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# ANNUAL REPORTS

of the

Officers, Committees and

Public Library

of the

## TOWN OF HINSDALE

MASSACHUSETTS



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*Lions Beach and Picnic Area. Future citizens learn to swim under Red Cross instruction and the protection of a lifeguard provided by the town Recreation Committee.*

*Cover Photograph—Glendon*

*Report compiled and edited by Paul A. Meyers.*

## Lions Club

In 1955, twenty-one public spirited local men, with one common ambition—betterment of the town where they live—became members of Lions International, which has a worldwide membership of well over a half million members spread throughout 103 countries from Alaska to Uganda. The Lions Club is a service club whose motto "Liberty, Intelligence, Our Nation's Safety" stands for the highest ideals of making every place where a unit has been formed a better one in which to live.

The Hinsdale club went right to work to show that they really believed in these ideals, almost before the ink was dry on their charter. The first project was a backstop on the school ballground, which was put up in jig time by a few willing hands using material salvaged from a previous installation. With this successful start they moved right along to a steady succession of other projects which includes a visual aid clinic where free eye tests were given to several hundred children by a team of optometrists, sponsorship of Boy Scout Troop 21, several summer band concerts, numerous basketball tournaments and other sports events, and conduction of the annual Memorial Day program—to mention a few.

Worthwhile as all of these activities have been, however, by far the most ambitious and most important project, as far as the community is concerned, has been the acquisition and improvement of a beach area at Plunkett Lake.

Plunkett, the smaller of Hinsdale's two beautiful and inviting lakes, is surrounded by privately owned land, and the only public access was a short piece of shoreline along the road where a causeway cuts across the western edge of the lakeshore. Seeing the danger, particularly to small children, and the inconvenience in the use of this limited area, the Lions negotiated the purchase of a nearby parcel of land with a cottage on it. They set to work immediately and with a lot of hard work and the kind help of a few "volunteers," have hauled sand, cut brush, built picnic tables, and improved the spot with the result that there is now available to local residents a place where they can enjoy the pleasures of the water in safety and convenience.

To do this, the club obligated itself to a debt of \$3,500. Income from light bulb sales, raffles, a refreshment concession, and ticket sales for an annual Ball help to raise the money for payments on the mortgage. This requires more hard work, which the members willingly accept, because the result is gratifying; but there is ample opportunity for all of us to show our appreciation for this fine display of community service by supporting the fund-raising efforts of the Lions.

It would be difficult to imagine a more unselfish contribution to the well-being of Hinsdale than that which is being made by the Lions Club.

P. A. M.

## OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

### Selectmen

PAUL A. MEYERS, Secretary	Term expires 1959
THERON B. MARSHALL, Chairman	Term expires 1960
ERNEST J. FITZROY	Term expires 1961

### Town Clerk

ISABELLE F. BUTLER	Term expires 1959
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### Tax Collector

ALFRED G. KIRCHNER	Term expires 1960
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### Treasurer

ELAINE R. BLAKE	Term expires 1960
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### Assessors

WILLYS M. BELLINGER, Chairman	Term expires 1959
RALPH B. MARSHALL	Term expires 1960
GARRETT F. COLLINS, Secretary	Term expires 1961

### School Committee

JOHN R. NAUGHTON	Term expires 1959
CARL R. MOSEGARD	Term expires 1960
HARRY E. FRESHLER	Term expires 1961

### Representatives to Central Berkshire Regional School Committee

JOHN R. NAUGHTON	Term expires 1959
MRS. CARL A. PIERCE	Term expires 1961

### Board of Finance

JOSEPH BLAKE	Term expires 1959
ROY C. BARNES, JR., Secretary	Term expires 1959
FRANK E. BAUMANN	Term expires 1959
KENNETH KIRCHNER	Term expires 1960
FREDERICK POMEROY	Term expires 1960
WILLIAM E. MORGAN, Chairman	Term expires 1960
GARRETT F. COLLINS	Term expires 1961
VICTOR DAM	Term expires 1961
ROWLAND B. ARMACOST	Term expires 1961

### Moderator

J. EDWARD PELKEY

**Auditor**

ALLYN W. SMITH

Term expires 1959

**Board of Health  
(Selectmen)**

**Tree Warden**

RICHARD GREB

Term expires 1959

**Board of Registrars**

ISABELLE F. BUTLER  
CARL R. MOSEGARD

HARRY DRESSER  
DONALD F. BLAKE

**Superintendent of Schools  
EARL C. SUITOR**

**Superintendent of Roads  
PATRICK J. BUTLER**

**Forest Warden and Fire Chief  
ALLYN W. SMITH**

**First Asst. Fire Chief  
WILLIAM ROBINS**

**Second Asst. Fire Chief  
JAMES FOX**

**Chief of Police  
THERON B. MARSHALL**

**Deputy Chief of Police  
RALPH B. MARSHALL**

**Constables**

FRANK E. BAUMANN  
RALPH B. MARSHALL  
RICHARD GALEUCIA  
JAMES DOWLING

Term expires 1959  
Term expires 1959  
Term expires 1959  
Term expires 1959

**Special Policemen**

HAROLD LEE  
CHARLES R. GALE (Dog Officer)  
WILLIAM BORKOWSKI

FREDERICK CORMIER  
ERNEST J. FITZROY  
ALLYN W. SMITH

JACK D. FLETCHER

**Veterans' Agent**  
**EDWARD WOOD\***  
**MARION RANSFORD†**

**Cattle and Milk Inspector**  
**and Inspector of Slaughtering**  
**EDWIN DROSEHN**

**Sealer of Weights and Measures**  
**PAUL A. MEYERS**

**Wiring Inspector**  
**WILLIAM ROBINS**

**Cemetery Committee**

<b>T. AUGUSTUS FRISSELL</b>	<b>Term expires 1959</b>
<b>STANLEY H. RICE</b>	<b>Term expires 1960</b>
<b>EDWARD W. LYMAN</b>	<b>Term expires 1961</b>
<b>HOLLAND GEER</b>	<b>Term expires 1962</b>
<b>HARRY DRESSER</b>	<b>Term expires 1963</b>
<b>WILLIAM E. MORGAN</b>	<b>Term expires 1964</b>
<b>CARL R. MOSEGARD</b>	<b>Term expires 1965</b>

**Library Committee**

<b>EARL C. SUTOR</b>	<b>Term expires 1959</b>
<b>RICHARD WEIRUM</b>	<b>Term expires 1960</b>
<b>DOROTHY M. LYMAN</b>	<b>Term expires 1961</b>

**Fence Viewer and Field Driver**  
**EDWIN DROSEHN**

**Measurer of Wood and Bark**  
**T. AUGUSTUS FRISSELL**

**Surveyor of Lumber**  
**SUMNER GEER**

**\*Resigned July 31**  
**†Appointed August 1**

**Custodian of the War Memorial**  
**MARION L. RANSFORD**

**Moth Superintendent**  
**ALLYN W. SMITH**

**Development and Industrial Commission**  
**PAUL A. MEYERS (1959)**                      **ALLYN A. SMITH (1961)**  
**JOHN WARREN (1960)**                      **GARRETT F. COLLINS (1962)**

**Special Committee on Zoning**  
**ROWLAND B. ARMACOST**                      **ROY C. BARNES, JR.**  
**LOUIS J. CARMEL**                      **RICHARD WEIRUM**  
**KENNETH KIRCHNER**

**Special Committee on Boating**  
**JACK D. FLETCHER**                      **J. EDWARD PELKEY**  
**OLIVA H. LANDRY**

## ORDER OF BUSINESS

### Annual Town Meeting, Monday, February 8, 1960

- Art. 1—To choose a Moderator to preside at the meeting.
- Art. 2—To choose and elect by Official Ballot the following officers:  
One Selectman for three years  
Town Clerk for one year  
Assessor for three years  
Member of School Committee for three years  
Auditor for one year  
Tree Warden for one year  
Three members of Finance Board for three years  
Four Constables for one year  
and appoint a committee of three to bring in a list of all minor Town Officers.
- Art. 3—To act upon the reports of the Selectmen, the School Committee, and other elected or appointed officers of the Town.
- Art. 4—To see if the Town will vote to accept the list of Jurors presented by the Selectmen.
- Art. 5—To see if the Town will vote to give the Tax Collector the same powers Town Treasurers have by law when appointed Collector of Taxes.
- Art. 6—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue or reimbursement of the financial year beginning January 1, 1960 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.
- Art. 7—To see if the Town will vote to constitute the Board of Selectmen the Board of Public Welfare for the year 1961 and to authorize an annual salary of \$50 for each member for attendance at meetings and \$50 additional for the District Representative for attendance at District meetings.
- Art. 8—To see if the Town will vote to have the cash in the Treasury transferred to help defray the expenses of the ensuing year.



Art. 9—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the Overlay Reserve surplus fund the sum of \$2,000.00 for a Reserve Fund.

Art. 10—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$400.00; this sum and the amount of Dog Tax money refunded by the County to be given to the Hinsdale Free Public Library.

Art. 11—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$200.00 for work on the Plunkett Reservoir Road.

Art. 12—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$125.00 for a culvert pipe near property of Gene Ellsworth on Maple St. (R)

Art. 13—To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$2,500.00 from the Road Machinery Fund for Road Machinery Maintenance.

Art. 14—To see if the Town will vote to fix the salaries of Town Officers in accordance with Section 108, Chap. 41 of the General Laws, as follows:

Selectmen—Chairman	\$500.00(R)
Secretary	900.00(R)
Member	400.00(R)
Assessors—Each Member	400.00(R)
School Committee—Each Member	100.00
Tax Collector	1,300.00
Treasurer	1,000.00
Town Clerk	500.00
Veterans' Agent	400.00(R)
Fire Chief	300.00
1st Assistant Fire Chief	125.00
2nd Assistant Fire Chief	100.00
Auditor	10.00
Moderator	25.00
Inspector of Cattle and Slaughtering	100.00
Inspector of Wiring	50.00
Scaler of Weights and Measures	50.00
Supervisor of School Cafeteria	\$33.00 per wk. (R)
Assistant Supervisor of School Cafeteria	\$30.00 per wk. (R)

Art. 15—To see if the Town will vote to transfer to the Welfare Administration account a total of \$89.10 as follows:

\$67.80 from OAA Administration  
 9.80 from ADC Administration  
 11.50 from DA Administration

Art. 16—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$6,611.97 for welfare bills of prior years.

Art. 17—To see if the Town will vote to install two street lights on Longview Ave. (R)

Art. 18—To see if the Town will vote to make the following changes in street lights on South Street: install three new 2500-lumen lights on poles 5, 9, and 13; and change two lights on poles 7 and 11 from 1000 lumens to 2500 lumens. (R)

Art. 19—To see if the Town will vote to install one new street light on Church Street.(R)

Art. 20—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate money for the following purposes:

<i>Item No.</i>	<i>Amount</i>
1. Schools	\$120,673.00
2. School Lunch Program	2,260.00
3. Welfare:	
Old Age Assistance (Est.) \$33,000.00	\$51,500.00
Aid to Dependent Children (Est.) 5,500.00	
Disability Assistance (Est.) 6,000.00	
General Assistance (Est.) 7,000.00	
4. Veterans' Aid	6,000.00
5. Welfare Administration	2,700.00
6. Board of Health	150.00
7. Winter Road Maintenance	13,000.00
8. Purchase of Snow Fence	300.00
9. Bridges	400.00
10. Town Officers' Salaries	7,380.00
11. Election Officers	300.00
12. Board of Registrars	300.00
13. Police	500.00
14. Fire Department	2,500.00
15. Forest Fires	150.00
16. Tree Warden	600.00
17. Insect Control	100.00
18. Dutch Elm Disease Control	140.00
19. Street Lighting	4,000.00
20. Cemetery	500.00

21. Public Dump	200.00
22. Town Use of Water	324.00
23. Town Hall Maintenance	500.00
24. Heating Fire Station and Garage	850.00
25. Tax Collector's Expense	225.00
26. Tax Titles	100.00
27. Assessors' Expense	300.00
28. Printing	800.00
29. Miscellaneous	600.00
30. Surety Bonds of Treasurer, Tax Collector and Clerk	300.00
31. Berkshire Co., Retirement System Assessment	685.15
32. Workmen's Compensation Insurance	1,050.00
33. Fire Insurance Premiums	1,300.00
34. Recreation	1,000.00
35. Baseball Field	75.00
36. Memorial Day Observance	40.00
37. Notes	1,000.00
38. Interest	20.00

Art. 21—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available surplus funds in the treasury, \$17,189.23 for capital costs of the Central Berkshire Regional School District.

Art. 22—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,384.43 for operating expenses of the Central Berkshire Regional School District.

Art. 23—To see if the Town will vote to renovate the Town Hall, or make it available for sale or lease, with the stipulation that the external structure not be changed in any way that would destroy its authenticity as a picturesque landmark; or to take any action pertaining thereto. (R)

Art. 24—To see if the Town will vote to direct the Selectmen to petition the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority, on behalf of the whole town, for an exit between Westfield and Lee. This exit will service eastern Berkshire County and western Hampden County. (R)

Art.—25 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$2,775.00 and transfer \$10,175.00 from free cash in the treasury for Chapter 81 Highway Maintenance.

Art. 26—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,000.00 and transfer \$9,000.00 from free cash in the treasury for Chapter 90 Highway Construction.

(R) By Request

- Art. 27—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,500.00 and transfer \$3,000.00 from free cash in the treasury for Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance.
- Art. 28—To see if the Town will vote to adopt a proposed by-law establishing zoning in accordance with Chapter 40A of the General Laws, and amendments thereto.
- Art. 29—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$300.00 and transfer \$780.00 from free cash in the treasury, for Civil Defense.
- Art. 30—To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$14,500.00 from available funds in the treasury to the stabilization fund.
- Art. 31—To do and transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

## REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The budget for 1960 as recommended by the Finance Committee amounts to \$273,657.78, which is approximately 5.8% higher than last year. The 1960 tax rate has been estimated at approximately \$74.00 per thousand, based on these recommendations.

The major increase in the budget is caused by the general rise in operating costs for Kittredge School and a substantial increase in the Welfare and Veterans' Aid accounts. Other increases are to be found in the officer's salaries account, with the Selectmen requesting a 20% increase, the Assessors requesting a 33  $\frac{1}{4}$ % increase and the Veteran's agent requesting a 60% increase. This year starts a new 5 year period for insurance on our town buildings and the new increased rates reflect a substantial increase in this account.

The committee has recommended that Hinsdale's share of the capital cost for the Regional School be appropriated out of surplus money. By so doing, this amount of \$17,189.23 will not reflect in the tax rate.

Details of the budget breakdown as recommended, are on the following pages and should be followed closely, not to exceed the amounts recommended when voting on the article.

The Finance Committee, at one of its earlier meetings this past year requested the selectmen to reactivate the Zoning Committee and recommended that a zoning law be presented to the voters at the annual town meeting, preferably on the ballot for the election of town officers, offering its services wherever necessary. As a result three of its members were appointed to take an active part in reorganizing the by-law and preparing it for presentation to the voters. Some modifications have been made as will be seen in reviewing the Zoning Committee's presentation to be found elsewhere in this book.

The Finance Committee is 100% in favor of the adoption of this by-law for the Town of Hinsdale.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM E. MORGAN, *Chairman*  
ROY C. BARNES, JR., *Secretary*  
ROWLAND B. ARMACOST  
KENNETH KIRCHNER  
FREDERICK POMEROY  
GARRETT F. COLLINS  
FRANK E. BAUMANN  
VICTOR DAM  
JOSEPH BLAKE

## BUDGET FOR YEAR 1960

Item	Account	1960		
		Approp. 1959	Amt. Spent 1959	Recommended by Finance Committee
1.	Schools	\$112,337.42	\$112,337.42	\$120,673.00
2.	School Lunch Program	1,850.00	1,855.00	2,260.00
3.	Regional School	1,066.65	1,066.65 <sup>b</sup>	1,384.43
4.	Old Age Assistance	27,000.00	27,000.00	33,000.00
5.	Aid to Dependent Children	4,000.00	4,000.00	5,500.00
6.	Disability Assistance	5,000.00	5,000.00	6,000.00
7.	Veterans' Aid	3,000.00	6,220.55	6,000.00
8.	General Assistance	7,000.00	6,687.82	7,000.00
9.	Welfare Administration	2,241.10	2,240.30	2,700.00
10.	Board of Health	100.00	60.00	150.00
11.	Winter Roads, Maintenance	12,000.00	13,573.80	12,000.00
12.	Purchase Snow Fence	300.00	300.00	300.00
13.	Bridges	400.00	228.58	400.00
14.	Town Officers' Salaries	6,710.00	6,790.00	7,380.00
15.	Election Officers'	150.00	100.00	300.00
16.	Board of Registrars	150.00	166.25	300.00
17.	Police	500.00	549.78	500.00
18.	Fire Department	2,500.00	2,500.32	2,500.00
19.	Forest Fires	150.00	150.00	150.00
20.	Tree Warden	600.00	656.33	600.00
21.	Insect Control	100.00	95.00	100.00
22.	Dutch Elm Disease	598.25	140.00	140.00
23.	Street Lighting	3,700.00	3,855.47	4,000.00
24.	Cemetery	500.00	434.58	500.00
25.	Public Dump	200.00	200.00	200.00
26.	Town Use of Water	324.00	324.00	324.00
27.	Town Hall Maintenance	500.00	483.44	500.00
28.	Heat Fire Station and Garage	700.00	800.62	700.00
29.	Tax Collector's Expense	225.00	235.66	225.00
30.	Tax Titles	1,000.00	433.00	100.00
31.	Assessors' Expenses	300.00	299.75	300.00
32.	Printing	700.00	697.55	800.00
33.	Miscellaneous	600.00	791.74	600.00
34.	Surety Bonds of:			
	Treas., Tax Coll., Town Clerk	350.00	274.70	300.00
35.	Berkshire Co. Retirement System Assessment	325.49	325.49	685.15

