

TOWN REPORT 1974
SUDBURY, MASSACHUSETTS

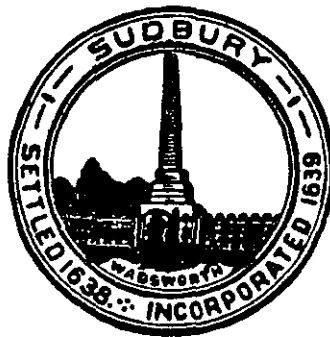


**The Three Hundred Thirty-Fifth
ANNUAL REPORT**

of the

OFFICIAL BOARDS

**For the Year Ending December Thirty-first
1974**



TOWN OF SUDBURY

Massachusetts

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SUDBURY AT A GLANCE — 1774

Settled:	1638 — Incorporated 1639 135 years old in 1774
Population:	2160
Area:	50 Square Miles
Rateable Polls:	500 (Male Voters)
Budget: £375, spent as follows:	40% for ministers 17% for general government 16% for military appropriations 16% for schools 11% for poor relief
Tax Rate:	3 pence per pound
Form of Government:	Open Town Meeting
Houses of Worship:	Congregational (2) — One on east side (now Wayland); one on west side (Sudbury Center)
Hospitals:	5 Pest Houses (for people with smallpox or recovering from smallpox inoculation)
Utilities:	Wood from forests, horse and oxen power, water power from mills, candles; water from springs, brooks and ponds
Transportation:	Stage coach from Boston to Worcester along Boston Post Road
Schools:	Eight schools in various "squadrons" of the town; two kinds of schools: reading and writing schools and grammar schools
Public Safety:	Military — 3 Militia Companies, 2 Minute Companies, 1 Troop of Horse Civilian — 4 Constables
Recreation:	Community projects such as Lecture Days, barn raisings, husking bees Conversation Reading Writing Singing Walking Drinking

SUDBURY AT A GLANCE — 1974

Settled:	1638 — Incorporated 1639 335 years old in 1974
Population:	15,047
Area:	24.7 Square Miles
Voters:	7343
Budget:	\$10,840,449.00, spent as follows: 64.46% for schools 10.50% for debt 8.80% for protection 6.95% for highways 3.54% for miscellaneous items 3.10% for general government 1.05% for library 1.00% for park and recreation .60% for health
Tax Rate:	\$49.50/1000 Valuation
Form of Government:	Open Town Meeting
Houses of Worship:	Baptist, Catholic (2), Episcopalian, Jewish, Lutheran, Methodist, Presbyterian, Unitarian, and United Church of Christ (Congregational)
Hospitals within 10 miles:	Emerson Hospital, Concord Framingham Union Hospital, Framingham Marlborough Hospital, Marlborough
Utilities:	Electrical service, provided by Boston Edison Company Natural gas service, provided by Boston Gas Company Water, supplied by the Sudbury Water District Phone service, provided by New England Telephone
Transportation:	Bus service to Boston and Worcester by Ritchie Bus Lines
Schools:	Six elementary, one junior high, and Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School
Public Safety:	Full-time Fire Department with three fire stations. Full-time Police Department, also provides emergency ambulance service to hospitals.
Recreation:	Supervised summer playground program Tennis courts and instruction Ice skating rinks Bridle paths and Horse Ring Swimming instruction Facilities and programs for: Baseball Basketball Football Gymnastics Hockey Soccer Softball

NATIONAL, STATE, COUNTY OFFICIALS

Presidents
of the
United States of America
RICHARD M. NIXON (Res.)
GERALD R. FORD

Vice Presidents
of the
United States of America
GERALD R. FORD
NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER

Governor
of the
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
MICHAEL S. DUKAKIS
Brookline

Lieutenant Governor	Thomas P. O'Neill, III, Cambridge
Secretary of the Commonwealth	Paul H. Guzzi, Newton
Treasurer and Receiver General	Robert Q. Crane, Boston
Auditor of the Commonwealth	Thaddeus Buczko, Salem
Attorney General	Francis X. Bellotti, Quincy
Senators in Congress	Edward W. Brooke, Boston Edward M. Kennedy, Boston
Representative in Congress	
4th Congressional District	Robert F. Drinan, Newton
Councillor, 3rd Councillor District	George F. Cronin, Jr., Boston
Senator 5th Middlesex District	Chester G. Atkins, Acton
Representatives in General Court	
53rd Middlesex Representative District	Ann C. Gannett, Wayland
40th Middlesex Representative District	Genevra Counihan, Concord
County Commissioners	S. Lester Ralph, Somerville Paul E. Tsongas, Lowell John L. Danehy, Cambridge
Clerk of Courts, Middlesex County	Edward J. Sullivan, Cambridge
Register of Deeds, Middlesex South District	John F. Zamparelli, Medford
County Treasurer	Thomas B. Brennan, Medford
Register of Probate and Insolvency	John V. Harvey, Belmont
District Attorney	John J. Droney, Cambridge
County Sheriff	John J. Buckley, Belmont

Town Boards and Committees: Meeting Calendar

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Mondays 7:30 P.M.

Town Fathers' Forum 4th Monday 8 - 9 P.M.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Monday through Friday, 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.

Town Hall

Loring Parsonage
443-8891

BOARD OF APPEALS

Meetings by application

Town Hall

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

1st and 3rd Mondays, 8 - 9 P.M.

CLERK

Monday through Friday 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.

Town Hall
443-8891

BUILDING AND WIRING INSPECTOR

Monday through Friday

7:30 to 9 A.M. (Afternoons by appointment)

SECRETARY available until 3 P.M.

White Building
443-8891

CIVIL DEFENSE

Fire Department

DOG OFFICER

443-8632

FINANCE COMMITTEE

2nd Thursday 8 P.M.

White Building

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Business 443-2239
Emergency 443-2323

GOODNOW LIBRARY TRUSTEES

1st Wednesday, 8 P.M.

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday through Friday, 9 A.M. - 9 P.M.

Saturday 9 A.M. - 5 P.M.

CHILDREN'S ROOM

Monday through Friday, 9 A.M. - 6 P.M.

Saturday 9 A.M. - 5 P.M.

Goodnow Library
443-9112

443-8411

BOARD OF HEALTH

1st and 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 P.M.

CLERK

Monday through Friday, 9 A.M. to 1 P.M.

White Building
White Building
443-8891

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Monday through Friday 8 A.M. to 4 P.M.

White Building
443-2545

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONERS

2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 7:30 P.M.

HIGHWAY SUPT.

Monday through Friday, 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.

Highway Garage
Highway Garage
443-2209

PLANNING BOARD

Mondays, 8 P.M.

White Building

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Business 443-8862
Emergency 443-2121

LINCOLN-SUDBURY REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 8 P.M.

Regional Library
443-9961

SUDBURY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

1st, 3rd, 5th Wednesdays, 8 P.M.

Curtis Jr. High School
443-9971

TAX COLLECTOR

Monday through Friday

9 A.M. to 5 P.M.

Town Hall
443-8891

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Monday through Friday

9 A.M. to 5 P.M.

Town Hall
443-8891

TOWN CLERK

Monday through Friday

9 A.M. to 5 P.M.

Town Hall
443-8891

TREASURER

Monday through Friday
9 A.M. to 12 Noon

Town Hall
443-8891

VETERANS' AGENT AND DIRECTOR

Monday through Friday,
9 A.M. to 5 P.M.

443-8891

RED CROSS

(24 hour emergency answering service)

Concord - 369-2590

WATER DISTRICT

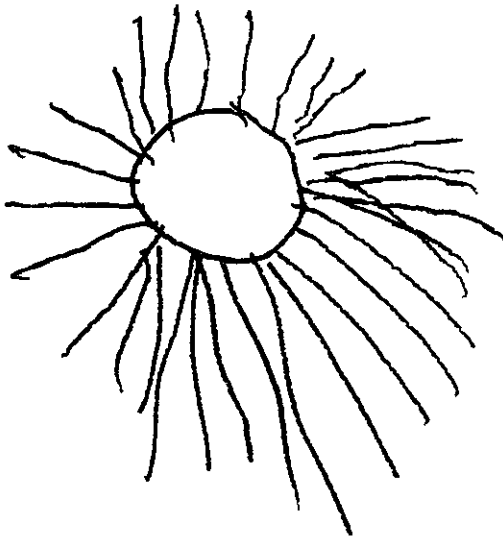
Monday through Friday
7:30 A.M. to 5 P.M.

Nights, weekends, and holidays

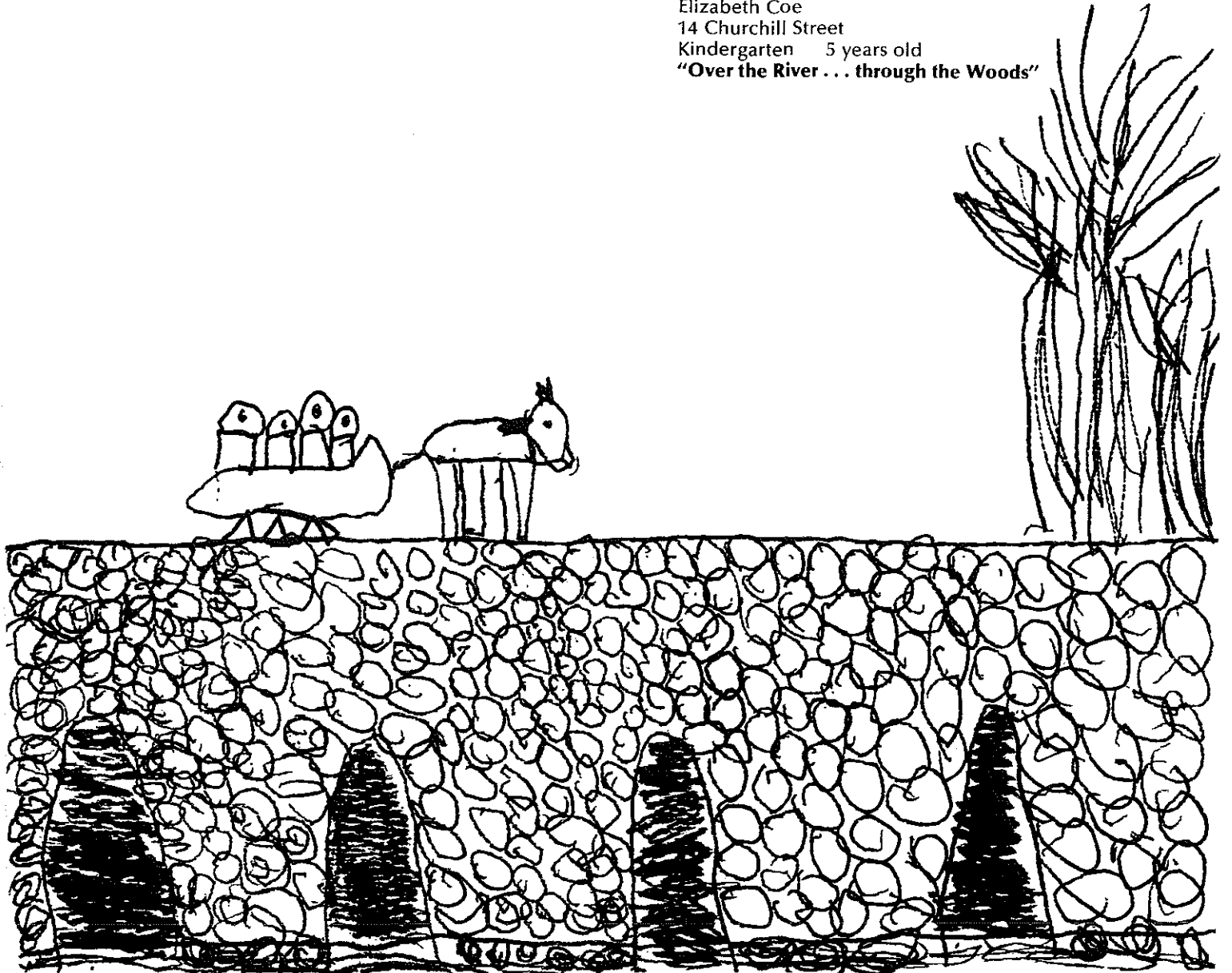
Use business phones of Police or Fire Departments

199 Raymond Road
443-6602

ADMINISTRATION



Elizabeth Coe
14 Churchill Street
Kindergarten 5 years old
"Over the River . . . through the Woods"



BICENTENNIAL CALENDAR

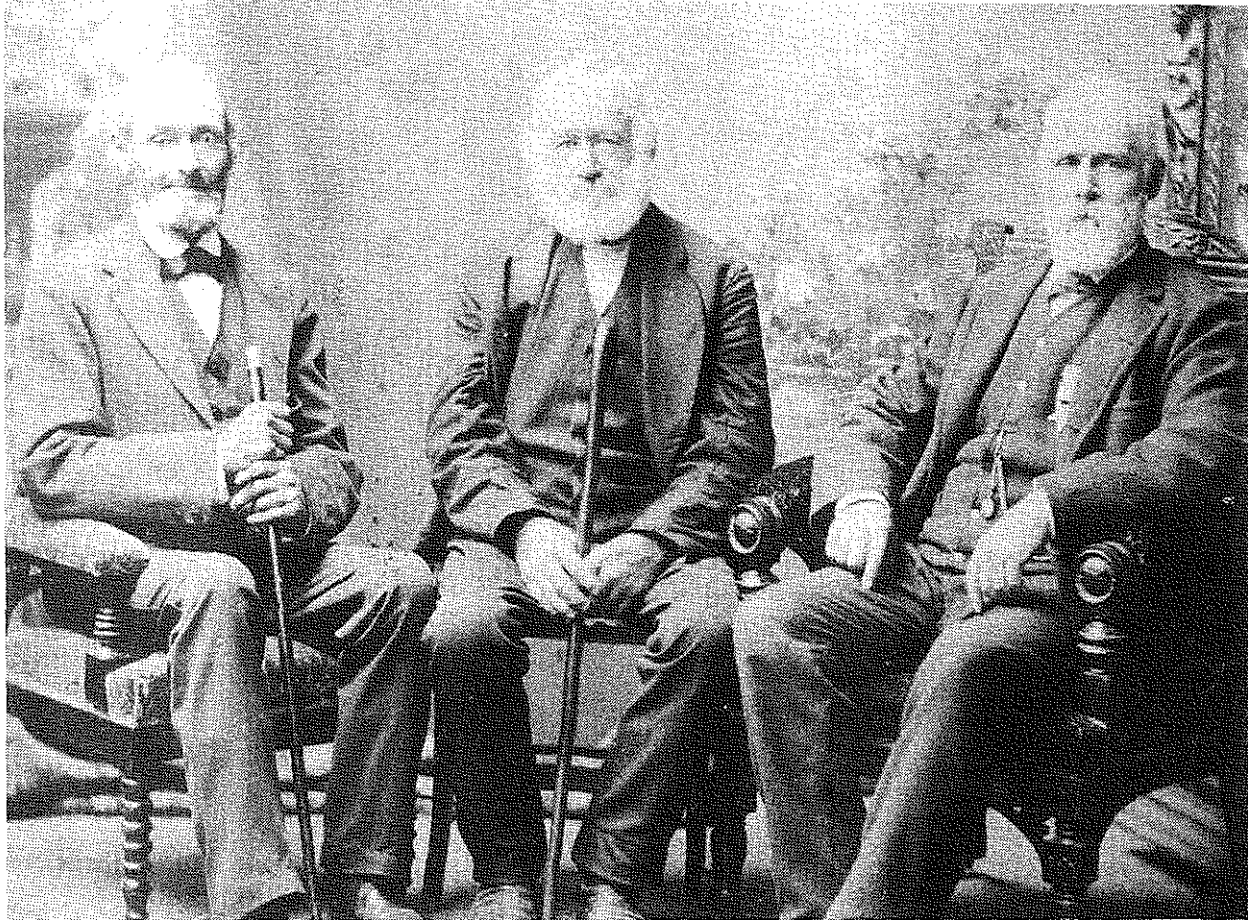
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A partial listing of events commemorating the
Nation's Bicentennial

March 13, 14, 15	'Winkle Hawk' original musical 8 p.m. Book by Harriet Rogers Music by Bill Rice	L.S.R.H.S.
April 5-27	'This Is America' Art Show Sudbury Art Assoc.	Goodnow Library
Saturday April 12	'Road To 76' P.R.I.D.E. Clean-up Day Town-wide cleanup day 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Sudbury Cos. Militia and Minute Ball by invitation	Post Road Wayside Inn
Sunday April 13	Colonial Church Service 9:30-11 a.m. Services conducted in manner of the 18th century	Methodist Church
Saturday April 19	Patriot's Day Events, 4:45 a.m. Dedication of Heritage Park 4 p.m.	Sudbury Center Heritage Park
Sunday April 20	Colonial Church Service 9:30-11 a.m. Services conducted in manner of 18th Century	Methodist Church
Sunday April 20	"Portrait of Lincoln" Aaron Copland 8 p.m. Bicentennial concert with Civic Orchestra Donald March, Music Director	L.S.R.H.S.
Friday April 25	'1776' Sudbury Players 8:30 p.m. Gala Opening Night Reception	Town Hall
Saturday April 26	'1776' Sudbury Players 8:30 p.m. Sudbury Players Reunion Night	Town Hall
Sunday April 27	'1776' Sudbury Players 2:30 p.m. Anyone exactly 76 years of age will receive a free ticket to the performance.	Town Hall
Thursday May 1	'Tales of Sudbury' Flower Show Sudbury Garden Club 1-9 p.m. '1776' Sudbury Players 8:30 p.m. Honoring the Sudbury Cos. of Militia and Minute and the Sudbury Ancient Fyfe and Drum Corps	Goodnow Library Town Hall
Friday May 2	'Tales of Sudbury' Flower Show Sudbury Garden Club 9-5 p.m. '1776' Sudbury Players 8:30 p.m. Honoring people in the audience having the same family name as the original signers of the Declaration of Independence	Goodnow Library Town Hall
Saturday May 3	18th Century Art Festival Demonstration of 18th century arts and crafts Band Concert 1 p.m. Exhibits Open 2 p.m. Box Lunch Social 6-7:30 p.m. Reservation Only Concert 8 p.m.	Methodist Church

	'1776' Sudbury Players 8:30 p.m. Final Performance	Town Hall
Sunday May 4	18th Century Art Festival 2 p.m.-6 p.m. Silent Auction of Props used in '1776' 2:30 p.m.	Methodist Church Town Hall
May 10th-30th	01776 Cachet Contest Sudbury Art Association Plans to be announced	
Thursday May 15	"Springthing 200" 8 p.m. A Bicentennial Birthday Party	L.S.R.H.S.
Friday May 16	"Springthing 200" Pops Concert 8 p.m.	L.S.R.H.S.
Saturday May 17	"Springthing 200" A Bicentennial Birthday Party	L.S.R.H.S.
Monday May 26	Memorial Day Parade: "The Price of Freedom" 9:30 a.m. Marchers will be in uniforms depicting all the wars in which the people of Sudbury have participated through the years.	
Saturday May 31	Historic House Tours 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tickets available at the parish house	St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church
Saturday June 7	'Olde Tyme' Picnic and Painting Day Sudbury Art Association Plans to be announced	
Friday Town Hall	Independence Day 9:30 a.m. Dog Show 10:00 a.m. Miss Sudbury 11:00 a.m. Road Race 11:30 a.m. Parade 2:00 p.m. Field Day 7:00 p.m. Band Concert 8:00 p.m. All Star Game	Peter Noyes School Town Hall Featherland Park Peter Noyes Featherland Park
Saturday July 5	Grand Bicentennial Ball Spectacular plans to be announced.	Sudbury Center
Saturday October 11	Harvest Fair 10 a.m.-3 p.m. colonial theme - costumes etc.	First Parish Church
Saturday November 8	Harvest Fair 10 a.m.-3 p.m.	Methodist Church
Saturday December 6	Holly Fair 10 a.m.-3 p.m.	First Parish Church

For further information please contact the Bicentennial Committee, Town Hall, Sudbury, Mass.



THREE DUTTON BROTHERS posed for the photographer about 1890. Brother on right wears the veteran's medal of the Grand Army of the Republic (courtesy Sheila MacKinnon).

Town Officers

ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS

ASSESSORS

Arthur A. Babigian	1975
J. Leo Quinn	1976
Frank H. Grinnell	1977

CONSTABLES

Wesley M. Woodward	1975
Francis E. White	1976
Barbara A. Herrick	1977

GOODNOW LIBRARY TRUSTEES

George D. Max	1975
Virginia L. Howard	1976
Robert E. Stocking	1976
June R. Atwood	1977
Sylvia M. Throckmorton	1977

HEALTH

William J. Cossart	1975
William W. Cooper, IV	1976
James J. Healy	1977

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONERS

Daniel D. Carter	1975
Ronald P. Espinola (Res.)	1975
Donald D. Bishop (App'd)	1975
Anthony L. Galeota, Jr.	1976
Frederick W. Welch	1976
John C. Hare	1977

LINCOLN-SUDBURY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

John R. Flather (Sudbury)	1975
Martha C.A. Clough (Sudbury)	1975
William T. Maloney (Sudbury)	1976
Joan W. Wofford (Lincoln)	1976
Henry M. Morgan (Lincoln)	1977
Richard H. Davison (Sudbury)	1977

MODERATOR

Frank R. Sherman	1975
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PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSIONERS

Pasquale T. Piscitelli	1975
John R. Carter	1976
Arthur A. Walker	1976
John E. Murray	1977
Robert E. Grant	1977

PLANNING BOARD

Jane F. Gillespie	1975
Paul H. McNally	1976
Robert E. Cooper	1977
Edward W. Connors, Jr.	1978
Eben B. Stevens	1979

SELECTMEN

John C. Powers	1975
John E. Taft	1976
William F. Toomey	1977

SUDBURY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mary H. D'Andrea	1975
Gerald J. Hornik	1975
Lawrence A. Ovian	1976
Phyllis Prager	1976
Alfred C. Cron	1977

SUDBURY HOUSING AUTHORITY

Lorraine L. Bauder	1976
Douglas A. Miranda	1977
Willie L. Hoover	1978
Robert R. Williams	1979

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

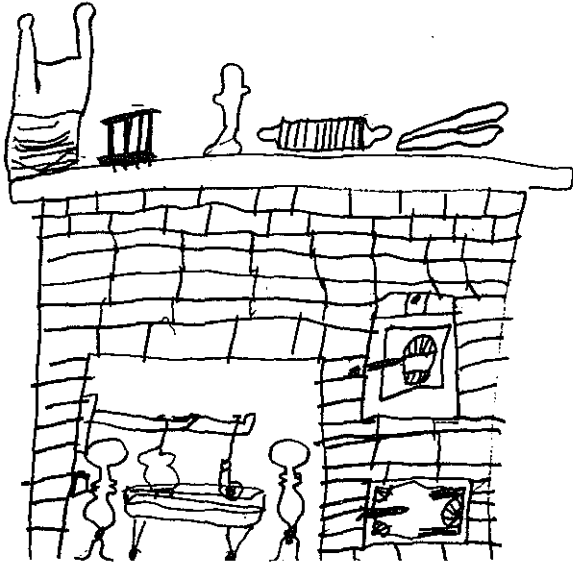
Isabelle K. Stone	1977
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TOWN CLERK

Betsey M. Powers	1977
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TREASURER

William E. Downing	1977
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Susan Azzolino
25 Blacksmith Drive
Grade 2 7 years old
"200 year old fireplace in my grammy's house in
Maynard which used to be part of Sudbury."

**APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS, COMMITTEES,
PERSONNEL**

COUNCIL ON AGING

Elinor L. Bentley
Clifford A. Card (Res.)
Joseph F. Gough
Paul J. Leahy
Marion D. Letteney
Barbara A. Parrott
Robert P. Rand (Res.)
George D. Seale
Director of Health - ex officio
S.P.H.N.A. Director - ex officio
Superintendent of Schools - ex officio
S.H.A. Chairman - ex officio

AMBULANCE SERVICE TASK FORCE

Richard E. Thompson
John H. Wilson
Gloria Stoccardo
Albert St. Germain
Nicholas Lombardi
Israel Hurwitz, M.D.
Norman Pollock, M.D.

ANCIENT DOCUMENTS COMMITTEE

Forrest D. Bradshaw
Richard C. Hill
Russell P. Kirby
George D. Max
M. John Rice, Jr.
Robert E. Stocking
Betsey M. Powers (Town Clerk)

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Stuart E. Wiles, D.V.M. (Res.)

BOARD OF APPEALS

Ronald G. Adolph
Philip O. Ahlin, Jr.
George G. Bradley (Res.)
Alphonse J. Briand
Thomas J. Gallagher
John F. McKenna
Eunice H. Secatore

Associates

Robert F. Anderson

Robert A. Burd
John F. Cheney
Robert P. Savoy
Robert L. Turner

BUILDING AND WIRING INSPECTOR

Francis E. White

BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Algy Alexander
Leo A. Amendola
Malcolm M. Beers
Edmund Brown
Emmalou Eaton
James Gatlin
William Genna
Arthur W. Grellier
William L. Hall
Mary Jane Hillery
John S. MacKinnon
Norman Martell
G. Burton Mullen
Gilbert Parmenter
Robert Phelps
Irving E. Place
John H. Rankin
Ellen Jane Siegars
Leon I. Zola

BUS TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Paul J. Buxbaum
Robert K. Coe
Paul F. Wishengrad

CIVIL DEFENSE

Albert St. Germain, Director
Howard C. Kelley, Radio Operator

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

John C. Cutting
Marion P. Harris
Margaret E. Langmuir
Eric S. Lind
Lael M. Meixsell
Olga P. Reed
Peter H. Scott
Joseph P. Tratnyek

DOG OFFICER

Francis E. White
Betsy M. Lawson, Assistant

EARTH REMOVAL BOARD

Edwin A. Blackey, Jr.
Theodore Kohane
James H. Malonson
John F. McKenna
Carmine Pinto

ELECTION OFFICERS

Precinct 1

Warden - Anne N. Lehr (Rep.)
Deputy Warden - June R. Atwood (Rep.)
Clerk - John M. Blanchette (Dem.)
Deputy Clerk - Winifred C. Fitzgerald (Dem.)
Inspectors - Benjamin A. Hammer (Rep.)
Jeanne M. Maloney (Dem.)
Deputy Inspectors
Shirley L. MacGregor (Rep.)
Mary V. Early (Dem.)

Precinct 2

Warden - Josiah F. Frost (Rep.)
Deputy Warden - Richard J. Moore (Rep.)
Clerk - Margaret U. Weinstein (Dem.)
Deputy Clerk - Marjorie A. Davin (Dem.)
Inspectors - Sheila E. Davison (Dem.)
Joanne A. Egan (Rep.)
Deputy Inspectors
Fay W. Hamilton (Rep.)
Myron J. Fox (Dem.)

Precinct 3

Warden - William S. Farrell (Dem.)
Deputy Warden - Lois A. Moulton (Dem.)
Clerk - Leona C. Johnson (Rep.)
Deputy Clerk - Alice S. Morrison (Rep.)
Inspectors - Victor H. Harmon (Rep.)
Anita E. Cohen (Dem.)
Deputy Inspectors
Joyce E. Rubin (Rep.)
Lester E. Landers (Dem.)

Precinct 4

Warden - Claire M. Jarvis (Dem.)
Deputy Warden - Jo Ann Savoy (Dem.)
Clerk - Elizabeth W. Newton (Rep.)
Deputy Clerk - Louise Babigian (Rep.)
Inspectors - Marion Hriniaik (Rep.)
Hester M. Lewis (Dem.)
Deputy Inspectors
Ann Beckett (Rep.)
Mary M. Monroe (Dem.)

At-Large Officers (Rep.)

Inspector: Mildred J. Rothwell
Deputy Inspector: Louise P. Card
Tellers: Daniel W. Bortle
William A. Burns
Chester Hamilton
Richard F. Heimann
Sally C. Jones
Louis H. Morrison
Robert E. Nims
John P. Nixon
Gloria M. Petersen

At-Large Officers (Dem.)

Inspector: Walter S. Allan, Jr.
Deputy Inspector: Dorothy R. McCarthy
Tellers: Paul Beatty
Warren E. Boyce
Louis G. Edwards
Joan S. Felleman
Jeremy M. Glass
John J. Hennessey
Pauline R. Walker
John F. Walsh
Maureen G. Wiles

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

BYLAW COMMITTEE

Stephen Bankuti
Nancy Blecher (Res.)
Carroll R. Brownlee

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Richard E. Thompson

FENCE VIEWERS

Board of Selectmen

Michael Thome
218 Willis Road
4th Grade 9 years old
"The Gate at Wayside Inn"

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Monte C. Basbas, Sr.
Roger H. Bender
Ronald L. Blecher
Lawrence Bussey, Jr.
Karl E. Clough
John J. Drum (Res.)
Carolyn J. Edwards
E. Lawrence Gogolin
John J. Hennessy
Frank T. LeBart
S. William Linko
Patricia Warshaver

FIRE CHIEF

Albert St. Germain

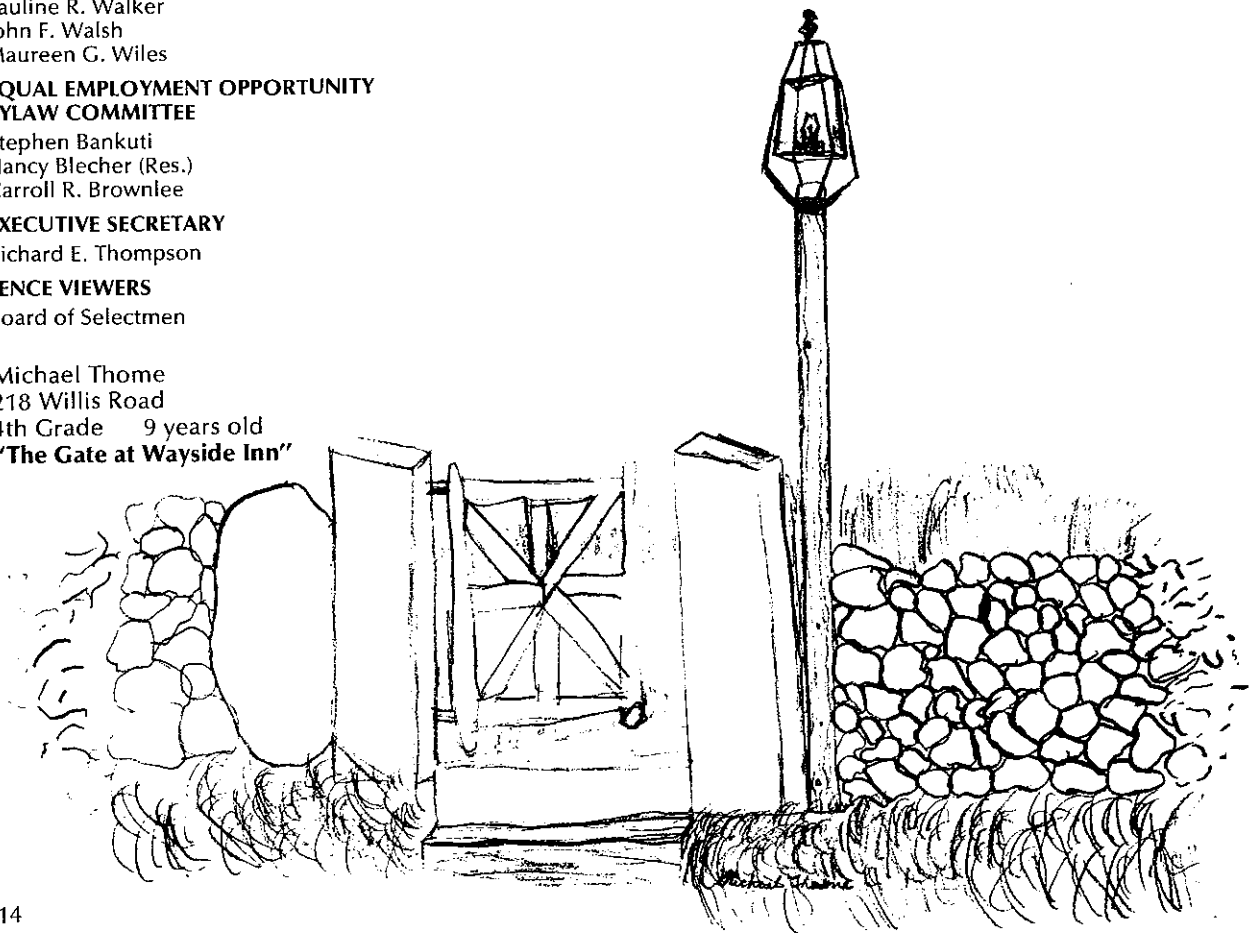
FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

Captains

James Devoll II
Josiah F. Frost
Howard C. Kelley
David Weir

Full Time Firefighters

George Abrahamson
Peter Albee
Robert Albee
Charles Anderson
David Boyd
Michael Callahan
Peter Devoll
Michael Dunne
Frederick Eisner
David Frost
Peter Frost
Richard Hawes
Joseph Helms
James Jackson
Daniel Moore
George D. Moore, Jr.



Daniel Nardini
Robert Place
Richard Plank
Robert Row
Gerald Spiller
Wilfred Spiller
Bruce Vinal
John Young

Call Firefighters

Kenneth Anderson
Harold Cutler
Robert Noyes
Dean Porter

FOREST WARDEN

Albert St. Germain

GAS INSPECTOR

Howard P. Porter

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

Edward J. Blaine, Jr.

ACTING HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

John Lindgren

HISTORIC DISTRICTS COMMISSION

Edwin A. Blackey
Carlton W. Ellms, Jr.
Clark M. Goff
N. Cornell Gray
W. Burgess Warren

HISTORIC STRUCTURES COMMISSION

Robert P. Desjardin
Richard C. Hill
Jerome McGonagle

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Forrest D. Bradshaw (Res.)
Joseph E. Brown (Res.)
Donald B. Devoe
Richard C. Hill
Robert L. Oram

HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

(Subcommittee of Planning Board)

Robert D. Abrams
Charlotte E. Goss
Robert B. Williams

INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENT BOARD

Richard E. Thompson, Town Agent

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Arthur A. Babigian
Joseph E. Brown
Martin E. Doyle
Francis J. Koppeis
Robert H. Pike
Kenneth L. Ritchie
Eben B. Stevens
Leon I. Zola

INSURANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Josiah F. Frost
Earl B. Hoyle
R. Barry Liner

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

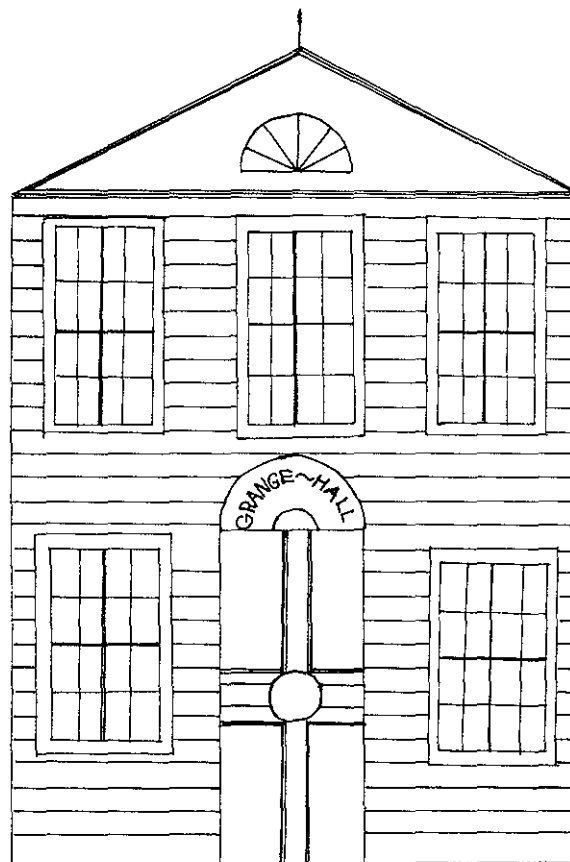
George W. Gibson

KEEPER OF THE LOCKUP

Nicholas Lombardi

LONG RANGE CAPITAL EXPENDITURES

Marjorie C. Huse
Saul M. Nathan
Paul J. Remington
William P. Reed
William T. Rynne
John R. Smith (Res.)



Jon David
70 Thunder Road
Grade 8 13 years old
"Grange Hall"

MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

Joseph D. Bausk
Frank H. Grinnell
Mary Jane Hillery
Francis J. Koppeis
Joan E. Meehan
S. Leo Spottswood
William M. Waldsmith

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TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Alfred C. Cron

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Lawrence H. Peavey, Jr.
Kenneth L. Throckmorton
Dan A. Woolley

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Nicholas Lombardi

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Peter B. Lembo
Ronald Nix
Peter G. Sullivan
Wesley M. Woodward

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William B. Carroll
Ronald Conrado
Howard S. Cooper
Anthony M. Deldon
Daniel Fitzgerald
Mark Gainer
Jeffrey F. Gogan
Allan C. Houghton
Peter S. Langmaid
John A. Longo
John R. MacLean, Jr.
Bruce C. Noah
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Wayne M. Shurling
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Patrolmen Part-Time

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Joseph D. Bausk
Joseph Bisson
Robert Hall
Ronald Laasanen
John R. McLean, Sr.
Matteo Mucciaccio
Elwood G. Nix
Gary E. Ryan
Raymond J. Spinelli, Sr.
Armando Troisi
Francis E. White
J. Lawrence Devoll, Sr.

Provisional Patrolman

Richard Hession

Special Officer, Non-paid

Albert St. Germain, Fire Chief

Policewomen

Barbara Herrick
Jeanne M. McCarthy
Irene A. Mele

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William J.A. Bonwitt
Earl R. Cannon
Richard J. Cannon
Thomas John Coffey
Roger S. Davis
Walter L. Grahn
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Gerald P. Morin
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Barry Marc Real
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Miles P. Robinson (Rep.)
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Royal E. Haynes, Jr.
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John C. Powers
Samuel L. Reed
Lorelei Snyder
Albert St. Germain
John V. Sullivan
John E. Taft
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MEASURER OF WOOD**

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VETERANS' SERVICES

Frank H. Grinnell

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Francis E. White

Board of Selectmen

1974 has been a year of challenge! Watergate, the oil crisis and the grim effects of a rapidly deepening recession have left their scars upon public trust and confidence. The Town of Sudbury has felt the effects of a sagging economy, increasing unemployment and an inflation which has dramatically impacted the price of such basics as food, heat and power. Over these national trends, town government has little or no control.

The challenge for our town government has been in those areas over which we do have some direct control — and in those in which, by collective action, we can exert influence.

We have been concerned about improving and consolidating our governmental structure by the development of the efficiencies which we believe our professional staff can deliver. We have been concerned about tightening our fiscal policies to strengthen the town's financial position to meet the uncertainties of the economic picture. We continue to be concerned about those areas in which we lag behind acceptable levels of operation or service. Finally, we are gravely concerned about growing pressures exerted upon our tax base and taxpayers by a legislature which will not face up to the responsibility of properly funding ever-escalating programs; by an archaic, serviceless county government, which looks to our property owners to keep subsidizing its operation; by an MBTA which asks ever increasing funding without any service whatsoever; and by a politically influential Boston which wishes to avoid meeting its

own obligations while urging upon an overburdened suburbia the incredible theory that we are somehow responsible for funding the cities' inefficiencies.

THE FINANCIAL STATE OF THE TOWN

We are pleased to report that from a monetary standpoint the Town of Sudbury stands in a stronger position than it has for years, despite all pressures.

Sudbury was one of the few area communities where the tax rate did not increase last year. That result was accomplished in the face of an unforeseen increase in our county assessment of \$358,000 or nearly two dollars impact on the rate, which resulted from House Bill 6100 enacted in the last hours of the legislative session.

Holding the tax-rate "line" was achieved by the efforts of many of our employees, boards and committees, and most importantly, our voters.

The downward trend of bonding expenditures has demonstrated the wisdom of short term bonding in past years.

The Town has benefitted from the savings in interest costs on short-term borrowing made possible by the Fiscal Year legislation.

The Selectmen adopted last year a tight policy of no new programs and no new hires, and we have reiterated it this year. For the first time in many years the Selectmen issued a Fiscal Policy

Statement to the 1974 Town Meeting and made recommendation upon appropriation items in the warrant. While the voters authorized over \$400,000 more than we recommended, we were generally supported and appreciated that help. We shall continue to oppose expenditure items which are not related to a program and to priorities within that program. We are particularly pleased to note the general budget restraint of most of the boards and committees in preparing for the 1975 Annual Meeting.

The Town has been able to maintain its strong fiscal position over the past few years because of available funds such as Free Cash, Federal Revenue Sharing and Overlay Reserves. These available funds are generally used to offset the tax rate and must be so voted at the Annual Town Meeting. The amount of funds available to offset the tax rate over the past few years and projections for the ensuing year are shown below:

	Free Cash	Overlay Reserve	Revenue Sharing
1972	\$240,000	\$209,000	\$ 71,000
1973	397,000	209,000	193,000
1974	333,000	209,000	167,000
1975	500,000 (est.)	139,000	200,000 + (est.)

ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT

1974 has seen the appointment of three new, highly skilled department heads. The retirement of Chief Albert St. Germain, after forty years of service to his community, has brought with it the appointment of Fire Chief Josiah Frost, and after over two years as Acting Chief, Chief Nicholas Lombardi has been appointed Chief of Police.

Josiah Frost was appointed Chief of the Fire Department on January 1, 1975, after serving seventeen years in the Sudbury Fire Department, and seven years as Captain. Chief Frost is a member of several professional fire affiliations, and has served in various capacities at the State Fire Fighting Academy, most recently as Fire Instructor Deputy Chief. We look forward to the vast experience and talent Chief Frost will bring to the Town in helping to upgrade and improve local fire services.

Nicholas Lombardi was appointed Chief of the Police Department on January 8, 1974, after serving eight years as Sergeant. Chief Lombardi, in his first year as chief of the Police Department, has instituted various new programs, such as the Auxiliary Police Force, rotation of sergeants on some shifts, and is in the process of preparing a new manual of Police Rules and Regulations to be approved by the Selectmen early in 1975. In addition, Chief Lombardi has encouraged all police officers to take advantage of police schools dealing with crime photography, finger printing, and training programs to improve themselves in the performance of their duties. Lastly, it should be mentioned that Chief Lombardi played a major role in the support of and establishment of the regional detoxification center. During 1974, the Selectmen were extremely encouraged with the demonstrated leadership ability of Police Chief Lombardi.

Mr. James Merloni has been appointed Town Engineer. Former Town Engineer of Framingham, Mr. Merloni brings many superior qualifications to his job. He is the first registered, professional engineer to hold the post in Sudbury. We are pleased to have a person of his talents on our management team.

Several years ago the Selectmen took steps to improve and upgrade the caliber of professional staff to help combat increasing town government



SUDBURY WINS REVALUATION SUIT and forces state-wide 100% evaluation. Town Attorney David Lee Turner presented the arguments for our side. (Vic Neumeier photo)

cost and improve delivery of town services. The rewards of such action are beginning to be seen. All department heads under the jurisdiction of the Board of Selectmen are well qualified and recognized as leaders throughout the Commonwealth in their chosen professions.

In the office of the Board of Selectmen, through the Executive Secretary, the Town is taking advantage of federal funding programs and public service employment programs not previously utilized. A long range capital improvement program is being prepared in conjunction with the Long Range Capital Expenditures Committee programmed to be available for the guidance of the 1975 Annual Town Meeting. New state collective bargaining laws have made us professionalize our negotiating with recognized Town bargaining units by the hiring of a part-time labor relations counsel. For the first time, we have a written contract with the Police Department. In addition, the new collective bargaining contracts include uniformity of language and provisions to protect management's rights. Lastly, more and more assistance is being provided from the Selectmen's office to various Town boards and commissions which do not have proper staffing to carry out increasing and demanding functions of their offices.

The Accounting Department, now having a full time Town Accountant for the past two years, Mr. John Wilson, has been playing a larger role as a watch dog over the expenditure of all Town funds, which totaled \$10,000,000 last year. New accounting procedures and closer scrutiny of expenditures has stopped several violations of the public bidding laws and recently detected serious conditions concerning the handling of Town funds in the Highway Department. Among other tasks, such as providing staff assistance to the Finance Committee, Mr. Wilson is on the Advisory Board of the areawide Comprehensive Employment Training Act (CETA) Public Employment Program.

The Building Department under the direction of Mr. Francis White, effective July 1, 1974, in accordance with the new State Building Code, took over public safety inspection responsibility for all public buildings in the Town, including all schools, heretofore the responsibility of the State. This will add additional responsibilities for the Building Department, the magnitude of which can only be evaluated in the coming years.

In accordance with the votes and direction of the 1974 Annual Town Meeting, the Selectmen

made appointments to the following new board and committee: Sign Review Board, as recommended by the Selectmen's Sign Bylaw Revision Committee, and the SUD-BUS Transportation Committee, which should begin operation of a local bus system early in 1975.



"NOW, HERE'S MY PLAN," confides Col. William Vollheim (center), of the Sudbury Cos., Militia & Minute, to Lt. Col. Palmer True (left) and Maj. Cornell Gray, who seem . . . amused. (Clay Allen photo)

COUNTY AND STATE PRESSURES

County and state assessments and state distributions represent a major source of the funds of any town. Unfortunately, they are a problem invisible to most taxpayers. It is an easy thing to become confused and frustrated trying to understand financial distribution formulas of state and county governments, which have been taking more and more from the income of the financially burdened local taxpaying homeowner.

The Board of Selectmen believes that Sudbury should continue to focus its attention on the impact of these assessments and distributions upon our citizens.

We have discovered that last year's Middlesex County Budget (covering 54 cities and towns, including Cambridge, Somerville, Lowell, etc.), increased 1.6 million dollars — but **the increased assessments on the towns of Weston, Wayland, Sudbury, Concord and Framingham exceeded the entire 1.6 million dollar increase.**

We have discovered that the City of Boston, with 11% of the State's population, receives 18% of the funds from the State Lottery. This is another example of the need for uniformity and fairness in the distribution of local state aid. We have discovered that the cities and towns, such as Boston, which have knowingly failed to comply with the Constitutional and statutory requirement of assessing at full value, improperly have been taking vast sums from state distributions, which should have gone to those towns, such as Sudbury, which have complied with the law. The Supreme Judicial Court pointed out recently that Sudbury, in one year alone, was deprived of **over six hundred thousand dollars of state aid to which it was entitled.**

We are aware that, despite an election year, legislative action sugar-coating the MBTA assessment at \$97,000, Sudbury will be facing a \$180,000 subsidy in 1975 without such help. This cost is laid upon us in exchange for **no form of service whatsoever** — and this at a time when the Auditor of the Commonwealth reports a five million dollar interest-free loan from the MBTA to the Boston Redevelopment Authority!

The Board of Selectmen realizes that these matters must be addressed and that we cannot do it alone. To be effective as Selectmen, it is necessary

to develop and strengthen state and county organizations in order to speak out, lobby, fight and challenge state action, which is detrimental to the best interest of the people in the towns these organizations represent.

In this regard the Selectmen were very active this past year in the Massachusetts Selectmen's Association (MSA), which gave support to: legislation allowing town meetings to control school expenditures; legislation requiring a 2/3 vote before passage of a bill having financial impact on cities and towns; legislation requiring uniform 100% assessment practices. In addition, the MSA supported many other Senate and House bills favoring cities and towns, and in doing so, for the first time used the services of a fulltime, paid Legislative Director acting on behalf of member cities and towns. Selectman John Taft serves as 2nd Vice-President of the Massachusetts Selectmen's Association, and Selectmen Toomey and Powers remain very active on various subcommittees.

A milestone this past year was set when Senator "Chet" Atkins' bill was passed by the legislature, establishing and empowering County Advisory Boards throughout the Commonwealth to review County budgets and report their findings and recommendations to the legislature. The Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, by statute, is a member of the Middlesex County Advisory Board. Chairman Powers was also appointed to the Rules Committee of the Middlesex County Advisory Board. The effectiveness of the County Advisory Board in reducing County Assessments hopefully will be evident in the immediate future.

Apart from formal organizations, the Selectmen organized and brought together area towns' interested boards and commissions and the State Department of Natural Resources to safeguard disposition of large portions of the U.S. Military Reservation land. In joint applications, with the Town of Stow and the State D.N.R., to the Federal government, Sudbury supported the state taking over the present excessed portions of the military land in Sudbury, to preserve it as open, passive, recreational land, for the use of all the people of the whole region for years to come.

Late in 1974, the Sudbury Selectmen also took the first steps to organize and bring together all member town Selectmen and Finance Committees of the Minuteman Regional Vocational Technical School District to attend en masse District budget hearings to oppose the 100% increase in operation cost projected for 1975. Unfortunately, it is evident that this action on the part of the Sudbury Selectmen will only be the first step necessary to lower Vocational District school budgets, as that Committee has made only partial reductions in the 1975-76 budgets to an operating cost of \$2,775 per pupil, not including debt retirement.

The most successful happening of 1974 was the winning, before the Supreme Judicial Court, of the "Sudbury Revaluation Suit" requiring uniform state property assessment at 100% of fair market cash value. The Board of Selectmen thank the people of Sudbury for their support and tax dollars it took to win the case. It would also be remiss not to thank the other fourteen cities and towns representing 900,000 people who contributed their tax dollars to help Sudbury defray the legal cost of the suit. The ramifications of the Sudbury Revaluation Suit are yet to be seen, as tax dollar returns to the Town; therefore, we must continue our efforts toward an expeditious implementation of the court ruling if we are to be successful.

It goes without saying that Town Counsel, David Lee Turner, Esq., should be applauded for his

efforts on behalf of the Town in arguing and winning the Sudbury Revaluation Suit.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 1974

Police-Fire headquarters: We can thoroughly appreciate the view of the town that such a capital expenditure should be deferred until the economic picture clarifies. We will accordingly hold off any further action on this item, with the exception of a minimal sum for planning money to allow further adjustment in the design plans of the facility. We advise the Town that the need for a proper facility for police and fire will remain a priority item — albeit deferred. The Board has also deferred full-time implementation of a vitally important safety and juvenile officer program in the Police Department for this coming year.

Through the efforts of the Executive Secretary, the Town was able to have in excess of \$50,000 in Civil Defense funds earmarked for reimbursement on the new police/fire facility if and when constructed. The Town already is eligible for reimbursement of \$4,500 in Civil Defense funds for architect fees related to the project.

Auxiliary Police: The Auxiliary Police Force, through efforts of the Chief of Police, was organized last year and now numbers over twenty strong. The Auxiliary force has been assisting the regular Police on special assignments, in training patrols on weekends, and in traffic and crowd control during public celebrations. A major advantage of having a trained, auxiliary police force is the manpower supplement it gives a police department in cases of emergency — or at celebrations, such as those for the Bicentennial.

Personnel Classification Plan: In cooperation with the Personnel Board, the Selectmen's office is preparing a townwide job description handbook. Likewise, an in-depth evaluation and survey of selected personnel classifications is taking place to be completed in early 1975. This program is being done in conjunction with the U.S. Civil Service Commission.

Heritage Park: Over seventy-five percent of Heritage Park has been constructed. Heritage Park can truly be called a town project because so many town residents have either made a financial contribution to the park or given their personal labor to working in the park. To thank everyone would fill too many pages and someone may inadvertently be missed . . . so thanks to everyone! Dedication of Heritage Park will be April 19, 1975.

Ambulance Task Force: The Ambulance Task Force issued its first report to the Board of Selectmen in 1974, recommending:

- That the Town continue training personnel in the Police and Fire Departments to become certified emergency medical technicians in accordance with General Law Chapter 111C.
- That the Town purchase its own ambulance vehicle rather than operate under a private contractual arrangement.
- That the town ambulance service should be located in the center of the town . . . preferably the Town Centre.
- That regionalization of ambulance services with surrounding towns at this time or in the near future seems very doubtful.
- That responsibility for primary town ambulance service should be the Fire Department's.

The Ambulance Committee also suggested that the Town "advance slowly", especially in the area of purchasing an ambulance vehicle until such

time as the new ambulance law and regulations have proven workable.

Flood Insurance Application: Prior to July 1, 1975, the Selectmen will file a Federal Flood Insurance application to make property owners within flood-prone areas eligible for low cost property flood insurance. At the present time, the Engineering Department is preparing a listing of all persons and property owners within possible flood zone areas. Upon receipt of this information and a report from Town Counsel on the building restrictions within designated flood zone areas, the Selectmen will proceed to file a Federal Flood Insurance application.

Undergrounding of Town Centre Wires: After two years, undergrounding of all utility wires in the Town Centre has been completed. The visual aesthetics of Sudbury Town Centre now surpasses any in the Commonwealth. The Selectmen will propose to the 1975 Annual Town Meeting a modest program to repair the Town Common to make the Town Centre project complete. This will be in keeping with the upcoming Bicentennial years.

Sudbury Telephone Calling Area: For the past year, hearings have been held before the Selectmen with the Telephone Company and locally interested citizens to request the Telephone Company to improve Sudbury's calling area, so that we may call contiguous towns (Concord, Marlboro, Hudson, Lincoln) without a toll charge. A citizen petition was submitted to the Board of Selectmen requesting that they petition the Department of Public Utilities to hold a hearing and inquire as to merits of Sudbury's petition to improve local telephone service. This hearing is scheduled for early 1975, and will receive the full attention and support of the Selectmen, who endorse the petition.

Public Service Employment Program: To date under the Federal Emergency Employment Act (E.E.A.) and Comprehensive Employment Training Act (C.E.T.A.) Sudbury has been allocated ten (10) positions. The main objectives of these programs are to train people for meaningful employment and to hire persons in public government who are disadvantaged for one reason or another or have been out of work for at least thirty days. Anyone desiring further information should contact the office of the Board of Selectmen.

Wayland-Sudbury Septage Disposal: Sudbury and Wayland are both faced with similar septage disposal problems. In an effort to find a meaningful solution to our joint problem, the Wayland-Sudbury Septage Disposal Planning Committee was formed in 1971. After much study, debate and evaluation of the alternatives, the joint town committee has recommended an aerobic treatment facility to serve both Sudbury and Wayland, to be located in Wayland, adjacent to the Sudbury Landfill site on Route 20. The joint committee further stated that a joint approach would be most economical.

A special Wayland town meeting in the Fall of 1974 voted to enter into an agreement with Sudbury and appropriated the necessary funds to proceed with construction of the facility. Articles will be in the Sudbury warrant for the 1975 Annual Town Meeting asking its voters whether or not they wish to proceed with the recommended joint town action to solve on a long term basis a critical waste disposal problem.

Precinct Elections: Last year for the first time Sudbury voted by precinct for Federal and State Offices. At this past election, the voters also overwhelmingly voted to reduce the size of the State House of Representatives. This Board of Selectmen in cooperation with Representative Ann Gannett has been attempting over the past years to make

Sudbury "whole" or part of a single district with its own representative. In past meetings with state officials, Sudbury Selectmen were given the assurance that if the House reduction bill passed, every effort would be made to make Sudbury a single voting district with its own representative in the House. Again, as in the past, this Board of Selectmen will continue this effort on behalf of the Town. In the meantime, the Town is fortunate, besides having Senator Chester Atkins and Representative Ann Gannett, to have one of our newest legislators, Representative Geneva R. Counihan, also serving and representing Sudbury in the State House.

CONCLUSION

1975 will be the 200th anniversary of the United States of America and the 337th year of Sudbury's existence as a community. We salute those who have gone before us. We charge ourselves and our fellow townspeople once again with the obligation to meet the challenges of today with the same dedicated enthusiasm to make the town of Sudbury a better place by our efforts, so that our children's children may inherit the legacy which is now in our hands.

18 MONTH FINANCIAL REPORT

1/1/73 - 6/30/74

Liquor Licenses	\$10,000.00
Liquor Identification Cards	116.00
Liquor Advertising Fees	60.00
Beer & Wine Licenses, 1-Day	30.00
Common Victualler Licenses	90.00
Ice Cream, etc., Licenses, Lord's Day	4.00
Public Entertainment Licenses, Lord's Day (Billiards, Bowling, Skating)	1,068.00
Used Car Licenses	50.00
Fuel Storage Permit Advertising Fees	150.00
Taxi Licenses	76.00
Special Permits	10.00
Total Licenses	\$11,654.00
Sale of Tax Possession Land	200.00
Rent of Town Buildings	467.00
Fees for Custodian Services	127.55
Total Selectmen's Receipts	\$12,448.55

Board of Appeals

During 1974, the Board of Appeals considered 45 cases, a decrease of 16 cases over those heard in 1973, 32 of which were granted, 6 denied, 4 withdrawn, 1 pending, and 2 dismissed.

At the annual business meeting, the board reviewed its rules and a copy of the rules was filed with the Town Clerk.

In 1974, Thomas J. Gallagher, Jr., a member of the board, decided to retire from the Board of Appeals. The board is indebted to Mr. Gallagher for his many years of fine service.

The cases considered during the year and the board's actions thereon are listed below. The asterisk indicates that the variance or permit was granted with certain limiting restrictions safeguarding the public interest. Actions of the board are a matter of public record and are on file with the Town Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald G. Adolph,
Chairman
Philip O. Ahlin, Clerk
Eunice H. Secatore
John F. McKenna
Alphonse J. Briand

- 74-1 LaFAVE, DAVID L. AND SANDRA A. - 523 Hudson Road
Variance to create a single lot having insufficient frontage.
Withdrawn
- 74-2 HARRIS, JOHN S. AND MARION P. - 582 Peakham Road
Permit and variance to remodel a nonconforming house having insufficient setback from the street centerline.
Granted
- 74-3 RIEDERS, ARTHUR T. - 149 Morse Road
Variance for the installation of additional kitchen and plumbing facilities to provide a temporary, separate dwelling unit in petitioner's home for a parent.
Granted*
- 74-4 BOMBA, ROSARIO AND BARBARA - 534 Hudson Road
Renewal of a permit granted in Case No. 70-43 to conduct an upholstery shop.
Granted*
- 74-5 ROYAL, CLAUDE W. - 9 Church Street
Permit to enlarge a nonconforming building and a variance to construct an addition that has insufficient street centerline setback.
Granted
- 74-6 McCABE, ROBERT J. - 466 North Road
Variance to operate a retail package store.
Denied
- 74-7 PATZWALD, FRANZ-JOSEF - 97 Fairbank Road
Permit to raise poultry.
Denied
- 74-8 NEBLETT, JOHN B. AND WAYNE ANN - 277 Old Sudbury Road
Permit to operate a kennel for 10 dogs.
Granted*
- 74-9 LaFAVE, DAVID L. AND SANDRA A. - Hudson Road
Variance to create a lot having insufficient frontage.
Denied
- 74-10 WALKER, MARGHERITA L. - 33 Grindstone Lane
Permit to operate a kennel for not more than 6 dogs.
Granted*
- 74-11 PARKS, FRANK G. - 276 Dutton Road
Permit to operate a kennel for 4 dogs.
Granted*
- 74-12 & 74-13 MICELI, VICTORIA AND McCABE, ROBERT J. - 466 North Road
Variance to continue operating a retail package store.
Granted*
- 74-14 HUNTER, DONNA AND BURKE, IRENE - 460 Boston Post Road
Variance to conduct a business for the sale of antiques and a variance to erect a sign with insufficient street centerline setback and front yard setback.
Withdrawn
- 74-15 MASON, EDWARD W. AND IRENE - 35 Wagonwheel Road
Permit to enlarge a pre-existing, nonconforming building by the addition of a breezeway and garage, existing house

	having insufficient street centerline setback.		tial use where the existing structure had insufficient side yard setback.
	Granted		Granted
74-16	SILVERMAN, SYLVIA - 717 Boston Post Road Permit to conduct a school for classical ballet.	74-28	TOWN AND COUNTRY HOMES, INC. - Elsbeth Road Variance to construct a home with insufficient frontage.
	Granted*		Pending
74-17	SMITH, LAWRENCE F. AND JUNE W. - 178 Horse Pond Road Variance to construct a boat port with insufficient side yard setback.	74-29	BENT, ALBERT B. - 14 July Road Variance to create 3 lots, each having insufficient frontage.
	Granted		Denied
74-18	WAY, PHILIP M. AND GRACE G. - 39 Candy Hill Road Variance to subdivide an existing lot into two house lots, one having insufficient square footage.	74-30	PLACE, IRVING E. - 29 Allan Avenue Variance to erect a swimming pool with insufficient side yard setback.
	Denied		Granted
74-19	McPHEE, PATRICK J. - Lots 2, 3, 4, and 5, Beechwood Avenue To combine four lots into one.	74-31	FREDRICKSON, MARGARET R. AND ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH - 16 Great Road Renewal of permit granted in Case Nos. 68-18, 70-20, and 72-39 to operate a nursery school/day care service for children.
	Withdrawn		Granted*
74-20	NOSEWORTHY, JOSEPH F. - 250 Boston Post Road Permit to operate a kennel for 2 dogs and for the sale of puppies.	74-32	MARSHALL, JEFFREY J. AND BOSTON AND MAINE - Old South Sudbury R.R. Station Variance to operate a retail business.
	Granted*		Dismissed
74-21	SAXONVILLE WHOLESALE LUMBER WAREHOUSE COMPANY - R.A.D.I.N. off Union Avenue Permit to construct and operate a wholesale lumber warehouse.	74-33	LEPORDO, CARLO J., Jr. - 35 Pinewood Avenue Renewal of variance (No. 70-25) to continue using an above-ground pool having insufficient rear yard setback.
	Granted*		Granted
74-22	BOUCHER, RONALD - 199 Mossman Road Renewal of a permit granted in Case No. 70-16 to conduct a business of landscape architecture and contracting.	74-34	GREEN, JAMES - 89 Butler Road Variance to construct an open deck having insufficient rear yard setback.
	Granted*		Granted
74-23	KIRK, DAVID G. AND ANN B. - 520 Dutton Road Permit to enlarge a nonconforming structure and a variance to add to an existing shed and convert it to a garage which would have an insufficient setback.	74-35	KALILAINEN, CHARLES AND EINO O., OWNER - 520 North Road Variance to erect a sign having insufficient setbacks.
	Granted		Granted*
74-24	NUTILE, CHARLES J. AND LOUISE - 16 August Road Permit to extend a nonconforming building, existing building lacking sufficient front yard, side yard, and street center line setbacks.	74-36	MARONI, LAWRENCE J. AND GLORIA A. - 123 Dutton Road Variance to construct a swimming pool with insufficient side yard setback.
	Granted		Granted
74-25	VAZAL, FRANK J. AND GAIL E. - 222 Hudson Road To construct a garage having insufficient setbacks.	74-37	CRONSBURG, JACQUELINE A. AND ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH - 16 Great Road Permit to conduct a ballet school.
	Withdrawn		Granted*
74-26	SWANSON, ALFRED AND EVELYN AIKEN AND DUCKETT, WILLIAM R. - 656 Boston Post Road Variance to conduct a funeral home business and a variance to erect a commercial sign.	74-38	SUDBURY SKATING AND TENNIS CLUB, INC. - 31 Union Avenue Renewal of a permit Case No. 72-40 to operate a day care center.
	Granted*		Granted*
74-27	HENDERSON, PETER R. AND LINDA D. - 45 Blueberry Hill Lane Variance for the continuance of residen-	74-39	HAVENCRAFT OF NEW ENGLAND, INC., AND MACOT REALTY - Lot A, Union Avenue Permit to use property for the sale and maintenance of sailboats.
			Dismissed
		74-40	SPAGNUOLO, ANTONIO AND KATHERINE - Sexton, Montague, and Stuart Streets Variance to subdivide a plot of land into lots that would have a deficiency in front

and side yard setbacks and would not contain the minimum amount of square footage.

Denied

74-41 SHOOTER, GEORGE - Willis Lake Drive
Permit and a variance to add on to a pre-existing, nonconforming building having insufficient frontage and side yard setback.

Granted

74-42 ABRAHAMSON, GEORGE R. - Great Lake Drive
Variance to construct a dwelling on land having insufficient frontage and front line setback.

Granted

74-43 WATERS, ROBERT A. - Boston Post Road
Variance to construct a building for storage and mixing of flammables, said building having insufficient property line setback.

Granted

74-44 HAWES, RALPH E. AND AGNES A. - Nobscot Road
Variance for approval of residential lot with insufficient frontage.

Granted

74-45 ANGLE, STACY - 139 Powers Road
Variance for the addition of a deck to a pre-existing, nonconforming structure with a rear yard setback deficiency.

Granted

Earth Removal Board

During the year 1974 the Earth Removal Board conducted a public hearing for one earth removal permit application submitted by:

Mr. Walter A. Beckett
52 Winsor Road, Sudbury

This application was for a site at the junction of Lincoln Road and Lincoln Lane. The permit was not granted.

The following permits were renewed for a period of one year:

1. Paul Cavicchio - Codjer Lane
2. Paul Cavicchio - Union Avenue
3. Melgrove Realty Trust - Codjer Lane.

The Board made periodic inspections of all permit locations to assure that earth removal operations were performed in accordance with approved site plans and permit requirements.

The Board wishes to thank the Town Clerk, Executive Secretary, Town Engineer, Town Treasurer, and the Zoning Officer for their services, assistance and cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

James H. Malonson,
Chairman
Edwin A. Blackey
Theodore Kohane
John F. McKenna
Carmine Pinto



BEFORE AND AFTER: SUDBURY CENTER with and without power lines. The juice now flows underground (Carl Alsen photo).

Highway Commission

The year 1974 saw the completion of many projects that have resulted in a better community for the present and a promise of continued improvement in the future. Your Highway Commission has been pleased by the progress that has been made in the improvement of our cemeteries, landfill, trees and highways during a difficult year. Stretching the dollar has become more difficult as inflation continues to eat away at the limited income base on which we operate.

Our financial forecast for 1975 is more encouraging than we had hoped for during the course of the year. The Department submitted to the Commission in October 1974, a budget request of \$1

million dollars. Appropriate study and a desire to limit spending prompted the Commission to cut the 1975 budget request to \$887,800. Our fiscal 1975-76 budget represents an increase of \$71,626 over the 1974 appropriation, or an increase of \$4.77 per capita (8.7%), in a year when the cost of living has risen by 20% and will probably rise another 10%, if present rates continue, before the voted budget can be expended.

MASTER DRAINAGE PLAN

The Commission accepted the final report and plans for the Master Drainage Study from Weston & Sampson Engineers, Boston, Massachusetts, on February 20, 1974, at a special meeting. In accepting the report, the Commission recommended

that the Town fund that portion dealing with drainage construction in the Pine Lakes area at a cost of \$250,000. Upon presentation of appropriate articles at the 1974 Annual Town Meeting, the Town voted to fund the preparation of final engineering plans but the article for construction was rejected following debate and amendment. The implementation of this program will again be placed before the voters in 1975. The Commission has scaled down the amount of funding and construction in order to lessen the impact on the hard pressed taxpayer. In order to provide funds from which to meet the increased need for drainage work, we have this year cut our request for the contracted roadwork account from the previous \$135,000 to \$53,000 and placed the balance under a new line item for drainage. Thus, for this year, we will be able to start necessary drainage improvements without having an increase in budget costs. Continued improvements in the area of drainage will result in dollar savings in the roadwork repair account in future years.

HIGHWAY DIVISION

The Division has successfully completed its fourth year of our stoneseal program. This program has resulted in a renewal of the road surfaces throughout the Town at a fraction of the cost of reconstruction — resulting in large savings to the taxpayer. We recommend that this program be continued on a yearly basis as a contracted item, with funding to depend on the number of roads needing treatment. During the year, a portion of Concord Road, the remainder of Hudson Road and all of Nobscot Road received an overlay of bituminous concrete to improve and save the road surface. This work was paid for from State Aid Funds and represented a zero dollar amount against the tax rate.

Street sweeping has continued to present a problem this year due to the age of the Town's equipment. Our recommendation to the Town is to purchase a new, more modern and lower maintenance vehicle to perform this task in conjunction with a hired contractor. Most communities, the size of Sudbury, have at least 2 street sweepers. The capitol investment for such equipment is substantial and, in lieu of such an investment, we have recommended the use of a hired contractor to keep costs within bounds.

CEMETERY DIVISION

The maintenance function of this Division has continued to show improvement in the general appearance and grooming of the Town's cemetery lands. The Division has recommended that two problem areas be corrected in the coming fiscal year. The first consists of repairs to the vaults located on Concord Road near Sudbury Center. This problem has been the result of heavy traffic flow along the adjoining roadway resulting in movement of the vault stonework. The repairs recommended are only temporary in nature. A final recommendation on whether or not extensive reconstruction or movement to a new location must await further evaluation. The second area involves repair to broken headstones in the Revo-

lutionary War Cemetery behind the Town Hall. Due to their age and the natural wear of the elements, these stones have deteriorated to a point where they are subject to damage by the slightest pressures. The Commission has placed a prohibition on gravestone rubbing in this cemetery to further protect these ancient stones.

SANITATION DIVISION

The sanitary landfill operation continued to show improvement, except in the area of recycling. The elimination of first the plastic, followed by the metal cans, and now paper from recycling has caused the Commission to seek new vendors who will remove these materials. To date, we can report no success; but the search continues. Problems continue with the operational status of the landfill, but they are of a technical nature and should be resolved with the filing of the overall landfill plan now being prepared by the Engineering Department.

WALKWAYS

1974 was the first year, since 1967, that the Highway Commission assumed the function of walkway construction. During the year the Commission contracted the construction of three major walkway additions to the Town's overall plan — Butler Road, Fairbank Road and Horse Pond Road, with the remainder of the authorized construction, namely Hudson Road east and west and Woodside Road to be constructed in early 1975. The Planning Board has submitted requests for additional walkway construction funds for the 1975 Annual Town Meeting and, hopefully, these can be constructed prior to the opening of school in September 1975. We would like to thank all of our citizens who have been so cooperative in providing the Town with construction easements to avoid tree removals and to allow greater setbacks for the travelled way.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

In August, 1974, the Highway Superintendent was indicted by the Middlesex County Grand Jury on two separate counts. We are still awaiting trial on this matter in order to report the entire proceedings in detail to the Town. The Superintendent has since September 1974 been on suspension, without pay, pending a resolution of the charges against him.

In closing, the Commission wishes to express its sincere thanks to the citizens of Sudbury, its employees and the other Boards, Commissions, Committees and Departments of the Town for their aid and assistance during the year 1974.

Respectfully submitted,

Frederick W. Welch,
Chairman
Donald D. Bishop
Daniel D. Carter
Anthony L. Galeota
John C. Hare



"YOU, SIR, are out of order," rules Moderator Frank Sherman, whose gavel is already on the way down. (Clay Allen photo)

Moderator

Our Annual Town Meeting this year was what we have successfully avoided for many years — a marathon. We sat ten nights for all of a calendar month before we could finally adjourn.

The reason, I think, was the economic conditions that have prevailed nationwide — because of inflation and the threat of recession, voters scrutinized every proposed expenditure with more than the usual care. When one thinks about it, that's what we have an open town meeting for; but one would have hoped that voters would have scrutinized these expenditures at budget meetings and finance committee hearings, so that their views could have been known before the meeting and taken into account in the final proposed figures.

It is tempting to try to blame the marathon meeting on a certain organization, and it is true in the coming year, I hope to be able to meet with its

representatives in advance, to channel its efforts towards debate and away from parliamentary maneuvering. However, the existence of this organization is an effect, not a cause — an effect of the same economic conditions that were, I think, the true cause of "the spring of our discontent".

During the year, I worked with the Selectmen, Committee on Town Administration, and Finance Committee on possible changes in town meeting scheduling. I am pleased to report that the Annual Town Meeting will not begin any later in the year than it already does, but it will be proposed to change some of the deadline dates before the meeting, to get more information into the right hands sooner.

Respectfully submitted,
Frank R. Sherman
Moderator

Personnel Board

The Personnel Board is charged with the administration of the Personnel Plan for the Town of Sudbury. Meeting on a regular basis throughout the year, the Board devoted the bulk of its time to routine evaluation of classification changes, review of sick-leave requests and other ongoing tasks.

Since the Personnel Board is no longer shouldering prime working responsibility for the negotiating process, the Board was able to devote an increasing amount of its time to being of direct assistance to many of the other Town Boards and Commissions in the areas of job-descriptions, involvement in the selection process of key personnel, and in helping to assure that changing job roles, requirements, channels and personnel were

effected with maximum smoothness and clarity.

The Board was also able to be an impartial informational and advisory link in the negotiating process when such help was needed and requested.

It is with deep regret that the Board announces the retirement of Bruce Ostar who, for so many years, gave unstintingly of his time and talents to this Board and thus to the entire Sudbury community. Our deep thanks and appreciation to him.

Respectfully submitted,
George E. Distler,
Chairman
Anthony M. Fredella
Michael E. Boardman



SUDBUS TAKES A TRIAL RUN with some of its future riders. Once in operation the bus will provide transportation throughout the town.

Bus Transportation Committee

The Sudbury Bus Transportation Committee was formed as a result of the passage of Article No. 29 at the 1974 Annual Town Meeting. Preliminary planning began shortly after Town Meeting; participants included the proponents of the article and other interested citizens. Pursuant to the terms of the article, the three members of the Committee were appointed by the Board of Selectmen in July. All had been members of the preliminary planning group.

The Committee's charter calls for it to "establish and operate a system of public transportation for the Town of Sudbury," and \$25,000 was appropriated as funding for this purpose. This appropriation was based on the assumption that bus service in Sudbury could not be operated profitably, at least initially. Since the Town's willingness to continue deficit financing of the service will depend on its collective judgment as to its value, the operation must be considered experimental. For this reason, and because we lack any experience in transit operations, the Committee did not seriously consider the possibility of obtaining buses and operating the service itself. Instead we decided to contract with an experienced bus operator to provide the service.

Our activities between the formation of the Committee and the end of 1974 have been concentrated primarily in two areas:

1) Planning of routes, schedules, ticket sales, bus stop identification, fare collection, and other operating details; and,

2) Obtaining of bids and negotiating a contract with a bus operator. During this period we have kept the public informed via regular public meetings and press coverage in the Sudbury weekly papers and the daily *South Middlesex News*.

The Town Meeting presentation in connection with Article No. 29 showed proposed coverage of the Town in the form of two large intersecting loops. However, the Committee has concluded that better service can be provided by a set of radial routes emanating from the business center of the Town. Seven such routes have been defined, and service will be operated on them until we are able to determine what changes, if any, should be made on the basis of the degree of public acceptance. Two buses will be operated, eight hours per day, six days per week. A fare of 25 cents per ride will be charged, with somewhat lower fares being provided to students and senior citizens via multi-ride ticket books.

The Committee advertised for bids in November and received responses from three bidders. A contract was signed on December 16 with the low bidder, Big W Trans of Ashland. At the time this report was written, the Committee expected to begin service immediately following approval of Big W's operating rights by the Selectmen and the Commonwealth's Department of Public Utilities. These approvals are expected by early January. Our plan is to spend up to \$22,000 on operating subsidies, retaining \$3,000 for secretarial expense, publicity, and emergencies. Fare receipts will be credited against the amount paid to the bus company, up to the contractual amount of the subsidy. Assuming that service does begin in January, the Committee is confident that the experiment can be continued until the end of the fiscal year, regardless of the amount received in fares.

The Committee has been assisted in its planning by a large number of citizens who have contributed both time and worthwhile suggestions. Special note should be taken of the continued valuable assistance of Bruce Langmuir and Fritz Steudel. The Committee also expresses the thanks of the Town to the commercial artists who submitted designs for consideration for logo design and especially to Ralph Caputo and Grace L. Wheeler from whose design the final selection was made. Mr. Caputo spent a great deal of time on the final logo and route map design which is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul J. Buxbaum,
Chairman
Robert K. Coe
Paul Wishengrad

SUDBURY MINIBUS QUESTIONNAIRE ANALYSIS

1. Do you want an in-town bus service?

61.4% said yes
33.6% said no
5.1% did not answer

2. What group of riders should the bus principally serve?

14.2% said elderly
12.7% said youth
63.4% said everyone

OF THOSE WHO ANSWERED "YES" TO QUESTION NO. 1:*

3. Would anyone in your household use the bus described above?

86.3% said yes
8.7% said no

4. How many?

- 15.0% said none
- 11.8% said one
- 25.5% said two
- 24.6% said three
- 14.4% said four
- 3.2% said six
- 0.6% said seven

*Of those who did not specify, or answered "no" in question No. 1, approximately 10% specified a "yes" in question 3. Note that those who did not respond with a "yes" in question No. 1 were not required to respond to questions 3-11.

5. This question asked respondents to specify origins and destinations. The results (counting each desired trip indicated only once) were as follows:

ORIGINS BY ZONES:		A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	TOTAL
RESPONSES:		170	292	158	143	253	137	252	202	1607
DESTINATIONS:	Sudbury Centre			93						Fairbanks School
	Skating Rink			227						Haynes School
	Wayside Inn									Loring School
	Medical Center			105						Horse Pond Road School
	Star Market			294						Route 117 at Mossman Road
	First National			165						Marlboro Road at Mossman Rd.
	Mill Village			240						Pratts Mill Rd. at Dutton Rd.
	Bowling Alley			82						Feeley Park
	Wayland Townline									
	L/S High School			101						(Destinations where no count is given had fewer than 25 responses)
	Featherland Park			78						
	Curtis JHS			49						

6. Which days of the week would members of your household use the bus?

- 60% said weekdays, not Saturday
- 40% said Saturday, either exclusively or together with weekdays

7. What time of the day would you use the bus?

- 11% said 7-9 AM
- 26% said 9-12 noon
- 23% said 12-3 PM
- 29% said 3-7 PM
- 11% said 7-10 PM

8. How many one-way trips would members of your household make each week? Count a round-trip as two one-way trips.

- 637 said none (or blank)
- 106 said 1-3 trips
- 242 said 4-6 trips
- 171 said 7-10 trips
- 60 said 11-15 trips
- 28 said more than 15 trips

9. It is estimated that such a system would have an annual cost of \$40,000 and that a part of this cost would have to be borne by the Town. Would you vote to have the Town pay the deficit?

- 74.0% said yes
- 15.6% said no
- 10.4% did not answer

10. Would you vote for more frequent (and more expensive) service?

- 17.4% said yes
- 65.6% said no
- 16.9% did not answer

11. Would you prefer a door-to-door dial-a-bus system even if it cost more in a Town subsidy?

- 16.3% said yes
- 68.4% said no
- 15.3% did not answer

*Of those who did not specify, or answered "no" in question No. 1, approximately 20% specified a "no" answer in questions 9, 10, and 11. Note that those who did not respond with a "yes" in question No. 1 were not required to respond to questions 3-11.



STREET VIEW after 1910, looking towards the town center on Concord Road. (courtesy of F. Alvin Noyes)

Talent Search Committee

The purpose of the Talent Search Committee is to provide to the appointing officials in Sudbury Town Government an up-to-date record of those citizens interested in serving our town. To minimize expenses while reaching a broad audience, this year we concentrated our advertising on "clip-out coupons" and "one-liners" in Bentley's Community Calendar, sign-up sheets at town meetings and registration sheets distributed by the Welcome Wagon.

Looking toward the day when the town will have more data processing services, we have categorized interest areas as follows:

Administration, Board of Appeals, Business, Celebrations, Conservation, Data Processing, Education, Elderly, Finance, Facilities, Health, Highways, Historical, Housing, Library, Personnel, Planning, Recreation, Regional, Town Report, Transportation, General, Town Report.

If you would like to serve your town in one of these areas, please inform Pat Harding, 29 Wagon Wheel Road.

Respectfully submitted,
 Pat Harding, Chairman
 J. Doyle
 W. Harding
 June Margolin
 Cheryl Rogers

Town Report Preparation Committee

Because the "Bicentennial Begins Here" and it begins now — in early 1975 — this committee decided to feature Sudbury's colonial heritage through the years up to 1774 in this 1974 Town

Report. Notable among the people and organizations who helped us in this undertaking:

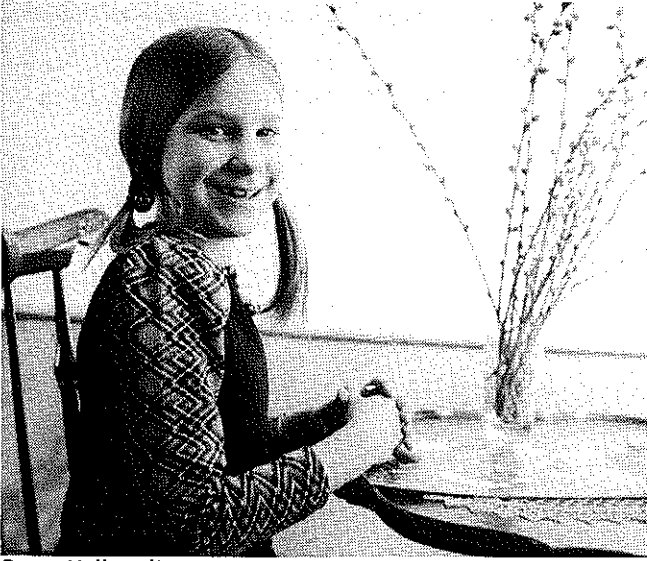
- Town Historians Forrest Bradshaw and George D. Max
- The Bicentennial Committee — its chairman John C. Powers, Samuel Reed, Coordinator Elaine King and Pat Hersey
- The Sudbury Town Hall staff, especially Town Executive Secretary Ed Thompson, Town Clerk Betsey Powers, Selectmen's Secretary Phyllis Sampson and Jan Silva
- June Allen, Chairman of the 1973 Town Report Committee

Much of the old time flavor in this report is thanks to the artwork submitted by Sudbury school children and we thank all who participated. The 1974 Sudbury Town Report was designed by Ralph Caputo and printed by Acme Press of Medford, Massachusetts. Distribution of this report will be carried out by the Sudbury DeMolay chapter, to which the town makes a contribution equivalent to one half the cost of mailing the reports.

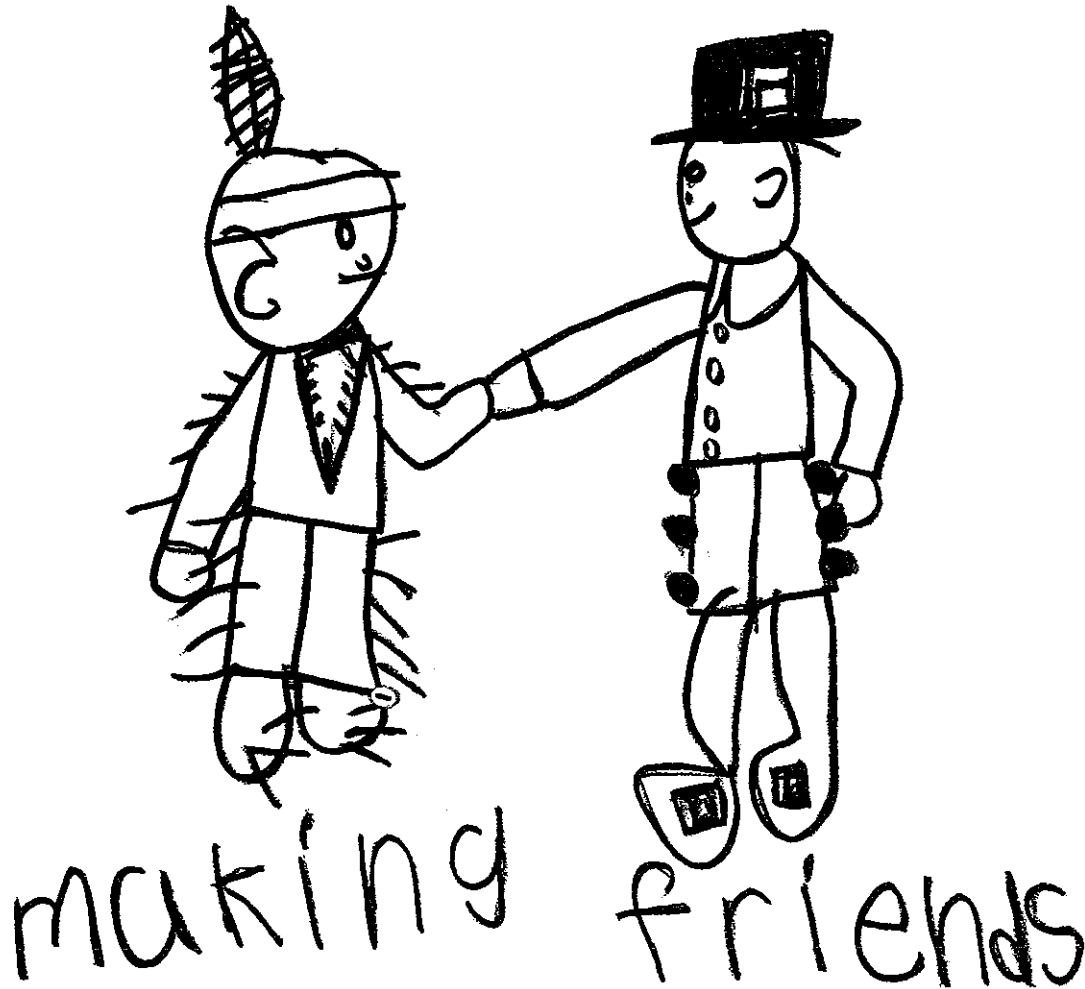
Contemporary photographs used in this Report were selected in part from the files of the Sudbury Citizen: the committee deeply appreciates the Citizen's cooperation and help. The portraits of the students whose artwork is published in this report, as well as many pictures of town committees and officials, were taken by Victor Neumeier of this committee. Other photo credits have been given beneath the photos as they appear in this report.

Respectfully submitted,
 Susan E. Abrams
 Linda Buxbaum
 Raymond P. Clark
 Ralph Caputo
 Alan Erskine
 Nancy F. Hansen
 Victor Neumeier
 Nancy K. Schwartzman

HUMAN SERVICES



Perry Kellstedt
22 Mill Pond Road
1st Grade 6 years old
"Making Friends"



Proceedings of Town Meetings 1774

To Thaddeus Russell for 1 Days Work & 4 Oxen to Framingham) for a Rock 6/ for a Rock & 1 Days Work 7/6 -----)	- 13 6
To Cap ^b Heard for himself Son & 4 Oxen 1 Day to bring a Rock) from Framingham, three Rocks & Caring them 6 1/2 Days) my Self & Son & 5 Days Work of Oxen on s.d Bridge -)	2 7 6
To Aaron Maynard as Guardian for the Heirs of Simon ^{Maynard} for land) taken from them by a Highway laid thro [^] their lands in 1765)	1 10 -
To Moses Stone for Asa Travis, s Rates in 1770 -----	- 11 4
To L ^t Willis for Cash paid to George Mosman - - - - -	- - 8
To Daniel Bowker for Joseph Dakins Rates in 1772 - - - - -	- 15 6
To Edmund Parmenter for Josiah Woodward's Rates 1770 - - - - -	- 3 10
To Daniel Bowker for Building the North West School House -	18 - -
To D ^o for Building Lanham School House - - - - -	23 6 8
To Ambrose Tower for Building the School House near) the West Meeting House -----)	17 17 4
To W ^m Dudley for Building the Farm end School House -	26 13 4
To Jonas Loker for Sam ^l Duns. Rates in 1767 - - - - -	- 12 9
To Daniel Maynard for Warning two Town Meetings - - - - -	- 6 -
To Thomas Walker Jun ^r for Moses Goodenow Rates in 1770 & 71 -	- 5 9

W^m Baldwin Moderator

January 1774

To M^r Jonas Holden one of the Constables of Sudbury Greeting

These Order you to warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants off and belonging to Sudbury, (in your Ward) Qualified to Vote in Town Affairs, to meet at the West Meeting House in Sudbury on Monday the third Day of January Next, at one of the Clock in in [sic] the after Noon on said Day, then and th^ere

1st To See if the Town will take into consideration the Papers sent to them, by the Town of Boston Relating to the Tea - sent to this Province, by the East India Company, subject to a Duty, or do or Act on said Affair, as the Town shall think proper when met -----

2^d To See if the Town will Choose a Constable in the Room of M^r Nathan Loring, who has moved out of this Town -----

3^d To see if the Town will Act on what shall be laid before them by the Select Men, with respect to Mary Knights -

And make due return of this Order with your doings thereon to the Select Men, or Town Clerk, at time and place above mentioned

By Order of the Select Men

Sudbury Decem^r: 20th 1773

W^m Baldwin Town Clerk

In Observance of this Order I have warned and caused to be Warned all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants, (in my Ward) to meet at time and Place

January y^e 3^d 1774

Jonas Holden Constable for Sudbury

The return of the other three Constables Orders were as the Law Directs and Accepted by the Town

Att a Town Meeting in Sudbury Legally Warned Jan^y 3^d 1774 the Town being ^{met} proceeded and Choose M^r John Maynard Moderator -

1st Then the Papers sent us by the Town of Boston, Relating to the Tea sent here by the East India Company, were Read and taken into consideration by said Town, and the Town Chose a Committee to take into Consideration, the above Papers, and report their opinion thereon at the adjournment: and chose for their Committee the following Persons viz^t Mess^{rs} Thomas Plympton, Ezekiel How, John Maynard, Sarson Belcher, W^m Baldwin, Phinehas Glezen & Josiah Langdon

3^dArticle The Town by their Vote chose the following Persons a Committee viz^t Cap^t Ezekiel How M^r John Maynard & W^m Baldwin and fully impowered them to make Application to the Court of General Sessions of the Peace for the removal of Mary Knights from this Town to the Town of Marlbro[^] - - - - -

Then the Town by their Vote adjoured [sic] their Meeting to Monday the tenth Day of January Instant at two o[^] Clock P.M on said Day to meet at the same Place - - - - -

The Town being met According to the aforesaid adjournment Proceeded &c The Committee appointed by the Town to take into consideration the affair relating to the Tea, sent here by the East India Company Reported as follows viz^t
Taking into Consideration, the late Conduct of Administration; together with an Act of Parliament, enabling the East India Company, to export their Teas into America, Free of all Duties & Customs in England, but liable to the Rules, Customs, Regulations, & Penalties in America; as are provided by the revenue Act; We are justly Alarmed, at this Detestable Craft and Policy, of the Ministry; to deprive us of our American Liberties, Transmitted to us by our Worthy Ancestors, at no less expence, than that of their Blood and Treasure. That price our Renowned Forefathers freely paid, that they might transmit those Glorious Liberties as a free, full, and fair Inheritance to Posterity; which Liberties, through the Indulgent Smiles of Heaven, We have Possessed in peace and Quietness, till within a few years Past (Excepting in the Reign of the Detestable Steuarts) but now Behold! the pleasing scene is changed, the British Ministry, Assisted by the Inveterate Enemies to American Liberty, on this as well as on the other side of the Atlantick; Combining together to Rob us of our dear Bought freedom; have Brought us to this sad Dilemma, either to Resolve like Men in defence of our just Rights and Liberties or sink under the weight of their Arbitrary and unconstitutional measures, into a State of abject Slavery. — Therefore as Freeborn Americans, Intitled to all the immunities, Liberties and Priviledges of Freeborn English Men; we look upon our Selves under the Strongest Obligations to use our utmost Exertions in defence of

our just Rights, in every constitutional Method within our Power
Even though the Cost of the defence should equal that of the Purchase

Therefore Resolved —

- 1st That we are Intitled to all the Priviledges of British subjects
we have an undoubted and exclusive Right to Grant our own mo-
nies for the support of Government and that no Power on Earth has
a right to Tax or make Laws, binding us, without our consent
- 2^{dly} That the British Parliament laying a Duty on Tea, Payable in America
for the express purpose of Raising a Revenue, is in our Opinion an un-
just Taxation, and that the Specious method of permitting the East India
Company to export their Teas, into the Colonies has a direct tendency
to rivet the chains of Slavery upon us
- 3^{dly} That we will lend all the aid and Assistance in our Power, in every
Rational method, to hinder the importations of Teas; so long as it is
subject to a Duty; and that this Town are well pleased with and highly
approve of that Resolution in particular, entered into by the Town
of Boston viz: that they will not Suffer any Tea to be imported into
that Town while subject to an unrighteous Duty; and it is the desire
and expectation of this Town that said resolution be not relaxed in
any Degree; which if it should it would much lessen that confidence

(which we hope we may justly say) we have reason to place in that
respectable Metropolis - - - - -

- 4^{thly} That the Persons appointed by the East India Company to receive
and vend their Teas (by their obstinate refusal to resign their
odious Commission) Have shewn a ready disposition to become the
Tools of our Enemies, to oppress and enslave their Native Country
and have manifested such Stupidity and wickedness, to prefer private
Interest, to the good of their Country, and therefore can expect no favor
or respect from us; but we leave them to accumulate a load of In-
famy, proportionate to their Vileness - - - - -
- 5th that whosoever shall sell, Buy, or otherwise use Tea, while subject
to and poisoned with a Duty, shall be deemed by us, Enemies to their
Countrys Wellfare; and shall be treated by us as Such - - - - -

The Town by their Vote Ordered the foregoing resolves to be recorded
in the Town Book, and a Copy of the same to be forwarded to the
Committee of Correspondence, at Boston, with our sincere thanks to
that respectable Town, for their Manly Oppisition, to every Ministe-
rial Measure to enslave America

Thomas Plympton)	
Ezekiel How)	
John Maynard	)	Committee
Sarson Belcher)	
Phinehas Glezen)	
Josiah Langdon)	

The Town by their Vote chose the following Gentlemen, a Committee of Correspondence viz^t Deacon Thomas Plympton M^r John Maynard M^r Sarson Belcher Cap^t Ezekiel How & M^r Phinehas Glezen

2^dArticle The Town by their Vote chose M^r James Carter a Constable in the Room of M^r Loring who is moved out of Town, and The Town Accepted of M^r Edmund Parmenter to serve as Constable in the room of M^r James Carter

James Maynard Moderator

March 1774

To M^r Edmund Parmenter One of the Constables of Sudbury Greeting

These Order you to Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants off and Belonging to Sudbury (in your Ward) Qualified as the Law Directs to Vote in Town Affairs, to meet at the West Meeting House in Sudbury, on Monday the Seventh Day of March Next at ten o[^]Clock fore Noon, then and there

1st

- 1st To Choose Select Men, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Assessors Constables and all other Town Officers, as the Law Directs to be chosen Annually in the Month of March
- 2^d To See if the Town will give liberty for Horses, to go at large without Fetters, any part of the time, from the first of April next to the last Day of September, the present year
- 3^d To See if the Town will give liberty for Sheep, to go at large in said Town, any part of the time, from the fifteenth Day of March Next to the first Day of May Next - - - - -
- 4th To See if the Town will give liberty for the swine, to go at large in said Town, the present year _____
- 5th To See if the Town will Repair their High Ways by a Rate the present year, and Grant a Suitable Sum of money for repairing the same and impower the Surveyors to be Collectors, of said Rate Also Order the Assessors, to make it into a Rate forthwith
- 6th To See if the Town will Accept of the Settlement of the Select-Men, with their present Town Treasurer, W^m Baldwin
- 7th To See if the Town will Choose a Committee and impower, them to Settle the Town Debts, the present year _____
- 8th To See if the Town will Accept of the Way laid out by the Select Men Beginning at Samuel Goodenow,s Dwelling House, and from thence to Lancaster Road - - - - -
- 9th To See if the Town will accept of the Way, laid out by the Select Men, from Lancaster old Road, to L^t Joseph Willis.s Gate, by the Widow Brigham,s Dwelling House - - - - -
- 10th To See if the Town will Accept of the List of Jurors as put into the Box by the Select Men - - - - -

And make due return of this Order with your doings therein to the Select-Men, or Town Clerk at time and place above mentioned

By Order of the Select Men W^m Baldwin Town Clerk

Sudbury Feb: 21st 1774

In Obedience to this within written Order I have warned the freeholders and other Inhabitants Qualified to vote in Town Affairs to meet at time and place as within mentioned, Edmund Parmenter, one of the Constables Att a Town Meeting in Sudbury, Legally Warned March 7th 1774 the Town being met at time and place proceeded & Chose Cap^t Ezekiel How Moderator, then the Town proceeded as follows viz^t Chose Town Officers. - - - - -

Select Men		High Way Surveyors
Cap ^t Ezekiel How	M ^r Jacob Reeves	M ^r Nathan Smith
M ^r John Tilton	M ^r Nathan Smith	M ^r Timothy Underwood
M ^r John Maynard	Surveyors of Shingles	M ^r John Loker
M ^r Phinehas Glezen	M ^r Jonathan Cutting	L ^t Jonathan Parmenter
Cap ^t Aaron Haynes	M ^r James Thompson	M ^r Isaac Puffer
L ^t Joseph Smith	Sealers of Leather	M ^r Aaron Maynard
M ^r John Balcom	M ^r Tim ^o Underwood	L ^t Joseph Read
Town Clerk	M ^r Sam ^l Puffer Jun ^r	M ^r Uriah Hayden
W ^m Baldwin	Fence Viewers	Fish Reeves
Town Treasurer	L ^t Ebenezer Staples	M ^r Elijah Willis
W ^m Baldwin	L ^t Daniel Bowker	M ^r Isaac Woodward
Assessors	L ^t Moses Stone	Clerk of the Market
M ^r John Maynard	Deer Reeves	W ^m Baldwin
W ^m Baldwin	Cap ^t Isaac Cutting	M ^r Samuel Tilton
Deac ⁿ Tho ^s Plympton	M ^r Tho ^s Carr	2 ^d Article pass.d in the Negative
Constables	Tything Men	3 ^d Pass.d in the Negative
M ^r Nath ^l Maynard	Lt Jon ^s Carter	4 th Pass.d in the Affirmative
and the Town by their	M ^r Asher Cutler	5 th Voted to repair the high Ways by a Rate and Granted one hundred pounds for repairing the same and impowered the Surveyors to be Collectors also ordered the Assessors to make it into a rate forthwith -
Vote accepted of M ^r Daniel Maynard to serve in his Room	M ^r Phinehas Puffer	6 th not Acted upon
Thomas Damon Jun ^r and the Town Accepted of M ^r Caleb Moulton to Serve in his Room	M ^r Hope Willis	7 th Passed in the Negative
M ^r Silas Goodenow	M ^r Eben ^s Johnson	8 th The Town Accepted of the Road mentioned in this Article and
Wardens	Hog Reeves	
M ^r Aaron Johnson	M ^r Aaron Emmes	
M ^r David How	M ^r Jedidiah Parmenter	
	M ^r Micah Rice	
	M ^r John Noyes Jun ^r	
	Field Drivers	
	M ^r Jason Haynes	
	M ^r W ^m Dudley	

Ordered it to be
 Recorded
 10th The Town Accepted of
 the List of Jurors
 11th The Town Accepted of
 the Road mentioned
 in this Article and
 Ordered it to be
 Recorded
 12th

12th The Town Accepted of the Road mentioned in this Article
 and Ordered it to be Recorded

13th Passed in the Negative

Ezekiel How mod^{ter}

May 1774

To M^r Caleb Moulton one of the Constables of Sudbury Greeting

These Order you to warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants
 off and Belonging to Sudbury (in your Ward) Qualified to Vote in
 Town Affairs and in the choice of Representatives; to meet at the
 East Meeting House in Sudbury on Monday the Sixteenth Day of
 May Curr^t at one o[^]Clock P.M. on said Day - then and there

- 1st To Elect and depute one or more Person or Persons, being Freeholders
 and Resident in said Town, to serve for and Represent said Town
 at a Great and General Court, to be convened held and kept, for
 his Majesty,s Service, at the Court House in Boston, on Wednesday
 the twenty fifth Day of May Instant at Nine of the Clock in the
 forenoon, and so De Die in Diem, During their Session and Sessions
 as is Directed in S.d Precept sent to said Town _____
- 2^d To See if the Town will accept of the Settlement the Select Men have^{made}
 with the Town Treasurer W^m Baldwin _____
- 3^d To See if the Town will choose a Committee and empower them to
 to [sic] Settle the Town Debts, the present year _____
- 4th To See if the Town will Sell the Ministerial land on the West side
 of the River; Agreeable to the Petition of John Mosman and Others, or do
 or Act any other way as the Town shall think proper when met _____
- 5th To See if the Town will Abate Matthias Mosmans Taxes for the Year 1772
 Agreeable to the Petition of L^d Daniel Bowker and others _____
- 6th To See if the Town will accept of Some suitable Person to Serve as
 Constable in the Room of Silas Goodenow - - - - -
- 7th To See if the Town will consent that M^r Philemon Brown may
 move the Stone Pound a few Rods from where it now stands, upon
 such Terms, as the Town and said Brown shall agree upon
- 8th To See if the Town will accept the report of the Towns Committee

concerning the Powder House; and to see what further the Town will do in said Affair, or do or act any other way as the Town shall think proper when met

And make due Return of this Order with your doings therein to the Select Men or Town Clerk at time and place

By Order of the Select Men

Sudbury May 9th 1774

W^m Baldwin Town Clerk

According to the within Written Order I have warned and caused to be warned all the freeholders and other Inhabitants off and belonging (in my ward) Qualified to Vote in Town Affairs, and in the choice of a Representative, to meet at time and place within mentioned

Caleb Moulton one of the Constables for Sudbury

The Return of the other three Constable orders were as the law Directs and Accepted by the Town of Sudbury

Att a Town Meeting in Sudbury Legally Warned May 16th 1774 The Town being met proceeded and chose Deacon Thomas Plympton being a Freeholder & resident in said Town to serve for and represent them in a Great and General Court to be convened held and kept for his Majestys Service at the Town House in Boston upon Wednesday the twenty fifth Day of May Instant

At said Meeting May 16th 1774 the Town proceed [sic] and chose Decⁿ Thomas Plympton Moderator, then the Town proceeded as follows viz^t

2^d The Town by their Voted [sic] Accepted of the Settlement the Select Men had made with their Town Treasurer W^m Baldwin

3^d this Article passed in the Negative

4th also passed in the Negative

5th The Town by their Vote Remitted Matthias Mosmans Town Tax for the Year 1772 he then being out of the Province

6th this Article Passed in the Negative

7th The Town by their Vote consented that M^r Philemon Brown may move the Stone pound a few rods from where it now stands, on Condition s.d Brown Provide a Suitable place for it to stand and Dig into the Hill a Sufficient place for length and Breadth for s.d Pound to be set, also s.d Brown to Provide good white Oak Posts and Sawed Rails for the front of the Pound, and to be at the whole charge of fixing the Post and Rails and Setting them up, the Town to move the Stone Next the wall

8th this article Pass.d in the Negative

Tho^s. Plympton Mod^r

Sudbury May 15th 1774

We the Subscribers being Appointed by the Select Men to Settle Accounts with the Present Town Treasurer W^m Baldwin find the state of the Treasury as follows for the Year 1772 viz^t

Granted to pay the Rev ^d Ministers Salaries - - - - -	148	-	-
Paid - - - - -	148		
Granted for the Support of the Poor - - - - -	40	-	-
Receiv. ^d for Ann Claps Place - - - - -	2	18	8
of Gibbs & Noyes for Pratt.s Place - - - - -	2	9	4
of Rowand Bogle for Prats Place - - - - -	2	13	4
of M ^r Asher Cutler - - - - -	3	6	8
	51	8	-
Paid by Orders - - - - -	62	18	6 = 2
Overpaid - - - - -	11	10	6 = 2
Granted for the Grammar School - - - - -	40	-	-
Paid by Orders - - - - -	26	13	4
Ballance Due - - - - -	13	6	8
Granted for a Reading & Writing School - - - - -	20	-	-
Paid by Orders - - - - -	19	15	4
		4	8
Granted for the Assessors and Town Treasurer - - - - -	6	-	-
Paid by Orders - - - - -	6	-	-
Ballance due on the former Settlement with s.d Treasurer	13	13	3
Received of New Grant money - - - - -	12	7	10
Paid by an Order to Ezekiel How - - - - -	7	17	1
Ballance Due - - - - -	4	10	9
Ballance Due in the Treasurers hands upon the Whole -	20	4	9-2
Also remains due in former Constables hands viz ^t			
in Lt Phinehas Brintnall.s - - - - -	1	16	5
in John Bruces - - - - -	2	6	9

John Maynard)
 John Tilton) Committee of the Select Men

June 1774

To M^r Caleb Moulton one of the Constables of Sudbury - Greeting

These Order you to Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants
 off and Belonging to Sudbury (in your Ward) Qualified to Vote in Town
 Affairs, to meet at the East Meeting House in Sudbury on Monday the
 twenty^{eth} Ninth Day of June Next at two of the Clock in the after Noon
 on Said Day then and there - - -

1st To See if the Town will take into Consideration the Letter sent to their
 Committee of Correspondence, by the Committee of Correspondence of
 the Town of Boston (which Letter was Written in Presence off and
 with the concurrence of the Committees of Correspondence, for the
 Towns of Dorchester, Roxbury, Newton, Lexington, Brookline, Cambridge
 Charlestown and Lynn) and take such Resolutions thereon, as the Town
 as the Town [sic] Shall think proper when met and do or Act any other Matter
 or thing as this Alarming Crisis may Call for - - - - -

- 2^d To See if the Town will give Liberty to M^r John Underwood to Erect an House on a Parcel of land, left by the Proprietors, for a Training field lying on the West side the River, Near M^r John Clarks, and improve said Tract of Land, During the Towns Pleasure, Agreeable to the Petition of L^b Joseph Willis and Others ———
- 3^d To See if the Town will Sell or lett to M^r John Clark the Training field near his House, During the Towns Pleasure, as the Town and said Clark shall agree when met Agreeable to his Petition - - - - -
- 4th To See if the Town will Build a New Powder House and Sell the old one or the [sic] move the Town Stock of Ammunition to some other place in said Town Agreeable to the Petition of David How and others

And make due Return of this Order with your doings thereon to the Select Men or Town Clerk at time and Place above Mentioned —

By Order of the Select Men

Sudbury May 30th 1774 W^m Baldwin Town Clerk

Att a Town Meeting in Sudbury Legally Warned June 20th 1774

the Town being met at time and Place proceeded and chose Deacon Thomas Plympton Moderator then the Town proceded of [sic] follows viz^t
 The Town Voted to take into consideration the Letter sent to their Committee of Correspondence, by the Committee of Correspondence for the Town of Boston, and the Town by their Vote Accepted of a Draug^{ht} prepared by their ~~Vote~~ Committee of Correspondence and Ordered the same to be Recorded and a Copy thereof to be transmitted to the Committee of

Correspondence for the Town of Boston

- 2^d this Article was put to Vote and passed in the Negative
- 3^d Article was put to Vote and passed in the Negative
- 4th The Town Voted to choose a Committee to take this Article into consideration and report at the adjournment, and chose for their Committee Mess^{rs} John Maynard Ezekiel How and Phinehas Glezen -

Then the Town adjourned their Meeting to Monday the 4th Day of July Next to meet at the same place at 4 o[^] Clock P M on said Day

The Town being Met at time and place according to the aforesaid

The Town Voted to Reconsider the above Draught and to recommit the Same to the same Committee, for their amendment, they to lay it before the Town for their Acceptance

Voted that the Select Men, motion it, to each of the Minister: in this Town to appoint a Contribution to Collect a Sum of Money to Defrey this Town,s part of the Charges of the Committee of Congress, and the overplus if any be to be put into the Town Treasurers hands and to be Disposed off by the Town - - - - -

The Committee of Correspondence after amending the said Draught laid it before the Town for their acceptance and the Town by their Vote accepted of the Same

Then the Town Adjourned their Meeting to Monday the 18th Day of July Instant to Meet at the same Place @ 4 o[^]Clock P M on said Day The Town being met at time and Place according to the aforesaid Adjournment Proceeded &ca

The Town Voted to Build a Powder House with Brick and lime and chose a Committee viz^t Mess^{rs} Ezekiel How, John Maynard & Phinehas Glezen to provide Materials and find some Suitable place to Sett the House and report to the Town at the adjournment - - - - -

Then the Town Adjourned their Meeting to Monday the 12th Day of September Next at 4 o Clock P.M. on said Day to meet at the same Place ----- The Town being met at time and place proceeded as follows viz^t - - - - -

The Town Voted that the overplus of Money arising by the Contribution should be appropriated toward purchasing Ammunition for the Town Stock

The Town Voted that the Select Men be a Committee to purchase the whole of the Powder now under the Care of M^r Sarson Belcher being ten half Barrels. Six half Barrels for the Town Stock and four half Barrels to be Sold out to the Inhabitants of the Town — Also to purchase Six hundred Weight & 300 French Flynts or 500 English Flynts, to purchase a Chest of Arms to the Number of 30 with Bayonets to be under the Care of the Select Men, to be delivered out as there shall be Occasion

By a Vote of the Town the aforesaid Draught of the Committee of Correspondence was reconsidered and ordered to be delivered to the aforesaid Committee

Tho^s. Plympton Mod^r.

To M^r Jonas Holden one of the late Constables for Sudbury Greeting

These Order you to Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants off and Belonging to Sudbury (in your Ward) Qualified to Vote in Town Affairs and in the choice of Representatives to meet at the West Meeting House in Sudbury on Monday the third Day of October next at twelve o[^]Clock at Noon on Said^{Day} then and there

1st To See if the Town will Elect and Depute one or more Person or Persons, being Freeholders and Resident in said Town, to serve for and Represent said Town at a Great and General Court or Assembly, Appointed to be convened held and kept for his Majesty,s Service at the Court House in Salem on Wednesday the fifth Day of October Next, by Nine in the Morning and so de die in Diem During their Session & Sessions, as is Directed in said Precept sent to Said Town

2^d To Bring in Town Debts and Credit

3^d To See if the Town will Grant their Rev^d Ministers their Salary for the Year ensuing

4th To See if the Town will Grant money for the support of the Gram^{er} School and Order where and how said School shall be kept the Year ensuing

- 5th To See if the Town will Grant money for the Support of a Reading and Writing School and Order where said School shall be kept the ensuing Year - - -
- 6th To see if the Town will Grant Money for the Relief of the Poor in said Town, the present Year
- 7th To See if the Town will appoint a Man or Men to take Care off and Sweep each of the Meeting Houses in said Town the present Year, and Digg Graves as there may be Occasion _____
- 8th To See if the Town will Grant Money to pay the Assessors and Town Treasurer the present Year _____
- 9th To See if the Town will choose some Suitable Person or Persons to meet and Act, with the proposed Provincial Congress, at Concord on the Second Tuesday of October Next, or at Such time and Place as shall be agreed upon hereafter, or do or Act as the Town shall think proper when met
- 10th To See if the Town will accept of some Suitable Person to serve as Constable in the Room of M^r Silas Goodenow _____
- 11th To See if the Town will Grant Money to pay for the Arms and Ammunition which the Select Men have procured for a Town Stock and Order where the Arms and Ammunition shall be deposited

And make due return of this Order with your doings thereon to the Select Men or Town Clerk at time and place above mentioned

By Order of the Select Men

W^m Baldwin Town Clerk

Sudbury September 30th 1774 In observance of this Order I have Warned and Caused to be Warned all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants in my Ward ^{Qualified to Vote in Town Affairs and in the choice of} Representatives to meet at time and Place Jonas Holden

the Returns of the other three Constables Orders were as the law Directs and were Accepted by the Town

Att a Town Meeting in Sudbury Legally Warned October 3^d 1774 the Town being met proceeded and chose Deacon Thomas Plympton being a Freeholder and resident in said Town, to serve for and Represent them in a Great and General Court to be convened held and kept for his Majesty,s Service at the Court House in Salem upon Wednesday the fifth Day of ~~May~~ October Instant

Att said Meeting October 3^d 1774 The Town Proceeded and chose Decⁿ Thomas Plympton Moderator then the Town Proceeded as follows viz^t

3 ^d Granted to the Rev ^d M ^r Josiah Bridge for his Salary the ensuing Year the sum of - - - - -	74	-	-
Also Granted to the Rev ^d M ^r Jacob Biglow for his Salary the ensuing Year - - - - -	74	-	-
4 th Granted for the Grammar School £30 to be laid out) in the Winter Season at the four School Houses) where the Grammar School was kept the past Year)	30	-	-

5 th	Granted for the Reading and Writing School £30 & Voted) that the School at the South West Corner of the Town) should be kept at the School House near M ^r Oliver) Morses and at the Usual Places at the other parts of the) Town - - - - -)	30	-	-
6 th	Granted for the Support of the Poor the sum of _____	40	-	-
7 th	The Town by their Vote Appointed M ^r Isaac Lincoln J ^r to take care off and Sweep the West Meeting House & to Dig Graves as there may be Occassion - - - - - Also appointed M ^r Benjamin Ball to do the like Service the East Side the River - - - - -			
8 th	Granted the sum of £6 to pay the Assessors and) Town Treasurer - - - - -)	6	-	-
9 th	The Town by their Vote Chose Cap ^t : Richard Heard & M ^r James Mosman to join with their Representa tive Dea ⁿ : Thomas Plympton, to meet and Act with the proposed Provincial Congress _____			

Then the Town by their Vote adjourned their Meeting to
Monday the Seventeenth Day of October Instant to Meet
at one o^oclock at the Same Place

according to the afores.d adjournment
The Town being Met at time and place ^ proceeded and
allowed the Town Debts viz^t

Allowed to John Adams for Perambulating the Town line between) Sudbury and Weston - - - - -)		-	3	-
To Daniel Bowker for Isaac Moore,s Rates in 1772 _____		-	15	6
To W ^m Baldwin for Cash for Writing a Complaint vs Mary Knight) 6/ to the Clerk 2/8 attending Court 2 Day 12/ for my Travail to) procure Evidences vs Johnson & Others 12/ Attending Court in s.d) Affair 9/ Fee to M ^r Sewall in Mary Knights Affair 36/ Attending) Court 2 Days at May Term 12/ for my paying Asahel Balcom for his) being over Rated 6/ & for Warrant to move Joslyn & Family 1/4) To John Balcom for Perambulating the line between Sudbury) and Concord, Acton and Stow - - - - -)		4	17	-
To Benj ^a . Ball for Sweeping the East Meeting House one Year -		-	13	4
To L ^t Hopestill Brown for 147 feet Plank 14/9 D ^o 198 Black Oak) 16/ for Black Oak string piece 3/ _____)		1	13	9
To Maj ^r Curtis for Cash to pay Micah Graves Rates to Benj ^a Pierce		-	11	-
To Jon ^a Cutting for Work done at the East School House -		4	2	-
To Tim ^o Emmes for 51 feet Plank 4/ & 116 feet Timber 10/ -		-	14	-
To En ^t : Farrar for perambulating the line between Sudbury) & Lincoln 2/ for Tim ^o Bruces Rates _____)		-	14	7
To Phinehas Glezen for Perambulating the Town line between) Sudbury & Weston 3/ for Brick to mend the School House) Chimney 3/2 & Paying Willington for mending the School House--)		-	7	2
To Micah Goodenow for warning 2 Town Meetings 6/ half) Days Work at the Bridge 2/8 _____)		-	8	8

To Cap ^t Ezekiel How for 20 Guns & Bayonets £27=0=2 - 600 W ^t)			
Lead £8=16=0 - 300 french Flynts 9/ Chest for the Arms & Carting)			
them 7/2-2 Six half Barrels of Powder £24 Perambulating)			
the line between Sudbury & Framingham 3/ Allowed by the)			
Courts Committee for the High Way £6=12 for a Journey to	)	61	15	3=2
Cambridge for advice 12/ in Mary Knights Affair; Journey to)			
Lancaster & Worcester in said affair 12/ two Days attending)			
Court in Mary Knights affair - s.d How Receiv.d in part)			
of the above of W ^m Baldwin & John Maynard £7=8=1)			
To En ^s Josiah Richardson allowed him by the Court for the)			
High Way thro ^h his land - - - - -	)	4	8	-
To Thomas Carr Allowed him by the Court for the High Way))			
thro ^h his land - - - - -	)	11	=	-
To David How for a Stone to Cover a Sluice 3/ & 25 feet plank 1/4	)	-	4	4
To En ^s Jonas Holden for Warning 5 Town Meeting 20/ Carrying))			
Joslyn & his Effects to Marlbro 26/8 Timber for Sluice - )	)	2	8	8
To Abraham Jenkinson for perambulating Town line between))			
Sudbury and Lincoln - - - - -	)	-	2	-
To Samuel Knight for Sam ¹¹ Grants Rates 13/10 for Moses))			
Goodenow Jun ^r Rates 16/4 - - - - -	)	1	10	2
To Isaac Lincoln Jun ^r for Sweeping the West Meeting House last year	)	-	13	4
To Caleb Moulton for Warning 7 Town Meetings in 1773 & 74))			
21/ for being over Rated 1 Poll in 1773 9/11 - - - - -	)	1	10	11
To John Maynard for Attending the Courts Committee 2 Days))			
8/ at Charlestown 2 Days to prevent the report being Accepted 12/))			
Fee to M ^r Adams 24/ two Days at the long Causey Setting up )	)	5	4	-
Posts and Rails & Team 7/5=4 Posts 2/8 Sleding two loads plank))			
to the Town Bridge 3/4 - 5 Days Collecting Witnesses vs))			
Johnson and Others 30/ Attending Court 2 Days on s.d Affair 12/))			
To John Maynard Jun ^r for 3 Hundred oak Plank 24/ Carting 4/8 -	)	1	8	8
To Daniel Maynard for Warning 5 Town Meetings 15/ one Days))			
Work at the Causey 3/ half Day at the Bridge 2/8 - - - - -	)	1	-	8
To Doctor Mosman for 9 Days Work repairing the Arms - - - - -	)	1	12	-
To Phinehas Puffer for perambulating the line between Sudbury & Concord -	)		3	-
To Tho ^s Puffer for 80 feet 3 Inch Plank - - - - -	)	-	6	4
To En ^s Puffer for Isaac Moores Rates in 1770 - - - - -	)	-	12	3
To Isaac Puffer for Powder 1/5 Instruments for Blowing Rocks 8/3	)	-	9	8
To Dea ⁿ Tho ^s Plympton for Travail & ^{31 Days} Attendance at Court in May & June	)	5	5	-
To Edmund Parmenter for John Underwoods Rates 8/1 Warning 4))			
Town Meeting 16/ - - - - -	)	1	4	1
To L ^t Jacob Read for Perambulating Town line between Sudbury &)			
Framingham	)	-	3	-
To En ^s Jon ^a Rice for 58 feet 3 Inch Plank - - - - -	)	-	4	-
To Jacob Reeves for Rum Vinegar & c ^a for M ^{rs} Cinbolton -	)	1	2	10
To L ^t Eben ^t Staples for 4 Window Shutters for the School House))			
10/ part of a Day Lowering Town Bridge 2/8 - - - - -	)	-	12	8
To L ^t Joseph Smith for 1 Day Setting posts on the Causey ^{3/} 51 feet))			
plank for the School House 2/8 Perambulating the line between))			

Sudbury & Natick 3/ Part of a Day lowering Town Bridge 2/8 for)	1	12	8
Bennet 2/8 Quart of Rum /7 Providing for Mary Cimbleton 18/1 -)			
To John Tilton for Providing for Annas Cimbleton		14	3
To Thomas Trask for part Days Work lowering the Bridge -----	-	2	8
To John Willis for 2 Pieces split Timber - - - - -	-	2	-
To Elijah Willis for Perambulating between Sudbury & Stow - - - -	-	3	-
To Isaac Woodward for Rocks for the Bridge near his House - - - - -	-	5	4
To Joseph Willis for Isaac Moor,s Rates in 1768 - - - - -	-	5	6
To Cap ^t Cornelius Wood for Stick Timber for the Bridge near his House		3	-

11th Allowed to Cap^t Ezekiel How his Account for Providing Arms and Ammunition as Recorded above

Then the Town by their Vote adjourned their Meeting to Monday the 31st Day of October Ins^t. at two o^h Clock P M to meet at the same place _____

The Town being met at time and place according to the aforesaid adjournment proceeded and allowed the accounts of Mess^{rs} John Maynard Edmund Parmenter and L^t Willis, which accounts are Recorded above

Then the Town by their Vote adjourned their Meeting to Wednesday the Ninth Day of November Next at two o^h Clock P M on said Day to meet at the same place

The Town being met at time and Place according to the afores.d Adjournment Proceeded as follows viz^t

The Town Voted that the Reading and Writing School at the south West Corner of the Town, should be kept at the school House near M^r Oliver Morses and at the other places where it was kept the last Year

Tho^s. Plympton Mod^r.

November 1774

THIS IS TO NOTIFY AND WARN all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants off and Belonging to Sudbury, to meet at the West Meeting House in Sudbury on Monday the fourteenth Day of November Instant at ten of the Clock in the forenoon, on said Day to act on the following Articles viz^t

1st To See if the Town will take into Consideration the Several measures, recommended by the Provincial Congress with respect to the Militia, Receiver General, Publick Monies of the Province and every other Article recommended by said Congress, also such Measures recommended by the Continental Congress, and Do or Act as the Town shall think proper when met

2^d To See if the Town will accept of some Suitable Person to serve as Constable in the Room of M^r Silas Goodenow

By Order of the Select Men

Sudbury Nov^r: 9th 1774

W^m Baldwin Town Clerk

The Town by their Vote accepted of this manner of Warning for this Town Meeting

At a Town Meeting in Sudbury Legally Warned November 14th 1774

The Town being met at time and Place proceeded and chose Deacon Thomas Plympton Moderator then the Town proceeded and passed these Votes ^{following} viz: 1st

- 1st Voted that the Town Recommend to the several Companies of Militia to meet for the choice of Officers for their Respective Companies as Recommended by the Provincial Congress, Also Voted that the Company of Militia on the East Side the River meet on thirsday next at twelve o[^]clock at the East Meeting House in Sudbury to choose their Officers and the Companies on the West side to meet at the West Meeting House at the same time and for the like purpose - - - - -
- 2^d Voted that the Town Order and Direct their Several Constables or Collectors to pay such Sum or Sums as they have now in hand or shall respectively Receive of the Province Monies into the hands of Henry Gardner Esq: taking his Receipt therefor _____ and further Voted that the Town will indemnify the Several Constables or Collectors from any Damage that may Accrue to them for not paying the same to Harrison Gray Esq: agreeable to the re commendation of the Provincial Congress _____
- 3^d Voted that the Town Order their Assessors, to Assess the Inhabi- tants of said Town their Respective Proportion of the Province Tax Granted by the General Assembly in May last - making out their Warrants for the Collection of the same agreeable to the form of a Warrant for Town Assessments, and Ordered said Assessors to transmit a Certificate of said Assessments with the Names of the Constables or Collectors to whom they have committed the said Assessment to Henry Gardner Esq: and that the Town will Support and Defend them in so doing - - - - -
- 4th Voted that the Town direct their Several Constables or Collectors to proceed in Collecting the Province Tax for the present Year Agree able to the form of a Warrant Directed by law for Collecting Town Assessments, and that said Town will support them in said procedur^e
- 5th The Town Voted their Approbation of the Several Measures of the Provincial Congress so far as has been communicated to them
- 6th The Town Voted that ^{the} Assessors should apply to the Committee chosen by the General Assembly in May last to prepare a Tax Bill for the Towns proportion of the Province Tax for their Direction in Assessing said Town
- 7th Voted that the Town will choose a Committee to Observe the . Conduct of all Persons touching the Association agreement entered into by the Continental Congress whose Business it shall be to see the Articles contained therein are Strictly adhered to by the Inhabi tants of this Town and chose the following Persons for s.d Committee viz^t Mess^{rs} John Nixon Jonathan Parmenter Phinehas Puffer Timothy Underwood Jonathan Rice Josiah Farrar & Jesse Willis
Tho: Plympton Mod^r



THE SENIOR CITIZEN Drop-in Center opened this year. Celebrating the opening are Rep. Ann Gannett, Maureen Letteney of the Council on Aging and SPNHA Barbara Parrott.

Council on Aging

The prime consideration of the Council on Aging in this first year of its operation was to establish a Drop-In Center for Sudbury citizens over sixty years of age. From its \$1000 budget, the Council furnished two rooms in the Memorial Congregational Church on Concord Road with sofas, comfortable chairs, tables, rugs, window screens, an electric fan, and other supplies, at a total cost of approximately \$700. Donations from Sudbury citizens included a TV, a rollaway bed for emergencies, a bulletin board, a coffee maker, paper cups and napkins, cases of books, games, pencils and file cards.

An appeal to Sudbury's clergy for volunteers enabled us to set up a list of twenty-five ladies to work for the Center, from which a seven-member board was appointed. With the welcome assistance of FISH members, committees were formed to visit shut-ins and provide transportation to and from the Center.

To officially open the Drop-In Center, the Council held Open House on April 26 with over 100 people attending. Dedicated volunteers provided and served refreshments. A decorated cake and an arrangement of flowers were donated as were many door prizes to make the Open House a festive affair.

The Center is open each Friday from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. A nurse from the SPHNA is in attendance each week from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. to provide geriatric health service for health maintenance and prevention of illness. As of December 1, a total of 106 patients had been examined at the Center; in several instances the nurse discovered health problems among those not under medical care. Where indicated, patients were referred to a physician.

Socially, the Drop-In Center is a place where visitors may gather each week to enjoy the pleasure of being with new and old friends in a similar age bracket. Coffee, tea, or a cold drink in warm weather are served at noon to have with a sandwich brought from home. Each week someone brings homemade cookies or cake. The last Friday of each month a Sudbury bakeshop donates a decorated birthday cake to celebrate birthdays of that month. Appropriately, participants voted to name their Drop-In Center The Open Door.

Activities include yoga exercises each Friday before lunch, sing-alongs with an accordion, travel slides with a fine music background, a nutrition

lecture stressing special dietary adaptations, latchet rug hooking and pastel drawing. Two summer picnics, a September luncheon provided by the volunteers, and a bus trip to Boston in October were enjoyed by all. In November and December, chances were drawn to win Thanksgiving and Christmas turkeys donated by a local bank. The year's activities ended with a Christmas luncheon and entertainment.

Efforts made in behalf of Sudbury's elderly include: (1) Arrangements were made with Star Market of Sudbury for a bus to pick up the elderly each Thursday at their homes and transport them to the Star Market Plaza for shopping in the area. The bus is patronized by about eighteen people each week. (2) A request was made to the Mass. Public Health Trust for a grant of \$700 to buy medic-alert bracelets for the elderly with medical problems. To date the Council has not been notified as to a decision on this. (3) In May and June, the Chairman of the Council conducted the Supplemental Security Income Alert program for the Town of Sudbury and visited over eighty homes in this endeavor. Over twenty five people were signed up for this added income. (4) The board for the Drop-In Center mailed to those in Sudbury over sixty a newsletter covering activities and general information. As a result of this letter the Center has received many phone calls requesting assistance, and asking further information about food stamps and other matters. (5) Camp Fire Girls addressed the newsletter mailing to senior citizens. (6) A High School Fellowship of boys and girls spent one evening giving the Center a thorough cleaning before its initial opening.

The Council on Aging throughout the year has endeavored to determine the needs of Sudbury's elderly and appreciates the efforts of the volunteers and other Sudbury people who have worked toward this goal.

Respectfully submitted,

Col. Paul J. Leahy,
Chairman
Lorraine Bauder
Margaret Bennett
Joseph F. Gough
Marion D. Letteney
John J. O'Neill
Barbara A. Parrott

Elinor L. Bentley
George D. Seale
Gloria Stoccardo
John V. Sullivan
Associate Members
Helen P. Deck
Donald B. Willard



STARSHIP IS LAUNCHED as Selectman John Powers and Sudbury Star Market manager Bob DeLeo greet senior citizens arriving on the first free bus to Star Market.

Equal Employment Opportunity By-Law Committee

In April of 1971 the Town Meeting enacted Sudbury's Equal Employment Opportunity By-Law, requiring the Town, all its committees and departments to take affirmative steps to recruit minority persons for employment with the Town and to let contracts for goods and services only to those contractors demonstrating adherence to similar affirmative action plans. In July of 1973 the Selectmen established the Equal Employment Opportunity By-Law Committee to advise the Selectmen about implementing the By-Law.

The E.E.O. By-Law Committee felt strongly that in order to offer recommendations regarding appropriate alterations in the Town's personnel and contract letting practices, it should understand precisely how those systems operate at present. As no single Town official could provide a detailed description of the system for each Town department, the Committee asked the Selectmen, each department and committee to complete a questionnaire regarding current employment and contract letting practices.

The results of the questionnaire depicted a widely diverse modus operandi regarding personnel practices within the Town and revealed few efforts towards implementation of the E.E.O. By-Law. As such a posture leaves the Town open to criticism regarding its efforts to effect equal employment opportunity, the Committee has compiled and presented to the Selectmen initial suggestions for a plan to implement the E.E.O. By-Law. The Committee looks forward to working with the Selectmen and Town departments in 1975 and realizing an effective town-wide policy of true equal employment opportunity.

Respectfully submitted,

Carroll Brownlee,
Chairman
Stephen Bankuti
Nancy Blecher

Board of Health

As outlined below, the business of the board spanned a wide variety of activities which in some manner impacted on the health of the community. During 1974, there were 21 regular meetings and 2 special meetings.

CLINICS: Under contract from the Board of Health, the Sudbury Public Health Nursing Association conducted 12 Well Child Clinics in which 90 children were examined. In the School Immunization Clinic 166 D.T., 51 German Measles and 95 Mumps immunizations were administered by the S.P.H.N.A. nurses. In addition 772 children received tuberculosis tests. In the Adult Immunization Clinic, S.P.H.N.A. administered 12 Smallpox, 4 D.T. as well as giving 112 tuberculosis tests and 7 doses of gamma globulin. There were 21 Geriatric Clinics attended by 48 persons. This program begun in late 1973 has been very well received. Preschool Vision Testing was done on 363 children.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL: S.P.H.N.A. carried out required follow-up on 8 cases of reportable diseases. These included tuberculosis, hepatitis and salmonellosis.

The annual rabies clinic was held in May, and 230 dogs were vaccinated.

In 1974 for the first time the board sponsored an encephalitis immunization clinic for horses in the



CONGRESSMAN ROBERT DRINAN, surrounded by Curtis Jr. High School students.

town. One hundred twenty-six horses were vaccinated or about 25% of those in the licensed stables in town. The board plans to make this clinic an annual event. Vaccination costs are paid by the horse owners.

We are happy to report there were no reported cases of Eastern Equine Encephalitis among the wild bird or domestic horse population. After the epizootic of 1973, this improvement was most welcome. The most important factor in control of this disease, which is usually fatal when contracted by humans, is control of the mosquito population.

SUBSURFACE SEWAGE DISPOSAL: During 1974 the board adopted a completely revised set of regulations for the construction of subsurface sewage disposal systems. These regulations are based on a survey of the published engineering literature on the subject and incorporate recommendations made by Prof. Lynn Gelhar of the Civil Engineering Department of M.I.T. who was hired as a consultant during 1973.

The board continues to support the efforts of the Wayland/Sudbury Septage Disposal Planning Committee to construct a septic tank pumpings disposal facility. There is no legal way to dispose of septage presently being pumped in town. The licensed pumpers continue to report difficulty disposing of this material and one has had his disposal site denied him altogether. This problem could suddenly assume crisis proportions. Consequently, the board supports the articles to be presented at the 1975 Annual Town Meeting for a joint disposal facility with Wayland. This alternative appears to be the most economical way of handling the liquid waste disposal problem.

SANITARY LANDFILL: Early in 1974 the Highway Commission submitted to the board a Master Plan for operation of the landfill. As required by state regulation, this was forwarded to the State Department of Public Health after approval by the board.

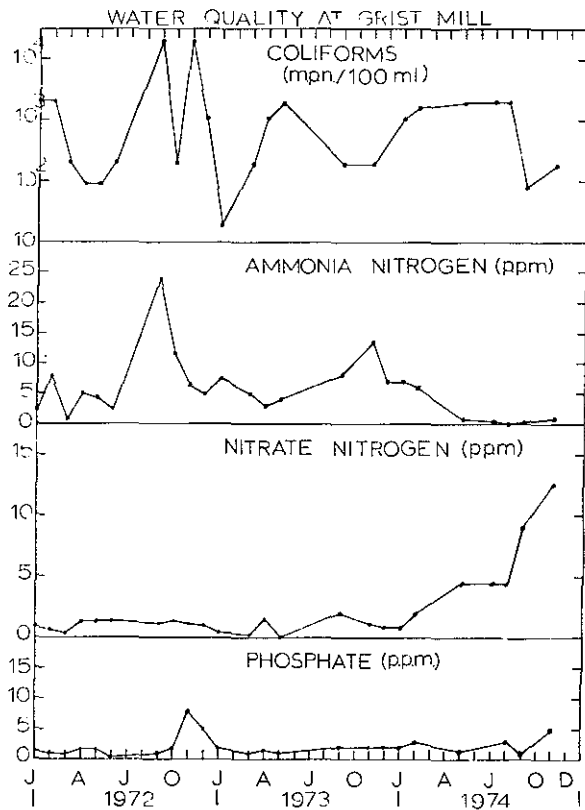
Yearly updates to this plan are required so that landfill use and projected life will be known. These are particularly important parameters in planning for the town's future needs. As a result of personnel difficulties in both the Highway and Engineering Departments, the follow-up data have not been submitted. The board regards this deficiency as one of the most serious problems facing it and one which could have a major financial impact on the town if not resolved.

HOP BROOK WATER QUALITY: The board's monitoring program continued during 1974. During the year the various stages in Marlboro's East-

Financial Report - Board of Health

January 1, 1973 - June 30, 1974

Professional Salaries		
Appropriation	\$20,000.00	
Expenditures	15,394.35	
Balance		\$ 4,605.65
Clerical Salary		
Appropriation	8,000.00	
Expenditures	6,479.84	
Balance		1,520.16
Laboratory Expense		
Appropriation	1,800.00	
Expenditures	1,107.50	
Balance		692.50
Travel Expense		
Appropriation	850.00	
Expenditures	849.89	
Balance		.11
Consultant Fees		
Appropriation	1,000.00	
Expenditures	250.00	
Balance		750.00
General Expenses		
Appropriation	2,500.00	
Expenditures	1,970.09	
Balance		529.91
Sudbury Public Health Nursing Association		
Appropriation	25,337.00	
Expenditures	25,337.00	
Balance		0
Equipment Purchase		
Appropriation	590.00	
Expenditures	516.26	
Balance		73.74
Mental Health		
Appropriation	7,100.00	
Expenditures	7,099.92	
Balance		.08
East Middlesex Mosquito Control Project		
Appropriation	18,572.00	
Expenditures	18,572.00	
Balance		0
Board of Health Receipts		
Sewage Permits	3,190.00	
Pre-School Licenses	105.00	
Well Child & Geriatric Clinics	334.75	
Food Service Permits	370.00	
Installer's Permits	225.00	
Garbage Collection Permits	235.00	
Stable Permits	37.00	
Well, pool and pond tests	545.00	
Other Miscellaneous Permits	179.50	
Total		<u>5,221.25</u>
Total amount returned to treasury		<u>\$13,393.40</u>



erly Sewage Treatment Plant came on stream. As can be seen in the graph below there has been some improvement in water quality with the lowering of pollution levels. The real test will come during 1975 when all parts of the plant will be operating for the full year.

MENTAL HEALTH: The board's mental health program has been undergoing a critical review. In September the board terminated its financial support of Trinity Mental Health Association. This action was taken because that group was unable or unwilling to provide the board with statistics on its services to Sudbury citizens. On a trial basis, funding was begun for the Family Counseling and Guidance Centers which also provides services to Sudbury. The question of what constitutes the best mental health program for the board is not yet resolved and will be under further review during 1975.

BICENTENNIAL: The celebrations beginning in 1975 are likely to put a strain on the health services in the town. A large influx of visitors will mean an increased demand for public toilet facilities and first-aid. Both Mr. Sullivan, Sudbury's Health Director, and S.P.H.N.A. have been working with the Bicentennial Committee to develop appropriate plans.

FUTURE CONCERNS: With the decline of building activity in the town, inspection of subsurface sewage disposal systems has assumed a much reduced place in the spectrum of Board activities. Health services of a more personal nature are rising in importance. The new geriatric clinic is an example. Other new programs are under consideration.

Over the long term satisfactory resolution of waste disposal problems remains the largest single health problem facing the town. We are hopeful that the proposed joint septage facility with Wayland will provide a satisfactory solution to the liquid waste problem. The Town Meeting created Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Committee is

studying solid waste disposal on a regional basis. The Board's own Solid Waste Disposal Subcommittee has made little headway because of the difficulty in obtaining cost and operating information on the town's landfill.

PERSONNEL: Dr. James J. Healy was re-elected to the board for a three year term. Mr. John V. Sullivan continued as the Board's full time Health Director and Mrs. Mary Ann Courtemanche continued part time as clerk for the board.

