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Town Officers

Moderator

Wilfred K. Glover

Clerk

Francella Cooley

Treasurer

Josie B. Bowles

Selectmen

Millard F. Bowles Wilfred K. Glover Clyde L. Deatte

Health Officer

Durand B. Cooley

Supervisors

Lyle E. Brown Ion S. Whitcomb Elbert Harwood

Board of Education

Lyle E. Brown Fred H. Bowles Ivah Edney

Library Trustees

Francella Cooley Ion S. Whitcomb Jeanette R. Young

Tax Collector

Durand B. Cooley

Road Agent

Lawrence S. Bowles

Dog Constable

Fred H. Bowles

Sexton

Clyde L. Deatte

Auditor

Lawrence S. Bowles

Overseer of the Poor

Fred H. Bowles

Police Officer

Fred H. Bowles

Town Meeting Warrant

March 9, 1937

Article 1. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

Article 2. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary for the laying out, construction and repair of town highways and bridges, general expense of highways, snow removal, officers' salaries and expenses, election and registration expenses, health and other town charges.

Article 3. To see if the town will vote to accept State Aid and raise money for same.

Article 4. To see if town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to let town hall for public dancing.

Article 5. To see if town will instruct Selectmen to allow discount on early payment of taxes. What per cent and at what time?

Article 6. To see what action the town will take in regard to its highways in winter.

Article 7. To see if town will authorize the Selectmen to administer or dispose of any real estate acquired by the town through tax collector's deeds.

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to hire money for defraying the town charges in anticipation of taxes.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to adopt the provisions of the "Municipal Budget Act."

Article 10. To see what action the town will take in regard to hiring the "Franconia Fire Truck" in future when needed.

Article 11. To see if town will authorize Selectmen to sell whatever right they may have in a certain spring situated within the limits of the highway opposite the buildings now occupied by Clyde Deatte.

Article 12. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

The above warrant is correct to the following date. February 10, 1936.

Millard F. Bowles,
Wilfred K. Glover,
Clyde L. Deatte,
Selectmen of Easton.

Budget of the Town of Easton

Estimates of Revenue for Ensuing Year, February 1, 1937, to January 31, 1938, Compared with Actual Revenue of the Previous Year, February 1, 1936 to January 31, 1937.

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Actual Revenue 1936	Estimated Revenue 1937
From State:		
National Forest Reserve Fund	\$ 134.27	\$ 125.00
Savings bank tax	45.40 ✓	50.00
Abatement of state tax from government land	927.26	900.00
Bounty Reimbursement		10.00
Reimbursement, town road flood	443.31 ✓	
Taxes:		
Poll taxes	124.00 ✓	124.00
Motor vehicle permit fees	99.94 ✓	75.00
Dog license fees	21.33	20.00
Rent of town hall	270.00	100.00
Interest from taxes 1936	6.69	18.00
D. B. Cooley, refund on overdraft	1.38	
Total revenue from all sources except property tax	\$2,073.58	\$1,422.00
D. B. Cooley, collector 1936 property tax	4,302.19 ✓	
D. B. Cooley, redemption of 1935 tax	83.37	
K. D. Lang, collector 1934 redemption	171.72	
Balance on hand January 31, 1936	570.44	1,274.27
	\$7,201.30	\$2,696.27

Estimates of Expenditures for the Ensuing Year, February 1, 1937 to January 31, 1938, Compared with Actual Expenditures of the Previous Year, February 1, 1936 to January 31, 1937.

PURPOSE OF EXPENDITURES	Actual Expend- itures 1936	Estimated Expend- itures 1937
General Government:		
Town officers' salaries	\$ 316.78	\$ 250.00
Town officers' expenses	177.47	175.00
Election and registration expenses	99.50	35.00
Town building expenses	183.98	100.00
Protection of persons and property:		
Health department:		
Health	5.00	5.00
Vital statistics	3.00	10.00
Bounties	9.40	
Police department	6.53	
Highways and bridges:		
Town maintenance	615.92	250.00
General expense of highway department	52.88	100.00

Libraries:		
Library	10.00	10.00
Public service enterprises:		
Cemetery	12.00	12.00
Outlay for new construction and permanent improvement:		
Snow plowing and shoveling	174.20	250.00
State aid construction, town's share	190.30	225.00
State aid bridge, town's share	662.38	
Payments to other governmental divisions:		
State tax	368.00	368.00
County tax	498.58	498.58
School	1,294.25	1,100.00
Relief	106.51	200.00
Insurance	50.00	50.00
Town debt, notes and interest	940.83	810.00
Taxes bought by town	149.52	
Total expenditures	\$5,927.03	\$4,448.58
Easton Old Home Day Association:		
Amount of principal and interest in Littleton Savings Bank		\$14.77