36. Workmen's Comp. Insurance	1,200.00	968.48	1,050.00
37. Fire Insurance Premium	685.00	683.16	1,300.00
38. Recreation	1,000.00	998.80	1,000.00
39. Baseball Field	75.00	73.00	75.00
40. Memorial Day Obs.	40.00	30.00	40.00
41. Notes	27,000.00	27,000.00	1,000.00
42. Interest	365.00	365.00	20.00
43. Road Machinery Maintenance	2,500.00	2,549.30	2,500.00
44. Reserve Fund	1,500.00	889.77	2,000.00
45. Library	400.00	841.43	400.00
46. Skyview Grove Dev.	300.00	299.95	
47. Plunkett Reservoir Road	200.00	200.00	200.00
48. Chapter 81 Maintenance	2,625.00	2,625.00	2,775.00
49. Chapter 90 Construction	2,500.00	2,500.00	3,000.00
50. Chapter 90 Maintenance	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
51. Civil Defense	500.00	298.14	300.00
52. Stabilization Fund	14,500.00	14,500.00	14,500.00
53. Regional School Building	3,750.00	3,750.00	17,189.23
54. 1959 Welfare Bill			6,111.97
55. Culvert Pipe			125.00
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			\$273,657.78

**CLASSIFICATION**  
**and**  
**BREAKDOWN OF BUDGET**

Item No.	Expended 1958	Expended 1959		Recommended 1960
General Government				
2.7% of total				
1.	\$1,500.00	\$1,580.00	Selectmen	\$1,720.00
2.	1,000.00	1,000.00	Treasurer	1,000.00
3.	900.00	900.00	Assessors	1,200.00
4.	1,300.00	1,300.00	Tax Collector	1,300.00
5.	499.99	483.44	Town Hall	500.00
6.	281.76	100.00	Election Officers	300.00
7.	241.50	166.25	Board of Registrars	300.00
8.	500.00	500.00	Town Clerk	500.00
9.	25.00	25.00	Moderator	25.00
10.	10.00	10.00	Auditor	10.00
11.	267.53	299.75	Assessors' Expenses	300.00
12.	224.34	235.66	Tax Collector's Expense	225.00
13.	73.00	433.00	Tax Titles	100.00
Total				\$7,480.00
Charities				
19.9% of total				
14.	\$30,142.40	\$27,000.00	Old Age Assistance	\$33,000.00
15.	4,000.00	4,000.00	Aid to Dependent Children	5,500.00
16.	8,000.00	5,000.00	Disability Assistance	6,000.00
17.	9,365.76	6,687.82	General Assistance	7,000.00
18.	2,128.19	2,241.10	Welfare Administration	2,700.00
19.	200.00	200.00	Board of Welfare Salary	200.00
Total				\$54,400.00
Veterans' Benefits				
2.3% of total				
20.	\$3,034.60	\$6,220.55	Veterans' Aid	\$6,000.00
21.	250.00	250.00	Veterans' Agent Administration	400.00
Total				\$6,400.00



## Schools

45.5% of total

22.	\$103,978.33	\$112,337.42	Operation of Schools	\$120,673.00
23.	1,855.00	1,855.00	Lunch Program	2,260.00
24.	136.24	1,066.65	Regional School Operation	1,384.43
25.	300.00	300.00	School Committee Salary	300.00
Total				\$124,617.43

## Protection of Persons and Property

3.4% of total

26.	\$ 500.00	\$ 549.78	Police Department	\$ 500.00
27.	2,162.07	2,500.32	Fire Department	2,500.00
28.	375.00	525.00	Fire Department Salaries	525.00
29.	150.00	150.00	Forest Fires	150.00
30.	50.00	50.00	Sealer of Weights and Measures	50.00
31.	50.00	50.00	Wire Inspector	50.00
32.	519.61	298.14	Civil Defense	300.00
33.	480.52	140.00	Dutch Elm	140.00
34.	113.00	95.00	Insect Control	100.00
35.	3,632.62	3,855.47	Street Lights	4,000.00
36.	200.00	200.00	Public Dump	200.00
37.		60.00	Board of Health	150.00
38.	599.00	656.33	Tree Warden	600.00
39.	100.00	100.00	Inspector of Cattle and Slaughtering	100.00
Total				\$9,365.00

## Highways

8.3% of total

40.	\$ 2,625.00	\$2,625.00	Chapter 81 Maintenance	\$2,775.00
41.	1,000.00	1,500.00	Chapter 90 Maintenance	1,500.00
42.	3,000.00	2,500.00	Chapter 90 Construction	3,000.00
43.	200.00	299.95	Ashmere Lake Road (Skyview)	
44.	200.00	200.00	Plunkett Lake Road (Camp Rd.)	200.00
45.	300.00	300.00	Snow Fence	300.00
46.	548.86	228.58	Bridges	400.00
47.	2,604.40	2,549.30	Road Machinery Maintenance	2,500.00
48.	18,320.32	13,573.80	Winter Road Maintenance	12,000.00
Total				\$22,675.00

## Parks and Recreation

6% of total

49.	\$871.99	\$998.80	Recreation	\$1,000.00
50.		73.00	Baseball Field	75.00
51.	24.00	30.00	Memorial Day	40.00
52.	400.00	400.00	Library	400.00

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Total				\$1,515.00
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## Unclassified

1.8% of total

53.	\$ 324.00	\$324.00	Water	\$ 324.00
54.	600.00	800.62	Heating Town Gar. and Fire Station	700.00
55.	650.75	697.55	Printing	800.00
56.	572.46	791.74	Miscellaneous	600.00
57.	1,200.00	889.77	Reserve Fund	2,000.00
58.	583.39	434.58	Cemetery	500.00

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Total				\$4,924.00
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## Insurance and Bonds

1.2% of total

59.	\$318.25	\$274.70	Bonds (Tax Coll., Treas., Clerk)	\$300.00
60.	301.55	325.49	Berk. County Retirement System	685.15
61.	991.76	968.48	Workingman's Compensation	1,050.00
62.	817.51	683.16	Insurance (on buildings, etc.)	1,300.00

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Total				\$3,335.15
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## Notes and Interest

.4% of total

63.	\$26,000.00	\$26,000.00	School Building (Final 1959)	—
	1,000.00	1,000.00	School Shower room (Final)	\$1,000.00
64.	710.00	365.00	Interest on notes	20.00

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Total				\$1,020.00
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## Special Articles

13.9% of total

65.	\$13,500.00	\$14,500.00	Stabilization Fund	\$14,500.00
66.	—	3,750.00	Regional School Building	17,189.23
67.	—	—	Old Bills (1959 Welfare)	6,111.97
68.	—	—	Culvert Pipe	125.00

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Total				\$37,926.20
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## BUDGET SUMMARY

Classification	1960 Recommendation	% of total*
General Government	\$ 7,480.00	2.7
Charities	54,400.00	19.9
Veterans' Benefits	6,400.00	2.3
Schools	124,617.43	45.5
Protection of Persons and Property	9,365.00	3.4
Highways	22,675.00	8.3
Parks and Recreation	1,515.00	.6
Unclassified	4,924.00	1.8
Insurance and Bonds	3,335.15	1.2
Notes and Interest	1,020.00	.4
Special Articles	37,926.20	13.9
Total Budget Recommendations:		\$273,657.78
Estimated State charges, County taxes, Mosquito Control, Overlay, State Parks and Reservations, Underestimates of previous year, etc.		14,500.00
Grand Total Recommendations and Estimates		\$288,157.78
Estimated Receipts	\$123,488.22	
Poll Tax	890.00	
		\$124,378.22
Estimated balance to be raised by levy on local real estate and tangible personal property		\$163,779.56
Estimated tax rate based upon above recommenda- tions and estimates using 1959 town valuation for Personal Estate and Real Estate.	\$74.00 per thousand	
*Percentages are in budget terms not in terms of expenditures.		

Respectfully submitted,

The Finance Committee

*"Absence is to love what wind is to a fire; it puts out the little, it kindles the great."—de Bussy-Rabutin.*

*"It doesn't cost any more to live than it used to—if you live like people used to."*

## PROPOSED LIST OF JURORS

To be voted on at the Annual Town Meeting, February 8, 1960

<i>Name</i>	<i>Occupation</i>	<i>Residence</i>	<i>Employer</i>	<i>Address</i>
Merritt Brownell	retired	Taylor St.		
Garrett F. Collins	fireman	Commonwealth Ave.	General Electric Co.	Pittsfield, Mass.
Harry Freshler	garage owner	Lower Main St.	Self	
Mrs. Olive Galeucia	housewife	Michaels Road		
Mrs. Ruth Landry	housewife	Ashmere Drive		
Sterling LeBeau	designer	Longview Ave.	General Electric Co.	Pittsfield, Mass.
Ralph B. Marshall	planner	Longview Ave.	New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.	Pittsfield, Mass.
Paul A. Meyers	service engineer	Maple St.	General Electric Co.	Pittsfield, Mass.
Mrs. Emily R. Pierce	housewife	Taylor St.		
Carlton M. Peeples	service engineer	Maple St.	General Electric Co.	Pittsfield, Mass.
Frederick D. Pomeroy	machinist	Commonwealth Ave.	General Electric Co.	Pittsfield, Mass.
Allyn W. Smith	dispatcher	Maple St.	General Electric Co.	Pittsfield, Mass.
Joseph A. Wechter	typewriter repairman	Church St.	Underwood Typewriter Co.	Pittsfield, Mass.
Russell Warner	methods technician	River Road	General Electric Co.	Pittsfield, Mass.

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT

To the Citizens of Hinsdale:

We have come to the end of another year, and, as is our duty, have compiled this report of the municipal proceedings and statement of the financial concerns of the town.

The relatively short time between closing of the fiscal books and the Annual Meeting is barely enough for the accumulation of the statistical material and the official reports of officers and committees, and rather limits the opportunity for incorporating editorial flourishes. But, stimulated by the recognition accorded the 1958 report by the Massachusetts Selectmen's Association, we have essayed here and there to temper the dry tabulations of facts and figures with other items that we hope will be found interesting or useful.

During the year there were two special town meetings. The following articles were considered and approved at the one held on November 16:

Article 2. To raise and appropriate \$2,500 for Veterans' Aid.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to accept the following roads in the Skyview Grove development as shown on "Final Plan" dated Sept. 1946 and filed in the Berkshire County Registry of Deeds Drawer No. 178:

- a. Ashmere Road from its intersection with the George Schnopp Road near the eastern end of the Ashmere Lake causeway, to a point opposite the southeasterly boundary of lot No. 486.
- b. Henry Drive in its entirety from the point where it joins Ashmere Road opposite lot No. 349, southwestward, west, and northward to the point where it rejoins Ashmere Road opposite lots No. 363 and 365.
- c. Tamarack Road from the point where it joins Ashmere Road opposite lot No. 70 northeastward to a point near lot No. 206, and thence along Alcove Lane to its juncture with Skyline Drive opposite lot No. 198, terminating at the westerly line of property of Frederick Dill.

On December 28 the following business was transacted and approval given for the amounts shown:

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds \$800 for Veterans' Aid.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds \$1400 for Winter Road Maintenance.

The acceptance of the new roads will result in an increase of \$700 in the Chapter 81 Maintenance account at a cost to the town of only \$125, compared to the \$300 previously allotted for work on roads in the Skyview Development.

The increase in needs under Veterans' Aid is worthy of note. The future trend may be expected to be further upward as long as present laws are in effect.

The Board of Selectmen feels a deep concern that sources of tax revenue are not increasing sufficiently to offset the ever-rising annual budget. We feel that everything possible should be done to encourage economic growth of the town and for this reason have particularly given our support to the efforts of the Finance Committee in reactivating the Zoning Committee.

In accordance with action resulting from discussions at last year's annual meeting, a special committee to investigate boating on local waters was appointed by the Selectmen. Their report, submitted with a recommended list of regulations, was accepted by the Selectmen, and the rules have been printed and posted at conspicuous places around the lakes.

We wish to express our appreciation to all of the other departments of the town government and to all with whom we have come in contact in the conduct of our affairs. Decisions we have made necessarily have not always been to the complete satisfaction of the petitioners, but rest assured that our most earnest desire is to administrate in our own small way and to the best of our ability for the best interests of the town as a whole. We are sorry that this at times must conflict with the desire of individuals, but hope that in the long run, morally and economically, the community will be just a bit better for our having served.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL A. MEYERS, *Secretary*

THERON B. MARSHALL, *Chairman*

ERNEST J. FITZROY

*Board of Selectmen.*



GENERAL GOVERNMENT

## TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Appropriation	\$6,710.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund 12-31	80.00	
Total		\$6,790.00
Selectmen:		
Theron B. Marshall, Chairman	\$ 480.00*	
Paul A. Meyers, Secretary	800.00	
Ernest J. Fitzroy	300.00	
Board of Public Welfare:		
Theron B. Marshall	50.00	
Paul A. Meyers, Rep. to E. Berk. Welfare Dist.	100.00	
Ernest J. Fitzroy	50.00	
Town Clerk, Isabelle F. Butler	500.00	
Treasurer, Elaine R. Blake	1,000.00	
Tax Collector, Alfred G. Kirchner	1,300.00	
Assessors:		
Ralph B. Marshall	300.00	
Willys Bellinger	300.00	
Garrett F. Collins	300.00	
School Committee:		
John R. Naughton, Chairman	100.00	
Harry Freshler	100.00	
Carl R. Mosegard	100.00	
Fire Chief, Allyn W. Smith	300.00	
1st Asst. Fire Chief, William Robins	125.00	
2nd Asst. Fire Chief, James Fox	100.00	
Veterans' Agent:		
Edward Wood, ½ year	125.00	
Marion Ransford, ½ year	125.00	
Auditor, Allyn W. Smith	10.00	
Moderator, J. Edward Pelkey	25.00	
Inspector Cattle and Slaughtering,		
Edwin C. Drosehn	100.00	
Sealer Weights and Measures, Paul A. Meyers	50.00	
Wiring Inspector, William Robins	50.00	
Total Expenditure		\$6,790.00

\*clerical error, \$80 drawn in advance from 1960 salary.

**TOWN HALL MAINTENANCE**

Appropriation		\$500.00
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**Paid to:**

Gerald Meyers, raking and mowing	\$ 52.74*
William Swail, raking and mowing	52.72*
William Robins, raking and mowing	9.35*
Frissell's Market, paint, bulbs, rakes	21.19
New England Tel. & Tel., OLympia 5-2245	179.86
Western Mass. Electric Co.	19.72
Pittsfield Supply Co., light fixtures	20.07
Berkshire Rototiller, mower parts	9.30
Hinsdale Garage, mower repairs	1.00
Carmel Bros., gas and oil	6.00
U. S. Post Office, supplies	57.04
Hinsdale Gas & Oil Co., oil	54.45

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 Total Expenditure

\$483.44

\*includes care of Main St. parks.

**ELECTION OFFICERS**

Appropriation	\$150.00
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**Paid to:**

Margaret Dunnagan, ballot clerk	\$18.50
Ann Dowling, ballot clerk	18.50
Harry Dresser, counter	7.50
Olive Galeucia, counter	14.50
Helen Pomeroy, counter	14.50
Elizabeth Dam, counter	14.50
Frank Baumann, warden	7.50
James Dowling, warden	4.50

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 Total Expenditure

\$100.00

**BOARD OF REGISTRARS**

Appropriation	\$150.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund 12-31	16.25

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 Total

\$166.25

**Paid to:**

Harry Dresser, census	\$91.25
Isabelle F. Butler	75.00

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 Total Expenditure

\$166.25



## ASSESSORS' EXPENSES

Appropriation	\$299.75
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## Paid to:

Thomas Dehey, postage, box rent	\$ 11.00
John Bellinger, moving desks	6.25
Al Bernardo, moving desks	6.25
Willys Bellinger, truck, postage	12.50
Garrett F. Collins, use of car	22.00
Mrs. Victor Dam, clerk	175.00
Ralph Marshall, use of car, expen. to Lee meeting	13.00
W. H. Shandoff, adding machine rolls	2.75
Hobbs & Warren, forms	17.80
Harold Goggins, photostats	33.20

Total Expenditure	\$299.75
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## TAX COLLECTOR'S EXPENSES

Appropriation	\$225.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund 12-31	10.66

Total	\$235.66
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## Paid to:

E. H. Pierce, deputy collector's bond	\$ 10.00
Thomas Dehey, postage, envelopes	142.60
Barre Gazette, printing forms	51.41
Hobbs & Warren, forms	31.65

Total	\$235.66
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## TAX TITLES

Appropriation	\$1,000.00
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## Paid to:

Harold Goggins, registering deeds	\$ 10.00
Charles R. Alberti, Jr., attorney's fees	375.00
Alfred G. Kirchner, expenses to trial	48.00

Total	\$433.00
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*We heard recently of an enterprising merchant who advertised: "Try our easy payment plan—100% down, nothing else to pay."*

**CHARITIES****Receipts:**

Public Assistance Appropriation	\$43,000.00	
Refunds to OAA Appropriation (Cancelled Checks)	53.10	
Refund on lien appraisal	35.00	
Refunds to ADC (Support through Probate Court)	1,060.00	
Recovery to Aid To Dependent Children	9.20	
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Total		\$44,157.30

**Expenditures:**

For Old Age Assistance	\$27,053.10	
For Aid To Dependent Children	4,949.20	
For Disability Assistance	5,479.41	
For General Assistance	6,660.60	
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Total		\$44,142.31
Balance to be returned to Town General Funds		14.99

**OLD AGE ASSISTANCE**

Federal Grant balance, 1/1/59		\$1,639.59
Federal Grants received		17,643.16
Cancelled Checks		375.40
Refund		73.90
Recovery (Federal)		1,077.34
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Total		\$20,809.39
Paid for Old Age Assistance from Federal Grants	\$20,762.12	
Balance in Federal Grant Account, 1/1/60		47.27

**Old Age Assistance Receipts**

Received from Pittsfield	\$	322.16
Received from Richmond		321.39
Received from Adams		2.60
Received from Recovery—(Local Share)		502.07
Received from Commonwealth		19,124.81
Received from Recovery—(State's Share)		1,004.13
Lein Recoveries awaiting State's Distribution		2,358.35
Net Cost to the Town	\$7,234.87	

**AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN**

Federal Grant Balance, 1/1/59	\$	947.91
Received in Federal Grants		4,409.50
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Total		\$5,357.41

