



Annual Town Report of Glastonbury

Year Ending
August 1955



GLASTONBURY, CONNECTICUT
INCORPORATED 1693

FOREWORD

How many times did the Town Plan and Zoning Commission meet during this past fiscal year? How many persons constituted what was probably a low record for attendance at one of our Town Meetings? How many inspections were made by our Building Inspector? How often was our Fire Department called out for grass fires? How many horses are there left in Glastonbury? How does our school population compare with that of ten years ago?

The answers to these and other questions may be found in the following pages, in the reports of the various Town officials and commissions.

While some of the commissions report on the number of meetings held, no estimate can be made of the total man-hours spent by the members of such commissions in the course of a year. If all these man-hours had to be paid for, the cost would be enormous. As our Town grows—and it is growing more rapidly than most people realize—problems become more complex and more difficult to resolve. So it behooves every citizen to read these reports and become better acquainted with the work of our Town agencies and with what they are trying to accomplish.

ELECTIVE TOWN OFFICIALS

SELECTMEN

William F. Connery <i>First</i>	Bruce E. Richards <i>Second</i>	John A. Carini <i>Third</i>
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TOWN CLERK

John A. Miller

TOWN TREASURER

Robert O. Rider

TAX COLLECTOR

Harold H. Harrison

BOARD OF TAX REVIEW

<i>1957</i> Alden F. Smith	<i>1957</i> Merritt B. Pratt	<i>1959</i> Charles R. Saglio
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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Herbert T. Clark	Elizabeth D. Wilcox
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BOARD OF FINANCE

<i>1957</i> Donald C. Burney John H. Roser	<i>1959</i> Edward V. Schoelzel Joseph Sarcia	<i>1961</i> John Q. Goodrich William G. Affleck
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BOARD OF EDUCATION

<i>1957</i> Thomas B. Rhines B. Baylis Earle	<i>1959</i> James F. Breen Charles A. Bader	<i>1961</i> Anne R. Gustafson Helen M. Shaw
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TOWN PLAN AND ZONING COMMISSION

<i>1957</i> Richard S. Buck Theodore Gurney	<i>1959</i> Henry J. Carini V. C. Brewer, Jr.	<i>1961</i> Charles D. Robin E. Marston Moffatt
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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

<i>1956</i> Fred S. Pickford	<i>1957</i> Donald H. Hunt	<i>1958</i> Edward C. Grimshaw
<i>1959</i> Robert E. Goodrich	<i>1960</i> Richard W. Allen	

(Figures indicate expiration of term)

POLICE COMMISSION

1957
Edmund Bellotti
William H. Mino

1959
John F. Casella
Joseph A. Goodhue

1961
Robert J. Lewis
Harold W. Jones

FIRE COMMISSION

1957
Robert G. Parks
Lyman F. Matson

1959
Dwight E. Weir
Gerard D. Cusson

1961
Gordon Wooldridge
John Maggi

WELFARE COMMISSION

1957
Mario Accornero
Allison Brody

1959
John M. Finney
Mary M. Downes

1961
Harriett K. Hyyppa
James A. McAvoy

DIRECTORS OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

1957
B. Floyd Turner
Anson J. Hopkins

1959
Alice Gurney
Emily B. Pickford

1961
Martin L. Roser
Alice J. Demar

INCORPORATORS GLASTONBURY FREE ACADEMY

1956
Josie Lavalette
Philip Baribault

1957
Marnee Hellier
Robert M. Taylor

1958
Kosma J. Thurz
Byron H. Griswold

AGENTS OF TOWN DEPOSIT FUND

Charles Ames

Dorothy B. Finney

Frederick Malecky

CONSTABLES

Mario Canapari

Allan B. Roth, Jr.

(Figures indicate expiration of term)

APPOINTIVE TOWN OFFICIALS

TOWN COUNSEL

Edward C. Wynne

ASSESSOR

Ray W. Walz

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

R. Daniel Chubbuck

BUSINESS MGR. OF SCHOOLS

E. John Vincenti

WELFARE DIRECTOR

Hazel N. Hutt

HEALTH OFFICER

Dr. Joseph Raffa

FIRE MARSHAL

Albert W. Dickau

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Col. John Harry

TOWN ENGINEER

Clarence Welti

CHIEF OF POLICE

James T. McKaig

TREE WARDEN

Geo. H. Shipman

DOG WARDEN

Frank Kokum

RECREATION COMMITTEE

James S. Forbes
Charles E. Littel
Bernard W. Funk
Merritt B. Pratt
Peter Monaco

Robert C. Allen
James F. Breen (*ex-officio*)
William F. Connery (*ex-officio*)
John A. Carini (*ex-officio*)
Bruce E. Richards (*ex-officio*)

DEVELOPMENT AND INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

1956	1957	1958
E. V. D. Schoelzel	Caleb H. O'Connor	J. William Purtill
1959		1960
Alden G. Hastings		Gordon R. Wooldridge

(Figures indicate expiration of term)

GLASTONBURY SEWER COMMISSION

1956	1957	1958
Alden G. Hastings	Ross C. Powell	Henry Saglio
1959		1960
Edwin B. Burdick		John S. Purtill

GLASTONBURY PUBLIC BUILDING COMMITTEE

1956	1957	1958
Michael E. Bisi	Albert E. Moseley	Mervin B. Edmonston
1959		1960
John J. Mozzochi		Martin L. Roser
		James F. Breen (<i>ex-officio—Board of Educ.</i>)
		John Q. Goodrich (<i>ex-officio—Board of Finance</i>)
		John A. Carini (<i>ex-officio—Board of Selectmen</i>)

GLASTONBURY SAFETY COMMITTEE

R. Daniel Chubbuck	Joseph A. Goodhue	Terence J. McKaig
Mrs. Norma Sestero	Rev. Karl Blake	John H. Hanna
Rev John J. Graham	J. William Purtill	William H. Mino
William F. Connery		Vincent C. Brewer, Jr.

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GLASTONBURY TOWN COURT

Walter M. Downes	Lester L. Egan
<i>Judge</i>	<i>Deputy Judge</i>
Harvey A. Katz	Karl Blake
<i>Prosecutor and Clerk</i>	<i>Probation Officer</i>
George B. Royster	Earl C. Goodale
<i>Deputy Prosecutor</i>	<i>Court Officer</i>
	Nellie Phillips
	<i>Clerk, Small Claims Division</i>

(Figures indicate expiration of term)

**MINUTES OF TOWN MEETINGS
(ABRIDGED)**

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

September 13, 1954

R. O. Rider, *Moderator*

John A. Miller, *Clerk*

Item 1 for this meeting called for the transfer of \$30,000.00 from the General Fund Surplus to Reserve Fund for Capital and Non-Recurring Expenditures. There being only four persons in attendance, viz: the First Selectman, the Town Treasurer, the Town Clerk, and the Chairman of the Board of Finance, we discussed splitting the \$30,000.00 four ways and calling it an evening. Robert O. Rider, being moderator, thought he should have more than the rest, so not being able to agree, the original motion was passed as follows:

RESOLVED: That the Town Treasurer be authorized to transfer as of August 31, 1954, the sum of \$30,000.00 from the General Fund Surplus to the Reserve Fund for Capital and Non-Recurring Expenditures.

VOTED: That an extension of Minnechaug Drive be accepted as a Town Road.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

October 19, 1954

Robert O. Rider, *Moderator*

John A. Miller, *Clerk*

Mr. Connery explained that this meeting was being held to consider and decide whether or not to place any or all of the following ordinances on the voting machines to be voted on at the time of the Connecticut State Election on November 2, 1954.

Mr. Connery and Police Chief McKaig explained the ordinances separately, and several speakers from the floor questioned specific points of the proposals.

Each of the proposed ordinances was voted on separately by voice vote and all were adopted without dissent.

There were about 30 persons in attendance.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

October 28, 1954

Robert O. Rider, *Moderator*

John A. Miller, *Clerk*

Thomas B. Rhines presented a report of the School Building Committee recommending the construction of an elementary school on Button Ball Road, and the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the Report of the School Building Committee be accepted and a copy filed with the records of this meeting.

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

John H. Roser presented a report of the Board of Finance recommending an appropriation of \$470,000.00 in addition to the appropriation of \$20,000 heretofore made, for the construction of an elementary school on Button Ball Road, and the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the Report of the Board of Finance be accepted, and the sum of \$470,000 be appropriated for the construction of an elementary school on Button Ball Road, including furnishings and equipment therefor, landscaping and expenses incident thereto, in addition to the appropriation of \$20,000 made at meeting held May 24, 1954, and that the School Building Committee be authorized to expend said appropriations.

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

John H. Roser presented the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the sum of \$75,000 be transferred from the Reserve Fund for Capital & Non-Recurring Expenditures to the School Building Account in order to defray in part the aforesaid appropriations for the school on Button Ball Road, and the Treasurer is hereby authorized to make such transfer.

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

Thomas B. Rhines presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, it is necessary to borrow the sum of \$415,000 to defray in part the aforesaid appropriations aggregating the sum of \$490,000, and such borrowing will not cause the aggregate net indebtedness of the town to exceed 10% of its grand list;

NOW, THEREFORE, RESOLVED, That the town of Glastonbury issue its notes * * * * * in the principal sum of \$415,000 * * * * * that said notes be paid off as follows:

\$75,000 on or before August 31st, 1955

\$85,000 on or before August 31st, 1956

\$85,000 on or before August 31st, 1957

\$85,000 on or before August 31st, 1958

\$85,000 on or before August 31st, 1959;

* * * * * sufficient amounts shall be included in the annual budgets to pay principal and interest on such notes.

The foregoing resolution was adopted unanimously.

William F. Connery presented the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Selectmen be authorized to apply to the State Board of Education of the State of Connecticut for state aid, and be it further RESOLVED, that said Board of Selectmen be authorized to accept or reject such state aid grant in the name of the town on the following school building project:

Elementary School Building on Button Ball Road,
Glastonbury, Connecticut.

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

Thomas B. Rhines presented the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Selectmen be authorized to file such applications as may be required to enable the town to obtain financial aid from the United States of America in financing the cost of said elementary school; to enter into such agreements and to take such action as may be necessary or proper in order to obtain such aid.

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

Edward V. D. Schoelzel presented the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the following resolution: "That the Treasurer is authorized to borrow in the name of and on behalf of the Town of Glastonbury the sum of not more than \$20,000 * * * * *" which was adopted at meeting held May 24, 1954, be rescinded.

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

William F. Connery presented the following resolution:

RESOLVED: To authorize and instruct the Board of Selectmen to enter into agreements in the name and on behalf of the Town of Glastonbury with the Highway Commissioner for the expenditure of all funds to be available to said town for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1955, * * * * *

This resolution was unanimously carried.

VOTED: That that portion of Ledgewood Drive running from its intersection with Boulder Circle westerly and then southerly for a distance of 1100 feet be accepted as a town road.

There were about 40 persons in attendance.

**MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES FOR THE TOWN OF GLASTONBURY
VOTED ON AT THE STATE ELECTION HELD ON
NOVEMBER 2, 1954**

The five (5) proposed municipal ordinances for the Town of Glastonbury approved at the Special Town Meeting held on October 19, 1954 were all adopted by machine vote on November 2, 1954 according to the following tabulation.

	<i>In Favor</i>	<i>Opposed</i>
Highway Excavation Ordinance.....	1173	146
Bicycle Ordinance.....	1231	354
Highway Drainage Ordinance.....	1182	134
Abandoned Icebox Ordinance.....	1410	155
Curfew Ordinance.....	1264	497

ATTEST:

JOHN MILLER, *Town Clerk*

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

November 18, 1954

John Mozzochi, *Moderator*

John A. Miller, *Clerk*

VOTED: That a portion of Ledgewood Drive beginning at a point about 1280 feet from the intersection of Ledgewood Drive and Boulder Circle, and running southerly and then easterly to the intersection of Ledgewood Drive and Shipman Drive be accepted as a Town Road.

VOTED: That Talcott Road, Sherman Road and an extension of Stevens Lane be accepted as Town Roads.

VOTED: To purchase a fire pumper for a price not to exceed \$17,000.00; such pumper to be delivered and invoiced in the fiscal year 1955-56; and that the cost of the aforesaid pumper be included in the budget for the fiscal year 1955-56.

Upon a motion by Harvey Katz, it was voted to consider Item 5, ahead of Item 4 on the call, both items dealing with sale of Town owned land. The resolution for item 5 was offered as follows:

RESOLVED: That upon recommendation of the Board of Selectmen, they be authorized to sell at public auction a parcel of land consisting of 1.3 acres more or less, located on the south side of Hebron Avenue, approximately 1000 feet west of the intersection of Wickham Road and Hebron Avenue; * * * * *

Mr. Katz asked that this resolution be defeated so that it could be offered to Philip Goldberg at private sale, the same as the land offered in Item 4 was to be sold at private sale to the Quality Name Plate Company. The resolution was voted on by a show of hands and declared lost.