Inventory of 1935

Land and buildings	\$125,285.00 ✓
Electric power line	2,500.00
24 horses	1,410.00 ✓
1 ox	25.00 ✓
50 cows	1,410.00 ✓
9 neat stock	210.00 ✓
1 saw mill	1,000.00 ✓
6 gasoline pumps and tanks	450.00 ✓
Wood and lumber	800.00
Stock in trade	600.00 ✓
Total value	\$133,690.00
Property tax	\$4,344.92
63 polls	126.00
Total for collector	\$4,470.92
Tax rate \$3.25 for \$100 valuation	
Property exempted to soldiers and soldiers' widows	\$2,800.00

**Comparative Statement of
Appropriations and Expenditures**
Fiscal Year Ending January 31, 1937

	<i>Appropriations</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>	<i>Unexpended Balance</i>	<i>Overdraft</i>
Town officers' salaries	\$ 253.00	\$ 316.78		\$ 63.78
Town officers' expenses	150.00	177.47		27.47
Election and registration	75.00	99.50		24.50
Town building expenses	75.00	183.98		108.98
Health department	5.00	5.00		
Vital statistics	10.00	3.00	\$ 7.00	
Bounties		9.40		9.40
Police department		6.53		6.53
Highways and bridges, town maintenance	250.00	615.92		365.92
General expense of highway	150.00	52.88	97.12	
Library	10.00	10.00		
Cemetery	12.00	12.00		
Snow plowing	250.00	174.20	75.80	
State aid construction	217.50	190.30	27.20	
State aid bridge	600.00	662.38		62.38
State tax	368.00	368.00		
County tax	498.58	498.58		
School	1,100.00	1,294.25		194.25
Relief	50.00	106.51		56.51
Insurance	75.00	50.00	25.00	
Town debt principal	600.00	700.00		100.00
Interest on notes	240.00	240.83		.83
Taxes bought by town		149.52		149.52
Totals	\$4,989.08	\$5,927.03	\$232.12	\$1,170.07
Net overdraft of appropriations			\$937.95	
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			\$1,170.07	\$1,170.07

List of Appropriations for 1936 Compared with Those of 1937

	1936	1937
Town officers' salaries	\$ 253.00	\$ 250.00
Town officers' expenses	150.00	175.00
Election and registration	75.00	35.00
Town building expenses	75.00	100.00
Health department	5.00	5.00
Vital statistics	10.00	10.00
Highways, bridges, town maintenance	250.00	250.00
General expense of highway	150.00	100.00
Library	10.00	10.00
Cemetery	12.00	12.00
Snow plowing	250.00	250.00
State aid construction	217.50	225.00
State aid bridge	600.00	
State tax	368.00	368.00
County tax	498.58	498.58
School	1,100.00	1,100.00
Relief	50.00	200.00
Insurance	75.00	50.00
Town debt principal	600.00	600.00
Interest on notes	240.00	210.00
Total	\$4,989.08	\$4,448.58

Assets and Liabilities

ASSETS

Balance on hand January 31, 1937	\$1,274.27
Due from tax sales 1933	14.32
Due from C. M. Glover, overdraft from town building	4.90
Due from State for bounties 1936	9.40
Due from tax sales 1936	149.52
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Total	\$1,452.41

LIABILITIES

Due school treasurer	\$ 600.00
N. F. R. fund due school	67.13
Dog license money due school	21.33
Soldiers' memorial	100.00
Balance in treasury of S. A. C. money	35.07
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Total	\$823.53
Total assets exclusive of notes	\$1,452.41
Total liabilities	823.53
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Assets over liabilities	\$ 628.88
Long term notes	\$4,200.00

List of Town Property

Town hall, land and buildings	\$6,000.00
Furniture and equipment	120.00
Library, furniture and equipment	1,200.00
Fire department equipment	25.00
Highway department equipment	200.00
School, land and buildings	1,000.00
Equipment	300.00
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Total	\$8,845.00

Town Clerk's Report

Francella Cooley, auto tax 1936	\$70.63
Francella Cooley, auto tax 1937	29.31
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	\$99.94
Francella Cooley, dog tax 1936	\$23.33
Francella Cooley, clerk's fee	2.00
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	21.33
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Total amount paid treasurer	\$121.27

Tax Collector's Report

Taxes committed to collector, 1936	\$4,470.92
Added taxes, Whitefield Bank	47.90
Interest collected, 1936	6.69
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Total	\$4,525.51
Discount allowed	\$43.13
Abatement of polls	
Gladys Brooks	2.00
Estella Glover	2.00

