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TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampshire, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Middlefield

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in Elections and Town affairs, to meet in the Middlefield Elementary School in said Middlefield on Saturday, the third day of May, next at 11:45 in the forenoon then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

Art. 1. To choose on one ballot a Town Clerk, Moderator, Auditor, Tree Warden and Finance Committee member for a term of one year.

A Selectman, Assessor, Trustee of Public Library, Treasurer, School Committee member, two Constables, two Finance Committee members, two Planning Board members, Cemetery Commissioner and a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term of three years.

A Planning Board member for a term of two years.

The polls will open at 12:00 P.M. and may be closed at 5:00 o'clock P.M. The business meeting will start at 1:30 o'clock P.M.

Art. 2. To hear the reports of the Selectmen, Assessors, Treasurer, School Committee and Tax Collector and act thereon.

Art. 3. To determine the disposition of the Dog Fund.

Art. 4. 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 fiscal year beginning July 1, 1980 in accordance with the provision of the General Laws, Chapter 14, 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 4, Section 17.

Art. 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the sum of \$89,175.90 for Middlefield's share of the budget for the Gateway Regional School District for the period of July 1, 1979 through June 30, 1980 or take any other action thereto, or accept as a net assessment a sum which is less than \$89,175.90 as certified by the Gateway Regional school District.

Art. 6. To determine the manner of repairing the highways and bridges and pass any vote in relation to same.

Art. 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury a sum of \$16,000.00 for maintenance of Town Highways.

Art. 7A. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, a sum of \$7,500.00 for oiling roads.

Art. 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, a sum of \$10,000.00 for the Machinery Expense Account.

Art. 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the salaries of Elected Town Officers and to determine the amount of salary for each Elective Officer.

Moderator	\$ 60.00	Chairman, Selectmen	\$600.00
Town Clerk	375.00	2nd Selectman	300.00
Treasurer	1200.00	3rd Selectman	300.00
Tax Collector	1200.00	Auditor	45.00
Chairman, Assessors	450.00	Constable, 1st	90.00
2nd Assessor	450.00	Constable, 2nd	90.00
3rd Assessor	450.00		

Art. 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sums of money to defray the expenses of the Town for fiscal year, July 1, 1980 to June 30, 1981 or take any other action relating thereto:

HIGHWAYS AND RELATED EXPENSES

Snow Removal	\$ 20,000.00
Employees holiday and vacation pay	900.00
Health Insurance, employees	600.00
Unemployment compensation, Town's share	200.00

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

Maintenance, Heat & Electricity	5,000.00
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NATURAL RESOURCES:

Dutch Elm Disease Control	150.29
Forest Fire Protection	10.00
Insect Pest Control	95.00
Tree Warden	100.00
Conservation Commission	10.00

GOVERNMENT:

General Government	2,500.00
Elections	500.00
Hampshire County Retirement	1,235.00
Health & Sanitation	10.00
Interest, Short Term Loans	2,300.00
Printing	600.00
Town Counsel	150.00

MISCELLANEOUS:

Disposal Area, Rent	600.00
Cemetery Commission	200.00
Civil Defense	10.00
Dog Officer	100.00
Fire Department	2,500.00
Fire Phones	400.00
Fire Department, Chief's Salary & Forest Warden	325.00
Police Department, Salary, Chief	300.00
Police Department, Expenses	100.00
Planning Board	10.00
Inspections	300.00
Library	250.00
Veterans Agent	10.00
War Memorials & Playgrounds	300.00
Street Lights	1,100.00

Art. 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury a sum not to exceed \$13,000.00 to cover all Town Insurance.

Art. 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury the sum of \$2,000.00 for the Reserve Fund.

Art. 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for the Hinsdale Ambulance Fund and \$500.00 for the Huntington Lions Club Ambulance Fund or take any other action relating thereto.

Art. 15. To see if the Town will vot to accept the 1980 State Aid Grant of \$501.00 from the Massachusetts Bureau of Library Extension and to deposit it in the Middlefield Library Fund.

Art. 16. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$350.00 from the Library Fund to the Library Account.

Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to continue the restoration needed on the oldest of the Town records or to begin the microfilming of the Town Record Books which are the legal accounts of the Town meetings.

Art. 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury the sum of \$620.00 for the Lee Visiting Nurses Association.

Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury the sum of \$1,750.00 for payment of firehouse note.

Art. 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury the sum of \$1,750.00 for interest on the fire house note.