We extend our gratitude and thanks to the local physicians, dentists, and other professionals who have assisted the board by providing help and advice at various times during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

William J. Cossart,
Chairman
William W. Cooper, IV,
Secretary
James J. Healy

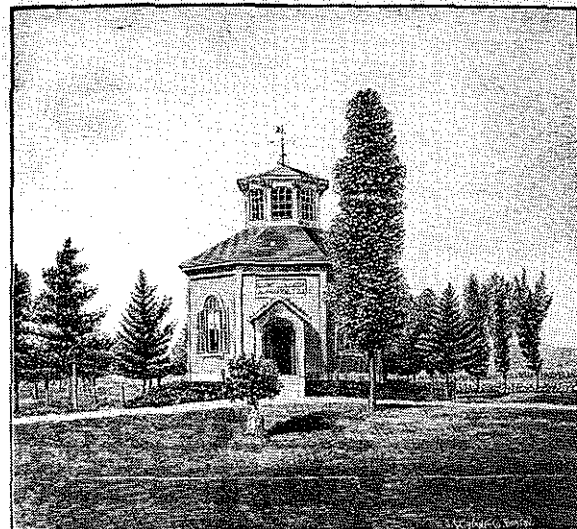
Goodnow Library

Statistics, it is said, are boring. That may be — but we find it exciting that more than 10,000 Sudbury citizens now have a continuing association with our Library as cardholders. And the number is growing; it is up more than 20 per cent over last year.

But are people really using the Library — or are they simply tucking the cards away in their wallets? Here again the figures are revealing: we circulated over 162,000 items in 1974, an increase of more than 30,000 over the year before.

To some extent, this growth is due to the Library's efforts to strengthen and broaden its role in the total life of the community. Its resources, services, and programs are being refined to meet the ever-changing and varied requirements and enthusiasms of Sudbury. In this effort, many dedicated and talented men and women have shared their skills and interests, either individually or as members of Sudbury organizations.

For example, one of the happiest innovations of recent years has been the initiation of our volunteer program. Twenty to twenty-five people have donated their time to assist the staff with a variety of tasks. As a result of their efforts, we have significantly improved access to our materials for both staff and patrons, primarily by reducing long-



The Goodnow Library, So. Sudbury

Hudson's History of Sudbury

standing backlogs in book maintenance, and by making additions to and revisions of the card catalog. A tea in honor of the volunteers was held during the month of November as a mark of appreciation.

The Friends of the Library continue to develop imaginative programs, especially in the field of adult education. During the past year a joint program with the Art Association was held, lectures and discussions on such diverse topics as quilting and bird calls were sponsored, and the Christmas carol songfest, which appears to be on its way to becoming a Sudbury tradition, took place on Sunday, December 15, in Goodnow. The 4th of July parade featured a float contestant sponsored by the Friends. The Octagon Room is being refurbished through fund-raising projects of the Friends. Visitors can see the first evidence of this program in the recently acquired draperies which now grace the Room.

Other efforts to improve the physical facilities of the Library and its grounds have been undertaken by the Garden Clubs. Displays of cut flowers inside and, with the assistance of the Permanent Landscape Committee, projects to make the grounds more attractive are among recent accomplishments of the Garden Clubs.

The family and friends of Plant McCaw graciously donated a display case which is now located in the foyer. The Sudbury Art Association was responsible for the addition of a coat rack to the heavily used multi-purpose room.

The assistance, interest, and good will of all these groups and individuals have been invaluable. The Director, the staff, and the Trustees are grateful for their participation in Library activities. The variety and quality of library programs and services are enhanced when they are shared by so many willing and able people.

The year also saw the continuation of programs such as the Saturday afternoon film showings, which have proven very popular, and the initiation of a number of special summer programs including guitar, knitting, and origami workshops. For the children, Nina Doyle supervises a new crafts program two afternoons per week.

The "historic" collection shelved around the balcony of the Hudson Room, is being weeded and recataloged. A program has been initiated to acquire genealogies of Sudbury ancient families, New England town histories, maps, and additional reference and research materials which will illuminate the beginnings and growth of this old town and the eras through which it has passed. A project to compile a union catalog of Sudburiana located in the country's historical societies and libraries is underway. This effort will provide an invaluable source of information of what is available about Sudbury and where it can be found.

Hudson's nostalgic paintings of old Sudbury have been cleaned and revarnished and now faithfully recreate scenes known to earlier generations of Sudbury's citizens.

One very special personnel change must be noted in this year's report. Mrs. Mildred Tallant, known and beloved by more than one generation of Sudbury's children and their parents, retired from her position as Children's Librarian. We have been assured that Mrs. Tallant will be available to lend help and advice in her usual generous and kindly way. Ann (Betsey) Mosher, a graduate of Wellesley College and the University of Michigan, has replaced Mrs. Tallant in the Children's Department.



VARIOUS REACTIONS TO VICTORY: winners in the 75-yard dash, at Featherland. (Morrison photo)

Looking to the year ahead, Goodnow will continue its efforts to inform the community of the services offered by the Library. Our Director, Tom Jewell, took a step in this direction during the past year by sending to town boards and organizations a summary statement of available Library services and asking for comments and criticisms. In part, this detailing of services was undertaken to strengthen the concept of the Library as a true community center, where people can get together to share concerns and interests.

An effective town library is truly the result of community effort, and that effort has been forthcoming from many sources. The Trustees are grateful for the consideration and assistance which has been given by town officials and boards, the dedicated staff of the Library, and our many friends in Sudbury.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert E. Stocking,
Chairman
June R. Atwood

Virginia L. Howard
George D. Max
Sylvia Throckmorton

Park And Recreation Commission

The year 1974 reflects the activities and the planning efforts of many new members on the Board. We are proud to be able to say that in 1974 we accomplished our goals and completed many objectives of the previous Commissioners.

We constructed new facilities at Feeley Park for soccer, softball, baseball and football. We have also built two basketball courts for our basketball program. And, in keeping with the Commission's policy of emphasizing proper maintenance of our present facilities, Feeley Park is now considered to be one of the best parks in the area.

We are in the process of completing construction of toilet facilities at Feeley Park which should be available in the Spring of 1975. Hopefully, after Feeley Park is completed, it will be a model park to be used in the development of future recreation facilities.

During 1974, we started work in developing the Haskell Property. Hopefully in 1975, we will have facilities for baseball, softball, soccer and football. Future plans for this area will include facilities for swimming, tennis, bocce, shuffleboard, basketball and a par course.

We hope to acquire land in the northern part of Sudbury known as the Davis Tract. Plans for this land are presently being reviewed and will be mentioned in our long range plans.



THE RICE FAMILY in front of their house on Rice Road, about 1885. The house, no longer in existence, is believed to have been used as a tavern at one time. Left to right: Almarine Rice, Edgar & Laura Rice, John Whitman Rice, Martha A. Rice (grandfather and grandmother of Mr. Henry Rice, Jr.) Ida Rice, Stanley Rice (newly married) and Rover. (Courtesy of Henry Rice, Jr. and Lamont Griswold)

The committee feels that it is very important that we maintain the facilities we have now before embarking on new facilities; therefore, in 1975 the emphasis will be on maintenance of existing recreational facilities and all other facilities under our jurisdiction.

The Recreation Programs have been improved to help fill the needs of every individual in the Town of Sudbury. With your help, we hope to continue these programs in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Pasquale T. Piscitelli,
Chairman
John R. Carter, Clerk

Robert E. Grant
John E. Murray
Arthur A. Walker

Sudbury Housing Authority

The SHA has had a busy year and has made great progress with its planned elderly housing development. Pending final resolution of the location of an access road to the site of "Muskataquid Village" the SHA hopes to put the 64 unit development out to bid in early 1975, with ground breaking to take place in the spring.

In addition to the elderly program, the SHA embarked on a new program (Chap. 705) which involves the purchase of already existing homes to be rented to families of low-income. The initial program provides for the purchase of five homes. At the close of this year the SHA took initial steps to acquire the first home under this program.



"AW, SHUCKS, IT WARN'T NAWTHIN'," says Selectman William Toomey to Sudbury Housing Authority member Myron Fox; Selectmen John Powers and John Taft seem happy with what they've got their hands on; Executive Secretary Ed Thompson smiles cheerfully; and two men in a corner plot. (Clay Allen photo)



THIS WILL ALL BE A PARK, some day . . . Shirlee Burd, Grace Gelpke, Jane Ledger, Selectman John Powers, Elinor Bentley, Roger Bump, Victor Walsh and Robert Burd, in the usual left-to-right order.

Rev. Richard Faxon who has been the state's appointee to the SHA since its inception resigned due to his busy schedule. Robert Williams of Pratts Mill Road was elected to a five year term to replace Myron Fox who did not seek re-election in March. Roland Smith, a senior majoring in Public Administration at Bentley College, was appointed Administrative Assistant on a part time basis.

Respectfully submitted,

Douglas A. Miranda,
Chairman
Lorraine Bauder
Willie Hoover
Robert Williams

Sudbury Public Health Nursing Association

STAFF:

Director:

Gloria Stoccardo

Staff Nurses:

Sandra Ekberg

June Grace

Pamela Hollocher

Barbara Parrott

Physical Therapist:

Miriam Crotty

School Health Aides:

Joan Barsano

Joan Briand (appointed September, 1974)

Natalie Long (resigned June, 1974)

Jean Morse

Clerical:

Ruth Brown

Dorothea Worden

A careful review of 1974 reveals a year characterized by steady growth and development for the Sudbury Public Health Nursing Association. The primary accomplishments we identify are: the realization of some of the goals envisioned for the Geriatric Health Service; the preparation and implementation of Chapter 766 within the school system; and the emphasis on quality assurance within the nursing agency itself. These accomplishments touch upon every aspect of the Sudbury Public Health Nursing Association's services to the Sudbury Community. In this report we will deal with each of these items within the context through which the service is delivered.



A CLEAR CASE OF "You go your way, I'll go mine," in the sack race for ten-year-olds at Featherland. (Morrison photo)

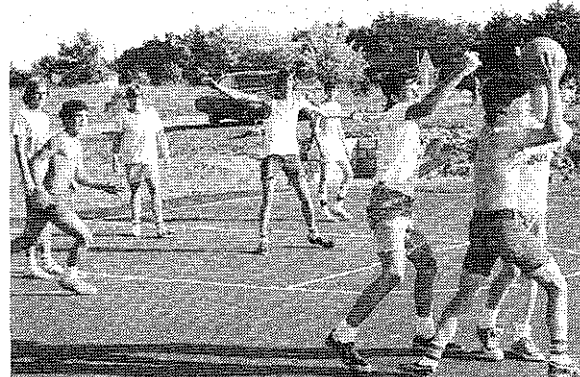
BOARD OF HEALTH

The Geriatric Health Service was established in the Fall of 1973. In January, 1974 the clinic was expanded to include the Senior Citizens at the Drop-In Center. Because of the present set up of the Center, nursing services provided there are primarily of a screening nature. Individuals with relatively simple follow-up needs are also seen weekly at the Drop-In Center. However, for those Senior Citizens with more complex problems requiring closer follow-up, our nurses continue to see them on Wednesday afternoons at the White Building.

The Geriatric Health Service has proved to be a valuable method in the care of our Senior Citizens. Patients who have not seen a physician in many years have used the opportunity to discuss their physical ailments with the nurses. Through this gesture of confidence in our nursing staff, we have been able to counsel patients effectively to obtain the necessary medical attention. Case-finding was one of the major goals of this clinic.

To date, the Sudbury Public Health Nursing Association has seen 107 ambulatory Senior Citizens in 285 visits to our Geriatric Health Service. Flu vaccine was given to 133 residents over 50 years of age (the age category recommended by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health). Total hours given to the Geriatric Health Service by our staff: 171.

Total hours given to Council on Aging meetings: 35.



A SLIGHT CASE OF HOLDING, at the opening of the new Featherland basketball courts. (Clay Allen photo)



Claire Stanley
17 Nashoba Road
Grade 7 13 years old
"Girl"

Other Community Clinics:

Well-Child Clinic: There were 12 clinics held, 96 children examined, 64 families represented, and 148 visits made to the Clinic. Dr. William Adelson continues to provide excellent service to our Well-Child Clinic.

Pre-school vision tests for lazy eye: 182
Volunteer hours for lazy eye testing: 226

Immunization clinics:

Flu clinic for eligible persons under age 50: 98 immunizations
Other adult immunizations: 27
Child immunizations given: 378
Tuberculosis skin tests: 121 adults, 809 children

Other Health Maintenance Services:

	Cases	Visits
Mental Health Guidance	77	145
Health Promotion	463	1044
Maternity	26	54
Infants	38	80
Communicable Disease Control	14	20

The importance of prevention of illness cannot be stressed enough. It is an area of health care that does not receive justifiable appreciation in the whole spectrum of health care delivery since there is no accurate way to measure the success of prevention. However, if we study the progress made since the 1930's in the area of communicable disease control by the enforcement of immunization practice and epidemiological follow-up, we might gain some insight into the value of preventive services as they affect our society as a whole. The focus of our attention now is to maintain good hygienic practice in the home and the community. In addition, we are faced with threats to our health from other forces such as air and water pollution, poor nutrition, overpopulation, accidents, drug and alcohol abuse, not to mention the physical

disabilities brought on by the pressures and stresses of our times: hypertension, heart disease, mental illness, etc.

SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES

As an integral member of the professional team employed to aid children and youth develop their full potential, the school nurse plays an important role. With her knowledge and understanding of normal growth and development, and the principles of health, health management and education, the school nurse's unique contribution lies in her ability to provide professional health care and guidance, and to coordinate the resources of the school, home, and community as they pertain to the total health needs of the students and staff.

Priority consideration was given this year to the preparation and implementation of Chapter 766 within the Sudbury School system.

Preparation got underway early in the year. Our nurse assigned to the Sudbury Schools Core Evaluation Team attended the McLean Institutes in Generic Special Education-Module Three, which dealt with "Core Evaluation — Diagnosis and Prescription for Children with Special Needs". This involved attendance and participation in seven workshops. In addition, Mrs. Grace, R.N., completed the "Human Effectiveness Training" program, and with Mrs. Ekberg, R.N. continues to attend the Concord Area Special Education Collaborative. Our three nurses on the Intermediate Evaluation Teams attended a program of six seminars for Chapter 766 offered by the Greater Framingham Mental Health Association, Inc.

We feel that every effort has been made to keep pace with the growing needs of our school community, and we will continue this course of staff development throughout the coming year.

As members of the Core Evaluation and Intermediate Teams, our Staff functions in their own right as school nurses. Also, they are usually designated by the child's physician and with parental consent, to represent the physician in the team meetings. This requires frequent communication with the physician since the nurses are responsible for interpreting the child's physical problems which have bearing on his/her educational needs, and offer appropriate suggestions and follow-up to fulfill these needs.

Other activities in which the Sudbury Public Health Nursing Association nurses are involved are:

- assessment and evaluation of students' health
- health counselling of students, parents, and school personnel and planning action for eliminating, minimizing, or accepting health problems
- Assisting in the identification and education of students with special health problems which affect learning and total growth
- provide emergency care in cases of injury or sudden illness
- assess pertinent family history and home situation factors
- participate in school staff and administrative activities

Ancillary help is employed by the Sudbury Public Health Nursing Association to allow our nurses the freedom to pursue all of the necessary activities outlined above. Three trained School Health Aides are available full time in the health rooms at the Peter Noyes School, Curtis Junior High School and Lincoln Sudbury Regional High School to care for the multiple minor problems that arise daily.

The nurses visit each school every day and are on call for all emergencies.

The number of visits made to the health room during 1974 were:

Peter Noyes: 4003
 Curtis Junior High School: 4086
 Elementary School: approximately 6291
 Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School: 3548
 for illnesses; 7306 for health counselling or other minor health problems (cuts, headaches, etc.)

In proportion to the total school population, these figures represent approximately 4.5 visits to the health room per child per year.

Total number of hours given to direct school health services:

Sudbury School Aides:	4963
Nurses:	3029
Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School Aides:	1119
Nurses:	2048
Total number of home visits re school health problems:	275 cases; 428 visits
Volunteer hours for vision and hearing screening:	253

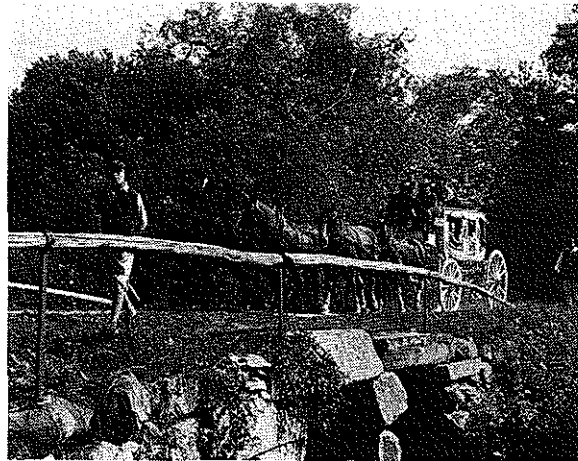
THERAPEUTIC SERVICES: HOME CARE

The demand for therapeutic services in the home has increased over last year. The higher cost of hospital care and earlier discharge from hospitals seem to be contributing to home care as a more attractive, less expensive alternative. Consequently, we are seeing sicker people, requiring a multiplicity of services, and using more elaborate equipment in the home than ever before.

The outstanding trend in community health programs is that of delivery of a comprehensive, effective system of health care to the community. In its efforts to respond to this trend, the Sudbury Public Health Nursing Association has made available, not only nursing services, but physical therapy, speech therapy, and home health aide services as well. These are contracted services. Our statistics on home-bound patients show the following:

	Cases	Visits
Nursing	40	568
Physical therapy	19	189
Speech therapy	2	79
Home Health Aide	9	84

In the beginning of this report emphasis on quality assurance was cited as an accomplishment of this year. This action was stimulated by our Board of Directors, which has been deeply involved in the study of trends in delivering health care in this country, and how these trends could be translated into meeting the health needs of the Sudbury Community. The Board considered the various forms of National Health Insurance legislation, the effects of Health Maintenance Organizations, and the role of the Nurse Practitioner within the Community. In addition, an exhaustive agency evaluation was conducted by members of the Board, Professional Advisory Committee, and Nursing Staff. We feel that the outcome of this evaluation will have far-reaching results for Sudbury. It is hoped that some of the recommendations will be put into operation during 1975, particularly those dealing with health programs for the middle age residents of Sudbury.



THE MAILCOACH that used to make the Sudbury run, revived and refurbished after years in the dust of the Wayside Inn barn, made a triumphant return. (Barry Real photo)

In the process of writing this report, it was impossible to give credit to all of those people who have contributed their time, energy, and services to the success of the Sudbury Public Health Nursing Association's programs. We are particularly grateful to our untiring volunteers, to the Town Administrators, the School Committees and Administrative Staff and to the Board of Health for their support and encouragement throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,
 Gloria Stoccardo,
 Nurse Director
 Sudbury Public Health
 Nursing Association

United States Postal Service

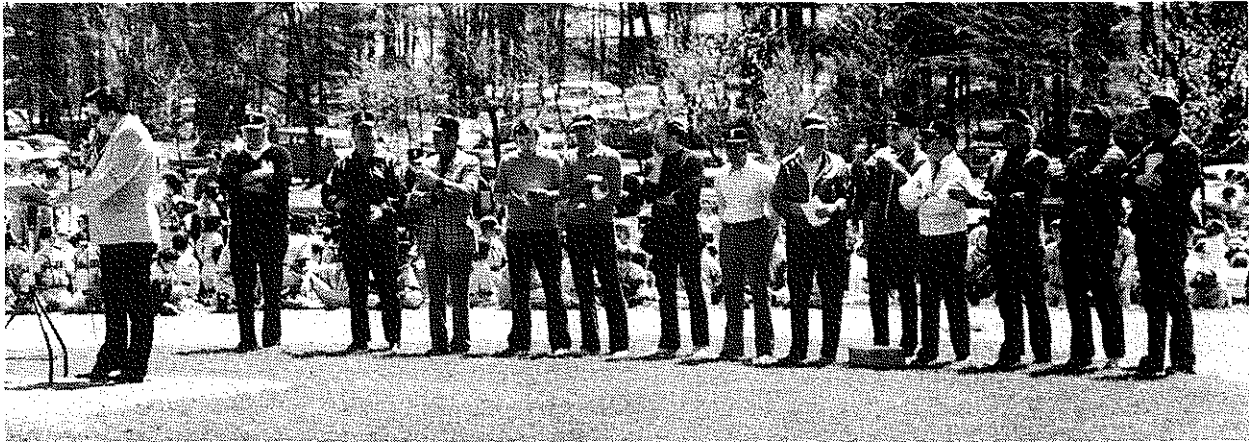
In 1974 the Postal Service was saddened by the death of Earl Phelps, one of Sudbury's most knowledgeable and dedicated clerks. Earl had worked for many years in the Sudbury Center Post Office and was a familiar figure to the older residents of Sudbury. He will be missed by all.

On the brighter side, the United States Postal Service assigned and authorized a special contract to the Wayside Inn Innkeeper, Frank Koppeis, to operate a mail run by stagecoach from Loudon, N.H., where the Wayside Inn Stagecoach was refurbished, to Sudbury, Ma.

To commemorate this event, the U.S. Postal Service had printed, for mailing, a special cachet. These cachets were distributed to Post Offices along the route from Loudon, N.H. to Sudbury and sold to customers interested in this historic event.

This reenactment of the stagecoach mail run was part of the Bicentennial celebration coupled with the Annual Minute & Militia Muster of Sudbury, at the Wayside Inn, on October 5, 1974.

Respectfully submitted,
 Thomas F. McDonough
 Postmaster



OPENING DAY CEREMONIES for Little League with a full roster of coaches and kids.

Veterans' Agent

Applications of veterans seeking information and benefits increased slightly over last year. About 50 forms were furnished for information and processing, involving service and non-service connected pensions for veterans and widows, disabilities, and eligibility for veterans' programs.

I attended the convention of the Veterans' Agents Assn. of Massachusetts sponsored by the Commissioner of Veterans' Services and the Middlesex County Veterans Service Assn. Both programs are designed to keep veterans' agents abreast of changes in legislation, new rules and regulations affecting veterans.

As Veterans' Graves Officer, I placed markers and flags on graves throughout the town cemeteries and applied for headstones for veterans who died during the year.

Respectfully submitted,
 Frank H. Grinnell
 Veterans' Agent and
 Veterans' Graves Officer

Veterans Advisory Committee

The Veterans Advisory Committee is always glad to help any and all veterans in their hour of need. However we have found instances in the past where neither the veteran's agent or any member of the Advisory Committee was notified of injury or sickness in the family of the veteran. We would all rather lend a hand in the hour of need, than attend a funeral, as we have in a few past instances.

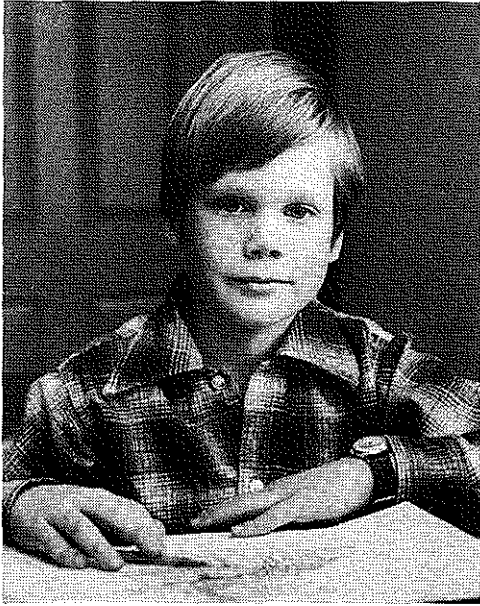
If you know of any veteran in need of help, please feel free to call; if we cannot help you ourselves, we will do our best to find some one or some place who can. This past year we have helped many by providing transportation to hospital outpatient departments, visits to veterans hospitals and local hospitals.

Respectfully submitted,
 William A. Burns
 Thomas F. McDonough
 Alfred A. Bonazzoli
 Catherine B. Greene
 Paul J. Leahy

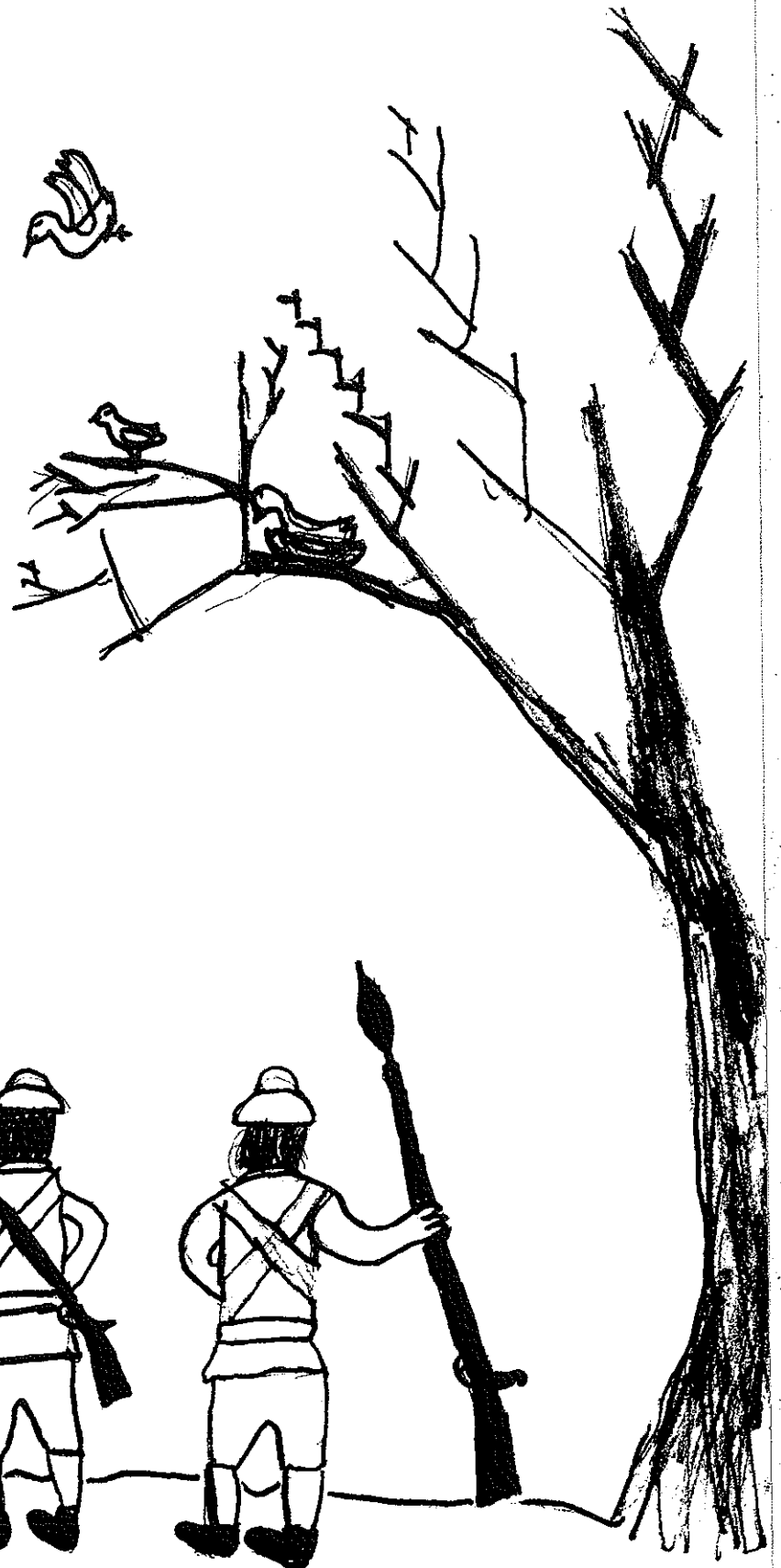


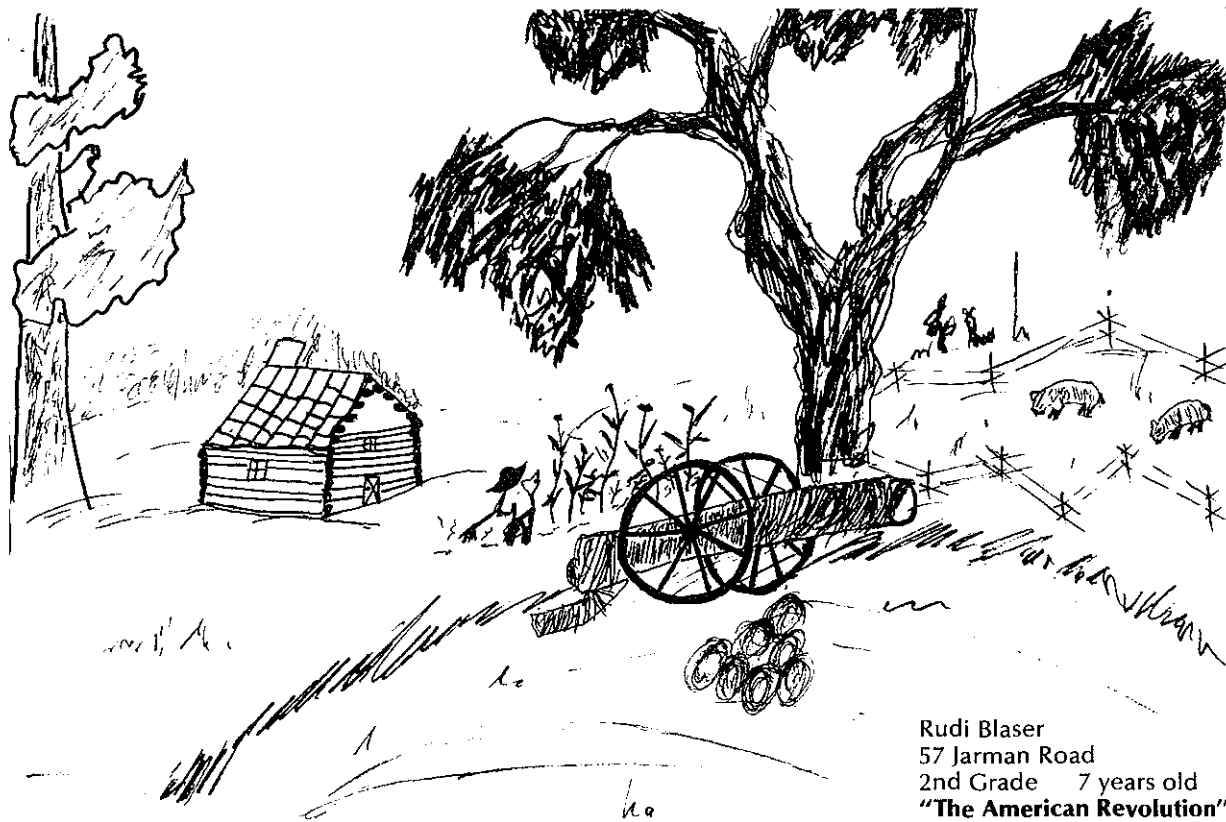
PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSIONER Arthur Walker, Delores (Mrs. Bob) Hope and Cheryl Carlson, Miss Sudbury 1973, at the annual P.R.I.D.E. dinner-dance under the pink tent at the Wayside Inn. (Clay Allen photo)

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY



Clark Goff
269 Concord Road
3rd Grade 8 years old
"Minutemen"





Rudi Blaser
57 Jarman Road
2nd Grade 7 years old
"The American Revolution"

SUDBURY: NINETEENTH OF APRIL 1775

An "Express" from Concord arrived at the farm of Thomas Plympton about four o'clock in the morning with an urgent message that His Majesty's troops were approaching Concord to seek out and destroy weapons and supplies stored there. Large quantities of food, weapons and equipment still remained in Concord, not having been totally removed to outlying towns for safety.

This message, brought by Mr. Abel Prescott of Concord, started a chain of events in Sudbury which quickly caused 302 men, nearly one-fifth of its population, to answer the call of alarm and send them to Concord and Lexington, whence two of them would not return alive and where one of them would be wounded. Deacon Josiah Haynes and Asahel Reed were killed; Joshua Haynes was wounded.

Thomas Plympton, Esq., was the Representative sent by Sudbury to the Provincial Congress. He had also been appointed to handle the supplies that were sent from Concord to Sudbury for better protection. His quick reaction was to have the Sexton sound the prescribed alarm by ringing the church bell, have muskets fired, and upon the arrival of the drummer, to have him beat out the alarm.

Within thirty-five minutes the Sudbury men had been alarmed and were gathering at predetermined locations. (The Sudbury Minute

Companies were assigned to the Regiment of Minute Companies commanded by Colonel Abijah Pierce of Lincoln and the Sudbury Militia Companies were under the command of Lt. Colonel Ezekiel Howe, assistant to Colonel James Barrett of Concord, Militia Regimental Commander).

North Militia Company and part of the Alarm Company under Captain Aaron Haynes met in North Sudbury.

The East Side Minute Company commanded by Captain Nathaniel Cudworth, the East Side Militia Company lead by Captain Joseph Smith, and Captain Isaac Loker's Horse Troop met at The Training Field on the east side of the Sudbury River.

Captain Moses Stone's South Militia Company gathered at the Powder House at the west side Training Field on Old County Road and proceeded to the second west side Training Field at Sudbury Center, the Town Common, where it joined Captain John Nixon's West Side Minute Company.

There were Powder Houses at all three Training Fields, containing the Town's stock of ammunition. If the men had not already been issued their quota — a pound of powder and two pounds of musket balls — they would now be issued them and would be charged one pound and one shilling. Ephraim Smith received a "gun and baynit" from the Town stock on April 17, 1775; his receipt is preserved in Sudbury.

Captain Haynes started for Concord expecting to enter by the South Bridge; however, he was met in the vicinity of Duggans Corner and told by Stephen Barrett that he was to go to Punkatasset Hill where the other companies were gathering. An incident occurred near the South Bridge which could have changed the whole story of the Concord fight at the North Bridge. Deacon Josiah Haynes had a deep feeling that the colonists were not being treated fairly. He certainly was patriotic. He was 79 years old and had been relegated to an Alarm Company which rankled him. When the alarm sounded he grabbed his powder horn and musket and reported to Captain Haynes' Minute Company for duty. When his Company got within eyesight of the South Bridge, he saw a Company of Light Infantry under Captain Munday Pole guarding the bridge, the old Deacon's wrath certainly shot upward. He approached Captain Nixon and said that they should enter Concord by the South Bridge. When Captain Nixon, who had been ordered by Colonel Barrett to enter by the North Bridge, refused, the Deacon said, "Then I shall consider you a coward." The Captain replied, "I had rather be called a coward than to be accused of failing to obey the orders from my superiors." Consider how this incident could have changed the story of the conflict at the North Bridge.

About this time Lt. Colonel Howe and the two companies under Stone and Nixon joined forces with Captain Haynes. On approaching Barrett's farm, British troops under the command of Captain Parsons could be seen rolling out gun carriages and burning them. There were also other activities going on there. Howe halted his men and rode by Barrett's farm and found that the British were searching the house and destroying what supplies they found. Howe has passed the farm when he heard firing at the North Bridge. He turned around and rode back by the farm where he was questioned. This time the British officer wanted to know why he was returning. Howe said that there seemed to be trouble at the bridge and he had decided he had better not go into Concord that way. He returned to the Sudbury companies and they then started through the woods and over the fields for the North Bridge from which the British were retreating. The Sudbury companies followed the other troops up the ridge and through the Great Meadow, coming out near Meriams Corner. At this point a skirmish occurred with the retreating British forces, whose flankers had descended the ridge and joined with their main column headed for Lexington. A short distance further eastward Lt. Colonel Howe's detachment met up with the other three Sudbury companies under Cudworth, Smith and Loker which had left the east side of



Heather Rae White
30 Barnet Road
Kindergarten 6 years old
"Soldiers Marching By Dakin Farm April 19"

Sudbury and marched through Lincoln to meet the British near Hardy's Hill.

Captain Cudworth's company had taken refuge by the wayside and when the British forces passed they poured a "constant fire into the British ranks." From here to the "Bloody Angle" the engagement was most severe. Both sides are reported to have lost more men here than at any other location of the British retreat.

It was in this area that the Sudbury losses occurred. Deacon Haynes was killed by a musket ball. Asahel Reed was also killed. Joshua Haynes was wounded. Thomas Plympton, Esq., had a bullet pass through the folds of his coat, and Lt. Elisha Wheeler had his horse shot out from under him.

Deacon Haynes' body and musket were returned to Sudbury and he was buried in the Old Cemetery in Sudbury Center. A simple slate stone marks his grave. Asahel Reed's body was also buried in the same cemetery, but there is no marker to show where. Each year the Sudbury Companies of Militia and Minute halt on their way to Concord to fire a musket volley over these graves.

Sudbury, at the time of the outbreak, was the largest town in population in Middlesex County and its 302 men the largest contingent in the Concord Fight. Today the old companies have been revived and are called the Companies of Militia and Minute. For twelve years these men



18 AUXILIARY POLICEMEN ARE SWORN IN BY TOWN CLERK in June. The Volunteer Auxiliary force received training in emergency procedures, traffic and crowd control, first aid and police science. (Clay Allen photo)

have been called from their warm beds at 4 or 4:30 in the morning by the ringing of the church bell on the First Parish Church, the firing of muskets and the beating of drums, to assemble in Wayland (formerly east Sudbury) and on the Common in Sudbury Center, with their wives and friends dressed in Colonial costume, to reenact the long 12-mile march to Concord Bridge and to reaffirm the sentiments of John Weighton, Soldier of Sudbury, who wrote of that day in 1775: "The Dye was Cast and the Torch Lit by which means we Have Becom an independent Nation, and may the present generation and those unborn, preserve unimpaired the Libertys, sivel and religious so long as Time Endures."

Forrest Bradshaw and
George D. Max

Police Department

1974 brought major increases in all activities. Urban crime has swelled into the suburbs. Armed robberies, assaults, and other major crimes have become commonplace.

We have tried to keep pace with the situation but the Sudbury Police Department is dangerously undermanned. With the buildup of the business community in the area of Route 20 the problem of providing protection in the outlying areas of the Town defies solution. There are seven banks along the Post Road requiring close scrutiny while the area along Route 117 in North Sudbury is growing with the building of homes in the \$100,000 bracket. These people are just as much in need of police protection as those in South Sudbury and they demand it. It takes ten minutes to drive from

the southeastern border to the northwestern border and if traffic is heavy the running time is doubled. Our personnel are stretched pretty thin to provide coverage in such a large and spread out area.

Despite the problem we have managed to do some things of which I am most proud. Through the effort of the Neighborhood Watch and Project Identification we have been able to keep our breaks down to a respectable level. Through December 1st we have had 71 housebreaks reported. This figure has held steady for the last two years. Total breaks of all types total 109 — up from 106 last year. Unfortunately this is the only area in which I consider our efforts have paid off. Vandalism in Sudbury is at an all time high. Property damage and harassment of our citizenry is on the increase. While we have been able to contain some of our more destructive problem children, we are unable to eradicate the problem completely. Some parents feel in no way responsible for the actions of their children making our efforts to combat this problem almost impossible.

The Department has issued over 2,000 motor vehicle citations this year in an effort to promote safety on our streets. Despite this effort we have had at this writing four fatalities involving motor vehicles. We will continue to bring violators before the court until we can eliminate this carnage.

We have recommended changes involving high accident areas in the town but the efforts of officials responsible have fallen short of the action necessary to solve the conditions causing the problems. Telephone poles too close to the travelled way, poor overhead lighting and complete indifference all contribute to our accident rate. Teenage drinking has increased with the lowering of the legal age and accidents involving teenagers are on the increase.

The defeat of the proposed new Police facility by the town has added to our in house problems.



FIRE CHIEF ALBERT ST. GERMAINE receives a standing ovation from appreciative citizens as he presented Article I at the opening of Town Meeting. St. Germaine retired in December after many years of service to the town.

Trying to keep 25 men happy working out of three rooms in a building designed for six will be no easy accomplishment. At this time I am seriously considering abandoning our juvenile detention room and converting it into needed office space. This will make it necessary for us to transport prisoners to another lockup out of town but I can see no other alternative.

This year I have asked for money to be placed in a contingency fund so that we may pay our share for a regional radio network. This network will encompass twelve area towns and give us radio contact with towns contiguous to Sudbury, something we have never had and sorely need. If the present telephone systems fail in an emergency or disaster situation, we will be isolated and helpless as far as communications are concerned. Application has been made for funding of this project through LEAA with a small commitment necessary from the towns involved.

We will be working in the coming months with anticipated problems concerning the Bicentennial and the new ambulance law. We presently have eight men trained as Emergency Medical Technicians and will have everyone qualified by the time the law becomes effective.

I have collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer the sum of \$2,556 for licenses issued by myself and fees collected for services rendered for copies of reports, etc.

I would like to express my appreciation to all boards and committees for their help and understanding during the past year, and to that small, concerned number of citizens who have supported our efforts to keep our town free of crime my heartfelt thanks.

Nicholas Lombardi
Chief of Police

Fire Department

I herewith submit my twenty first annual report on the activities of the Fire Department for the year 1974. The Fire Department responded to 661 calls (as of December 1) for emergency and other services as follows:

Dwelling fires	2
Brush and grass fires	80
Motor vehicle fires	31

Chimney fires	6
Rubbish fires	8
Electrical problems	17
Accidental alarms	12
False alarms	46
Mutual aid, out of town	16
Alarms (Concord contract)	25
Defective oil burners	5
Motor vehicle accidents	68
Rescue calls	1
Lockouts	27
Arcing Edison wires	22
Water condition in buildings	12
Investigations	95
Medical emergencies, assist police	102
Test new water mains	4
Gasoline spills	17
Resuscitator calls	5
Gas leaks	4
Kitchen fire (restaurant)	1
Oven fires (dwellings)	7
Bomb scares (LSRHS)	2
Television sets	2
Clothes dryers	4
Miscellaneous calls	40
	<u>661</u>

There were 344 permits issued as follows:

Outdoor burning (1 month)	283
Oil burner installations	14
Blasting	5
Use of rockets	11
LP Gas storage	16
Fuel oil storage	15
	<u>344</u>

During the year there were 80 grass and brush fires but none were major fires. Most were handled by on-duty personnel. Up to this writing there was only one fire in a business establishment, a grease fire in a kitchen. The major increases in calls were for motor vehicle accidents, which more than doubled over 1973, assisting the police with medical emergencies, mutual aid calls to assist other departments and calls to the Concord contract area. The North Sudbury personnel responded to 25 alarms in the Concord contract area consisting of 7 brush fires, 5 building fires, 1 motor vehicle fire, 1 motor vehicle accident, 4 medical emergencies, 1 drowning, 1 rubbish fire and 5 false alarms.

Two more firefighters (George Abrahamson and David Frost) completed an 81 hour Emergency



FIREFIGHTERS Richard Planke and Shawn Kelley demonstrate "jaws of life", equipment to free victims trapped in motor vehicle accidents; Chief Al St. Germain (center) acknowledges gift from Rod & Gun Club Treasurer Paul McNally and President Stanley Powell.

Medical Technician course. One Captain (James Devoll II) attended a four day motor vehicle accident extrication course at the firefighting academy in Stow.

During the month of November the department received from the Sudbury Rod and Gun Club the latest in equipment for removing victims from wrecked motor vehicles, namely "The Jaws of Life" tool. This piece of equipment cost \$4,986.60

Building Inspector

With the implementation, as of January 1, 1975, of the mandatory **Commonwealth of Massachusetts State Building Code**, the old Sudbury Building Code is no longer in force. I would suggest that any person contemplating changes to his property contact this office to see how the new code would affect them.

Respectfully submitted,

Francis E. White
Building Inspector

Year	New Residential		Non-Residential		Additions		Swimming Pools		Demolition	Certificates of Occupancy
	Permits Issued	Est. Bldg. Costs	Permits Issued	Est. Bldg. Costs	Permits Issued	Est. Bldg. Costs	Permits Issued	Est. Bldg. Costs		
1970	122	\$ 3,182,000	40	\$ 2,674,400	86	\$ 231,475	48	\$ 101,606	4	123
1971	157	3,987,000	49	1,290,142	97	238,811	65	134,299	5	131
1972	129	3,560,500	60	1,890,727	103	329,176	59	120,321	3	147
1973	74	4,110,000	54	860,137	108	344,902	55	159,619	12	146
1974	52	1,905,105	64	641,008	121	384,885	42	86,123	2	72
Comparison										
1973-74	-22	-2,204,895	+10	-219,129	+13	+39,983	-13	-73,496	-10	-74

281 Building permits were issued and \$8,146.75 in fees were collected.

293 Wiring permits were issued and \$2,180.00 in fees collected.

140 Plumbing permits were issued with \$1,017.00 collected in fees and 139 gas permits accounting for \$1,053.00 in fees collected, making a total of \$2,070.00.

18 Site plans were processed by this department, accounting for \$700.00 in fees collected.

and will enable the Fire and Police Departments to extricate accident victims within a few minutes.

The 1947 International tank truck has been transferred to the Highway Department. A new 2000 gallon tank truck has been created from a Civil Defense 6 X 6 military chassis and a tank donated by the Interstate Gas & Oil Corporation.

Once again a much needed fire headquarters has been postponed by vote of the town. A modern, well organized fire department cannot operate efficiently from the present facilities.

As I am forced by law to retire on December 31, 1974 I wish to thank all boards, Town Officials, Fire and Police personnel and townspeople for their cooperation over the 21 years that I have served as Fire Chief.

Respectfully submitted,

Albert St. Germain
Chief of the Department

Animal Inspector

During the past year, the incidence of heart-worm disease in dogs has not shown any appreciable change in the Sudbury area. As noted last year, there is no evidence of serious public health hazard with respect to the disease.

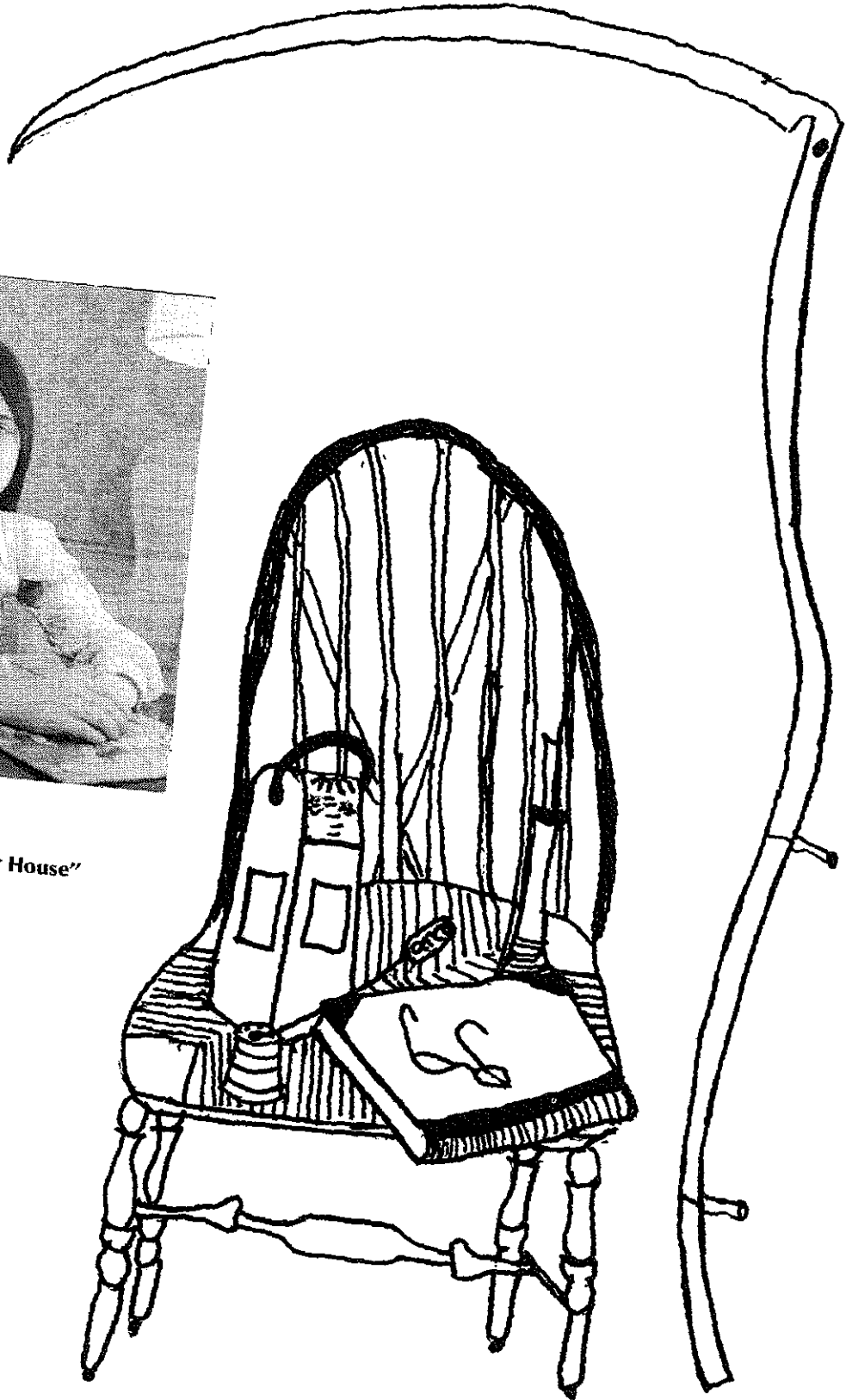
I want to stress that it is important that dog-bite wounds be reported to the Animal Inspector or to the dog officer. This is necessary in order to protect the afflicted person and help prevent the possibility of serious health difficulties.

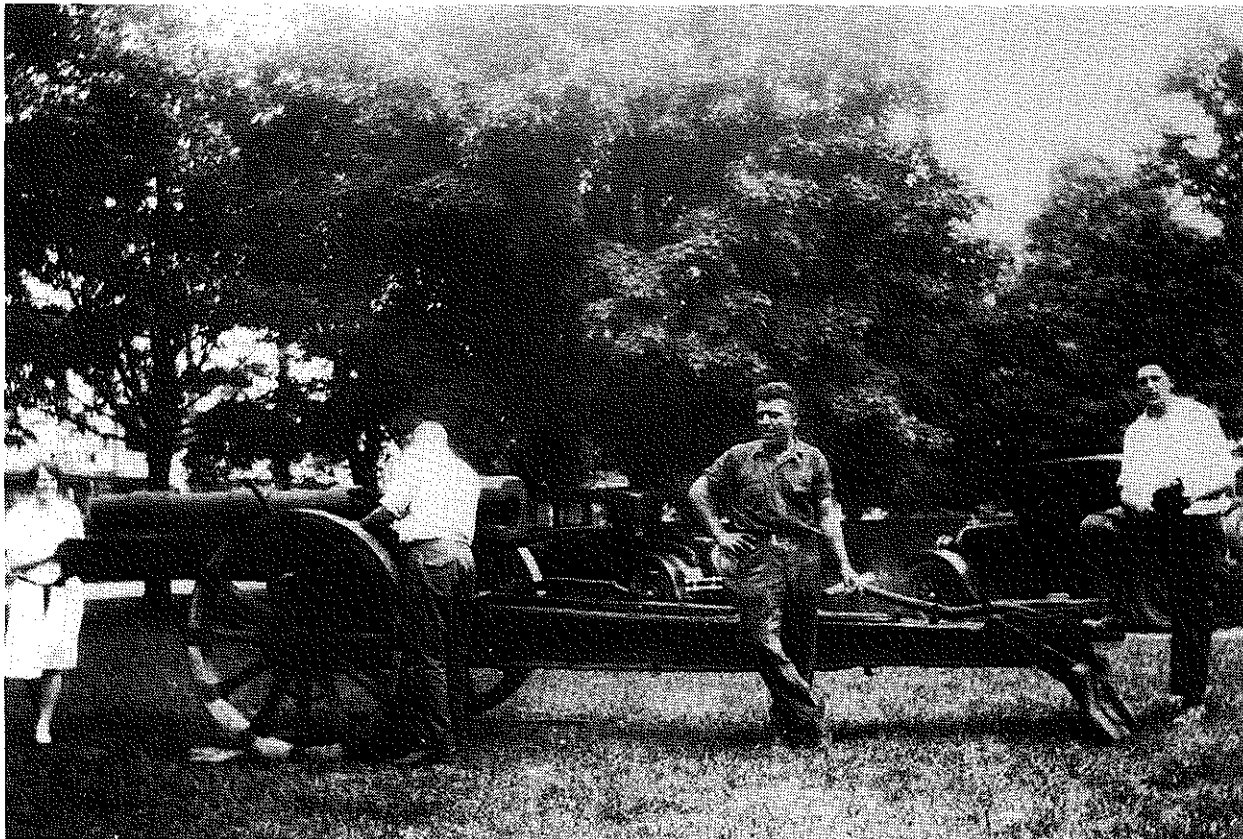
Stuart E. Wiles, V.M.D.

SOME OLD THINGS IN
MY HOUSE



Mandy Whiteman
272 Concord Road
4th Grade 9 years old
"Some Old Things in My House"





ALBERT AND MILDRED TALLENT, Alfred Bonazzoli and Forest Bradshaw with the cannon they liberated from the Framingham munitions depot in 1919. The cannon, one of the first captured by the AEF during World War I, now resides behind the Highway Department garage (courtesy of Mildred Tallant).

Civil Defense

There were no disasters in the town during the year 1974. An on-site inspection was conducted by State officials and recommendations were filed with the Board of Selectmen.

The Town of Sudbury lost thousands of dollars in federal funds by not approving the new fire and police headquarters building which included an emergency operating center. At present the town has no emergency operating center which means that if a disaster strikes the town, each public

safety department will have to shift for itself with no coordination of services or communications.

A 2½ ton 6 X 6 military truck was obtained through State Civil Defense for use by the Fire Department at no cost to the town.

An auxiliary police department was organized. The members assist the regular police and receive no salary.

Respectfully submitted,
Albert St. Germain
Director

Dog Officer

The length of time a stray dog is to be kept before the owner loses ownership is now seven days rather than five days as previously allowed by law.

Under present conditions it appears that the operating expenses of the Dog Control Law are stabilized.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Number of dogs picked up - 396	
Number of dogs claimed by owners - 306	
Number of dogs sold - 88@ \$3.00	\$ 264.00
Reimbursement from County	932.00
Fines and boarding fees collected	3,606.00
Total Collections	\$4,802.00
Paid to Buddy Dog Humane Society	\$2,992.50
Paid to veterinarian	97.05

Respectfully submitted,
Francis E. White
Dog Officer

East Middlesex Mosquito Control Project

The mosquito control program for 1974 in Sudbury had to be modified to give greater priority to spraying, leaving very little money for drainage work. There was an increase in the amount of swamp land treated with Methoxychlor dust to prevent the April - May brood of mosquito larvae. The results were good, but the operation was costly in labor because of the poor ice conditions last winter. From the time mosquito larvae began to appear in April until early September the search for and spraying of mosquito larvae was done by spray crews on foot. Helicopter larvicide spraying in larger swamplands was done in late April.

Adult mosquitoes were numerous in most parts of Sudbury. The Project's truck aerosol generators were operated at night on twelve occasions in the attempt to reduce these infestations. This was augmented by helicopter ULV aerosol applications after dawn on two occasions in June and two in July. It is probable that more applications against adult mosquito infestations would have been appreciated — the office has a record of 49 mosquito complaints. However, aerial spraying and truck aerosol work are both expensive. Next year the prices of insecticides are expected to be twice as high! Therefore adult mosquito applications will have to be as selective as possible.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Balance on hand at the end of December 1973		\$8,052.37
Appropriation for 1974 - 75 received on August 15th		12,000.00
Expenditures in 1974:		
Labor	4,401.75	
Insecticide	1,594.87	
Helicopter	1,938.85	
Insurance	1,296.02	
Utilities	138.98	
Rent	330.26	
Office & adm.	924.91	
Field oper. & super.	1,560.30	
Vehicle replacement	none	
Other services	40.22	
Credits	(8.80)	
Net expd. in 1974	12,217.36	
Balance on hand at the end of December 1973		\$7,835.01

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Scales and Balances:

100-5,000 lbs.	1	Sealed @\$5.00	\$ 5.00
10-100 lbs.	13	2.00	26.00
Under 10 lbs.	8	1.00	8.00

Weights:

Metric	0	.10	0
Apothecary	0	.10	0

Gasoline Meters:

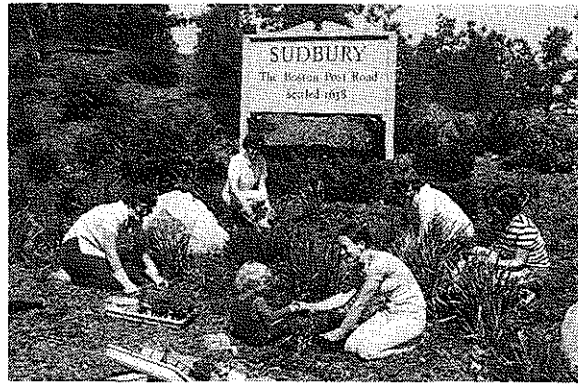
Inlet one inch or less	50	@2.00	100.00
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Linear Measures:

Yardsticks	6	@.10	.60
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Total Fees Collected — \$139.60

Francis E. White
Sealer of Weights and Measures



DIGGING FOR BURIED TREASURE? No, planting it: P.R.I.D.E. makes life along the Post Road a little more beautiful. (June Allen photo)

This balance must provide for operations to beyond July 1, 1975.

The East Middlesex Mosquito Control Project has requested an appropriation of \$13,500 for the fiscal year July 1, 1975 to June 30, 1976.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert L. Armstrong,
Superintendent

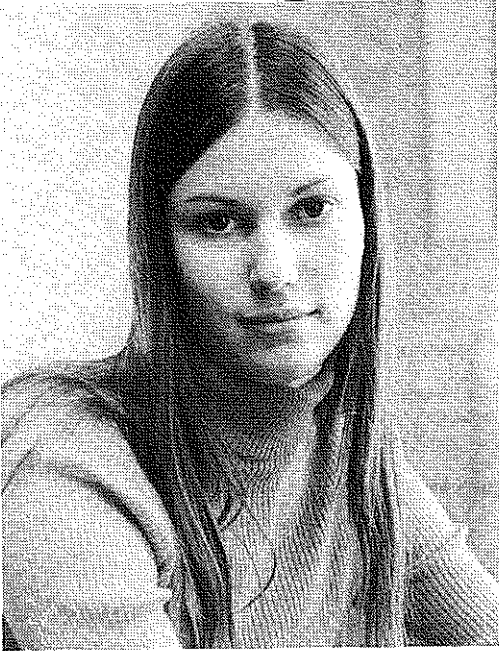
Pound Keeper

As the appointed Pound Keeper for 1974, I must commend the citizens of the town for their diligence in restraining their livestock. There were no instances when it was necessary for me to impound any stray animals.

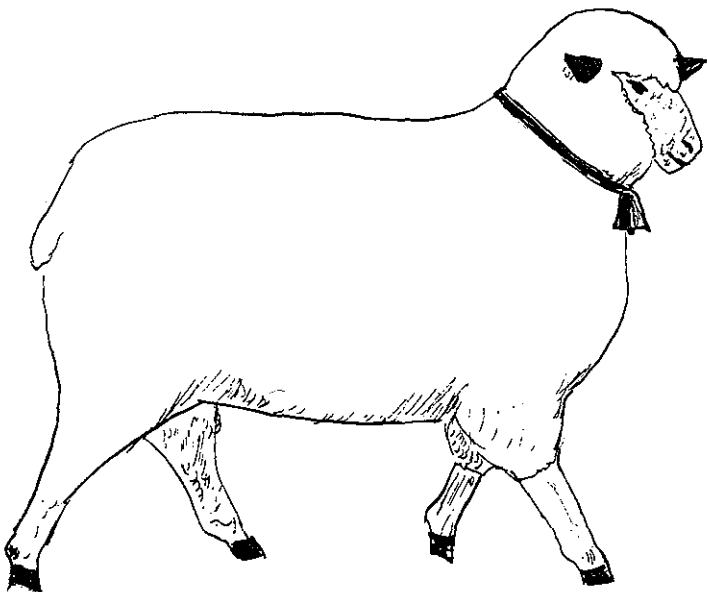
I did appoint some field drivers and I apologize for being remiss in notifying the following persons that they were subject to call: John Powers, Ralph Barton, Richard Hill, Frank Grinnell and Francis J. Koppeis.

Respectfully submitted,
Samuel L. Reed

EDUCATION



Lorraine Dudley
30 Wagon Wheel Road
8th Grade 13 years old
"Mary Had a Little Lamb"



SUDBURY SCHOOLS: NAMES FROM THE PAST

Ephraim Curtis Junior High School

Ephraim Curtis, a most important and colorful figure in the Indian Wars of the Seventeenth Century, was from Sudbury. He was a carpenter by trade and an expert woodsman. In 1673, before the outbreak of the Indian Wars, Ephraim left his father's house in Sudbury with a pack, a gun and an axe and staked out a claim in the wilderness. His claim included most of the present city limits of Worcester.

Because Ephraim Curtis was adept with the Indian tongue and its dialects, he was called into his country's service at the beginning of King Philip's War.

The Colonial authorities believed that an agreement could be reached with the Nipmucks, Western Indians who had been somewhat reluctantly drawn into Philip's federation. Ephraim Curtis was sent into Nipmuck Country to try to determine the activities of these Indians.

Curtis had nothing to barter with except the kind assurance of the Governor and he found it difficult to complete the business at hand and return without harm to his party. The Nipmucks continued to support King Philip, but Curtis obtained much valuable information for the Colonial authorities.

After the Indian Wars, which almost destroyed the town of Sudbury, Ephraim Curtis returned to Worcester where he lived to be an old man. Since he was the first inhabitant there, he was greatly venerated in that community, and in the surrounding area because of his several acts of heroism.

Peter Noyes School

Mr. Peter Noyes arrived from Weyhill, England, around 1630 and lived in Watertown. In 1637 some Watertown citizens, under Mr. Noyes' leadership, petitioned the General Court and in 1638 these people became Sudbury's first citizens.

Peter Noyes was a most prominent citizen who served as selectman and as a representative to the General Court. In the early 1960's the Center School was renamed for this original settler.

Fairbank School

Colonel Drury Fairbank was born in Sudbury on July 17, 1793. After a brief try at making his fortune in the market places in Boston, young Fairbank returned to Sudbury and purchased a farm on the corner of Hudson and Fairbank Roads.

During his long life in the town the Colonel saw service locally as a Selectman, Assessor, Overseer of the Poor, Highway Surveyor and

School Committeeman. He enlisted as a private in the militia and rose through the various grades to become Lieutenant Colonel in the First Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Militia.

Colonel Fairbank was intensely concerned in creating a fitting memorial to the Militiamen who lost their lives in defending the town against the onslaught of King Philip and his Indians in 1676. It was largely through his efforts that the impressive Wadsworth Monument was erected in South Sudbury in 1852.

Colonel Drury Fairbank died in May, 1864, and was laid to rest on a sunny slope in the town cemetery in Sudbury Center.



A STEGOSAURUS IS CREATED by Loring School Kindergarteners after a field trip to the Peabody Museum.

Josiah Haynes School

Deacon Josiah Haynes was born in Sudbury on June 3, 1696. He was the son of John and Ruth Haynes and was descended from Walter Hayne. Walter Hayne (or Haynes) was one of the petitioners for the grant of land which was to become Sudbury.

When feelings against Britain reached the danger point both Minute and Alarm Companies increased and Sudbury had over three hundred and fifty men ready for service. At this time Josiah was about 79 years old and was placed in the Alarm Company with boys under 16 and men too old to perform military duties. On the morning of April 19, 1775 when the alarm was sounded Josiah did not intend to remain behind and attached himself to the North Militia Company which was under the command of his relative, Capt. Aaron Haynes. Near Merriam's Corner Deacon Josiah jumped over a stone wall and tried to capture a British sergeant's gun, his belt and cartridge box, but he failed. Several British soldiers turned and fired at him but he escaped unhurt. Later in the day he was killed in Lexington. His body was brought back to Sudbury and was buried in the old cemetery in Sudbury Center. Thus ended the life of a man who was willing to fight for the rights and privileges that he thought men should be entitled to have.

Israel Loring School

Reverend Israel Loring was a prominent clergyman of 18th century Sudbury. In 1960, the Sudbury School Committee named the school in his honor.

Mr. Loring was respected throughout the Bay Colony. He was a preacher and writer of extraordinary eloquence. Eleven of his works were published and read widely. He kept a succession of diaries, some of which are in the possession of the Goodnow Library. Recorded in the papers is his long reluctance to baptize any infant born on the Sabbath. He speaks of his change of heart and mind when his good wife presented him with an heir born on the Sabbath. He tells of a young negro slave, Simeon, and of his family's grief and sorrow when the youth died in his 21st year. He buried Simeon with a fine gravestone in the old cemetery at Sudbury Center.

Reverend Loring's parsonage still stands, the white, frame house situated just east of the Sudbury Town Hall. Reputedly, the house was built by Minister Loring, the second structure erected in Sudbury Center.

Ninety years of age at his death, Rev. Loring had preached for 60 long strenuous years. And thus passed on a man who did much to influence the lives of our Sudbury forefathers.

General John Nixon School

As a soldier in the ranks, General John Nixon at 20 years of age took part in Sir William Pepperell's expedition against Louisburg, in 1745. Ten years later, in 1755, he was a lieutenant in Captain E. Newell's company at Crown Point. He rose to Captain during his year of service in the Crown Point sector.

Captain Nixon commanded a company in an expedition to Fort William Henry, in August to October of 1756. Fighting the French, he and his company fell into an ambush. They fought out of it, but lost many men.

Captain Nixon personally enlisted a company of Sudbury Minute Men, and led them into action at the Concord-Lexington battle. Five days after the battle he was commissioned a Colonel.

At Bunker Hill, Nixon and his command of 300 took over the defense of an unfortified position on the hill. They fought off three assaults by a vastly superior force before retreating. The Colonel was wounded and carried from the field.

On August 9, 1775, Nixon was commissioned Brigadier-General. General George Washington recommended the promotion to Congress, saying that Col. Nixon's bravery and seasoned military talents entitled him to the high elevation. General Nixon left with Washington's army for New York. In the campaign against Burgoyne in upper

New York, a near-miss by a British cannon ball destroyed the General's sight and hearing on one side.

The home of General Nixon was high up on the side of Nobscot Mountain, on a wooded slope just north of the Framingham-Sudbury line. A crumbling stone foundation marks the site of his woodland cottage. In later life and retired from military service, the old General would gather his delighted grandchildren around him to tell them stories of the Revolution and to sing to them. We are fortunate in having two lines of his favorite war song.

"Oh why, soldiers, why, should we be melancholy, boys? whose business 'tis to die,
Through cold, hot and dry we are bound to follow, boys, and scorn to fly."

These words express well the attitude and deeds of General John Nixon of Sudbury, Massachusetts.



IMPLEMENTING CHAPTER 766 the Core Evaluation Team confers with Assistant Superintendent Carl Ellery (Vic Neumeier photo).

Sudbury Elementary Schools

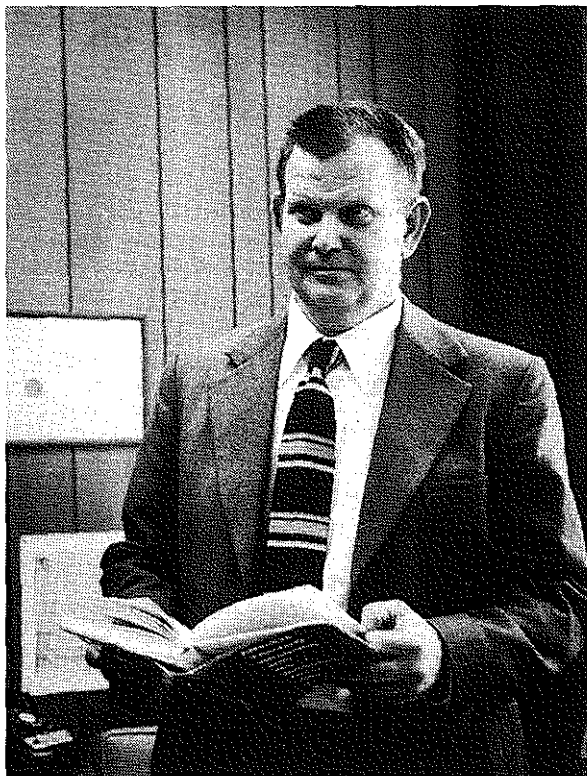
INTRODUCTION

The most significant new reality we face in education today is that we are entering a period of retrenchment, while at the same time we continue to seek purposeful school renewal. This unique condition will require educators to mobilize their resources with a sophistication and awareness that has not been required in our recent past.

To help achieve the excellence required in such a situation, the Sudbury Public Schools have endeavored to develop a responsible approach to educational accountability. The most important element of this stance is the continuing examination of the purpose and mission of education. Consideration of the broad context and direction of the educational enterprise is an absolute necessity if we are to have any hope of providing the learning alternatives that all students surely deserve. In a period of reductions in school population and increasingly limited or reduced financial resources, the establishment of a clear set of priorities takes on added importance. This school system operates under the premise that the primary purpose of education should be to build a positive self-image for every student. We contend that efforts to build and sustain a learner's confidence

should be linked carefully to skill development. If a student cannot read, write, and communicate in a variety of ways, he is less likely to believe that he is somebody, that he has some worth, that he has some talent, and that he can succeed.

This message describes the progress this system has made in areas relating to the articulation and implementation of these broad educational purposes.



H. DOUGLAS NEUMANN, Jr. is enthusiastic about his new position.

CHAPTER 766 (Special Needs Program)

Our plan has been developed with the implicit belief that in any school system there exists in each class a multitude of student capacities, expectations and learning styles. We recognize that, in these classes, all children have learning problems; that all children have strengths and that the principles of good teaching apply to all. We believe in planning which is based on personalized objectives for each student, handicapped or not, and in the use of teaching strategies and materials matched to the learning style and level of the individual student. To this end we are seeking flexibility in our school programs, as well as in our classrooms, so that appropriate education will be provided for all children.

We have reorganized all phases of existing special education programs. (There are no longer any self-contained classes for the "emotionally disturbed" or "educable mentally retarded.") Tutoring is no longer limited to one or two hours a week regardless of the needs of the specific child. Children are now assigned to their neighborhood schools and a provisional educational program ranging from full-integration (less than 25% time-out for specialized services) to partial integration (up to 75% of the time in a learning center) has been implemented. The children are periodically re-evaluated and their educational programs revised and updated accordingly.

Our program includes the assignment of a section (one or more rooms) in each of our schools as a learning center where special programs, tutoring, and small group instruction are carried out according to the educational plan developed by the Core Evaluation Team (C.E.T.) for the students in that building.

The Massachusetts Developmental Disabilities Council awarded the Sudbury Public Schools a grant to expand and duplicate the concepts of the minicourse, "Understanding the Child with Special Needs." Mrs. Margaret E. Cleary was appointed project director to coordinate the program. Workshops for parents, teachers, volunteers, bus drivers, and ancillary helpers have been conducted. The focus was placed on preparing and implementing a curriculum by seventeen classroom teachers who participated in a course under the guidance of the project director. The program included the use of frustrating experiments, group discussions, resource persons, guests with special needs, field trips, and teaching materials. Information gained is being compiled to encourage state-wide duplication of these efforts to create positive attitudes toward the developmentally disabled child. The program in the schools was introduced to the children as an integral, supportive part of existing subject materials and skills.

INTERDISCIPLINARY EDUCATION

Interdisciplinary education is an approach to learning in which students gain a better understanding of themselves and what they study through the relationship of various subject areas, themes, and periods of history.

In the elementary schools we interweave art and music in the curriculum to structure the learning experiences; to help the students understand their responses; and to help the students become sensitive and appreciative of the world around them.

This approach affords the student the opportunity to explore art and music in relation to other facets of the learning experience. The student benefits in that it stimulates thought, sensitivity, and creativity.

THE COMPUTER AS A TEACHING TOOL

The computer, an integral aspect of the mathematics program in Grades 7 and 8, is used to supplement concepts taught in the classroom. Students gain further understanding of key ideas in mathematics by writing or modifying programs, and by creating or using computer games exemplifying these concepts. A library of computer programs is maintained which provides computer-assisted instruction in key topics, functions as a resource in problem-solving, and provides both drill and self-evaluation through quizzes and games. Students, by comparing the procedures used by computers and humans in solving problems, can increase their understanding of mathematical principles and problem-solving techniques.

CAREER AWARENESS

The focus of the career education is on awareness, an awareness of the world of work, the kinds of work people do, some tools they use and skills involved.

In the Social Science Program in the elementary grades, the children study economic aspects inherent in the various cultures and compare them to their own culture. This leads the students to be inquisitive and then informed about the wide range of work in our society and the roles and



NIXON SCHOOL gained a new kindergarten playground as parents and friends pitched in to design and build a permanent all-purpose pretending and climbing facility.

requirements involved. An integral part of the program is resource speakers. They are invited to the classroom to discuss their occupation. In addition to resource personnel, role playing and field trips are other key aspects of the program dealing with careers.

One of the major goals in the program is to develop in pupils attitudes about the personal and social significance of work.

VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers operate at all schools. Staff members utilize parent services in accordance with specific needs. Two general categories exist. One is the "at home services" involving typing, making telephone calls, sewing, cutting up newspaper items, etc. The second category consists of "in-school activities." Volunteers work with small groups of children on particular projects with the careful guidance of the teachers. For example, parents may be asked to show slides of their travel experiences in different countries. Teachers enlist parents in story telling, typing what a child reads orally, and helping with individual projects. Field trips and library assistance are two other areas where parents play a strong supportive role. All students in Sudbury have benefited greatly by the combined efforts of Sudbury's parents and teachers in providing an additional educational dimension. The School Committee unanimously wishes to recognize and extend a special thanks to all who have served the system so well.

The public school can serve many needs. It is a natural Senior Citizen Center. Children are a source of joy for most people and are dependent upon adults for love and for sharing of life experiences. Imagine the excitement generated when older adults read to children, tell tales, and share their talents and experiences. Both adult and child profit.

METCO

In the fall of this year, the Sudbury School Committee reaffirmed an earlier vote to provide school seats for non-white Boston Children under the voluntary METCO program.

The values inherent in the METCO program for students in Sudbury, as well as those from Boston, have been recounted on innumerable occasions. We should be committed to participation in vol-



LORING SCHOOL 4th grade students display some projects developed while studying important women.

untary programs to reduce racial isolation for all of our children — urban and suburban — and believe firmly that a voluntary integrated education is better than a segregated one.

SYSTEM MANAGEMENT

During the 1973-74 school year, the administrative team attempted to develop a technique designed to more fully utilize and share the talents of Sudbury administrators. The management team concept evolved for this purpose.

A Planning Office was created to assist administrators and teachers in providing physical material and personal assistance to effect improvements in the Sudbury Public Schools. The focus has been primarily in the areas of program and staff development.

Direction for the Planning Office activity is provided by the Superintendent of Schools, and two Sudbury administrators, who, for the 1974-75 school year, are Mr. Martin Grassie and Mr. John Vinagro.

In the future, a closer look will be given to the concepts of total curriculum integration, comprehensive needs assessment, and new developments in curriculum such as the process-oriented curriculum.

CONCLUSION

It has become commonplace today to speak of the crisis in American education. Articles and books have explored the subject, and numerous educational organizations have held conferences and symposiums which attempt to analyze the nature of the crisis and to solve it. It is interesting to note that in Chinese the word "crisis" is made up of two symbols: one representing the word "danger," and the other representing the word "opportunity." It is in such a way that we must view the present crisis in education — as presenting to all of us serious dangers but also exciting opportunities.

One element of the crisis is the great danger of the public losing confidence in the schools and believing we are not doing the job of preparing our young for the future. Such a lack of confidence would have the most serious consequences for it would mean that the people would be unwilling to financially support the schools. Certainly, the best way we can restore and maintain

that confidence is by showing the taxpaying public that we can and will educate their children in ways that they believe are worthwhile for our nation's future and also in ways that are financially responsible.

Respectfully submitted,
 Sudbury School Committee
 Mary H. D'Andrea, Chairman
 Gerald J. Hornik, Vice Chairman
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Superintendent of
 Schools
 John J. O'Neill
 Asst. Superintendent of
 Schools
 Carl E. Ellery

Operating and Maintenance Budget 1974- 1975

I Operating Budget

	1973-74 18 Months	1973-74 12 Months	1974-75 12 Months
1100 School Committee	\$ 4,780	\$ 4,000	\$ 5,200
1200 Superintendent's Office	123,915	77,860	90,302
1000 Total	128,695	81,860	95,502
2100 Supervision	84,750	58,800	34,800
2200 Principal's Office	46,700	40,000	32,200
2300 Teaching	171,000	171,000	531,125
2400 Text Books			15,000
2500 Library	12,190	12,190	47,300
2600 A.V.	7,690	7,690	32,250
2700 Guidance (SPC)	72,300	72,300	175,300
2800 Psychological Service			6,000
2900 Educational T.V.			2,500
2000 Total	394,630	361,980	876,475
3100 Attendance			1,500
3200 Health			14,700
3300 Transportation			150,000
3400 Food	5,330	5,330	10,000
3500 Student Activities			3,000
3000 Total		5,330	179,200
4100 Operation of Plant			213,500
4200 Maintenance			53,000
4000 Total			266,500
5000 Fixed Charges	27,800	25,000	51,000
6000 Community Services			1,000
7000 Acquisition of Fixed Assets		1,000	25,000
TOTAL	\$ 556,455	\$ 475,170	\$1,494,677

II Capital Budget

8000 Debt Retirement	\$1,932,500	\$1,932,500	\$1,842,250
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WINNERS in the famous Curtis Jr. High Clown Contest: (left to right) Annie Giobbe, Kristen Ragnoo, Frank Taskovics.





SUDBURY'S ANGELA LONGO, a member of the Greater Boston Youth Symphony (a very exclusive organization).

LINCOLN-SUDBURY REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

Report of the School Committee/Superintendent

In this year of 1974 we can find no better summary of the state of the High School than the words of the Sudbury School Committee penned in 1890:

The Committee take pleasure in reporting to the inhabitants of the town the continued prosperity and general success of their schools during the past year. Taken as a whole, they believe that the school have fully sustained their previous good reputation; that there has been a decided improvement in the matter of deportment in nearly all of them; that the advancement in the various departments of study has been substantial; that they will compare favorably with the same schools in previous years, or with school of the same grade in other towns under the same conditions and circumstances; and the committee cheerfully give all the credit of the generally satisfactory condition of things to the teachers and the scholars, realizing as they do that their own imperfect supervision has had very little to do with it.*

We have completed the first full year under a new administration. It has been a year of stabilization: the student population seems to have leveled off; large numbers of new faculty are no longer required each fall. Increased attention has been focused on the needs of students, particularly freshmen and those students who are not participating fully in the life of the school. The appearance and maintenance of the physical plant has improved and more effective communication with the communities has begun.

ELECTIONS

The School Committee wishes to acknowledge with gratitude the contributions of Frederick Walkey, who retired after six challenging years on the Committee; and to welcome Richard Davison who was elected in March to succeed him. In the same election Henry Morgan was reelected, after eleven years service on the Committee.

RETIREMENTS

This year saw the retirement of Alfred C. Derosier and Sherman Spaulding. Mr. Derosier has been Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds for seven years and is succeeded by Richard Santella. Mr. Spaulding was for eleven years a valued member of the faculty in Mathematics. We wish them both a satisfying, well-deserved retirement.

STUDENTS

Major efforts have been directed to improving the school environment for students, and for freshmen in particular.

Hall Reorganization

To improve the environment for entering students, the role of the school's five Halls has been revised.

The Halls have moved from a limited counseling, attendance and discipline function in the direction of the wider role of schools within a school. Beginning this year, each freshman has been scheduled, insofar as possible, to take courses from teachers in his or her own Hall. Because each freshman is known to several of the Hall faculty members, ready and easy interchange of information on academic and other problems is facilitated. Hall lounges have been provided and Hall Forums organized as a new form of student government.

The NIMBUS Program, (our highly respected "Outward Bound" type activity) has been made a "Hall Program" and is focused on freshmen, to contribute further to the new student's orientation to the school and the Hall faculty.

THE ADVISOR PROGRAM

Beginning in September, 1974, the faculty began a plan under which every student at the Regional will have a Faculty Advisor. At this time each faculty member is advising four freshmen and four sophomores. A student will remain with his or her faculty advisor for the full four years, so in another two years each teacher will be advising sixteen students. This program, which has been developed over a number of years in West Hall is seen as filling a definite need; that of assuring that at least one adult in the school knows each student well. A further benefit has been in seeing that each faculty member knows students as "whole people," rather than possibly only as a "math student" or "history student."

Advisors work under the direction of the Hall Counselors, and help students with the kinds of problems that arise normally in a large school. They review with students course selections and change requests as well as grades. Parents are urged to get to know their student's advisors, who can provide another valuable channel for communication between the home and the school.

ATTENDANCE

Although certain students continue to have problems getting to class, the results of an attendance study done in the Halls reveal that class-cutting is not an overall school problem. The vast majority of students meet their class commitments. Those who do not are known to the school

and through the school to their parents. We will continue to work with these individual students and their parents, as needed.

It is true that absence and tardiness are sometimes unavoidable, but in many cases they can be prevented by the parents of the scholars or by the scholars themselves, as the responsibility for this evil must rest upon the parents or scholars, or both, but not at all upon the teachers.*

In spite of our best intentions, we cannot honestly say that any significant inroads were made this year on the problem of the "corridor kids" — those students who prefer to spend their unassigned time in the corridors and who are not motivated to take part in the life of the school in any real way. While it is certainly unrealistic to expect that teachers, in the few contact hours available will work regular and repeatable miracles of motivation on a sizable number of apathetic students, nevertheless the school will continue to seek ways in which to reach these students. In this attempt we cannot overemphasize the importance of parental involvement and support.

PROFESSIONAL STAFF

The School Committee and Administration remain committed to the policy that has guided the high school since its inception, that of attracting and retaining the most competent teachers available. In order to do so, while paying competitive but not exorbitant salaries, we have worked hard to develop and follow procedures which make Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School a stimulating and satisfying place to work, as well as to learn.

This will be an even more challenging task for us all as our enrollment stops growing. Along with the benefits of a more experienced and cohesive staff we will also face the possible problems of a staff growing older and more settled. To counteract this the faculty is investigating a number of ways of assuring a continual renewal and revitalization through staff-development activities, exchanges with other systems, and other means.

A new Faculty Senate provides a mechanism for improved communication between the Faculty and the Administration. Through their Standards and Expectations committee, the Faculty has drawn up guidelines (which have been approved) outlining the role a member of the professional staff is to play in the day-to-day life of the school. A new merit pay plan has been instituted and a formal Evaluation procedure for professional staff and administration is now being developed.

CHANGES IN CURRICULUM

As in previous years the faculty has developed and implemented a number of new and exciting courses this year, such as the SCAR program (described elsewhere), the Executive Intern Program, "To See Ourselves" (a course in cultural anthropology), "Feminine Fix-it," and so forth. These programs add "spice" to student life here, and are well recognized by students and staff for their value, interest and variety.

However, the vast majority of our efforts, and of student time, continue to be expended in studying and learning rather traditional bodies of skill and knowledge, albeit they are now taught in newer and better ways than in the past. We still devote most of our instructional time to English, History, Foreign Language, Mathematics, Science, and Physical Education. A parent, upon examining a student's course of studies will find that in nearly all cases most of the student's time is spent in these basic areas.

Significant progress has been made this year, as it is every year, an improving the already high quality of instruction. This year major effort was put into our English Program, particularly at the freshman level. These and further efforts to improve teaching and learning of basic skills are continuing.

Similarly each department faculty is continuing to review and improve its offerings. Gradual, rather than radical changes are being made in what we teach and how we teach it. Interested citizens are referred to the *Program of Studies and Program Budget*, each of which is available through the school's Main Office.

The School Committee continues to believe that its building should be an educational center, but that education should not be bounded by its walls. This year and next we will continue our efforts to educate our students to the world they will enter. Although all departments share in this preparation for life, we give special emphasis to our programs in Career Exploration, Alternate Semester, Executive Interns, Child Development, Work Study, METCO, and Student Exchange.

PHYSICAL PLANT

The appearance and maintenance level of the building and grounds have greatly improved. We plan to continue to improve the condition of the plant and to make it as available as possible to the communities when it is not in use for school activities. A student committee called Student Committee for Architectural Renovation (SCAR), working with the advice of an architect, has redesigned the old art areas as a new home for the Audio Visual Department. SCAR will continue to assist the administration in renovating and updating the building.

The Drainage Program for the Athletic Fields, approved by Sudbury and Lincoln last year has been completed on schedule and within the budget. By all accounts an excellent job was done by the contractor. We look forward to returning the fields to service as soon as the turf is ready. We continue to hope for the eventual completion of the building expansion program begun in 1972. In spite of the best efforts of the Regional Building Committee chaired by Mr. Robert Bierig, the final details of construction continue to progress slowly.

FINANCE

The problems of school finance are being pursued on two fronts. The 1975-76 budget was reviewed program by program, to allow study of educational programs on a cost per pupil or cost per credit basis, as well as in its traditional form. Unfortunately, the growing inflation impacts the school as severely as it does the home.

To take a longer range look at school costs, the School Committee has applied for and received a \$70,000 grant from the National Institute of Education to study the educational implications of making significant budget reductions. It is the aim of the Committee to develop educational alternatives and bring them to the public for a full discussion. It may be that the communities, as a result of this study, will choose to restructure the educational program to achieve these savings. Or, the communities may decide they do not wish to accept the changes which would be required by such budget cuts. The study will require eighteen months to complete. Co-principal Investigators are School Committee members Joan Wofford and Henry Morgan. They would welcome any suggestions or comments from interested citizens, and can be contacted at 259-0885.



LINCOLN-SUDBURY REGIONAL SCHOOL committee members Henry Morgan and Rich Davison are sworn in by Lilly T. Spooner.

CONCLUSION

It has been a full year with successes in many areas, promise in some and continued frustration in others. You, as parents and taxpayers, have many reasons to be proud of your school. Still, there continue to be students who do not make the most of the opportunities available, and students, who, for one reason or another, we at the school have not reached. The School Committee, Administration and Staff are committed to providing the best possible educational experience at a cost per pupil comparable to that of ten good neighboring systems — but we can't do it alone. We can do it with your help. Under the program offered at the high school, parental involvement is most important, both in course selection and in dialogue with teachers on the student's progress.

Another matter shown by the registers is that very many parents of the scholars are seldom, if ever, seen in the schoolrooms; this, the Committee take the liberty to say, is not as it should be. Parents can contribute to the interest and success of the schools in various ways, but in none more effectively than by frequent visits to the schoolrooms; and the reports of scholars, or teachers even, will not always give them so reliable information concerning the condition and progress of the schools as they can gain by frequent visits.*

During the coming year we shall strive to further develop a working partnership between the school and the home. We ask you to join us.

Respectfully submitted,

William T. Maloney,
Chairman
Joan Wofford, Vice
Chairman
Martha C. A. Clough
Richard H. Davison
J. Roger Flather, Jr.
Henry M. Morgan
David L. Levington,
Superintendent

*Report of the School Committee, Sudbury Town Report, 1890.

Annual Regional District Election

The Regional District Election was held in conjunction with the elections in Lincoln and Sudbury on March 25, 1974, and certifications of the results were received from George Wells, Town Clerk of Lincoln, and Betsey M. Powers, Town Clerk of Sudbury, as follows:

	Lincoln	Sudbury	Total
For Three Years			
Henry M. Morgan	979	435	1414
Richard F. Brooks	300	1066	1366
Lawrence Bussey, Jr.	232	619	851
Richard H. Davison	561	1416	1977
Blanks	296	500	796

Respectfully submitted,

Lily T. Spooner
District Secretary

Where to Get Information About The High School

The School Committee, Administrators, and Faculty all are committed to providing the citizens of Sudbury and Lincoln with as much information as possible about the Regional High School. Major sources of information include:

Area Newspapers — School news appears regularly in the *Sudbury Citizen*, the *Sudbury Town Crier*, the *Concord Journal-Lincoln Edition*, and the *South Middlesex News*. Other papers from time to time publish information about the Regional High School.

Regional Newsletter — Distributed to every home by mail twenty times each year.

Student Handbook — Distributed to every student in September, and available to all at the School Office.

Program of Studies — Distributed to each student in the spring, and available to all at the School Office.

School Committee Meetings — Held the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, and open to the public. Most meetings are held in the Regional High School Library at 8:00 p.m.

Student Newspaper — The *Promethean* is published by the students during the school year and sold at the Regional High School.

School Offices — Open five days a week all year, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Telephone 443-9961 or 259-9527 for any inquiries.

No School Signal

In the event of severe weather (storms or sub-zero temperatures) or when the transportation system is disrupted, WCOP, WEEL, WGTR, WHDH, WRKO, WBZ, WKOX, WSRO, and WCVB-TV, will broadcast the no-school announcement for the high school between 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. The audible alarm (horn) at the Town Hall is for the elementary and junior high schools only. The Regional High School closings will be announced only by the above radio and/or TV stations.

We believe these announcements are clear, and therefore urge parents to refrain from calling the homes of school personnel. Parents should **not** call the Fire Department or Police Department.



SPRING WILL COME to Sudbury. The children know, and the trees. (Estelle Andleman photo)

Distribution of Pupils Attending Regional High School

October 1, 1974

	1972	1973	1974
Lincoln	429	387	373
Sudbury	1475	1516	1513
Other tuition	9	14	14
METCO	<u>41</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>64</u>
Totals	1954	1959	1964
Boys	981	990	970
Girls	<u>975</u>	<u>969</u>	<u>994</u>
Totals	1954	1959	1964
9th Grade	526	515	476
10th Grade	517	512	501
11th Grade	429	495	497
12th Grade	478	437	489
Post Graduate	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
	1954	1959	1964

The Lincoln-Sudbury Regional School District

Treasurer's Report

January 1, 1973 - June 30, 1974

Total cash balance, January 1, 1973		<u>\$ 33,629.84</u>
District Fund		
Cash balance, January 1, 1973		(34,393.41)
Receipts:		
Lincoln assessment	\$1,052,375.18	
Sudbury assessment	3,661,441.89	
State reimbursement		
Building construction	451,730.23	
Transportation	219,057.13	
Planning funds	144,244.00	
Stabilization - Matching funds	100,000.00	
Investments	9,570,000.00	
Federal aid PL874	34,638.00	
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	39,229.78	
Disability insurance No. 2	1,482.04	
Tax sheltered annuities	41,238.24	
Building construction No. 5	240.00	
Miscellaneous income	<u>226,075.32</u>	<u>15,541,751.81</u>
Disbursements:		
Operating budget	4,594,664.14	
Debt service - interest	239,791.25	
principal	630,000.00	
Investments	8,445,000.00	
Building construction No. 4	1,453,745.30	
No. 5	1,260.00	
Outlay	63,476.47	
Community services	2,441.71	
Blue Cross - Blue Shield	38,093.92	
Disability Insurance No. 2	1,426.38	
Tax sheltered annuities	<u>39,461.24</u>	<u>15,509,360.41</u>
Cash balance, June 30, 1974		<u>(2,002.01)</u>
Federal Reimbursement PL674		
Cash balance, January 1, 1973		34,638.00
Receipts		<u>34,740.00</u>
		69,378.00
Disbursements		<u>34,638.00</u>
Cash balance, June 30, 1974		<u>34,740.00</u>
Chapter 506 Metco		
Cash balance, January 1, 1973		4,783.50
Receipts		<u>102,007.00</u>
		106,790.50
Disbursements		<u>100,285.10</u>
Cash balance, June 30, 1974		<u>6,505.40</u>

PL 90-576 Nursery School Grant 1972

Cash balance, January 1, 1973	2,948.43
Receipts	<u> </u>
	2,948.43
Disbursements	<u>2,948.43</u>
Cash balance, June 30, 1974	<u> </u>

PL92-318 Nursery School Grant 1974

Cash balance, January 1, 1973	<u> </u>
Receipts	16,500.00
	16,500.00
Disbursements	<u>14,849.33</u>
Cash balance, June 30, 1974	<u>1,650.67</u>

Nursery School - Tuition

Cash balance, January 1, 1973	3,823.42
Receipts	<u>13,197.68</u>
	17,021.10
Disbursements	<u>6,331.98</u>
Cash balance, June 30, 1974	<u>10,689.12</u>

Title II Library

Cash balance, January 1, 1973	52.29
Receipts	<u>2,914.81</u>
	2,967.10
Disbursements	<u>2,967.10</u>
Cash balance, June 30, 1974	<u> </u>

Title II 1973 Special Purpose

Cash balance, January 1, 1973	<u> </u>
Receipts	1,005.76
	1,005.76
Disbursements	<u>1,005.76</u>
Cash balance, June 30, 1974	<u> </u>

Title II 1974

Cash balance, January 1, 1973	<u> </u>
Receipts	2,625.00
	2,625.00
Disbursements	<u>.00</u>
Cash balance, June 30, 1974	<u>2,625.00</u>

E.N.E.R.G.Y.

Cash balance, January 1, 1973	.00
Receipts	<u>9,600.00</u>
	9,600.00
Disbursements	<u>6,741.01</u>
Cash balance, June 30 1974	<u>2,858.99</u>

Towel Fund

Cash balance, January 1, 1973	3,114.05
Receipts	<u>2,551.00</u>
	5,665.05
Disbursements	<u>4,283.06</u>
Cash balance, June 30, 1974	<u>1,381.99</u>

Cafeteria Fund

Cash balance, January 1, 1973	16,176.87
Receipts	<u>209,108.41</u>
	225,285.28
Disbursements	<u>213,009.55</u>
Cash balance, June 30, 1974	<u>12,275.73</u>

Athletic Fund

Cash balance, January 1, 1973	1,360.69
Receipts	<u>3,293.00</u>
	4,653.69
Disbursements	<u>4,652.50</u>
Cash balance, June 30, 1974	<u>1.19</u>

Adult Education

Cash balance, January 1, 1973	343.72
Receipts	<u>18,519.80</u>
	18,863.52
Disbursements	<u>17,651.80</u>
Cash balance, June 30, 1974	<u>1,211.72</u>

Music Scholarship Fund

Cash balance, January 1, 1973	316.62
Receipts	<u>26.20</u>
	342.82
Disbursements	<u>.00</u>
Cash balance, June 30, 1974	<u>342.82</u>

Howard Emmons Fund

Cash balance, January 1, 1973	158.34
Receipts	<u>13.07</u>
	171.41
Disbursements	<u>.00</u>
Cash balance, June 30, 1974	<u>171.41</u>

Cannon-Kirshner Fund

Cash balance, January 1, 1973	307.32
Receipts	<u>25.43</u>
	332.75
Disbursements	<u>.00</u>
Cash balance, June 30, 1974	<u>332.75</u>
Total cash balance, June 30, 1974	<u>72,784.78</u>

BALANCE SHEET: June 30, 1974**Assets**

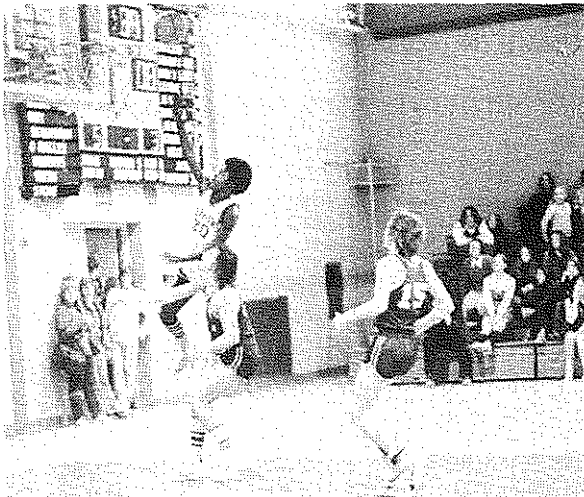
Cash	
The First National Bank of Boston	\$ 68,815.48
Newton-Waltham Bank & Trust Company	3,122.32
Waltham Savings Bank	846.98
Certificate of Deposit - First National Bank	400,000.00
Loans authorized	175,000.00
Total Assets	<u>\$647,784.78</u>

Liabilities and Reserves

Appropriation balances	
Non-Revenue	
Building construction No. 4	\$126,702.00
Building construction No. 5	37,008.00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	
Construction costs	9,319.52
Federal Reimbursement	
PL874	34,740.00
Surplus Revenue	221,058.03
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	2,077.78
Disability Insurance No. 2	55.66
Tax Sheltered Annuities	1,777.00
Metco	6,505.40
Title II 1974	2,625.00
E.N.E.R.G.Y.	2,858.99
Nursery School Grant	1,650.67
Revolving Funds	
Nursery School - Tuition	10,689.12
Towel fund	1,381.99
Cafeteria fund	12,275.73
Athletic fund	1.19
Adult Education	1,211.72
Music Scholarship fund	342.82
Howard Emmons fund	171.41
Cannon-Kirshner fund	332.75
Loans Authorized and Unissued	<u>175,000.00</u>
Total Liabilities and Reserves	<u>\$647,784.78</u>

Outstanding Debt

2.2% School Bonds payable	\$ 5,000 May 1, 1975	5,000.00
2.4% School Bonds payable	20,000 Nov. 1, 1974	20,000.00
2.4% School Bonds payable	50,000 Nov. 1, 1974-75	100,000.00
3.7% School Bonds payable	50,000 May 1, 1975-80	300,000.00
3.1% School Bonds payable	100,000 Feb. 1, 1975-85	1,100,000.00
4.0% School Bonds payable	25,000 Aug. 1, 1975-83	
	20,000 Aug. 1, 1984-86	310,000.00
4.25% School Bonds payable	225,000 Aug. 1, 1974	
	220,000 Aug. 1, 1975-82	<u>1,985,000.00</u>
		3,820,000.00



UP, UP AND AWAY: Warrior Nate Smith lays one in. (Morrison photo)



WORLD-FAMOUS COMPOSER RANDALL THOMPSON conducted the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School Select and Special Chorus in his inspiring composition, "The Peaceable Kingdom".

Tuition Pupils Attending Other Schools

October 1, 1974

Agricultural High School, Walpole			
Carroll School, Lincoln			
Concord Minuteman Workshop			
Framingham North High School, Special Class			
The House, Lexington			
Newton Technical High School			
South Middlesex Regional Vocational Technical School			
Sudbury Public Schools, Special Class			
Waltham High School, Special Class			
Waltham Vocational High School			
Wayland High School, Special Class			
Totals			

<u>1972</u>	<u>1973</u>	<u>1974</u>
	1	2
		1
		1
1		1
2	3	5
2	5	4
	1	5
1		
		1
<u>5</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>
11	13	21

Lincoln-Sudbury Student Exchange Committee

The Student Exchange awarded partial scholarships to five junior ambassadors who spent the summer of 1974 abroad. Leslie Cheatham travelled to France, Bruce Huie to the Dominican Republic, and both Sallie Baldwin and Tim Sykes to Switzerland. Shawn Lockery engaged in an art tour which took him through many countries in Europe and enabled him to visit Euclid Svoloopolus, an exchange student from Greece who had lived with the Lockery family last year.

Scholarships extended by the Cheadle Hulme School, England, and administered by the S.E.C. were granted for 1973-74 to Jadene Bump and Janet Cloud, who spent their junior year studying in England. For the current 1974-75 school year, the Cheadle Hulme scholarships have been awarded to juniors Josh Adelson and Jim Seaman.

The recipient of the Teacher Ambassador Scholarship in 1974 was Marie Talbot, who spent the summer travelling and studying in Peru.

Five visiting students from foreign lands spent the 1973-74 school year living with families in Lincoln and Sudbury while attending the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School. Elizabeth Ahrens came from Germany, Marie-Louise Kings from Sweden, Sarah Percival from England, Henri Ozawa from Japan and Euclid Svoloopolus from



GIRLS' SOFTBALL flourished under the aegis of the Park and Recreation Commission, with a full League operation. Above, Coach Doug Wood plans game strategy with the Screamin' Eagles.

Greece. During the current 1974-75 school year, four foreign exchange students are at the high school: Elsebeth Christiansen and Alex Rose, both from Denmark, Myriam Rozaki from Greece and Makoto Matsudaira from Japan.

Respectfully submitted,
 Marcia Rarus
 Vickie Kerrebrock
 Co-Chairmen

**FINANCIAL REPORT
STUDENT EXCHANGE COMMITTEE
1973-1974**

Cash on hand October 3, 1973

\$1,926.72

Income:

Square Dance	11.00
Springthing '73	9.00
Springthing '74	4,162.67
International Dinner	275.79
Christmas Cards	40.00
Cook Book	57.50
Appeal	960.80
Dessert/Concert	254.11
Special Contributions	30.00
Bank Interest	<u>123.27</u>
Total Income	5,924.14

Expenses:

Ambassador Program	2,339.00
Foreign Students	596.28
Arts Council Disbursements	250.00
General Committee Exp.	28.01
Banks Service Charges	<u>8.45</u>
Total Expenses	3,221.74

Committed Funds:

Select Chorus	850.00
Arts Council	1000.00
Net Income	<u>2,702.40</u>

Cash on Hand 9/11/74

\$4,629.12

Breakdown of Expenses for Ambassadors and Foreign Students

Ambassador Program

1 Teacher Ambassador	\$ 334.00
3 Ambassador Scholarships @ \$335.00	1,005.00
2 Ambassador Scholarships @ \$500.00	<u>1,000.00</u>
	\$2,339.00

Foreign Students

Washington Trip	415.09
Other Trips	20.00
Insurance	115.50
Christmas	10.49
School related Expenses	<u>35.20</u>
	\$596.28

Respectfully submitted,

Helen J. McNally
Treasurer



A SEA OF BLUE AND WHITE: the 1974 graduating class from Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School. (Clay Allen photo)

Class of 1974

Ackerman, Stephen Kirk
Ackroyd, Susan E.
Adamson, Gary J.
Ahrens, Elisabeth
Ainsworth, Teresa L.
Albrecht, Cheryl A.
Alexander, Karen Lee
Allen, David R.
Ames, Joyce Roberta
Amesbury, Anne E.
Armington, Gary W.
Austen, Howard C., Jr.

Bahlkow, Karen Marie
Baldi, Karen
*Baldwin, Margaret T.
Baldwin, Robert Scott
*Baldwin, Sarah T.
Barlow, Charlene
Barsano, Karen
Bauder, Janette Marie
Bellows, Kevin M.
Beltramini, Lisa Ann
Benedict, Regis M.
Bennett, Keith J.
Bent, Lincoln T.
Berdy, Jerome A.
Bernetich, Nancy J.
Bianchi, Louise M.
Bigwood, Nancy A.
Bisson, Marie
Blake, Susan J.
Bleckley, Janet
Boles, Laura L.
Bonía, Carol
Bortle, Susan Barbara
Bowden, John J.
Bowen, Robert I.
Boyd, Patricia A.
Boyle, Anna M.
Bradley, Harland F.
*Breidenstein, Cheryl A.
Brettel, Stephen A.
Briand, Alphonse J., Jr.
Brown, Elizabeth
Brown, Timothy Francis
Brown, Todd H.
Burgarella, James W.

Burk, Lesley Mitchell
Burns, Janet
†Burroughs, Laurie K.
Buscemi, James A.
Byington, Roy E.

Cacciola, Douglas
Caffrey, Sara E.
Caia, Corrado
Cain, James J.
Calkins, Thomas
Campobasso, Diane Elizabeth
Caplan, Robert H., IV.
Caras, Matthew Lewis
Caras, Stefan
Carley, Thomas
Carpano, Francis G., Jr.
Carter, John R.
Castellano, Dawn
†Cawthon, Flora K.
Cellucci, Robert G.
Cialdea, Margaret Jean
Clark, Deborah Ann
*Clark, Martha
Clark, Nancy J.
Clark, Sherrill E.
Clausen, Barbara A.
Coates, Samuel
Colatosti, Cheryl A.
Collins, Mark T.
Connors, Maureen F.
Cook, Maureen Sheila
Coolbaugh, Brian Lee
Corbett, Susan
Cosgrove, John P.
*Costa, Victoria T.
Cox, Richard A.
Crawford, Linda L.
†Creaser, Brett P.
Cron, Mark C.
Cullinan, Mary Ann
Curran, Ann
Curran, Karen J.

Davis, Brian C.
Davis, Nicholas Phillip

Davis, Paul Andrew
Davis, Theodore R.
Day, Kenneth Peter
Day, Thomas Earl
DeBaryshe, Thomas N.
†DeLuca, Claire Leslie
Dempsey, Janice M.
Deveneau, Michael
Dexter, Elizabeth
DiPalma, David
Doe, Deborah
Doherty, Sheryl J.
Donahue, Denise M.
Donald, David
Donnell, Leslie
Dorris, Richard A.
Dreher, Janet L.
Drum, Kenneth F.
Drury, Peter L.
Dugan, Steven J.
Dunne, Nora T.
Durning, John S.

Eadie, James
Eaton, Gregory C.
Elason, Eric C.
Espinosa, Laurel N.

Faneuf, Patricia Anne
Feldman, Arnold Louis
Fenijn, Karin
Fisher, Melissa Jean
Fitzgerald, Beth A.
Fitzgerald, Maurice J., Jr.
Fitzgibbons, Jane Lee
Flathers, Jean Anne
Fougère, Alan J.
Foust, Janice B.
Fox, Linda Jean
Frederick, Patricia Ann

Gagne, Lawrence E., Jr.
Gallerani, David S.
Gallo, William P.

Gardiner, Ann T.
Garrigan, Edward F.
Gause, Jean C.
Gervais, Brigitte F.
†Gil, Andrew
Gillig, John P.
Gitlin, David
Gluek, Mary Margarethe
Gold, David E.
Goode, Heather M.
*Gotschall, John A.
Grande, Lorna M.
Grant, Douglas R.
Gray, Glenn A.
Greaves, Mary Ann
Green, Robert
Greene, Susan M.
Griffith, Joe

Hagenian, Ann M.
Halloran, Linda M.
Hammer, Benjamin H.
Hammond, Cheryl Ann
Hannon, David Carl
Harding, Cheryl Ann
Harrington, Daniel
Harvey, Cynthia Ann
Haworth, Robert B., Jr.
Healy, Liam Michael
Heffernan, Michael Edward
Helgeson, Mark S.
Henderson, Florence
Henry, Barrington A.
Higdon, Dirk W.
Hill, James A.
Hill, Kathleen S.
Hill, Lynne D.
Hirshberg, Carol R.
Holland, Nicholas
Holland, Richard K.
Horn, Peter B.
Horne, Matthew R.
†Howe, Penelope J.
Hughes, Laurel J.
Hugill, Anne Marget
Humphrey, Michael D.
Hutchinson, Peter S.

- Innocent, Wendy
Irminger, John F.
- Jacob, Christo M.
†Jevon, Richard H.
Johnson, Alan W.
Jordan, Scott A.
Joy, Peter G.
- Kahn, Craig M.
Kane, Maryann
Kastler, Kim D.
Kaufmann, Karen
Keeman, Alane S.
Kennedy, Christina Sinclair
Kennedy, John T., Jr.
Keough, Valerie M.
Kevorkian, Edward Carney
Kings, Marie-Louise
Koehler, Michael
Koester, Nancy
†Kornfeld, Stephanie
Kravetz, Alan Lee
Krochock, Ruth J.
*Kruse, Janet A.
- Lafler, John F.
Lamore, Joseph A.
Lampner, Cindy C.
Langway, Linda
Leard, Lindsay
Leger, Steve
Lewis, Joanne M.
Lewtas, Eric Sven
*Libman, Lori Beth
Liu, Deborah Carol
Lundblad, Kirsten W.
Lynn, Martha Elizabeth
Lyon, Steven W.
- MacKimm, James I.
Maeland, Lynn S.
Mager, Lesley J.
Maher, David J.
Mahoney, Anne M.
Mahoney, Karen Elizabeth
Mailly, David R.
Malonson, Mark
Mangini, Mark A.
Mannarino, Gail A.
Marsh, Marylee Anne
Marshall, Scott A.
Martini, Susanne G.
Marx, Sarah J.
Mason, Cynthia T.
Mason, Katherine B.
Massa, Michelle
Max, Frances Ann
Maxwell, Tessa M.
Mazzarese, Patricia G.
*McAleer, Jacqueline Merry
- McCabe, Nancy Ann
McCarthy, Miriam Irene
McCree, Brian R.
McCusker, Peter J., Jr.
McGee, Lorrie A.
McGinley, Joseph A.
McGovern, Michael S.
McGovern, Nancy
McGuire, Karen B.
McLaughlin, Kathleen L.
†McNamara, Noreen Anne
Meenan, James C.
Mellish, Michael T.
Mercurio, Mark S.
Merkert, Fred D.
Mikoski, Mark W.
Miller, Steven P.
Minettas, Cosmas
Miranda, Marc A.
Mohr, Bonnie Jean
Moore, Harold B.
Moore, Robin M.
Morgan, Edward H.
Morrison, Brian D.
Mrakovich, David J.
Mulholland, Hugh R.
Murphy, Kathleen G.
Murphy, Lynne A.
Myers, Katherine A.
*Myers, Lynn Marie
- Naatz, Doris M.
Nebesky, Michael
Nelson, Lee W.
Nilo, Terry M.
Noyes, Terri L.
- O'Brien, David E.
O'Brien, Mark E.
O'Loughlin, Barbara S.
O'Loughlin, Joseph P.
Olsen, Bruce A.
O'Meara, Anne
Ostroff, Jane A.
Ovian, Stephen Michael
Owen, David C.
†Ozawa, Henri
- Panetta, Richard J.
Parr, Kim M.
Parsons, Wayne R.
Paulsen, Gordon K.
Peavey, Brian T.
Peavey, Christopher L.
Pecoraro, Richard Aquinas
Percival, Sarah
Perry, Elizabeth Louise
†*Perry, Mitchell Frazier
Petersen, Gordon C., Jr.
Phelan, Kathleen A.
Pike, Valerie A.
Pillion, Scott J.
- Pino, Beverly A.
Piscitelli, Mark
Plank, Carol Ann
Plum, Wendy Ann
Polutchko, Elaine
Porter, Karen L.
Poundstone, Patricia K.
†Powers, Bryan D.
Provencal, June
- Raduziner, Jodie K.
Raker, Deborah A.
Rand, David M.
Ransier, Linda M.
Rarus, Steven
†Rasmussen, Arlene T.
Reese, Laurie Ann
*Reichert, Patrice
Richardson, Charlotte
Richter, Nancy E.
Ricker, Morse
†Roberts, Dan Worth
Roberts, Kenneth M.
Robinson, Daniel Keith
Robinson, William
Roehr, Cynthia A.
Rosenwald, Stuart H.
Ross, Brenda Lee
Row, Mary E.
Royal, Linda A.
Rubin, Karen L.
Ryan, Jeffrey Alan
- Saklad, Steven Alan
Sanders, Kihm R.
Sanford, Barbara S.
Saraglow, Alexander
Sauer, David J.
Saunders, Nancy Wallace
†Schieb, Laura Jean
Seaman, William B., Jr.
Sears, Jayne E.
Seymour, Donald A.
Sharkey, Barbara
Shaw, John I.
Shepard, Allen D.
Shope, Alvin Lee, III
*Sifferlen, Stephen G.
Signa, Susan Marie
Simon, Claude D.
Small, Larry A.
Smith, Cynthia G.
Smith, James
Smith, Margaret Elizabeth
Smith, Patricia Lynn
Smith, Samuel Bradford
Smulowicz, Joseph R.
Sorrenti, Diane
*Squire, David Whitford
St. Croix, Susan C.
Stafford, Beverly
Stanley, Sarah Walker
Steinhilper, Anne C.
Stephens, Lee Cameron
Stockwell, Amy Medlyn
- Stone, Judith L.
Streit, Andrea L.
Streit, Anthony Lloyd
Striker, Christina Janette
Summers, Deborah Marie
Sutherland, Jane
Svolopoulos, Euclidis
Swanson, Karen A.
Swenson, Debra L.
*Sykes, Ellen E.
Sylvia, Craig L.
Taylor, Carolyn P.
Thurmond, Lisa J.
Titus, Elizabeth Ann
Toler, Mary Evelyn
Towle, Bradley E.
Trevisani, Raymond
Tristan, Sarah Cook
Trumble, Catherine Ann
- Valentino, David
Vannerson, Stephen H.
van Tol, Christine E.
- Wahl, Thomas H.
Walker, Nancy
Walkey, Margaret G.
Walsh, Colleen T.
Walsh, Guida Clair
Walsh, Patricia A.
Walter, Pamela M.
Warner, Sandra L.
*Wayne, Wendell James
Weinstein, Gregory D.
*Weiss, Elizabeth Rebekah
*Wentworth, Margo Lynn
Wesley, Diane
Westgate, James W.
Wheeler, Linda C.
White, Cathy A.
Wilson, Sanford E.
*Winer, Eric Paul
Wiper, Susan Elaine
*Wolfe, Steven Mark
*Woo, Patricia
Woodbury, Peter R.
Woodward, Donna L.
Wright, Lynn Adrienne
Wurlitzer, James E.
Wyman, Jonathan C.
- Yarbrough, Dean S., III
Young, Lisa V.
- Zarrilli, Gerald V.
*Zaumseil, Kathy J.
- * — Cum Laude
† — In Absentia

Where Our Graduates Go

Post-Secondary Education

School	Class of 1971		Class of 1972		Class of 1973		Class of 1974	
	No.	Percent	No.	Percent	No.	Percent	No.	Percent
Four year, degree granting colleges	196	57.14	216	54.76	240	54.80	245	62.03
Junior Colleges	35	10.20	40	10.09	40	9.13	29	7.34
Business/Secretarial Schools	1	.30	7	1.73	9	2.06	3	.76
Preparatory/Post Graduate Schools	6	1.75	6	1.50	5	1.14	6	1.52
Nursing Schools	2	.58	5	1.30	2	.46	3	.76
Specialized/Technical Schools	2	.58	11	2.77	5	1.14	7	1.77
	242	70.55	285	72.15	301	68.73	293	74.18

SUMMARY OF OCCUPATIONS

Descriptions	Class of 1971		Class of 1972		Class of 1973		Class of 1974	
	No.	Percent	No.	Percent	No.	Percent	No.	Percent
Employed	88	25.91	103	25.85	71	16.21	76	19.24
Military	4	1.16	2	.50	4	.91	1	.25
Moved	2	.58						
Travel	7	1.80	6	1.50	21	4.79	4	1.01
Returning to Lincoln-Sudbury Regional					16	3.65		
Delayed Applications					25	5.71	17	4.31
Other							4	1.01
	101	29.45	111	27.85	137	31.27	102	25.82
	343	100.00	396	100.00	438	100.00	395	100.00

*1974 percentages are based on graduates; previous years percentages based on members of the senior class. Reporting basis has been changed to conform with statewide reporting practices.

Minuteman Regional Vocational Technical School District

The Minuteman Regional Vocational Technical School District Committee is pleased to submit its fourth annual report to the citizens of the District's member towns of Acton, Arlington, Belmont, Boxborough, Carlisle, Concord, Lexington, Lincoln, Stow, Sudbury, Wayland and Weston.

The year 1974 marked the culmination of the District's initial planning phase with the opening of classes for the boys and girls comprising the Minuteman Regional Vocational Technical School's first ninth grade class.

Unfortunately, delays in the construction of our new building forced us to begin the year in temporary quarters in the Rose Hawthorne School Building in Concord, which we were able to rent from the Archdiocese of Boston.

Our first class was selected in the spring of 1974 from approximately 600 applicants. A quota based on the ratio of high school students from each member town to the total number of high school students in the District was established for each town. For those towns which exceeded their prescribed quotas, 80% of the first class was chosen by a random selection procedure. The remaining 20% were chosen by the school systems of the towns in which those students reside. On October 1, 1974 the enrollment in the Minuteman School, by towns, was as follows:

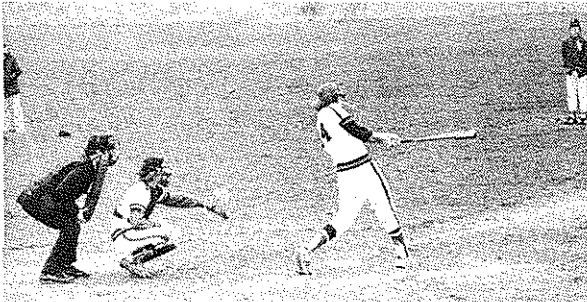
Acton	- 42	Lincoln	- 12
Arlington	- 95	Lexington	- 78
Belmont	- 40	Stow	- 14
Boxborough	- 11	Sudbury	- 43
Carlisle	- 8	Wayland	- 36
Concord	- 42	Weston	- 5



PARENTS NIGHT at Minuteman Vocational Technical High School gives Mr. and Mrs. Dick Brooks a chance to chat with Sudbury member of M.V.T.H. School Committee Al Cron (middle)

Despite the more limited space in the Rose Hawthorne building and our new personnel, a full range of academic courses was offered, including mathematics, science, communications arts (English), and human relations (social studies). Repeating five-week introductory courses in eight of the following vocational and technical areas are also required of each ninth-grade student:

Building Trades	Foods
Power Mechanics	Distributive Education
Machine Shop	Health Services
Metals Fabrication	Commercial Art
Horticulture	Electronics
Graphic Arts (Printing)	Instrumentation



AH, THE SOUNDS OF EARLY SPRING: the chattering of coaches' teeth! The clank of aluminum against horsehide!

Prior to the beginning of school, the students were tested, interviewed and evaluated by the Minuteman faculty, with the assistance of consultants from Boston University, so that to every extent possible they could be placed in vocational and technical programs most compatible with their interests and aptitudes.

Highlights of first months of actual operation of the new school included:

1. The successful implementation and "shake-down" of our transportation system, a complex operation for transporting all of our students to and from school each day.
2. Implementation of an innovative individualized student reporting system which was completed and sent to each parent in November.
3. An open house evening at the Rose Hawthorne building attended by approximately 500 parents to acquaint them with the educational activities in which their sons and daughters are participating, with demonstrations, exhibits and an opportunity for questions and answers.
4. A second parents evening held in December featuring faculty presentations and the initial steps towards creating a parents' organization.
5. Initiation of core evaluations for our students with special needs and the implementation of instructional programs to meet those needs.
6. The initiation of student activities, including election of class officers and a student advisory committee, a fall dance attended by about 300 students, the regular publication of a school newspaper, and a raffle conducted by the Distributive Education students which made the first contribution to the treasury of the class of '78.

Progress on the new school building has been slow but steady, and the construction is of very high quality. In December, the School Committee decided to accept beneficial occupancy of the completed areas of the building so that students, faculty and staff could begin 1975 in their permanent quarters. The task of moving materials, equipment and people was accomplished during the winter vacation and school opened on January 13, 1975 at 758 Marrett Road, Lexington, the School's permanent address.

In December, collective bargaining negotiations commenced with the Minuteman Regional Faculty Federation, Local 3191, American Federation of Teachers, AFL-CIO. Kenneth Bilodeau was selected to act as the School Committee representative, with Ruth Wales as alternate. Attorney Alan S. Miller has been employed as negotiator for the School Committee.

Looking ahead to 1975, our administration and faculty are developing programs and curricula for the present students when they become tenth graders in the fall, and are continually reviewing and evaluating the present year's program so as to institute improvements as the need is seen and to prepare for next year's incoming ninth graders. The new year will see the completion of our building, further refinements in and automation of our budgeting and business systems, and the doubling of our enrollment to about 900 students. Also, we look forward to developing and, hopefully, implementing new plans for additional services the District can offer on a regional basis to its twelve member towns.

As with any new organization, the challenges at Minuteman have been many, and progress has at times seemed frustratingly slow. The school administration, faculty, and staff have shown extraordinary dedication and willingness to exert every effort to ensure the success of our first operational year. We are grateful to Superintendent-Director Sains and all of his staff for their hard work.

During the year four new members joined the Committee: George Cormier from Stow, William Fitzgerald from Lexington, and Frederick Heinrich from Wayland to fill the vacancies noted in our 1973 report, and George Banfield from Boxborough to replace Roger Morse, who resigned during the summer. Roger was an original member of the School Committee and of its Building Subcommittee. His contributions will be missed.

The entire School Committee and staff express their appreciation and thanks to the officials, parents and citizens of our member towns for their support and efforts on behalf of the new school.

Respectfully submitted,

Acton	Minuteman Regional Vocational
Arlington	Technical School District Committee
Belmont	Charles E. Courtright
Boxborough	Rico A. Merluzzo
Carlisle	Henry L. Hall, Jr., Chairman
Concord	George B. Banfield
Lexington	Kenneth L. Bilodeau
Lincoln	Lydia A. Smith
Stow	William P. Fitzgerald
Sudbury	Ruth W. Wales
Wayland	George G. Cormier
Weston	Alfred C. Cron, Vice-Chairman
	Frederick L. Heinrich
	Albert V. B. Kelsey
	Michele G. Lombardo, Treasurer
	Samuel H. Sains, Secretary

Minuteman Regional Vocational Technical School Financial Report

January 1, 1973 - June 30, 1974 Budget Recapitulation

Income			
State Aid 1971 - 1972	\$ 13,260.00	- Rec'd 1/4/73	
State Aid 1971 - 1972	890.00	- Rec'd 7/2/73	
State Aid 1972 - 1973	45,440.00	- Rec'd 3/6/74	
State Aid, Construction	<u>1,103,134.82</u>	- Rec'd 3/7/74	
	\$1,162,724.82		
Federal Funds	3,500.00	- Rec'd 1/10/73	
	7,000.00	- Rec'd 4/20/73	
	<u>3,500.00</u>	- Rec'd 6/6/73	
	\$1,176,724.82		
1971 Unexpended Balance	<u>1,991.00</u>		
	\$1,178,715.82		
Interest on Bond Issue	6,388.89	- Paid on 1st Int. Pymt.	
Balance of Premium on Bonds	<u>26,794.97</u>	- Paid on 1st Prin. Pymt.	
	\$1,211,899.68		
12 Towns' Assessments	<u>1,234,583.00</u>		
	\$2,446,482.68		
Budget	\$2,488,955.00		
Income	<u>2,446,482.68</u>		
	\$ 42,472.32	- Non-funded	
Income Expended	\$2,446,482.68		
	<u>2,339,977.41</u>		
	\$ 106,505.27	- Gross Balance	
	<u>70,000.00</u>	- Encumbered	
	\$ 36,505.27	- Net Surplus	

OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE BUDGET 1974 — 1975

I Operating Budget

	1973-74 18 Months	1973-74 12 Months	1974-75 12 Months
1100 School Committee	\$ 4,780	\$ 4,000	\$ 5,200
1200 Superintendent's Office	123,915	77,860	90,302
1000 Total	128,695	81,860	95,502
2100 Supervision	84,750	58,800	34,800
2200 Principal's Office	46,700	40,000	32,200
2300 Teaching	171,000	171,000	531,125
2400 Text Books			15,000
2500 Library	12,190	12,190	47,300
2600 A.V.	7,690	7,690	32,250
2700 Guidance (SPC)	72,300	72,300	175,300
2800 Psychological Service			6,000
2900 Educational T.V.			2,500
2000 Total	394,630	361,980	876,475
3100 Attendance			1,500
3200 Health			14,700
3300 Transportation			150,000
3400 Food	5,330	5,330	10,000
3500 Student Activities			3,000
3000 Total		5,330	179,200
4100 Operation of Plant			213,500
4200 Maintenance			53,000
4000 Total			266,500
5000 Fixed Charges	27,800	25,000	51,000
6000 Community Services			1,000
7000 Acquisition of Fixed Assets		1,000	25,000
TOTAL	\$ 556,455	\$ 475,170	\$1,494,677

II Capital Budget

8000 Debt Retirement	\$1,932,500	\$1,932,500	\$1,842,250
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DISTRICT ASSESSMENT

I Operating

Total Operating Budget	\$1,494,677
Anticipated Reimbursement	<u>- 237,585</u>
	\$1,257,092
Unexpended Balance (1972)	<u>- 137</u>
	\$1,256,955
Surplus	<u>- 22,955</u>
Net Operating Assessment	<u>\$1,234,000</u>

II Capital

Capital Payment	\$1,300,000
Interest Payment	<u>542,250</u>
Total Capital Budget	\$1,842,250
Anticipated Reimbursement	<u>1,103,135</u>
	739,115
Surplus	<u>60,115</u>
Net Capital Assessment	<u>\$ 679,000</u>

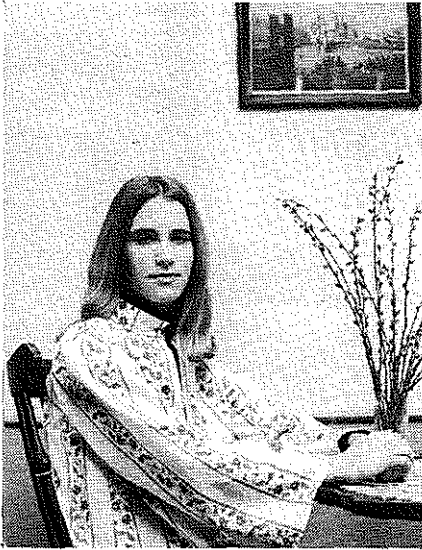
Total Assessment	<u>\$1,913,000</u>
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Assessments by District

Grades 9-12 High School Enrollments of Pupils Residing in and Receiving Education at Respective Towns' Expense as of October 1, 1973 and Assessments to Each Member Town for 1974-75.

Town	Pupils	%	Operating	+ Capital (Debt & Int.)	=	Share (Assessment)
Lexington	2,934	19.4112	\$239,534	\$131,802		\$371,336
Arlington	2,761	18.2666	225,410	124,030		349,440
Belmont	1,628	10.7708	132,912	73,134		206,046
Sudbury	1,521	10.0629	124,176	68,327		192,503
Acton	1,476	9.7651	120,501	66,305		186,806
Concord	1,451	9.5997	118,460	65,182		183,642
Wayland	1,275	8.4353	104,092	57,276		161,368
Weston	940	6.2190	76,743	42,227		118,970
Lincoln	388	2.5670	31,677	17,430		49,107
Stow	356	2.3552	29,064	15,992		45,056
Carlisle	252	1.6672	20,573	11,320		31,893
Boxborough	133	.8799	10,858	5,975		16,833
Totals	15,115	100.0000	\$1,234,000	\$679,000		\$1,913,000

FINANCES



Andrea Roessler
559 Peakham Road
10th Grade 15 years old
"Colonial Fireplace"



SUDBURY CENTRE

The Sudbury Common as we know it today is all that remains of the original Common lands laid out in 1647, also called Common grazing land or Cow Common. It included the area bounded on the east by the Sudbury River, on the north by Pantry Brook, on the west by a line approximately where the Penn Central Railroad tracks run and on the south following Hop Brook to the Sudbury river.

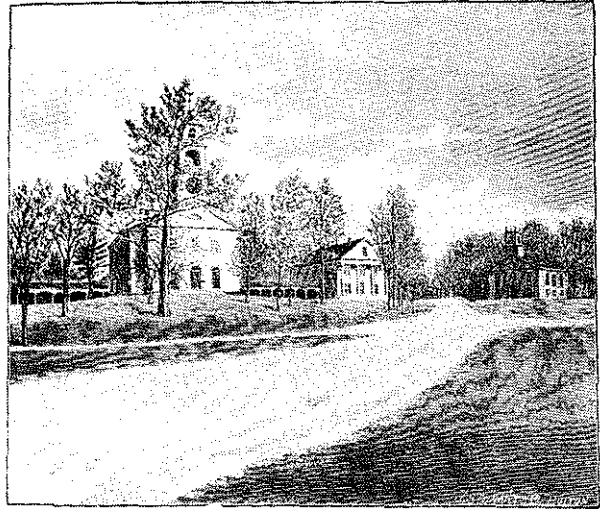
Eventually the Town sold off parcels of the Common lands. The inhabitants began to fence in their properties so that the Common grazing lands were no longer necessary.

Through the years, the present Common has been used by the Town for many activities — election of Town officials, 4th of July celebrations, picnics and fairs. It was the place where the Minute men mustered for the march to Concord on the 19th of April, 1775. When the separation of the Town and the Church occurred, the Common was included in the Church land. Today the Common is still owned by the First Parish Church which leases it to the Town for one dollar per annum.

On the perimeter of the Common is the First Parish Church, the third such building on the same location and the first church built on the Loring Parsonage and extended back to the present Noyes School and to the brook where the ing in Sudbury Centre. When first built, it was a one story building and was located at the east end of the horse sheds.



MILLER BOB ALLEN, works at his trade in the Old Grist Mill.



Hudson's History of Sudbury

The Meeting house which was built in 1846, burned in 1928. Because the needs of the town had grown the former site was insufficient upon which to build the present Town Hall. The Town voted to purchase the land which included the Loring Parsonage and extended back to the present Noyes School and to the brook where the buses are now parked. The price for this piece of property was thirteen thousand dollars which some people in town considered too high a price to pay.

On Old Sudbury Road, south of the Common, stands the Asa Goodnow house, built in the year 1810, now known as the Hosmer House. The west end of this building where the porch is, was used as a store by Asa Goodnow. The old store counters are still stored in the basement.

Across Concord Road from the Hosmer house where we now have a Memorial Park, is the site of the Wayside Country Store, which was purchased by Henry Ford and moved to its present location on the Boston Post Road just over the town line in Marlboro.

On Concord Road behind the Presbyterian church land, beside the Town Hall parking lot, is located the first cemetery on the west side of the river, laid out in 1716. Here it is said are buried more Revolutionary War veterans than in any other place. It also contains the graves of a great many of our early settlers and the dates on some of the stones go back to the late 17th century.

To the north and adjacent to the cemetery is the Town Pound built in 1797. The town to this day still retains the office of the Pound Keeper.

To the south of the cemetery and behind the Town Hall is the Loring Parsonage, built in 1700. It was the home of Israel Loring, first minister of the First Parish Church. He served from 1723 to

1772. The Parsonage has been restored by the Town and today serves as the Selectmen's Office and the meeting place for a number of Town Committees.

On Old Sudbury Road across the road from the Methodist Church is the Jacob Bigelow Parsonage, home of the second minister of the First Parish. He served from 1772-1814. The Rev. Bigelow was at the Common on the 19th of April 1775 and said prayers for the men who were mustered there.

Samuel L. Reed

Town Accountant

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41, Sections 60 and 61 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth, enclosed herein is the statement of all financial transactions during the fiscal year January 1, 1973 - June 30, 1974. Included in this report are the Summary of Cash Receipts, Detail of Receipts reported as General Government, a Recapitulation of Estimated Receipts, a Recapitulation of Surplus Revenue, a Summary of Income Accounts, the Balance Sheet, Federal Revenue Sharing, Appropriations and Expenditures, the expenditures for the first six months of the current fiscal year and the estimated expenditures for the remaining six months of the current fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,

John H. Wilson
Town Accountant

SCHEDULE A SUMMARY OF CASH RECEIPTS

Real Estate Taxes of 1970	\$ 933.01	
Real Estate Taxes of 1971	1,506.27	
Real Estate Taxes of 1972	278,790.18	
Real Estate Taxes of 1973 & 1974	<u>10,823,753.60</u>	\$11,104,983.06
Personal Property Taxes of 1970	1,542.90	
Personal Property Taxes of 1971	1,626.30	
Personal Property Taxes of 1972	7,322.94	
Personal Property Taxes of 1973 & 1974	<u>653,167.65</u>	663,659.79
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes of 1970	675.48	
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes of 1971	2,911.63	
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes of 1972	219,572.77	
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes of 1973 & 1974	<u>518,527.25</u>	741,687.13
Farm Animal Excise		853.89
Special Assessments		61.91
Tax Titles		11,282.65
Water District Tax Titles		36.69
Due Water District		13.76
Excess-Sales of Lands of Low Value		3,269.53
Tax Possessions		180.00
Dog Licenses & Sale of Dogs		13,411.45
Dog Tax Refund from Middlesex County		8,281.48
Cemetery Perpetual Care Bequests		3,687.50
Sale of Cemetery Lots		1,362.50
Trust Funds Income		17,437.76
Loans in Anticipation of Taxes		5,500,000.00
Tailings		95.60
Road Machinery Fund		3,261.79
Conservation Fund Income		17,569.49
Conservation Fund Gifts		50.00
Stabilization Funds Interest		425.84
McCaw Library Fund		338.00
Heritage Park		10,398.46
Revolutionary Bicentennial Gifts		4,000.00
Re-evaluation Suit-Contributions for		3,000.00
Revolving Accounts:		
Special School Lunch	313,423.98	
Police Paid Detail	<u>31,511.34</u>	344,935.32
Miscellaneous Accounts Receivable:		
Various		4,650.00
Received from Commonwealth of Mass.:		
Aid to Highways		54,562.58
Veterans Benefits		3,296.54
School Construction Aid		369,471.29
School Aid Ch. 70		1,287,639.38
Chapters 69 & 71		138,720.51
State Aid Regional School		143,212.71

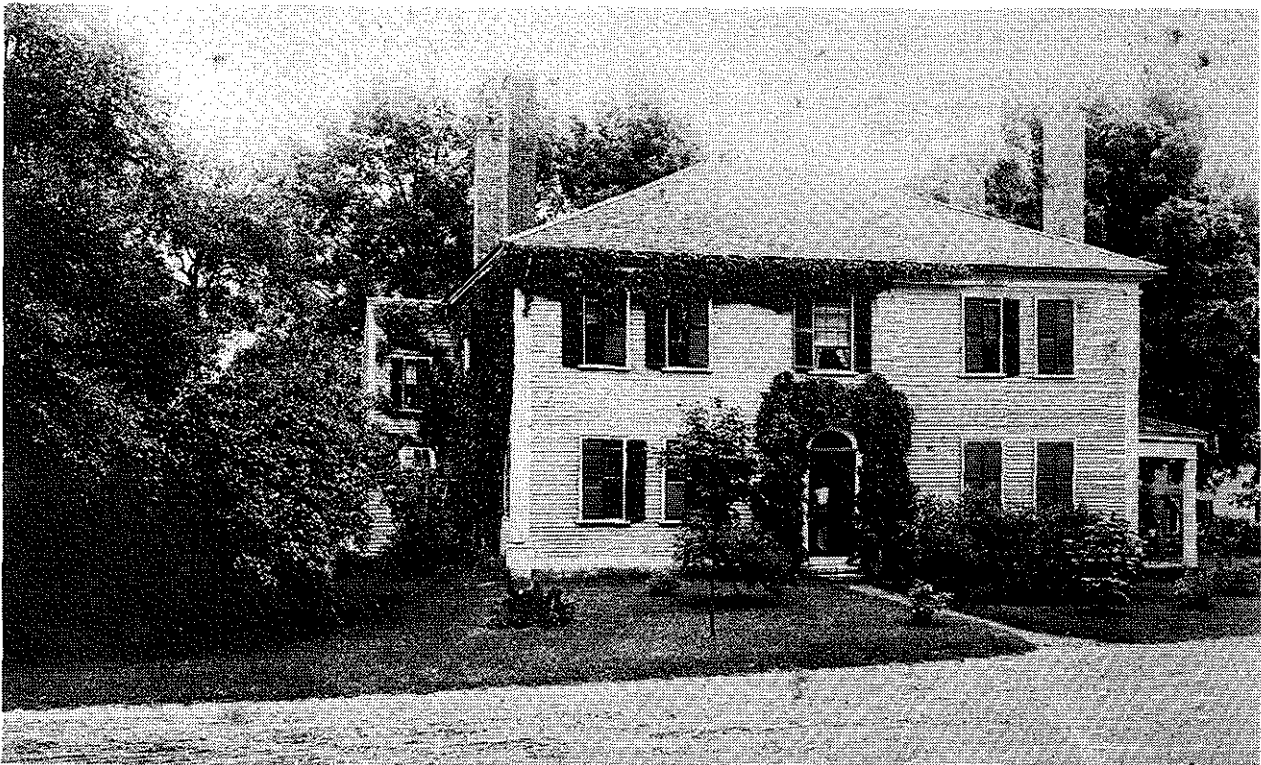
State Aid for Libraries		10,129.50
Machinery Basis		171.42
Department of Public Works	48.40	
Highway Safety Program	1,592.05	
Special Education-Ch. 58	66,339.80	
State Lottery	41,850.60	
Reimbursement 1971 Census	3,460.50	
Special Acts of 1973	94,159.61	
Corporation & Tax Reimbursement	21,680.27	
Highway Fund Ch. 81	59,090.15	
Education-Bureau of Library Ext.	4,382.35	2,299,807.66

Federal Receipts:		
Title I	72,225.00	
Title II	4,039.85	
Settlement of Com. of Mass. Antitrust	249.26	
Civil Defense	399.87	76,913.98

Collected for Other Agencies:		
Federal Withholding Tax	1,010,876.26	
State Withholding Tax	274,544.57	
County Retirement	107,973.83	
Blue Cross/Shield Employees' Share	62,274.86	
Town Group Insurance Employees' Share	1,850.35	
Teachers' Retirement	192,845.97	
Teachers' Group Insurance	8,018.64	
Credit Union	380,136.00	
Tax Sheltered Annuities	78,155.01	
Teachers' Dues	16,343.00	
Union Dues	5,035.04	
Optional Insurance	5,267.50	
United Fund	881.00	
Government Bonds	555.10	2,144,757.13

County Aid to Highways	4,000.00
Interest on Road Guarantee Deposits	1,061.16
Road Guarantee Deposits	7,500.00
Refunds to Appropriations Accounts	14,780.57
Court Fines	3,092.70
General Government	177,853.29
	<u>23,188,700.09</u>

Federal Revenue Sharing Funds 297,519.27



THE HOSMER HOUSE looked much the same in 1890 when this picture was taken (courtesy F.C. Hosmer).

