Company	10.00	
Paris Manufacturing Company	82.76	
Standard Duplicating Machines	166.25	
Supervisory Union No. 55, share of office equipment	30.77	
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire	14.00	
	<hr/>	\$346.59

Payments of Principal of Debt

First National Bank of Boston	\$2,000.00
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Payments of Interest on Debt

First National Bank of Boston	\$500.00
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Grand Total	<hr/>	\$31,084.95
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SCHOOL YEAR 1956 - 1957

	'Share of Superintendent's Salary	Helping Share of Teacher's Salary
Atkinson	\$223.20	\$112.06
Hampstead	370.65	161.35
Newton	321.37	186.08
Plaistow	685.40	344.11
Salem	2,076.42	1,042.48
State of New Hampshire*	2,500.00	2,500.00
	<hr/> \$6,177.04**	<hr/> \$4,346.08***

* From Per Capita Tax Funds

** Jonathan Osgood, July 1, 1956, to August 31, 1956.
Robert W. Dolph (Acting) September 1, 1956, to September 30, 1956.
Wendell V. Davis, October 1, 1956 to June 30, 1957.

*** Robert W. Dolph, 11 months only.

BUDGET WORK SHEET

This is a presentation of the budget work sheet upon which your School Board is operating during 1956-57 and their proposed expenses for the year 1957-58. It must be taken into consideration that monies appropriated in the month of March, to be used the following year do not necessarily correspond in individual items, because of the impossibility of projecting the rising price indexes twelve months hence.

THE ATKINSON SCHOOL BOARD

ADMINISTRATION

	Expended 1955-56	Approp. 1956-57	Proposed 1957-58
1. Salaries of District Officers	\$375.00	\$320.00	\$320.00
2. Superintendent's Salary	265.50	303.50	233.20
3. Tax for State Supervision	216.00	252.00	272.00
4. Salaries of Adm. Personnel	240.00	272.78	312.29
5. Supplies and Other Expenses	214.50	214.30	244.99

INSTRUCTION

6. Salaries of Teachers and Principals	11,826.72	16,391.10	18,058.75
7. Books and Other Instructional Aids	426.13	436.40	507.80
8. Scholars' Supplies	308.67	400.00	600.00
9. Salaries of Clerical Assistants	100.00	100.00	100.00
10. Other Instructional Expenses	478.45	448.78	667.05

OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT

11. Salaries of Custodians	657.81	1,059.49	1,269.68
12. Fuel or Heat	635.56	1,000.00	1,450.00
13. Light Service	561.24	700.00	950.00
13a. Custodial Supplies	216.89	150.00	200.00

MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT

14. Repairs and Replacements 691.84 230.00 1,167.33

AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES

15. Health Supervision 510.10 592.66 607.75

16. Transportation 2,148.40 2,500.00 2,300.00

17. Tuition 7,038.28 10,500.00 14,000.00

18. Special Fund Activities 51.48 50.00 100.00

18a. Lunch and Milk Reimbursements 244.27 1,100.00 1,100.00

18b. Lunch Program Wages 1,000.00

18c. Lunch Program Equipment

FIXED CHARGES

19. State Retirement 855.13 1,131.53 1,232.26

20. Insurance, Bonds, and Expenses 176.39 305.98 460.29

CAPITAL OUTLAY

21. Lands and New Buildings

22. Additions and Imp. to Property 2,610.70

23. Equipment 346.59 400.00 178.86

24. Payments into Capital Reserve

DEBT, INTEREST AND OTHER CHARGES

25. Payments of Principal of Debt 2,000.00 2,000.00 3,000.00

26. Payments of Interest on Debt 500.00 450.00 625.00

26a. Spec. Art.—Interest on Academy Notes 300.00

TOTALS

\$31,084.95 \$40,507.52 \$53,567.95

INCOME

Cash on hand	Received 1955-56	Received 1956-57	Estimated 1957-58
From Town Appropriation	\$805.67	\$2,900.00	\$300.00
State Aid—Foundation	31,473.58	30,290.73	45,567.95
State Aid—Buildings	1,705.31	4,916.79	Est. 5,000.00
Tuition		400.00	600.00
Sale of Property or Supplies		2,000.00	1,000.00
Federal Lunch and Milk Reimbursements	244.27		1,100.00
TOTALS	<u>\$34,228.83</u>	<u>\$40,507.52</u>	<u>\$53,567.95</u>