Art. 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury the sum of \$5,000.00 for loan payment on truck or take any other action relating thereto.

Art. 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury the sum of \$1,050.00 for interest on the truck loan.

Art. 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury a sum not to exceed \$1,000.00 for an underground 1000 gallon tank and pump for diesel fuel for town equipment or take any other action relating thereto

Art. 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000.00 for rubbish disposal.

Art. 25. To see if the Town will vote to exempt \$8,000.00 of free cash from the provisions of Section 12A of Chapter 151 of the Acts of 1979 and that such free cash not be utilized for the purpose of reducing the property tax levy for fiscal 1981.

Art. 26. To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 282, Section 57A, Acts of 1979 of the General Laws which provides for penalty on bad checks tendered in payment of a tax. Penalty shall be 1% of check or \$5.00 whichever is greater.

Art. 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated funds in the Treasury a sum not to exceed \$2,500.00 for a new garage door to replace the old fire house door or take any other action relating thereto.

Art. 28. To see if the Town will vote to increase the appropriations limit established by Chapter 151 of the Acts of 1979 by \$15,460.79 so that the appropriations limit as so increased will be \$101,550.29.

Art. 29. To see if the Town will vote to increase the levy limit established by Chapter 151 of the Acts of 1979, by not more than \$ so that the levy limit as so increased will not be more than \$

Art. 30. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Other articles may be added to this warrant.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies of same in the Town Post Office, on the bulletin board at the Elementary School and in a designated place in the Bancroft section of the Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof, fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands at Middlefield the twenty-first day of April, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and eighty.

Gordon P. Miller
Charles E. Cook
Michael F. Nevers
Selectmen of Middlefield

T O W N O F F I C E R S F O R 1 9 7 9

TOWN CLERK

Edith P. Rice Term expires 1980

MODERATOR

John E. Rice Term expires 1980

TOWN TREASURER

Josephine Z. DeMoss Term expires 1980

SELECTMEN
and COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Gordon P. Miller Term expires 1982
Charles E. Cook Term expires 1981
Michael F. Nevers Term expires 1980

ASSESSORS

Wayne E. Main Term expires 1981
John E. Rice Term expires 1982
Michael F. Pensivy, Jr. Term expires 1980

BOARD OF HEALTH AND FENCE VIEWERS
The Selectmen

GATEWAY REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

John E. DeMoss Term expires 1980
William R. Denault Term expires 1981

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Neil G. Nickerson Term expires 1982

CONSTABLES

Charles E. Cook Term expires 1980
Donald A. Savery Term expires 1980

AUDITOR

Edmund J. Kurtz Term expires 1980

TREE WARDEN

Donald A. Savery Term expires 1980

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Neil Nickerson Term expires 1980
George W. Olds Term expires 1981
Lois Bell Term expires 1982

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

Grace H. Olds	Term expires 1981
Constance N. Vreeland	Term expires 1982
Julia Y. Andersen	Term expires 1980

PLANNING BOARD

Carol Varsano	Term expires 1981
Mary Louise Kearns	Term expires 1981
Ellen Russo	Term expires 1980
William A. Cook, resigned	Term expires 1982
Priscilla Suriner	Term expires 1982
Janet Gardner, appointed	Term expires 1980

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Peter G. Oigny	Term expires 1982
Maurice H. Pease	Term expires 1980
Roger Merrell	Term expires 1981

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Terrance Crear, appointed	Term expires 1980
Edmund Kurtz, appointed	Term expires 1980
James Hale, appointed	Term expires 1982
Peter Oigny	Term expires 1982
Martin A. Main	Term expires 1981
Bruce Nunn, resigned	Term expires 1981

OFFICERS APPOINTED

SUPT. OF STREETS & SNOW	Brewster C. Pease
FIRE CHIEF & FOREST WARDEN	G. Robert Olds
ASSISTANT CHIEF	Francis Lane
CHIEF OF POLICE	John E. DeMoss
INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS	Charles E. Cook
INSPECTOR OF MILK	Charles E. Cook
BUILDING INSPECTOR	Tony Scapin, Jr.
WIRING INSPECTOR	Edward Drosehn
PLUMBING INSPECTOR	William J. Zeitler
SUPT. OF DUTCH ELM & INSECT PEST CONTROL	Supt. of Streets
DOG OFFICER	Charles G. Emerson
BOARD OF HEALTH AGENT	Helen P. Cook
MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK	Michael F. Nevers
	Ira W. Pease
SURVEYORS OF LUMBER	Donald C. Miller
	Michael F. Nevers
FIELD DRIVER	Vacant
DISPOSAL AREA ATTENDANT	Priscilla Suriner
VETERAN'S AGENT	Gordon P. Miller
CIVIL DEFENSE	Howard Pease, Jr.

CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

Peter Oigny	Term expires 1980
William Cook, Resigned	Term expires 1981
Jack Guyette	Term expires 1981

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Josephine Z. DeMoss	Term expires 1981
Janet Gardner	Term expires 1980
Roger Merrell	Term expires 1980
Edith P. Rice, Town Clerk	

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Mary Louise Kearns	Term expires 1982
Edward J. Batorski	Term expires 1982
Ethel M. Pease	Term expires 1982
Nancy J. Olds	Term expires 1981
H. Francis Pease, Resigned	Term expires 1981
Carol Varsano, Resigned	Term expires 1980
Richard A. Waite	Term expires 1980
Jill Lane	Term expires 1980

JURORS DRAWN 1979

Josephine Z. DeMoss
June Main
Virginia Miller
Larry Pease

REMAINING JURORS

Gordon P. Miller

HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSES - 1979

7	Resident Fishing Licenses at \$8.25 each	\$ 57.75
22	Resident Hunting Licenses at \$8.25 each	181.50
19	Sporting Licenses at \$13.50 each	256.50
2	Resident Minor Fishing Licenses at \$6.25 each	12.50
1	Non-Resident Fishing License at \$14.25 each	14.25
1	Duplicate License at \$1.00 each	1.00
4	Non-Resident Hunting Licenses at \$35.25 each	141.00
3	Over Seventy Licenses (FREE)	-----
1	Resident Fishing (Age 65-69) at \$4.10 each	4.10
1	Resident Citizen Sporting (Age 65-69) at \$6.75	6.75
16	Archery Stamps at \$5.10 each	81.60
1	Waterfowl Stamp at \$1.25	<u>1.25</u>
		\$ 758.20
	Clerk's Fees at 25¢ each (58) and 10¢ each (16)	<u>16.10</u>
	Paid to the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife	\$ 742.10

DOG LICENSES - January through December 1979

41	Males at \$3.00 each	\$ 123.00
8	Females at \$6.00 each	48.00
39	Spayed Females at \$3.00 each	117.00
7	Kennels at \$10.00 each	70.00
2	Kennels at \$25.00 each	<u>50.00</u>
		408.00
	Clerk's Fees at 35¢ each (97)	<u>33.95</u>
	Paid to the Town Treasurer	\$ 374.05

Respectfully submitted,

Edith P. Rice
Town Clerk

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETINGS IN 1979

January 18, 1979 - Twelve voters (a quorum) were present

It was unanimously voted to transfer from unappropriated funds in the treasury the sum of \$522.21 to the Salt Shed Account. The shed was larger than anticipated.

It was unanimously voted to transfer from unappropriated funds in the treasury the sum of \$300.00 to the Inspection Account (Building, Plumbing and Wiring). The Selectmen reported that the fees charged by the various inspectors must first be paid to the Town and then paid to the inspectors. This is to comply with accounting practices expected by the State Auditors.

It was unanimously voted to transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of \$87.58 to the File Cabinet Account. This completes the payment on the new insulated file cabinet, the price of which had risen from the time of ordering.

A discussion of the railings under the arch bridge in Bancroft was generated by Edmund Kurtz. No motions were made but the Selectmen are aware of the concern of the people travelling that road. The bridge discussion also included a lengthy discussion of the sudden closing of the Chester bridge on January 16 and the inconvenience to everyone, including the school bus drivers.

March 6, 1979 - Twelve voters (a quorum) were present

It was unanimously voted to transfer the sum of \$8,000.00 from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to the Town Snow Account.

It was unanimously voted to transfer the sum of \$2,500.00 from the Highway Oiling Account to the Town Highway Account.

It was unanimously voted to transfer the following sums to the Machinery Expense Account:

\$766.00 from the Anti-recession Fiscal Assistance
Program
\$185.96 from the Revenue Sharing Account
\$729.22 from the Machinery Earnings Account

The Town Clerk read her letter to the Selectmen outlining the State Senate's Ethics Committee's move to write full financial disclosure statutes to apply to the officials of small towns and cities. The Selectmen and the voters present agreed that a petition be made for elected officials to sign indicating their disagreement with

the proposed laws. A similar one, to be signed by the general voters in Middlefield, was also thought to be a good idea and it was moved that the Town Clerk prepare such documents. They are to be sent to our State Senator and Representative.