**SCHEDULE B
DETAIL OF RECEIPTS REPORTED AS GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

Interest on Taxes	\$ 25,160.86
Tax Collector Charges	2,954.00
Municipal Liens	4,422.00
Release of Betterment	12.00
Tax Title Interest and Recording Fees	1,555.89
Tax Possessions Recording Fees	20.00
Interest on General Funds	9,561.31
Town Clerk Receipts	4,562.68
Board of Appeals Fees	1,140.00
Police Department Receipts	3,692.00
Historic Districts Commission Fees	190.00
Earth Removal Board Fees	30.00
Dogs Redeemed	5,762.00
Middlesex County, Care of Dogs	1,754.00
Planning Board Fees	950.00
Town Building Rental	467.00
Selectmen's Receipts	11,654.00
Town Hall Custodians	127.55
Land Rental	350.00
Plumbing Inspector Fees	3,673.50
Wiring Inspector Fees	3,940.00
Building Inspector Fees	9,683.25
Sealer of Weights & Measures	105.00
Board of Health Receipts	4,981.75
Library Fines	8,596.54
Highway Department Receipts	7,027.91
Cemetery Department Receipts	3,251.00
Commission on Pay Phone	91.27
Engineering Fees	482.75
Community Use of Schools	1,891.00
School Tuition	11,201.00
Summer School	5,500.00
School Towel Fund	2,301.16
Park & Recreation Registrations	11,262.00
Park & Recreation Craft Fees	302.50
Park & Recreation Transportation Fees	109.00
Fire Protection with Concord	25,158.00
Zoning Fees	370.00
Payment for Juvenile Crimes	511.13
Conservation Commission Fees	100.00
Refunds	49.24
Reimbursement of Borrowed Funds from Sudbury Housing Authority	2,500.00
Reimbursement for Attendance Officer for L.-S.R.H.S.	400.00
	<u>\$177,853.29</u>

**SCHEDULE C
RECAPITULATION OF ESTIMATED RECEIPTS**

Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
Highway Fund-Ch. 81	\$ 59,090.15	
Education-Bureau of Library Ext.	4,382.35	
School Construction Aid	369,471.29	
School Aid-Ch. 70	1,287,639.38	
School Aid, Transportation	138,720.51	
State Aid Regional School	143,212.71	
Machinery Basis	171.42	
Department of Public Works	48.40	
Highway Safety Program	1,592.05	
Special Education-Ch. 58	66,339.80	
State Lottery	41,850.60	
Reimbursement 1971 Census	3,460.50	
Corporation & Tax Reimbursement	<u>21,680.27</u>	2,137,659.43
Tax Collections:		
Motor Vehicle Excise		727,752.33
Departmental		7,946.54
Special Assessments		61.91
Farm Animal		853.89
Court Fines		3,092.70
United States Treasury:		
Civil Defense		399.87
Settlement of Comm. of Mass. Antitrust Action		249.26
General Government		<u>177,853.29</u>
		<u>\$3,055,869.22</u>

**SCHEDULE D
APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES**

A/C Number	Transfers	Appropriation	Expenditure	Carried Fwd 1974-75	Balance Closed
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
100-110 SUDBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS					
1000 Administration					
1100 School Committee		4,325.00	4,325.00		- 0 -
1200 Superintendent's Office		147,354.00	147,214.67		139.33
		151,679.00	151,539.67		139.33
2000 Instruction					
2200 Principals		316,816.00	316,816.00		- 0 -
2300 Teachers		3,764,865.00	3,706,385.58	58,479.42	- 0 -
2400 Texts		37,122.00	37,122.00		- 0 -
2500 Library		91,950.00	91,950.00		- 0 -
2600 Audio-Visual		45,363.00	45,363.00		- 0 -
2700 Guidance		170,691.00	169,604.10	1,086.90	- 0 -
2800 Pupil Personnel		32,374.00	32,374.00		- 0 -
		4,459,181.00	4,399,614.68	59,566.32	- 0 -
3000 Other School Services					
3100 Attendance		300.00	300.00		- 0 -
3200 Health Services		88,490.00	88,490.00		- 0 -
3300 Transportation		362,058.00	362,058.00		- 0 -
3400 Food Services		31,783.00	31,783.00		- 0 -
3500 Student Activities		3,660.00	3,660.00		- 0 -
		486,291.00	486,291.00		- 0 -
4000 Operation & Maintenance					
4100 Operation	30,000.00	376,560.00	406,560.00		- 0 -
4200 Maintenance	7,925.65	137,192.00	145,117.85		- 0 -
	37,925.65	513,752.00	551,677.85		- 0 -
7000 Acquisition & Improvement					
7300 Acquisition		18,280.00	18,280.00		- 0 -
7400 Replacement		8,617.00	8,617.00		- 0 -
		26,897.00	26,897.00		- 0 -
9000 Programs With Other Systems					
9100 Tuition		12,200.00	12,200.00		- 0 -
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	37,925.65	5,650,000.00	5,628,220.00	59,566.32	139.33
100-120 Community Use of Schools		20,800.00	20,800.00		- 0 -
100-130 Lincoln/Sudbury Regional Assessment		3,661,441.89	3,661,441.89		- 0 -
100-140 Minuteman Voc/Tech Assessment		121,853.34	121,853.00		.34
Peter Noyes Site Work ATM #11 (Trans from P. Noyes Addition)	62,000.00	8,575.24	29,391.23	41,184.01	- 0 -
Curtis Jr. High Site Work ATM #10		15,000.00	14,870.00	130.00	- 0 -
	62,000.00	3,827,670.47	3,848,356.12	41,314.01	.34
200 DEBT SERVICE					
201 Temporary Loan Interest	25,000.00	125,000.00	106,034.20		43,965.80
202 School Bond Interest		184,290.00	184,290.00		- 0 -
203 Other Bond Interest		8,494.00	8,404.00		90.00
204 Principal-Schools		530,000.00	530,000.00		- 0 -
205 Principal-Other		102,000.00	102,000.00		- 0 -
	25,000.00	949,784.00	930,728.20		44,055.80
300 PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY					
310 Fire Department					
Federal Revenue Sharing		155,000.00	155,000.00		- 0 -
-11 Salaries		313,500.00	310,639.72		2,860.28
-12 Overtime & Extra Hire	10,000.00	65,500.00	74,951.49		548.51
-12 Overtime & Extra Hire Bal. C/F '73		1,215.73	1,215.73		- 0 -
Art #1 STM Unpaid Wages		1,100.00	1,099.07		.93
-21 General Expense	130.00	3,612.00	3,736.45		5.55
-31 Maintenance	650.00	9,400.00	9,857.30		192.70
-51 Equipment Purchase		4,150.00	4,143.39		6.61
-61 Alarm Extension		750.00	746.81		3.19
-62 Alarm Maintenance		300.00	289.77		10.23
-71 Uniforms		4,360.00	4,353.27		6.73
-81 Vehicle Replacement		3,800.00	3,744.75		55.25
-81 Vehicle Replacement Bal. C/F 1973		8,063.63	8,000.00		63.63
	10,780.00	570,751.36	577,777.75		3,753.61
320 Police Department					
Federal Revenue Sharing		155,000.00	155,000.00		- 0 -
-11 Salaries		234,700.00	212,678.75		22,021.25
-12 Overtime & Extra Hire	1,500.00	46,350.00	46,935.88		914.12
-13 Clerical		10,150.00	10,119.88		30.12

A/C Number	Transfers	Appropriation	Expenditure	Carried Fwd 1974-75	Balance Closed
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
-16 Crossing Guards		6,420.00	5,979.73		440.27
-21 General Expense		18,000.00	17,863.93		136.07
-31 Maintenance	686.22	23,500.00	24,095.82		90.40
-41 Travel	400.00	200.00	465.46		134.54
-51 Equipment Purchase		27,900.00	22,757.98		5,142.02
-61 Auxiliary Police		2,000.00	1,966.29		33.71
-71 Uniforms		7,500.00	7,333.04		166.96
	2,586.22	531,720.00	505,196.76		29,109.46
340 Building Inspector					
-11 Salary		34,800.00	34,314.03		485.97
-12 Extra Hire		800.00	615.00		185.00
-15 Plumbing Inspector		5,100.00	2,696.32		2,403.68
-21 General Expense		2,000.00	1,999.90		.10
-31 Vehicle Maintenance		500.00	429.58		70.42
-51 Equipment Purchase		3,760.00	3,754.55		5.45
		46,960.00	43,809.38		3,150.62
350 Dog Officer					
-11 Salary		10,600.00	10,421.49		178.51
-21 General Expense		12,000.00	9,569.57	167.50	2,262.93
		22,600.00	19,991.06	167.50	2,441.44
360 Conservation Commission					
-13 Clerical		1,600.00	1,539.64		60.36
-21 General Expense		7,500.00	5,630.27	1,170.00	699.73
-31 Maintenance		350.00	341.72		8.28
-41 Travel	75.47	200.00	226.35		49.12
-51 Conservation Fund (Bal trans to Savings)		61,000.00	61,000.00		- 0 -
-51 Conservation Fund		6,650.00	6,650.00		- 0 -
Purchase Land ATM '72 #37 Bal. C/F		3,500.00	- 0 -		3,500.00
Eng Survey Hop Brook '70 #46 Bal. C/F		1,000.00	- 0 -		1,000.00
	75.47	81,800.00	75,387.98	1,170.00	5,317.49
370 Board of Appeals					
-13 Clerical		3,900.00	961.29		2,938.71
-21 General Expense	74.28	1,295.00	1,369.28		- 0 -
	74.28	5,195.00	2,330.57		2,938.71
380 Earth Removal Board					
-21 General Expense		75.00	15.10		59.90
390 Civil Defense					
-21 General Expense		350.00	283.57		66.43
		13,515.97	1,259,451.36	1,337.50	46,837.66
400 HIGHWAYS					
410 Highway Commission					
-11 Supt Salary	480.55	24,500.00	24,980.55		- 0 -
-13 Clerical		19,700.00	17,877.82		1,822.18
-14 Commission Salary		2,400.00	2,400.00		- 0 -
-21 General Expense	1,447.36	4,000.00	5,447.06		.30
-31 Maintenance	990.44	18,000.00	18,967.81		22.63
-41 Travel		200.00	186.27		13.73
-51 Administrative Equipment		1,200.00	1,186.57		13.43
-71 Uniforms		9,000.00	8,912.60		87.40
-81 Land Appraisal		1,000.00	450.00		550.00
	2,918.35	80,000.00	80,408.68		2,509.67
420 Operating Salary					
-11 Regular Salary		313,000.00	291,714.10		21,285.90
-12 Overtime		36,500.00	22,480.04		14,019.96
		349,500.00	314,194.14		35,305.86
420-20 Road Work					
-1 Operating Materials		30,000.00	29,902.99		97.01
-3 Hired Equipment		6,000.00	5,960.50		39.50
-4 Hired Contractors		135,000.00	135,000.00		- 0 -
-5 Signs & Markings		15,000.00	14,849.16		150.84
		186,000.00	185,712.65		287.35
420-30 Trees					
-1 Materials		9,000.00	8,861.29		138.71
-3 Hired Equipment		1,250.00	1,187.50		62.50
-4 Contractors		10,000.00	9,996.50		3.50
		20,250.00	20,045.29		204.71
420-40 Landfill					
-3 Hired Equipment		8,000.00	7,592.41		407.59
420-50 Cemetery Materials		2,200.00	2,198.92		1.08
420-61 Chap #81 Maintenance		51,750.00	51,655.77		94.23
420-62 Chap #90 Maintenance		25,500.00	25,500.00		- 0 -

A/C Number	Transfers	Appropriation	Expenditure	Carried Fwd 1974-75	Balance Closed
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
420-63 Chap #90 Constr Bal. C/F 1973 Appropriation	92,534.07 54,000.00				
430 Machinery					
-20 Fuels & Lubricants		20,000.00	19,988.07		11.93
-30 Parts & Repairs		47,000.00	46,761.95		238.05
-40 Equipment		85,000.00	78,908.18	2,000.00	4,091.82
		152,000.00	145,658.20	2,000.00	4,341.80
460 Snow & Ice					
-12 Snow Overtime (Trans from 460-30)	+6,000.00	8,800.00	11,958.13		2,841.87
-30 Materials (Trans to 460-50) and trans to 460-12	-10,000.00 -6,000.00	76,000.00	59,899.92		100.08
-40 Equipment Purchase		10,500.00	10,218.09		281.91
-50 Contractors (Trans from 460-30)	+10,000.00	7,500.00	14,275.73		3,224.27
		102,800.00	96,351.87		6,448.13
470 Street Lighting		31,000.00	28,411.18		2,588.82
Special Articles-ATM & STM 1973					
Master Drainage Plan ATM #14		40,000.00	38,770.00	1,230.00	- 0 -
Alt & Reloc-Peakham Rd. ATM#41		7,300.00	7,300.00		- 0 -
Regional Refuse Disp Comm ATM #44		400.00	77.65	322.35	- 0 -
Goodmans Hill Drainage STM #1		800.00	733.21		66.79
Highway Safety Signs STM #7		1,985.00	1,985.00		- 0 -
Purchase Sand & Gravel Fill STM #14		77,000.00	50,265.00		26,735.00
Special Articles-Carried Forward to 1973					
Walkways Constr-Hudson Rd. '67 #25		7,753.29	- 0 -	7,753.29	- 0 -
Dakin Rd. Reloc-'71 #5		750.00	- 0 -		750.00
Installation of Traffic Lights STM '71	1,141.99	589.86	1,731.85		- 0 -
Old Lancaster Relocation '71 #31		6,000.00	5,405.00		595.00
Goodman Hill Drainage '72 #53		8,481.79	8,481.79		- 0 -
	4,060.34	1,306,594.01	1,076,937.75	153,380.57	80,336.03

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

501 Selectmen					
-11 Exec Secretary Salary		30,300.00	30,300.00		- 0 -
-13 Clerical		48,800.00	48,799.12		.88
-12 Overtime		2,165.00	2,154.23		10.77
-14 Selectmens' Salary		2,400.00	2,400.00		- 0 -
-15 Custodial Salaries	2,700.00	25,100.00	26,662.24		1,137.76
-17 Town Accountant		15,000.00	14,841.30		158.70
-21 General Expense	387.06	11,000.00	11,095.32		291.74
-31 Town Hall Maintenance	5,750.00	15,000.00	20,491.49		258.51
-32 Centre School Maint	2,256.00	11,000.00	13,103.67		152.33
-33 Loring Parsonage Maint	515.00	4,500.00	4,910.05		104.95
-33 Loring Parsonage C/F to 1973		108.03	108.03		- 0 -
-34 Hosmer House Maint		2,000.00	1,999.62		.38
-34 Hosmer House C/F to 1973		1,210.00	1,210.00		- 0 -
-35 Office Machines Maint	250.00	1,500.00	1,734.52		15.48
-41 Travel	450.00	3,000.00	3,444.62		5.38
-51 Equipment Purchase		2,800.00	2,715.36		84.64
-51 Equipment Purchase C/F to 1973		373.38	373.38		- 0 -
-61 Data Processing		5,250.00	4,898.69		351.31
-71 Out of State Travel	170.00	200.00	370.00		- 0 -
-81 Surveys & Studies	6,000.00	2,000.00	1,700.84	6,299.16	- 0 -
Special Articles-ATM & STM 1973					
Underground Wiring ATM #38		48,000.00	42,930.28	5,069.72	- 0 -
Purchase Oliver Land STM #1		77,000.00	77,000.00		- 0 -
Council on Aging STM #3		1,000.00	991.20		8.80
Preparation of Town Report STM #8		8,000.00	7,500.38		499.62
Purchase Old Training Field STM #10		12,000.00	12,000.00		- 0 -
Purchase Haskell Land STM #15		180,000.00	180,000.00		- 0 -
Special Articles Bal C/F to 1973					
Aerial Survey '70&'71 #27		13,761.36	13,324.45	436.91	- 0 -
Rt 20/Nobscot Drain STM '71 #37		2,500.00	- 0 -	2,500.00	- 0 -
Septic Sludge Disposal Plng ATM '72 #38		5,000.00	4,977.41		22.59
Purchase Lord Land ATM '72 #39		2,600.00	- 0 -	2,600.00	- 0 -
	18,478.06	533,567.77	532,036.20	16,905.79	3,103.84
502 Engineering					
-11 Salaries & Overtime		100,100.00	99,713.86		386.14
-21 General Expense		7,000.00	6,998.23		1.77
-31 Vehicle Maintenance		1,200.00	1,184.43		15.57
-41 Travel		750.00	717.05		32.95
-51 Equipment Purchase		3,700.00	3,686.29		13.71
Construct Walkways-Concord Rd ATM '72 #50 Amended '73 #32		72,841.75	71,851.62	990.13	- 0 -

A/C Number	Transfers	Appropriation	Expenditure	Carried Fwd 1974-75	Balance Closed
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Construct Walkways-Landham & Woodside Rd. ATM '73 #33		68,500.00	11,747.25	56,752.75	- 0 -
Construct Walkways-Union, Hudson, Peakham & Haynes Rds. '73 #34		3,500.00	1,526.05	1,973.95	- 0 -
Construct Walkways-Woodside & Warren to Woodside & Rambling '73 #4		<u>13,000.00</u>	<u>2,776.27</u>	<u>10,223.73</u>	<u>- 0 -</u>
503 Law		270,591.75	200,201.05	69,940.56	450.14
-11 Retainer		12,000.00	12,000.00		- 0 -
-21 General Expense (Trans 0576)	3,600.00	13,000.00	16,514.79		85.21
-22 Utilities '69 Bal. C/F		<u>95.35</u>	<u>- 0 -</u>		<u>95.35</u>
	3,600.00	25,095.35	28,514.79		180.56
504 Assessors					
-11 Salaries & Overtime		25,400.00	19,731.78		5,668.22
-14 Assessors' Salaries		3,750.00	3,750.00		- 0 -
-21 General Expense		4,340.00	4,129.30		210.70
-41 Travel		600.00	600.00		- 0 -
Assessors Publish Valuation List ATM '72 Bal. C/F		4,000.00	3,261.20		738.80
Assessors Appraisal ATM '68 #7 Bal. C/F		<u>1,353.88</u>	<u>612.60</u>	<u>741.28</u>	<u>- 0 -</u>
		39,443.88	32,084.88	741.28	6,617.72
505 Tax Collector					
-11 Collector's Salary		13,275.00	13,275.00		- 0 -
-13 Clerical		18,800.00	10,625.83		8,174.17
-21 General Expense		6,520.00	6,221.43		298.57
-41 Travel		<u>150.00</u>	<u>79.99</u>		<u>70.01</u>
		38,745.00	30,202.25		8,542.75
506 Town Clerk & Registrars					
-11 Town Clerk's Salary		12,427.00	12,427.00		- 0 -
-13 Clerical		27,700.00	26,866.72		833.28
-14 Registrars' Salaries		550.00	550.00		- 0 -
-21 General Expense		12,000.00	11,507.28	62.00	430.72
-41 Travel		500.00	492.30		7.70
-51 Equipment Purchase		975.00	965.78		9.22
-61 Elections		<u>5,305.00</u>	<u>4,552.95</u>		<u>752.05</u>
		59,457.00	57,362.03	62.00	2,032.97
507 Treasurer					
Treasurer's Salary		10,000.00	10,000.00		- 0 -
-13 Clerical		5,300.00	5,290.02		9.98
-21 General Expense (Trans. 0555)	500.00	2,000.00	2,500.00		- 0 -
-41 Travel		600.00	429.51		170.49
-61 Tax Title Expense		225.00	216.64		8.36
-71 Note Issue Expense		<u>375.00</u>	<u>196.00</u>		<u>179.00</u>
	500.00	18,500.00	18,632.17		367.83
508 Finance Committee					
-13 Clerical		1,800.00	777.41		1,022.59
-21 General Expense		600.00	270.31		329.69
-41 Travel		<u>200.00</u>	<u>10.00</u>		<u>190.00</u>
		2,600.00	1,057.72		1,542.28
509 Moderator Salary (Trans 0566)	10.00	170.00	180.00		- 0 -
510 Permanent Building Committee					
-13 Clerical		125.00	115.49		9.51
-21 General Expense		<u>250.00</u>	<u>55.00</u>		<u>195.00</u>
		375.00	170.49		204.51
Special Articles Bal. C/F to 1973					
-90 Curtis Jr. H. School Constry. '70 #54		21,917.37	12,366.48	9,550.89	- 0 -
-91 Curtis Jr. H. School Plng '67 #3		7,227.95	- 0 -	7,227.95	- 0 -
-93 Peter Noyes Addition '70 #55		102,731.62	88,254.77	14,476.85	- 0 -
-96 Goodnow Library '70 #4					
Federal Aid	5,000.00	29,467.13	31,875.65	2,591.48	- 0 -
Police & Fire Station Plng. '72 #47		8,000.00	8,000.00		- 0 -
Town Hall Renov. Plng. '72 #49		8,000.00	8,000.00		- 0 -
Special Articles ATM & STM 1973 Plans & Specs Comb. Fire & Police Station STM #2 (Trans 0531)		<u>3,000.00</u>	<u>40,000.00</u>	<u>33,267.63</u>	<u>- 0 -</u>
	8,000.00	217,344.07	181,764.53	43,579.54	
511 Personnel Board					
-13 Clerical		1,275.00	1,116.12		158.88
-21 General Expense		<u>600.00</u>	<u>421.12</u>		<u>178.88</u>
		1,875.00	1,537.24		337.76
512 Planning Board					
-13 Clerical (Trans 0528)	900.00	2,500.00	3,204.66		195.34

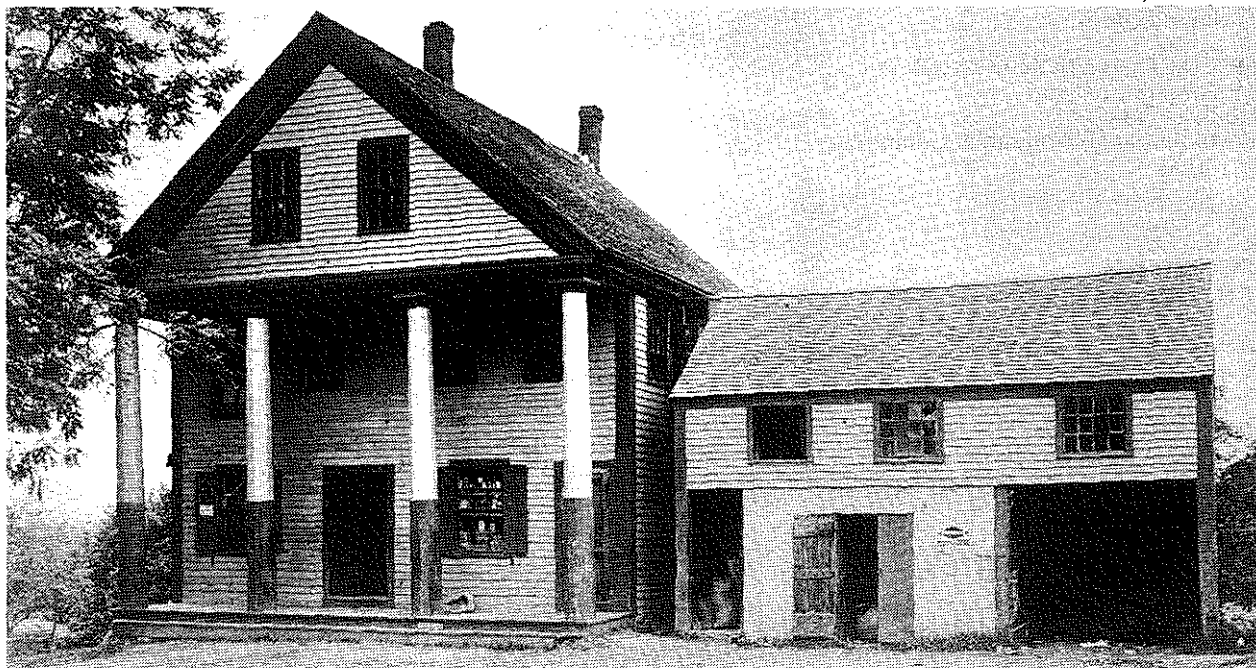
A/C Number	Transfers	Appropriation	Expenditure	Carried Fwd 1974-75	Balance Closed
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
-21 General Expense (Trans 0561)	1,000.00	6,600.00	6,540.40	1,059.60	- 0 -
	1,900.00	9,100.00	9,745.06	1,059.60	195.34
513 Ancient Document Committee					
-21 General Expense		1,500.00	1,498.79		1.21
514 Historic Districts Commission					
-13 Clerical		225.00	51.82		173.18
-21 General Expense		225.00	102.90		122.10
		450.00	154.72		295.28
516 Mod Income Housing (Trans 0502)	355.75	- 0 -	355.75		- 0 -
517 Revolutionary Bicentennial		1,000.00	970.23		29.77
519 Talent Search Committee		100.00	73.92		26.08
520 Comm on Town Administration		300.00	62.53		237.47
	32,843.81	1,220,214.82	1,096,604.35	132,288.77	24,165.51
600 LIBRARY					
-11 Salaries		99,000.00	97,706.98		1,293.02
-21 General Expense (Trans 0539&562)	955.00	5,000.00	5,954.80		.20
-31 Maintenance (Trans 0563)	1,610.00	9,450.00	11,060.00		- 0 -
-41 Travel		300.00	300.00		- 0 -
-51 Equipment Purchase		750.00	749.91		.09
-52 Books		30,000.00	29,999.82		.18
-61 Special Programs		225.00	225.00		- 0 -
	2,565.00	144,725.00	145,996.51		1,293.49
700 PARKS & RECREATION					
-11 Salaries		62,600.00	56,783.33		5,816.67
-21 General Expense		1,600.00	1,600.00		- 0 -
-31 Maintenance (Trans 0586)	1,080.00	30,000.00	30,743.37	25.42	311.21
-41 Travel		200.00	199.18		.82
-51 Equipment Purchase		12,000.00	11,992.97		7.03
-61 Program Expense		22,000.00	21,974.11		25.89
Constr Toilet Facilities '71 #10 Bal. C/F		8,500.00	155.00	8,345.00	- 0 -
Purchase Tractor & Accessories '73 #16		10,000.00	9,692.81	307.19	- 0 -
	1,080.00	146,900.00	133,140.77	8,677.61	6,161.62
800 HEALTH					
-11 Director's Salary		20,000.00	15,394.35		4,605.65
-13 Clerical		8,000.00	6,479.84		1,520.16
-14 Animal Inspector		525.00	525.00		- 0 -
-21 General Expense		2,500.00	1,970.09		529.91
-31 Laboratory Expense		1,800.00	1,107.50		692.50
-41 Travel		850.00	849.89		.11
-51 Equipment Purchase		590.00	516.26		73.74
-61 Sudbury Public Health Nursing Assoc.		25,337.00	25,337.00		- 0 -
-71 Mosquito Control		18,572.00	18,572.00		- 0 -
-81 Consultant Fees		1,000.00	250.00		750.00
-91 Trinity Mental Health		7,100.00	7,099.92		.08
		86,274.00	78,101.85		8,172.15
900 VETERANS' BENEFITS					
-11 Agents Salary		2,000.00	2,000.00		- 0 -
-21 General Expense		350.00	278.68		71.32
-61 Benefits		15,000.00	12,420.42		2,579.58
		17,350.00	14,699.10		2,650.90
950 UNCLASSIFIED					
-11 Blue Cross/Blue Shield (Trans 0583)	1,101.84	153,000.00	154,101.84		- 0 -
-11 Blue Cross/Blue Shield STM '73 #1		2,600.00	2,517.77		82.23
-12 Life Insurance		5,000.00	4,916.79		83.21
-21 Fidelity Bond		2,000.00	1,263.00		737.00
-31 Casualty Insurance		90,000.00	85,138.95		4,861.05
-41 Printing Town Report (Trans 0540)	958.61	8,000.00	8,958.61		- 0 -
-51 Memorial Day (Trans ;581)	66.00	1,400.00	1,463.95		2.05
-61 Veterans' Graves		400.00	328.29		71.71
-71 Fire Pension		2,250.00	2,250.00		- 0 -
-81 Reserve Fund		120,000.00	90,817.42		29,182.58
-91 Hosmer House Contract		3,000.00	3,000.00		- 0 -
-92 Communications		5,100.00	3,702.72		1,397.28
-92 Communications Bal. C/F		121.93	121.93		- 0 -
-93 Hydrant Rental		30,975.00	30,975.00		- 0 -
-94 Copying Service (Trans 0537)	1,100.00	5,000.00	5,711.77	210.00	178.23
-96 Middlesex County Retirement Board		133,201.35	133,201.35		- 0 -
-97 Town Meetings		14,500.00	12,985.46		1,514.54
	3,226.45	576,548.28	541,454.85	210.00	38,109.88

TOTALS		396,774.78	251,922.71
TOTAL APPROPRIATION BALANCE, Col. 4 and 5			648,697.49
TOTAL UNEXPENDED APPROPRIATION BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD TO 1974			<u>396,774.78</u>
UNEXPENDED APPROPRIATIONS TRANSFERRED TO SURPLUS REVENUE			251,922.71

SCHEDULE E

UNEXPENDED APPROPRIATION BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD TO 1974/75

110-2300	Teachers' Salaries	Encumbered	\$ 58,479.42
110-2700	Guidance	Encumbered	1,086.90
	Peter Noyes Site Work	ATM 1973 Art. #11	41,184.01
	Curtis Junior High School Site Work	ATM 1973 Art. #10	130.00
350-21	Dog Officer, General Expense	Encumbered	167.50
360-21	Conservation Commission, Gen. Exp.	Encumbered	1,170.00
420-63	Chapter 90 Construction	Available Balance	142,074.93
430-40	Machinery Equipment	Encumbered	2,000.00
	Master Drainage Plan	ATM 1973 Art. #14	1,230.00
501-81	Selectmen-Surveys & Studies	Encumbered	6,299.16
500	Underground Wiring	ATM 1973 Art. #38	5,069.72
	Aerial Survey	STM 1970 Art. #5	
		ATM 1971 Art. #27	436.91
	Route 20/Nobscot Drain	ATM 1971 Art. #37	2,500.00
	Purchase Lord Land	ATM 1972 Art. #39	2,600.00
	Regional Refuse Disposal Committee	ATM 1973 Art. #44	322.35
502	Engineering Concord Rd. Walkway	ATM 1972 Art. #50	
		ATM 1973 Art. #32	990.13
	Union, Hudson, Peakham, Haynes		
	Walkways	ATM 1973 Art. #34	1,973.95
	Hudson Rd. Walkway	ATM 1967 Art. #25	7,753.29
	Landham & Woodside Roads Walkways	ATM 1973 Art. #33	56,752.75
	Woodside, Warren, Rambling Walkways	STM 1973 Art. #4	10,223.73
504	Assessors Appraisal	STM 1968 Art. #7	741.28
506	Town Clerk General Expense	Encumbered	62.00
510	Permanent Building Committee		
	Curtis Junior H.S. Construction	ATM 1970 Art. #4	9,550.89
	Curtis Junior H.S. Planning	STM 1967 Art. #4	7,227.95
	Peter Noyes Addition	ATM 1970 Art. #55	14,476.85
	Goodnow Library	STM 1970 Art. #4	2,591.48
	Police & Fire Station	STM 1973 Art. #2	9,732.37
512	Planning Board General Expense	Encumbered	1,059.60
700	Park and Recreation Maintenance	Encumbered	25.42
	Construct Toilet Facilities	STM 1971 Art. #10	8,345.00
	Tractor Accessories	STM 1973 Art. #16	307.19
950	Unclassified - Copy Service	Encumbered	210.00
			<u>396,774.78</u>



BEFORE THE WAYSIDE COUNTRY STORE was moved to Marlboro, it stood at Sudbury Centre, selling fertilizer and magic yeast to farmers and their wives. Utility, not elegance, was its reason for being. (courtesy F.L. Hosmer)

**SCHEDULE F
RECAPITULATION OF SURPLUS REVENUE**

CREDITS

Balance January 1, 1973	\$ 512,459.70
State Aid to Highways	56,562.58
County Aid to Highways	2,000.00
Tax Title Redemptions	12,332.09
Tax Title Sales	992.40
Tax Possession Sales	180.00
Revenue	426,245.76
	<u>1,010,772.53</u>

DEBITS

Transferred by 1973 Annual Town Meeting	170,000.00
1973 Real Estate Taxes added to Tax Titles	4,356.00
1974 Real Estate Taxes added to Tax Titles	2,112.00
Adjustments in Tax Title Redemptions	1,641.64
Balance June 30, 1974	832,662.89
	<u>1,010,772.53</u>

**SCHEDULE G
SUMMARY OF INCOME ACCOUNTS**

	PRINCIPAL	BALANCE 1/1/73	INCOME	EXPENDED	BALANCE 6/30/74
TRUST FUNDS					
Charity Funds	20,320.19	7,046.86	3,932.79	2,598.92	8,380.73
Raymond Scholarship	4,686.97	493.38	880.85	1,147.55	226.68
Raymond Mausoleum	1,000.00	343.82	140.64	- 0 -	484.46
School Fund	1,270.20	746.00	17.80	- 0 -	763.80
Goodnow Library Fund	20,649.53	8,108.84	4,291.89	4,815.00	7,585.73
Mt. Pleasant Cemetery	7,700.00	1,499.32	1,747.41	1,000.00	2,246.73
Mt. Wadsworth Cemetery	18,739.63	1,272.09	1,797.10	1,000.00	2,069.19
No. Sudbury Cemetery	4,850.00	1,093.11	1,296.03	1,000.00	1,389.14
Old Town Cemetery	250.00	60.71	69.60	- 0 -	130.31
Town Cemetery	26,559.18	2,411.53	3,563.65	2,000.00	3,975.18
APPROPRIATION CONTROL FUNDS					
Conservation Fund		147,200.06	85,370.19	35,450.70	197,119.55
Road Machinery Fund		4,167.70	3,261.79	6,846.72	582.77
Stabilization Funds:					
Curtis Jr. High School		14,976.23	275.50	15,251.73	- 0 -
Noyes School		8,173.17	402.07	8,575.24	- 0 -
SPECIAL DONATION ACCOUNTS					
McCaw Library Fund		- 0 -	338.00	- 0 -	338.00
Heritage Park		- 0 -	10,398.46	7,641.19	2,757.27
Revolutionary Bicentennial Committee		- 0 -	4,000.00	- 0 -	4,000.00
TOTAL		<u>197,592.82</u>	<u>121,783.77</u>	<u>87,327.05</u>	<u>232,049.54</u>

**SCHEDULE H
BALANCE SHEET - JUNE 30, 1974**

ASSETS

Cash			
General		\$1,689,227.12	
Petty Cash:			
Library	20.00		
Tax Collector	35.00		
Police	25.00		
Highway	50.00		
Town Hall	50.00		
Conservation	50.00		
School Lunch	50.00		
School Office	25.00		
Building Services	50.00	355.00	\$1,689,582.12
Accounts Receivable			
Taxes-Real Estate:			
Levy of 1969		883.65	

Levy of 1970	1,380.10	
Levy of 1971	2,655.08	
Levy of 1972	15,417.67	
Levy of 1973 & 1974	<u>272,660.23</u>	292,996.73
Taxes-Personal Property:		
Levy of 1970	37.00	
Levy of 1971	503.10	
Levy of 1972	1,069.10	
Levy of 1973 & 1974	<u>16,656.09</u>	18,265.29
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1969	1,948.92	
Levy of 1970	5,273.70	
Levy of 1971	7,598.04	
Levy of 1972	17,135.73	
Levy of 1973 & 1974	<u>189,096.44</u>	221,052.83
Tax Titles & Possessions:		
Tax Titles	18,130.76	
Tax Possessions	3,599.52	
Taxes in Litigation	1,311.50	
Water District Tax Titles	57.60	
Tax Possessions Held for Water District	<u>19.92</u>	23,119.30
Special Assessments-Street		
Committed Interest		160.00
		48.00
Departmental:		
Aid to Highways		80,467.37
Police Paid Details		5,118.50
Unprovided for on Overdrawn Accounts		
County Retirement		500.00
Loans Authorized		
Middlesex County-Dog Tax Refund		250,000.00
Revenue 1973 & 1974		218.52
County Tax Assessment		400.00
Middlesex County T. B. Hospital Assessment		5,952.65
		<u>12,223.06</u>
		<u>2,600,104.37</u>
LIABILITIES		
Dog Licenses due the County	3,278.50	
Road Machinery Fund	582.77	
Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund	5,417.00	
Conservation Fund	197,119.55	
Trust Funds Income	27,251.95	
Loans Unissued	250,000.00	
Tailings	1,038.14	
Road Guarantee Deposits	28,086.00	
Interest on above Deposits	4,306.45	
Veterans Benefits	644.59	
Heritage Park	2,757.27	
McCaw Library Fund	338.00	
Excess-Sales of Lands of Low Value	3,269.53	
Cemetery Perpetual Care	1,500.00	
Rev. Bicentennial Gifts	4,000.00	
Special Acts 1973	94,159.61	
Revaluation Suit - Contributions for	<u>3,000.00</u>	626,749.36
Revenue Reserved until Collected:		
Departmental	4,473.91	
Motor Vehicle Excise	221,052.83	
Aid to Highways	80,467.37	
Tax Titles	18,130.76	
Water District Tax Titles	57.60	
Taxes in Litigation	1,311.50	
Tax Possessions	3,599.52	
Water District Tax Possessions	19.92	
Petty Cash Advances	355.00	
Special Assessments	<u>208.00</u>	329,676.41
Overlay Surplus		
Overlay Reserved for Abatements:		209,417.18
Levy of 1969	883.65	

Levy of 1970	1,417.10	
Levy of 1971	3,158.18	
Levy of 1972	14,248.85	
Levy of 1973 & 1974	<u>13,099.20</u>	32,806.98
State Assessments		
M.B.T.A.		21.46
Parks & Reservations		5,135.69
MTE Boston Air Pollution		40.41
Revolving Accounts:		
School Lunch		13,816.81
Police Paid Detail		7,342.80
Receipts to be Distributed:		
Payroll Deductions		89,690.09
Unexpended Appropriation Balances		396,775.85
Unexpended Federal Aid P1874		22,423.83
Unexpended Federal Aid Title I		33,543.43
Unexpended Federal Aid Title II		1.18
		<u>832,662.89</u>
Surplus Revenue		<u>2,600,104.37</u>

**SCHEDULE I
FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING**

ASSETS	
Special Cash	<u>\$58,881.27</u>
LIABILITIES	
Federal Revenue Sharing Funds PL-92-512	<u>58,881.27</u>

**SCHEDULE J
FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING**

Balance January 1, 1973	\$ 71,362.00		
Receipts	279,327.00		
Interest	<u>18,192.27</u>	368,881.27	
Payments		310,000.00	
Balance June 30, 1974			\$58,881.27

**SCHEDULE K
CURRENT AND ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES**

A/C Number	1974-75 Transfers \$	1974-75 Appropriation \$	July 1, 1974 Dec. 31, 1974 \$	Jan. 1, 1975 June 30, 1975 Estimated Expenditures \$
100 EDUCATION				
1100 School Committee		3,660.00	2,418.36	1,241.64
1200 Supt Office		<u>101,026.00</u>	<u>48,281.39</u>	<u>52,744.61</u>
1000 ADMINISTRATIVE TOTAL		104,686.00	50,699.75	53,986.25
2200 Principals		226,380.00	110,249.78	116,130.22
2300 Teachers		2,252,984.00	787,524.32	1,465,459.68
2400 Texts		24,542.00	9,857.30	14,684.70
2500 Library		59,130.00	25,472.51	33,657.49
2600 Audio-Visual		35,060.00	6,288.95	28,771.05
2700 Guidance	123,950.00	123,950.00	39,134.82	84,815.18
2800 Pupil Personnel		<u>308,437.00</u>	<u>112,017.04</u>	<u>196,419.96</u>
2000 INSTRUCTION TOTAL		3,030,483.00	1,090,544.72	1,939,938.28
3100 Attendance		200.00	75.00	125.00
3200 Health Service		63,010.00	39,454.76	23,555.24
3300 Transportation		230,000.00	86,398.37	143,681.63
3400 Food Services		22,221.00	9,978.11	12,242.89
3500 Student Activities		<u>2,605.00</u>	<u>1,251.57</u>	<u>1,353.43</u>
3000 OTHER SCHOOL SERVICES		318,116.00	137,157.81	180,958.19
4100 Operation		298,375.00	136,862.65	161,512.35
4200 Maintenance		<u>115,223.00</u>	<u>69,675.51</u>	<u>45,547.49</u>



EITHER PLANNING STRATEGY or about to burn an incriminating document, certain gentlemen & officers of the Sudbury Cos., Militia & Minute: front row, left to right, Lt. Col. Palmer True; Col. William Vollheim; Bob Zapasnick; Maj. Cornell Gray, Art Stansel. Behind them, all the way: Col. Ira Amesbury (ret.); Capt. Tucker Young; Capt. Robert Harris; Fyfer Russell Kirby. (Clay Allen photo)

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4000 OPERATION & MAINTENANCE		413,598.00	206,538.16	207,059.84
7300 Acquisition		17,242.00	5,569.65	11,672.35
7400 Replacement		7,175.00	2,683.08	4,491.92
7000 EQUIPMENT TOTAL		24,417.00	8,252.73	16,164.27
9000 TUITION		10,200.00	5,065.34	5,134.66
EXPENDITURES TO DATE		3,901,500.00	1,498,258.51	2,403,241.49
120 Community Use of Schools		13,000.00	4,279.12	8,720.88
130 Lincoln-Sudbury Regional Assmt		2,894,465.53	1,501,504.35	1,392,961.18
140 Minuteman Voc/Tech Assmt		192,503.00	125,127.00	67,376.00
Curtis Jr High Site Work ATM 73 #10 C/F		130.00	- 0 -	130.00
Peter Noyes Site Work ATM 73 #11 C/F		41,184.01	18,555.00	22,629.01
2300 Teachers Bal. C/F		58,479.42	58,479.42	- 0 -
2700 Guidance Bal. C/F		1,086.90	1,086.90	- 0 -
DEBT SERVICE				
201 Temp Loan Interest		50,000.00	11,786.11	38,213.89
202 School Bond Interest		102,830.00	56,080.00	46,750.00
203 Other Bond Interest		3,379.00	1,709.50	1,669.50
204 Principal-Schools		435,000.00	340,000.00	95,000.00
205 Principal-Other		52,000.00	2,000.00	50,000.00
300 PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY				
310 Fire Department				
Federal Revenue Sharing		100,000.00	- 0 -	100,000.00
-11 Salaries		247,167.00	174,537.25	72,629.65
-12 Overtime & Extra Hire		47,366.00	36,398.78	10,967.22
-21 General Expense		3,060.00	1,140.91	1,919.09
-31 Maintenance		6,900.00	3,083.41	3,816.59
-51 Equipment Purchase		2,500.00	2,043.00	457.00
-61 Alarm Extension		500.00	- 0 -	500.00
-62 Alarm Maintenance		200.00	35.90	164.10
-71 Uniforms		3,360.00	2,097.64	1,262.36

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320 Police Department				
Federal Revenue Sharing		100,000.00	- 0 -	100,000.00
-11 Salaries (Trans 0600)	2,620.24	197,892.00	147,092.03	53,420.21
-12 Overtime		31,950.00	26,530.38	5,419.62
-13 Clerical		7,544.00	3,759.76	3,784.24
-16 Crossing Guards		4,239.00	1,586.82	2,652.18
-21 General Expense		15,600.00	3,933.78	11,666.22
-31 Maintenance		14,250.00	8,562.86	5,687.14
-41 Travel (Trans 0578)	800.00	300.00	560.52	539.48
-51 Equipment Purchase		13,000.00	- 0 -	13,000.00
-61 Auxiliary Police		500.00	224.00	276.00
-71 Uniforms		5,375.00	3,053.67	2,321.33
340 Building Inspector				
-11 Salaries		14,243.00	7,581.54	6,661.46
-12 Overtime		266.00	109.76	156.24
-13 Clerical		10,219.00	4,997.35	5,221.65
-14 Deputy Inspector		1,000.00	245.00	755.00
-15 Custodial		22,431.00	8,324.53	14,106.47
-21 General Expense		1,200.00	564.80	635.20
-31 Vehicle Maintenance		325.00	13.17	311.83
-32 Town Hall Maint		12,900.00	4,499.48	8,400.52
-33 Centre School Maint		8,500.00	3,305.99	5,194.01
-34 Loring Parsonage Maint		2,080.00	542.28	1,537.72
-35 Police Bldg Maint		3,400.00	1,747.10	1,652.90
-36 Hosmer House Maint		500.00	- 0 -	500.00
-51 Equipment Purchase		100.00	- 0 -	100.00
350 Dog Officer				
-11 Salaries		7,583.00	3,763.10	3,819.90
-21 General Expense Bal. C/F		167.50	167.50	- 0 -
-21 General Expense		7,180.00	2,455.56	4,724.44
360 Conservation Commission				
-13 Clerical		1,331.00	554.16	776.84
-21 General Expense Bal. C/F		1,170.00	1,170.00	- 0 -
-21 General Expense		4,875.00	222.52	4,652.48
-31 Maintenance		1,500.00	19.96	1,480.04
-41 Travel		300.00	40.80	259.20
-51 Conservation	2,700.00	46,000.00	2,700.00	46,000.00
Purchase Land-Davis ATM #12		136,600.00	52,591.47	84,008.53
Purchase Land-Hulbert ATM #13 Loans Authorized	225,000.00	67,000.00	287,706.37	4,293.63
370 Board of Appeals				
-11 Clerical		2,130.00	349.80	1,780.20
-21 General Expense		1,200.00	294.86	905.14
390 Civil Defense				
-21 General Expense		250.00	43.37	206.63
400 HIGHWAYS				
410 Highway Commission				
-11 Supt & Ass't Supt Salary		33,300.00	11,440.34	21,859.66
-13 Clerical Salary		13,994.00	6,765.95	7,228.05
-14 Commission Salary		1,600.00	725.00	875.00
-21 General Expense		4,880.00	1,815.45	3,064.55
-31 Maintenance		14,000.00	3,110.64	10,889.36
-41 Travel		200.00	- 0 -	200.00
-42 Out of State Travel		300.00	- 0 -	300.00
-51 Administrative Equipment		1,700.00	1,645.00	55.00
-71 Uniforms		6,000.00	1,421.13	4,578.87
		75,974.00	26,923.51	49,050.49
420 Operating Salary				
-11 Regular Salary		233,292.00	99,090.29	134,201.71
-12 Overtime		37,275.00	14,019.41	23,255.59
420-20 Road Work				
-1 Operating Materials		17,233.00	2,644.92	14,588.08
-4 Contractors		135,000.00	110,559.43	24,440.57
-5 Signs & Markings		10,500.00	5,798.61	4,701.39
		162,733.00	119,002.96	43,730.04
420-30 Trees				
-3 Hired Equipment		1,000.00	192.00	808.00
-4 Contractors		8,000.00	- 0 -	8,000.00
		9,000.00	192.00	8,808.00
420-40 Landfill				
-3 Hired Equip (Trans 0601)	709.25	1,000.00	1,121.83	587.42
420-50 Cemetery Materials		2,000.00	1,175.41	824.59
420-61 Chap #81 Maint		34,500.00	22,740.49	11,759.51

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420-62 Chap #90 Maint		62,500.00	62,210.38	289.62
420-63 Chap #90 Constr Bal. C/F	142,074.93			
1974 Appropriation	28,100.00	170,174.93	- 0 -	170,174.93
430-40 Machinery Equip Bal. C/F		2,000.00	2,000.00	- 0 -
430 Machinery				
-20 Fuels & Lubricants		17,500.00	5,026.99	12,473.01
-30 Parts & Repair		32,000.00	12,086.98	19,913.02
-40 Equipment		<u>25,000.00</u>	<u>5,864.00</u>	<u>19,136.00</u>
		74,500.00	22,977.97	51,522.03
460 Snow & Ice				
-12 Overtime		16,300.00	673.88	15,626.12
-30 Materials		30,000.00	6,351.96	23,648.04
-40 Equipment Purchase		9,000.00	974.40	8,025.60
-50 Contractors		<u>15,000.00</u>	<u>550.00</u>	<u>14,450.00</u>
		70,300.00	8,550.24	61,749.76
470 Street Lighting		25,000.00	9,870.87	15,129.13
Special Articles-ATM 1974				
School Walkways Constr Art #31		157,458.81	11,391.27	146,067.54
Purchase Land-Art #35		2,000.00	1,569.84	430.16
Accept Layout-Robbins & Howell Rds. Art #37		11,000.00	7,987.63	3,012.37
Accept Layout-Union Ave Art #38		2,000.00	- 0 -	2,000.00
Drainage System Eng Plans Art #39		13,500.00	11,205.00	2,295.00
Special Articles-Carried Forward to 1974				
Master Drainage Plan 1973 Art #14		1,230.00	- 0 -	1,230.00
500 GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
501 Selectmen				
-11 Exec Secretary Salary		21,000.00	11,798.10	9,201.90
-12 Overtime		533.00	54.50	478.50
-13 Clerical		25,419.00	11,846.07	13,572.93
-14 Selectmen's Salary		1,600.00	799.92	800.08
-21 General Expense		5,000.00	3,596.16	1,403.84
-31 Equipment Maintenance		200.00	73.14	126.86
-41 Travel		2,200.00	1,204.88	995.12
-51 Equipment Purchase		350.00	338.87	11.13
-71 Out of State Travel		750.00	675.46	74.54
-81 Surveys & Studies Bal. C/F		6,299.16	6,299.16	- 0 -
-81 Surveys & Studies		2,000.00	842.34	1,157.66
Special Articles				
SudBus Trans Comm Art #29		25,000.00	454.56	24,545.44
School Walkways Plng Art #32		21,000.00	6,994.57	14,005.43
Regional Refuse Disp Art #45		6,008.00	- 0 -	6,008.00
Special Articles Bal. C/F to 1974				
Aerial Survey 70 7 71		436.91	- 0 -	436.91
Rt 20/Nobscot Drain 1971 Art #37		2,500.00	- 0 -	2,500.00
Purchase Lord Land 1972 Art #39		2,600.00	- 0 -	2,600.00
Underground Wiring 1973 Art #38		5,069.72	4,896.25	173.47
Regional Refuse Disp Comm 1973 Art #44		322.35	- 0 -	322.35
502 Engineering				
-11 Salaries		58,823.00	23,510.08	35,312.92
-12 Overtime		1,704.00	1,625.26	78.74
-13 Clerical		6,814.00	3,254.27	3,559.73
-14 Temp Eng Aides		8,418.00	4,012.88	4,405.12
-21 General Expense		5,300.00	2,957.79	2,342.21
-31 Vehicle Maintenance		1,800.00	912.81	887.19
-41 Travel		500.00	51.50	448.50
-51 Equip Purchase (Trans 0602)	381.00	5,200.00	5,581.00	- 0 -
-71 Out of State Travel		250.00	- 0 -	250.00
School Walkways-Final Eng 74 #31		9,032.65	7,621.98	1,410.67
Concord Rd. Walkways Bal. C/F		990.13	100.00	890.13
Walkways Constr Hudson & Peakham & Haynes 1973 #34 Bal. C/F		1,973.95	1,973.95	- 0 -
503 Law				
-11 Retainer		8,400.00	4,200.00	4,200.00
-21 General Expense		11,000.00	3,092.66	7,907.34
504 Assessors				
-11 Assessors' Salaries		2,500.00	1,250.04	1,249.96
-13 Clerical		16,881.00	7,164.51	9,716.49
-21 General Expense		5,150.00	1,513.64	3,636.36
-41 Travel		600.00	600.00	- 0 -
-51 Equipment Purchase		200.00	- 0 -	200.00
Assessors Appraisal STM 68 #7 Bal. C/F		741.28	- 0 -	741.28

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505 Tax Collector				
-11 Collector's Salary		9,300.00	4,650.00	4,650.00
-13 Clerical		10,650.00	5,153.44	5,496.56
-14 Attorneys Salary		2,200.00	- 0 -	2,200.00
-21 General Expense		6,530.00	1,432.09	5,097.91
-41 Travel		100.00	3.60	96.40
506 Town Clerk & Registrars				
-11 Town Clerk's Salary		9,664.00	4,831.98	4,832.02
-13 Clerical		20,981.00	10,222.77	10,758.23
-14 Registrars		550.00	550.00	- 0 -
-21 General Expense Bal. C/F		62.00	62.00	- 0 -
-21 General Expense		7,207.00	2,059.41	5,147.59
-41 Travel		250.00	62.62	187.38
-51 Equipment Purchase		810.00	797.00	13.00
-61 Elections		8,140.00	4,373.11	3,766.89
507 Treasurer				
-11 Treasurer's Salary		7,500.00	3,750.00	3,750.00
-13 Clerical		4,260.00	2,040.11	2,219.89
-21 General Expense		300.00	130.56	169.44
-41 Travel		300.00	122.94	177.06
-51 Equipment Purchase		400.00	333.49	66.51
-61 Tax Title Expense		100.00	26.50	73.50
-71 Bond & Note Issue Expense		100.00	51.00	49.00
508 Finance Committee				
-13 Clerical		1,278.00	248.74	1,029.26
-21 General Expense		400.00	101.20	298.80
-41 Travel		100.00	- 0 -	100.00
509 Moderator		100.00	10.00	90.00
510 Permanent Building Committee				
-13 Clerical		107.00	31.80	75.20
-21 General Expense		150.00	72.00	78.00
Special Articles-Bal. C/F to 1974				
-90 Curtis J/H School Constr '70 #54		9,550.89	- 0 -	9,550.89
-91 Curtis J/H Plng '67 #4		7,227.95	- 0 -	7,227.95
-93 Peter Noyes Addition '70 #55		14,476.85	1,568.43	12,908.42
-96 Goodnow Library '70 #4		2,591.48	681.28	1,910.20
Plans & Specs Comb Fire & Police Station '73 #2		9,732.37	9,732.37	- 0 -
511 Personnel Board				
-13 Clerical		959.00	463.71	495.29
-21 General Expense		200.00	155.00	45.00
512 Planning Board				
-13 Clerical		3,302.00	939.73	2,362.27
-21 General Expense Bal. C/F		1,059.60	1,059.60	- 0 -
-21 General Expense		5,400.00	308.21	5,091.79
Hydrological & Geo Study 1974 #27		15,000.00	2,500.00	12,500.00
513 Ancient Documents				
-21 General Expense		1,600.00	218.37	1,381.63
514 Historic Districts				
-13 Clerical		160.00	7.48	152.52
-21 General Expense		150.00	4.00	146.00
517 Revolutionary War Bicentennial Comm.				
-13 Clerical		3,195.00	1,375.09	1,819.91
-21 General Expense		3,000.00	150.37	2,849.63
-31 Maintenance		3,000.00	- 0 -	3,000.00
518 Council on Aging (Trans 0596)	1,000.00	- 0 -	306.94	693.06
519 Talent Search Comm		100.00	37.13	62.87
520 Comm on Town Administration		300.00	6.12	293.88
521 Town Accountant				
-11 Town Accountant's Salary		12,500.00	6,778.83	5,721.17
-12 Overtime		426.00	355.20	70.80
-13 Clerical		15,975.00	7,371.51	8,603.49
-21 General Expense		910.00	695.58	214.42
-31 Maintenance		765.00	130.80	634.20
-41 Travel		100.00	56.40	43.60
-61 Data Process (Trans 0595)	2,100.00	2,100.00	1,322.35	2,877.65
600 LIBRARY				
-11 Salaries		76,211.00	38,294.67	37,916.33
-21 General Expense		5,503.00	3,399.33	2,103.67
-31 Maintenance		8,139.00	4,510.30	3,628.70
-41 Travel		200.00	44.94	155.06
-51 Equipment Purchase		1,000.00	540.63	459.37
-52 Books		23,000.00	13,529.94	9,470.66
-71 Out of State Travel (Trans 0599)	63.00	- 0 -	58.92	4.08

A/C Number	1974-75 Transfers \$	1974-75 Appropriation \$	July 1, 1974 Dec. 31, 1974 Expenditures \$	Jan. 1, 1975 June 30, 1975 Estimated Expenditures \$
700 PARKS & RECREATION				
-11 Salaries		52,997.00	37,988.11	15,008.89
-21 General Expense		1,000.00	721.89	278.11
-31 Maintenance Bal. C/F		25.42	25.42	- 0 -
-31 Maintenance		25,000.00	13,183.11	11,816.89
-41 Travel		300.00	138.24	161.76
-51 Equipment Purchase		9,300.00	8,253.40	1,046.60
-61 Special Programs		18,000.00	13,306.76	4,693.24
Constr Toilet Facilities '71 # 10 Bal. C/F		8,345.00	1,640.00	6,705.00
Purchase Tractor & Accessories '71 # 16 Bal. C/F		307.19	- 0 -	307.19
Septic System Feeley Park '74 # 8		2,500.00	- 0 -	2,500.00
Haskell Land Facility '74 # 49		10,000.00	6,936.75	3,063.25
800 HEALTH				
-11 Director's Salary		16,000.00	7,874.97	8,125.03
-13 Clerical Salary		6,137.00	2,525.47	3,611.53
-21 General Expense		1,700.00	392.50	807.50
-31 Laboratory Expense		1,200.00	392.50	807.50
-41 Travel (Trans 0593)	700.00	500.00	474.04	725.96
-51 Equipment Purchase		400.00	356.55	43.45
-61 Sudbury Public Health Nursing		19,543.00	11,400.00	8,143.00
-71 Mosquito Control		15,000.00	12,000.00	3,000.00
-81 Consultant Fees		500.00	- 0 -	500.00
-91 Mental Health		4,750.00	1,979.15	2,770.85
Miscellaneous		40.00	- 0 -	40.00
900 VETERANS' BENEFITS				
-11 Agent's Salary		1,405.00	692.46	712.54
-21 General Expense		200.00	46.00	154.00
-61 Benefits		10,000.00	2,893.24	7,106.76
950 UNCLASSIFIED				
-11 Blue Cross Blue Shield		122,000.00	61,394.16	60,605.84
-12 Life Insurance		3,500.00	1,700.01	1,799.99
-21 Fidelity Bonds		1,500.00	- 0 -	1,500.00
-31 Casualty Insurance		60,000.00	52,596.60	7,403.40
-41 Print Town Report		9,000.00	- 0 -	9,000.00
-51 Memorial Day		800.00	- 0 -	800.00
-61 Veterans' Graves		200.00	- 0 -	200.00
-71 Fire Pension		1,500.00	875.00	625.00
-81 Reserve Fund		70,000.00	8,373.49	61,626.51
-91 Hosmer House Contract		2,000.00	1,169.00	831.00
-92 Communications		3,500.00	1,380.60	2,119.40
-93 Hydrant Rental		21,525.00	10,762.50	10,762.50
-94 Copying Service		4,000.00	1,542.84	2,457.16
-94 Copying Service Bal. C/F		210.00	209.18	.82
-96 Retirement Fund		122,000.00	60,883.50	61,116.50
-97 Town Meetings		6,500.00	1,074.24	5,425.76
-98 Postage		3,500.00	2,283.00	1,217.00
-99 Telephone		6,000.00	2,712.01	3,287.99
-100 Salary Adjustments		6,000.00	- 0 -	6,000.00



THE LATE TED DOYLE speaks for the newly-formed Sudbury Taxpayers' Association at Town Meeting. (Clay Allen photo)

Board Of Assessors

The Board of Assessors had another busy year. Expansion in both homes and industry has contributed to the heavy work load of the Assessors Office. Automobile excise taxes are requiring an excessive amount of our office time, and it is quite apparent that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts must make a change in its data processing to correct a situation that is taxing our office beyond its limits.

It is of interest to note that the number of Appellate Court cases generated to date is very low when compared with other cities and towns.

We are grateful to our office staff and greatly appreciate their efforts in conducting their daily activities in the most professional manner.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur A. Babigian
Chairman
J. Leo Quinn
Frank H. Grinnell

FINANCIAL REPORT

	18 MONTH	FISCAL 1975
Number of Persons, Partnerships and Corporations Assessed on Property	4,691	4,727
Total Value of Assessed Personal Property	\$ 9,007,151.00	\$ 9,470,748.00
Value of Assessed Real Estate:		
Land Exclusive of Buildings	37,137,140.00	37,680,400.00
Buildings Exclusive of Land	113,435,510.00	117,397,600.00
TOTAL VALUE OF ASSESSED REAL ESTATE	150,423,250.00	155,078,000.00
TOTAL VALUATION OF ASSESSED REAL & PERSONAL ESTATES	159,430,401.00	164,548,748.00
TAX RATE PER THOUSAND	49.50	49.50
TAX FOR STATE, COUNTY AND TOWN PURPOSES INCLUDING OVERLAY:		
On Personal Estate	445,853.97	468,802.02
On Real Estate	7,445,950.88	7,676,361.00
TOTAL TAXES ASSESSED	\$ 7,891,804.85	\$ 8,145,163.02
NUMBER OF LIVESTOCK ASSESSED:		
Horses	40	40
Cows	54	54
Swine	90	90
Fowl	274	274
NUMBER OF ACRES OF LAND ASSESSED	11,113	11,061
NUMBER OF DWELLING HOUSES ASSESSED	3,617	3,683

RECAPITULATION

	18 MONTH	FISCAL 1975
Town Grants	\$ 14,741,238.58	\$ 10,694,097.44
Deficits due to Abatements in Excess of Overlay of Prior Years	68.75	
Debt and Interest Charges (Matured and Maturing)	25,000.00	
Offsets in Cherry Sheet Estimated Receipts:		
School Lunch Program	37,114.56	23,618.19
Free Public Libraries	10,129.50	5,064.75
Youth Service Board	47,244.06	
County Tax	179,387.45	448,058.16
County Hospital	9,079.29	36,264.30
State Recreation Areas	40,267.47	76,359.63
Audit of Municipal Accounts	13,229.97	
Metropolitan Districts Area	674.90	674.90
Mass Bay Transportation Authority	120,028.00	97,812.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	1,085.10	2,034.90
State Assessment System	553.68	553.68
Air Pollution Control District	470.25	846.10
Special Education		21,000.00
Underestimates of Prior Years		5,952.65
Other Amounts to be Raised		900.00
Overlay of Current Year	135,629.89	73,904.88

GROSS AMOUNT TO BE RAISED	15,361,201.45	11,487,141.58
Estimated Receipts from Local Aid Fund and Agency Funds	2,155,552.15	2,001,679.30
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	627,900.00	530,749.70
Licenses	13,500.00	
Fines	2,250.00	2,071.00
Special Assessments	420.00	41.00
General Government	51,400.00	29,684.00
Protection of Persons and Property	32,160.00	33,065.00
Health and Sanitation	7,250.00	3,337.00
Highways	2,925.00	4,708.00
School (Local Receipts of School Committee)	19,020.00	14,266.00
Libraries (Local Receipts other than State Aid)	4,875.00	5,759.00
Recreation	8,500.00	7,820.00
Cemeteries (Other than Trust Funds & Sale of Lots)	2,250.00	2,178.00
Interest (On Taxes and Assessments)		16,857.00
Farm Animal, Machinery & Equipment Excise	800.00	571.00
Classified: Forest Land		235.00
Overestimates	9,227.53	5,197.56
Voted Transfers from Available Funds	538,220.45	683,760.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS	<u>3,476,250.13</u>	<u>3,341,978.56</u>
NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION	<u>11,837,707.26</u>	<u>8,145,163.02</u>
Total Valuation: Real and Personal Property	159,430,401.00	164,548,748.00
Tax Rate per \$1,000	49.50	49.50
Taxes Levied on Property	7,891,804.85	8,145,163.02
Street Assessments:		
Apportioned	208.85	208.85
Committed Interest	61.06	50.61
Farm Animal Excise	569.28	571.00

SCHOOL TAX RECAPITULATION

1975 FISCAL YEAR

SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS:

General Appropriations for Support and Maintenance of Public Schools	\$ 7,001,468.00	
Principal and Interest on School Debt	546,207.00	
Special Education	21,000.00	
Insurance	108,550.00	
TOTAL SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS		\$7,677,225.00
School Percentage 67.2 of Overlay		<u>49,744.00</u>
		<u>7,726,969.00</u>

ESTIMATED SCHOOL INCOME:

School Department Income	14,266.00
Special Education Programs	79,017.00
School Aid	1,036,605.00
School Transportation	160,149.00
Education of Deaf and Blind Pupils	7,326.00
Regional School District	137,933.00
Construction of School Projects	222,740.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED SCHOOL INCOME	<u>1,658,036.00</u>

ESTIMATED GENERAL RECEIPTS:

Machinery Basis Distribution	85.00
Loss of Taxes - State Property	23,175.00
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	530,751.00
Fines	2,071.00
Interest on Taxes, Assessments and Deposits	16,857.00
Available Funds	300,000.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED GENERAL RECEIPTS	<u>872,939.00</u>

School Percentage 67.2 of Estimated General Receipts	586,615.00
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	

2,244,651.00
5,482,318.00

SCHOOL ASSESSMENT

COMPUTATION OF SCHOOL PERCENTAGE:

Gross Amount to be Raised (Total for Town)	11,487,475.00	
Deductions: Overlays	74,245.00	
NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED	11,413,230.00	
SCHOOL PERCENTAGE - Total School Appropriations	7,677,225.00	= 67.2%
Net Amount to Be Raised	11,413,230.00	

COMPUTATION OF SCHOOL RATE - School Assessment

Valuation	5,533,414.00	= 30.01
General Tax Rate - Total Tax Rate \$49.50 less	164,548,748.00	
School Tax Rate	30.01	= 19.49
TOTAL		49.50

Office Of The Tax Collector

\$12,799,992.92 was committed to the Tax Office on the 18 months period. \$12,543,794.64 was collected, which includes taxes of prior years.

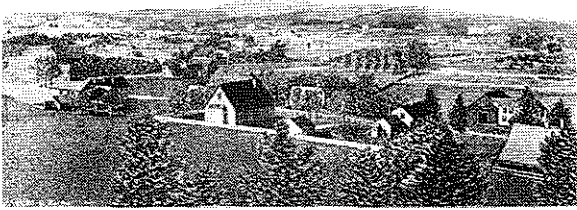
We would like to thank the different town departments who cooperated with us during the year.

Respectfully submitted,
 Isabelle K. Stone
 Tax Collector

TAX COLLECTORS REPORT Jan. 1, 1973 — June 30, 1974

Levy	Balance Jan. 1, 1973	Committed 1/1/73 to 6/30/74	Collected 1/1/73 to 6/30/74	Refunds 1/1/73 to 6/30/74	Abatements 1/1/73 to 6/30/74	Tax Takings Taxes in Lit. Subseq. Taxes	Uncollected June 30, 1974
1969							
Real Estate	883.65						883.65
M. V. Excise	1,948.92						1,948.92
1970							
Real Estate	2,313.11		933.01	81.40	81.40		1,380.10
Pers Prop	37.00	1,542.90	1,542.90				37.00
M. V. Excise	5,949.18		675.48				5,273.70
1971							
Real Estate	4,247.15		1,506.27	6,703.20	6,789.00		2,655.08
Pers Prop	503.10	1,626.30	1,626.30				503.10
M. V. Excise	10,622.70		2,911.63	32.18	145.21		7,598.04
1972							
Real Estate	295,447.25		278,790.18	18,534.80	20,174.40		15,017.47
Pers Prop	6,827.78	1,813.95	7,322.94		249.69		1,069.10
M. V. Excise	69,021.03	190,055.14	219,572.77	5,080.24	27,447.91		17,135.73
Release of St. Bet.			4.00				
1973							
Real Estate		11,167,822.88	10,823,753.60	59,339.33	127,219.13	6,468.00	269,721.48
Pers Prop		673,151.92	653,167.65	323.12	3,651.30		16,656.09
M. V. Excise		762,856.03	518,527.25	8,522.38	63,754.72		189,096.44
St. Betterment		208.85	48.85				160.00
Committed Int.		61.06	13.06				48.00
Farm Animal		853.89	853.89				
Release of St. Bet.			8.00				
Int. Chgs., Liens			32,536.86				
Total Brought Fwd.	397,800.87						
Total Committed		12,799,992.92					
Total Collected			12,543,794.64				
Total Refunds				98,616.65			
Total Abatements					249,512.76		
Total Tax Taking & Litigation						6,468.00	
Total Uncollected							529,183.90

YEAR	COMMITTED	COLLECTED	PERCENTAGE
1969	4,679,917.55	4,433,070.50	94%
1970	5,014,077.28	4,691,414.59	94%
1971	5,522,077.09	5,278,136.54	96%
1972	6,533,305.70	6,175,779.94	95%
1973-74	11,842,098.60	11,477,845.05	97%



Hudson's History of Sudbury

Town Treasurer

This report represents the fiscal change over a period of eighteen months, from January 1, 1973 to June 30, 1974.

Time and workload required in the Treasury Department have increased substantially during this period.

Our total cash receipts for the eighteen months were \$23,188,700.09 and our total cash payments were \$22,659,916.48.

Due to the change in Real Estate Tax collections to twice a year instead of once a year, we expect a reduction in borrowing on Tax Anticipation Notes, thereby reducing the amount of interest paid each year.

We are very pleased to announce that through investments in Conservation Funds, Highway Funds and General Cash the Treasurer has earned for the Town of Sudbury in excess of \$44,000 in interest.

Together with my secretary, Loretta A. Bigelow, we would like to express our thanks to all those who have assisted in any way to make our work more efficient and pleasant.

Respectfully submitted,

William E. Downing
Treasurer

FINANCIAL REPORT

Cash

Balance as of January 1, 1973	1,160,430.52	
Receipts to June 30, 1974	23,188,700.09	24,349,130.61
Payments to June 30, 1974	22,659,916.48	
Balance as of June 30, 1974		
General Cash	925,800.42	
Certificate of Deposit	500,000.00	
School Construction & Library	26,619.22	
Invested Funds	28,466.45	
Conservation Fund	200,619.55	
Road Machinery Fund	582.77	
Heritage Park & Bicentennial	7,125.72	24,349,130.61

Federal Revenue Sharing

Balance January 1, 1973	71,362.00	
Receipts to 6/30/74	279,327.00	
Interest to 6/30/74	18,192.27	368,881.27
Paid as of 6/30/74		310,000.00
Balance as of 6/30/74		58,881.27

Tax Anticipation Notes

Issued		7,000,000.00
Paid		7,000,000.00

Trust Funds Invested

GOODNOW LIBRARY FUND

N.E. Tel. & Tel.	1,018.70	
1st Mortgage		
4 5/8 % April 1999		
Shawmut Association, Inc.	9,640.63	
420 Shares		
First National Bank of Boston	7,147.57	
344 Shares		
Sierra Pacific Power Co.	2,000.00	
1st Mortgage		
9 3/4 % May 2000		
Savings Bank Accounts	777.63	20,584.53

SCHOOL FUND

Erie Railroad	1,000.00	
1st Consolidated Mortgage-Series G. 3 1/8 % Jan. 1, 2000		
Savings Bank Account	270.20	1,270.20

CHARITY FUNDS

Framingham Co-operative Bank	3,000.00	
15 Paid-up Shares		
Philadelphia Electric Co.	997.50	
1st Mortgage 7 3/4 % Dec. 15, 2000		
Shawmut Association, Inc. 310 Shares	6,693.98	
First National Bank of Boston 263 Shares	5,632.38	
Fitchburg Gas & Electric Light 1 Bond	995.00	
9 3/8 % March 1, 1995		
Savings Bank Accounts	3,001.33	20,320.19

GEORGE J. RAYMOND SCHOLARSHIP FUND

First National Bank of Boston 143 Shares	3,197.13	
Sierra Pacific Power Co. 1st Mortgage 9 3/4 % May 1, 2000	1,000.00	
Savings Bank Accounts	457.34	4,654.47

MT. WADSWORTH CEMETERY

Shawmut Association, Inc. 7 Shares	}	234.44	
First National Bank of Boston 7 Shares			
Lawrence Gas Co. 5 Bonds		5,275.83	
1st Mortgage 6% Series A. Nov. 1, 1977			
General Tel. Co. of Southeast 1st Mortgage 9 3/8 % Apr. 1, 2000		1,000.00	
Sierra Pacific Power Co. 1st Mortgage 9 3/8 % May 1, 2000		1,000.00	
Fitchburg Gas & Electric Light 1 Bond		995.00	
9 3/8 % March 1, 1995			
Georgia Power Co. 1st Mortgage 4 7/8 % Nov. 1, 1990		727.50	
Savings Bank Accounts		9,844.36	19,077.13

MT. PLEASANT CEMETERY

Shawmut Association, Inc. 160 Shares	}	4,800.00	
First National Bank of Boston 146 Shares			
N.E. Tel. & Tel. Co. 2 Debentures 8.625% Sept. 1, 2009		1,994.40	
Savings Bank Accounts		905.60	7,700.00

TOWN CEMETERY

Shawmut Association, Inc. } 67 Shares		
First National Bank of Boston } 62 Shares	2,025.00	
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co. 18 Debentures 8.625% Sept. 1, 2009	17,949.60	
Georgia Power Co. 1st Mortgage 4 7/8 % November 1, 1990	2,910.00	
Savings Bank Accounts	4,879.58	27,764.18

NORTH SUDBURY CEMETERY

Shawmut Association, Inc. } 73 Shares		
First National Bank of Boston } 66 Shares	2,200.00	
Savings Bank Accounts	2,875.00	5,075.00

OLD CEMETERY

Shawmut Association, Inc. } 8 Shares		
First National Bank of Boston } 7 Shares	250.00	250.00

RAYMOND MAUSOLEUM

Perpetual Care Maintenance, Preservation & Repair Fitchburg Gas & Electric Light 1 Bond 9 3/8 % March 1, 1995	1,000.00	1,000.00
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EARTH REMOVAL BONDS

Fairview Development Corp., North Sudbury	5,000.00	
Vasalotti, Codjer Lane	5,000.00	
L. Roy Hawes, Dakin Road, East	1,000.00	
A.J. Lane Const. Corp. Lots 25A & 26A Peakham Road	1,000.00	
Waters Mfg. Co. Boston Post Road	10,000.00	
Paul F. & Gaetano Cavicchio, Codjer Lane	5,000.00	
Sudbury Skating & Tennis Club, Inc. Union Avenue	5,000.00	
Melgrove Realty Trust, Codjer Lane & Horsepond Rd.	5,000.00	37,000.00

ROAD GUARANTEE DEPOSITS HELD IN ESCROW

John J. Flannery, Austin Park, 23 Lots Dunster & Hadley Rds.	16,720.00	16,720.00
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ROAD GUARANTEE PASSBOOKS ASSIGNED IN LIEU OF BONDS

Powder Hill Estates, Inc. Maynard Farm Rd.	6,300.00
Powder Hill Estates, Inc. Maynard Farm Rd.	1,000.00
Bowker Land Corp., Robert D. Quick, Pres. Bowker Land Grant	3,500.00
Rockwell Realty Trust, Rockwell Estates	1,000.00
Finlay Construction Co., Whispering Pines	4,075.00
E.R. Linn Builders, Inc., Greenwood Forest	4,130.00
Dakin Farms Corp., Dakin Farms I	500.00
Sherwood Land Corp., Woodlane Farms III	4,000.00
George Finlay Const., Co., Austin Rd.	3,000.00
Johnson Land Corp., Oak Knoll	6,595.00
Michael C. Moore, Stock Farm	7,000.00
Finlay Const. Co., Ridge Hill & Hunt Rd.	2,500.00
Anthony DeMarco, Woodmere Manor	8,626.00

George L. Finlay, Woodland Farms III	6,000.00	
Core Contemporary Homes, Inc. Whispring Pine Rd.	1,500.00	
Core Contemporary Homes, Whispering Pine Rd.	400.00	
Core Contemporary Homes, Whispering Pine Rd.	1,300.00	
Core Contemporary Homes, Whispering Pine Rd.	1,500.00	
Johnson Land Corp., Minebrook Subdivision	2,800.00	
Robsham Realty Corp., Moran Circle, Land End	2,000.00	67,726.00

LETTERS OF CREDIT ASSIGNED IN LIEU OF BONDS

Bruce & Robert Quirk, Bowker V Sub. Ford, Buckmaster, Suffolk & Belcher Rds.	80,000.00	
Bruce & Robert Quirk, Bowker V Sub. Harvard, Longfellow & Ford Rds.	64,000.00	
Bruce & Robert Quirk, Bowker V Sub. Longfellow & Chanticleer Rds.	47,000.00	
Bruce & Robert Quirk, Bowker V Sub. Chanticleer Road	67,000.00	258,000.00

ROAD GUARANTEE BONDS

Town & Country, Curry Lane	600.00	
Town & Country, Longfellow Rd.	600.00	
Town & Country, Longfellow, Greenwood & Ford Rds.	11,000.00	
Town & Country, Elaine & Elsbeth Rds.	5,000.00	
Country Estates Realty Trust, Willis Acres	7,816.00	
Alana Const. Co., Woodland Farms	18,730.00	
Finlay Const. Co., Phillips Rd.	3,725.00	
Edward B. Sweidler, Crown Pt.	13,374.00	
Austin J. Moran & Frank W. Generazio, Jr. Warren Rd., Rambling Rd., & Lombard Lane	46,000.00	
Finlay Const. Co., Woodlane Farms III	13,010.00	
Andrew J. Lane, Woodlane Farms II	27,000.00	
Ernest DeVincent Builders, Inc. Tudor Bowen Circle	4,800.00	
Ernest DeVincent Builders, Inc. Tudor Bowen Circle	4,170.00	
Peter E. Pietz, Inc., Old Town Estates	10,000.00	
Gabriel P. Drossos, Acorn Village	10,125.00	
Dakin Farms Corp., Dakin Farms III	32,000.00	207,950.00

ROAD GUARANTEE DEPOSITS

Horace E. Devlin, Joan Ave.	1,000.00	
Hudson & Co., Moore Rd. & Surrey Lane	78.60	
Sudbury Realty Trust, Intervale Rd.	750.00	
Hector R. Buteau, Parmenter Rd.	338.00	
Austin J. Moran, Frank W. Generazio, Jr. Cider Mill Rd.	1,000.00	
Johnson Land Corp., Forest St. Ext.	800.00	
Dakin Farms Corp., Dakin Farms IIIA	320.00	
Johnson Land Corp., Minebrook Subdivision	1,000.00	
Michael C. Moore, Prides Crossing Road (Sav.)	1,150.00	
Johnson Land Corp. (Sav. Acct.) Silver Hill Rd. & Thunder Rd.	7,700.00	
Bowker Land Corp. (Sav. Accts.) Bowker Land Grant, Sec. III & IV	1,100.00	
Adin Realty Trust (Sav. Acct.) "Tippling Rock"	1,270.00	
Cirioni Bros. (Sav. Acct.) Fire Alarm Boxes on Washington & Revolutionary Dr.	1,690.00	
Michael C. Moore (Sav. Acct.) Victoria Rd.	5,250.00	
Michael C. Moore (Sav. Acct.) Victoria Rd.	6,000.00	
Willard Foster, Minuteman Lane (Sav. Acct.)	1,000.00	30,446.60

RADIO TOWER REMOVAL PASSBOOKS

Dr. Donald S. Sherman, Raynor Rd.	100.00	
George E. Hitz, Jr. Easy Street	50.00	
Joel M. Peisach, Bulkley Rd.	100.00	
William R. Dunham, Barton Dr.	100.00	350.00

TAX TITLES

Balance January 1, 1973		
Town of Sudbury	14,597.92	
Sudbury Water District	94.59	14,692.51
Balance June 30, 1974		
Town of Sudbury	18,895.47	
Sudbury Water District	57.23	18,952.70

TAX TITLE POSSESSIONS

Balance January 1, 1973		
Town of Sudbury	3,442.21	
Sudbury Water District	19.92	3,462.13
Balance June 30, 1974		
Town of Sudbury	3,718.07	
Sudbury Water District	19.92	3,737.99

CONSERVATION FUND

Balance January 15, 1973	152,027.83	
Deposits ATM 73	67,650.00	
Interest on Sav. Accts. 6/30/74	9,761.51	
Interest on Cert. of Dep. 6/30/74	6,480.21	
Gift	50.00	235,969.55
Withdrawals as of June 30, 1974		35,350.00
Balance as of June 30, 1974		200,619.55
Balance June 30, 1974		
Certificate of Deposit	150,000.00	
Savings Accounts as of 6/30/74	50,619.55	200,619.55

ROAD MACHINERY FUND

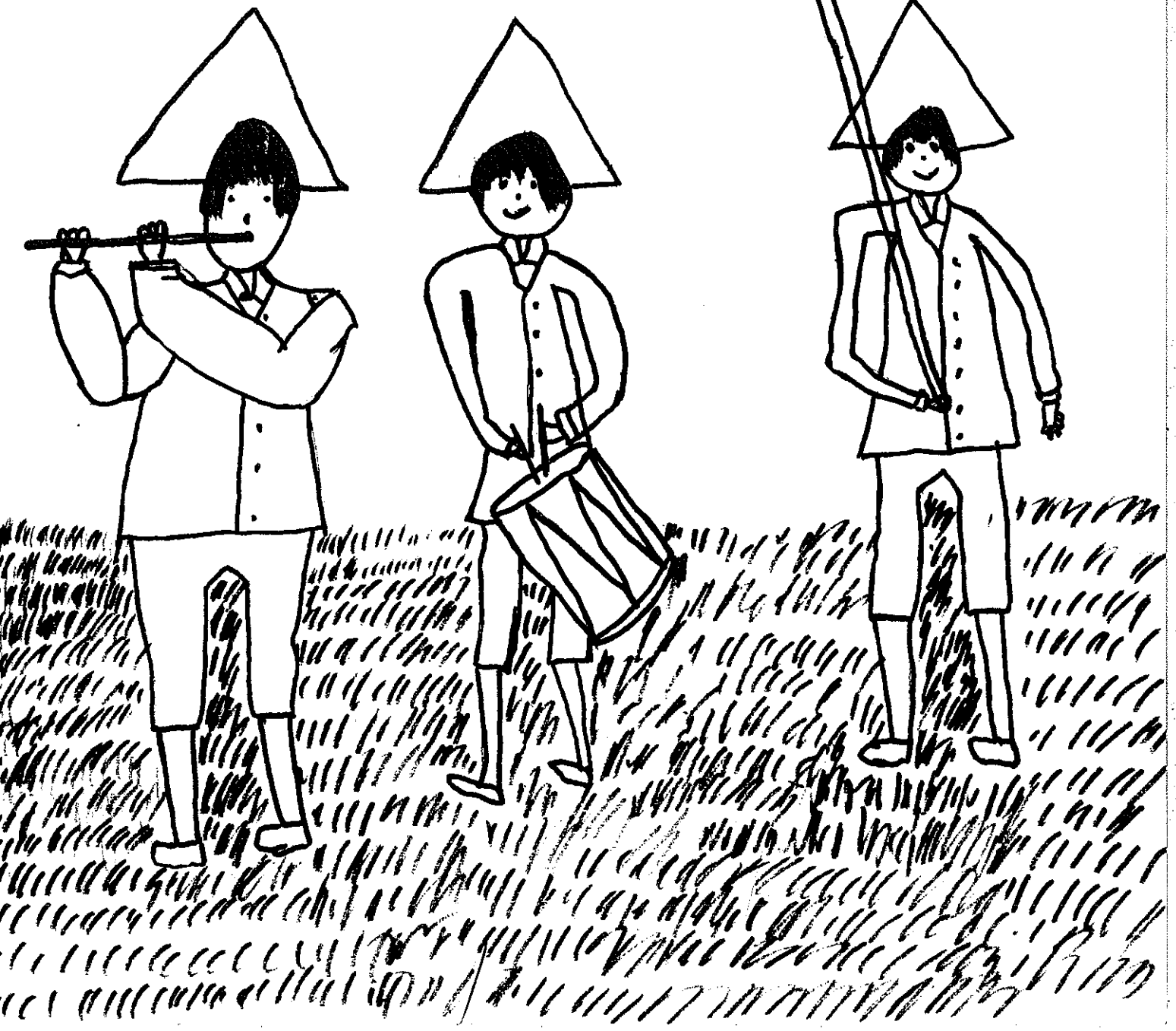
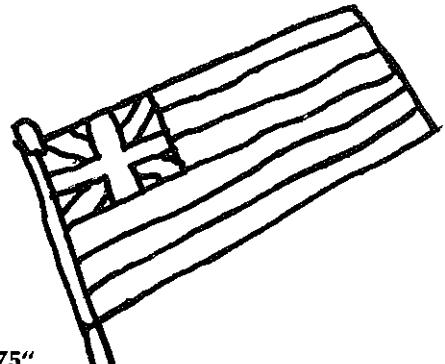
Balance January 2, 1973	4,167.70	
Deposits	2,792.73	
Interest	172.34	7,132.77
Withdrawals		6,550.00
Balance as of June 30, 1974		582.77

Respectfully submitted,
William E. Downing
Treasurer

OUR HERITAGE



Mark Poletti
148 Woodside Road
6th Grade 11 years old
"March To Concord: April 19, 1775"



HISTORY OF SUDBURY: THE COLONIAL YEARS

1638-1639 By 1637 land in Watertown was wholly in the hands of its first inhabitants, who upon arriving there in 1630 under the leadership of Sir Richard Saltonstall, had received a vast grant stretching west from the Charles River. Newcomers had no prospect of acquiring property, and even some "landed" settlers saw no political, religious, or economic advantage in staying. Together, they sought a "new plantation upon the river, which runs to Concord" because of "straitness of accommodations and want of more meadow." The Great and General Court of the Massachusetts Bay Colony granted their petition on November 20, 1637.

A further order of September 6, 1638 allowed the petitioners "Mr. Brian Pendleton, Mr. Peter Noyse, Mr. Edm. Brown and Company . . . to go on in their plantation, and such as are associated to them . . ." Families from Watertown were joined by those from Cambridge and by the recent arrivals who had sailed from Southhampton, April 16, 1638, on "the good shippe, the Confidence of London, off C C [200] tonnes."

The General Court incorporated the Town by a simple order on September 4, 1639 "that the newe plantation by Concord shall be called Sudbury." The first division of land was made: Representatives of the Town — Brian Pendleton, Peter Noyse, George Munnings, Edmund Rice, Walter Hayme — "ordered and agreed that the meadows of the Town of Sudbury shall be layed out and given to the present Inhabitants as much as shall be thought meet according to the rule followinge:

To every Mr. of a Famylie	06 akers
To every Wiffe	06 akers and ½
To every Childe	01 akers and ½
To every Mare, Cowe, Ox or any other Cattel that may amount to twenty pound, or soe much mony	3 akers"

1640-1657 These were the formative years for Sudbury. The principal and enduring feature of the Town Meeting, Sudbury style, was established: that every free townsman, whether church member or not, was called to town meeting to deliberate and to cast his vote as he saw fit for the good of the town. Sudbury settlers were busy running their town as freeborn Englishmen, their rights protected by The Massachusetts Bay Charter and sustained by the General Court. The voice of the Rev. Mr. Cotton sternly exercising religious domination over the minds of the Colony seems not to have been heard in Sudbury; nor did the civil strife in England at that time disturb the town.



DANIEL NOYES, PATRIOT (photo by Estelle Andleman).

However, the controversy over division of land from the Two-Mile Grant awarded by the General Court in 1649 precipitated an internal crisis unresolved for seven years. At a Town Meeting held October 27, 1651 the principle of equal land distribution, as opposed to the previous practice based on rank, position, and property, was forcefully voted by the townsmen. The record states "It is agreed . . . that when that two miles shall be layd out every man shall enjoy a like quantity of land." This audacious approach favored the younger men who proposed it, defended it, and won. But before division was at last made by order of the town on January 14, 1655/56, ". . . that all the land within the last grant shall be layd out meddow and upland together all in one lump, every man taking his lot as it falls . . .," the conservative selectmen had been voted out of office, the admonitions of the ex parte Council of Elders had gone unheeded, and "the peace and comfort of our meetings both in Church and town was despoiled." Dr. Stearns in commenting on this affair remarked that Sudbury's minister, the Rev. Mr. Brown, was severely tried, that though the Council congratulated themselves that they had settled all difficulties, they did in fact leave the church in a most deplorable state, and that their business took two sittings, which were prolonged until the charges at the ordinary amounted to £17. 5s. 2d.! To this day the principle of the open town meeting, where dissenters and traditionalists have equal rights, remains.

To restore peace to the frontier town, a petition was presented to the General Court for a grant of land which stated in part, for "God hath

been pleased to increase our Children which are now grown to mans estates." and their fathers "should be glad to see them settled before the Lord takes us hence." The General Court quickly acted upon the petition and the town of Whip suffrage (Marlboro) came into existence, where the equal division faction settled.

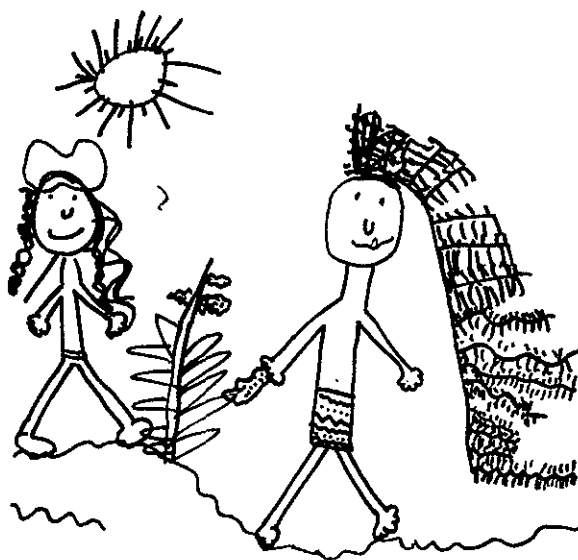
1675-1676 The devastation of King Philip's War from its beginning in June 1675, through the remaining months of that year, raged unchecked in Plymouth Colony and reached beyond Connecticut to the frontier towns of Middlesex County. Sudbury and Marlboro remained untouched. The savagery of the conflict, however, was not unknown to the townspeople. Had not the news of slain Shadrack Hapgood, ambushed with Capt. Hutchinson's Company moving to Brookfield, saddened the town? And had it not been held with fear and rage too, by the words of Ephraim Curtis a hero of that party who escaped from a besieged garrison house in that town, to bring relief to the defenders?

The early winter months of 1675-76 saw increasing enemy activity around Sudbury. The townspeople took emergency precautions — their garrison houses were stocked with food, water, and munitions; watches were kept; and the General Court was petitioned for aid against the day when Philip might send his army to Sudbury. On February 1, 1676, the house and barns of Thomas Eames (he being away in Boston), only seven miles from Sudbury's border in Framingham Plantation, were burned, his wife killed and thrown into the flames and others of his family either killed or carried into captivity. In this raid the Indians were led by Netus, who has been a Praying (and a friendly) Indian before joining the forces of Philip. Lancaster fell and was destroyed on February 10th. Medfield was attacked 11 days later — many were killed and half the town was burned. Groton, in a series of raids early in March, was completely laid waste, with the exception of its garrison houses. Closer now, Philip burst upon Marlboro on March 26th. The townspeople were in the meeting house, but were warned in time to reach their garrison houses. Most of the town went up in flames around them.

On March 27th an event which may have quickened Philip's intention to strike Sudbury occurred. About 300 Indians, encamped near Marlboro after their raid on that town, were surprised in the dark of night by 20 men from Sudbury and by men drawn from the English Garrison there. Increase Mather relates, "God so disposed of the bullets that were shot at that time, that no less than thirty Indians were wounded, of whom there were 14 that died, sev-

eral of which had been perpetrators in the late bloody tragedies. They fired hard upon the English, but neither killed nor wounded so much as one man in the skirmish." Netus, who had destroyed the Eames family, was one of those killed.

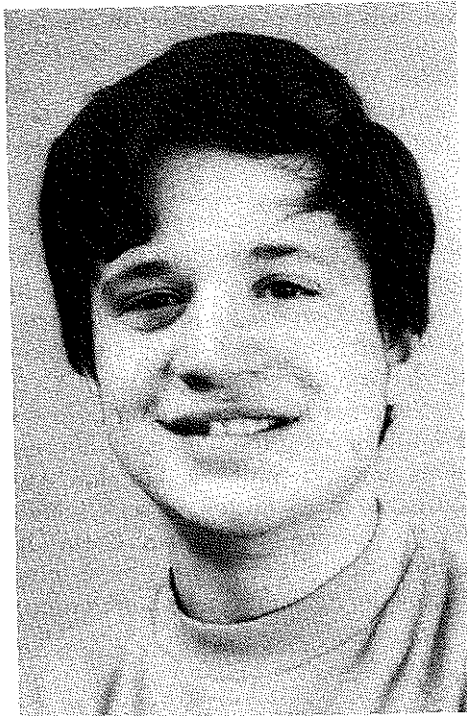
In the Old Petition of October 11, 1676, the townspeople stated that "the Indians in their disastrous invasion were resolved by our ruine to revenge ye reliefe which our Sudbury volunteers approached to distressed Marlborough, on slaying many of ye enemy & repelling ye rest." King Philip did return, moving back to Marlboro on the 18th of April, burning the remaining houses, and advancing towards Sudbury. On that day Ephraim Curtis went to Boston to seek immediate aid for the defence of the town. Certainly he returned to Sudbury, but perhaps too late to share in its struggle. Accounts make no reference to him.



Nina Kottler
Hadley Road
Grade 1 6 years old
"The Indian showing the man how to grow corn"

On April 20th, Capt. Wadsworth's Company from Boston reached Marlboro, only to find the town in ruins and the Indians gone. Sensing that the Indians were advancing on Sudbury, he increased his small force by Capt. Brocklebank and a number of men from the Marlboro Garrison, and cautiously retraced the road to Sudbury. Meanwhile, with intelligence of the approaching Indians, the people of Sudbury fled to the safety of their garrison houses.

It was very early on the 21st of April that Philip commenced his reduction of the town. A large force concentrated its attack on the east side of the river, the nearby Haines garrison was under siege, smaller parties ranged through the



Peter Wigandt
37 Kay Street
Special Education
"Colonial Encampment"



town burning, looting, and attacking the other garrison houses, and a second large force lay in wait for Capt. Wadsworth in the Hop Brook-Green areas. Bone-weary, sleepless, and hungry, Capt. Wadsworth's Company was lured into ambush and fell into furious battle. The morning passed, and afternoon found the English on the southern slopes of Green Hill. They retreated to the brow of the hill, which Capt. Wadsworth hoped to hold until reinforcements arrived or darkness provided the safety of cover. The surrounding Indians, however, set fire to the hillside brush and grass, driving their prey in disorder from a last refuge. Hand-to-hand combat brought death from an overpowering foe to "brave, prudent and faithful" Capt. Wadsworth of Milton, Capt. Brocklebank of Rowley, "a godly and choice spirited man," Lt. Sharp of Brookline, Lt. Gardiner of Roxbury, and about 26 other soldiers from those towns and Marlboro. Others of that brave Company escaped to Hop Brook Mill, where they hid, remaining unmolested.

Early in the afternoon of that day, parties of relief came to drive out the Indians ravaging the east side of the town and to free the defenders of the Haines garrison which had been under constant attack, as the Old Petition states "fro betweene five or six of ye clock in ye morning till about One in ye Afternoon." (Twelve men from Concord came through the river meadows: several were killed near the Bridge on the east side; one found refuge in the Haines garrison house; the others were presumably captured). Capt. Mason's Company from Watertown was the first to arrive. His men and the townsmen on the east side drove about 200 Indians beyond the causeway and bridge, past the Haines Garrison, and back to the west. Capt. Mason, then 75 years old, heard the firing on Green Hill and moved on to rescue Capt. Wadsworth. The small Watertown Company could not penetrate the Indian forces swarming ahead; forced to retreat, the Company found safety in the Goodnow Garrison House. Leaving from Boston about noon on this day were Capt. Hunting of Charlestown and his Company of Praying Indians recruited from those detained on Deer Island, as well as Capt. Prentice with his Troop. When these Companies arrived, the besieged garrisons were free, the fight on Green Hill was over, and the bloody warriors of King Philip were on their way to Wachuset and the approaching dissolution of their campaign. On April 22nd the Praying Indians went to Green Hill, where, with the aid of the townspeople they buried the bodies of the slain English. Here the heroes of the Sudbury Fight rested until 1850, when a monument to this day, represented on the Sudbury Town Seal, was raised in commemoration. Their battered bones

were removed from the original grave and were reburied with great reverence.

1678 Mr. Edmund Brown, founder and Pastor, fell sick and died June 22, 1678. "He was classed with the great and excellent ministers of the age, and was distinguished for learning, sound sense and piety." His bass viol no longer was heard over the waters of Mill Pond and the Sudbury River at Timber Neck nor was his familiar figure seen fishing or hunting with his "small" gun. His property he left to his wife, Anne. He also gave £50 to the town for the support of a grammar school — it was lost to the town for reasons known only to his executor. He was buried in the old burial ground on the east side, but his great flat stone with "E.B." coarsely chiseled on it has never been found. His successor was Mr. James Sherman chosen in Town Meeting, July 8, 1678.

1679 The Selectmen, concerned over the education of children and servants, visited the families of the town to speedily "inspect the same as Inmates, loose persons but especially to examine children & servants about their Improvement as to reading & catechisme." At a Town Meeting held January 30, 1679, the Selectmen reported that they "doe find that all children & young persons are in a forward & growing way as to reading & catechizing & as to work & employment they find them generally dilligent & in a hopefully thriving way in all respects."

1682/83 At a Town Meeting held March 5, 1682/83, the natural divider of the east and west sides, the Sudbury River, demonstrated its control over the orderly administration of the Town. The problem was that of the Town Meeting "for chusing their officers for the yeare in the month of February" which was "attended with great difficulty" for those who lived on the "western side of the great River of this Town are at that time of the yeare sometimes not cappacitated to come over the River the water being risen too high on the Causeway for horses & not frozen sufficient to bear either horse or man & yett withal so frozen as is not at an ordinary rate to be made passable by Cannoe . . ." The problem presented by the river to the two sides of the Town was at least for a time solved by ordering elections to be held "on the first Munday in October every yeare . . ."

1686 Much controversy is spread upon the pages of the Town Records in respect to the building of a new meeting house. Finally it was agreed to proceed. At a Town Meeting held February 14, 1686, "Sergt. James Barnard refusing to pay towards the building of the new meeting house either by free will or as other by Invoice, It is voted & ordered that the said James

Barnard shall bee rated to the sd new building by the Selectmen of this Town by Will and Doome notwithstanding his refusing as aforesd."

1689 It was in 1686, following the death of Charles II and the succession of James II, that the Old Charter was deposed. Sir Edmund Andros came as the Governor of the Dominion of New England. The haughty appointee of a weak and unsympathetic King, Andros ruled the Colony with despotic control. There was no elected General Court, land titles were held to be invalid, and freedom of assembly was denied. These were cause enough for a Revolution. After three years of forbearance, news came in the spring of 1689 to Boston that the Prince of Orange was in control of the English government. The people in Boston, ready and waiting, revolted. It was on a Thursday, April 18, that the signal was given. At such short notice the outlying towns did not actually take part, although people in proximity crowded into Boston. Andros was arrested, imprisoned, and soon was shipped away to England. At a Town Meeting May 7, 1689, "Peter King was leagaly Chosen . . . by advise reseved from the Councill of Safety for the people and for the Conservation of the Peace . . . The said Peter King was to advise, consult, Joyn with & give his assistance with the Councill then sitting in the said townes behalfe the direction given unto him wer first not to resum the former Charter government, 2ndly that the present Counsell should stand untill we recieve orders from his Roiall Highness, the Prince of Oring, 3rdly, that the prisoners in durance be safely kept untill such time as they may be brought before lawfull justice." When the representatives from 54 towns met in Boston on May 22, 44 favored resumption of the Old Charter. In Sudbury, however, wiser heads prevailed, and it was agreed to resume only the government chosen in 1686, until further orders were received from England. Later, Deacon John Haines and Sergt. Joseph Freeman were to receive thirty and forty shillings respectively, "in mony for servis at the General Court under the Revolushun Government."

1704 Here begin the lamentable proceedings of the aggrieved Brethren of the Church against Mr. James Sherman. Mr. Sherman had had difficulties with the Town in the 1690s, to the extent that since his rates were not coming in on time, if at all, the only remedy at his disposal was to absent himself from his church and pastoral duties, which he did. Not being able to reason Mr. Sherman back into the pulpit, the advice of a Council of Churches was sought. Their counsel is not known; however, Mr. Sherman preached again, evidently to the satisfaction of Church & Town. Not quite ten years later, Mr. Sherman had again



EARLY ON THE MORNING OF APRIL 19: left to right, Royce Kahler, unidentified horse, Bill Cosart.

fallen from the favor of certain members of his Flock. At a Church Meeting on January 15, 1704, it was decided that he should be acquainted with and called to account for "some scandalous misbehavior inconsistent with the Gospel ministry."

In short, he was accused of not catechising the children, omitting lectures, not reading the Queen's proclamation against immoralities, of keeping company with the looser sort of people, of being excessive in Drinking, and of going to the Tavern on Lord's Day "in the morning while the Stars gave light . . ." A Council of Churches was again called to advise and judge. The Rev. Mr. Benjamin Wadsworth, Pastor of the First Church in Boston came, and perhaps visited the mound under which his father, with others slain in the Sudbury Fight, had lain since that April day in 1676 (Benjamin had been 9 years old then). Twenty years later Mr. Wadsworth would become President of Harvard College. It was said of him in 1725 that although he was a kindly, intelligent, and sufficiently learned gentleman, he was curiously wanting in courage for a son of the hero of the Sudbury fight.

Along with the Rev. Mr. Wadsworth came the Drs. Mather, Increase and Cotton, father and son, to consider the misdeeds of a fellow minister. The proceedings were lengthy, finally being concluded in the third month of 1706. Mr. Sherman was dismissed as a Pastor forever and the aggrieved Brethen were so bitter in condemnation that it was long before he was restored even to the Table of the Lord. Mr. Sherman sued the Church and Town for wages unpaid and gained a grudging settlement after much legal wrangling. He removed to "Elizabeth Town in the east Jerseys" to practice as a doctor of medicine. Later he returned to Sudbury where he died March 3, 1717/18, a poor man.

1705 Israel Loring succeeded the deposed James Sherman as Pastor of the Church. He was ordained November 20, 1706, having preached in Sudbury from September 16, 1705 and throughout the proceedings against Mr. Sherman. He took over the ministerial lands on the East Side and lived there until 1723, when he became the first minister of the new Westerly Precinct. Dr. Stears comments "What induced him to take this step we are not at this time able to discover." The third of Sudbury's ministers, Israel Loring, died on the eve of the American Revolution, March 9, 1772, in the 90th year of his age and in the 66th year of his ministry.

1744-1763 The struggle between England and France in the mid-years of this century laid a heavy burden upon the Colonies and upon the towns whose men were called to serve and suffer in wild and remote places. Sudbury's line of soldiers moved unbroken as they fought at Louisburg on Cape Breton, Fort No. 4 at the most northerly reaches of the Connecticut River, Crown Point at Lake Champlain, Fort Edward at Half-Way Brook, and in the expedition to Canada. The names of Sudbury men crowd the page as they did the muster rolls — Osborne, Balcom, Moore, Nixon, Estabrook, Walker, Parmenter, Mossman, Stevens, Brown, Dakin, Clapp, Puffer, Gibbs, Sherman, Grout, Maynard, Gleason, Goodenow, Hoar, Richardson, Curtis — they and scores of others, foot-soldiers and officers, left their town to fight for the Crown. Israel Loring, in his Diary entry for August 6, 1756, writes, "We have lately heard that war was proclaimed Against France May 18, and that 3 Days after War was declared against England. It is a Sore Judgement. Where ever it is, Sorrows attend it. It is a Consumption of treasure, makes plenty of Widows and orphans. Where ever it is the dead are there, and the Wounded Cry out. Even the glorious Successes in it are attended with Mournings. At the best it is a severe remedy, like the cutting off a finger to Save the hand or a hand to preserve the arm, or the arm to save the life. The Lord humble us and his people at home Under this great affliction, and humble us for our Sins the preventing of it. May neither they or we trust in the bow nor say to our Sword that they shall save Us, but in a Way of reformation & prayer Let us place our trust and reliance on almighty God for Success in our Arms." Peace came with the signing of a treaty at Paris on February 10, 1763 and the prayers of Israel Loring were at last answered.

1755 Pawns of the English in the war with France, the Acadians, French neutrals and loyal subjects of the King since 1713 when Nova Scotia

had become Crown property, were now displaced persons, removed and scattered through the Colonies. Massachusetts was to receive one thousand to care for at public expense.

That Sudbury did shelter and sustain a number of these tragically poor people is evident from the bills submitted for their medical care by Dr. Roby as well as from accounts of the Selectmen for 18 persons. However, the initial view of the Town as expressed in the record of the Town Meeting of December 5, 1755 is strangely callous, yet wholly consistent with the independent views of Sudbury's people on most anything. The warrant of December 1, 1755, asked the Town to consider "where Eighteen French persons shall be kept till further order they being sent to the town of Sudbury by the Committee of War sitting in Boston . . . and where to provide homes, rooms, provisions & firewood . . . by ordering them into particular homes . . . or appoint an overseer to act in taking care of providing for their relief . . ." The town met and the "several articles were put to vote . . . and they all passed in the negative." Ebenezer Roby, as Moderator, put the question to vote "to see if the Town would do anything in said Affair. It passed in the Negative. In short the Town Utterly Refused to Do anything in Said affair." Dr. Roby, it seems, was dismayed at the inaction of the town.

1765-1775 But time for peace was short. George III sought to exact in taxes what had already been paid for in blood and bodies. Taxes meant oppression. Oppression courts rebellion, and in a brief span of 10 years the Crown, served and defended in North America, became the enemy. Sudbury was moving steadily along the road to revolution, the 19th of April, and beyond. The motivation behind every action of the Town from the imposition of the Stamp Act in 1765 to the Town Meeting of November 14, 1774 (wherein the Town acted on the Resolves of the Provincial Congress with respect to the organization of Companies of Militia and the election for officers therefor) is reflected in these sober and stirring words: "as Freeborn Americans Intitled to all the immunities, Liberties and Privileges of Freeborn Englishmen, we look upon ourselves under the Strongest Obligations to use our utmost Exertions in defense of our just Rights in every constitutional method within our Power, Even though the Cost of the Defense should equal that of the purchase." Sudbury was ready and committed when on the 19th of April 1775, its Companies marched in the early morning hours through fields green with young rye to meet the British in Concord.

George D. Max



THE RAYMOND FARM: a home of old Sudbury (Courtesy of Elliott Fisher).

Ancient Documents Committee

The major effort of the Committee continues to be the establishment of a comprehensive records management program for the town. The high level of cooperation and support from each of the boards and committees contacted thus far has been gratifying and holds promise of successful implementation of the program during the coming year.

The objective of this program is to establish standards governing retention and disposal of town records in accordance with the operational requirements of the town and within statutory regulations. Effective implementation would result in conservation of office and storage space, greater protection of vital records, and long term cost savings to the town.

Russell P. Kirby,
Chairman
Forrest D. Bradshaw
Richard C. Hill

Respectfully submitted,

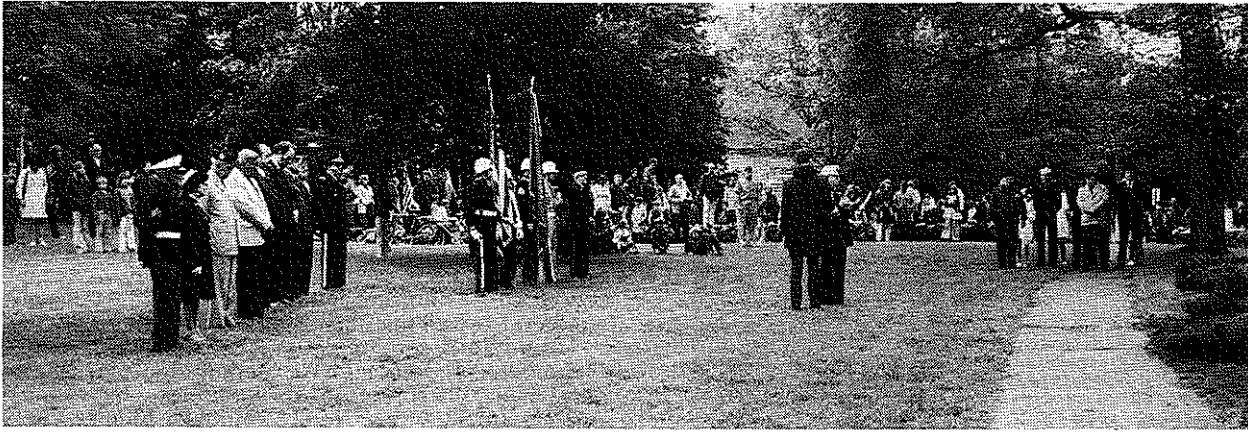
George D. Max
Robert E. Stocking
Betsey M. Powers, Town
Clerk

Historical Commission

The Historical Commission has continued its supervision of the town's historic places. There were no additions to the **Register of Historic Places** this year; however, the registration of Craven's Road as a portion of the Marlborough-Concord Stage Road is under consideration.

We regret to report the resignation of two key members of the Commission: Forrest D. Bradshaw and Joseph E. Brown. Both had served on the Commission since its establishment in 1968, and Mr. Brown was Acting Chairman at the time of his resignation.

Respectfully submitted,
Donald B. Devoe, Acting
Chairman
Richard C. Hill
Robert L. Oram



A SOLEMN MOMENT, ON A SOLEMN DAY: Memorial Day, at the World War I monument (Clay Allen photo).

Historic Districts Commission

The Historic Districts Commission was established by the Annual Town Meeting of 1963, to protect and preserve certain areas of the town by controlling the building, altering, repairing and removing of buildings in the designated Historic Districts. The Commission's purpose is to bring about aesthetic harmony within these Districts in keeping with the historic traditions of the town. Hearings and notices of hearings are required and the Commission is available on an informal basis for advice.

During 1974, 18 certificates were issued; 2 new houses, 5 alterations, 2 repairs, 2 house colors, 2 swimming pools, 1 Police and Fire Station, 1 Heritage Park, 3 signs.

Respectfully submitted,

Edwin A. Blackey
Carlton W. Ellms, Jr.
Clark M. Goff
N. Cornell Gray
W. Burgess Warren

Historic Structures Commission

Major work on both Hosmer House and Loring Parsonage has been completed. Except for the occasional policing of these properties, and a few informal meetings, 1974 was a quiet year for the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerome McGonagle
Richard C. Hill
Robert P. Desjardin

Memorial Day Committee

Special plans were formulated this year by the Memorial Day Committee for the forthcoming Bicentennial. Among ideas discussed was the possibility of incorporating into the parade units of men dressed in the costume of the various wars in which Sudbury men has fought, dating to pre-Revolutionary times.

Assisting in the plans for a musical and dramatic program along the parade route for the Bicentennial are Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School faculty members Mrs. Virginia Kirshner, Richard Murphy and Donald March.

At Town Hall ceremonies, ten year old Beth Ann Zarkin of Land's End Lane read her prize-winning school essay on the topic "The Meaning of Memorial Day" for which she was awarded a \$50 savings bond. The elementary school band played several stirring marches and the elementary school chorus sang appropriate selections for Memorial Day.

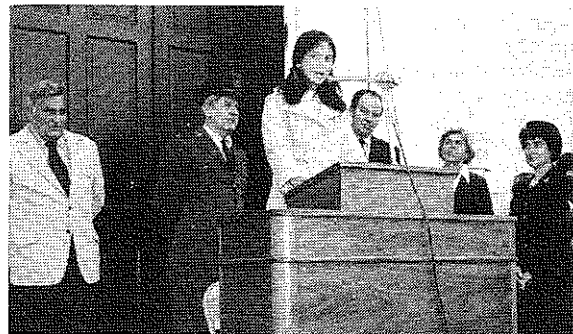
Keynote speaker was Chairman of the Selectmen, John Powers.

Veterans' graves were decorated by Camp Fire Girls, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts.

Prayers were said at the memorials throughout town honoring Sudbury's servicemen and women of all wars. A Police Honor Guard led the parade; three services were represented by Parade Marshals Leo Spottswood, U.S. Marine Corps, Mary Jane Hillery, U.S. Navy, and Col. Paul Leahy, U.S. Army (ret.).

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Bausk, Chairman
Mary Jane Hillery
Frank H. Grinnell
Joan E. Meenan
Francis J. Koppeis



MEMORIAL DAY GUEST SPEAKER Beth Ann Zarkin delivers her winning essay. Listening attentively are (l-r) William Toomey, Frank Koppeis, John Taft, Ann Gannett, and Mary Jane Hillery.



PLANNING FOR THE BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION, the Bicentennial Committee (l. to r., sitting) Elaine King, Marcia Fickett, Shirlee Burd, John Taft, John Powers, Robert Burd, Royal Haynes, Elinore Bentley, Lorelei Snyder; (standing) Samuel Reed, Victor Walsh and John Sullivan (Vic Neumeier photo).

Revolutionary War Bicentennial Committee

During 1974, in the 199th year of the Republic's struggle to secure the Rights of Man, the Town of Sudbury continued to wrestle with the problem of how best to celebrate the nation's Bicentennial. This is the last year for preparation, planning and commitment before 1975 is upon us. It has been a difficult and yet warmly rewarding year for the Committee.

While suffering seriously from state and regional planning failures and from severe budget cuts, the committee has been deeply touched by the growing response of individuals and groups throughout the town who have come forward with offers of help. It is to these people, who demonstrate with their helping hands their belief that the United States of America is worthy of a bicentennial remembrance, that we dedicate this report.

We believe that the Bicentennial should be a joyous and thoughtful experience for the town and the nation. We believe that this is totally consistent with our overall theme of eschewing extravagant show in favor of presenting our town as it is — and of highlighting the contributions which ten generations of Sudbury citizens have made to our town and the national heritage. Those contributions, made by average men and women, are symbols of what has and can be accomplished by people who care. It is in these symbols that we find the real roots of this nation. It is our prime concern that our fellow townsmen, new and old, become aware of the richness of the town's past with which we are so singularly endowed. In this sense the Bicentennial is every bit as important to Sudbury as it is to those who journey here from throughout the world to seek the same truths.

PROJECTS:

Heritage Park

Words cannot be found which are adequate to express our profound thanks to the many children, neighbors and groups who have given of their time, talent and money in support of this project. Approximately \$20,000 in cash contributions have been received. The major construction of drains, ponds and other heavy work has been accomplished within budget, under the careful supervi-

sion of the Engineering Department. The park has rapidly begun to take shape. With major assistance from the Park and Recreation Department and the Highway Commission, lawn seed, stone and labor have helped to shape and extend the work. By fall, just as snow started to fill the air, most of the loaming and seeding for the first section, together with a major portion of the first pathways, were completed. The Permanent Landscape Committee has been commencing with the first phase of the planting program — and in response to its efforts, major donations of planting materials have been received. Countless individual donations have helped to swell the nursery stock, and we urge you all to keep it coming, so that the spring planting schedule can be met. We expect to dedicate Heritage Park this spring on April 19th, at which time we can finally recognize the countless friends who have helped. We hope to have a major share of the park finished by the summer, when additional volunteer work will be complete in the Fairy Garden, Hosmer grounds and on Concord Road. We urge anyone wishing to donate planting funds or benches to contact Winifred Ledger of the Permanent Landscape Committee which is coordinating this effort.

The Haynes Garrison House Site

The Haynes Garrison House Site acquisition will be on the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting. Negotiations with the owners is continuing, and we hope they can be finalized by town meeting time. No more important piece of historic ground exists in Sudbury than this small plot whereon our ancestors in hand to hand combat resisted the warriors of King Philip. Here they stood and defended not just Sudbury, but Massachusetts as well "at no less cost than that of their blood and treasure" (as they put it a century later in 1773). We urge this purchase upon the town — no more fitting gift could be made to posterity than this. No sadder loss to our children's children could occur than our failure to protect this ground from the bulldozer.

The Old Training Field

The Old Training Field, bought by the town in 1973, continues to merit our attention. We have asked for a state grant to match the town's acquisition costs in order that proper preservation work can continue.

The Revolutionary Burying Ground

The Revolutionary Burying Ground survey by the Engineering Department and the volunteer assistance of the Sudbury Women's Club has been completed, and is being finalized so that it may be ready for proper signing in 1975.

Sudbury Centre

The Bicentennial Committee notes with pleasure that Sudbury Centre has, through the efforts of all, officials, churches, utility companies and citizens, reached a high degree of aesthetic perfection. The old lamp system has been extended throughout the center. The final Edison and New England Telephone Company wires have been placed underground. The minute-man statue has been lighted and the spring will see final planting and, hopefully, walkway and curbing work completed. We are proud of this massive effort and the spectacular result. By spring every major building, civic and ecclesiastical, will be sporting a new coat of paint.

Logistics for April 19th

Building upon the previous work done by the Tour Route Sub-committee, we have been at some

pains to prepare for the expected influx of tourists and guests on April 19th. Our task in Sudbury has been considerably deepened by reason of the continued vacillation of state and regional planning groups who continue to remain uncommitted to our over-all plan. We have deplored this situation for two years and have done all within our power to help bring about a resolution of it; however, the solution still is evading us.

For this reason, your Committee has decided that we will do those things we can do — and will wait as long as is humanly possible for the final plans to develop before we can advise our citizens what to expect.

We have taken advantage of April 19th, 1974 to conduct (with the Health, Police, Fire, Highway and other offices, notably the Selectmen) a dry run of the expected problems. Full reports have been written about our basic plan of action in Sudbury. We were, in general, very satisfied with the operations on April 19th. It is felt that the activities upon the Common must be advanced somewhat to allow more daylight which would increase the safety factor, and this matter will be worked out with the Sudbury Companies of Minute and Militia.

We are circulating a special questionnaire to Sudbury citizens, at the request not merely of this Committee, but of Concord authorities and regional authorities. By this questionnaire we are seeking to determine the plans of our own citizenry for April 19th. We urge upon our citizens their full cooperation. The information received is critical to our town's public health, fire and police services. We thank the Planning Board for its cooperation in this matter.

A full plan for the use of busing is being developed and will shortly be presented to the appropriate officials. We will report this matter more fully to the town at a later date.

Sudbury and Wayland

The Town of Wayland shares a joint past with Sudbury and to a considerable degree will face the same type of problems as we do. Wayland and Sudbury were one town from 1638 to 1781. For this reason we were delighted to meet with the Wayland Bicentennial Committee to explore our common concerns. This meeting led to a joint Sudbury-Wayland Town Father's Forum on the occasion of the 200th anniversary of the election of the Minute Companies of their company officers. A program was conducted by the Sudbury Companies of Minute and Militia which represent in every sense the "east side" and "west side" companies of Minute and Militia. In addition, extensive discussions concerning projects and programs have been held and the ground work laid for exchanges of records, research and other data. We thank Marcia Storkerson and her Wayland Committee for their efforts in this regard.

Wayside Inn Stage Coach Run

No event this year was as spectacular as the return of the Wayside Inn's Concord coach from New Hampshire. This event, created from the imagination of William Cossart, Francis Koppels and others, was superbly presented, and captured the interest and imagination of thousands of young and old throughout New England. The cooperation of Sudbury's Postmaster, Thomas McDonough, resulted in the authorization of an official United States Postal run (undoubtedly the last stage coach mail run in the United States) complete with a commemorative cachet. Former Postmaster and Town Historian, Forrest D. Bradshaw,

literally "rode the mail through" as agent of the contract carrier. We were pleased to assist in this effort, and thank the wonderful people of the Bicentennial Committees in all the towns of New Hampshire and Massachusetts who aided and assisted this event. It was on this mail run that the official invitation of the Town of Sudbury to President Gerald Ford and Mrs. Ford to attend Sudbury's April 19th events was sent.

Bicentennial Activities for 1975

Organization

The Committee, in order to coordinate properly the events of 1975, is pleased to have retained the services of Elaine King as Executive Assistant to the Commission. Mrs. King's special skills uniquely qualify her for the most difficult of all tasks of the Committee. Her task is to coordinate all Bicentennial activities and service the full Committee as well as its many sub-committees, on a day to day basis. We appreciate the fine cooperation which everyone has given to Mrs. King.

The Committee has also been expanded to include John Taft, and William Toomey from the Board of Selectmen and the Fire Chief, Police Chief and Town Accountant. This action should increase the coordination necessary, particularly in the areas of town services. We are also pleased to have added the services of Victor Walsh to the Committee.

The primary work of the Committee is being performed through its several sub-committees, each of which is headed by a member or members of the parent group. For those individuals or organizations in the Community who are interested in lending a hand to help Sudbury's Bicentennial effort, we suggest that you contact the appropriate sub-committee chairman or Mrs. King. For your convenience we list the sub-committee organizations below:

Publications	Philip Ahlin	3-9814
Audio-Visual	Roger Bump	3-6747
Information Center	Samuel Reed	3-2931
Cultural	Royal Haynes	3-2103
	Elinor Bentley	3-2313
Town Appearance	Shirlee Burd	3-6116
Schools	Lorelei Snyder	3-6598
	Marcia Fickett	3-2236
Official Programs	John Powers	3-3555
	Victor Walsh	3-8015
Fairs and Exhibits	Robert Burd	3-6116

Publications

The publications program was totally eliminated from last year's budget at the 1974 Town Meeting. We have spent the year searching in vain for a private source of funds to print the several important publications which we know to be of immense and lasting value to the town. It is our firm belief that the hours of work and struggle that have gone into the research and preparation of these materials should not be wasted. Accordingly we have allotted a portion of our budget request this year for a limited publications program. The Finance Committee has approved, and we hope that the town will also. These publications will be sold to offset printing costs. We have every confidence that they will yield a profit for the town.

We are specifically interested in a monograph which traces the concept of "rights and liberties" from the Sudbury records from 1638 to April 19th, 1775. We are equally interested in publishing "The War Years" of the Town Records from 1765 to 1781. We have also been exploring the possibility

of a town map highlighting local historic sites and buildings.

Audio-Visual Material

Once again, budget cuts in this area have severely hampered our efforts. Nevertheless, the sub-committee is working on a plan to utilize film footage and other material to produce an appropriate product for school and other town use. There is a need of sponsors for this effort and anyone interested should contact the sub-committee. The committee is also engaged in obtaining an edited copy of the video-tape taken of the 1973 recreation of Sudbury's Tea Tax Town Meeting.

Cultural Events

Cultural events will be coordinated, encouraged and assisted through the sub-committee dealing with music, arts, literature and theatre. Royal Haynes and Elinor Bentley have formed the following team to assist in this most interesting and active area of town activity:

Royal Haynes, Co-Chairman
Elinor Bentley — Co-Chairman
Charlotte M. McLeod — Literary and Lectures
John C. Naatz — Arts and Crafts
Mieque Weinstein — Theater Arts

The cultural committee has played a major role in planning special Bicentennial Events during 1975 and 1976. We thank them for their efforts, and invite the town's attention to the listing of events in the Bicentennial Calendar which appears as a part of this report.

Town Appearance

For 1975 and 1976 Town appearance is a major concern of the Bicentennial Committee. Mrs. Shirlee Burd has been active in this field, and we thank the members of P.R.I.D.E. for their suggestions for a theme for the Boston Post Road, as well as the efforts of the Town's Garden Clubs and other groups and individuals who are planning to do all they can to pick up and improve the appearance of Sudbury. We are especially appreciative of the efforts that are being made to provide a massive clean-up day this coming spring — both before and more importantly, after, the crowds expected on April 19th, 1975. Town appearance bespeaks town pride. We urge you to join with your neighbors and beautify your street, or the roadside, or the walkway. It is one simple way to thank America. For help and suggestions, call Mrs. Burd.

Official Programs

Representing the formal town programs, are the concern of this committee. The Chairman, John C. Powers, most ably assisted by Victor Walsh, is honored to report on just two of the planned events.

The Memorial Day Committee this year will present a special Bicentennial program "The Price of Freedom", recalling, in line with the Bicentennial theme, the participation and sacrifice of the men and women of Sudbury who were involved in the fourteen wars in which the town has played a part. Budget cuts in the Memorial Day Committee's normal funding have been restored by public donations so that this program may succeed. We thank the Sudbury Companies of Minute and Militia and especially the Sudbury Ancient Fyfe and Drum Company for their benefit performance. The Bicentennial Committee's presentation of Josh Burton's "Sons of Liberty" rounded out the program. We urge your support of the Memorial Day Committee's efforts, and ask those of you who



ONE OF SUDBURY'S SPECTACULAR EVENTS: the annual Fair, of the Sudbury Cos., Militia & Minute, at the Wayside Inn. About 10,000 attended last year (Barry Real photo).

would like to help them make this program a success to call Chairman Joseph Bausk.

The initial planning for Sudbury's Bicentennial Ball, scheduled for July 5, 1975 has already begun. Chairman Victor Walsh has appointed an Executive Planning Committee. Members are Selina Kopp, Victor Walsh, Patricia Walsh, Trudy Reed, Nancy Taft, John Powers, Betsey Powers, Connie Toomey and Lyn MacLean. The committee plans to schedule four different dances, each depicting an era in America, to be held simultaneously in the Town Center. We have had an enthusiastic response to this idea and expect this event to be a high spot in the Town's Bicentennial Program.

Schools

No more exciting area of activity has occurred than in the two school systems of the Town. Committee members Lorelei Snyder and Marcia Fickett have reported a bustle of energetic activity which covers the entire gamut of programs from major curriculum emphasis on America's history, to music and art.

The key event this year was the Lincoln Sudbury Regional High School Oral History Program, for which the school received a grant of matching funds from the Massachusetts Bicentennial Commission. More than 70 tapes of student interviews with the town's older citizens have captured the remembrances of the life style and concerns of an earlier America, as well as of today's needs. This program has given a permanence to that most important history — in a unique and impressive way. We congratulate Superintendent David Levington, as well as Virginia Kirschner and Dick Murphy, who put this program together.

Other activities planned by the high school for the spring of 1975 are an original musical to be presented in March, and Aaron Copeland's "Portrait of Lincoln" to be presented by the Civic Orchestra on April 20th. In addition the theme of the Student Exchange benefit "Springthing" will be a bicentennial birthday party.

All students at Curtis Junior High School will be pursuing colonial subjects of their choice from "You are There" to needlework crafts, "Colonial Hang-Ups," witchcraft and games as part of the regular English and Social Studies seminars. Woodworking classes at this school will be building a bridge for Heritage Park.

Elementary children and their teachers will be meeting in the Little Red Schoolhouse from April

to October. Re-creations of a typical school day will include costumes as well.

Information Centers

Information Centers to provide proper public information concerning activities, historic tours and other general matters to our own townspeople as well as visitors from the rest of the country is the responsibility of the committee headed by Mr. Samuel Reed. Plans are finalized for the initial location of the information services at the Grange Hall in Sudbury Center. We expect to have the center open before April. Mr. Reed is looking for volunteer help to man this facility and is also interested in developing some properly qualified tour guides. We believe this center will be a focal point of Bicentennial activities and programs. Mrs. Pat Hersey is assisting Mr. Reed, and they will welcome your advice, aid and suggestions.

Fairs and Exhibits

Fairs and Exhibits are the concern of Mr. Robert Burd and his sub-committee. As most of this activity will take place in the fall of 1975 and in 1976 it is premature for a report of activities at this time. However, anyone who would like to help Mr. Burd in this area should contact him. Our Committee stands ready to help those groups who are planning such events and want aid and assistance.

Conclusion

Sudbury's Bicentennial celebration will be, in the end, what we make of it. It is not Federal or State programs — or a creature of some government agency. It is what lies in our hearts. Sudbury has always had a special gift of people who care. That is why it has existed for three hundred and thirty-seven years. That is why it has given to the United States of America so much talent, courage and dedication.

As we go into 1975 we ask our townsmen to take a little extra time to visit with their neighbors, to talk to their children about what America means to them — to find out about the town's history — to think about the wonderful, warm things that make a family, a neighborhood, a community and a country. We ask you to take time to enjoy the Bicentennial of the United States.

For these are the things that it is all about.

Respectfully submitted,

John Powers
Elinor Bentley
Samuel Reed
Philip Ahlin
Victor Walsh
Shirlee Burd
Robert Burd
Lorelei Snyder
Marcia Fickett

Royal Haynes
John V. Sullivan
John Taft
William Toomey
John Wilson
Nicholas Lombardi
Josiah Frost
Roger Bump

Town Historians

There have been an exceptional amount of requests for historical and genealogical information this past year. Most of these requests require some research which is time consuming as well as involving financial expense, considering postal rates and telephone charges. One of the most costly requests was made by the State Bicentennial Commission. This request involved a personal outlay by Forrest Bradshaw of about fifty dollars. No personal time was considered. The request called for out-of-town travel and toll calls. Upon seeking reimbursement, it was found that there were "no funds available." The matter was taken up with



IN STEP, MORE OR LESS: the Sudbury Ancient Fyfe & Drum Co., at the Wayside Inn. (Barry Real photo)

Senator Chester G. Atkins, Chairman of the Commission, without results. This lack of action resulted in two original sources of material on the Knox Trail being withheld.

At the request of Francis E. White, Building Inspector, and with the excellent cooperation of his own office, the town engineers and the Assessors offices, as well as some of our older residents, it was possible to complete a file on all of the original building applications. This file will increase in importance for future reference.

Several articles of historical value have been collected for the Sudbury Historical Society and for the Goodnow Library.

Research was completed on a flag that was used at the start of the revolution. Reproductions were made (substituting nylon for silk) for the Town, the Sudbury Companies of Militia and Minute (for Wayside Inn display), as well as a parade flag for the Companies.

A stage coach owned by the Wayside Inn had been in Loudon, N.H., for over a year being refurbished. The Inn has been very generous in loaning this coach to the Town on many occasions. It was decided to arrange the return of this old coach to the Inn on the day of the Minute, Militia and Fyfers Fair. With the assistance of Postmaster Thomas F. McDonough, arrangements were made to carry mail from Loudon to Sudbury, picking up mail from various post offices along the way. We carried about seven thousand pieces of mail. Leaving Loudon on September 30th and arriving in Sudbury on October 5th, about one hundred miles were covered using two and sometimes four horses. Much of the route was on parts of the old Montreal-Boston, Concord-Boston, and Lowell-Fitchburg routes. Two hold-ups were planned (unknown to us at the time) but were quickly discouraged by the police. The Town, the Wayside Inn and the Postal Service received a lot of publicity. One of the amusing incidents occurred at the Wayside Inn when Innkeeper Francis Koppeis reminded William F. Bolger, Postmaster General of the Northeastern Region, that he had delivered all of the mail according to the contract, but he had yet to be paid. General Bolger reached in his pocket and handed a crumpled dollar bill to the Innkeeper. This brought a good laugh from those standing close enough to witness the event. There is one person who should receive special mention and that is William J. Cossart Jr., who made over fifty trips to Loudon to check on the progress of the work. It was an honor to be a part of this historic occasion.

Starting in October there have been about twenty-five students from the Sudbury schools and the Framingham State Teachers College who are doing historical research on Sudbury. These are splendid projects and should be encouraged. The students have put a lot of thought into the questions which they want answered. Newspaper and magazine writers have also requested assistance.

A matter of current importance is that there should be closer cooperation with the Wayland historical committees. There is much that each can contribute to the other. While the Bicentennial

Committees have met, it should be noted that these committees are temporary and that the permanent committees that will continue to operate have had no part in these discussions.

We wish to thank the Town officials, employees, and the townspeople who have helped us during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Forrest D. Bradshaw
George D. Max

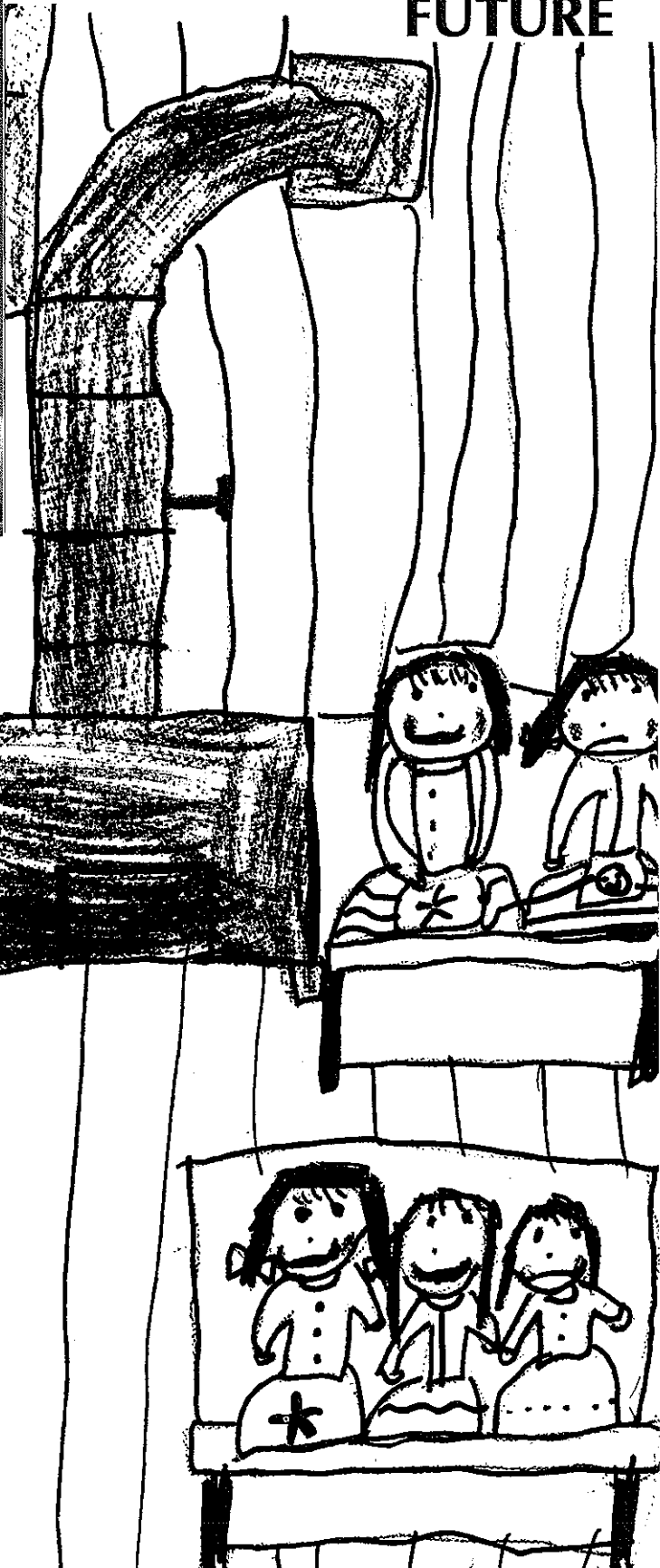


TOWN HISTORIANS George Max and Forrest Bradshaw examine some of the town's historical treasures.

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE



Carole Landers
32 Willow Road
Grade 2 8 years old
"Sitting in the School house"



Committee on Town Administration

Four general areas received the major portion of the CTA's attention this year — a survey of our town boards and committees; a study of assessing practices and procedures; a study of electronic data processing usage in town; a plan to change Town Meeting deadlines to adjust to the new fiscal year.

The survey dealt with the responsibilities, hours worked, the interfaces of the boards and committees, and other details of internal committee structure. Not only did this survey provide us with a clearer understanding of committee operation, it serves as a valuable tool to identify problem areas and act as a springboard for solutions. Our current study of assessing practices and procedures was stimulated by information received in the survey.

A second study currently in progress deals with the usage of electronic data processing equipment by the various town departments with an eye toward consolidation and possible expansion should town growth warrant it.