Harvey Katz then made a motion that the sentiment of this meeting be that the Board of Selectmen and Philip Goldberg negotiate for the private sale of this 1.3 acres of land on Hebron Avenue at the appraised value of the land at the time of Tax Lien foreclosure and then present this item at a future town meeting. This motion was unanimously carried.

Item 4, authorizing the Board of Selectmen to sell a parcel of Town owned land consisting of .8 of an acre more or less, located south of Fisher Hill Road and west of the building now occupied by the Quality Name Plate Company in East Glastonbury, to the Quality Name Plate Company for a sum of \$300.00, was unanimously carried.

* * * * * There were about 60 persons in attendance.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

November 29, 1954

Robert O. Rider, *Moderator*

John A. Miller, *Clerk*

On a question of whether the reports of the various Town Officers and Commissions should be acted on separately or in total, the vote was that they should be acted upon as a group.

VOTED: To accept the reports of all Town Officers and Commissions as printed in the Annual Town Report.

John H. Roser discussed the principal items in the Budget prepared by the Board of Finance and offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the budget for the fiscal year 1954-55 as prepared by the Board of Finance in the sum of \$1,302,967.68 be adopted.

Resolution was unanimously carried.

Upon motion by John Q. Goodrich, it was VOTED: That the Treasurer of the Town be authorized to borrow on the faith and credit of the Town a sum of money not to exceed \$600,000 for the current expenses of the Town during the ensuing year, and to issue therefor, the note or notes of the Town and in renewal thereof as needed.

Upon motion by Bruce Richards it was VOTED: That the Annual Town Tax due on the list of 1954 be payable in two equal installments, due April 1, 1955 and July 1, 1955, with the provision that tax bills under \$25.00 be paid in one installment due April 1, 1955.

Edwin Burdick reported for the Town Government Study Committee and offered the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the report of the Committee be received and placed on file, and appended to the minutes of this meeting. The motion was seconded. Several persons asked questions about the report, some favoring Representative Town meeting form of government, others in favor of retaining the present form. The committee in its report stated that it had voted 7 to 2 in favor of the Council-Manager Plan. On a voice vote, Mr. Burdick's resolution was unanimously carried.

Mrs. Jeanne Welles read a report for the Town Metropolitan District Study Committee and offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the interim report of the Town Metropolitan District Study Committee be received, placed on file, and appended to the minutes of this meeting; that the membership of the Committee be increased from five to seven by appointment of the Board of Selectmen and Town Plan & Zoning Commission; and that the limitation for the final report of the Committee be extended to not later than April 1, 1955. The resolution was unanimously carried.

Harry F. Porter related his efforts on behalf of the Town Water committee in dealings principally with the Water Bureau of the Metropolitan District. Mr. Porter was in favor of the Town's joining the District. No written report was submitted.

Upon motion by Donald Potter it was VOTED: To thank the Town Government Study Committee for their diligent efforts in preparing and submitting their report.

There were about 175 persons in attendance.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

December 20, 1954

Robert O. Rider, *Moderator*

John A. Miller, *Clerk*

VOTED: To adopt the following resolution presented by John Vincenti.

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen, the First Selectman or his successor in office be designated as the author-

ized representative of the Town of Glastonbury to make application for Federal Aid Funds and perform other necessary duties in connection therewith under the resolution adopted by the Glastonbury Town Meeting, November 26, 1951, as Item No. 3 of said meeting, in place of the late Lewis W. Stevenson.

VOTED: To accept an extension of Belridge Road as a town road.

There were ten persons in attendance.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

January 17, 1955

Robert O. Rider, *Moderator*

John A. Miller, *Clerk*

Charles A. Bader presented a Report of the Board of Education and the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the Report of the Board of Education be accepted and that a Secondary School Building Committee of fourteen members be appointed consisting of all of the members of the Board of Education, the Town Treasurer and one member appointed by and from the Town Plan and Zoning Commission, the Police Commission, the Board of Selectmen, the Board of Finance, the Fire Commission, the Directors of the Public Library and the Parent Teachers Association Council; * * * * *

Dr. Chubbuck, Superintendent of Schools, explained the thinking of the Board of Education in preparing its long range program and stated why he favored the conclusions of the Board as represented by the above resolution.

Herbert Whittemore was in favor of a study to determine if it would not be to the best long range interests of the Town to build a separate new Junior High School instead of expanding the present Junior-Senior High School. He favored submission of an estimate of costs of a new school versus costs of expansion of the present building before any decision was made.

Then, upon motion duly made and seconded, the foregoing resolution was adopted with but two or three dissenting votes.

John H. Roser presented a Report of the Board of Finance and the following resolution.

RESOLVED: That the Report of the Board of Finance be accepted and that the sum of \$15,000 be appropriated for the preparation of final work-

ing plans for the proposed addition to the Junior-Senior High School, and that the Treasurer is hereby authorized to transfer the sum of \$15,000 from the Reserve Fund for Capital and Non-Recurring Expenditures to the School Building Fund to defray the aforesaid appropriation.

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

Charles A. Bader presented the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That, in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Education, the aforesaid Secondary School Building Committee, * * * * * is authorized to expend the aforesaid appropriation for the preparation of final working plans for the proposed addition to the Junior-Senior High School * * * * * .

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

William A. Connery presented the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Selectmen be authorized to apply to the State Board of Education of the State of Connecticut for State Aid, and be it further RESOLVED, that said Board of Selectmen be authorized to accept or reject such state aid grant in the name of the town on the following school building project: Addition to Junior-Senior High School.

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

William A. Connery presented the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Selectmen be authorized to file such applications as may be required to enable the town to obtain financial aid from the United States of America in financing the cost of said addition to the Junior-Senior High School; to enter into such agreements and to take such action as may be necessary or proper in order to obtain such aid.

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

Bruce E. Richards presented the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen, a parcel of land containing 1.3 acres, more or less, on the southerly side of Hebron Avenue approximately 1000 feet west of Wickham Road and bounded and described as follows:

Northerly by Hebron Avenue; Easterly by land now or formerly of Carl F. Schonhaar; Southerly and Westerly by land now or formerly of Arthur Manning;

be sold by the Town to Philip Goldberg for \$1700.00, and that the Board of Selectmen be empowered to execute the deed on behalf of the Town.

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

Donald Robin presented the following resolution:

RESOLVED: Upon recommendation of the Town Plan and Zoning Commission, that the amended edition of the State Building Code be adopted by the Town as provided by Statute.

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

There were approximately 100 persons in attendance.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

February 21, 1955

Robert O. Rider, *Moderator*

John A. Miller, *Clerk*

Charles Bader offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That upon recommendation of the Board of Education, the Town of Glastonbury purchase land owned by Richard G. Williams and located east of the present Junior-Senior High School on Hubbard Street, consisting of ten acres of land more or less, for use for school expansion for the sum of \$15,000, said land to be purchased under the conditions stated in a letter from Richard F. Williams dated January 27, 1955, a copy of which letter is incorporated in this resolution, and that the Board of Selectmen be authorized to expend said \$15,000, and to purchase said land. * * * * *

This motion was carried unanimously.

John H. Roser offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Board of Finance, the sum of \$15,000 be appropriated for the purchase of land of Richard G. Williams, containing ten acres more or less, and that the Town Treasurer be authorized to draw on the Reserve Fund of Capital and Non-Recurring Expenditures to the extent of \$15,000 to defray the aforesaid appropriation.

This motion was carried unanimously.

William F. Connery offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen, portions of a turnaround or cul de sac in Belridge Road * * * * * be

conveyed to the developer, or to the owner or owners of said land, and that the Board of Selectmen be hereby authorized to prepare the necessary deed or deeds to effect such conveyance.

This motion was unanimously carried.

William F. Connery offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That upon recommendation of the Board of Selectmen, portions of a turnaround or cul de sac in Minnechaug Drive * * * * * be conveyed to the Developer, or the owner or owners of said land, and that the Board of Selectmen be hereby empowered to execute the deed or deeds necessary to effect such conveyance.

This motion was unanimously carried.

There were 30 voters in attendance.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

April 4, 1955

Herbert T. Clark, *Moderator*

John A. Miller, *Clerk*

Edward V. D. Schoelzel offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That upon recommendation of the Board of Finance, the sum of \$108,414.00 recently received from the United States Government as a federal grant for the construction of the Junior-Senior High School be placed in the Reserve Fund for Capital and Non-Recurring Expenditures, and that the Town Treasurer be authorized to credit said fund with said sum.

The motion was unanimously carried.

William F. Connery offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That upon recommendation of the Board of Selectmen, the town road running from Manchester Road at a point approximately 2300 feet northerly from the intersection of the New London Turnpike and Manchester Road over a winding course easterly about 1¼ miles to Thompson Street be abandoned, and that approbation be and is hereby given to the abandonment of said road by the Board of Selectmen.

There was opposition to this resolution by some landowners, and on a show of hands, the motion was declared lost.

Charles Saglio offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED: upon recommendation of the Board of Selectmen, that the property owned by the John Tom Hill Community Club Inc., at the

corner of Marlborough Road and Diamond Pond Road be relieved of a restriction imposed by the quit-claim deed from the Town of Glastonbury to said Club, dated December 5, 1932, and recorded in Volume 64, Page 694 of the Glastonbury Land Records, which restriction called for reverting to the Town when the property would be no longer used by the said Club, and that the Board of Selectmen be and hereby are authorized to prepare and execute a quit-claim deed to said Club for the release of the restriction on said property.

Resolution carried unanimously.

Edwin Burdick reported for the Metropolitan District Study Committee. Town Counsel Edward Wynne analyzed the legal aspects of the State Water Commission's request for prompt action on Glastonbury's sewage and pollution problems.

Mr. Burdick offered the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED: That the report of the Metropolitan District Study Committee be received and placed on file and appended to the minutes of this meeting and that the committee be discharged.

This resolution was unanimously carried.

On a question of the next step for the Town to take, Mr. Burdick stated the committee's belief was that the Town should establish a Sewer Authority and also a committee to study ways to finance a program such as recommended by the report.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

May 2, 1955

Robert O. Rider, *Moderator*

Henry S. Beers, *Clerk*

William F. Connery briefly described the history of Glastonbury's sewage problem and moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Selectmen be and are hereby instructed to place at the earliest possible time, the following ordinance establishing a Sewer Authority for the Town of Glastonbury upon the voting machines for consideration by the voters of the Town of Glastonbury, in accordance with the statutes in such case made and provided, after giving due statutory warning thereof:

ORDINANCE:

Section 1. There shall be a Sewer Commission in the Town of Glastonbury which shall consist of five (5) electors of said Town, to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Glastonbury within thirty (30) days of approval of this ordinance by the voters of the Town of Glastonbury. One of the members of said Sewer Commission shall serve until October 15, 1955, a second until October 15, 1956, a third until October 15, 1957, a fourth until October 15, 1958, a fifth until October 15, 1959, and upon the expiration of each of said terms, or of any subsequent term, the Board of Selectmen will appoint for a period of five (5) years until October 15th of the last year of the term, a successor, or reappoint the incumbent.

Section 2. The members of the Sewer Commission shall choose a chairman and secretary from its members by ballot. Any vacancy in said Commission shall be filled for the unexpired term portion by the Board of Selectmen. The members of said Commission shall serve without compensation, but the necessary expenses of the Commission shall be paid by the Town upon approval by a majority of the Board of Selectmen.

Section 3. Any Commissioner of the Sewer Commission may be removed by the appointing power for inefficiency, or neglect of duty, or misconduct in office, but a Commissioner shall be removed after opportunity to be heard in person, or by counsel, before the appointing power, at least ten (10) days prior to which he shall be given a copy of the charges against him.

Section 4. The Commission shall have all the powers granted to municipal sewer authorities by Chapter 33A of the 1953 Supplement to the 1949 Revision of the General Statutes, and any amendments thereto, and this ordinance is passed by virtue of said Chapter 33A, and shall be effective upon approval by the voters of the town of Glastonbury.

The motion was seconded and discussed by several members of the meeting. After all who wished to speak had done so, the question was put by the moderator and passed unanimously.

Joseph A. Goodhue briefly stated the problems concerning Solicitors as seen by the Police Commission and offered a resolution for adoption. The meeting voted that the reading of the proposed ordinance be omitted and that Mr. Goodhue's offer to summarize it be accepted. The resolution was seconded and discussed by several members of the meeting. After all

wishing to speak had done so, the following substitute resolution was moved and seconded:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Selectmen be and are hereby authorized to place at the earliest possible time, an ordinance regulating commercial and charitable solicitations, upon the voting machines for consideration by the voters of the Town of Glastonbury, in accordance with the statutes in such case made and provided, after giving due statutory warning thereof.