BALANCE SHEET — JUNE 30, 1956

<i>Assets</i>		<i>Liabilities</i>	
Cash on hand, June 30, 1956	\$3,143.88	Milk Program Account	\$40.56
Accounts due to District		Encumbrances:	
a. From State (Milk Reimb.—May)	40.56	Gravel school driveway	75.00
Total Assets	<u>\$3,184.44</u>	Spray Poison Ivy	75.00
		Hot-topping	58.00
Net Debt (Excess of Liabilities		Notes and Bonds Outstanding	19,000.00
over Assets)	16,064.12	Total Liabilities	<u>\$19,248.56</u>
Grand Total	<u>\$19,248.56</u>	Grand Total	<u>\$19,248.56</u>

STATUS OF SCHOOL NOTES AND BONDS

	Rockwell School	Total
Outstanding at Beginning of Year	\$21,000.00	\$21,000.00
Payments of Principal of Debt	2,000.00	2,000.00
Notes and Bonds Outstanding at End of Year	<u>\$19,000.00</u>	<u>\$19,000.00</u>

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

January 1957

To the School Board and Citizens of Atkinson:

I am presenting herewith my First Annual Report as Superintendent of your schools. I would like to say that even though I have been on the job only a few months I have found a very co-operative school board generous in the time that they give to their schools and always working for the best interests of the children.

You have a very capable principal and a conscientious group of teachers who are interested in the children and anxious to help them.

Speaking further about teachers I can't emphasize too strongly the importance of good teachers in the classroom. It is most essential that we keep our good teachers and hire the best qualified teachers available. To me the teacher is the most important person in our school system. Progress in education is made because the pupil has a good teacher. It is essential that the salaries we pay our teachers keep pace with the average salary paid by comparable communities or the education of our children will suffer.

The school year 1956-57 opened with the following new members on our staff:

Mrs. Helen Bradley who teaches 2-3 in the Rockwell School. She attended Wheelock College and has had six years of experience.

Mrs. Esther Clark who teaches grades 4-5 in the Rockwell School. She attended Pinkerton Academy and has had four years of experience.

Mrs. Pauline Anderson teacher of grades 1 and 2 at the Rockwell School has been made head teacher at that school.

Mr. Charles Yeaton continues as principal. Mr. Yeaton and Mrs. White are stationed at the Academy where grades 6-8 are taught. Mr. Yeaton has written a very excellent report which covers the activities of both schools.

All teachers have continued membership in local, state and national professional organizations and have attempted to keep abreast of modern practices by attendance at local and state teachers' meetings and by taking courses when possible.

Since the last town report the following teachers have taken courses:

Mrs. Esther Clark—Arithmetic in the Elementary School, Plymouth Teachers College—Science in the Elementary School, Plymouth Teachers College and Health Curriculum by Keene Teachers College; Mr. Charles Yeaton—Advanced Educational Psychology, History of New Hampshire and Educational Finance and Business Management, University of New Hampshire; Mrs. Pauline Anderson and Mrs. Ida White—Helping the Slow Child in Reading, Harvard-B.U.

Mr. Robert Dolph, the helping teacher for Supervisory Union No. 55, is acting as a consultant to the teachers of Atkinson and his work has proven most valuable. He is supervising the testing, evaluating the program and making recommendations for the books to be used in the classrooms. A new arithmetic series has been instigated, and the new social studies series started last year has been continued. The basic reading series has been completed. This makes it possible for continuity of the same subject field in all grades which is more advantageous.

Mr. Dolph has edited a teachers handbook and a copy has been given to each teacher which has proven most helpful.

By action at the last school district meeting the Atkinson Academy building has been renovated and two fine classrooms are being used. In addition to a new heating system, relocation of the toilets to the first floor, an excellent kitchen has been installed. This has made it possible to provide hot lunches for both schools and the program has proven very worthwhile and popular. Approximately one hundred students are being fed daily. To help

finance this excellent program money should be appropriated for next year.