Finally, the CTA has been dealing with the problems generated by the shift of the fiscal year. Meetings with the FinCom and the Selectmen have resulted in a number of Articles for the 1975 Annual Town Meeting which will change deadlines for Warrant Articles and Budget submissions, thereby allowing town boards and committees to adjust to the new fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne D. Bigelow
Louis G. Edwards
Eric Kanstroom

Donald H. Katz
Leonard L. Sanders
Sally Von Benken

Conservation Commission

This year marked the 14th anniversary of the Sudbury Conservation Commission. To date, twenty-four townspeople appointed by the Selectmen have served on this Commission, which, from its inception has pursued the tenets of protection, development and promotion of Sudbury's natural resources.

Beginning in the 1965 Town Report, the Commission has found itself categorized under "Planning for the Future". Predictably, the future arrives quickly and coincidentally so do the pressures for commitment and effort to retain what remains of our rural ambience. During the span of the Commission, the population has risen from 7,450 in 1960; to 10,890 in 1965; to 14,870 in 1973, along with proportionate increases in development — houses, schools, facilities. The future seems to be now. Paradoxically, the goals of the Commission are to preserve the open spaces, woodland, brooks and marshes of Sudbury and yet to make them more obvious and accessible to the citizens. We try our best to serve both goals in several ways.

Over the years, the Commission has developed an Open Space and Recreation Plan for the town; has initiated Flood Plain Zoning; has introduced the schools and the public to Conservation; has acquired almost 400 acres of land for conservation and open space use; has developed trails and conducted maintenance of these lands; has administered the Hatch Act and the Wetlands Protection Act; and has monitored the water resources of the town.

During this year, a very intense and busy one, the present Commission has provided the town



ON A CLEAR DAY about 100 townspeople toured the 78 acre Hulbert property. Ken and Joan Maxwell, daughter Bridey, and guide W. Ted Jones (right) enjoy the view which extends to the mountains of Southern New Hampshire.

with four important functions relating to the protection and utilization of the town's natural resources.

A. LAND ACQUISITION

1974 has been a year of major land acquisitions. About 138 acres of important open space and scenic land was added for conservation purposes.

Site	Acres	Cost	Reimbursement Expected
Davis	37.4	\$117,000	\$ 58,500
Boston Edison	14.56	15,000	7,500
Hulbert	74.5	285,000	142,500
Naddaff	10	3,000	0
Tax Title	2+	0	0

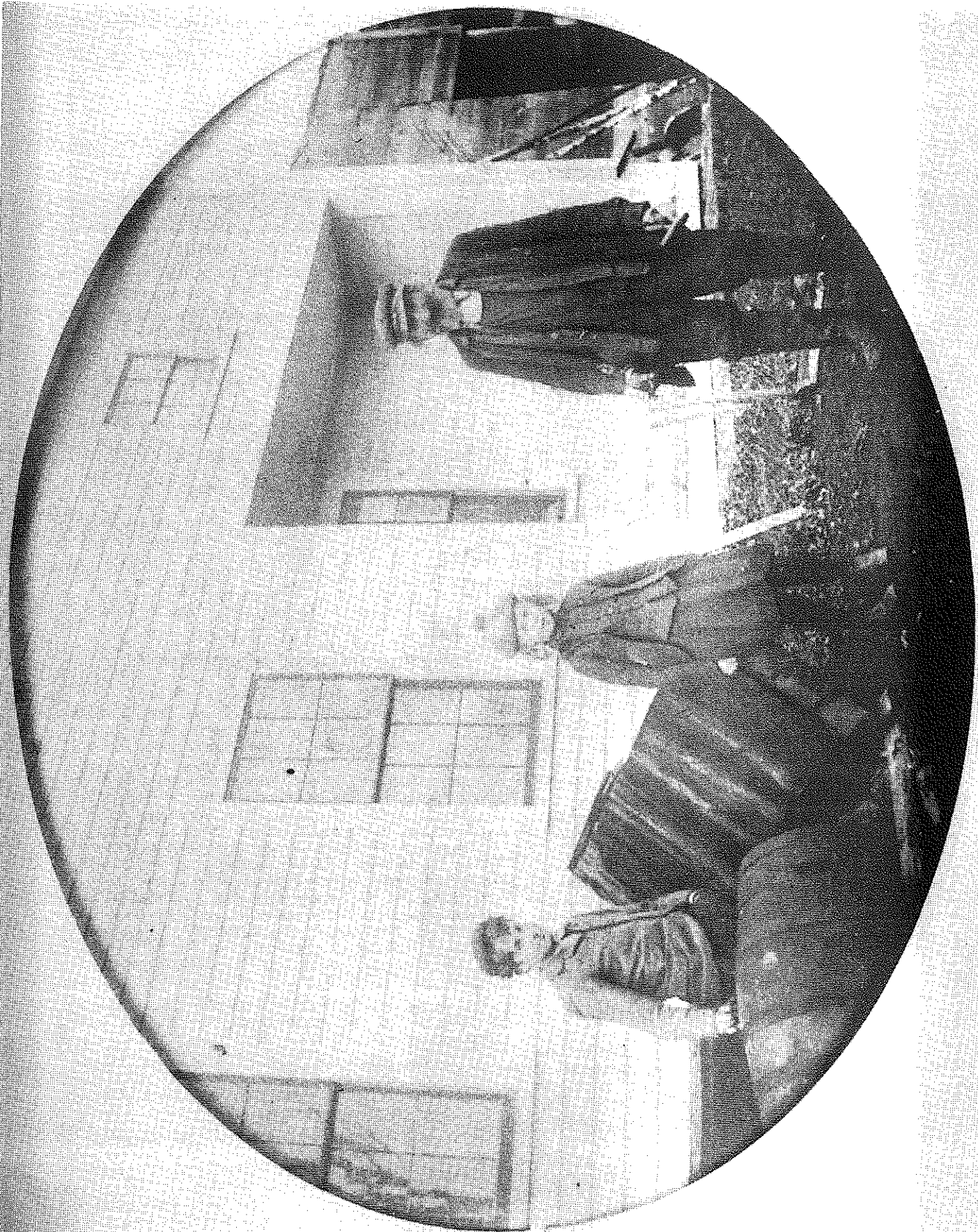
Through State programs, reimbursement of a portion of the cost is expected to be returned to the town as indicated. During 1974, \$13,450 was reimbursed for the Haynes land purchased in 1973. At the close of 1974 a total of 357 acres of conservation land has been acquired by purchase at a cost of \$589,951. Total reimbursement to the town will be \$293,475 making the actual cost to the town \$296,476 (\$830/acre). In addition, 28 acres of land has been acquired by gift or by tax title at no cost to the town.

B. LAND MANAGEMENT

Land acquisition brings with it the trusteeship of the land. We rely heavily on volunteer labor to maintain old trails and prepare new trails for use by horseback riders, walkers, and skiers. (Vehicular traffic is not allowed on Conservation lands.) Individuals or groups who wish to help with such projects are encouraged to contact the Commission Secretary, Elaine Jones (443-8785).

Now follows a brief rundown of the work done this year.

Hop Brook Marsh (80 acres) An October work party of about 16 able bodies ranging in age from 7 to "too old to mention" repaired the serious trail erosion on sloping sections of trails with logs, railroad ties, and woodchips supplied by the Highway Department. A second work crew in November repaired a leak in the dam of the duckpond despite chilly waters. The pond is full for the first time in two years and water now runs over the spillway instead of through the dam.



GRANDFATHER AND TWO LITTLE DUTTONS (Courtesy of Sheila MacKinnon).

This area sees heavy use year round. It is a quiet place to observe waterfowl in the early morning hours, to horseback ride, hike, snowshoe, ski or toboggan and ice skate with the family on weekends; and to enjoy a profusion of wildflowers in spring and summer, and the fall colors. No hunting is allowed here because of its heavy use.

Lincoln Meadows (Approximately 78 acres) The field south of Lincoln Road continues to be rented to a local farmer. Part of his corn crop is normally left to supply winter food for birds. The rent is paid to the town (not to the Commission). In addition, in order to maintain open land the farmer has agreed to mow the main field on the north side of Lincoln Road. This field has also been plowed and harrowed this fall in preparation for Community Gardens in 1975. Anyone interested in cultivating a plot in 1975 is urged to contact Mr. & Mrs. James Irish, Hilltop Rd., Sudbury, coordinators for the project. Seventeen hunting permits were issued by the Commission to allow hunting of migrating waterfowl and game birds during October and November on a portion of this land.

Nobscot Hill (Hulbert Land) This property of approximately 75 acres acquired only in December was also the scene of an enthusiastic work party that month. Hikers, cross-country skiers, and Girl Scout Cadet Troop No. 658, numbering 30 in all, prepared trails for winter use. The view from the orchard is well worth the climb up the hill!

C. WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

Primary emphasis has been protection of our water resources through administration of the Wetlands Protection Act (G.L. c. 131 s. 40, as amended) and through delineation of the Town's wetlands.

Members of the Water Resources Committee have devoted untold hours to researching the town's wetland areas and delineating them on maps. Although originally intended as data to support Flood Plain Zoning articles at Town Meeting (the article was defeated), this information will become valuable in ultimately mapping all wetlands in town, and in providing input to the Federal Flood Insurance Program.

State statute requires the Commission to administer the Wetlands Protection Act and neither the Commission nor the Water Resources Committee has taken this lightly. Interviews, site inspections, data gathering, scheduling and coordination, conducting hearings, writing Orders of Conditions, etc., all require, it seems, superhuman efforts in time, patience and interpretive wisdom. During this year seven Wetlands Protection Act hearings were held. Amendment of the Act itself on August 13, 1974 and State regulations issued in November required revision of our local procedures.

D. EDUCATION

Two public meetings concerned with Flood Plain Zoning were held in the spring. In the fall we held a general information meeting with the aim of making the Commission and its goals known to the town, and at the same time recruiting new people and soliciting inputs to the Commission. Assistance in conservation matters was given to several schools.

Guided tours were conducted on conservation lands for nursery school children, Scout groups, school groups, civic organizations and in the case of prospective land purchases, for the townspeople.

A great deal of thanks and credit goes out to all those Committee members, workers, and support-



PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEMBERS explain a point of interest to a group of cub scouts.

ers who have labored diligently for many hours to help make this our most productive year ever. Special thanks is extended to Elaine Jones, our secretary, for carrying out the myriad administrative details necessary to keep this body functioning.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph P. Tratnyek,
Chairman
Marion P. Harris, Vice-
Chairman
Peter H. Scott, Treasurer
Margaret E. Langmuir
Olga P. Reed
Eric S. Lind
John C. Cutting

Long Range Capital Expenditures Committee

This year the Long Range Capital Expenditures Committee initiated a Capital Improvement Program (CIP), a compilation of anticipated capital expenditures for the next five years. A questionnaire, prepared in cooperation with the Executive Secretary's office, seeking information on anticipated capital and operating expenses was distributed to all the town boards and committees. A member of the LRCEC then met with each board or committee or a representative to explain the intent of the questionnaire and to assist with any problems. We appreciate the cooperation we received from most boards in providing the information compiled in the accompanying table. A more complete report detailing the CIP will be distributed to town boards and committees later in the year.

In making the estimates for the CIP a bonding rate of 6% and an inflation factor of 7% were used.

In the table the previous debt service figure includes the net payment by the town for LSRHS and MMRVTHS after state aid for school building construction loans is deducted.

Respectfully submitted,

William Rynne,
Chairman
Paul Remington, Clerk
Marjorie Huse
Saul Nathan
William Reed
John Smith (Res.)

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES PROJECTION
(figures in 1000's)

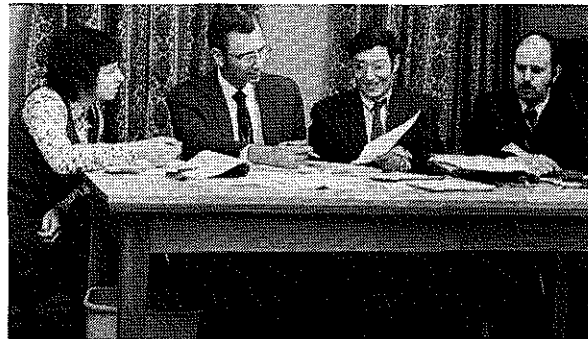
	Total cost	'75-76	'76-77	'77-78	'78-79	'79-80	after 1980
Projects not bonded							
LSRHS program change	\$ 60	10	20	10	10	10	
Walkways	500-750	100	100	100	100	100	
Planning studies	100	20	20	20	20	20	
Conservation Fund	27.5¢ on tax rate	50	55	60	65	70	
Highway*							
Road rebuilding		60	60	60	60	60	60/yr
Equipment additions		50	50	50	50	50	50/yr
Garage			100		100		
Drainage		116					
Fluorescent lighting in Sudbury schools	60		12	12	12	12	12
Park and Recreation							
Tennis - Haskell	20					20	
Davis	20					20	
Ball field - Haskell	20		20				
Davis	30				30		
New Bonded Projects							
Conservation Land	1510	100	300	340	370	400	
Septage Facility	351		56	54	52	50	to 1986
Swimming Pool	600			78	95	90	to 1988
Police/Fire Hdqtrs	400 (1st phase)			64	61	59	to 1987
Town Hall renovations	260				42	40	to 1988
Previous Debt Service		818	799	731	695	600	
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY		1324	1592	1519	1762	1621	

Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC)

The MAPC is comprised of 101 cities and towns, encompassing more than half the population of Massachusetts, and lying within a 25 mile radius of downtown Boston. A major source of MAPC funding is an annual per capita assessment on member communities. Legislation during 1974 removed the 5¢ per capita assessment limit, and the MAPC voted an assessment of 13.3¢ per capita, which comes to approximately \$2000 for Sudbury.

The Council and its staff prepare comprehensive plans for the region, conduct analyses and studies, furnish technical assistance to member communities, and process applications for federal grants in such areas as comprehensive planning, land use, transportation, solid waste disposal, and water quality management. Your representative attends Council meetings as well as serving on the Technical Advisory Committees on Open Space and Recreation and on Comprehensive Planning. The first committee is updating and extending the Open Space and Recreation Plan and Program for the region. Volume VI will include a detailed study of the Sudbury-Assabet-Concord river basin. The second committee has initiated a major comprehensive planning effort which will be a priority element of the Council during 1975.

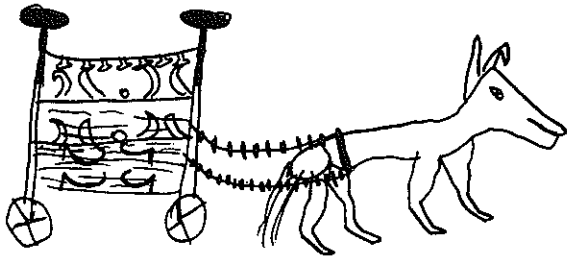
The level of Council activity has increased markedly during 1974 as the Council enters its second decade. Major reasons for this increase are a new sense of activism among the Council's members and committees, the larger budget made possible by the assessment change, and the incorporation of the Central Transportation Plan-



PLANNING FOR SUDBUS Pat Bell, Fritz Steudel, Paul Buxbaum and Bob Coe work out the multitudinous details needed to get the intratown transportation system going (Vic Neumeier photo).

ning Staff under the MAPC. In recent meetings the Council approved an MAPC housing report recommending an equitable sharing among all communities in the responsibility of providing housing for all income groups and voted to authorize the submission of legislation to the General Court creating a Metropolitan Service Commission. This legislation, filed by State Representative Barbara E. Gray of Framingham, would consolidate the MBTA and MDC into a regional service commission under the direct control of a government body composed of local elected officials.

Respectfully submitted,
Ronald B. Campbell, Jr.
MAPC Representative



THE SUDBURY MAILCOACH, as seen by Todd Gray, of King Philip Road.

Permanent Building Committee

The year 1974 was one in which the Permanent Building Committee concentrated on two major town meeting directed projects.

The town's need for improved municipal office facilities prompted a thorough investigation of major renovations to the Town Hall as voted in the 1972 Annual Town Meeting.

The Town Hall Renovations study enlisted architects' assistance to determine ways in which the town's administrative requirements for the next decade or so could be met by modification to existing facilities. After reviewing the costs of many alternative schemes, the Permanent Building Committee and the Selectmen recommended that the project be postponed for the present time.

The second major project was a continuation of the program to provide improved Police and Fire Station facilities. Detailed concepts were developed and a combined Police/Fire Station Facility evolved with extensive cost cutting reviews with the Selectmen, and Police and Fire Officials.

Both colonial and contemporary exterior concepts were developed at the request of the Selectmen and presented to the town at the 1974 Annual Town Meeting for an aesthetic decision. The contemporary concept was selected by a narrow margin and the architect then proceeded to complete the documents required to obtain bids for construction.

Bids were received in September. The low bid was \$620,833.00. At the Special Town Meeting the Town voted not to proceed with construction at this time.

W. Robert Beckett left after serving faithfully as a member for six years. James Rubin resigned to fulfill commitments to other town activities. New members to the Permanent Building Committee are Carlton B. Colburn and Donald Katz.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig W. Parkhill, Chairman	Norman Gillespie Robert J. Hotch
William M. Bell	Donald Katz
Carlton B. Colburn	John Reutlinger

Permanent Landscape Committee

Much of our time this year has been spent working with the landscape architects, selecting stock, directing plantings, accepting and recommending specific memorial gifts, planting bulbs and, in general, taking a very active interest in the creation of our Heritage Park.

With the cooperation of the Highway Department, we have spent many hours landscaping the Goodnow Library grounds. In answer to our request four dead maple trees were removed at the rear of the building and several large rocks

were placed where a visual focal point was needed. In the front garden the loam was replaced at the perimeter of the building with 18" of small stone to catch run-off and prevent erosion and the area was regraded. We directed the planting of spring bulbs by the Sudbury Garden Club next to the ramp. We also recommended the removal of unsightly metal barriers around the maple tree in the front and the placement of curbing around the main access drive.

The committee met with parents and the principal of the Fairbanks School to assist with landscaping plans.

The members sent a letter for publication to the local papers requesting that homeowners abutting the walkway mow the strip of grass between the highway and the walkway. In addition the Highway Department was asked to mow next to the road in several areas of town.



HERITAGE PARK abuilding (Estelle Andleman photo).

Recommendations were made by us to the Park and Recreation Commission that The Common be reseeded this fall and curbing be placed at the edge of The Common to prevent the present ragged appearance.

We requested removal of mail boxes and advertising material from town shade trees.

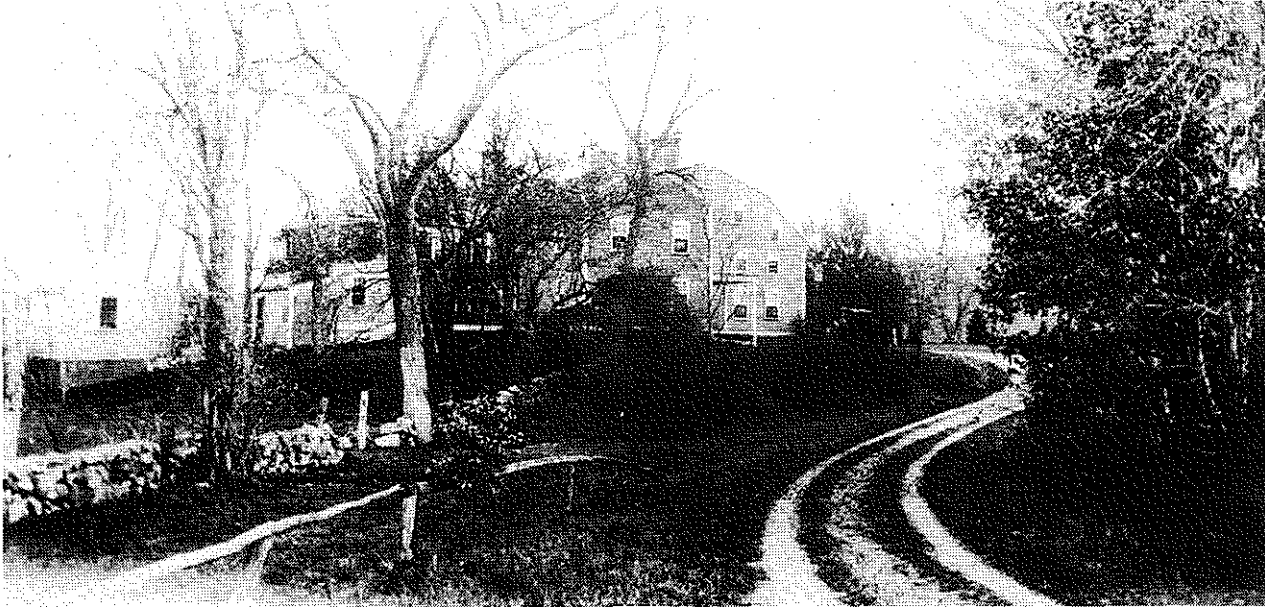
A more suitable planting in keeping with the architectural period and the southern exposure was requested to replace the present one in front of the Loring Parsonage.

We have attended and reported regularly to the Selectmen and the Town Fathers Forum.

The Permanent Landscape Committee continues to be available to all town committees to recommend and assist with all landscaping plans involving town property.

Respectfully submitted,

Winifred H. Ledger, Chairman	Virginia E. Child (res.) John Lindgren, Tree Warden
Grace M. Gelpke Shirlee G. Burd	



THE WAYSIDE INN about 1900. (courtesy of Elliot Fisher)

Planning Board

Since new subdivision activity decreased sharply in 1974, the Planning Board was able to concentrate on data collection, reviewing and "cleaning up" old subdivisions, and planning for the future.

The town-wide survey to collect data was initiated by the Board late in 1973 and distributed by the Town's census takers in January, 1974. The Board was pleased that 1260 persons responded to the lengthy and rather complicated questionnaire. In addition, the Board is very grateful to the volunteers, including many members of the Villagers, who pre-coded all of the questionnaires prior to keypunching; to Raytheon Company's Equipment Division in Sudbury, who key-punched the questionnaire results at no cost to the Town; and to Mr. D. M. Menegakis of Arthur D. Little Co., Inc. who donated his time and expertise in the computer field to process the questionnaires and provide us with much useful data at a very minimal cost.

Following Town Meeting approval, the Planning Board hired Dr. Ward S. Motts, Hydrogeologist from the University of Massachusetts, to do a town-wide study of the hydrology and geology of Sudbury. This study is now in process. The completed data and maps, available by the Fall of 1975, will be an important planning tool in the future.

Getting developers to finish up old subdivisions was a major activity of the Planning Board. Thanks to the close cooperation and hard work of the Town's Engineering Department, subdivisions known as Greenwood Forest, Crown Point, Woodlane I, Stock Farm, Austin Park, Minuteman Lane and Dakin Farms I were completed and bonds released. Work remains to be done in the Silver Hill, Willis Acres, Woodlane II, Lands End, Carver Hill Estates, Tippling Rock, Bowker II, III, and IV, Brewster Road, Oak Knoll, Woodmere Manor and Powder Hill II subdivisions. The Board hopes that continued emphasis on this program will result in the completion of these subdivisions in 1975.

The Planning Board approved only one new subdivision in 1974, Meadowbrook Farm. Located off Peakham Road, this plan consists of 17 subdivision and 4 non-subdivision lots. In addition, preliminary plans for the new Thompson Farm Estates,

on land between Concord Road and Hunt Road, were submitted in December and are now under consideration.

Three hearings on the question of whether to rescind or modify previously approved subdivisions were held by the Board. In January, at the request of the developer, approval was rescinded on the Four Acres subdivision off Stone Road. The Board, after separate hearings, also voted not to rescind or modify approval of Olde Towne Estates but amended its previous approval of the Paddock Farms subdivision.

Acting in its capacity as advisor to the Board of Selectmen, the Planning Board made recommendations on several important site plans, including those for Sudbury's housing for the elderly, a wholesale lumber yard, a funeral home, a small shopping center on Route 20 and a new miniature golf facility at the present golf driving range.

The Planning Board continues to feel strongly that Sudbury is at a crucial stage in its growth and the services of a professional planner are needed to guide the Board and insure against costly mistakes that would affect Sudbury for years to come. Transportation, land use, subdivision control, data analysis and Master Plan revision and up-dating are just a few of the many areas in which your Planning Board needs the constant and expert assistance of a professional planner. We feel Sudbury's future is important; too important to be left in the hands of well-meaning but often inexperienced officials. We urge you to consider this problem seriously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane F. Gillespie,
Chairman
Edward W. Connors
Robert E. Cooper
Eben B. Stevens

APPENDIX

Below is a copy of the Planning Board questionnaire distributed in January, 1974. Percentages are based on 1078 responses.

Sudbury Town-Wide Questionnaire

This questionnaire has been sent to you by your Planning Board. Its purpose is to obtain information and opinions from you to assist us in developing plans for Sudbury. A separate section involving a mini-bus proposal has also been included to assist another committee in its planning efforts. It is intended that this questionnaire be answered by the adults in your household. So that you will tell us how you personally feel about Sudbury, we would prefer that you do not indicate your name and address. Just indicate with check marks or short written comments your answers to the following questions. The questionnaire should be folded over and sealed with staple or tape and returned to the Town Hall. Thank you for taking the time to help plan Sudbury's future.

Planning Board
Sudbury, Massachusetts

GENERAL

1. What is the total number of people in your household?
 - 2.4% with 1 person
 - 15.7% with 2 people
 - 13.0% with 3 people
 - 29.4% with 4 people
 - 22.3% with 5 people
 - 10.0% with 6 people
 - 4.3% with 7 people
 - 1.3% with 8 people
 - 0.4% with 9 people
2. What is the general location of your residence? Locate on enclosed map.
3. What is the age of the head of household?
 - 0.2% under 25 years
 - 21.8% aged 25-34 years
 - 36.1% aged 35-44 years
 - 28.0% aged 45-54 years
 - 8.8% aged 55-64 years
 - 4.4% aged 65 and over
4. What is the total family income?
 - 4.1% under \$9,000
 - 7.5% at \$9-13,000
 - 20.6% at \$13-20,000
 - 22.9% at \$20-25,000
 - 24.4% at \$25-35,000
 - 14.8% over \$35,000
5. How many children living at home are in the following age groups? (Include full-time students even if away at school)
 - 305 between 0 and 4 years
 - 420 between 5 and 9 years
 - 475 between 10 and 14 years
 - 361 between 15 and 18 years
 - 178 between 19 and 21 years
 - 113 over 21 years
6. How long have you lived in Sudbury?
 - 12.2% for 0-1 year
 - 17.1% for 2-3 years
 - 19.3% for 4-6 years
 - 10.9% for 7-9 years
 - 9.2% for 10-12 years
 - 9.6% for 13-15 years
 - 6.8% for 16-19 years
 - 10.1% for 20 years & over
7. How many homes have you owned in Sudbury?
 - 84.0% owned 1 home
 - 9.7% owned 2 homes
 - 2.1% owned 3 or more
8. Where did you live before moving to Sudbury?
 - 19.0% in adjacent town
 - 43.0% elsewhere in Mass.
 - 31.7% from out of state
 - 3.0% from out of U.S.

9. Why did you move to Sudbury?
Rate preferences, 1 = highest to 5 = lowest

	% which rated	% rated first
schools	13.0%	11.4%
rural atmosphere	15.9%	27.3%
convenience to job	12.8%	14.8%
suburban location	12.3%	10.8%
average cost of housing	8.7%	6.4%
tax rate	6.5%	1.2%
proximity to Boston	8.5%	2.8%
open land	12.1%	9.8%
lack of apartments	6.8%	4.4%

10. What do you like most about Sudbury?
Rate preferences, 1 = highest to 3 = lowest

	% which rated	% rated first
schools	12.7%	10.5%
small size	12.2%	9.0%
proximity to employment	10.1%	10.9%
historical tradition	9.3%	5.0%
open & rural character	24.8%	40.3%
proximity to Route 20	1.6%	0.7%
the people	8.5%	8.0%
appearance of Town	10.4%	5.4%
business opportunities	0.7%	0.4%
room for further expansion	1.0%	0.5%
location relative to Boston	5.9%	3.2%

11. Has your family recently considered moving from Sudbury?

33.7% said yes
63.1% said no

12. When you retire, do you plan to stay in Sudbury?

24.1% said yes
55.9% said no

If no, why?

35.2% said too expensive
13.6% said the climate
16.3% indicated other

13. Has any member of the household served on a Town Board or Committee?

18.3% said yes
80.0% said no

14. Do you usually go to Town Meetings?

50.0% said yes
43.5% said no

How many sessions did you attend during 1973?

9.9% attended one
15.9% attended two
13.9% attended 3-4
3.2% attended 5-8
7.3% attended 9 or more

RECREATION/CONSERVATION

15. Do you think the Town now has sufficient recreation land?

51.9% said yes
40.7% said no

Sufficient recreation facilities?

35.4% said yes
51.3% said no

16. Do you favor the purchase of additional land for recreation?

47.5% said yes
42.2% said no

17. Do you feel that Sudbury should plan to have the following municipal recreational facilities within the next ten years?

	Yes	No
Ski slope	35.6%	48.1%
Indoor Pool	44.4%	40.9%
Outdoor Pool	50.0%	35.8%
Golf Course	16.2%	61.5%
Mini-bike trails	15.5%	65.2%

18. Do you think the Town has sufficient Conservation land?

42.6% said yes
45.3% said no

19. The following methods have been in use or have been suggested as ways of preserving the open and rural character of Sudbury. Please indicate your opinion.

	Favor	Do not Favor	No Opinion
Purchase of Conservation lands by Town	58.7%	22.1%	9.8%
Special tax measures to encourage the agricultural use of farm land	59.8%	20.0%	12.7%
Acquisition of Conservation easements by Town	52.4%	14.9%	21.6%
Increase control of use of flood plain and wetlands	62.2%	13.1%	15.3%
Purchase of open space lands by eminent domain	25.4%	45.2%	16.9%
Purchase of Conservation land by non-profit trusts	49.8%	18.6%	21.9%

20. If additional open space lands are to be acquired by the Town or restricted by Conservation easements, which type of land should be preserved:

	Favor	Do Not Favor	No Opinion
Agricultural land	49.1%	16.1%	14.1%
Flood plain areas	61.9%	9.0%	10.8%
Open space land along rivers, brooks	73.5%	5.5%	5.9%
High land (field & forest)	56.8%	9.9%	12.8%
Green belts	49.1%	10.4%	17.3%
Areas not flood plain but too wet for building	49.4%	15.1%	14.8%
Recreation areas	57.8%	13.4%	10.4%

21. Do you think the Town should borrow money to purchase recreation/conservation land within the next 2-5 years as a means of preserving the character of the Town?

50.2% said yes
39.1% said no

SCHOOLS

22. How would you assess the general quality of the school system(s)?

K-8: 26.2% said excellent
46.8% said good
9.2% said fair
3.6% said poor
9-12: 10.8% said excellent
29.2% said good
21.7% said fair
16.0% said poor

23. To reduce future school building needs and make more economical use of existing facilities, would you support operating the schools during the summer months, assuming that the children who attend during the summer would have equal vacation at other times of the year?

49.3% said yes
41.8% said no

24. If additional classrooms for elementary students are necessary, would you:

build a new neighborhood school 8.6% favored
add to existing schools 68.7% favored
other 14.4% favored

25. If additional classrooms for grades 5-6 and 7-8 are needed, would you prefer:

new schools 7.1% favored
additions 70.0% favored
other 13.9% favored

26. If additional high school classrooms are needed, would you prefer:

new schools 2.3% favored
addition 40.9% favored
disband Region 37.5% favored
other 11.3% favored

HOUSING

27. The U.S. Census shows that Sudbury's population increased by 79% in 10 years; from 7450 in 1960 to 13,350 in 1970.

Regarding future housing construction in Sudbury, do you feel:

There should be more housing built over the next ten years than has been built during the past ten years? 6.0% favored
Less housing should be built? 37.8% favored
Such construction should be carefully controlled and kept to a minimum? 74.9% favored

28. Do you feel that Sudbury should remain a community of single-family dwellings?	73.7% said yes		
	19.5% said no		
29. In what price range do you feel new construction should be offered?	10.3% said \$25-35,000		
	14.7% said \$35-45,000		
	20.3% said \$45-55,000		
	11.2% said \$55-75,000		
	11.2% said over \$75,000		
30. Should lot size remain at one-acre minimum?	84.4% said yes		
	10.2% said no		
31. A reduction of lot size will ultimately require a sewage system to be installed in Town. Would you support the appropriation of funds for a study to determine the impact of such a system?	38.3% said yes		
	54.1% said no		
32. If more housing is to be built in Sudbury, do you think it should be primarily to meet the needs of: (Check at least one in A, B, and C)			
A. Sudbury Residents	51.9% favored		
Other	28.9% favored		
B. Families with net incomes of	8.4% favored		
\$3-6,000	13.5% favored		
\$6-10,000	24.1% favored		
\$10-15,000	43.1% favored		
over \$15,000	35.6% favored		
C. Elderly	19.4% favored		
Young marrieds	28.9% favored		
Families with children	7.9% favored		
Young singles			
33. Should Sudbury reduce lot sizes in some residential areas to promote smaller homes and lower housing costs?	18.8% said yes		
	76.4% said no		
If yes, do you feel the reduced lot size should be:			
1/2 acre	16.4% favored		
1/4 acre	2.5% favored		
1/8 acre	0.9% favored		
34. Does Sudbury have a moral obligation to provide housing for all wage earners working in Town?	26.3% said yes		
	66.3% said no		
35. Under Chapter 774 (the anti-snob zoning law), Sudbury should have 350 units of housing for low and moderate income families and elderly persons. Do you feel that:			
The Town should take no action to meet the requirement?	18.5% favored		
The Town should be doing only minimal planning?	12.8% favored		
The Town should be very active in developing a specific strategy to meet the requirement?	37.6% favored		
The Town should be developing appropriate zoning for low and moderate income housing units?	29.4% favored		
Other	6.9% favored		
36. Assuming Sudbury is required to provide low and moderate income housing, which type of housing would you prefer to see built in Sudbury?			
Subsidized single family homes	Possibly 21.7%	Yes 16.4%	No 30.7%
2-family homes scattered throughout Sudbury	19.9%	13.6%	35.3%
4-family homes scattered throughout Sudbury	8.9%	4.1%	51.9%
Mobile home parks	2.8%	2.4%	60.9%
Garden-type apartments	25.8%	19.5%	26.6%
High-rise apartments	3.5%	2.5%	57.4%
Controlled "cluster-zoning" development combining single-family homes, townhouse apartments, and open space	30.4%	36.1%	13.3%

37. Do you now have, plan to have, or would you like to have a mother-in-law apartment in your home?
- 2.1% now have
 - 78.4% do not have
 - 2.4% plan to have
 - 73.0% do not plan to have
 - 15.2% would like to have
 - 66.5% would not like to have
38. What is the assessed value of your home?
- 4.6% said 0-\$20,000
 - 45.4% said \$21-40,000
 - 25.4% said \$41-60,000
 - 2.5% said \$61-80,000
 - 0.3% said \$81-99,000
 - 0.2% said \$100,000 or over
39. If you were to offer your home for sale now, what would be your asking price?
- 0.6% said under \$20,000
 - 17.3% said \$21-40,000
 - 29.3% said \$41-60,000
 - 18.7% said \$61-80,000
 - 5.0% said \$81-99,000
 - 1.0% said \$100,000 or over

PUBLIC SAFETY AND TOWN SERVICES

40. Do you feel the Town should provide:
- Trash and garbage pick-up?
 - 41.5% said weekly
 - 6.7% said biweekly
 - 44.3% said not at all
 - Regulated pick-up to assist in recycling efforts?
 - 47.7% said yes
 - 37.1% said no
 - Formation and operation of a partially State supported Solid Waste or trash disposal facility?
 - 55.3% said yes
 - 24.9% said no
41. Do you feel the Town should:
- Continue in its joint venture with Wayland for construction of a septage disposal facility, presumably located in the Sand Hill area?
 - 70.3% said yes
 - 11.8% said no
 - Consider development of sewer systems and treatment facilities to encourage more proper development of commercial and industrial zoned areas. This will relieve a growing problem with high-water table and poisoning of well-water systems?
 - 48.5% said yes
 - 30.2% said no
 - Consider small package sewage treatment plants to serve local areas of Town such as the Post Road, Route 117, and other wet areas?
 - 43.2% said yes
 - 28.6% said no
43. Do you feel your septic system is adequate?
- 82.3% said yes
 - 12.7% said no
44. Should the Town have more street lights? (Each light costs approximately \$160/year for a minimum of a 25-year contract and only mercury vapor lights are now available from Boston Edison.)
- 18.5% said yes
 - 72.9% said no
45. Are you satisfied with the enforcement of speed limits by the Sudbury Police Department?
- 75.1% said yes
 - 19.1% said no

COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL, TRANSPORTATION

46. Does the head of your household derive his or her principal income from employment in Sudbury?
- 10.1% said yes
 - 86.8% said no
47. Is anyone else in your family employed in Sudbury?
- 17.8% said yes
 - 78.2% said no

48. Method of transportation to work by head of household?		
	Bus	2.2% said regularly 4.8% said occasionally 28.4% said never
	Walk or bike	1.7% said regularly 3.3% said occasionally 28.9% said never
	Drive own car	79.7% said regularly 8.4% said occasionally 0.8% said never
	Carpool	9.1% said regularly 14.7% said occasionally 18.7% said never
	Other	2.4% said regularly 1.3% said occasionally 8.3% said never
49. How often do other members of your household use the following:		
	Bus (except school bus)	1.1% said regularly 17.3% said occasionally 73.0% said never
	Taxi	0.5% said regularly 9.7% said occasionally 76.4% said never
50. How many registered cars are in your household?		2.5% said zero 15.1% said one 68.6% said two 3.1% said three 0.4% said four
51. Where do you think the emphasis for improved transportation in Eastern Massachusetts should be placed?		
	Improve present highway system?	7.7% favored
	Train service?	31.6% favored
	New Highways?	1.8% favored
	Bus Service?	20.9% favored
	Rapid Transit?	26.6% favored
52. If you drive to work, what major Route(s) do you generally take? At what times of day do you leave for work? from work? total travel time one-way?		
53. Would you use commuter service out-of-town?		47.3% said yes 37.9% said no
54. Would you prefer to work in Sudbury?		42.1% said yes 43.0% said no
55. Should Sudbury have shopping facilities:		
	Principally for its own residents?	71.4% said yes 11.3% said no
	For its own residents plus the residents of adjacent communities?	31.4% said yes 43.2% said no
56. If Sudbury's shopping facilities were to be expanded, would you like to have:		
	A few speciality shops	55.8% said yes 23.3% said no
	A few neighborhood stores	51.3% said yes 29.7% said no
	One or more department stores	23.0% said yes 57.5% said no
	A community shopping center	36.8% said yes 46.4% said no
	A large regional shopping center	11.0% said yes 69.4% said no

57. Do you think there should be provided in Sudbury new or additional facilities of the following kinds for tourists?

Restaurants	30.2% said yes 59.6% said no
Motels, hotels	21.8% said yes 70.3% said no
Trailer campsites	5.8% said yes 83.9% said no
Tent campsites	10.5% said yes 78.8% said no
Picnic areas	45.9% said yes 46.0% said no
Rest rooms	35.6% said yes 53.9% said no
Parking	25.3% said yes 62.6% said no

58. Would you support designating municipal and/or private land for temporary camping and trailers during the Bicentennial?

38.4% said yes
55.3% said no

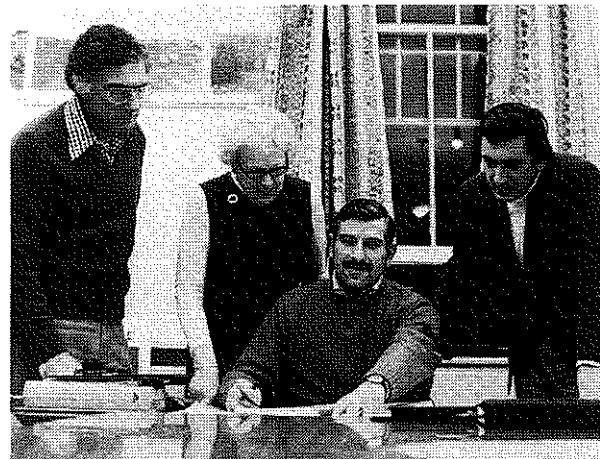
Regional Concerns Committee

The Regional Concerns Committee met many times during the year and considered various problems presented by the selectmen.

The most crucial issue of the year was formulating priorities in land use and traffic studies in the South Middlesex area, working with the Joint Regional Transportation Committee. An offshoot of this project was meetings with the Selectmen and planning people of the town of Wayland and the traffic people of Weston to coordinate the Route 20 situation. Both of these projects are continuing during 1975.

Malcolm M. Beers,
Chairman

Arthur W. Grellier
Alfred Bown
Paul Buxbaum
Edmund Henault
Ronald Campbell



ROUTE 20 SIGN COMMITTEE works to maintain a scenic Post Road. Left to right: Stan Barron, Dorothy Emmons, Leon Zola, and Ron Boucher

Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Committee

During 1974, the Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Committee of Sudbury joined the Minute Man Refuse Disposal Planning Board, a group comprised of representatives from Bedford, Boxborough, Carlisle, Concord, Lincoln, Maynard, Stow and Sudbury, coming together to consider solid waste disposal alternatives on a regional basis.

Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40 Section 44B provides that planning assistance may be provided to local communities who join together with a common goal of taking care of their solid waste disposal problems on a regional basis.

During 1974, a survey was conducted of prospective firms to determine which one could provide needed preliminary planning for solid waste treatment acceptable to all towns represented on the Board.

The firm of Arthur D. Little was finally chosen and awarded the \$35,000 plus contract. They were charged with: determining the feasibility of solid waste treatment on a regional basis for the nine-town region; analysis of current practices of sanitary landfill advantages and disadvantages; and what other viable alternatives this region could consider.

Preliminary reports indicate that sanitary land fill acreage is increasingly difficult to find and very costly in land acquisition, cover fill materials and operating costs. At this point Arthur D. Little considers either modular incineration with sale of steam power or resource recovery with sale of steam plus recovery of metallics more favorable. The study will be completed during 1975 when a full report will be made available.

Sudbury's share of this feasibility study will amount to approximately \$6,000, a sum approved by the 1974 Annual Town Meeting. When completed and if acceptable, the Town of Sudbury may wish to continue in the long range study by taking advantage of Massachusetts state financing of additional planning money available under the same Chapter 40, Section 44B to bring this project to design stage. Sudbury will not be placed under further obligation by participation in the state financed study and will have the opportunity to join the region only when contracts for construction are made available and with Town Meeting approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul H. McNally,
Chairman
James Foust
Anthony Galeota

Town Engineering Department

The operations of the Engineering Department were performed by the Town Engineer, five permanent Engineering Aides, a permanent Senior Clerk, a Civil Engineering student from Northeastern University under the Co-operative Education Program and eight temporary part-time Engineering Aides.

To provide up-to-date information on new systems and technology to aid in the solution of old problems and the prevention of new problems, members of the Department attended several workshops and conferences, including: Public Works Planning and Engineering Workshop sponsored by the American Public Works Association; Highway Officials Workshop, sponsored by the Massachusetts Highway Association; Subdivision Control Seminar, sponsored by the University of Massachusetts; and Legal Aspects of Surveying, sponsored by the Eastern Massachusetts Association of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors.

Sudbury was the first town in Massachusetts to use orthophoto mapping as a base for providing new maps of the Town. Article 27 of the 1971 Annual Town Meeting authorized the acquisition of orthophoto topographic maps and the preparation of new property maps of the entire Town. Phase I, the aerial photography and ground control survey, was completed in 1971 and Phase II, the development of the orthophoto topographic maps, was completed in 1972. Phase III, the preparation of new property maps, was started in 1972 and continued through 1973 and completed during the latter part of 1974. The new property maps show all street lines, the status of all ways (Public, Private, State Highway, etc.) property lines, land areas and dimensions, structures and street numbers, easements (drain, utility, walkway, etc.), water courses, public and semi-public lands, zoning (residential, business, industrial, flood plain, historic district, etc.) and other pertinent data. When combined with the topographic features and contours of the orthophotos they provide the base for the best planning tool for use by all Town Departments. The preparation of the base maps represented about 20% of the total man hours of the Department.

Walkway construction and planning represented about 25% of the Department's time during the year with the completion of construction of about 1½ miles of walkway along Horse Pond Road, Fairbanks Road, and Butler Road under a contract awarded by the Highway Commission and the planning of proposed walkways on Landham Road, Woodside Road, Peakham Road, Old Lancaster Road, Hudson Road, Union Avenue and in Sudbury Center with anticipated construction during 1975/1976.

Engineering services provided by this Department to the Highway Commission during the year amounted to 15% of the total man hours for numerous projects, including: preparation of plans for operation of the Sanitary Land Fill; plans for proposed town ways to be laid out by the Highway Commission at the 1975 Annual Town Meeting; plans and property line surveys of several cemeteries; field surveys, plans and related data to assist in solution of drainage problems in numerous locations; and other engineering services as requested.

The Town Engineer acting as the Planning Board General Agent and the Engineering Department were responsible for the overall review, inspection and control of the construction of all ways, drainage and appurtenant facilities in new subdivisions,

in addition to the review of the status of all old subdivisions in various stages of construction in an effort to assist the Planning Board in insuring the satisfactory completion of construction of these subdivisions. The Engineering Department spent 20% of the total man hours for the year in providing these services. In addition to the inspection of new construction, about half of the old subdivisions were reviewed for the Planning Board and action was taken to accomplish the completion of construction of several of them. It is anticipated that during 1975 the remaining subdivisions will be reviewed in addition to providing all inspection as required on the new subdivisions.

This Department provided field surveys, maps, plans and related engineering data, as requested, in many areas including: tax title and tax possession property information to the Board of Selectmen, Town Counsel and Treasurer; Heritage Park plans, specifications, contracts and supervision of construction for the Board of Selectmen; revisions to existing property maps and research and interpretation of deeds and plans for the Board of Assessors; property line information on Feeley Park and other recreation areas for the Park and Recreation Commission; surveys and plans for proposed land acquisitions by the Conservation Commission and Board of Selectmen; revisions to the Zoning Map and sketches for the Zoning By-Law for the Planning Board and Town Clerk; field surveys for reconstruction of parking lots and playing fields for the School Department; preparation of flood plain maps for the Conservation Commission; preparation of sketches and visual aids for the Town Meeting and Warrant; providing varied services and public information to the Board of Health, Sudbury Housing Authority, Sudbury Water District, Revolutionary War Bicentennial Committee, Building Department, all other departments and to the general public.

Respectfully submitted,

James V. Merloni, P.E.
Town Engineer

Wayland/Sudbury Septage Disposal Planning Committee

The Wayland/Sudbury Septage Disposal Planning Committee, appointed by the Selectmen, is charged with developing an economical means of disposing of the town's septage waste. Although routine maintenance of subsurface sewage disposal systems requires solids accumulated in the septic tank to be periodically removed, there presently exists no facility within the Town for ultimate disposal of these pumpings. At present all such waste is either being dumped out of Town under arrangement that are of suspect legality or is being covertly discharged untreated to rivers or streams in Town. Needless to say both methods are subject to termination without notice as governmental authorities tighten enforcement procedures. In the event of such termination, there would be no place to dispose of this septage even in emergency septic system failure situations. When the Town acquired the Sand Hill sites in 1969 and 1973, it recognized the problem by designating the land be used for septic sludge disposal as well as sanitary landfill.

Because the towns of Wayland and Sudbury are both faced with similar septage disposal problems, and own adjacent sites suitable for a disposal works, we believe a joint approach to this problem is most economical. In 1973 a joint committee of the two towns engaged the engineering firm of



MARGE LANGMUIR, of the Conservation Commission, appears to have her shovel upside down; fortunately, Win Ledger, of the Permanent Landscape Committee, is holding up the linden.

Roy F. Weston, Inc. to study the problem and make recommendations for its solution. This firm was chosen on the basis of competitive proposals received from over twenty companies. Costs for the engineering work were equally shared by Wayland and Sudbury. In its December 1973 report to the two towns, Roy F. Weston, Inc. recommended a disposal plant be built based on an aerobic treatment process. This alternative is the least costly and its technology is most proven in other installations. It was recommended that the facility be located on land mostly in Wayland but also partly in Sudbury along the north side of the Boston Post Road just east of the Sudbury landfill. It is important to note that the Massachusetts State Department of Public Health in a letter dated March 6, 1974 and signed by John C. Collins, the Director of the Division of Environmental Health, has approved this report and the aerobic treatment concept.

The recommended septage disposal facility provides a way Wayland and Sudbury can face up to their obligation to provide approved, legal septage disposal for their citizens. As long as Sudbury chooses to avoid high density development, septic tank - leaching field type systems can continue to be used if there is a way to dispose periodically of sludge accumulated in the tanks. The recommended facility will provide an economic means of disposal. The only viable alternative is a complete sewerage treatment plant and collection system, the cost of which for Sudbury alone would be well in excess of \$10,000,000. This expense seems unjustified given low density development which can be handled adequately with septic tank - leaching field systems and the recommended sludge disposal facility.

Originally the articles for the septage facility were to have come before the 1974 Sudbury Annual Town Meeting. At the time of Wayland's 1974 Annual Town Meeting, however, the Wayland members of the joint committee felt the chances of passage of a funding article were poor

because their finance committee was opposed. Consequently only a weak article authorizing continued discussion with Sudbury was submitted and subsequently passed. Because of the lack of definitive action at the Wayland Annual Town Meeting, the Sudbury members of the joint committee moved indefinite postponement of the articles in 1974 Sudbury Annual Town Meeting. During the spring and summer, however, the Wayland group carried out a vigorous campaign to educate the Wayland Finance Committee and others in Wayland to the need and cost benefits of this alternative for dealing with the town's liquid septage waste. Representatives of the State Department of Public Health came to Wayland to explain the state's position with regard to the proposed plan and the Metropolitan District Commission submitted data indicating M.D.C. disposal of the waste even without sewers was a more expensive alternative. The additional information brought forth in this series of meetings was sufficient to convince the Wayland Finance Committee to support the proposed septage disposal facility. Consequently when the matter was brought to a vote at the Wayland October 1974 Special Town Meeting, it had the support of the Wayland Finance Committee as well as the Selectmen, Road Commissioners, Board of Health, Conservation Commission, and Planning Board. The articles passed by an overwhelming majority.

Now that Wayland has acted, progress on construction of this treatment plant is up to the Sudbury Town Meeting. The Sudbury committee has prepared two articles for the 1975 Annual Town Meeting similar to those in last year's warrant and to the two passed in Wayland. The first article authorizes the Town of Sudbury to enter into a contractual agreement with Wayland for construction and operation of the facility. This agreement is to be executed under provisions of Chapter 40, Section 4A of the General Laws of the Commonwealth. The second article will request an appropriation for Sudbury's share of the construction funds. Unfortunately the year's delay has been costly because of inflation. Total construction cost estimated for early 1976 is \$702,000 rather than the \$560,000 estimated in the 1973 report. Sudbury's share of the capital cost will be \$351,000. If, as expected, this is bonded over a ten year period it will have an impact of about 28¢ on the tax rate. Total yearly operating expenses are estimated at \$46,000 which will in part be offset by revenues estimated at \$30,000. Assuming Sudbury pays half the difference, the first year impact on the tax rate will be about 5¢.

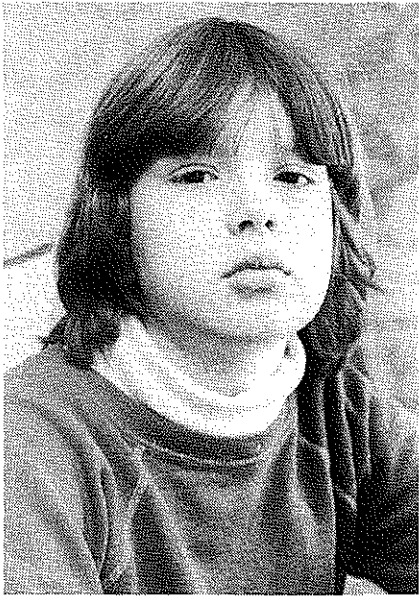
The basic outline of the agreement between the towns has been worked out. It calls for an equal sharing of the initial capital cost and an apportionment of operating costs on the basis of the gallonage distribution between the two towns.

The time for action is now. The Board of Health has already reported to the committee that one of the town's licensed pumpers has been shut off from disposal of waste originating in Sudbury. Reports reach us of similar actions affecting surrounding towns. The committee hopes that the septage facility will be approved and built by the town in time to avoid a major health crisis.

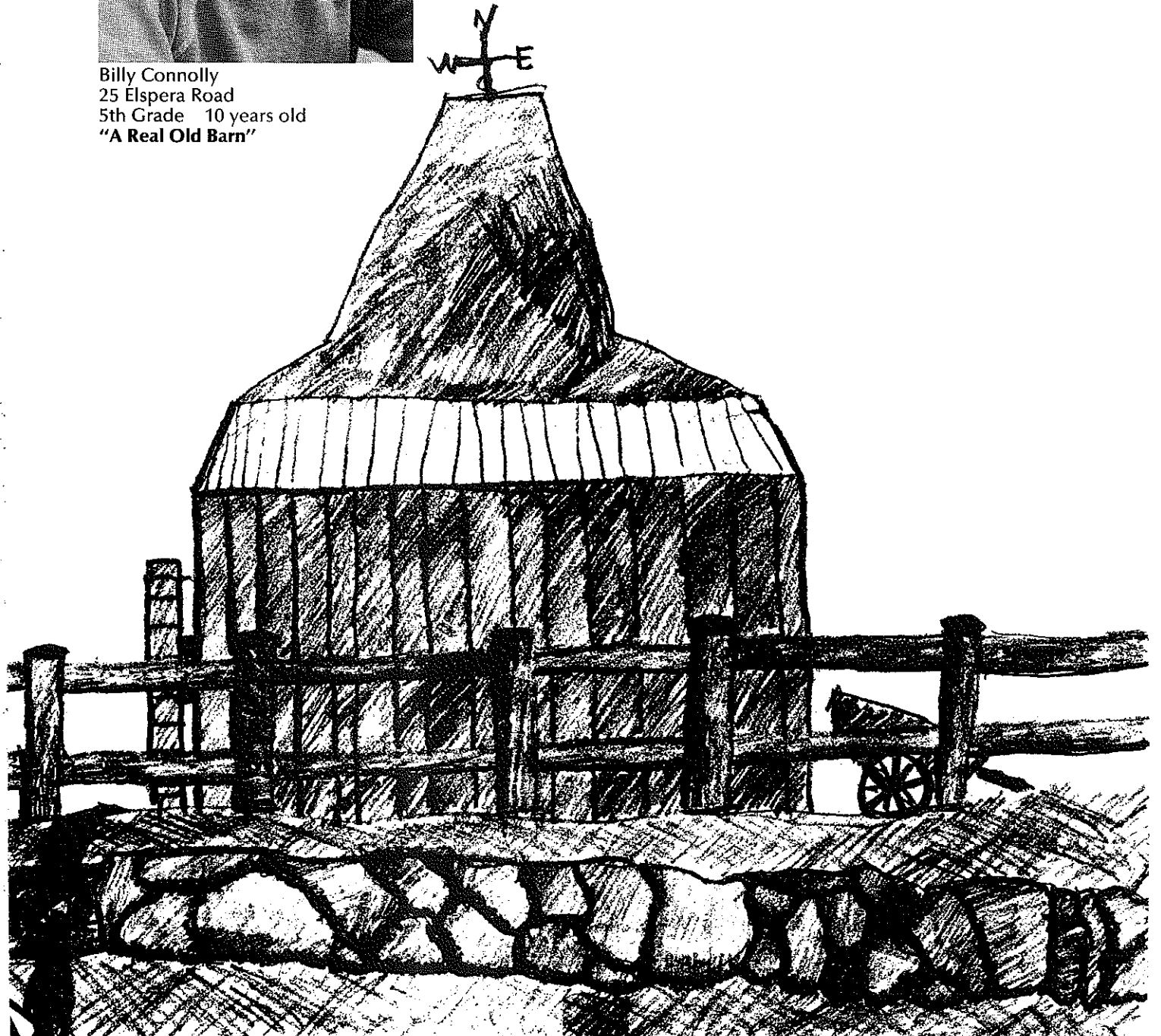
Respectfully submitted,

William W. Cooper IV,
Chairman
John C. Powers
Paul H. McNally
Peter H. Scott

OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK



Billy Connolly
25 Elspira Road
5th Grade 10 years old
"A Real Old Barn"





YE SUDBURY ANCIENT FYFE & DRUM COS., posing before a stone wall, front row, left to right: Mark Poletti, John Carroll, Leo Zschau, Patrick Moylan, Leslie Longworth III, David Zschau; back row, Leslie Longworth, Jr., Ray Clark, Don McCullough, Kevin Clark, Peter Kirby, Val Greene, Steve Moylan, Harold Ward, Buzz Brownlee, Dan Moylan, Bruce True, Russ Kirby.

Town Clerk

Another busy year! Three elections were held during the year and the Town now has had its first State Primary and November Election on a precinct basis. This required extra care in preparing for the elections in that the ballot for Precinct 1 was somewhat different from the ballots for the other precincts.

Information on the ballot questions together with an answer card to be taken to the polls was mailed to the voters again this year and found to be as effective as it was at the Presidential Election of 1972. Voting was steady all during the day, but only relatively short lines developed at the polls in the early evening. These lines were quickly taken care of and, by closing time, had disappeared. Our Sudbury voters should be given the credit for the success of the mailer for without their excellent cooperation in becoming informed on the ballot questions and in using the cards at the polls, the mailer would have had little effect.

An intensive training program for election officers was started this year prior to the November Election with a meeting of all Wardens and Deputy Wardens. This is the first step in the program which will be continued prior to the Annual Town Election of March 1975. The effectiveness of the program may be judged by the fact that the final vote was announced just before 10 P.M. on November 5th and all election materials were sealed and put away shortly after 10 P.M. This is the first time in many years that a November Election vote has been announced prior to midnight and the Wardens and Deputy Wardens should be congratulated on this fine performance. It should also be noted that not one vote changed during the recount of Precinct 1, testifying to the accuracy of the results and the efficiency of the election officers.

Workload in easily measurable areas continues to increase except in number of births and in number of financing statements recorded. Significant increases have been experienced in the area of genealogical and historical research. Additional increases can be expected during the next two years with the Bicentennial.

In spite of these increases and expected future increases in workload, the budget request for 1975/76 reflects an increase of only about 2 hours clerical work per week average. The remainder of the increase in clerical salary account is due entirely to step rate and longevity increases to which the clerical staff is entitled under the Personnel Bylaw. No new or additional personnel has been requested.

In addition, I am happy to report that overall budget requests for Account 506, Town Clerk & Board of Registrars, show a decrease of almost \$2,000 in spite of the pressures of inflation to which all town departments are subject.

The typing of all Town Meeting Proceedings from 1639 through 1974 has now been completed and each volume has been indexed. In addition, a volume of Miscellaneous Records and several volumes of Proprietors Records have been typed and indexed. A considerable amount of work has been done in typing and cataloguing the large collection of loose old papers which the Town now owns.

Work has continued on the cross indexed card file of all town meeting action and it is expected to be completed before the full impact of the Bicentennial is felt. In addition, an index of names appearing in the records up through the Revolutionary era is in progress.

The IBM Selectric typewriter which this office was able to purchase this past year through the



LOOKING DOWN CONCORD ROAD from the town center about 1920 (Courtesy of Mrs. Lester Baldwin).

generosity of the voters at town meeting has proven to be well worth the cost. Many hours of typing time have been saved, and our records are now in excellent shape to meet the demands of the Bicentennial without in any way jeopardizing our very valuable originals.

This department has cooperated with the Sudbury Bicentennial Committee during the past year in historical research and in preliminary discussions concerning possible historical publications. Cooperation will continue in this area.

We have also begun a cooperative program with the Wayland Bicentennial Committee in which research will be shared. The two towns had a common beginning and were one for over 140 years, including during the Revolutionary War. It seems only right that Wayland residents should have free access to the information contained in our early records which are, after all, theirs too. The first joint effort will be the completion of a plot plan of the earliest Sudbury cemetery, now located in Wayland, and the preparation of a card file showing the complete inscription on each gravestone. This work was started by this office during the summer of 1974 but had to be postponed due to lack of time and funds. Wayland citizens will complete the project and each town will have a copy of the plot plan and card file. This will save both towns many hours in handling requests from Bicentennial visitors and town residents alike.

As we approach the uncertainties of the economic situation and the impact of the Bicentennial

during the next few years, I would like to assure Sudbury residents that all possible means will be used to meet the needs of the Town in the most effective and efficient manner. Thought has been and will continue to be given to methods of improving efficiency so that the greatest possible benefit from your tax dollar may be realized.

Again, I would like to thank all boards, committees and officers, as well as the citizens of Sudbury, for another year of excellent cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,
Betsey M. Powers, Town Clerk

Town Clerk's Financial Report

Lists of Persons	\$ 315.00
Maps	131.00
Bylaws	159.00
Voting Lists	28.00
Copies	79.50
Dog Fines	152.00
Town Clerk's Fees	2,093.40
Planning Board Rules	10.00
Building Codes	.50
Conservation Maps	5.00
Dog Licenses, 2,221 Licenses	6,713.65
Kennel Licenses, 13 Kennels	236.15
Total funds paid to Treasurer	<u>\$9,923.20</u>



1974-75 Juror List

Acker, Marie S.
 Adamson, Janet
 Allen, David S.
 Aufieri, Arthur E.
 Baer, Johanna
 Bagley, David A.
 Baldelli, Paul D. Sr.
 Baldi, Robert H.
 Bell, Richard O.
 Bisson, Joseph J.
 Bolster, Robert P. Jr.
 Boyd, Joseph B.
 Brescia, Philip M.
 Buckley, William J. Jr.
 Burke, E. James
 Catino, Theodore A.
 Cloutier, Blanche
 Cost, James F.
 Courtemanche, Donald M.
 Covitt, Arthur L.
 Cruikshank, Burleigh, Jr.
 Danburg, Elliot A.
 Davies, Thomas William
 Davis, Walter E.
 Distler, Robert C.
 Dunham, William R.
 Esquirol, Carol S.
 Fisher, Marie W.
 Fitzgerald, David S.
 Fleming, Harold C.
 Floyd, Josephine A.
 Franco, Vincent
 Fuller, Stewart H.
 Gardiner, A. Lucas
 Germanotta, Meribeth H.
 Grant, Francis H.
 Gregory, John G.
 Griggs, Lee R.
 Haartz, Frederick H.
 Haskell, Merton L.
 Herrick, John W.
 Hersey, Frederic T.
 Hertweck, Gerald
 Hines, Marjorie W.
 Holland, Kenneth

Holroyd, Herbert J.
 Hopkins, Beatrice P.
 House, James W.
 Huffman, Fred N.
 Irby, Thomas S.
 Kay, John N.
 Kennally, Evelyn J.
 Kern, John G. Jr.
 King, James L.
 Krieger, Richard
 LaGrassa, Frank P.
 Larsen, Julia B.
 Lennan, David R.
 Lettery, Joseph P.
 Lewis, Edward T.
 Long, Frederick A.
 Lucas, Frank D.
 Lucchesi, Joseph L.
 Lucey, Robert E.
 Mailhot, Otis J.
 Marchese, Guy A.
 Marckini, Robert J.
 Mariner, James S.
 Marino, John J.
 McGovern, John J.
 Meachen, John W.
 Melick, Roger
 Melnick, Michael E.
 Mills, Frederic Baker Jr.
 Morris, Frederick E. Jr.
 Morrissey, Robert A.
 Morrisson, Norman J. Jr.
 Morse, Gerald B.
 Morton, Samuel C. Jr.
 Moylan, John Daniel
 Myers, Benjamin
 Nelson, Alf E. F. A.
 O'Reilly, Shirley W.
 Ohman, Lars P.
 Ostroff, Edward D.
 Pacini, Elmo J.
 Papagan, Alex R.
 Perry, John B.
 Phelps, Earl E.
 Phillips, Richard E.

Poletti, George
 Potter, John H.
 Reade, Jean S.
 Rees, Anne E.
 Robins, R. David
 Robinson, Frederick O.
 Roche, Paul A.
 Schwenk, Harold S. Jr.
 Seymour, Herbert A.
 Shaw, Marguerite E.
 Sheehan, Philip J.
 Shulkin, Edward I.
 Siegel, Robert Alan
 Silva, John J.
 Skinnion, Joseph G.
 Stauffer, Franklin K.
 Stewart, Dean A.
 Stone, Gordon Eugene
 Stowbridge, Donald W.
 Strulowitz, Ronald M.
 Swanson, Carl E.
 Szarek, Joseph A.
 Szymczak, Richard S.
 Taskovics, Marton G.
 Taylor, John M. Jr.
 Terkelson, Albert G.
 Thomas, Edwin K.
 Thomas, Gordon C.
 Tyler, Clayton L.
 Voigt, Dietrich George
 Vowell, Caroline A.
 Wales, David M.
 Wallace, Louise A.
 Weathers, Brantley P.
 Wells, Ruth D.
 Wenckus, Alexander F. Jr.
 White, Paul W.
 Wilkinson, W. Robert
 Wilson, Quintus C.
 Wilson, Thomas W.
 Wright, Kent M.
 Wright, Lillian M.
 Wyman, Bruce C.
 York, Arthur H.

Births

JANUARY

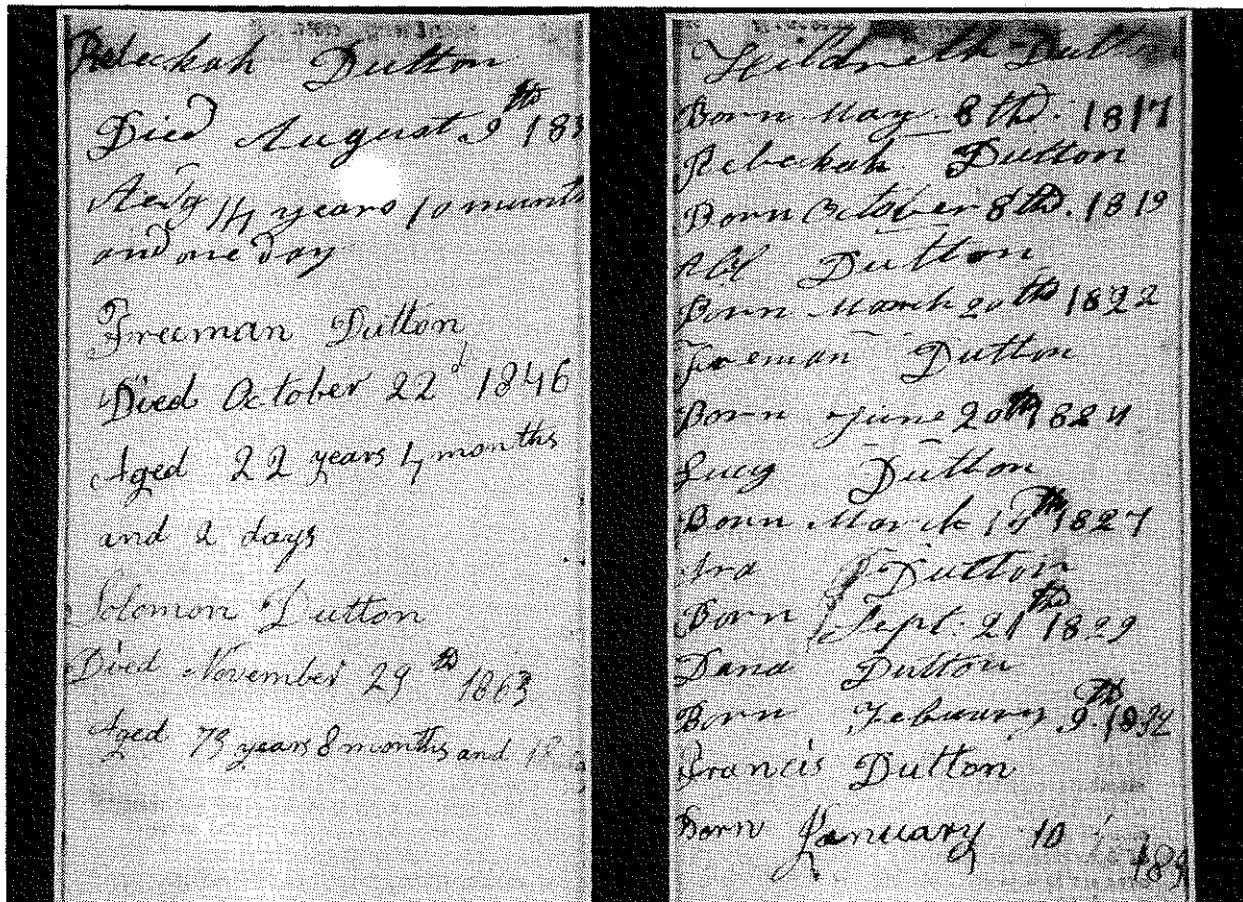
- 2 Mark Allan Whipple
Allan Courtney & Eunice Alden (Sanderson)
Whipple
- 8 Kerri Anne Crosby
Phillip Ashton & Suzanne Beth (Elinoff)
Crosby
- 9 Meredith Lisa Jones
Charles Rumford & Carol Ann (Slagter)
Jones, III
- 10 Michelle Lea Monnier
Alan Lee & Judith Marie (Mautz) Monnier
- 12 Trisha Jean Spaulding
Clifford Edward & Rhanelle Suzanne (Miles)
Spaulding
- 12 Jennifer Ann Moynihan
Mark Basil & Deborah Ann (Walsh)
Moynihan
- 14 Aaron Nathaniel Sigman
Daniel Jay & Suzanne (Estlinbaum) Sigman
- 16 Jeffrey McKinlay Bell
William McKinlay & Patricia Ann (Brunner)
Bell
- 18 Dianthe Munde Schroeder
David Atwood & Nancy Montgomery
(Warren) Schroeder
- 20 Samuel John Barrett
Alan John & Sarah Ann (Tierney) Barrett
- 21 Daniel Vincent Schirf
Vincent Edward & Kathleen Claire
(Goodhue) Schirf
- 24 Carrie Ann Rovner
Michael Alan & Barbara Leslie (Myers)
Rovner

- 26 Anna Kathleen Boak
Thomas Isaac Slack & Susan Kathleen
(Jones) Boak, III
- 27 Rachelle Stephanie Hecht
Norman Bernard & Mary Alice (Regnier)
Hecht
- 28 Margaret Luella Jacobi
Harold & Wendy (Crystal) Jacobi, III

FEBRUARY

- 3 Paige Alison Ruddy
John Michael & Cynthia Joan (Commons)
Ruddy
- 4 Kimberly Jean Segien
Herbert John & Betty-Jean (Biddy) Segien
- 5 Stacey Lynn Fraidin
Kenneth Stuart & Myra Adrienne (Kramer)
Fraidin
- 7 Emily Kathryn Guindon
Jean Henry & Helen Patricia (Johnson)
Guindon
- 10 Scott Allen Kapin
Stephen H. & Roberta Joan (Shaffer) Kapin
- 11 Jennifer Elizabeth Dubiel
Robert Stimpsom & Elizabeth Ringo
(Delbridge) Dubiel
- 13 Molly Beth Newman
Edward Emmet & Joanne Margaret
(Cavanaugh) Newman
- 18 Peter Michael George
David Phillip & Carol Ann (Pfeiffer) George
- 22 Nancy Elizabeth Roys
William B. & Phyllis W. (Rath) Roys

THE DUTTON FAMILY BIBLE listing births and deaths (Courtesy of Sheila MacKinnon).



- 26 Brant Francis Ballantyne
Richard Lee & Dolores Margaret (Vieira)
Ballantyne
- 27 Jill Allyn Glazer
Edward Louis & Patricia Sue (Miller) Glazer
- 28 Eric Andrew Gustafson
George Denis & Linda (Josephs) Gustafson

MARCH

- 6 Heather Anne Brown
James John & Kathleen Mary (Keegan)
Brown
- 6 Stephen Matthew Hogan
John Gerard & Nancy McGary (Edmondson)
Hogan
- 11 Frederick Charles Krumm
Charles Ferdinand & Patricia Louise
(Kosanke) Krumm
- 17 Justin Scott Albee
Peter Adams & Patricia Anne (Scott) Albee
- 19 Matthew Philip Goldman
Richard Lee & Roberta Marie (Jacobson)
Goldman
- 22 Jami Michelle McCabe
Kevin James & Linda Theresa (Corkery)
McCabe
- 22 Jeanne Elizabeth Goldfein
Arnold Jay & Kathleen Marie (George)
Goldfein
- 25 Scott William Rufus Firth
William Robert & Fernanda Sylvia (Johnson)
Firth
- 26 Nicole Joanna Digenis
Constantine John & Angelica Lela
(Minettas) Digenis
- 26 Amy Meggan Heinecke
Mark William & Kathleen Ellen (Harrington)
Heinecke
- 29 Katherine Elizabeth Patton
Thomas Rankin & Joyce Pamela (Goodwin)
Patton, III

APRIL

- 2 Lorena Alyce Levesque
Joseph Paul & Irene Lucille (Swajian)
Levesque
- 11 Tracy Anne Langmaid
Peter Squire & Rosemary Ann (Preeper)
Langmaid
- 11 John Joseph McEleny
John Joseph & Eileen Marie (Collins)
McEleny
- 15 Joanne Marie Filleul
Robert William & Marjorie Ann (Pocius)
Filleul
- 16 Karam Nath Maira
Ajit Nath & Lynn Harwood (Reindollar)
Maira
- 16 David Harris Delman
Alan & Judith Anne (Brenner) Delman
- 20 Christoper Thomas Lup
Charles Anthony & Dorothy Case (Matyis)
Lup
- 21 Gretchen Ann Schwamb
Lawrence Thomas & Margaret Esther
(Farquhar) Schwamb

MAY

- 3 Vanessa Alexandra Dodd
Richard Eugene & Elizabeth Ann (Devlin)
Dodd
- 4 Mark Douglas Arees
Edward Albert & Jane Carmichael (Ross)
Arees
- 8 Daniel Robert Peppercorn
Mark Allen & Margaret Tova (Bessin)
Peppercorn

- 21 Helene Amy Omansky
Leon Michael & Myrna Karen (Rubin)
Omansky
- 26 Robyn Hawley Loeckler
Bruce Paul & Katherine Sherman (Brown)
Loeckler
- 27 Alfred Porter Legro, III
Alfred Porter & Lois Ann (Gould) Legro
- 31 Daniel Reed Hill
Douglas Barry & Susan Reed (Breese) Hill

JUNE

- 5 Matthew Manuel Locsin
Nicholas Trott & Susan Florence (Cook)
Locsin
- 5 Steven Michael Rose
Robert Martin & Anita Sandra (Waldman)
Rose
- 11 William Adrian Byrd
William Bennett & Sheryl Ann (Hicks) Byrd
- 12 Amanda Jill Smith
Dennis Robert & Janette Evelyn (Scandale)
Smith
- 12 John Leo Green
James Joseph & Joan Marie (Liberacki)
Green
- 16 Mei-Lin Po
Hong & Aileen (Koe) Po
- 18 Cindy Ann Lupien
Mark William & Marie Frances (DeStafano)
Lupien
- 21 Deborah Ida Cane
David Andrew & Aleta Terry (Feinsod) Cane
- 21 Chad Justin Gumm
Richard Charles & Arlene Doris (Harteker)
Gumm
- 22 Deborah Lynne Wyman
Bruce Colgate & Kathleen Marie (Ambrose)
Wyman
- 25 Lisa Lamont Adams
James Caldwell & Cheryl Elizabeth (Hayes)
Adams
- 30 Suzanne Mara Peters
Harvey Richard & Frances Mina
(Blumenthal) Peters

JULY

- 1 Brandon John L'Herault
David John & Wendy Lee (Walker)
L'Herault
- 2 Richard Robert Johnston
David Thomas & Patricia Grace (Leary)
Johnston
- 15 Nicole Sadia
Robert Albert & Clara (Levy) Sadia
- 19 Jennifer Foxworth
Warren Hughes & Susan Jane (Stover)
Foxworth
- 19 Sara Gail Gardiner
Derek J. & Sandra Gail (Everitt) Gardiner
- 23 Matthew Peter Naylor
Peter Victor & Carol Ann (Poirier) Naylor
- 23 John Marshall Taylor, III
John Marshall & Patricia Louise (Gorton)
Taylor, Jr.
- 24 Danielle Hayden Bonin
Pierre Jean & Betsey Louise (Hayden) Bonin
- 31 Andrew Bernard Bourne
Mark Howard & Frances Ellen (Featherman)
Bourne

AUGUST

- 3 Emily Cutler
Roger Edward & Janet Gertrude (Huff)
Cutler
- 8 Elizabeth Anne Gainer
Mark Randall & Susan Elizabeth (Rice)
Gainer

- 9 Jennifer Beth Thome
George Durst & Sue Ann (Paxton) Thome
- 13 Noah David Lang
Alan Robert & Marjorie Lynn (Wattman)
Lang
- 14 Barbara Ann DeFranco
Joseph Christopher & Alice Marie (Brown)
DeFranco
- 17 Michelle Diane DeMent
Ralph Earle & Diane Barbara (Kaski)
DeMent
- 18 Penny Allison Feldstein
Michael Alan & Barbara Ellen (Fishman)
Feldstein
- 20 Erik Louis Hartenstein
Frederick Paul & Jean Christina (Ryer)
Hartenstein
- 22 Jay Ashley Canty
John Francis & Deanne Lee (Fibison)
Canty, Jr.
- 23 Danielle Nicole Hasterlik
Robert Leslie & Katherine Louise (Eaton)
Hasterlik
- 24 Kirsten Denise Moskowitz
Donald Allen & Elizabeth Ann (Jones)
Moskowitz
- 26 Kevin Francis Dolan
John Anthony & Maureen Ann (Shea)
Dolan, Jr.
- 30 William Leeds Burchard, III
William Leeds & Susan Ann (MacNeil)
Burchard, Jr.
- 30 Rebecca Lynn Goldman
Mark Barry & Naomi Fay (Chayes) Goldman

SEPTEMBER

- 1 Katherine Anne Nangeroni
Ambrose Ernest & Mary Linda (Cheney)
Nangeroni
- 2 Scott Andrew Morrissey
Robert Alan & Jane Ellen (Kelfer) Morrissey
- 3 Candice Samantha Fink
Albert Edward & Lois Yvonne (Caporaso)
Fink
- 4 Meredith Gayle Plansky
Marvin Stuart & Lois Paula (Slawitsky)
Plansky
- 5 Anne Rasile
Lorenzo & Karen Lynn (Davis) Rasile
- 8 Laura Estelle Kornegay
Wade Melvin & Bettie Joyce (Hunter)
Kornegay
- 16 Jeffrey Thomas Becker
Frederic Somers & Carolyn Jean (Tucker)
Becker
- 22 Rebecca Faith Devine
Joseph Albert & Ann Katherine (Carr)
Devine
- 27 Emily Elizabeth Reising
Paul Andreas & Priscilla (Blanchard)
Reising, Jr.
- 30 Louis Gregory Smith
William Harrison & Marcia Jean (Loomis)
Smith
- 30 Bevin Elizabeth Smith
William Harrison & Marcia Jean (Loomis)
Smith
- 30 Susannah Bothe
Albert Edward & Patricia Kelley (Hess)
Bothe, Jr.

OCTOBER

- 1 Danielle Sullivan
Joseph William & Pareicia Ann (Bruke)
Sullivan
- 3 Alan David Rosen
Herbert Charles & Lois Roberta (Katz)
Rosen

- 4 Derek Michael Ihnat
Dale Eugene & Sally Anne (Weeks) Ihnat
- 6 Peter Joseph Kovac
Michael George & Sharon Marie (Wagner)
Kovac
- 12 Lori Ann Moniz
Joseph Alfred & Donna Lee (Hickey) Moniz
- 15 Anne Byram Allison
William Robert & Cheryl Anne (Dunston)
Allison
- 17 Holly Young Coleman
Duncan William & Florence Judith (Young)
Coleman
- 17 Seth Whitney Granger
Whitney Alan & Jean (McInnis) Granger
- 18 Cory Elizabeth Pustaver
John Anthony & Cora Marie (Clark)
Pustaver, Jr.
- 19 Keith Richard Saulnier
Calvin Taft & Janet (Littlejohn) Saulnier
- 29 Ian Leslie Hammar
Paul Thomas & Christine (Snow) Hammar
- 30 Donna Marie Welch
Thomas Allen & Charlene Mary (Dubay)
Welch

NOVEMBER

- 1 Amy Lynn Duggan
Edward Dennis & Sandra Jean (Hart)
Duggan
- 1 Holly Jean Poor
David C. & Jean M. (Dowse) Poor
- 6 Jennifer Lynn Burke
James Frederick & Sara Carol (Caselle)
Burke
- 8 Heather Lynne Regan
Robert Stephen & Mary Jane (Griffin) Regan
- 12 Tracy Anne Stewart
James Francis & Susan Rose (Mingolelli)
Stewart, Jr.
- 15 Robert Polishan
Paul Frank & Gloria Ann (Sokolowsky)
Polishan
- 16 Charles Frederick Seybold
Charles Frederick & Nancy (Howell)
Seybold
- 17 Victoria Lynn Vitale
Michael Anthony & Sheila (Spiegler) Vitale
- 24 Daniel Navisky
David & Elsie (Simha) Navisky
- 26 Elizabeth Doyle Beatty
Paul Francis & Catherine Anne (Connolly)
Beatty
- 28 Laura Lynn King
James Edward & Marilyn Louise (Kane)
King, Jr.
- 30 Tobie Marie Murphy
Stephen Robert & Ann Marie (Perruccio)
Murphy

DECEMBER

- 4 Cara Jill Feinzig
Stuart Charles & Lynn Dorothy (Katoff)
Feinzig
- 9 Matthew Brandt Nestman
Chadwick Henry & Lane (Chambers)
Nestman
- 15 Stephen Russell Bergman
Richard Henry & Barbara Ann (Henderson)
Bergman
- 19 Jill Erin Swartz
Michael Stanley & Ann Leslie (Kaplan)
Swartz
- 21 Hilary Gayle Cohn
Randy Alan & Nancy Jane (Shooker)
Cohn

Marriages

JANUARY

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|----|--|----------------------------|
| 4 | Steven Frederick Arenstrup
Ada May Coates | Sudbury, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 5 | Daniel C. Bianchi, Jr.
Sandra M. Newman | Sudbury, MA
Lowell, MA |
| 13 | John T. Basbas
Linda M. Ruggiero | Sudbury, MA
Waltham, MA |
| 19 | Edwin J. Przybylinski
Cheryl J. Hicks | Sudbury, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 25 | Joseph F. Bonarrigo
Mgt. (McLaughlin) Rothman | Boston, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 26 | Shawn C. Kelley
A. Louise Polly | Sudbury, MA
Berlin, MA |

FEBRUARY

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|----|---|--------------------------------|
| 3 | William Patrick Blackmer
Ellen Margaret Kelleher | Springfield, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 15 | Wayne R. Manson
Pamela M. Hopkins | Abington, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 16 | Robert G. Devlin
Karen M. Britton | Sudbury, MA
Ashland, MA |

MARCH

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|---|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 9 | Paul E. Cowen
Barbara Caso | Marlboro, MA
Sudbury, MA |
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APRIL

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|----|--|---------------------------------|
| 6 | Francis L. Duford
Josephine C. West | Jacksonville, FL
Sudbury, MA |
| 6 | Richard Panetta
Ellen Dowey | Lincoln, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 20 | Mark R. Curran
Nancy J. Colantuono | Sudbury, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 27 | Edward James Machie
Mary E. (Foley) Possemato | Sudbury, MA
Marlboro, MA |
| 27 | William Leeds Burchard, Jr.
Susan Ann MacNeil | Belmont, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 29 | Stephen Paul Picone
Linda Marie Maffioli | Sudbury, MA
Watertown, MA |

MAY

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|----|--|-------------------------------|
| 4 | Daniel B. Robinson
Theresa E. Brigandi | Sudbury, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 11 | Peter Charles Robbins
Martha Eileen Curran | Natick, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 12 | Joseph A. Bonk
Linda Raeke | Acton, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 17 | Paul A. Fiandaca
Jill A. Witkowski | Sudbury, MA
Framingham, MA |
| 17 | Leigh A. Westlake
Linda Parsons | Saugus, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 17 | Frederick David Jansky
Diane Frances Anderson | Littleton, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 19 | Lawrence R. Hicks
Mary C. Sattler | Sudbury, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 25 | Lawrence C. Shepard
Susan J. Amadon | Burlington, VT
Sudbury, MA |
| 27 | Michael Gagarin
Donna Dean Carter | Austin, TX
Sudbury, MA |

JUNE

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|---|---|-----------------------------------|
| 1 | Peter C. Johnson
Donna Margaret Cato | Sudbury, MA
Marlborough, MA |
| 1 | Robert Waino Fagerlund
Mary Ellen Zuzgo | Sudbury, MA
W. Springfield, MA |
| 1 | David E. Thibeault
Janet M. Turnesa | Weymouth, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 1 | Joseph Hart Clausen
Candice Joan Welch | Stmbt. Sprgs, CO
Sudbury, MA |
| 8 | Verell Dean Boen
Lucinda P. Chandonait | Acton, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 8 | Dominic Daniel Schiavo
Susan Reel Couch | Sudbury, MA
Manchester, NH |
| 8 | Michael Jonathan Linn
Ellen Wilson Kelly | Boston, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 9 | Kenneth D. Anderson
Ann Marie Nava | Sudbury, MA
Watertown, MA |



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|----|---|--------------------------------|
| 9 | Donald Francis DeAngelis
Elaine Marie Varriale | Arlington, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 9 | Ronald G. Adolph
Jane (Deitz) Kopelman | Sudbury, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 10 | Kenneth D. Anderson
Ann Marie Nava | Sudbury, MA
Watertown, MA |
| 15 | William Bradley Nahikian
Janet Louise Prouty | Sudbury, MA
Wayland, MA |
| 23 | Yale M. Schiffman
Nancy E. (Perry) Littlewood | Hull, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 23 | Michael David Kring
Margaret Ann Publicover | Wallingford, CT
Sudbury, MA |
| 23 | Peter David Gatti
Ann Catherine Morisi | Sudbury, MA
Longmeadow, MA |
| 23 | John Cialdea
Marie Catanzaro | Sudbury, MA
Everett, MA |
| 29 | Warren F. Carroll, III
Sandra Belanger | Sudbury, MA
Springfield, MA |
| 29 | Daniel Anthony Sauro
Sheila Ann Waldsmith | Natick, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 29 | William J. A. Bonwitt
Sandra Jean Austin | Sudbury, MA
Boston, MA |
| 29 | Andrew Paul Barki
Patricia Ann Ackroyd | Sudbury, MA
Sudbury, MA |

JULY

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|----|---|---------------------------------|
| 5 | John M. Barry
Gloria Marcheterre | Sudbury, MA
Hudson, MA |
| 6 | Ernest C. Trimper
Helen (Fletcher) Priest | Sudbury, MA
Groton, MA |
| 13 | Vladimir Kenn
Jane (Lavallee) Beale | Sudbury, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 14 | Kenneth E. Horton
Dolores V. (Melesky) Ebner | Sudbury, MA
Gaithersburg, MD |
| 20 | Hannu A. Wolin
Linda E. Battista | Sudbury, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 20 | Frank Jeffrey Maurer
Janice Marie Dempsey | Concord, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 21 | Steven Paul Lottatore
Sondra Helene Rush | Sudbury, MA
Framingham, MA |
| 21 | Paul Boyer, Jr.
Susan Shellmer | Wenham, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 26 | Ajoy Banerjee
Marie Munroe | Framingham, MA
Sudbury, MA |
| 26 | Frederick Creager
Claire (Sullivan) Wigandt | Malden, MA
Sudbury, MA |

27 James N. Lombardi Sudbury, MA
 Lisa M. Shaw Westboro, MA

AUGUST

3 Clifford S. Marsh Sudbury, MA
 Jacqueline I. Bianchi Sudbury, MA
 4 Peter K. Zimmerman Tucson, AZ
 Carol E. Wilson Sudbury, MA
 10 Ronald O. Christman Lowell, MA
 Mary M. Sharkey Sudbury, MA
 10 Scott S. Menard Rolling Meadow, IL
 Linda J. Stearns Sudbury, MA
 11 Lawrence W. Cook Natick, MA
 Lena M. (Pizza) Foster Sudbury, MA
 17 Peter Leonard Lynch Sudbury, MA
 Madeline A. Gatti Sudbury, MA
 24 Peter Max Bernhardt Essex Junction, VT
 Edith Dale Jacobs Sudbury, MA
 24 Steven John Gillig Sudbury, MA
 Linda Christine Legere Sudbury, MA
 24 Anthony D'Amato Sudbury, MA
 Gail A. Woodworth Marlboro, MA
 25 William M. Waldsmith Sudbury, MA
 Lori (Sarristo) Durand Marlboro, MA
 31 Steven Hugh Dubin Sudbury, MA
 Mary Elizabeth Speicher Sudbury, MA
 31 Ralph William Bobnis Maynard, MA
 Roberta E. (Kalilainen) Daniels Sudbury, MA
 31 Donel Burgess Roberts, Jr. Sudbury, MA
 Elizabeth Lee Concord, MA

SEPTEMBER

7 Richard Eric Bloomfield Wellesley, MA
 Adele Laura Thompson Sudbury, MA
 7 William Russell Whiting, Jr. Sudbury, MA
 Victoria Anne Stansel Sudbury, MA
 7 Gerard Joseph Cormier Westland, MI
 Donna Elaine Jackson Sudbury, MA
 14 Wayne V. Clark Sudbury, MA
 Mika Muyng Canada Roxbury, MA
 14 Irving W. Place Sudbury, MA
 Christine M. Parfenuk Sudbury, MA
 22 Kevin Kane Mikoski Sudbury, MA
 Bonnie Hope Barclay Woodbury, VT
 26 Stuart Michael Wiles Sudbury, MA
 Laurilyn Jean Dinsmore Framingham, MA
 28 Sydney Thompson Framingham, MA
 Barbara Lombardi Sudbury, MA
 28 Harold R. Sawyer, III N. Conway, NH
 Karen A. Murphy Sudbury, MA

OCTOBER

3 James A. Campanile, Jr. Worcester, MA
 Linda (Knoff) Jateff Sudbury, MA

5 Richard W. Phillips Hopkinton, MA
 Karen D. Pynn Sudbury, MA
 12 Joseph P. O'Loughlin Sudbury, MA
 Donna J. Malonson Sudbury, MA
 12 John A. Giknis Schenectady, NY
 Elaine R. Gendreau Sudbury, MA
 12 David P. Spury Marlboro, MA
 Sylvia L. Stern Sudbury, MA
 13 Claude W. Royal Sudbury, MA
 Virginia L. Nolen Sudbury, MA
 19 Stephen Wayne Kinsman Marlboro, MA
 Frances Janine Combs Sudbury, MA
 19 Philip Brescia Sudbury, MA
 Patricia Marie Rozelle Marlboro, MA
 19 Michael J. Kempster Sudbury, MA
 Loy K. (Lawson) Johnson Sudbury, MA
 19 Robert C. DeLorie Sudbury, MA
 Ann Marie Bartoshevich Newton, MA
 26 Thomas R. Irvin Sudbury, MA
 July M. Kronoff Holden, MA
 27 Fred Robert Saul Waltham, MA
 Barbara Jean Lackenbauer Sudbury, MA
 27 Bruce G. Daniels Sudbury, MA
 Carole (Jacobs) Tiep Framingham, MA

NOVEMBER

2 Joseph C. Saia Framingham, MA
 Mary Ann Arciero Sudbury, MA
 15 Graham Clark Sudbury, MA
 Elaine Cannon Waltham, MA
 16 Mark DiRienzo Natick, MA
 Suzanne DiMatteo Sudbury, MA
 23 Stephen Edwin Reid Stratham, NH
 Patricia Ann Parrott Sudbury, MA
 29 Chester J. Legere Sudbury, MA
 Joan Ann (Foster) Colpitts Sudbury, MA

DECEMBER

1 William W. Winter, Jr. Sudbury, MA
 Paula Marie Wiencus Sudbury, MA
 7 Andrew C. Sims Sudbury, MA
 Vicky L. Miller Wayland, MA
 7 Douglas R. Hall Stow, MA
 Judith (Wright) Smith Sudbury, MA
 13 John F. Brown Natick, MA
 Anne Marie L. Gerlach Sudbury, MA
 14 William A. Brier Sudbury, MA
 Margaret Nelpi Marlboro, MA
 27 H. Michael Brown Sudbury, MA
 Ellen L. Holroyd Sudbury, MA
 28 Bruce Donald Campbell Gloucester, MA
 Ann Griswold Sudbury, MA



BRIGHT IDEAS FOR ENERGY CONSERVATION are displayed by Noyes students from the Hines-Uebelach team.

DEATHS

January

5	Laura B. (Stackhouse) White	87	0	4
10	Dorothy Linden	74	11	11
17	Clyde E. Stircland	85	6	5

February

6	Mary F. Wheeler	79	5	6
9	Jerzy W. Jakubowicz	56	2	30
12	Ethel (Greenwood) Walker	80	8	30
20	James P. Gill	58	7	27
21	Harriet (Cox) Bailey	63	5	14
22	Auguste (Erlenborn) Hanow	89	6	11
23	Mary E. (McCarty) Smith	85	1	22
25	Charles Oliver Pengra	82	11	5
25	Charles F. O'Brien	23	3	14

March

7	Ellen (Andersson) Sjostedt	91	10	13
18	Abbey (Fuller) Graham	97	7	8
26	Alice M. (Gullison) Raymond	94	0	9
28	Eva M. (Adams) Puis	80	9	14
31	George Brian Lynch	45	11	2

April

5	Robert L. Stevenson	93	5	8
9	Mary E. Murphy	75	9	0
11	Grace S. (Nathan) Peterson	80	5	14
12	Caterina Mobilia	90	2	4
12	Donald K. Pelkey	63	0	4
13	Albert Paine Everts	86	8	7
13	Cecil John A. Yorke	67	9	28
17	Georgina A. (Wheeler) Greenawalt	80	2	20
18	Roberta Victoria LaCroix	73	3	8
19	Felix Phillip Nichols	58	0	19
21	Angelina (Huard) Deneault	86	0	0
21	Sheila Flynn	0	4	0
23	Rose (Burke) Flint	62	4	9
26	Ramona (Whittier) Calkins	88	6	19
26	Concetta LaGrassa	92	0	0

May

4	Anna Long	92	0	0
7	Concetta LaGrassa	92	0	0

16	Ethel Cutter (Rogers) Sharp	78	8	16
22	Josephine M. (LeBlanc) Poor	86	0	27

June

2	Mary C. Falzone	25	4	9
10	Janet (Roony) Wigandt	69	0	0
14	Paul D. Johnson	18	6	6
15	Josephine E. Walsh	81	6	7
17	Barbara (Bain) Hellman	70	11	17
18	Audrey (McCarthy) Smith	47	9	17

July

5	Edna I. Chadsey	84	7	11
9	Carl Warren Smith	80	3	16
20	John Varriale	16	5	18

August

2	Tracey L. Capbell	11	5	10
9	Elizabeth McGillicuddy	78	5	16
14	Alan Dempster	24		
23	Maria Kozak	88	11	13
29	George William Angell, Jr.	51	4	28

September

2	Olive Warren Cunningham	77	10	16
13	Toivo E. Peltonen	61	0	2
20	Ernest William Nelson	78	7	15
23	Anthony Caruso	57		
30	Lillian E. (Anderson) Maggs	80	2	0
30	Harriet O. (Harris) Laird	72	4	4
30	Frank J. McDonough	87	8	11

October

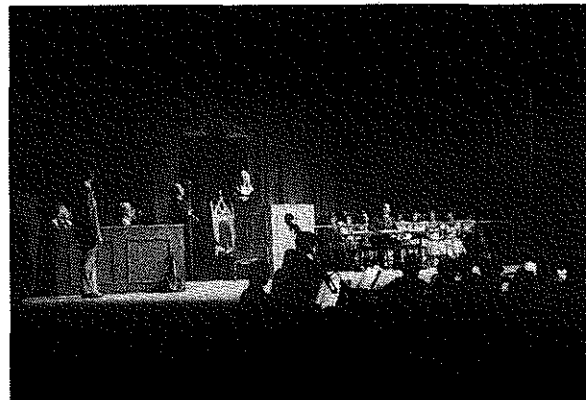
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11	Lois Kesell Lapidis	47	1	13
19	Nicholas M. Streeter	2		1
21	Eugene L. Rosata	66	2	25

November

18	Philena A. (Parker) Bartlett	91	5	21
19	Louisa (Harrison) Benzie	88	2	1
20	Edward H. Presbrey	88	3	21
25	Joseph H. Forest	68		

December

3	Anna B. (Derrah) Burris a/k/a A. Beatrice (Derrah) Burris	80		16
25	Stephen Minot Weld Gray	81	10	15
31	David Gallerani	18	7	10



SUDBURY SAVOYARDS hit a high note in their production of TRIAL by JURY (Vic Neumeier photo).

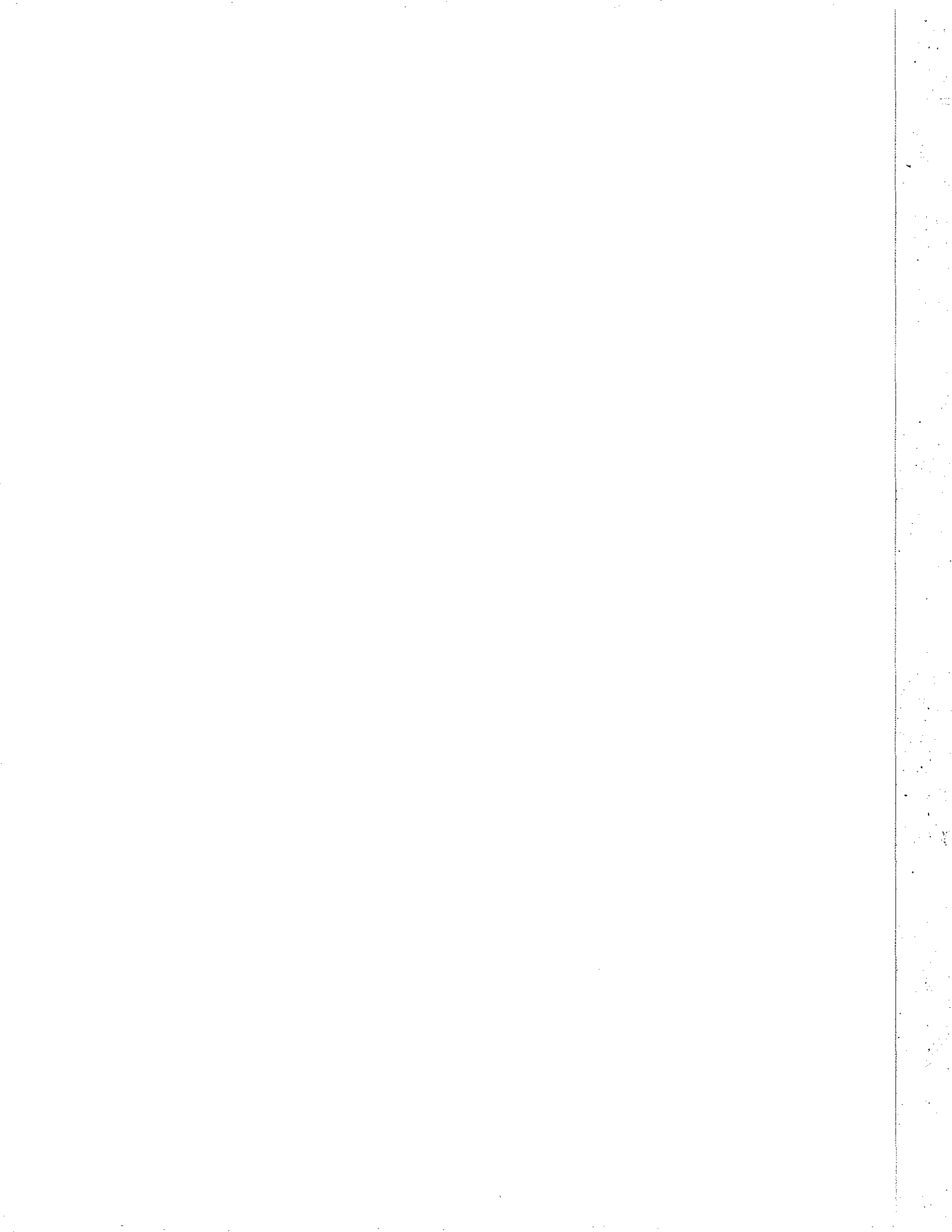
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DF	Defeated
IP	Indefinitely Postponed
WITHD.	Article Withdrawn



ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

March 25, 1974

The Annual Town Election was held at the Peter Noyes School with the polls open from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. There were 2018 votes cast including 32 absentee ballots (Precinct 1 - 4; Precinct 2 - 8; Precinct 3 - 3; Precinct 4 - 17). Twenty voting machines were used. The precinct results were announced by the Precinct Clerks, and the total results were announced by Town Clerk Betsey M. Powers at 9:50 P.M.

	<u>Pct. 1</u>	<u>Pct. 2</u>	<u>Pct. 3</u>	<u>Pct. 4</u>	<u>Total</u>
MODERATOR: For One Year					
Frank R. Sherman	260	381	394	521	1556
Blanks	76	126	122	138	462
SELECTMAN: For Three Years					
William F. Toomey	237	347	375	491	1450
Blanks	99	160	141	168	568
ASSESSOR: For Three Years					
Norman R. Gillespie	149	223	208	271	851
Frank H. Grinnell	178	272	287	368	1105
Blanks	9	12	21	20	62
TAX COLLECTOR: For Three Years					
Isabelle K. Stone	264	395	409	558	1626
Blanks	72	112	107	101	392
TREASURER: For Three Years					
William E. Downing	254	372	386	540	1552
Blanks	82	135	130	119	466
TOWN CLERK: For Three Years					
Betsey M. Powers	269	393	413	549	1624
Blanks	67	114	103	110	394
CONSTABLE: For Three Years					
Barbara A. Herrick (write-in)	30	73	61	73	237
Scattering	0	7	0	5	12
Blanks	306	427	455	581	1769
GOODNOW LIBRARY TRUSTEE: For Three Years (Vote for Two)					
June R. Atwood	241	330	333	463	1367
Sylvia M. Throckmorton	215	313	344	481	1353
Blanks	216	371	355	374	1316
BOARD OF HEALTH: For Three Years					
John J. Healy	250	364	377	503	1494
Blanks	86	143	139	156	524
PLANNING BOARD: For Five Years					
Eben B. Stevens	246	343	366	497	1452
Blanks	90	164	150	162	566
SUDBURY SCHOOL COMMITTEE: For Three Years					
Alfred C. Cron	229	346	358	474	1407
Blanks	107	161	158	185	611

	<u>Pct. 1</u>	<u>Pct. 2</u>	<u>Pct. 3</u>	<u>Pct. 4</u>	<u>Total</u>
BOARD OF PARK AND RECREATION					
COMMISSIONERS: For Three Years (Vote for Two)					
John E. Murray	187	309	320	440	1256
Robert E. Grant (write-in)	28	38	66	45	177
Scattering	1	1	0	1	3
Blanks	456	666	646	832	2600
HIGHWAY COMMISSION: For Three Years					
John C. Hare	227	331	333	454	1345
Blanks	109	176	183	205	673
SUDBURY HOUSING AUTHORITY: For Five Years					
Robert B. Williams	208	322	333	441	1304
Blanks	128	185	183	218	714
LINCOLN-SUDBURY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE: For Three Years (Vote for Two)					
Henry M. Morgan	65	113	94	163	435
Richard F. Brooks	163	237	296	370	1066
Lawrence Bussey, Jr.	93	165	171	190	619
Richard H. Davison	251	370	331	464	1416
Blanks	100	129	140	131	500

(NOTE: Members of the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional School District School Committee were elected on an at large basis pursuant to the vote of the Special Town Meeting of October 26, 1970, under Article 1 and subsequent passage by the General Court of Chapter 20 of the Acts of 1971. The votes recorded above for this office are those cast in Sudbury only.)

A True Record, Attest:

Betsy M. Powers

Betsy M. Powers
Town Clerk

1974 FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

One of the major purposes of the Annual Town Meeting is to establish a financial plan for the Town government and the local and regional school systems. The next budget covers from July 1, 1974, through the 12-month period ending June 30, 1975. As in the 18-month budget, which is the basis of our current operations, this new fiscal budget has no precedent. It was necessary, therefore, to exercise great care in both the preparation and review of the budgets.

The Assessors will establish our local tax rate sometime after Town Meeting by dividing the net cost of all projects and services by the total Town evaluation. (The net cost is based on total cost less State aid, Federal revenue sharing, free cash, etc.). A table of your tax dollars required to pay for each service is printed on page i [Proceedings, page 159] of your Warrant. It is estimated that each \$163,000 voted adds \$1 to your tax rate--an additional dollar for each \$1,000 of assessed evaluation of your property. Thus, if your house is valued by the Assessors at \$50,000, \$1 on the tax rate adds \$50 to your tax bill for the 1974-1975 fiscal year.

This is a critical tax year for the Town of Sudbury. The Finance Committee has recommended \$304,353 reductions in the budgets submitted on a priority basis and \$871,400 reductions in the articles proposed. We, also, in consultation with the Town Treasurer, have recommended bonding where large, long term capital projects are involved. As of February 15 our estimated tax rate is \$51.06, if you support our recommendations at the Annual Town Meeting. Additional information, including more accurate data on State aid (an important component) will be available by Town Meeting and a revised estimate will be presented orally at that time.

Your Finance Committee has voted and recommended specific amounts for each budget line item. These are the amounts that we think Sudbury should spend. These recommendations represent our best judgment of the need and desirability, measured against the cost and our expectations of results. Further, if these amounts are approved by you, we believe the boards and departments involved must make every effort to live within these budgets and should not expect relief via a transfer from the Reserve Fund.

Columns of expenses in comparable prior periods are shown in this Warrant for your comparison. This time the financial data are presented in a fiscal year format.

We have, as required by the Bylaws, presented recommendations for each article of the Warrant, even if dollars are not involved. Unfortunately, many Warrant articles are little more than general concepts when submitted to or by the Selectmen in December, with specific development following--all the way up to the actual motion on the Town Meeting floor in April. We obtain available information at our hearings, and through further direct investigation. Then, we develop our written recommendations as of a February 15 press date.

The Finance Committee was established by State law as an independent board with no operational responsibilities or political interests. The nine members of the Finance Committee are appointed by the Moderator for three-year overlapping terms. Our major function is to inform and advise the Town; we are also obliged to "consider all articles of Town Meeting Warrant and report our recommendations to you".

We work for you and have taken this responsibility seriously. An estimated total of more than 1,000 hours have been devoted by the members of your Finance Committee in preparing recommendations on the budget and the articles before you. We hope and trust that you will find our recommendations and comments helpful in making informed votes at the Annual Town Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger H. Bender
 Ronald L. Blecher
 Karl E. Clough
 Peter V. DeGeorge (resigned)
 John Drum

Carolyn J. Edwards
 John J. Hennessy
 Frank T. LeBart, Chairman
 S. William Linko

IMPACT OF THE ESTIMATED 1974/75 TAX RATE ON YOUR WALLET

ITEM	AMOUNT	YOUR TOTAL ASSESSED VALUATION			
		\$5,000	\$10,000	\$25,000	\$50,000
100 SCHOOLS					
SUDBURY	\$3,885,000	\$119.17	\$238.34	\$595.85	\$1,191.71
LSRHS	2,894,465	88.54	177.02	442.46	884.86
MMRVTHS	192,503	5.90	11.81	29.53	59.00
USE OF SCHOOLS	13,000	.40	.80	2.00	4.00
200 DEBT	643,209	19.73	39.50	98.75	197.50
300 PROTECTION	905,640	27.77	55.54	138.86	277.73
400 HIGHWAY	810,707	24.82	49.63	124.07	248.13
500 GOVERNMENT	333,687	10.23	20.46	51.15	102.30
600 LIBRARY	109,842	3.37	6.74	16.85	33.69
700 PARKS & RECREATION	103,600	3.20	6.40	16.00	32.00
800 HEALTH	65,393	2.00	4.00	10.00	20.00
900 VETERANS	11,700	.36	.72	1.80	3.60
950 UNCLASSIFIED	457,025	13.99	27.97	69.93	139.84
ARTICLE 5 HIGHWAY	AVAIL. FUNDS	--	--	--	--
ARTICLE 8 SEPTIC SYSTEM	2,500	.08	.16	.40	.80
ARTICLE 11 WHITMAN LAND	CONS. FUND	--	--	--	--
ARTICLE 12 DAVIS-EDISON LAND	4,600	.12	.24	.60	1.20
	(Down Payment)				
ARTICLE 29 BUS	25,000	.75	1.50	3.75	7.50
ARTICLE 31 WALKWAY	32,000	1.00	2.00	5.00	10.00
	(Down Payment)				
ARTICLE 35 HIGHWAY	2,000	.05	.10	.25	.50
ARTICLE 36 HIGHWAY	8,000	.20	.40	1.00	2.00
ARTICLE 37 HIGHWAY	3,000	.07	.15	.38	.75
ARTICLE 38 HIGHWAY	2,000	.05	.10	.25	.50
ARTICLES 39 & 40 DRAINAGE	5,000	.15	.30	.76	1.52
	(Down Payment)				
ARTICLE 44 LSRHS	NO PAYMENT	--	--	--	--
ARTICLE 45 REFUSE DISPOSAL	6,008	.18	.37	.92	1.84
ARTICLE 47 SEPTAGE	30,000	.92	1.84	4.60	9.20
ARTICLE 50 HAYNES HOUSE	15,000	.46	.92	2.30	4.60
ARTICLE 56 FIRE & POLICE	25,000	.77	1.53	3.83	7.67
OTHER APPROPRIATIONS	192,000	5.89	11.78	29.45	58.90
<u>LESS OTHER RECEIPTS</u>	<u>(2,441,854)</u>	<u>(74.90)</u>	<u>(149.80)</u>	<u>(374.52)</u>	<u>(749.03)</u>
TOTAL TAX BILL	\$8,336,025	\$255.26	\$510.52	\$1,276.22	\$2,552.31

ESTIMATED SUDBURY 1974-75 TAX RATE

(Prepared by the Finance Committee)

DEPARTMENT	2/3 OF 18 MONTH APPROPRIATION	1974-75 RECOMMENDATION	INCREASE	% INCREASE	% TOTAL
SCHOOLS					
Sudbury	\$3,767,290	\$3,885,000	\$117,710	3.1	37.4
LSRHS	2,441,364	2,894,465	453,101	18.1	27.8
MMRVTHS	81,243	192,503	111,260	136.9	1.8
Community Use	13,868	13,000	- 868	- 6.2	.1
DEBT	649,963	643,209	- 6,754	- 1.0	6.1
PROTECTION	889,062	905,640	16,578	1.8	8.7
HIGHWAY	708,784	810,707	101,923	14.1	7.8
GOVERNMENT	287,802	333,687	45,885	15.8	3.2
LIBRARY	96,499	109,842	13,343	13.8	1.0
PARKS & RECREATION	85,614	103,600	17,986	21.0	1.0
HEALTH	57,525	65,393	7,868	13.7	.6
VETERANS	11,568	11,700	132	1.0	.1
UNCLASSIFIED	384,348	457,025	71,509	18.6	4.4
	\$9,474,930	\$10,425,771	\$949,673	9.9	100.0
Special Articles Recommended		160,108			
Estimate of Classification Increases		70,000			
Estimate of Overlay & Assessments		122,000			
Gross Estimated Appropriation		\$10,777,879			
Less Estimated Receipts (Net)		1,194,427			
Less Free Cash		300,000			
Less Highway Receipts & Offsets		137,515			
Less Governmental Receipts		509,912			
Less Overlay Surplus		100,000			
Less Revenue Sharing		200,000			
		2,441,854			
TOTAL TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION		\$ 8,336,025			
Tax Rate Based on \$163,000,000 Assessed Valuation			\$51.14		

PROCEEDINGS
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
April 1, 1974

The Moderator called the meeting to order at 8:00 P.M. at the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School Auditorium. He announced that a quorum was present.

He recognized the Reverend Michael E. Boardman of the First Parish Church of Sudbury, Unitarian, for the purpose of delivering the invocation.

At the request of the Moderator, consent was given for Mrs. Georgia Ireland, Regional Director of the National Revolutionary War Bicentennial Administration, and for Representative Ann C. Gannett, to address the hall.

Mrs. Ireland was recognized for the purpose of making a presentation to the Town of a Bicentennial flag and a certificate of recognition. She stated that there was a challenge made to about 40,000 governmental entities across the United States of America to become Bicentennial Communities. Today, 700 communities have met that challenge. Sudbury was the fifth in the State of Massachusetts to be so recognized and its bicentennial community program is one of exemplary proportion. She then congratulated the Town and presented the flag and certificate to Mr. John C. Powers, Chairman of the Sudbury Bicentennial Committee.

Representative Gannett was then recognized and presented to the Town a check for \$4,000.00 for Heritage Park.

Mr. Powers thanked Mrs. Ireland and Representative Gannett on behalf of the inhabitants of the Town and the Bicentennial Committee. He stated that the check represented 10% of the first grant of Federal funds to the State for Bicentennial programs and that Sudbury had done rather well.

The Moderator then led the citizens in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

He announced that the amount of free cash, available funds, was \$333,506.00, as certified by John H. Wilson, Town Accountant. He also stated that he had examined the call of the meeting and the officer's return of service and had found them both in order

*VOTED: TO DISPENSE WITH THE READING OF THE CALL OF THE MEETING AND
THE OFFICER'S RETURN OF SERVICE AND TO WAIVE THE READING OF
THE SEPARATE ARTICLES OF THE WARRANT.*

The Moderator announced that, under the Bylaws of the Town, he and the Town Clerk required that all motions of more than five or so words be reduced to writing and that interleaved carbon sets were available for that purpose. He also announced that the Consent Calendar had been handed out at the door, and that it would be the first order of business tomorrow night.

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to hear, consider, and accept the
Hear reports of the Town boards, commissions, officers, and committees
Reports as printed in the 1973 Town Report or as otherwise presented,
or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

Finance Committee Report: (Mr. Frank T. LeBart)

An estimated total of more than 1,000 hours have been devoted by the members of your Finance Committee in preparing recommendations on the budgets and articles before you.

One of the major purposes of the Annual Town Meeting is to establish a financial plan for Town government and the local and regional school systems. The next budget covers from July 1, 1974, through the twelve-month period ending June 30, 1975. This is the first of our budgets to be prepared on the new fiscal year format as required by State statute. It was necessary, therefore, to exercise great care in both the preparation and review of budgets.

As we looked at the total proposed costs, to you as the taxpayers of the Town, of all budgets and articles as originally submitted and contemplated what had to be done to present a reasonable financial plan, the problem reminded me of the phrase attributed to Winston Churchill: "An enigma, within a dilemma, wrapped up in a riddle".

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This is a very critical year for Sudbury. We must hold the line on expenses. We cannot do all that was proposed originally in budgets and articles. If we did, our tax rate would soar from the present \$49.50, adjusted recently to \$48.00, to \$65.55, an increase of more than 32%. And this, of course, would be superimposed on top of an increase of \$6.00 on the tax rate last year from \$43.50 to \$49.50, an increase of nearly 14%.

There are two summary tables in your Warrant which we hope you will find helpful. The first appears opposite the Finance Committee Report on page roman numeral i, [Proceedings, page 159], near the front of your booklet. You may wish to refer to that page now. This shows the impact of each major budget category and each article recommended for approval by the Finance Committee on your tax bill at four levels of assessed valuation.

You will note that the total amount to be raised by taxation is \$8,336,025, as indicated at the bottom of the first column. You will also note that the line above that total, labelled "Less Other Receipts", indicates that the impact on your tax rate is reduced by receipts totalling \$2,441,854.

On page roman numeral iii, [Proceedings, page 160], towards the bottom of the page, we show a breakdown of these receipts:

Less estimated receipts (Net)	[Cherry Sheet]
State Aid	\$1,194,427
Less free cash	300,000
Less highway receipts & offsets	137,515
Less governmental receipts (motor vehicle excise, fines, licenses, etc.)	509,912
Less overlay surplus (previously set aside by Assessors to cover abatements, refunds, uncollected taxes, etc.)	100,000
Less (Federal) Revenue Sharing	<u>200,000</u>
Total:	\$2,441,854

These receipts, we should caution, are estimates. The amounts anticipated for State Aid and Federal Revenue Sharing are especially subject to change. These amounts ultimately will be determined by the Governor and the State legislature and by the Federal government. They are beyond our direct control.

Last year, for example, there was a significant and unanticipated decrease in State Aid. As a result, all 351 communities in Massachusetts, including Sudbury, were caught short in their estimates. This caused our tax rate to increase more than anticipated.

As a result of last year's experience, we asked the Town Accountant to exercise great care, based on the best information he can obtain, in preparing these estimated receipts. We believe they are careful, responsible estimates which tend to be on the conservative side. Therefore, total receipts should equal or exceed the \$2,441,854 shown here.

The upper portion of the table on roman iii [page 160] provides you with a comparison of two-thirds of the eighteen-month budget with the Finance Committee's 1974-75 budget recommendations. The next two columns indicate the dollar and per cent increase of each budget sector and the final column shows the percentage that each budget category represents of the total. You will note that the total overall increase for the budget is 9.9%, as shown at the bottom of the fourth column--in spite of our best efforts to urge and request rigid cost control.

Our budget recommendations for 1974-75 are as shown in the second column. These are based on recommendations for reductions totalling \$304,353.

The Finance Committee Report which appears on pages roman ii and iii [page 158] indicates that each \$163,000 voted by you at this Annual Town Meeting amounts to \$1.00 on your tax rate. Due to the increase in total Town valuation recently announced by the Board of Assessors, \$164,548 is now equivalent to one dollar on your tax rate. If your house is assessed at \$25,000, this amount adds \$25 to your 1974-75 fiscal year tax bill.

The "monied" articles as originally submitted totalled \$2,410,508. We are recommending approval for thirteen of the monied articles. A summary of these articles, together with their impact on the tax rate, is shown on roman i [page 159]. The articles recommended for approval amount to a total of \$1,786,108, of which \$372,000 is expected to be reimbursed. This represents a reduction of \$624,400 over the original submissions, not including reimbursement.

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In terms of the financing of the articles, we are recommending the following:

Direct appropriation	\$ 131,108
From available funds	215,000
To be bonded	<u>1,440,000</u>
Total:	\$1,786,108

A word now about bonding. We would prefer to stay on a pay-as-you-go basis --both philosophically and in terms of the economics. Bonding, in the long run, costs us all more money. As indicated in the table on page roman iiii [page 160], our debt service payments on both interest and principal, will cost us \$643,209 or 6.1% of our total budget.

However, of this total debt, 95% is for school projects and only 5% is for municipal purposes. This underlines the high priority we have placed on schools and education and reflects the school population boom experienced by Sudbury.

There are now encouraging signs that the school growth is levelling off. This suggests that this is the right time to place a higher priority on other long-term community needs.

Now, bonding, while not as attractive in some ways as pay-as-you-go financing, does have some advantages. And the Puritan ethic notwithstanding, bonding is not amoral nor a mortal sin. Most of our citizens here tonight have mortgages on their houses and bonding for a municipality is quite similar.

One advantage to bonding is that it permits you to make long-term capital purchases at a time when the need or priority is the greatest. A second is that you buy with today's dollars and, if the present inflationary spiral continues, you pay back tomorrow with cheaper dollars. Thus, to cite two examples, we can build a new police-fire headquarters at a time when it is needed at less cost and we can buy open land for parks and recreation and conservation purposes at a time when open land is still available and at a reasonable price.

The bonding we are proposing will add approximately one dollar to your tax rate next year as debt service and will gradually decrease over the next ten years. In terms of legal limit, the school debt is excluded from consideration which means that our present legal debt is \$153,400 compared with a permissible level of \$8.2 million.

Two final points on our overall financial plan. We are recommending the use of \$300,000 of free cash and the use of \$100,000 from overlay surplus to the Finance Committee Reserve Fund. The latter action will reduce your tax rate by that amount.

Last year we of the Finance Committee stated: "The key issue, as we see it, is the need for Sudbury to take a more aggressive approach to planning and land management. We need a comprehensive plan designed to influence the Town's growth in a positive manner."

We continue to believe that this is the key issue for the Town and have reconfirmed our position in a formal vote. Accordingly, we have made only one major exception to our policy of recommending no increase in Town personnel, and that is our support of the Planning Board's recommendation for a full-time planning administrator. We believe that this is a sound move, consistent with the Town's highest priority need.

If you follow our recommendation on budget and the "monied" articles and other aspects of our total financial plan, your tax rate will be about \$51.00 compared with the current rate of \$49.50.

This represents about a 3% increase compared with inflation of 7-8%. (Incidentally, the tax rate is estimated at \$51.06 on page roman ii [page 158] and at \$51.14 on page roman iiii [page 160]--all of which underlines the apparent impact of inflation--that's 4 cents per page). Seriously, we believe an estimate of \$51.00 is about right, in any event.

As you look at the previous year comparisons shown in the budgets in Article 4, keep in mind that the Warrant indicates 1972 and 1973 expenses in terms of impact on the tax rate. In the case of some boards and committees, two notable examples, the Highway Commission and Park and Recreation, there are seasonal expenditures patterns which make comparisons with the 1974-75 fiscal year somewhat misleading. Please be assured, however, that we have considered this factor in our recommendations.

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As you know, our printed recommendations in the Warrant were made as of our press date of February 15. Some of those comments will require amplification, clarification or repetition. In several cases, new information has been developed since our press date. For these reasons, we feel it necessary to report orally on several of the articles and budget categories; but to expedite Town Meeting, we plan to limit our comments to as few as possible.

Board of Selectmen Report: (Mr. John C. Powers)

Your Board of Selectmen, as the chief administrative board in the Town of Sudbury, believes that it has the responsibility of advising you at the threshold of this town meeting of our view of the state of your Town government. With your help and support, we have commenced a strong program in conjunction with other towns and State-wide organizations to assure that our State government will meet its financial responsibilities to the towns. Already, in response to such pressure, the Governor has endorsed a multi-million dollar program to assure proper reimbursement. Our re-evaluation suit is soon to go to trial with a key decision due apparently in late summer.

But, if we are to ask State government to be responsible, we must do the same thing here ourselves. We can only achieve responsible government and a reasonable fiscal balance if we address ourselves to the development of a planned, integrated program of governmental action. We believe that it is time to recognize that the Town is entitled to be presented with a unified program - a program that will have within it an agreed consensus of priority which aims at balance and which is keyed to a balanced program of capital expenditures, a program which will not be keyed just to one year, but which will allow you, the taxpayer, to have some confidence in the present and future tax demands of your government. We can no longer afford to present to you each year a disorganized scramble of new programs and projects which have been unanticipated even in the year before, which are hurriedly and often sketchily prepared, which are not coordinated with the activities of other Town boards and departments, but, most especially, which are unrelated to a balanced fiscal program.

We are not minimizing the importance or desirability of any given project. We are certainly not minimizing the sincerity and dedication of any of our hard working, dedicated boards and commissions. Nor do we blame them or ourselves for doing what has been customary.

But, the time has come to mend our ways and improve our product. It is time for our boards and committees to remember the old sailor's adage, "One hand for yourself, and one for the ship", and lend one hand to their special interest and one to their Town. We have, with your help, made a strong start in the development of a key professional staff whose specialized training has aided in the vast improvement of management of line operations, uniform fiscal planning and inter-departmental coordination. Good management saves money and improves product, provided it is properly supported in fiscal program.

We call your attention to the fact that housing starts in Sudbury are at their lowest point in a decade. We further advise you that the increase in population is the lowest since 1953. We believe that this situation, based upon the general economy, will be with us for at least one and probably two more years. The importance of this respite is that it should allow us the proper opportunity to hold on many large special project articles in favor of accomplishing an overall integrated capital program for the ensuing years which is in the best interests of the Town.

In the light of these comments, the Selectmen are making certain recommendations to you on items within the 1974 Warrant. You will find these in your hand-out, which also indicates whether the position represents the unanimous or a majority opinion of the board. We will take the requisite action under the various line items.

No new departmental programs are recommended in line with our enforced guidelines. We will move to postpone indefinitely any special article that has not been part of the on-going, long range, capital expenditure program of the Town, which would contribute to impacting this and future tax rates. In short, we are asking your support to send these articles back to the planning process so that they may be properly evaluated, not merely on their individual merit, but in the light of overall program.

We support the Planning Administrator as essential to the process we have urged upon you. Sudbury can no longer afford to bring new major zoning and land use articles before you without a coordinated land use plan which reflects the economics of the Town and also general support of its government and its people.

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We differ from our friends on the Finance Committee in that we only recommend bonding for projects previously planned and reported in the Long Range Capital Expenditures report. With an annual carrying cost of \$833,000 for bonding alone, we believe that we must exercise extreme care in bonding practices particularly in a high interest market. We must develop a coordinated plan for bonding policies particularly in view of the major capital programs which are headed our way, such as septage, sewage, and highway reconstruction. Now is not the time to use bonding for items which normally would fall into regular expenditure categories.

Our request for additional funds in line items reflects the collective bargaining agreements and items to continue present needed levels of departmental operation and services. Again, we urge your support for a program that will keep tax increases at a minimum and that will allow for continuation of vital services. You will note that our estimated tax impact is exactly the same as the Finance Committee's - \$51.00.

Above all, we urge upon you that you, in your actions at this meeting, reflect your desire as well as ours, to insist upon a much higher quality of planning, development, coordination and balance than we have had in the past.

The Moderator stated that it has become traditional within the past few years to recognize for the purpose of making a motion under Article 1, someone who has served us for many years, and who will soon be leaving our service. Such a man is the one I am about to recognize. He has served as a member and chairman of the Planning Board. He has served as Building Inspector, Wiring Inspector and Fire Chief of the Town. If you add up all his years of service to Sudbury, in all of his various capacities, you would come very close to fifty or sixty years. For the motion under Article 1, the Moderator recognized Chief Albert St. Germain.

Chief St. Germain received a standing ovation from the hall prior to making his motion.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: THAT THE TOWN ACCEPT THE REPORTS OF THE TOWN BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES AS PRINTED IN THE 1973 TOWN REPORT, SUBJECT TO THE CORRECTIONS OF ERRORS IF AND WHEN FOUND.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to amend Article XI of the Town Bylaws, entitled: "The Personnel Administration Plan", by striking out the Classification Plan and Salary Schedule therein and by replacing it with the following:

Personnel
Bylaw:
Salary Plan
Art. XI

REVISED CLASSIFICATION PLAN AND SALARY SCHEDULE

As of March 26, 1974

CLASSIFICATION	HRS PER	START	STEP 1	STEP 2	STEP 3	STEP 4
	WEEK					
<u>CLERICAL</u>						
<u>ANNUALLY RATED</u>						
Administrative Secretary	35	\$ 7,746	\$ 7,969	\$ 8,195	\$ 8,423	\$ 8,648
Assistant to Town Clerk	35	7,746	7,969	8,195	8,423	8,648
Principal Clerk	35	6,900	7,110	7,359	7,544	7,753
Senior Clerk	35	6,206	6,400	6,672	6,814	7,020
Junior Clerk	35	5,439	5,646	5,840	6,047	6,236
<u>HOURLY RATED</u>						
Senior Part-time Clerk		3.18	3.29	3.42	3.54	3.68
Junior Part-time Clerk		2.51	2.62	2.72	2.81	2.92
<u>FIRE DEPARTMENT</u>						
<u>ANNUALLY RATED</u>						
Fire Chief		INDIVIDUALLY RATED - \$20,000				
Fire Captain	42	\$11,959	\$12,258	\$12,565	\$12,871	\$13,206
Fire Fighter	42	9,721	9,966	10,217	10,463	10,736
<u>SINGLE RATE</u>						
Call Fire Fighter		\$47.19 per year and \$4.54 per hour				
Shift Replacement						
Fire Fighter		10-hour shift - \$35.95				
Fire Fighter		14-hour shift - \$49.44				

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CLASSIFICATION	HRS PER WEEK	START	STEP 1	STEP 2	STEP 3	STEP 4
<u>POLICE DEPARTMENT</u>						
<u>ANNUALLY RATED</u>						
Police Chief		INDIVIDUALLY RATED - \$20,000				
Sergeant	37 1/3	\$11,651	\$11,945	\$12,250	\$12,550	\$12,818
Patrolman	37 1/3	9,908	10,159	10,418	10,672	10,902
<u>SINGLE RATE</u>						
Administrative Assistant				\$ 600	per year	
Fingerprint Officer				\$ 600	per year	
Juvenile Officer				\$ 300	per year	
Safety Officer				\$ 300	per year	
Provisional Patrolman (Temporary Civil Service)				\$ 8,526	per year	
Police Woman (School Traffic Duty)				\$ 36.65	per week	
Police Matron				\$ 3.02	per hour	
<u>HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT</u>						
<u>ANNUALLY RATED</u>						
Highway Superintendent		INDIVIDUALLY RATED - MAXIMUM \$21,000				
Asst. Highway Superintendent		INDIVIDUALLY RATED - MAXIMUM \$14,300				
Foreman - Highway	45	\$11,172	\$11,469	\$11,768	\$12,087	\$12,384
Foreman - Tree & Cemetery	45	11,172	11,469	11,768	12,087	12,384
<u>HOURLY RATED</u>						
Mechanic	45	4.23	4.43	4.63	4.85	5.04
Heavy Equipment Operator	45	3.87	4.04	4.22	4.35	4.54
Tree Surgeon	45	3.87	4.04	4.22	4.35	4.54
Truck and/or Light Equipment Operator	45	3.54	3.68	3.83	3.99	4.11
Tree Climber	45	3.54	3.68	3.83	3.99	4.11
Laborer (Heavy)	45	3.21	3.31	3.45	3.59	3.72
Laborer (Light)	45	2.53	2.63	2.74	2.84	2.97
<u>LIBRARY</u>						
<u>ANNUALLY RATED</u>						
Library Director		INDIVIDUALLY RATED - \$13,000				
Children's Librarian	35	INDIVIDUALLY RATED - \$ 7,700				
Asst. Library Director	35	\$ 8,307	\$ 8,637	\$ 9,074	\$ 9,532	\$10,011
Reference Librarian	35	7,988	8,307	8,722	9,159	9,617
Librarian Assistant	35	6,206	6,400	6,672	6,814	7,020
<u>HOURLY RATED</u>						
Asst. Children's Librarian		3.51	3.67	3.83	4.05	4.26
Librarian Asst., part-time		3.17	3.29	3.41	3.55	3.68
Junior Librarian Asst.		2.18	2.32	2.41	2.51	2.60
Library Page		1.60	1.70	1.81		
<u>PARK & RECREATION DEPARTMENT</u>						
<u>HOURLY RATED</u>						
Assistant Recreation Director (Swimming)		3.54	3.68	3.83	3.99	4.11
Recreation Maintenance Supervisor		3.54	3.68	3.83	3.99	4.11
Assistant Recreation Director (Playground)		3.25	3.38	3.51	3.66	3.77
College Work Study Counselor		2.92	3.04	3.15	3.29	3.43
Swimming Instructor		2.92	3.04	3.15	3.29	3.43
Playground Supervisor		2.62	2.72	2.81	2.95	3.01
Assistant Swimming Instructor		2.32	2.41	2.51	2.60	2.72
Playground Leader		2.32	2.41	2.51	2.60	2.72
Wading Pool Leader		2.32	2.41	2.51	2.60	2.72
<u>SINGLE RATE</u>						
Recreation Director				\$ 4,473	per year	
<u>TOWN ADMINISTRATION</u>						
<u>ANNUALLY RATED</u>						
Executive Secretary		INDIVIDUALLY RATED - MAXIMUM \$24,000				
Town Accountant		INDIVIDUALLY RATED - MAXIMUM \$15,500				
Town Engineer/Surveyor		INDIVIDUALLY RATED - MAXIMUM \$18,500				
Building Inspector & Zoning Enforcement Agent		INDIVIDUALLY RATED - MAXIMUM \$15,500				
Director of Health		INDIVIDUALLY RATED - MAXIMUM \$17,000				
Junior Civil Engineer	40	\$10,678	\$11,098	\$11,541	\$12,007	\$12,494
Building Services Coord.	40	9,291	9,526	9,763	10,000	10,250
Assistant Dog Officer		6,900	7,110	7,359	7,544	7,753

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CLASSIFICATION	HRS PER WEEK	START	STEP 1	STEP 2	STEP 3	STEP 4
<u>TOWN ADMINISTRATION</u>						
<u>HOURLY RATED</u>						
Senior Engineering Aide		4.13	4.30	4.47	4.65	4.84
Junior Engineering Aide		3.26	3.40	3.54	3.67	3.82
Student Engineering Aide		2.58	2.68	2.79	2.90	3.01
Custodian		3.18	3.29	3.42	3.55	3.68
Custodian (part-time)		2.51	2.62	2.72	2.81	2.95
<u>SINGLE RATE SCHEDULE</u>						
Veterans Agent & Director						\$ 1,405 per year
Animal Inspector						405 per year
Custodians of Voting Machines						3.83 per hour
Census Taker						3.09 per hour
Election Warden						3.09 per hour
Deputy Election Warden						3.09 per hour
Election Clerk						3.09 per hour
Deputy Election Clerk						3.09 per hour
Election Officers & Tellers						2.94 per hour
Plumbing Inspector						75% of established permit fees

Submitted by the Personnel Board.

[Note: This article as it appears above was distributed prior to the first session of the Annual Town Meeting. The article as it appeared in the Warrant for the 1974 Annual Town Meeting is on file with the Town Clerk. For further action on this article re the Police Department and the paragraphs of the Classification Plan and Salary Schedule covering working hours, overtime and longevity, see page 301 in these Proceedings.]

Mr. Anthony M. Fredella of the Personnel Board *moved that the Town amend Article XI of the Town Bylaws, entitled: "Administration Plan", by striking out the Classification Plan and Salary Schedule therein and replacing it with the language contained in the handout distributed to each voter at the door, entitled: "Revised Classification Plan and Salary Schedule, As of March 26, 1974."*

Personnel Board Report: (Mr. Fredella) We regret that it had to be done in this manner. However, the collective bargaining is not yet completed, and it is impossible to tell you exactly what the impact is going to be as far as the changes in the Classification Plan and Salary Schedule. What we have attempted to do is to show you that, in fact, the Classification Plan and Salary Schedule will be increased. As of right now, the best figure we have is 6.5% and that is the figure that is contained in the handout sheet that you have now. When the Warrant went to press, the figures were 5%. I dare say that the 6.5% may not be the final figure as well. It is just to show you that there will be an impact, and we hope it will be about 6.5%.

Finance Committee Report: (Mr. John J. Drum) The Finance Committee recommends approval of this article.

Town Counsel Report: It is the opinion of Town Counsel that if the Bylaw amendment proposed in Article 2 in the Warrant for the 1974 Annual Town Meeting is properly moved, seconded and adopted by a majority vote in favor of the motion, it will become a valid amendment to the Sudbury Bylaws.

Mr. Richard E. Thompson, Executive Secretary, then *moved that that portion of the Classification Plan and Salary Schedule entitled: "Police Department", in Article 2 be laid on the table.*

Mr. Thompson stated that we are still negotiating with the Police Department, and we feel that this is the most equitable manner in which to handle the matter.

As a further explanation of the motion to table, Mr. Powers, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, stated that under the State law, we are required to collectively bargain with the representatives of the various unions. Unless and until we complete the bargaining situation, we have an open door problem in front of us. We have reached conclusive arrangements with all of the unions involved, with the exception of the Police Department.

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After the first of July, under State law, all matters of negotiation are subject to compulsory arbitration, and the results of compulsory arbitration will be an assessment upon the Town. Our concern is that, in the last period we have before the effective date of that act, we can conclude the negotiations with the one remaining union. We are simply asking the people of the Town to give us an extra week or so that we think will be necessary to bring it to a final conclusion, and, one way or the other, you may rest assured that this meeting will be given a figure to vote on.

VOTED: THAT THAT PORTION OF THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN AND SALARY SCHEDULE ENTITLED, "POLICE DEPARTMENT" IN ARTICLE 2 BE LAID ON THE TABLE.