Abatement of property tax		
Gladys Brooks farm	26.00	
Land sold to government prior to April 1, 1936		
Lisbon Co., Inc	13.00	
Harry Ronan	6.50	
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Total discount and abatements		\$ 92.63
Amount of tax and interest to town excluding discount and abatements 1936		\$4,432.88
Amount of tax bought by town and to whom listed		
Steere place	\$ 58.50	
Clayton Dockham	87.75	
John Pollock	1.63	
Interest	1.64	
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Total	\$149.52	
D. B. Cooley, amount paid treasurer for redemption of tax bought by town, 1935		\$ 83.37
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Total amount paid treasury by D. B. Cooley, collector, 1936		\$4,516.25
Amount of tax due from tax sales of 1933	\$14.32	
Amount of tax for 1934 abated as uncollectable with interest	8.25	
Amount of tax and interest for 1933, abated as uncollectable	40.16	
Amount paid to treasurer by K. D. Lang, collector, redemption on 1934 taxes bought by town		\$ 171.72
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Total amount to treasurer 1936		\$4,687.97

Treasurer's Report

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand January 31, 1936	\$ 570.44
Francella Cooley, town clerk, dog licenses	21.33
Francella Cooley, town clerk, auto tax 1936	70.63
Francella Cooley, town clerk, auto tax 1937	29.31
State of New Hampshire	
Abatement of state tax	927.26
Savings bank tax	45.40
National Forest Reserve fund	134.27
Reimbursement flood fund	443.31
Rent of town hall	270.00
K. D. Lang, collector, 1934	171.72
Durand B. Cooley, collector, 1935	83.37
Durand B. Cooley, collector, 1936	4,432.88
Durand B. Cooley, refund on overdraft	1.38
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Total	\$7,201.30

EXPENDITURES

99 orders paid Feb. 1, 1936—Jan. 31, 1937	\$5,927.03
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Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1937	\$1,274.27

Detail Statement of Receipts

Balance on hand February 1, 1936	\$ 570.44
Durand B. Cooley, collector, 1936	4,432.88
Durand B. Cooley, collector, tax and interest, 1935	83.37
K. D. Lang, collector, redemption 1934 tax and interest	171.72
Francella Cooley, town clerk, auto tax, 1936	70.63
Francella Cooley, town clerk, auto tax, 1937	29.31
Francella Cooley, town clerk, dog license, 1936	21.33
State treasury, abatement of state tax	927.26

State treasury, savings bank tax	45.40
State treasury, N. F. R. F.	134.27
State treasury, reimbursement for flood	294.39
State treasury, reimbursement for flood	148.92
Rent of town hall	270.00
D. B. Cooley, refund on overdraft	1.38
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Total	\$7,201.30

Detail Statement of Payments

Current maintenance expenses:

General government:

Town officers' salaries	\$ 316.78 ✓
Town officers' expenses	177.47 ✓
Election and registration	99.50 †
Town building expenses	183.98 †
Health department	5.00 †
Vital statistics	3.00 †
Bounties	9.40 †
Police department	6.53 3
Highways and bridges, town maintenance	615.92 †
General expense of highway	52.88 2
Library	10.00 ✓
Cemetery	12.00 †
Snowplowing	174.20 †
State aid construction	190.30 2
State aid bridge	662.38 †
State tax	368.00 ✓
County tax	498.58 ✓
School	1,294.25 ✓
Relief	106.51 ✓
Insurance	50.00 3
Town debt, notes and interest	940.83 ✓
Taxes bought by town	149.52 3

Total	<hr/> \$5,927.03
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Detail 1. Town Officers' Salaries:

W. K. Glover, services as selectman	\$ 58.00
O. L. Bowles, services as selectman	22.00
Durand B. Cooley, tax collector	67.88
Durand B. Cooley, attending tax meetings	13.00
Clyde L. Deatte, services as selectman	36.00
Francella Cooley, town clerk	25.15
F. H. Bowles, overseer	5.25
Josie B. Bowles, treasurer	30.00
Millard Bowles, selectman	54.50
Lawrence S. Bowles, auditor	5.00
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	\$316.78

Detail 2. Town Officers' Expenses:

The Courier Printing Co.	\$ 2.30
Grafton County Publishing Co.	60.65
Oliver L. Bowles, expenses, selectman	5.84
W. J. Randolph, transfers	1.26
Hunkins & Eaton, town officers' bonds	20.00
Edson C. Eastman, supplies	9.15
Town clerk, auto reference book	3.75
Clyde L. Deatte, selectman's expense	4.00
Francella Cooley, postage and supplies	3.60
M. F. Bowles, mileage	22.50
Francella Cooley, 38 auto permits	9.50
Francella Cooley, refund on dog tax	.20
M. F. Bowles, postage and supplies	5.86
F. H. Bowles, expenses as dog police	1.00
Durand Cooley, mileage and expense attending tax meetings	12.00
Josie Bowles, work on town reports	6.00
Durand Cooley, collector, tax sale costs	9.86
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	\$177.47