July 17, 1979 - Forty voters were present

It was voted unanimously to approve a sum of money not to exceed \$35,000.00 for a new firehouse to be financed by a loan from Farmers Home Administration at 5% to be paid back in twenty annual installments.

Ann Jewett asked that the meeting recognize the fine performance of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Volunteer Fire Department in a recent muster.

November 29, 1979 - Nineteen voters were present

It was voted unanimously to transfer a sum not to exceed \$4,000.00 from unappropriated available funds to the Firehouse Account to cover unforeseen expenses involved in the construction of the new firehouse.

Voted unanimously to purchase a used four-wheel drive truck and wing for a sum not to exceed \$20,000.00 to be financed as follows:

(1) Transfer \$5,000.00 from Revenue Sharing Account to the Machinery Purchase Account.

(2) \$15,000.00 to be financed by a note, or notes, payable in three years, with interest. VOTE: YES:18 - NO:None

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

During the past year the Finance Committee has gone through an almost total replacement of members. Chairman Bruce Nunn moved out of town and other members found it difficult to get together until the past few months.

The vacancies have been filled through appointments by the Selectmen. We have been actively meeting with the Selectmen and reviewing the budget for the upcoming year. The budget as presented in the Town Report was mutually agreed upon by the Finance Committee and the Selectmen.

Because of our inexperience in town government and with each other, we were unable to develop other recommendations for this report. We plan to be at the town meeting and available for questions at any time.

Respectfully submitted,

James Hale, Chairman
Martin Main
Edmund Kurtz
Peter Oligny
Terrance Crear

REPORT OF SELECTMEN

January 1, 1979 - June 30, 1979

TOWN SNOW

Bal. 1/1/79	\$ 6,656.19
Transfer - Available Funds	<u>8,000.00</u>
	14,656.19

Robert Miller, Equipment Operator	\$ 2,905.77
Larry Pease, Driver	175.50
Donald Miller, Driver	1,281.40
Donald Saver, Sr.	106.63
William Paschal, Driver	55.25
Michael Nevers, Eq. Op.	76.50
Stephen Miller, Labor	190.14
Donald Savery, Sr.	60.00
Timothy Pease, Labor	16.25
Mrs. Charles Granger, Plowing	427.50
International Salt, Salt	951.58
Donovan Bros., Sand	4,225.50
George Bill, Sr., Loader	147.75
John Hobart, Labor	16.25
Robert Miller, Bulldozer	<u>46.50</u>
	10,682.52
Bal.	\$ <u>3,973.67</u>

TOWN HIGHWAYS

Bal. 1/1/79	\$ 2,813.06
Transfer - Oiling Account	<u>2,500.00</u>
	5,313.06

Robert Miller, Eq. Op.	\$ 1,891.58
Larry Pease, Driver	1,268.78
Donald Savery, Jr., Driver	602.82
Lane Construction, Hot Mix	426.13
Ken Hall, Gravel	104.10
Donovan Bros., Blacktop	97.70
Donald Miller, Driver	40.50
Donald Savery, Mowing	270.00
J. Winn, Compressor	125.00
Charles Freadman, Steel	<u>486.45</u>
	\$ 5,313.06
Bal.	---

MACHINERY EXPENSE

Balance - January 1, 1979	\$ 3,350.92
Transfer - Revenue Sharing	185.96
Fiscal Anti-Recession	766.00
Machinery Earnings	729.22
	5,032.10

Olds General Store, supplies and gas	\$ 2,151.77	
Pittsfield Welding, supplies	94.32	
Charles Freadman & Sons, blades	119.30	
Southgate Motors, parts	257.55	
Raynor's Bearings, bearings, parts	191.76	
Toppy's, gas, stickers, parts	232.69	
Brown Oil, Diesel Fuel	565.30	
Jack Mulcare, parts	87.90	
Engwer Saws	23.00	
Jack Lindsay, parts	7.00	
Gateway Auto Parts	12.25	
Al's Tire	11.45	
Western Mass. Supply	32.58	
Bak Tire	75.00	
Charlie's Garage	120.00	
Vardon Equip.	.83	
Rapid Radiator, Core	694.46	
B.J. McLaughlin, parts	137.42	
	4,814.50	

HOLIDAY AND VACATION PAY
HIGHWAY DEPT.