After discussion, it was

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN AMEND ARTICLE XI OF THE TOWN BYLAWS ENTITLED, "ADMINISTRATION PLAN" BY STRIKING OUT THE CLASSIFICATION PLAN AND SALARY SCHEDULE THEREIN AND REPLACING IT WITH THE LANGUAGE CONTAINED IN THE HANDOUT DISTRIBUTED TO EACH VOTER AT THE DOOR, ENTITLED, "REVISED CLASSIFICATION PLAN AND SALARY SCHEDULE, AS OF MARCH 26, 1974."

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to amend Article XI of the Town Bylaws, entitled: "The Personnel Administration Plan", as follows:

Personnel

Bylaw:

Employee

Benefits

Art. XI

A. By amending Section 7. by adding the following provision at the end of sub-section (8):

"The Town may recognize courses or degrees taken or granted prior to employment with the Sudbury Police or Fire Department if the same are approved by the chief of the respective department and the Personnel Board. In making a determination hereunder the chief and Personnel Board shall consider the professional appropriateness of the prior courses or degree. The decision of the Personnel Board shall be final."

B. By amending sub-section (3) in Section 7. to read as follows:

"(3) Vacation. A permanent full-time employee with at least five months continuous service shall be entitled to paid vacation during the first calendar year of employment in accordance with the following schedule:

<u>First Year of Employment</u> <u>Date of Employment</u>	<u>Paid Vacation</u> <u>Entitlement</u>
January or February	2 weeks
March through July	1 week
August through December	None

After the first year of employment, vacation entitlement shall be based on the years of continuous service completed on the anniversary of date of employment, as follows:

<u>Years of</u> <u>Continuous Service</u>	<u>Vacation Entitlement</u>
1 through 6 years	2 weeks
7 through 12 years	3 weeks
13th year and over	4 weeks

Vacation entitlement may not be carried forward from one anniversary year to the next. Leave granted for temporary military service may not be charged against an employee's vacation without his consent.

A part-time employee with regularly scheduled working hours shall be eligible for a paid vacation after each 12 consecutive months of employment as follows: such employee shall be entitled to two weeks vacation and shall be paid in an amount equal to 1/26th of the pay for his regularly scheduled work during the previous 12 months.";

or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Personnel Board.

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Personnel Board Report: (Mr. Fredella) Section A as written in your Warrant involves a clarification of the present Bylaw. At the present time, there is a career incentive program for Police and Fire, and if they take certain approved courses, they are entitled to a certain increase in their salary. We found, however, that there was not anything to cover the situation where an individual has previous courses, or a previous degree, prior to coming into Town, and we had no way of knowing whether or not we are entitled to pay him for that.

In order to clarify it, and to make it a uniform policy, we would allow credit for those courses and those degrees only if they received approval of the Personnel Board and the head of the department.

The matter is, however, now a matter of collective bargaining, and we understand that it is the position of some that perhaps it should not properly be before this Town Meeting. However, we feel that we would like to know what this Town feels about it. Do they want us to give prior approval to courses and degrees when a man enters the department? That is why it is before you now.

Finance Committee Report: (Mr. Drum) The Finance Committee recommends approval of this article.

Mr. Fredella was then recognized for a further explanation of Section B of Article 3 as follows: We found that there were some individuals who were hired in the beginning of a given year and, under the present Bylaw, they are not credited with any of the time up until December 31st of that same year since their vacation entitlement starts on a calendar year basis. We felt that that was unfair. If a man starts on July 1st, his anniversary date should govern his vacation entitlement, and not the calendar year basis. In order to prevent any duplication of vacations in the next twelve months, the language as you see it before you was added whereby the department head will determine whether or not there are inequities.

Town Counsel Report: It is the opinion of Town Counsel that if the Bylaw amendment proposed in Article 3 in the Warrant for the 1974 Annual Town Meeting is properly moved, seconded and adopted by a majority vote in favor of the motion, it will become a valid amendment to the Sudbury Bylaws.

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN AMEND ARTICLE XI OF THE TOWN BYLAWS ENTITLED, "THE PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION PLAN", AS FOLLOWS:

- A. *BY AMENDING SECTION 7. BY ADDING A NEW PROVISION AT THE END OF SUB-SECTION (8) TO READ AS PRINTED IN ARTICLE 3 OF THE WARRANT FOR THIS MEETING.*
- B. *BY AMENDING SUB-SECTION (3) IN SECTION 7. TO READ AS PRINTED IN ARTICLE 3 IN THE WARRANT FOR THIS MEETING EXCEPT THAT THE TABLE ENTITLED, "YEARS OF CONTINUOUS SERVICE", SHALL BE AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:*

<u>YEARS OF CONTINUOUS SERVICE</u>	<u>VACATION ENTITLEMENT</u>
AFTER 1 YEAR THROUGH 6 YEARS	2 WEEKS
AFTER 6 YEARS AND THROUGH 12 YEARS	3 WEEKS
AFTER 12 YEARS	4 WEEKS

AND THE FOLLOWING SHALL BE ADDED AT THE END THEREOF: "DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR 1974 AND DURING THE FIRST 12 MONTHS THAT THIS BYLAW REVISION IS IN EFFECT THE DEPARTMENT HEADS SHALL MAKE ADJUSTMENTS TO VACATION ENTITLEMENT SO THAT THE CHANGE FROM A CALENDAR YEAR TO AN ANNIVERSARY YEAR BASIS FOR VACATION ENTITLEMENT SHALL NOT RESULT IN INEQUITIES FOR TOWN EMPLOYEES IN THE TOWN OF SUDBURY.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, the following sums, or any other sum or sums, for any or all Town expenses and purposes, including debt and interest, to fix the salaries of all elected officials and to provide for a Reserve Fund, all for the fiscal year July 1, 1974, through June 30, 1975, inclusive, in accordance with the following schedule, which is incorporated herein by reference, or act on anything relative thereto.

Budget

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100 EDUCATION: 110 SUDBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

	EXPENSES 1972	EXPENSES 1973	REQUESTED 1974-5	RECOMMENDED 1974-5
(pupils)	(3250)	(3551)	(3400)	
1100 School Committee	3,151	3,425	3,660	3,660
1200 Supt. Office	90,778	99,430	101,026	101,026
<u>1000 ADMINISTRATION TOTAL</u>	<u>93,929</u>	<u>102,855</u>	<u>104,686</u>	<u>104,686</u>
2200 Principals	188,827	211,325	226,380	226,380
2300 Teachers	1,979,259	2,169,832	2,252,984	2,252,984
2400 Textbooks	28,990	26,011	24,542	24,542
2500 Library	42,598	57,705	59,130	59,130
2600 Audio-Visual	29,723	30,913	35,060	35,060
2700 Guidance	88,844	104,586	123,950	123,950
2800 Pupil Personnel	18,673	214,884	308,437	308,437
<u>2000 INSTRUCTION TOTAL</u>	<u>2,376,914</u>	<u>2,815,256</u>	<u>3,030,483</u>	<u>3,030,483</u>
3100 Attendance	200	200	200	200
3200 Health Services	47,586	59,190	63,010	63,010
3300 Transportation	196,393	224,833	230,080	230,080
3400 Food Services	10,998	20,869	22,221	22,221
3500 Student Activities	2,011	2,440	2,605	2,605
<u>3000 OTHER SERVICES TOTAL</u>	<u>257,188</u>	<u>307,532</u>	<u>318,116</u>	<u>318,116</u>
4100 Operation	261,427	250,450	298,375	298,375
4200 Maintenance	69,713	92,325	98,723	98,723
<u>4000 OPER. & MAINT. TOTAL</u>	<u>331,140</u>	<u>342,775</u>	<u>397,098</u>	<u>397,098</u>
7300 Acquisition	36,604	11,780	17,242	17,242
7400 Replacement	6,366	8,302	7,175	7,175
<u>7000 EQUIPMENT TOTAL</u>	<u>42,970</u>	<u>20,082</u>	<u>24,417</u>	<u>24,417</u>
<u>9000 TUITION</u>	<u>8,281</u>	<u>9,200</u>	<u>10,200</u>	<u>10,200</u>
<u>TOTAL BUDGET</u>	<u>3,110,431</u>	<u>3,597,700</u>	<u>3,885,000</u>	<u>3,885,000</u>
Community Use of Buildings	3,779	13,000	13,000	13,000

Mr. Roger H. Bender of the Finance Committee *moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$3,885,000.00, to be expended under the direction of the Sudbury School Committee for all items in Account 100, Education, 110 Sudbury Public Schools, in Article 4.*

Finance Committee Report: The Finance Committee supports this budget request. The School Committee has made an effort to hold down expenses, but cost reductions anticipated because of lower school population and absence of the extra one time payment of July-August salaries were compensated for by the inflationary effect of salaries, increased cost of heating, utilities and paper, and new requirements for special education required by law. Recommend approval.

Mr. Alfred C. Cron of the Sudbury School Committee *moved that the appropriation for Item 100-110 in Article 4 be amended to \$3,901,500.00.*

School Committee Report: (Mr. Cron) The amendment is in the amount of \$16,500. We have a contractual item called longevity which is paid every year as part of our contract. Last year it amounted to \$16,500. When the budget was put together in its final form, there was unfortunately a set of brackets around that number, and it was deleted from the total. We believe the \$16,500 is an error in the budget and that is why we are asking for the amendment.

The overall budget, we believe, is reasonably tight. The Superintendent pared it. We started out with a budget that was some \$100,000 above what we are currently asking for. The School Committee then pared it down to the number you see printed in the Warrant.

We have several items of major impact in the budget this year. One is the State law which will change in September under Chapter 766. It is a programmatic change, a revision of the special education program. It is a direction in which we have been moving for years, but it tends to accelerate it. It costs the Town of Sudbury for that program about \$86,000.

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In addition, we have seen severe fuel increases. Last year we were paying \$4.24 a barrel. The last oil delivery we had was \$16.22. We hope that fuel will go down. If it continues at that rate, we will be about \$70,000 in the hole.

The Finance Committee will present an article before you later on to increase the Reserve Fund to cover such contingencies. We would support that and have not put it in the budget.

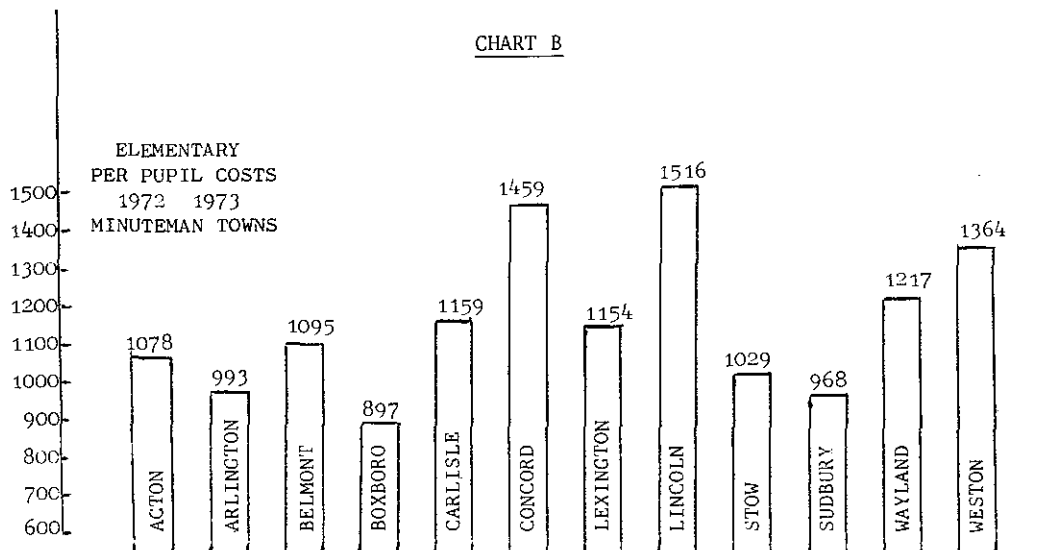
We, as well as the rest of the Town departments, are in collective bargaining. We have gone through mediation. The end result of that mediation and the settlement for this year was ratified by the Teachers' Association this afternoon. That settlement is also in excess of what we are carrying in the budget by about \$42,000. We are going to attempt to make some programmatic changes to cover that deficit.

Under collective bargaining it is getting harder and harder each year to show some educational return for the dollars expended, and our major problem is to show some return to the children for the dollars. The Town settlements that were voted earlier are around 6.5% on the salary schedule. The school settlement is about 6% on the salary schedule. We think it is a reasonable settlement although we would like to see it lower and see more dollars go toward a return to the children.

CHART A
PER PUPIL COSTS

YEAR	\$ PER PUPIL	PUPILS
1972-1973	\$ 950	3551
1973-1974	\$ 1038	3466
1974-1975	\$ 1147	3400

This chart is the per pupil cost for the new type of year, from the first of July to the end of June each year. We are facing a slowly decreasing population in the elementary schools. We anticipate that will slowly continue. We have a contracting school population, and we will have reduction in force to follow, except, however, the per pupil cost tends to rise a little more rapidly than we can contract.



We tried to compare where we are in respect to surrounding towns. The ones I picked for comparison happen to be the vocational district, the towns of Acton, Arlington, Belmont, Boxboro, Concord, Carlisle, Lexington, Lincoln, Sudbury, Stow, Wayland and Weston.

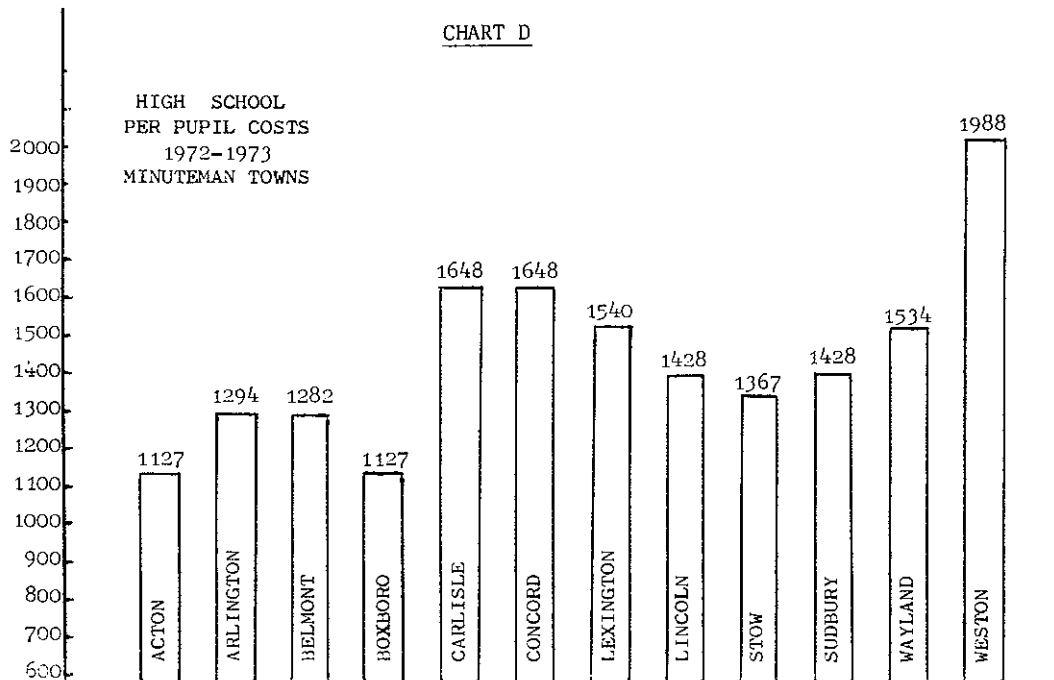
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CHART C

MINUTEMAN TOWNS COMPARATIVE DATA

	1972-73 Equalized Valuation/ School Attending Child	1973 Tax Rate Equalized	School Tax Rate Equalized	Average Gross Income/Pupil
ACTON	25,080	51.98	32.74	6,643
ARLINGTON	34,645	52.82	26.78	22,169
BELMONT	51,140	45.57	22.21	29,948
BOXBORO	29,345	36.00	23.50	6,651
CARLISLE	29,536	53.76	38.94	12,177
CONCORD	37,990	50.49	34.55	12,402
LEXINGTON	31,306	58.63	43.05	17,953
LINCOLN	42,735	51.68	30.98	20,191
STOW	23,059	52.50	36.74	6,288
SUDBURY	30,156	49.50	34.03	8,292
WAYLAND	30,607	57.40	36.00	17,823
WESTON	62,422	37.72	23.91	30,966

This chart shows the same towns as the previous one and gives on the left the equalized valuation per school age child. It turns out we are not the lowest but we are down near the bottom end. That is a measure of ability to pay. On the equalized school tax rate, we do not fare too badly. Weston, of course, with its spectacular tax base, is \$23.91. Sudbury is at \$34.00. Lincoln does a little better, as do Boxboro, Belmont and Arlington. The average gross income per pupil in 1970 is shown in the last column. Sudbury is one of the poorer towns on that measure. We are quite aware of the difficulty of paying for schools.



This chart shows that when we compare ourselves with those high schools, we are beat out by Concord-Carlisle and the Town of Weston. Sudbury sits quite near the top of the rest.

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I have looked at most of the towns in the vocational district, and the ratio of elementary costs to high school costs is essentially 1.3 to 1. In this Town, the ratio is 1.5 to 1. If you assume the ratio should be 1.3 to 1, either our budget is \$600,000 too low, or the Regional budget is \$700,000 too high. I do not think either extreme is correct.

Mr. Eugene L. Naegele, on behalf of the Sudbury Taxpayers' Association, then *moved that the Town vote to commit the Sudbury Public School Budget back to the Sudbury School Committee for the purpose of considering a reduction in their requested amount of \$3,901,500 by approximately \$131,000, and to request that Committee to present the results of their consideration to the session of this 1974 Annual Town Meeting which convenes one week from today at which session the Committee's presentation shall be the first item in order of business.*

The Moderator stated that he would recognize a pre-arranged speaking order consisting of Mr. Naegele and Mr. Ira M. Potell for the Sudbury Taxpayers' Association, and that they would have a total of fifteen minutes between them.

Mr. Naegele: The question always comes up in these school budgets as to what is a reasonable school cost and how can you tell when the budget is going up excessively and what can the taxpayer do about it. Town Counsel has explained to us that one of the things we cannot do is to vote it down completely. However, the motion to commit is legal. It merely asks them to reconsider and asks if they could save us some money.

How do you measure what is a reasonable cost for schools. As a taxpayer, I might just look at the tax impact, but that really is not quite fair because the number of pupils changes every year. We all hear a lot today about unit pricing and in the case of schools unit pricing is called the per pupil cost.

CHART E

	<u>PER PUPIL COSTS</u>		
	<u>1972</u>	<u>1973</u>	<u>1974-75</u>
"TOTAL" BUDGET	3,110,431	3,597,700	3,885,000
÷ NUMBER OF PUPILS	3250	3551	3400
= PER PUPIL COST	\$957	\$1013	\$1144
PER CENT INCREASE	$100 \times \frac{1013 - 957}{957} = +6\%$		
	$100 \times \frac{1144 - 1013}{1013} = +13\%$		

NOT THE WHOLE STORY!

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SCHOOL BOND INTEREST	144,718	127,963	102,830
PRINCIPAL, SCHOOLS	435,000	435,000	435,000
SUBTOTAL	579,718	562,963	537,830
<u>ACTUAL BUDGET</u>	3,690,149	4,160,663	4,425,830
<u>ACTUAL PER PUPIL</u>	\$1135	\$1172	\$1302

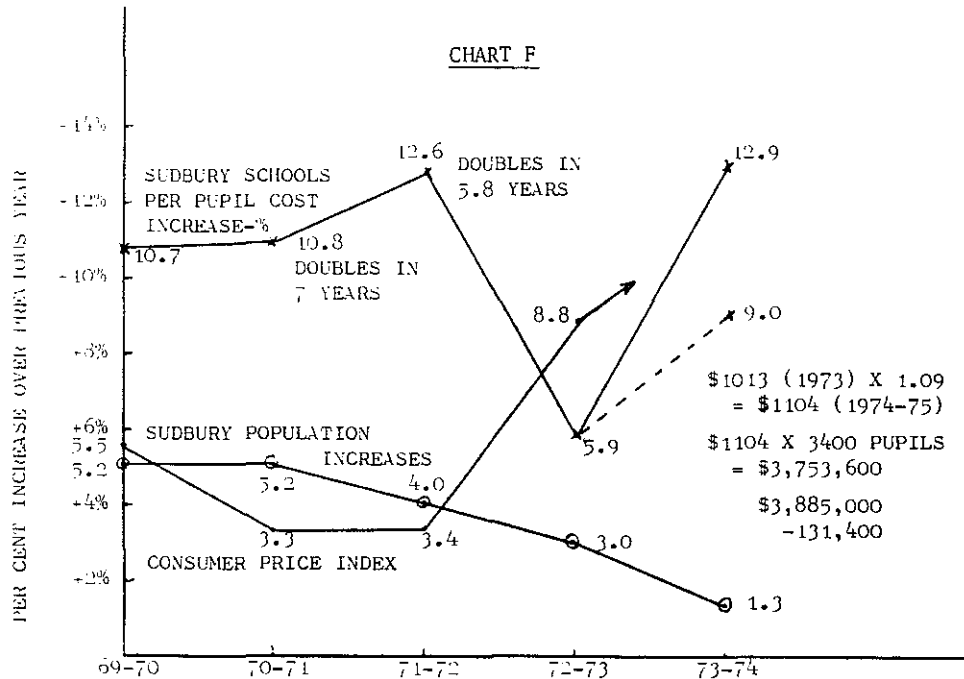
The budgets that were listed for the school are shown in the top line of this chart. If you divide the total budget by the number of pupils, you very simply come up with the per pupil cost. I have for later reference an indication of the increase which is represented for this new year in comparison with the old year. There is a 13% increase in per pupil cost for the proposed budget over the previous year.

Unfortunately, the budget that you see is not the whole thing. Debt service is another item which accounts for the schools, and, in the case of the Sudbury Schools, it is not included with their budget. In the case of the Regional School, it is.

If you add the amounts for principal on school bonds and the payment of interest, you will see the amount shown on the bottom of the chart.

Debt service is, of course, water over the dam. There is no way the school administration can influence those costs once they are voted. There again, they are going down.

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This chart plots the percentage increase in school budget from year to year. Between 1969 and 1970, there was a 10.7% increase in per pupil cost. Between 1970 and 1971 there was a 10.8% increase. If the per cent increase in per pupil costs continued at 10 or 11% every year, the per pupil cost would double in seven years. Between 1971 and 1972 we had a 12.6% increase. Between 1972 and 1973 we had a lower number of 5.9% and this year's amount is 12.9%.

For comparison purposes, I have included the per cent increase in Sudbury population. The population increase goes down to 1.3% in this year.

In addition, the consumer price index is included, and you can see that the consumer price indexes were well below the school budget increases until this past year when it had an increase of 8.8 compared with the school of 5.9.

The Taxpayers' Association proposes that there only be a 9% increase and has asked for this. The amount was obtained as follows: If you noticed the calculation, it was \$1013 per pupil in 1973. If you multiply that by 1.09, representing a 9% increase, you get the number \$1104 per pupil which is what we recommend should be the maximum for 1974-75. If you multiply that by the expected number of pupils, 3,400, the recommended school budget is \$3,753,600, or \$131,440 less than the original amount requested. We would like to ask them to cut the budget by about \$130,000.

Mr. Potell: In regard to the statement about what towns can do about school budgets, there were rumors which we have checked. We found out that the Town of Groton, in one instance, has removed the administrative total and voted it as a separate item. It has cut it twice with no repercussions from the courts. This is the only town that has ever really done anything in this area as far as the school budgets are concerned. I am not saying we recommend it, but if the discussion should come up, this is something they have done. We just wanted to make the point clear.

There was also a rumor that the Town of Lenox had a bylaw which said that if the Finance Committee turned down the budget, it required a two-thirds vote of the town to approve it. This is not so. It requires a majority, and they have never tested the school budget. The Moderator of the Town of Lenox feels that the day they test the school budget, they will be going to court.

After discussion, it was

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN VOTE TO COMMIT THE SUDBURY PUBLIC SCHOOL BUDGET BACK TO THE SUDBURY SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING A REDUCTION IN THEIR REQUESTED AMOUNT OF \$3,901,500 BY APPROXIMATELY \$131,000, AND TO REQUEST THAT COMMITTEE TO PRESENT THE RESULTS OF THEIR CONSIDERATION TO THE SESSION OF

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THIS 1974 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WHICH CONVENES ONE WEEK FROM TODAY
AT WHICH SESSION THE COMMITTEE'S PRESENTATION SHALL BE THE FIRST
ITEM IN ORDER OF BUSINESS.

In Favor - 359; Opposed - 337. (Total - 696)

[For final action under Account 400, 110 Sudbury Public Schools, see page 209]

ARTICLE 4: 100 EDUCATION: 120 COMMUNITY USE OF SCHOOLS

Upon a motion made by the Finance Committee, it was

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN RAISE AND APPROPRIATE A SUM OF \$13,000.00 FOR
COMMUNITY USE OF SCHOOLS.

ARTICLE 4: 100 EDUCATION: 130 LINCOLN-SUDBURY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

A BUDGET	EXPENDITURES	AVAILABLE	REQUESTED	ASSESSED
	1972-73	FUNDS 1973-74	1974-75	1974-75
(pupils)	(1965)	(1971)		
1100 School Committee	17,789	11,316	9,190	9,190
1200 Supt. Office	97,555	103,860	114,480	114,480
<u>1000 ADMINISTRATION TOTAL</u>	<u>115,344</u>	<u>115,176</u>	<u>123,670</u>	<u>123,670</u>
2200 Principals	123,461	141,390	150,537	150,537
2300 Teaching	1,565,413	1,692,561	2,053,359	2,053,359
2400 Textbooks	28,025	28,497	30,099	30,099
2500 Library	52,482	55,834	57,392	57,392
2600 Audio-Visual	38,585	46,108	48,241	48,241
2700 Pupil Services	134,830	138,688	155,710	155,710
2800 Psychological Services	14,383	17,657	25,947	25,947
<u>2000 INSTRUCTION TOTAL</u>	<u>1,957,179</u>	<u>2,120,735</u>	<u>2,521,285</u>	<u>2,521,285</u>
3100 Attendance	550	550	550	550
3200 Health Services	23,748	29,230	29,678	29,678
3300 Pupil Transportation	217,933	287,171	256,800	256,800
3400 Food Services	3,373	14,679	11,605	11,605
3500 Student Activities	40,744	50,520	48,967	48,967
<u>3000 OTHER SERVICES</u>	<u>286,348</u>	<u>382,150</u>	<u>347,600</u>	<u>347,600</u>
4100 Operation	182,414	241,737	293,960	293,960
4200 Maintenance	131,999	179,703	201,753	201,753
<u>4000 OPER. & MAINT. TOTAL</u>	<u>314,413</u>	<u>421,440</u>	<u>495,713</u>	<u>495,713</u>
5100 Employee Retirement	33,534	17,386	25,710	25,710
5200 Insurance	36,299	74,754	68,537	68,537
<u>5000 FIXED CHARGES</u>	<u>69,833</u>	<u>92,140</u>	<u>94,247</u>	<u>94,247</u>
6200 Use of School	1,024	2,322	1,800	1,800
<u>6000 COMMUNITY SERVICES</u>	<u>1,024</u>	<u>2,322</u>	<u>1,800</u>	<u>1,800</u>
7200 Improvements	4,189	9,628	4,900	4,900
7300 New Equipment	39,730	14,616	44,643	44,643
7400 Replacement of Equip.	19,598	18,176	15,174	15,174
<u>7000 ACQUISITION OF FIXED ASSETS</u>	<u>63,517</u>	<u>42,420</u>	<u>64,717</u>	<u>64,717</u>
<u>8000 DEBT RETIREMENT & SERVICE</u>	<u>373,741</u>	<u>631,134</u>	<u>613,831.25</u>	<u>613,831.25</u>
9100 Programs with other Systems in Massachusetts	20,818	10,923	17,100	17,100
<u>9000 PROGRAMS WITH OTHER SYSTEMS</u>	<u>20,818</u>	<u>10,923</u>	<u>17,100</u>	<u>17,100</u>
<u>CONTINGENCY</u>		<u>93,000</u>	<u>75,000</u>	<u>75,000</u>
<u>TOTAL BUDGET</u>	<u>3,202,217</u>	<u>3,911,440</u>	<u>4,354,963.25</u>	<u>4,354,963.25</u>
OPERATING BUDGET	2,763,935	3,142,564	3,599,615	3,599,615
PER PUPIL COST	1,407	1,594	1,714	1,714*

* Excludes \$176,583 for July and August, 1975,
salaries included in budget as required by law.

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B SUDBURY ASSESSMENT	18-Month	1974-75
Operating Expenses including Contingency	3,310,074.72	2,651,346.24
Community Service	2,972.64	1,319.76
Equipment	46,412.96	51,579.45
Debt Service	301,981.57	190,220.08
TOTAL	3,661,441.89	2,894,465.53

Finance Committee Report: In a very difficult budget year, the Regional High School has followed our budget guidelines for the third consecutive year. In a joint meeting with the finance committees from both Lincoln and Sudbury they consented to the requested additional reductions. Special requirements for expenditures for salaries covering July and August of 1975, State requirements for special education, the rapidly increasing price for heating oil, and a slight increase in the student population account for 9.0% of the 18.2% increase to Sudbury. Salary negotiations account for another 3.8% leaving only 5.4% from all other sources. Recommend approval.

Lincoln-Sudbury Regional School District Committee Report: (Mr. William T. Maloney) This is an old budget. It began back in September when the Superintendent began feeding budget information to the School Committee. It went on through the month of October with weekly meetings, through the month of November with weekly meeting. In the early part of November, it saw two public budget hearings, one in Lincoln and one in Sudbury. About the middle of November it saw a public meeting with the full finance committees of Lincoln and Sudbury where the entire budget was presented, criticized, reductions were requested, and we did our best to comply. Before December 1st, in accordance with our agreement, we voted. The six members of the Committee voted by December 1st, and the Treasurer of the District certified to the towns by January 1st the amounts of their respective assessments. At that point the Regional Budget became an assessment on the towns, and there is no legal way for us to increase or decrease that budget in the course of the year. For that reason we carry a contingency in our budget of about 2% to guard against unforeseen contingencies.

Obviously we are not going to do justice to a 3 1/2 million dollar budget in ten minutes so I am just going to try to hit the high points to give you some good news and some bad news.

CHART G

	1972-3	1973-4	% INCR.
PUPILS	1971	1997	1.3
AVAILABLE FUNDS:	\$3,142,564		
OPER. BUDGET*		\$3,423,032	8.9
OPER. BUDGET**		\$3,599,615	14.5
COST/PUPIL*	1594	1714*	7.5

* EXCLUDES \$176,583 FOR JULY-AUGUST 1975 SALARIES

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The first line in this chart is the good news. Our pupil population next year is predicted to be up by only 1.3%. It looks as if we are finally peaking out. The next line, called "available funds" is what we have in place of a budget. It is the amount left from our 18-month budget after we spend for six months. That will have to do for a 1972-73 budget.

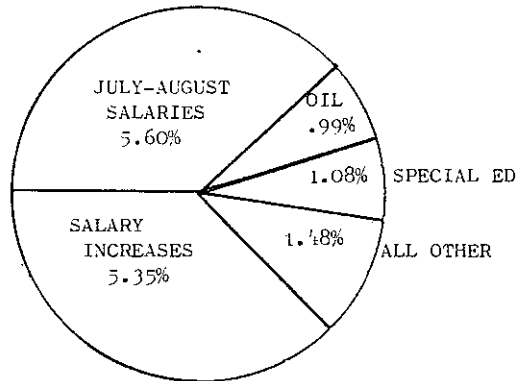
The operating budget with two stars represents a 14.5% increase over the available funds. That is the bad news. However, the reason the increase is so large is that the State requires now that we budget funds for teachers' salaries in the budget period in which the salaries were earned. Sixty per cent of our teachers take their salaries in twelve payments rather than ten. Last year the State allowed us to put over those sixty per cent into this year's budget. They are not allowing us to do it now. So we have a one-time inflation this year for July and August salaries in 1975. Without that requirement, we would show an 8.9% budget increase and on that basis, the cost per pupil would be 7.5%.

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At this time last year, the Finance Committee report in the Sudbury Town Warrant looked forward to a Regional budget increase of less than 7.4% per pupil. Neither the Finance Committee nor the School Committee anticipated the kind of inflation we have seen in the last year. Still, 7.5% is pretty close.

CHART H

BREAKDOWN OF BUDGET INCREASE
1973-4 TO 1974-5



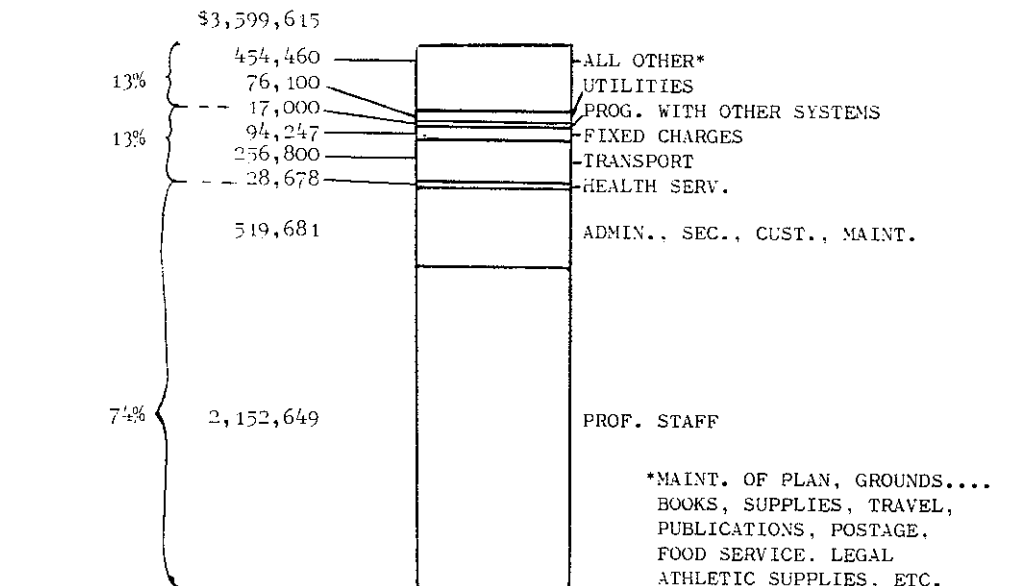
This chart represents the 14.5% increase. The biggest single increase, 5.6%, is attributable to the July and August salaries. The next major item is salary increases. We budgeted 5.5% of total compensation in the budget in addition to the step increases. This represents salary increases for all personnel.

Special Education represents a budget increase due to Chapter 766, another State mandated program. The increase in the cost of oil alone and the increased requirements of oil for the building addition amount to a full 1% of the increase in the budget. Everything else, including additional teachers, additional maintenance personnel, increased cost of paper, general inflation, all amount to less than 1.5% in the budget.

If you exclude the two State mandated requirements, the per pupil cost would be 6.5%.

CHART I

BUDGET BREAKDOWN 1974-1975



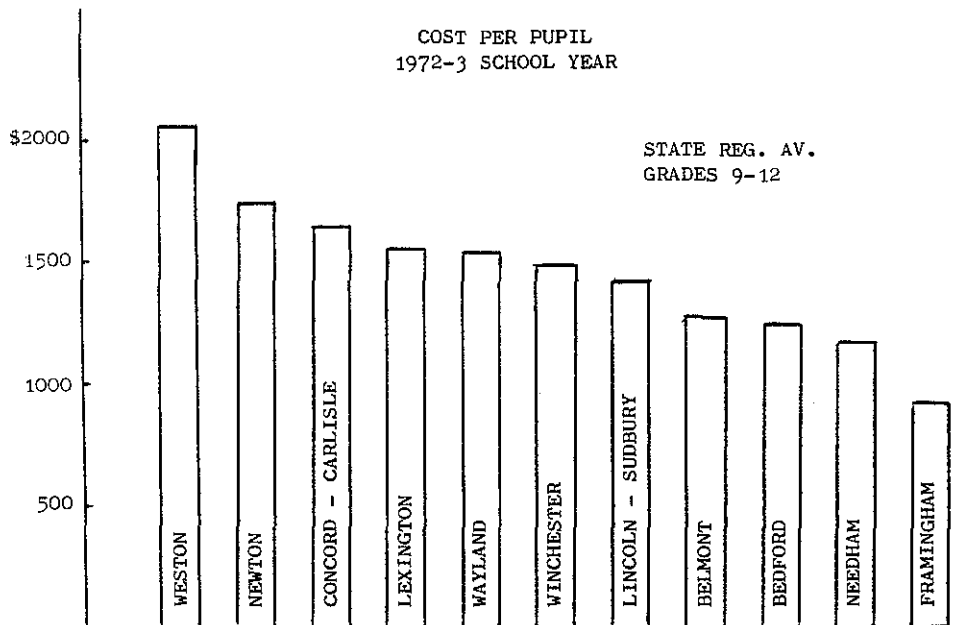
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This chart [see preceeding page] shows a different way of breaking down the total budget. The major part of our funds are in professional staff. 74% of our funds are in personnel. Of the remaining 26%, half of it is represented in health services, fixed charges, retirement and insurance, programs with other systems, utilities. Those are things that we can hardly affect at all. Transportation, which is nearly fully reimbursed, is a quarter of a million dollars.

This leaves 13% of the budget for everything else. Everything else means all of the maintenance supplies, custodial supplies, books, travel, publications, postage, food service, legal fees, athletic supplies. Were you to think of cutting this 13% in half, you would save slightly over a dollar on the Sudbury tax rate and you would shut down the existing program. This is just to show you the kind of constraints that we are up against.

This is not an austerity budget, but it is a tight budget. It is a very tight budget for the program that we are trying to offer and any significant cuts mean a different program.

CHART J



This chart compares our cost per pupil for the 1972-73 school year with the systems that we traditionally compare with. They are all good suburban systems. Lincoln-Sudbury is seventh from the top out of the group of eleven. We used to be sixth. We have dropped back slightly. This may be a cause for comfort, or it may be a cause for concern.

We think it is a good budget. We have worked on it for a long time, and we urge you to support it.

Mr. Naegele, on behalf of the Sudbury Taxpayers' Association, *moved to recommit this budget back to the Regional High School Committee for a reduction to approximately a 9% increase in per pupil cost total, or a reduction in total budget of approximately \$130,000.*

In support of his motion, Mr. Naegele stated that the impact of adding the two additional months of July and August salary is more than the taxpayers should be required to bear entirely by themselves. Between 1969 and 1970 the per pupil cost for operation went up 9.1%. In 1970-71 it went up 9.2%. In 1971-72 it went up another 8%. 1972-73 it went up 13.3%. This year, including the July and August salary, the figure comes to 13.1% increase in per pupil cost.

If the school budget continues to increase at this rate, it will double in 5 1/2 years. From the Taxpayers' point of view, we think that perhaps there should be some change in program. Perhaps this year there should be an austerity

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budget. We do not want to pick out any one area. We think that the School Committee is the one to do that to determine just where these cuts should be made. We think a 4% cut, about \$130,000, is a very modest one to make. It would have a significant impact on the tax rate. If you take the per pupil cost of \$1,594 for 1973-74, which is the last number we had, increase it by 9%, you get \$1,737. If you multiply that by the 1,997 pupils you come up with a budget of \$3,469,703, about \$129,900 under the recommended operating budget of \$3,599,615.

After discussion, Mr. Naegele's motion to commit was defeated.

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$2,894,465.53 FOR THE SUDBURY PORTION OF THE LINCOLN-SUDBURY REGIONAL DISTRICT ASSESSMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1974.

ARTICLE 4: 100 EDUCATION: 140 MINUTEMAN REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

A BUDGET	ASSESSED 1973-74 (18 Months)	REQUESTED 1974-75 (12 Months)	RECOMMENDED 1974-75
1100 School Committee	4,780	5,400	5,400
1200 Supt. Office	123,915	68,463	68,463
1200 Business Office	----	43,974	43,974
<u>1000 ADMINISTRATION TOTAL</u>	<u>128,695</u>	<u>117,837</u>	<u>117,837</u>
2100 Supervision	84,750	32,456	32,456
2100 Data Processing	----	93,989	93,989
<u>2000 SUPERVISION TOTAL</u>	<u>84,750</u>	<u>126,445</u>	<u>126,445</u>
2200 Ass't Superintendent	46,700	39,811	39,811
2300 Teaching	171,000	528,453	528,453
2400 Textbooks	----	16,980	16,980
2500 Library	12,190	29,660	29,660
2500 Library (Curr. Dev.)	----	4,200	4,200
2500 Library (Dep. Room)	----	15,360	15,360
2600 Audio-Visual	7,690	35,410	35,410
2700 Guidance	72,300	169,892	169,892
2800 Psychological Services	----	6,000	6,000
2900 Educational T.V.	----	2,500	2,500
<u>2000 INSTRUCTIONAL TOTAL</u>	<u>309,880</u>	<u>848,266</u>	<u>848,266</u>
3100 Attendance	----	1,500	1,500
3200 Health Services	----	23,235	23,235
3300 Transportation	----	150,000	150,000
3400 Food Services	5,330	48,573	48,573
3500 Student Activities	----	8,000	8,000
<u>3000 SERVICES TOTAL</u>	<u>5,330</u>	<u>231,308</u>	<u>231,308</u>
4110 Custodial	----	94,562	94,562
4120 Heat	----	35,000	35,000
4130 Utility	----	112,000	112,000
4210 Grounds	----	28,772	28,772
4200 Building	----	12,059	12,059
4230 Equipment	----	34,000	34,000
<u>4000 OPER. & MAINT. TOTAL</u>	<u>----</u>	<u>316,393</u>	<u>316,393</u>
5200 Insurance	22,800	38,754	38,754
5400 Loans & Rent	5,000	15,000	15,000
<u>5000 FIXED CHARGES TOTAL</u>	<u>27,800</u>	<u>53,754</u>	<u>53,754</u>
6000 COMMUNITY SERVICE	----	8,000	8,000
7000 ACQUISITION OF FIXED ASSETS	----	25,000	25,000
9000 PROGRAMS WITH OTHER DISTRICTS	----	----	----
<u>TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET</u>	<u>556,455</u>	<u>1,727,003</u>	<u>1,727,003</u>
B SUDBURY ASSESSMENT		<u>1973-74</u>	<u>1974-75</u>
TOTAL		121,853.34	192,503

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Finance Committee Report: The Finance Committee supports the requested budget. The increase over 1973-1974 reflects the requirements of the first year of operation. During the budget negotiations, the School Committee was quite responsive to the wishes of the finance committees of the twelve towns and the School Committee's action resulted in a reduction of approximately \$56,000 in Sudbury's allocation. Recommend approval.

Minuteman Regional Vocational Technical School District Committee Report:
(Mr. Alfred C. Cron)

CHART K

DISTRICT ASSESSMENT

I OPERATING	
Total Operating Budget	\$1,494,677
Anticipated Reimbursement	<u>- 237,585</u>
	\$1,257,092
Unexpended Balance (1972)	<u>- 137</u>
	\$1,256,955
Surplus	<u>- 22,955</u>
Net Operating Assessment	\$1,234,000
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II CAPITAL	
Capital Payment	\$1,300,000
Interest Payment	<u>542,250</u>
Total Capital Budget	\$1,842,250
Anticipated Reimbursement	<u>1,103,135</u>
	739,115
Surplus	<u>60,115</u>
Net Capital Assessment	\$ 679,000
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Total Assessment	\$1,913,000

The Minuteman Regional School took advantage of the change in legislation and did not vote its final budget until the 8th of January. The total budget for the operation and maintenance of the school is \$1,494,677 as contrasted to the \$1,727,000 that is printed in the Warrant.

The chart shows our total operating budget, our anticipated reimbursement, unexpended balances and net operating assessment on the district. The capital assessment on the district is \$679,000. Of this district, Sudbury is a little over 10% and the total assessment on the Town is the number that was presented by the Finance Committee.

We will have 46 students going to this school this year from the Town of Sudbury.

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$192,503.00 FOR THE SUDBURY PORTION OF THE MINUTEMAN REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ASSESSMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1974.

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ARTICLE 4: 200 DEBT SERVICE

	EXPENSES 1972	EXPENSES 1973	REQUESTED 1974-75	RECOMMENDED 1974-75
201 Loan Interest	42,883	97,806	50,000	50,000
202 School Bond Interest	144,718	127,963	102,830	102,830
203 Other Bond Interest	7,684	5,870	3,379	3,379
204 Principal, Schools	435,000	435,000	435,000	435,000
205 Principal, Others	52,000	52,000	52,000	52,000
TOTAL	682,285	718,639	643,209	643,209

Finance Committee Report: Recommend approval.

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$643,209.00 FOR ALL ITEMS IN ACCOUNT 200, DEBT SERVICE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ALLOCATIONS SET FORTH IN THE RECOMMENDED COLUMN.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Richard E. Thompson, Executive Secretary, for the purpose of avoiding the possibility of having to reconsider several line item budgets in the event that certain unclassified appropriations are not voted, it was

VOTED: THAT ACCOUNT 950, UNCLASSIFIED, BE TAKEN UP OUT OF ORDER AT THIS TIME.

The Moderator announced that the vote in favor was greater than the four-fifths required under the Bylaws.

ARTICLE 4: 950 UNCLASSIFIED

	EXPENSES 1972	EXPENSES 1973	REQUESTED 1974-75	RECOMMENDED 1974-75
950-11 Blue Cross/Shield	75,000	99,367	102,000	102,000
950-12 Life Insurance	2,829	3,245	3,500	3,500
950-21 Fidelity Bonds	867	589	1,500	1,500
950-31 Casualty Insurance	49,634	67,882	60,000	60,000
950-41 Print Town Report	7,255	8,000	9,000	9,000
950-51 Memorial Day	691	669	3,000	1,500
950-61 Veterans' Graves	115	89	200	200
950-71 Fire Pension	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
950-81 Reserve Fund	60,000	11,173	100,000	100,000
950-91 Hosmer House Contract	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
950-92 Communications	3,771	2,396	3,500	3,500
950-93 Hydrant Rental	20,545	20,650	21,525	21,525
950-94 Copying Service	2,285	3,193	4,000	4,000
950-96 Retirement Fund	82,067	133,201	122,000	122,000
950-97 Town Meetings	5,954	6,577	7,500	6,500
950-98 Postage	976	3,932	3,500	3,500
950-99 Telephone	1,624	5,711	6,000	6,000
950-100 Salary Adjustments	--	--	10,000	8,800
950 TOTAL	317,113	370,174	460,725	457,025

Mr. Bender of the Finance Committee *moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$377,025.00 for all items in Account 950, Unclassified, in accordance with the allocations set forth in the recommended column of the Warrant, with a change in Account 950-11, to \$122,000.00, and that the Town appropriate and transfer \$100,000.00 from the Overlay Account to the Reserve Fund, 950-81.*

Finance Committee Report: (Mr. Bender) Account 950-11 is the Blue Cross/Blue Shield Major Medical account. As a result of our negotiations with the collective bargaining, we have added an additional \$20,000 to this account to cover major medical which has been granted to the employees.

Account 950-81 is the Reserve Fund. Normally, we have used approximately \$60,000 a year as the appropriation for the Finance Committee Reserve Fund. This year, we are asking for \$100,000. We feel that the year forthcoming carries

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uncertainty in several areas, certainly in the area of fuel and energy costs in general, certainly because of the inflationary impact, and because of as yet unappreciated expenses which will result from collective bargaining, and because we see that there may be an impact on public health and public protection coming at April 19th, 1975. We expect perhaps large crowds in Concord and Lexington and overflowing into Sudbury where we must provide additional funds for the police force and other functions in Town. So, for that reason, we are asking for an amount for the Reserve Fund larger than normal. However, we are asking that this money be transferred from the Overlay Account, and it will not have a direct impact on the tax rate. The Overlay Account monies can only be used for unexpected expenses, which means either for the Reserve Fund or as a result of action of a special town meeting.

One final account I wish to comment on is 950-100, Salary Adjustment Account. The Finance Committee has agreed with the Selectmen that we should set up a fund to permit management of salaries of individually rated personnel. We are for this because we do not believe it is the Finance Committee's function to give personnel management in Town by having to approve the exact salary of every employee. We would prefer to reserve this function to the Selectmen.

Secondly, we find that we can save money by using a pool for these salary increases rather than having to put an extra amount in the budget in each separate line item. The amount we are recommending there is less than the total would have been had it been spread as it has been in previous years.

RESERVE FUND TRANSFERS

During 1973 the Finance Committee approved the following requests for transfer from the Reserve Fund:

<u>100</u>	<u>EDUCATION</u>	<u>\$7,925.85</u>
	Maintenance	\$7,925.85
<u>300</u>	<u>PROTECTION</u>	<u>250.00</u>
	Police - Travel	250.00
<u>500</u>	<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</u>	<u>1,855.75</u>
	Selectmen - Clerical Overtime	600.00
	Planning Board - Clerical	900.00
	Moderate Income Housing	355.75
	<u>ARTICLE #6 - 1971</u>	<u>1,141.99</u>
	<u>TOTAL AMOUNT TRANSFERRED</u>	<u>\$11,173.59</u>

Mr. William F. Toomey of the Board of Selectmen then *moved* that item 950-81, Reserve Fund, be amended to \$70,000.

In support of his amendment Mr. Toomey stated that in past years this account has run about \$60,000 per year. We have recommended \$70,000. We have discussed this with the Building Maintenance Supervisor, Mr. White. We did have an impact on fuel this year that we did not expect. Mr. White tells me that our tanks were empty when prices went up and this is not going to happen again.

There is no question that we will probably have an impact from the Bicentennial. Do we take care of the Bicentennial event in a Reserve Fund, or do we appropriate money at town meeting? Do you tell us what you want us to spend on a function like this, or do we just spend it from a fund?

Our Overlay Account right now is \$195,000. We are keeping a lot of money in this account that should be back and used to reduce the taxes. We feel that if we have \$70,000 in the Reserve Fund, we better not spend any more than \$70,000. If we have \$100,000, we probably will have requests to spend the hundred thousand.

The Moderator then pointed out that the total amount in Account 950 had not been adjusted by Mr. Toomey's amendment. After discussion with the Selectmen, he asked for and received unanimous consent of the hall for Mr. Toomey to withdraw his amendment.

Mr. Toomey then *moved* to amend the total appropriation of 950, Unclassified, to \$447,025, and the amount transferred from Overlay to the Overlay Surplus and to the Reserve Fund, 950-81, to \$70,000.

After several questions were raised concerning the figures appearing in the amendment, the Moderator stated that the confusion comes because of the fact that

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there is no total in there. If there were a total in the main motion as was given to us by Mr. Bender, it would be for \$477,025.

After further discussion, Mr. Toomey's amendment was voted. In favor - 124; Opposed - 117. (Total - 241)

Mr. Martin E. Doyle was then recognized and moved to amend the motion to change the total from \$447,025 by \$3,500 to \$443,525, and by adding the following: and that Memorial Day Account, 950-51, be decreased to \$800, and that Salary Adjustment Account, 950-100, be decreased to \$6,000.

In support of his amendment, Mr. Doyle commented that last year we spent \$669 and the previous year \$691 for Memorial Day. I fail to see, regardless of what year next year is, how we can validate an increase of practically a thousand dollars in this account. I do not hear of any extra plans for the Memorial Day affair. I think by appropriating \$800 to this account, it is quite adequate.

With respect to the salary adjustments, this is a new departure and as a member of the Taxpayers' Association, I heartily agree with it. If we are to have merit raises, we should vote a certain sum to the Board of Selectmen which they can then adjust to the various salaries under their jurisdiction as they see fit. However, this town meeting should control the amount of that budget. I have examined the budget for which this is proposed, and there are four classifications under it: the Executive Secretary, the Town Accountant, the Town Engineer and the Building Inspector. Their total salary is approximately \$64,500. The top limit in their salary bracket as we voted earlier would come to \$73,500. That means that if we vote \$8,800, as is proposed in this budget item, we will bring every member up to the full salary we voted earlier. An \$8,800 increase on a total budget of \$64,500 approximates 13.6%. The other people who work for the Town this year have been awarded raises of approximately 9.2%. What the Taxpayers' Association is proposing here is a budget of \$6,000, which is approximately 9.2% like the other Town employees. There are very few people in this hall tonight who received a 13.6% raise this year.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Powers of the Board of Selectmen, it was

VOTED: TO DIVIDE THE QUESTION INTO A MOTION TO REDUCE THE MEMORIAL DAY ACCOUNT, 950-51, TO \$800.00, AND ANOTHER MOTION THAT THE SALARY ADJUSTMENTS ACCOUNT, 950-100, BE DECREASED TO \$6,000.00.

VOTED: TO REDUCE THE MEMORIAL DAY ACCOUNT, 950-51, TO \$800.00.

With respect to the motion to decrease the salary adjustment account, Mr. Taft of the Board of Selectmen stated that there are not four jobs which would be affected. There are now eleven positions under the Classification Plan that are individually rated which come under the Board of Selectmen, the Highway Commission, the Library Trustees and the Board of Health. The total salaries of these positions is about \$180,000, not \$65,000 as was stated. This is a substantially different picture than what was represented. Mr. Thompson, Executive Secretary, stated that the Town employees were not going to receive a 9.2% increase but a 6.5% increase. Salary Adjustments Account, 950-100, includes six people who are under the Board of Selectmen as follows: the Executive Secretary, Police Chief, Fire Chief, Town Engineer, Building Inspector and Town Accountant. The Finance Committee wanted to set up some mechanism whereby we could include all individually rated positions in this type of line item. However, it was impossible to get it worked out by the time of Town Meeting, so they are starting this year trying to do it with those people who are directly under the Selectmen.

VOTED: THAT THE SALARY ADJUSTMENTS ACCOUNT, 950-100, BE DECREASED TO \$6,000.00.

VOTED: TO AMEND THE TOTAL APPROPRIATION OF 950, UNCLASSIFIED, TO \$443,525.00; AND THAT THE TOWN RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$373,525.00 FOR ALL ITEMS IN ACCOUNT 950, UNCLASSIFIED, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ALLOCATIONS SET FORTH IN THE RECOMMENDED COLUMN OF THE WARRANT, WITH A CHANGE IN ACCOUNT 950-11 TO \$122,000.00; TO REDUCE THE MEMORIAL DAY ACCOUNT, 950-51, TO \$800.00; THAT THE SALARY ADJUSTMENTS ACCOUNT, 950-100, BE DECREASED TO \$6,000.00; AND THAT THE TOWN APPROPRIATE AND TRANSFER \$70,000.00 FROM OVERLAY TO OVERLAY SURPLUS TO THE RESERVE FUND.

In accordance with the Bylaws of the Town, the meeting adjourned at 11:46 P.M. to April 2, 1974, at 8:00 P.M. in the same hall.

PROCEEDINGS

ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

April 2, 1974

The Moderator called the meeting to order at 8:00 P.M. at the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School Auditorium. He declared that a quorum was present.

He announced that the Consent Calendar would be the first order of business and explained the procedure.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: TO TAKE OUT OF ORDER AND TOGETHER AT THIS TIME THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES: 10, 22, 23, 26, 36, 38, 41, 42, AND 45.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: IN THE WORDS OF THE MOTIONS AS DISTRIBUTED.

(See individual articles for motions voted.)

Consent of the hall was granted for Mrs. Gloria Stoccardo, Nurse Director of the Sudbury Public Health Nursing Association and a resident of Concord, to sit in the assembly and answer questions should that become necessary.

ARTICLE 4: 300 PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

	EXPENSES 1972	EXPENSES 1973	REQUESTED 1974-75	RECOMMENDED 1974-75
<u>310 FIRE DEPARTMENT</u>				
310-11 Salaries	293,855	306,120	315,635	315,635
310-12 Overtime & Extra Hire	38,616	56,246	58,237	58,237
310-21 General Expense	1,547	2,375	3,060	3,060
310-31 Maintenance Expense	4,999	6,197	6,900	6,900
310-51 Equip. Purchase	2,529	4,052	2,500	2,500
310-61 Fire Alarm Extension	1,280	200	500	500
310-62 Fire Alarm Maint. & Repair	200	126	200	200
310-71 Uniforms	2,514	2,835	2,925	2,925
310-81 Vehicle Replacement	5,936	3,744	0	0
<u>310 TOTAL</u>	<u>351,476</u>	<u>381,895</u>	<u>389,957</u>	<u>389,957</u>
<u>320 POLICE DEPARTMENT</u>				
320-11 Salaries	220,000	239,642	279,710	279,710
320-12 Overtime & Extra Hire	29,928	27,926	39,597	30,000
320-13 Clerical	10,530	6,897	7,084	7,084
320-16 Crossing Guards	3,657	3,634	3,981	3,981
320-21 General Expense	12,031	7,559	16,040	15,000
320-31 Maintenance	13,759	13,706	14,250	14,250
320-41 Travel Expense	169	215	300	300
320-51 Equip. Purchase	9,805	6,248	21,550	13,000
320-61 Auxiliary Police	0	0	2,000	0
320-71 Uniforms	3,309	4,010	5,375	5,375
<u>320 TOTAL</u>	<u>303,188</u>	<u>309,837</u>	<u>389,887</u>	<u>368,700</u>
<u>340 BUILDING INSPECTOR</u>				
340-11 Salaries	13,200	14,243	14,243	14,243
340-12 Overtime	173	215	250	250
340-13 Clerical	7,400	8,798	12,896	9,595
340-14 Dep. Inspector	415	800	1,000	1,000
340-15 Custodial	18,709	20,010	23,675	21,215
340-21 General Expense	2,312	2,315	3,050	1,200
340-31 Vehicle Maintenance	495	444	325	325
340-32 Town Hall Maintenance	15,510	14,187	13,900	12,900
340-33 Centre School Maint.	8,343	8,160	8,930	8,500
340-34 Loring Parsonage Maint.	1,042	1,362	2,580	2,580
340-35 Police Building Maint.	2,380	2,511	3,700	3,400
340-51 Equipment	---	3,040	100	100
<u>340 TOTAL</u>	<u>69,979</u>	<u>76,085</u>	<u>84,649</u>	<u>75,308</u>

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	EXPENSES 1972	EXPENSES 1973	REQUESTED 1974-75	RECOMMENDED 1974-75
<u>350 DOG OFFICER</u>				
350-11 Salary	4,275	6,706	7,120	7,120
350-21 General Expense	5,625	4,765	5,850	7,180
350-51 Equip. Purchase	0	0	3,600	0
<u>350 TOTAL</u>	<u>9,900</u>	<u>11,471</u>	<u>16,570</u>	<u>14,300</u>
<u>360 CONSERVATION COMMISSION</u>				
360-13 Clerical	845	799	3,250	1,250
360-21 General Expense	1,791	4,071	12,075	4,875
360-31 Maintenance	231	292	1,500	1,500
360-41 Travel	136	95	300	300
360-51 Conservation Fund	41,000	45,100	49,600	46,000
<u>360 TOTAL</u>	<u>44,003</u>	<u>50,357</u>	<u>66,725</u>	<u>53,925</u>
<u>370 BOARD OF APPEALS</u>				
370-13 Clerical	1,166	653	2,000	2,000
370-21 General Expense	865	997	1,400	1,200
370-51 Equip. Purchase	0	0	350	0
<u>370 TOTAL</u>	<u>2,031</u>	<u>1,650</u>	<u>3,750</u>	<u>3,200</u>
<u>390 CIVIL DEFENSE</u>				
390-21 General Expense	348	65	300	250
<u>300 TOTAL</u>	<u>780,925</u>	<u>831,360</u>	<u>951,838</u>	<u>905,640</u>

Mr. John J. Hennessy of the Finance Committee *moved* that the Town appropriate \$640,083 for all items in Account 300, Protection of Persons and Property, in accordance with the allocations set forth in the recommended column, except that item 310-11 be \$347,167; item 310-12 be \$47,366; item 320-13 be \$7,544; item 320-16 be \$4,239; item 320-21 be \$15,600; item 320-61 be \$500; item 340-12 be \$266; 340-13 be \$10,219; item 340-15 be \$22,431; item 310-71 be \$3,360; 350-11 be \$7,583; item 360-13 be \$1,331; item 370-13 be \$2,130; that the Town raise and appropriate \$540,083 and appropriate and transfer \$100,000 from the Town of Sudbury P.L. 92-512, Federal Revenue Sharing Account for Fire Department salaries under item 310-11; and place items 320-11 and 320-12 on the table.

Finance Committee Report:

310: The total budget request of the Fire Department, ex collective bargaining, is only 4% over two-thirds of the 18 month budget approved at the Annual Town Meeting of 1973. It includes no additional positions, and capital expenditures are held to a minimum level. Proposed increases in personal services are restricted to mandatory step increases. Recommend approval.

320: The original budget request, ex collective bargaining, was approximately 10% above the two-thirds of the 18 month budget. The Finance Committee recommends reduction of \$9,597 in the Overtime and Extra Hire Account. The capital expenditures requested include \$20,000 for replacement of six patrol cruisers. It is suggested that the replacement period for Police cruisers be extended from nine to eleven months, and that this request be reduced to \$12,000 allowing the purchase of four vehicles in this fiscal year. The Finance Committee recommends a total budget of \$368,700.

340: This account includes the Building Inspector budget as well as the maintenance budgets for most Town buildings. These two accounts were separate last year. Centralizing the responsibility for these maintenance functions under the Building Inspector will provide for better control and efficiency. If the Finance Committee recommendation is approved, these composite accounts show only a modest increase over last year's budget.

350: The cost of dog control has apparently been stabilized showing a slight decrease over last year's 12 month appropriation if the Town accepts the Finance Committee's recommendation that the purchase of a van be deferred.

360: The Finance Committee recommends a cut of \$2,000 in Account 360-13. This sum was requested for a part time land management aide. Since the 1971 reassessment of the Town, the Conservation Commission, with Finance Committee support, has budgeted .0275% of the Town's assessed valuation to the Conservation Fund for land purchase. The Finance Committee recommends that, in the future, the appraisals required for land acquisition be taken from the Conservation Fund.

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This change accounts for the bulk of the \$7,300 reduction recommended in Account 360-21. It should be noted, however, that when the Conservation Fund is used for appraisals or other purposes the money available for land purchase is reduced. Recommend approval.

370: The slight reduction recommended by the Finance Committee represents the cost of an electric typewriter. We encourage the sharing of office equipment. Sudbury does not need a typewriter for each and every Town board, committee and commission.

Mr. Ronald L. Blecher further reported to the meeting for the Finance Committee as follows: The motion that is before you, in general, follows very closely our recommendations in the Warrant including the effect of collective bargaining. There is one particular point that we think deserves special attention. We are recommending in this motion that the salary increase for the Police Chief and the Fire Chief be inserted directly in the line items that are appropriated. The reason for this is, in part, the action of the Town Meeting last night. As was noted, any increases in the patrolmen's and firemen's salary automatically represents an increase in the chiefs' salaries. By State law, we have to pay 1.8 times for the chiefs. Therefore, the 6 1/2% firemen's salary increase and whatever increase may be appropriated to the police, will automatically result in this increase for the chiefs' salaries.

The original intent of the Finance Committee and the Selectmen was to use the Salary Adjustment Account, 950-100, to take care of the salary adjustments for all the individually rated employees under the direction of the Selectmen. This would come to six individuals, including the Police Chief and the Fire Chief. The motion that was presented last night by the Sudbury Taxpayers' Association and which passed as the final order of business, suggested a cut in this account on the basis of, we believe, four salaries. As a result, the Finance Committee believes that the reduced Salary Adjustment Account should be used as a merit pool for only the four individuals and the Fire Chief and Police Chief increases should be in their departmental budgets.

If this is not done, the approximately \$2,400 that represents the legislative increases for the chiefs will come from the \$6,000 merit pool voted last night. This would leave somewhat less than \$3,600 for the rest of the four employees, and would mean less than a 5% increase on average for these people. We think that this is inappropriate. We think that last night's action forced this upon us, and we urge your support.

Mr. Donald D. Bishop was then recognized. He stated that the Sudbury Taxpayers' Association has a position on this article, and is at this moment adjusting to what is a very last minute change. He asked for time to make the adjustments.

The Moderator opened the discussion to the floor while the Association was adjusting its figures. After several questions from the floor relative to the Finance Committee motion, Mr. Bishop was again recognized and stated that the Sudbury Taxpayers' Association prepared for this with copies of articles which were distributed some time ago. Like the Warrant, it is not really what we are talking about tonight. These copies were distributed, and they were the latest information available. They were the positions, I believe, of the Finance Committee several days ago. That is a normal event for this occasion this time of the year. Much of my remarks will be related to the relationship between what we expected to be asked to vote on and what we see tonight. I will make some attempt to bridge the remaining gap.

Mr. Bishop then asked if he might make an amendment at this time. The Moderator stated that an amendment would be in order.

Mr. LeBart of the Finance Committee raised a point of order stating that if the Sudbury Taxpayers' Association is going to make detailed amendments to each of these budget motions, I think it is only right and proper that we be given copies of those motions so that we can study them in an honest attempt to evaluate them and respond to them.

The Moderator ruled that "that is not required under the rules under which we operate. A motion to amend is in order as long as it is in writing and it can be placed into writing as little as ten seconds before it is presented."

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Mr. Bishop then moved to amend the motion under Account 300 to: that the Town appropriate \$533,250 for all items in Account 300, Protection of Persons and Property, according to the following allocations: 310, Fire Department, \$385,000; 340, Building Inspector, \$80,000; 350, Dog Officer, \$14,000; 360, Conservation Commission, \$52,000; 370, Board of Appeals, \$2,000; 390, Civil Defense, \$250; and that Account 320, Police Department, be deleted; and to meet the appropriation the Town raise and appropriate \$333,250, appropriate and transfer \$100,000 from free cash, and appropriate and transfer \$100,000 from the Town of Sudbury, P.L. 92-512, Federal Revenue Sharing Account, for the Fire Department salaries under item 310-11.

Mr. Powers of the Board of Selectmen moved that the question be divided into seven separate questions: 310, Fire Department, \$385,000; 340, Building Inspector, \$80,000; 350, Dog Officer, \$14,000; 360, Conservation Commission, \$52,000; 370, Board of Appeals, \$2,000; 390, Civil Defense, \$250; and that Account 320, Police Department, be deleted.

Mr. Bishop then commented in support of his amendment as follows: I have no complaint with the Town departments. I think that the department heads and the boards have worked very hard and well throughout the year and in the budget preparation cycle. They have done their best and have achieved some success in presenting to us a plan which will provide to us good services, to which we are now accustomed. We can live in that style.

I have no complaint with the Finance Committee. They have done more than the hard work they told us about. They have shown some results. They have made an honest estimate of Town benefits to be derived. They have given us clear statements for our guidance on these articles.

I do complain with my own wallet. Not everyone in Town got a raise this year. I, and others, must re-adjust the services I would like to buy. Meat prices resulted in a number of housewives and perhaps some house-husbands putting on a meat strike. But now hamburger is up. I don't happen to like spaghetti, but I buy more of it these days. The gas has gone up in price and for that reason and for conservation reasons, although I hate the restrictions of a bus schedule, some people have seen me on the bus more lately. It is convenient. It is available. I recommend it, but don't expect a nice story if you ask me how I like it. It is what I think I can afford. I cannot afford all the things I used to buy.

We are not complaining about services. These dollars will reduce the benefits we have been receiving. You may be told they will cripple the departments. I do not believe that is true. It will cripple the proper desires of the departments to provide excellent service. It will not cripple the ultimate performance of these departments.

Some comment has been made as to how this will operate. These values that you see against each of the areas in the budget are less than recommended by the Finance Committee, and in most cases throughout the budget the recommendation by the Finance Committee is less than the department asked for. You could ask, "How would the departments operate at the Finance Committee recommendations?" I say they will operate under this figure and just as well. They will accommodate.

In addition, this year we are not voting the operating funds and the salaries, etc., after they have already spent one-fourth of the year's money. They have another couple of months to readjust and get ready. Then they have the full twelve months to plan to spend the money that we vote here in this Town Meeting.

There has been a story in Town that the Taxpayers' Association's recommended figures will mean that all the difference will come out of salaries. I submit to you that that is not a true statement.

These, you will note, are bottom line figures unfortunately. We do not make adjustments by individual line items and subject ourselves to a division of the argument of the motion on those. We have not analyzed the full department operation. We say that this is the level of support which we can give. This means the level of benefits and services we can expect.

You may want to compare with the expenditures for 1973 which are reported in your Warrant from the Town Accountant. Last year, we heard about the problem of spring and fall expenditures because we added a winter-spring to a twelve month year. This is twelve months against twelve months. It is a valid comparison. 1973 is a valid comparison unless the department was negligent in submitting its

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vouchers, in which case it looks as if it spent less last year. I am not suggesting they are. I am saying that the only errors that I see creeping in would mean that they had not really shown what they really expended. The reason for that would, it seems to me, be negligence.

In summary, we think the departments worked very hard and prepared good budgets for the services they want to provide. We think the Finance Committee has given us good explanations of the changes and they have made recommendations about what they think the Town should receive as benefits. But, we think our pocket-books speak louder tonight, here, when the chips are down.

The Moderator stated that he wished to say a couple of things about mechanics. "This is a shotgun blast motion to amend. We are becoming more and more convinced that this is not the way to go about it. A better way on all further sub-sections of this budget would be to go through it category by category. If there is a motion to amend on any one of those categories, take it at that time, rather than taking one big enormous, horrendous, all-encompassing motion to amend." He asked Mr. Bishop and the Taxpayers' Association to take his comments into account.

After considerable discussion, it was

VOTED: THAT THE QUESTION BE DIVIDED INTO SEVEN SEPARATE QUESTIONS: 310, FIRE DEPARTMENT, \$385,000.00; 340, BUILDING INSPECTOR, \$80,000.00; 350, DOG OFFICER, \$14,000.00; 360, CONSERVATION COMMISSION, \$52,000.00; 370, BOARD OF APPEALS, \$2,000.00; 390, CIVIL DEFENSE, \$250.00; AND THAT ACCOUNT 320, POLICE DEPARTMENT, BE DELETED.

The Taxpayers' Association amendment relative to the Fire Department was then defeated. The Moderator then placed the amendment relative to the Building Inspector's budget on the floor for discussion.

After discussion, the Taxpayers' Association amendment relative to the Building Inspector's budget was defeated.

The remaining sections of the Taxpayers' Association amendment were all defeated.

Mr. Bishop then moved to reduce the amount to be raised by taxation from \$540,083 to \$440,083, and to transfer \$100,000 from free cash to Account 300. He stated that this conforms to what we had understood was the plan in the funding of this account. There is some time tonight or tomorrow night going to be a movement from free cash to help reduce the tax rate. I had understood this was a plan of the Finance Committee. We accommodated that plan. It was not in the motion as they presented it. We went right ahead. It is your choice whether you would like to take it now or perhaps find out from the Finance Committee where they do intend to transfer it.

Mr. LeBart, Chairman of the Finance Committee, stated that as part of our total financial plan, the best way to handle free cash is at the very end of the Town Meeting. There are reasons for this part of the total plan. One is that the one way that you can make a down payment towards the bonding of articles is from free cash. There are various proposals from the Conservation Committee and from other boards and committees which could result in that action. Therefore, the prudent way to treat free cash which will reduce your tax rate by that amount whenever it is acted upon, is to wait to see what the action of this body is with regard to those various proposals. We would like to suggest that you be patient and support us in this method of handling free cash. Otherwise we could have some serious financial problems as we proceed through the rest of the Warrant.

After discussion, Mr. Bishop's motion was defeated. In favor - 205; Opposed - 264. (Total - 469)

After a question was raised that the various items in the main motion did not add up to the total amounts given, a corrective amendment was unanimously voted which adjusted the total appropriation from \$640,083 to \$621,374, and the total to be raised and appropriated from \$540,083 to \$521,374.

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VOTED: THAT THE TOWN APPROPRIATE \$621,374.00 FOR ALL ITEMS IN ACCOUNT 300, PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ALLOCATIONS SET FORTH IN THE RECOMMENDED COLUMN, EXCEPT THAT ITEM 310-11 BE \$347,167.00; ITEM 310-12 BE \$47,366.00; ITEM 320-13 BE \$7,544.00; ITEM 320-16 BE \$4,239.00; ITEM 320-21 BE \$15,600.00; ITEM 320-61 BE \$500.00; ITEM 340-12 BE \$266.00; ITEM 340-13 BE \$10,219.00; ITEM 340-15 BE \$22,431.00; ITEM 310-71 BE \$3,350.00; ITEM 350-11 BE \$7,583.00; ITEM 360-13 BE \$1,331.00; ITEM 370-13 BE \$2,130.00; THAT THE TOWN RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$521,374.00, AND APPROPRIATE AND TRANSFER \$100,000.00 FROM THE TOWN OF SUDBURY PUBLIC LAW 92-512, FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING ACCOUNT, FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT SALARIES UNDER ITEM 310-11; AND PLACE ITEMS 320-11 AND 320-12 ON THE TABLE.

[For further action under Article 4, Account 320, Police Department, see page 302]

ARTICLE 4: 400 HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

	EXPENSES 1972	EXPENSES 1973	REQUESTED 1974-75	RECOMMENDED 1974-75
410-11 Supt. & Asst. Salary	12,807	16,480	35,500	32,300
410-13 Clerical	11,783	11,968	13,140	13,140
410-14 Commission Salary	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600
410-21 General Expense	5,692	3,629	4,880	4,880
410-31 Maintenance	9,814	10,288	21,455	14,000
410-41 Travel	20	111	200	200
410-42 Out-of-State Travel	---	---	300	300
410-51 Admin. Equipment	893	1,091	2,175	1,700
410-71 Uniforms	4,937	3,504	6,000	6,000
420-11 Operating Salary	174,242	188,855	219,787	219,787
420-12 Operating Overtime	19,993	16,374	41,700	35,000
420-20 Road Work				
- 1 Operating Materials	29,182	20,283	25,000	25,000
- 3 Hired Equipment	23,350	3,248	8,000	8,000
- 4 Contractors	---	133,747	135,000	135,000
- 5 Signs & Markings	9,100	7,821	10,500	10,500
420-20 Sum	61,632	165,099	178,500	178,500
420-30 Trees				
- 1 Tree Materials	3,128	2,394	2,000	2,000
- 3 Hired Equipment	736	193	1,000	1,000
- 4 Contractors	6,875	7,576	11,800	11,800
420-30 Sum	10,739	10,163	14,800	14,800
420-40 Landfill				
- 1 Materials	1,386			
- 3 Hired Equipment	3,047	6,491	3,000	3,000
420-40 Sum	4,433	6,491	3,000	3,000
420-50 Cemeteries				
- 1 Materials	6,483	1,205	2,000	2,000
- 5 Contractors	---	---	2,500	2,500
420-50 Sum	6,483	1,205	4,500	4,500
420-61 Chap. 81 Maint.	34,452	40,777	34,500	34,500
420-62 Chap. 90 Maint.	17,000	25,500	62,500	0
420-63 Chap. 90 Const.	36,000	---	37,000	37,000
430 Machinery				
-20 Fuels & Lubr.	13,160	8,261	17,500	17,500
-30 Parts & Repairs	35,157	28,204	32,000	32,000
-40 Equipment	6,029	62,166	29,000	29,000
430 Sum	54,346	98,631	78,500	78,500
460 Snow & Ice				
-30 Materials	48,128	19,764	50,000	50,000
-40 Equipment	10,445	1,239	59,500	9,000
-50 Contractors	17,173	3,234	20,000	20,000
-12 Overtime	20,581	3,017	20,000	20,000
-60 Sweeping	---	---	12,000	7,000
460 Sum	96,327	27,254	161,500	106,000

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	EXPENSES 1972	EXPENSES 1973	REQUESTED 1974-75	RECOMMENDED 1974-75
470 Street Lighting	16,389	15,175	25,135	25,000
New Locations	---	---	4,200	0
470 Sum	<u>16,389</u>	<u>15,175</u>	<u>29,335</u>	<u>25,000</u>
400 TOTAL	577,982	642,595	950,872	810,707

Mr. Karl E. Clough of the Finance Committee moved that the Town appropriate \$832,481.00 for all items in Account 400, Highway Department, in accordance with the allocations set forth in the recommended column, except that item 410-11 be \$33,300.00; item 410-13 be \$13,994.00; item 420-11 be \$233,292.00; item 420-12 be \$37,275.00; item 460-12 be \$21,300.00; and to meet the appropriation the Town raise and appropriate \$796,981.00, appropriate and transfer the following sums from the following accounts for 420-11, Operating Salary Account, and 420-50, Cemetery Materials Account: Mt. Pleasant Cemetery Account, \$1,900.00, Mt. Wadsworth Cemetery Account, \$1,500.00, Town Cemetery Account, \$1,100.00, the North Sudbury Cemetery Account, \$2,900.00; and appropriate and transfer \$28,100.00 from Public Law 1140 funds to the Chapter 90 Construction Account, 420-63.

Finance Committee Report: The Highway Department's original request of \$590,872 has been reduced to the recommended budget of \$810,707 primarily through the transfer of major capital equipment and Chapter 90 Road Maintenance expenditures to Warrant Articles #5, 6 and 7. The Finance Committee's recommendation represents an increase of \$101,923 over the nominal two-thirds of the 18 month budget approved by the 1973 Annual Town Meeting but is in line with previous annual expenditures. We support the Highway Commission's efforts to provide Sudbury with good roads and services in a cost-effective manner. The stone seal road resurfacing program introduced successfully in 1972 was continued in 1973 with the resulting 23 miles of resurfaced roadway within the \$135,000 budget for that account (420-20-4). The same amount is recommended for fiscal 1975 to carry on the planned renewal of all Sudbury's roads over a five-year period. Increases are budgeted in areas of General Expense, Overtime & Extra Hire, Fuels and Lubricants and the 460 Snow & Ice Account. The Overtime & Extra Hire category serves the basic needs of the Tree, Cemetery, Landfill and Roadway Departments for temporary summer help plus the required overtime which cannot be avoided. The Fuel Account is based on a projected 25% increase in cost. The Snow & Ice cost varies from year to year. Although this account represents an increase over last year's budget, which was voted after a very mild winter, it is not out of line with average experience. Recommend approval.

Highway Commission Report: (Mr. Ronald P. Espinola) The major activity carried on by the Highway Department involves the reconstruction and maintenance of roads. This year, we do not plan to do any reconstruction, but rather try to continue the major maintenance program at as low a level as we feel commensurate with good practice.

In 1974 we continued the stone seal program at the same level that we are proposing for this year. In that year, we were able to do 23 miles. An additional 11 miles were maintained under Chapter 81 funds and 2 miles on Concord and Hudson Roads.

In 1975 we plan to complete the Boston Edison patching work and, under Article 5 of the Warrant, perform the Chapter 90 maintenance work that is described.

In addition to the road maintenance work, normal sign and markings will continue. In 1974 we erected 91 signs and marked all the school walkways. 225 curb-miles were swept in Town, and this year we hope to do this more rapidly so that the Town will be free of the sand that results from winter operations much earlier in the summer.

Roadside mowing accounts for approximately 80 miles of brush cutting and mowing. The snow and ice account involves the activities that we are all familiar with. In addition to this, the ice storm of December 1974 required the take down of 500 trees and limbs. This winter we experienced about 18 inches of snow. Who knows what next year will bring. Our snow activities will also involve clearing of walkways, present and future.

The Highway Commission is also responsible for the solid waste activities. I think you are all familiar with the landfill operations which have been greatly enhanced by the compactor and loader which Town Meeting approved last year. In

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addition, we were fortunate to purchase cover material at about one-half the market price so that this year we are not asking for anything more than the minimal funds for operation of the landfill.

The recycling operation is one that has been disappointing to say the least because of the general lack of participation by the townspeople. We hope that we can continue it, but we need much greater support. We are looking into a new operation which may be more appealing to many people.

In addition to these activities, members of the Commission are involved with long-range planning on the Minuteman Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Committee and on the Wayland-Sudbury committees which are looking into joint landfill operations and the sludge disposal facility.

Our drainage activities during the year will involve maintenance of existing systems and, if Town Meeting approves Articles 39 and 40, implementation of the recommendations of the Master Drainage Plan. Because we feel a coordinated implementation of that plan is necessary, we have declared a moratorium on any major drainage programs until we can begin implementing the recommendations of that study.

Cemeteries is another area of activity of the department. We will continue our upgraded maintenance program in all Town cemeteries and do some reconstruction of roads and iron work in those cemeteries that are in dire need.

The tree department will continue a take down program as required. We are striving to strike a balance between safety and aesthetics. It is a very difficult road to walk. We plan to continue our planting program as well as the disease control program which involves both spraying and implementation of the new Dutch Elm disease control program.

We feel that the departmental reorganization which occurred last year under our new superintendent has resulted in more efficient operations. We hope that will continue to be an improving situation. We will continue to issue new regulations and procedures, to review old ones and update them as appropriate. It is planned to implement training programs for personnel, an area which has been overlooked for many years. We hope to resume our activities in the administration of the contract for walkway construction.

Then there is an area which is very hard to categorize, where the department has participated and interacted with many other Town boards and committees. This is often the one that is the most fun. We, in the past, have aided in Town clean-ups with the Conservation Commission and with P.R.I.D.E., assisted the Board of Health and Housing Authority in digging percolation test pits, assisted in brush chipping for Conservation and Heritage Park, assisted in painting parking lots for the Town Hall, the Library and several schools, assisted in grading the Loring Playground and in putting together some of the imaginative playgrounds at the Haynes, Fairbank, and Horse Pond Schools.

This is a very brief sketch of the activities of the department. The financial breakdown is shown in your Warrant, and if you have any questions about the finances, I welcome them.

Mr. Pierre J. Bonin moved to amend the main motion by striking out the figure \$832,481.00 and substituting the figure \$760,000.00 and by striking out the figure to be raised by taxation of \$796,981.00 and substituting \$746,242.00.

In support of his amendment, Mr. Bonin stated that this budget represents a 14.1% increase over last year. That does not seem reasonable to me. About 21% of the increase you can attribute to salaries. The Finance Committee report in the Warrant mentions increases in general expense, overtime and extra hire, fuels and lubricants, and the 460, snow and ice account. I found a lot more increases than that in this budget, and I don't know why they don't mention the other areas. The Finance Committee report also states that it supports the Highway Commission's efforts to provide Sudbury with good roads and services in a cost effective manner. We should all have good roads and services. Everybody would be for good roads.

But I'd like to ask you that maybe we should not be for good roads. Think about some of the things that the good roads bring us, and maybe they are not all good. A good road means that it is wider, and it is a better road if it is smoother. You can go a lot faster, and you kill more people and animals that way. I'm not so sure I'm for good roads in Sudbury. I like the ones that have pot

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holes in them, that are narrow and force people to go slowly by my house. I think this is an argument when every year we have to appropriate money to fix up a road that really is not in that bad a shape and makes people slow down a little.

After a short discussion, the question was moved. A point of order was raised in that the total appropriation figure was in error. The Moderator obtained unanimous consent to change the total appropriation figure in the amendment from \$760,000 to \$753,674.

After taking the vote on the motion of the question, the Moderator announced that it had prevailed by greater than the required two-thirds.

VOTED: TO AMEND THE MAIN MOTION BY STRIKING OUT THE FIGURE \$832,481.00 AND SUBSTITUTING THE FIGURE \$753,674.00 AND BY STRIKING OUT THE FIGURE TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION OF \$796,981.00 AND SUBSTITUTING \$746,242.00 [sic].

Mr. Philip Felleman pointed out that the numbers still did not add up properly. After several questions were raised concerning the number and several suggestions were made as to what the numbers should be, the Moderator called a five minute recess.

After the recess, the Moderator called the meeting to order and declared that a quorum was still present. Upon a motion requested by the Moderator, it was

VOTED: TO CHANGE THE AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FROM \$746,274.00 TO \$718,174.00.

Mr. Clough of the Finance Committee then moved that the Town appropriate \$832,481.00 for all items in Account 400 as in the previous main motion.

The Moderator ruled that this was a motion for reconsideration and as such, under the Bylaws of the Town, it required a two-thirds affirmative vote to pass.

Mr. Clough's motion was defeated by a majority.

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN APPROPRIATE \$753,674.00 FOR ALL ITEMS IN ACCOUNT 400, HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ALLOCATIONS SET FORTH IN THE RECOMMENDED COLUMN, EXCEPT THAT ITEM 410-11 BE \$33,300.00; ITEM 410-13 BE \$13,994.00; ITEM 420-11 BE \$233,292.00; ITEM 420-12 BE \$37,275.00; ITEM 460-12 BE \$21,300.00; AND TO MEET THE APPROPRIATION THE TOWN RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$718,174.00, APPROPRIATE AND TRANSFER THE FOLLOWING SUMS FROM THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS, FOR 420-11, OPERATING SALARY ACCOUNT, AND 420-50, CEMETERY MATERIALS ACCOUNT: MT. PLEASANT CEMETERY ACCOUNT, \$1,900.00; MT. WADSWORTH CEMETERY ACCOUNT, \$1,500.00; TOWN CEMETERY ACCOUNT, \$1,100.00; THE NORTH SUDBURY CEMETERY ACCOUNT, \$2,900.00; AND APPROPRIATE AND TRANSFER \$28,100.00 FROM PUBLIC LAW 1140 FUNDS TO THE CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT, 420-63.

[For Reconsideration of Account 400, Highway Department, see page 207]

[For final disposition of Account 400, Highway Department, see page 302]

VOTED: THAT THE MEETING ADJOURN UNTIL TOMORROW NIGHT AT 8:00 O'CLOCK IN THIS HALL.

The Moderator announced that the motion to adjourn had passed by the required two-thirds. The meeting adjourned at 10:45 P.M.

PROCEEDINGS

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The Moderator called the meeting to order at 8:04 P.M. at the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School Auditorium. He declared that a quorum was present.

He announced that a notice of intent to move reconsideration of Account 400, Highway Department, in Article 4 of the Warrant for the 1974 Annual Town Meeting, had been filed with the Town Clerk. He stated that, in accordance with the By-laws of the Town, this motion for reconsideration would be the first order of business on Monday, April 8, 1974, and that it would take precedence over the recommitted school budget.

The Moderator then recognized Mr. LeBart, Chairman of the Finance Committee, who *moved that all motions to increase, decrease or alter in any way the budgets proposed as Finance Committee recommendations as published in the Warrant for this Town Meeting shall specify a line item and sub-code to which they refer.*

In support of his motion, Mr. LeBart stated that a vote for this motion is essential to restore the integrity and responsibility to the proceedings of this Town Meeting. For two nights now we have had delays, confusion and frankly, some poor legislation. Last night we voted to cut \$78,807 from the Highway Commission budget. No one, not the Highway Commission, not the Taxpayers' Association, not the Finance Committee, no one really knows what this means. One view is that we may have given the Commission a blank check to spend \$753,674 in any way that they see fit. Another is that the cuts would require a pro-rated reduction of each line item, which could require dropping one or more employees because of the impact on the salary budget. Another is that the Highway Commission will have to recommend cuts and resubmit their budget to this Town Meeting for a vote on a line item basis. The point is that no one really knows.

More importantly, we have permitted the Taxpayers' Association to encourage us to act in an irresponsible way. Last night we made a blind vote without really knowing what it means. Deep in our hearts, we know that that was unfair. We were voting our pocketbooks, not our conscience. We put our self-interest ahead of public interest.

Sudbury prides itself in being one of the few towns that permits taxpayers to consider budgets on a line item basis so you will really know where your dollars are being spent. The Finance Committee has resisted pressures to simplify and condense the budget format in the Warrant. The principle of full disclosure is involved here, your right to know.

With that right goes a responsibility, the responsibility to consider and vote budgets on a line item basis. It is easy, but irresponsible, to vote a reduction of a budget when we don't really know what we are eliminating. A vote for this motion will force us to look at each item in detail. This way we will minimize confusion. This way we can make informed votes in a responsible way. We urge your support of this motion.

After discussion, Mr. LeBart's motion was *defeated*. *In favor - 174; Opposed - 206. (Total - 380)*

ARTICLE 4: 500 GENERAL GOVERNMENT

	<u>EXPENSES</u> <u>1972</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u> <u>1973</u>	<u>REQUESTED</u> <u>1974-75</u>	<u>RECOMMENDED</u> <u>1974-75</u>
<u>501 SELECTMEN</u>				
501-11 Exec. Sec'y Salary	14,088	20,400	21,000	21,000
501-12 Overtime	2,169	489	2,000	1,000
501-13 Clerical Salary	18,555	19,430	23,605	21,050
501-14 Selectmen's Salary	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600
501-21 General Expense	7,823	5,438	5,350	5,000
501-31 Equip. Maintenance	175	193	200	200
501-41 Travel	1,462	2,487	2,200	2,200
501-51 Equip. Purchase	2,061	1,006	3,325	350
501-71 Out-of-State Travel	142	57	1,000	750
501-81 Surveys & Studies	0	2,000	2,000	2,000
<u>501 TOTAL</u>	<u>48,135</u>	<u>53,100</u>	<u>62,280</u>	<u>55,150</u>

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	EXPENSES 1972	EXPENSES 1973	REQUESTED 1974-75	RECOMMENDED 1974-75
<u>502 ENGINEERING</u>				
502-11 Salaries	48,241	70,067	57,262	57,262
502-12 Overtime	0	0	1,600	1,600
502-13 Clerical Salary	0	0	6,398	6,398
502-14 Temporary Engr. Aides	0	0	24,000	2,740
502-21 General Expense	4,482	5,382	5,300	5,300
502-31 Maint. & Repair, Vehicles	299	948	1,900	1,800
502-41 Travel Expense	492	376	600	500
502-51 Equip. Purchase	4,591	2,975	7,000	5,200
502-71 Out-of-State Travel	0	0	0	250
<u>502</u> TOTAL	<u>58,105</u>	<u>79,748</u>	<u>104,060</u>	<u>81,050</u>
<u>503 LAW</u>				
503-11 Retainer	8,000	7,999	8,400	8,400
503-21 General Expense	8,842	5,778	11,000	11,000
<u>503</u> TOTAL	<u>16,842</u>	<u>13,777</u>	<u>19,400</u>	<u>19,400</u>
<u>504 ASSESSORS</u>				
504-12 Overtime	0	0	750	0
504-13 Clerical Salary	15,345	13,401	15,850	15,850
504-14 Assessors' Salaries	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
504-21 General Expense	2,999	1,916	5,150	5,150
504-41 Travel	600	600	600	600
504-51 Equip. Purchase	0	0	200	200
<u>504</u> TOTAL	<u>21,444</u>	<u>18,417</u>	<u>25,050</u>	<u>24,300</u>
<u>505 TAX COLLECTOR</u>				
505-11 Collector's Salary	8,850	8,866	10,000	9,300
505-13 Clerical Salary	8,050	5,857	15,433	10,000
505-14 Attorney's Salary	0	0	2,200	2,200
505-21 General Expense	4,941	2,904	6,805	6,530
505-41 Travel Expense	0	0	200	100
505-51 Equip. Purchase	0	0	200	0
<u>505</u> TOTAL	<u>21,841</u>	<u>17,627</u>	<u>34,838</u>	<u>28,130</u>
<u>506 TOWN CLERK & REGISTRARS</u>				
506-11 Town Clerk's Salary	5,000	7,824	9,664	9,664
506-13 Clerical Salary	16,413	17,707	20,763	19,700
506-14 Registrars	450	550	550	550
506-21 General Expense	6,469	5,707	8,056	7,100
506-41 Travel Expense	246	185	250	250
506-51 Equip. Purchase	6,768	888	811	810
506-61 Elections	7,514	2,890	7,858	7,858
<u>506</u> TOTAL	<u>42,860</u>	<u>35,751</u>	<u>47,952</u>	<u>45,932</u>
<u>507 TREASURER</u>				
507-11 Treasurer's Salary	6,150	6,604	10,000	7,500
507-13 Clerical Salary	2,967	3,499	4,200	4,000
507-21 General Expense	1,194	1,422	1,455	300
507-41 Travel Expense	210	316	300	300
507-51 Equip. Purchase	---	---	400	400
507-61 Tax Title Expense	55	197	100	100
507-71 Bond & Note Issue Exp.	116	168	100	100
<u>507</u> TOTAL	<u>10,692</u>	<u>12,206</u>	<u>16,555</u>	<u>12,700</u>
<u>508 FINANCE COMMITTEE</u>				
508-13 Clerical Salary	438	56	1,200	1,200
508-21 General Expense	214	196	400	400
508-41 Travel Expense	0	10	100	100
<u>508</u> TOTAL	<u>652</u>	<u>262</u>	<u>1,700</u>	<u>1,700</u>
<u>509 MODERATOR SALARY</u>				
	80	80	100	100
<u>510 PERMANENT BUILDING COMMITTEE</u>				
510-13 Clerical Salary	69	64	100	100
510-21 General Expense	122	15	150	150
<u>510</u> TOTAL	<u>191</u>	<u>79</u>	<u>250</u>	<u>250</u>
<u>511 PERSONNEL BOARD</u>				
511-13 Clerical Salary	800	766	900	900
511-21 General Expense	363	249	200	200
<u>511</u> TOTAL	<u>1,163</u>	<u>1,015</u>	<u>1,100</u>	<u>1,100</u>

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	EXPENSES 1972	EXPENSES 1973	REQUESTED 1974-75	RECOMMENDED 1974-75
<u>512 PLANNING BOARD</u>				
512-11 Planning Admin. Salary	0	0	17,800	16,400
512-13 Clerical Salary	1,592	2,073	3,200	3,100
512-21 General Expense	2,511	4,964	4,000	3,400
<u>512 TOTAL</u>	<u>4,103</u>	<u>7,037</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>22,900</u>
<u>513 ANCIENT DOCUMENTS COMMITTEE</u>				
513-21 General Expense	172	1,070	1,600	1,600
<u>514 HISTORIC DISTRICTS COMMISSION</u>				
514-13 Clerical	80	29	150	150
514-21 General Expense	100	58	150	150
<u>514 TOTAL</u>	<u>180</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>300</u>
<u>517 REVOLUTIONARY BICENT. COMM.</u>				
517-11 Coordinator	0	0	5,000	0
517-13 Clerical	0	0	3,000	3,000
517-21 General Expense	26	305	16,955	3,000
517-31 Maintenance	0	0	3,000	3,000
517-51 Equip. Purchase	0	0	5,000	0
<u>517 TOTAL</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>305</u>	<u>32,955</u>	<u>9,000</u>
<u>519 TALENT SEARCH COMMITTEE</u>	26	0	100	100
<u>520 COMM. ON TOWN ADMINISTRATION</u>	73	62	450	300
<u>521 ACCOUNTING</u>				
521-11 Town Accountant Salary	2,214	12,786	12,500	12,500
521-12 Overtime	0	0	400	400
521-13 Clerical	14,838	13,426	17,317	15,000
521-21 General Expense	647	686	1,110	910
521-31 Maintenance	896	425	765	765
521-41 Travel	0	0	100	100
521-51 Equip. Purchase	0	0	19,768	0
<u>521 TOTAL</u>	<u>18,595</u>	<u>27,323</u>	<u>51,960</u>	<u>29,675</u>
<u>500 TOTAL</u>	<u>245,154</u>	<u>267,946</u>	<u>425,550</u>	<u>333,687</u>

Finance Committee Report:

501: The recommendation of the Finance Committee represents a reduction in the Personnel Account of approximately \$4,350 and \$3,000 in the Capital Equipment Account. This will maintain the Town Hall staff at its current level as opposed to the addition of a telephone operator-receptionist requested by the Selectmen. The \$3,000 cost of a car for the Executive Secretary is felt to be unwarranted at this time.

502: The recommended budget represents a reduction of approximately \$23,000 from the original budget submission of \$104,068. The Finance Committee commends the Engineering Department in its effort to hold the line in most areas and regrets the suggested cut which is primarily in its temporary hire category. However, nearly \$20,000 is requested for students who were paid out of the walkway program funds in fiscal year 1974. If the walkway program is continued, funding for these temporary personnel will be available through the appropriate articles. Disapproval of these articles will obviate the need for these students. Recommend approval of \$81,050.

503: Although the request is apparently comparable to last year's appropriation, there has been an increase in this account for a professional negotiator which offset last year's extraordinary expense associated with anticipated legal fees in support of the Conservation Commission. Recommend approval.

504: The Finance Committee recommends the deletion of overtime in the Personnel Account (\$750).

505: In the past year the position of Principal Clerk has been unfilled and the Tax Collector has performed the functions. The reduction in the Personnel Account represents the deletion of this unfilled position from the budget, thereby eliminating the need to raise unspent funds through taxation.

506: It is recommended that the Town Clerk's office staff be held constant. The purchase of a special electric typewriter will enhance the effectiveness of the Town Clerk's office.

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507: The Finance Committee recommendation for the Town Treasurer's salary is 10% over last year. The remaining reductions are due to the establishment of a single postage and telephone account and the deletion of these elements from the individual department budgets.

512: The Finance Committee supports the establishment of a Planning Administrator under the direction of the Planning Board. The Town needs planning in many areas, traffic and land use, for example, to be better able to direct the growth that is coming. A Planning Administrator will be able to assist Town boards and committees in their planning efforts to provide an updated Master Plan for the Town and work towards its implementation.

513: This account is devoted largely to microfilming of documents in the Town offices, and a pilot program of records management. Recommend approval.

517: The Finance Committee recognizes the desire of many Town citizens and the Bicentennial Committee to honor the contributions Sudbury citizens have made to our heritage. In keeping with the true spirit of the forefathers, the Finance Committee feels that the spirit of the Bicentennial Celebration might best be presented primarily through voluntary contributions of funds and services by the Town citizens. A total amount of \$9,000 is recommended to assist the Bicentennial Committee in organizing a voluntary effort to achieve its goals.

521: The Town Accountant was hired in the summer of 1973. As a result, the comparison of this year's Accounting Budget with two-thirds of the 18 month budget is not appropriate. The major difference between the budget request and the Finance Committee recommendation is the deferral of the purchase of a data processing unit for the Town. Although a Town owned and operated data processor may be a reality in the future, the Finance Committee feels that there should be additional study before this major step is undertaken. Recommend approval.

After making the main motion to raise and appropriate \$350,511.00 for Account 500, General Government, including many changes in line item amounts from the figures as printed in the Warrant, Mr. Ronald Blecher further reported to the meeting for the Finance Committee as follows: The Finance Committee is no happier than you are about the fact that we have to read all these numbers off. I hope everybody understands that this happens because negotiations are not completed at the time we go to press. We have to put in the numbers that we have at our disposal. We don't want to impact negotiations, so we put in no increases. When these increases come due, we have to change the numbers, and that is why we have to go through this tedious process.

In general, our recommendations printed in the Warrant speak for themselves. There are several points which should be made with regard to these changes though. The major changes are due to collective bargaining and are almost always in salary accounts.

There are, however, two very specific accounts that should be addressed, and these in particular are 501-13, the Clerical Salary Account for the Selectmen, which we have recommended be changed to \$25,419 from the original recommendation of \$21,050. That change cannot all be attributed to collective bargaining.

The other major change is in account 502-14, Temporary Engineering Aides, in the Engineering Department where we are recommending that the amount be changed to \$8,418 from the previously printed \$2,740, again, clearly an increase which cannot be justified on the basis of collective bargaining.

The first one, 501-13, the clerical salary increase in the Selectmen's office, is for the addition of a telephone operator-receptionist clerk to the staff in the Town Hall. We have had this discussion before, and the Finance Committee has historically objected and rejected the idea of having this additional person. But, we have been impressed by the sincere persistence of the Selectmen. They have always come to us with the same thing, never deviating. At this time, we are convinced that they truly need this person, especially in light of the Bicentennial that is coming upon us. There will be additional calls upon the people in Town Hall to answer questions and answer telephones. The increase is rather a modest one and really reflects about a half a person because we have reduced the overtime account and increased the clerical salary. This amounts to changing one of the half-time people to a full-time person.

Now let me address 502-14. Temporary Engineering Aides are additional employees and co-op students that work with the Town Engineer. In general, the Town Engineer has been able to fund co-op students from Northeastern University

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when he gets walkway money that is approved in warrant articles. Now, if the warrant articles are approved, that's fine. But if the warrant articles are not approved, he does not get that money. We feel very, very strongly that if, in fact, you don't pass the warrant articles for walkways and there is no engineering to be done that, in general, you do not need these people. But we do feel that the co-op program is a very useful program, and so what we are recommending is the following: a minimal increase of \$5,500, plus the negotiated salary increases, to the engineering account to allow a very, very low level of participation in the co-op program even if the walkway programs are not approved.

If the walkway programs are approved, when you get to vote on those, the amount requested for engineering services will be reduced by \$5,500, and we will see no net increase in this budget. What we are particularly concerned about is having to drop out of this very useful program, the co-op program with Northeastern University.

You may ask legitimately, "If we have no walkways, is there any work to be done by these co-op students, even a minimal level?" I think the answer is, "Yes". There is work that we have consistently deferred. This person can be put to very good use.

Those are the major changes--salary increases due to negotiation, changes in account 501-13 for the telephone operator-receptionist clerk, and changes in 502-14 for the minimal participation on the Northeastern co-op program.

Mr. Louis G. Edwards of the Committee on Town Administration *moved to amend the budget as follows: change line items 511-11 to zero, 512-21 to \$5,400, 512 Total to \$8,702, 500 Total to \$336,111.00.*

Committee on Town Administration Report: (Mr. Edwards) The purpose of this amendment is to remove the Planning Administrator from the budget and place back into the General Expense account an amount for special studies almost equal to that spent last year, approximately \$3,500.

The growth of the Town has caused the Town boards, commissions and committees to generate ever-increasing amounts of data. The efforts of the past year have resulted in a number of five-year plans. All of this data must be consolidated before a coherent statement can be created of where the Town is now, where it is going in the near and intermediate future, and where those plans overlap and/or conflict with each other.

The CTA agrees that the need exists for long-term planning, coordination of plans between the various Town agencies, remaining up-to-date on the availability of State and Federal programs, etc. The question is how to fulfill the planning needs at a price that fits the benefits and in a time frame that makes it useful.

The CTA is not taking the position that a professional planner will never be needed, but rather, that a professional planner is not needed at this stage of data gathering, data consolidation and initial evaluation of the five-year plans. This type of function is the kind most frequently mentioned for the professional planner. However, it was not clear at the joint meeting of the CTA and the Planning Board, nor is it clear from the draft job description, whether the expertise of the administrator is to be in day-to-day operations, long-term planning in general, or in some particular aspect of planning, for example, land use, transportation, zoning, State and Federal funding programs. Finally, it did not appear to members of the CTA at this meeting that the Planning Board members were themselves in agreement on what particular expertise would be looked for when they were considering applicants.

The CTA believes that continuing work toward the creation of a data base from information already available or easily made available should be the level of activity for this coming year. This would provide the following:

- A. continued formal recognition and approval of the need for long-range planning and coordination of plans;
- B. a rate of expenditures no greater than this past year for this part of the planning budget;
- C. no need for a professional planner this coming year;
- D. a year for the need or lack of need for a professional to jell in the minds of the townspeople;
- E. a year for a firmer job description to be considered and generated by the Planning Board.

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The CTA believes this program provides continued progress at a price the Town can afford and avoids prematurely creating another professional permanent position. We urge your support for this amendment.

Planning Board Minority Report: (Mr. Paul H. McNally) I believe that hiring a planning administrator at this particular time is not in the best interests of the Town for the following reasons.

A planning administrator would be hired and paid for by the Planning Board. The Planning Board at its option could allocate time to other boards, but, since all Town boards are autonomous under our present form of government, each board must implement and be responsible for their own planning decisions. It is difficult for me to believe that the Planning Board can impose its planner on the wishes of other Town boards.

I proposed to the current members of the Planning Board that we walk before we run, and I suggested that we hire the services of a planning firm on a retainer basis at the rate of one or two days a month for one or two years. I believe that this approach would provide a learning curve for the present Board with regard to setting priorities and would also be of help in developing the expertise as to what we can expect from professional planning services when the Town is ready to pay for a full-time planning administrator or planner. This type of service will also act as a guide for the preparation of scope of services when future projects are proposed.

I believe that because of the nature and variety of planning projects, a planning administrator would require consultant services of a professional planning firm competent in whatever project may be of interest at a particular time. It would be misleading to say that a planning administrator or planner could, for all projects, be considered as one and the same man. I do not believe that the planning administrator proposed by the Planning Board will fill the immediate needs of the Town for planning. The cost of hiring a planning administrator will run between \$14,000 and \$20,000. The cost of an hydrology study as proposed in Article 27 of this Warrant, which would be performed by a consultant, will cost \$12,000.

I believe that this Town Meeting must choose between a planning administrator or consultants to take care of some of the many planning needs before us. It is proposed that the planning administrator would apply some of his time and talent to keeping informed of State and Federal spending programs, with respect to whatever benefits Sudbury might derive. I understand that at present, State and Federal programs are funneled through the Executive Secretary's office here in Sudbury.

The Planning Board at present uses the services of the Engineering Department for all subdivisions and site plan review and thus allows for more in planning by the members regarding local and regional matters, such as sewerage and solid waste disposal. It appears to me that hiring a planning administrator-planner on a full-time basis would, at least in part, be the same as having two men doing the same job regarding the subdivision and site plan review. The Planning Board members have, within our present form of government, the responsibility to plan for Sudbury and adding one more administrator will perhaps ease the burden but will not remove the obligation. I believe that it is too soon for Sudbury to go the full-time administrator or professional planner route.

Planning Board Majority Report: (Mr. Eben B. Stevens) The concern shown by the CTA and others over the proposed creation of a new position and the resulting increase in the Planning Board budget is understandable and not unexpected. We, too, are taxpayers and well aware of our tax rate in Sudbury.

But, as members of the Planning Board, we have a particular responsibility to you all to bring to your attention the problems which face the Town and to present to you the best possible solutions. In explaining to you the need for Sudbury having a professional planning administrator, we could have told you that we were overworked. Last year we had 52 regular meetings plus 40 special meetings, for instance. We could have pointed out that everyone else, from the Selectmen to the Highway Department, Board of Health, Park and Recreation, etc., have employed the professional help they need to work effectively. But those are not real reasons why Sudbury needs this planning administrator.

We need him or her now because we are at the crossroads of our development as a community, the 50% point. It took 300 years for Sudbury to reach the population of 15,000. In only another 20 years, we will be at 30,000. This attractive

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west-of-Boston suburb we live in is going to continue to be a part of the major growth area, and we must answer the critical questions of what we want to be like in 20 years and how are we going to achieve that objective.

Why this year? Why not next year, or the year after? The Planning Board feels that the Town needs the help now because it is going to take two or three years to analyze our present collection of data and come up with a workable plan. Then, once we agree on the plan, and the Town Meeting should necessarily be involved in that agreement, it takes more time to set up the priorities, debate the alternatives and get things done. Already it is close to 1980.

Based upon the statistical data obtained this year in our analysis of open land still left in Sudbury, we have somewhere between 3,000 and 4,000 house lots available. How many of us really ever thought about this situation? Even the five-year plans that the various boards and committees have made, submitted to the Finance Committee and updated annually, do not really address themselves to this reality. Do you realize that this many more new homes might mean a population pushing 35,000, with its inherent impact on the schools and other municipal facilities, to say nothing of the potential budget of nearly 30 million dollars. The Planning Board asks, "What do we want for Sudbury?" Do we want to become another Lexington, Wakefield, Newton or Wellesley, towns which started planning too late with their open land almost all built up? Do we want to be able to pace our capital expenditures wisely, or do we want to face annual Town warrants with multiple capital programs time and time again? Or do we want to plan budget growth based on facts, supported by analysis of relevant data?

In short, do we want to destroy the present nature of Sudbury, or do we want to face the future intelligently with a good plan in hand and sensible ways of implementing it? That is the problem, and, in our opinion, we must start working on the answer now, not five or ten years from now. It is a big, time-consuming job and one we honestly believe cannot be done without additional professional help.

After the Planning Board realized the magnitude of the question, we then asked ourselves, "Who should be most concerned with getting the answer? Whose responsibility should it be to formulate the policies and guide the activities leading up to the answers?" Chapter 40 of the State Law is pretty clear on this point. It is the Planning Board's responsibility to develop the plans.

The Board then did its homework. We have read, researched, interviewed and done cost-effective studies on the possible methods of getting this work done. First we looked to ourselves. Could the Planning Board do it without help? How much more time could the five elected members put in? Maybe a little bit, if we took more time off from our jobs or gave up all other forms of recreation other than Planning Board meetings. But still the job takes too much time, and the professional knowledge would be lacking.

Then we looked around to see if there was anyone else already working for the Town who would have the time, energy and professional skill to do the job. We could not identify any Town employee, group or office to do the job the way it needs to be done.

Then we thought and investigated the possibility of part-time help to do the job, townspeople, sharing a planner with another town or two, student interns, and so on. Any of these could be of some assistance, but our investigations revealed serious drawbacks in the area of time, availability, and on the job direction and supervision.

Then we thought about hiring a professional consultant. Mr. McNally's proposal of two days a week year round represents \$12,500 for about 1,000 hours of work. We have no doubt the job could be done this way and done well, but our 2 1/2 years of recent experience in hiring consultants showed this to be a very expensive method. The cost is significantly higher. Other communities have also discovered this. No matter how well you have written the scope of work, the retainer fee never seems to cover the answer to your urgent emergency questions, and the additional charges mount up rapidly. Two more important side problems to the retaining of a consultant are 1) that the information you get from such a firm can never really reflect the Town's wishes adequately because their professional relationship to the people of the Town is too remote, and 2) even if you do get a good plan from your consultant, implementing that plan is quite another thing. You usually end up having to hire that same consultant again to get things accomplished.

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We also looked at various combinations of other possibilities, and all had serious cost and effectiveness drawbacks. We came at length to the conclusion that a full-time planning administrator will give us the most for our money. We will get more hours on the job. We will get the most contact with the citizens. We will get close involvement with and good advice for all Town boards and committees. He will represent us, listen to us, then put it all together in the context of what is possible. And the cost is reasonable.

This is the overview of the information we presented in more detail to the Finance Committee. In past years the Finance Committee recommended against adding a planner or planning administrator to the Town's staff. They now support this budget item. Other boards and committees also have recognized the need for and the usefulness of having this person working for Sudbury. The Selectmen, the Park and Recreation Commission, the Board of Health, the Personnel Board, the Conservation Commission are all among them. We strongly feel that it is a question of now or never, a question of whether we are going to have a real say in our future or whether we are going to hide our heads in the sand and hope for the best while doing nothing. Ten years from now, or maybe even five, the die will be cast. We urge you to care what shape that die will be. We urge you to vote "No" on the CTA amendment and vote "Yes" on planning for our future.

Highway Commission Report: (Mr. Espinola) The Highway Commission would like to state that it supports the concept of an administrator and the way it is proposed by the Planning Board.

After some discussion, it was

VOTED: TO AMEND THE BUDGET AS FOLLOWS: CHANGE LINE ITEMS 512-11 TO ZERO, 512-21 TO \$5,400.00, 512 TOTAL TO \$3,702.00, 500 TOTAL TO \$336,111.00.

Mr. Roger A. Bump of the Revolutionary War Bicentennial Committee moved that Account 517 be amended to \$32,955 as set forth in the requested column in Article 4 for individual items.

The Moderator announced that he would recognize a pre-arranged speaking order of Mr. Bump, Mr. Francis Koppeis, Innkeeper of the Wayside Inn, Chief Nicholas Lombardi of the Police Department, Mr. Victor Walsh, Mr. William Vollheim, Colonel of the Sudbury Minute Company, and Mr. Richard E. Thompson, Executive Secretary, and that they would have a total of fifteen minutes for their presentation.

Mr. Bump: I am Director of News and Public Affairs for a Boston radio station. I am also an Assistant Professor at a college in the greater Boston area. With these two particular jobs, I am kept very well informed concerning funds being allocated for Bicentennial celebrations.

The first point that should be made is that Massachusetts will be jumping the gun by almost a full year as opposed to the rest of the country. Therefore, this particular celebration will be underway here for two years.

I think that it should also be considered that between three and six million people will be in the Town of Sudbury over that two year period. I consider that the money being suggested here is similar to an insurance policy. It is not our fault that we just happen to be in Middlesex County. It is not our fault that we just happen to be in a very outstanding town related to the Revolutionary days. It just happens to be that way. There is nothing we can do about it. The people will be here.

You have the Olympics in Montreal. You also have many other plans, not only nationally, but internationally, by residents across the ocean who are planning to come to this country for this particular celebration, and they, of course, would like to view the New England area. My personal knowledge of information as relayed to me, for example, by automobile associations throughout the country, indicates that there will be millions of people flocking to this area, and I feel we should be prepared.

This is a small amount of money overall because we do plan to have enough volunteers, enough items that will bring money back, and we will be able to cross this whole thing off. The Town will make the funding that we are suggesting here, and it will erase itself, which I think is the best news here tonight.

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Mr. Koppeis: From the activity we are having at the Wayside Inn by way of letters and correspondence inquiring about the Inn and the Revolutionary War activities that we are going to be re-enacting in many cases, I think it would be foolhardy if we overlooked that we are going to have a lot of problems with traffic, with information, with people, and where to put them for a rest room. It is innumerable, the number of items that you can think about that folks are going to require and desire.

This past ten days, I have had three magazines who have asked for information and have taken pictures. One of them spent a full day taking pictures. In each of these situations, we keep bragging at the Inn about the Town of Sudbury because it is the first place of democratic form of government, our Town Meeting. We mention that there were more men at the North Bridge from Sudbury than any other town. Not all of the publications include those in their little comments, but so much of it rubs off they keep speaking and referring not only to just the Inn but to Sudbury, Middlesex County and the rest. This means people are coming whether we want them or not. They are going to be here.

I am a country boy from Missouri. When I was out there, we looked on the Boston area as being a sort of sacred place, or a place of awe and something to reverence because that's where Bunker Hill, the Concord Bridge and those other things took place that made our country possible. Now I find that we sort of take things too much for granted, but folks are coming to see these things that they have read and heard so much about. I do hope that we make adequate plans and do not find ourselves having to rush about with an emergency program of some kind.

Chief Lombardi: I am not looking forward with any great enthusiasm to the prospect of moving all these visitors in and out of Sudbury during the Bicentennial. An awful lot of people are playing down this Bicentennial, and I just can't understand their attitude. I think the Town of Sudbury is going to be swamped. Most of the problems of getting these people around are going to wind up on my desk. I would like to make it a little easier for us on the Police Department. I think if we can get some money to this committee so that they can set up their information centers, put out their brochures, get some guides or guidelines to the people so that they can get around and visit the places of interest in Town without having to be led by the hand or directed by the Police on extra details, etc., it is going to be a great help to all of us. I strongly urge your support for the Committee's request for these funds.

Mr. Walsh: The Committee has been working on a volunteer basis for two years on this Bicentennial. We assure you we will continue to work for another two years on a volunteer basis. We are merely asking you to give us the tools to work with. We would also like to remind everyone that a substantial amount of money was voted by Town Meeting last year to get the records at the Town Hall up to date, and we plan to use those. We also would like to remind you that this is only a once-in-a-hundred-year request and that we will liquidate the entire amount.

Mr. Vollheim: This expenditure that we are considering tonight is extremely important. If you will go back through your history books, through Puritan Village, through Hudson's History of Sudbury, for example, in 1875, this was a disaster area, with horses and wagons, if you please. There were no automobiles. All of us in this room will be renting out our lawns to people with trailers. They are going to be coming through here by the millions. If we do not get this money, which is strictly for the materials with which to do the job, we will be dead. This is going to be a disaster area. The people that are in charge of this at the State level are closing their eyes to this problem. We will have a problem. At this point in time I would not want Chief Lombardi's job. I urge you to vote for this money.

Mr. Thompson: I would just like to give the Town Meeting a little additional information as to what other towns are doing as far as costs are concerned. Lincoln, one of our nearest neighbors, requested \$12,000, and town meeting approved that amount. Framingham, which is really not the impacted area, requested \$35,000, and their town meeting hasn't started yet. Concord requested \$52,700, and they have not had their town meeting this year, but they have already appropriated \$69,000. Lexington has requested \$150,000, and they already have \$100,000. There are some other towns, but they are smaller towns and not in the impacted area.

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After some discussion, Mr. Bump's amendment was defeated.

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$336,111.00 FOR ALL ITEMS IN ACCOUNT 500, GENERAL GOVERNMENT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ALLOCATIONS SET FORTH IN THE RECOMMENDED COLUMN OF THE WARRANT WITH THE EXCEPTION OF CHANGES TO INDIVIDUAL LINE ITEMS AS FOLLOWS:

501-12	\$ 533.00	506-61	\$ 8,140.00
501-13	25,419.00	507-13	4,280.00
502-11	58,823.00	508-13	1,278.00
502-12	1,704.00	510-13	107.00
502-13	6,814.00	511-13	959.00
502-14	8,418.00	512-13	3,302.00
504-13	16,881.00	514-13	160.00
505-13	10,650.00	517-13	3,195.00
506-13	20,981.00	521-13	15,975.00
506-21	7,207.00	521-12	426.00

AND THAT LINE ITEMS 512-11 BE CHANGED TO ZERO, 512-21 TO \$5,400.00, 512 TOTAL TO \$8,702.00.

ARTICLE 4: 600 GOODNOW LIBRARY

	EXPENSES 1972	EXPENSES 1973	REQUESTED 1974-75	RECOMMENDED 1974-75
600-11 Salaries	58,009	66,519	86,997	72,000
600-21 General Expense	4,068	4,771	5,503	5,503
600-31 Maintenance	5,856	6,261	8,139	8,139
600-41 Travel	116	112	250	200
600-51 Equipment	555	500	1,513	1,000
600-52 Books	18,298	21,627	25,884	23,000
600 TOTAL	86,902	99,790	128,286	109,842
LESS RECEIPTS:				
State Aid				-5,064.75
County Dog License Refund				-4,596.03
Library Trust Fund				-1,500.00
TOTAL				98,681.22

Finance Committee Report: The Finance Committee recommends approval of \$109,842 for the Goodnow Library budget. While the amount is 14.4% less than requested by the Library, the recommended budget is 11.3% higher than the equivalent past budget period. It is the opinion of the Finance Committee that adequate library services can be provided to the Town on the basis of the recommended budget.

Mr. S. William Linko further reported to the meeting for the Finance Committee as follows: For your information, during the 1973 period, the number of Goodnow Library card holders has increased by 50%, from 5,000 to 7,000 cards. Commensurate with that, circulation has increased by 33%, from 100,000 volumes to 133,000 volumes. These figures indicate that on the average, Sudbury citizens check out 500 books per day, roughly 60 per hour or 1 per minute. We feel that the budget as recommended is adequate for library service to the Town.

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN APPROPRIATE \$114,053.00 FOR ALL ITEMS IN ACCOUNT 600, GOODNOW LIBRARY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ALLOCATIONS SET FORTH IN THE RECOMMENDED COLUMN EXCEPT THAT ITEM 600-11 BE \$76,211.00, AND TO MEET THE APPROPRIATION THE TOWN RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$102,892.22, AND FURTHER THAT THE TOWN APPROPRIATE AND TRANSFER THE FOLLOWING SUMS FOR BOOKS FROM THE ACCOUNTS UNDER ITEM 600-52:

STATE AID FOR LIBRARY ACCOUNT	\$5,064.75
MIDDLESEX COUNTY DOG LICENSE REFUND ACCOUNT	4,596.03
GOODNOW LIBRARY FUND	1,500.00.

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ARTICLE 4: 700 PARK AND RECREATION

	EXPENSES 1972	EXPENSES 1973	REQUESTED 1974-75	RECOMMENDED 1974-75
700-11 Salaries	38,686	40,619	52,000	50,000
700-21 General Expense	959	1,027	1,000	1,000
700-31 Maintenance	21,950	17,847	25,000	25,000
700-41 Travel	208	186	300	300
700-51 Equipment	3,800	1,963	9,300	9,300
700-61 Special Programs	18,629	18,647	20,000	18,000
<u>700 TOTAL</u>	<u>84,232</u>	<u>80,289</u>	<u>107,600</u>	<u>103,600</u>

Finance Committee Report: This account shows about a 20% increase over the spending rate of the past two years. About \$8,000 of this is in the Salary Account, where Park and Recreation has requested increases for part-time maintenance men (largely for ball field maintenance on school grounds) and for skating rink supervisors. The -31 Account (Maintenance) is also up, reflecting improvements to Feeley Park, and general price increases. The -61 Account (Program Expense) shows an increase also. This reflects several new programs (e.g. gymnastics) that have been well received. It should be noted that most of these -61 Account programs are on a subscription basis, and produce revenue for the Town which is not reflected in the budget figures. The Town took in \$11,000 last year from such Park and Recreation activities. Recommend approval at \$103,600 total.

Mr. John J. Drum further reported to the meeting for the Finance Committee as follows: The addition of an overtime account item was originally requested by the Parks and Recreation Commission and by mistake it was added in to the regular salaries. At this time, we would like to bring it out and put it in the Warrant as a separate item.

In reviewing the Parks and Recreation budget, I would like to mention the problem of fiscal transition. We are presently in an 18-month accounting period that will end on June 30th. The budget now being considered starts next July 1st and goes for 12 months. As a result, all budget comparisons need some kind of extrapolation and are subject to interpretation.

In December, when the Finance Committee considered the Parks and Recreation budget request, 1973 spending figures were not available, and we used the current appropriation level as one of our guidelines. Thus, the Finance Committee report may not relate too well to the figures you see above it. Column 2 needs to be interpreted because the \$80,289 figure there is substantially below the appropriation level. If you pro-rated the appropriation uniformly, the figure for 1973 would be \$85,614. I presume that Parks and Recreation husbanded their funds in 1973 with the expectation of increased spending toward the end of the 18-month budget period.

Looking at column 1, the 1972 total does not include a pick-up truck that was purchased for \$5,290 on a special article. The point is that it is especially difficult this year to make comparisons. I believe that our recommended figure of \$106,597 can be considered in relation to a past spending level of \$85-90,000. The Parks and Recreation Department persuasively supported their budget before the Finance Committee in December, and I expect that they will do likewise before this meeting. The Finance Committee recommends approval.

Mr. Ira M. Potell, of the Sudbury Taxpayers' Association, *moved to amend by striking out the figure \$106,597 and substituting \$90,000 as the total in Account 700.*

In support of his amendment, Mr. Potell commented as follows: The Parks and Recreation Department has produced excellent programs, and there is no complaint with what is being currently done. However, the figure published in the Warrant on page Roman numeral iiiii [Proceedings, page 160] for a 12-month Park and Recreation budget is \$85,614. The printed recommendation shows \$103,600, or up 21%. The 1973 expenses were \$80,289, and the recommended budget \$103,600. This is an increase of 28.75%. 23% of this is in the salary account and with the new salary number, it is an even higher percentage. Equipment is up over 400%, maintenance is up 39%. We know that Park and Recreation returns monies to the Town every year, but if it costs us \$23,000 more, will we get back at least \$20,000 instead of the \$11,000 they returned last year?

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I have heard the comment that this is a good tight budget, reflecting an attempt to relieve the taxpayers' burden. If this is the case, I am somewhat shaken.

We are recommending a 12.8% increase over last year's expenditures and hope that our fellow taxpayers feel that this is a reasonable amount for Park and Recreation to provide us with excellent service and still expand their services at the rate of 3% per year, and not 12% per year.

Park and Recreation Commission Report: (Mr. Pasquale T. Piscitelli) We have seen many figures tonight, and I like to compare apples with apples. If you take the same fiscal period of July 1st to June 30th, you will notice that July 1, 1973, through June 30, 1974, the amount spent and to be spent comes to \$109,112. We have asked the Finance Committee for \$103,600. According to these figures, it looks as though we have cut our budget, not increased it.

Mr. Piscitelli requested that the Town Accountant verify the figure of \$109,112.

In response to the request, Mr. John H. Wilson, Town Accountant, stated that, based on the amount of money that was left in the Park and Recreation account as of June 30th, 1973, the amount that Mr. Piscitelli has stated which may be spent by June 30th, 1974, is correct.

Mr. Piscitelli continued his report as follows: On general programs, we have a budget of \$18,000, of which we get back \$11,000 a year, which goes into free cash. That means it only costs the Town \$7,000 to provide swimming, tennis, arts and crafts, softball and so forth, which I think is very low.

We are talking about \$9,300 for a pick-up truck and some new facilities at Feeley Park, a new ball field.

The salaries are \$50,000 this year. We have picked up the expense of the school fields. We have the Heritage Park to get involved with. We take care of the Town Center and many other parks in Town.

I think this budget is right in line, and I hope you support it.

After a short discussion, Mr. Potell's amendment was defeated. In favor - 164; Opposed - 209. (Total - 373)

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$106,597.00 FOR ALL ITEMS IN ACCOUNT 700, PARKS AND RECREATION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ALLOCATIONS SET FORTH IN THE RECOMMENDED COLUMN, EXCEPT THAT ITEM 700-11 BE \$50,750.00, AND TO ADD A NEW LINE ITEM, 700-12, OVERTIME, \$2,247.00.

ARTICLE 4: 800 HEALTH

	EXPENSES 1972	EXPENSES 1973	REQUESTED 1974-75	RECOMMENDED 1974-75
800-11 Director's Salary	4,984	8,317	16,000	16,000
800-13 Clerical Salary	4,318	4,037	5,800	5,800
800-21 General Expense	1,364	1,308	1,700	1,700
800-31 Lab Expense	1,308	747	1,200	1,200
800-41 Travel	0	337	1,200	500
800-51 Equipment	77	119	600	400
800-61 SPHNA	13,000	18,198	19,543	19,543
800-71 Mosquito Control	11,800	18,572	15,000	15,000
800-81 Consultant Fees	0	250	500	500
800-91 Mental Health	4,862	4,338	4,750	4,750
800-92 Nuisance Control	---	---	1,000	0
<u>800 TOTAL</u>	<u>41,713</u>	<u>56,224</u>	<u>67,293</u>	<u>65,393</u>

Finance Committee Report: The Finance Committee recommends approval of a \$63,393 budget for the Health Department. While the amount recommended represents a 4% reduction from the requested amount, it constitutes an 11% increase over the previous equivalent budget period and is sufficient to assure adequate Town health services.

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Mr. Linko further reported to the meeting for the Finance Committee as follows: The Town approved a full-time directorship for the Board of Health. The increase in Account 800-11 results from a full-time director coming on board as of August, 1973.

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$65,770.00 FOR ALL ITEMS IN ACCOUNT 800, HEALTH, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ALLOCATIONS SET FORTH IN THE RECOMMENDED COLUMN, EXCEPT THAT ITEM 800-13 BE \$6,177.00.

ARTICLE 4: 900 VETERANS

	EXPENSES 1972	EXPENSES 1973	REQUESTED 1974-75	RECOMMENDED 1974-75
900-11 Agent's Salary	1,250	1,321	1,500	1,500
900-21 General Expense	214	111	200	200
900-61 Benefits	<u>4,744</u>	<u>6,441</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>
900 TOTAL	6,208	7,873	11,700	11,700

Finance Committee Report: The Finance Committee recommends approval as requested. The requirements for the existence of a benefit fund are defined under the General Laws of the Commonwealth, and the amount of the fund is the same as last year with only a slight increase in administrative expense.

Mr. Roger Bender further reported to the meeting for the Finance Committee as follows: The salary item was changed to be in accord with the salaries approved in Article 2.

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$11,605.00 FOR ALL ITEMS IN ACCOUNT 900, VETERANS' BENEFITS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ALLOCATIONS SET FORTH IN THE RECOMMENDED COLUMN IN THE WARRANT, EXCEPT THAT ITEM 900-11, AGENT'S SALARY, BE CHANGED FROM \$1,500.00 TO \$1,405.00.

[For action under Account 950, Unclassified, see page 181].

Mr. LeBart, Chairman of the Finance Committee, then moved as follows:

- A. That the Town establish that all wage and salary increases voted at this Annual Town Meeting, unless otherwise specifically provided, shall be effective as of July 1st, 1974;
- B. That all automobile mileage shall be paid at the rate of 12¢ per mile upon submission of a proper voucher;
- C. That with the exception of Accounts 100, Sudbury Public Schools, 130, Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School District, and 140, Minuteman Regional Vocational Technical School District, all items in all other accounts have been voted as segregated items for accounting and expenditure purposes.

The Moderator raised a question as to whether or not the last phrase was correct in so far as the Highway Commission budget was concerned.

Town Counsel stated that he had advised the Finance Committee that if the Town wants to treat these budgets as segregated budgets, then this is the proper motion. If the Town wants to amend this and eliminate a budget as a segregated budget, it can do so. The Finance Committee has suggested that it wants segregated budgets and the motion has been prepared to do that.

After some discussion of the problem of the Highway Commission budget, Mr. LeBart moved to amend his motion by adding the words "and 400, Highway Department", after the word "District", so that it would read "...with the exception of Accounts 100, Sudbury Public Schools, 130, Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School District, 140, Minuteman Regional Vocational Technical School District, and 400, Highway Department, all items in all other accounts have been voted as segregated items for accounting and expenditure purposes".

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Mr. Sidney Wittenberg then moved that we table this motion until all individual items that are as yet unresolved are resolved.

The Moderator stated that he would like the motion to be a little more specific.

After several questions and suggestions, the motion was changed to read as follows: Move to table the final motion under Article 4 until such time as item 320, Police Department, under Section 300, is disposed of.

After several other questions relative to reconsideration of the Highway Department budget and the meaning of a segregated budget, it was

VOTED: TO TABLE THE FINAL MOTION UNDER ARTICLE 4 UNTIL SUCH TIME AS
ITEM 320, POLICE DEPARTMENT, UNDER SECTION 300, IS DISPOSED OF.

VOTED: TO ADJOURN UNTIL MONDAY, APRIL 8, 1974, IN THIS HALL.

The Moderator announced that the vote was greater than the two-thirds required. The meeting adjourned at 10:55 P.M.

PROCEEDINGS

ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

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The Moderator called the meeting to order at 8:00 P.M. at the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School Auditorium. He declared that a quorum was present.

He announced that the Talent Search Committee had sign-up cards available at the entrance for anyone interested in serving in various capacities in the Town government.

He then recognized Mr. Powers, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, for an announcement. Mr. Powers stated that at the commencement of this meeting and in the Warrant, both the Finance Committee and the Selectmen indicated that they were being conservative on their estimates of State receipts that would come in this year. This was primarily due to the horrible shock we had last year. This past Friday, the Town received its so-called "Cherry Sheet" showing County taxes, State assessments plus estimated Local Aid. What all this means is that Sudbury will be getting a larger amount of the State's Local Aid in the 1974-75 budget year than originally estimated. According to the latest information, following either the Selectmen's or the Finance Committee's recommendations will mean no tax rate increase and more likely, a tax rate decrease.

On September 10, 1973, the Board of Selectmen's public statement on the 1973 tax rate stated in part, "Next year's tax rate should remain stable, or even decrease, if the Town maintains the same level of increased property valuation and uses free cash and revenue sharing funds appropriately." However, much of the credit for the increased State Local Aid receipts this year is due, in no small part, to the collective action at the State House and the Governor's Office by the Massachusetts Selectmen's Association, the Mayors' Association and the Massachusetts League of Cities and Towns.

This information we feel is extremely important to you, and it is my understanding that this is a joint statement by both the Finance Committee and the Selectmen. It is my understanding from talking to Mr. Wilson that the magic number is a \$1.95 improvement in our fiscal picture. We thought you ought to know that before we go on with the meeting.

The Moderator then recognized Mr. Ronald Espinola of the Highway Commission who moved that the Town reconsider Article 4, Account 400, Highway Department Budget.

After Mr. Espinola's motion was seconded, the Moderator commented as follows: "On Tuesday night last, the Finance Committee made a motion to appropriate \$832,481 for the purposes of Article 4, Account 400, Highway Commission. There was a motion from the floor to amend that Finance Committee figure on the Highway Department Budget from \$832,481 to \$753,674. That motion passed.

"There was then a motion to amend that figure back up to \$832,481. That was obviously a motion to reconsider, and I ruled it so to be. Under Article II, Section 13, of the Town Bylaws, a motion to reconsider any matter at the same session as that at which it was decided requires a two-thirds vote. When put to a vote, this motion to reconsider was defeated by a majority.

"The following morning, within the time specified in the Bylaws, Mr. Espinola of the Highway Commission filed in the Town Clerk's office a notice of intent to seek reconsideration of the action. The question now arises whether or not there may be a second reconsideration of this matter. I would like what I am about to say to be re-printed verbatim in the Proceedings.

"There is some parliamentary authority to the effect that once there has been a motion to reconsider and it has been defeated, there can be no second motion. This appears in a book called Town Meeting Time, a handbook used by moderators all over New England as a guide. It appears in the rules of the Massachusetts House of Representatives. It appears in Bolton's Rules, Demeter's Rules and in Robert's Rules. The last name is the most commonly used rule book in the country.

"This meeting does not use any of those. Under our Bylaws, the rule book of this meeting is Cushing's Manual of Parliamentary Procedure. In Cushing's Manual there is no prohibition against a second motion for reconsideration. In the Town Bylaws, there is no prohibition as such on a second motion for reconsideration although as a practical matter there are limitations on it because of other rules.

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"The matter of ancient custom and usage now raises itself. Is there an ancient custom and usage that prohibits a second motion for reconsideration? I have been unable to find one. I have reviewed the Proceedings of the 1969 Annual Town Meeting, and I don't find them relevant. They proceeded on an entirely different question. Ancient custom and usage is a shaky ground upon which to base a ruling anyway because one never knows whether something that is ancient is also a custom and usage. Or, was it just some moderator, heaven knows how many years ago, saying, 'You're out of order', and nobody daring to challenge it? If there ever was an ancient custom and usage in this connection, it cannot have any remaining vitality in the face of such complete rules as we now have on the subject of reconsideration, where the rules are lengthy and specific as they are here. There is no room to rely on ancient custom and usage.

"Therefore, I rule that the motion to reconsider with proper notice is in order. I have consulted with Town Counsel on this, and he is of the opinion that the motion is in order. He rests his opinion on the fact that the first motion to reconsider was directed only to the motion to amend, whereas the present one is directed to the entire question of Account 400. I agree with his reasoning, but I choose to rest the decision on broader grounds.

"There is just no law against a second motion to reconsider. There are practical limitations on it, as I said before. 1) In order to pass at the same session or at a later session, a two-thirds vote is required. 2) In order to be brought up at a later session, certain notice must be given through the Town Clerk and the Chair. This means that at a later session, the motion may be reconsidered only once. The motion to reconsider itself cannot be reconsidered. That is in Cushing's Manual.

"This means that, at the same session of a meeting at which a matter is passed, if anyone feels that the opinion of the hall has changed enough, or enough people have left so that there might be two-thirds in favor of reversing a previous decision, he may make a motion for reconsideration without foreclosing any of his later session rights. Some say that this will unduly lengthen the meeting. But, I think it will have another effect. The knowledge that a matter might be reconsidered later in the evening will lead those who might otherwise leave to stay around and help with the rest of the work for the evening. And, if anyone here has any thoughts about bringing in large numbers of people to vote for or against a particular article, he better make sure that they can spend the whole evening."

Mr. Espinola was then recognized for his presentation relative to his motion to reconsider and commented as follows: We believe that the reasons for reconsideration are very simply stated. We wish to rectify inequities, legal ambiguities and errors which will arise if the original motion stands as voted. Those of you who attended last Tuesday night's massacre, saw this deliberative body take action which nobody could understand at that time. Mr. Bonin, who presented the article, when questioned, did not know what some of the elements of it were. The Sudbury Taxpayers' Association, the Finance Committee, the Town Accountant, Town Counsel and the Highway Commission--none of us knew what the ramifications of that action were. When the dust had settled, we found ourselves with a Highway Department budget which was cut by an amount even greater than the Taxpayers' Association had originally suggested. We found the budget at a level which was even lower than they had wished to move.

Town Meeting, last Tuesday, voted only a bottom line number. We agree with the Finance Committee that this is not a fiscally responsible state of affairs for the usual budgetary controls do not apply. They no longer exist to the budget as it was voted. It is conceivable that the legal ambiguities which arose as a result of that meeting may be settled after months or years. But, that leaves us in a very tenuous position until such resolution occurs. For that reason, we wish to reconsider the motion and present to Town Meeting a revised version of the budget that was originally voted.

Some of the legal ambiguities that exist are, how is the budget to be apportioned, to be pro-rated? Is every line item to be reduced by approximately 9%, or should the five Commissioners split up the \$750,000 and just take a jaunt to Brazil? We have no desire to reduce the Department personnel by 9%. Nothing is more calculated to destroy a department's morale and therefore a department's functioning if members can be removed without cause.

We also wish to avoid a special town meeting which would cost many thousands of dollars to resolve the question of what the new Highway Department budget should look like.