Detail 3. Election and Registration Expenses:

W. K. Glover, moderator	\$12.00
Mrs. Ivah Edney, ballot clerk	6.00
Albert Eastman, ballot inspector	6.00
Durand B. Cooley, ballot inspector	6.00
Margaret Whitcomb, supervisor	8.00
Ion S. Whitcomb, supervisor	12.00
Lyle E. Brown, supervisor	18.00
Francella Cooley, clerk	14.00
Mabel Bowles, ballot clerk	6.00
Millard Bowles, two meetings	6.00
Millard Bowles, labor and material on voting booths	1.50
Roy Judd, ballot inspector, 1932	4.00
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Total	\$99.50 /

Detail 4. Health Department:

Durand B. Cooley, health officer	\$5.00
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Detail 5. Vital Statistics:

Francella Cooley, recording 1 birth	\$.25
Francella Cooley, recording 4 deaths	1.00
Francella Cooley, issuing 1 verification card	.25
Francella Cooley, making returns to state	.25
Francella Cooley, making returns to town	1.25
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Total	\$3.00 /

Detail 6. Town Building Expenses:

Public Service Co., for lights	\$ 36.68
John Cairns, painting metal flashing	7.00
John Cairns, for paint	1.90
O. L. Bowles' truck, moving wood	1.00
Lawrence Bowles, janitor service	50.00
C. A. Young, fifteen sixteenths of a cord of wood	7.50

L. S. Bowles, labor and supplies	1.69
O. L. Bowles, Administrator Orin G. Bowles' estate, balance on chairs	39.46
Frank Locke, for cutting and yarding 6 cords of wood for town building	21.00
M. F. Bowles, electric wiring and supplies	2.40
Millard Bowles, labor and material on plumbing in town building	3.35
One dozen keys for town building	2.00
Francis Edney, grading around steps	1.00
M. F. Bowles, labor on floor and posts under hall	1.50
Supplies for town building	7.50
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Total	\$183.98

Detail 7. Bounties:

Albert Judd, 10 hedgehogs	\$2.00
A. C. Pease, 15 hedgehogs	3.00
Joe Darvid, 16 hedgehogs	3.20
M. F. Bowles, 3 hedgehogs	.60
P. H. Leighton, 2 hedgehogs	.40
Clyde Deatte, 1 hedgehog	.20
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Total, 47 hedgehogs	\$9.40

Detail 8. Police Department:

F. H. Bowles, police officer	\$4.00
Bent & Bush Co., police badges	2.53
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Total	\$6.53

Detail 9.**(A) Highways, Bridges, Town Maintenance:**

Lawrence Bowles, agent	\$ 40.21
O. L. Bowles' truck	76.40
Eri Lane, labor	43.43

Joe Deatte, labor	14.00
Arthur Pease, labor	30.81
M. F. Bowles, labor	21.28
Elbert Harwood, labor	2.80
Melvin Bowles, labor	2.40
Frank Locke, labor	12.80
Dan Bowles, labor	32.85
C. L. Deatte, labor	9.00
Frank Locke, Jr., labor	12.80
Mrs. Mattie Pease, gravel	2.25
Frank Locke, use of truck	4.40
H. F. Jones, gravel	7.80
Arthur Pease, gravel	.60
Josephine Dickinson, gravel	7.70
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Total	\$321.53
Reimbursed by state for flood damage	148.92
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Total paid by town	\$172.61

Detail 9.

(B) Flood Work, Town Roads:

Fred H. Bowles, foreman	\$ 33.00
Arthur Pease, labor	25.60
Eri Lane, labor	23.20
D. K. Bowles, labor	26.40
Joe Deatte, labor	26.40
O. L. Bowles' truck	81.60
Arthur C. Pease, for gravel	25.65
E. J. McKenzie, bridge stringers	17.00
O. L. Bowles, bridge plank	17.25
M. F. Bowles, 1 bag cement	.85
State Highway Garage, pipe	17.44
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Paid by town	\$294.39
Reimbursed by state	\$294.39

Total on town roads paid by town	\$615.92
Total reimbursement by state	443.31
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Amount actually paid by town	\$172.61

Detail 10. General Expense of Highway:

The Northern Garage, labor and material on snow plow	\$ 4.75
Woodsville Garage, labor and material on snow plow	13.69
C. F. Harris, irons for snow plow	4.55
Millard Bowles, labor on Harwood fence	2.60
Elbert Harwood, labor on Harwood fence	1.20
Elbert Harwood, posts	3.75
Depot store, wire and staples	3.89
M. F. Bowles, checking flood roads	16.50
1 wire fence stretcher	1.00
Repairing chains and sharpening drills	.95
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Total	\$52.88