Paid for Aid to Dependent Children from Federal Grants	\$4,958.06	
Balance in Federal Grant Account, 1/1/60		399.35
Received from Commonwealth		2,739.89
Refund		26.15
Net Cost to Town	\$1,783.81	

#### DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Federal Grant Balance, 1/1/59		\$ 402.07
Federal Grants Received		3,076.00
Total		\$3,478.07
Paid for Disability Assistance from Federal Grants	\$3,478.07	
Balance in Federal Grants, 1/1/60		none
Received from Commonwealth		3,485.42
Rec'd. from Comm., Reimbursement on Town Adm.		5.75
Net Cost to Town	\$1,988.24	

#### GENERAL ASSISTANCE

<b>Receipts</b>		
Refunds		\$35.00
Received from other Towns		781.13
Rec'd. from Comm. for Temp. Aid and Transfers		4,032.81

#### WELFARE ADMINISTRATION

Appropriation		2,150.00
Transferred from OAA-ADC-DA-Administrative Accounts		91.10
Total		\$2,241.10
Paid to Eastern Berkshire Welfare District	\$2,240.30	
Balance to be returned to Town General Funds		.80

#### O.A.A., A.D.C., AND D.A. ADMINISTRATIVE ACCOUNTS

Balance carried forward from 1958	O.A.A.	\$72.10
	A.D.C.	9.50
	D.A.	9.50
Total		\$91.10
Transfer to Welfare Administration	\$91.10	
Reimbursements received	O.A.A.	\$67.80
	A.D.C.	9.80
	D.A.	11.50
Balance carried forward to 1960		\$89.10

**VETERANS' BENEFITS****VETERANS' AID**

Appropriation	\$3,000.00	
Special town meeting 11-16	2,500.00	
Special town meeting 12-28	800.00	
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Total		\$6,300.00
Expenditures		\$6,220.55

**SCHOOLS****OPERATION OF SCHOOLS**

Appropriation	\$112,337.42	
Public Law, No. 874, Balance 1-1-59	1,041.58	
Public Law No. 874, rec'd. 1959	2,855.42	
Public Law No. 864, rec'd. 1959	381.30	
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Total Available		\$116,615.72
Paid from Appropriation	\$112,322.57	
Paid from P. L. No. 874	999.15	
Paid from P. L. No. 864	338.97	
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Total Payments		\$113,660.69
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		\$ 2,955.03
Balance P. L. No. 874 forward to 1960	\$2,897.75	
Balance P. L. No. 864 forward to 1960	42.43	
Returned to General Fund	14.85	
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		\$2,955.03

**CENTRAL BERKSHIRE REGIONAL SCHOOL**

Appropriation for Capital Costs	\$3,750.00	
Appropriation for Operating Expenses	1,066.65	
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Total		\$4,816.65
Paid to Treasurer, Cent. Berk. Reg. School Dist.		\$4,816.65



## SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

Appropriation	\$1,850.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund 12-31	5.00	
Total		\$1,855.00

## Paid to:

Harriet Fraley	\$980.00
Margaret Smith	855.00
Madeline Rice	5.00
Catherine Swail	15.00

Total Expenditure	\$1,855.00
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## CAFETERIA

Balance forward from 1958	\$ 476.64	
Reimbursements received	2,485.72	
Cash, from children's lunches and milk	3,520.21	
Refund	1.46	
Total		\$6,484.03

## Paid to:

Commonwealth of Massachusetts	\$ 22.80
Clement's Dairy	2,047.86
England Brothers	64.65
Greylock Express	38.54
John Sexton & Co.	755.69
Naughton's Market	2,558.56
C. T. Brigham Co.	57.38
T. King Haswell, Jr.	87.21
Edward L. Canter, Inc.	7.95
J. I. Holcomb Mfg. Co.	46.50
Bearing Distributors	2.50
E. P. Gowdy, Inc.	2.95
Lewis Equipment Co.	35.20
Harriet Fraley	28.00
Margaret Smith	25.00

Total Expenditure	\$5,779.99
Balance carried forward to 1960	\$704.04

**PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY****POLICE**

Appropriation	\$500.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund 12-31	49.78	
Total		\$549.78
Paid to:		
Richard Galeucia, Constable	\$ 69.25	
Ralph B. Marshall, Constable	189.50	
James Dowling, Constable	28.00	
Fred Cormier, Special Officer	10.00	
Charles Gale, Special Officer	129.00	
William Borkowski, Special Officer	6.50	
Jack Fletcher, Special Officer	5.00	
Lawrencé Belcher, damage to blanket	5.00	
Soldiers' & Sailors' Dept. Store, coat, cap	35.80	
Dick Moon, cartridges	6.15	
Pittsfield Sporting Goods, cartgs., blackjack	18.05	
J. T. Owens, shirt	5.62	
George H. Kenney, gun	31.25	
W. S. Darley Co., badges	5.91	
Eagle Printing & Binding, insp. cards	4.75	
Total Expenditure		\$549.78

**FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Appropriation	\$2,500.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund 12-31	.32	
Total		\$2,500.32
Paid to:		
New England Tel. & Tel.	\$478.18	
Western Mass. Electric Co.	182.23	
Messenger's Garage	72.96	
Berkshire Rototiller	37.85	
Dan Post, radio parts, service	99.83	
J & J Hardware, keys	8.75	
Pittsfield Iron Works, truck parts	24.63	
Harry M. Grant, acc. ins. policy	106.75	
Detroit Auto Supply, creeper, parts	21.90	
Corner Hardware, lock, screws, hdw.	29.29	
Berkshire Fire Protection Co., Scott Pk, coats	448.20	

Welch Electronics, batteries	\$ 51.39
Theodore Persip, painting	16.50
Farrar Co., hose, fittings	9.60
Pittsfield Radio, batteries	51.39
Clair L. Bradley, lettering	3.00
Allyn W. Smith, expenses to convention	50.00
Ken's Auto Upholstery, recover seat	26.00
Carmel Bros., gas, oil, parts, service	133.34
Town of Hinsdale, poll tax, 25 men	50.00
Walter A. Marcil, Jr., Rota-beam light	42.55
Richard Greb, poll tax refund	2.00
E. H. Pierce, truck insurance	249.38
Frissell's Market, paint, hardware	15.62
Hinsdale Garage, tires, parts, service	273.47
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Total Expenditure	\$2,500.32

#### FOREST FIRES

Appropriation	\$150.00
Berkshire Fire Protection Co., coats, boots	\$150.00

#### BOARD OF HEALTH

Appropriation	\$100.00
Paid to Westfield Sanatorium	60.00

#### DUTCH ELM DISEASE

Appropriation	\$598.25
Paid to:	
Allyn W. Smith, Supt.	\$112.00
Allyn W. Smith, use of car	28.00
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Total Expenditure	\$140.00

#### INSECT CONTROL

Appropriation	\$100.00
Paid to:	
Allyn W. Smith, Supt.	\$75.00
Allyn W. Smith, use of car	20.00
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Total Expenditure	\$95.00

**CIVIL DEFENSE**

Appropriation	\$1,080.00
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## Paid to:

Richard Greb, Jr., labor	\$ 12.00
Bruce Cornwell, labor	6.00
Paul Smith, labor	6.00
Allyn W. Smith, expenses to Worcester, Taunton	40.45
Comm. of Mass., ½-ton Chevrolet pickup	35.67
Carmel Bros., gas, battery	21.40
Clair L. Bradley, lettering	5.00
Sanderson Auto Body, painting	43.50
Courtland Prowse, First Aid books	16.50
Hinsdale Garage, fuel pump, gas, parts	111.62

Total Expenditure	\$298.14
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**TREE WARDEN**

Appropriation	\$600.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund 12-31	56.33

Total	\$656.33
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## Labor:

Richard Greb, Sr., Supt.	\$136.00
Richard Greb, Jr.	62.25
Beauford Greb	56.25
John Forward	9.38
Charles Rippen	88.00

Total Labor	\$351.88
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## Equipment:

Richard Greb, truck, power saw	\$121.50
Charles Rippen, hoist, saw	165.00
Hinsdale Garage, winch	10.00

Total Equipment	\$296.50
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## Material:

Richard Greb, sealer	\$7.95
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Total Material	\$7.95
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Total Expenditure	\$656.33
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## PUBLIC DUMP

Appropriation		\$200.00
Paid to:		
Roy Whitaker, bulldozing	\$48.00	
Town of Hinsdale, truck	68.00	
Town of Hinsdale, tractor	84.00	
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Total Expenditure		\$200.00

## STREET LIGHTING

Appropriation	\$3,700.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund 12-31	155.47	
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Total		\$3,855.47
Paid to:		
Western Mass. Elec. Co., for traffic signals	\$ 183.83	
Western Mass. Elec. Co., for street lighting	3,671.64	
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Total Expenditure		\$3,855.47

HIGHWAYS

## CHAPTER 81 MAINTENANCE

Appropriation	\$2,625.00	
State	9,625.00	
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Total		\$12,250.00
Labor:		
Patrick J. Butler, Supt.	\$1,839.25	
John Wagner	1,534.50	
Ambrose Butler	1,570.50	
Paul Vachula	553.50	
Conrad Arndt	766.50	
Harry Johnson	228.85	
Peter Tefts	8.00	
Merton Hathaway	120.00	
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Total Labor		\$6,621.10

**Equipment:**

Patrick J. Butler, truck	\$ 524.50	
Arthur Moon, truck	216.00	
Ira Markham, truck	36.00	
Joseph Cormier, truck	8.50	
Conrad Arndt, shovel, tractor	110.00	
Donald Alderman, mowing	189.00	
Mrs. D. Musante, spreader	8.00	
Cummington Garage, broom	101.25	
L. H. Estes, spreader	5.00	
Town of Hinsdale, truck	756.00	
Town of Hinsdale, tractor	1,214.50	
Town of Hinsdale, rake	16.00	
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Total Equipment		\$3,184.75

**Material:**

A. J. Nichols, hdw., supplies, tools	\$ 66.67	
Rolland Construction Co., gravel	195.00	
Lane Construction Co., Steamix	353.46	
General Sand & Stone, pea stone	277.62	
Wirthmore Stores, calcium chloride	269.50	
New England Metal Culverts	280.53	
Koppers Co., MC-3	611.91	
A. Leo Nash, culverts	304.88	
John's Bldg. Supply, blocks	61.10	
William E. Morgan, gravel	23.20	
Patrick J. Butler, nails	.28	
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Total Material		\$2,444.15

Total Expenditure		\$12,250.00
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**CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE**

Appropriation	\$1,500.00	
County	1,500.00	
State	1,500.00	
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Total		\$4,500.00

**Labor:**

Patrick J. Butler, Supt.	\$129.50
John Wagner	108.00
Ambrose Butler	108.00

Conrad Arndt	\$96.00	
Harry Johnson	27.60	
Peter Tefts	52.00	
Paul Vachula	15.00	
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Total Labor		\$536.10
Equipment:		
Patrick J. Butler, truck	\$ 37.00	
Arthur Moon, truck	252.00	
Ira Markham, truck	234.00	
L. H. Estes, truck	32.50	
Town of Hinsdale, truck	124.00	
Town of Hinsdale, tractor	140.00	
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Total Equipment		\$819.50
Material:		
General Sand & Stone, peastone	\$ 762.72	
American Tar & Asphalt, MC-3	1,687.00	
Koppers Co., MC-3	324.27	
Lane Construction Co., Steamix	188.61	
Rollins Construction Co., gravel	181.80	
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Total Material		\$3,144.40
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Total Expenditure		\$4,500.00

## CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

Appropriation	\$2,500.00	
County	2,500.00	
State	5,000.00	
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Total		\$10,000.00
Labor:		
Patrick J. Butler, Supt.	\$568.75	
John Wagner	487.50	
Ambrose Butler	477.50	
Conrad Arndt	475.50	
Merton Hathaway	321.25	
Peter Tefts	32.00	
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Total Labor		\$2,360.50

**Equipment:**

Patrick J. Butler, truck	\$ 162.50	
Arthur Moon, truck	792.00	
Joseph Cormier, truck	368.50	
Ernest Cormier, truck	399.50	
Harry Freshler, truck	272.00	
Roy Whitaker, bulldozer	2,100.00	
Town of Middlefield, grader	44.00	
L. H. Estes, spreader	10.00	
Town of Dalton, spreader	10.00	
Dodge Construction Co., blasting	278.50	
Town of Hinsdale, truck	444.00	
Town of Hinsdale, tractor	665.00	
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Total Equipment		\$5,546.00

**Material:**

Berkshire Gravel, gravel	\$226.07	
L. P. Adams, cement	14.70	
R. W. Whitaker, gravel	280.00	
American Tar & Asphalt, MC-3	464.81	
W. E. Morgan, gravel	24.65	
General Sand & Stone, stone	66.22	
New England Metal Culvert, culvert	660.30	
Leona Fassell, gravel	170.00	
A. Leo Nash, culverts	187.25	
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Total Material		\$2,094.00

Total Expenditure		<hr/>	\$10,000.00
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**WINTER ROAD MAINTENANCE**

Appropriation	\$12,000.00	
Special meeting 12-28	1,400.00	
Transfer from Reserve Fund 12-31	173.80	
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Total		\$13,573.80

**Labor:**

Patrick J. Butler, Supt.	\$1,888.25	
John Wagner	1,611.00	
Ambrose Butler	1,618.50	
Paul Vachula	1,116.00	
Merton Hathaway	444.10	
Theodore Persip	18.40	
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Total Labor		\$6,696.25

## Equipment:

Patrick J. Butler, truck	\$539.50	
Joseph Cormier, truck	781.25	
Arthur Moon, truck	624.00	
Charles DeAngelus, tractor	379.50	
Harold Miner, truck	324.00	
Herman Jenks, tractor	198.00	
Roy Whitaker, truck and bulldozer	445.00	
Albert Culverwell, truck	14.50	
James Fox, tractor	38.50	
Harry Freshler, truck	169.75	
William C. Steele, truck	125.00	
Comm. of Massachusetts, plowing	55.18	
Town of Washington, plowing	138.00	
Town of Hinsdale, truck	526.00	
Town of Hinsdale, tractor	395.50	
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Total Equipment		\$4,753.68

## Material:

Rolland Construction Co., sand	\$863.90	
General Sand & Stone, sand	61.60	
Wirthmore Stores, salt	765.10	
Berkshire Gravel, sand	225.05	
W. E. Morgan, sand	24.00	
Leona Fassell, sand	12.00	
Roy Whitaker, sand	32.00	
L. P. Adams, salt	115.22	
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Total Material		\$2,123.87

Total Expenditure		\$13,573.80
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## ASHMERE LAKE ROAD

Appropriation		\$300.00
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## Labor:

Patrick J. Butler, Supt.	\$21.00	
John Wagner	24.00	
Ambrose Butler	36.00	
Paul Vachula	6.00	
Conrad Arndt	24.00	
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Total Labor		\$111.00
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**Equipment:**

Patrick J. Butler, truck	\$ 6.00	
Joseph Cormier, truck	12.75	
Town of Hinsdale, truck	40.00	
Town of Hinsdale, tractor	52.50	
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Total Equipment		\$111.25

**Material:**

Rolland Construction Co., gravel	\$67.50	
W. E. Morgan, gravel	10.20	
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Total Material		\$77.70
Total Expenditure		\$299.95

**PLUNKETT LAKE ROAD**

Appropriation	\$200.00
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**Labor:**

Patrick J. Butler, Supt.	\$28.00	
John Wagner	24.00	
Ambrose Butler	24.00	
Conrad Arndt	6.00	
Merton Hathaway	10.00	
Harry Johnson	4.60	
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Total Labor		\$96.60

**Equipment:**

Patrick J. Butler, truck	\$ 8.00	
Town of Hinsdale, truck	28.00	
Town of Hinsdale, tractor	56.00	
Town of Hinsdale, rake	4.00	
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Total Equipment		\$96.00

**Material:**

W. E. Morgan, gravel	\$7.40	
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Total Material		\$7.40
Total Expenditure		\$200.00

## ROAD MACHINERY MAINTENANCE

Appropriation	\$2,500.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund 12-31	49.30	
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Total		\$2,549.30

## Paid to:

Frissell's Market, tools, supplies	\$ 25.41
Carmel Bros., parts, service	161.31
Triad Welding Service	28.50
Carr Hardware, hook	.60
Hinsdale Garage, gr. valves, welding, service	277.23
Miner's Garage, parts, service	83.40
Levernoch Bros., gasoline	947.70
A. J. Nichols, hardware, tools	80.41
Hudson Steel Co., plow blades	130.20
Stevenson & Co., insurance	194.25
Transglobal Steel, plow blades	143.80
Donald Vreeland, repair grader	68.69
Pierce Machine Shop, machine work	6.56
Hinsdale Gas & Oil, oil	.89
Ludlow Rubber Co., repair tire	20.00
Conrad Arndt, welding	16.50
B. & P. Transportation Co., cartage	3.00
Eastern Equipment Sales, scraper blades	125.16
Greylock Express, cartage	2.55
Cooper Tire & Rubber, 2 tires	140.24
William Eberhard, welding	16.00
Graves Equipment Co., curtain	65.00
Mass. Registry Motor Vehicles, registration	6.00
A. Leo Nash, steel	5.90

Total Expenditure	\$2,549.30
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## BRIDGES

Appropriation	\$400.00
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## Labor:

Patrick J. Butler, Supt.	\$24.50
John Wagner	18.00
Paul Vachula	6.00
Ambrose Butler	21.00
Conrad Arndt	12.00

Total Labor	\$ 81.50
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**Equipment:**

Patrick J. Butler, truck	\$ 7.00
Town of Hinsdale, truck	10.00

Total Equipment	\$ 17.00
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**Material:**

Frissell's Market, spikes	\$ 6.00
Kelly Lumber Co., plank	124.08

Total Material	\$130.08
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Total Expenditure	\$228.58
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**SNOW FENCE**

Appropriation	\$300.00
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Eastern Equipment Sales Co., 1300 ft.	\$300.00
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**PARKS AND RECREATION****RECREATION**

Appropriation	\$1,000.00
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**Paid to:**