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For these reasons, we wish to resubmit a line item budget for your consideration. In fact, we wish to submit two budgets, one of which totals the amount voted last Tuesday night, and one of which totals an amount between the amount voted and the amount that we had originally submitted.

The question before us at the moment is not what that total is, although our intention is to give you your choice. The question before us is, "Should that budget be a line item budget or should that budget be one which has only the bottom line and with it the legal ambiguities and the accounting ambiguities?"

It is worth noting that the Cherry Sheet improvement that Mr. Powers just announced includes the original Highway Department budget amounts, but that is something that we will come to later. We ask you to assess the situation that we have gotten ourselves into, to allow us, the Town of Sudbury, the Sudbury Highway Commission and all other Town bodies to provide a line item budget which is the result of Highway Commission reassessment of priorities.

We hope that the budget that we would propose if reconsideration is approved, will be one that you will understand more than perhaps the one you saw last week. But, in any case, we wish the opportunity to present the unambiguous distribution of funds that we now propose. We ask you to assess the question carefully, deliberately. Let's not get into the situation we had last Tuesday night and vote for reconsideration.

Finance Committee Report: (Mr. Clough) The Finance Committee, in its statutory capacity as your advisor on fiscal responsibility, supports this motion to reconsider the Town Meeting's action of Tuesday evening on Article 4, Account 400, Highway Department. It has always been the policy of your Finance Committees up to now to require the various Town boards, commissions, committees and departments to submit line item budgets so that they may be studied, questioned, evaluated and changed as necessary prior to recommendation by the Finance Committee to the Town for amendment and/or approval by Town Meeting vote.

Only the school budgets are voted as bottom line figures, because the vocational and regional high school budgets are assessments on the Town by law, and the elementary school budget is voted by the School Committee under its legal fiscal autonomy. The final motion by the Finance Committee after total budget approval always specifies that, with the above school exceptions, all line items are voted as segregated items for accounting and expenditure purposes.

Your Finance Committee is deeply concerned over the fact that the Highway Department budget as presently approved permits no real Town accounting fiscal control over the various line items since only a bottom line figure has been established. The reduction from the original budget submission may be spread across all items proportionately or certain line items may be segregated, depending upon Town Counsel's ruling. Either way, it does not permit the Highway Commission, which is your elected body, to reassess their priorities and adjust their line item budgets in accordance with your voted bottom line amount.

By voting reconsideration at this time you will establish fiscal control in an orderly manner. The Highway Commission will be able to submit a new, responsible line item budget for your approval. The Town Accountant will be able to perform his legal duty to assure you that the budget is spent in accordance with your decision. The Finance Committee recommends your approval of this motion for reconsideration of Article 4, Account 400, Highway Department.

Mr. William F. Toomey of the Board of Selectmen was recognized and requested that the Moderator rule again concerning what reconsideration was in the past and what his ruling is tonight. He stated, "I think you're making a decision for the hall that we should remember. We have followed certain rules in the past, and I honestly think that you should get it right out there again and say it like it is."

The Moderator then summarized his ruling relative to reconsideration. [See pages 207-208 for the full text.]

After discussion, Mr. Espinola's motion to reconsider was defeated.

The Moderator announced that Article 4, 100-110, Sudbury Public Schools Budget, was before the hall as it had been committed back to the School Committee for consideration, and under that vote was scheduled to be discussed tonight. He stated that there was presently on the floor a motion to amend the Finance Committee's amount of \$3,885,000 to \$3,901,500. If the motion to amend is passed, it will affect the main motion and raise the total figure to \$3,901,500. If it is not passed, then the main motion will be before you.

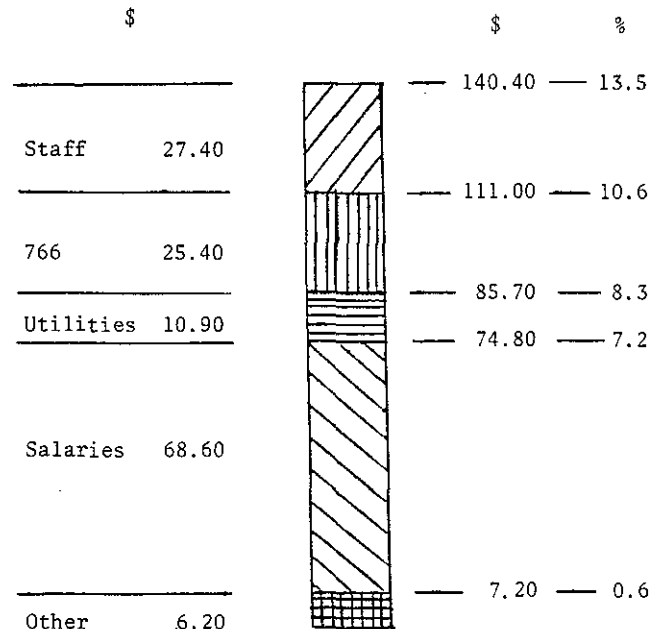
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School Committee Report: (Mr. Cron) I would like to report on our consideration of the motion that committed the budget back to the School Committee. In that consideration we took six things into account: the program balance we offer in the elementary school, our per pupil cost, the impact of collective bargaining on our budget, how we compare with other towns that offer similar or the same programs, the impact of reductions on our budget and finally, the impact of our budget on Sudbury's tax rate.

The number of students published in the Warrant listed for the year '73-'74 was actually the October, 1973, number of students. If you use the correct number of students, our per pupil cost was \$950 for the school year 1972-73. This year it is \$1147 proposed. That is an increase in per pupil cost of 10.5%.

CHART L

INCREASES IN PER PUPIL COSTS



On this chart, I would like to illustrate the impact of what we have done on per pupil cost. On the bar chart, on the left, I have listed "other" which essentially are increases in transportation and contracted services, such as Sudbury Public Health, etc. That was an increase of per pupil cost of \$6.20, and it is 0.6% in the increase in pupil costs. The major impact on pupil cost was salaries, \$68.60. Those two items alone bring it up to \$74.80, or 7.2% of the per pupil increase.

We saw, as everybody in the Town did, a major increase in the cost of utilities, and, adding that in, above what a normal projection would be, our per pupil cost increased 8.3%, which I think was in the guidelines of the 9% offered by the Sudbury Taxpayers' Association. So, for offering the same program we did in previous years, we have increased 8.3% on a per pupil basis.

However, in addition to that, we did make a programmatic change. The State has passed a law on special education called Chapter 766. The impact of that on our budget brings our total per pupil cost to a little over 10.5%, which is the budget we have now presented to you.

Chapter 766 may be either the best law the Commonwealth has ever passed or the worst one. It is really now in the hands of the school committees to implement it. The law basically says that we should not categorize children and put

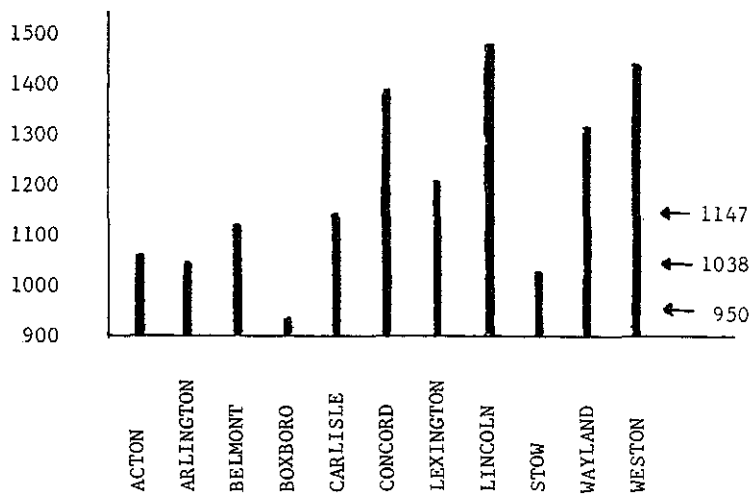
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them in little boxes unless we can do something about it. It says we shall consider each child as an individual. We shall diagnose his problem. We shall prescribe a program. We shall teach, evaluate, and if nothing happens, we throw the program out and start again. But, it has a very positive bent. We have moved in that direction over the last four or five years. We believe it is the way to go. If we can solve the problem down in the grade level, it is going to save a lot of money trying to solve the problem at the high school.

I would just like to illustrate one more point on this chart. We did face a decrease in pupils, and we have reduced staff on those categories accordingly. If we had not responded in that direction, the per pupil cost would have increased to \$140, or 13.5% on our budget.

CHART M

PER PUPIL COSTS

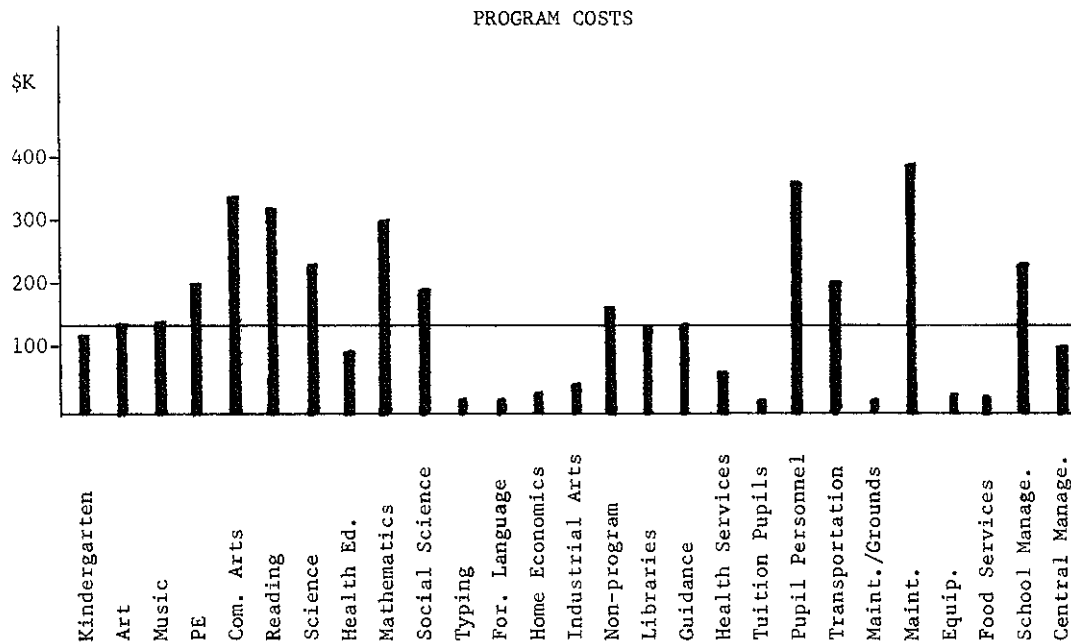


This chart is the per pupil cost from the State data for the school year 1972-73 for elementary schools. The solid line with the arrow on the right indicates Sudbury's elementary per pupil cost at \$950. One year later our cost was \$1038. Now it is \$1147. You can see our relative position two years after the data of the comparable towns.

One reason our costs are low is that we have long had a policy of not taking rapid action to try and reduce budgets. One item most school committees tend to cut when asked to reduce their budgets is operation and maintenance. I think we have maintained a very well planned program, and I think what you see is it pays off. We pay \$116 per pupil to operate and maintain our buildings. The high school costs \$248 and Lincoln \$283. We have found that if you put off these costs, it costs you more than double the amount in following years to catch up. It is a snowballing effect. We think that is a valuable place to save.

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CHART N



This bar chart actually indicates in thousands of dollars the amounts of money we spend by program category, ranging from kindergarten, art, music, PE, all the way down to maintenance, operation of schools. The line drawn across was the amount of money we were asked to reduce the budget and how it compares to many of our programs. It is a major amount of money. In equivalent staff, it is eleven to twelve teachers. It is essentially what would happen if we closed one of the elementary schools. If the population keeps going down, we may do that, but this is not the year.

Our budget is predominately salaries. We are a very labor-intensive industry. To cut that kind of money out means reduction in staff and reducing staff generally means, right now with the fixed number of pupils, we have a reduction in program.

The last thing is the impact on the tax rate. As was mentioned before, the Town has received on the Cherry Sheet an increase in estimated receipts. For tax purposes last year you took a terrible belt from schools because the 18-month budget folded into the Town essentially 1.7 times what we normally spend on education because of the way the school year was divided. The State aid that was received in that period was divided in a two-thirds, one-third basis for purposes of calculating the tax rate. If I compare the two-thirds aid we received last year with the anticipated school aid to be received this year, that which is directly assignable to the elementary schools is \$133,000. The Chapter 70 aid that the Town receives increased by \$217,000, and the elementary share is two-thirds of that, or \$144,000. That is a total increase in aid directly attributable to education of \$278,000.

The increase in the elementary budget which also goes on a two-thirds, one-third basis, as shown in the front of your Warrant, was \$117,000. We amended it and added \$16,000, so that it is \$134,000. The end result of the elementary budget is that aid increases by \$144,000 over what we have increased in the budget. In essence that is 90¢ tax reduction due to the elementary schools. We have not, I think, had a severe impact on the budget.

The School Committee, in its consideration, would ask you to support the budget at the amount we originally submitted of \$3,901,500.

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After some discussion, Mr. Naegele *moved to amend this motion by striking out the number \$3,901,500, and by substituting therefor \$3,770,500, which is a reduction in the amount of \$131,000.*

The Moderator ruled Mr. Naegele's motion to amend out of order since there was already a motion to amend on the floor.

The question was then moved and prevailed by more than the two-thirds required.

VOTED: TO AMEND THE APPROPRIATION FOR ITEM 100-110 IN ARTICLE 4
TO \$3,901,500.00.

After further discussion, Mr. Philip Felleman moved the question relative to the main motion as amended. Before accepting Mr. Felleman's motion, the Moderator asked if there would be any other motion to amend. He then recognized Mr. Naegele who *moved to amend the motion before the floor now to delete the bottom line amount, \$3,901,500, and to replace it by the sum of \$3,770,500, or a reduction of \$131,000 in the requested amount.*

The Moderator stated, "Once again I am constrained to decide whether or not this is in fact a motion for reconsideration. A few minutes ago, we voted a certain bottom line figure. We are now asked to change that. I rule, therefore, that this is a motion for reconsideration and as such it requires a two-thirds vote in favor in order to pass."

Mr. Toomey of the Board of Selectmen then raised a point of order asking that the Moderator state again whether or not Mr. Naegele's motion to amend is reconsideration and what Mr. Naegele is presenting to the hall.

The Moderator stated that "this is a motion for reconsideration and debate on this, as a motion for reconsideration, will be confined to the question of whether or not the matter should be reconsidered."

Mr. Toomey again raised a point of order and asked if the main motion had been made. If not, we are then having reconsideration of a motion that has not yet been made.

The Moderator explained that "there was a Finance Committee motion made last week. Last week, a motion was made to amend that figure upward. That motion was never voted upon last week. Instead, it was moved and voted to recommit the School Committee budget to the School Committee itself, to reconsider it and report to the meeting tonight. That it has done.

"When it came back on the floor tonight, that motion to amend, that is the motion to amend up to \$3,901,500, was on the floor. It was voted in favor. There is now a motion before you to amend it back down below the original figure.

"Now there is more than one way to make a motion for reconsideration. The hall must always beware of motions for reconsideration that fly different flags. One of the possible flags that a motion for reconsideration can fly, is a motion to amend something that has already been amended. That is precisely the situation we have before us. There is a motion to amend something that has already been amended. It has already been amended up. It is now proposed to amend it down.

"As such, the rules of reconsideration must be applied to it. They are two, in so far as this is a motion to reconsider at the same session of the meeting: 1) debate under it is confined to the question of whether or not there should be a reconsideration and 2) a two-thirds vote in favor in required."

After further recapitulation by the Moderator of the motions and procedures in response to another question, Mr. Naegele was recognized for the purpose of making a presentation relative to his motion to amend.

Mr. Naegele stated that the purpose of the motion is to give the Town a chance to vote on the subject for which it referred the budget back to the School Committee in the first place, that is, to see whether or not the budget should be reduced by \$131,000. My motion to reconsider is based upon that fact, and perhaps in some of the parliamentary procedure which has occurred, we may not have understood what has happened. We are voting on this now to determine whether or not there should be any reduction in the proposed school budget based upon the report by the School Committee.

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After a short discussion, Mr. Naegele's motion was defeated.

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$3,901,500.00 TO BE EXPENDED UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE SUDBURY SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR ALL ITEMS IN ACCOUNT 100, EDUCATION, 110 SUDBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS, IN ARTICLE 4.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$62,500, or any other sum, to be expended under Chapter #90 the direction of the Highway Commission, for Chapter #90 maintenance Maintenance program, or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Highway Commission.

Highway Commission Report: (Mr. Daniel D. Carter) Prior to 1973, Chapter 90 projects were financed 50% by the State, 25% by the County, and 25% by the local authorities. The new policy of the Department of Public Works is that the State's share will be 75% except in the cases where the roads to be improved are considered to be a primary system, Chapter 90 road. A primary system Chapter 90 road is one that serves traffic through one town to another. In that case, the State will appropriate 100% of the funds.

However, when you use these funds, you must repair and maintain the road up to State standards.

The requested funds will be used this year to perform approximately three years of Chapter 90 maintenance work within one construction season in order to reduce the amount of work on roads during the Bicentennial Celebration period. The State has allotted a total of \$90,600 for Sudbury.

The \$62,500 requested, when voted, will leave \$28,100 within the fund for Sudbury's account. It is the present intention of the Highway Department to use the balance of these funds for Landham Road reconstruction when that job is ready to be done.

Finance Committee Report: The Highway Department usually budgets \$25,500 annually for maintenance of County roads, with minimal reimbursement from State funds. The \$62,500 requested in this article is a one time cost to cover the projected cost of repair and maintenance of three major County roads, with all of the work being done during 1974 to minimize the impact of the bicentennial travel in 1975 and 1976. No funds for Chapter 90 Maintenance will be requested by the Highway Department for those two years, although Sudbury will automatically receive annual payments of approximately \$43,000 from the State during that period. The Finance Committee supports this proposal of concentrating the work in one year as being cost effective and recommends approval.

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN APPROPRIATE AND TRANSFER \$62,500.00 FROM HIGHWAY CHAPTER 1140 FUNDS TO BE EXPENDED UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE HIGHWAY COMMISSION FOR THE CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE PROGRAM.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$41,500, or any other sum, to be expended under Purchase the direction of the Highway Commission, for purchase of a self- Snow propelled highway snow remover, or act on anything relative thereto. Remover

Submitted by the Highway Commission.

Mr. Anthony L. Galeota, Jr., of the Highway Commission moved Indefinite Postponement.

Mr. Galeota stated that the Highway Commission intended to move Indefinite Postponement on Article 7 also. The Moderator asked Mr. Galeota to report on both Article 6 and Article 7 at the same time.

Highway Commission Report: (Mr. Galeota) We are asking for Indefinite Postponement on both these articles because at the time of the article consideration we were expecting considerably more walkways to be included in the Warrant for construction during this year. On that basis, we felt that it was necessary to purchase these pieces of equipment in order to maintain the walkways during the winter season. However, that did not come to pass. The number of miles of walkways that the Finance Committee is recommending will make it unnecessary to ask for funds this year to purchase these pieces of equipment.

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However, we will be back. If funds are appropriated next year for a similar amount of walkways, it will be necessary at that point to come back and seek funds to buy this kind of equipment in order to maintain them during the winter months.

Finance Committee Report: While the type of equipment requested by the Highway Department is very efficient and desirable for large towns and cities with side-walks, the Finance Committee feels that our present snow removal needs can be met adequately within the desired clean up period after an average snow storm. Our walkway construction program is still in a limited stage and we do not foresee major implementation of this program at this time because of the cost effect on our tax rate. Recommend disapproval.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$9,000, or any other sum, to be expended under the direction of the Highway Commission, for purchase of a walkway snow plow, or act on anything relative thereto.

Purchase
Walkway
Snow Plow

Submitted by the Highway Commission.

Highway Commission Report: See Article 6.

Finance Committee Report: The Finance Committee is sympathetic to the Highway Department to provide snow-free walkways as quickly as possible after a snow fall so that our school children may safely travel to their destination. However, the need for an additional walkway plow is primarily to provide snow removal of additional walkways which may be constructed within the next four years. The Finance Committee recommends that the proposed purchase of this second walkway plow be deferred until such time as its requirement is justified and therefore recommends disapproval.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$2,500, or any other sum, to be expended under the direction of the Park and Recreation Commissioners, for the purpose of providing a septic system for the already approved installation of a toilet facility to be constructed at the tennis court area of the Feeley Park property located on Raymond Road of Sudbury, or act on anything relative thereto.

Septic
System -
Feeley Park

Submitted by the Park and Recreation Commission.

Park and Recreation Commission Report: (Mr. John E. Murray) The Park and Recreation Department seeks the support of Article 8 to enable it to build a much needed comfort station in Feeley Park. The original estimate for the construction of this facility was made in November, 1970, and was presented and passed at a town meeting in the spring of 1971. The Commission was not fully aware in selecting their site that it rested within a 400 foot circle of a proposed future well site. This means that we will have to carry the waste material some 380 feet to the opposite side of the tennis courts and parking lot, or across Raymond Road onto Water District land where the material for draining is quite suitable. In either case, it is an additional cost that could not be foreseen by the Board of Commissioners at the time of the original request.

Finance Committee Report: The Finance Committee recommends approval of this article to permit completion of this vital portion of the Feeley Park facility.

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$2,500.00 TO BE EXPENDED UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSIONERS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING A SEPTIC SYSTEM FOR THE ALREADY APPROVED INSTALLATION OF A TOILET FACILITY TO BE CONSTRUCTED AT THE TENNIS COURT AREA OF THE FEELEY PARK PROPERTY LOCATED ON RAYMOND ROAD IN SUDBURY.

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ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town Bylaws by the addition of an article to be numbered by the Town Clerk in the appropriate section of the Bylaws for Town Meetings, reading as follows:

Create
Maximum
Tax Rate
Petition

"No appropriation shall be made by the Town which shall result in a tax rate greater than five per cent (5%) of assessed evaluation, or fifty dollars (\$50.00) per thousand dollars of assessed evaluation, except by a vote which is four fifths or greater of those present and voting. If a firm tax rate can not be established by the Board of Assessors at the time of the town meeting, a list will be proposed by the Finance Committee and voted by the Town with specific reductions to be made in priority at such time when the tax rate can be established, so as to reduce appropriations to an amount equal to or less than the limit imposed by this article. Appropriations for Sudbury or regional school districts including Sudbury may be included in this priority list for reductions, subject to such confirming action of the School Committee as may be required by State law."

or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by Petition.

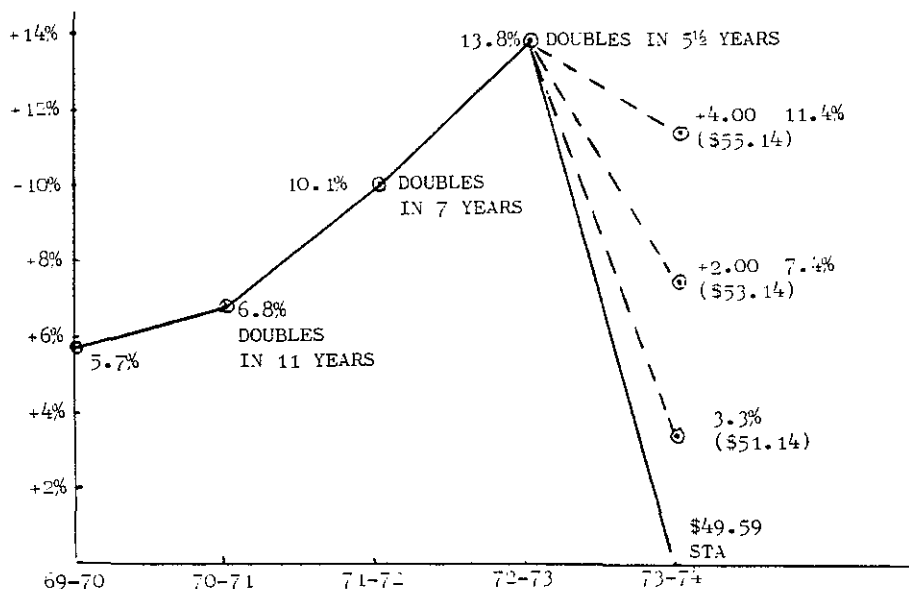
Mr. Eugene L. Naegele, representing the petitioners, moved that [A] the Town amend the Town Bylaws by the addition of an article to be numbered by the Town Clerk in the appropriate section of the Bylaws for Town Meetings to read as printed in Article 9 in the Warrant for this meeting; further, [B] that the Town direct the Selectmen to prepare a petition to the General Court for a special law authorizing Sudbury to ordain a bylaw in the words of Article 9 in the Warrant for this meeting to be submitted without further approval by the Town in the event the Massachusetts Attorney General declares the bylaw illegal without the authority of such special legislation; and, finally, [C] that the Town direct the Finance Committee to establish working procedures with all other Town boards, commissions, committees and regional agencies with which the Town is participating by agreement for preparation of the July 1975-76 fiscal year budget in accordance with Bylaw, Part A above, of this motion, pending final resolution of Parts A and B.

Petitioners' Report: (Mr. Naegele) You often see advertising about a gift for the man or woman who has everything. This Warrant article is not for them. It's just for the man or woman who's had enough.

I'd like you to look at three principal points tonight: our tax problem, how a tax ceiling could work, and the benefit to you as the taxpayers.

CHART 0

SUDBURY TAX RATE PERCENTAGE INCREASE 1969-1974



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This chart shows the essential nature of the problem, the year-to year percentage increase in taxes. 1969 to 1970, the tax rate increased from \$35 to \$37, or a 5.7% increase. 1970 to '71 from \$37 to \$39.50, or a 6.8% increase. Between '71 and '72 it went up \$4 more to \$43.50, for a 10.1% increase. From '72 to '73, it went up \$6, for a 13.8% increase.

The various dotted lines that are shown at the right of the chart represent the range of possibilities depending upon what is the final amount of money that the Town receives and what assessments are made by County adjustments to our Cherry Sheet and so forth, as to what our tax rate will actually be. The range is from \$49.59, which was the original Sudbury Taxpayers' Association recommendation, up to the amount of \$55.14, which is what could happen if the eventual assessment on the Town resulted in a rate \$4 above that recommended by the Finance Committee. It is anyone's guess as to how much money the Town is going to get, and so the tax rate is always in doubt.

We have had news about our Cherry Sheet in which the amount is \$320,000 more than we expected, as was announced at the beginning of this meeting. I did not hear, however, announcement of another item which was in Friday's newspaper about an increase in the County tax assessment of \$250,000 for the Town of Sudbury, under the new formula. The present assessment is based upon something in 1913, and it is obviously way out of date. I bring this up, not to try to scare anybody, but it is pretty obvious that what the State gives you, the State takes away. If they are going to give us something in our Cherry Sheet this year, they can just as easily take it back again by increasing the assessment on the counties.

Last year there were two bills in the legislature which in essence would prohibit any reimbursement to the so-called wealthier towns, towns which were above average in per capita assessed evaluation, which is the basis for school aid. State aid for schools ranges from something like 15% for the richest towns to about 75% for the poorer towns under the guidelines of per capita assessed evaluation. In other words, it is a way of substituting the State income tax for part of your property taxes. If the bill had been passed, or if it is introduced again and passed at some later time, your tax rate again could go up in the future. Also, last year our assessed evaluation was estimated at 165 million and ended up with only 160 million, for a 3.1% increase, or \$1.35 on your tax rate. There are any one of a number of things that could happen to upset your tax rate. The essence of the problem is the continually increasing tax rate which could result in your tax rate doubling in a period of five to seven years if they go on at the current rate.

I'd like now to take a brief look at how the tax ceiling might work. I would like to talk about it in two parts: first, what would happen before the Annual Town Meeting, and then, what could happen during the Annual Town Meeting.

Under the proposed bylaw, the Finance Committee would be required to prepare at least one budget which, in their estimation, would result in a tax rate no higher than the amount proposed by this bylaw. In addition to that, they would be required to come up with a list of priorities which, in essence, would say, if the assessed evaluation is not as high, if we have a lower Cherry Sheet than we expect, if Federal aid, State aid, comes in lower than we expect, then we may have to cut some money in order to retain a tax rate at a fixed value. This would be listed in order of priority.

If the Finance Committee wished to propose a higher budget than was contained in the bylaw, that is to say, one which had the tax higher than \$50, they would have to propose early in the Town Meeting a change in the bylaw to set a new tax rate. This tax rate would not be rigid, it would merely require a positive acknowledgement that your tax rate was going up. It would merely be a budget on the basis of a tax rate, rather than just on dollars which don't really show us what the impact is going to be on our own pockets.

At the Annual Town Meeting, when the Finance Committee came in with their proposals, first of all, it would take a two-thirds vote to change the tax rate. Secondly, it would be an ordinary majority vote for you to change any of their recommended priorities as to what you would like to cut out of the budget to bring the tax rate down. Thirdly, it would take a four-fifths majority in order to exceed the tax rate, if the bylaw were not changed by your vote.

If, at the beginning of Town Meeting, we would have a number of people who would like to come in and set a budget but were unable for various reasons to spend the entire six or nine days that are usually spent in these Town Meetings, they would be able to come in and indicate how much money they thought they were prepared

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to spend on Town activities and then leave it up to all those people who had a greater interest and knowledge about the various proposals to determine how that money ought to be spent.

The third item to consider is the protections and benefits to you as the taxpayer. There are several protections. All of us set our own budgets at home based upon how much money we are going to earn, not a budget based upon what are all the things that you would like to spend money on. You also perhaps might establish some contingency items on which you might spend money if you end up having enough left at various times in a year as you evaluate your budget. So this again would be just the same thing.

In addition to this, it has protections that if everyone cannot attend all the sessions of town meetings, then a small group would not be able to have a serious impact on your pocketbook at a later time.

The question is going to come up as to legality of this. Town Counsel is going to give you his opinion that it is the right of a simple majority to raise taxes to any level they want. I sent this proposed bylaw to the Assistant Attorney General and to the Town Counsel for a ruling on whether or not this is legal. One thing that the Assistant Attorney General said was that they do not give rulings until the Town actually votes the bylaw. The second thing he did say, not as an opinion of the Attorney General's office but as his own idea, was that the four-fifths vote might be in conflict with the General Laws. As a matter of fact, I would like to point up for you where these same numbers are in existence or proposed in other areas. The Town Counsel assisted the Selectmen and several other citizens, including myself, in a proposed special article to petition the State for a General Law to allow the Town citizens to override a school budget by a four-fifths vote. A four-fifths vote is not an uncommon item. It also takes a four-fifths vote to change the order of articles in presentation at this Town Meeting.

But we cannot solve any legal questions on this floor. I think it is pertinent to note, however, that the legality would only be determined by the office of the Attorney General after the Town voted the bylaw, and he examined it at that time.

Part B says that the Town would direct the Selectmen to prepare, with the assistance of Town Counsel, of course, a special law which would authorize us to make such a bylaw. So, if you do vote in favor of this item, and even if it is declared illegal when it reaches the office of the Attorney General, we are not through. The petition for a special act to allow us to pass such a bylaw would be in the works and perhaps could be ready by our next Town Meeting. In addition, if you vote in favor of this bylaw, you indicate to the Town boards, committees and officials that you are actually in favor of a proposed Town budget by setting a tax rate.

The article also provides, in Part C, provisions whereby the Finance Committee is directed to commence the preparation of their next year's budget on the basis of this tax rate of \$50. I request your vote in favor of this article.

Finance Committee Report: (Mr. Frank T. LeBart) I would like to point out that the figure that was reported earlier from the Cherry Sheet was the net figure. It represented \$310,079 net, which included the adjustment for the county assessment which, by the way, was in error. For the Town of Sudbury it went from approximately \$19,800 to about \$6,000.

I think this just underlines the kinds of problems that this kind of bylaw would create for the Town. I would like to stress first, however, that the Finance Committee to a person is in favor of the objectives of Mr. Naegele and his associates, and we have worked hard for four months to try to reduce the budgets and to recommend cuts in many other areas in order to achieve that goal.

However, we see in this procedure certain legal administrative problems that would tend to generate more of the kind of confusion that we have had here the last few nights of Town Meeting. One of these is the problem of trying to estimate the Cherry Sheet. As I reported the first night, we asked the Town Accountant to be conservative because we wanted no surprises in terms of an upward pressure on the tax rate. We were pleased that it went down close to \$2.00. We have a similar problem with Federal Revenue Sharing. We still do not know what that number is. We have a comparable problem with the county assessment.

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But also built into the dynamics of the system is a problem which can create, in our judgment, distortions. You have heard that kind of problem that we have with regard to school budgets, the threat of a taxpayers' suit if not approved. The school budget represents 67% of the total budget. The only portion, if this bylaw were otherwise workable, that could be dealt with at all would be the remaining percentage, the rest of Town government. This could very well result in distortions where the schools could go ahead with their own budgeting and leave very little, if anything, for the Town. So that is a possible distortion.

Let me explain how we really work on the School Committee budgets. We do it through continuing meetings, through attending early sessions of the School Committee. We do it through persuasion, and might I say that the School Committees have been very responsive to our recommendations.

The real way, believe me, to keep your tax rate down is to come to these hearings: the School Committee hearings, the hearings before the Finance Committee. We made a special effort to have copies of the budget available for the public during our hearings so you could follow item by item.

For all these reasons, we think that the proposed bylaw is not workable. However, we do endorse the objective.

Town Counsel Report: It is the opinion of Town Counsel that if the Bylaw amendment proposed in Article 9 in the Warrant for the 1974 Annual Town Meeting is properly moved, seconded and adopted by a majority vote in favor of the motion, it will NOT become a valid amendment to the Sudbury Bylaws.

Town Counsel further reported to the meeting as follows: This is one of those cure all things that sounds good when you first hear it. When you take the time to analyze it, it really won't work, and let me give you an example. I received today from the State Tax Commission their equalized valuation for Sudbury. They equalized the total assessed value of all the property in Sudbury at 216 million dollars. That is up from 155 million that they said your property was worth in 1972. If we apply the \$50 rule, or the 5% rule, you end up with \$10,800,000. Your total budget this year to be raised by taxation is something under \$9,000,000, and it will probably be around \$8,600,000. Even if this bylaw were in effect, your Town officials, if they wanted to act irresponsibly, or if you the voters wanted to vote irresponsibly, could vote another million or million and a half dollars, in addition to what has been requested in this Warrant. All you have to do is raise the total value of all the property in Sudbury and that figure can be jockeyed back and forth. If somebody really wants to spend more money, this bylaw is not going to stop them.

In a letter I have from the Attorney General's office, he says, in addition to the four-fifths vote that causes grave difficulty from a legal point of view, the General Laws set forth what you can and cannot do in your bylaws. This does not fall within any of those statutory authorizations. In addition, the General Laws specify that you shall provide for schools, you shall provide for roads that are safe and convenient for travelers at all seasons of the year, you shall do certain things with regard to public health, you shall do certain things with regard to your Police, and you shall do certain things with all employees who are under a collective bargaining agreement.

If the Assessors do not choose to monkey with the total assessed valuation figures of the Town, and this bylaw were enacted, you probably could not meet your statutory obligations with this as a restriction. From a purely legal point of view I raise the issue that this would prevent you from doing what statutes direct you to do and, therefore, it really is not legislation that you should enact.

There is one final thing that bothers me and that is, it really is an infringement on your right to vote for something. If you enact this and something comes along and you want to spend the money and you go over the \$50, it would be almost impossible to get a four-fifths vote. It means that a majority, or even a two-thirds vote, as required for land acquisition and bonding, will be stymied. You, the voter, will be unable to vote on some project which you may find desirable and necessary, or maybe for an emergency purpose. For all of these reasons, I think the Town would be well advised to vote against the proposed bylaw.

Mr. Naegele's motion was defeated.

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ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 1974, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17, or act on anything relative thereto.

Temporary
Borrowing

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

Board of Selectmen Report: The wording of this article is submitted, as it appears, on recommendation of the State Director of the Bureau of Accounts.

Finance Committee Report: Recommend approval.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: (CONSENT CALENDAR) IN THE WORDS OF THE ARTICLE.

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to authorize and empower the Selectmen, upon the written request of the Conservation Commission, under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 8C, as amended, to acquire in fee simple, by purchase or by a taking by eminent domain, for conservation purposes, the following described land:

Acquire
Whitman
Land

Approximately 18 acres of land situated on the easterly side of the Boston Post Road in Sudbury, shown on a plan entitled: "Compiled Plan of Land in Sudbury Massachusetts for Conservation Purposes", dated: December 31, 1973, by the Town of Sudbury Engineering Department, a copy of which is on file in the Town Clerk's office, which plan is incorporated herein by reference,

and to appropriate therefor, and all expenses in connection therewith, \$20,200, or any other sum, and to determine whether the same shall be raised by taxation, transferred from available funds, provided by borrowing, or by any combination of the foregoing, with all land acquired hereunder to be under the management and control of the Conservation Commission, or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Conservation Commission.

[\$2,200 of appropriation is for Engineering Services]

[For diagram, see next page]

Mr. Peter H. Scott of the Conservation Commission moved that the Town authorize and empower the Selectmen, upon written request of the Conservation Commission, under the provision of the General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 8B, as amended, to acquire in fee simple, by purchase, or by a taking by eminent domain, for conservation purposes, the land described in Article 11 in the Warrant for this meeting and to appropriate and transfer \$18,000 from Conservation Funds therefor and all expenses in connection therewith, with all land acquired hereunder to be under the management and control of the Conservation Commission.

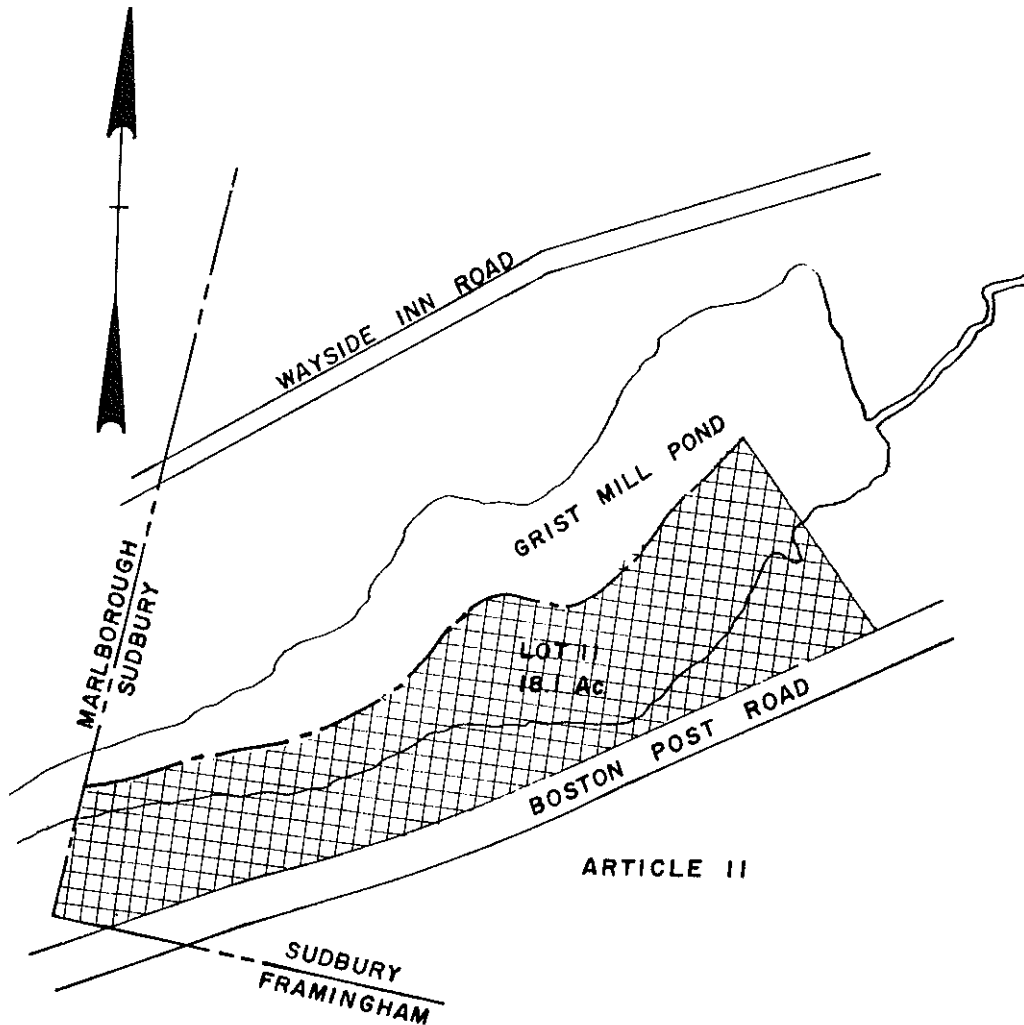
Conservation Commission Report: (Mr. Scott) The land in question runs to the southwest corner of the Town of Sudbury along the south side of the Grist Mill Pond, and extends out to the median line of the pond. It is a piece of land which will provide good Town access for use of the Grist Mill Pond. The land is near the Wayside Inn Trust land, some 125 acres of quasi-public land. It would extend the lands around the Grist Mill Pond for public use.

Mr. Scott then presented colored slides of the area to the meeting and commented as follows while the slides were being shown:

There is a small piece of land that joins the land proposed for acquisition and the Wayside Inn Trust which extends about 100 feet up the edge of the pond. We would hope to acquire this at a later time.

There is a path along this pond and it provides a scenic area for light recreation. It is also an area for aquatic forms, such as purple loosestrife.

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I think the words of the Department of Natural Resources investigator describe this land far better than I might, and I would like to read his comments.

"This area is a sanctuary for water fowl. Its location precludes its use as a hunting area though many forms of outdoor recreation abound. There are two small stands of white pine on the property, and there is an excellent chance for conservation education, both water and forestry oriented. An historic monument was erected in honor of George Washington's passage through this area. The monument was erected by the D.A.R. and mentions a tree that was planted in his memory. The tree is a large Norway spruce. This property is located upstream from the Wayside Inn and the historic Grist Mill. Its acquisition will protect this aesthetic and historic site.

"I highly recommend the acquisition of this property. The price is well worth it and the location of this property indicates that it should be in public ownership. This acquisition is recommended for high priority under the Self-Help Program."

I would like next to discuss the proposed funding of this land and of the land in the next two articles, so that you may see in context exactly what the Conservation Commission is planning and what its potential effect will be on the tax dollar. The lands in our articles are eligible for supporting funds from both Federal and State agencies. These are specifically the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation, or BOR, Federal funding, and the State Self-Help Program, both of which are administered under the Department of Natural Resources. Either of these can return on a property up to 50% of the land purchase. One might ideally say that the Town would indeed be fortunate if we could get 50% of the land purchase from BOR and 50% from Self-Help, and then we wouldn't have to pay anything ourselves. Unfortunately, things never work that way, and the most that one can

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get on any single property is 75% reimbursement. Under such a case, it would be 50% from BOR and 25% from Self-Help.

The cost of the properties comes to a total of \$570,600. Of this, \$200,000 we propose to contribute from the Conservation Fund. This is essentially the amount of money we now have available in the Conservation Fund. A portion of the Davis property is Park and Recreation property and as such would require a down payment from the General Fund of \$4,600. We can hope to obtain State and Federal reimbursement of approximately \$383,000. However, that reimbursement does not become available immediately, but after approximately two years from the time of purchase. Therefore, we would be required to borrow, on short term, to cover the total \$372,000 [sic]. This money can be borrowed short term in anticipation of receipt of the State and Federal funds.

This would affect the tax rate as follows: In 1975, the free cash appropriation for the Park and Recreation down payment would add about 2.8¢ to the tax rate and the short term borrowing would be 9.8¢ for a total of 12.6¢ affecting your tax dollar in 1975. In 1976, you would again pay your 9.8¢. There would be a principal repayment which would account for \$2.30 on the tax rate, but with a reimbursement credit of \$2.352, the net effect on the 1976 tax rate would be 4.6¢. After this, the entire debt would be discharged.

These are slightly high side estimates because of the \$163,000 tax base which we used to calculate them.

You will note on the Whitman land, in the article under present discussion, the initial cost is \$18,000 which is appropriated from the Conservation Fund. We stand to get \$9,000 of that back. This is a very good buy to the Town in that the \$18,000 is already in the Fund. We are only asking you to give us permission to use it, and in return, we promise to get \$9,000 of it back for you.

The money that the State and Federal governments make available for reimbursement for land purchases are made available to whatever cities and towns apply for them. Those towns and cities that do not apply for them still have taxpayers who pay taxes that go to support these funds. This is a way to get those funds back to Sudbury.

I would like to just review those people supporting the Whitman property purchase. These are the Massachusetts Federation of Women's Clubs, P.R.I.D.E., Wayside Inn Trust, the Planning Board, the Board of Health and the Finance Committee.

Finance Committee Report: Monies in the Conservation Fund will be used to purchase this land. A positive vote on this article will make possible application for 50% reimbursement to the Town from State Self-Help funds. Recommend approval.

Board of Selectmen Report: The Board of Selectmen is in favor of this article.

After discussion, a motion to table Article 11 until the hall considers Article 19, made by Mr. Doyle, was defeated.

After further discussion, the Conservation Commission's motion for the purchase of the Whitman land was defeated. *In favor - 290; Opposed - 182. (Total - 452; two-thirds vote in favor required.)*

Upon a motion made by Mrs. Anne Donald, it was

VOTED: THAT WE ADJOURN UNTIL TOMORROW NIGHT, APRIL 9, 1974, IN THIS HALL.

The Moderator announced that the vote was greater than the two-thirds required by bylaw.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 P.M.

PROCEEDINGS

ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

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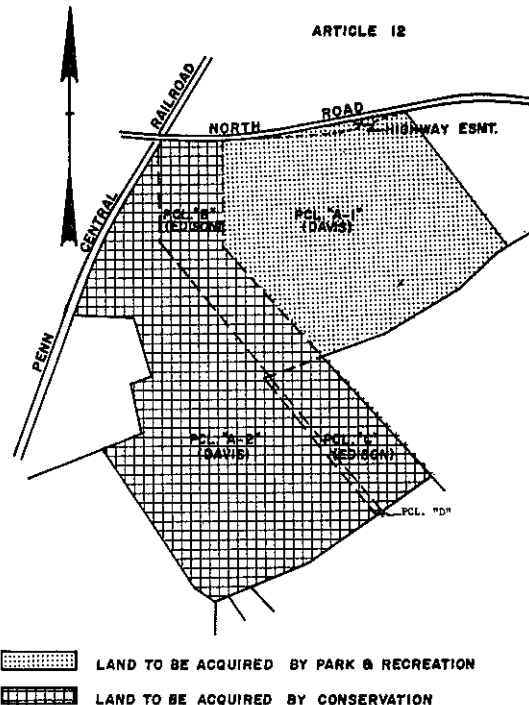
The Moderator called the meeting to order at 8:00 P.M. in the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School Auditorium. He announced that a quorum was present.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to authorize and empower the Selectmen to acquire, in fee simple, by purchase, by gift or by a taking by eminent domain, the land situated on the southerly side of North Road, containing approximately 78.5 acres, shown as Parcels A1, A2, B, C and D on a plan entitled: "Compiled Plan of Land in Sudbury, Massachusetts for Conservation, Park and Recreation Purposes", dated: December 28, 1973, by the Town of Sudbury Engineering Department, a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk's office, which plan is incorporated herein by reference, with Parcel A1 to be acquired for Park and Recreation purposes and to be under the custody and control of the Park and Recreation Commission, and with Parcels A2, B, C and D to be acquired for conservation purposes, under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 8C, as amended, and to be under the custody and control of the Conservation Commission, and to appropriate therefor, and all expenses in connection therewith, \$273,800, or any other sum, and to determine whether the same shall be raised by taxation, transferred from available funds, provided by borrowing or by any combination of the foregoing, or act on anything relative thereto.

Acquire
Davis
Land

Submitted by the Conservation Commission and the Park and Recreation Commission.

[\$7,200 of appropriation is for Engineering Services]



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Conservation Commission Report: (Mr. Eric S. Lind) The property is divided into two portions. The portion to the right and to the east, fronting on Route 117, would be for Park and Recreation purposes. There is a proposed highway easement along Route 117 to straighten out that very dangerous curve.

The Park and Recreation portion is primarily open field bordered on the south by a very beautiful tall row of spruce, and is very suitable for development for recreation facilities. The parcel consists of approximately 29 acres.

The Boston Edison right-of-way was acquired by Boston Edison at the time they planned an overhead transmission line. The Town saw that the transmission line was put underground. Therefore, this land is excess and consists of approximately 15 acres. There is a small pond and a stream running through this parcel. Much of it is low land.

The major portion of the Conservation land is the 37 acre parcel which is owned by Mr. Hazen Davis. It consists of a hill, open fields to the south and low lying woodlands.

Mr. Lind then showed colored slides of the area.

The purchase price, including land use plan and engineering survey, is \$261,600. The Conservation Fund applied to this article is \$132,000. The Conservation Fund can only be applied to the Conservation land. We cannot use our fund to purchase Park and Recreation land. That money has to be appropriated.

In order to borrow, \$4,600 would have to be appropriated from free cash in order to serve as seed money. We would need to borrow \$125,000, but please note the reimbursement anticipated from both the Federal Bureau of Outdoor Recreation and the Self-Help State funding would be, just for this article, \$156,000. In effect, we will be getting back more than we have to borrow in relation to this particular article. This amount would be coming back over a two year period. We feel our chances are excellent for getting this money. Our record in the past has been 100%. There are sufficient Federal monies available now. If this article passes, we plan to complete our land use plan and complete our application for Federal funding.

The Davis land is valued, based of course on our purchase and sales agreement with Mr. Davis, at \$117,000 for the 37 acres, and we have an agreement on the Boston Edison right-of-way for \$15,000, or a total of \$132,000. Our Conservation Fund will apply to that.

With respect to the Park and Recreation land, the purchase and sales agreement is for \$114,000. We have a 3% contingency because we do not know the exact acreage. To allow for any possible deviation in the acreage, we have \$6,900. Engineering that includes placing the bounds and making the survey determining the exact acreage amounts to \$7,200. The land use plan is \$1,500 and is required in order to receive Federal funding. We must hire a landscape architect to work with us on the land use plan. This makes a total of \$129,600.

The reimbursement will be \$123,000 from Federal funding which we anticipate we would get in approximately one year. State Self-Help funding of \$33,000 would probably take close to two years to get back.

The effect on the tax rate would be 2 to 2.8¢ for 1975 for the \$4,600 free cash and interest on short term would be 3.8¢ for a total in the first year of 6.6¢. In 1976, assuming that we have not received any of the reimbursement funds, the interest on short term \$125,000 is 3.8¢, principal repayment would be 75¢. Reimbursement credit is 94.8¢.

The cost to the Town, of course, of a planned 50-house subdivision, when you consider schools and services involved and the fact that new homes today in Sudbury are a liability on the tax rate, would certainly more than offset the money required to pay for the short term borrowing. We are talking in the order of \$5,000 per year on the short term borrowing.

Other sites are not available now in the North Sudbury area. Although Park and Recreation land is not planned for immediate development, the chances of our finding a suitable site for recreation purposes in North Sudbury is very slim. Presently, North Sudbury is one of the fastest growing areas in the Town. There are at present four major subdivisions in various stages of development. Most of the suitable land for recreation purposes is tied up. We do not anticipate finding another site that is as good as the Davis land for this purpose.

The average price of \$3,100 per acre will never be less than that. State and Federal monies may not be available in the future for this purchase.

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The Conservation Commission urges you to support this article in the interests of lower taxes, future recreation facilities, conservation of open space, wildlife and improving the quality of life for every Sudbury citizen.

Park and Recreation Commission Report: (Mr. John R. Carter) In all probability, the population of Sudbury will be somewhere between 30,000 and 35,000 people in the next 15 to 20 years. Park and Recreation Commission, whose responsibility it is to serve the recreational needs of the Town, must plan for this predicted population growth. These plans are based on two basic principals. The first is that present types of recreational facilities must be periodically increased to keep pace with this growth. Secondly, the amount of land area and its location needed for this growth must be considered now.

The first is fairly simple in that we can project the facilities needed for population density from known studies and reports from both private and governmental agencies. The second is more difficult. The amount of land needed and its general location can be predicted fairly accurately, but just what land will be available and its future cost at the time of need should be of immediate concern. The ultimate savings in total dollars are great if land is purchased now and set aside for the future needs of our townspeople.

In 1972 the Park and Recreation Commission submitted a Five Year Plan to help guide the present and future commissioners in effectively anticipating our growing Town's recreational needs. Any attempt at long range projection inevitably points to the need for additional land acquisition.

Sudbury's formal commitment to provide the means for outdoor recreation essentially started with the purchase of Featherland Park in 1960. This was followed by the purchase of the Raymond property in 1961. Both of these were purchased for about \$1,000 per acre. During the 60's Featherland Park was developed, and in the late 60's development of what is now Feeley Park began.

The Five Year Plan strongly recommended suitable sites of approximately 30 acres in size to be sought and purchased for future development in the western and northern sections of Town during this time period. In 1973 the Haskell property with about 29 acres of choice land was purchased for just over \$6,000 an acre; 50% of this price was reimbursed to the Town from BOR funding.

That portion of the Davis parcel shown as Parcel A-1 in your Warrant, compares most favorably to the Haskell land. First of all, it is open farm land which lends itself to lower development costs. Secondly, it has easy access from the main road of Sudbury. Thirdly, it is handy to existing utilities, and lastly, it is of adequate size to meet the requirements set forth in the Five Year Plan.

A unique feature of this article if passed, is that eventually we would have a park featuring additional facilities for tennis, basketball, soccer, football, softball, baseball and any other activity popular at that time, directly adjacent to 50 acres of Conservation land, that can be used for more passive forms of recreation.

North Sudbury is the fastest growing section of this Town. If we fail to exercise our option to buy the Davis land at this time, in all probability it will be sold to a developer. This in itself will reflect in that area's growth rate. All of these circumstances will inevitably precipitate an urgent need to purchase land for recreational purposes in that area within the next year or two. We know of no other parcels of land in North Sudbury that are now, or are apt to be in the near future, available for purchase that could compare to the advantages offered by the Davis land.

If the Town approves the purchase of this land, we would immediately apply for 50% reimbursement for Park and Recreation portion to the BOR. We understand that substantial funds are still available for this fiscal year. There is no way of telling if they will continue to be available in the future. In consideration of the Davis land's ideal geographical location, its excellent suitability for future development and the ultimate savings of future Town's dollars, the Park and Recreation Commission unanimously urges support of this article.

Board of Selectmen Majority Report: (Mr. Powers) At the opening of this meeting, we indicated to you our strong opinion that unless and until we develop a coordinated, timed, scheduled development of capital programming in this Town, we are going to be in continued financial difficulty. We pointed out to you that at the present time, we are spending \$833,000 in debt service alone. That is something

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like 8% of your total tax rate. We have indicated that we would urge upon you a very careful consideration to try to send a message, albeit gentle, to the boards and committees of this Town who are planning capital improvements, to develop a plan and to stay with the plan, to give us some way of putting together the various conflicting and competing demands upon your tax dollar.

CHART P

CONSERVATION COMMISSION - LONG RANGE LAND PURCHASE PLANS
AS REPORTED IN THE FOLLOWING YEARS

	<u>1969</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1972</u>	<u>1973*</u>
1970	30,000				
1971	30,000	30,000			
1972	30,000	30,000	37,000		
1973	30,000	30,000	40,000	70,000	67,650
1974	30,000	30,000	43,000	50,000	1,049,600
1975	30,000	30,000	46,000	55,000	54,600
1976		30,000	49,000	60,000	1,060,000
1977			52,000	---	66,000

* Conservation Commission's Five Year Plan dated September 17, 1973.

This chart shows the Five Year Plans as submitted by the Conservation Commission with projections as to how much money would be spent in what year. The row across the top shows the years in which they submitted their projections for expenditure. Underneath them, on the equivalent year, is the amount of money that they requested.

You will notice that in what is listed as 1974, the figure jumped from what it was running, \$30,000 to \$43,000 to \$50,000, a general increase into the Conservation Fund, to a requested figure of \$1,049,600. The difference between what you see here and what is in your Warrant is the article [Article 14] that was withdrawn. You will also note that two years from now they are proposing another \$1,060,000 series of acquisitions. This is a matter of some concern to us because we think it is not five year planning.

This piece of land is a beautiful piece of land, there is no question. The Town of Sudbury has a great deal of beautiful land in it and we love it. But here are some figures from Engineering. This Town contains 15,800 acres. Right now, 3,600 acres, or 24% of the surface of the Town, are already in public or semi-public ownership. We have a right to ask, where are we going? How much? What acres? What priority system? Where do we begin? And, indeed, several years ago we did ask.

In 1971, when the Conservation Commission proposed its Five Year Plan, they had a land acquisition schedule, and they published it in your Town Report. The chairman of the Commission was asked at that time how many additional acres would be in the Plan. The answer was, "It is easy to remember because it is the same as the year, 1971 additional acres."

My problem is simply this: We have in private ownership some 12,200 acres. We have approximately another 38% of the Town, 6,000 to 6,100 acres, that are prime undeveloped land. When you put all the acreages together for all of the articles we have in this Warrant, you'll see that it isn't many acres. I question whether it is effective to do some of the things you have been talking about until we get further data and can see where it is going. Where does it go? What is the program? Can we hear the program? Can you know what the figures are?

In regard to the Park and Recreation Commission, I have read their Five Year Plan with great care. I note that it is not scheduled in their plan either. The 1973 Five Year Plan has in it an acquisition schedule. The scheduled piece

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for acquisition for this year was not in this location at all. The scheduled acquisition for a piece of land in North Sudbury was for the year 1977, not 1975, and it stated that the minimum requirement would be 30 acres. This is under 30 acres.

I suggest we have a problem, and the problem is simply this: Are we going to continue to make major and sudden shifts and adjustments? Are we going to continue to do what we have been doing? Every time somebody comes here with a fine piece of land, are we going to say, "We must do it", or are we going to try to get some hard answers to some hard questions and do some hard planning?

For example, there are a couple of statements that love to be made. One of them is that there is a developer waiting for the land. I suppose that is always true, and there are other developers waiting for other pieces of land. We pointed out to you that the projections upon which these needs were based, even the Park and Recreation projections, were based upon an annual increase of over 1,000 citizens per year. In fact, we have had 174. Our building starts are at the lowest level in 20 years. We do not have a panic. We have a time break. It may not last long, but this is the time to plan. If we keep approving articles like this that are forwarded in good faith by good boards, but that are unplanned and are untimed, we will never have a program and we will never have a control of our tax rate.

These are the reasons the majority of the Board urges you to send this article and the next one back to the drawing board to see if we can get some internal discipline and some internal order in your government.

Board of Selectmen Minority Report: (Mr. John E. Taft) First of all, let us understand what the Conservation Fund is. It will be used to pay for approximately half the purchase price of the Davis land. The Conservation Fund is made up of monies that we, the taxpayers, pay every year. We have been paying them for a number of years. They have varied from about \$30,000 per year to \$46,000 this year, which we voted back in Section 300 of Article 4, the budget. That money goes into the Conservation Fund which can then be used by this Town Meeting to vote for the purchase of land. The Fund presently has in it approximately \$200,000 exclusive of the \$46,000 that we voted for next year.

That money does not come out of the tax rate for next year. The \$132,000 that is taken from that Fund is there already. We have paid our taxes already for that money. The money has earned some interest in the Fund in addition. But it is not an impact on the tax rate, and I hope that is quite clear.

Now, the previous speaker showed a chart which showed the long range capital plan of the Conservation Commission. You may have recognized numbers like 30,000, 30,000, 30,000, and then it built up to 46,000, 46,000, and so on. Those numbers are in fact the payments to the Conservation Fund that were programmed ahead by the Conservation Commission. There is no way they could program buying pieces of land that came out exactly what they were programming in the way of putting money in the Fund. What we are proposing is to continue to put money in the Fund. Granted, in the last year, they decided to take a departure from past practice and say that we would be smart to bond some of this. That is what they are proposing here tonight, and I would like to explore that with you a little more. But understand that the difference between those lines you saw was whether the money is going in the Conservation Fund or whether, in fact, we are going to do something else, like spend more than we have in the Conservation Fund.

With respect to the subject of planning purchases of land and actually making purchases of land, I am sure we all recognize that it would be folly to plan exactly which pieces of land you are going to buy and then go out and buy them. As anyone who has bought land knows, you only buy it when the owner wants to sell it, that is, if you want to get a reasonably good trade. Otherwise you will pay very dearly for the land.

The Conservation Plan, in fact, does show land in this part of Town. It shows the immediate adjacent piece of land, the one on the other side of the spruce trees. It does not show the Davis parcel, but it does show a piece of land in this part of Town. I think everyone recognizes that it was a desirable place to have Conservation land, but the Davis land has come on the market, not the one next door. Mr. Davis is going to sell his land. He wants to sell his land. When somebody wants to sell their land, that is the time you buy it if you want to have a reasonably good price for it.

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You know what land is. We are used, in this country, to an economy of surplus. We have learned some new lessons in the past year with regard to gasoline and oil. But I think land is the one item that we all have to think differently about because they don't make any of it anymore. There is only so much of it around. There is no more coming on the market. What is there is there. It is not going to appear any more. I would say now there could be no better time to buy the Davis property than now. We have the money in the Conservation Fund to pay for the Conservation portion. We will be able to apply for and, hopefully, get 60% reimbursement for the total purchase from the Federal and the State government. It will have very little impact on the tax rate; it is down in the cents.

The price of this land is not going to go down or of any land in the Town is not going to go down. It was mentioned by Mr. Carter that we bought parcels like Featherland Park and the Raymond land for \$1,000 an acre. Those were not all high and dry land. I don't think we should kid ourselves on that. The Raymond land is about 50% wet, and the Featherland Park piece is perhaps 30% wet in the back. We saw last year that we had to pay \$6,000 an acre for land to get dry land, not all frontage land either. A good part of it was back land, but that is what it costs.

The piece that you are talking about here in the Davis-Boston Edison piece works out to about \$3,300 an acre. I suggest that that is a very good price for land in that part of the Town, in that situation, partly wet but mostly dry, quite buildable, quite developable. The owner is going to sell the land. He is either going to sell it to the Town, or he is going to sell it to a developer. He wants to sell it. He wants to retire. It is his retirement kitty.

I think we would be very prudent to buy that land instead of watching it go up into a bunch of houses.

Finance Committee Report: (Mrs. Carolyn Edwards) The Town has appropriated, over the years, a sum of money into the Conservation Fund because we recognize that land does not become available in neatly spaced intervals. That Conservation Fund has now built up to \$200,000. We appropriated that money over the years because we intended it to be spent for land.

The Conservation Commission can spend that money for land without coming to the Town Meeting for approval. It has come to the Town Meeting for approval in order to qualify for the reimbursement. Without the approval of Town Meeting, we would not qualify for reimbursement.

Now, the land does not become available in neatly spaced intervals. Park and Recreation has that same problem. Land does not become available for Park and Recreation use in neatly spaced intervals. Park and Recreation, however, does not have a fund from which to draw and must ask the Town Meeting for approval to borrow money to fund that purchase. As in the presentation, the effect on the tax rate of the short term borrowing will be 7¢ in this year, less in the next. 7¢ on the tax rate comes to \$3.50 on a \$50,000 house.

Park and Recreation has land in East Sudbury, East-Central Sudbury, South Sudbury and West Sudbury. Now this piece of land has become available in North Sudbury. Its purchase would have a minimal effect on the tax rate, and the Finance Committee recommends approval.

After some discussion, it was

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN AUTHORIZE AND EMPOWER THE SELECTMEN TO ACQUIRE, IN FEE SIMPLE, BY PURCHASE, BY GIFT OR BY A TAKING BY EMINENT DOMAIN, THE LAND SITUATED ON THE SOUTHERLY SIDE OF NORTH ROAD, CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 81 ACRES, SHOWN AS PARCELS A1, A2, B, C AND D ON THE PLAN ENTITLED: "COMPILED [PLAN] OF LAND IN SUDBURY, MASSACHUSETTS FOR CONSERVATION AND PARK AND RECREATION PURPOSES", DATED: DECEMBER 28, 1973, BY THE TOWN OF SUDBURY ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT, A COPY OF WHICH IS ON FILE AT THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE, WHICH PLAN IS INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE, WITH PARCEL A1 TO BE ACQUIRED FOR PARK AND RECREATION PURPOSES AND TO BE UNDER THE CUSTODY AND CONTROL OF THE PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION, AND WITH PARCELS A2, B, C, AND D TO BE ACQUIRED FOR CONSERVATION PURPOSES UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 40, SECTION 8C, AS AMENDED, AND TO BE UNDER THE CUSTODY AND CONTROL OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION, AND TO APPROPRIATE THEREFOR AND ALL EXPENSES IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, \$261,600.00, AND

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TO MEET THE APPROPRIATION, TO APPROPRIATE AND TRANSFER \$4,600.00 FROM FREE CASH, APPROPRIATE AND TRANSFER \$132,000.00 FROM THE CONSERVATION FUND, AND AUTHORIZE THE TREASURER WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE SELECTMEN, TO BORROW \$125,000.00 UNDER GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 44, AS AMENDED.

In favor - 431; Opposed - 55. (Total - 486.)

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to authorize and empower the Selectmen, upon the written request of the Conservation Commission, under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 8C, as amended, to acquire, in fee simple, by purchase or by a taking by eminent domain, for Conservation purposes, the following described land:

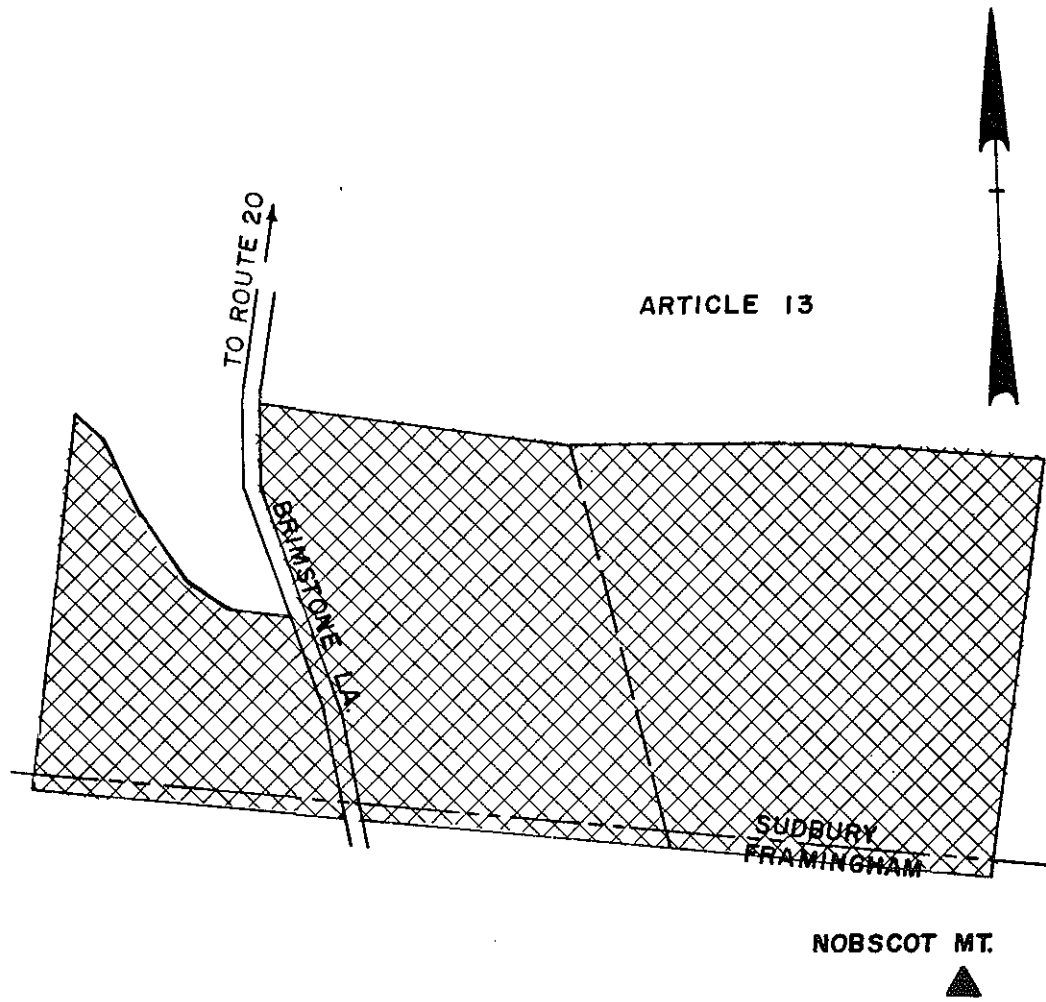
Acquire
Hulbert
Land

Approximately 78 acres of land situated on Nobscot Mountain, so-called, owned in whole or in part by Hulbert, shown on a plan entitled: "Compiled Plan of Land in Sudbury and Framingham, Massachusetts for Conservation Purposes", dated: December 27, 1973, by the Town of Sudbury Engineering Department, a copy of which is on file in the Town Clerk's office, which plan is incorporated herein by reference,

and to appropriate therefor, and all expenses in connection therewith, \$292,000, or any other sum, and to determine whether the same shall be raised by taxation, transferred from available funds, provided by borrowing or by any combination of the foregoing, with all land acquired hereunder to be under the management and control of the Conservation Commission, or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Conservation Commission.

[\$7,000 of appropriation is for Engineering Services]



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Conservation Commission Report: (Mrs. Margaret E. Langmuir) The three questions I hope to answer in this presentation are: Why buy this particular piece of land? Assuming we should buy it, why buy it now? And, assuming we buy it now, how do we pay for it?

First, why buy this particular piece of land? There are many pieces of land available in Sudbury, many of them come to our attention. There is no way that the Town can buy them all. We must, therefore, pick out those that are particularly unique and important to keep in public ownership. This parcel is unique. No other piece of land in Sudbury is like it, primarily, because of its location.

The land in question is the Hulbert property, 78 acres on the Sudbury-Framingham line. It is adjacent to over 500 acres of the Norumbega Boy Scout Council property. The area in Framingham is 92 acres of Commonwealth of Massachusetts' land. That would bring the entire open space area to about 700 acres in this section of Sudbury.

In addition to that, we have nearby 125 acres of Wayside Inn Trust land. The land between is owned by about two or three owners and is presently held in open space. This is an opportunity to add a significant acreage to already existing quasi-public open space.

It is also unique because of its altitude. It is the highest land in Sudbury. It is unique because of the amazing variety of terrain, and therefore it supports an amazing variety of plant and animal life.

Many Sudbury families have taken advantage of the cross country ski trips and the guided tours we had in February and March. All of them have been very impressed with its beauty.

Mrs. Langmuir then presented a series of colored slides of the area and commented as follows:

If we drive up Brimstone Lane and park our cars at the northern stone wall, we can take a short hike up the hill through an orchard to a spot where we get a sweeping view. We can see Marlboro, Mt. Wachusett, Mt. Wattatik. In the distance we can see Temple and the Waupack Ridge and Monadnock in New Hampshire.

By climbing a little higher, we can get more of a view of Sudbury itself. We see the Martha-Mary Chapel, Carding Mill Pond and houses on Dutton Road. One thing we notice is that Sudbury is hidden under a cloak of trees, and it looks more like a rural area than a town of 15,000 plus. It gives you an amazing feeling of being out away from building. With binoculars, the amateur astronomers could have seen Kahoutek from here as the sun set behind Mt. Wachusett.

If we can tear our eyes away from the view, we can turn and follow a trail through the orchard and into the overgrown pasture that serves as a habitat for mice, rabbits, grouse, pheasant and hawks. We received a recent report from the Scout Reservation that six deer were seen in the area this winter.

We can take a turn to the south and find ourselves at the doorstep of General Nixon's homestead. There are two cellar holes next to the overgrown carriage road that used to go over Nobscot Hill where this Revolutionary War hero once lived. He was important enough in our history to have a Sudbury school named after him. Perhaps this place is too important to our heritage and important to save from the developer's bulldozer.

The trail winds on through an open clearing with an undergrowth of Canada mayflower. The trail goes on down a steeper pitch into a dense wood of black cherry, oak and pine, underlain with mosses and partridge berry. This indeed is a place where we, like today's winter-chilled apple trees, can awaken to the warmth of spring and to renewal and promise. Shouldn't we preserve this area for ourselves and our children to enjoy? We have the chance now.

This brings us to the question, "Why buy now?"

When an owner of such land is ready to sell, he is ready. If the Town doesn't buy it, someone else will. It would take an unusual person to give us a second chance at it. Land costs continue to rise. It will cost more next year if it is still available.

An additional reason to buy it now is that other open space planning groups concur that it is an important acquisition. A portion of this piece of land was on our 1970 Open Space Plan shown as P-15. [Map included in 1970 Annual Town Report.] This Open Space Plan has been approved by the Department of Natural

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Resources and because of the approval of this Open Space Plan, we are in line to receive State Self-Help funding for all of our acquisitions. This area is also on the Metropolitan Area Planning Council Open Space Plan. It is known as the Tippling Rock-Nobscot Hill Reservation on the Framingham-Sudbury border. They comment that we have here a unique opportunity to join open space and historic points of interest.

The Department of Natural Resources land inspector, who inspected the land in response to our application for Federal and State funding, also concurs that its use for open space and recreation is a good determination. The fact that these two groups consider the area a good one to acquire means we stand an excellent chance of getting both State and Federal reimbursement, which in this case amounts to 75% of the purchase price.

We have complied with every requirement of both State and Federal programs. The next step is yours.

I would like to explain the money portion of this article now. The total cost of \$292,000 includes \$285,000 for the land itself and \$7,000 for the perimeter survey which is required. From the Conservation Fund, from existing funds, we are asking you to transfer \$67,000. This leaves \$225,000 to borrow, and we expect 75% reimbursement or \$213,750. For a two year short term borrowing, I believe we can get rates of 4.8% to 5%. The interest on that amounts to 6.8¢ on the tax rate in 1975. In 1976, we have that same interest for the borrowing plus a principal repayment of \$1.367. We show a reimbursement credit of the 75% which gives us \$1.299 credit and a total cost in the second year of 13.6¢. If we view that along with the reimbursement credit of 15¢ that we expect from the Davis land that you just purchased, we would have for both purchases a small credit of 2¢.

The next step is yours. The Town must approve the purchase and authorize funding before we can proceed further. We hope you will take this step by voting "Yes" on Article 13. In response to our notification of intent to apply under BOR funds, we have a letter from MAPC, and I call your attention particularly to the second paragraph. "The proposed acquisition of the Hulbert property is consistent with previous Sudbury Conservation Commission action in this area and is consistent with the Council's Regional Open Space Plans and Policies. The Council believes that the acquisition of the Hulbert property is another significant step in preserving the Nobscot Hill-Tippling Rock area for public open space and recreation use. The Council, therefore, strongly endorses the intentions of the Sudbury Conservation Commission with regard to the Hulbert property and awaits the opportunity to review the final application."

This article also has the support of the Norumbega Boy Scout Council, our largest abutter.

Finance Committee Report: (Mrs. Edwards) Each of us came to Sudbury for a variety of reasons, for the schools, because it was close to work, or because, when we came house hunting, it looked like a pleasant place in which to live. Sudbury looks pleasant in part because of the existing open land. But its land is a limited resource. Once land is built upon, it cannot be reclaimed for use by us all.

The Conservation Commission, in its Master Plan, has listed areas especially desirable for the Town to keep as open land. The land described in this article is very high on that list.

However, we are all concerned about the tax rate. Based on past experience and encouragement received from the Department of Natural Resources, we have reason to hope for 50 to 75% reimbursement of the purchase price of this land. Between this reimbursement and money existing in the Conservation Fund, the entire cost of this purchase would be covered.

However, since the reimbursement cannot be received immediately, the Finance Committee supports the use of short term borrowing until this reimbursement is received by the Town. As stated by the Conservation Commission, the effect in the year 1975 would be 7¢ on the tax rate, again \$3.50 for a \$50,000 house. In the following year, a net effect of zero on the tax rate.

The Finance Committee recommends approval of Article 13.

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Board of Selectmen Majority Report: (Mr. Powers) I want to assure the hall that we have nothing against the mice or the goldfinch. We have a thing about the grouse. But we are now talking about another and different kind and dimension of program than one you have supported before. It represents a serious and significant departure.

I did not talk about funding on the last article because the bonding part dealt with Park and Recreation uses. But we are now doing something quite different.

A number of years ago we established the Conservation Fund. The purpose of that Fund, as we were repeatedly told by the Conservation Commission, was to build up a kitty of funds that would be available so we could pay cash for land acquisitions.

Key to this article is the funding problem and that is what disturbs us. Once again, we think it is a beautiful part of the mountain. We have no quarrel with the fact that this is a beautiful piece of ground, and it is part of a very large mountain which has a lot more beautiful ground in it.

But what you are asked to do here is to embark upon a program whose limits have not been defined for you, and to fund it by using the Conservation Fund as a down payment for a borrowing obligation. If you wish to do this, know what you are doing. Whether it is short term borrowing or bonding, nobody is getting something for nothing. You are paying ultimately in cold hard dollars whatever the purchase price of that particular piece of real estate is, and, in addition, you are paying on top of that an interest charge to the banking institution which will lend it to you. If we are getting money back on the previous article, the Davis land, I don't see how you can tack that onto this one.

You are borrowing a fairly large sum of money at approximately 5% interest, based upon some if's. The short term borrowing program has to do with the 1973 amendment to Section 8C of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, which reads as follows: "...city or town which has appropriated money for the acquisition of land to be expended together with a sum or sums of money allotted by the Commissioner of Natural Resources under Section 11 of Chapter 132A, or by the United States, or by both, may, if the city or town is required primarily to pay a portion of the expense of acquiring such land which is to be reimbursed by the Commonwealth or the United States, incur debt outside of the debt limit in the amount of the reimbursable expense, and may issue notes therefor which shall be payable in or within two years from their dates, provided that prior to the issuances of such notes, such reimbursement has been agreed upon by the Commonwealth or the United States or by both, and provided further, that the proceeds of such reimbursement will be applied to the payment of the notes without further appropriation."

Now the fact of the matter is that we do not have, under this article or indeed under the other one, any guarantee other than an experience factor which changes from year to year, that the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation of the Federal government will, in fact, fund this particular program. We think you should know that because we think it will affect your decision, or at least you should think about it.

No one here, despite the letters that have been read, can tell you anything other than that you do not at this moment have State approval, and you do not at this moment have Federal approval. What direction you want to go and what programs the Town wants to embark on, is in your hands. The concern of your Board of Selectmen is that you know where it is going and that you are clear what the problems and pitfalls are. Do you want to change the policy that you have had before on the limitation into the Conservation Fund and use that Fund as a down payment into a bonding program of many, many millions of dollars.

Also, we want to make it very clear that this is not one piece of land about which you can say there is a crowding, brooding group of developers waiting, and the appraisals of the Conservation Commission themselves indicate that that is not a factor.

Board of Selectmen Minority Report: (Mr. Taft) The view from this piece of land really is different than the view we usually have of Sudbury or of anything else around. This is the highest point in Town. It is a beautiful sight. I suspect that of all the conservation parcels in this Town that the Town decides to buy, this one will be most frequented by the people of this Town. They may

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not stay long. They may just go up for just a few minutes to see the view. Some will go up to ski or to see the old foundation, or see the remains of the old coach road that actually went over the hill. I think a lot of people will go up to see it and appreciate it more than any other piece of land that the Town has.

It isn't really proposed that we bond for this land. It is a borrowing provision. This is a new approach for Sudbury. We haven't done this before. We have been able to acquire the portions and parcels of land that we wanted out of the Conservation Fund itself.

However, I think that this is another one of those "opportunities" that we would be well advised not to pass by. Mr. Hulbert has retired. He does not actively run that apple orchard that you saw in the pictures. He hasn't for several years. He lives in a beautiful house just above this land which is acutally in the Town of Framingham. He has even a better view than we can get from Sudbury. But nonetheless, the Sudbury view is spectacular. I think that it's a case of the land is available. It's on the market. He's interested in disposing of it. He's retired. He's going to sell it. I think that the price that is proposed, which comes to about \$3,500 an acre, is a reasonable price for that parcel of land.

I think the Town would be well advised again to take advantage of this opportunity. We will certainly all make use of that property in the years to come.

After discussion, it was

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN AUTHORIZE AND EMPOWER THE SELECTMEN, UPON THE WRITTEN REQUEST OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION, UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 40, SECTION 8C, AS AMENDED, TO ACQUIRE, IN FEE SIMPLE, BY PURCHASE, OR BY A TAKING BY EMINENT DOMAIN, FOR CONSERVATION PURPOSES, THE LAND DESCRIBED IN ARTICLE 13 IN THE WARRANT OF THIS MEETING, AND TO MEET THE APPROPRIATION, TO APPROPRIATE AND TRANSFER \$67,000.00 FROM THE CONSERVATION FUND, AND AUTHORIZE THE TREASURER, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE SELECTMEN, TO BORROW \$225,000.00 UNDER GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 44, AS AMENDED, WITH ALL LAND ACQUIRED HEREUNDER TO BE UNDER THE MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION.

In favor - 372; Opposed - 130. (Total - 502)

ARTICLE 14: (Article withdrawn)

Acquire Land
(Bowditch/
Post Roads)

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to transfer any one or more of the following described parcels to the custody and control of the Conservation Commission for all purposes included in General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 8C, as it now reads or may hereafter be amended:

- Transfer
Tax
Possessions
Conservation
- A. Lot 130 shown on a plan entitled: "Plan of Land Sudbury, Mass." dated: January 21, 1966, by Bradford Saivetz & Associates, Inc., Consulting Civil Engineers, recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds in Book 11188, page 286 as Plan 987 of 1966 and bounded and described, according to said plan, as follows:
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| Northerly | by Hudson Road |
| Easterly | by land now or formerly of Wight |
| Southerly | by land now or formerly of Lyons Builders, Inc. |
| Westerly | by land now or formerly of Pitchel and by land now or formerly of Seymour |
- B. Lots 76 and 77, Block A, shown on a plan entitled: "Plan of Pine Lakes Sudbury Mass.", dated: April 1927, by Robert B. Bellamy, Surveyor, recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds in Plan Book 394, Plan 37, and bounded and described, according to said plan, as follows:

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- Northerly by Lake Shore Drive
 Easterly by land now or formerly of Borden
 Southerly by land now or formerly of Walkama
 Westerly by land now or formerly of Walkama
- C. Lots 21 and 22, Block G, shown on a plan entitled: "Plan of Pine Lakes Sudbury Mass.", dated: April 1927 by Robert B. Bellamy, Surveyor, recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds in Plan Book 394, Plan 37, and bounded and described, according to said plan, as follows:
- Northerly by land now or formerly of Town of Sudbury and
 by land now or formerly of Woodlee
 Easterly by Willis Lake Drive
 Southerly by land now or formerly of Dunne
 Westerly by Arborwood Drive
- D. Lot 3, Block I, shown on a plan entitled: "Plan of Pine Lakes Sudbury Mass.", dated: April 1927, by Robert B. Bellamy, Surveyor, recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds in Plan Book 394, Plan 37, and bounded and described, according to said plan, as follows:
- Northerly by land now or formerly of Nugent
 Easterly by land now or formerly of Callahan
 Southerly by Birchwood Avenue
 Westerly by Lot 4
- E. Lot 4, Block I, shown on a plan entitled: "Plan of Pine Lakes Sudbury Mass.", dated: April 1927, by Robert B. Bellamy, Surveyor, recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds in Plan Book 394, Plan 37, and bounded and described, according to said plan, as follows:
- Northerly by land now or formerly of Nugent
 Easterly by land now or formerly of Town of Sudbury
 Southerly by Birchwood Avenue
 Westerly by land now or formerly of Town of Sudbury
- F. Lots 5, 6, and 7, Block I, shown on a plan entitled: "Plan of Pine Lakes Sudbury Mass.", dated: April 1927, by Robert B. Bellamy, Surveyor, recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds in Plan Book 394, Plan 37, and bounded and described, according to said plan, as follows:
- Northerly by land now or formerly of Jones
 Easterly by Lot 4
 Southerly by Birchwood Avenue
 Westerly by land now or formerly of Lachance
- G. Lots 38 and 39, Block K, shown on a plan entitled: "Plan of Pine Lakes Sudbury Mass.", dated: April 1927, by Robert B. Bellamy, Surveyor, recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds in Plan Book 394, Plan 37, and bounded and described, according to said plan, as follows:
- Northerly by land now or formerly of Todesco and by land
 now or formerly of Felloni
 Easterly by Great Lake Drive
 Southerly by Lot 40
 Westerly by land now or formerly of Meister
- H. Lots 40, 41, 42, 43 and 44, Block K, shown on a plan entitled: "Plan of Pine Lakes Sudbury Mass.", dated: April 1927, by Robert B. Bellamy, Surveyor, recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds in Plan Book 394, Plan 37, and bounded and described, according to said plan, as follows:
- Northerly by land now or formerly of Town of Sudbury
 Easterly by Great Lake Drive
 Southerly by land now or formerly of Welch
 Westerly by land now or formerly of Cummings and by land
 now or formerly of Meister

or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Conservation Commission.

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Mrs. Olga P. Reed of the Conservation Commission *moved that the Town transfer Parcels A, B, C, D, E, F, G, and H, as set forth in and described in Article 15 in the Warrant for this meeting to the custody and control of the Conservation Commission for all purposes included in General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 8C.*

Conservation Commission Report: (Mrs. Reed) The Conservation Commission received from the Selectmen a list of thirty-three tax possession parcels. Along with the list came a request for recommendations about possible use for municipal purposes. The parcels were reviewed and inspected and eight were selected which we think should be protected from development. They should be preserved for Conservation purposes. This means access to ponds, protection of wetland, recreation and protection of wildlife.

The parcel described in paragraph A is the most recent addition to the list. This is Lot 130 with frontage on Hudson Road. It was added after the Town Treasurer had offered it at auction last September. There were no bids. The lot slopes from Hudson Road south to a wet area which also covers a portion of the adjoining lot. A twenty foot wide walkway easement goes through the lot. There is no conflict between conservation purposes and the walkway construction as the easement is along a high dry path on the west side of the lot.

The remainder of the parcels are in the area known as Pine Lakes. The area described in paragraph B has frontage on Lake Shore Drive which borders Willis Lake. This is part of a high point of land which slopes to Willis Lake to the north and a wet marshy area on the south and east. Its elevation provides an excellent scenic view of Willis Lake through both black and white birch trees. Hemlock provides some green throughout the year.

Paragraph C describes a nearby parcel which abuts conservation land transferred to the Commission by Town Meeting vote in 1971. The Park and Recreation Commission has jurisdiction of the area across Willis Lake Drive from Parcel C. The north area of Willis Lake is the Military Reservation land which has been exceded, and if the Town of if the State acquires the property for recreation purposes, this means that we would have access to use Willis Lake for quiet boating.

Paragraphs D, E, and F describe contiguous lots on Birchwood Avenue. Lots 5, 6, and 7 were offered at auction last September. There were no bids. About half the area of those lots is wet. About a third of Lot 4 and only a small corner of Lot 3 is low and wet.

Paragraphs G and H describe two parcels which comprise seven adjoining lots. This property slopes quickly down from Great Lake Drive to a large wetland with open water as well as plant growth which includes wild azaleas and sweet pepper bush. The area offers a haven for ducks and many song birds and a full complement of frogs and other aquatic fauna, mayflies, caddis flies, and mosquitoes. Lots 38 and 39 were offered at auction last September. Again, there were no bids.

There is no acquisition cost to the Town for this property as it is presently tax possession and your affirmative vote would not remove any revenue-producing land from the Town tax rolls.

Finance Committee Report: These parcels represent less than 2 1/2 acres now under the custody and control of the Selectmen. The Finance Committee sees no significant advantage and perhaps some disadvantages to the Town in their transfer to the Conservation Commission. Recommend disapproval.

Mr. Martin E. Doyle then *moved to amend Article 15 by deleting Parcel C.* In support of his amendment, he stated that he was representing an elderly couple, Bob and Mary Dunne, whose land adjoins Parcel C.

The area in which these lots are situated is in the western end of the Town off Hudson Road. During the 1920's the area was subdivided for summer camps and at that time one-sixteenth acre lots were established. However, since then zoning laws were passed which prohibited building on a one-sixteenth acre lot. Quite a number of these lots have become tax possession of the Town, and it has become the habit of the people who reside in Pine Lakes to acquire these lots to add to their existing property and in that way to build themselves a reasonable lot size around their property.

Bob and Mary Dunne have resided at 14 Arborwood Drive for twenty-four years. Over that period they have acquired Lots 9 to 20 and the two lots in question here are Lots 21 and 22. The Dunne's were not aware of the fact that these lots

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were for sale though they do assure me that at one time they wrote to the Town and asked to be advised whenever these lots were for sale so that they could bid upon them.

The purpose of this amendment is to give them the opportunity to purchase these lots. They do not intend to build on them if they are allowed to buy them and certainly the Town Bylaws prohibit it. They only intend to buy them to add to their present property. I would advise you to support this amendment.

After a short discussion, Mr. Doyle's amendment was voted.

Mr. Robert K. Coe then moved to amend Article 15 by deleting Parcel A and all reference thereto. In support of his amendment, Mr. Coe stated that the thing I see happening here is that we are propagating the same old patchwork acquisition of conservation land that we have done in the past. I just don't see why it has to be continued now. The Conservation Commission has admitted that this land was put up for sale at auction and nobody bid on it. The idea that it has to be preserved from development is rather ridiculous. If you have been to see that piece of land, calling it a lot is a bit of a strain on the English language. It is just a hole with water in it. I think it is, in fact, covered by the Wetlands Act because it adjoins several bigger wet areas. I don't think it could be filled in any event. It seems to me that it makes more sense to try to find an abuttor that is willing to pay the taxes on it and let him take it over. I can't imagine what earthly use it would be to the Conservation Commission.

After a short discussion, Mr. Coe's amendment was defeated.

After further discussion, it was

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN TRANSFER PARCELS A, B, D, E, F, G, AND H, AS SET FORTH IN AND DESCRIBED IN ARTICLE 15 IN THE WARRANT FOR THIS MEETING TO THE CUSTODY AND CONTROL OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION FOR ALL PURPOSES INCLUDED IN GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 40, SECTION 8C.

In favor - 255; Opposed - 117. (Total - 372)

Upon a motion made by Mr. Eben B. Stevens, it was

VOTED: THAT WE ADJOURN THIS MEETING UNTIL TOMORROW NIGHT, APRIL 10, 1974, AT 8 O'CLOCK IN THIS HALL.

The Moderator declared that the vote in favor was two-thirds as required by Bylaw. The meeting adjourned at 10:45 P.M.

PROCEEDINGS

ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

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The Moderator called the meeting to order at 8:05 P.M. at the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School Auditorium. He declared that a quorum was present.

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to amend Article IX of the Town Bylaws, entitled: "Zoning Bylaw", Section I, "General", G, "Flood Plains", by addition of a new sub-paragraph 4 to read as follows:

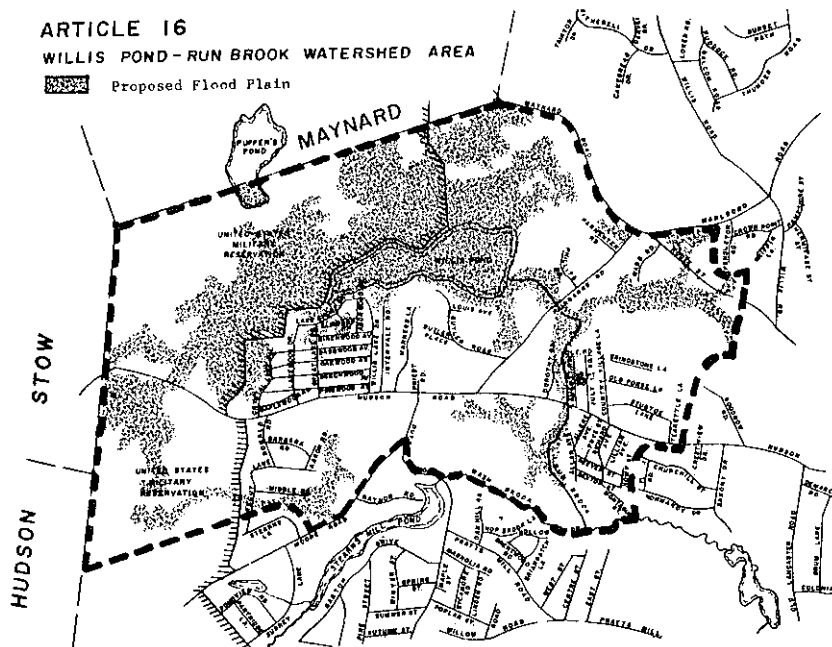
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Sec. I,G

"4. 'Map of Flood Plains and Wetlands in the Willis Pond-Run Brook Watershed Area' prepared by the Town of Sudbury Engineering Department, dated January 4, 1974, a copy of which is on file in the Town Clerk's office and which is incorporated herein by reference.",

or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Conservation Commission.



Mrs. Marion P. Harris of the Conservation Commission moved in the words of the motion as distributed.

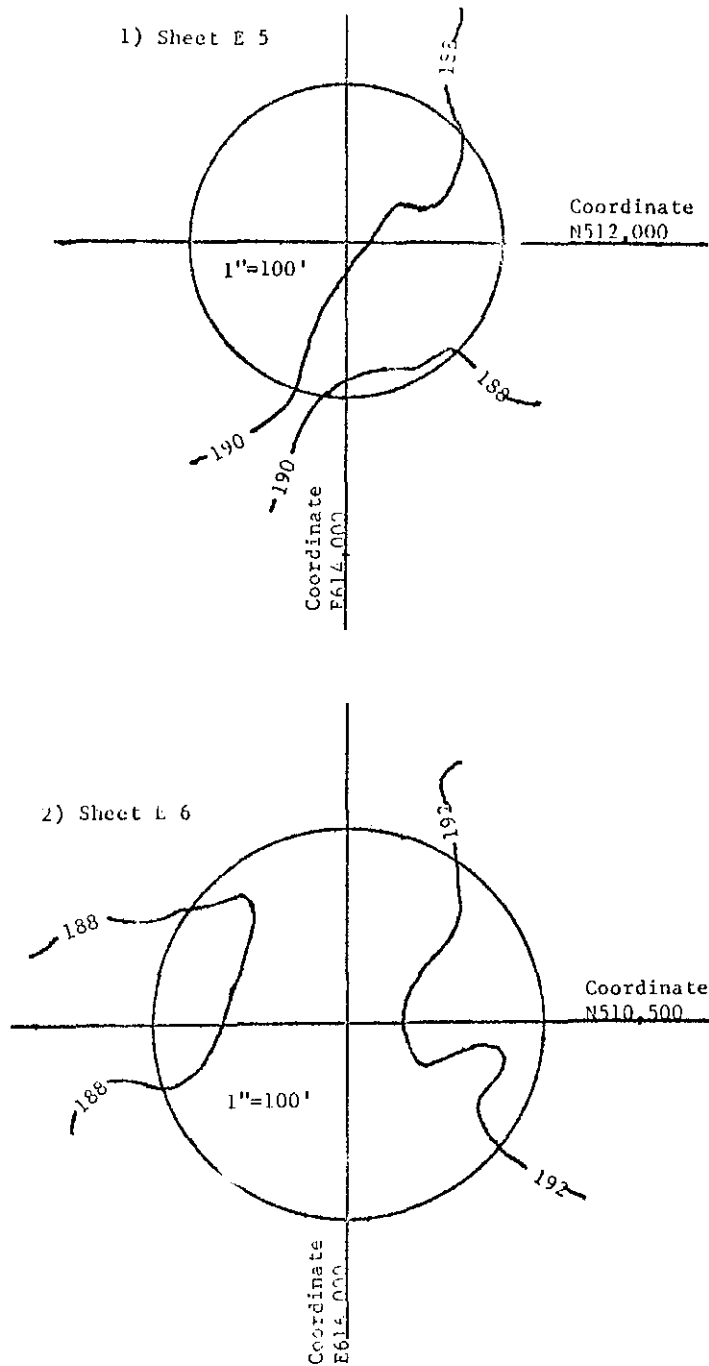
The following is the motion as distributed prior to the April 10th session of the Annual Town Meeting:

Move that the Town amend Article IX of the Town Bylaws, entitled: "Zoning Bylaw", Section I, "General", G, "Flood Plains", by the addition of a new sub-paragraph 4, to read as printed in Article 16 in the Warrant for this meeting, but with the following modifications to the flood plain areas shown on the map referred to in sub-paragraph 4.

1. On Sheets No. E5 and E6, a 188 foot contour line shown thereon shall enclose and delimit the flood plain of Cuttings' Town Line Pond, so-called, from the Northeast end of the dam at the Town line clockwise around the pond to the point shown in the detail shown on the plan entitled: "Article 16, March 29, 1974, Revision of Flood Plain Map", hereinafter called the Revision Map, where said contour line approaches within 100 feet of the intersection of coordinates

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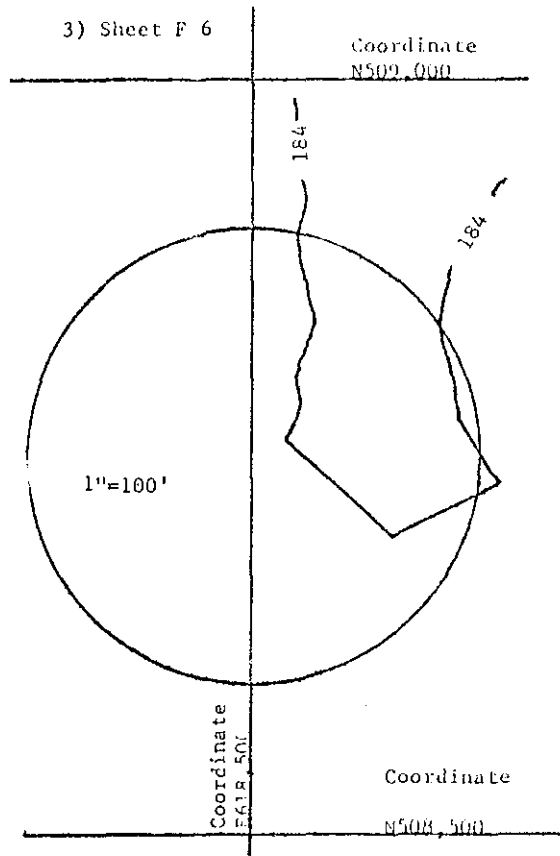
N512,000 and E614,000, within which radius the said detail in the Revision Map shall apply; thence from the Northern edge of said detail on the 188 foot contour to the Town line; thence along the Town line to the point of beginning.



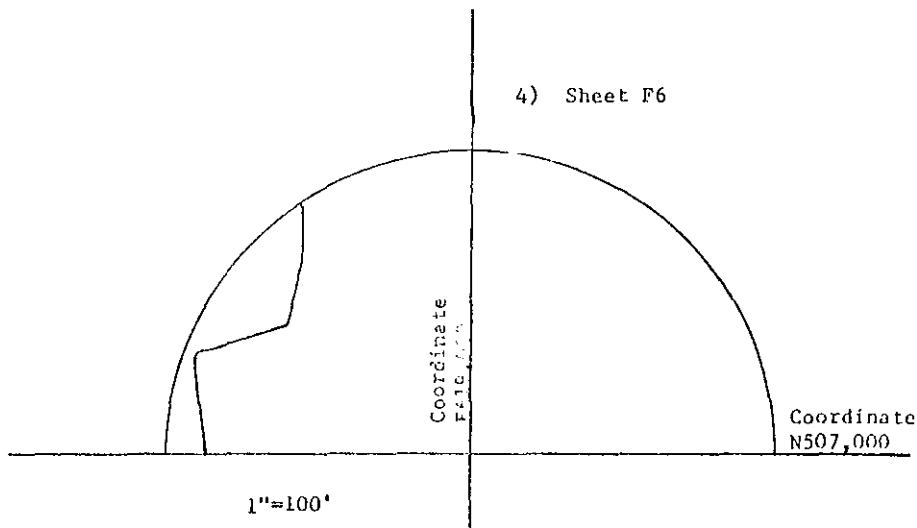
2. On Sheet No. E6, within a radius of 125 feet of the intersection of coordinates N510,500 and E616,000, the delimitation shown in the Revision Map.

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3. On Sheet No. F6, within a radius of 150 feet of the intersection of coordinates N508,750 and E618,500, the delimitation shown in the Revision Map.



4. On Sheet No. F6, within a radius of 200 feet of the intersection of coordinates N507,000 and E619,000, the delimitation shown in the Revision Map.



5. On Sheet No. F7, the 192 foot contour shown near the Northwest property bound of a 4.3 acre parcel on Marlboro Road, presently owned by Benny P. Tartaglia and Gilda Tartaglia, 52 Marlboro Road, shall delimit the only area on said parcel to be included within the flood plain district by this sub-section, all other land and water bodies shown at a higher elevation on this parcel are excluded.

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Conservation Commission Report: (Mrs. Harris) The motion just distributed simply proposes that certain wetlands and their banks in the Willis Pond-Run Brook watershed be added to the wetlands already protected by your existing Flood Plain Zoning Bylaw. Many of you have seen the maps which are now hanging in the lobby. A copy of these is on file with the Town Clerk and another with the Town Engineer.

The first page is the key only and is neither accurate nor official. The areas that are proposed for addition to the Flood Plain District are enclosed by green lines on the next thirteen sheets. All other areas, outside the green lines on these maps, will not be subject to the provisions of this Bylaw. The five modifications read into the motion all represent reductions in the areas to be included.

When you buy an automobile, it is yours. However, you do not buy it with the right to use it in any way you wish. Your misuse of it may cause injury or damage. The community expects and has a right to regulate the use of automotive property to safeguard the welfare of others. When careless driving results in an accident, the cause and effect relationship is obvious and everyone is outraged.

The cause and effect relationship between poor wetland use and flood and water supply problems is just as compelling as the one between poor auto use and accidents. Being a bit less obvious, it has taken a bit longer to understand and to cause outrage, but it has been established now beyond a shadow of a doubt.

The community expects and has a right to regulate land use to protect the welfare of others. You do this by making whatever laws you want your Town boards to enforce. That is why you, the community, are here tonight, to amend the laws to protect yourselves against poor land use. The protection of your wetlands is a vital part of Sudbury's long range planning in land use. You and your Town boards have been flood plain zoning together for over ten years. It costs you zero cents on your tax rate, but may save you millions if fully implemented as rapidly as possible.

Sudbury's foresight in wetland protection began in 1962 when the marshes along the Sudbury River were protected by Town Meeting. This was a very important first step in that it provided for storage of storm run-off water from all areas upstream. During a storm, or spring thaw, such as the one in 1968, water running off the surface of the land in Sudbury, Framingham and all other communities upstream of our stretch of the Sudbury River would have an area to rise and spread out over. The marsh vegetation would slow the water down enough so that silt could settle out and so that the flood crest downstream would peak later and lower and do less damage.

By now, it should be clear that in the area of flood control, it is the fellow downstream that is the beneficiary of good land use planning upstream.

After the initial Bylaw in 1962, eight years passed before action was taken to add to the protection district. Why? The first flood plain zone had been easy to delineate. The area along the Sudbury River and lower Hop Brook is so flat that a single elevation could be given as the boundary of the wetlands to be protected. Now we face the problem of defining the boundaries in the rest of Sudbury which is less flat.

The need to get on with the job was pointed up by these three considerations. First, the wetlands along Hop Brook began to succumb to business development. Second, the State laws that were supposed to regulate alterations in wetlands were not doing the job we needed done in Sudbury. And third, the quality of the water entering Sudbury's Hop Brook at the Marlboro line was far from desirable because it received the effluent from Marlboro's sewage plant.

This brings us to the second important function of a wetland. Polluted water percolating through a wetland, marsh or swamp can be purified to a remarkable degree in only a few short miles. This has great significance in a town full of septic tanks like Sudbury. If you live back up to a swamp and stream as I do, and your septic system fails, as mine did this week, the wetland plants and the bacteria in the marsh mud and the mud itself act upon the polluted water before it can reach the stream. Thus, the marsh acts as a backup for the septic systems, a buffer between leaching fields and open water ways.

Again, it is clear that the guy downstream is the beneficiary of good land use upstream.

With the need so clear, the Town Meeting voted in 1970 to spend the only money that has been spent to date specifically on wetland zoning. \$4,000 was used to fund

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an aerial photograph and delineation of the wetlands along Hop Brook upstream to Dutton Road. At the 1971 Annual Town Meeting, this section was added to the Bylaw.

At about the same time, your Town Meeting voted funds for one of the most useful planning tools this Town has ever had. Almost \$75,000 was invested in aerial maps of the entire Town. These are being used constantly by many departments in the Town for many purposes. Among other things, they have made it possible to continue the delineation of wetlands with no additional cost to the taxpayer. Thus, last March, we were able to bring to the Annual Town Meeting, the remainder of the Hop Brook Flood Plain upstream from Dutton Road to the Marlboro town line. You, the Town Meeting, voted unanimously to add this to the Bylaw.

The need now is to consider the watersheds that lie completely, or almost completely, within the Town of Sudbury. Most of these lie in what we would consider the uplands of the Town, but again, the same principles apply. Let us review them.

First, filling in wetlands pushes rain and snow run-off downstream faster causing flooding. Filling in wetlands removes the de-polluting buffer between the failing septic systems and our water ways. And now a third function of the wetlands comes into play. We call it ground water recharge. What it means simply is that every drop of rain that does not run off into our streams, or evaporate back into the air, sinks into the ground to become part of ground water.

Ground water recharge is an important function of open land surfaces. Wetlands are much better at this function than rolled and mowed lawns on fill. Since everybody in Sudbury gets his water from the self same ground water, planning in our upland wetlands will benefit everybody in Town, not just the fellow downstream.

Working with upland watersheds presented a different set of circumstances than we had encountered in our previous years of delineation. We found ourselves working in areas with many more single house lots than ever previously. We have found streams interrupted by culverts of varying sizes and adequacy. We have found ourselves agonizing over whether to include streams that have been channelized to "nothing more than a drainage ditch". We have found ourselves confronting the water retention value of isolated wetlands. We have had to grapple with the drainage pattern already changed by unregulated development and houses already built in what we would call wetland.

A recent flood in North Sudbury will help to illustrate the problems and needs. Bowker II was built on a wetland and is kept from floating away by a system of open ditches and culverts. On March 21st of this year, a two inch rainfall combined with a partially clogged culvert and produced flooding.

The Master Drainage Study upon which most of the future road work in Town may very probably be based, permits a water back up to occur periodically. A house built in a flood plain runs a one-in-fifty chance of being inundated at least once every year, even if the culvert is perfectly clear. The more silt in the culvert, the more frequent will be the flooding.

So much for the need and the history. You, the voters, have recognized the need in time and have made the history so far.

Now a word about the method and the law. With the help of enormous input from the public at two public hearings, from other Town boards, and from the Master Drainage Study, we have evolved a set of criteria for delineating the protection zone tailored to this upland type of watershed. The criteria are first of all, not to exceed two feet above the vegetation which shows that there is usually a fairly high water cycle, not to be more than two feet above isolated water such as isolated ponds or wetlands. Where the culvert size can be measured and its height can be measured, or we know it from records, the upstream side of the culvert should allow water back up of at least one foot not to exceed two feet above the top of the culvert.

In the absence of any other criteria, we would flood plain ten feet on either side of the thread of a stream. When more than one of these apply, we would use the one which includes the largest area. When a conservation easement or restriction exists, we would try to conform to that restriction where appropriate.

We would not include simple farm and drainage ditches, very small ponds, those less than one acre that are isolated and have no outflow, or isolated marshes or bogs that are smaller than an acre. We would exclude all public ways.

Tonight we present you with the first of the upland watersheds which we are calling the Willis Pond-Run Brook Watershed. We propose here to protect about

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230 acres of government land, most of which may soon revert to the State or Town, about 165 acres of privately owned open land, and about 30 acres of fragments of individual house lots. That is a total of about 425 acres.

How do we accomplish this protection? By voting to add the maps with the green lines to the Bylaw you already have. A "Yes" vote tonight will add a new paragraph to Section I, G of the Zoning Bylaws, describing the Willis Pond-Run Brook Maps.

There is another section to this Bylaw which is not being amended tonight called the use provisions. This is a very important section because it describes the purpose of this zone and spells out exactly what the owner of the flood plain zoned land may and may not do with it. For example, he may garden on it, he may forest it, he may camp on it, sell it, count it as part of his building lot for purposes of minimum acreage, set back, etc., and he may keep anyone he wants off it, including me. He may maintain and repair structures already on it. He may not fill it or drain it or build on it or change the water patterns on it without first having a hearing before the Appeals Board to which you, the public, will be invited. Therein lies the safety valve for the owner and the public alike.

Let us end by reviewing the purposes of this Bylaw: to preserve and protect the streams and other watercourses in Town and their adjoining lands; to protect the health and safety of persons and property against the hazards of flooding; to preserve and maintain the ground water table for water supply purposes.

Please vote for Article 16.

Planning Board Report: (Mrs. Jane F. Gillespie) The Planning Board supports this article and that position requires an explanation. The Planning Board voted on March 20th, 1974, by a vote of 3 - 2 to oppose flood plain zoning proposed in this article submitted by the Conservation Commission. Our reason was not that the Planning Board is opposed to flood plain zoning. Our reasons were that we felt that the drainage problems in Town should be looked at in toto rather than piecemeal. The position of the majority of the Planning Board was that the total package of flood plain zoning, hydrological study, Master Drainage Study, should be complete at the time flood plain zoning is voted. Following that vote, the Conservation Commission approached the Planning Board with precisely the data which the Planning Board needed to support flood plain zoning. This data was funded by the Army Corps of Engineers and is published in the geological survey documents which cover the northwest section of Sudbury. It was prepared to study the possible placement of a nuclear reactor in the Military Reservation many years ago. Unfortunately, the Corps of Engineers did not study all of Sudbury, which would have eliminated the need for Article 27, the hydrological-geological study in this year's Warrant.

The Planning Board is unanimous in its support of this article and urges you to approve it.

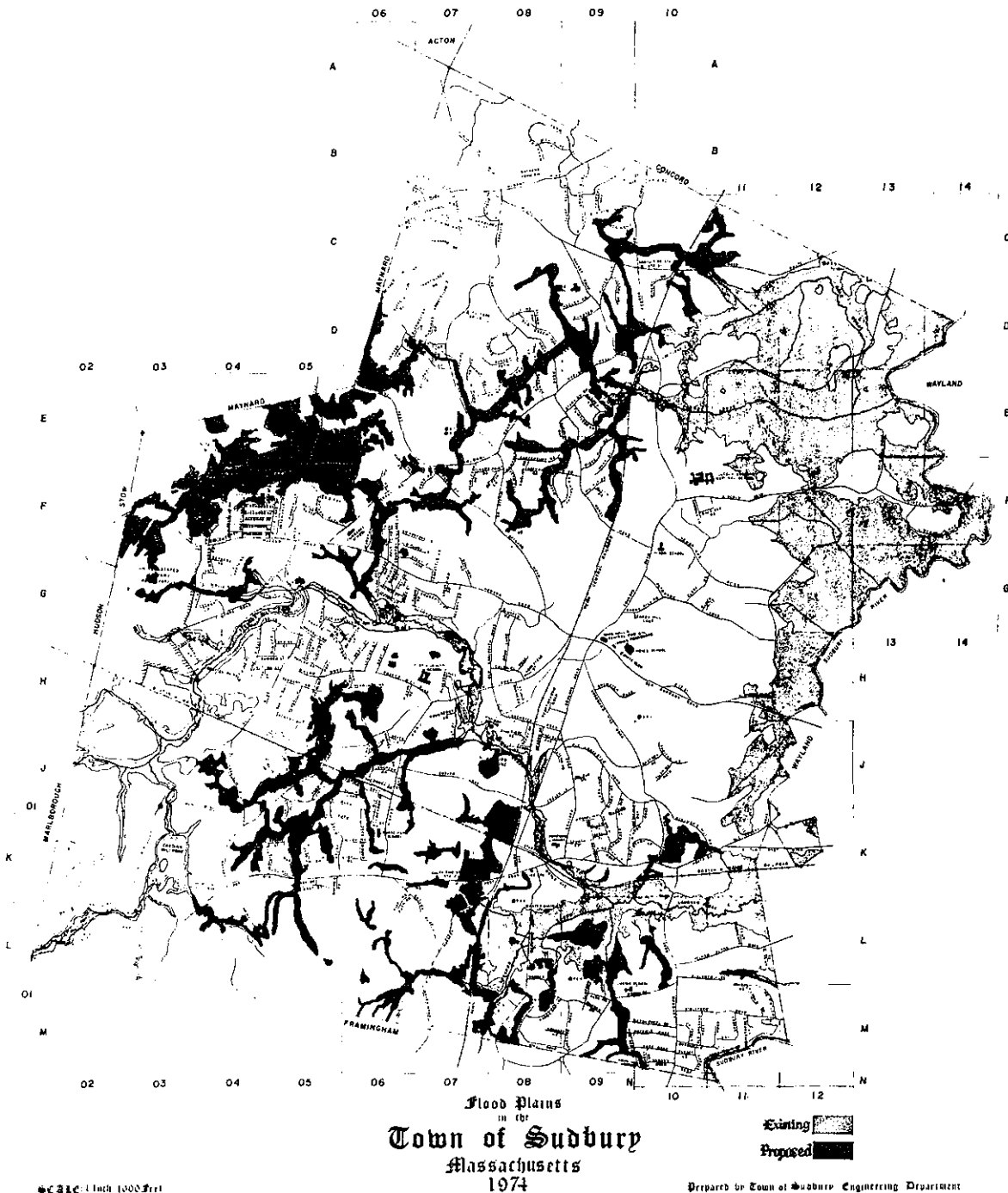
Finance Committee Report: (Mrs. Edwards) The Finance Committee supports the extension of flood plain zoning to appropriate areas in all sections of the Town. Recommend approval of Article 16.

Board of Selectmen Report: (Mr. Powers) The Board of Selectmen opposes this article. What you are asked to vote on here tonight once again is a major policy departure which, in the opinion of this Board, affects the entire Town, which can be looked at only in terms of its total impact on the Town, and which we think has serious consequences as yet unanalyzed dealing with the tax base of this Town.

In the fall of this year when the Conservation Commission came forward with this article, we were interested and concerned with what they were doing. On January 21st of this year, we had a meeting with the Conservation Commission and with the Planning Board and with others. At that time, their proposal was what you see on the following map. [See next page.]

I want you to note, that every one of those darkened areas whether large or small is an area that would be subject to flood plain zoning if the overall plan were approved. I think you will find that something like 17% of the Town of Sudbury is already in flood plain zoning according to the Conservation Commission's figures. But, when we asked them whether this represented their total program or not, they answered, "No". They stated that limitations and constrictures of time precluded them from addressing themselves to the remaining one-third of the Town which does not appear on the map and which deals with an area to the north and to the east.

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The magnitude of the number of acres involved in this distressed us. We asked them to tell us how many acres were in it, and they could not. To this date, they have not told us about acreage until right now. We asked them how many lots and how many owners were involved, and they could not tell us. I don't know if they know now for the particular section they are dealing with, but they could not tell us then. When we met well after January 21st with the Planning Board, they could not tell us either.

This creates a problem for us. We are concerned about the tax base of this Town. We are concerned about fair notice to the owners of the land of what is involved, what is coming.

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What you are doing is not, in the opinion of the Board, flood plain zoning. If it were flood plain zoning, then somebody would still have to explain to me why the land that they proposed includes some land on the top of Nobscot Mountain, the highest point in Town. Unless I start seeing animals pairing up two by two, I'm not distressed about that at the moment. What this is, is not related to flooding. The language that they are using is language which deals more with wetlands protection.

Is this an approach the Town should engage in without knowing what the consequences are going to be? We mentioned to you last night and at the beginning of the meeting, we were very concerned about major changes being made when we did not know, because of lack of sufficient data, the effect of programs that you were embarking on. This is a perfect example of just that.

You have heard about where the boundaries are. That is the \$64,000 question. Where are the boundaries? We do not know. The motion refers to a map. It refers to a thing called "Article 16, March 29, 1974, Revision of the Flood Plain Map". I have yet to see it. Is it sixteen pages of something that is outside on the wall? Is it sixteen pages, the lines on which have been changed four or five times since the public hearing was held? If it is supposed to be, as the original notice setting up the Planning Board hearing said, "In accordance with the map on file with the Town Clerk", it is interesting to note that at that time there was no plan on file with the Town Clerk. We have been having trouble and the Engineering Department has been having trouble finding out what it is.

If you are going to establish a zone in a Town and say to an owner that he may not use his property for this purpose, the very least the Town ought to do, in the exercise of that police power and in fairness to the owner, is to tell him where the boundary is. I am informed reliably that if the Town were to undertake that obligation, it simply does not have enough engineering force or funds available in the Engineering budget, or any other budget, to cover the cost of going into this area alone to delineate the boundaries on the land.

If we are again keying in the photogrammetric map, I point out to you that photogrammetrics are marvelous, but there is one problem with them. They have a built-in two foot error in terms of the vertical. Two feet in terms of where water goes could be two feet vertically and 150 feet horizontally. It is not a precise tool. Ground survey is the precise tool.

We have heard that it was done in conjunction with the Master Drainage Study, which was interesting because the Master Drainage Study was not available for anyone to look at until after the initial meetings had been held. We think this is a serious problem.

This project is ultimately going to involve literally thousands of acres of various types and spots all over this land. When you say to the owners that this is all right because they have a right to go to the Board of Appeals, you are asking them to plead for an exception. You are making that citizen, at his own expense, go to a board. I can assure you that, if this continues in the manner in which it is, we are going to do a great deal more funding and staffing for the Board of Appeals.

We earnestly suggest that you send this back to the drawing table until we have the precise areas, until we have had a colloquy on it, until we can determine what the impact on assessed values in going to be for the total program. If you do not and you start saying, "Well, it's only a little section this time", you have established a precedent. Next time it will be more, and the next time it will be more until inevitably we are where the total plan is. If what you wish to vote for is the total plan, then by all means do. But, I don't think we have sufficient information to make a judgment on it. We do not know what the economic impact is. The first plan that came down, for example, would wipe out a substantial portion of the industrial land in this Town. That is very much of concern to us in terms of value.

We urge you to defeat this article.

Town Counsel Report: It is the opinion of Town Counsel that if the Zoning Bylaw change set forth in Article 16 in the Warrant for the 1974 Annual Town Meeting is properly moved and seconded, a report is given by the Planning Board, as required by law, and the motion is adopted by a two-thirds vote in favor of the motion, the proposed change will become a valid amendment to the Sudbury Zoning Bylaw.

After discussion, the Conservation Commission's motion was defeated. In favor - 129; Opposed - 258. (Total - 387.)

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ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to amend Article IX of the Town Bylaws, the Zoning Bylaw, Section IV, "Intensity Regulations", Paragraph A, "General Requirements", by striking out subparagraph 2, "Recorded Lots", in its entirety, and by adding a new subparagraph 2 to read as follows:

Art. IX
Sec. IV,A,2

"2. Recorded Lots
Lawfully laid out lots are governed and protected under the provisions of G.L., C. 40A, Section 5A.",

or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Planning Board.

Planning Board Report: (Mr. Eben B. Stevens) The Planning Board recommends approval of this Bylaw change for the following reasons: 1) it brings our Bylaw into conformity with the State enabling legislation; 2) it sets the minimum lot size for previously recorded lots at 5,000 square feet and 50 feet frontage; 3) it requires continuous lots under common ownership to be built on within five years or lose their exemption; 4) the effect on valuation is minimal since there are less than a hundred existing lots that do not meet the present standards and of these less than five do not meet the State minimums; and 5) this change does not affect any existing non-subdivision lots for three years nor subdivision lots for seven years.

Finance Committee Report: Recommend approval.

Town Counsel Report: It is the opinion of Town Counsel that if the Zoning Bylaw change set forth in Article 17 in the Warrant for the 1974 Annual Town Meeting is properly moved and seconded, a report is given by the Planning Board, as required by law, and the motion is adopted by a two-thirds vote in favor of the motion, the proposed change will become a valid amendment to the Sudbury Zoning Bylaw.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: THAT THE TOWN AMEND ARTICLE IX OF THE TOWN BYLAWS, THE ZONING BYLAW, SECTION IV, "INTENSITY REGULATIONS", PARAGRAPH A, "GENERAL REQUIREMENTS", BY STRIKING OUT SUBPARAGRAPH 2, "RECORDED LOTS", IN ITS ENTIRETY, AND BY ADDING A NEW SUBPARAGRAPH 2 TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

*"2. RECORDED LOTS
LAWFULLY LAID OUT LOTS ARE GOVERNED AND PROTECTED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF GENERAL LAW, CHAPTER 40A, SECTION 5A.*

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw of the Town of Sudbury by creating a new district under Article IX, Section II, "Establishment of Districts", Part A, "Types of Districts", by adding a new Section #9, "Open Space Districts, OSD-"; and further by amending Article IX, Section IV, B, by adding to the "Schedule of Intensity Regulations" after "Ind. Pk. Dist., IPD-" a new schedule called "Open Space Districts" and to add under "Minimum Lot Dimensions, Area Sq. Ft.", 600,000, all other restrictions on the schedule to be "None"; and further to amend Article IX, Section IV, C, "Modifications and Exceptions", subsection 1, "Building Coverage and Open Space", by adding a new item "d. Open Space Districts", to read as follows:

Create
Open Space
Districts

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Sec. II,A
Sec. IV,B,C

"d. Open Space Districts:

- (1) The Open Space Districts comprise certain lands shown on the Zoning Map for which the owner(s) have no development plans other than the intent to preserve such lands in their natural state of beauty for the enjoyment thereof.
- (2) No land included in the Open Space Districts shall be included in any of the other districts defined by this Bylaw.
- (3) No building or structure for human occupancy shall be allowed or erected in Open Space Districts.
- (4) Any action to change any other existing district to an Open Space District shall be initiated by the legal owner(s) of record of the land described at the time the change is proposed.

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- (5) Structures designed to provide shelter and well-being for animals and plant life both wild and domesticated, shall be a permitted use in an Open Space District.",

or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Planning Board.

Mr. Paul H. McNally of the Planning Board *moved* that the Town amend the Zoning Bylaw of the Town of Sudbury by creating a new district under Article IX, Section II, "Establishment of Districts", Part A, "Types of Districts", by adding a new section, Number 9, "Open Space Districts", otherwise called OSD; and further, by amending Article IX, Section IV, B, by adding to the "Schedule of Intensity Regulations", after "Industrial Park Districts, IPD-", a new schedule called "Open Space Districts", and to add under "Minimum Lot Dimensions, Area Sq. Ft.", 600,000, all other restrictions on the schedule to be "None"; and further to amend Article IX, Section IV, C, "Modifications and Exceptions", subsection 1, "Building Coverage and Open Space", by adding a new item "d. Open Space Districts", to read as printed in Article 18 in the Warrant for this meeting.

Planning Board Report: (Mr. McNally) This amendment to the Zoning Bylaw will parallel action already taken by the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts under Chapter 1118 of the Acts of 1973 which provides for special assessment of horticultural land at a value based upon its agricultural uses.

Article 18 will provide a similar tool at the local Town level for those land owners in the Town of Sudbury who would, for whatever purposes, hope or desire to maintain the open space character and beauty of the Town. Landowners having parcels exceeding fifteen acres may voluntarily place their land into a zoning district called Open Space District. They may, they do not have to.

A two-thirds vote of the Town Meeting is required for a landowner to have his land included in the Open Space District, and likewise, a two-thirds vote is required to have land in the district removed for whatever new proposed zoning or use.

The Planning Board also proposes passage of a resolution asking the Board of Assessors of the Town to study the possibility of land valuation at a lower level than the present formula allows with the hope to encourage voluntary inclusion of greater than fifteen acre parcels into the zoning district. This Bylaw change hopefully will help to keep larger parcels of land off the real estate market and in some cases might even spare the Town the cost of purchase in the immediate future of those parcels now for sale due to high tax pressures and of interest to the Town at some future date.

Massachusetts General Laws allow for special assessment for parcels in excess of five acres used primarily for agriculture. This Bylaw requires a minimum of fifteen acres of any type of land, without the burden of having to work the land as in farming or horticultural uses. Sudbury will gain by preservation of its natural character and open space if these large lots are left undeveloped.

The Planning Board urges passage of this article and asks for favorable action on its resolution to the Board of Assessors.

Finance Committee Report: Recommend approval.

Town Counsel Report: It is the opinion of Town Counsel that if the Zoning Bylaw change set forth in Article 18 in the Warrant for the 1974 Annual Town Meeting is properly moved and seconded, a report is given by the Planning Board, as required by law, and the motion is adopted by a two-thirds vote in favor of the motion, the proposed change will become a valid amendment to the Sudbury Zoning Bylaw.

After discussion, Mr. Donald D. Bishop *moved* to amend paragraph (4) to change the words "to an Open Space District" to read "to or from an Open Space District".

In support of his amendment, Mr. Bishop stated that a person can ask and by a two-thirds vote of the Town have his land put in an Open Space District. This amendment would then mean that with the same mechanism a person's land can be removed from the Open Space District. If I want my land in an Open Space District, I have to initiate that myself. Having done that and the Town by a two-thirds vote were to approve it, it seems unreasonable to say that then anyone else can initiate action to take it back out again.

Mr. Bishop's motion was *voted*.

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Mr. Robert K. Coe then moved reconsideration of the amendment. He stated that when we say any action to change any other existing district to or from an Open Space District, it doesn't make sense.

Mr. Coe's motion was defeated. In favor - 194; Opposed - 102. (Total - 296. Two-thirds vote required)

Mrs. Anne W. Donald then moved to amend paragraph (4) by striking out "other existing district" and substituting "land". Mrs. Donald's amendment was voted.

Mrs. Margaret E. Langmuir then moved Indefinite Postponement. She stated that it has just come to our attention that the creation of this district may, in fact, if land is put into this district, remove that land from existing flood plain zoning. Everybody agrees and has agreed in times past, that it is very necessary for those lands now in flood plain zoning to be protected from filling, excavating, dredging, etc. If land is allowed to be put into the open space zone, thus negating the flood plain zoning on that land, you can't build a house on it, but there would be no provision that precludes dredging, filling, or any other land changes. I therefore hope you will indefinitely postpone this article. I think there are enough other questions left open that should be ironed out before we pass this new type of zone.

After discussion, it was

VOTED: INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT.

A motion to adjourn until Tuesday, April 16, 1974, at 8 o'clock was defeated.

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to amend Article IX of the Town of Sudbury Zoning Bylaws by adding a new subsection (5) to Section IV, Wetland Minimum Lot Size

"Intensity Regulations", to read as follows:

"In the Residential Districts, a minimum of 30,000 contiguous square feet, which are determined by the Board of Health not be swampland, wetland, a body of water, or marshland, shall be used in determining minimum lot size as required herein, except that this paragraph shall not apply to any lot lawfully laid out by plan or deed duly recorded, as defined in G.L. c.41, s.81L, prior to the effective date of this paragraph, to any lot shown on a plan endorsed, prior to the effective date of this paragraph, with the words 'approval under the subdivision control law not required' or words of similar import, pursuant to G.L. c.41, s.81P, or to any lot shown on a definitive plan endorsed with the words 'approved under the subdivision control law' or words of similar import, pursuant to G.L.c.41, s.81U, which complied at the time of such recording or endorsement whichever is earlier, with all the minimum area requirements set forth in these Zoning Bylaws, except for this subparagraph 5, provided, however, that this subparagraph 5 shall apply to any subdivision under the subdivision control law, aforesaid, submitted to the Planning Board on or after the effective date of this subsection."

or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Planning Board.

Mr. McNally of the Planning Board moved that the Town amend Article IX of the Town of Sudbury Zoning Bylaw by adding a new subsection 5 to Section IV, "Intensity Regulations", to read as printed in Article 19 in the Warrant for this meeting, except that the words in the fourth and in the fifth lines of the proposed amendment that read "used in determining minimum lot size as required therein" shall be deleted and shall be replaced by "required in all lots".

Planning Board Report: (Mr. McNally) The intent of this article is to provide sufficient well-drained, good percolating land for septic leach bed use. A majority of the Planning Board recognizes that under its present rules and regulations and the Zoning Bylaws of the Town, it is still possible to find septic leach systems installed which function for a time, but are later found inadequate due to improper leaching and septage. Too often when septic systems fail,

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sufficient additional area of land suitable for leaching is not available on a particular house lot. To repair or rebuild an ailing system is extremely expensive and often the improper system is not repaired immediately when found defective. Improper operating septic systems can create a health hazard to the Town and should be avoided. A reserve amount of good leachable land as part of lot requirements will help to avoid this hazard and costly removal and replacement of leach beds. Marginal buildable areas of Town will be developed in the future. In order to avoid health problems and the necessity of public sewerage in these areas, a majority of the Planning Board and the Conservation Commission urge passage of this article.

Finance Committee Report: Recommend approval.

Board of Selectmen Report: (Mr. Powers) We have met with the Planning Board. We have asked them for some information. The first was how much land, how many lots, would be involved in the Town of Sudbury, that would be in some way altered or affected by the passage of this act. We not only met to discuss that with them, but on April 2nd, we sent a letter to the chairman of the Board listing the questions that we have. To date, we have no answers.

The second question we asked was the same as we did in the article we started this evening with. What would the tax impact be? How many lots that are now conforming would become non-conforming? How much land would be affected?

The third question we asked was what criteria shall be used by the Board of Health in this case to determine what is swamp land, what is wetland, what is a body of water or marshland? All of the discussion we had at the beginning of the meeting dealt with the differences of how different people may look at that. Beauty in definitions lie in the eye of the beholder.

We wondered what guidelines there were. We have heard of none. We are concerned again that we have a major change that is affecting or can affect a very large number of lots in Town. I think we have to know what the facts are. We have to know what the tax implications are. We have to know who is affected. We are very much concerned that this, together with the first article we discussed this evening, may have a very bad effect. It could very well trigger the land-owners into selling lots that otherwise comply and which at the moment they are holding off the market.

It is for these reasons that I oppose this and urge you to do likewise.

Board of Health Report: (Mr. William W. Cooper, IV) We view this from a somewhat different perspective than the Planning Board. Our perspective is that we look at the land as being developed for a house lot or for commercial development. We look at the regulations that exist in the State Sanitary Code and the regulations which we have adopted for the Town of Sudbury, and the limitations which are placed upon us to operate within the authority that we have. The problem that we come up against is that a large portion of the good and desirable high and dry land in Sudbury has been developed. The subdivisions that we now see contain a larger proportion of lots which are wet. What happens when a wet lot comes in? The developer says that he will fill and there is nothing in the State code to prevent his filling. He can hold the wetlands protection act hearing and if he makes a cubby hole over someplace else so the water goes over there, he can still go ahead and do the filling. Nor is there any way that we, as a Board, can adopt a regulation which would be an outright prohibition and contradiction of the State Sanitary Code. Yet, it has been our experience that systems that are built in fill, systems that are built particularly where the land is wet, tend to fail sooner than systems that are not so constructed. Reconstruction of these systems is an expensive operation. The Board of Health feels that this would be a mechanism whereby the Town would have some added protection for the proper health oriented development of the remaining land in Town.

Town Counsel Report: It is the opinion of Town Counsel that if the Zoning Bylaw change set forth in Article 19 in the Warrant for the 1974 Annual Town Meeting is properly moved and seconded, a report is given by the Planning Board, as required by law, and the motion is adopted by a two-thirds vote in favor of the motion, the proposed change will become a valid amendment to the Sudbury Zoning Bylaw.

After a short discussion, Mr. McNally's motion under Article 19 was defeated.
In favor - 102; Opposed - 119. (Total - 221)

The Moderator then announced that it was after 11:00 o'clock, and in accordance with the Bylaws of the Town, this meeting is adjourned until Tuesday, April 16, 1974, at 8 P.M. in this hall. The meeting adjourned at 11:01 P.M.

PROCEEDINGS

ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

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The Moderator called the meeting to order at 8:04 P.M. at the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School Auditorium. He declared that a quorum was present.

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to amend Article IX of the Zoning Bylaws of the Town of Sudbury, Section III, C, 2, by adding a new subsection "i" to read as follows:

Animal Shelters,
Etc. "i. Animal shelters, animal hospitals, boarding and training kennels and other activities related thereto which are operated by public or semi-public institutions of a philanthropic or charitable character, provided that a permit for such use be granted by the Board of Selectmen, subject to appropriate conditions and safeguards.",

Art. IX
Sec. III,C

or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Planning Board.

Planning Board Report: (Mrs. Gillespie) The Special Town Meeting of November, 1971, approved the proposed permitted use in a business zone. In practice, many of Sudbury's business zones are narrow strips of land, some only a hundred to a hundred and fifty feet in depth. Due to the incompatibility of open air runs with close residential abutters to the business districts, a more appropriate location for such uses is in industrially zoned parcels where it is possible to locate animal shelters so that dogs and people are not in conflict.

The Board of Selectmen and the Planning Board urge your support of this article.

Finance Committee Report: Recommend approval.

Town Counsel Report: It is the opinion of Town Counsel that if the Zoning Bylaw change set forth in Article 20 in the Warrant for the 1974 Annual Town Meeting is properly moved and seconded, a report is given by the Planning Board, as required by law, and the motion is adopted by a two-thirds vote in favor of the motion, the proposed change will become a valid amendment to the Sudbury Zoning Bylaw.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: THAT THE TOWN AMEND ARTICLE IX OF THE ZONING BYLAW FOR THE TOWN OF SUDBURY, SECTION III, C, 2, BY ADDING A NEW SUBSECTION "i" TO READ AS PRINTED IN ARTICLE 20 IN THE WARRANT FOR THIS MEETING.

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw, Article IX of the Town of Sudbury Bylaws, by adding a sentence at the end of the first paragraph in subsection A, of Part V, entitled, "Site Plan Approval", to read as follows:

Site Plans
Art. IX
Sec. V,A

"A site plan shall also show all contiguous land owned by the applicant or owner of the property, whether or not such land is in the regulated zone.",

or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Planning Board.

Planning Board Report: (Mr. Edward W. Connors, Jr.) Site plan approval is required before any business or industrial building can be erected or externally enlarged on land zoned for such usage. No business or industrial use can be established or expanded in ground area except in conformity with a site plan which shows, among other things, all existing proposed buildings, all above ground and underground storage tanks, all signs, all parking spaces, all landscape features and changes to existing topography, as well as facilities for sewerage disposal and surface water drainage. Any person desiring approval of a site plan must submit said plan to the Board of Selectmen who shall thereafter transmit it to the Planning Board for a report and recommendation thereon.

A building permit cannot be issued until the Board of Selectmen shall have approved the site plan or have allowed 45 days to elapse from the date of submission of the plan.

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In considering the site plan, the Board of Selectmen and the Planning Board are required to assure, among other things, the following: 1) use of the site for the purpose permitted by the regulations of the district in which it is located; 2) protection of adjoining districts against seriously detrimental or offensive uses on the site; and 3) convenience and safety of vehicular and pedestrian movement within the site and in relation to adjacent streets and land.

It can be seen, therefore, that it is of relevant interest to know the use of adjoining land. This is particularly important in multi-zoned parcels held in common ownership. In cases where the parcel of land submitted for site plan approval is held in common ownership with that of adjoining land, this amendment will allow the Board of Selectmen and the Planning Board to evaluate the cumulative effect of land use.

The Board of Selectmen, the Planning Board and the Conservation Commission request your support of this article which assures that the cumulative effect of land use is given proper consideration before site plans are approved.

Finance Committee Report: Recommend approval.

Town Counsel Report: It is the opinion of Town Counsel that if the Zoning Bylaw change set forth in Article 21 in the Warrant for the 1974 Annual Town Meeting is properly moved and seconded, a report is given by the Planning Board, as required by law, and the motion is adopted by a two-thirds vote in favor of the motion, the proposed change will become a valid amendment to the Sudbury Zoning Bylaw.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: THAT THE TOWN AMEND THE ZONING BYLAW, ARTICLE IX OF THE TOWN OF SUDBURY BYLAWS, BY ADDING A SENTENCE AT THE END OF THE FIRST PARAGRAPH IN SUBSECTION A OF PART V, ENTITLED, "SITE PLAN APPROVAL", TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

"A SITE PLAN SHALL ALSO SHOW ALL CONTIGUOUS LAND OWNED BY THE APPLICANT OR OWNER OF THE PROPERTY WHETHER OR NOT SUCH LAND IS IN THE REGULATED ZONE."