Detail 11. Town Library:

Library trustees	\$10.00
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Detail 12. Cemeteries:

Arthur C. Pease, mowing cemetery	\$ 6.00
C. L. Deatte, mowing cemetery	6.00
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Total	\$12.00

Detail 13. Snow Plowing:

O. L. Bowles, truck	\$113.25
M. F. Bowles, labor	30.35
Eri Lane, labor	2.30
Harry Cass, labor	7.30
Elbert Harwood, labor	1.60

Arthur Pease, labor	4.60
M. H. Bowles, labor	7.00
Roy Judd, labor	1.80
Lawrence Bowles, labor	6.00
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Total	174.20

Detail 14. State Aid Construction Account:

Fred H. Bowles, foreman on Judd and Jones road

Fred H. Bowles, foreman	\$ 129.60
M. F. Bowles with O. L. Bowles' truck	244.80
A. C. Pease, labor	80.00
Eri Lane, labor	86.40
Joe Deatte, labor	83.20
D. K. Bowles, labor	83.20
John Johnsky	50.40
H. F. Jones, gravel	50.10
M. H. Bowles, 3 bags cement	2.55
Ion Whitcomb, patrol truck	10.80
Percy Leighton, labor	3.60
Stanley Darvid, labor	2.40
Josephine Dickinson, gravel	1.20
Independent Oil Co., for road tar	143.40
Highway Garage, for pipe	105.20
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Total expended	\$1,076.85
State \$1,049.92, town \$225.37, amount to expend	1,275.29
Unexpended balance	198.44
State's share	163.37
Town's share	35.07
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Total balance	\$ 198.44

Detail 15. State Aid Bridge, Bowen Brook:

Roy Clough, foreman	\$ 126.40
Covert Woolson, truck	31.00

Oliver Bowles, truck	175.00
Emmet Aldrich, sign painter	6.64
John Bean, sign painter	2.40
Henry Lang, carpenter	45.00
Fred Bowles, carpenter	104.00
Allen Aldrich, labor	7.20
Spurgeon Currie, labor	86.00
Max Moulton, labor	53.20
Verne Sherman, labor	81.60
Norman Houston, labor	60.40
Daniel Bowles, labor	66.80
Roy Judd, labor	56.80
Arthur Pease, labor	75.60
Joseph Deatte, labor	70.80
Elbert Harwood, labor	69.20
Durand Cooley, labor	72.40
Eri Lane, labor	69.20
John Johnsky, labor	77.60
Frank Locke, labor	52.80
Tilden Day, labor	69.20
The Stymest Co., supplies, gas and oil	9.30
Fournier's store, explosives	3.50
Littleton Hardware Co.	8.16
Lisbon Co., Inc., miscellaneous	4.83
Lisbon Co., Inc., lumber	119.89
Frank Richardson, posts	2.60
Clarence E. Bellows, fuel	3.25
Clark & Richardson, cement	285.13
Highway Garage, steel	70.63
George M. Goudie, hardware	7.50
W. E. Carr and Fred Wells, sand	3.55
Tilden Day, stone	6.20
Highway Garage, guard rails and caps	3.36
Total expended	<hr/> \$1,987.14

State's share	1,324.76
Town's share	\$ 662.38
Detail 16.	
State tax	\$ 368.00
Detail 17.	
County tax	\$ 498.58
Detail 18.	
School tax	\$1,294.25
Detail 19.	
Relief	
Old age assistance for Henry Clark	\$ 55.13
Town relief account for Melvin Bowles' family	
F. H. Bowles, for rent paid L. L. Bowles	26.88
Dr. Harry Perrin, medical service	24.50
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Total	\$106.51
Detail 20.	
Insurance	
The Hadlock Agency, insurance on town building	\$ 50.00
Detail 21.	
Town debt, notes and interest	
Long term notes, Littleton Bank, 1936	\$500.00
Temporary note, Littleton Bank, for 1935	100.00
Long term note, Lisbon Bank, 1936	100.00
Interest on notes, Littleton Bank	200.83
Interest on notes, Lisbon Bank	40.00
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Total notes and interest	\$940.83
Detail 22.	
Taxes bought by town	\$147.88
Interest on taxes bought by town	1.64
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Total	\$149.52

Report of Trustees of Trust Funds

Date of Creation	Purpose of Creation	How Invested	Amount of Principal	Balance on Hand	Expended During Year	Balance of Income on Hand at End of Year
1922	Care of cemetery lot of R. W. Young	Lisbon Savings Bank	\$100.00	\$56.37		\$58.29
1916	Care of cemetery lot of Peter Kinsman	Littleton Savings Bank	\$100.00	\$70.47		\$74.75