This resolution was unanimously carried.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

June 2, 1955

Robert O. Rider, *Moderator*

John A. Miller, *Clerk*

William F. Connery offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That it be hereby ordained that the Town of Glastonbury establish a Sewer Commission to be designated as the Sewer Authority for said Town, to have and to exercise all of the powers set forth in Chapter 33A of the 1953 Supplement of the General Statutes under the following ordinance;

(This ordinance covered by minutes of Town Meeting of May 2nd, 1955)

PROVIDED HOWEVER, That this ordinance shall not become effective unless approved by the electors, and all persons qualified to vote in town meetings, by vote, by voting machine, at the voting place established in the town, the approval of said ordinance to be placed upon the machines under the following heading, "SEWER COMMISSION ORDINANCE". Those approving said ordinance will vote "yes", and those disapproving it will vote "no", and the polls shall remain open from 10.00 A.M. to 6.00 P.M. on Monday, June 13, 1955, the registry list used to determine the persons entitled to vote being the revised list last completed.

On a voice vote, this resolution was unanimously carried.

The meeting was then declared adjourned until 10.00 A.M. on June 13, 1955 when voting would take place on voting machines at the Old Town Hall.

ADJOURNED MEETING of June 2nd was called to order by moderator Robert O. Rider on June 13th, 1955 at 10.00 A.M.

Four voting machines were in operation for recording the vote on the Sewer Commission Ordinance.

At 6.00 P.M. the moderator declared the polls closed and the vote recorded on the four machines was as follows:

Machine No. 70299.....	Yes 73	No 21
Machine No. 50537.....	Yes 36	No 17
Machine No. 61299.....	Yes 47	No 15
Machine No. 76383.....	Yes 87	No 25
Totals.....	Yes 243	No 78

The moderator declared the resolution carried in the affirmative and the meeting was declared adjourned at 6.15 P.M.

ATTEST:

JOHN MILLER, *Town Clerk*

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

July 11, 1955

Robert O. Rider, *Moderator*

John A. Miller, *Clerk*

Charles A. Bader presented a Report of the Secondary School Building Committee and the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the Report of the Secondary School Building Committee be accepted and a copy filed with the records of this meeting.

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

John H. Roser presented a Report of the Board of Finance recommending that an appropriation of \$800,000 be made for the construction of an addition to the Junior-Senior High School, and the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the Report of the Board of Finance be accepted, and that an appropriation of \$800,000 be made for the construction of an addition to the Junior-Senior High School including furnishings and equipment, landscaping, architects' and engineers' fees and expenses incident thereto, and the Secondary School Building Committee is authorized to expend said appropriation.

This resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yes 72 No 1

William G. Affleck presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, it will be necessary to issue bonds in the sum of \$1,140,000 to defray the aforesaid appropriation of \$800,000 for the construction of

an addition to the Junior-Senior High School, and to make payment of indebtedness of the town amounting to \$340,000 incurred, or to be incurred, under an appropriation made at meeting held October 28, 1954 for the construction of the elementary school on Button Ball Lane, and such issue will not cause the aggregate net indebtedness of the town to exceed 10% of its grand list;

Now, THEREFORE, RESOLVED: That the town issue its serial bonds * * * * *, in the principal sum of \$1,140,000; that said bonds shall be in customary coupon form and of the denomination of \$1,000 each, shall be payable at such time or times, shall bear such date and rate of interest as shall be determined by the Board of Selectmen; that said bonds may be registered as to principal and shall be known as "School Bonds of the Town of Glastonbury, Issue of 1955"; the coupons on said bonds * * * * * shall be authenticated by having engraved thereon the facsimile signature of the Treasurer of the Town of Glastonbury; that said bonds shall be signed by the Selectmen, or a majority of them, and authenticated by the Treasurer of the Town of Glastonbury under the seal of said town; the Selectmen shall designate a bank or trust company to certify this issue and to act as disbursing agent in the payment of principal and interest upon such bonds, * * * * * and shall state the name of Messrs. Day, Berry & Howard, of Hartford, Connecticut, as the attorneys at law rendering an opinion approving the legality of such issue, * * * * * the Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized * * * * * with the Treasurer, to sell such bonds at public or private sale, to deliver such bonds on behalf of the town and to do all other acts necessary and appropriate to complete the issue of such bonds.

The foregoing resolution was adopted unanimously.

Thomas B. Rhines presented the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the town issue its temporary notes from time to time in an amount not exceeding \$800,000 * * * * * in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized at this meeting. * * * * *

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

John A. Carini offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That upon recommendation of the Board of Selectmen, a triangular piece of land shown as "Parcel No. 2 Town to Benedict X.

Saia" on a map entitled, "Map of a Portion of Bell Street Showing Old and New Street lines prepared for the Board of Selectmen Glastonbury, Conn. John J. Mozzochi C. E. Scale 1" - 20' Date: 6-19-51", on file with the Glastonbury Town Clerk, be quit-claimed to Benedict X. Saia for the legal expense of preparing the deed. * * * * *

Also, That upon recommendation of the Board of Selectmen, the parcel of land shown as "Parcel No. 3 Town to R. M. Cross" on the above entitled map be conveyed to Richard M. Cross and Kathryn O. Cross for the legal expense of preparing the deed. * * * * *

This resolution was adopted unanimously.

John H. Roser offered the following resolution:

That the Board of Finance recommends to this town meeting that a committee of five be appointed to review the salaries of the elective officials of the Town of Glastonbury, such committee to report to a future Town meeting not later than August 31, 1955.

The motion was amended to read that the Board of Finance appoint this committee.

The resolution was then adopted unanimously.

REFERENDUM ON CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

A referendum vote on the Method of Amendment to the Connecticut Constitution was held on July 26, 1955. Voting was by check list and voting machine.

A total of 102 votes were cast, the result being:

78 in favor of the amendment
19 opposed
5 blank

Norman A. Whittum was moderator.

ATTEST:
JOHN A. MILLER
Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

August 29, 1955

Henry S. Beers, *Moderator*

Sayre B. Rose, *Clerk*

The Clerk read the call of the meeting.

Harvey A. Katz, Chairman of the Committee to study the salaries of elected officials, outlined the deliberations of the committee and offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That effective October 4, 1955, the salaries of the following elected Town Officials shall be as follows:

First Selectman	\$6,000.00 per year
Second and Third Selectmen	500.00 per year
Town Treasurer	1,600.00 per year
Tax Collector	4,000.00 per year
Board of Tax Review	2.00 per hour
Registrars of Voters	2.00 per hour

Adoption of the motion was voted unanimously.

REPORTS

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Board of Selectmen met weekly as usual throughout the year to approve bills, sign checks, make appointments and to transact all other essential business.

The Board of Selectmen has voted to recommend to a future Town Meeting that a Permanent Building Committee be established for the Town, consisting of five electors serving a five year term.

The Board of Selectmen has also voted to recommend to a Town Meeting that a Development and Industrial Commission be established for the Town. The main objective of this commission would be to attract industry and business to the Town of Glastonbury.

Sanitary Sewage Disposal continues to be a serious problem in the Town and the initial step has been taken toward its ultimate solution with the appointment of a Sewage Commission with powers to act under statute.

The Town accepted the following developers roads during the course of the year: Talcott Road, Sherman Road, the extension of Minnechaug Drive, the extension of Belridge Road, and the extension of Ledgewood Drive.

Many necessary improvements were made to our Highway System to permit a more orderly flow of traffic. About one half mile of Marlborough Road was widened and the remainder of the road to be widened and improved starting not later than October 1, 1955. About 1100 Feet of Tryon Street (River Road) was widened and improved, eliminating the need of about 1100 Feet of cable fencing. The Forest Lane Bridge was rebuilt using three multi-plate steel pipes. This bridge is the fourth wooden bridge that has been replaced with either steel or concrete in the past two years and when the State constructs the mile of road on Hebron Avenue near the Hebron Line, the last wooden bridge in Town will have been eliminated.

Blind corners were eliminated and the sight line improved at the following intersections: Oak Street and Hebron Avenue, Wood Pond Road and Chestnut Hill Road, and Wassuc Road and the New London Turnpike. The bad curve in the road on Chestnut Hill Road just east of Coleman was reduced with the widening and straightening of the road.

About one-half mile of Hurlburt Street was widened and improved, using Dirt Road Funds. The remaining section of dirt road on Hurlburt Street will be improved as a winter project for the Highway Department.

Drainage on Town Roads continues to be a major problem of the Board of Selectmen. With real estate values on the increase, building lots in low areas are in more demand and homes constructed below road grades pose a problem in disposing of storm water from the highways. In many cases costly underground drainage installations are necessary.

The Parking area in the center of Town was improved with bituminous paving and an adequate storm drain installed. The paved area was extended to Wells Street and in the future it would seem advisable to continue the extension of the pavement south to School Street.

The Board of Selectmen entered into an agreement with the State Highway Department to exchange a mile of Town Road on Hebron Avenue for a mile of State Road consisting of a portion of New London Turnpike from the center of Town to the Expressway and a portion of Naubuc Avenue from Main Street to Salmon Brook, also about half a mile of Hebron Ave. extending from the west line of Sycamore St. to Main Street. This agreement is to take effect after the State relocates and reconstructs the section of Town road that it is accepting.

The Highway Department continues to serve as a Public Works Department performing services for other Boards and Commissions. This arrangement to use Highway equipment and personnel for other Town Agencies works to the advantage of the taxpayer but does not reflect a true picture of Highway Expenditures.

Board of Selectmen { WILLIAM F. CONNERY
BRUCE E. RICHARDS
JOHN A. CARINI

THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Schools in Glastonbury were in operation 181 days through the year 1954-1955. A staff of 109 certified teachers and administrators worked with 2,268 learners in nine school buildings.

Buildings used in 1954-1955 were as follows:

Elementary

Academy No. 1.....	Grades 4-6
Academy No. 2.....	Grades 1-4
Naubuc.....	Grades 1-5
Eastbury.....	Grades 1-4
Neipsic.....	Grades 4 and 5
Addison.....	Grade 6
Buckingham.....	Grade 6
High Street.....	Grades 1-3

Secondary

Glastonbury Junior High School..... Grades 7-12
Average Daily Membership for ten successive years in Glastonbury has been as follows:

1945-1946.....	1191.74
1946-1947.....	1226.74
1947-1948.....	1274.50
1948-1949.....	1350.23
1949-1950.....	1478.42
1950-1951.....	1588.79
1951-1952.....	1707.12
1952-1953.....	1843.28
1953-1954.....	2030.84
1954-1955.....	2194.61

ORGANIZATION OF GLASTONBURY SCHOOLS 1954-1955

Elementary Schools operated were Addison with two teachers; Buckingham with two teachers; Eastbury and Neipsic with nine teachers including a teaching principal; Academy Schools two buildings with twenty-three teachers, a full time principal and clerk; High Street with seven teachers including a teaching principal; and the Naubuc School with ten class room teachers. Naubuc, Addison and Buckingham were all administered by one full time principal.

Glastonbury High School was served by a staff of 40 class room teachers one of whom was a part time assistant to the Principal.

In the field of special services the school system was served by a Director of Guidance and Testing, Directors of Physical Education and Music, four full time physical education teachers, two full time music teachers, two school nurses, and a dental hygienist. A Cafeteria Manager employed by the Board of Education operated the High School lunch program.

Principals of Schools in Glastonbury were as follows:

ARTHUR W. KAIROTT
Glastonbury High School

JAMES F. HATTINGS
Academy Schools

LEVERETT T. HOLDER
Addison, Buckingham and Naubuc

BEATRICE COWARD
Teaching Principal, High Street

JOHN K. SNUFFER
Teaching Principal, Eastbury

BUSINESS DEPARTMENT

E. John Vincenti served as Business Manager in charge of accounting, purchasing, building operation, maintenance and transportation.

Seven secretaries and clerks served in the business department, three in the Board of Education Office, two in the High School, one in the health department and one in the Academy Schools Office.

Custodial personnel consisted of twelve full time and one part time.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITY

There were two standing committees of the staff working with the superintendent of schools throughout the year: The *Administrative Council* made up of Principals and department heads and the *Teachers Advisory Committee* made up of elected teacher representatives of all schools.

Two outstanding contributions were made by the professional staff during the year, namely; the preparation of the *Teachers Handbook* and the development of both elementary and secondary *Curriculum Studies*. In addition to these activities staff recommendations were made for policy in conference representation, students field trips and the sharing of funds for instructional materials.