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to amend Article IX of the Sudbury Bylaws, entitled: "Zoning Bylaw", by amending Section VI, A., entitled: "Enforcement", to read as follows:

Art. IX
Sec. VI,A "A. Enforcement

The provisions of the Zoning Bylaw shall be enforced by the Board of Selectmen. It shall be unlawful to occupy, use or maintain any building which has been constructed, structurally altered, remodeled or rebuilt in violation of any bylaw of the Town, or a building in which the plumbing or electric wiring has been installed or materially altered in violation of any bylaw of the Town, or a building from which any portion of the installation which is required by any bylaw, or order of an inspector, has been removed, or a building which has been condemned as unsafe by the inspector of building. A certificate of occupancy shall be obtained from the building inspector before any building which has been constructed, structurally altered, remodeled or rebuilt, is occupied, used or maintained.

A certificate of occupancy shall not be issued for any dwelling until the street number, readable from the street, has been attached to said dwelling. In cases where the dwelling set-back from the street makes this requirement impractical, the street number shall be placed at or near the driveway entrance.

Any person aggrieved by the refusal of the building inspector to grant a building permit or by any order or ruling made by him, notice of which shall have been given to the applicant or permittee, may appeal in writing to the Board of Appeals as is provided in Section VI, C, 3, of Article IX.",

or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Building Inspector.

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Building Inspector Report: This article provides for enforcement of street numbers for buildings and certificates of occupancy. As of January 1, 1975, our local building code will no longer exist. This would put the requirement of posting a street number on all buildings before a certificate of occupancy can be issued in the Zoning Bylaws rather than lose the requirement when the new mandatory State-wide Building Code goes into effect. The posting of a street number is a necessity to the Fire and Police Departments.

Finance Committee Report: The contents of this article are currently contained in the Building Code but, because of State action, must be transferred to the Bylaws before January 1, 1975, if the Town wishes to retain these enforcement provisions. Recommend approval.

Town Counsel Report: It is the opinion of Town Counsel that if the Zoning Bylaw change set forth in Article 22 in the Warrant for the 1974 Annual Town Meeting is properly moved and seconded, a report is given by the Planning Board, as required by law, and the motion is adopted by a two-thirds vote in favor of the motion, the proposed change will become a valid amendment to the Sudbury Zoning Bylaw.

Planning Board Report: The Planning Board favors passage of this article.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: (CONSENT CALENDAR) IN THE WORDS OF THE ARTICLE.

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to amend Article IX of the Sudbury Bylaws, entitled: "Zoning Bylaw", by amending Section V., entitled: "Special Regulations", by adding a new section M, to read as follows:

Add New
Section
to Pools

Art. IX
Sec. V

"M. Pools, whether above or below ground, shall be so enclosed as to prevent children or animals from accidentally falling into them. As a minimum, any pool at ground level shall be enclosed by a five-foot high fence, which cannot be climbed through or under. Any above-ground pool shall be enclosed by a fence at least thirty inches in height above the edge of the pool and the top of any fence shall be at least five feet above the ground. Any fence shall have at any opening or doorway, a self-latching type gate or door which is not operable by preschool aged children. Any stairway to any pool or pool area shall be protected by a fence, the top of which is at least five feet above the ground."

or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Building Inspector.

Building Inspector Report: This article adds swimming pool fencing regulations to the Zoning Bylaw. Because, on January 1, 1975, a new State-wide mandatory Building Code will supersede our local building code and the pool fencing regulations voted by the Town would be void unless transferred to the Zoning Bylaws, this article is submitted to retain that protection.

Finance Committee Report: As with Article 22, the Town must transfer their pool regulations to the Bylaws to retain their effect. Recommend approval.

Town Counsel Report: It is the opinion of Town Counsel that if the Zoning Bylaw change set forth in Article 23 in the Warrant for the 1974 Annual Town Meeting is properly moved and seconded, a report is given by the Planning Board, as required by law, and the motion is adopted by a two-thirds vote in favor of the motion, the proposed change will become a valid amendment to the Sudbury Zoning Bylaw.

Planning Board Report: The Planning Board favors passage of this article.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: (CONSENT CALENDAR) IN THE WORDS OF THE ARTICLE.

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ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw, Article IX of the Sudbury Bylaws, by deleting Section J., entitled: "Exterior Signs", in Section V., and by replacing it with the following:

Signs

Art. IX
Sec. V,J

"J. Signs

1. Purposes

The provisions of this subsection J. are adopted for the regulation and restriction of billboards, signs and other advertising devices within the Town of Sudbury on public ways or on private property within public view of a public way, public park, reservation or public property and property to which the public has access, in order to protect and enhance the visual environment of the Town of Sudbury and the safety, convenience and welfare of its residents.

2. Authority and Interpretation

The provisions of subsection J. are hereby declared to be remedial and protective and are adopted pursuant to the authorization set forth in General Laws, Chapters 40, 40A, 43B and 93.

3. Definitions

In construing subsection J., the following words shall have meanings herein given, unless a contrary intention clearly appears:

Sign: Any privately owned permanent or temporary structure, billboard, device, letter, word, medal, banner, pennant, insignia, trade flag, or representation used as, or which is in the nature of, an advertisement, announcement, or direction which is on a public way, or on private property within public view of a public way, a private way open to public use, property to which the public has access, a public park or reservation.

Area of Sign:

- (a) The area of a sign shall be considered to include all lettering, wording, and accompanying designs and symbols, together with the background on which they are displayed, any frame around the sign and any 'cutouts' or extensions, but shall not include any supporting structure or bracing.
- (b) The area of a sign consisting of individual letters or symbols attached to or painted on a surface, building, wall or window, shall be considered to be that of the smallest rectangle or triangle which encompasses all of the letters and symbols.
- (c) The area of a sign consisting of a three-dimensional object shall be considered to be the area of the largest vertical cross-section of that object.
- (d) Only one side shall be counted in computing the area of a double-faced sign.

Temporary Sign: Any sign intended to be maintained for a continuous period of not more than 30 days.

4. Administration and Enforcement

There is hereby created a Sign Review Board to consist of five residents of the Town appointed by the Board of Selectmen for three year staggered terms. In reviewing applications submitted to it, the Sign Review Board shall apply the following standards in each instance, in acting upon applications for waivers or permits, unless otherwise specifically provided:

- (a) The sign will not cause visual confusion, glare, or offensive lighting in the neighborhood.
- (b) The sign will not be a detriment to the surrounding area.
- (c) The sign will not significantly alter the character of the zoning district.
- (d) The sign will not interfere with traffic safety in the area.

The Sign Review Board shall fix a reasonable time for the public hearing of any application referred to it and shall cause the notice of the time and place of such public hearing thereof and the subject

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matter, sufficient for identification, to be posted by the Town Clerk, to be mailed or delivered to the Board of Selectmen, the Planning Board, the Building Inspector and the applicant.

The Building Inspector, who is charged with the enforcement of the Zoning Bylaw, shall, at reasonable times and upon presentation of appropriate credentials, have the power to enter upon the premises on which any sign is erected or maintained in order to inspect said sign.

The set back requirements in this bylaw which apply to signs may be varied by the Sign Review Board by a waiver.

5. General Regulatory Provisions

a. Signs

Signs in the residence districts shall not exceed 2 square feet in area.

Signs in all districts, other than the residence districts, shall meet the following requirements:

The total area of signs, other than signs attached to or part of the architectural design of a building, shall not exceed the more restrictive of the following: i) 1 square foot for each 7 lineal feet of principal street frontage occupied by the business or industrial use to which it pertains, or ii) forty square feet on any side. The height of any sign shall not be higher than the roof or ridge line of any associated structure, and in no case shall exceed 20 feet in height. Not more than one such sign shall be permitted for each separate and distinct enterprise on the premises. Signs attached to, or part of the architectural design of the building shall not exceed: in total area more than 10% of the two dimensional elevation of the building or structure of which they are a part, and in height, the top of the roof or ridge line.

The above limitations, in the districts other than the residence districts, may be varied by application to and approval of the Sign Review Board.

b. Temporary Signs

Paper and other temporary type signs which describe a special situation or event are permitted provided:

- i) the temporary sign attached to the inside of a window may not cover more than 30% of the window area.
- ii) all temporary signs attached to the outside of a building may not exceed 5% of the two dimensional elevation of the buildings.
- iii) the above limitations may be varied by application to and approval of the Sign Review Board.

c. Special Signs

i) Real estate signs are permitted provided:

- a) the size of sign shall not exceed 6 square feet in residence districts and 40 square feet in all other districts.
- b) the sign advertises only the premises on which it is located.
- c) the sign is removed promptly after the completion of the sale or rental.
- d) the above limitations may be varied by application to and approval of the Sign Review Board.

ii) Construction signs are permitted provided:

- a) the size of sign shall not exceed 6 square feet in residence districts and 40 square feet in all other districts
- b) the sign is to be maintained on premises during actual construction and must be removed within 2 days after issuance of certificate of occupancy.

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d. Parking Signs

In all districts, other than the residence districts, signs limited solely to directing traffic within or setting out restrictions on the use of parking areas and not exceeding 2 square feet in area are permitted.

e. Except for special and parking signs, no sign shall be permitted which does not relate to the identity or business of the owner or legal occupant of the premises upon which it is located.

6. Illuminated Signs

No illuminated or self-illuminated signs shall be permitted in any residence district. Self-illuminated signs shall not be permitted in any business, shopping center, industrial, research or industrial park districts without a permit issued by the Sign Review Board. No sign shall be illuminated and no permit for a self-illuminated sign shall be granted, and no non-illuminated sign shall be erected, unless all of the following requirements are satisfied:

- (a) The sign will not cause visual confusion, glare or offensive lighting in the neighborhood.
- (b) The sign will not be a detriment to the surrounding area.
- (c) The sign will not significantly alter the character of the zoning district.
- (d) The sign will not interfere with traffic safety in the area.

The following prohibitions shall apply to all districts:

- (a) No beacons and rotating and/or flashing or gas tube signs shall be allowed in any district.
- (b) No sign shall be attached to a radio, television or water tower, utility poles, lighting structures and similar poles and structures.
- (c) No self-illuminated sign shall be erected, used, modified or changed until such erection, use, modification or change has been approved by the Sign Review Board.

7. Non-conforming Signs

Any non-conforming sign legally erected prior to the adoption of Paragraph J. of this bylaw, or any amendment thereof, may be continued to be maintained but shall not be enlarged, reworded (other than in the case of theater or directory signs), redesigned or altered in any way unless it is brought into conformity, or unless a waiver from this section is granted by the Sign Review Board. The Sign Review Board shall consult with the Planning Board on each application for waiver, and the Board shall make a determination with 45 days from the date of application.

The exemption herein granted shall terminate with respect to any sign which: 1) shall have been abandoned; 2) advertises or calls attention to any products, businesses or activities which are no longer carried on or sold, whether generally or at the particular premises; or 3) shall not have been repaired or properly maintained within 60 days after notice to that effect has been given by the Building Inspector.

8. Billboards

Billboards and similar signs are specifically prohibited in the Town of Sudbury. The only signs allowed in the Town of Sudbury are signs that advertise, call attention to, or indicate the person occupying the premises on which the sign is erected or maintained, or the business transacted thereon, or advertises the property itself or any part thereof as for sale or rent, and which contains no other matter," or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Sign Bylaw Revision Committee and the Board of Selectmen.

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Mr. Francis E. White, Chairman of the Sign Bylaw Revision Committee, moved that the Town amend the Zoning Bylaws, Article IX of the Sudbury Bylaws, by deleting Section J., entitled: "Exterior Signs", in Section V, and by replacing it with the provisions printed in Article 24 in the Warrant for this meeting, except that in Section 4., entitled: "Administration and Enforcement", a new paragraph shall be inserted before the first paragraph to read as follows:

"A building permit from the building inspector shall be required for the erection, construction or alteration of a sign. The application for a permit shall be submitted in such form as the Sign Review Board may prescribe, and shall include such information as may be required for a complete understanding of the proposed work. In reviewing applications which are not required to be referred to the Sign Review Board, the building inspector shall apply the same four standards itemized above in a manner consistent with the interpretations and discretions of the Sign Review Board.",

and by adding in the third paragraph of Section 4. as printed in Article 24 in the Warrant for this meeting, after "building inspector", the words, "and zoning enforcement agent".

Report: In 1973, the Selectmen appointed a Sign Bylaw Revision Committee, to study the existing regulations concerning signs, set forth in the Zoning Bylaw, and to prepare a revised regulation governing signs. The Committee completed its work in December, 1973, and submitted the sign bylaw, set forth in the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting as Article 24. A table is set forth below that compares the provisions of the new sign bylaw with the existing regulation. (Article IX, Section V,J)

<u>Paragraph and Title</u>	<u>New Provision</u>	<u>Existing Provisions</u>
1. Purposes	A new provision that sets forth the purposes of the regulation.	Not included in the present bylaw.
2. Authority & Interpretation	A new provision that sets forth the legal basis for the regulation and the nature of the regulation.	Not included in the present bylaw.
3. Definitions	The word "sign" has been redefined and definitions for "area of sign" and "temporary sign" have been added.	The word "sign" is defined, in an all inclusive definition.
4. Administration & Enforcement	The Building Inspector continues to be the enforcement official, however, a Sign Review Board, with the power to vary the requirements for signs, has been added.	The Building Inspector is the enforcement official.
5. General Regulatory Provisions	General regulatory provisions have been set forth in four parts. Each part is reviewed below:	
	a. Signs - adds a new provision for signs in residential districts. The remaining provisions are the same as paragraphs 2 and 3 in the old bylaw.	Paragraphs 2 and 3 in the existing bylaw govern exterior signs.
	b. Temporary Signs - adds new provisions concerning temporary signs.	Not included in the present bylaw.
	c. Special Signs - adds new provisions concerning special signs (real estate and construction signs).	Not included in the present bylaw.
	d. Parking Signs - adds new provisions concerning parking signs.	Not included in the present bylaw.

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<u>Paragraph and Title</u>	<u>New Provision</u>	<u>Existing Provision</u>
6. Illuminated Signs	<p>Illuminated signs in residence districts are prohibited.</p> <p>Self-illuminated signs require a permit from the Sign Review Board. Illuminated signs (other than self-illuminated signs) are allowed in non-residential districts if four requirements are satisfied. The four requirements are the same as those used in the old bylaw.</p> <p>Specified types of signs are specifically prohibited. The prohibitions are the same as those set forth in paragraph 5 of the existing provisions except that item b. appears in a different section of the new provisions.</p>	<p>May be allowed under a permit from the Selectmen.</p> <p>Illuminated signs require a permit from the Selectmen.</p> <p>The requirements for an illuminated sign are set forth in paragraph 4. and are the same as those used in the new provision.</p> <p>The same as the new provisions with regard to certain sign prohibitions.</p>
7. Non-conforming Signs	The same as existing requirements set forth in paragraph 6.	The same as the new provisions.
8. Billboards	Billboards are prohibited in the new provisions.	Not included in the present bylaw.

Town Counsel Report: It is the opinion of Town Counsel that if the Zoning Bylaw change set forth in Article 24 in the Warrant for the 1974 Annual Town Meeting is properly moved and seconded, a report is given by the Planning Board, as required by law, and the motion is adopted by a two-thirds vote in favor of the motion, the proposed change will become a valid amendment to the Sudbury Zoning Bylaw.

Mr. David L. Turner, Town Counsel, further reported to the meeting as follows: About a year ago, the Selectmen appointed a Sign Bylaw Revision Committee. It was a representative committee in that two members of the business community were on it, a member of P.R.I.D.E., two members of the Planning Board, the Building Inspector, and myself. We met throughout the summer and listened to all sorts of experts, experts who were interested in no signs, experts who were interested in some signs, and experts who wanted signs on everything. We finally came up with the proposed revisions of the bylaw that are printed in the Warrant.

The first thing that the Committee realized was that for interpretive purposes we needed to put in a new paragraph that defined the authority and purposes of the regulation. We realized that we had to redefine signs, for the old definition seemed far too vague. We felt it desirable also to attempt to define temporary signs and areas of signs. We set out new provisions for administration and enforcement, and we put new regulations on temporary signs. Included in temporary signs were the big, white printed sheets that are posted on the front of the supermarket windows, signs that gas stations like to put up and take down, and special signs in the residential areas, in particular real estate signs, construction signs and parking signs.

We felt it desirable to prohibit all illuminated signs in the residential areas and to prohibit billboards throughout the Town.

There is a major change decided on by the Committee to create a Sign Review Board, five residents appointed by the Selectmen for three year terms. Throughout the regulations there are all kinds of requirements that will demand an application to the Sign Review Board by the individual who wants to erect or modify a sign. We estimated somewhere between fifty and one hundred applications to that Board every year. We felt that the Board of Appeals, because it is already a very busy board, would just be terrifically overworked and overburdened if we dumped an additional fifty to one hundred applications on it. We felt that a separate board to handle this would be more appropriate. There were those on the Committee who felt that the Sign Review Board perhaps was not a desirable thing. But they were finally convinced and persuaded to go along with it under the theory that

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we will try it for a while. If they do not get this flood of applications that is expected, then they can be abolished, and the function can be delegated to the Board of Appeals.

In non-residential areas the Sign Review Board must review the area of signs, the height of signs, the number of signs, and the use of temporary and special signs. All self-illuminated signs must go before the Sign Review Board. If people want to change a non-conforming sign, again, they would have to go to that Board.

The proposal that is before you under this article is the work of all the people that I mentioned before. All of the interests were represented, and we worked it out as a reasonable compromise. The Committee recommends it to you.

Planning Board Report: (Mrs. Gillespie) The Planning Board unanimously supports this revision of Sudbury's Sign Bylaw and urges you to vote in favor of it. We are aware that it is not a perfect bylaw. There is no such thing in our opinion. We do feel that it offers major improvements over the one now in effect and is a much stronger bylaw giving the Town much more control than it had in the past.

The proposed bylaw is an honest compromise between viewpoints on the subcommittee. Every group represented on the subcommittee--Town boards, businessmen, P.R.I.D.E.--gave in on at least one cherished point in order to come up with a practical workable bylaw. The proposed bylaw will permit a businessman to put up a medium-sized sign properly set back from the road simply by getting a permit from the Building Inspector.

Only if he wants to do something not allowed in the bylaw will he have to go to the Sign Review Board for a special permit. This provision was a major compromise between those who felt no sign review committee was necessary and those who felt that such a committee should review all signs whether or not they conformed to the bylaw.

The Sign Review Board, as proposed, will be able to grant waivers based on general guidelines as set forth in Section 4.

Another area of compromise involved the overall size of signs to be allowed. Those who favored either small or no free standing signs compromised with those who felt no size limit should be imposed. The compromise was an increase, but a controlled one.

Other things in this bylaw we think are particularly important include the 30% limitation on the window area that can be covered by temporary signs, the elimination of the word "exterior" so that signs mounted inside a store window but viewed from the outside are subject to all the restrictions of the bylaw, specific prohibition against billboards in all districts, and all illuminated signs in residential districts, and, of course, the creation of an independent Sign Review Board which can act, not just make recommendations.

The Planning Board urges you to vote "Yes" on this article.

Finance Committee Report: This article creates a Sign Review Board which has the authority and flexibility to improve the appearance of signs in Town. Recommend approval.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Donald D. Bishop, it was

VOTED: TO AMEND THE MAIN MOTION BY ADDING AT THE END OF THE SECOND FULL PARAGRAPH OF SECTION 4., THE WORDS "AND ABUTTORS".

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: THAT THE TOWN AMEND THE ZONING BYLAWS, ARTICLE IX OF THE SUDBURY BYLAWS, BY DELETING SECTION J., ENTITLED: "EXTERIOR SIGNS", IN SECTION V., AND BY REPLACING IT WITH THE PROVISIONS PRINTED IN ARTICLE 24 IN THE WARRANT FOR THIS MEETING, EXCEPT THAT IN SECTION 4., ENTITLED: "ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT", A NEW PARAGRAPH SHALL BE INSERTED BEFORE THE FIRST PARAGRAPH, TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

"A BUILDING PERMIT FROM THE BUILDING INSPECTOR SHALL BE REQUIRED FOR THE ERECTION, CONSTRUCTION OR ALTERATION OF A SIGN. THE APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT SHALL BE SUBMITTED IN SUCH FORM AS THE SIGN REVIEW BOARD MAY PRESCRIBE AND SHALL INCLUDE SUCH INFORMATION AS MAY BE REQUIRED FOR A

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COMPLETE UNDERSTANDING OF THE PROPOSED WORK. IN REVIEWING APPLICATIONS WHICH ARE NOT REQUIRED TO BE REFERRED TO THE SIGN REVIEW BOARD, THE BUILDING INSPECTOR SHALL APPLY THE SAME FOUR STANDARDS ITEMIZED ABOVE IN A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH THE INTERPRETATIONS AND DISCRETIONS OF THE SIGN REVIEW BOARD."

AND BY ADDING, IN THE THIRD PARAGRAPH OF SECTION 4., AS PRINTED IN ARTICLE 24 IN THE WARRANT FOR THIS MEETING, AFTER "BUILDING INSPECTOR", THE WORDS, "AND ZONING ENFORCEMENT AGENT"; AND BY ADDING AT THE END OF THE SECOND FULL PARAGRAPH OF SECTION 4., THE WORDS, "AND ABUTTORS".

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to amend Article IX of the Town Bylaws entitled: "Zoning Bylaw", Section II, "Establishment of Districts", Paragraph C, "Location of All Other Districts", by including in Limited Business District #6 as it presently appears in such Bylaws, a parcel of land also owned by the Filomena Vana Trust, Frank Vana Trustee, and Town of Sudbury, and by directing that the boundaries of the same be incorporated into the existing Zoning Map of the Town of Sudbury, under the Direction of the Board of Selectmen, as follows:

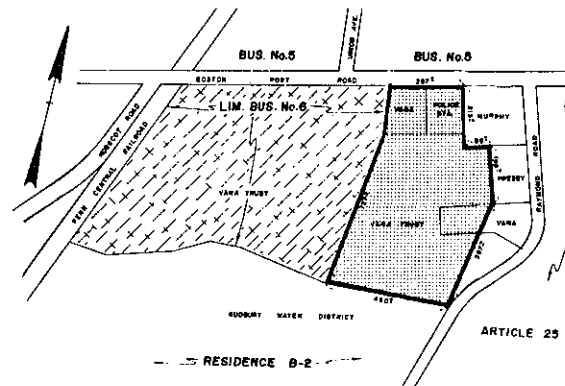
LBD #6

Art. IX
Sec. II, C

"Limited Business District #6. Beginning on the southerly side of the Boston Post Road at the junction of the land of the Town of Sudbury with that now or formerly belonging to Murphy; thence southerly approximately 213 feet, more or less, to junction of land of Filomena Vana Trust, thence easterly approximately 86 feet, more or less, to land belonging to Presby, thence southerly 198 feet, more or less, to junction of land belonging to Vana and Presby, thence southwesterly 397 feet, more or less, to westerly portion of Raymond Road and to land belonging to Sudbury Water District, thence westerly along land of Sudbury Water District 450 feet, more or less, thence northerly 727 feet, more or less, to Boston Post Road, thence easterly by southerly side of the Boston Post Road, approximately 297 feet, more or less, to point of beginning;"

or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by Petition.



Petitioners' Report: (Mr. Frank Vana) I believe this zoning request is in the best interests of long range planning for the Town of Sudbury. It is consistent with its growth and will gradually provide facilities needed by a growing town and in so doing, will broaden the tax base. Limited business zoning for this site is good logical zoning. Normally when 60 to 65% of a group vote in favor of a person's position or activity, it is considered a substantial victory. The one exception is the acceptance of a zoning bylaw change where 66 2/3% or a two-thirds vote is necessary. Zoning changes were not made to be easy, and those of us who must seek them will vouch for that fact.

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However, when you do receive 60 to 65% of a vote, you must assume that your request is not completely out of line, so you try again with the hope that some previously encountered loose ends might be drawn together producing an acceptable zoning change.

An important change in this rezoning is the removal of all agreements pertaining to particular roadway bypasses and their construction as a condition of the zoning. With this in mind, and in order to give added strength to my "no road" commitment, I have redrawn the original boundary line of the zoning request 50 feet in a westerly direction away from its previous point of meeting at Raymond Road and the northerly point of land belonging to the Sudbury Water District. In addition, I will extend the deeded conservation easement to the Town of Sudbury to run parallel to all of the westerly side of Raymond Road to the northern boundary of the Water District property. This zone will keep the land involved in its natural state, restricting all structures, roadways, parking lots and so on. This buffer also formally recognizes the final easterly boundary of limited business zoning for this land.

The article before you will enlarge the presented Limited Business District #6 to include approximately 6 1/2 acres on the easterly side. The land involved has never been considered desirous residential property and has always supported business endeavors. Some were in existence prior to zoning regulations being accepted by the Town and others have operated under variances.

Mr. Vana then showed a series of colored slides and commented as follows:

Now located and doing business in this area is the golf driving range operating for over 50 years. Also operating within the area of requested zoning is a real estate office, previously a clothing outlet and before that a gift and antique shop. Also located within this zoning request is the Sudbury Police Station that was previously the American Legion Hall dating back to World War I. Realistically speaking, how long can this land be considered a residential zone while its only use has always been commercial in nature.

The Sudbury Police Station has been included in this area at the request of Town boards and is basically an office type business function. When the Police Department moves into proposed new quarters, its function would remain the same if retained by the Town, or if it were sold outright.

The area considered for this zoning totals about 6 1/2 acres. However, after we removed the two acre buffer zone, the one-half acre supporting the real estate office building and the one-half acre of the Sudbury Police Station, we are actually talking about 3 to 3 1/2 acres of buildable land, hardly enough to substantiate fears of a mammoth shopping center. Then add to this the bylaw restricting building to 60% of the area, and parking and leaching facilities. You really don't have the buildable area seemingly involved in the original 6 1/2 acre zoning.

Not only do we believe the zoning request is a logical one, but one that can do a great deal to benefit the Town. The potential tax relief is obvious. Potential development as the Town grows and consumer demands increase, could mean a substantial tax revenue at no cost to the Town. This would be one article not costing the taxpayer money on this year's Warrant.

Job opportunities would be increased significantly. These would be comprised mostly of part-time employment and become a welcome opportunity for many job-hunting teenagers and others who find difficulty in finding jobs in Town.

Renovation of the existing First National center would become possible and the first order of business as new capital needed to finance such an undertaking would become available. Up to date traffic engineering would be conducted as a crucial part of any development of the property involved. Route 20 traffic is always the favorite emotional objection of anybody campaigning against any business expansion in Sudbury. Route 20 has a very interesting history. It is, of course, one of the oldest commercial highways in the United States. It was the first and only roadway used to travel from Boston to New York and points west. Up to and including the early 1940's all commercial trucking, bussing, and commuter traffic came through Sudbury. Those of us who lived within a quarter mile of the Post Road will well remember shaking foundations as the long truck convoys roared through the Town into the morning hours.

These problems revolving around Route 20 were solved when new roadways were built to accommodate an ever-increasing population. First came the Worcester Turnpike in the 1940's, then the Mass Turnpike in the 1950's. Route 20 was

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fairly quiet in the late 1940's and early 1950's. But the late 50's and early 60's saw the rush to the suburbs being not only by families but by industry. On Route 20 the commuter tangle began in earnest. It is there today for all of us to witness, and it doesn't seem to be getting any better. But the irony is that tying a route traffic increase to passage of this article could very well prolong or destroy the opportunity to take the Sudbury shopper out of the commuter traffic. There is 1,100 feet of Route 20 frontage on the Police Station to Nobscot Road. The Union Avenue intersection comes right into the middle of this area. It is my belief and that of the Planning Board, other Town and State officials, that modern traffic engineering followed by implementation of modern traffic controls and patterns will go far to ease congestion in this crucial area. Holding and passing lanes, the control of crossing at Union Avenue, the widening of Route 20 along this area and sidewalks for pedestrian and bicycle traffic will go far not only in alleviating the traffic congestion, but a long way toward the protection of life and limb. Would this not be more to look forward to than what we have now? Alleviation of this problem could coincide with property development.

Commuter traffic is not created by business activities, and it is of no measurable advantage to business on the Post Road. Passage of this article would recognize and legally define a long standing existing commercial area.

The property has been owned by the same Sudbury family for 54 years. It was not purchased by my father, Frank Vana, Senior, in 1920 based on scheme aimed at business exploitation. The growth patterns of the Town in this particular area have placed the land at the commercial crossroads of Sudbury.

Passage of this article will allow creation of a master plan for the entire property with the solving of many overall existing problems as a personal and community goal. Environment impact controls, Federal, State and local, would have to be strictly adhered to along with bylaw restrictions and regulations of the Town of Sudbury. No one would benefit from a bad job. New business must be aware of the expectations of the area and the people it expects to serve and gain support from.

As I look back in retrospect to the events preceeding and leading up to the zoning request before you this evening, certain events and questions stand out as perhaps needing more clarification. To those of you who have contacted me and received my answers, please bear with me so that others might understand. It has been stated to some of you, by particular members of my opposition, that "I am making a killing on the First National complex and that I never put anything back into it". What exactly is my relationship to the present First National complex? During the late 50's and early 60's while I was in college and my wife was still in high school, my family began to seriously consider ways of making the land at least self-supporting since it was truly my father's total life savings and his only asset. He, at that time, was age 70 and a full-time employee of Raytheon where he had worked since 1940. He was not the typical \$20-25,000 a year Raytheon employee we have living in Sudbury today. His salary ranged from \$55-\$75 a week, when he could get overtime work. Although he was a man respected for his wisdom, he had no formal education.

He was first approached by Star Market, Purity and A&P. They all wanted to buy the land, but of course, my father would not even consider this. The land was his whole life. In 1959 the situation worsened when my father was involved in a serious automobile accident while a member of a carpool on his way to work. Six months later, he passed away as a result of the injuries sustained in this accident.

It was during the following year that we came closest to having to sell the property. I had already sent my withdrawal notice to Bates College. Fortunately, we were able to come up with a proposal that did not require selling the land and would even allow me to complete school. We leased the land to a developer who built a supermarket and satellite stores on the 8.1 acre area of the property. This is now the First National complex.

Through this agreement and lease, we did not retain control over the First National complex. However, with the new zoning, we can gain the control needed to establish an integrated comprehensive development much more in conformity with the present day image of Sudbury. A copy of this lease and agreement is in the hands of Town Counsel for verification if needed.

Although the lease by present day standards is an extremely poor one in terms of return, it nevertheless was the key to my family's ability to retain the property under very adverse conditions. Consider for a moment the typical inflationary clause created in most leases in the early 60's: "Rent shall be increased

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10% every tenth year of the lease." Present day inflation is closer to 10% each year. However, and this is the key to the future renovation and improvement of what is there now, the only way they can expand will be through my cooperation because I control all of the land necessary to do so, and also must be involved in any large mortgage assignments. It is here that my control will be exerted on behalf of my family and that of the Town in establishment of a concept that will be developed in the image of the Town. The present complex on its own will not generate the necessary financing for the renovation.

What is my concept for this area should this zoning pass? First, let me say that architectural renderings, site plans, engineering and other renderings mean tens of thousands of dollars. I am not in the position to expend this money at this time. However, I do have a concept of how development will be carried out. Any new development will be physically attractive architecturally, a town house concept, with each building having its own individual character rather than one long straggled line of concrete blocks. Existing landscaped areas and trees would be retained in this area. It would be kept between the new buildings and the Post Road. Parking facilities would be placed in the least conspicuous areas, preferably behind buildings so that the attractiveness from the Boston Post Road would be accentuated. One main entrance opposite Union Avenue with traffic lights would allow the shopper into the center out of the commuter traffic. Once inside the area, the shopper could walk or drive within the complex free of the commuter traffic and congestion of Route 20. The retail specialty shops would be those allowed in limited business areas as opposed to those allowed in business areas. There would be no gas stations, fast food service, drive-ins or large areas used for outdoor display.

At this point, you have heard in detail what I believe to be valid reasons for requesting this zoning change. I have mentioned the zoning and its effect on the land and the benefits to the Town as a logical step forward. Although of necessity I represent this land, I am truly representing the people, three generations of the Vana family, who are part of the land and in turn a part of Sudbury. On their behalf, and mine, I ask for your confidence and "Yes" vote on Article 25.

Planning Board Report: (Mr. Connors) Sudbury is a growing community which needs a broad tax base to prosper. The enlargement of Limited Business District #6 to include this parcel of land will allow development of business in an area of Town which can support business expansion. The area beginning at the intersection of Concord Road and Route 20 and ending at the Star Market and Raytheon is quite familiar to us all, whether we have lived in Town one year or a lifetime.

If we take an overview of the Town of Sudbury as it exists today, we can see we have residential areas tied together by a circulatory system whose center is this area. The residentially zoned areas of Town have a capacity to support another 3-4,000 housing units which translates into an ultimate population of 30,000 plus people.

The center of Sudbury's circulatory system will remain fixed as Sudbury grows. This area which is already highly developed with respect to any other area of Town will have pressure placed upon it to provide additional facilities for functions ranging from marketing to production, as well as public transportation to large urban centers. This area must, by its very nature, become a core of high density development surrounded by less densely developed residential areas. Attractive towns have one continuously developed center which is more densely built than the rest. Sudbury is no exception. The Sudbury Planning Board has long recognized this fact. Here are some quotes from the 1954 Annual Report of the Planning Board. That is 20 years ago.

"The Board has taken a searching sidewise look at the Town. This has given us information from which we can report on the condition of the Town. Our resources taxwise are limited. Our resources are hard to evaluate. We have an intersection of a north and south and east and west railway. We have a high tax rate. What other resources will become available? Probably some additional stores and businesses. We suggest immediately zoning additional areas for business, not only for financial reasons but for convenience. The borders of State Road must be considered largely as a business district."

That was 20 years ago, but yet today the same things can be said. The mistake made 20 years ago was to consider the borders of the State Road as a business district. This has led to strip zoning along Route 20 and in other areas of Town.

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A solution to the problem of strip zoning is to encourage business and industrial uses around the circulatory center of Sudbury. The main point of this zoning is to recognize and legally zone a long standing commercial area that has never been used otherwise. The advantage here is that businesses seeking to locate in Sudbury would locate here where the location is ideal, rather than move into strip zoning in other areas of Town.

Limited Business District #6 as currently zoned has 743 feet of frontage on the southerly side of the Post Road from the intersection of the Post Road with the Penn Central right-of-way to the beginning of the currently existing golf driving range, which has been in operation since 1920 as a pre-existing non-conforming use on land currently zoned residential.

Article 25, if passed, will add 297 additional feet of frontage to Limited Business District #6, thus providing 1,040 feet of continuous frontage which will allow the creation of a holding lane for vehicular traffic entering or leaving this business district and a passing lane for traffic going east on the Boston Post Road. In the interests of good planning, the Planning Board recommends approval of this article.

Finance Committee Report: There is little likelihood the land proposed for rezoning can be developed residentially. Placing this land in the Limited Business District allows use of the land in a manner compatible with its neighbors while permitting an adequate buffer for residential properties. Recommend approval.

Town Counsel Report: It is the opinion of Town Counsel that if the Zoning Bylaw change set forth in Article 25 in the Warrant for the 1974 Annual Town Meeting is properly moved and seconded, a report is given by the Planning Board, as required by law, and the motion is adopted by a two-thirds vote in favor of the motion, the proposed change will become a valid amendment to the Sudbury Zoning Bylaw.

Industrial Development Commission Report: (Mr. Martin E. Doyle) The Industrial Development Commission supports this article. We are charged by the Town with making recommendations on articles such as this. I cannot see this being residential property. It is practically land locked. The Water District is on one side, the Penn Central on another, and Raymond Road and Boston Post Road on the other sides. I really don't know what Frank Vana is going to do with this property if it cannot be rezoned. I know it is going to hurt my golf score if indeed it is passed, but I think in fairness to the Vana family, this article should indeed be passed.

Board of Selectmen Report: (Mr. Powers) The Board of Selectmen unanimously supports Mr. Vana's request. We believe it would solve a lot of continual problems that have come out of the area. We think it would be a step in the right direction. This is the position the Board has taken for some time.

After discussion, it was

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN AMEND ARTICLE IX OF THE TOWN BYLAWS, ENTITLED: "ZONING BYLAW", SECTION II, "ESTABLISHMENT OF DISTRICTS", PARAGRAPH C., "LOCATION OF ALL OTHER DISTRICTS", BY INCLUDING IN LIMITED BUSINESS DISTRICT #6 AS IT PRESENTLY APPEARS IN SUCH BYLAWS, A PARCEL OF LAND ALSO OWNED BY THE FILOMENA VANA TRUST, FRANK VANA TRUSTEE, AND THE TOWN OF SUDBURY, AND BY DIRECTING THAT THE BOUNDARIES OF THE SAME BE INCORPORATED INTO THE EXISTING ZONING MAP OF THE TOWN OF SUDBURY UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED IN ARTICLE 25 IN THE WARRANT FOR THIS MEETING, EXCEPT THAT 397 FEET SHALL BE CHANGED TO 403 FEET AND 450 FEET SHALL BE CHANGED TO 400 FEET.

In favor - 330; Opposed - 148. (Total - 478)

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ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to amend the "Official Map of the Town of Sudbury", by George D. White, Town Engineer, dated January 1970, by the addition of the following designation:

Add Transportation
Corridors
to
Official
Map

"All railroad rights-of-way presently existing in the Town of Sudbury, now or formerly of the Boston & Maine and Penn Central (formerly New Haven, New York, and Hartford), and their assigns, are hereby designated as transportation corridors and these corridors are to be shown on an addendum to the Official Map, a copy of which is on file in the Town Clerk's office, which addendum to the Official Map is incorporated herein by reference, to be kept on file in the Town Clerk's office.",

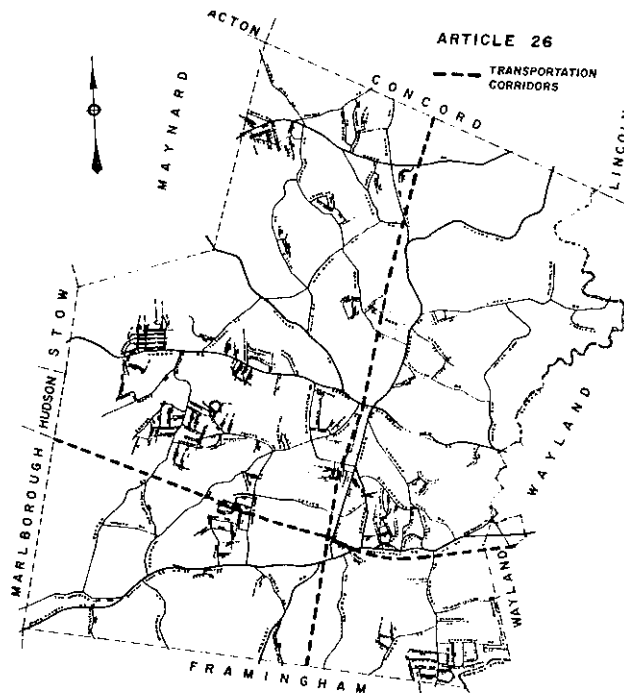
or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Planning Board.

Planning Board Report: One of the purposes of the Official Map is the designation of important land uses. The present railroad rights-of-way are important assets to Sudbury and to the whole region both now and in the future and these rights-of-way should not be allowed to disappear. This is especially true in the light of the current energy crisis and the obvious need for better future mass transportation.

Finance Committee Report: Recommend approval.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: (CONSENT CALENDAR) IN THE WORDS OF THE ARTICLE.



ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$12,000, or any other sum, to be expended under the direction of the Planning Board, for a hydrological and geological study of the Town of Sudbury, or act on anything relative thereto.
Submitted by the Planning Board.

Planning Board Report: (Mr. Stevens) Since the Town of Sudbury is nearly half developed, the Planning Board feels that it is extremely important to determine the ability of the land, both developed and undeveloped, to handle both the waste products and the byproducts of the present and future residents. Zoning is founded on the premise that health, welfare and safety of the residents must be protected and the densities which any zoning bylaw permits are based on the

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character of the land. The study would give the Town the basic information on the relationships of surface to sub-surface water, of the size of the aquifers and their recharge areas and the potential for pollution from all sources. When zoning density regulations are based on hard facts about the nature of the land rather than on arbitrary standards, the legality of the zoning, be it one, two or five acres, is much more defensible. The Board of Selectmen, Planning Board and the Conservation Commission recommend passage of this article.

Finance Committee Report: We believe a study of this kind is the responsibility of the Water District. Recommend disapproval.

After discussion, it was

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$15,000.00 TO BE EXPENDED UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE PLANNING BOARD FOR A HYDROLOGICAL AND GEOLOGICAL STUDY OF THE TOWN OF SUDBURY.

ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds (including funds allocated to the Town of Hire Sudbury under the State and local fiscal assistance act of 1972), Consulting Firm- \$45,000, or any other sum, to be expended under the direction of Trans/Land the Planning Board, to hire a consulting firm for the purpose of Use Plan providing the Town with a transportation and land use plan, or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Planning Board.

Mr. Edward W. Connors, Jr., of the Planning Board *moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$20,000 to hire a planning consultant for the purpose of providing the Town with a land use plan and provide for the planning needs of the Town, some of which have been mentioned in this Town Meeting.*

The Moderator then stated, "It now becomes my function to determine whether this motion falls within the four corners of the article. I have studied it. I have gone over it with Town Counsel. And I rule that everything down to and including the words, "land use plan" falls within the four corners of the article. The remainder is outside. It is within the four corners of the article to move that the Town raise and appropriate \$20,000 to hire a planning consultant for the purpose of providing the Town with a land use plan. Anything that is broader than that goes beyond the four corners of the article and would be out of order at this time." He asked if Mr. Connors wished to make such a motion. Mr. Connors stated that he did, and the motion received a second as stated by the Moderator.

Mr. Doyle raised a point of order requesting the Moderator to rule on whether or not this motion was in fact a reconsideration of the Planning Board budget for a consultant discussed under Article 4, Section 500. [See page 197].

The Moderator ruled as follows: "I took into consideration the relationship between this and item 512-11 on page 17 of the Warrant. [Planning Board Budget]. I realize that, in effect, this is a motion to do what the Town refused to do on page 17 of the Warrant. However, having ruled that this is within the four corners of the article, I must say that as a separate article, it is in order. I do this reluctantly, but I do this under the obligation that I have to call these the way I see them. I must rule, I am constrained to rule, and I do rule that this motion as we have heard it, that the Town raise and appropriate \$20,000 to hire a planning consultant for the purpose of providing the Town with a land use plan, that is in order."

Planning Board Report: (Mr. Connors) The Planning Board originally intended to move Indefinite Postponement on Article 28, but in light of what has happened since the budget was brought up before you and the \$16,400 for a planning administrator was deleted, the Planning Board feels it is timely to bring before the Town some of the pertinent facts relative to this type of person. Note that the amount of money has been raised from \$16,400 to \$20,000. Consultants cost more. The \$16,400 was for an employee of the Planning Board to perform planning, satisfy the planning needs of the Town and act as a planning administrator. This is for a planning consultant to provide a land use plan. This is also for one year.

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We feel that we have done the work necessary to provide the tools such a person would need to come up with a land use plan in one year. The need for a review and evaluation of the direction and goals of the Town of Sudbury has been apparent for some time. This review must be more comprehensive than similar fragmented, sometimes insular studies done before. Specific policies and plans of each elected and appointed board or committee must be opened for review and evaluation. Accomplishment of this task requires development of a planning process which provides the joint attack that so many problems require, if success in their solution and adaptation into practice is to be obtained. Proposals and recommendations derived from such a planning process will result in a comprehensive land use plan.

Each of us, at some time, has studied the situation in which we found ourselves, studied it by collecting as much information and facts as we could in order to determine what steps should be taken to bring the matter under consideration into a successful conclusion. It is essentially a process of study, selection of objectives and taking action to reach those objectives. It is a process involving the collection of information of value, the analysis of that information to determine possible courses of action, and the carrying out of those courses by all means available.

The task facing the Planning Board and the Town is a need to develop a comprehensive land use plan. By a comprehensive land use plan, we mean a plan that sets down the description of what Sudbury wants to be like in 1990 and establishes a means of implementation to guide the various Town boards and committees and the Town Meeting. The plan must necessarily recognize the regional and State influences and forces and thus must have the necessary flexibility to adjust when and if these place new requirements on Sudbury. Most importantly, the plan must address itself to the overall land uses and densities and thus the ultimate character of Sudbury.

In order to establish this plan, the following steps have already been taken by your Planning Board. First, a statistical base going back to 1945 showing where Sudbury has come from, its pattern of growth, and what Sudbury is today. The Planning Board has collected this data during the years 1972-73 and has the data in tabulated form. However, only tentative analysis has been made.

Second, a review and cataloguing of all the remaining open land and a determination of what Sudbury can develop into based on the current zoning bylaws and regional trends has been done. The Planning Board has formulated a questionnaire which has been distributed to all residents for the purpose of determining who we are, why we came here and what we want Sudbury to be. This will help in setting a framework of what Sudbury of 1990 should be like.

Finally, with the determination of what Sudbury wants to be in 1990, a plan to guide Sudbury from now to then has to be developed. This plan obviously has to address itself to population characteristics, school requirements, municipal services and the other land intensive uses that will be required by the population in 1990. A priority list method of implementation, time schedule, and estimated financial impact would and could all be established. Additionally, regional, State, and Federal factors and their impacts on Sudbury would have to be considered and hopefully the plan would have the flexibility to bend where necessary. \$20,000 would establish a lot in this regard.

The Planning Board urges your support.

Mr. Paul H. McNally of the Planning Board then moved *Indefinite Postponement of this article.*

In support of his motion, Mr. McNally stated, "I heard about this article and the motion that you have before you by telephone this afternoon. I am rather disturbed. I have been reading my Warrant for many days now trying to decide what I would do when this article came before the Town Meeting, whether or not I would support it. The Planning Board has already voted at one of its meetings to support this article for the \$45,000 in the article as printed in your Warrant.

"I submit that at the present time, we have insufficient warning of the real intent of this article, namely the spending of \$20,000 for one person, a consultant. I would question what is the scope of services he is going to be giving us. We have a copy of Thomas Associates' scope of services, which cost this Town \$1,500 of Planning Board money, to bring before the Planning Board a scope of what would be required to give the Town a good land use plan and transportation study.

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"I find it very hard that we seem to be dancing the planning administrator before the Town, not only with this proposal, but also the one which was previously voted upon within the budget article.

"The land use planning that has been provided in a many-faceted way in the Master Plan of 1962, which takes into account transportation, widening of roads, the use of land in various parts of the Town, has not been found adequate for the Town at least to this point. I would like to mention cluster zoning which the Town has not voted to accept at the present time; apartments, which the Town has rejected; and also the Route 20 bypass. The Planning Board itself on many occasions before this meeting has voted against the widening of roads. I would question how any planner, or person that would be hired by the Town, could possibly come before the meeting and recommend widening of the roads. The Master Plan calls for some of the roads to be widened up to 28 feet and 37 feet. We find it hard to get roads being rebuilt here in Town greater than 20 feet wide.

"I would question what this planner is going to do. This appears to me as the back door approach to hiring a planning administrator and that question has already been decided by this meeting. I would urge that this article be Indefinitely Postponed."

Finance Committee Report: (Mrs. Edwards) The Finance Committee originally recommended disapproval of this article. We supported the inclusion of a planning administrator within the Planning Board budget. We believe this would be the most cost effective way to provide overall planning for the Town. The Town Meeting voted disapproval of this position as a budget item. Approval of this article would permit the Town to develop a land use plan without committing the Town to the establishment of a permanent position. The Finance Committee, however, takes no position on the article as moved.

Board of Selectmen Report: (Mr. Powers) The Board of Selectmen unanimously supports the Planning Board and would point out a few things to you. We said at the beginning of this meeting that we have major problems that are evident in the Warrant for this meeting. We have major problems of planning that have not been done. This is no criticism of the Planning Board. We have not been able to get a land use plan that has been accepted and adopted by the Town. That is critical to a number of decisions in the Warrant.

We understand that the motion includes within the confines, the transportation factors, and we feel desperately that that data is needed. We have a number of pockets of existing data on specialized items, unrelated to a cohesive whole, and we must begin somewhere to do the job.

Your choice was very clearly that you did not want to go in the direction of the staff man. But that doesn't mean that we don't need this data and we don't need the professionalism that a consultant can give us on this material. We have a representative with all the various alphabet soup groups that are appearing from government and regional government. With the help and cooperation of the Regional Concerns Committee, we are trying to weed that out. That alone is a major reason to get your planning people on now. There are competing interests and competing groups and competing organizations. Unless and until we can weed it out, slow it down, and have instant replay to get some basic facts about where this Town is and where it can go, we are not going to be able to do the kind of job that is necessary to have a controlled situation both in terms of growth and in terms of fiscal responsibility in the Town. We have to begin with some facts.

We urge you to support this and let us give the Planning Board the tools that it needs. You cannot turn your back on this problem because it will not go away. It will be back in special articles about various improvements, unconnected with various other improvements in the warrants for the next thousand years, if we don't start somewhere to try to put it together.

The Master Plan was prepared some twelve years ago in a population impact situation that no longer remains. Over 1,200 more houses have appeared in this Town over that period, and a number of major problems have occurred that were not extant at the time the Master Plan was written. We need a new look. The so-called Master Plan is a starting base, like the TOPICS program and the others that are here.

Those are all the data available to the consultant to help try to coordinate into a plan to give us some guidance. They will not be ignored. They will be evaluated, but we have to begin. This is not a question as to whether in one

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year you spend some money for a consultant. It is a broader question. It is whether or not, as a Town, we are going to accept the responsibility of looking right in the face of some very unpleasant facts that may be headed our way. We must try to figure out, right now, what those facts are, what the situation is, and what we ought to do about it. We urge your support.

After discussion, it was

VOTED: INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT.

*VOTED: TO ADJOURN TO TOMORROW NIGHT, APRIL 17th, 1974, AT 8 P.M.
IN THIS HALL.*

The Moderator announced that the motion passed by more than the required two-thirds. The meeting adjourned at 10:59 P.M.

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The Moderator called the meeting to order at 8:07 P.M. at the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School Auditorium. He declared that a quorum was present.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Powers, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, it was

VOTED: THAT AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE ARTICLE UNDER DISCUSSION AT 11 P.M. TONIGHT, THIS MEETING ADJOURN TO MONDAY, APRIL 29, 1974, AT 8 P.M. IN THIS HALL.

The Moderator announced that the motion had passed by more than the required two-thirds.

Upon a motion made by Mr. William T. Maloney of the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional District School Committee, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: THAT THIS TOWN MEETING TAKE OUT OF ORDER ARTICLE 44 SUCH THAT IF IT DOES NOT COME UP IN THE NORMAL ORDER OF BUSINESS TONIGHT, IT WILL BE TAKEN UP AS THE FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS AT OUR NEXT SESSION ON MONDAY, APRIL 29th, 1974.

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to establish the Sudbury Bus Transportation Committee, to consist of three residents, appointed for a term of one year by the Selectmen, to establish and operate a system a public transportation within the Town of Sudbury and to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$45,000, or any other sum, for use by said Committee, to provide public transportation in Sudbury, or act on anything relative thereto.

Establish
 Sudbury
 Bus Trans-
 portation
 Committee

Submitted by Petition.

Petitioners' Report: (Mr. Paul J. Buxbaum) Several months ago, we formed a group called the Sudbury Citizens for Public Transportation. Many people helped work to get that group and the information that you see tonight. One of our first concerns when we began with the idea of establishing public transportation in Sudbury was whether such transportation was really needed. Very recently, with the assistance of the Planning Board, we got responses from the Planning Board Survey. Those responses indicated that there was a considerable need and a considerable demand in Sudbury for a system of public transportation.

The first question on the survey was, "Do you want an in-town bus service?" The number of responses to the survey out of about 3,300 was 1,244 which represents a considerable fraction of the total number of families in Town. 768 families said they would want such a system, 407 said they would not. It is almost a two-to-one margin in favor.

The Planning Board also asked in their survey how many people would be using this bus. 1,863 people indicated that they would, again a substantial number. When you extrapolate to the total population in Town, it indicates that 4,942 people approximately, would use such a bus system.

Another question that was asked was how many trips would be taken by members of your household each week. We found that people responding said they alone would take 4,103 trips. If we extrapolate that number, we find an indicated demand for busses of something in the order of 10,800 trips per week.

To give you an idea of whether that is or is not a large number, we know that transportation planners talk about a transportation system in the suburbs being successful if it has ten passengers for every hour that a vehicle is on the road. If we talk about a system that has two busses, and operates each bus 48 hours per week, for a total of 96 hours on the road, we would have a successful transportation system if we had 960 rides per week. We have an indicated demand from those who responded which is approximately four times as great as what a transportation planner would consider successful.

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Furthermore, if this transit system charges a fare of 25¢ a rider, we find that the system could break even and not cost the Town any money if the total ridership was 3,600 rides a week. Of the people who responded, we have enough to make the system break even. If we extrapolate to the whole Town, I think it shows a highly successful system.

Our primary purpose in providing bus transportation in Sudbury is to serve the kids, the teenagers, the pre-teens, who have a great many places to go and no means of getting there other than a bicycle alongside a very narrow road or mother-power. The kids go to friends' houses, they go to sporting events or skating, bowling, tennis, to the library, to music lessons, to religious instruction, dance instruction. They go all over the Town and they do it largely on mother-power, that is, automobiles with the mother. Every trip by a teenager is two round trips by a parent.

Those of you who are long time residents know that there once was a bus in Sudbury running down Hudson Road. It was a very convenient system I am told. It was a very friendly system such that parents could put even their very small children aboard the bus knowing that they were in the hands of a reliable and responsible driver. I think that this is the kind of a system that we can establish here in Sudbury, one that the kids would have no problem at all in using.

There are other users. There are the wives whose husbands take the car to work. Potentially there might be some people who will be able to get along on only one car if there is a local bus transportation system. There are the elderly. The housing for the elderly will concentrate those people, and they will need a method of getting to their shopping. Also there are the gas conscious people.

There is currently a bus that runs down Route 20 and goes into Boston. Our local Sudbury bus system could serve as a method of bringing those people to the Boston bound bus and avoid the so-called "kiss ride" situation in which the wife has got to drive the commuting husband down to the bus stop.

Finally, there are the shoppers. I realize that you cannot carry large packages on a bus, but for incidental shopping it can be used. There are special situations in which cars are out of service and you could use the bus. This is what this bus system is all about: mainly the kids plus all other purposes.

What kind of a system might we be able to provide? We are asking in this article for \$25,000. We think that a two bus system could cost approximately \$45,000 and could bring in \$20,000 in fares.

We have made a guess as to how the routes might look, but we have not yet analyzed the origin-destination material on the Planning Board Survey. The Committee that would be appointed by the Selectmen would have to finalize routes on the basis of those returns. But the plan we have made up shows two routes. The first one is about one hour in duration having perhaps 28 stops. The second one, about 40 minutes in duration, has 16 stops. The average trip on the first route would be about half an hour. The average trip on the second one, about 20 minutes. It is possible to design routes even in a sparse town that go very close to most of the homes in Sudbury so it is possible to walk out and get the bus. It also passes all of your churches, your shopping facilities, your ball-fields, any place that any number of people in Sudbury would want to go.

Our citizens group also examined ways in which Sudbury could provide service. The Town is authorized under Chapter 704 of the Acts of 1972 to engage in transportation, to contract for service, for example, so there is no legal difficulty. One possibility is the Town buys busses and operates them. Our group felt that that would be quite risky during the first year because we do envision this as an experimental system. Another possibility is the Town leases busses and hires drivers with maintenance provided by the people who provide the leasing. The third, and I think this is the best bet because we are new at this business, is to contract for the service at least during the first year of operation and then to expand to something more Town-owned later on.

How much is this going to cost you? We hope that the system will break even, but perhaps it will not. If it does not, then \$25,000 will be the cost. That represents 16¢ on the tax rate. If your assessed valuation is \$40,000, that will cost you \$6.40 a year which is the sum that we are asking you to vote tonight. If you translate that in terms of today's gas prices, you see that \$6.40 represents just eleven gallons of gasoline. Think of it in those terms. It is not very much, and you can save that amount of gasoline by taking the bus every once in a while.

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I would like to remind you of some of the provisions of the Warrant article as we have written it. The Committee terminates life in one year. We have not asked for the establishment of an on-going function within the Town of Sudbury. The Committee is responsible to the Selectmen who are your elected officials. It is possible for such an organization to contract on a six-month basis and as a result not spend the sum that has been allocated if the system should be unsuccessful. The Warrant article does not bind the Committee to one way or another of going into its operations. It would be necessary to go out for public bid and get an accurate bid from the contractors responsible. This is something that we, as an informal group, were not able to do. Finally, it allows the Committee to seek outside aid. There is a possibility for Federal aid, and there is a possibility of State aid.

Finance Committee Report: (Mr. Karl E. Clough) The Finance Committee is continuously concerned with costs and their impact on taxes. We are also concerned with services. This is one of the few Warrant articles that provides us a clear choice in which we can, for a modest expenditure, test the viability of a major increase in Town services. The risk is small. The commitment is short term. The potential payoff is exceptional. We recommend approval.

Board of Selectmen Majority Report: (Mr. Powers) A majority of the Board of Selectmen opposes this article. We think it is the nose of the camel. We are concerned about the basis upon which it is being erected.

We tried to get from the Planning Board the data of the survey upon which Mr. Buxbaum predicated his comments and were unable to get it. We have at least seen tonight what some of the answers were to that section. Our concern is about the questionnaire. It sets up a hypothetical: the next several questions refer to a proposed in-town bus service. With such a service, a bus would pass within one-half mile of your home once every hour. The fare would be 25¢. An annual deficit is anticipated.

We have been through this transportation business over and over again. The hypothetical assumes a delivery capacity that we think is highly questionable. We think that is something you had better look at. If we had been able to predict that kind of reliability, for example, on the Boston and Worcester bus line, we would not have had the kind of problems we have now. We had the same kinds of projections, and had they only been reliable, the Ritchie Bus Line would not be in deep trouble, cutting off commuter lines. As a matter of fact, if the reliability of such data base had been in order, we would still have train service in the Town of Sudbury.

We do not have, and have not seen demonstrated in public transportation servicing this Town, any degree of regularity and reliability. That is the prime item which determines whether there is using capability or not.

We looked at some of the data we did get from the Planning Board. We are impressed with this one: 68.6% of the people in Sudbury own two cars, 10.3% more own three cars, and another 3.1% own four cars. Obviously, we have a high degree of mobility.

We looked at the figures particularly in the light of the proposed system, a two-bus system. If it is a two-bus system, and we have 4,000 projected trips per week, we are going to have an awful lot of trouble finding sitting room on those busses. How many people can two busses really carry? We are not persuaded that this is going to give the extended quality of service which might have led many people to answer the questionnaire in the manner they did. As the Little League people know, they have something like 800 organized kids and at 9 o'clock on a Saturday morning they hit the pavement all over Town.

In recognition of the mothers, we are in favor of anything that will relieve the mothers' responsibilities, but we do not think that it can be demonstrated that it is going to work that way. We are concerned that what you are talking about here is a fixed point to fixed point service. You are constricted by your point of destination and by the layout of the routes which are still somewhat up in the air. We are distressed that we do not see any data here relating to those routes and the safety features of those routes. We think that is badly needed and is a matter of public safety of some concern. I think the school system will tell you the problem of where you set up a school bus stop is a matter of a great number of phone calls.

We would also point out that the Committee's suggestion is an interesting one. If you read it, the Board of Selectmen unfortunately end up being the people that you will call if something goes wrong. The majority of the Board of Selectmen

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is not very much in favor of becoming a miniature MBTA board of directors. We think that has some human problems in it, and we plaintively ask you to consider that situation.

We are concerned that we have not seen what happens in terms of liability. What impact would this system, once in operation, have in terms of liability insurance costs to the Town? If you have a carrier that is on contract, you are going to have a municipal liability. We would like an opportunity to get an answer on that from the Insurance Advisory Committee, but it is a matter which could be a major concern.

Once you start this system and have a delivery capability, then you begin to have built-in service. A built-in service, sooner or later, is going to involve drivers and a dispatcher, and again, here come the personnel that go into a service of this sort. The one key experience factor with the MBTA and every other carrier is that labor relations between the drivers, the operators and the administrative people is the toughest part of labor relations in any organization going. This is primarily the reason given by the MBTA board repeatedly as to why they cannot bring the cost down. When you start this, you are beginning to walk in that direction and had better think very carefully about it before you do.

The Committee has done a lot of work. They have made a good beginning, but we do not think they are ready at this point to get into the business of answering in some detail some of the operational questions. We would also point out that we would be operating presumably under Chapter 1017 of the Acts of 1973. We would have to have, in any event, a route that would be approved by the State Department of Public Utilities. There are a number of subsidiary questions we are just completely unclear on. We think it is premature and there is more study that needs to be done. At the moment, we ask that you defeat it and would hope that the Committee would try to continue and put together the rest of these features.

Board of Selectmen Minority Report: (Mr. Taft) I guess this is one of those issues that you can view the glass of water as being half empty or half full. If you want the thing to succeed, it looks half full. If you don't want it to, it looks half empty. I think when a good number of people filled out their questionnaires for the Planning Board this past year, they thought things were half empty because they couldn't buy gas. They knew that mass transportation was something that was a good thing. I suspect a good many of them decided that we could really use a bus, partly on emotion and partly maybe because they had just driven Johnny or Susie to the movies or the ball game or something else. So a very large number of them said they wanted to give it a try. They knew it wasn't going to be for free.

If tonight we decide the glass of water is half full, maybe it could succeed. It won't cost the full \$25,000. There will be some income. It will be an expense to the Town though.

The schedules of the various affairs in Town might have to be adjusted to work with a bus schedule. You obviously cannot haul every child in Town that is a participant in Little League to the same series of parks at the same time every day. I don't think that we can plan the whole program here at this meeting.

I think that the Committee has done sufficient work to indicate how it could be done. I think if we recognize that we have not seen the end of the energy crisis in this country, that we haven't seen the end of needing something in the mass transportation line, we ought to give this a try. I think the glass is half full. Let's take a crack at filling it up the rest of the way.

Planning Board Majority Report: (Mr. Stevens) The Planning Board supports this article. We recognize that when the survey was placed, the energy crisis was on us at its height and everybody had that on their minds. We are also convinced that the energy problem is not over, and we feel that the only way this Town can come to grips with whether or not it wants to have a service, or likes it, or it is feasible, is to try it. We feel that this is a modest attempt at an experiment.

Obviously the key to that attempt is how you respond to it. Do you use it? Do you ignore it? Do you help it or do you hinder it? And, in that vein, it is your choice. We think it is worth a try to see how you respond and see how it works within the confines of the community.

Now as far as the Selectmen go with telephone calls, they can always delegate that back to the Committee. Very clearly, it is a very easy thing. They have the authority to do it.

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I think they also have the authority to say that they are not satisfied with what the Committee proposes and not authorize the expenditures until they are satisfied that some of the questions they brought up have been answered. I would think that would be part of their authority and direction that they would give to the Committee. So that, in itself, is not an excuse to say, "Don't try it".

The Planning Board would urge you to give it consideration. If you feel it is worth a try, then vote in favor.

Planning Board Minority Report: (Mr. Robert E. Cooper) In the Planning Board Survey, a majority of the townspeople favored this in-town bus service. I remind you that this survey was conducted at the height of the energy crisis.

I must refer those present here tonight to the failure of the mini-bus operation in Natick. Last week there was an item in the newspaper as follows: "Shuttle bus operator, John H. Norton, has discovered he's been driving to the beat of the wrong drummer. Monday his Natick Mall mini-bus service, started at the height of the energy crisis, ceased operations after one month."

This service was based on a curb-to-curb service, taking people from their homes to Natick Mall and from Natick Mall back to their homes, dropping them right at their driveway. More than 600 persons favored this service prior to its inception. That is close to the number of people who said in Sudbury that they were also in favor of this service. This survey was also taken at the height of the energy crisis. In its one month of operation a grand total of 100 persons used the service. If this ratio is any indication, the mini-bus service in Sudbury would be a disaster.

In the interests of responsible planning, I propose that before a mini-bus system is implemented, the bus survey should be redone during a time period when gas lines have not added an emotional and fear element. I urge you to turn down this article as being premature. I feel extensive additional homework is required on this item.

After considerable discussion, it was

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN ESTABLISH A SUDBURY BUS TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE TO CONSIST OF THREE RESIDENTS APPOINTED FOR A TERM OF ONE YEAR BY THE SELECTMEN TO ESTABLISH AND OPERATE A SYSTEM OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FOR THE TOWN OF SUDBURY, AND TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$25,000.00 FOR USE BY SAID COMMITTEE TO PROVIDE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION WITH SUCH PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION TO BE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN AND WITH AUTHORIZATION OF THE SAID COMMITTEE TO APPLY FOR, RECEIVE AND EXPEND STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS FOR SUCH PURPOSE.

In favor - 184; Opposed - 164. (Total - 348)

ARTICLE 30: To see if the Town will vote to extend the powers of the Sudbury Housing Authority, under General Laws, Chapter 121B, as amended, and in that connection to make any and all determinations and declarations deemed necessary or desirable, or act on anything relative thereto.
 Extend Powers of Sudbury Housing Authority Submitted by the Planning Board.

The Moderator announced that he would recognize a pre-arranged speaking order of Mr. Edward W. Connors, Jr., of the Planning Board, and Mr. Robert D. Abrams and Mr. Robert B. Williams of the Advisory Committee on Housing, a subcommittee of the Planning Board.

Report: Mr. Connors: The Advisory Committee on Housing was created as a subcommittee of the Planning Board on May 7, 1973. The members are Mrs. Charlotte Goss, Mr. Robert Abrams and Mr. Robert Williams. The charge given to the Advisory Committee was to examine the feasibility of and develop a strategy for using existing housing to meet Sudbury's requirements under Chapter 774 of the Acts of 1969. The Advisory Committee met on four separate occasions with representatives from the State Department of Community Affairs. The information made available to the Advisory Committee as a result of these meetings and subsequent research revealed that only limited Federal subsidies are currently available for housing under Sections 235 and 236, Federal Mortgage Subsidy Programs. Most of the

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current funding in the area of subsidized housing is based upon prior commitments made from the Massachusetts Home Finance Agency. There are no Federal funds available for the purchase and renovation of existing housing.

The Advisory Committee also learned that there is some Federal subsidy funding available for the construction of condominiums and cooperative housing. However, it was decided that this was not apropos to the charge of developing a strategy for using existing housing.

The picture which began to come into focus showed that funds available at present to provide subsidized housing is coming from the State Rental Assistance Program defined in Chapter 707 of the General Laws and the State Subsidy Program available under Chapter 705 which provides funds to acquire and renovate existing housing for occupancy by families meeting eligibility standards contained in the Department of Community Affairs directive dated August 9, 1973.

Money allocated by the State legislature to fund these programs is administered by the Massachusetts Department of Community Affairs and made available to local communities upon application from the local housing authority.

Mr. Abrams: Under Chapter 774, the so-called "anti-snob zoning law", the Town had a requirement based on 1970 census figures that it have 339 units of subsidized housing. It is prudent for the Town to act on that requirement of its own will and volition and that is the kind of a program we are talking about here tonight. It is a program that affords this Town another opportunity to act on its own volition to satisfy some of these requirements.

There have been recent cases out of the Supreme Judicial Court, particularly in Hanover and in Concord, upholding Chapter 774 and its constitutionality.

The Sudbury Housing Authority is already moving in the area of constructing housing for the elderly in this Town, and those units are going to satisfy part of this requirement of the 339 units of housing in the Town. The program that we are giving you tonight will give us another chance to add to that action by the Housing Authority and combined together this will equal approximately one-third of the Town's requirement under the statute.

I have had a tendency to be skeptical of State programs and how they operate and the validity of what the State sometimes says to us. Consequently, this Committee in dealing with the Department of Community Affairs, which is the agency that administers the Chapter 705 program, we have gotten all of their promises and all of their representations about the 705 program reduced to writing and signed by officials of the DCA. That is important because, when questions are brought forward as we present the plan, you will know that the information we are giving you is information that we can rely on. It is not something that is going to be changed tomorrow.

One other factor that I would like to point out is that several times already during this Town Meeting we have heard people criticize articles as the result of the failure of the proponents to have a detailed specific program and be able to answer the questions that the Town Meeting has. We believe that we have that detailed program, and we believe that we are ready to answer the questions. The combined effort of the several people in Town who have been working on this Committee for the past year to present this program, has produced a product that is worthy of your attention, and I urge your support of this article.

Mr. Williams: My concern with the content of this article began in 1972 when I gave a very short discourse at the Town Meeting concerning some of the traditional methods by which low income housing is provided. At that time I evidenced some concern with the fact that the tendency has been in cities and in larger suburbs to build traditional style brick boxes which was like putting a neon sign right on the front of those edifices saying, "The Poor Live Here". I decried that then as much as I do now.

However, having spoken out, I paid the price, for it was shortly thereafter that I was appointed to this Committee by the Planning Board and the search for a program began to see whether or not, in fact, there were existing resources in this Town which could be used to meet the need which may or may not exist in this Town.

We met with several groups in those early months, and many of them had very hard questions. Very many people believe that there is not a need in Sudbury for this kind of program, that there are not low income people here who need assistance with housing or people of moderate income who might need assistance with housing, so there were some hard questions to answer right at the beginning.

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We started with some basic facts which we gathered from the South Middlesex Opportunity Programs in Framingham. We found out the median income of Sudbury is \$17,798 per family. Yet, ninety families in Sudbury live below the poverty level, an income of \$3,721 or less for a family of four, up to \$6,000 or less for a family of seven. Within these ninety families there are 422 persons represented, and 459 additional persons are marginally poor who live in this Town, that is, they have an income at the poverty level and somewhere between 1% and 25% above that. Ninety persons in this Town are receiving some form of public assistance. That is documented. Our conclusion was based on these and other facts. Beyond serving low and moderate to low income families on a broad basis to meet 774 requirements alone, there is a real need to be met in Sudbury which warrants action now. My job here tonight is to explain to you how this program works, and answer some questions and concerns you may have.

First of all, the emphasis is on acquisition of existing units for re-use with rehabilitation if necessary. No house is to be acquired to be torn down. Eminent domain is not to be used. New construction is not to be used, nor can it be under the terms of the contract which the Housing Authority would conclude with the Department of Community Affairs. Emphasis, again, is in acquisition of existing properties for re-use.

There is no cost, under Chapter 705, to Sudbury or to the Sudbury Housing Authority. All costs are covered by the Department of Community Affairs. The process which takes place, should you approve this article tonight, is to file an application with the Department of Community Affairs to establish and determine a documented need for this kind of housing in Sudbury, to identify unit or units which might be purchased. Then DCA would approve the acquisition of the unit or units identified and would authorize the purchase. Financial assistance from the DCA to the Sudbury Housing Authority to finance such purchase is made available through a note sale. Once the DCA has authorized the purchase, it then sells notes or bonds in that amount and the funds are transferred to the Sudbury Housing Authority.

The rent which is charged to a tenant who might live in one of these units would be equal to 25% of net income. There is a complicated formula by which gross income is reduced to net income. We have that formula and if one of you cares to raise the question, I'd be glad to answer it in detail. There are several deductions allowed for each family which makes this a program that appeals not only to low income but also to families of moderate income. Finally, the Sudbury Housing Authority determines the rent under the formula provided and the Sudbury Housing Authority determines eligibility within the guidelines set down by the DCA.

Only the Housing Authority, under the terms of the contract, can initiate the purchase of a unit of property based on needs which they and they alone identify. The price of the property to be purchased is determined by the local private real estate market. The DCA has financial parameters which, of course, cannot be exceeded. Those parameters are that they are willing to authorize payment of up to \$35,000 for a three-bedroom home and adding \$3-5,000 for each additional bedroom beyond that. The Sudbury Housing Authority may in fact argue for prices beyond those limits if they can find extenuating circumstances which would justify it.

Some may ask, if you have been looking for a house lately, whether there are houses available in Sudbury at that price range. We have been keeping track of the South Middlesex News and the Boston Globe, and I can assure you that there are substantial sound properties available within that price range.

Any lease that is signed between a tenant and the Housing Authority is solely between the tenant and the Housing Authority. From the time a person makes the need known to the time that a person can actually be housed would be approximately eight weeks. The time which it takes to initiate the process of purchase to final approval and authorization by the DCA and purchase would be approximately four weeks.

Payment in lieu of taxes is provided in full, equal to the amount levied at the current tax rate based on the assessed value at the time of acquisition by the Housing Authority. The maximum amount is the same as under private ownership. The catch is that the property cannot be reassessed during the time it is in ownership by the Housing Authority.

Money to pay these bills which are incurred by the Housing Authority and the tax bill, is not going to be raised by rents alone as most of you can deduce. To compensate for the lack of sufficient funds, the Sudbury Housing Authority submits a proposed budget to the DCA in which it shows its deficit between the actual money it will accrue in the course of the coming year and the actual money it plans to expend. Based on that and on subsequent negotiations with the DCA, each local housing

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authority is eligible for an annual appropriation to cover deficiencies in their budgets, those deficiencies being debt service, taxes, extraordinary maintenance costs or operating costs. One of the big features of this program is that while Federal funding has become less and less available to meet the needs of our citizens, and while Federal programs are not very creative in responding to those needs at this particular point in time, funding for this program is available now.

We have certain authorization with the DCA to be effective by July 1. There will be approximately \$20,000,000 of uncommitted funds in the 705 account, that is, the DCA will have authorization to borrow that amount which is not committed elsewhere.

Mr. Connors: The Planning Board unanimously supports Article 30 and urges you to vote "Yes".

Finance Committee Report: Based upon the 1970 census data Chapter 774 guidelines specify 339 units of subsidized low and moderate income housing in Sudbury. The Sudbury Housing Authority is already planning to build at least fifty units of housing for the elderly. Passage of this article would permit the Authority to acquire with State funds up to fifty scattered units to provide low and moderate income housing. After purchase by the Housing Authority the Town would receive in lieu of taxes an annual payment equal to the tax revenue produced by the property prior to that purchase.

Housing Authority Report: (Mr. Douglas A. Miranda) The Sudbury Housing Authority was created to provide housing for elderly persons of low income and has endeavored to work within that limitation. Information given to the Sudbury Housing Authority by the study committee indicates that this is an effective program which can help some people remain in Sudbury. The Sudbury Housing Authority will administer this program if the Town so votes.

After discussion, it was

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN EXTEND THE MANDATE OF THE SUDBURY HOUSING AUTHORITY BY AUTHORIZING THE SUDBURY HOUSING AUTHORITY TO ACQUIRE NOT MORE THAN FIFTY (50) UNITS FROM EXISTING HOUSING STOCK IN THE TOWN OF SUDBURY FOR RENTAL TO FAMILIES OF MODERATE AND LOW INCOME; SUCH HOUSING TO BE PURCHASED BY THE SUDBURY HOUSING AUTHORITY AS IT BECOMES AVAILABLE IN THE PRIVATE MARKET, WITH FUNDING FOR SUCH ACQUISITION TO BE PROVIDED, AT NO COST TO THE TOWN OF SUDBURY OR THE SUDBURY HOUSING AUTHORITY, BY PARTICIPATION IN THE STATE SPONSORED SUBSIDY PROGRAM AVAILABLE UNDER CHAPTER 705 OF THE ACTS OF 1966, AS AMENDED, AND ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS.

- ARTICLE 31: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$122,000, or any other sum, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen and/or the Highway Commissioners, for the final engineering and construction of the sidewalks, walkways and bikeways of brick, stone or concrete, as follows:
- School
Walkways -
Final
Engineering/
Construction
- A. In the Loring School District, within one and one-half miles of the school in rights of way or easements already acquired, or to be acquired, in the following locations:
- LA. Along Woodside Road, from the Loring School to the existing walkway on Rambling Road at the Framingham Town Line on the southwest, a distance of 2,900 feet, more or less;
- LB. Along Woodside Road, from the Loring School to the proposed walkway on Landham Road on the northeast, a distance of 2,000 feet, more or less;
- LC. Along Landham Road, from the intersection of Woodside Road, to the Framingham Town Line on the south, a distance of 3,100 feet, more or less;
- LD. Along Landham Road, from the intersection of Woodside Road, to house numbered 277 on the north, a distance of 3,800 feet, more or less;
- B. In the Horse Pond School District, within one and one-half miles of the school in rights of way or easements already acquired, or to be acquired, in the following locations:

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- HA. Along Horse Pond Road, from the Horse Pond School to the existing walkway on Peakham Road, at the intersection of Pratt's Mill Road on the northeast, a distance of 5,200 feet, more or less;
- HB. Along Horse Pond Road, from the Horse Pond School to the intersection of Robbins Road on the south, a distance of 800 feet, more or less;
- C. In the Curtis Junior High School District, within one and one-half miles of the school in rights of way or easements already acquired, or to be acquired, in the following locations:
 - CA. Along Peakham Road, from the existing walkway on Peakham Road at the intersection of Old Lancaster Road, to house number 604 on the northeast, a distance of 2,500 feet, more or less;
 - CB. Along Old Lancaster Road, from the existing walkway on Peakham Road to the intersection of Meadow Drive on the southeast, a distance of 2,600 feet, more or less;
- D. In the Fairbank School District, to be constructed within one and one-half miles of the school, in rights of way or easements already acquired, or to be acquired, in the following locations:
 - FA. Along Butler Road, from Fairbank Road opposite the Fairbank School, to the intersection of Butler Place on the northwest, a distance of 1,100 feet, more or less;
 - FB. Along Fairbank Road from the Fairbank School to the existing walkway at the intersection of Hudson Road on the southwest, a distance of 900 feet, more or less;
 - FC. Along Hudson Road, from the existing walkway on Hudson Road, opposite Dutton Road, to the intersection of Crystal Lake Drive on the west, a distance of 3,000 feet, more or less;
 - FD. Along Hudson Road, from the existing walkway on Hudson Road at the intersection of Teakettle Lane to the intersection of Old Lancaster Road on the east, a distance of 2,400 feet, more or less;
 - FE. Along an existing easement from Hudson Road opposite Teakettle Lane to Churchill Street on the southwest, a distance of 450 feet, more or less;

and to determine whether the appropriation shall be raised by taxation, transferred from available funds, provided by borrowing, or by any combination of the foregoing, or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Planning Board.

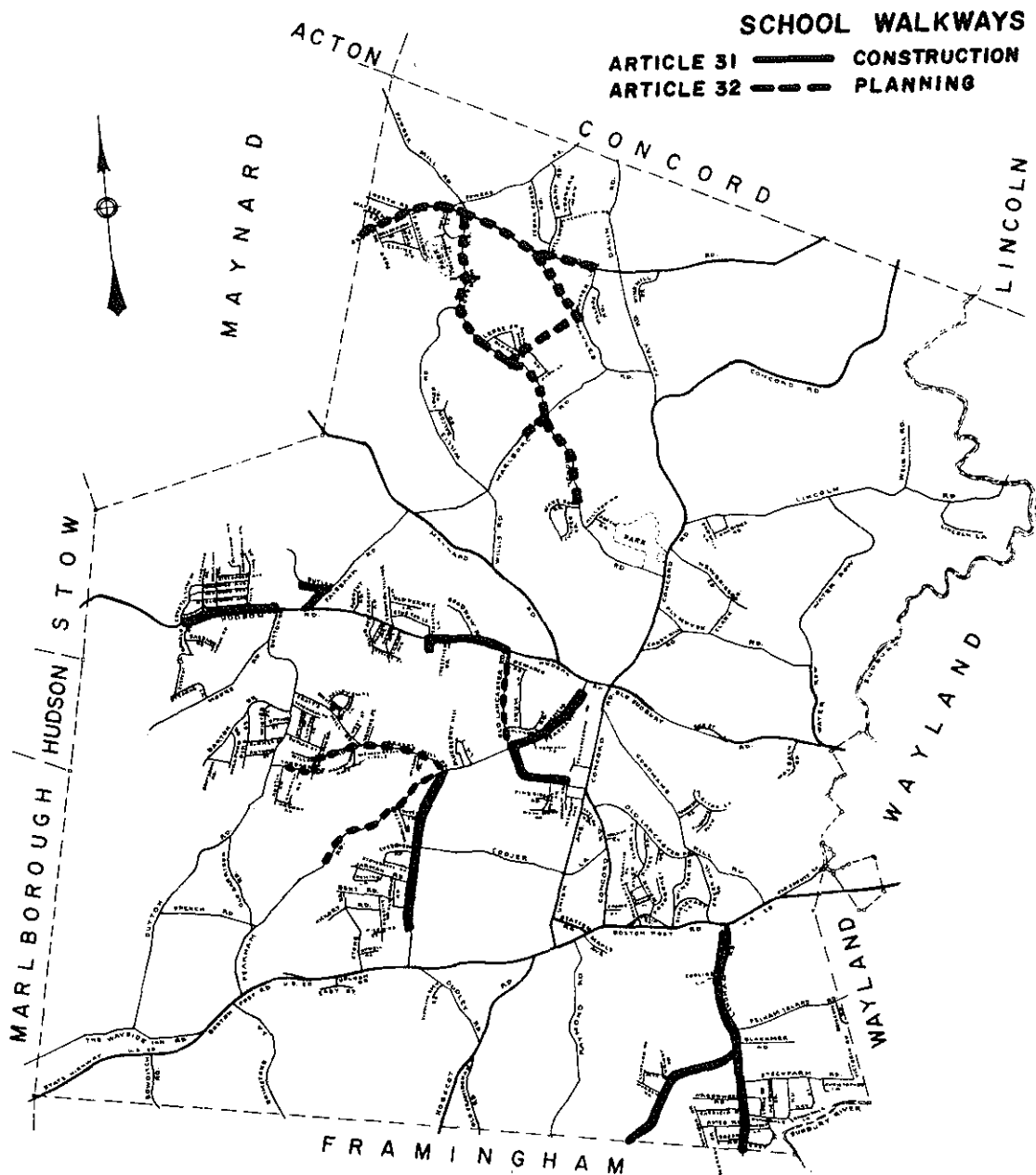
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Mrs. Gillespie of the Planning Board moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$91,761.69; and appropriate and transfer \$57,771.29 from the Construction of Walkways, Landham Road Account, Annual Town Meeting 1972, Article 50, and Annual Town Meeting 1973, Article 32; \$10,233.73 from the Construction of Walkways, Woodside and Warren to Woodside and Rambling Account, [Special Town Meeting, June 13] 1973, Article 4; and \$7,753.29 from Walkway Construction, Hudson Road Account, 1967 Annual Town Meeting, Article 25; to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen for the engineering and under the direction of the Highway Commissioners for the construction of sidewalks, walkways and bikeways of brick, stone or concrete described in Article 31 in this Warrant for this meeting as LA, LB, LC, LD, HA, FA, FB, FC, FD and FE, along existing or proposed easements, with the final design of the project to be subject to Planning Board approval; and the aforesaid boards are authorized to apply for and receive, in behalf of the Town, grants and gifts and aid from the State and Federal government for said projects.

Planning Board Report: (Mrs. Gillespie) The first thing to keep in mind applying to all of the walkways in Article 31 is that they are designated as school walkways because they are within a mile and a half of walking distance from the public school and thus are eligible for one-third reimbursement under the State School Aid Program, whether or not the local school committee has the children use them regularly.

The second thing we should keep in mind is that all of them will be constructed by contractors according to the specifications of our Highway Department. Safety, aesthetics, maintainability are the three top criteria in the planning and construction.

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The third thing to remember, and there is an excellent reason, is that these walkways do not connect up with main roads. If a walkway connects up a residential area to a public facility like a medical center or a church or a shopping center, even though that same walkway serves a school, it would be considered by the School Aid people as a general walkway, and we would not get the one-third of the cost back. Therefore, there are little gaps at the ends of the school walkways. We have been told by school officials that this reimbursement covers not only the engineering and construction but also some of the maintenance, so it looks like too good a deal to lose.

We voted most of the cost of the Landham and Woodside walkways, Sections LA. through LD., last year. This revote will make them eligible for reimbursement. The form of the motion was not correct last year, so we held off until this building season. Added to last year's figure is an amount, slightly over \$14,000, to cover the rising cost of asphalt. Asphalt, unfortunately, is an oil-based product. Also covered in this \$14,000 is the cost of police for traffic directions, an item that we did not figure on last year but found, in the process of building Concord Road,

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that it was very necessary. Also covered is the cost of inspection, which is an extremely necessary item to protect the interests of the Town when an outside contractor is doing the job.

In the motion we have also transferred all the money from previous votes to this walkway, so the whole kit-and-kaboodle will be reimbursable.

The Horse Pond Road walkway we also voted last year. However, it was in the same article as the Concord Road walkway. In the process of building Concord Road, we ran into a good many problems and used up all the money. In order to build the Horse Pond walkway, for which all the engineering and all the planning is done, we have put \$36,000 in the account. This covers Horse Pond Road from the school to Peakham Road, Section HA in the Warrant. Because asphalt has gone up so high, we have not included in the motion the short stretch of the walkway on Horse Pond Road which is south of the school, Section HB, and the walkways on Peakham and Old Lancaster, Sections CA and CB.

There are three reasons for this. Lower Horse Pond is not a necessity for school walkers right now. To build these three sections alone would cost somewhere in the neighborhood of \$58,000 over and above what we already have in the motion. And, we think that Peakham and Old Lancaster walkways can be built a bit more cheaply if they are done in conjunction with the road widening which we understand is in the Highway Commission's budget plans to talk about at next year's Annual Town Meeting.

The next section of walkways are the ones around Fairbank School. Again, we have a mixed bag of walkways. Youngsters living west of Fairbank School have been walking on narrow Butler Road after coming across the present walkway between Harness Lane and Butler Place. Their parents and Sudbury's Safety Officer feel that this is not a very safe place for them to walk. The proposed walkway, Section FA, will go behind the tree line on the Haskell land, owned by the Town, and will be much safer for the children as well as for the people who have to drive along and dodge them in the morning.

Section FB of the walkway goes along Fairbank Road, again on Town-owned land, so those using the Hudson Road walkway from the west can walk up Fairbank and cross in front of the school where the crossing guard is.

Section FC, which we call Hudson Road west, is another old walkway. Way back in 1967, we voted to have the Highway Department build a walkway on Hudson Road from Fairbank to Crystal Lake Drive. Part of it got built, and then we ran into some problems including a too-busy Highway Department schedule, lack of enough money to finish the job and a couple of missing easements. The easement problems have been solved, the time schedule problem has been solved by our new method of contract building, and in this article we are asking for enough more money to be added to what is already in the account to finish it. That is the \$7,000 that is in the account and another \$22,500. This time, by means of this transfer, all of it, including a third of the \$7,000, will be one-third reimbursable.

Hudson Road east, Section FD, is a continuation of our present walkway, and in conjunction with a short stretch of walkway between Churchill Street and Hudson Road, which is Section FE, should serve many people in the Fairbank School District.

Of course, to cross Hudson Road, a policewoman will be needed during the times the youngsters go to and from school.

I would also like to point out to people familiar with the Churchill Street-Hudson Road area that we are aware that the easement that the Town now has does not exactly cover the same area as the present path. Our Town Engineer is in the process of working out a change in easement lines with the abuttor involved, and we are sure that the problem will be very happily solved and very shortly.

We all know the benefits of walkway as far as health and safety are concerned and the ever-rising cost of gas gives us kind of a cost benefit, too, when we can let our kids walk or bike safely around Town.

Finance Committee Report: The Town funded the construction of Woodside and Landham Road walkways in the Loring School District in 1973. They must be re-voted in the words of this article to qualify for 30% State reimbursement for school district walkways. The funding requested in this article is for the construction of walkways in the Horse Pond, Curtis Junior High, and Fairbank School Districts. These walkways also satisfy the conditions required for 30% reimbursement. Recommend approval.

Board of Selectmen Report: (Mr. Powers) We are unanimously in support of this article.

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Mr. Julius A. R. Rarus, representing the Sudbury Taxpayers' Association, moved Indefinite Postponement.

In support of his motion, Mr. Rarus stated: "As late as 8:10 tonight, I was prepared to offer an amendment deleting certain sections of this article. When I talked with the Planning Board, I attempted to receive an answer to the following question: How much more money will we need to finish the Loring School Project? I was told that we would need \$82,795. Of course, that does not jibe with the figures we have seen here. Rather than go through the torture that we had several weeks ago over the amendment to the Highway Department budget, we are going to try to get this indefinitely postponed this year."

It might behoove us to ask the Planning Board to come back next year with a review of the entire walkway program, because this program was approved by the Town in 1962. Since that time, the Town has grown tremendously, and it might very well be in order for the entire walkway program to be submitted to the voters once again.

Section A in Article 31 is not a simple re-vote. It is my impression that the plan was drawn erroneously which made it ineligible for State Aid and that is why they are coming back once again to correct an error that was made originally.

The Sudbury Taxpayers' Association thinks it is time for all of us to take a financial deep breath because we are talking about almost \$300,000 in this article and in the next three articles. Just this evening, the South Middlesex News carried a story regarding the State Tax Commission and their attempt, which will probably be successful, to upgrade our equalized valuation to about 216 million dollars. The story goes on to say that we are looking at anywhere from a \$2-3 tax rate increase on our 1975 tax bill. I don't think we are going to win the pending appeal in the face of the State Tax Commission, and perhaps we should just sit a little tighter on our dollar outlay.

I urge you to consider supporting the motion to indefinitely postpone this particular article.

Sudbury School Committee Report: (Mrs. Phyllis Prager) Right now, every school bus costs this Town \$8,100. This is a continuing cost as long as we have school children.

In Article 31, the Woodside Road, LA, LB, LC, LD, we would be without one and possibly two busses when this walkway is completed. We would need one or two crossing guards. These are supplied by the Police Department, and each crossing guard costs about \$2,000. Each school bus is \$8,000. It would be \$16,000 minus \$4,000.

In the Horse Pond School District, HA, HB, CA, CB, we cannot predict a diminishing of school bus costs. However, at the present moment, we do a double run. We have an elementary school run that goes to the Horse Pond Road School at approximately 8:30 and previous to that we have a Noyes-Curtis run. If we have a completion of the Peakham-Old Lancaster Road and the Horse Pond Road walkways, we will be able to come up with another plan possibly that will eliminate Noyes-Curtis run. The problem now is even children who live within walking distance to Curtis Junior High School could get on a bus because the bus has to stop within walking distance for the children who attend Noyes School. They cannot walk from Peakham Road and Blueberry Hill Lane to Noyes, but they could walk to Curtis.

The Fairbank Road walkway, FA, is a Butler Road walkway. Right now, we have a legal opinion from the Safety Officer of the Police Force and the parents have militated very strongly for a walkway there. If we do not put in the walkway, we will have to add a bus that is not in our present contract. Our contract will go up \$8,000.

Concerning the rest of the walkway along Hudson Road, at this point in time, we cannot say we will definitely save a bus because right now we are talking about three-quarters of a mile, or a mile on school walkways. If it is a mile, we will save a bus. If it is three-quarters, we will not. The information we have gotten from our school survey is that many, many people in Town want their children to walk. If we have the walkways, they can do it. If you do not have them, then we have no choice.

Long Range Capital Expenditures Committee Report: (Mr. William T. Rynne) The Long Range Capital Expenditures Committee, in studying the capital expenditures to be made by the Town in the next few years, rates the walkway system and the completion of the walkway system very high in the list of priorities for the Town. We support the Planning Board in this article.

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After discussion, Mr. Rarus' motion for Indefinite Postponement was defeated.

Mr. Ronald Espinola of the Highway Commission then moved to amend the motion by adding the words, "6% of the total", after 67-25, and "94% of the total to be expended" after "and", and add the words, "bituminous concrete", after "stone".

In support of his amendment Mr. Espinola stated that this is simply to clarify the intent of the article. Bituminous concrete was involuntarily left out of the list of materials from which the walkway could be constructed, so we are simply adding that so that that material may be used.

In order to clarify the breakdown between engineering funds and construction funds, we have added the 6% and the 94% after consultation with the Town Engineer and Planning Board and the Highway Commission. We are all in agreement.

Mr. Espinola's amendment was voted.

After further discussion, it was

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$91,761.69; AND APPROPRIATE AND TRANSFER \$57,771.29 FROM THE CONSTRUCTION OF WALKWAYS, LANDHAM ROAD ACCOUNT, ANNUAL TOWN MEETING 1972, ARTICLE 50, AND ANNUAL TOWN MEETING 1973, ARTICLE 32; \$10,233.73 FROM THE CONSTRUCTION OF WALKWAYS, WOODSIDE AND WARREN TO WOODSIDE AND RAMBLING ACCOUNT, [SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, JUNE 13] 1973, ARTICLE 4; AND \$7,753.29 FROM WALKWAY CONSTRUCTION HUDSON ROAD ACCOUNT, 1967 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, ARTICLE 25, 6% OF THE TOTAL TO BE EXPENDED UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN FOR THE ENGINEERING AND 94% OF THE TOTAL TO BE EXPENDED UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE HIGHWAY COMMISSIONERS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF SIDEWALKS, WALKWAYS AND BIKEWAYS OF BRICK, STONE, BITUMINOUS CONCRETE, OR CONCRETE, DESCRIBED IN ARTICLE 31 IN THIS WARRANT FOR THIS MEETING AS LA, LB, LC, LD, HA, FA, FB, FC, FD, AND FE ALONG EXISTING OR PROPOSED EASEMENTS, WITH THE FINAL DESIGN OF THE PROJECT TO BE SUBJECT TO PLANNING BOARD APPROVAL; AND THE AFORESAID BOARDS ARE AUTHORIZED TO APPLY FOR AND RECEIVE IN BEHALF OF THE TOWN GRANTS AND GIFTS AND AID FROM THE STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENTS FOR SAID PROJECTS.

VOTED: TO ADJOURN UNTIL MONDAY, APRIL 29, 1974, AT 8 P.M. IN THIS HALL.

The Moderator announced that the motion passed by more than the required two-thirds.

The meeting adjourned at 10:53 P.M.

PROCEEDINGS

ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

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The Moderator called the meeting to order at 8:16 P.M. at the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School Auditorium. He declared that a quorum was present.

In accordance with the vote taken on April 17, 1974, the Moderator announced that Article 44 was before the hall.

ARTICLE 44: To see if the Town will vote to reaffirm the approval granted under Article 46 of the Warrant for the 1973 Annual Town Meeting in respect of the issuance by Lincoln-Sudbury Regional School District of bonds not exceeding \$175,000 (authorized by said School District Committee on March 20, 1973) for the purpose of financing improvement to the athletic fields at the High School to correct drainage problems, notwithstanding that contrary to earlier expectations, such improvements will not qualify for State Aid, or act on anything relative thereto.

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Submitted by the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional District School Committee.

Lincoln-Sudbury Regional School Committee Report: (Mr. John R. Flather, Jr.)
We seek to reaffirm the approval granted at last year's Town Meeting to issue bonds to improve the athletic field drainage. The reason we are back this year is because most of the drainage work has been found to be non-qualifying for State reimbursement of 65% of the costs. Tonight, Robert Bierig, Chairman of the Regional Building Committee, and I are going to review three elements of the playing field drainage situation with you: one, an updating of the drainage problem; two, a review of the funding history, an explanation of why this article is in the Warrant for reaffirmation; three, a documentation with final plan and firm bid of what we propose to do about the drainage.

The playing fields are wet into the spring. After a heavy rainfall, at least two to three days are required for the water to be absorbed. In 1972, a particularly bad year, the varsity soccer team did not play one game on the varsity soccer field because it was under water. Large parts of our athletic and physical education activities are geared for use of outdoor facilities. In fact, over 40% of our spring and fall classes are dependent on playable field conditions. Therefore, outdoor physical education activities must be curtailed and games have to be scheduled elsewhere. This year, the first two weeks of baseball games have been played elsewhere. Lacross practice has been cancelled six times to date. The net effect is that the poor field conditions adversely affect student morale and the effectiveness of physical education and our athletic programs.

Let us now turn to the funding history. Last year, the Regional School Committee voted to authorize indebtedness of \$175,000, and the Annual Town Meeting approved such bonding with the expectation of 65% reimbursement from the State. Contrary to our expectations, it was subsequently determined by State authorities that most of the project did not qualify for such reimbursement.

The School Committee decided two things. First, to authorize \$23,000 for drainage work that did qualify for State reimbursement. This work was in and around the sewage treatment plant and the bleachers and was best and most efficiently done at the time that those two improvements were being accomplished, not after the fact.

Second, the School Committee also decided to return to the Town Meeting for reaffirmation of approval of prior action which is what I am presenting to you tonight. While we have the legal authority, as you know, to proceed, the ground rules have changed, and we recognize that.

This year, we have obtained firm bids. These were opened on April 4th. We intend to accept the lowest bidder whose bid has been found acceptable in all respects. The Regional School Committee has agreed to bond the total project cost of \$148,000, not the original \$175,000 that was authorized last year. \$148,000 will be bonded over ten years at 5.5% interest. Sudbury's share, 80%, is \$118,400. The cost on the 1974-75 tax rate is zero because this year's budget has been already voted and funded. The cost on the 1975-76 tax rate will be eleven cents approximately.

Plans call for work to begin almost immediately pending your approval, with completion 150 days later. This article has the support of the Long Range Capital Expenditures Committee, Park and Recreation Committee, the Finance Committee and the Board of Selectmen. Those four groups also supported the article one year ago.

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In summary, we seek your approval of this article to meet a long recognized need at the High School. The Town has already made a major investment in the fields for which we are not receiving full use. This impacts on our team sports and physical education program, the well being and morale of our student body. We urge your support to make whole what has previously been done.

Mr. Robert W. Bierig then further reported for the School Committee. He showed slides of the athletic field to indicate the ponding that occurred after any substantial rain, or when there is any frost in the ground and a thaw occurs, and to show that it does not dry up quickly.

He stated that it is the area around the soccer fields that we primarily intend to drain. The soccer fields themselves will individually have swales placed around them. These are shallow ditches that kids can run through. They are very, very gentle. The water will be routed away out to the left where it will be put into a catch basin and drained through a 36-inch pipe that currently exists. There is very little work intended around the football field area. There is some pipe repair on the extreme northern part of the field. There is some drainage over near the left hand baseball diamond.

The 36-inch pipe which catches all of the rainwater off the school itself as well as the rainwater that's currently drained away, is largely intact. It has some joints that are open and that can be repaired. We are not going to replace that pipe. We will simply repair specific sections of it. It has an adequate capacity to carry all of the water we currently have and intend to catch.

Historically what has happened here is that in 1956, in part of the area, there was a swamp in August, and it was a pond in April. The 36-inch pipe used to simply drain into what historically was a creek bed. As the school expanded, the land was filled and the play fields constructed. In 1965, the area that currently exists behind the school was constructed, and it should have worked. It didn't. It began to fail a year after construction, and if you go out and look at it carefully, you can begin to see why. The soccer playfield area is basically a cup, and in the cup there isn't any plug, so when the water goes in it stays there.

The soil itself is relatively poor percolating material. The water table is relatively high. It exists on the average about 24 inches below the surface of the soil. One of the things we intend to do is improve the percolation of the soil there. One of the options within the contract and within the \$148,000 funding is to mix sand with the clay soil that is there. That in sum total is the project.

Park and Recreation Commission Report: (Mr. Robert E. Grant) The Park and Recreation Commission as a group feels that the drainage problems at the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School should be corrected. We have three reasons for feeling this way. We are concerned with the outdoor physical education program, the athletic program, and also the Sudbury Youth Programs.

Our major concern is the physical education program. As you know, all students are required to take physical education, and the spring and fall classes are held out-of-doors. Softball, golf, archery, flag football, speed ball, are just some of the classes that are offered. It is our understanding that many classes are cancelled because of wet grounds. I am referring to the fact that after a half inch of rain, fields are a quagmire and cannot be used from one to several days depending upon the drying conditions. This simply means that classes must be cancelled because it is impossible to offer them inside, or they must take place over in a corner that is often not suitable. As much as 25% of a given program has not been held due to wet conditions. A program is set up, a staff hired, equipment is purchased, but it is impossible to carry out the program completely due to these wet conditions.

In regard to the athletic program, it is almost impossible to have a working practice program. It is very difficult to play to any established schedule. We do not think it is fair to ask our students to participate under such conditions, not to mention asking the visiting teams to do the same.

Our third reason is the various Sudbury Youth Programs. Due to the large number of baseball, football and soccer teams, the Lincoln-Sudbury School Committee has allowed Sudbury to use the athletic fields. We in turn allow the high school teams to use Feeley Park and Featherland Park. With the proper drainage, everyone could make more use of the existing high school facilities.

We ask your support of this article.

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After discussion, it was

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN REAFFIRM THE APPROVAL GRANTED UNDER ARTICLE 46 OF THE WARRANT FOR THE 1973 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING IN RESPECT TO THE ISSUANCE BY THE LINCOLN-SUDBURY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BONDS NOT TO EXCEED \$175,000.00, AUTHORIZED BY SAID SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE ON MARCH 20, 1973, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING IMPROVEMENTS TO THE ATHLETIC FIELDS AT THE HIGH SCHOOL TO CORRECT DRAINAGE PROBLEMS NOTWITHSTANDING THAT, CONTRARY TO EARLIER EXPECTATIONS, SUCH IMPROVEMENTS WILL NOT QUALIFY FOR STATE AID.

In favor - 158; Opposed 95. (Total - 253)

- ARTICLE 32: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$51,000, or any other sum, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen and/or the Planning Board, for planning and preliminary engineering for the following sidewalks, walkways and bikeways of brick, stone, or concrete, as follows:
- School
Walkways -
Planning/
Prelim.
Engineering
- A. In the Haynes School District, within one and one-half miles of the school in rights of way or easements already acquired, or to be acquired, in the following locations:
- HA. Along Haynes Road, from the Haynes School to the intersection of North Road (Route 117) on the northwest, a distance of 2,000 feet, more or less;
- HB. Along North Road, from the intersection of Haynes Road to the intersection of Puffer Lane on the east, a distance of 2,000 feet, more or less;
- HC. Along North Road, from the intersection of Haynes Road to the intersection of Great Road and Longfellow Street on the west, a distance of 4,200 feet, more or less;
- HD. Along Great Road, from the intersection of North Road and Longfellow Street on the east, to the Maynard Town Line on the west, a distance of 1,600 feet, more or less;
- HE. Along Haynes Road, from the Haynes School, to the intersection of Puffer Lane and Dunster Road on the southeast, a distance of 1,100 feet, more or less;
- HF. Along a proposed easement, from the vicinity of the Haynes Road, Hadley Road, Dunster Road and Puffer Lane area, to the vicinity of the Mossman Road, Silver Hill Road, Farm Lane, Old Coach Road, Ledge Road and Sylvan Way area on the southwest, a distance of 3,000 feet, more or less;
- HG. Along Mossman Road, from the intersection of Ledge Road near Silver Hill Road, to the intersection of North Road on the north, a distance of 4,200 feet, more or less;
- HH. Along Mossman Road, from the intersection of Ledge Road near Silver Hill Road, to the intersection of Marlboro Road near Morse Road on the southeast, a distance of 3,500 feet, more or less;
- HI. Along Marlboro Road, from the intersection of Mossman Road near Morse Road, to the intersection of Minuteman Lane on the southwest, a distance of 600 feet, more or less;
- HJ. Along Morse Road, from the intersection of Marlboro Road near Mossman Road, to the intersection of Wake Robin Road on the southeast, a distance of 7,200 feet, more or less;
- B. In the Curtis Junior High School District, within one and one-half miles of the school in rights of way or easements already acquired, or to be acquired, in the following locations:
- CC. Along Peakham Road, from the existing walkway on Pratt's Mill Road, at the intersection of Horse Pond Road to the intersection of Robert Best Road near Bent Road on the southwest, a distance of 6,700 feet, more or less;
- CD. Along Old Lancaster Road, from the existing walkway on Peakham Road on the south, to the intersection of Hudson Road on the north, a distance of 3,200 feet, more or less;

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- CE. Along Willow Road from the existing walkway on Pratt's Mill Road to Hemlock Road on the west, a distance of 1,300 feet, more or less;
- CF. Along Hemlock Road from the intersection of Willow Road to the intersection of Tanbark Road, a distance of 450 feet, more or less;
- CG. Along Tanbark Road from the intersection of Hemlock Road to a proposed walkway on Austin Road, a distance of 950 feet, more or less;

and to determine whether the appropriation shall be raised by taxation, transferred from available funds, provided by borrowing, or by any combination of the foregoing, or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Planning Board.

[See diagram, page 277]

Mrs. Gillespie of the Planning Board moved that Article 32 be divided as follows: Part I - Walkways HF, CC, CD, CE, CF, and CG; Part II - Walkways HA, HB, HC, HD, HE, HG, HH, HI, and HJ.

Mrs. Gillespie stated that the purpose of the motion was to give the Town greater options on whether or not they wanted to do all or part of the walkway planning coming up in the next year.

The motion to divide the question was voted.

Mrs. Gillespie then moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$21,000, to be expended under the Board of Selectmen subject to the specifications of the Planning Board, for the planning and preliminary engineering for the sidewalks, walkways and bikeways of brick, stone, concrete or bituminous concrete described in Article 32 of the Warrant for this meeting as HF, CC, CD, CE, CF, and CG.

Planning Board Report: (Mrs. Gillespie) For the past several years, we have had a continuing program of walkway planning followed by walkway construction the next year or so. The dotted lines on the map [See page 277] are the ones referred to in Article 32, specifically the dotted line going across from roughly the vicinity of Sylvan Way to Haynes School, Section HF. There is another dotted line in the vicinity of Curtis Junior High which are the ones that start with the C designations.

Article 32 was submitted in toto by the Planning Board because we really felt that to continue this cycle we ought to go ahead with the whole package. All of the walkways in this article are within a mile and a half of public schools, and they are designed to serve schools, and not other public or semi-public facilities. They are all eligible for one-third reimbursement for planning and construction funds.

But when we reviewed this article, the total package, with the Finance Committee, Selectmen and others, we became very aware that the Town might feel that perhaps this is too much of a thing to go ahead with in toto for one year. That is why we divided it.

We strongly recommend your approval of Part I, which is the HF and the C's. This will permit us to go ahead at just about the same rate of construction, about \$100,000 worth of construction for this amount of walkway planning, per year. Otherwise, we come to a grinding halt, and it is not just a halt for one year. It is a halt for more than one year because when you delay planning then you have to start that cycle all over again.

We are recommending approval of Section HF which is a Haynes School walkway because we are aware that any walkway proposed over unknown easements instead of along the side of roads will take longer to engineer and negotiate with the land-owners involved. Construction of this portion is probably two years or more away still.

The walkways in the vicinity of Curtis will complete a network in that area and permit more junior high school age children to safely walk to school.

Finance Committee Report: (Mrs. Edwards) We recommend support of this portion of the article.

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Board of Selectmen Report: (Mr. Powers) The Selectmen are in favor of this portion of Article 32.

Mr. John J. Drum *moved* to amend the article by adding the paragraph, "Any requests for the construction of walkways that arise out of this appropriation shall be accompanied by data giving the separation distance between the proposed walkway and the adjacent road surface, in particular for each 1,000 feet or less of the proposed walkway, the percentage of length shall be given for which the separation distance shall be A. less than six feet, and B. less than four feet."

In support of his motion, Mr. Drum stated that a principal factor in walkway quality is the separation distance between the walkway and the road surface. Safety is closely related to separation. In looking over a number of these walkways in Town that presently exist, I came to the conclusion that a minimum separation of six feet is desirable. Unfortunately, it is not always possible to maintain this six foot separation distance. In fact, there are many pressures on the planners and the surveyors to reduce this distance, and you can see the results along Concord Road, along Warren Road, Pratt's Mill Road, and other places.

The purpose of this amendment is two-fold. First, simply to establish the principle that we are interested in maintaining a minimum distance there. So far to this date, I don't believe anybody has stated that the separation distance is a matter of interest.

Secondly, I think when a construction article comes in and this data is presented, the Town will be alerted to proposed construction in which the quality is likely to be low simply because of a minimal separation distance. In fact, I envision the possibility that if the percentages were too high, the Town could simply turn down an article for that reason and say, "Come back next year with a revised proposal of some kind". At any rate, the Town could weigh the cost of the walkway against the implied quality of the walkway as given by the distances and then decide on things more realistically. Incidentally, I am in favor of this section of Article 32.

Upon the suggestion of Mr. Buxbaum, and the approval of Mr. Drum, the Moderator requested and received unanimous consent to change the motion so that the paragraph to be added would read, "Any plans for the construction of walkways that arise out of this appropriation..."

Mr. Drum's motion, as changed by unanimous consent, was *voted*.

After further discussion, it was

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$21,000.00 TO BE EXPENDED UNDER THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, SUBJECT TO THE SPECIFICATIONS OF THE PLANNING BOARD, FOR THE PLANNING AND PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING FOR THE SIDEWALKS, WALKWAYS AND BIKEWAYS OF BRICK, STONE, CONCRETE OR BITUMINOUS CONCRETE, DESCRIBED IN ARTICLE 32 OF THE WARRANT FOR THIS MEETING AS HF, CC, CD, CE, CF, AND CG; AND THAT ANY PLANS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF WALKWAYS THAT ARISE OUT OF THIS APPROPRIATION SHALL BE ACCOMPANIED BY DATA GIVING THE SEPARATION DISTANCE BETWEEN THE PROPOSED WALKWAY AND THE ADJACENT ROAD SURFACE, IN PARTICULAR FOR EACH 1,000 FEET OR LESS OF THE PROPOSED WALKWAY, THE PERCENTAGE OF LENGTH SHALL BE GIVEN FOR WHICH THE SEPARATION DISTANCE SHALL BE A. LESS THAN SIX FEET, AND B. LESS THAN FOUR FEET.

Mrs. Gillespie then *moved* that the Town raise and appropriate \$29,000, to be expended under the Board of Selectmen, subject to the specifications of the Planning Board, for the planning and preliminary engineering of the sidewalks, walkways and bikeways of brick, stone, concrete or bituminous concrete, described in Article 32 in the Warrant for this meeting as HA, HE, HC, HD, HG, HH, HI, AND HJ.

Planning Board Report: (Mrs. Gillespie) The Planning Board feels that these are important walkways. North Sudbury has long been the step-child in the walkway program. This is quite unfair. There are many families up there who are equally anxious for their children to be able to walk and bike safely. Let's not try and kid ourselves into thinking that the roads in North Sudbury will magically become safer or the construction costs will become lower as the years slip by. We need these walkways as much, or more, than any others. Think of Route 117, Haynes Road, etc. They are high speed, heavily travelled roads. We urge you to consider these

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problems of safety and cost thoughtfully, and plan these North Sudbury walkways now so that they will be able to be constructed at the earliest possible date.

A very legitimate question that we tried to answer is how many busses will these walkways save. The answer this year is that we really don't know. School bussing is increasingly expensive. They now cost over \$8,000 each. When we began the walkway program a few years ago, they only cost \$4,500 each. On the other hand, the Sudbury Schools and the Regional now run a combined bus system, so comparative figures are really impossible to obtain. We do want to assure the North Sudbury residents that if the feeling of this Town Meeting is that it is not yet the year, next year the North Sudbury walkway system will be at the very top of our priority list for planning.

Finance Committee Report: The Finance Committee supports implementation of the "Long Range Walkway Plan for Sudbury" but believes the Town cannot afford to proceed at the pace proposed in Articles 32 through 34. Recommend disapproval.

Board of Selectmen Report: (Mr. Powers) The Board of Selectmen unanimously opposes this part of Article 32. As we indicated in Article 32A, we think that three miles is a sufficient length per year. We think this additional four and one-half to five miles is beyond a properly staged program. It has nothing to do with where the program is laid up. It has very much to do with how much we plan and how much we budget each year.

Mr. Drum moved to amend this section of Article 32 in the same manner as he had amended the previous section relative to separation distances. Mr. Drum's amendment was voted.

After discussion, Mrs. Gillespie's motion, as amended, was defeated. In favor - 116; Opposed - 118. (Total - 234)

The Moderator announced that at the request of the Planning Board, the discussion of Articles 33 and 34 would be taken together. Motions and votes would be taken separately under each article.

ARTICLE 33: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$91,000, or any other sum, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen and/or the Highway Commission, for the final engineering and construction of sidewalks, walkways and bikeways of brick, stone or concrete, in conjunction with the Massachusetts Bicentennial Commission's program of a bikeway system in rights of way or easements already acquired, or to be acquired, in the following locations:

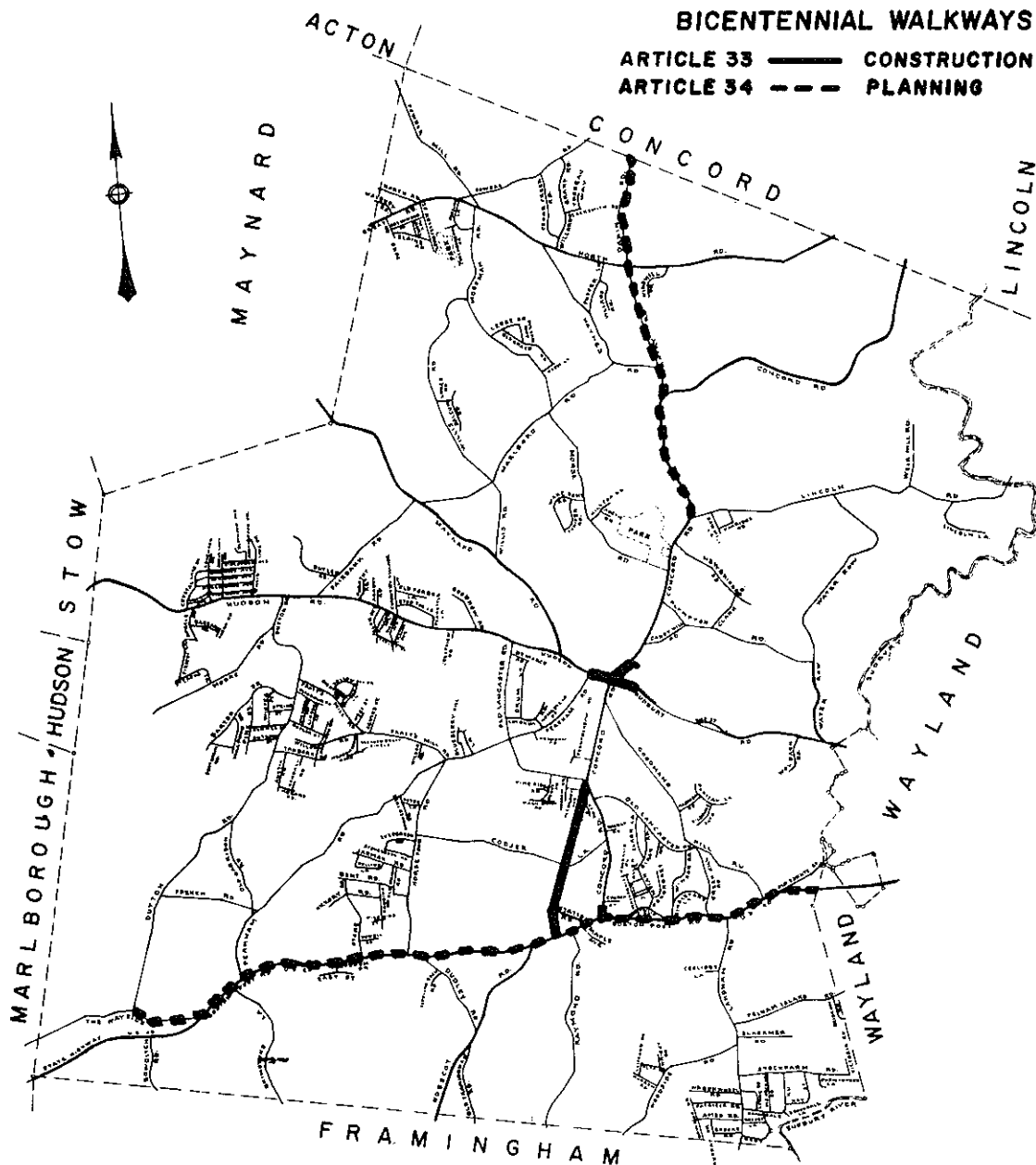
- BA. In Sudbury Centre, from the existing and proposed walkways at the intersection of Concord, Hudson and Old Sudbury Roads, to the existing walkway at the rear of the Town Hall by the Revolutionary Cemetery on the northeast, a distance of 350 feet, more or less.
- BB. Along Old Sudbury Road, from the existing walkway on Concord Road at the Hosmer House and Heritage Park on the west, to the White Building and the Sudbury Methodist Church on the east, a distance of 830 feet, more or less;
- BC. Along Hudson Road, from the intersection of Concord Road at Old Sudbury Road on the east, to the intersection of Peakham Road at the Penn Central Railroad crossing on the west, a distance of 840 feet, more or less;
- BD. Along Concord Road, from the existing walkway on Concord Road opposite the Goodnow Library on the north, to the intersection of Boston Post Road on the south, a distance of 450 feet, more or less;
- BE. Along Union Avenue, from the intersection of Boston Post Road on the south, to the Boston and Maine Railroad crossing at the intersection of Station Road on the north, a distance of 1,000 feet, more or less;

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BF. Along Union Avenue, from the Boston and Maine Railroad, Central Massachusetts Division, crossing at the intersection of Station Road on the south, to the existing walkway on Concord Road at the intersection of Old Lancaster Road on the north, a distance of 4,130 feet, more or less;

and to determine whether the appropriation shall be raised by taxation, transferred from available funds, provided by borrowing, or by any combination of the foregoing, or act on anything relative thereto.

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Mrs. Gillespie moved that Article 33 be divided as follows: Part I - walkways, bikeways, BA, BB, and BC; Part II - walkways, bikeways, BD, BE and BF.

Mrs. Gillespie stated that the Planning Board really recommended the total program but in order to give the Town greater flexibility in voting and committing money towards construction of walkways, we are asking to divide it.

Mrs. Gillespie's motion to divide was defeated.

Mrs. Gillespie then moved that the Town appropriate \$106,105, 6% of the total to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen for engineering and 94% of the total under the direction of the Highway Commissioners for the construction of sidewalks, walkways, and bikeways of brick, stone, bituminous concrete or concrete, in conjunction with the Massachusetts Bicentennial Commission program of a bikeway system, in rights of way or easements already acquired or to be acquired in the locations described in Article 33 in the Warrant of this meeting as BA, BB, BC, BD, BE, AND BF, and to meet the appropriation, the Town appropriate and transfer \$11,105 from free cash and authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen to borrow \$95,000 under General Laws, Chapter 44, as amended, with the final design of the project to be subject to the Planning Board approval.

Planning Board Report: (Mrs. Gillespie) The Planning Board last year urged your support of the preliminary planning and engineering money for a Union Avenue walkway. Voters overwhelmingly agreed that Union Avenue is a dangerous place for children and other people to walk and bike and approved those funds. We said at that time, we would be coming to the 1974 Annual Town Meeting for construction money for the Union Avenue project. Here we are.

The traffic on Union Avenue has neither decreased nor slowed down in the past year. The walkway is needed more than ever. Because this walkway would not be eligible for School Aid, we have tied Union Avenue in with the existing Concord Road walkway and some short stretches of walkway around historic Sudbury Centre and the southerly tip of Concord Road, so that if and when the Massachusetts Bicentennial Walkway-Bikeway Program is funded, we can be first in line for reimbursement funds. Even if the Bicentennial Program never gets funded, the Planning Board unanimously recommends construction of the Union Avenue walkway this year.

The Sudbury Centre walkways-bikeways proposed are the connecting links between our existing walkways and key facilities or points of interest. These short stretches will connect for visitors and residents the Revolutionary Cemetery, historic First Parish Church, Town Hall, our Bicentennial Visitors Information Center, parking in the Methodist Church parking lot, and the new Sudbury Green shopping center. They will keep a lot of people safely out of the roads and certainly will be built later, if not now. In the interest of good planning and safety for our citizens and Bicentennial visitors, we feel we should build them now.

Finance Committee Report: Recommend disapproval.

Board of Selectmen Report: (Mr. Powers) The Board of Selectmen unanimously opposes this article. The article was primarily introduced based upon the concept that Federal or State funding would be available for two of the programs that have been submitted by the Massachusetts Bicentennial Commission and that are being looked upon with some favor by the Federal government. At this point, there are no funds whatsoever, either on the State level or on the Federal level.

Our feeling might change if during the next year, some funds are appropriated. At the moment, none are, and none seem to be forthcoming. We think it is inappropriate on that basis to proceed with what is a rather massive piece of engineering work and construction. We would only approve in the event that situation changed in a major fashion we do not anticipate on the basis of all of the information we have both from Washington and from Boston.

The Moderator stated that since borrowing is involved, a two-thirds vote was required. He asked for a hand vote to see where we stood first. After such vote, Mrs. Gillespie moved *Indefinite Postponement*.

VOTED: INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT.

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ARTICLE 34: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$34,000, or any other sum, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen and/or the Planning Board, for planning and preliminary engineering for sidewalks, walkways and bikeways of brick, stone or concrete, in conjunction with the Massachusetts Bicentennial Commission's program of a bikeway system in rights of way or easements already acquired, or to be acquired, as follows:

- BG. Along Wayside Inn Road, from the intersection of Dutton Road at the Wayside Inn to the intersection of Boston Post Road on the east, a distance of 2,500 feet, more or less;
- BH. Along Boston Post Road, from the intersection of Wayside Inn Road to the Wayland Town Line on the east, a distance of 20,100 feet, more or less;
- BI. Along Concord Road, from the existing walkway at the intersection of Lincoln Road to the intersection of Pantry Road on the north, a distance of 4,300 feet, more or less;
- BJ. Along Pantry Road, from the intersection of Concord Road to the intersection of North Road at Dakin Road on the north, a distance of 4,200 feet, more or less;
- BK. Along Dakin Road, from the intersection of North Road at Pantry Road to the Concord Town Line on the north (being 350 feet, more or less, from an existing walkway/bikeway system in the Town of Concord, leading to Concord Center), a distance of 3,730 feet, more or less;

and to determine whether the appropriation shall be raised by taxation, transferred from available funds, provided by borrowing, or by any combination of the foregoing, or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Planning Board.

[For diagram, see page 287]

Mrs. Gillespie moved that the Town appropriate \$5,000 to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen subject to the specifications of the Planning Board for the planning and preliminary engineering of sidewalks, walkways and bikeways of brick, stone, bituminous concrete or concrete in conjunction with the Massachusetts Bicentennial Commission's program of a bikeway system in rights of way or easements already acquired or to be acquired in locations described in Article 34 of the Warrant for this meeting as BG, BH, BI, BJ, and BK.

Planning Board Report: (Mrs. Gillespie) We have had many requests over the years on the Planning Board for a walkway along Route 20, and it certainly seems to us that providing a safe path for walkers and bikers along the busiest thoroughfare is necessary. Since the Route 20 walkway would not be eligible for funding under School Aid and we realize that its construction would be costly, and since State officials have said they are not interested in paying for it, we have been looking for other planning and construction money. The only possible source that we see on the horizon, no matter how dubious it is, is the Bicentennial Bikeway Program. In order to be eligible for it, we had to tie together historic points. So we tied together historic Wayside Inn with the historic Wayland Town Line. We are tying together historic Boston Post Road and historic Lincoln-Sudbury High School with the historic Concord Town Line. It is better than nothing, and it might get us back some money.

We are proposing under this article to spend a very token amount, \$5,000, to do some preliminary engineering and planning for some portions of this walkway. If and when the Bicentennial Program is funded, we will have shown good faith and intent and will be first in line for whatever planning and construction money is available. The actual amount of money needed to do the planning and engineering for these two portions of walkway is about \$34,000. If we don't approve this token amount this year and the program is funded, it is extremely dubious that we would be eligible for any reimbursement. We urge you to vote this amount. We will use it wisely, and the planning money will never be wasted.

Finance Committee Report: Recommend disapproval.

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Board of Selectmen Report: (Mr. Powers) The Board of Selectmen, in accordance with its historic position on the previous article, is opposed to this article.

Mr. Arthur Babigian then moved *Indefinite Postponement*.

VOTED: INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT.

ARTICLE 35: To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of any one or more of the following ways:

Accept
Layout
of Ways

- *A. The Wayside Inn Road, from Boston Post Road westerly, a distance of 5,493 feet, more or less, to the Marlborough Town Line;
- *B. Elaine Road, from Ford Road southeasterly, a distance of 1,253 feet, more or less, to Longfellow Road;
- *C. Currey Lane, from Greenwood Road southeasterly, a distance of 527 feet, more or less, to Elaine Road; [read: Curry Lane]
- *D. Ford Road, from Great Road southeasterly, a distance of 658 feet, more or less, to Elaine Road and Elsbeth Road;
- *E. Greenwood Road, from Ford Road Northeasterly, a distance of 1,174 feet, more or less, to Longfellow Street;
- *F. Longfellow Street, from Great Road southeasterly, a distance of 1,554 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- *G. Maybury Road, from Great Road northwesterly, a distance of 676 feet, more or less, to the Maynard Town Line;
- #H. Blacksmith Drive, from Willard Grant Road easterly, a distance of 1,599 feet, more or less, to Dakin Road;
- *I. Cedar Creek Road, from Willard Grant Road northerly, a distance of 2,232 feet, more or less, to Powers Road;
- *J. Thoreau Way, from Blacksmith Drive northerly, a distance of 559 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- *K. Willard Grant Road, from Great Road northerly, a distance of 3,191 feet, more or less, to Powers Road; [read: from North Road]
- L. Stone Root Lane, from Mossman Road southerly, a distance of 811 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- M. Minuteman Lane, from Marlboro Road northwesterly, a distance of 766 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- N. Emerson Way, from Moore Road southwesterly, a distance of 877 feet, more or less, to a dead end; [read: from Morse Road]
- O. Minebrook Road, from Maynard Road northeasterly, a distance of 1,016 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- P. Ward Road, from Maynard Road southwesterly, a distance of 852 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- Q. Parmenter Road, from Fairbank Road northwesterly, a distance of 529 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- R. Intervale Road, from Hudson Road northeasterly, a distance of 1,300 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- S. Country Village Lane, from Hudson Road northerly, a distance of 1,386 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- T. Grindstone Lane, from Country Village Lane southeast, a distance of 990 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- U. Old Forge Lane, from Country Village Lane southeast, a distance of 935 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- *V. Stubtoe Lane, from Country Village Lane southeast, a distance of 1,271 feet, more or less, to Teakettle Lane;
- *W. Teakettle Lane, from Hudson Road northeasterly, a distance of 480 feet, more or less, to Stubtoe Lane;
- X. Churchill Street, from Saxony Drive northwesterly, a distance of 1,805 feet, more or less, to a dead end;

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- Y. Normandy Drive, from Saxony Drive northwesterly, a distance of 1,677 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- Z. Saxony Drive, from Hudson Road southwesterly and southeasterly, a distance of 1,856 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- AA. Tudor Road, from Hampshire Drive southwesterly, a distance of 555 feet, more or less, to Normandy Drive;
- *AB. Aaron Road, from Firecut northeasterly, a distance of 635 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- *AC. Barbara Road, from Ronald Road southeasterly, a distance of 950 feet, more or less, to Aaron Road;
- *AD. Firecut Lane, from Stearns Lane northeasterly, northerly and southeasterly, a distance of 2,232 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- AE. Middle Road, from Firecut Lane southeasterly, a distance of 1,025 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- *AF. Ronald Road, from Hudson Road southwesterly and southeasterly, a distance of 979 feet, more or less, to Firecut Lane;
- *AG. Stearns Lane, from Moore Road northeasterly and southwesterly, a distance of 1,574 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- AH. Partridge Lane, from Surrey Lane northwesterly, a distance of 722 feet, more or less, to Pondview Road;
- AI. Pondview Road, from Surrey Lane northwesterly, westerly and southwesterly, a distance of 1,272 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- AJ. Surrey Lane, from Moore Road southwesterly, a distance of 2,080 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- AK. Raynor Road, from Moore Road easterly, a distance of 1,238 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- AL. Oak Hill Road, from Pratt's Mill Road northerly, a distance of 1,005 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- AM. Kendall Road, from Tanbark Road southwesterly, a distance of 1,107 feet, more or less, to Hobart Road;
- AN. Forest Street, from Peakham Road southerly, a distance of 1,562 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- AO. Woodberry Road, from Forest Street westerly, a distance of 356 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- AP. Pride's Crossing Road, from The Wayside Inn Road northerly, northeasterly and westerly, a distance of 4,811 feet, more or less, to the Marlborough Town Line;
- AQ. Lafayette Drive, from Boston Post Road northerly, a distance of 1,744 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- AR. Revere Street, from Lafayette Drive easterly, a distance of 480 feet, more or less, to Washington Drive;
- AS. Revolutionary Road, from Washington Drive northerly, a distance of 700 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- AT. Washington Drive, from Revere Street northerly, a distance of 273 feet, more or less, to a dead end and southeasterly, a distance of 1,831 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- AU. Woodland Road, from Dudley Road easterly, a distance of 860 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- AV. Metacomet Way, from Winsor Road northerly, a distance of 557 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- AW. Moran Circle, from Raymond Road northwesterly and southwesterly, a distance of 1,060 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- AX. Cider Mill Road, from Raymond Road southeasterly, a distance of 2,292 feet, more or less, to Rambling Road;

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- AY. Land's End Lane, from Warren Road southwesterly, a distance of 1,435 feet, more or less, to Robert Frost Road;
- AZ. Lombard Lane, from Rambling Road northwesterly, a distance of 685 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- BA. Rambling Road, from Woodside Road northerly, a distance of 1,805 feet, more or less, to Warren Road;
- BB. Robert Frost Road, from Cider Mill Road northeasterly, a distance of 930 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- #BC. Warren Road, from Raymond Road southeasterly, a distance of 2,992 feet, more or less, to Woodside Road;
- BD. Wagonwheel Road, from Landham Road northwesterly, a distance of 1,920 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- BE. Hawthorne Drive, from Pelham Island Road northwesterly, a distance of 564 feet, more or less, to a dead end;
- *BF. Penny Meadow Road, from Concord Road northwesterly and southwesterly, a distance of 1,407 feet, more or less, to two dead ends;

as laid out by the Highway Commissioners, in accordance with the descriptions and plans now on file in the Town Clerk's office; to authorize the acquisition, by purchase, by gift or by a taking by eminent domain, of the property shown on said plans, in fee simple; and to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$2,000, or any other sum, therefor, and all expenses in connection therewith, or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Highway Commission.

[Ways previously voted at a town meeting are marked with a *. Portion of ways previously voted, neither of which has been officially recorded, are marked with a #.]

Highway Commission Report: (Mr. Carter) This article is the result of an investigation by the Planning Board to find what ways in the Town, which were commonly used as public ways, were not legally accepted as public ways by the Town. Hearings have been held on most of these roads by the Highway Department, but there was some deficiency in making the necessary legal filings for the Town to accept the roads. That is the purpose of this article.

Planning Board Report: (Mr. Stevens) The Planning Board recommends approval of this article and urges your support.

Finance Committee Report: Recommend approval.

Town Counsel Report: (Mr. Stuart DeBard) For a number of years, it was possible to dedicate a street and then have it become a public way. However, a recent decision of the Massachusetts Supreme Court ruled that there was no such thing as a dedication, or acceptance by implication. Towns have to go through the exact provisions of Chapter 82, sections 22 and 23. This article will lay to rest, forever, whether these streets are your public ways or not.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: THAT THE TOWN ACCEPT THE LAYOUT OF THE FOLLOWING WAYS: THE WAYSIDE INN ROAD, ELAINE ROAD, CURRY LANE, FORD ROAD, GREENWOOD ROAD, LONGFELLOW STREET, MAYBURY ROAD, BLACKSMITH DRIVE, THOREAU WAY, EMERSON WAY, MINEBROOK ROAD, WARD ROAD, PARMENTER ROAD, COUNTRY VILLAGE LANE, GRINDSTONE LANE, OLD FORGE LANE, STUBTOE LANE, TEAKETTLE LANE, CHURCHILL STREET, NORMANDY DRIVE, SAXONY DRIVE, TUDOR ROAD, AARON ROAD, BARBARA ROAD, FIRECUT LANE, MIDDLE ROAD, RONALD ROAD, STEARNS LANE, PARTRIDGE LANE, PONDVIEW ROAD, SURREY LANE, RAYNOR ROAD, OAK HILL ROAD, KINDALL ROAD, WOODLAND ROAD, METACOMET WAY, PRIDE'S CROSSING ROAD, WAGON WHEEL ROAD, HAWTHORNE DRIVE, PENNY MEADOW ROAD, AS LAID OUT BY THE HIGHWAY COMMISSIONERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DESCRIPTIONS AND PLANS NOW ON FILE IN THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE, TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION BY PURCHASE, BY GIFT, OR BY A TAKING BY EMINENT DOMAIN, OF THE PROPERTY SHOWN ON SAID PLANS, IN FEE SIMPLE; AND TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$2,000.00 THEREFOR AND ALL EXPENSES IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

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ARTICLE 36: To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of Elsbeth Road, from Ford Road southwesterly, a distance of 767 feet, more or less, to the Maynard Town Line, as laid out by the Highway Commissioners, in accordance with the descriptions and plans now on file in the Town Clerk's office, to authorize the acquisition, in fee simple, by purchase, by gift or by a taking by eminent domain, of the property shown on said plans, and to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$8,000, or any other sum, therefor, and the repair thereof, or act on anything relative thereto.

Accept
Layout-
Elsbeth
Road

Submitted by the Highway Commission.

Highway Commission Report: This article is the result of an investigation by the Planning Board to find what ways in the Town, which are commonly used as public ways, were not legally accepted as public ways by the Town. The funds sought for in the article are to be expended for filing the necessary documents in the Registry of Deeds, and in addition, funds to provide necessary repairs on Elsbeth Road.

Finance Committee Report: The Finance Committee supports this article to correct long standing unsatisfactory condition of a development roadway and recommends approval of the requested cost of \$8,000 to be expended for its repair and acceptance as a public way.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: (CONSENT CALENDAR) INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT.

ARTICLE 37: To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of a portion of Robbins Road and Howell Road, as laid out by the Highway Commissioners, in accordance with the descriptions and plans now on file in the Town Clerk's office and to authorize the acquisition in fee simple, by purchase, by gift or by a taking by eminent domain, of the property shown on said plans, and to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$3,000, or any other sum, therefor, and the repair thereof, or act on anything relative thereto.

Accept
Layout-
Robbins/
Howell
Roads

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

Board of Selectmen Report: (Mr. Powers) This article was submitted by the Board on behalf of the residents on Robbins and Howell Roads who have had a great deal of trouble over the past many years with the conditions of this road. The change in the amount of the dollar figure that is represented here is based upon engineering studies made by the Town Engineer in conjunction with the Highway Department and should be sufficient to put this road in the same condition as the others were.

Planning Board Report: (Mr. Stevens) The Planning Board has discussed this, but has not taken an official vote on this article.

Highway Commission Report: (Mr. Welch) The Highway Commission supports and recommends your approval of the layout and acceptance of Robbins and Howell Roads. The proposition before you this evening is the result of appropriate citizen interaction through the petition process with their elected and appointed officials. All but a small portion of the entire length of these streets are presently paved. The funds requested will provide for the proper construction of the remaining portions of these streets and for the completion of the yet unfinished drainage facility located on these streets. The Highway Commission is of the opinion that acceptance and construction should be accomplished at this time.

We recommend approval.

Finance Committee Report: (Mr. Clough) The \$11,000 cost now requested by the Highway Commission is the result of a joint agreement between the Town Surveyor and the Highway Superintendent on the actual cost to be incurred in preparing the roads under consideration for acceptance. This acceptance of this particular portion of Robbins Road and Howell Road is long overdue. The Finance Committee recommended approval of the article.

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VOTED: THAT THE TOWN ACCEPT THE LAYOUT OF A PORTION OF ROBBINS ROAD AND HOWELL ROAD AS LAID OUT BY THE HIGHWAY COMMISSIONERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DESCRIPTIONS AND PLANS NOW ON FILE IN THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION IN FEE SIMPLE, BY PURCHASE, BY GIFT OR BY A TAKING BY EMINENT DOMAIN, OF THE PROPERTY SHOWN ON SAID PLANS, AND TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$11,000.00 THEREFOR, AND THE REPAIR THEREOF.