Payment to School Treasurer

Balance for last year	\$700.00
Paid dog license tax	19.20
National Forest Reserve Fund, 1935	75.05
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Total	\$794.25
Due school treasurer, appropriation 1936	\$1,100.00
Dog license tax less clerk's fee	21.33
N. F. R. F., 1936	67.13
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	\$1,188.46
Paid by town for this year to date	500.00
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Due school treasurer including dog tax and N. F. R. F.	\$688.46

Auditor's Report

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts of the Selectmen, Treasurer, Town Clerk, and Tax Collector of Easton for the year ending January 31, 1937 and find them correct to the best of my belief, and all disbursements properly vouched.

Lawrence S. Bowles, *Auditor.*

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

The following shows the circulation of books and magazines for the year 1936:

Adult: fiction	540
Non-fiction	270
Juvenile: fiction	339
Non-fiction	130
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Total number of books loaned	1,279
Magazines	250

It is interesting and gratifying to note that 400, or nearly one third, of the books read were non-fiction. Biography headed the list, with travel and exploration a close second. There was also quite a demand for poetry, and the usual calls for nature books and history.

Two new magazines—American Homes, and the American Magazine—were added during the year. These were both gift subscriptions from Mrs. C. A. Young of the board of trustees. These periodicals are greatly appreciated, and enjoyed by our readers. We are also indebted to Mrs. Francella Cooley, also of the board, for her kindness in supplying the Reader's Digest.

As formerly, every effort has been made to co-operate with the schools, and to give teachers and students all possible aid. During the year 150 books were loaned to the district school, beside a number to the high school students. We were delighted to have the district teacher bring all the children of her school to the library for an afternoon's exploration among the books. We hope such visits will become frequent.

During the entire year we have been able to send books regularly, each month, to the people of Wildwood. This is

owing to the kindness of Mr. Ion S. Whitcomb, of the board of trustees, who carried the books back and forth. We wish to thank all the trustees for their helpfulness during the year.

During the early part of the year, we received from the Public Library Commission (State Aid Fund) 32 books, and recently 15 more have come in. Mrs. Annie H. Bowles, of Lexington, Mass., also sent a gift of 5 books. For all of these gifts we wish to express our deep appreciation. With the town appropriation of \$10, an order for 15 books was placed near the end of the year. These will be received shortly.

In May an interesting and helpful trustees' meeting was held at the library.

The librarian attended the district meeting held at the Littleton Public Library in October. This was both instructive and enjoyable.

In October Miss Catherine Pratt, Field Worker for the Public Library Commission, made a visit to the library, and expressed herself as much pleased with the work of the library.

The year, as a whole, has been a very satisfactory one for the library. The circulation of books is the largest we have ever had, and is an extremely good showing for our small population. Never has there been such an intense interest in the library. This interest and friendliness is very encouraging to the librarian, and it is hoped that all the people will continue to use the library freely.

Cecil P. Bowles, *Librarian.*

EASTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
Report for 1936-'37
Year Ending February 1, 1937

OFFICERS OF THE DISTRICT

School Board

Lyle Brown, <i>Chairman</i>	Term expires 1937
Mrs. Iva Edney	Term expires 1938
Fred H. Bowles	Term expires 1939

Superintendent of Schools

F. Lester Trafton

OTHER DISTRICT OFFICERS

Wilfred K. Glover	<i>Moderator</i>
Mrs. Francella Cooley	<i>Treasurer</i>
Mrs. Josie Bowles	<i>Auditor</i>
Mrs. Margaret Whitcomb	<i>Clerk</i>

School Meeting Warrant

Easton No. 1 School House March 11, 1937, 8 P. M.

ARTICLES TO BE ACTED UPON

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the District.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this Warrant.
8. To see if the District will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the District, as determined by the School Board in its annual report.
9. To transact any other business which may legally come before the meeting.