The High School was evaluated under the auspices of the State Department of Education.

PER PUPIL COSTS

The question has been raised repeatedly among observers of the local school system as to the reason that average costs per pupil in Glastonbury are higher than the average for the state. The answer to the question is a simple one: Glastonbury maintains a smaller pupil-teacher ratio than most other school systems and has so far avoided any double session arrangements.

Another way of stating this is that Glastonbury school pupils have the advantage of more individual teacher attention than the average pupil in Connecticut at a cost somewhat above the average. Most towns have some classes of 40 pupils or more and most towns have had at least some schools in some years on half-session arrangements. Glastonbury has been almost unique in avoiding half-sessions and maintaining classes of 30 or less students at all levels. Primary grade classes have mostly been at 20 to 25 students and this has been a very worthwhile investment particularly at the Grade I level where children need a great deal of individual attention and particularly in a school system not providing kindergarten instruction. On this point it is the judgment of the elementary school department, the school administration and the board of education that it is better to avoid double sessions and maintain a low teacher-pupil ratio than to maintain kindergartens at the expense of these advantages. Stabilization of school population in Glastonbury not presently foreseeable might be followed by establishment of public kindergartens. In the meantime the co-operative kindergarten movement should be recognized as a very valuable community project.

The Public Expenditure Council which publishes the annual report on costs of education town by town across the whole state does not include costs of transportation and capital outlays in its formula. This is logical since those items do not have a direct relation to the costs of classroom instruction. Current expenses are usually about 70% salaries of teachers so any significant differences in costs from town to town are almost certain to be found within the salary budgets. Glastonbury's higher than average cost is mostly within the salary item but this is because there are more teachers compared to the number of students, not because the salary of the individual teacher exceeds the average for the state.

The Board of Education has accepted the policy of low teacher-pupil ratio to provide more help for individual learners, not as a means to decreasing the amount of work expected of the teacher.

Transportation

Transportation of school children in Glastonbury was entirely by Town owned busses in 1954-1955. This has been the first year of total town-owned conveyance for school purposes and a considerable saving has been realized. Any possible economy is very important in a town so large in area where 80% of the enrollment must be transported. About 1,760 passengers were carried daily in 1954-1955 and total mileage by the fleet of 12 busses was 108,000.

School Buildings

The Buttonball Lane School was started in November of 1954 and is scheduled for use when school opens in September, 1955. This building of 14 class rooms and additional facilities costing \$500,000 will provide superior advantages for over 400 children and will make possible the closing of Addison, Buckingham and Neipsic, all two room wooden school buildings.

In July, 1955 final approval was given and construction begun on an expansion of Glastonbury junior-senior High School. This undertaking at about \$800,000 will increase the capacity for grades 7-12 from 800 to 1,200 students. Features to be added to the present building are 14 class room wing, music room, expanded kitchen-cafeteria, physical education facilities, increased homemaking space, more administrative offices and greatly expanded industrial arts areas. The entire building is scheduled for completion prior to September, 1956.

Glastonbury's School Building problems should be solved for the next several years by these two steps. Eventually more school space will be needed. Apparently the next steps would be an elementary school for Grades 1-6 in the north central section of town and a junior high school to be located on the Williams site east of the present high school. Present figures on school population indicate a target date of about 1960 for the junior high school.

Special Services

In addition to the usual music and physical education instruction through the twelve year program, help has been extended in guidance and testing from the central Board of Education Department. Most of this work has been done personally by Miss Margaret Stone. Her department has been expanded so that assistance in reading development and speech and hearing will be included in 1955-1956. Miss Stone will co-ordinate the efforts of Miss Hedwig Granica, and Miss Kristin Rozan and will continue to make arrangements for children needing other kinds of special instruction.

Reports of Principals and Directors

Detailed reports for the year 1954-1955 have been filed with the office of superintendent of schools by all Principals of Schools, and Heads of Services reaching all schools. These detailed reports are on file at the Board of Education Office and are available upon request by any interested citizen. All individuals who submitted reports are to be commended for their careful work.

Acknowledgements

The Board of Education, the Staff of the Schools, the State Department of Education, Local Building Committees, Selectmen, Police, Board of Finance, Town Plan and Zoning Commission, Parent Teacher Organizations and all friends of the local schools are gratefully acknowledged for the invaluable service rendered the young citizens of Glastonbury in 1954-1955. Through joint efforts of all these agencies and individuals, Glastonbury young learners continue to enjoy superior advantages.

R. DANIEL CHUBBUCK,
Superintendent of Schools

GLASTONBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

	Expended 1954-55	Budget 1955-56
General		
Administrative Salaries.....	\$15,211.40	\$ 16,500
Clerical Salaries.....	9,722.93	10,300
Supplies and Expenses.....	3,173.39	4,460
Instruction		
Supervisors and Principals.....	35,675.00	51,085
Teachers.....	389,308.00	436,020
Substitutes.....	6,487.45	6,500
Clerical.....	7,750.00	9,834
Textbooks.....	13,287.21	18,500
Instructional Supplies.....	18,460.38	17,000
Audio-Visual Aids.....	1,379.19	1,500
Other Supplies and Expenses.....	3,320.19	6,750
Operation		
Janitors' Salaries.....	39,243.90	44,200
Fuel.....	17,254.17	18,000
Water, Light and Power.....	11,731.26	12,400
Supplies and Expenses.....	14,741.06	14,300
Telephone and Cartage.....	2,430.76	2,600
Maintenance		
Supplies and Expenses.....	10,828.86	6,000
Auxiliary		
Library Salaries.....	5,100.00	5,200
Library Books.....	1,205.75	2,100
Health Salaries and Expense.....	14,478.97	15,946
Transportation Salaries.....	19,620.00	21,060
Transportation Expenses.....	10,645.16	9,100
Enumeration and Attendance.....	951.62	1,000
Travel Expenses.....	4,010.03	—
Adult Education.....	1,967.73	2,000
Tuition.....	325.00	—
Cafeteria Management.....	2,800.00	5,860
Fixed Charges		
Insurance.....	14,320.47	12,500
Capital Outlays		
New Equipment.....	18,217.09	20,000
Aggregate Totals.....	\$693,647.05	\$770,715

BOARD OF DIRECTORS THE WELLES-TURNER MEMORIAL LIBRARY

This is the 60th Annual Report of The Glastonbury Public Library and the third of the Welles-Turner Memorial Library.

Circulation of books and magazines for the adult and junior departments combined amounted to 69,810, a gain of 4907 over the figure for the year ending August 31, 1954. In addition the library circulated 3888 recordings and 6966 books to the schools. Total circulation was therefore 80,664 compared to 72,897 for the preceding year. Average daily circulation was 279.2 compared to 258.5 for the previous year.

The increase this year in the circulation of non-fiction books is particularly gratifying to the Directors. Classes such as fine arts, literature, history, travel and biography show very substantial gains. Noteworthy also is the large gain in the circulation of those periodicals to which the Library subscribes.

The collection of recordings offered to the public in December of 1953 continues to gain in popularity. This is being increased every year. The new Webcor player has helped to publicize the record library. Many people have expressed their appreciation of the opportunity to hear at home records borrowed from the Library in order to determine whether or not they wish to purchase them for their own record libraries.

The Directors acknowledge with sincere appreciation numerous gifts of books, magazines, and recordings to the Library made by patrons and friends. The outstanding gift of the year was a Steinway piano in memory of Mrs. Laura Gorton Tiger presented by her daughters.

Eight art shows were held in the West Gallery during the year. Among these was the annual show of the Art Group of the Womans Club of Glastonbury. The most popular paintings and sculpture at the South Glastonbury Community Club Show were also displayed.

There was increased use of the Auditorium this year. Meetings of a cultural, educational or social nature open to the public were frequently held.

During the year 2008 new books were purchased and 7 discarded. Books on hand therefore increased by 2001, bringing the total number in the Library to 28,401.

The Library has an endowment totaling \$221,000. This is administered by two trustees, The Glastonbury Bank and Trust Company and the Connecticut Bank and Trust Company. Income from this fund is used for the current expenses of the Library and the maintenance of the building.

B. FLOYD TURNER, *President*

WELLS-TURNER MEMORIAL LIBRARY ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

Cash on Hand September 1, 1954.....	\$ 749.19
Town of Glastonbury—Appropriation.....	16,700.00
Fines, etc.....	\$ 1,383.75
Income from Endowments.....	7,694.50
State Grant.....	100.00
Gift (Memorial for Mrs. Gorton Tiger).....	850.00
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	\$27,477.44

EXPENDITURES

Salaries, including FICA.....	\$16,408.40
Books.....	4,662.36
Periodicals.....	488.19
Records.....	289.39
Binding and Supplies.....	604.04
Equipment, Maintenance.....	1,111.96
Insurance.....	814.90
Power, Fuel, Water and Phone.....	1,780.92
Memorial for Mrs. Gorton Tiger.....	850.00
Miscellaneous.....	120.58
Cash on Hand, August 31, 1955.....	346.70
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	\$27,477.44

ANSON J. HOPKINS, *Treasurer*

TOWN PLANNING and ZONING COMMISSION

The Building Inspector made 1,802 inspections in the course of the year. Permits were issued for 166 new homes, as compared with 230 the previous year.

The receipts of \$16,113.70 exceeded the actual expenditures by \$1,380.26. However we exceeded our budget by \$2,223.19. This was due primarily to the considerably increased activity of the Commission, particularly as regards: (1) The professional technical assistance required for studying subdivision developments such as "Apple Hill" and "Church Hill", and for revisions to the zoning and subdivision regulations now in process; (2) The increase in stenographic and clerical salaries required to cover the larger number of meetings and larger work load in the Building Inspector's Office.

The Commission held a total of 49 meetings, including meetings with public utility companies, the Public Utilities Commission, and the U.S. Army on Nike and Anti-aircraft sites.

The number of subdivisions actually approved was 22, the number of gravel excavations 3, rezonings ~~1~~ ². These approvals were made only after considerable study including review of several preliminary designs which often were returned to the developer with requests for changes and improvements. Many of these could not have been done intelligently without the professional technical assistance from Mr. Lincoln of the Technical Planning Associates. This of course was in addition to the invaluable assistance of the Town Engineer, and often required access to data and information requiring research and man-hour expenditure far in excess of the capacities of the Commission members.

For the Planning Meetings we have had the assistance of our Advisory Planning Committee composed of Mr. Joseph Sarcia, Mrs. Marjorie McNulty, Mr. Ed Burdick, and Mr. T. B. Rhines.

It has become apparent that the time required of the Commission members at meetings in which we are barely able to cover the business at hand is becoming excessive and is more than is reasonable to ask of a voluntary commission on a continuing basis. For this reason more and more assistance will have to be obtained professionally such as has been received from Technical Planning Associates. We refer particularly to the study of subdivision proposals and to the systematic review and overhaul of our zoning and subdivision regulations in order to handle properly the requirements of a growing town.

The development of a comprehensive town plan has progressed to the final stage. All of the underlying data is at hand in maps, diagrams and charts, and the pilot plan is complete. We hope to implement the final plan with a corresponding redesign of our zoning and subdivision regulations, and this work is well along towards completion. We estimate that the item requested in our new budget should be adequate to engage Technical Planning Associates in completing this work. The over-all Town Plan will then be ready for presentation and we hope acceptance.

THEODORE GURNEY, *Chairman*

THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

This fiscal year has been an active period for the Building Department; four hundred and ninety-two building permits were issued for the repair and maintenance of existing buildings and for new buildings in the amount of \$3,749,801.00.

There were two major public buildings started during the year, one of which was completed, the Buttonball Elementary School; the other, the addition to the high school, is being rapidly pushed to completion at this writing. The functions of the Inspector of the Work was performed in each case by this office. One hundred and seventy-three of the building permits were for new construction in the amount of \$3,469,782. and the remainder were for repairs and maintenance.

Actual inspections of the work in progress under the permits issued were made during the fiscal year as listed below:

Foundations.....	212
Structural.....	378
Rough Heating.....	55
Rough Plumbing.....	231
Rough Electric Wiring.....	236
Oil Burner.....	67
Occupancy.....	226
Nuisances.....	29
Other Miscellaneous.....	159
Total.....	1593

The bringing up to date of the house numbers of the town was completed on 57 roads and streets of the town during the year.

During the year the Building Department took in \$17,292,96, and the operating expenses of the department, including some capital non-recurring expenditures, were \$10,505,31, thus returning to the town a net income of \$6,787,65. This income made possible the financing of all the activities of the Town Plan and Zoning Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals, without their being an expense to the tax payers of the town.

The Building Inspector, under the supervision of the Director of Health, acts as the Sanitary Inspector for the town insofar as the installation of private sewage disposal systems are concerned. In this capacity 176 such systems were inspected during the year.