Further improvements will be necessary at the Academy for this coming year mainly in the cellar area and outside the building. It is hoped that the town will approve this work being done to protect the investment already made.

Our school buildings have been reassessed as to sound value and an amount has been set for proper insurance coverage. This will protect the town and prevent any unusual expenditures in case of fire damage.

Miss Gwendolyn Curtis continues her excellent work as school nurse-teacher for Atkinson. I have found her very much interested in the problems of the children and she is ever ready to make a "home visit" where she is graciously received. Mr. Yeaton has included in his report some of the activities of the nurse-teacher and her effective work.

Mr. Warren Freeman, co-ordinator of music activity in Supervisory Union No. 33 has charge of music in four of the towns. He speaks of the excellent Christmas program on December 20, 1956 and has plans for the development of a spring music festival in each town which will utilize most of the boys and girls in the vocal classes and the combined instrumental groups from each of the four towns in the Union under his direction. Mr. Yeaton in his report speaks further of the music activities during the past year.

I have prepared charts to cover the organization of Supervisory Union No. 55 a census chart, enrollment figures for elementary and high school in the different grades and schools plus the school calendar.

Appreciation is expressed for the continued support and co-operation of the Parent-Teacher Association, the Women's Club, the Grange and the Atkinson Academy Alumni Association. We are also indebted to the staff and students at the Haverhill Trade School, who were most generous in designing and constructing the new cafeteria sink.

In closing, I wish to thank the school board, teachers and children for their cooperation in making our work successful.

Respectfully submitted,

WENDELL V. DAVIS

Superintendent of Schools

ENROLLMENT IN HIGH SCHOOLS

The following tabulation shows the number of high school pupils by grades attending various schools:

Grades	Woodbury High School	Pinkerton Academy	Haverhill High School	Haverhill Trade School	Sanborn Seminary
9	1		6		1
10			3	1	5
11	1		2	2	
12		1	2	3	1
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	2	1	13	6	7

The following tabulation shows the enrollment in the Rockwell School and Atkinson Academy with grade assignments as of September 17, 1956.

ROCKWELL SCHOOL

Teacher	Grade	Number	Total
Pauline Anderson	1	16	
	2	8	24
Helen Bradley	2	5	
	3	25	30
Esther Clark	4	13	
	5	13	26

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Ida White	6	15	
	7	16	31
Charles Yeaton	7	5	
	8	18	23
Grand Total			<hr/> 134

SUMMARY OF CENSUS FIGURES

Age Sept. 1	1953	1954	1955	1956
Less than 1	10	14	11	13
1	12	14	14	17
2	15	14	11	18
3	14	17	12	12
4	10	13	17	14
5	20	12	13	20
6	12	22	13	13
7	13	11	22	15
8	17	14	12	23
9	15	16	15	12
10	16	16	15	14
11	12	16	19	18
12	7	12	15	18
13	7	10	13	17
14	5	7	12	11
15	3	7	5	11
16	15	5	7	5
17	3	15	5	7
18	7	3	10	5
	<hr/> 213	<hr/> 238	<hr/> 241	<hr/> 263

SUPERVISORY UNION NO. 55

School Districts	Number of Schools	Number of Pupils	Number of Teachers	1936 Assessed Valuation	1936-37 School Budget	1936-37 Amount to be Raised by Taxation, after Receipts of State Aid, etc.	Percentage Share of Union Expenses
Atkinson	2	137	5	\$1,127,153	\$40,507.52	\$30,290.73	6.07%*
Newton	3	193	6	1,173,110	64,784.90	47,981.12	13.99%**
Hampstead	2	181	9	1,409,273	61,924.68	57,360.68	20.25%
Plaistow	1	392	15	3,871,521	133,376.26	120,407.78	23.05%
Salem	9	1380	53	7,730,868	366,699.00	318,737.70	42.71%
Totals	17	2283	88	\$15,311,925	\$667,292.36	\$574,778.01	56.47%
Union No. 55 Additional professional personnel	4				\$27,531.00	\$22,531.00	100.00%

* This includes percentages shared by five towns for the salaries and travel of the Superintendent, Helping Teacher and Secretaries, as well as operating expenses of the Union Office. The percentage is based one-half on the equalized valuation of each district and one-half on the average membership of the previous year.