Lyle Brown,
Iva Edney,
Fred H. Bowles,
School Board.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

	Paid out 1935-'36	Budget 1936-'37	Paid out to Feb. 1	Budget 1937-'39
ADMINISTRATION				
1. Salaries of district officers	\$ 44.50	\$ 45.50	\$ 45.00	\$ 45.50
2. Superintendent's excess salary	33.56	36.37	36.37	36.37
3. Truant officer and census	3.00	5.00	3.00	5.00
4. Expenses of administration	9.68	25.00	8.41	20.00
INSTRUCTION				
5. Teacher's salary	802.40	850.00	425.00	900.00
6. Textbooks	20.74	25.00	7.83	20.00
7. Scholars' supplies	29.48	30.00	24.84	30.00
8. Flags, etc.		3.00	3.00	3.00
9. Other expenses of instruction	4.31	5.00		5.00
OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE				
10. Janitor service	37.00	37.00	20.00	37.00
11. Fuel	59.45	62.00	26.72	65.00
12. Water, light, janitor's supplies	34.37	25.00	16.40	30.00
13. Minor repairs and expenses	47.71	22.00	8.00	25.00
AUXILIARY AGENCIES				
14. Medical inspection	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
15. Transportation	277.50	240.50	120.90	300.00
16. High school tuition	97.02	75.55	29.82	155.00
18. Other special activities	4.50	5.00		5.00
FIXED CHARGES				
19. Per capita tax	46.00	46.00	46.00	30.00
20. Insurance	25.00			
23. New Equipment	2.97	10.00	1.11	10.00
26. Payment of bills from previous year	2.00			
	\$1,593.39	\$1,557.92	\$832.40	\$1,731.87

**STATEMENT OF
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
July 1, 1935 to June 30, 1936**

RECEIPTS

Balance 1934-'35 appropriation	\$	305.81
Appropriation 1935-'36		700.00
State Aid		680.85
Cash on hand, July 1, 1935		43.44
Dog taxes		65.33
Federal Forest Reserve		75.05
		\$1,870.48

PAYMENTS

Orders of the school board	\$1,593.39
Cash on hand, June 30, 1936	277.09
	\$1,870.48

Receipts July 1, 1936 to February 6, 1937

Cash on hand July 1, 1936	\$277.09
1935 appropriation from selectmen	500.00
1936 appropriation from selectmen	500.00
State Aid	466.93
	\$1,744.02

Payments July 1, 1936 to February 6, 1937

Orders of the school board	\$832.40
Cash on hand, February 6, 1937	911.62
	\$1,744.02

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books and other financial records of the school board of Easton, of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1936.

Josie B. Bowles, *Auditor*.

July 6, 1936.

SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR 1937-'38

School Board's statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1937.

Detailed Statement of Expenditures

Support of Schools (State Aid Items):

Teachers' salaries	\$900.00
Textbooks	20.00
Scholars' supplies	30.00
Flags, etc.	3.00
Other expenses of instruction	5.00
Janitor service	37.00
Fuel	65.00
Water, light, janitor's supplies	30.00
Minor repairs and expenses	25.00
Medical inspection	10.00
Transportation of pupils	300.00
Other special activities	5.00

\$1,430.00

Other Statutory Requirements:

Salaries of district officers (fixed by district)	\$45.50
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Truant officer and school census (fixed by district)	5.00
Payment of tuitions in high schools (estimated by board)	155.00
Superintendent's excess salary (fixed by supervisory union)	36.37
Per capita tax (reported by state treasurer)	30.00
Other obligations	30.00
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	\$ 301.87
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Total amount required to meet School Board's budget	\$1,731.87

Estimated Income of District 1937-'38

State Aid, December 1936 allotment (estimate)	\$375.00
Dog taxes (estimate)	40.00
Estimated balance, June 30	500.00
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Deduct total estimated income (not raised by taxation)	\$915.00
Assessment required to balance School Board's budget	\$816.87

We recommend that the School District raise and appropriate the sum of \$900 for the ensuing year. This is \$200 less than was raised this year.

Respectfully submitted,
Lyle Brown,
Iva Edney,
Fred H. Bowles,

School Board.

EASTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
ITEMIZED EXPENDITURES FOR THE
Year 1935-'36
ADMINISTRATION

1. Salaries of District Officers:

Perley W. Ball, school board 2-3 year	\$12.50
Mildred P. Ball, clerk 2-3 year	2.00
Lyle E. Brown, school board	6.50
Josephine Day, school board	7.00
Nettie R. Young, school board 1-3 year	6.50
Lawrence Bowles, auditor	2.00
Francella Cooley, treasurer	8.00

\$ 44.50

2. Superintendent's Excess Salary:

Mrs. Grace W. Hoskins, treasurer	\$ 35.56
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3. Truant Officer and Census:

Perley W. Ball	\$ 3.00
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4. Expenses of Administration:

Mrs. Grace W. Hoskins, treasurer, union expenses	\$ 5.55
Perley W. Ball, postage	.88
Lisbon Job Printery, report cards	.50
Francella Cooley, treasurer's supplies	2.25
Lisbon Savings Bank and Trust Co., charge for checking account	.50

\$ 9.68

INSTRUCTION

5. Teachers' Salaries:

Janet Plummer	\$655.22
Mrs. Josie Bowles	139.18

Elizabeth Moore, substitute	8.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 802.40