JOHN HARRY, *Building Inspector*

THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

The Department responded to 190 alarms, an increase of 30 over the previous year. Company 1 responded to 125 alarms, Company 2 answered 33 alarms and Company 3 responded to 42 alarms.

Total fire losses amounted to an estimated \$34,717.29, an increase of \$3,425.73 over the previous year. The only large loss involved property of the Quality Name Plate Company where loss by lightning and ensuing fire caused damage estimated at \$32,122.29.

SUMMARY OF ALARMS

<i>Type</i>	<i>No. of Alarms</i>	<i>Estimated Damage</i>
Buildings and contents.....	12	\$33,172.29
Vehicles.....	15	295.00
Oil burners.....	6	1,250.00
Chimney fires.....	6
Grass and brush.....	86
Grease in stoves.....	3
Electric wires.....	30
Air craft.....	1
Emergency.....	22
Dump.....	4
Gasoline on road.....	1
False alarms.....	4
TOTAL.....	190	\$34,717.29

While the records show an increase of 30 alarms, it is gratifying to report a decrease of 25 in the number of grass fires, which would indicate that the public is becoming conscious of the potential danger of such fires and is taking greater precautionary measures. Falling wires and emergency calls resulting from the hurricanes of last fall and the recent flood emergency amounted to 52 as compared to only 5 such alarms during the previous year. This was primarily responsible for the increase in total alarms.

APPARATUS and EQUIPMENT

Upon recommendation of the Board, the Town has appropriated the sum of \$17,000.00 for the purchase of a new pumper for Company 2. This piece of apparatus has recently been delivered and all three Companies are now equipped with a first line pumper.

FIREHOUSES

The wooden floor at Company 1 firehouse should be replaced with one of concrete to properly support the weight of the two pumpers. The door is not of sufficient width and height to provide enough clearance for safe parking of the apparatus. We have had frequent fender repair bills due to lack of clearance. To correct this condition the floor will have to be lowered, the entrance made wider and a new door installed.

Company 2 is in need of a hose tower. The life of fire hose depends on the care it has received and hose that is properly dried after each use will definitely give longer service. The present high cost of new hose seems to justify the addition of such a tower.

PROTECTION

Fewer hydrants were installed during the past year than had been anticipated in an effort to keep within the budget, notwithstanding the fact that additional hydrants mean, in most cases, additional tax revenue.

STREET LIGHTING

Street lights were installed in several areas during the year including numerous hazardous intersections. Additional lighting has been authorized but installation delayed due to inability of the lighting company to obtain necessary equipment.

ALARM SYSTEM

The Emergency Alarm System with central switchboard located in the Police Department has been operating very efficiently, however, there appears to be need for additional sirens at strategic locations to augment the sirens now in use. Under certain weather conditions the present sirens cannot be heard where they are most needed and the solution would seem to be more rather than larger sirens.

TRAINING and FIRE PROTECTION

Officers from all three Companies attended a course of instruction at the Firemen's State Training School. Regular monthly drills and special drills are held in the three Companies. Firemen are instructed by the officers who attended the State Training course.

RECOGNITION

The Board wishes to express its sincere appreciation:

To the Officers and Firemen of the department for their support and devotion to duty during the past year.

To the Rotary Club for the donation of a boat, outboard motor and trailer for emergency use by the Fire and Police Departments.

To the various Town Agencies for their support and cooperation.

EDWIN A. BEHRENDT, *Secretary*

FIRE MARSHAL

The Fire Marshal made 375 Inspections last year, including 47 re-inspections and 26 at Christmas and New Year.

Inspections reveal that most residents are doing a good job in Fire Prevention but there are a few buildings that do not fully comply to Fire Safety regulations. This condition is expected to be rectified this coming year.

There were 86 grass and brush fires in town this year most of them caused by carelessness. Improper incinerators were the cause of a lot of them. Six of them were caused by small children playing with matches. Parents should keep matches out of the reach of children.

This year the causes of all grass and brush fires will be investigated very thoroughly and proper action will be taken against persons found to be at fault.

Fire Drills were held in schools by the Fire Marshal and found to be orderly.

ALBERT W. DICKAU, *Fire Marshal*

THE ASSESSOR

Your Assessor has been very active by attending all meetings pertaining to assessing not only in our own town but throughout the state.

It may be of interest to some to know that your Assessor is a member of the Connecticut Association of Assessing Officers, of which he is a member of the staff. He is also Chairman of the In-service Training Committee at present and has been for the past few years, for the Assessor's school held at the University of Connecticut annually during the month of July. This school is conducted under the auspices of the Tax Department of the State of Connecticut, the Connecticut Association of Assessing officers, the National Association of Assessing Officers and the Institute of Public Service, University of Connecticut. Your Assessor is also an instructor at this school. Under state law the State Tax Commissioner may hold meetings, conferences or schools, for assessors and may request their appearance at that school with all expenses paid by the municipality. No Assessor should miss this school for no matter how much he thinks he knows about assessing he will always come back with some way of improving his assessing methods for the benefit of the taxpayer in the community.

Your Assessor was honored by the Association and by the State Tax Commissioner by being appointed in assisting in the flooded areas caused by the storm in August of this year. He was assigned as a leader and captain to work with a few others to go into the communities of Putnam, Thompson, Stafford Springs and Stafford to arrive at a damage loss to the assessed values of personal property, building and land within these flooded areas.

He is also on a committee to help arrive at a fair value on natural gas pipe lines throughout the State of Connecticut and also on the committee on the revision of the Handbook for Connecticut Assessors.

Your Assessor has made up the necessary items to be considered in a revaluation in the Town of Glastonbury and the method in which he is going to conduct the same. The valuation of old restored colonial houses with historic values is still under study. Without doubt, they will require higher assessed values but such values have not been determined as yet.

RAY W. WALZ, Assessor

GRAND LIST October 1, 1954

2,794	Dwelling Houses	\$16,106,146
3,645	Barns, Sheds, Poultry and Store Houses, Private Garages, etc.	1,303,449
4,618	House Lots and Building Lots	2,900,924
117	Business Buildings (excluding factories)	1,670,286
4	Buildings Used for Mills and Manufacturing	422,793
28,082	Acres of Land	1,223,241
4,918	Motor Vehicles	3,131,747
	Machinery, Water Power and Dams	771,800
75	Horses	5,800
826	Neat Cattle including Purebreds	61,830
	Sheep, Goats, Swine and Poultry	32,505
	Furniture (Commercial)	173,270
	Farming Implements and Mechanics' Tools	207,205
	Tobacco	1,608,880
	Goods of Manufacturers, Merchants and Traders	1,252,176
	Cables, Conduits, Pipes, Underground Mains, etc.	391,678
	All other Taxable Property	81,685
	10% Additional on Lists Not Given	5,911
	GROSS 1954 GRAND LIST	\$31,351,326
	Total Exemptions of Servicemen, Ex-servicemen, and the Blind	\$ 1,071,412
	Net Grand List of Municipality, on Which Tax is Levied	\$30,279,914
	Total List Zone I (extra tax 2 mills)	\$15,238,846
	Total List Zone II (extra tax 1 mill)	8,266,579
	Total List Zone III (extra tax ½ mill)	6,774,489
	Basic Tax Rate Laid by Board of Finance	33 mills

POLICE COMMISSION

As indicated by the 1954-1955 Activity Report, there has been an increase in the work load of our Police Department. This was not unexpected as this has been the national trend for several years. We would like to make the observation at this point that the local increase would most certainly have been of greater magnitude had not our Police Department taken strong measures to combat the situation. It has been a formidable task. As an indication of the work load carried by the Department, almost 100 cases are under investigation at the present moment. We can afford only one detective. Both federal and municipal law enforcement authorities consider a case load of 10 cases per detective the most that a man can efficiently carry. Obviously, we can not afford 10 detectives, but nevertheless the Department is doing its level best to get the work done as quickly as possible. Investigations oftentimes require trips to surrounding towns as well as other states in an effort to obtain information regarding unsolved breaks.

The Department's efforts and efficiency are being hampered by lack of adequate space at Headquarters. This is a rather serious situation and it is hoped that a solution to this problem can be arrived at in the near future.

On November 4, 1954, a serious plane crash took place on the Kristoff Farm on John Tom Hill resulting in the death of the co-pilot and serious injury to the pilot. Three passengers miraculously escaped without serious injury. This accident required many hours of patrol duty by the Police Department, ably assisted by the Auxiliary Police. The protection of this area was ordered by the Civil Aeronautics Board. Both the Civil Aeronautics Board and the Civil Aeronautics Administration expressed high commendation for the services rendered by our Police Department.

This report would not be complete without recognition of the Auxiliary Police. This group has met regularly each week throughout the year and has put many hours in special training courses. It has contributed more than 1500 hours of active duty for the year. The Auxiliary Police have become a most important augmentation to the regular Department. It is a group which Glastonbury can well be proud of.

With the growth of the Department, it has been found necessary and desirable to appoint two sergeants. This move was necessary for good administrative and operating efficiency of our around-the-clock operation. Before appointment, the two men were subjected to several rather stringent

examinations. They also attended New Haven's Police Academy for a period of six weeks. This was arranged through the splendid cooperation of New Haven's Chief of Police, Francis McManus. Both men went through the quite difficult course with flying colors.

A School Safety Patrol was organized at the Naubuc School. Many compliments were paid to the boys who participated in the Patrol during the past year. We wish to express our appreciation for the cooperation of Dr. Daniel Chubbuck and Mr. Leverett Holder; also to the Parent-Teachers Association of the Naubuc School. Arrangements have been made with the AAA to have safety posters distributed to all the schools. Talks on safety have been delivered by our Chief, Terrence J. McKaig, and safety films were shown to a number of classes in the various schools. Over \$500 has been spent for traffic safety signs throughout the town.

More than 1300 bicycles have been registered under the Bicycle Ordinance. This ordinance has proved of value in many instances during the past year. Among other things, through registration, many lost or stolen bicycles have been found and returned.

Again this year, we must reiterate the necessity of the establishment of a pension or retirement plan for the regular police officers. Some form of plan is essential. So far, the Commission has been financially unable to accomplish this goal. The longer the establishment of a plan is delayed, the more expensive it will become.

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for the splendid cooperation extended to this Commission and the Police Department by the other governmental agencies in the town, in particular to Mrs. Hazel Hutt, Director of Social Welfare, and Mr. Angelo Malaspina, Foreman of the Highway Department. There are many other individuals to whom we would like to give specific recognition for their kindness and cooperation, but space precludes our doing so.

It is the sincere desire of this Commission and of the Police Department that in the year to come we will be in a position to render better and more service than ever before to the people of Glastonbury.

From all indications, we anticipate that the forthcoming year will be a very active one.

J. A. GOODHUE, *Chairman*

(NOTE: The net operating cost of the Police Department for 1954-55 was \$62,469.33.)

ACTIVITY REPORT OF GLASTONBURY POLICE DEPARTMENT

	1953-4	1954-5
Accidents Investigated.....	112	137
Fatal Accidents.....	0	1
Fire Calls.....	104	154
Radio Calls and Transmissions.....	17,725	27,608
Teletype Messages.....	3,824	24,479
Miscellaneous Complaints.....	541	557
Prowler Complaints.....	54	28
Missing Persons Located.....	31	37
Animal Complaints.....	120	182
Theft Cases.....	53	60
Property Damage Complaints.....	77	120
Intoxication Complaints.....	37	25
Parked Car Complaints.....	102	215
Traffic Control at Fires.....	104	103
Domestic Complaints.....	21	70
Firearms Complaints.....	12	15
Vacant Homes Checked.....	306	477
Open Doors Located.....	99	146
Street Lights Reported Out.....	319	498
Breach of Peace Complaints.....	40	58
Picked up for Outside Departments.....	37	9
Notification for Outside Departments.....	49	76
Juvenile Cases.....	31	54
Arrests.....	292	301
Breaking and Entering.....	19	54
Sick and Injured Cared for.....	30	69

**SUMMARY OF COMPLAINTS
GLASTONBURY POLICE DEPARTMENT**

	1954-5
Telephone.....	1,323
Personal.....	959
Written.....	37
Value of Property Lost or Stolen.....	\$4,796.00
Value of Property Recovered.....	14,480.50
Value of Property Unclaimed.....	199.50

TOWN CLERK AND REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS

	1949	1953	1954
Births.....	163	236	274
Marriages.....	96	117	122
Deaths.....	90	100	99

A total of 1034 Documents were recorded in Town Records during the year.