**This column covers services shared by four towns only, and includes salaries and travel for the music supervisor and the nurse-teacher.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF THE ROCKWELL SCHOOL AND ATKINSON ACADEMY

To the School Board and to Mr. Wendell Davis, Superintendent of Schools:

I herewith present my fifth annual report as the principal of the Atkinson Schools. It is gratifying for me to review for you the many activities of a most eventful year of Atkinson education.

The most outstanding event of the year has been without doubt the renovation and reopening of Atkinson Academy to provide much needed classroom and playground space. It is good to see the Rockwell School once more back to normal. It is also gratifying to teach in the Academy where there are the conveniences of a modern building along with the great traditions of the long and eventful history of education of that distinguished institution.

We hope that in our teaching in both schools there is that mixture of what is good from the past with the modern methods of teaching which have also proven their value. We are a small school system and we feel that this has a certain advantage over larger institutions. We attempt to consider the needs of each individual whose progress we are able to observe over a number of years. Our small staff takes a sincere interest in not only the the pupils of one or two grades but in every child from the first through the eighth grades. The problems of one teacher become the concern of the others. A desire to give greater service to the children of Atkinson is definitely indicated by the many courses taken by the teachers at summer school sessions or during the regular year in addition to their long hours on the job.

Many of the activities of the Atkinson schools have become annual events or somewhat routine services and need no special description here. These include the following activities:

- 1) Parents' Day, held each year during American Education Week.
- 2) A Christmas Program, held at the Grange Hall.
- 3) Appropriate observances of important holidays.
- 4) Contributions to the Junior Red Cross, the March of Dimes, and the Crippled Children's Fund.
- 5) Participation in the community's Memorial Day exercises.
- 6) Bookmobile service from the New Hampshire State Library.
- 7) Pre-school registration, held in the spring for children entering first grade for the first time the following September.

The music program perhaps needs special mention. Band lessons are given weekly to about fifteen members of the band. The band combined with the Plaistow band has played for such community events as the Memorial Day and Atkinson Fair parades. The Atkinson and Plaistow bands were joined by a similar group from Dudley, Mass. for a concert at the Atkinson Grange Hall last spring. Later our bands went to Dudley for a concert there. The band director is Mr. Robert Ziegner.

The regular school music program is now under the direction of Mrs. Joan White who gives the children a varied program of singing and folk dancing at appropriate levels.

The school health program continues to be ably supervised by Miss Gwendolyn Curtis, nurse-teacher. Some of the many activities directed by her include:

- 1) Medical examinations by Dr. Moore for children of grades one, three, five and seven.
- 2) Checks of heights, weights, vision, hearing, and color perception.
- 3) Home visits.
- 4) Polio immunization clinics.
- 5) Arrangements for children with special disabilities to attend appropriate clinics.

6) Health talks and showing of films in the classroom.

The regular classroom work has been supplemented by a number of worthwhile and enjoyable field trips during the past year. The P.T.A. sponsored a trip to Benson's Wild Animal Farm for the lower four grades and a trip to the Science and Fine Arts Museums in Boston for the upper grades. The fifth, sixth and eighth grades visited Mrs. White's camp at Wells Beach, Maine. This fall the eighth grade, as part of their study of colonial life, spent a day at the colonial village at Sturbridge, Mass.

Last June, graduation exercises were held at the Grange Hall for nine eighth grade pupils. The theme for graduation essays was "New Hampshire", a logical topic as the children had been studying their own state in the social studies program. Ronald Witley won the Good Citizenship medal awarded annually by the Sons of the American Revolution.

In accordance with the wishes of the people of Atkinson, plans have been made this fall for the start of two important services, a school savings plan and a hot lunch program. The school savings plan has already been instituted and a majority of the children are now purchasing United States Savings Stamps each week. Plans are nearly completed for the hot lunch program which is scheduled to begin early in January. Mrs. Ruth Kilburn has been named by the board as director of the program and kitchen equipment has been ordered. Contributions have been received from the Woman's Club and the Grange. We are expecting approximately one hundred children to participate in this program.