6. Textbooks:

Lyons and Carnahan	\$ 1.80	
The Macmillan Co.	8.18	
Houghton Mifflin Co.	10.76	
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7. Scholars' Supplies:

Dowling School Supply Co.	\$3.00	
The Macmillan Co.	1.18	
American Education Press	.90	
Edward E. Babb and Co.	4.87	
J. L. Hammett Co.	8.94	
Carter Paper Co.	8.00	
Mrs. Daisy English	2.59	
	<hr/>	\$ 29.48

9. Other Expenses of Instruction:

Bobbs Merrill Co.	\$.94	
The John C. Winston Co.	.32	
Iroquois Publishing Co., Inc.	3.05	
	<hr/>	\$ 4.31

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

10. Janitor Service:

Janet Plummer	\$14.00	
Clayton Edney	18.00	
Mrs. Josie Bowles	5.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 37.00

11. Fuel:

C. A. Young, wood	\$ 59.45	
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12. Water, Light, and Janitor's Supplies:

Public Service Co., light	\$23.55	
Perley Ball, labor	2.56	
Roland E. Peabody, Inc., supplies	2.15	
Lyons and Carnahan	2.56	
Carter Paper Co.	1.75	
Cheshire Chemical Co., dust-bane	2.00	
		\$ 34.57

13. Minor Repairs and Expenses:

Kenneth Lang, labor	\$17.85	
Public Service Co.	5.00	
Roland E. Peabody, Inc.	8.46	
Dowling School Supply Co.	1.00	
Winnie Locke	11.70	
F. L. Trafton, lock for school house door	1.50	
C. A. Young, water pail	.20	
Lyle E. Brown, labor, inspecting chimneys, shoveling snow, etc.	2.00	
		\$ 47.71

AUXILIARY AGENCIES

14. Medical Inspection:

Dr. Harry W. Perrin, examining pupils	\$ 10.00
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15. Transportation of Pupils:

Winnie Locke	\$165.00	
Durand Cooley	112.50	
		\$ 277.50

16. High School Tuition:

Roland E. Peabody, treasurer	\$ 97.02
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18. Other Special Activities:

Perley W. Ball, finding transporter	\$ 4.50
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FIXED CHARGES

19. Insurance:

Franconia Insurance Agency, insurance for 3 years	\$ 25.00
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20. Other Fixed Charges:

Charles T. Patten, state treasurer, per capita tax	\$ 46.00
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CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT

23. New Equipment:

J. L. Hammett Co.	\$ 2.97
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DEBT SERVICE

26. Old Bills:

Winnie Locke, auditor, 1934	\$ 2.00
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GRAND TOTAL	\$1,593.39
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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Board and Citizens of Easton:

The total school enrollment last year was 13, with an average membership of 11.02 and a percent of attendance of 96.03. There were 38 cases of tardiness. There were two pupils attending Dow Academy. The enrollment this year is 13, and there is only one pupil attending Dow Academy.

This last summer your School Board considered the advisability of closing the school and transporting the pupils to Franconia. This plan was given up because of the increased enrollment. If the enrollment of your school should drop below 10, I believe that transportation of pupils to Franconia might well be considered.

Mrs. Josie Bowles completed the year from May first and has continued as teacher during the present year. She attended summer school at Plymouth Normal School last summer.

The School Board is asking for an appropriation of only \$900 this year. This is \$200 less than last year's appropriation.

Respectfully submitted,
F. Lester Trafton, *Superintendent.*

Births Registered in the Town of Easton for the Year Ending December 31, 1936

Date of Birth and Name of Child (if any)	Sex	Living or Stillborn	No. of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Residence of Parents	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
1936 Dec. 22 Fred William	M	L	7	Frank Locke	Winnie Delage	Easton	Webster, N. H.	Franconia

I hereby certify that the above return is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief. FRANCELLEA COOLEY, Town Clerk.

Deaths Occurring Elsewhere Other than Easton, Brought to Easton for Burial for the Year Ending December 31, 1936

Place of Death and Date of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Years	Months	Days	Place of Birth	Sex	S. M. D. W.	Occupation	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
1936										
Mar. 6 Haverhill	William Morse	65	9	28	Easton	M	S	Laborer	Amos Morse	Flora Young
May 12 Littleton	Mamie Lane	60	5	10	Easton	F	D	Home	Asil K. Judd	Eliza Kendall
Aug. 9 Littleton	Orin G. Bowles	73	4	26	Easton	M	W	Farmer	Alonzo Bowles	Evaline Stewart
Sept. 22 Littleton	Albert P. Lane	60	3	28	Canada	M	M	Mill-laborer	William Lane	Helen Gallop

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief. FRANCELLE COOLEY, Town Clerk.

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