JOHN A. MILLER, *Town Clerk*

THE WELFARE COMMISSION

Not frequently recognized is the importance of preventive welfare work. This takes the form of eliminating those conditions which may lead to a request for welfare assistance and the employment of all available resources in the rehabilitation of handicapped persons.

The Director of Welfare is doing more case work involving such functions as personal budget planning and job referrals as well as keeping in touch with family situations which experience shows are forerunners of welfare aid. In the field of rehabilitation, the Director works closely with all of the rehabilitation agencies in the state. Thus are some persons returned each year to a life of productivity.

Of course such activities have value in keeping down the sum spent on welfare assistance. But even more important are the values in terms of personal independence for the people affected.

Following our policy of seeking reimbursement from all welfare recipients who are later able to repay, the Director has been able each year to increase the amount of receipts. During the past year such receipts from individuals totaled more than \$11,000 and well justified the Director's time spent on this phase of her work. The knowledge that welfare payments constitute a loan to be repaid when that becomes possible may conceivably act to reduce the number of requests for aid. Here again our policy of reimbursement benefits the individual in terms of self respect. The advantage to the taxpayer is obvious.

Financially the Commission operated within its budget and with a lower net cost to the town than in any year since 1951. Tracing the net cost (expenditures minus receipts) since 1951 and relating it to the Grand List produces the following:

	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955
Net Town Welfare Cost.....	\$14,107	\$20,269	\$25,393	\$18,239	\$16,648
Grand List (Thousands Omitted)....	\$20,585	\$23,267	\$25,564	\$28,027	\$30,280
Net Town Welfare Costs Expressed as Mills on the Grand List.....	0.7	0.9	1.0	0.65	0.55

JOHN M. FINNEY, *Chairman*

THE RECREATION COMMITTEE

During the past year your Committee and the Town recreation program in general have had the benefit of a part-time Director. His duties have been to coordinate and supervise existing sanctioned activities and to encourage the sponsorship and development of others where the need was apparent. With this assistance, the Committee has been able to concentrate on the improvement of existing facilities and the development of new ones. We feel that this type of organization will serve better the recreational needs of our growing community.

New to the program this year were a Junior Soccer League directed by the Lions Club, a Junior Rifle Club organized with the assistance of the Glastonbury Rifle Club, a town baseball team entered in the Inter-County League, and a Senior Basketball League. It is hoped that the latter two projects may indicate a revival of adult interest and participation.

Midget and Junior Leagues in basketball and baseball were continued and enjoyed highly successful seasons. Due recognition should be given the various civic groups and other organizations that sponsored the individual teams in these leagues.

Eastbury Pool continued to attract an increasing number of bathers. Swimming classes were conducted for both children and adults under Pool Director Hartwell's supervision. Waterfront protection was provided by three full-time lifeguards.

Skaters enjoyed the best ice in years, and the several town-maintained rinks were well patronized.

PLANS

In immediate prospect are plans for the expansion of the beach area and improvement of water conditions at Eastbury Pool. An appropriation for this work has been approved by Town Meeting and dredging will be started as soon as possible.

Experience with the services of a part-time Director indicates the wisdom of continuing this position and enlarging its responsibilities.

Your Committee will continue its efforts to provide the kind of wholesome recreation the townspeople desire.

M. B. PRATT, *Secretary*

HEALTH OFFICER

Routine examination of school children was carried out during the year with the local physicians participating. Total number of children examined was 1776. Most common defects requiring conferences between school nurse and parent totaled 755. Most common positive findings were infected tonsils.

The clinics for vaccinations and toxoids were held as usual during the Spring. Forty-one children received vaccinations. Twenty-seven children received the triple toxoid (diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis). Each child received three doses given at one month intervals. High School students, members of the soccer team and agriculture class, received tetanus toxoid. These students were also given three injections at monthly intervals.

At the Summer Round-Up in May, 83 children were examined.

Polio clinics were held in May and June for first injections and boosters. Total number inoculated was 669. Make-up clinics were held in August and September.

Typhoid injections were given to those involved in the flood disaster.

Public health nuisances were investigated; total number: 74.

The following communicable diseases were reported:

Broncho pneumonia.....	10	Mumps.....	4
Chickenpox.....	88	Polio.....	5
German measles.....	6	Scarlet fever.....	11
Infectious Hepatitis.....	9	Tuberculosis.....	1
Lobar pneumonia.....	2	Venereal disease.....	1
Measles.....	380	Whooping cough.....	7

JOSEPH RAFFA, *M.D.*

CIVIL DEFENSE COUNCIL

Even as this report is being written, another hurricane (Ione) threatens us with flash floods and winds of high velocity, and within the hour Civil Defense will again be alerted to give aid to any of our citizens that may be in need of it.

The Glastonbury Civil Defense organization has made considerable progress during the past year.

The Welfare and Evacuation group, under the leadership of Rev. Karl Blake, has taken on thirty-five new workers and is well equipped to feed and house from three to five thousand persons should the occasion arise.

The Auxiliary Police have completed the training of twenty-nine men who have been of invaluable aid during C. D. exercises and emergencies. Chief McKaig has, thru his knowledge and effort, made this group one of the best in the State.

There are three Rescue squads under the supervision of Angelo Malaspina ready to go into action when needed. These groups are in need of some equipment.

The Radic group (Radio Active Fallout Monitors) is newly formed under the leadership of Joseph Goodhue and as soon as they can be supplied with proper equipment, they will be a great addition to our Civil Defense organization.

The Communications group, now under the supervision of Warren Doubleday, has put in many hours both in training and during the several hurricanes and has done a terrific job for C. D. They are always the first ones called out, and the last ones to be relieved of duty. Two new Gonset Portable receiving and sending sets and a new Police monitor have been added this year, also, extra tubes and crystals for each set, a storage battery, head-phones, etc. This group is fairly well equipped at the present time.

The Ground Observer Corps (Plane Spotters) under the supervision of Fred Blake, has shown a tremendous growth during the past four months. From a handful of faithful spotters, this group has grown so that our station is now being manned over one hundred hours a week. Mr. Blake has done an outstanding job giving many hours to the training of his new personnel; between forty and fifty new workers. He is now engaged in the construction of a new observer post on a new site at no expense to the town.

The Auxiliary Firemen, under Chief Dickau, have been a tremendous factor in their ready and willing assistance during the hurricanes and also during the recent flood. Their co-operation during C. D. Drills and the evacuation has been outstanding.

During the past year, Glastonbury was privileged to have the first trial evacuation held on the Eastern Seaboard for which we received National recognition. We are rated very high in C. D. throughout the State.

We also held one of the first School Evacuations under the supervision of Principal James Hattings. This exercise was carried out as smoothly as if it had been rehearsed for years and all of the children were moved from the evacuation area to the Buttonball School without incident.

The net expense to the town was \$1,089.72.

BRUCE E. RICHARDS, *Director*

TOWN ENGINEER

Chief activities of this office for its first year's operation have been; (1) Preparation of Town Road standards for use in new construction; (2) Layout of several road relocations with accompanying drainage facilities; (3) Assistance to Sewer Study group in preparation for recommendations to Town.

Many routine meetings with the Selectmen, Building Inspector, and Road Contractors have consumed about 40% of the allotted working time for this office. It is anticipated these meetings will consume more, rather than less time in the following year. While some of these routine meetings have not served the town in a direct sense, they have to some extent permitted other Town Officials to perform more efficiently their own tasks.

The allotted time of 12 hours for the operations of the Office appears to be reasonably adequate in view of the past year's experience. However, when and if sewerage is placed in the Town these hours would definitely have to be increased, possibly to one full time engineer, plus some part time help.

Summarized briefly the Town has achieved in the establishment of this office; (1) A source of advice and counsel for the various Town Boards; (2) A record supervisory service of invaluable maps and records and (3) additional information agency on town problems for use by all of the Town's people.

In my opinion all three functions are being developed.

CLARENCE W. WELTI, *Town Engineer*

PROPERTY TAX TRANSACTIONS

List	9/1/54 Uncollected	Lawful Adjust- ments	Collected Taxes	Collected Lien Fees and Interest	Balance Due 8/31/55
1939/52.....	\$ 7,863.35	\$1,950.11	\$ 1,255.68	\$ 240.00	\$ 4,657.56
1953.....	29,462.70	1,187.71	24,611.99	987.75	3,663.00
Total Prior Years ..	\$ 37,326.05	\$3,137.82	\$ 25,867.67	\$1,227.75	\$ 8,320.56
1954.....	1,051,620.05	4,097.15	997,108.57	265.89	40,414.51
Grand Totals.....	\$1,078,946.28	\$7,234.97	\$1,022,976.24	\$1,493.64	\$48,735.07

HAROLD H. HARRISON, *Collector*

THE BOARD OF FINANCE

In these columns, a year ago, we went out on a limb by venturing three prognostications:

Prediction (1) that the General Assembly would vote larger grants for education. Right. The increase for Glastonbury this year will amount to \$53,000, a tidy sum.

Prediction (2) that another bond issue was inevitable. Again right, but nothing to be proud of. The time for such bond issue arrived much sooner than anticipated, with the pressing need for an addition to the High School.

Prediction (3) that when a bond issue became necessary, we might hope to float same on an advantageous basis. Wrong. That turned out to be wishful thinking. Interest rates, which had been slowly creeping up, climbed steeply the few weeks previous to the bond sale. This fact, together with an apparent oversupply of municipal bonds, resulted in bids of which the most favorable one called for an interest rate of 2.70%, a very disappointing rate. All bids could, of course, have been rejected and sale of the bonds deferred, but the future course of the bond market could not be predicted. Interest rates might be even higher a few months from now. A deferred sale would then have been subject to criticism, and properly so. (As this is written, rates have already advanced further.)

We were fortunate in the low rate of 1.60% on the 1952 bond issue. This time we were unfortunate.

Your Board derives some satisfaction from the fact that, on its recommendation, the Town voted payments of \$159,000 towards the Buttonball Lane School this past year, so that the bond issue was reduced by that amount and interest payments on that amount were avoided. That represented a continuation, within practical limits, of the Board's pay-as-you-go policy.

Furthermore, on our recommendation and by vote of the Town, a Federal grant of \$108,414 towards the Junior-Senior High School was transferred to the Capital Reserve Fund and will be available for future capital expenditures. Our Town authorities deserve a great deal of credit for their efforts in securing this grant.

Turning to the coming fiscal year, your Board scrutinized all requests for appropriations even more carefully than usual. When it became apparent

that in spite of the larger state grant mentioned above, a further rise in the tax rate was in prospect, practically all budgets were pruned, by a total of \$39,400. Most of the Town agencies accepted such reductions readily, if regretfully. If the new Grand List, as we hope and expect, shows a normal increase, we will be able to hold the line at the present rate of 33 mills.

Looking still further ahead, we are in hopes that important projects now in the planning stage will materialize and lend further stability to property taxes, in place of the almost continuous rise during the past decade. However, sizeable capital expenditures confront us during the coming years, such as the construction of additional schools, of highway and school garages, of sewers and of more Town Office space, which must be planned and financed with care.

In addition to its other functions, largely of a financial nature, the Board also has the duty of appointing the Assessor, on recommendation of the Board of Selectmen. Ray W. Walz has been reappointed assessor for a four year term. He has been authorized to effect a reassessment of the Town beginning October 1st, 1955, this project to be completed within two years. Your Board decided on such authorization after a series of joint meetings with the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Tax Review, and after consulting with the Assessor, who must make the actual decision. We are recommending to the Town an appropriation of \$10,000 for such reassessment, with a similar amount in prospect next year for completion of the job.

The Board was saddened by the untimely passing of Joseph J. Katz, a valued member of many years standing.

JOHN H. ROSER, *Chairman*

EXCERPTS FROM AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Finance,
Town of Glastonbury, Connecticut

Gentlemen:

We have made an audit of the books of account and financial records of the Town of Glastonbury, Connecticut for the fiscal year ended August 31, 1955.

The Town does not maintain a complete double-entry system of bookkeeping.

Forms, as prescribed by the Tax Commissioner, are used by the Tax Collector and Town Treasurer.

All expenditures of the Selectmen and Board of Education were prepared in the school office on an electric budget machine. These expenditures are recorded on cards for each budget item. The only departments not using this machine during the past year were the Welfare and Police.

Resume of Financial Transactions and Conditions

At a Town meeting, held on October 28, 1954, it was voted to appropriate \$490,000 for the construction of an elementary school on Buttonball Lane. It was also voted to rescind the appropriation voted on May 24, 1954 of \$20,000 for this school.

It was further voted to transfer \$75,000 from the Reserve Fund to aid the financing of this appropriation.

It was voted to borrow on notes, the balance of \$415,000, payable over a period of five years, of which \$75,000 was paid during the year.

The Selectmen were authorized to apply for State and Federal Aid toward the construction of this school, which State Aid was estimated at \$138,000.