Frissell's Market, toys, supplies	\$ 69.97
Boys' Club of Pittsfield, tournament fee	3.00
Pittsfield Supply Co., lock	2.76
Richard Galeucia, police duty	4.00
Comet Jewelers, trophies	22.00
Montgomery Ward, uniforms	49.19
Pittsfield Sporting Gds., baseball and football equipt.	101.87
Ernest Fitzroy, umpiring	32.00
Don Murray, umpiring	2.00
Louis Carmel, umpiring, painting	17.00
Thomas Porter, Sr., umpiring	4.00
Charles DeAngelus, umpiring, advan. on unif.	90.10
Beauford Greb, lifeguard	200.00
George Drosehn, painting	15.00
Hinsdale Pharmacy, First Aid Kit	4.58
Corner Hardware, paint, brushes, toys	53.13
E. H. Pierce, insurance	105.00
Harry Freshler, moving dock	20.00



L. P. Adams, lime	\$ 8.25	
Lakeview Florist	10.00	
Francis Mathews, labor on dock	21.00	
Richard Greb, Jr., labor on dock	8.00	
Carmel Bros., gas	3.00	
Dalton Launderette, washing jerseys	15.00	
J. F. Kahl, award	15.00	
Naughton's Market, cookies, candy	32.70	
Besse-Clarke, shirts, whistles, balls	81.25	
Movie Mart, film	15.00	
Total Expenditure		\$998.80

#### BASEBALL FIELD

Appropriation		\$75.00
Paid to:		
Francis Mathews, labor, mowing	\$35.00	
Louis Carmel, labor, mowing	10.00	
Charles Fassell, rototiller	12.00	
Carmel Bros., gas, truck	5.00	
Donald Alderman, mowing	11.00	
Total Expenditure		\$73.00

#### MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE

Appropriation		\$40.00
Hinsdale Pharmacy, 10 doz. flags		\$30.00

#### LIBRARY

Appropriation	\$400.00	
Dog Tax refund from County	431.43	
Total		\$831.43
Paid to Hinsdale Library Association		\$831.43

#### UNCLASSIFIED

#### TOWN USE OF WATER

Appropriation		\$324.00
Hinsdale Fire District for water to Kittredge School and fire station		\$324.00

## HEATING FIRE STATION

Appropriation	\$700.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund 12-31	100.62	
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Total		\$800.62
Paid to:		
Levernoch Bros.	\$171.04	
Hinsdale Gas and Oil	629.58	
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Total Expenditure		\$800.62

## PRINTING

Appropriation		\$700.00
Paid to:		
Eagle Printing & Binding Co., 650 town reports	\$650.55	
Studley Press, ballots	47.00	
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Total Expenditure		\$697.55

## MISCELLANEOUS

Appropriation	\$600.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund 12-31	191.74	
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Total		\$791.74
Paid to:		
W. and L. E. Gurley, sealer's die	\$ 1.53	
Thomas Dehey, box rent, postage	61.61	
Mass. Selectmen's Assoc., dues	15.00	
Mass. Assoc. of Assessors, dues	9.00	
Mass. Town Clerk's Assoc., dues	7.50	
Mass. Assoc. of Treasurers, dues	6.00	
Mass. Assoc. of Finance Committees, dues	10.00	
Veterans' Agent Assoc., dues	10.00	
Berk. Co. Selectmen's Assoc., dues	6.00	
Frederick B. Smith, forms	40.83	
Remington Rand, repairs to adding mach.	11.52	
Berkshire Trust Co., checkbooks, box rent	30.21	
Ernest Fitzroy, delivering town reports	25.00	
Eagle Printing & Binding Co., warrants, boat reg.	48.75	
W. H. Shandoff, stationery supplies	6.78	
E. P. Gowdy, stationery supplies	9.36	

Edward Wood, phone, postage, expenses	\$ 6.69
Country Club of Hinsdale, meals	44.60
Archie Standish, wiring lights	41.97
Paul A. Meyers, expenses to selectmen's meetings	39.70
Theron B. Marshall, expenses and flowers	21.00
Theodore Persip, painting	51.00
Charles Gale, dog officer expenses	116.00
Clair L. Bradley, sign	3.00
Iris Morgan, expenses to health meetings	5.00
Edwin C. Drosehn, cowboy	6.00
Comm. of Mass., signs	43.05
John Alfonso, signs	22.50
Hobbs & Warren, books	18.00
Isabelle F. Butler, vital statistics, expenses	61.90
Marion Ransford, veterans' agent expenses, postage	12.24

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Total Expenditure

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\$791.74

#### CEMETERY MAINTENANCE

Appropriation \$500.00

##### Labor:

William E. Morgan, Supt.	\$136.00
William Drosehn	42.50
Harry Parker	16.25
Alfred G. Kirchner, repair vault	12.00
John Musgrove	4.25
Roger Irish	5.53
Thomas Smith	2.55
George Daniels	8.50
Cedric Phillips, repair waterline	5.47

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Total Labor

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\$233.05

##### Equipment:

William E. Morgan, truck, tractor	\$152.00
Joseph Cormier, tractor	10.00

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Total Equipment

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\$162.00

##### Material:

Frissell's Market, shovels	\$39.35
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Total Material

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\$39.35

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Total Expenditure

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\$434.30

## RESERVE FUND

Appropriation		\$1,500.00
Transferred to:		
School Lunch Program	\$ 5.00	
Town Officers' Salaries	80.00	
Board of Registrars	16.25	
Tree Warden	56.33	
Street Lighting	155.47	
Heating Fire Station	100.62	
Tax Collector's Expenses	10.66	
Miscellaneous	191.74	
Road Machinery Maintenance	49.30	
Fire Department	.32	
Police	49.78	
Chapter 90 Construction	.50	
Winter Road Maintenance	173.80	
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Total Transfers		\$889.77
Balance returned to Overlay Surplus		\$610.23

## UNAPPROPRIATED ACCOUNTS

Commonwealth of Mass.:		
State Recreation Areas	\$1,272.44	
Auditing Municipal Accounts	1,245.53	
Berkshire County Mosquito Control	1,086.21	
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Treasurer Berkshire County:		
County Tax	\$5,819.19	
Dog taxes collected	494.25	
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Tax Refunds:		
1958 Excise	\$149.16	
1959 Excise	175.68	
1959 Real Estate	426.81	
1959 Personal Property	50.25	
1959 Poll	2.00	
	<hr/>	\$803.90
Federal Withholding tax, payroll deductions		\$7,512.00
State Withholding tax, payroll deductions		472.72
Cafeteria Supplies and Equipment		\$5,803.94



**FIRE INSURANCE PREMIUMS**

Appropriation		\$685.00
Paid to:		
Bardwell, Inc., 5th inst. blanket coverage	\$ 97.30	
Stevenson & Co., 5th inst. blanket coverage	310.16	
E. H. Pierce Co., 5th inst. blanket coverage	275.70	
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Total		\$683.16

**NOTES AND INTEREST****NOTES**

Appropriation		\$27,000.00
Paid to:		
Second Bank—State St. Trust (Boston)		
5th (final) payment 1954 School Loan	\$26,000.00	
Berkshire Trust Co.		
4th payment on 1955 Shower Room Loan	1,000.00	
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Total		\$27,000.00

**INTEREST**

Appropriation		\$365.00
Paid to:		
Second Bank—State St. Trust (Boston)		
Interest on 1954 School Loan (1½%)	\$325.00	
Berkshire Trust Co.		
Interest on 1955 Shower Room Loan (2%)	20.00	
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Total		\$365.00

**SPECIAL ARTICLES****CEMETERY IMPROVEMENT**

Balance brought forward from 1958	\$200.00
No expenditure from this account in 1959	
Balance carried forward to 1960	\$200.00

**ROAD MACHINERY EARNINGS FUND**

Balance January 1, 1959		\$7,427.71
Earnings in 1959:		
Truck	\$1,996.00	
Tractor	2,607.50	
Rake	20.00	
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Total earnings		\$4,623.50
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Total		\$12,051.21
Transferred to Road Machinery Maintenance		2,500.00
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Balance carried forward to 1960		\$9,551.21

**INSURANCE AND BONDS****SURETY BONDS**

Appropriation		\$350.00
Paid to:		
Colt Insurance Agency, Collector's Bond	\$180.00	
Stevenson & Co., Clerk's Bond	7.50	
Bardwell, Inc., Treasurer's Bond	87.20	
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Total Expended		\$274.70

**BERKSHIRE COUNTY RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

Appropriation	\$325.49	
Deductions from payrolls	793.42	
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Total		\$1,118.91
Paid to Treasurer of Berkshire County		\$1,118.91

**WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION**

Appropriation		\$1,200.00
Paid to:		
Stevenson & Co., advance premium for 1959	\$830.90	
Stevenson & Co., balance premium for 1958	137.58	
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Total		\$968.48

## FIRE STATION ROOF REPAIRS

Balance brought forward from 1958	\$130.00
No expenditure from this account in 1959	
Balance carried forward to 1960	\$130.00

## REPAIRS TO SAND SHED

Balance brought forward from 1958	\$96.46
No expenditure from this account in 1959	
Balance carried forward to 1960	\$96.46

## FIREPROOF FILE FOR TOWN CLERK

Appropriation	\$300.00
No expenditure from this account in 1959	
Balance carried forward to 1960	\$300.00

## STABILIZATION FUND

Appropriation	\$14,500.00
Deposited in Berkshire County Savings Bank	\$14,500.00

*Money isn't everything—but it's far ahead of whatever may happen to be in second place.*

# **APPROPRIATIONS, TRANSFERS, EXPENDITURES, AND BALANCES**

ACCOUNT	1959 Appropriation	Balance Jan. 1, 1959	Receipts & Refunds	Add. Approp. & Transfers	Available	Expended	Unexpended Balance Dec. 31, 1959	Carried Forward To 1960
Schools	\$112,337.42				\$112,335.42	\$112,337.42	\$ 14.85	
School Lunch Program	1,850.00			\$ 5.00	1,855.00	1,855.00		
Central Berkshire Regional School	4,816.65				4,816.65	4,816.65		
Cafeteria		\$ 476.64	\$6,007.39		6,484.03	5,779.99	704.04	\$704.04
Federal School Allotment		1,041.58	3,236.72		4,278.30	1,338.12	2,940.18	2,940.18
Old Age Assistance	27,000.00	1,639.59	40,580.35			47,815.22	62.26	47.27
Aid to Dependent Children	4,000.00	947.91	8,123.45			9,907.26	399.35	399.35
Disability Assistance	5,000.00	402.07	6,969.24			8,957.48		
General Assistance	7,000.00					6,660.60		
Welfare Administration	2,150.00					2,149.20	.80	
OAA Administration		72.10				72.10		
ADC Administration		9.50				9.50		
DA Administration		9.50				9.50		
Veterans' Aid	3,000.00			3,300.00	6,300.00	6,220.55	79.45	
Chapter 81 Maintenance	2,625.00		9,625.00		12,250.00	12,250.00		
Chapter 90 Construction	2,500.00		7,500.00	.50	10,000.50	10,000.50		
Chapter 90 Maintenance	1,500.00		3,000.00		4,500.00	4,500.00		
Ashmere Lake Road	300.00				300.00	299.95	.05	
Plunkett Lake Road	200.00				200.00	200.00		
Purchase of Snow Fence	300.00				300.00	300.00		
Bridges	400.00				400.00	228.58	171.42	
Winter Road Maintenance	12,000.00			1,573.80	13,573.80	13,573.80		
Road Machinery Maintenance	2,500.00			49.30	2,549.30	2,549.30		
Town Officers' Salaries	6,710.00			80.00	6,790.00	6,790.00		
Election Officers	150.00				150.00	100.00	50.00	
Board of Registrars	150.00			16.25	166.25	166.25		
Police	500.00			49.78	549.78	549.78		
Fire Department	2,500.00			.32	2,500.32	2,500.32		
Forest Fires	150.00				150.00	150.00		
Dutch Elm Disease Control	598.25				598.25	140.00	458.25	
Insect Control	100.00				100.00	95.00	5.00	
Board of Health	100.00				100.00	60.00	40.00	



Civil Defense	1,080.00			1,080.00	298.14	781.86	
Tree Warden	600.00		56.33	656.33	656.33		
Street Lighting	3,700.00		155.47	3,855.47	3,855.47		
Dump	200.00			200.00	200.00		
Cemetery Maintenance	500.00			500.00	434.30	65.70	
Cemetery Improvement		200.00		200.00			200.00
Town Use of Water	324.00			324.00	324.00		
Town Hall Maintenance	500.00			500.00	483.44	16.56	
Heating Fire Station	700.00		100.62	800.62	860.62		
Repairs to Sand Shed		96.46		96.46		96.46	96.46
Fire Station Roof Repairs		150.00		150.00		150.00	150.00
Printing	700.00			700.00	697.55	2.45	
Tax Collector's Expense	225.00		10.66	235.66	235.66		
Tax Titles	1,000.00			1,000.00	433.00	567.00	
Tax Refunds					803.90		
Assessors' Expense	300.00			300.00	299.75	.25	
Miscellaneous	600.00		191.74	791.74	791.74		
Surety Bonds	350.00			350.00	274.70		
Berkshire Co. Retirement System	325.49	793.42		1,118.91	1,118.91		
Federal Withholding Tax		7,512.00		7,512.00	7,512.00		
State Withholding Tax		472.72		472.72	472.72		
Unappropriated Accounts					3,604.18		
Workmen's Compensation	1,200.00			1,200.00	968.48	231.52	
Fire Insurance Premiums	685.00			685.00	683.16	1.84	
Recreation	1,000.00			1,000.00	998.80	1.20	
Baseball Field	75.00			75.00	73.00	2.00	
Memorial Day Observance	40.00			40.00	30.00	10.00	
Notes	27,000.00			27,000.00	27,000.00		
Interest	365.00			365.00	365.00		
Reserve Fund	1,500.00			1,500.00	889.77	610.23	
Stabilization Fund	14,500.00	19,630.91*		14,500.00	14,500.00		
Postwar Rehabilitation Fund		2,500.37*					
Road Machinery Fund		7,427.71	4,623.50	12,051.21	2,500.00	9,551.21	
County Tax					5,819.19		
Dog Tax			494.25	494.25	494.25		
Library	400.00	431.43		841.43	841.43		
Filing Cabinet for Town Clerk	300.00			300.00		300.00	300.00

\*Balance, including accumulated interest, at time of most recent state audit.

## REPORT OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

We have observed with growing interest the work of the Berkshire County Industrial Development Commission and are preparing to cooperate in every way with the development of recommendations that may come about as the result of county-wide research and promotion. Hinsdale has been suggested as a logical location for an airport to provide air service near the population and industrial center of the county. Another factor significant to us is growing sentiment in favor of a new interchange on the Massachusetts Turnpike between Lee and Westfield.

The activity toward the setting up of zoning for industry and the interest in planning ahead we view as healthy signs, and feel that they are essential steps in preparing for attracting industry and at the same time providing protection against any devaluation of existing property.

We hope in 1960 to more actively seek out firms whom we might interest in establishing businesses in Hinsdale. To do this we plan to ask the Selectmen to allot a small amount from the Miscellaneous account for stationery and printing of a brief sketch of what Hinsdale has to offer a prospective industry.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN WARREN  
 ALLYN W. SMITH  
 GARRETT F. COLLINS  
 PAUL A. MEYERS

*Industrial Development Commission.*

*A tough Army sergeant entered the barracks where a group of trainees had spent their first night, switched on the lights and bellowed: "All right, you guys. It's four o'clock."*

*"Four o'clock!" one draftee gasped. "Man, you better get to bed. We got a big day tomorrow."*

## REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE

For the year 1959 the Recreation Committee would like to thank all those who helped with Recreation for the children of our town.

A large turnout was recorded for all classes at Plunkett Lake, taught by the American Red Cross instructor. For ten weeks our lifeguard, Beauford Greb, was on duty.

Midget League baseball was again a popular sport with the younger boys. Coaches were Archie Eastland, Jerry Vranas, and Donald Cornwell.

Junior football was organized for the second year in Hinsdale. Much time was put in by Charles DeAngelus, Fran Matthews and Dave O'Leary.

Basketball in the Kittredge School gym again is in high gear. High school boys' and girls' teams, town teams and semi-pro teams give Hinsdale residents plenty of basketball. We wish to thank the following for many hours spent in the gym—Jerry Vranas, Donald Murray, Fran Matthews, and Dick Greb.

The Hinsdale Lions Club sponsored their annual tournament again with very much success. Hinsdale, Dalton, Becket, Worthington, Cheshire, Windsor and Lanesborough all had teams playing.

The Committee also sponsored a Halloween and Christmas party for the town children.

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST FITZROY, *Chairman*

LOUIS CARMEL

FRAN MATHEWS

BARBARA LITCHFIELD

CHARLES DeANGELUS

JEAN WALLIN



## FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

During the year of 1959 the Fire Department answered 18 calls as follows: (2) calls to Peru, (3) house fires, (1) brush fire, (1) dump fire, (2) chimney fires, (8) grass fires, (1) milk house fire. We were called to Dalton (under Mutual aid agreement) for standby duty when they had a bad forest fire. Two of the house fires were set by children playing with matches.

The Town of Hinsdale should be real proud of their Fire Department. During the year at Musters we took quite a few prizes. The most valued of these was in Northampton when we were judged best appearing outfit in a line of march which consisted of (27) Fire Departments.

The cooperation of the residents in fire prevention is being shown to a greater degree this year over any year since 1928 when the Fire Department was formed. The Department is very appreciative of this and feels that they have been very fortunate in being able to keep fires at a minimum due to this fact and to the observation of fire rules and regulations.

The firemen would like to take this opportunity to thank the residents of the Town for the many kindnesses shown the Department.

In May of 1959 a new Junior Fire Department was formed consisting of 18 members. These young men have been a great help to the regular Department in all of its activities.

They have been very active in raising money for various projects which they are undertaking.

They participated in all the Musters and helped win many of the awards that were bestowed upon us.

Many of them have taken the standard and advanced course in Red Cross first aid.

These young men are a credit to their community.

Once again we would like to remind the residents that permits are necessary for all outdoor fires. These can be obtained by calling OL 5-2529.