In favor - 127; Opposed - 49. (Total - 176)

ARTICLE 38: To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout, alteration and relocation of a portion of Union Avenue from Boston Post Road, northerly 1000', more or less, to the southerly end of the 1947 County layout of Union Avenue at the intersection of Station Road, as laid out, altered and relocated by the Highway Commissioners, in accordance with the description and plans now on file in the Town Clerk's office, and to authorize the acquisition in fee simple, by purchase, gift, or taking by eminent domain of the property shown on said plan, and to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$2,000, or any other sum, therefor, and all expenses in connection therewith, or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Highway Commission.

Highway Commission Report: The Highway Commission has recently been made aware that this portion of Union Avenue has never been recorded as a Town way. The Highway Commission strongly feels that in view of the development and proposed construction by the Town in the immediate vicinity that proper layout be made at this time.

Finance Committee Report: The Finance Committee recommends approval of this Warrant article to accept the proposed layout, etc., of Union Avenue at the estimated cost of \$2,000, so that it may be properly recorded as a public way.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: (CONSENT CALENDAR) IN THE WORDS OF THE ARTICLE, EXCEPT "RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$2,000.00".

Upon a motion made by Mr. Clough, it was

VOTED: TO ADJOURN UNTIL TOMORROW NIGHT, APRIL 30, 1974, AT 8:00 P.M. IN THIS HALL.

The Moderator declared that the motion had passed by more than the two-thirds required.

The meeting adjourned at 10:31 P.M.

PROCEEDINGS

ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

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The Moderator called the meeting to order at 8:20 P.M. at the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School Auditorium. He declared that a quorum was present.

He announced that Mr. Galeota of the Highway Commission had indicated that he wished to make a joint presentation on Articles 39 and 40. He stated that discussion of both articles would take place under Article 39, but that the motions and votes would be separated.

ARTICLE 39: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$13,500, or any other sum, to be expended under the direction of the Highway Commission, for the purchase of contract engineering drawings and specifications for drainage systems construction, or act on anything relative thereto.

Drainage System Engineering Plans
Submitted by the Highway Commission.

Mr. Galeota moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$13,500 to be expended under the direction of the Highway Commission for the purchase of contract engineering drawings and specifications for drainage system construction in the Pine Lakes area.

The Moderator then requested and received consent for Mr. Elliot Tucker to sit in the hall and answer questions relative to this article and Article 40.

Highway Commission Report: (Mr. Galeota) As far back as we can remember, surface drainage in Sudbury has been a serious problem. The seriousness of Sudbury's drainage problems are emphasized in the Finance Committee Report way back in 1967 relative to the Highway Department budget. It became of paramount concern to the Highway Commission during the construction of the drainage system on Goodman Hill Road from 1967 to 1972 with a total cost to the Town of over \$125,000. We were concerned about that sort of expenditure for a small leg of drainage and about its impact downstream.

Once again at the 1972 Annual Town Meeting, the Highway Commission, after review of the cost estimates for the reconstruction of a portion of Old Lancaster Road, moved Indefinite Postponement because the surface drainage costs were more than the actual reconstruction costs of the roadway. Once again, we did not know what impact that was going to have downstream.

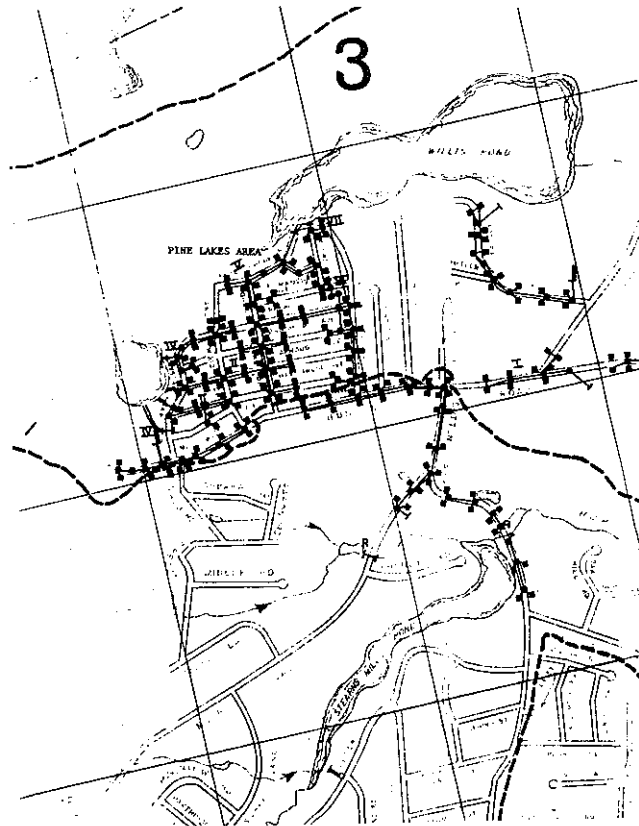
We then knew we had to take a much broader view of the Town's entire drainage problems. We stopped our roadway reconstruction program in 1972, and in 1973 we asked you to take a long hard look at the problem with us. You did and appropriated \$40,000 to engage a consultant to provide us with an extensive overview of the Town's drainage problems.

The study was to tell us where the problems existed, how to remove the surface drainage from the public ways in the Town, and how to conserve the runoff in ponding areas in line with our water conservation goals. Immediately after the Town Meeting, the Commission established a scope for the study and advertised for bids. Prior to the bid opening, the Commission held a pre-bid conference attended by the Commission, our Superintendent and eight representatives from the consultant engineering firms well equipped to perform this type of study. As part of the scope, we established that a section of the report evaluating the Pine Lakes area be completed and returned to the Commission no later than August, 1973, in order that we could submit a proposal to you at this Town Meeting. This order was complied with, and the entire report was furnished to the Commission in February of 1974.

You might ask why the Pine Lakes area rather than other drainage areas of the Town. The drainage areas of the Town have been problems for many years. The Highway Commission, over the last three to four years, has expended approximately \$25,000 in this area in an attempt to provide relief for those taxpayers who are annually flooded out by storm water running off the roads and flooding their homes, their sewerage leaching areas and raising the possibility of contaminating their water supply systems, which in many cases in that area are shallow dug wells.

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Of the forty to sixty flooding calls received by the Highway Commission every year, over 50% of those are from the Pine Lakes area. We used the best low cost principles available to us to arrest the problem, and very honestly, we failed. We, the Town and the Commissioners, have a tort filed against us since August, 1972, for negligence and nuisance causing property damage in that Pine Lakes area. The case has been continued because we have told the court we are endeavoring to correct the problem by virtue of implementation of our study. I have been informed by the attorney for the complainant that this case will be heard during the first week in May and the judge will not grant another continuance.



The dark lines with all the little squares are proposed drainage pipes and structures. The dashed lines indicate boundaries of the drainage areas of the Town and are determined by the contours of the ground. I don't believe that there is any question in your mind of the concentration of the drainage facilities that are necessary to relieve the surface roadway drainage problems in the Pine Lakes area. This and only this area is being considered by these articles.

We believe there are valid reasons for having a consultant to design the systems, prepare the construction drawings and specifications, and the contract documents. As we see the work load of our Town Engineering Department, they will be unable to provide us with the necessary data within a reasonable time frame. We presently have requests dating back several years which have not been completed.

The consultants, Weston and Sampson, are well qualified in the areas of surface drainage, water retention and conservation engineering. During the field work for the drainage study, the consultant has obtained valuable information not contained in the report which will expedite the completion of the construction documents.

Now, why bids for construction? The Town does not have the equipment nor the manpower to perform that magnitude of work in a short period of time. When we presented the drainage plan article last year, we were quite explicit about

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our intent. We did not want you to spend tax dollars for another report to sit on a shelf. We asked for your help in obtaining the report so that we could implement it. To implement the entire plan could cost the Town some 2 1/2 million dollars at today's prices.

During 1974, the Commission will discuss with other concerned boards and committees the entire report, and we will be back to you before the next Annual Town Meeting with a total comprehensive report for the continuing drainage construction program including the optimum financing plan for the Town. This year we know that this drainage system must be acted upon to alleviate the severe drainage problems of the Pine Lakes area.

On the first evening of Town Meeting, we were rather surprised to see that the Board of Selectmen are intending to recommend an amendment to Article 40 which would reduce the dollar value to \$56,500 to do "immediate action items". The Board of Selectmen have not consulted with the Commission regarding the amendment, and it appears to us that the Board of Selectmen has read verbatim the drainage report and have completely missed its entire intent.

First, an explanation of the items labeled "immediate action items". We noticed that terminology and questioned our consultant. He responded this way: "The work which we recommended for immediate action is that which could be done by Town forces such as unclogging culverts, clearing drainage ditches and improving streams. Performing this work in the drainage area cannot by itself reduce further drainage problems caused by inadequately sized or non-existent or collapsed culverts. It can offer no alleviation where rain water ponds on streets or washes over private property adjacent to them.

"On the other hand, there is a possible danger in enlarging or providing culverts where there are no restrictions downstream. Our intention was to show that certain portions of the drainage improvements could be done by Town forces with the advantages of providing employment for local labor and performing the work more economically than if it were included in the contract work.

"The work which we recommended for contract construction is that which requires greater physical plant, specially trained labor that Town forces because of their other commitments and responsibilities cannot provide. It was our recommendation in the report, and we wish to emphasize it here, that the work should be classified on a drainage area basis and that the order of work be required to proceed from the lower end of each basin to the upper reaches.

"Contract work that is to be done by the Town forces should be scheduled concurrently so that a clear channel is available when the contractor eliminates a constriction and so that this work allows the upstream channels to more freely drain and be made more accessible to the Town clearing crews."

We have also heard that the Planning Board is concerned about this article and their basis for concern is that it should wait for the hydrological and geological study, Article 27 of this Town Meeting, to be completed. We sought an opinion from our consultant who answered in this way: "The drainage improvements which we have recommended should not have a significant effect on the ground water level. Design of the improvements is based on the concept that a certain amount of rainfall will infiltrate or seep into the ground at a relatively slow rate, decreasing as the ground surface becomes saturated. That portion of the water which does not seep into the ground runs overland, either to Town roads or to natural brooks and streams. Our design provides for the water which does not seep into the ground. The street drainage improvements are intended to carry off water which would otherwise pond on the roads and become a hazard to travel or which run off the pavement at a low point and inundate adjoining private lands.

"The proposed improvements other than street drainage are installations, replacement or enlargement of culverts which presently do not fulfill their function of passing streams flowing beneath the roadways. The function of culverts is not to deliberately cause a restriction of flow, but rather to continue the natural stream bed beneath the man-made obstruction, namely the road. By maintaining the present level of the bottoms of the culverts to be replaced, the ground water level in the vicinity of the adjoining streams should remain essentially at the same elevations.

"However, it may be the Sudbury Planning Board intends to use the hydrological and geological study to show that creating large paved areas in impervious groups will reduce quantities of infiltration by delivering more rainfall to the paved streets and then directly to the stream beds. This in essence means that they would recommend smaller sized lots which would give more paved area and more roof area.

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"Now, should the Planning Board successfully change the zoning laws to provide greater areas of open ground, in essence larger sized lots, than as presently envisioned with full development of each area under the present ordinances, then our drainage improvements would be somewhat larger than the absolute minimum required. The reason for this is that our design was based on the full development of each drainage area in accordance with the present zoning bylaws.

"However, the incremental difference is relatively minor and a cost of replacing a culvert. No environmental change to our knowledge could be done. We have indicated that there is no advantage to waiting until the hydrological and geological study proposed by the Planning Board is complete, and we have also indicated that the clearing and maintenance to be done by Town forces should be coordinated with the work done by contract forces."

The advantages of proceeding with the proposed drainage improvements immediately as with any municipal project designed to fulfill the needs of the community, is that construction costs are rising rapidly. Construction labor rates have been climbing so fast in recent years that the construction costs have been at least 10-12% increase per year. Construction materials costs such as steel, cement, lumber, have risen at even a higher rate in the last few months in response to the material shortage.

I urgently request your complete support of both Articles 39 and 40.

Board of Selectmen Report: (Mr. Taft) I would like to make a report for the unanimous Board on this issue, Articles 39 and 40. There is no question that the Town has a drainage problem. We have all been conscious of that for many years. A great majority of us supported last year and voted \$40,000 for a drainage master plan for the Town. It comes in a book of approximately 200 pages with numerous graphs, charts and additional backup material. It is a very important document to read and to study before one embarks on a drainage program.

Most assuredly, we should not spend \$40,000 to have such a study done and then put it away on the bookshelf. We should implement a drainage program for this Town. But the report was not received until the latter part of February this year, just a little over two months ago and unfortunately, about a month and a half after the Warrant for this Annual Meeting was closed. No board or committee, the Highway Commission included, had time to really study and analyze the report in order to ascertain what is the right program and what really needs to be carried out.

The Selectmen intend to move an amendment under Article 40 that would ask the Town to appropriate \$56,500 to carry out what are classified in this report as "immediate action items" that can be done by the Town force. These are the items that include the cleaning of culverts, the relocation of broken culverts, the opening of drainage ditches, etc. This seems to us most important to do right away regardless of what other programs or projects should be done.

The report also proposes, in addition to the immediate action items, that the Town should carry out as soon as possible some additional programs which would be large in scope. Some involve improvement to existing drainage systems, some involve entirely new drainage systems which would aggregate some \$2,300,000. It is recommended that these programs be bonded.

Then there is an additional \$100,000 of programs that are stated as programs that can wait until such time as upstream development takes place, subdivisions are opened up and so on.

Our main concern then is with the initial immediate requirement of the \$56,500 to open our drainage facilities, and then the \$2,300,000 proposed for the main bonding issue in the middle. The \$250,000 and the \$13,500 that you have before you tonight in Articles 39 and 40 are part of that large program of about 2.3 million dollars. They only come in one part of what the report classifies as twelve drainage basin areas. The Pine Lakes section is just part of drainage basin #3.

The consultants recommend that you treat an entire drainage basin as a whole. The whole drainage basin #3, as a matter of fact, calls for some \$530,000 of drainage work. What is proposed specifically for the Pine Lakes area is two miles of drainage pipes, fifty man holes, 103 catch basins. This is not a small project. To give you some idea of its scope, Intervale Road just to the east of Pine Lakes, which has similar soil and was built to subdivision control standards, would have five catch basins. Willis Lake Drive, an immediately adjacent street, would have fifteen catch basins. The section of Old Lancaster Road that we were concerned

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about at the last Town Meeting would have eight catch basins in it. So you can appreciate that there was a lot of work planned for the Pine Lakes area.

This section of Town, like many others, has drainage problems. There is one particular intersection that floods during severe rainstorms and when that happens it floods the homeowner's septic system and the people must leave the house. It was my turn last summer to get the phone call from the very distraught homeowner who had that happen to them for the first time. When I called the Fire Department for help, I did not even have to describe where the house was. They knew where it was from past experience. There are problems of that sort in Pine Lakes.

I venture that we could repair and alleviate some of those problems without a \$250,000 solution. This section of Town is also blessed with some very nice sandy soil. It does not hold water very well, and consequently it percolates very well. The water does not stay in most of the area. I think that another factor in this area is the high cost of proposed construction. They did an analysis in the report and this comes out to be the highest cost section for their proposed reconstruction program.

We should get on with the \$56,500, and, by the way, we have discussed this issue with the Highway Commission on several occasions. We inquired of them if there was money in their present budget to accommodate the \$56,500 of proposed drainage work, and we were assured there was not. I think it would be a bad mistake to be starting any of this construction until we do these items that need to get done by the Town work forces. That is why we proposed under Article 40 to move the amendment.

This will then give the Highway Commission the opportunity to digest this report and to decide where are the priority places. Are they on main roads which have drainage problems and which are travelled by many hundreds of townspeople? Are they in neighborhood sections like Pine Lakes? Just where do we take on this job or is it most efficient to do it all at once? The report proposed that you would bond the entire thing, maybe chop it up into several contracts, but essentially do the entire program within several years period. That is an opportunity and a decision we should give the Highway Commission a chance to make after studying the report.

Finance Committee Report (Articles 39 and 40): At the 1973 Annual Town Meeting, the Finance Committee urged the Town to support an overall surface water drainage study as an item of high priority. This warrant article and Article 40 represent implementation of the first portion of the resulting recommendation of this study program. The Finance Committee endorses these two articles. The conditions uncovered in the initial phase confirms the experiences of those who live in the Pine Lakes area. The Finance Committee feels that correction of this unfortunate drainage problem is a Town responsibility which has been ignored in the past and must be met now for factors of health and public safety. The total program is estimated to cost \$2.5 million over a period of approximately ten years. We recommend approval of both articles with funding to be accomplished through a bond issue in the amount requested in these articles.

Mr. Clough further reported to the meeting for the Finance Committee as follows: We urge you to read our printed report carefully. At the last Town Meeting we recommended and supported the study program which was adopted at \$40,000. We again reiterate that we don't spend \$40,000 unnecessarily. We should examine the recommendations of our report and act on them accordingly.

However, the Finance Committee wishes to emphasize the proposed implementation of this drainage program for Sudbury is one of the highest priorities in our opinion. There seems to be a misinterpretation of terminology by some of those reading the consultant's detailed report and summary. We recommend detailed reading of this report by all Sudbury residents as it represents one of the most important programs for Sudbury's future.

We would like to repeat the actual recommendation which is found on page 3, paragraph 4, of the Weston and Sampson Report entitled: "Town of Sudbury Massachusetts Drainage Plan": "Immediate action projects are those which can be accomplished by Town labor forces and require immediate attention. Deferred action projects also require immediate action but need Town Meeting approval because of the magnitude of the program." The Highway Department budget for fiscal 1975 does not have funding for any immediate action project.

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The Finance Committee therefore urges approval of Articles 39 and 40 so that the needed immediate action and deferred action items can be accomplished and implemented as at current estimated costs.

Planning Board Report: (Mrs. Gillespie) We agree with the Board of Selectmen that you do first things first. The \$56,500 is a more reasonable place to start this particular year.

We would also like to point out that we are not in the habit of pre-judging the findings of a study that we are going to do this year. We really would like to see the results of the hydrology study before embarking on a multi-million dollar bonding project for drainage.

Long Range Capital Expenditure Committee Report: The Long Range Capital Expenditure Committee recommends disapproval of this article. We recognize the need for improved drainage in the Town of Sudbury and further, we recognize the special needs of the Pine Lakes area. But we feel that this particular article is poorly timed.

This particular article is about 10% of a potentially 2 1/2 million dollars Town drainage plan. We feel, in fact, that the Town should see the entire plan as recommended to us by the Highway Commission in consultation with other boards and committees in the Town. Looking at just 10% of a potentially very large expenditure makes us feel like the captain of the Titanic. We recommend disapproval.

After discussion, it was

VOTED: *THAT THE TOWN RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$13,500.00 TO BE EXPENDED UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE HIGHWAY COMMISSION FOR THE PURCHASE OF CONTRACT ENGINEERING DRAWINGS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR DRAINAGE SYSTEM CONSTRUCTION IN THE PINE LAKES AREA.*

In favor - 139; Opposed - 87. (Total - 226)

ARTICLE 40: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$250,000, or any other sum, to be expended under the direction of the Highway Commission, for the construction and reconstruction of surface drains; and to determine whether the same shall be raised by taxation, transferred from available funds, provided by borrowing or any combination of the foregoing, or act on anything relative thereto.

Surface
Drains
Construc-
tion

Submitted by the Highway Commission.

Mr. Galeota *moved* that the Town appropriate \$250,000 to be expended under the direction of the Highway Commission for the construction and reconstruction of surface drains in the Pine Lakes area, and to meet the appropriation to appropriate and transfer \$5,000 from free cash and to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow \$245,000 under General Laws, Chapter 44, as amended.

Mr. Taft of the Board of Selectmen *moved* that the motion under Article 40 be amended to read, "move that the Town raise and appropriate \$56,500 to be expended under the direction of the Highway Commission for the construction and reconstruction of surface drains as outlined in the Master Drainage Plan as 'immediate minor projects'".

Mr. Galeota then raised a point of order and requested the Moderator to rule as to whether or not the amendment fell within the four corners of the article since the article as presented was specifically for construction, it was specifically for the Pine Lakes area, and it was a bonding article.

The Moderator ruled that on all three points the amendment was within the four corners of the article.

In support of his amendment, Mr. Taft stated that it is important to keep in mind that the consultant's recommendation first and foremost was to do this \$56,500 worth of immediate repair work. It is not covered in the present Highway budget, before amendment or after amendment. It would seem to be not a prudent way to proceed to vote \$250,000 for a construction program that has not yet been designed. I think the Highway Commissioners will want to ask many questions

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about just how much should be put in that particular area in the way of drainage facilities, what the trade-off's are between slope changes in the roads, drainage catch basins, etc. The preliminary recommendation given by the engineering firm shows more catch basins per square foot in Pine Lakes than in any section of the Town, existing or planned. It would be wise for the Town to wait to see the results of the engineering study before we plan any major construction of drainage. We do need \$56,500 worth of immediate work.

In opposition to the amendment, Mr. Espinola of the Highway Commission read again what the Report said about "immediate action items". He contined as follows: Immediate action items apply to the entire Town, to the implementation of this entire 2 1/2 million dollar drainage program. They should be undertaken in parallel with the implementation of the major plan as it progresses through the Town. In addition, they should be undertaken in such a way that the areas which are located low are treated first, and we work uphill rather than cleaning areas which have high elevations and would only encounter obstructions as water progresses down hill.

The number of catch basins per square foot in the Pine Lakes area indicates that there is a severe problem in that area. The remedy is more severe because the problem is more severe. This is not a program which is undertaken in haste. Although the entire program was not available until February, we had the Pine Lakes program available late in the fall. We knew the magnitude of the problem at that time and decided to continue as had been our original intention.

After discussion, Mr. Taft's amendment was voted. *In favor - 121; Opposed - 106. (Total - 227).*

Mr. Galeota then moved *Indefinite Postponement*.

He stated that the Highway Commission does not have the manpower to implement \$56,500 worth of drainage work this year or in following years as we see it now. We see that by implementing this program, we would be causing additional drainage problems downstream and would be asking for a considerable amount of dollars more next year for a much larger program than \$250,000.

VOTED: INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT.

The Moderator then stated that there are several items left undone under Articles 2 and 4 in this Warrant. Police salaries remain on the table subject to being voted. There is one master clean-up motion under budget Article 4 to be voted. Since we are nearing the end of the Warrant and it is essential that we act upon these items now, the chair recognizes Mr. Powers of the Board of Selectmen.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Powers, it was

VOTED: THAT THE PORTION OF ARTICLE 2 INVOLVING THE POLICE DEPARTMENT BE TAKEN FROM THE TABLE AT THIS TIME AND BE ACTED UPON.

After making a motion relative to Police Department salaries under Article 2, Mr. Powers stated that we had been hoping we might be able to resolve the collective bargaining process with the Police Department by the time this Warrant closed. We have not been able to do that. The mediation process will continue. But it will become essential that we have a section in our bylaws. This is merely the one that we have there now so that we do have the Personnel Bylaw in order. When we come to the next article dealing with money, we again will be asking for an appropriation at that time so that we may be able to continue with the negotiations and pay the Police Department.

VOTED: THAT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT CLASSIFICATION PLAN AND SALARY SCHEDULE BE AS PRINTED IN THE TOWN BYLAWS AND THAT THE AVERAGE WEEKLY WORK SCHEDULE, OVERTIME AND LONGEVITY PROVISIONS SHALL BE AS PRINTED IN ARTICLE 2 ON PAGE 4 OF THE WARRANT FOR THIS MEETING.

[See page 165 for other action taken under Article 2.]

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Upon a motion made by Mr. LeBart, Chairman of the Finance Committee, it was

VOTED: THAT ACCOUNTS 320-11 AND 320-12 IN ARTICLE 4 INVOLVING THE POLICE DEPARTMENT BE TAKEN FROM THE TABLE AT THIS TIME AND BE ACTED UPON.

After Mr. LeBart made a motion relative to the appropriation for Police Department salaries, the Moderator recognized Mr. Powers who reported as follows: The figures that you see in this article represent 6.5% increase on salary with the necessary incremental adjustment for the Chief of Police required by statute. This represents the same amount that you have already voted for the other Town employees and represents the stage that we are at in terms of our mediation and negotiations with the Police Department. It will allow us to be able to pay the Police come July 1st.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: THAT THE TOWN APPROPRIATE \$329,842.00 FOR ALL ITEMS IN ACCOUNT 320-11, 320-12, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ALLOCATIONS SET FORTH IN THE RECOMMENDED COLUMN EXCEPT THAT ITEM 320-11 BE \$297,892.00, ITEM 320-12, \$31,950.00, THAT THE TOWN RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$229,842.00 AND APPROPRIATE AND TRANSFER \$100,000 FROM THE TOWN OF SUDBURY P.L. 92-512, FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING ACCOUNT FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT SALARIES UNDER ITEM 320-11.

[See page 184 for other action taken under Article 4, Section 300.]

After making the final motion under Article 4, the budget, Mr. LeBart reported for the Finance Committee as follows: First, let me comment on the schedule. I am sure the Highway Commission will be pleased to answer any detailed questions that you have. Basically, what this does, and we on the Finance Committee think this is a very important precedent to establish, is to take the bottom line figure that this Town Meeting voted earlier and to re-submit it for your approval in segregated form essentially as the Highway Commission has seen fit in accordance with your instructions to reduce its budget. The Finance Committee has reviewed it, and we recommend approval of the reduced budget in this form. That is the purpose of the schedule.

The reference to the cemetery account is merely to correct a technical error in the earlier motion. We are simply reversing the two accounts which is the way they should have been submitted earlier.

The other parts of the motion are routine and are done each year in a routine way.

VOTED: A. THAT THE TOWN ESTABLISH THAT ALL WAGE AND SALARY INCREASES VOTED AT THIS ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFICALLY PROVIDED, SHALL BE EFFECTIVE AS OF JULY 1, 1974;

B. THAT ALL AUTOMOBILE MILEAGE SHALL BE PAID AT THE RATE OF 12¢ PER MILE UPON SUBMISSION OF A PROPER VOUCHER;

C. THAT, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ACCOUNT 100, SUDBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS, 130, LINCOLN-SUDBURY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND 140, MINUTEMAN REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, ALL ITEMS IN ALL OTHER ACCOUNTS HAVE BEEN VOTED AS SEGREGATED ITEMS FOR ACCOUNTING AND EXPENDITURE PURPOSES AND THAT FOR HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION FOR ACCOUNT 400, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$753,674.00, THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT BE INSTRUCTED TO SEGREGATE IT AS SET FORTH IN THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE:

<u>400</u>	<u>HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT</u>	
410-11	SUPT. & ASST. SALARY	\$33,300
410-13	CLERICAL	13,994
410-14	COMMISSION SALARY	1,600
410-21	GENERAL EXPENSE	4,880
410-31	MAINTENANCE	14,000
410-41	TRAVEL	200
410-42	OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL	300
410-51	ADMIN. EQUIPMENT	1,700
410-71	UNIFORMS	6,000
420-11	OPERATING SALARY	233,292
420-12	OPERATING OVERTIME & EXTRA HIRE	37,275

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<u>ROAD WORK</u>	
420-20-1 OPERATING MATERIALS	\$ 17,233
-3 HIRED EQUIPMENT	0
-4 CONTRACTORS	135,000
-5 SIGNS & MARKINGS	10,500
	<u>\$162,733</u>
<u>TREES</u>	
420-30-1 TREE MATERIALS	0
-3 HIRED EQUIPMENT	1,000
-4 CONTRACTORS	8,000
	<u>\$9,000</u>
<u>LANDFILL</u>	
420-40-1 LANDFILL MATERIALS	0
-3 HIRED EQUIPMENT	1,000
	<u>\$1,000</u>
<u>CEMETERIES</u>	
420-50-1 MATERIALS	2,000
-2 HIRED CONTRACTORS	0
	<u>\$2,000</u>
420-61 CHAPTER #81 MAINT.	34,500
420-62 CHAPTER #90 MAINT.	0
420-63 CHAPTER #90 CONST.	28,100
<u>MACHINERY</u>	
430-20 FUELS & LUBRICANTS	\$17,500
-30 PARTS & REPAIRS	32,000
-40 EQUIPMENT	25,000
	<u>\$74,500</u>
<u>SNOW & ICE</u>	
460-30 MATERIALS	\$30,000
-40 EQUIPMENT	9,000
-50 CONTRACTORS	15,000
-12 OVERTIME	16,300
-60 SWEEPING	0
	<u>\$70,300</u>
<u>STREET LIGHTING</u>	
470 STREET LIGHTING	\$25,000
NEW LOCATIONS	0
	<u>\$25,000</u>
TOTAL	\$753,674

- D. THAT THE TOWN APPROPRIATE AND TRANSFER \$300,000.00 FROM FREE CASH TO BE APPLIED TO THE APPROPRIATIONS IN ARTICLE 4 BY THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT;
- E. THAT THE TOWN CORRECT THE TRANSFER FOR ACCOUNT 400, HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT, SO THAT THE CEMETERY ACCOUNT TRANSFERS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

TOWN CEMETERY ACCOUNT	\$ 2,900.00
NORTH SUDBURY CEMETERY ACCOUNT	\$ 1,100.00

ARTICLE 41: To see if the Town will vote to approve the petition set forth herein providing for certain corrective legislation to the act which created the Board of Highway Commissioners, and authorize and request the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to enact the special law set forth in said petition and without further submissions to a Town Meeting:

Amend
Act
Creating
Highway
Commission

"The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the year one thousand nine hundred and seventy four. An Act to make certain corrective changes in an Act authorizing the Town of Sudbury to establish a Highway Commission. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:

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Section 1. Section One of Chapter 577 of the Acts of 1963 is hereby amended by inserting after the last word in said section the words: except that of Charter Commissioner.

Section 2. Section Three of Chapter 577 of the Acts of 1963 is hereby amended by adding, after the words 'or other appointive office' in line nine, the words, 'except Tree Warden'.

Section 3. Section Four of Chapter 577 of the Acts of 1963 is hereby amended by striking therefrom the words 'two-thirds' in line four and inserting in place thereof the word 'majority'.

Section 4. This Act shall take effect upon its passage.";
or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Highway Commission.

Highway Commission Report: This article provides for a change in the Highway Commission Enabling Act that will allow individual Commission members to seek the office of Charter Commissioner, should a Charter Commission be formed by vote of the Town. This completes Town Meetings efforts to make all elected officials eligible for election to such a body. The article further provides that the Highway Superintendent may hold another appointed Town office, but continues to prohibit his election to office or the holding of another occupation. The last section of this act would allow the Town Meeting to combine other governmental functions of the Town with the Highway Commission by a majority vote instead of the present two-thirds vote - thus making uniform all the existing laws governing additions and deletions to or from bodies of a public works nature.

Finance Committee Report: Recommend approval of this requested Highway Commission Enabling Act change to permit an elected member of the Highway Commission to serve as a Charter Commissioner if a Charter Commission is ever formed, and to permit other administrative changes as outlined.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: (CONSENT CALENDAR) IN THE WORDS OF THE ARTICLE, EXCEPT THAT SECTIONS 2 AND 3 ARE DELETED.

ARTICLE 42: To see if the Town will vote to transfer any one or more of the following Town properties to the custody and control of the Highway Commission: the Old Town Cemetery; New North Cemetery; Town Cemetery; New Town Cemetery; Mount Pleasant Cemetery; Wadsworth Cemetery; the Highway Garage and land located off Old Lancaster Road; and the Sanitary Landfill located off the Boston Post Road; such land to be used for cemetery, public works, highway and landfill purposes, or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Highway Commission.

Highway Commission Report: As the properties listed are maintained by the Highway Commission on a daily basis, this article will not change any of the present legal responsibilities, duties, obligations or functions of the Commission to the Town and its citizens but will merely clarify a line of responsibility.

Finance Committee Report: Recommend approval of this article assigning official responsibility for certain Town areas now being maintained by the Highway Commission to that Commission.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: (CONSENT CALENDAR) INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT.

ARTICLE 43: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$7,500, or any other sum, to be expended under the direction of the Permanent Building Committee, for the preparation of preliminary plans and specifications for an addition to the Highway Garage, in accordance with the specification and facilities requirements to be established by the Highway Commission, or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Highway Commission.

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Highway Commission Report: (Mr. Welch) This does not appear to be the appropriate year to ask for these funds, as we have seen during the course of this Town Meeting. We will be back next year with a comprehensive program for your analysis.

Finance Committee Report: In this period of rising tax rates and living costs in general, the Finance Committee feels that priorities are necessary in the determination of programs to be funded. While we are in agreement with the desire of the Highway Commission to provide additional services to Sudbury citizens, we are very concerned over any expenditure of funds - even for planning money - for a project which we feel could be deferred. Recommend disapproval.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Welch of the Highway Commission, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT.

ARTICLE 44: This article was taken up out of order on April 29, 1974. For action, see page 281.

ARTICLE 45: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$6,008, or any other sum, for the purpose of meeting this Town's allocable share of expenses incurred or to be incurred by any Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Board joined by this Town's Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Committee in connection with studying the advisability of establishing a Regional Refuse Disposal District pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40 Section 44B, et seq., and how such a district may be organized, operated and controlled, and studying alternatives with respect to the selection, construction, maintenance and operation of a refuse disposal facility and the reclamation and recovery of resources and/or energy in connection therewith (such expenses may include, but shall not be limited to, fees and expenses of consultants and other experts and the costs of preparing and publishing a plan and/or report summarizing the results of any such board's study), or act on anything relative thereto.

Regional
Refuse
Disposal
District-
Funds for
Study

Submitted by the Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Committee.

Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Committee Report: Passage of this article would fund Sudbury's share of a feasibility study for establishing the Minuteman Regional Refuse Disposal District and the type of facilities best suited for the needs of the district.

The Minuteman Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Board, of which Sudbury is a member, includes the towns of Bedford, Boxborough, Burlington, Carlisle, Concord, Lincoln, Maynard and Stow.

We feel that this type of long range regional planning is needed to provide Sudbury with a feasible means of solid waste disposal, at a reasonable cost, in future years.

Finance Committee Report: The Finance Committee recommends approval of this article. Such action does not commit Sudbury to join the region, but rather provides us the benefit of further study so that we can decide intelligently when the time comes. Such participation in this preliminary activity may also deter the Commonwealth from arbitrarily assigning Sudbury to a region which might be disadvantageous to Sudbury's best interests.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: (CONSENT CALENDAR) IN THE WORDS OF THE ARTICLE, EXCEPT FOR THE WORDS, "OR ANY OTHER SUM", AND PLUS THE WORDS, "SAID SUM TO BE EXPENDED UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE REGIONAL REFUSE DISPOSAL PLANNING COMMITTEE".

The Moderator announced that Articles 46 and 47 would be discussed together, but that motions and votes would be taken separately.

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ARTICLE 46: To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 40, Section 4A, of the General Laws, to enter into an agreement with the Town of Wayland, Massachusetts, acting by such officials as the latter may designate, providing for certain joint or cooperative activities with respect to siting, designing, constructing, originally equipping, operating, and accessing a septic-tank pumpings disposal facility on land owned by the Town of Sudbury and/or Wayland, Massachusetts, north of Boston Post Road and west of the Sudbury River in the area known as Sand Hill, subject to appropriate provisions, including those regarding cost sharing, control, adjustments, duration, and termination, safeguarding the interests of the Town of Sudbury and/or Wayland; to determine what Town officer, board, commission, committee, or combination of them shall be authorized to execute such agreement; or act on anything relative thereto.

Septic-Tank
Pumpings
Disposal
Facility-
Construc-
tion

Submitted by the Wayland/Sudbury Septage Disposal Planning Committee.

Mr. William W. Cooper IV of the Wayland/Sudbury Septage Disposal Planning Committee moved Indefinite Postponement.

Septage Disposal Planning Committee Report: (Mr. Cooper) The Indefinite Postponement motion by the Septage Disposal Planning Committee is not based upon any lessening of the need for this type of facility for the Town. We believe the facility is needed, and ultimately it, or a sewerage system of some kind, is going to have to be provided. We continue to believe that the septage disposal facility provides a means to take care of our waste disposal most economically and in a way consistent with the low density development of the Town.

This project, however, is one which we proposed to undertake jointly with the Town of Wayland. The Town of Wayland, at its 1974 Annual Town Meeting, did not bring the matter of a specific agreement and funding before the town for a vote. Therefore, Sudbury action at this time would be premature. Look for us to be back at a Special Town Meeting, or at the Annual Town Meeting next year.

Finance Committee Report: (Articles 46 and 47) The Town of Sudbury has the responsibility of proper septic tank material disposal. Accordingly, the Finance Committee feels that this responsibility can best be met, on a minimum cost basis, by joining with the Town of Wayland in construction of a septic material disposal facility and sharing capital and operating costs. The total capital cost is estimated to be \$560,000. The total annual operating cost is approximated at \$30,000. Facility capacity should be sufficient to cover the Town's needs for 20 years. As of February 15, 1974, the Finance Committee has not been presented with sufficient administration, legal and possible funding details necessary to define all aspects of a joint operation - ownership septic disposal facility; therefore, full facility engineering funding is not recommend at this time. The Finance Committee recommends approval of Article 46 which covers joint disposal facility planning and construction. In order to continue detail planning and legal clarification, the Finance Committee recommends approval of \$5,000 funding under Article 47.

VOTED: INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT.

ARTICLE 47: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$30,000 for sewage disposal, including siting, designing, constructing, originally equipping, and operating a septic-tank pumpings disposal facility on land owned by the Town of Sudbury and/or Wayland, Massachusetts, north of Boston Post Road and west of the Sudbury River in the area known as Sand Hill and more particularly shown in the report entitled, "Preliminary Plan - Septage Disposal Facility - Towns of Sudbury and Wayland, Mass.", by Roy F. Weston, Inc., Consulting Engineers, dated: December 1973, a copy of which is on file in the Town Clerk's Office, which report is incorporated herein by reference; to determine whether the appropriation shall be raised by taxation, transferred from available funds, provided by borrowing or by any combination of the foregoing, and to decide what Town officer, board, commission, committee, or combination of them shall be authorized to expend the money appropriated therefor, or act on anything relative thereto.

Septic-Tank
Pumpings
Disposal
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tion

Submitted by the Wayland/Sudbury Septage Disposal Planning Committee.

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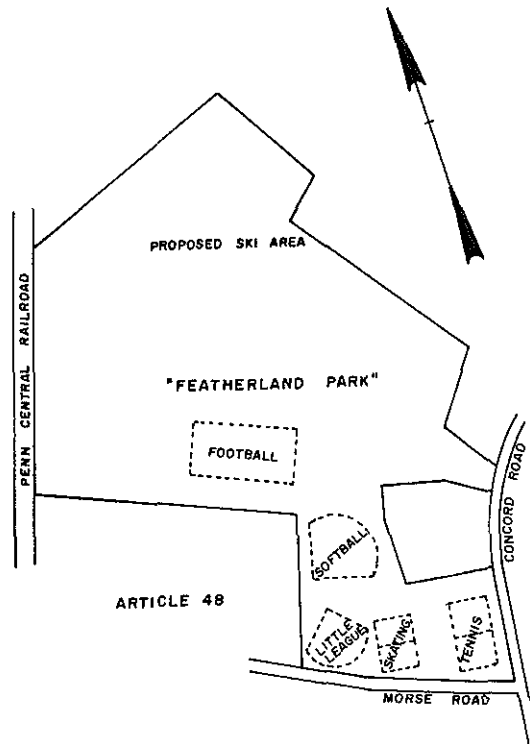
Upon a motion made by Mr. Cooper, it was

VOTED: *INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT.*

ARTICLE 48: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$175,000, or any other sum, to be expended under the direction of the Department of Park and Recreation, for the purpose of developing the Featherland Park Ski Area, or act on anything relative thereto.

Featherland
Park
Ski Area

Submitted by the Park and Recreation Commission.



Mr. Arthur A. Walker of the Park and Recreation Commission *moved that the Town raise and appropriate \$175,000 to be expended under the direction of the Park and Recreation Commissioners for the purpose of developing the Featherland Park Ski Area.*

Park and Recreation Commission Report: (Mr. Frank A. Lundblad) Last October, the Park and Recreation Commission appointed a subcommittee to study the feasibility of developing a physical ski area for the Town of Sudbury, and secondly, to look at it and see whether it was economically feasible. They put a constraint on the committee in that it should not add to the tax base, and if the land is not physically suitable, it should be aborted.

The subcommittee was appointed from a group of concerned taxpayers and were selected for their professional competence. In addition, they had to have some competence in skiing and some knowledge which they could impart to the Town. We also employed outside resources.

None of our committee members felt competent to design a particular configuration on the slope, so we employed an outside consultant. We also gathered data

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from other ski areas, such as Propect Hill in Waltham, which is very similar to what we would propose. They were very kind and gave us all their financial data.

We also talked to key management at Watervill Valley, Crotchet and so forth, and we talked to banks. We had the assistance of a group of women who did a study among a cross section of the Town to see if there was a need and if this would service enough of the people of Sudbury.

The conclusion we came to is that physically the land is suitable for development, there is terrain for beginners, intermediates and experts. Secondly, it is economically feasible to take money in, in excess of the cost, to run this.

It also fills a need in Sudbury. We were surprised that 42% of families have a skier in them. In our survey we also asked about the interest in using a facility. If a facility were developed, 53% of the homes would have a skier in it.

The factors that were favorable for proceeding on this were, first of all, the Town does own the land and surprisingly the terrain is varied and good. I have been driving by that for twelve years and never thought there was anything there. The program which we would develop would be self-supporting so there would not be a financial drain on the Town. It will service a lot of families. Just with the ski program for the children that we have in the Town, it would help provide recreation for 500 families. Then there are about a thousand kids that are involved in skiing that we knew about just associated with the Sudbury Junior Ski Program.

This facility would also keep the money in the Town. We figure that about \$9,000 or \$10,000 is already going out of the Town now for bussing and so forth to other areas. While we were studying this, of course, the energy crisis was quite critical and we thought this would be a factor, not only from the availability of gas, but also from the economics of leaving Town to enjoy skiing somewhere else.

If you look at the area from the road, the land drops off so it doesn't look like there is very much of a hill. However, we could develop a run about 600 feet long, an expert slope. Another run which has already been carved out is a beginner's slope. There is an access road, but that can also be used by a beginner. Those are the three areas that are already available.

From our survey, which was also confirmed by the Planning Board Survey, the skier population is around 5,000 people in Sudbury. This would rise to about 5,200 if this facility were available. Out of a total population of 15,000, that is about one-third of the Town that are skiers.

At a cost of \$80 for families and \$20 for individuals for each season, there is a total of \$78,000 income. The actual figures we got were about \$100,000, but we chopped it down just to be conservative. We could apply the \$9-10,000 already leaving Town against that as income.

The first year we would have to have a capital expenditure to make this facility of \$146,000. To keep the thing running would be \$29,000 for a total of \$175,000. We have, conservatively, \$78,000 coming in from people who have said they were willing to participate. The first year we would be down \$97,000 which would be an increase in your taxes of 55¢. The second year we would have dispensed with the capital expense, and it would be just the maintenance and operating costs, so that would lower your tax by 26¢. The same thing would hold true in the third year. By the fourth year, we would be putting money back into the Town in the general funds.

In summary, the facility is physically possible, it is economically feasible, and we have looked at all kinds of alternative financing methods. One suggestion was that we should establish a private club, but that did not go over too well. We would like to propose a Town-owned facility. This study was done as a service to the Town, and we are willing to abide by your wishes. Naturally we are for this, but whichever way you feel, we hope you will vote with a smile because this is for recreation.

Finance Committee Report: This article was very well supported by the Park and Recreation Commission and the project promises to be self-supporting after the first year, but by the Commission's estimates it will benefit only about 15% of the families in Town. The Finance Committee recommends disapproval of the article and recommends instead that the supporters investigate the formation of a quasi public corporation to provide the desired facilities without involvement of the Town support beyond the land availability.

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Board of Selectmen Report: (Mr. Powers) The Board of Selectmen is unanimously opposed to this article, as we indicated at the beginning of the meeting. Once again, we are concerned with where the programs are going. In the 1973 Five Year Plan of the Park and Recreation Commission, the skiing facility was to be built in the year 1990. A little more than a year ago, we voted \$180,000 for the purpose of commencing with a swimming program. We do not think that this is the kind of timing or the kind of planning that we should fall into. We said at the beginning, we are in favor of some kind of planning increment, some kind of warning increment. We would prefer very much to see and hear about the swimming program. This one seemed to us to be very much out of phase with the recommendations made to the Town by the Park and Recreation Commission in its own Five Year Plan.

Mrs. Martha Coe *moved to amend the main motion by adding at the end the following sentence: "The Park and Recreation Commissioners will be responsible for the development and operation of the ski facility funded by this article."*

In support of her motion, Mrs. Coe stated that there is some confusion in my mind and evidently it is not straight forward to a lot of people, as to whether or not this ski hill is going to be operated by Park and Recreation, or if it is going to be operated by another small group that collects the \$80 or the \$20. If the Park and Recreation Commission handles it, it would be better for us all.

The main question, I feel, is the question of safety. As any skier knows, much of the safety is dependent upon the operators, maintenance of lifts and trails, provision of adequate ski patrols and the like. If the ski area is poorly maintained and if it is run by a private group, how do we get action? If the Park and Recreation Department is inefficient, we can take care of that inefficiency at the polls.

After discussion, Mrs. Coe's amendment was voted.

Mr. Walker's main motion, as amended, was then defeated.

ARTICLE 49: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$10,000, or any other sum, to be expended under the direction of the Park and Recreation Commissioners, for the purpose of building new recreational facilities, including a girls softball field and a neighborhood playground area on the Haskell property, or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Park and Recreation Commission.

Park and Recreation Commission Report: (Mr. Pasquale T. Piscitelli) We have had a tremendous growth in softball this past year. We have had close to 300 girls sign up. We have had tremendous growth in soccer also. We have decided perhaps we better start moving fast for more fields.

We have developed a Master Plan for the Haskell land. What we are asking for now is \$10,000 to build two baseball fields which are considered softball fields, a soccer field and an open play area. The remaining Master Plan is part of our Five Year Plan and that will come up in the future. It is very necessary that we start right away on this to have the soccer program for the fall.

Finance Committee Report: (Mr. Drum) About three weeks ago, the Park and Recreation Commission submitted a proposed layout of the Haskell Recreation Area to the Finance Committee. This layout is a positive step toward development of the property. However, we have not seen any schedule for development or any estimate of overall costs to go along with this layout. So we feel that the plan has not been developed adequately. The Finance Committee recommends disapproval.

Board of Selectmen Report: (Mr. Powers) The Board of Selectmen is unanimously in favor of this article. Last year we spent \$180,000 for this land for recreation purposes. The presentation made by the Park and Recreation Commission at that time included, in addition to the swimming facilities, other facilities on the site. We hope we are on the threshold of getting the \$90,000 of reimbursement which is conditioned upon the area being used for a developed recreation area. We urge your support.

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VOTED: THAT THE TOWN RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$10,000.00 TO BE EXPENDED UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSIONERS FOR THE PURPOSE OF BUILDING RECREATIONAL FACILITIES INCLUDING A GIRLS' SOFTBALL FIELD AND NEIGHBORHOOD PLAYGROUND AREA ON THE HASKELL PROPERTY.

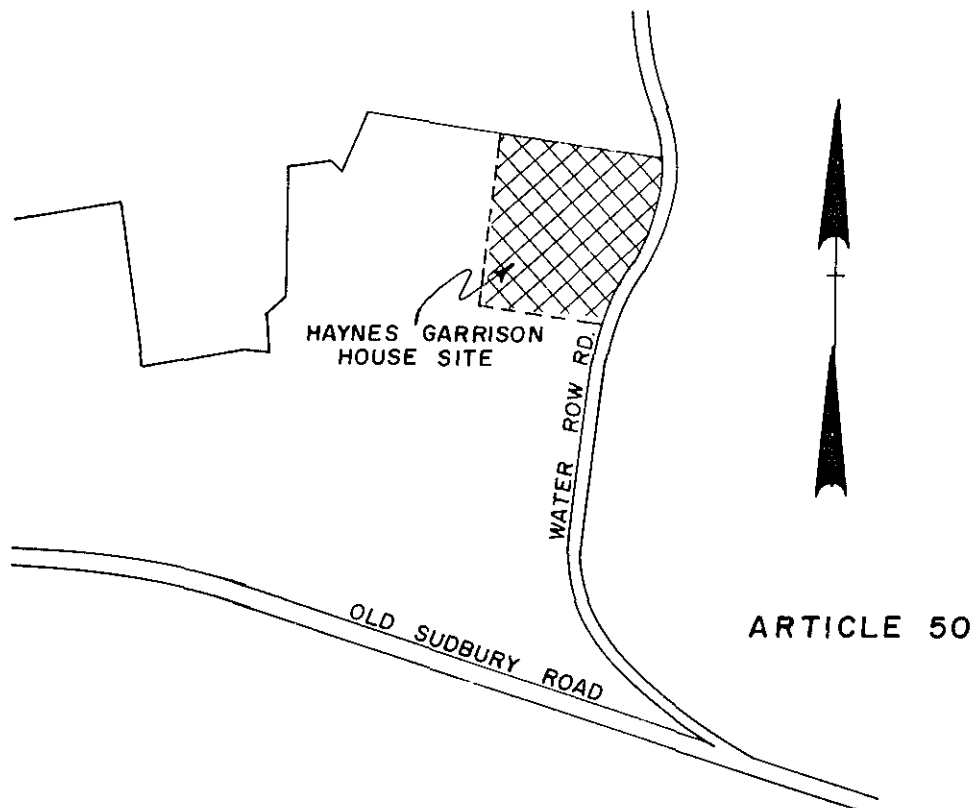
ARTICLE 50: To see if the Town will vote to authorize and empower the Selectmen to acquire, in fee simple, by purchase, by gift or by a taking by eminent domain, the Haynes Garrison House site, situated on the west-erly side of Water Row Road, bounded and described as follows:

Purchase
Haynes
Garrison
House
Site

Easterly by Water Row Road;
Northerly by land now or formerly of Sia and by land now or formerly of Montopoli;
Westerly and Southerly by land of Dickson;

containing four acres, more or less, and shown on plan entitled: "Plan of Land in Sudbury Massachusetts, known as Haynes Garrison House", by the Town of Sudbury Engineering Department, dated November 10, 1973, a copy of which is on file in the Town Clerk's office, which plan is incorporated herein by reference, and to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$20,000, or any other sum, therefor, and all expenses in connection therewith, or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.



Revolutionary War Bicentennial Committee Report: On April 19th, 1676, King Philip, with a huge Indian army, invaded Sudbury and attempted to breach its key frontier defenses. The safety of Massachusetts hung in the balance as the savage battle raged for hours. The five garrisons were engulfed but stubbornly held, inflicting massive casualties which broke the back of Philip's forces. Over seventy citizen soldiers died in this struggle.

The Haynes Garrison House site is the last remnant of that struggle and still lies in its original condition. It is one of the few remaining traces of the great Indian war in Massachusetts.

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This site, containing slightly under four acres, should be preserved for posterity.

The Bicentennial Committee urges its immediate acquisition and plans to restore the Garrison House with volunteer help and public subscription for dedication as an historic park on April 19, 1976.

Finance Committee Report: The purchase of this historic parcel of land has a financial impact on the Town which goes beyond the purchase price. In spite of the fact that the Sudbury Minutemen have generously offered to reconstruct, at no cost to the Town, the Haynes Garrison House, there will be continuing costs. There is not enough data available to provide a useful estimate of cost, but the reconstructed house will require furnishings, maintenance and staffing. Although these costs could be reduced or eliminated by volunteer efforts, the Finance Committee feels that the Town should act on this article with the realization that the Town may ultimately be required to assume the financial responsibility for this desirable addition to Sudbury. Recommend approval.

Board of Selectmen Report: (Mr. Powers) We are moving Indefinite Postponement at the request of the property owners. We have been in negotiation with them. We came to a hiatus. Recently they have indicated they would like one more round of negotiations and in view of that fact we are moving Indefinite Postponement so that we can go back and talk further with them.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Powers, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT.

ARTICLE 51: To see if the Town will vote to authorize and empower the Selectmen to acquire, in fee simple, by purchase, by gift or by a taking by eminent domain, the Hadley house and land, situated on the southeasterly side of Concord Road, bounded and described as follows:

Purchase
Hadley
House

Northwesterly by Concord Road;
Northeasterly and Southeasterly by Parcel "A";
Southwesterly by Parcel B;

containing 0.64 acres, more or less, and shown as Parcel "C" on the plan entitled: "Plan of Land in Sudbury, Massachusetts known as Heritage Park", by the Town of Sudbury Engineering Department, dated August 13, 1973, a copy of which is on file in the Town Clerk's office, which plan is incorporated herein by reference, and to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$35,000, or any other sum, therefor, and all expenses in connection therewith, or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

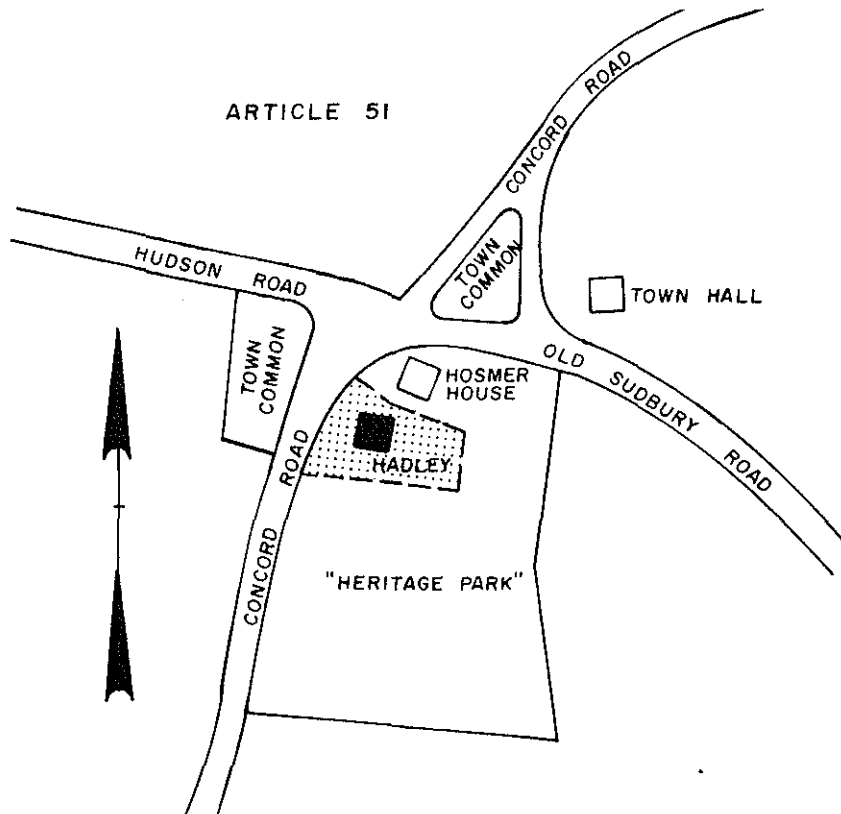
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Mr. Powers moved that the Town authorize and empower the Selectmen to acquire in fee simple, by purchase, by gift, or by a taking by eminent domain, for public park purposes and for preservation as an historic landmark, the Hadley house and land situated on the southeasterly side of Concord Road, bounded and described as printed in Article 51 in the Warrant for this meeting and to raise and appropriate \$35,000 therefor and all expenses in connection therewith.

Board of Selectmen Report: (Mr. Thompson) Approximately one year ago, the Selectmen's office was approached by the Hadley family through their church to see if the Town was interested in buying this piece of land. After bringing this to the attention of the Selectmen, I was authorized to negotiate with the family through their intermediary. Shortly thereafter, as some of you know, Mr. Hadley passed away. Shortly after that, Mrs. Hadley had a fall and was confined to a nursing home. Acting on her behalf, her daughter continued negotiations, and I requested through their attorney an offer or selling price for the property.

I informed the Selectmen of the price of the offer, and they then authorized an independent appraisal of the property. The figure in the Warrant is between the high and low of the appraisals that were done.

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The Selectmen supported bringing the question of purchase of the Hadley property to Town Meeting for resolution for the following reasons. The Hadley property is located at Town Center and surrounded by Town-owned land. The acquisition of the Hadley property fits into the long range plans for the Town Center and possible alternate development of Heritage Park.

This would be an outright purchase, the money to be used by the Hadley family, as we understand it, for the perpetual care of Mrs. Hadley in a nursing home. No definite plan has been agreed upon for the use of the Hadley house. If the Town Meeting did decide to approve this article, there would be some concession as to her remaining in the house for two to three months, or what it would take for her to get her affairs in order.

At this time, the property could be rented in a caretaker fashion for the purpose of providing security to the Hosmer House and to Heritage Park. Miss Hosmer will be 94 in '74. The Town may soon own the Hosmer property which abuts the Hadley land. Thus, more definite plans for the entire area could be developed at that time.

The Selectmen believe the purchase of the Hadley property is a sound investment for the future of Sudbury and the ultimate development of the Town Center. We recommend your vote in favor of Article 51.

Finance Committee Report: The purchase of the Hadley House can, in the opinion of the Finance Committee, be deferred. The estimated cost of the house represents approximately \$.20 on the tax rate as well as a loss in tax revenue in future years. This purchase is not critical and, in light of continuing pressure on the tax rate, the Finance Committee recommends defeat of this article. Recommend disapproval.

The Moderator stated that since this is a vote to acquire land by purchase, gift or eminent domain, a two-thirds vote is required. He then asked for a hand vote to see where we stood.

After such vote, upon a motion by Mr. Powers, it was

VOTED: INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT.

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ARTICLE 52: To see if the Town will vote to enlarge the Board of Selectmen from three to five members in order to make possible and sure the election of a representative from each precinct as well as one representing the Town as a whole. To insure continuity and for the first election only following this change the term of the new member-at-large shall be for one year. The terms of the two new members representing specific precincts shall be for two and three years, the specific term of each to be determined by lot according to a procedure to be established by the election officers of the Town. In subsequent elections the terms of members of the Board of Selectmen shall be for three years. Voters will cast their ballots only for the candidate(s) from their precinct and the candidate(s) running for the position of member-at-large, or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by Petition.

Mr. George W. Gibson, representing the Petitioners, *moved Indefinite Postponement*. He commented as follows: I have moved Indefinite Postponement of the article, not because I have changed my mind about its desirability or because of a fear that it might not pass, but for other reasons. Since submitting this petition, I have learned that an increasing number of experts on municipal law have come to the conclusion that the only valid legal way to change town government in this manner is by Charter Commission. Therefore, so long as a reasonable doubt exists as to the legal propriety of this article, it would be imprudent to press for its passage at this time. Furthermore, I would like to point out that prior to my submission of the article, I consulted with a number of people on the proper method by which it should be put forth. I think it is only fair to point out that Mr. Turner, Town Counsel, was the only one in this group who had the foresight to recognize this trend that Charter Commission was the way to do it.

Finance Committee Report: The Board of Selectmen is an executive body and need not be constituted in proportion to Town population. The current size of the Board contributes to concentration of awareness by the individual Selectmen and permits the Town to easily pinpoint responsibility. Increasing the Board to five members will diffuse responsibility and diminish responsiveness to the public without increasing efficiency. Recommend disapproval.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT.

ARTICLE 53: To see if the Town will vote to establish a study committee for the purpose of reviewing the feasibility of creating an Architectural Planning Review Board, whose main objectives would be to establish "minimum" standards for unity and conformity in the growth of the business community, to give the Town leverage to control the aesthetics of business development coming in to Sudbury--following broad guidelines such as outside facade materials, setback, landscaping, parking areas, colors, signs, and lighting, etc., with the committee to consist of at least one member of the Planning Board, one member from the business community, one member of P.R.I.D.E. (Post Road Indeed Deserves Effort), and one design consultant, appointed by the Moderator, or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by Petition (P.R.I.D.E.).

Mrs. Judith A. Cope, representing the Petitioners, *moved Indefinite Postponement*. She stated that she intended to move Indefinite Postponement of Article 54 also, and commented that while P.R.I.D.E. still feels that the idea of these articles is worthwhile and that the intent to help control the quality and quantity of the structures along the Post Road is desirable, we also feel that we are capable of working up a study within our own group and propose that we act as your study committee. Hopefully, we will prepare articles for the 1975 Annual Town Meeting.

There is one point I would like to clear up, however, and that is the recommendation of the Finance Committee in regard to Article 54, the proposal for a study committee to review possibilities of enlarging historic districts along the Post Road. Rather than what they would lead you to believe, the Historic Districts Commission does not study, recommend or establish new areas within the Town. Their function is to maintain those areas that have been so declared. It is through private initiative and a vote of the Town Meeting that they are rezoned.

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Finance Committee Report: In view of the fact that the intent of this article can be accomplished by action of the Board of Selectmen, it is recommended that this article be disapproved.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT.

ARTICLE 54: To see if the Town will vote to establish a committee to study the feasibility of increasing the historic districts along the Boston Post Road; the committee to consist of five persons, appointed by the Board of Selectmen, including at least one member from the Planning Board, one member from the Historic Districts Commission, and one member from P.R.I.D.E. (Post Road Indeed Deserves Effort), or act on anything relative thereto.

Enlarge
Historic
District/
Post Road-
Study

Submitted by Petition (P.R.I.D.E.).

Finance Committee Report: Since a Historic Districts Commission for the Town of Sudbury is in existence, and is empowered to consider the expansion of such districts, it is recommended that this article be disapproved.

Upon a motion made by Mrs. Cope, it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT.

Mr. Powers, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen then presented the following resolutions, all of which were unanimously voted.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED:

WHEREAS THIS MEETING HAS BEEN HELPED BY YOUNG PEOPLE FROM SEVERAL GROUPS AND

WHEREAS THESE YOUNG PEOPLE ARE PROVIDING AN IMPORTANT COMMUNITY PURPOSE NOW THEREFORE,

THIS MEETING EXPRESSES ITS THANKS TO MEMBERS OF THE BOY SCOUTS, GIRL SCOUTS, CAMPFIRE GIRLS, ORDER OF DEMOLAY, AND STUDENTS FROM THE CURTIS JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, TOGETHER NUMBERING ALMOST 100 YOUNG PEOPLE, FOR THEIR INVALUABLE ASSISTANCE.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED:

WHEREAS HARVEY NATHAN FAIRBANK DIED OCTOBER 16, 1973, IN THE EIGHTIETH YEAR OF HIS LIFE. HIS LIFE WAS A MONUMENT TO HIS SENSE OF CONCERN FOR HIS NEIGHBORS AND HIS TOWN. FOR ALMOST HALF A CENTURY, SINCE HIS FIRST ELECTION TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN IN 1924, HE SERVED HIS TOWN IN BOTH APPOINTIVE AND ELECTIVE OFFICE. A FARMER BY TRADE, HE CULTIVATED THE TOWN OF SUDBURY IN THE RICH SOIL OF YANKEE TRADITION. HIS STEWARDSHIP SAW SUDBURY THROUGH THE GREAT DEPRESSION, THROUGH THE AGONY OF THE SECOND WORLD WAR, AND LASTED UP THROUGH THE GREAT GROWTH PERIODS OF THE FIFTIES, SIXTIES, AND INTO THE SEVENTIES. HIS LEADERSHIP...STRONG, FLEXIBLE, DIRECT, CONCERNED AND SOMETIMES CANTANKEROUS...WAS TOTALLY IN KEEPING WITH THE CHARACTER OF THE TOWN HE LOVED SO MUCH.

THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN OF SUDBURY IN TOWN MEETING ASSEMBLED RECORD FOR ETERNITY IN ITS TOWN RECORDS, ITS SENSE OF PRIDE IN AND APPRECIATION FOR ONE OF ITS FINEST MEN, HARVEY NATHAN FAIRBANK, AND EXTEND ITS HEARTFELT GRATITUDE FOR HIM TO THE FAIRBANK FAMILY.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED:

WHEREAS RODNEY C. HADLEY DIED APRIL 20, 1973. A MEMBER OF THE SPECIAL POLICE FORCE IN THE MID-FIFTIES, MR. HADLEY WAS ALSO THE KEEPER OF THE TOWN CLOCK FOR DECADES. HE CARED FOR HIS FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS, CHURCH AND TOWN IN THE SAME QUIET, STEADY, PATIENT WAY. HIS GENTLE CHRISTIAN GUARDIANSHIP KEPT, NOT ONLY THE CLOCK, BUT MUCH OF THE SUDBURY COMMUNITY RUNNING SMOOTHLY.

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THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN MEETING OF SUDBURY RECORD IN ITS PERMANENT RECORDS ITS LOVING APPRECIATION OF ITS QUIET NEIGHBOR AND SERVANT, RODNEY C. HADLEY.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED:

WHEREAS THE TOWN OF SUDBURY IS FIRST AND FOREMOST THE SUM OF ALL ITS PEOPLE, AND

WHEREAS CONTRIBUTIONS AND CIVIC DUTY AND PUBLIC SERVICE HAVE BEEN RENDERED BY ONE OF ITS CITIZENS WHO HAS PASSED FROM AMONG US;

THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN EXTEND ITS HEARTFELT SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY OF RICHARD THOMPSON CUTLER, WHO WAS BORN IN THE TOWN OF SUDBURY ON FEBRUARY 22, 1912, AND DIED OCTOBER 8, 1973;

AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN MEETING TAKE COGNIZANCE OF RICHARD THOMPSON CUTLER'S SERVICES AND DEDICATION TO THE TOWN OF SUDBURY, AS PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSIONER FROM THE COMMISSION'S INCEPTION IN 1959 TO HIS DEATH IN 1973; AS A MEMBER OF THE AUXILIARY POLICE FORCE FROM 1952 UNTIL 1961; AS SUDBURY'S FIRST CUB SCOUT PACK LEADER FROM 1949 TO 1956; AS PAST PRESIDENT AND MINOR LEAGUE COMMISSIONER OF SUDBURY'S LITTLE LEAGUE, ALSO SERVING MEMORIAL CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH IN MANY CAPACITIES INCLUDING AUDITOR, DEACON, AND BUILDING COMMITTEE MEMBER.

AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN OF SUDBURY, IN TOWN MEETING ASSEMBLED, RECORD FOR POSTERITY IN THE MINUTES OF THIS MEETING, ITS RECOGNITION AND ITS APPRECIATION FOR THE UNSUNG EFFORTS OF RICHARD THOMPSON CUTLER TO MAKE THIS TOWN A BETTER PLACE IN WHICH TO LIVE.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED:

WHEREAS THE SUDBURY WATER DISTRICT WAS SERVED ABLY AND HONORABLY BY HERBERT J. TEBO FOR MORE THAN TEN YEARS OF SERVICE AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS, AND

WHEREAS HE RESIGNED JUNE 12, 1973, TO MOVE TO HIS NEW HOME IN WATERTOWN, AND

WHEREAS HE PASSED AWAY ON JULY 6, 1973,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN OF SUDBURY HEREBY EXTEND ITS SINCERE SYMPATHY TO MRS. HERBERT J. TEBO, AND EXPRESS ITS GRATITUDE FOR THE MANY YEARS OF SERVICE RENDERED BY HIM.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED:

WHEREAS THE TOWN OF SUDBURY NOTED THE SUDDEN AND UNTIMELY PASSING OF ROBERT PLANT McCRAW, JR., ON AUGUST 24, 1973, AND

WHEREAS PLANT McCRAW WAS A DEDICATED CITIZEN OF SUDBURY FOR THIRTEEN YEARS AND A WELL-KNOWN JOURNALIST IN THE CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS AREA, AND CONTRIBUTED, AS A VERY IMPARTIAL PERSON, HIS TALENTS TO THE SECTION OF SUDBURY TOWN GOVERNMENT WHERE THERE WOULD BE NO CONFLICT OF INTEREST, NAMELY THE TOWN REPORT PREPARATION COMMITTEE FOR THREE YEARS, AND

WHEREAS HIS EDITORIAL COMPETENCY AND TECHNICAL EXPERTISE DURING THOSE YEARS HELPED TO SHAPE SUDBURY'S TOWN REPORT INTO THE ACCURATE, APPEALING AND INFORMATIVE PUBLICATION IT IS TODAY, AND

WHEREAS HIS POSSESSION OF A TREMENDOUS WIT AND SENSE OF HUMOR WAS ENJOYED BY ALL WHO KNEW HIM AND HIS CONCERN FOR EDUCATIONALLY HANDICAPPED CHILDREN LED HIM TO BECOME THE BOYS' ATHLETIC COORDINATOR AT ST.

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HUBERT'S SCHOOL, WHERE IN HIS OWN QUIET, GENTLE AND POLITE WAY HE ACCOMPLISHED GREAT THINGS, AND

WHEREAS HE ALSO SPREAD HIS SENSE OF COMMUNITY AWARENESS TO INCLUDE THE SUDBURY ART ASSOCIATION AS MEMBER AND PAST PRESIDENT; AND ST. ELIZABETH'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH AS A MEMBER OF THE VESTRY AND A LAY LEADER,

THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN OF SUDBURY EXTEND TO HIS FAMILY ITS SINCERE SYMPATHY AND HEARTFELT GRATITUDE FOR ALL THAT ROBERT PLANT McCRAW UNSELFISHLY GAVE TO THIS COMMUNITY.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED:

WHEREAS THE TOWN OF SUDBURY HAS LOST AN INSPIRING AND DEDICATED CITIZEN WITH THE UNTIMELY DEATH OF BETSY TICHNOR, AND

WHEREAS WHILE BETSY TICHNOR CONTRIBUTED HER TALENTS IN SEVERAL CIVIC AND CHARITABLE EFFORTS, ONE OF HER MAJOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO SUDBURY WAS TO ORGANIZE P.R.I.D.E. (POST ROAD INDEED DESERVES EFFORT). MRS. TICHNOR WAS CONCERNED THAT THE APPEARANCE OF THE BOSTON POST ROAD WAS NOT UP TO THE HIGH STANDARDS SET BY MOST OF THE HOMES IN SUDBURY. HER PERSISTENCE AND DEDICATION TO THIS CAUSE RESULTED IN THE ORGANIZING OF AN ACTIVE GROUP OF CITIZENS WHO HAVE ALERTED THE TOWN TO THE PROBLEM; INSPIRED MANY BUSINESSMEN AND PROPERTY OWNERS TO UPGRADE THEIR PROPERTY; AND RESULTED IN NEWLY LANDSCAPED AREAS THAT WERE, IN TIMES PAST, NEGLECTED AND UNSIGHTLY. THE P.R.I.D.E. ORGANIZATION IS NOW COOPERATING AND RENDERING SERVICE TO SOME TOWN COMMITTEES AND OFFICIALS, RENDERING SERVICE AND COUNSELLING TO PROPERTY OWNERS, CONDUCTING POST ROAD CLEANUP DRIVES AND RAISING PRIVATE FUNDS FOR CONTINUED PLANTINGS AND LANDSCAPING OF NEGLECTED POST ROAD AREAS.

THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN OF SUDBURY EXTEND TO HER FAMILY ITS SINCERE SYMPATHY AND HEARTFELT GRATITUDE FOR ALL THE INSPIRATION AND SERVICE BETSY TICHNOR UNSELFISHLY GAVE TO THIS COMMUNITY.

ARTICLE 55: (Article withdrawn)

Unpaid Bills

ARTICLE 56:

Option A

Police/Fire
Headquarters

To see if the Town will vote to approve an exterior colonial design, shown as Scheme A, dated February 14, 1974, and on file in the office of the Board of Selectmen.

Option B

To see if the Town will vote to approve an exterior contemporary design, shown as Scheme A-3, revised August 22, 1973, and on file in the office of the Board of Selectmen.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money, to be expended under the direction of the Permanent Building Committee, for the construction, including the cost of original equipment and furnishings, of a new Fire and Police Headquarters building, to be located on the Oliver Land, so-called, in accordance with either Design Scheme A (colonial - \$814,000), dated: February 14, 1974, a copy of which is on file in the Town Clerk's office, which design scheme is incorporated herein by reference, or Design Scheme A-3 (contemporary - \$714,000), revised: August 22, 1973, a copy of which is on file in the Town Clerk's office, which design scheme is incorporated herein by reference, and to determine whether the appropriation shall be raised by taxation, transferred from available funds, provided by borrowing or by any combination of the foregoing, or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Permanent Building Committee and the Board of Selectmen.

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Mr. William M. Bell of the Permanent Building Committee, *moved that the Town divide Article 56 into two parts; the first part to involve the design of the building, the second part to involve the question of appropriation and authorization for the project.*

Mr. Bell stated that what we would like to do is simply answer the question of the difference in the designs by a sort of a straw vote, and then come back to the Town in the fall for the appropriation.

The Moderator then asked Mr. Bell if his intention was to seek the will of the Town on design and then move Indefinite Postponement on the financing so we would not build as a result of this article. Mr. Bell stated that that was correct.

Mr. Bell's motion to divide the question was voted.

Permanent Building Committee Report: (Mr. Bell) We request that the Moderator determine by a show of hands for the guidance of the Permanent Building Committee whether this meeting prefers a colonial or a contemporary design for the proposed fire and police headquarters building. This motion is in the nature of a resolution to determine design choice only and in no way constitutes an approval or disapproval of the fire and police building project.

Let me explain what course of action we are pursuing by dividing the question and in asking for design decision first. There has been disagreement between the Selectmen and the Permanent Building Committee over the exterior design of the building. However, we have reached agreement on two alternative designs and we also agree that the Town will wisely choose between the two. We would like to get your approval of either the contemporary or the colonial design so that we can obtain firm bids on the approved design with the remainder of the January 1973 appropriation of \$40,000.

We plan to Indefinitely Postpone the appropriation part of this question and come back to the Town in the fall for the final approval. We still expect to obtain a Civil Defense reimbursement of \$50,000. This delay will not cause any additional cost increase due to escalation.

In 1969, the need for a new fire headquarters was recognized, but a proposal for construction of a new facility on the Gray land, the corner of Old Lancaster and Hudson Roads, was defeated primarily due to location. In 1970, the Selectmen appointed a Municipal Facilities Study Committee to review the space needs of Town government and survey what facilities were available, making recommendations as to action to satisfy these needs. In their report, dated December 1971, they recommended, among other things, that the Town should proceed with enlarged police and fire headquarters. Their estimate of 1981 needs for fire and police was about 13,480 square feet. Our present program is 15,225 square feet.

Over the past two years, the need for a new fire and police headquarters has been fully supported by the Selectmen, the Executive Secretary, and both Fire and Police Departments. The Finance Committee and the Long Range Capital Expenditures Committee have concurred. The Town began, through a series of decision points, to implement this need. The 1972 Town Meeting voted \$3,000 for an option to buy the Oliver land, and we also voted \$8,000 to study alternatives. In 1973, at a Special Town Meeting, we voted \$77,000 to buy the Oliver land and \$40,000 to prepare final plans and secure bids for construction on the Oliver land.

In June, final space program was approved by the Selectmen and the chiefs. In July, the Historic Districts Commission gave preliminary design approval. In September, the Police and Fire Departments approved design including site plan, building plans, elevations and specifications. September 10th, the Permanent Building Committee approved design, the Selectmen did not. They were concerned that the Town would not approve the selected contemporary design thus halting the project. I might add, an honest disagreement here. On September 21st, the Selectmen requested alternative exterior designs. We felt that their request was proper. December 19th, the Selectmen voted to support the Permanent Building Committee request for a \$3,000 transfer from the Finance Committee to develop an alternative exterior design. On January 16th, the Finance Committee approved the \$3,000 transfer. January 29th, the Historic Districts Commission held a public hearing for both designs and gave final approval of the contemporary design. On February 1st, the architect presented us with cost estimates on both designs and later on in February, the Historic Districts Commission approved the colonial design. In March, we ended up with final cost estimates from the architect.

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Renderings of the two designs have been displayed in the lobby. Both designs are essentially equivalent in program. Some of the factors leading to the higher cost in the colonial design are more exterior wall area and more expensive roof treatment. Clapboard siding is more expensive than rough sawn boards. There is a little more pitched roofing over the administration areas. The painting is a little more costly than staining. Colonial windows are somewhat more expensive and there is also slightly more floor area in the colonial design to provide suitable appearance. Also, a higher construction cost means slightly higher project development fees.

The Permanent Building Committee was unanimously in favor of proceeding with the selected contemporary design from the outset. The Permanent Building Committee believed that a contemporary design using traditional American rural forms could blend in well with the surroundings while masking the massiveness of the structure. It would also be attractive and lower in cost.

The Selectmen believed that the Town should have a choice of traditional colonial design, as well as contemporary, and that the cost difference would not be significant.

The Permanent Building Committee, although we are in favor of the contemporary design, recognize that the Town should have a choice. Since February, the Permanent Building Committee and the Selectmen have met many times trying to agree over the cost estimates of the two designs. Ideally, we would have liked to obtain bids on both designs but this would have cost much more than the appropriation of \$40,000. The difference in cost between the two designs is \$61,000.

We suggest for your guidance that you perhaps split the difference when you determine how you are going to vote. We would like to get your approval of either the contemporary or the colonial design so that the Permanent Building Committee can proceed with obtaining firm bids and bring the project back to the Town in the fall for final approval.

Finance Committee Report: The Finance Committee has reviewed the alternative design proposals suggested by this article, and has voted to recommend approval of alternative "A", contemporary design, solely upon the basis of lower cost to the Town for a facility which will provide the functional services required.

After discussion, the Moderator asked for a show of hands, first those who favored the colonial design, and then those who favored the contemporary design. He stated that he was in doubt as to the result and requested the expression of opinion to be made by standing. He then stated that it was his opinion that there were more in favor of a contemporary design than were in favor of a colonial design.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Bell, it was

VOTED: THAT THE APPROPRIATION AND AUTHORIZATION PART OF ARTICLE 56, PART 2, BE INDEFINITELY POSTPONED.

ARTICLE 57: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, \$33,000, or any other sum, to be expended under the direction of the Permanent Building Committee, for final plans, specifications and construction documents and bids for the renovation of the Town Hall, or act on anything relative thereto.

Town Hall
Renovations

Submitted by the Permanent Building Committee and the Board of Selectmen.

Mr. Craig W. Parkhill of the Permanent Building Committee *moved Indefinite Postponement*. He stated that the Annual Town Meeting of 1972 voted \$8,000 for preliminary plans and cost estimates for the renovation to the Town Hall. The Permanent Building Committee engaged architects who made a thorough study of the possibilities for the use of the Town Hall. Seven schemes, ranging from minimum changes to maximum changes to the Town Hall, were developed and the construction costs ranged from \$400,000 to \$600,000. A detailed estimate of one scheme was \$700,000. This was much too expensive a solution.

The Permanent Building Committee and the Selectmen decided to pursue a modified program of renovation of the main floor and the lower floor. Before proceeding any further, however, we feel that a final program should be established, the

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location of the central fire headquarters must be resolved, and there are also other alternatives to be considered. The Permanent Building Committee feels the scope of the project and the parameters must be re-examined. We urge you to support the motion for Indefinite Postponement.

Finance Committee Report: The expenditure of any addition funds on Town Hall renovations, which may ultimately lead to extremely high costs for the small additional space obtained, is not a sound move. The necessity for more space is clear to the Finance Committee but more options should be considered before the Town wastes planning money on impractical projects. Recommend disapproval.

VOTED: INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT.

VOTED: TO ADJOURN.

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 P.M.

A True Record, Attest:

Betsey M. Powers
Betsey M. Powers
Town Clerk

STATE PRIMARY ELECTION

September 10, 1974

The State Primary Election was held at the Peter Noyes School with the polls open from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. There were 714 Republican ballots cash, including 12 absentee ballots (Precinct 2 - 2; Precinct 4 - 10); there were 1,314 Democratic ballots cast, including 14 absentee ballots (Precinct 1 - 3; Precinct 2 - 4; Precinct 3 - 5; Precinct 4 - 2). Twenty voting machines were used. The precinct results were announced by the Precinct Clerks by 10:15 P.M.

REPUBLICAN BALLOT

	<u>Pct. 1</u>	<u>Pct. 2</u>	<u>Pct. 3</u>	<u>Pct. 4</u>	<u>Total</u>
GOVERNOR					
Francis W. Sargent	69	95	85	130	379
Carroll P. Sheehan	59	71	73	118	321
Blanks	5	7	1	1	14
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR					
Donald R. Dwight	94	112	110	160	479
Blanks	36	61	49	89	235
ATTORNEY GENERAL					
Charles C. Cabot, Jr.	43	49	51	79	222
William I. Cowin	23	41	26	59	149
Josiah A. Spaulding	62	71	69	100	302
Blanks	5	12	13	11	41
SECRETARY OF STATE					
John M. Quinlan	113	130	127	209	579
Blanks	20	43	32	40	135
STATE TREASURER					
Muriel Erna Ballantine (write-in)	1	1	2	7	11
Blanks	132	172	157	242	703
STATE AUDITOR					
Blanks	133	173	159	249	714
CONGRESSMAN (4th District)					
Laurence Curtis	109	119	125	200	553
Blanks	24	54	34	49	161
COUNCILLOR (3rd District)					
Blanks	133	173	159	249	714
SENATOR (Middlesex and Worcester District)					
George F. Rohan	98	117	120	193	528
Blanks	35	56	39	56	186
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT (40th Middlesex District)					
Wesley E. Young	115	-	-	-	115
Blanks	18	-	-	-	18
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT (53rd Middlesex District)					
Ann C. Gannett	-	141	133	215	489
Blanks	-	32	26	34	92

REPUBLICAN BALLOT (continued)

	<u>Pct. 1</u>	<u>Pct. 2</u>	<u>Pct. 3</u>	<u>Pct. 4</u>	<u>Total</u>
DISTRICT ATTORNEY (Northern District)					
Blanks	133	173	159	249	714
COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Middlesex County)					
Blanks	133	173	159	249	714
SHERIFF (Middlesex County)					
John J. Buckley	113	122	123	195	553
Scattering				1	1
Blanks	20	51	36	53	160

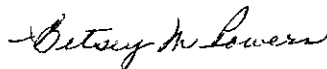
DEMOCRATIC BALLOT

	<u>Pct. 1</u>	<u>Pct. 2</u>	<u>Pct. 3</u>	<u>Pct. 4</u>	<u>Total</u>
GOVERNOR					
Michael S. Dukakis	226	306	292	295	1119
Robert H. Quinn	43	43	66	28	180
Blanks	3	3	6	3	15
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR					
Eva B. Hester	42	66	63	73	244
Christopher A. Iannella	36	50	57	40	183
John Pierce Lynch	18	15	15	7	55
Thomas P. O'Neill III	134	147	149	138	568
Thomas Martin Sullivan	9	15	18	10	52
Blanks	33	59	62	58	212
ATTORNEY GENERAL					
Francis X. Bellotti	32	48	57	33	170
Barry T. Hannon	17	5	3	3	28
Edward F. Harrington	94	113	105	119	431
Edward M. O'Brien	6	14	6	8	34
S. Lester Ralph	75	76	92	96	339
George L. Sacco	37	67	74	39	217
Blanks	11	29	27	28	95
SECRETARY OF STATE					
John F. X. Davoren	36	50	48	39	173
Paul H. Guzzi	217	262	286	256	1021
Blanks	19	40	30	31	120
STATE TREASURER					
Robert Q. Crane	103	132	129	117	481
Charles Mark Furcolo	127	148	169	130	574
Blanks	42	72	66	79	259
STATE AUDITOR					
Thaddeus Buczko	174	196	196	177	743
Blanks	98	156	168	149	571
CONGRESSMAN (4th District)					
Robert F. Drinan	228	271	270	266	1035
Scattering			2		2
Blanks	44	81	92	60	277
COUNCILLOR (3rd District)					
Herbert L. Connolly	150	158	174	147	629
Blanks	122	194	190	179	685

DEMOCRATIC BALLOT (continued)

	<u>Pct. 1</u>	<u>Pct. 2</u>	<u>Pct. 3</u>	<u>Pct. 4</u>	<u>Total</u>
SENATOR (Middlesex and Worcester District)					
Chester G. Atkins	241	296	290	281	1108
John P. Grasso	23	25	46	25	119
Blanks	8	31	28	20	87
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT (40th Middlesex District)					
Genevra R. Counihan	197	-	-	-	197
Blanks	75	-	-	-	75
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT (53rd Middlesex District)					
Douglas A. Miranda	-	235	239	209	683
Scattering				1	1
Blanks	-	117	125	116	358
DISTRICT ATTORNEY (Northern District)					
John J. Droney	153	171	173	153	650
Blanks	119	181	191	173	664
COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Middlesex County)					
John L. Danehy	34	35	41	34	144
William J. Clements	5	17	8	9	39
Charles I. Clough, Jr.	142	155	148	164	609
Pasquale R. Coppola	13	20	18	8	59
Edward A. Doherty	6	14	13	7	40
Thomas E. McManus	12	17	19	5	53
Blanks	60	94	117	99	370
SHERIFF (Middlesex County)					
Walter J. Sullivan	160	196	132	165	653
Scattering	1			1	2
Blanks	111	156	232	160	659

A True Record, Attest:



Betsy M. Powers
Town Clerk

PROCEEDINGS
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

October 22, 1974

The Moderator called the meeting to order at 8:02 P.M. at the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School Auditorium. He declared that a quorum was present.

He recognized the Reverend Stanley Russell, Minister of the Memorial Congregational Church for the purpose of delivering the invocation.

The Moderator then led the citizens in the pledge of allegiance to the flag. He announced that the amount of free cash available for this Special Town Meeting is \$326,951.67 as certified to the Town by John H. Wilson, Town Accountant.

He also stated that he had examined the call of the meeting and the officer's return of service, and the Town Clerk's return of mailing to each household and had found them all in order.

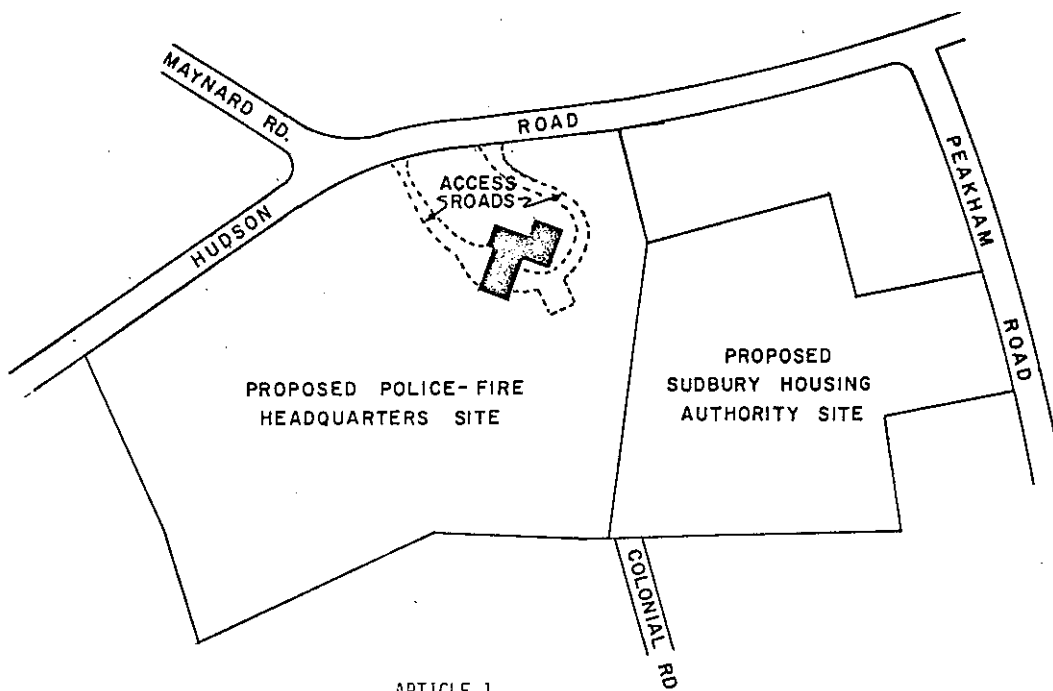
UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: TO DISPENSE WITH THE READING OF THE CALL OF THE MEETING AND THE RETURN OF THE OFFICER WHO SERVED IT AND TO WAIVE THE READING OF THE SEVERAL ARTICLES OF THE WARRANT.

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$775,000,* or any other sum, to be expended under the direction of the Permanent Building Committee, for the construction, including the cost of original equipment and furnishings, of a new fire and police headquarters building, to be located on the Oliver Land site, so-called, and to determine whether the appropriation will be transferred from available funds, provided by borrowing or by any combination of the foregoing, or act on anything relative thereto.

Police/
Fire
Hdqtrs.
Construction &
Equipping

* \$735,000 total construction cost and \$40,000 for equipment and communications.

Submitted by the Permanent Building Committee and the Board of Selectmen.



ARTICLE 1

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Mr. William M. Bell of the Permanent Building Committee was recognized and moved that the Town appropriate \$733,000 to be expended under the direction of the Permanent Building Committee, for the construction, including the cost of original equipment and furnishings, of a new fire and police headquarters building, to be located on the Oliver Land site, so-called, and to meet the appropriation, to appropriate and transfer \$133,000 from free cash and to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow \$600,000 under General Laws, Chapter 44, as amended, with specific authorization given hereby for the Permanent Building Committee or the Selectmen to apply for and receive in behalf of the Town, federal and state aid and financial assistance or grants for the project.

Board of Selectmen Report: The Board of Selectmen strongly recommends your support and approval of this article, which will provide for a much needed new police and fire headquarters building. We have reprinted below letters from the Fire Chief and Police Chief, which in their own words, best describes the "need" for the proposed Police/Fire Headquarters building.

September 2, 1974

Board of Selectmen
Town Hall
Sudbury, Mass.

Gentlemen:

Even though I will reach the mandatory retirement age on December 31, 1974, I wish to stress the need for a new modern fire headquarters building. By the construction of sub-stations in 1961 and 1962 I was able to have the Town of Sudbury fire insurance rating changed from D8 to C5. This has saved the taxpayers of Sudbury many thousands of dollars on Town owned buildings plus all homeowners and owners of business and industrial buildings. Before any further improvement in classification can take place a new fire headquarters plus other improvements must be provided.

Listed below are some of the many reasons that the Fire Department needs a new Headquarters. Most of the listed deficiencies may be found in Mr. Moulton's report to the Selectmen in the early 60's and the report of the New England Rating Bureau when they made their survey in 1962. It should also be noted that the report of the Selectmen's Study Committee in 1967 completely researched and proved the inadequacies of the present building and recommended the construction of a new Headquarters building on Hudson Road between Maynard Road and Old Lancaster Road.

I would also like to point out that the new grading schedule, if applied now to the present building would severely penalize the Town in its rate make-up.

1. Department has out-grown present quarters, constructed in 1929 and one bay added in 1954.
 - A. Apparatus bays congested due to lack of storage area.
 - a. Proper areas with sufficient floor area needed for:
 - a1. Tools and maintenance equipment for apparatus and equipment.
 - a2. Storage for bottle oxygen and compressed air equipment.
 - a3. Hose storage and maintenance.
 - a4. In-service training.
 - B. Overhead clearance of apparatus bays is insufficient.
 - b1. Due to height of apparatus, in-house maintenance and training is extremely difficult and creates a safety hazard to personnel.
 - b2. Depth of apparatus bays insufficient, creates a safety hazard to personnel under emergency conditions. And when groups of school children are visiting.
 - C. The floor drains in apparatus floor are no longer functional and at times emit an unbearable odor due to back up of septic tank leach lines. Definitely a health hazard.
2. Insufficient office area for clerk and fire alarm operator.
 - A. Maintenance and upkeep of all files and records such as:
 - a1. Street directories.
 - a2. House and fire hydrant locations.
 - a3. Apparatus inventories and maintenance records.
 - a4. Fire prevention inspection reports and procedures.
 - a5. Fire alarm box locations and running cards.
 - B. Fire alarm console and communication equipment.

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3. Personnel Quarters.
 - A. Due to the increase in manpower over the years the quarters for personnel is under-sized and insufficient. Three men must eat, live, study and exist in one room, approximately 18' x 20' partly below grade.
Moisture in and around outside walls creates a constant damp condition.
There is inadequate ventilation for stove in kitchen apparatus.
Due to the age and condition of the heating system it is sporadic and highly uncontrollable.
4. Bathroom facilities are small and there is not sufficient space for man-power using same.
 - A. Lavatory is of insufficient size and is out-dated. (21 years old)
 - B. Pipes running thru over-head of shower and entire bathroom area are low and may cause injury to tall individuals using same.
 - C. There is no type of legal vent to the outside air. At times when the toilet is used the Chief has to vacate his office because of the odor.
5. Present work shop (former coal bin) is too small for any type work.
In the past there has been up to six inches of water in the shop area from run-off of outside ground water and rain.
6. Insufficient area for Chief's office. Up until two years ago the Chief had no office. At that time the Chief and personnel partitioned off part of the Town Hall kitchen (about 8' x 10') and created a makeshift office. There are no windows or ventilation.
7. No area for use of audio-visual aids in training.
8. No library and study areas.
9. The accessibility of any and all parts of the station is extremely poor. Under emergency conditions this fact alone creates a safety hazard to all personnel involved. The area immediately around all apparatus is especially hazardous under these conditions, the narrow stairways and access areas. Equipment mounted on the apparatus, such as ladders, hose connections, mirrors, lights, pike poles, and equipment stored around apparatus bays are a hazard which may cause serious injury to personnel or visitors.
10. Due to the size of existing apparatus bays, (height, width, depth) it is not possible to update and modernize equipment or house existing or specialized equipment such as an ambulance, ladder truck or Chief's car. The present utility truck which is also the officers' vehicle must be left outside the year round.

I would also like to point out that I have a one car garage on my property for which I pay taxes. For the past ten years the entire building has been used for the storage of fire department supplies consisting mostly of fire alarm supplies. Also part of my yard is being used to store other materials such as reels of fire alarm cable.

No other surrounding town has a fire headquarters as disgraceful as Sudbury. I feel ashamed to have other Fire Chiefs or classes of school children pay us a visit.

A check of town reports for the past several years will reveal my urging for a suitable headquarters to operate a modern, well-trained fire department.

A new headquarters building has been recommended by Consultant, Mr. Moulton, Mr. Downes in the Master Plan and the New England Fire Insurance Rating Bureau in 1962.

As one of my last acts I strongly urge the townspeople of Sudbury to approve the bonding for this new building as the need is great and building costs are increasing tremendously.

/s/ Albert St. Germain
Chief of the Fire Department

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August 9, 1974

Board of Selectmen
Town Hall
Sudbury, Massachusetts

SUBJECT: NEED FOR THE PROPOSED FIRE/POLICE HEADQUARTERS BUILDING

Gentlemen:

The present police facility is composed of 3 1/2 rooms, two of which measure approximately 12' x 12'. One is used as a records and file room. The other is the Chief's office. The third room was originally designed as a combination locker room, ward room and classroom. It has evolved into a very crowded locker room. There is no readily available space left to use it as a classroom for in-service training or lectures as was originally intended. The records room has become so overcrowded that we have installed extra shelves along the one usable wall to hold file boxes. The Chief's office is being used to store ammunition, firearms, those articles of clothing that are department issue, such as raincoats, traffic gear and assorted cruiser items - simply because there is no other storage space available.

The 1/2 room mentioned above is a 7' x 7' room originally intended as an interrogation room where people could sit down and talk with officers or attorneys. It is equipped with a two-way mirror for identification or observation. This room has been converted into an office out of which the Administrative Assistant, detective, and juvenile and safety officer work. The room is hardly adequate, but it is all we have.

The rest of the building is composed of the lockup and a small storage hall leading to the boiler room. The storage hall and boiler room are used to store cleaning materials and is terribly crowded so that passage into the boiler room is impossible without moving material out into the hallway.

There are 25 people working out of these 3 1/2 rooms. Four specialists are working out of an office that measures 7' x 7'. With a desk and evidence locker and files, it is virtually impossible to function properly in this environment. It has become necessary to store equipment in the hallway because of the absence of any storage space.

Equipment is also stored in the Chief's office, the records room and the ward-room (locker room).

I took it upon myself to purchase a 12 x 12 garden shed (aluminum) to be used for storage of necessary automotive supplies for the cruisers. We have no garage facilities. This shed is full with oil, tires, tools, etc., that must be kept on hand for the day to day maintenance of 5 police cars.

At this writing we have 15 bicycles on hand and no place to store them. We must leave them outside until reclaimed or disposed of. Any items that come into the jurisdiction of the department are stored in the only closet in the building, along with our tear gas equipment, office supplies, C. D. portable radio. This closet is 3 feet wide and 15 inches deep.

The overall activity of the department has increased at a tremendous rate in the last few years. Because of this increased activity we have outgrown the facility.

It will be virtually impossible to administer a 25 man department in this cramped condition for very long. The need for a new building is obvious. If we do not get it soon, the productivity of the department will be so severely hampered that I fear we will be unable to maintain the professional level of police work attained in the last few years.

We are attempting also to take into consideration the future growth of the Town. As the Town grows, so does police activity. I can foresee a large increase in all categories in the future. We must prepare ourselves for this activity before it occurs or we could become mired in an administrative nightmare.

I have explored several angles in the event the facility is not voted. We could move the juvenile room into the 7 x 7 office. I have already contacted the authorities and have their approval if certain minor adjustments are made. The present juvenile room could be used as an office gaining some floor space. It measures 12' x 10'.

We could remove all the lockers from the locker room and have the men come to work in uniform. I am sure this would meet with much opposition and I do not endorse the idea but it is feasible considering our position. We could gain 2 small offices out of the locker room space.

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These are the only changes that could be made as the rest of the building is made up of the cell blocks and not movable.

As stated before, I do not endorse this idea, but if we are forced into it, it could become a workable alternative for a short time.

We would still be without additional storage and office space of any kind and of course, this is one of our biggest problems.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Nicholas Lombardi

Chief of Police

Mr. John C. Powers further reported to the meeting for the Selectmen as follows:

We meet together tonight as a town to seek a final solution to the problem which has held the attention of this town and its people for more than a dozen years. It is unlikely that many other projects in the history of our ancient town have been so persistent or have been worked on by so many members of so many boards and committees of our fellow townsmen.

The last time that Sudbury appropriated funds for capital facilities either fire or police, other than minor renovations, was 1961. In that year Sudbury housed 9,000 people in something under 2,400 homes. Our total assessed valuation of real property was \$17,845,000 based upon the 35% valuation. Since that last appropriation, we have grown to a population of close to 15,000 dwelling in more than 3,600 houses. Our property valuation has increased to \$155,078,000. Sperry Rand has been completed. Raytheon has been completed and enlarged. Today, 81 commercial properties and 24 industrial properties representing over \$20,000,000 worth of value stand in our town. Our need for proper public safety has grown steadily on all fronts.

And yet, as early as 1962, the inadequacy of our central fire station was noted by Charles Downe, who said in the Master Plan, "The present situation in the basement of the Town Hall does not provide the kind of space and equipment necessary for an efficient, well trained fire department and should be replaced as soon as possible." By 1963, the inspection report of the New England Fire Insurance Rating Association said, "Immediate consideration should be given to the erection of a new headquarters station to replace the present headquarters." By 1965, special fire consultant, Robert Moulton, reported to the town, "A major expenditure which the town must eventually face is the construction of a new central fire station. The conditions in the present quarters in the basement of the Town Hall are, in my opinion, disgraceful and unsanitary."

In 1967, as a result of these many observations, the then Board of Selectmen appointed an informal study committee consisting of two fire department representatives, one Finance Committee representative, one Personnel Board representative, one Planning Board representative, a representative from the Permanent Building Committee and two representatives of the Selectmen. That committee recommended that a new headquarters fire station be built on a site on Hudson Road east of Old Lancaster. That was followed with further reports from such town committees as the Municipal Facilities Committee of the early 1970's and others.

During the same time the police department witnessed a sharp and steady change, not only in the amount of crime, but in the type of crime which is more and more being exported to suburbia. Over this period, the nature and scope of the police functions have been forced to change, and their quarters, cramped at best, have become almost incapable of efficiently housing modern police facilities.

As the years rolled by, Sudbury had other matters which claimed civic priority and we made capital expenditures for schools, school additions and regional additions, park and recreation land and conservation land, and a host of other activities that make up the part and parcel of municipal government. We all said, "Well, the fire and police can wait." And wait they did. They are still waiting, but their responsibilities haven't waited at all.

By 1970, the police/fire station problem had risen to the top of every single one of the planned capital improvement program studies the town ever had. And finally, in April of 1972, you made the first concrete steps for a long overdue solution. Money was voted for schematic plans and estimates for alternative sites. In January of 1973, the Oliver land was purchased by you as a site for a combined facility and \$40,000, more or less, were appropriated to prepare final plans and specifications.

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But there was a great deal that had to be done before that stage could be arrived at. Following the directions of the town, the Selectmen and the Permanent Building Committee first did a thorough study of the functional problems of the departments that would use this building with the full and enthusiastic cooperation, not only of the two chiefs, but with the representatives of the employees of each department. We looked long and hard at what kind of functions we hoped would be housed in this structure. That was new: the involvement of the people that actually work in the buildings. I do not think I can say enough for the hours of time spent by those concerned, firemen and policemen, who at their own time, in their own way, spent hours and hours visiting police stations, fire stations and combination stations all over New England. They brought back to us first hand, a working knowledge of what does work and what does not work. After agreeing on the function, then we started in the long, long business of converting function to plans for building.

The Selectmen alone have held more than 24 meetings over two years, running into countless hours, with the Permanent Building Committee and the architect, supplemented by backup meetings of the Executive Secretary and the staff at almost every point of decision. We have differed and we have debated and we have cajoled. Sometimes we did a little swearing, but in the end, we took a structure that started in at about a million dollars and 20,000 square feet and reduced it to what we believe to be the best, most efficient and most economical plan. You will find that that is 15,225 square feet for the \$770,000 price that has been mentioned.

We have tried to get the best advice we could and at the same time we have, wherever possible, sought to obtain the economies of joint use in this building without creating functional incompatibility of the operation. The Permanent Building Committee will discuss these matters with you.

I would also like to remind you of one other feature of this building and of the importance of its construction which really is apart from the building itself. Its construction will coincide with that of the housing for the elderly project of the Sudbury Housing Authority. I am sure that no one on the Housing Authority would disagree with us that the presence of the fire and police station within shouting distance of this apartment complex for the elderly is a matter of considerable comfort and assistance regardless of whatever other economies might be arranged in the matter of joint service roads and so forth at some later time.

We have actively sought and obtained special consideration from the federal civil defense authorities, not only for professional studies of an extremely dangerous emergency communication problem which the town has in front of it now, but, most importantly, we have obtained special consideration in the granting of additional funding to cure these problems.

We have struggled with the key questions of financing and bonding costs. We believe that the Town of Sudbury will find it difficult indeed to find any other time than the present more fiscally appropriate for approval of this long needed and overdue capital improvement. We say that with all of the earnestness that we command.

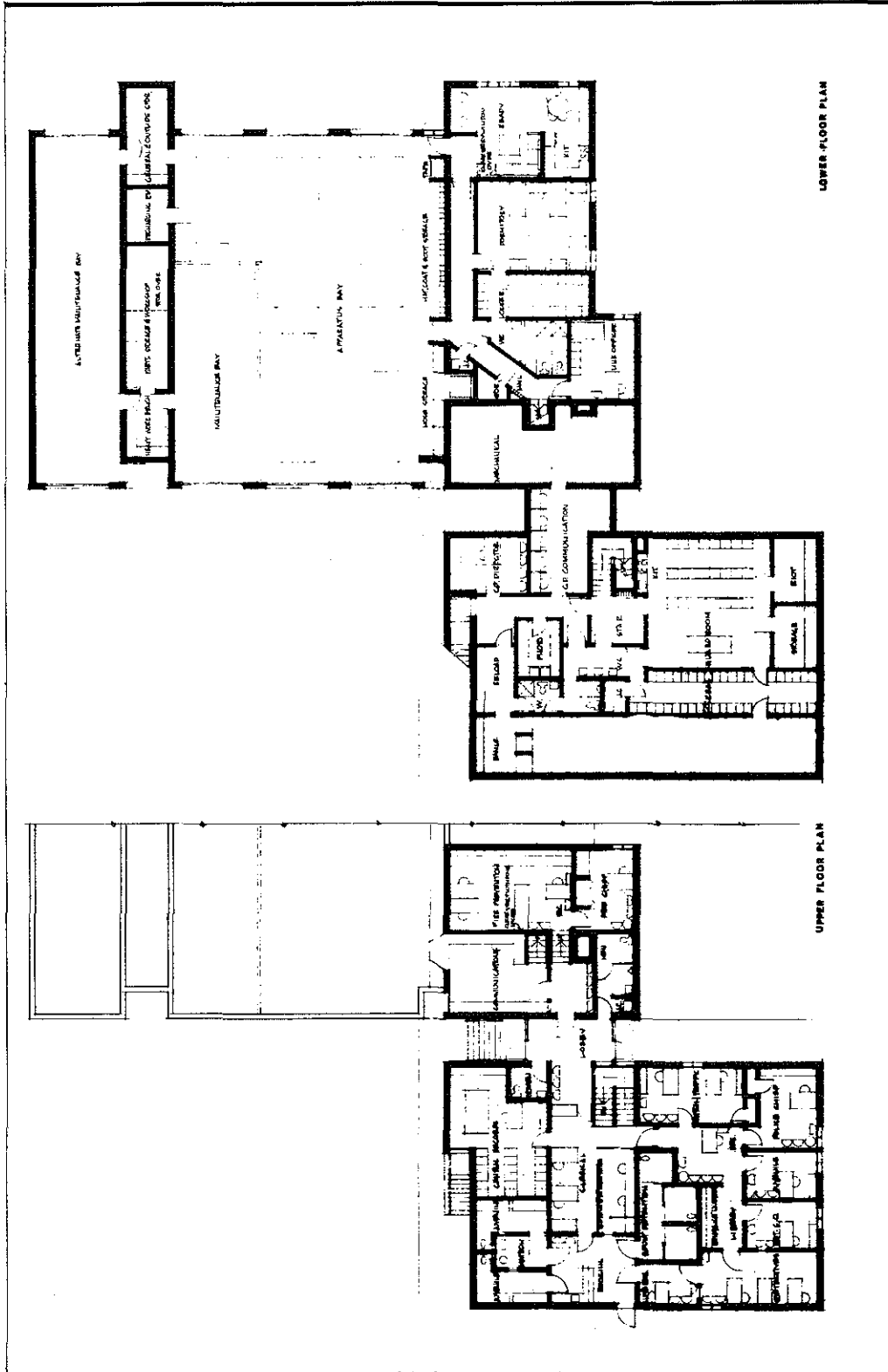
We worked long and hard, but in the last analysis, we are nothing more nor less than your servants, your fellow townsmen, your representatives. We are taxpayers like you. We are very concerned about the overview of our town and its place in today's world. I am a conservative when it comes to the spending of money, but I also know that there is a time when you should spend some money. As the economic situation we find ourselves in deepens, the record shows very clearly that the suburbs are the increasing target for the desperate and that our house breaking rate continues to climb. There is a major increase in major crime which accompanies, unfortunately, a recession. I believe that our homes are about the biggest investment that you and I have. I think that in allotting priorities in our expenditures, it is the path of wisdom now to bring our protective services up to 1974 standards. There is really no other dollar that you spend for almost anything in a town which affects every life and every property as do protective service dollars. I think they are the best dollars you can spend.

No need has been known and felt as long as this. No decision has been as long delayed as this, and I hope that together we can find a solution. Above all, I hope that we find it now.

Permanent Building Committee Report: (Mr. Bell) There is a need for this facility. In the past, this need has been recognized by the Finance Committee and the Long Range Planning Committee. These committees also agree that the facility is needed now.

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In January 1973, the Permanent Building Committee was directed by a vote of the Town to prepare final plans and specifications and secure bids for the construction of a combined fire/police headquarters facility located on the Oliver Land. We are back tonight with the final plans. The chart on page 1 of the warrant [see page 323] shows the location of the building and the access roads. The following chart shows the floor plan, both upper and lower floors:



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We are here tonight with firm construction bids. The bids that we received were 11 in number and ranged from \$621,000 to \$783,000. Using the low bid, our projected costs break down as follows. First, covering the program areas: Police area - 5,791 square feet, Fire area - 6,841 square feet, common area for both Fire and Police - 2,593 square feet, for a total of 15,225 square feet.

The total project cost is \$827,000. We expect a \$57,000 civil defense rebate leaving us a net cost to the Town of \$770,000. Subtracting previous appropriations, the net additional appropriation required tonight is \$733,000.

The plan and program offer the following to the Town. The facility is located very close to the geographic center of the Town giving better access to the community. The facility was sized to provide for additional badly needed space now and in the immediate future. The siting allows for building additions to the north and east if the Town's growth beyond the next 20 years requires it. The building cost is low.

The Selectmen, Executive Secretary and the respective chiefs worked diligently on the plan and program with the architect and are satisfied with the results. Additionally, the Fire and Police Officers' Associations were also involved and satisfied.

Provision for an emergency operations center plan has been developed for the lower level of the Police Station. To date, we have received \$4,600 reimbursement for planning. The federal government has granted \$42,501.50 in additional reimbursement. An additional \$10,000 will be applied for after construction for emergency communications equipment. However, the cost of this equipment is already included in the project.

Finally, the present compliment of equipment and furnishings will be re-used, that is, the equipment and furnishings presently in the fire and police headquarters. Some new additional equipment and furnishings, however, are included in the project.

We believe that this facility has been carefully and economically planned by all involved at a reasonable cost for the times and as needed for continued effective police and fire department operations. We urge your support.

Finance Committee Report: (Mr. Ronald L. Blecher and Mr. Karl E. Clough)

There are two issues facing you. One is the need for the police/fire station and the second is obviously the cost. I would like to address simply the factual matters of costs, what this facility will cost you in terms of its tax rate impact, the impact on the debt, and what it will cost the average homeowner.

Certainly a question that comes to mind immediately is, "What will be the tax rate in 1975 if we go ahead and approve this facility tonight?" I wish an answer could be given, but it is impossible. We have been through an analysis and there are so many unknown factors that it is frankly not feasible. There are factors, both positive and negative. The positive factors would be, for example, increased state aid. We have no way of knowing what that may be next year. A negative factor clearly in the back of everybody's mind is inflation.

We can tell you that if you approve this tonight, your tax rate next year will be 88¢ higher than if you don't approve it. I have no idea what the base level will be. I have no idea if it will be higher than last year's or lower. We are not predicting an increase in your tax rate if this is approved, but simply saying it will be 88¢ higher than if you do not approve it.

We are going to be talking about bonding \$600,000 over 10 years. The second question is, "What is Sudbury's debt position?" Sudbury's debt position is very solid. We hold a very modest debt and, as a matter of fact, it is declining at a very substantial rate with a major decline in 1978. In principal, excluding the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School debt, the entire town debt will be paid off by about 1984.

Finally, the question will come to your mind, "How much is this facility going to cost me, if we vote approval?" It is our estimate that the average taxpayer in Sudbury will pay between \$165 and \$210 over the next eleven years, for an average cost of between \$15 and \$20 per year.

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TABLE 1 - IMPACT OF POLICE FIRE STATION APPROVAL ON TAX RATE

Year	Down Payment	Bond* Princ. & Int.	Increased Maintenance Cost	Civil Defense	Total	Tax Rate Impact
		(\$600,000 over 10 years)				
1975	\$133,000	\$17,250	—		\$150,250	\$0.88
1976		94,500	\$15,000	-\$40,000	69,500	0.40
1977		91,050	15,300		106,350	0.59
1978		87,600			102,900	0.56
1979		84,150			99,450	0.52
1980		80,700			96,000	0.49
1981		77,250			92,550	0.46
1982		73,800			89,100	0.43
1983		70,350			85,650	0.41
1984		66,900			82,200	0.38
1985		63,450	15,300		78,750	0.36
			15,300		15,300	0.07

* 10 Year - 5.75%

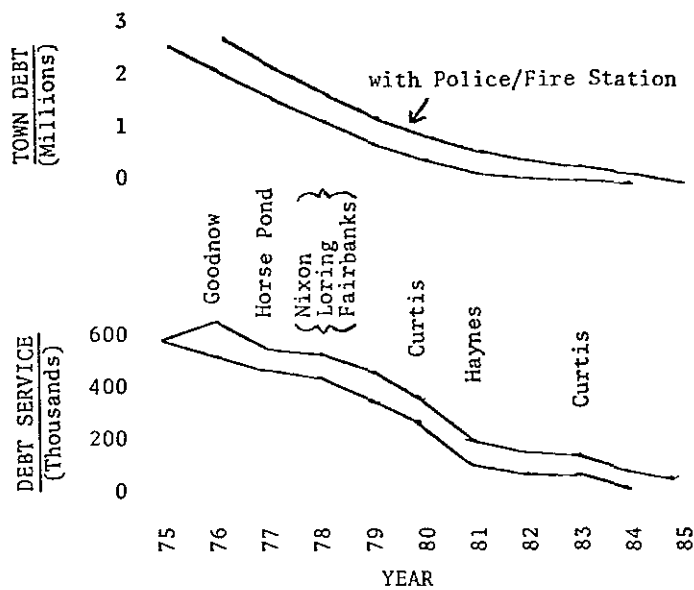
In the first year, the debt service will be fairly modest because we will simply be in a construction phase and we won't be occupying the building. We will have some interest payments basically of \$17,250, which will give us, for the first year of 1975, a total impact of \$150,250. If one will assume \$170,000,000 assessed valuation, then the impact on the tax rate is 88¢.

The second year is peculiar as well. There is expected substantial civil defense reimbursement. We have estimated \$40,000 civil defense reimbursement. We may do better. But \$40,000 subtracted from the first year debt service of \$94,500 gives us our second figure of 40¢.

Subsequent years then primarily are the debt service with the incremental maintenance costs attributable to the new facility. We figured out what it would cost to maintain the new facility in terms of utilities and custodial services, subtracting the cost of the previous two facilities. This gives an incremental cost of \$15,300 per year.

The ten year bond at 5.75% has been verified with the bank through the Town Treasurer.

FIGURE 1 - SUDBURY DEBT - EXCLUDES LSRHS DEBT AND 1974 SHORT TERM (2 YR) CONSERVATION BONDING



The data in the preceding figure is available in your 1973 town report. For simplicity, I have not included the high school debt service because it was not as easily accessible to me. The high school debt should be part of what you would assume to be your personal debt. I have also not included any short term bonding by the Conservation Commission as was discussed last year since that would simply confuse the issue. The Sudbury debt is shown from 1974 through the end of 1985. We are talking about a ten year period.

The debt service which is the lower half of the curve shows really a very modest increase over the next two years due to the police/fire station. The debt service goes up from \$600,000 to approximately \$630,000. This is representative of perhaps 15¢ on your tax rate.

The fact of the matter is that Sudbury's town debt is very modest. It is under \$3,000,000. It will remain under \$3,000,000 even with the new figure. The debt service will remain relatively constant for two years, and then it will follow approximately the same curve it is following now.

Finally, let's talk dollars and cents. Let's not talk tax rate or debt service. What is it going to cost you as a resident of Sudbury to purchase this facility? That, of course, is dependent upon the house you live in and what your assessed valuation is. In 1975, depending upon whether your house were assessed at \$20,000 or higher, the amount of money it will take out of your pocket will vary from \$17 to perhaps as much as \$53, if you live in a house that is assessed at \$50,000. The impact is felt on your taxes out of your pocket for eleven years, ten years bonding, plus the first year construction. If you live in a house assessed at \$20,000, and if you vote "yes", you are essentially voting to spend \$110 over the next eleven years of \$10 per year. If you live in a \$30,000 house, \$164 over eleven years, and so on. The average cost for a person living in a house between \$20 and \$50,000 assessed valuation will vary from \$10 to \$25 per year.

Mr. Clough then continued the report of the Finance Committee as follows:

The need for this facility is not new. A special committee appointed by the Selectmen in 1966 studied the situation and recommended the urgent need for adequate fire control headquarters. For several years thereafter, your town officials pressed at town meeting for approval of acquisition of a suitable site without success. It seems we were always waiting for a better climate. In 1970, the Municipal Facilities Committee, a citizens group appointed by the Selectmen, reviewed the needs of all boards, committees and departments of the Town, and reported among other things, that the police department would have a serious space shortage within five years and the fire department situation was impossible even then.

At the 1972 Annual Town Meeting, Article 46 presented two alternatives to resolve space shortage, one to add on to existing sub-stations, and the other to have a joint fire/police department facility. It is interesting to note that the cost of a combined headquarters facility, if voted at that time, was estimated at \$450,000. The town meeting voted down the article, but approved Article 48 which permitted the Selectmen to acquire an option for land purchase. As a result of that, and by subsequent town meeting action, we are here tonight to vote on an actual building, which incidentally, is now priced at \$733,000. Quite a price to pay for two year's delay.

The expansion of the police/fire service requirements with future growth of the Town is self-evident. The facilities proposed are designed for a functional life of twenty years. The physical and technical aspects of the planned replacement have been reduced to meet only the minimum criteria recommended by the professional authorities in the police and fire protection fields for the functional time span selected.

Both Fire and Police Chiefs have outlined in detail the serious deficiencies which now exist. The conditions under which our fire and law enforcement agencies have to render twenty-four hour service per day to the citizens of Sudbury are enumerated in detail. We commend to you in particular Chief St. Germain's comments in regard to previous construction of facilities which resulted in substantial savings to Sudbury's taxpayers. It is our conviction that any deferral of this project will prove disadvantageous to our Town, not only financially, but in terms of safety and protection of persons and property. As Sudbury taxpayers, as well as you are, your Finance Committee recommends approval without modification or restriction.

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Long Range Capital Expenditures Committee Report: (Mr. William T. Rynne)

It is the responsibility of the Long Range Capital Expenditures Committee to ascertain reports from all of the boards, commissions and committees in Town dealing with projected capital expenditures and then to make a suggested or recommended schedule of priorities on these expenses. Our committee is currently updating this and the capital improvement program.

In the near future, the Town will be confronted with capital improvements that include things such as Town Hall renovations, conservation land, septage disposal facilities, swimming pool, walkways, ski slope, highway drainage and construction, park and recreational development, highway equipment and garage facilities and many others. All of these items are either necessary or desirable or both. In this context, however, our committee feels that the proposed police/fire station should rank high in our list of scheduled priorities, and we recommend approval of this article.

Sudbury Taxpayers' Association: (Mr. Martin E. Doyle)

I would like everybody in the hall to understand that the position of the Sudbury Taxpayers' Association is not a criticism of the job our firemen and policemen are doing. We know our police and firemen will continue to do an outstanding professional job and will not be influenced by buildings or other considerations from doing it.

The Sudbury Taxpayers' Association's prime motive in opposing this motion is that in the face of present economic and inflationary pressures, it is unwise and imprudent to embark on such a major project. We feel that the present facilities are not totally inadequate and can be improved to suffice until our economic position improves. The fancy new station will not improve the quality or number of men responding to a fire or police call.

From the reports of the Chiefs as printed in the warrant, many of the major problems can be solved within the present system. For example, you don't build a new house because you have trouble with your septic system. You fix the septic system. There is available within Town adequate storage space for the things they quote as needing storage. Two places come to mind, and I'll just toss these out at random. One is the basement of the White Building and the other is the MacRae building on Featherland Park.

The schools in Town are available for in-service training and are better equipped for this purpose than any restricted area we can provide. As a matter of fact, one of the more important aspects of in-service training is physical training which can only be accomplished in a fully equipped gymnasium. The pistol range included which the Chief has referred to is an expensive item, and our police could continue to use the pistol range for their qualification once a year at the State Police Barracks or at any of the local ranges. The Police Chief has suggested his own answer to office space problems. Within the Town Hall complex, it would not be a problem to provide additional office space for the fire department if a reasonable amount of thought were given to the problem. There is also a possibility that within a few years we may have vacant school space which could be converted to this purpose.

It is worth noting that the present police headquarters on Boston Post Road was built to accommodate a second story in the event of expansion. But, apparently this fact has been forgotten or was not considered. For a number of years, as a matter of fact since 1967, the Town has refused to appropriate for property and plans for a fire headquarters. It was only when this was combined with a police headquarters in 1972, that the Town did indeed buy a site and appropriate for plans.

This is not the first time this has happened. Consider the Goodnow Library. It could not be used and it could not be added to. We had to have a new library building until the town meeting refused funds. Then all of a sudden it was perfectly adequate and we were able to add on to it. Another example is the White Building next door to the Town Hall. We were going to raze the White Building and build a special building for school headquarters until the Town refused to do it. All of a sudden we were able to renovate the White Building and it is perfectly adequate.

Now, I'd like to turn to the national issue. President Ford and our other leaders have exhorted us to tighten our belts and reduce our spending to fight inflation and depression. One of their conclusions is that a major cause of inflation is long term debt. We have mortgaged our future and it's catching up with us now. Particularly inflationary are federal, state and municipal borrowing. This takes away funds available for business and other expansion. Yet we sit here considering spending close to three-quarters of a million dollars.

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I do not agree with Mr. Blecher. The debt burden on this Town right now is costing us \$7.00 out of our \$49.50 tax rate. This proposal before us would increase our debt service by 5%. I include the Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School debt and the debt for the vocational high school in those figures and I think it is only fair we do so. Those debts are not going down. They are going up. So you consider that you are paying 14% of your tax bill for debt and we are proposing to increase it. And, over the next few years, we are going to be asked for further capital expenditures.

Where is this increase in our debt going to come from? We have practically zero tax base growth right now. Last year we had zero increase in state and federal assistance. There is only one source for that money and that is you, my friends, the taxpayers. You are also told that \$133,000 will come from free cash. But you know that is not free. That is your money too. That is money that can be used next year to reduce your tax bill by 60¢ and 60¢ is not peanuts. So I ask you, do you want to increase your taxes next year by 1 1/2%? I suggest to you that this is contrary to all our national and personal goals and urge all citizens to defer this proposal by voting "no".

After discussion, Mr. Bertram S. Weinstein moved the question. The Moderator announced that the motion of the question had passed by well over the required two-thirds.

Mr. Ira M. Potell was then recognized and moved that this town meeting under this article vote by secret written ballot.

After some discussion, Mr. Potell's motion was defeated.

The main motion under the article was then defeated. In Favor - 265; Opposed - 352. (Total - 617)

The Moderator stated that there had originally been an article in the warrant, which had been withdrawn, proposing a change in the date of the Annual Town Meeting from the first Monday in April to the last Monday in April. A series of meetings will be held to determine whether or not there should be such a change. The Moderator asked the hall to indicate by a show of hands how it felt about the matter. After the show of hands, the Moderator announced that the alternatives, in order of preference according to the number of hands raised, were (1) keep the date as it is now, (2) don't care, and (3) have it at a later date.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to authorize and empower the Board of Selectmen to negotiate with and convey, for a stated consideration, to the Sudbury Housing Authority, an easement for all purposes for which roads are used in the Town of Sudbury, to be used as an access roadway from Hudson Road to the site for the housing for elderly persons of low income project, over, across and through the property situated on the southerly side of Hudson Road, acquired under Article 1 in the warrant for the January 29, 1973, Special Town Meeting, with said easement being fifty feet in width and running from Hudson Road to said site in an exact location to be established by the Board of Selectmen, with the terms and conditions of such conveyance to be determined by the Selectmen, or act on anything relative thereto.

Submitted by the Sudbury Housing Authority and the Board of Selectmen.

Sudbury Housing Authority Report: Passage of this article will enable the Sudbury Housing Authority to construct an access road to its proposed development (667-1) of the former Oliver property located at the corner of Hudson and Peakham Roads.

Mr. Powers, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, made the main motion under the article, and reported to the meeting as follows:

The Housing Authority approached the Board of Selectmen with a request that in conjunction with the police/fire project and with its proximity to the Housing Authority project that there would appear to be some joint benefits in having an access way into the housing for the elderly project through the area that is assigned in terms of the Town's purchase for the police/fire station. It is because of this request that the Board of Selectmen agreed to make this motion. The request comes from the Housing Authority, and I would hope that the Housing Authority would speak to the merits or lack of merits of it.

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Mr. Douglas Miranda was then recognized and stated that the Housing Authority did not wish to expand on its report in the warrant. However, the Housing Authority had an amendment it would like to offer to this article at the appropriate time.

Finance Committee Report: Three ways of access to the land of the Sudbury Housing Authority have been considered. The first choice, access to Peakham Road, was found to have too steep a grade. Access via Colonial Road was considered. This would have brought heavy equipment through a residential neighborhood during the construction phase. The Finance Committee believes access to Hudson Road through Town-owned land, by a route negotiated by the Selectmen with the Housing Authority, provides a better alternative. The Finance Committee recommends approval of Article 2.

Planning Board Report: (Mrs. Jane F. Gillespie)

Ours is not an official position of support or nonsupport, but we do want to be on record as we have been in previous meetings that this access onto Hudson Road is far superior to access onto Colonial Road which at one time was proposed.

Mr. Miranda then *moved to amend Article 2 by striking out the words "an amount not less than \$3,000 nor more than \$6,000" and substituting "the sum of \$1.00"*.

In support of the amendment Mr. Miranda stated that the Sudbury Housing Authority shares the townspeople's concern with our local tax dollars. We are equally concerned with the stewardship of your state tax dollars. We are, in fact, an operating arm of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and we therefore believe that you should be aware of several facts before your vote on this article.

This project is intended to serve the needs of the Town of Sudbury. The housing for elderly of low income will serve the elderly of our Town who are currently forced to seek aid elsewhere. The project will include a community building to be utilized by others in this community, other groups, senior citizens' organizations. We would like to point out that development costs of our project are higher than many, many others in the state.

Your Housing Authority will pay the Town of Sudbury \$37,500 for that parcel of land, which averages out to a cost of about \$586 per unit. We are talking about 66 units. The average for the state in land purchase is somewhere between \$400 and \$500. As a matter of fact, about one-third of the towns in Massachusetts who have housing authorities have managed to purchase land for their housing development from their communities for the sum of \$1.00 which is the equivalent to a gift. A few of these towns are Framingham, Winchester, Brimfield, Peabody, Lowell, Somerville, Cambridge, City of Boston, and Arlington.

What we spend on developing the land will be taken from what we will spend on the housing units themselves. We have endeavored to hold costs down by utilizing building components of low initial and maintenance costs to provide reasonably safe and pleasant surroundings for the elderly tenants.

Any more than a token payment from the Sudbury Housing Authority would require an appraisal and an approval by the state, a policy intended for the protection of your state tax dollars. Purchase of this initial parcel of land required two appraisals which cost the taxpayers of this Commonwealth \$500 for each appraisal. We paid \$1,000 for that. Admittedly, the portion of land that we are looking for for the easement will probably total somewhere around one-third acre of land, plus or minus. Obviously an appraisal for that would cost less, but regardless, we would have to go out and hire someone to do this and submit our figures to the state. We do not feel that you want to spend more state tax dollars to transfer somewhere between \$3,000 and \$6,000 from your state tax pocket to your local tax pocket.

The Housing Authority requests your support for this amendment so we can get on to the business of granting the Authority the necessary easement.

After discussion, Mr. Miranda's amendment was *defeated*.

After further discussion, it was

VOTED: THAT THE TOWN AUTHORIZE AND EMPOWER THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN TO NEGOTIATE WITH AND CONVEY, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT LESS THAN \$3,000 NOR MORE THAN \$6,000, TO THE SUDBURY HOUSING AUTHORITY, AN EASEMENT FOR ALL PURPOSES FOR WHICH ROADS ARE USED IN THE TOWN OF SUDBURY, TO BE USED AS AN ACCESS ROADWAY FROM HUDSON ROAD TO THE SITE FOR ELDERLY PERSONS OF LOW INCOME PROJECT, OVER, ACROSS AND

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THROUGH THE PROPERTY SITUATED ON THE SOUTHERLY SIDE OF HUDSON ROAD, ACQUIRED UNDER ARTICLE 1 IN THE WARRANT FOR THE JANUARY 29, 1973, SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, WITH SAID EASEMENT BEING 50 FEET IN WIDTH AND RUNNING FROM HUDSON ROAD TO SAID SITE IN AN EXACT LOCATION TO BE ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH CONVEYANCE TO BE DETERMINED BY THE SELECTMEN.

In Favor - 196; Opposed - 76. (Total 272.)

At the request of the Moderator, it was moved and

VOTED: THAT THE MEETING REMAIN IN SESSION AFTER 11:00 P.M. FOR THE PURPOSE OF COMPLETING THE WARRANT.

The Moderator announced that the vote was more than the required two-thirds.

The Moderator then recognized Mr. William H. Vollheim of the Sudbury Companies of Militia and Minute for the purpose of presenting a resolution. Mr. Vollheim stated that this resolution was presented in the interests of 200 years of history. On the 200th anniversary of the original call for the election of militia officers, both Sudbury and Wayland are presenting this resolution as a Bicentennial exercise.

VOTED: RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN RECOMMEND TO THE SEVERAL COMPANIES OF MILITIA AND MINUTE TO MEET FOR THE CHOICE OF OFFICERS FOR THEIR RESPECTIVE COMPANIES AS RECOMMENDED BY THE PROVINCIAL CONGRESS OF '74.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds \$2,100, or any other sum, to be added to and expended as part of budget item #521-61 - Data Processing, under the direction of the Town Accountant, or act on anything relative thereto.

Data
Processing

Submitted by the Town Accountant.

Town Accountant Report: This article is being presented at the 1974 Special Town Meeting for the following reasons:

- During the process of separating the Accounting Budget from the Selectmen's Budget last year, the Data Processing Account, which pays for the Town's payroll processing, was inadvertently omitted from both budgets.

- Upon discovering the omission of this account, a Reserve Fund Transfer request was submitted to the Finance Committee for a total of \$4,200. The Finance Committee approved a transfer of \$2,100 and recommended that the remaining \$2,100 be transferred from "free cash" at a subsequent Special Town Meeting, if held.

The Town Accountant recommends approval of this article.

Finance Committee Report: (Mrs. Patricia Warshaver)

This article was submitted by the Town Accountant with the concurrence of the Finance Committee. This budget item was unintentionally omitted from the budget presented at the Annual Town Meeting. When the error was recognized, a request to transfer \$4,200 from the Reserve Fund to cover the cost of data processing services provided by the Newton-Waltham Bank was presented to the Finance Committee. The amount requested represented 6% of the entire Reserve Fund, and the Finance Committee was concerned about such a large transfer at the beginning of the fiscal year. Consequently, the Finance Committee recommended a reduced transfer of \$2,100 to cover costs until the end of the calendar year with the intent of obtaining the additional \$2,100 from free cash through a vote at special town meeting, or if there was no special town meeting, through a deferred transfer from the Reserve Fund.

The Finance Committee seeks support of this town meeting to provide the required funds from free cash in order to preserve the Reserve Fund for unforeseen and extraordinary expenses that may develop prior to the end of this fiscal year. The Finance Committee recommends approval of Article 3.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: THAT THE TOWN APPROPRIATE AND TRANSFER \$2,100 FROM FREE CASH TO BE ADDED TO AND EXPENDED AS PART OF BUDGET ITEM NUMBER 521-61, DATA PROCESSING, UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: TO ADJOURN.

The meeting adjourned at 10:59 P.M.

A true record, Attest:

Betsey M. Powers
Betsey M. Powers, Town Clerk

STATE ELECTION

November 5, 1974

The Biennial State Election was held at the Peter Noyes School with the polls open from 6:30 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. There were 4,955 votes cast, including 105 absentee ballots (Precinct 1 - 20; Precinct 2 - 14; Precinct 3 - 36; Precinct 4 - 35). Twenty voting machines were used. The results were announced by the Precinct Clerks by 9:59 P.M.

	<u>Pct. 1</u>	<u>Pct. 2</u>	<u>Pct. 3</u>	<u>Pct. 4</u>	<u>Total</u>
GOVERNOR and LT. GOVERNOR					
Sargent and Dwight	637	698	749	880	2,964
Dukakis and O'Neill	380	510	535	411	1,836
Gurewitz and Bivins	2	7	6	9	24
Kahian and Creco	11	15	29	27	82
Blanks	17	11	12	9	49
ATTORNEY GENERAL					
Francis X. Bellotti	214	308	298	185	1,005
Josiah A. Spaulding	810	890	993	1,115	3,808
Jeanne Lafferty	6	18	9	15	48
Blanks	17	25	31	21	94
SECRETARY OF STATE					
Paul H. Guzzi	534	739	748	636	2,657
John M. Quinlan	478	453	534	653	2,118
Blanks	35	49	49	47	180
STATE TREASURER					
Robert Q. Crane	668	809	842	775	3,094
Scattering		1			1
Blanks	379	431	489	561	1,860
STATE AUDITOR					
Thaddeus Buczko	636	756	818	793	3,003
Blanks	411	485	513	543	1,952
CONGRESSMAN (4th District)					
Robert F. Drinan	447	615	558	560	2,180
Alvin Mandell	294	247	314	384	1,239
Jon Rotenberg	279	346	431	365	1,421
Blanks	27	33	28	27	115
COUNCILLOR (3rd District)					
Herbert L. Connolly	566	710	739	690	2,705
Scattering		1			1
Blanks	481	530	592	646	2,249
SENATOR (Middlesex and Worcester District)					
Chester G. Atkins	599	814	787	725	2,925
George F. Rohan	382	349	437	521	1,689
Blanks	66	78	107	90	341
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT (40th Middlesex District)					
Genevra R. Coughlin	393	-	-	-	393
Wesley E. Young	599	-	-	-	599
Blanks	55	-	-	-	55
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT (53rd Middlesex District)					
Ann C. Gannett	-	742	845	1,013	2,600
Douglas A. Miranda	-	442	425	286	1,153
Blanks	-	57	61	37	155

	<u>Pct. 1</u>	<u>Pct. 2</u>	<u>Pct. 3</u>	<u>Pct. 4</u>	<u>Total</u>
DISTRICT ATTORNEY (Northern District)					
John J. Droney	615	762	804	739	2,920
Blanks	432	479	527	597	2,035
COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Middlesex County)					
John L. Danehy	565	684	731	658	2,638
Blanks	482	557	600	678	2,317
SHERIFF (Middlesex County)					
John J. Buckley	692	795	845	987	3,319
Walter J. Sullivan	278	370	391	260	1,299
Blanks	77	76	95	89	337
QUESTION 1 (General Court Recesses)					
Yes	613	716	753	802	2,884
No	300	358	386	367	1,411
Blanks	134	167	192	167	660
QUESTION 2 (Reduction in size of House of Representative)					
Yes	829	963	1,018	1,089	3,899
No	107	148	149	128	532
Blanks	111	130	164	119	524
QUESTION 3 (Grants to private higher educational institutions)					
Yes	482	587	602	654	2,325
No	440	490	545	543	2,018
Blanks	125	164	184	139	612
QUESTION 4 (Use of Highway Fund for mass transportation)					
Yes	657	774	834	875	3,140
No	271	303	426	331	1,331
Blanks	119	164	71	130	484
QUESTION 5 (Establish Corrupt Practices Commission)					
Yes	589	701	698	783	2,771
No	300	359	408	364	1,431
Blanks	158	181	225	189	753
QUESTION 6 (Establish Department of Health Systems Regulations)					
Yes	646	773	746	760	2,925
No	237	269	355	369	1,230
Blanks	164	199	230	207	800

A true record, Attest:

Betsy M. Powers

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Town Clerk

STATE ELECTION

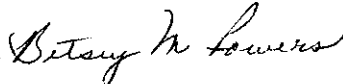
RECOUNT

November 18, 1974

Under the provisions of Chapter 54, Sections 135 and 135A, as amended, of the General Laws, a recount of the ballots cast at the Biennial State Election of November 5, 1974, for the office of Representative in the General Court, 40th Middlesex District, in Precinct 1, was held on November 18, 1974. The results were as follows:

Genevra R. Counihan	393
Wesley E. Young	599
Blanks	55
Total	1,047

A true record, Attest:



Betsey M. Powers
Town Clerk

In Memoriam

Stephen M. W. Gray

Born: 1893. Died: December 25, 1974

Moved to Sudbury: 1923.

Planning Board member: 1930-1947

Board of Appeals member: 1937, 1942-1966

Board of Appeals (Alternate): 1939-1941

Board of Appeals (Associate): 1967

Philena A. (Parker) Bartlett

Born: 1883. Died: November 18, 1974

Moved to Sudbury: 1917

Sudbury School Committee: 1931-1941

Paul Whitney Rhoades

Born: 1892. Died: January 1, 1975

Moved to Sudbury: 1927

Planning Board member: 1930-33

Board of Appeals member: 1936-37

Finance Committee member: 1938, 1941-42

Martin E. Doyle

Born: 1920. Died: January 2, 1975

Moved to Sudbury: 1959

Board of Assessors: 1965-67

Board of Selectmen: 1968-70

Industrial Development Commission: 1971-1975