At a Town meeting, held on November 10, 1954, it was voted to appropriate \$17,000 for a new fire pumper to be delivered in 1955-1956 and included in the budget for that year.

At a Town meeting, held on November 29, 1954, a budget was adopted for current expenses for 1954-1955, as printed in the Annual Town Report, amounting to \$1,302,967.68.

The Board of Finance increased certain budget items during the year as follows:

1/ 4/55	Planning and Zoning.....	\$ 500.00
	Dog Damage.....	250.00
	Safety Commission.....	50.00
2/ 1/55	Voting Machine Rental.....	325.00
3/31/55	Planning and Zoning.....	300.00
4/19/55	Plans for Vault and Heating System.....	500.00
5/10/55	Registrars.....	200.00
	Sewer Study.....	150.00
6/21/55	Assessor.....	300.00
	Total.....	\$2,575.00

This resulted in a total operating budget for the year ended August 31, 1955 of \$1,305,542.68.

At a Town meeting, held on January 17, 1955, it was voted to appropriate \$15,000 from the Reserve Fund for working plans for an addition to the High School.

At a Town meeting, held on February 21, 1955, it was voted to appropriate \$15,000 from the Reserve Fund for the purchase of land adjacent to the High School.

At a Town meeting, held on April 4, 1955, it was voted to transfer the federal grant received in aid of construction of the high school of \$108,414 to the Reserve Fund.

At a Town meeting, held on July 11, 1955, it was voted to appropriate \$800,000 for an addition to the high school. It was also voted to issue bonds in the amount of \$1,140,000 to finance the high school addition of \$800,000 and notes of \$340,000 for the elementary school voted on October 28, 1954.

At a Board of Finance meeting, held on February 1, 1955, tax rates on the taxable grand list of October 1, 1954, were voted as follows:

Town Proper—Basic.....	33 Mills
Fire Zone (1).....	2 Mills
Fire Zone (2).....	1 Mill
Fire Zone (3).....	1/2 Mill

Cash

All cash balances were verified and reconciled with confirmations received direct from the depositories.

Receipts were properly and promptly deposited and could be traced to definite groups of deposits.

Book balances were reconciled at least monthly.

There are no loose or improper methods in the handling of cash.

Cash Discounts

All discounts were found to have been taken.

Uncollected Taxes

A statement of property tax transactions during the year reflects uncollected taxes at August 31, 1955 of \$48,735.07 due from 900 taxpayers.

Confirmations were mailed on October 3, 1955 to 90 of these taxpayers. Twenty-five replied that their accounts were correct and three were returned by the Post Office.

Recommendations

It is again recommended that an inventory of all personal property, owned by the Town, be maintained for insurance purposes.

It is recommended that all expenditures by the Welfare and Police Commission be made through the budget machine operation at the school office.

Very truly yours,

H. N. ALEXANDER & COMPANY

Note. The complete Auditor's Report, not printed here in its entirety due to lack of space, is available for inspection at the office of the Town Clerk.

TOWN OWNED PROPERTIES
As at August 31, 1955

	Assessed Values		
	Land	Buildings	Total
Town Hall and Park.....	\$17,455	\$ 11,850	\$ 29,305
Police Station.....	\$ 1,599	8,000	9,599
Town Office Building.....	7,319	27,609	34,928
Town Farm.....	1,500	7,983	9,483
Fire Houses—			
Pratt Street.....	2,500	13,500	16,000
East Glastonbury.....	1,350	4,500	5,850
South Glastonbury.....	2,604	18,500	21,104
Schools—			
Academy.....		105,840	105,840
Academy (Old High).....	9,175	222,798	231,973
Addison.....	1,200	5,625	6,825
Buckingham.....	1,500	11,765	13,265
Junior-Senior High.....	80,000	1,095,000	1,175,000
High Street.....	3,813	87,323	91,136
Hubbard Street—Office.....	2,800	17,500	20,300
Naubuc.....	10,000	170,217	180,217
Neipsic.....	2,000	11,250	13,250
Eastbury.....		227,000	227,000
Free Academy.....	2,110	13,178	15,288
Williams Memorial.....	2,130	36,084	38,214
Gravel Bank —Turnpike.....	858		858
Town Dump.....	407		407
Parks—			
New London Turnpike.....	350		350
Eastbury.....	2,500	2,000	4,500
Forest Lane.....	3,000		3,000
Lots—Diamond Lake (2).....	200		200
Welles-Turner Library.....	10,000	175,000	185,000
Total.....			\$2,438,892

Buttonball School—Cost.....	\$ 8,500	\$ 384,696	\$393,196
High School Addition—Cost.....	15,000	48,142	63,142
Equipment—Estimated—			
Furniture and Equipment.....			120,000
Library Equipment.....			66,000
Highway Trucks and Equipment.....			45,761
School Buses.....			7,000
Fire Pumpers.....			15,000
Voting Machines.....			5,000
Total.....			\$3,153,991

BOND AND NOTE INDEBTEDNESS
As at August 31, 1955

	Original Issue	Out- standing 8/31/55
School Bonds—		
Dated Jan. 1, 1923, \$5,000 Payable Annually on Jan. 1, 1956 to 1958 (Interest at 4½%)	\$175,000	\$ 15,000
High School Bonds—		
Dated March 1, 1952, \$80,000 Payable Annually on March 1, 1956 to 1971 and \$45,000 on March 1, 1972 (Interest at 1.6%)		1,325,000
Total		<u>\$1,340,000</u>
School Construction Notes, Demand 1%— Glastonbury Bank and Trust Co.		
Dated 8/31/55 Buttonball Lane School	\$311,000	\$ 236,000
Dated 8/31/55 High School Addition	38,000	38,000
Total Notes		<u>\$ 274,000</u>

**RESERVE FUND FOR CAPITAL AND NON-RECURRING
EXPENDITURES**

Due from General Fund, August 31, 1954	\$109,088.99
Receipt From Federal Government For Aid to Construction of Junior-Senior High School, Voted 4/4/55	108,414.00
Total	<u>\$217,502.99</u>
Appropriations for New School Construction—	
Elementary School—Buttonball Lane, Voted 10/28/54	\$75,000.00
High School—	
Working Plans, Voted 1/17/55	15,000.00
Land, Voted 2/21/55	15,000.00
	<u>105,000.00</u>
Balance Due From General Fund, August 31, 1955	\$112,502.99

DEBT LIMITATION STATEMENT
As at August 31, 1955

Taxable Property, October 1, 1954	\$30,279,914.00
Exempt Property, October 1, 1953	3,759,745.00
Total Subject to Debt Limit	<u>\$34,039,659.00</u>
Ten Per Cent Debt Limit As Approved By State Tax Commissioner	\$ 3,403,965.90
Indebtedness, August 31, 1955—	
School Bonds	\$1,340,000.00
School Construction Notes	274,000.00
	<u>1,614,000.00</u>
Excess of Debt Limit Over Actual Debt	\$ 1,789,965.90

COMBINED REPORT OF TREASURER AND BOARD OF FINANCE

Treasurer's Report of General Fund Receipts and Expenditures for Fiscal Year 1954-55 and Board of Finance Budget Report for 1955-56

RECEIPTS

	Actual Receipts 1954-55	Estimated Receipts 1955-56
Property Taxes		
General Property Tax, current levy.....	\$ 954,831.26	*\$ 999,789.10
General Property Tax, prior levies.....	25,868.17	24,000.00
Fire Zone Levies.....	42,131.51	44,000.00
Penalties, Interest and Fees.....	1,450.01	1,300.00
	\$1,024,280.95	\$1,069,089.10
In Lieu of Taxes		
Federal Housing Authority (Welles Village).....	\$ 26,127.15	\$ 26,000.00
State of Conn. (State Parks).....	296.58	290.00
	\$ 26,423.73	\$ 26,290.00
Courts		
Town Court.....	\$ 2,798.98	\$ 2,800.00
Small Claims Court.....	139.50	100.00
Bond Bail Account.....	24.45	—
	\$ 2,962.93	\$ 2,900.00
Education		
Adult Education—State.....	\$ 320.45	\$ 320.00
Elementary Transportation—State.....	14,599.04	12,260.40
Grant in Aid—State.....	91,430.58	144,425.11
Homemaking—State.....	1,817.11	1,970.49
Industrial Arts—State.....	3,926.95	2,865.61
Physically Handicapped Children—State.....	1,597.29	1,500.00
Trade School Transportation—State.....	452.98	487.50
Vocational Agriculture—State.....	2,749.14	2,350.00
Federal Grant.....	5,888.37	6,000.00
Town Deposit Fund Interest.....	153.83	150.00
Rent of School Facilities.....	788.64	500.00
Tuition.....	150.00	300.00
Speech.....	—	3,003.00
Refunds.....	79.81	—
	\$ 123,954.19	\$ 176,132.11
Highways		
Unimproved and State Aid Roads—State.....	\$ 14,025.00	\$ 15,000.00
Refunds—Towns and Individuals.....	3,606.88	3,000.00
Gas Refunds.....	3.28	—
	\$ 17,635.16	\$ 18,000.00
Planning and Zoning		
Building Inspection Fees.....	\$ 17,158.06	\$ 16,000.00
Zoning Board of Appeals.....	35.00	35.00
	\$ 17,193.06	\$ 16,035.00

*Amount necessary to balance budget

	Actual Receipts 1954-55	Estimated Receipts 1955-56
Police Department		
Supernumeraries—Private Duty.....	\$ 1,159.63	\$ 1,200.00
Bicycle Registrations.....	312.30	—
Fire Department's Share Alarm System.....	7,411.52	8,250.00
Gas Tax Refunds.....	404.68	350.00
Sundry Income.....	725.92	200.00
	\$ 10,014.05	\$ 10,000.00
Recreation		
Williams Memorial Building Income.....	\$ 988.75	—
Eastbury Pond.....	14.78	—
	\$ 1,033.53	—
State Grants for School Construction		
Eastbury School.....	\$ 13,800.00	—
Junior-Senior High School.....	21,757.50	21,757.50
Button Ball Lane School.....	—	6,900.00
	\$ 35,557.50	\$ 28,657.50
Taxes and Licenses		
Liquor Licenses—State.....	\$ 8,720.00	\$ 8,500.00
Motor Bus Tax—State.....	1,635.89	1,400.00
Peddlers' Permits.....	105.00	100.00
	\$ 10,460.89	\$ 10,000.00
Welfare		
Outdoor Aid—State.....	\$ 3,833.34	\$ 3,500.00
Town Farm—State.....	2,019.52	1,500.00
Town Farm Income.....	3,610.46	3,000.00
Refunds—Towns.....	849.17	500.00
Refunds—Individuals.....	6,384.82	2,500.00
Burial of Veterans—State.....	500.00	—
	\$ 17,197.31	\$ 13,000.00
Unclassified		
Civil Defense Matching Funds—Fed. Govt.....	\$ 753.92	—
Estate Penalty Tax.....	393.92	—
Sale of Town Properties.....	2,000.00	—
Replacement of Educ. Funds—State.....	1,258.40	—
Interest on Treasury Notes.....	—	5,000.00
Miscellaneous.....	107.23	—
	\$ 4,513.47	\$ 5,000.00
Total Receipts.....	\$1,291,196.77	\$1,375,103.71

SUMMARY OF TREASURER'S REPORTS

RECEIPTS		
	1954-55	1955-56
General Funds Receipts (from Page 59)	\$1,291,196.77	\$1,375,103.71
Temporary Borrowings	550,000.00	—
Junior-Senior High School Grant (Fed. Govt.)	108,414.00	—
Welles Turner Library Fund Income	5,085.07	5,000.00
Cash on Hand, September 1st, 1954	61,488.06	—
Cash on Hand, September 1st, 1955	—	67,376.18
Totals	\$2,016,183.90	\$1,447,479.89

EXPENDITURES		
	1954-55	1955-56
Budget Expenditures (see detailed report-Page 61)	\$1,283,864.05	\$1,442,479.89
Repayment Temporary Borrowings	550,000.00	—
Transfer to Capital Reserve Fund	108,414.00	—
Welles Turner Memorial Library	5,085.07	5,000.00
Sundry Expenditures	1,444.60	—
Cash on Hand, August 31st, 1955	\$67,376.18	—
Totals	\$2,016,183.90	\$1,447,479.89