Respectfully submitted,

ALLYN W. SMITH,  
*Chief, Fire Department*

## AMBULANCE REPORT FOR 1959

In the year 1959 forty-four (44) calls were received and responded to. These calls were received from Becket, Peru, Hinsdale, and Washington.

There were three long trips taken, one to Meriden, Conn., one to Holyoke, Mass., and one to Albany, N. Y.

These trips covered a distance of 1963 miles.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM ROBINS,  
*Captain of Ambulance*

## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS

To the Selectmen of Hinsdale:

Following is a brief account of the work accomplished during 1959:

### Chapter 81

All dirt roads were scraped and the following were gravelled:

Smith Road  
Bullard's Crossing Road  
Old Windsor Road  
Part of Fassell Road

Those given surface treatment—oil and grits:

Maple Street  
Plunkett Street  
Holmes Road  
Bingham Street

### Chapter 90 Maintenance

Roads treated with asphalt and grits:

New Windsor	2400 ft.
Robinson Road	8000 ft.
Peru Road	2500 ft.

### Chapter 90 Construction

Pittsfield Road	2500 ft.
Plunkett Res. Road	900 ft.

### Ashmere Camp Road

Scraped and gravelled

### Plunkett Camp Road

Scraped and gravelled

### Bridges planked

Main St.  
Bullard's Crossing

### The Town Dump was cared for

### Snow Roads

Snow fence has been erected.  
Roads are kept plowed and sanded.  
Sand barrels, for public use, are kept filled.

Thanking the Board of Selectmen and the men who work with me for their close cooperation, I hereby submit my 1959 report.

Respectfully submitted,

PARTICK BUTLER,  
*Superintendent of Roads*

## REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

The circulation of books last year was greater than the year before and we hope will be even greater this coming year.

Book certificates were awarded to school children, fourth grade through eighth grade for reading five books, or a certificate for reading twenty books. One out of five must be non-fiction. These are for books read between September and June.

National Library Week was observed by open house on April 15th with refreshments being served by the teen-agers. These boys and girls had worked diligently to clean the library and had made signs designating books of various categories to place over the cases. We hope to have some form of observance this coming year when National Library Week will be April 3rd to 9th.

Number of days open	101
Books circulated:	
Adult fiction	5,307
Juvenile fiction	5,782
History	151
Biography	138
Arts and Sciences	197
Magazines	37
Miscellaneous	1,001
Total circulation	12,613
Books purchased:	
Adult fiction	68
Juvenile fiction	57
Science	13
Biographies	3
Histories	1
Miscellaneous	5
Total	137

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY M. LYMAN,  
*Librarian.*



## PUBLIC LIBRARY

December 1, 1958 to December 1, 1959

## Receipts

1958		
Dec. 1	Balance on hand in Agricultural National Bank	\$183.93
1959		
Jan. 14	Town of Hinsdale, appropriation	400.00
June 2	Town of Hinsdale, Dog Tax	431.43
		<hr/>
		\$1,015.36

## Disbursements

Paid:

Librarian, Dorothy Lyman, 12 months		\$495.00
Janitors, Meyers Brothers		96.00
Electricity, Western Mass. Electric Co.		38.72
Wood and Kindlings, Franklin Fassell		100.00
Care of Lawn and Walks, Peter Frissell	\$12.00	
Daniel Robbins	12.00	
Thomas Porter	9.35	
William Rudin	6.90	
	<hr/>	40.25
Glass, Stove Pipe, linoleum, bulbs, etc.,		
Frissell's Market		21.14
Cleaning heater and pipe, William Zeitler		7.50
P. O. Box Rent, Thomas Dehey, Postmaster		6.60
Cleaning Cellar and repairs, Meyers Brothers		8.00
Check Book, Agricultural National Bank		4.00
Bank Service Charge, Agricultural National Bank		3.89
1959		
Dec. 1	Balance on hand in Agricultural National Bank	194.26
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		\$1,015.36

Respectfully submitted,

T. AUGUSTUS FRISSELL,  
Treasurer.

I have examined this account and found it correct.

ALLYN W. SMITH,  
Auditor.

## REPORT OF EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT

Agent's report to the Board of Public Welfare:

The Welfare District, now established for eight and one half years, continues to operate with very little change in policy or procedure during the past year. It is gratifying to work with the continued fine cooperation of Town officials and the general public. I take this opportunity to express my appreciation to Paul Meyers, secretary and Hinsdale representative of the Prudential committee who has been very helpful in the general public relations program.

The total number of cases serviced in all categories during 1959, numbered 57. However, in addition to these cases, 20 other cases were given service at some time during the year—5 were deceased, ten became independent again through employment and 5 were transferred to other cities or towns.

The cost of welfare increased considerably. This is partly due to the increased number of recipients who now reside in nursing homes; also the increased cost of medical care—and medications. Reimbursements through the State and Federal grants on the categories of Old Age Assistance, Aid To Dependent Children and Disability Assistance are paid on a basis of claims presented monthly, subject to a later audit. Payments are received two months later, therefore reimbursements and expenditures can never match month for month in the fiscal year.

The Federal grant is a revolving account and any balance left in this account at the end of the year may be carried forward for use during the next year. Reimbursements from the State grants cannot be used to defray payrolls—but the monies are credited in the town's general funds and thus used in determining the next year's tax rate.

The Town of Hinsdale is billed for aid rendered to persons living in other communities but who still retain a settlement in this town. Such cases who are aided in this manner do not appear in the total number listed as active cases, although monies are expended for their care, as reimbursement to other towns who have given aid when needed.

In turn, other Towns reimburse the Town of Hinsdale for aid given persons, who reside here, but who retain settlement in other communities.

In closing, I wish to express my readiness to cooperate wherever my services are needed, and to the best of my ability.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPHINE H. EAMES,

*Agent.*



# EASTERN BERKSHIRE WELFARE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES—1959

	District	Hinsdale	Becket	Peru	Washington
On Hand 1-1-59	\$ 1,545.19	\$ 899.24	\$ 459.79	\$ 39.38	\$ 146.78
Reimbursement	9,307.36	4,640.72	2,958.16	917.52	790.96
Paid in by Towns	4,396.41	2,240.30	1,285.70	462.90	407.51
Total	\$15,248.96	\$7,780.26	\$4,703.65	\$1,419.80	\$1,345.25
Warrants	13,923.96	6,971.01	4,401.56	1,306.95	1,244.44
Balance	\$1,325.00	\$809.25	\$302.09	\$112.85	\$100.81
Net operating Expense 1959	\$4,616.60	\$2,330.29	\$1,443.40	\$389.43	\$453.48
Percent of Case Load:					
1-1-59 to 6-30-59		52.1	29.9	8.6	9.4
6-30-59 to 12-31-59		47.7	33.6	10.3	8.4
1-1-60 to 6-30-60		51.4	32.4	9.9	6.3

## BUDGET FOR 1960

Salaries	\$11,395.00
Travel and Expenses to Conf.	550.00
Rent and Maintenance	753.00
Postage	275.00
Telephone	300.00
Electricity	70.00
Retirement Fund	724.13
Bond for Treasurer	15.00
Heat	300.00
Office Supplies	200.00
Office Equipment	300.00
Repair of Office Equipment	61.86
Insurance	67.20
Miscellaneous	88.81
Total	\$15,100.00

## ESTIMATED RECEIPTS FOR 1960

1960 Budget	\$15,100.00
State Reimbursement	\$4,700.00
Federal Reimbursement	5,000.00
	\$9,700.00
Net Cost to Towns	\$5,400.00
Hinsdale	\$2,775.60
Becket	1,749.60
Washington	340.20
Peru	534.60
	\$5,400.00

## Case Load:

	OAA	ADC	DA	GA	Total	Percent
Hinsdale	37	8	7	5	57	51.4
Becket	28	3	2	3	36	32.4
Peru	10	0	1	0	11	9.9
Washington	3	3	0	1	7	6.3
Total	78	14	10	9	111	100.0

Eastern Berkshire Welfare District Judiciary Committee,  
 WILLIAM FRISBIE, *Chairman*—Becket  
 PAUL A. MEYERS, *Secretary*—Hinsdale  
 WILLIAM CULLETT—Peru  
 HARRY C. SHAW—Washington

# TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT—SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS

	<i>Warrants or balances due 1-1-59</i>	<i>Interest</i>	<i>Title Payments</i>	<i>Collected and paid to Treasurer</i>	<i>Abated</i>	<i>Tax Titles</i>	<i>Balance due 1-1-60</i>
1959 Real Estate	\$132,366.27	\$33.22		\$105,074.35	\$1,837.14	\$2,061.33	\$23,426.67
1959 Personal Property	18,933.53	.39		17,492.65	77.67		1,363.60
1959 Poll	904.00	.30		722.30	156.00		26.00
1959 Excise	11,692.95	1.86		7,172.48	249.64		4,282.31
1959 Farm Excise	87.80	.10		58.37			29.53
1959 Real Estate	\$24,057.94	\$405.54		\$17,800.07			\$6,663.41
1958 Personal Property	1,460.32	15.09		767.23	62.70		645.48
1958 Poll	20.00	.38		14.38	6.00		
1958 Excise	5,675.71	52.99		5,026.51	133.81		568.38
1958 Farm Excise	31.60	.85		22.20			10.25
1957 Real Estate	\$7,155.73	\$383.42	\$3.10	\$7,542.25			
1957 Personal Property	437.61	20.19		443.54	14.26		
1957 Excise	328.95	13.56		134.45	203.30		\$4.76
1956 Real Estate		\$ .45	\$3.60	\$ 4.05			
1956 Personal Property	72.00	6.96		78.96			
1955 Real Estate		.48	\$2.90	\$3.38			
1954 Real Estate		.55	\$2.70	\$3.25			

## REFUNDS

## 1959 Excise

Nov.	10	Richard Arndt	\$26.45	
Nov.	19	Earl Sutor	57.71	
Nov.	24	Charles Winchell	35.53	
		Barbara Hart	7.62	
		Herbert Prew	10.69	
Dec.	8	Holland Geer	16.83	
		Joseph Magnone	3.21	
Dec.	15	Holland Geer	8.82	
Dec.	29	Robert Boyd	5.61	
		Ervin Murphy	3.21	
			<hr/>	\$175.68

## 1958 Excise

Jan.	13	Emilie Meyers	\$ 7.04	
		Robert Murray	2.01	
Jan.	20	Donald Patterson	4.03	
		Elizabeth Gemmell	22.09	
		Howard Hood	35.15	
Jan.	27	William Litchfield	14.06	
Feb.	9	John Pochinchuck	7.53	
Feb.	17	George Davis	4.03	
		Joseph Magnone	5.27	
		Edmund Neissel	6.27	
Feb.	23	Rosemary Bernardo	6.78	
Mar.	10	James Baumann	12.05	
Mar.	23	Joseph Frusciente	7.03	
Sept.	15	Conrad Arndt	6.78	
			<hr/>	\$140.12

## 1959 Real Estate

Sept.	15	Oliva Landry	\$134.00	
Sept.	22	Edith Butler	134.00	
		John Warren	134.00	
Nov.	10	Oliva Landry	22.80	
Dec.	20	Francis Kokosa	2.01	
			<hr/>	\$426.81

## 1959 Personal Tax

Sept.	8	Carmel Brothers	\$33.50	
Sept.	29	Mitchell Olechna	6.70	
		Donald Baldwin	6.70	
Nov.	10	Guido Dalmalin	3.35	
			<hr/>	\$50.25
1959 Poll				
July	27	William Nuttall	\$2.00	\$2.00

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED G. KIRCHNER,  
Tax Collector.

I have examined this account and find it correct.

ALLYN W. SMITH,  
Auditor.

*A socially ambitious young woman made her husband's life miserable trying to get him to rent a more expensive apartment. One evening he came home in a good humor. "Good news, dearest!" he cried. "We don't have to move. The landlord just raised the rent."*

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

## VITAL STATISTICS

## Births

Jan.	22	Linda Elizabeth Dam
Feb.	1	Gary Hilton Hart
	23	William James Sanford
	28	Richard Charles Bishop
Mar.	8	Joanne Trull
	15	Terry Rae Lueck
April	6	Joel Timothy Moon
	18	Richard Alan Alderman
	30	Walter David Ulmer
May	3	Mary Lou Herlihy
	9	Susan Gertrude Bean
	19	Ronald Alfred Bernardo
June	5	David Michael Robins
	18	Philip Joseph Cormier
	25	Victor Eugene Reese
July	3	Michael Anthony Cornwell
	5	David William Gargan
		John David MacWhinnie
	11	Kevin Edward Virgilio
	14	Jennifer Lynn Trombley
	16	— Dombkowski
	25	Paul Kenneth Steele
	26	Alan Marshall Anthony, Jr.
	28	Audrey Alison Arndt
Aug.	13	Timothy Stephen Galok
Sept.	20	William Eugene Carroll
		Susan Beverly Pease
	29	Alison Lee Denley
Oct.	6	Lawrence Peter Freshler
	7	David Francis Elger
	13	Dennis Allan Gargan
	16	Dawn Louise Smith
	24	Donald Edward Thomas
Nov.	1	Steven Herbert Philbrick
	26	Larry Edward Oakes
Dec.	7	David Allyn Drosehn
	14	Julie Mathews
	30	Autumn Marie Rawling



## Marriages

Jan.	31	Edward Robert Lindsey Louise Cecelia LeVardi	Dalton Hinsdale
Mar.	28	Rodney Frank Rawling Winifred Ellen Scanlon	Pittsfield Hinsdale
April	26	Robert Arthur Barnes Gloria Jean Williams	Hinsdale East Nassau, N. Y.
May	25	David Bruce Smith Marilyn Louise Litchfield	Westford Hinsdale
June	6	Donald R. Coughlin Dorothy May Pelkey	Pittsfield Hinsdale
	13	Richard Francis Burke Barbara Ann Cultrera	Hinsdale Pittsfield
	20	George Harry Koulgeorge Marjorie Gertrude Schnopp	Pittsfield Hinsdale
	27	James Paul Clark Helen Coale Magness	Bel Air, Md. Bell Air, Md.
July	4	Joseph Richard Fallon Dorothy E. Parslow Broderick	Hinsdale Pittsfield
	25	Paul Livingston Cullett, Jr. Carolyn Emily Russo	Hinsdale Pittsfield
Aug.	1	William Hopkins Van Orden Judith Ann Gero Leo H. Bradley Rita Theresa Martin Reeves	West Cummingtton Hinsdale Hinsdale Pittsfield
	15	John Alden Cudworth Sharon Rose Whitmarsh	Dalton Hinsdale
Sept.	7	John James O'Brien, Jr. Jeannette Audrey Lyman	Lenox Hinsdale
	26	Herbert Leslie Kent, Jr. Mary Ann Nowak	Hinsdale Adams
Nov.	7	George David O'Leary Ann Marie Driscoll	Hinsdale Pittsfield

## Deaths

			<i>Yrs.</i>	<i>Mos.</i>	<i>Days</i>
Jan.	1	Augustus Mongue	68	4	9
	16	James Vranas	78	3	13
Feb.	14	Henry J. Farnum	81	2	5
	21	Elmer J. Williams	71	8	5
April	5	Harriet Loveland Forward	81	5	0
	11	Fred F. Drosehn	82	9	21
	27	Amelia (Beske) Gardieff	89	4	25
May	11	Virginia Carmel	71	4	5
July	5	Lewis Verne White	70	1	6
	16	Baby Dombkowski	0	0	0
Aug.	22	Stephen Gokey	60	6	6
Sept.	22	Margaret E. Dehey	79	1	20
	25	Walter C. Solomon	83	7	7
Oct.	11	Annie Hack Martin	74	11	1
	26	Minnie R. Winchell LeVardi	44	6	26
Nov.	3	George Brooking, Sr.	72	2	6
	17	Hattie Parker Lincoln	80	0	8
	24	Amy Hunter Scutt	79	5	27

Births 38

Marriages 16

Deaths 18

# **LICENSES ISSUED BY SELECTMEN AND MILK INSPECTOR**

Jan.	1	Harry J. and Hilda E. Dame, Package Store	\$150.00
		John and Annie Naughton, Package Store	150.00
		Hinsdale Home Club, Inc., Charles DeAngelus, Mgr., All Alcoholic Beverages	275.00
		Hinsdale Home Club, Inc., Charles DeAngelus, Mgr., Weekday Amusement	2.00
		Louis Costi, All Alcoholic Beverages	275.00
		Louis Costi, Weekday Amusement	2.00
		Alfred J. and Madeline Basiliere, All Alcoholic Beverages	275.00
April	18	Harold Champlin, Selling Gasoline	2.00
	20	Carmel Bros. (Norman and Earl), Selling Gasoline	2.00
	21	Holland Geer, Buying and Selling Used Cars and Parts	2.00
May	1	Alton J. Nichols, Selling on Sunday	2.00
		Helen's Lunch and Variety (Helen G. Brooks) Selling on Sunday	2.00
		Selling Light Lunches	2.00
		Alfred and Madeline Basiliere, Common Victualler	2.00
		Louis Costi, Common Victualler	2.00
	5	Brown Oil Co. (Francis B. Schnopp), Selling Gasoline	2.00
	15	Carl A. Wallin, Sr., Selling Gasoline	2.00
	28	George Simon, Common Victualler	2.00
		All Alcoholic Beverages	150.00
		Weekday Amusement	2.00
		Peter Ortolani, Selling Light Lunches	2.00
		Selling on Sunday	2.00
		Weekday Amusement	2.00
		William Litchfield, Performing Services as Gunsmith	3.00
June	3	Helen Adams Arries, Common Victualler	2.00
	6	Peter Ortolani, Manufacturing Soft Ice Cream	2.00
	9	Harry E. Freshler, Selling Gasoline	2.00
		Selling New and Used Cars	2.00
		Hackney	2.00
	10	Camp Wyoma, Selling Beer, one day only	3.00
	12	Rowland Armacost, Selling Gasoline	2.00
June	20	Camp Wyoma, Selling Beer, one day only	3.00



July	4	Archie Standish, Boat Rides on Ashmere Lake	2.00
		Harold Miner, Selling New and Used Cars	2.00
		Harold Miner, Selling Gasoline	2.00
17		Leslie G. and Helen A. Arries, All Alcoholic Beverages	75.00
		Warren Galeucia, Junking Cars	2.00
21		M. and J. Snack Bar (Martin Glendon) Selling on Sundays	2.00
		Selling Refreshments	2.00
		Alfred and Madeline Basiliere, Refreshments	2.00
Aug.	30	Knights of Columbus, Pittsfield, Selling Beer, one day only	3.00

## Milk Licenses

May	1	Naughton's Market, Selling Milk	.50
		Selling Oleomargarine	.50
		Hinsdale Pharmacy, Selling Milk	.50
		Frissell's Market, Inc., Selling Milk	.50
		Selling Oleomargarine	.50
		Helen's Lunch and Variety, Selling Milk	.50
	11	Pittsfield Milk Exchange, Selling Milk	.50
	25	Clement's Dairy, Selling Milk	.50
	28	Peter Ortolani, Selling Milk	.50
June	2	Fairdale Farms, Selling Milk	.50
		Selling Oleomargarine	.50
	10	Maurice Casey, Inc., Selling Milk	.50
July	2	Berkshire Farms Dairy, Inc., Selling Milk	.50
		Selling Oleomargarine	.50
	21	M. and J. Snack Bar, Selling Milk	.50
	25	Mrs. Eunice Plant, Selling Milk	.50
Aug.	17	Clement's Dairy, Selling Oleomargarine	.50

## Camp Licenses

June	16	Camp Taconic	\$ .50
July	8	Camp Ashmere, Inc.	.50
		Camp Wyoma	.50
		Camp Lenore	.50
		Camp Fernwood	.50
		Camp Romaca	.50

Paid Town Treasurer

\$1,433.50

## Division of Fisheries and Game

Resident Citizens' Fishing License	168
Resident Citizens' Hunting Licenses	174
Resident Citizens' Sporting Licenses	124
Resident Citizen Minors' Fishing Licenses	40
Resident Citizen Women's Fishing Licenses	47
Resident Citizens' Trapping Licenses	5
Non-Resident Citizens' 3-day Fishing Licenses	21
Non-Resident Minors' Fishing Licenses	2
Non-Resident Citizens' Fishing Licenses	11
Non-Resident Citizens' Hunting Licenses	4
Duplicate Licenses	8
Resident Citizens' Sporting and Trapping Licenses	17
Paid Division of Fisheries and Game	\$1,815.00
<b>Dog Licenses</b>	
Male	132
Female	23
Spayed Female	53
Kennel	5
Paid Town Treasurer	\$491.75

Respectfully submitted,

ISABELLE F. BUTLER,  
Town Clerk.