Again this year I wish to compliment the members of the P. T. A. for their fine support of the schools in the past year. In addition to the trips mentioned above which were financed by the P. T. A., they have made it possible for the children of the upper grades to use the Hampstead gymnasium several times, a drum was purchased for the band and they are currently engaged in a drive to raise two hundred dollars for the hot lunch program. Mrs. Sawyer, as band mother, with other mothers of band members, have made band uniforms and have aided this organization in countless ways.

Finally, I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the superintendent, his office staff, the helping teacher and other supervisors for the help and encouragement they have given to me and to my loyal staff of teachers. May I also thank the parents, school board, pupils, and friends of Atkinson schools for their continued interest in and support of all phases of school activity.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES YEATON,

Principal of Atkinson Schools

ATKINSON SCHOOL DISTRICT

Annual Meeting at Grange Hall

March 15, 1956

The meeting opened at 7:30 p. m. with Moderator Harry B. Tuttle reading the warrant, followed by opening of the polls. The polls closed at 8:30 p. m. Ballots were counted after business was finished with the following results.

Moderator	Harry B. Tuttle	120 votes elected
Clerk	Malcolm C. Noyes	50 votes elected
	Ruth Sawyer, 4 votes; one vote each for Helen Hotchkiss, Robert Griffin, Edna Wright and M. E. Wood.	
Member of School Board	David J. Rockwell	74 votes elected
	Margaret Elizabeth Wood	47 votes elected
Treasurer	Lillian E. Wright	120 votes elected
Auditors	Gladys R. Dyke	117 votes elected
	Philo Hutchinson	108 votes elected

The new officers elected were sworn in by Moderator Tuttle and the Moderator was sworn in by Clerk Noyes.

Article V. The sum of \$320.00 was determined and fixed as the salaries of the School Board, Truant Officer and other Officers and agents of the District. Voted in affirmative.

Article VI. It was voted in the affirmative to accept the report as printed in the Town Report.

Article VII. No business under this article.

Article VIII. It was voted in the affirmative that no action be taken on this Article until Articles 10, 12 and 13 have been acted upon.

Article IX. Voted in the affirmative.

Article X. This article was amended "To be voted by Australian Ballot". The amendment was passed in the affirmative with 53 affirmative votes and 42 negative. The original motion with the amendment was voted in the affirmative, 127 votes were cast; 116 yes (affirmative) 11 no (negative).

Article XI. Voted in the affirmative.

Article XII. Voted in the affirmative to be placed on the table.

Article XIII. Voted in the affirmative to be placed on the table.

Article XIV. The Moderator declared no action need be taken.

Article VIII. It was voted that each item be taken separately. The sum of \$40,207.52 was voted in the affirmative.

Article XV. Mr. Osgood made a few remarks relative to education in Atkinson and introduced Mr. Dolph, the new Elementary Consultant for Supervisory Union No. 55.

The business meeting adjourned at 9:52 p. m.

A True Record.

MALCOLM C. NOYES

School District Clerk

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1956-1957

Orientation Meeting—New Teachers and Principals*	Tuesday, September 4th
Teachers' Meeting	Wednesday, September 5th
Fall Term Begins	Thursday, September 6th
Fall Term Closes	Friday, December 21st (at noon)
Winter Term Begins	Wednesday, January 2nd
Winter Term Closes	Friday, February 15th
Mid-winter Term Begins	Monday, February 25th
Mid-winter Term Closes	Friday, April 12th
Spring Term Begins	Monday, April 22nd
Spring Term Closes	On or about June 19th

The closing date allows for two-three days closed due to weather, but will vary according to the holidays observed in each town.

HOLIDAYS

Columbus Day	Friday, October 12th
Veterans' Day	Monday, November 12th
Thanksgiving Recess	November 22nd and 23rd
Good Friday	April 19th (during vacation week)
Memorial Day	Thursday, May 30th

DAYS CREDITED FOR PROFESSIONAL
IMPROVEMENT

State Teachers' Convention	October 18th and 19th
Spring Institute	April 12th

By ruling of the State Board of Education, schools
must be in session for 180 days.

*New teachers and principals will meet with Superintendent and Helping Teacher from 9:00 to 11:00. Principals will meet with Superintendent and Helping Teacher from 11:00 to 12:00. All new teachers will meet with their principal at the respective schools from 1:00 to 3:00. All principals are required to attend.