ROBERT O. RIDER, *Treasurer*

DETAILED BUDGET EXPENDITURES

	Actual Expenditures 1954-55	Budget Appropriations 1955-56
GENERAL GOVERNMENT		
Selectmen		
First	\$ 5,200.00	\$ 5,933.33
Second	400.00	491.66
Third	400.00	491.66
Automobile Expense	162.30	300.00
Office Supplies and Expense	1,186.38	1,050.00
Legal Notices	399.99	250.00
Clerical Salary	2,691.80	2,800.00
Preparing Tax Rate Book	550.00	575.00
Selectmen's Automobile	1,447.21	—
Treasurer		
Salary	1,200.00	1,566.63
Bond	200.00	314.75
Expense	12.72	75.00
Town Clerk		
Salary	1,400.00	1,400.00
Clerical Expense	687.00	500.00
Supplies	863.53	800.00
Recording Veteran's Discharges	100.00	100.00
General Index Land Records	90.00	100.00
Record Vital Statistics	960.60	975.00
Lien Fees	71.50	100.00
Town Counsel	2,530.60	2,500.00
Town Auditor	850.00	1,100.00
Town Fire Marshal	804.60	800.00
Town Buildings		
Maintenance and Supplies	4,491.26	4,500.00
Special Appropriation (Old Town Hall)	—	4,000.00
Insurance		
Liability	3,746.67	4,500.00
Compensation	2,804.54	3,800.00
Fire	374.27	500.00
Board of Finance		
Expense	69.80	100.00
Printing Town Reports	874.00	900.00
Total General Government	\$ 34,568.77	\$ 40,523.03

DEPARTMENTAL BUDGETS

	Actual Expenditures 1954-55	Budget Appropriations 1955-56
Assessment Expense		
Assessor's Salary	\$ 4,633.32	\$ 7,000.00
Clerical Salary	3,000.00	3,100.00
Printing and Supplies	1,170.71	975.00
Automobile Expense	500.00	500.00
Office Equipment	—	470.00
School for Assessor	—	50.00
Special Appropriation (Clerical Expense)	89.38	475.00
Revaluation	—	10,000.00
	\$ 9,393.41	\$ 22,570.00
Board of Tax Review	308.20	450.00
	\$ 9,701.61	\$ 23,020.00
Capital Expenditures		
Highway—Dump Truck 3½ Yards	\$ 6,427.29	\$ —
Highway—2 Dump Trucks 3½ Yards	—	12,000.00
Highway—Pick-up Truck, ½ Ton	1,007.00	—
Highway—Sand Spreader	228.73	275.00
Voting Machine	317.60	975.00
Mobile Transmitter and Receiver for Pick-up Truck	—	550.00
New Fire Pumper-Company No. 2	—	17,000.00
	\$ 7,980.62	\$ 30,800.00
Civil Bodies		
County Tax	\$ 12,303.35	\$ 7,260.00
Probate Court Tax	363.48	500.00
	\$ 12,666.83	\$ 7,760.00
Courts		
Town Court	\$ 3,938.75	\$ 4,500.00
Small Claims Division	550.00	600.00
	\$ 4,488.75	\$ 5,100.00
Debt Retirement		
School Bonds—1923	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Junior-Senior High School Bonds—1952	80,000.00	80,000.00
Button Ball Lane School Notes	75,000.00	—
School Bonds—1955 (Reserve for 9-1-56)	—	60,000.00
	\$ 160,000.00	\$ 145,000.00
Education Board		
Operational Expense (Details on Page 30)	\$ 693,647.05	\$ 770,715.00
Engineering Expense		
Engineer's Salary	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
Additional Services	539.30	500.00
Office Supplies	38.44	75.00
Office Equipment	751.16	—
Town Road Monumenting	4,992.28	5,000.00
Expense 1953-54	83.93	—
	\$ 8,905.11	\$ 8,075.00

	Actual Expenditures 1954-55	Budget Appropriations 1955-56
Fire Department		
New Equipment and Replacements	\$ 4,144.12	\$ 4,700.00
Maintenance of Buildings and Equipment	6,465.16	5,500.00
Improvement of Buildings	1,666.85	3,000.00
Hydrant Rentals	861.04	950.00
Office Administration Phone Expense	1,052.74	400.00
Insurance	1,395.93	1,500.00
Special Services	2,787.40	1,500.00
Hydrant Installation	1,164.58	2,000.00
Education	250.00	250.00
Firemen's Expenses	3,894.80	3,900.00
Chief and Assistants	325.00	575.00
Alarm System	8,234.19	8,250.00
Telephone Service	—	975.00
	\$ 32,541.81	\$ 33,500.00
Street Lighting	19,873.31	22,500.00
	\$ 52,415.12	\$ 56,000.00
Health		
Health Officer	\$ 2,901.30	\$ 3,000.00
Visiting Nurse Association	8,000.00	8,000.00
	\$ 10,901.30	\$ 11,000.00
Highway Department		
Truck Drivers and Equipment Operators	\$ 19,418.66	\$ 19,125.00
Foremen	4,864.24	6,250.00
Laborers	11,210.66	12,750.00
Garage Expense	1,419.77	1,500.00
Hired Services	2,419.67	3,000.00
Gas, Oil and Tires	9,871.85	11,000.00
Repairs to Equipment	4,226.93	4,000.00
Tools and Supplies	3,176.56	2,500.00
	\$ 56,608.34	\$ 60,125.00
Highway Construction	6,307.47	6,000.00
Retirement Fund	4,915.32	5,000.00
Snow and Ice Removal	8,624.45	12,000.00
Unimproved and Town Aid Roads (State)	13,999.93	15,000.00
	\$ 90,455.51	\$ 98,125.00
Interest on Indebtedness		
School Bonds—1923	\$ 787.50	\$ 562.50
High School Bonds—1952	22,480.00	21,200.00
Button Ball Lane School Notes	1,044.50	—
Temporary Borrowings	1,522.35	2,500.00
School Bonds—1955	—	15,390.00
H. S. Expansion	23.21	—
	\$ 25,857.56	\$ 39,652.50

	Actual Expenditures 1954-55	Budget Appropriations 1955-56
Libraries		
Welles-Turner Memorial Library.....	\$ 16,700.00	\$ 17,500.00
South Glastonbury Library.....	750.00	750.00
	<u>\$ 17,450.00</u>	<u>\$ 18,250.00</u>
Planning and Zoning		
Town Plan and Zoning Commission—Expense... \$	1,934.30	2,095.00
Assistance in Planning.....	3,134.20	2,500.00
Zoning Board of Appeals.....	170.96	395.00
Salaries—Building Inspectors.....	7,225.35	5,000.00
Clerical Expense—Building Inspector.....	1,599.34	2,500.00
Automobile Expense—Building Inspector.....	500.00	500.00
Building Inspector Expense—1953-54.....	240.25	—
	<u>\$ 14,804.40</u>	<u>\$ 12,990.00</u>
Police Department		
Salaries and Wages..... \$	48,627.74	\$ 50,006.00
Salaries and Wages (Fire Dept. Share of Alarm System—See Receipts Page 59).....	8,000.00	8,250.00
Equipment and Training.....	2,324.13	2,400.00
Insurance.....	1,746.70	2,000.00
Cruisers.....	5,218.77	4,003.00
Headquarters.....	4,111.54	4,200.00
Supplies.....	2,151.42	3,000.00
New Equipment.....	303.08	2,657.02
	<u>\$ 72,483.38</u>	<u>\$ 76,516.02</u>
Public Service Enterprises		
Tree Warden—Salary..... \$	200.00	\$ 200.00
Tree Warden—Expense.....	2,503.75	4,000.00
Green Cemetery.....	675.00	675.00
Old Church Cemetery.....	250.00	250.00
Old South Cemetery.....	200.00	200.00
Buckingham Cemetery.....	35.00	35.00
Town Care Cemeteries—Wassuc, Eastbury.....	486.67	440.00
John Tom Hill Cemetery.....	—	20.00
Green Park Association.....	700.00	700.00
Memorial Day Observance.....	500.00	500.00
	<u>\$ 5,550.42</u>	<u>\$ 7,020.00</u>
Recreation Committee		
Eastbury Park and Other Recreational Facilities \$	5,397.36	\$ 6,500.00
Williams Memorial Building.....	2,350.15	—
Special Appropriation (Eastbury Pool).....	—	5,000.00
	<u>\$ 7,747.51</u>	<u>\$ 11,500.00</u>
Registrars' Expense		
Registrars' Salaries..... \$	2,239.17	\$ 3,000.00
Election Attendants.....	914.85	750.00
Printing and Supplies.....	1,494.31	1,600.00
	<u>\$ 4,648.33</u>	<u>\$ 5,350.00</u>

	Actual Expenditures 1954-55	Budget Appropriations 1955-56
Sanitation		
Meadow Drain.....	\$ 501.01	\$ 500.00
Care of Town Dump.....	2,908.52	2,850.00
Clean-Up Weeks.....	578.92	1,300.00
Repairs to Sanitary Sewers.....	742.77	600.00
Sewer Commission Expense.....	—	200.00
Sewer Study Commission.....	618.50	—
	<u>\$ 5,349.72</u>	<u>\$ 5,450.00</u>
Tax Collection Expense		
Collector's Salary..... \$	3,200.00	\$ 3,933.34
Collector's Bond.....	288.50	360.00
Clerical Expense.....	807.78	1,250.00
Printing and Supplies.....	948.16	800.00
Legal Expense.....	31.82	200.00
Lien Fees.....	132.00	200.00
Office Equipment.....	—	400.00
Burglary and Robbery Insurance.....	175.00	—
	<u>\$ 5,583.26</u>	<u>\$ 7,143.34</u>
Welfare Commission		
Outside Aid..... \$	18,867.96	\$ 19,646.00
Town Farm Operation and Improvements.....	7,758.00	8,203.00
Administrative Expense.....	7,102.00	7,651.00
Special Appropriation.....	117.80	500.00
	<u>\$ 33,860.76</u>	<u>\$ 36,000.00</u>
Unclassified Expenditures		
Contingent Fund (1954-55) (\$20,000.00).....	—	\$ 20,000.00
Tax Refunds.....	641.11	500.00
Defense Council Expense.....	1,843.64	1,965.00
Defense Council Director Trav. Exp.....	—	300.00
Jury Committee.....	30.00	50.00
Social Security.....	2,033.28	2,700.00
Micro-Film Storage.....	21.20	25.00
Town Government Study Committee.....	217.00	—
Development and Industrial Commission Exp. ...	—	500.00
Safety Committee Expense.....	2.31	200.00
Dog Damage.....	9.50	250.00
	<u>4,798.04</u>	<u>\$ 26,490.00</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$1,283,864.05</u>	<u>\$1,442,479.89</u>

WHERE THE MONEY CAME FROM 1954-55

Per Cent			
79.31%	Property Taxes.....	\$1,024,280.95	
0.23%	Courts.....	2,962.93	
14.22%	State of Connecticut		
	Education.....	\$116,893.54	
	Highways.....	14,025.00	
	Licenses.....	10,355.89	
	Welfare.....	6,352.86	
	School Construction.....	35,557.50	
	State Parks.....	296.58	183,181.37
2.51%	Federal Government		
	Welles Village.....	26,127.15	
	Education.....	5,888.37	
	Civil Defense.....	753.92	32,769.44
1.33%	Planning and Zoning (fees)		17,193.06
0.77%	Police Department		
	Fire Dept. (Alarm System).....	7,111.52	
	Other receipts.....	2,602.53	10,014.05
0.08%	Recreation Committee.....		1,003.53
0.31%	Welfare Commission (except State).....		10,811.15
0.16%	Sale of Town properties.....		2,000.00
0.52%	Other Receipts.....		6,616.99
100%			\$1,291,196.77

WHERE THE MONEY WENT 1954-55

Per Cent			
2.70%	General Government.....	\$	34,568.77
1.15%	Planning and Zoning.....		14,804.40
0.70%	Engineering Expense.....		8,905.11
0.76%	Assessing Expense.....		9,701.61
0.43%	Tax Collection Expense.....		5,583.26
0.35%	Town Courts.....		4,488.75
0.36%	Registrars.....		4,648.33
5.64%	Police Department.....		72,483.38
2.53%	Fire Department.....		32,541.81
1.55%	Street Lighting.....		19,873.31
0.85%	Health.....		10,901.30
0.42%	Sanitation.....		5,349.72
7.05%	Highways.....		90,455.51
2.64%	Welfare.....		33,860.76
0.43%	Public Service Enterprises.....		5,550.42
0.60%	Recreation.....		7,747.51
54.02%	Education.....		693,647.05
1.36%	Libraries.....		17,450.00
12.16%	Debt Retirement.....		160,000.00
2.01%	Interest on Indebtedness.....		25,857.56
1.00%	County and Probate Taxes.....		12,666.83
0.62%	Capital Expenditures.....		7,980.62
0.37%	Unclassified.....		4,798.04
100.00%			\$1,283,864.05
	Increase in Cash Balance.....		7,332.72
			\$1,291,196.77

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