*A life without problems would be rather dull, for it is only in solving our difficulties that we discover how much imagination, resourcefulness and initiative we have.*  
—Shickshinny Mountain Echo.

# TREASURER'S REPORT

Elaine R. Blake—Treasurer

## Reconciliation of Treasurer's Cash

Balance January 1, 1959

\$100,246.81

### Receipts for 1959

#### Taxes:

1954 Real Estate	\$ 2.70
1955 Real Estate	2.90
1956 Real Estate	1,115.58
Personal	75.60
1957 Real Estate	6,043.25
Personal	418.35
Farm Excise	5.00
1958 Real Estate	17,394.53
Personal	752.14
Poll	14.00
1959 Real Estate	105,041.13
Personal	17,492.26
Poll	722.00
Farm Excise	58.27
1958 Farm Excise	21.35

#### Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise

1957	120.89
1958	4,973.52
1959	7,170.62
Int. on Taxes	936.33
Tax Titles	3,714.76

#### Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Com'r. Veterans' Services	1,310.13
Transport. of Pupils	11,224.04
Retarded Children	210.00
Vocational Education	2,312.88
Tuition—Child Guardianship	667.56
Income Tax	16,490.64
Loss of Taxes	32.07
Spec. School Aid Pub. Law No. 874	2,855.42
Old Age Assist.—Meal Tax	1,378.15
Corp. Tax Business	4,251.90
School Construct. Reimb.	21,160.01
Nat'l. Defense Educ.	390.10
Livestock Disease Control	25.00
Temp. Aid & Transportation	2,910.30
School Aid Chapter 70	4,565.88
Support of Indigent Persons	341.38
Old Age Assistance	19,124.81
Aid Dependent Children	2,739.89
Disability Assistance	3,485.42
Disability Assistance, Administration	5.75

## U. S. Grants:

Old Age Assistance	\$17,643.16
Aid Dependent Children	4,348.00
Disability Assistance	3,076.00
Old Age Assistance, Administration	67.80
Aid Dependent Children, Administration	9.80
Disability Assistance, Administration	11.50

## Highways:

State	16,625.00
County	5,500.00
County of Berkshire, Dog Refund	431.43
County of Berkshire, Defendants	115.00
Town Licenses	1,433.50
Dog Licenses	491.75
Town of Peru, Tuition	1,340.99
County Retirement, Deductions	696.66
Federal Withholding Deductions	9,769.50
State Withholding Deductions	672.85
Road Machinery Earnings	4,623.50
School Lunch Receipts	6,496.95
School, Sale of Ford Car	100.00
Sealers of Weights and Measures	30.30
Sale of Cemetery Lots	150.00
Sale of Town Scraper	25.00
Dog Officer Receipts	6.00
County of Berkshire Dog Officer Refund	20.00

## Refunds:

Overpayment	32.08
Aid Dependent Children	1,138.45
Old Age Assistance	3,383.61
General Relief	939.42
Veterans' Relief	82.00
Payment in error	9.90

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\$340,826.66

\$441,073.47

## Payments for 1959

Warrants	\$329,433.08
Balance December 31, 1959	111,640.39

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\$441,073.47

Respectfully submitted,

ELAINE R. BLAKE,

*Treasurer.*

I have examined this report and find it correct.

ALLYN W. SMITH, *Auditor*

# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

## Recapitulation Sheet

Total appropriations to be raised by taxation	\$235,310.16	
Total appropriations voted from available funds	50,731.97	
State Parks and Reservations	684.74	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	1,245.53	
Mosquito Control	545.00	
County Tax	6,697.23	
Overlay of current year	5,813.49	
Gross Amount to be Raised		\$301,028.12

## Estimated Receipts and Available Funds

Income Tax	\$18,980.33	
Corporation Taxes	3,501.90	
Reimbursement on account of publicly owned land	32.07	
Old Age Tax	1,313.86	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	10,825.00	
Licenses	1,300.00	
Protection of Persons and Property	75.00	
Charities (other than federal grants)	7,000.00	
Old Age Assistance (other than federal grants)	19,000.00	
Veterans' Services	550.00	
School (Funds from Income Tax not to be included)	13,800.00	
Interest on Taxes and Assessments	950.00	
State Assistance from School Construction	21,000.00	
Farm Animal Excise	100.00	
City of Pittsfield, in lieu of Taxes	1,000.00	
Town of Dalton, in lieu of Taxes	1,100.00	
Total Estimated Receipts		\$100,528.16
Overestimates of previous year to be used as available funds	\$ 7.37	
Amounts voted to be taken from available funds		
August 29, 1958	4,500.00	
December 8, 1958	1,000.00	
February 9, 1959	45,231.97	
Total Available Funds		\$50,739.34
Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds		\$151,267.50

**Amount to be raised by taxation:**

Polls and Property		\$149,760.62
Polls	\$ 896.00	
Personal Tax	18,933.53	
Real Estate	129,931.09	
Total Taxes Levied on Polls and Property		\$149,760.62

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH B. MARSHALL  
GARRETT F. COLLINS  
WILLYS M. BELLINGER  
*Board of Assessors.*

**Table of Aggregates of Polls, Property, and Taxes****Number of Persons Assessed:**

Personal Estate Only	16
On Real Estate Only	691
On Both Personal and Real Estate	154

Total Number of Persons Assessed	861
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Number of Polls Assessed	448
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**Value of Assessed Personal Estate:**

Live Stock	\$ 4,990.00	
Stock in Trade	13,060.00	
Machinery	20,160.00	
All other Tangible Personal Property	244,380.00	
Total Value of Assessed Personal Estate		\$282,590.00

**Value of Assessed Real Estate:**

Land exclusive of Buildings	\$ 574,620.00
Buildings exclusive of Land	1,364,650.00
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Total Value of Assessed Real Estate	\$1,939,270.00
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Total Valuation of Assessed Estate	\$2,221,860.00
<b>Taxes for State, County, and City or Town Purposes, Including Overlay</b>	
On Personal Estate	\$ 18,933.53
On Real Estate	129,931.09
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Total Taxes Assessed	\$149,760.62
Tax Rate per Thousand	\$67.00

**Number of Live Stock Estimated Under Section 36, Chapter 59**

Horses	16
Neat Cattle	
Cows	130
Bulls	6
Heifers	5
Swine	59
Fowl	1051
Mink	50
Goats	15
Number of Acres of Land Assessed	13,650
Number of Dwelling Houses Assessed	360

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH B. MARSHALL  
GARRETT F. COLLINS  
WILLYS M. BELLINGER  
*Board of Assessors.*

*Sleeping outdoors will cure insomnia. So will sleeping indoors.*

## REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

As required by law, I have inspected and tested devices used for weighing and measuring goods for sale. Seals are affixed to all that were found acceptable according to the rules and regulations of the Division of Standards, and fees collected from the owners were turned over to the Town Treasurer.

PAUL A. MEYERS,  
*Sealer of Weights and Measures.*

## REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF CATTLE & SLAUGHTERING

I have inspected and found:-

136 Milk cows 2 years or older  
41 heifers 1 to 2 years  
34 calves under 1 year  
7 bulls  
5 steers and oxen  
9 horses  
37 goats  
0 sheep  
2 swine

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN C. DROSEHN,  
*Inspector of Cattle and Slaughtering.*

*Woman driver explaining why she ignores red lights: "When you've seen one, you've seen them all!"*



## REPORT OF TREE WARDEN

### Recommendations for removal:

Commonwealth Avenue	5 elms diseased or dead
Church Street	4 elms diseased
Maple Street	pruning, sealing
Longview Avenue	5 elms dead or tagged D.G. 3 maple dangerous
Tully Mountain Road	2 elm stubs 2 maple dangerous
Schnopp's Road	1 dead elm p. dangerous
Stonehouse Road	2 elm dead p. dangerous
School Yard	1 elm ?

This work can not be done for \$600.

Twenty-five trees should be removed for the good and safety of the public.  
To do this work, I recommend the appropriation should be raised to \$1,000.

If this work cannot be done there is no sense in having a tree warden in this town.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD GREB,  
*Tree Warden.*

*President Eisenhower must still be a popular fellow. Look at all the guys who are wearing their hair the way he does.*

# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

School Committee

AND

Superintendent of Schools

OF THE TOWN OF

## HINSDALE

MASSACHUSETTS



FOR THE YEAR ENDING

December 31, 1959

# REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

For the Year Ending December 31, 1959  
School Committee

JOHN R. NAUGHTON, Chairman  
HARRY E. FRESHLER  
CARL R. MOSEGARD  
Superintendent  
EARL C. SUITOR

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Total Budget for 1959	\$113,379.00
Public Law No. 874 Balance	1,041.58

Appropriation	\$112,337.42
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## EXPENDITURES

### General Control:

Superintendent's Salary and Expenses	\$3,971.54	
Secretary	1,820.00	
School Committee	68.25	
Total Expenses of General Control		\$5,859.79

### Expenses of Instruction:

Teachers' Salaries	\$44,417.09	
Textbooks	652.18	
Supplies	1,638.77	
Total Expenses of Instruction		\$46,708.04

### Expenses of Operation:

Janitors	\$4,686.80	
Fuel	2,892.32	
Lights, Power and Telephone	1,337.74	
Supplies	588.08	
Total Expenses of Operation		\$9,504.94

### Repairs

\$964.67

### Auxiliary Agencies:

Health	\$ 1,361.30	
Library	333.03	
Transportation	14,394.87	
High School Tuition	32,695.26	
Total Expenses of Auxiliary Agencies		\$48,884.46

**New Equipment:**

Stage Units	\$402.40	
½ Cost of One Geniac Kit	10.38	
½ Cost of Overhead Projector with Micro-Projection Assembly	176.10	
2 Gym Mats	135.00	
1 Merry-flyer	194.00	
Starter for Tractor	80.00	
½ Cost of Science Demonstration Table	152.50	
Desks	65.00	
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Total New Equipment		1,215.88

**All Others:**

Teachers' Expenses	\$60.00	
Diplomas	22.37	
Constable	11.00	
Frissell's Market	7.48	
County Curriculum Committee	5.00	
Secretary's Workshop (Univ. of Mass.)	17.25	
John Anthony (electrical)	70.00	
Shea, The Florist	5.00	
Ball Field	85.84	
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Total All Others		283.94
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Total Expenditures for 1959		\$113,321.72
Unexpended Balance		\$57.28

*"The love of liberty is the love of others; the love of power is the love of ourselves.*  
*—William Hazlitt.*

## NET COST TO TOWN OF HINSDALE

## For The Support of Schools for Year 1959

Expenditures	\$113,321.72
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## Receipts:

## Reimbursement due from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Chapter 70—State Aid	\$16,162.88
All School Transportation	11,224.04
Tuition and Transportation Vocational School	2,312.88
Superintendent's Salary and Expenses	1,441.18
State Ward Tuition and Transportation	667.56
Chapter 71—Psychologist	210.00

Total	\$32,018.54
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Total Reimbursement from State	\$32,018.54
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Town of Peru—Tuition	1,340.99
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Public Law No. 874	999.15
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Total Receipts	\$34,358.68
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Net Cost to the Town of Hinsdale for the support of the schools for the year 1959	\$78,963.04
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## Public Law No. 874

Public Law No. 874—1958	\$1,041.58
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Expenditure	999.15
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Balance—1958	\$42.13
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Received 1959	2,855.42
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Total	\$2,897.85
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## Public Law No. 864

Receipts from 1959	\$381.30
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Expenditures	338.97
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Balance	\$42.33
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**BUDGET—1960**

Teachers' Salaries	\$47,975.00
Textbooks	550.00
Supplies	1,500.00
Janitors	4,800.00
Fuel	3,000.00
Lights, etc.	1,425.00
Repairs	500.00
Library	200.00
Health	1,500.00
Transportation	14,000.00
Tuition—High School	40,495.00
Operating Expenses	500.00
School Committee	75.00
Superintendent's Salary and Expenses	4,100.00
New Equipment	500.00
Secretary	1,950.00
All Others	500.00
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Total Budget for 1960	\$123,570.00
Public Law No. 874	2,897.85
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Appropriation	\$120,672.15

**ESTIMATED NET COST FOR 1960**

## Estimated Receipts:

Chapter 71	\$ 210.00
Chapter 70 as amended, State Aid	18,437.81
All School Transportation	12,200.00
Superintendent's Salary and Expenses	1,450.00
Vocational Tuition and Transportation	1,381.00
State Ward Tuition and Transportation	900.00
Town of Peru—Tuition	1,645.00
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Total Receipts	\$36,223.81
Estimated Net Cost to the Town of Hinsdale for the support of Schools for 1960	\$84,448.34

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN R. NAUGHTON, *Chairman*  
HARRY E. FRESHLER  
CARL R. MOSEGARD  
EARL C. SUITOR, *Superintendent*

**Enrollment—October 1, 1959**

Kittredge School: Grade 1	26
Grade 2	30
Grade 3	30
Grade 4	32
Grade 5	32
Grade 6	38
Grade 7	40 (including 3 from Peru)
Grade 8	37 (including 4 from Peru)
Kittredge School Total	<hr/> 265
St. Joseph's High	13
Pittsfield High	11
Dalton High	67
Vocational	5
Private Schools	6
Total Enrollment	<hr/> 367

**Kittredge School—Class of 1959**

Eva Adams	James LeVardi
Donald Alderman, Jr.	Arthur Litchfield
Patricia Allen	Marjorie Litchfield
Susan Armacost	Richard Martin
Douglas Carver	David Martin
Constance Croteau	Carol Marshall
George Daniels	Elise Murray
Francis Demary, Jr.	John Musgrove
Joy Dewkett	Marilyn Nason
Linda Fancher	Alton Nichols
Sandra Fuller	Mary Pelkey
Roberta Galok	George Reese
Susan Katz	Thomas Schnopp
Judith Kemp	Alan Thomas
Hilda Landa	David Wallin



workers who prepare nutritional meals, the clerk who handles many items of records, the nurse and doctor who check health needs. Most important of all, are the teachers in the classroom and those who work with them. That is where the vital job of educating the individual youngster is done. It is the most important job in the world. To those who are doing it, and to those who give such vital assistance, I tender my grateful appreciation. Other agencies of the community and especially the parents of these children, working together with the schools is essential to the success of these efforts.

Sincerely,

EARL C. SUITOR,  
*Superintendent of Schools.*

*A superior man is modest in his speech, but exceeds in his actions.—Confucius*

## SCHOOL LUNCH REPORT

Balance—1958	\$ 476.64	
Deposits for 1959	6,496.95	
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Total		\$6,973.59

## EXPENDITURES

Milk	\$2,290.55	
Food	3,698.21	
Transportation	45.15	
Commodities	31.20	
Miscellaneous	304.34	
Labor	53.00	
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Total Expenditures		\$6,422.45
	Credit	\$551.14
		1.46
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	Balance	\$552.60
Total Number of Lunches Served	20,585	
Total Number of Milks	38,449	

*There is nothing permanent except change.—Heracitus*

## REPORT OF MUSIC SUPERVISOR

Mr. Earl C. Suitor  
Superintendent of Schools  
Hinsdale, Mass.

Dear Mr. Suitor:

The music program for Kittredge School has shown good progress in 1959. Grades 2 and 3 have acquired new music books published by the American Book Co. These texts represent the latest in appealing songs and musical learning for children. Response by the classes has been excellent. It is hoped that other classes will be supplied as the books become available.

Musical events for 1959 included a Christmas Program, the "Three Town Concert," and the graduation program. The spring concert was well received and proved a fine incentive for the students. It is hoped to continue this event every year.

The school band has taken part in all of the previously mentioned events. Several new students are taking lessons on rented instruments—such as trumpet, trombone, clarinet, flute—others are taking drum instruction. A baritone horn has been ordered and funds for it have been provided by the band mothers' committee.

I wish to thank the staff for their fine cooperation this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN ROBERTS,  
*Music Supervisor.*

*Sometimes one pays most for the things he gets for nothing.—Einstein*

## SCHOOL HEALTH REPORT

Mr. Earl C. Suitor  
Superintendent of Schools  
Hinsdale, Mass.

Dear Mr. Suitor:

I herewith submit the annual report for Kittredge School for the year 1959.

In March we had some cases of measles and chicken pox and all known cases were reported to the State Health Department.

The vision test was given to all pupils in January and September. The failures were noted and parents notified of such failures.

The hearing test using our new audiometer was given in March and parents were notified of failures.

Physical examinations of pupils in Grades 1, 2, 7 and 8 were completed by Dr. Robert V. Locke. All students who participate in school activities are examined and also all students referred by the teachers or the nurse were seen by the doctor at this time.

The health of the students in general is satisfactory. The most noted defect being dental caries, showing the lack of dental care and good oral hygiene.

Classroom inspections of the hair, ears and skin are done frequently.

In an effort to prevent absenteeism, the personnel of the school was offered the flu vaccine. Twenty-eight therapeutic doses were administered by Dr. Robert V. Locke.

The in-service classes sponsored by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health which are held in the spring and fall in Pittsfield were attended.

The state reports on vision, hearing, physical and handicapped children have been completed.

In conclusion, I thank the teachers, parents and children for helping to promote good health in our school.

Sincerely,

IRIS J. MORGAN, R.N.  
School Nurse.

*New opinions are always suspected, and usually opposed.—Locke*

## REPORT OF THE CENTRAL BERKSHIRE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

### ORGANIZATION

**Becket**  
Paul F. Marsh

**Hinsdale**  
John R. Naughton, *Vice Chairman*  
Mrs. Emily R. Pierce

**Dalton**  
Henry L. Adams  
Albert H. Childs  
Frederick G. Crane, Jr., *Chairman*  
Mrs. Franklin J. Quinn

**Windsor**  
Mrs. Mary L. Hitchcock

Thomas H. White, Dalton, *Superintendent and Secretary of the Committee*  
Earl C. Suitor, Hinsdale, *Associate Superintendent*  
Gordon H. Fitzpatrick, Becket, *Associate Superintendent*  
Ralph R. Johnson, Dalton, *Treasurer of the Committee*

Meetings are held the first and third Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p. m. in Dalton High School.

The office of the Central Berkshire Regional District School Committee is located in the office of the Superintendent of Schools, Dalton High School, Dalton, Massachusetts.

Telephone: Dalton 320

At the close of 1958, the voters of the four towns in the Region had approved the incurring of debt to the amount of \$2,150,000, and the way was cleared for the actual construction of a new Regional High School. The following report for 1959 shows the development of final plans and the beginning of the construction on this building.

### Personnel

At its organizational meeting in March, the committee elected the following officers: Chairman, Mr. Frederick G. Crane, Jr.; Vice-Chairman, Mr. John R. Naughton; Treasurer, Mr. Ralph R. Johnson; Secretary and Superintendent, Mr. Thomas H. White; Legal Counsel, Mr. Donald J. Brennan; Associate Superintendents, Mr. Earl C. Suitor and Mr. Gordon H. Fitzpatrick.

Early in the year, seven candidates for the position of Clerk of the Works were interviewed, and on January 14, Mr. George R. Gibson of Pittsfield was selected for the position. Mr. Gibson brings to this position many years of experience in the construction business as mason and superintendent.

### **Bids on Structural Steel**

In anticipation of a possible shortage of structural steel, the committee called for bids for the supply of steel for the new school. Bids were opened on April 22 with nine firms submitting bids. This meeting was recessed for twenty-four hours, and on April 23 on the advice of counsel, the committee voted to reject all bids because of the failure of the bids to comply with the statutes dealing with sub-bids.

### **Open Meetings**

Not only because of a statute requirement, but also because of their own desire to keep the public constantly informed concerning the developments of the Regional School, the committee voted to open all meetings to the public except for the discussion of personnel matters, and they designated the bulletin board in the Superintendent's office as the official posting place for notification of meetings.

### **Sewer**

It had originally been planned to pump the sewage up to East Street where it would be connected to a town sewer which would be extended eastward parallel to Housatonic Street. With the development of the plans for the construction of a trunk line sewer system along the Housatonic River for connection to the Pittsfield sewer system, the original plans for disposing of the sewage from the school were held in abeyance. After the Town Meeting in June when Dalton authorized the construction of the main trunk sewer, discussions were held with the engineers and the members of the Sewer Commission concerning the school's problem. The committee withheld any action until engineering studies could be made and definite recommendations from the engineers be received. At the present time, the committee has set aside \$20,000 from the allotted construction funds for the use of installing sewage facilities. This money will be made available to the Town of Dalton to be used toward the cost of extending the trunk sewer line to the school site if it is completed prior to the opening of the school.

### **Water**

The Dalton Fire District proposed running a main from the intersection of East Street and Windsor Road easterly on Old Windsor Road on the north side to a point opposite the school site. The school would tie into this line using this supply for all purposes including fire protection.

### **Insurance**

The committee has appointed the E. H. Pierce and Company of Dalton as its broker of record for insurance matters, authorizing them to retain twenty-five per cent of the fees, the remaining seventy-five per cent to be divided among agents doing business in the Region and designated by the committee. Eight such

agencies have been designated by the committee and a fire insurance policy for \$1,565,000 has been written on the building with coverage adjusted as the work progresses.

#### **Name of School**

The committee felt that while the name Central Berkshire Region serves a purpose in designating the area for outsiders that the name of the school should have a closer tie to the local area. Since Wahconah Falls and Wahconah Brook are well known throughout the Region and the name Wahconah has more or less widespread recognition as a designation for this area, the committee has voted that the name of the school shall be the Wahconah Regional High School.

#### **State Approval**

During the latter days of the development of final plans and the receipt of bids, several conferences with authorities of the School Building Assistance Commission were held in Boston. On July 6, 1959, the committee received written approval of the School Building Assistance Commission and later that month received notification that the amount of aid from the State would be computed at the rate of 48.26%. The difference of approximately  $1\frac{1}{2}\%$  from the figure used by the committee in its publicity is explained by the fact that the actual amount of State aid is computed on the net average membership for the school year preceding the year of the signing of the general contract. In computing the original estimate of 50.62%, the School Building Assistance Commission used the membership for the school year 1956-57. In computing the actual amount of State aid, the State has used the membership for 1957-58. Since the rate of growth in the Region has been less rapid than the rate of growth in the state, our fraction of State aid is somewhat smaller and thus the smaller percentage figure.

#### **Land from Crane and Company**

In July, the committee received a deed from Crane and Company to eight acres of land adjoining the Scace property on the east and the Housatonic River on the west. The committee would take this opportunity to thank publicly Crane and Company for this donation on behalf of the children of the Region.

#### **Sale of Bonds**

On July 23, the committee received five bids for the sale of bonds to the amount of \$2,150,000. The committee awarded the sale to Halsey, Stuart and Company and Associates at a premium of \$2,199 per \$1,000 bond and at 4% per annum interest. Of this aggregate principal, \$150,000 is spread over the next fifteen years, and \$2,000,000 is distributed over the next twenty years. Because much of this money is not immediately necessary for use in the construction of the building, the committee has authorized the Treasurer to re-invest eighty per cent of this money, the limit set by statute, in U. S. Treasury Bills. The interest earned by the investment of this money will be used by the committee to reduce the assessments to the towns. The Treasurer, Mr. Ralph Johnson, deserves much credit for his unflinching interest in the financial matters of the Region.



### Construction Events

June 22, eighty-five sub-bids in sixteen different categories were received and recorded with the information forwarded to the contractors who had displayed an intention of submitting bids for the general contract.

June 26, nine bids for the general contract were received, opened and recorded. These bids ranged from a low of \$1,858,000 to a high of \$2,014,589. On June 30, the committee signed a contract for the construction of the school with George E. Emerson, Inc. of Pittsfield, the low bidder. The amount of the contract was reduced to \$1,822,342 by exercising the alternate proposals more favorable to the school. July 3, construction began.

September 2, six bids for the furnishing of finish hardware were received with a low of \$23,273 and a high of \$26,968. The committee accepted the low bid of Glennon and Ritchie, Associates, of Dalton and Pittsfield. An allowance of \$21,000 had been made in all general contract bids for this item. September 29, due to the steel strike it was necessary to make substitutions at a cost of \$1,968.92.

The contractor has announced that he plans to complete the building in the spring of 1961, and the committee is planning for the opening of school no later than September 1961.

The committee meets regularly the first and third Wednesday of each month in Dalton High School. All residents of the Region are invited to attend its meetings. The committee re-affirms its pledge to build and equip the most practical and economical building that experience and training can produce.

*There is a right and wrong handle to everything.—Raspe*

## CENTRAL BERKSHIRE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

1960

## Final Budget (net)

January 1, 1960 to December 31, 1960

	1959	1960	Difference
<b>Operating Costs</b>	<b>\$6,500.00</b>	<b>\$6,750.00</b>	<b>+\$250.00</b>
100 General Control			
111 Books and Supplies	\$ 400.00	\$ 300.00	—\$100.00
112 Dues	50.00	50.00	
113 Postage	100.00	100.00	
114 Telephone	100.00	100.00	
115 Bond	500.00	300.00	—200.00
120 Counsel	500.00	800.00	+300.00
130 Salaries			
131 Superintendents	3,000.00	3,000.00	
132 Treasurer	750.00	1,000.00	+250.00
133 Clerk	350.00	500.00	+150.00
140 Travel			
141 Superintendents	300.00	200.00	—100.00
142 Treasurer	100.00	100.00	
143 Committee	200.00	100.00	—100.00
Total General Control	<u>\$6,350.00</u>	<u>\$6,550.00</u>	<u>+\$200.00</u>
200 Instruction			
300 Operation			
400 Maintenance			
500 Auxiliary Agencies			
600 Outlay			
(Regional Office Equipment)	\$100.00	\$100.00	
700 Insurance	50.00	100.00	+\$50.00
Total Operating Costs	<u>\$6,500.00</u>	<u>\$6,750.00</u>	<u>+\$250.00</u>

**Capital Costs**

800 Debt Service		
801 Interest (Bonds)*	\$ 80,505.56	\$ 80,505.56
802 Payment on Principal (Bonds)	34,089.32	34,089.32
Total Capital Costs	<u>\$114,594.88</u>	<u>\$114,594.88</u>

\*Adjusted for accrued interest of \$5,494.44  
received by the District on Sale of Bonds  
dated August 1, 1959 and delivered August 23, 1959.

## Apportionment to Towns

## Capital Costs—(Section IV-D of Regional Agreement)

Dalton	75%	\$ 85,946.16
Hinsdale	15%	17,189.23
Becket	6%	6,875.69
Windsor	4%	4,583.80
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		\$114,595.88

## Operating Costs—(Enrollment, Grades 9-12, October 1, 1959)

Dalton	302 pupils	64.53%	\$4,355.77
Hinsdale	96 pupils	20.51%	1,384.43
Becket	44 pupils	9.40%	634.50
Windsor	26 pupils	5.56%	375.30
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			\$6,750.00

During 1960, School Bonds in the amount of \$110,000 and interest in the amount of \$86,000.00 will be payable by the District. The member towns, however, will be assessed for only \$34,089.32 for payment on the principal. The difference of \$75,910.68 will be paid from \$25,000.00 State planning reimbursement funds and from the *Estimated* State Grant of \$50,910.68 for the year 1960.

School Bonds—1st series—\$150,000.00 payable \$10,000.00 per year for 15 years

2nd series—\$2,000,000.00 payable \$100,000.00 per year for 20 yrs.

Coupon rate 4%

Interest payable February 1 and August 1

Principal payable August 1

## Summary

1960

	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Operating</i>	<i>Total</i>
Dalton	\$ 85,946.16	\$4,355.77	\$ 90,301.93
Hinsdale	17,189.23	1,384.43	18,573.66
Becket	6,875.69	634.50	7,510.19
Windsor	4,583.80	375.30	4,959.10
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Total	\$114,594.88	\$6,750.00	\$121,344.88

## Balance Sheet—December 31, 1959

## GENERAL ACCOUNTS

## Exhibit 1

## Assets

Cash	
In Banks	\$ 69,903.55
U. S. Treasury Bills at cost	1,592,787.84
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	\$1,662,691.39
Accounts Receivable	
Town Assessments—Hinsdale	1,204.14
State Aid for Planning (Estimated)	101,350.00
Deferred Charges	
Interest on U. S. Treasury Bills	52,212.16
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Total Assets	\$1,817,457.69

## Liabilities

Reserve—Plan Deposits	\$ 200.00
Debt Service	
Accrued Interest on Maturing Debt	5,494.44
Maturing Debt	25,000.00
Appropriations	
Wahconah Regional High School Construction	1,732,215.96
Surplus Revenue	7,015.77
1958 Unexpended Funds	\$1,236.25
1959 Unexpended Funds	1,048.88
Income from Sale of Hay	50.00
Interest on U. S. Bills matured	4,680.64
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Revenue Reserved until Collected	
Unearned Income on U. S. Treasury Bills	47,531.52
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Total Liabilities	\$1,817,457.69

## Debt Accounts

Net Funded or Fixed Debt:	
1st series School Bonds 1960-1974	\$ 150,000.00
2nd series School Bonds 1960-1979	2,000,000.00
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	\$2,150,000.00
Wahconah Regional High School Loan:	\$2,150,000.00
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	\$2,150,000.00
Coupon Rate 4%	
Interest payable February 1 and August 1	
Principal payable August 1	

**Statement of Operating Costs**  
**Year ending December 31, 1959**

**Exhibit 2**

	<i>Appropriated</i>	<i>Expended</i>	<i>Unexpended</i>
100 General Control			
110 Office Expense			
111 Books and Supplies	\$ 400.00	\$ 87.91	\$312.09
112 Dues	50.00	58.25	(8.25)
113 Postage	100.00	69.00	31.00
114 Telephone	100.00	41.35	58.65
115 Bond	500.00	248.90	251.10
120 Counsel	500.00	305.00	195.00
130 Salaries			
131 Superintendents	3,000.00	3,000.00	
132 Treasurer	750.00	750.00	
133 Clerk	350.00	348.76	1.24
140 Travel within and outside State			
141 Superintendents	300.00	265.76	34.24
142 Treasurer	100.00	6.00	94.00
143 Committee	200.00	155.29	44.71
200 Instruction			
300 Operation			
400 Maintenance			
500 Auxiliary Agencies			
600 Outlay	100.00	100.00	
700 Insurance	50.00	14.90	35.10
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Totals	\$6,500.00		
Operating Costs (Exhibit 4)		\$5,451.12	
Balance to Surplus Revenue (Exhibit 1)			\$1,048.88

**Statement of School Construction Accounts**  
**January 1, 1958 to December 31, 1959**

**Exhibit 3**

	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Expended</i>	<i>Balance</i>
General Contract	\$1,822,342.00	+\$14,792.09(1)	\$362,934.77	\$1,474,199.32
Equipment	142,000.00			142,000.00
Architect Fees and Expenses	132,000.00		107,400.55	24,599.45
Land	40,000.00	2,000.00(2)	40,000.00	2,000.00
Sewer Reserve	20,000.00			20,000.00
Contingencies	45,008.00	—14,792.09(1)		30,215.91
		1,000.00(2)	17,049.65	39,201.28
Miscellaneous	50,000.00	4,727.85(3)		
		523.08(4)		
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$2,251,350.00</b>	<b>\$8,250.93</b>		
School Construction Expenditures (Exhibit 4)			\$527,384.97	
Balance, December 31, 1959 (Exhibit 1)				\$1,732,215.96

**Transfer notes:**

- (1) Change orders transferred from Contingency Fund
- (2) Transferred from Plan Deposit Surplus Funds
- (3) Bond Premium on Sale of Bonds
- (4) Interest Refunds on State House Notes 1 and 2 Paid before Maturity

## RECEIPTS

Assessment Income			
	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Operating</i>	<i>Total</i>
Town of Dalton	\$18,750.00	\$4,395.30	\$23,145.30
Town of Hinsdale	2,812.50	800.01	3,612.51
Town of Becket	1,500.00	696.80	2,196.80
Town of Windsor	1,000.00	341.25	1,341.25
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	\$24,062.50	\$6,233.36	\$30,295.86
(Balance due)	937.50	266.64	
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Appropriation	\$25,000.00	\$6,500.00	
Temporary Loan in Anticipation of Serial Bond Issue			
From Pittsfield National Bank			80,000.00
Proceeds of Bond Issue			
Principal		\$2,150.000,00	
Premium		4,727.85	
Accrued Interest (23 days)		5,494.44	
		<hr/>	2,160,222.29
Plan Deposits			5,500.00
Income from Hay on Scace Farm			50.00
Interest Rebate on Loans Paid (Planning Loan and Temporary Loan)			523.08
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Total Receipts for 1959			\$2,276,591.23
Cash in Banks, January 1, 1959			1,820.27
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			\$2,278,411.50



**DISBURSEMENTS**

Federal Taxes and Retirement		\$500.02	
Plan Deposit Refunds		2,300.00	
Loans Paid			
Planning Loan	\$25,000.00		
Temporary Loan	80,000.00		
			105,000.00
Operating Costs (Exhibit 2)		5,451.12	
School Construction Expenditures			
Exhibit 3	\$527,384.97		
Less: 1958 expenditures	24,916.00		
			502,468.97
Total Disbursements for 1959			615,720.11
Cash in Banks and U. S. Treasury Bills, December 31, 1959 (Exhibit 1)			\$1,662,691.39
	Reconciliation		
Cash in Banks		\$ 69,903.55	
U. S. Treasury Bills		1,592,787.84	
			\$1,662,691.39

*Curiosity is one of the permanent characteristics of a vigorous mind.—Johnson*

## REPORT OF THE ZONING COMMITTEE

A healthy, active community, whether highly industrial or mainly urban in nature, is reflected in the hearts and minds of its people, in the economic structure of the town, in the management of the many affairs to which a town is committed. The old adage "seeing is believing" is still much more appropriate than "believing is seeing."

Hinsdale is not only a highly desirable area, but a logical area for urban expansion, with several locations that are ideal for business and industry. Yet natural growth in our township has been at a standstill. The one item which continues to increase is our tax rate. Let's not fool ourselves. The tax rate is going to continue to increase. Added services, more demands and higher taxation by the state, and the continued devaluation of the dollar make it imperative to raise the tax rate to meet expenses. This cannot be controlled under existing conditions—there is no natural growth in the town to absorb the burden.

If we refuse to find an answer to our problem, or if we reject the measures that will help remedy the situation, then upon us lies the blame for our plight.

Town planning is one positive and progressive step forward. It is an important phase, and the first requirement toward rebuilding a decadent situation. We hope that all taxpayers and voters in Hinsdale will attempt to understand and cooperate in this very important issue. Zoning is a control measure to protect you, your property and your community. Zoning is the big first step toward protecting our pocketbooks, the health and beauty of our town, and our better way of life.

With this objective in mind, the Committee has restudied and made certain modifications in previous proposals. Following the procedure outlined by the Massachusetts Department of Commerce, the proposed by-law was published twice in the Berkshire Eagle, and is printed in its entirety on the following pages.

A final written report, including action taken at the special town meeting and hearing held on January 25, 1960, has been submitted by the Committee to the Board of Selectmen. If the by-law is accepted at the Annual Meeting on February 8, it must then be approved by the Attorney General of the Commonwealth before going into effect on a date specified by the Board of Selectmen.

The Finance Committee, after a thorough study of zoning, has placed their stamp of approval upon the plan, and sincerely recommend it as a stepping stone toward security.

We heartily endorse this zoning ordinance, not as an end in itself, but as a future safeguard and building block for our town.

Respectfully submitted,

ROWLAND B. ARMACOST  
LOUIS J. CARMEL  
KENNETH G. KIRCHNER  
ROY C. BARNES, JR.  
RICHARD WIERUM

*Zoning Committee.*

## PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW FOR THE TOWN OF HINSDALE, MASSACHUSETTS

### SECTION I.

**Purpose:** The purposes of this By-Law are to promote the health, safety and general welfare of all the inhabitants of the Town of Hinsdale; to conserve and protect the value of property and the beauty of the Town; to reduce the hazard of fire by regulating the use of the buildings and other structures in pursuance of authority granted by Chapter 40A, General Laws of Massachusetts, and any amendments thereto.

### SECTION II.

**Non-Conforming uses:** The lawful use of any structure or land existing at the time of enactment or subsequent amendment of this By-Law may be continued, even though such structure or use does not conform with the provisions of the By-Law. Any building, part of a building or land which at the time of the adoption of this By-Law is being put to a non-conforming use, may be continued in that use, provided that such use has not been abandoned or discontinued for a period of one year.

- a. *Alteration:* A non-conforming structure may not be altered or reconstructed if the cost of such alterations exceeds 50% of the assessed valuation of the structure at the time of the change.
- b. *Extension:* No increase in the extent of the non-conforming use of a structure or land may be made.
- c. *Restoration:* No non-conforming structure damaged by fire or other causes to the extent of more than 75% of its assessed valuation shall be repaired or rebuilt except in conformity with the By-Law.
- d. *Changes:* Once changed to a conforming use, no structure or land shall be permitted to revert to a non-conforming use.

### SECTION III.

**Establishment of Districts:** For the purposes of this By-Law the Town of Hinsdale, is hereby divided into four District as follows:

#### 3-1 Districts:

- a. Residential Districts.
- b. Business Districts.
- c. Recreational Districts.
- d. Agricultural Districts.

- 3-2 **Location of Districts:** The boundaries of each of these districts are established as shown, defined and bounded on a map filed in the office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Hinsdale, Massachusetts, entitled, "Town of Hinsdale, Massachusetts, Zoning By-Law Map." This map, dated January 1958, and all explanatory matter thereon are made a part of this By-Law.

**3-3 Description of District Boundaries:**

- a. Residential Districts:** (both sides of named streets to a depth of 200 feet except where otherwise described or shown on map.)

Bingham Street

Buttermilk Road

Church Street

Circular Avenue

Commonwealth Avenue

Creamery Road

Curtis Street

Goodrich Street

Holmes Road (and extensions)

Jordan Avenue

Longview Avenue (from Curtis St. to Michaels Rd. on east side,  
and to Persip Rd. on west side.)

Maple Street (from east bank of Housatonic River to New  
Windsor Rd.)

New Windsor Road (from Maple St. to Stonehouse Rd.)

Old Dalton Road (from Route 8 to Maple St.)

Plunkett Avenue (and extensions)

Route 8 (from Dalton town line to Hinsdale Fire  
District line on South Street, except west  
side only between Plunkett Ave. and Maple  
St.)

Taylor Street

- b. Business Districts:**

Depot Street

Main Street

Maple Street (from west bank of Housatonic River to  
B.&A.R.R.)

Route 8 (west side between Plunkett Ave. and Maple  
St., and from Hinsdale Fire District line on  
South St. to Michaels Rd.)

- c. Recreational Districts:**

All land having shore frontage on Plunkett Lake or Ashmere Lake, within  
500 feet of mean high water mark of said lakes.

- d. Agricultural Districts:**

All areas of the town of Hinsdale, not included in Residential, Business,  
or Recreational Districts.

**SECTION IV.**

**Uses:** No structure or land shall hereafter be used or occupied and no structure shall hereafter be erected, maintained or altered unless in conformity with the regulations for the District in which it is located, except as hereinafter provided.

**4-1 Residential:****a. Permitted Uses:**

1. Single or two-family dwellings.
2. Churches and other places of worship.
3. Libraries and Public Schools.
4. Membership clubs not conducted for profit.
5. Renting of rooms and furnishing of meals in a dwelling occupied as a private residence.
6. Office of dentist or physician, or for other professional use when situated in the same dwelling used by the person as own private residence.

**b. Uses permitted on Appeal:**

1. Trailer Courts.
2. Keeping of any kind of poultry other than hens, or more than specified number of hens, permitted in accessory use.
3. Removal of gravel, sand, loam or sod for sale.
4. Keeping of one cow.
5. Apartment houses containing no more than four (4) apartments.

**c. Accessory Uses**

1. Structures and uses, including a private garage for not more than two cars, customarily incidental to, and on the same lot with permitted use.
2. Customary home occupations conducted by person living in the same building.
3. The taking of lodgers and tourists.
4. Keeping of not more than twelve hens.
5. Use of premises or building thereon in connection with his trade by a resident carpenter, electrician, plumber, painter or other artisan, provided that no manufacturing or business requiring substantially continuous employment of others be carried on therein.

**4-2 Business Districts:****a. Permitted Uses:**

1. Any use permitted in Residential districts.
2. Retail or wholesale business, service, or public utility not involving manufacturing on the premises, except products the major portions of which are sold on the premises by the producer.

b. *Uses permitted on Appeal:*

1. Any other business use, provided that no such use shall be permitted which would be detrimental or offensive or tend to reduce property values in the same or adjoining districts by reason of dirt, odor, fumes, smoke, gas, sewage, refuse, noise, excessive vibration or danger of explosion or fire.
2. Removal of gravel, sand, loam, or sod for sale.
3. Theater, Club, or other place of amusement or assembly.
4. Junk yard.

c. *Accessory Uses:*

1. Any accessory use permitted in residential districts.

**4-3 Recreational Districts:**

a. *Permitted Uses:*

1. Any use permitted in Residential districts.
2. Single family cottages.
3. Winter Sports Area.

b. *Uses permitted on Appeal:*

1. Public boat house for rental of boats and canoes.
2. Public bath houses.
3. Commercial recreational uses of buildings, structures and land.

c. *Accessory Uses:*

1. Uses customarily incidental to any permitted use of buildings, structures or land.

**4-4 Agricultural Districts:**

a. *Permitted Uses:*

1. No restrictions for any use other than those which are permitted only on appeal.

b. *Uses permitted on Appeal:*

1. Fur Farms.
2. Commercial piggeries.
3. Manufacturing.

c. *Accessory Uses:*

1. Uses customarily incidental to any permitted use of buildings, structures or land.

**SECTION V.**

**Area Yard, Height, Floor Area Regulations:**

- 5-1 Buildings for residential use hereafter erected in any district shall meet dimensional limitations, and shall be situated on lots in conformity with the following:

**All Districts:****Minimum Lot Dimensions:** Area in sq. ft. 10,000, width in ft. 75.**Minimum Yard Dimensions:** Front in ft. 30, rear in ft. 12, side in ft. 15.**Maximum Height of Building:** Number of stories 2½.**Minimum Floor Area:** Square feet 600.**5-2**

1. No accessory building in a residential district shall be located in any front yard, nor located in any rear yard nearer to the side lot line than ten (10) feet, nor nearer to the rear lot line than five (5) feet. Side yards in any district shall be clear from the front to the rear of buildings.
2. A lot or parcel of land having an area or a frontage of lesser amount than required by the foregoing paragraphs may be considered as coming within the area and frontage requirements of this section, provided such lot or parcel of land was shown on a plan, or described in a deed duly recorded or registered at the time of the adoption of this By-Law, and did not at the time of such adoption adjoin other land of the same owner available for use in connection with such lot or parcel.
3. Where buildings or other structures exist at the time of the adoption of this By-Law with less than the minimum Front Yard requirements, the Board of Appeals may make exceptions to this section upon appeal or written request.
4. A building permit shall be obtained from the Board of Selectmen or such person or official as they may designate to issue building permits, at a fee to be fixed by the Board of Selectmen, for the erection of any building or structure having a floor area of more than sixty-four square feet and an average height of more than seven feet. Any dwelling built after issuance of the permit shall be finished completely on the outside with clapboards, shingles or other approved siding within one year after the building is erected.

**SECTION VI.****Administration:****6-1 Enforcement:** This By-Law shall be enforced by the Board of Selectmen.**6-2 Board of Appeals:** There shall be a Board of Appeals, appointed by the selectmen, with authority, powers, and duties as prescribed herein and under Chapter 40A of the General Laws and amendments thereof. When first established, the terms of members shall be for such length, not exceeding five years, and so arranged that the term of one member will expire each year, and their successors shall be appointed for terms of five years each.

1. Any person aggrieved by the refusal of the Board of Selectmen, or Building Inspector appointed by said Board of Selectmen to issue a permit under the provisions of this By-Law may appeal in writing to the Board of Appeals. In any case no such appeal shall be heard by said Board unless,

within twenty days after the refusal of a permit or the issuance of the order or decision, a notice of said appeal is filed with the Town Clerk.

2. The Board of Appeals shall hear and decide requests for special permits as provided in sections of this By-Law.

3. The Board of Appeals shall hear and decide requests for variance from the terms of this By-Law where literal enforcement would involve substantial hardship because of conditions unique to the building or land in question.

6-3 *Amendment*: This By-Law may be amended from time to time at an annual or a special town meeting in accordance with the provisions of Section 6 of Chapter 40A of the General Laws.

6-4 *Validity*: The invalidity of any section or provision of this By-Law shall not invalidate any other section or provision thereof.

Submitted for enactment at the annual meeting of the Town of Hinsdale, February 8, 1960.

ROWLAND ARMACOST

ROY C. BARNES, JR.

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*Zoning Committee Appointed by*

*The Board of Selectmen*

THERON B. MARSHALL

PAUL A. MEYERS

ERNEST J. FITZROY

*Selectmen of Hinsdale.*





## BY-LAWS OF THE TOWN OF HINSDALE

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Article 1. All town meetings shall be notified by the officer or other person to whom the warrant thereof shall be directed, by posting attested copies of the warrant in three public places within the Town, one of which may be the Post Office, and the others may be stores in the village.

Article 2. The Selectmen at every annual town meeting for the choice of town officers, shall make a full report of their proceedings relative to the municipal affairs of the town, and present a statement of the financial concerns of the town, with an estimate of the sums of money necessary to be raised for the ensuing year.

Article 3. The Selectmen shall cause their own report of the town together with the reports of the Treasurer, School Committee, Road Commissioner, Collector of Taxes, and Auditing Committee, the By-Laws of the town (except the truant By-Laws), and the Articles contained in the Warrant for the annual town meeting for the choice of town officers, to be printed and bound together in a convenient form and a sufficient number for the use of voters of the town, and shall provide for the free distribution of the same at least five days before the annual town meeting for the choice of town officers; and the officers above named shall prepare their reports and present them to the Selectmen in season for publication as required above.

Article 4. The Assessors shall complete the assessment of taxes and commit the same, with their warrant, to the Collector, on or before the first day of July in each year; provided the Collector shall have given a bond as required by law.

Article 5. If the Collector shall be unable to collect taxes, assessed after full exercise of the powers conferred upon him as Collector, he shall report the same to the Assessors, with his request for an abatement before the first annual town meeting for the choice of town officers following his election.

Article 6. The Assessors shall annually recommend to the town at the annual town meeting for the choice of town officers such taxes as they may determine ought to be abated which the Collector has reported to them as uncollectable. In no case shall the Assessors abate a tax unless it shall be found by them to have been wrongfully or erroneously assessed.

Article 7. The Collector shall pay to the Town Treasurer each week after he shall have received his tax list and warrant, all moneys by him collected; he shall collect and pay to the Town Treasurer, including payment on County and State

Taxes, one-half the amount committed to him, within four months from the time of such commitment, or by the first of November, and the residue by the first day of March following, excepting such sums as from his inability to collect the Assessor shall propose to report to the town for abatement, and excepting such discounts as may have been allowed in accordance with a vote of the town. He shall give a bond, with good and sufficient sureties for the faithful discharge of his duties; which bond shall embrace the conditions mentioned above, and shall be for such amounts as the Selectmen may require, and shall be approved in writing by the Selectmen.

Article 8. The Treasurer shall pay no money whatever, except upon the order of a majority of the Selectmen (except such payments as he may be by law required to make to the State and County treasurers). He shall keep an accurate account of all receipts and payments, and exhibit the same, with vouchers, to the Auditing Committee, or the Selectmen, when requested to do so, and shall annually, at the annual town meeting for the choice of town officers, make a full and detailed report. He shall give a bond, with good and sufficient sureties, for the faithful discharge of his duties, for such amount as the Selectmen may require. and said bond shall be approved in writing by the Selectmen.

Article 9. The town may choose, at its annual meeting for the choice of town officers, an Auditing Committee of three, whose duty it shall be to audit the accounts of the Treasurer and Collector, and in case such committee is not chosen by the town, the Selectmen shall act as Auditing Committee. Said Auditing Committee shall report to the town at its annual meeting for the choice of town officers following its election.

Article 10. No person who is a Selectman or Assessor, shall at the same time hold the office of Treasurer, or Collector of Taxes.

Article 11. All National, State, County and District officers required to be elected at the annual election in November shall be voted for on one ballot.

Article 12. In all meetings for the choice of town officers, all such officers as are required by law to be elected by ballot (except the Moderator of the meeting, and Collector of Taxes) shall be voted for on one ballot.

Article 13. No person shall be allowed to pasture cattle or other animals upon any streets or highways in town, either with or without a keeper, provided that this By-Law shall not affect the right of a person to use the land within the limits of such way, adjoining his own land.

Article 14. No person shall course, coast, or slide, in, across, or along, any of the streets or highways in town, upon any sled, board or otherwise, or snowball in any place prohibited by the Selectmen.

Article 15. Three, or more persons shall not stand together, or near each other in any street or highway in town in such manner as to obstruct free passage therein; nor be, or remain upon, any sidewalk, street, corner, doorstep, or portico, nor in any church, meeting house, or public hall, or entrance, to the annoyance of the public.

Article 16. It shall be the duty of any sheriff, constable, policeman or watchman, having jurisdiction in the town, to order any persons offending against the provisions of the preceding section, to "move on," and if said order is not forthwith obeyed, to arrest the person or persons offending.

Article 17. Any person violating the provisions of Article 13, 14, 15 or 16, of these By-Laws, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten dollars (\$10.00), to be recovered to the use of the town, as by law provided.

Article 18. The number of constables to be annually chosen shall be four.

Article 19. The By-Laws of the town shall be altered at an annual town meeting for the choice of town officers and notice of any proposed alteration shall be given in the Warrant calling said meeting.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Berkshire, SS.

Superior Court (In vacation after June Term A. D. 1881).

The foregoing By-Laws are approved.

JULIUS ROCKWELL, Justice to the Superior Court.

Lenox, August 28, A.D. 1881.

*Nothing astonishes men so much as common sense and plain dealing.—Emerson*

## FACTS YOU CAN QUOTE!

In 1959 Hinsdale Had:

- A tax rate of \$67 per thousand.
- An assessed valuation of \$2,221,860.
- A population of 1500.
- 709 registered voters.
- An area of 21.66 square miles
- 5.09 Miles of State Highway
- 37 Miles of Town and County Highways
- An elevation of 1436 feet above sea level.
- A balanced budget.

## CALENDAR FOR 1961

Articles for the Annual Town Meeting, where an appropriation of money is involved must be presented to the Selectmen before December 15, 1960.

Articles which do not involve an appropriation of money may be presented to the Selectmen not later than January 3, 1961.

Statements of candidacy for town offices must be filed with the Town Clerk before 5 P. M. on January 9, 1960.

Citizen's Caucus—January 13, 1961

Annual Town Meeting—February 13, 1961

The reports of all officers and committees, for inclusion in the 1960 Annual Report must be delivered to the Selectmen no later than January 13, 1961.

## YOUR LEGISLATORS

**United States Senators from Massachusetts:**

Leverett Saltonstall, Newton  
John F. Kennedy, Boston

**United States Representative from First Congressional District:**

Silvio O. Conte, Pittsfield

**United States Commissioner:**

Paul A. Tamburello, Pittsfield

**Member of Massachusetts Senate from Berkshire County:**

Robert P. Cramer, Williamstown

**Member of Massachusetts House of Representatives  
from Berkshire County, District No. 6:**

Warren A. Turner, Lee