		Bal. \$ 217.52
Balance 1/1/79		\$ 576.00
Robert Miller, Vacation	\$ 180.00	
R. Miller, Holiday	34.00	
	214.00	
		Bal. 362.00

MUNICIPAL BUILDING

Balance 1/1/79		\$ 1,156.49
Transfer - Reserve Fund		361.66
		1,518.15
Western Mass. Electric Co.	\$ 413.77	
Howard Johnson Oil, Fuel	898.88	
Brown Oil, Gas - Town Hall	174.15	
Olds General Store, Kerosene	31.35	
	1,518.15	
		Bal. ---

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Balance 1/1/79		\$	441.67
Olds General Store, supplies	\$		93.83
R. Jasso, Electrician			25.00
Raynor's Bearings			75.75
Robert Olds, stickers			6.00
David Deane			24.30
Francis Lane, parts			9.89
Smith Auto Electric			52.22
Tippy's			4.40
			<u>291.39</u>
	Bal.	\$	<u>150.28</u>

PRINTING

Balance 1/1/79		\$	600.00
Berkshire Print & Mail, Town Reports	\$		415.52
Berkshire Print & Mail, Zoning By-Laws			106.00
Berkshire Print & Mail, Warrants			6.00
Appalachian Press, Ballots			68.00
			<u>595.52</u>
	Bal.	\$	<u>4.48</u>

TREE WARDEN

Balance 1/1/79		\$	100.00
Transfer - Revenue Fund			<u>30.00</u>
			130.00
Pond Brook Tree Service	\$		<u>130.00</u>
			<u>130.00</u>
	Bal.	\$	---

MIDDLEFIELD DISPOSAL AREA - RENT

Balance 1/1/79		\$	600.00
E.S.M. & Martha Landy	\$		<u>600.00</u>
			<u>600.00</u>
	Bal.		---

MIDDLEFIELD DISPOSAL AREA

Balance 1/1/79		\$	1,795.00
Priscilla Suriner, Attendant	\$		540.00
J. Baum, Fill			167.50
Robert Miller, Eq. Op.			399.00
Larry Pease, Driver			300.00
Abelene Pest Control			45.00
			<u>1,451.50</u>
	Bal.	\$	<u>343.50</u>

INSECT PEST CONTROL

Balance - January 1, 1979		\$ 95.00
Robert Miller, Eq. Op.	\$ 54.00	
Larry Pease, Driver	<u>41.00</u>	
		<u>95.00</u>
	Bal.	---

DUTCH ELM DISEASE

Balance - January 1, 1979		\$ 150.29
Robert Miller, Eq. Op.	\$ 54.00	
Larry Pease, Driver	48.00	
D. Miller, Driver	<u>51.29</u>	
		<u>150.29</u>
	Bal.	---

GARAGE REPAIR

Balance - January 1, 1979		\$ 16.11
L.P. Adams	<u>\$ 16.11</u>	
		<u>16.11</u>
	Bal.	---

ELECTIONS

Balance - January 1, 1979		\$ 108.00
Transfer - Reserve Fund		<u>12.00</u>
		120.00
Sally Connor	\$ 22.00	
Lois Leonardo	8.00	
Lois Stein	22.00	
Peter Oligny	8.00	
Eliza Tefts	15.00	
Dulcie Olds	8.00	
Ethel Pease	14.00	
Roger Merrell	16.00	
Isabelle Jordan	<u>7.00</u>	
		<u>120.00</u>
	Bal. \$	---

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Balance - January 1, 1979		\$ 913.80
Advertising	\$ 41.91	
Assoc. Dues	85.00	
Supplies - all offices	237.69	
Transfers	3.00	
Telephone - Treas., Selectmen	51.41	
Lower Pioneer Valley	69.12	
Fees	19.00	
Salary - Charles Cook, Animal Inspector	<u>30.00</u>	
		<u>537.13</u>
	Bal. \$	376.67

MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNTS

January 1, 1979 - June 30, 1979

	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Expended</u>
Civil Defense	\$ 15.00	\$ ---
Conservation Commission	10.00	---
Dog Officer Account	200.00	22.00
File Cabinet	587.58	581.80
Fire Phones	348.39	263.76
Forest Fire Protection	10.00	---
Gateway Regional Schools	36,690.34	36,690.34
Health Insurance	316.44	97.34
Insurance	1,468.00	1,468.00
Library, see report		
Officers' Salaries	3,825.00	3,825.00
Planning Board	25.00	---
Police Account	380.00	301.99
Registration of Voters	376.00	33.50
Restoration of Town Records	200.00	---
Salt Shed - trans. from avail. funds	522.21	522.21
Salary, Fire Chief & Forest Warden	225.00	225.00
Street Lights, West. Mass. Elec.	611.94	611.94
War Memorials & Playgrounds	102.00	98.00
Veterans Agent	10.00	---

TREASURY WARRANTS

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, State		
Withholding Tax		415.65
Director of Internal Revenue, Federal		
Withholding Tax		1,164.16
County Treasurer, Couty Retirement, Withholding		244.93
County Treasurer, County Tax		7,801.86
Dog Fees		17.95
County Retirement		831.03
Commonwealth of Mass., State Assessment		1,215.60
Div. Unemp. Security		86.90
Blue Cross, Blue Shield, Withholding		62.31
Aetna Ins., Withholding		3.73
Pittsfield National Bank, Note #244		45,000.00
Pittsfield National Bank, Note #245		21,864.00
Neil Nickerson, Fees		82.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Refunds:		
M. Nevers	197.55	
J. Theriault	17.32	
R. Ferris	13.75	
R. Collins	52.37	
Real Estate Refunds		
K.D. Martin Diamond	500.00	
F.L. Frederickson	121.08	
A.W. Dowsey	241.63	
C.N. Vreeland	132.96	
H. Rocke	59.84	

EQUIP FIRE PUMPER

Balance 1/1/79		\$ 2,500.00
Town of Amherst, used hose	\$ 300.00	
Blanchard Associates	1,795.22	
Mike Signs	100.00	
City of Pittsfield, nozzles	<u>100.00</u>	<u>2,295.22</u>
	Bal.	\$ 204.78

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

RECEIPTS

FISCAL YEAR 1979

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT:

Fed. Anti-Recession Fiscal Assist.	\$ 284.00	284.00
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASS.:

Highways:

Hwy. Fund G.L.Chap. 58 S18B	18,311.84	
Chap. 90 (1978)	21,864.00	
Chap. 90 (1979)	21,864.00	
Dist. Hwys. & Transportation	<u>18,035.00</u>	80,074.84

Schools:

School Aid Chap. 70	1,475.96	1,475.96
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Other:

General Fund Dist.	263.23	
Local Aid Chap. 58 S18C	2,547.66	
Elderly Exemption Chap. 976	764.43	
Loss of Taxes Chap. 58 S13	12,625.98	
Mass. Board of Library Comm.	<u>473.27</u>	16,674.57

COUNTY OF HAMPSHIRE:

District Court	<u>25.00</u>	25.00
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OTHER:

Cemetery Assoc. Perm. Fund.	64.72	
A.T.&T.	28.20	
Perpetual Care (Henry & Dorothy Cummings)	500.00	
Perpetual Care (Wm. & Lillian Jacobson)	100.00	
Sale of Cemetery Lots	50.00	
Sale of Cemetery Lots, to Gen'l Fund	5.00	
F.I.D. Cards (J. DeMoss, Police Chief)	14.00	
Pistol Permits (J. DeMoss, Police Chief)	130.00	
Dog Licenses (E. Rice, Town Clerk)	284.85	
Licenses & Permits	24.00	

Bldg. & Elec. Inspections	\$	632.00	
Comm. Union Assr. Co. (Accident Report)		2.00	
Gateway Regional School refund		.01	
Revenue Sharing Account		2,768.99	
Machinery Earnings		1,452.00	
Tax Title Redemption (E. Grafstein)		1,608.76	
Part Payt. Tax Title Property (Barbieri)		<u>200.00</u>	7,864.53

LOANS:

Pittsfield National Bank			
Note #244 Antic. of Revenue		45,000.00	
Note #245 Hwy. Reimb.		<u>21,864.00</u>	\$ 66,864.00

WITHHOLDINGS:

Federal Taxes		2,733.90	
State Taxes		886.55	
Hamp. Co. Retirement		731.41	
Group Insurance		17.08	
Blue Cross Insurance		<u>318.11</u>	4,687.05

TAXES:

Real Estate:			
1978-79		70,661.88	
1977-78		16,608.89	
1976-77		3,242.82	
1975-76		1,793.17	
1975 & Prev. Yrs.		3,337.62	
Interest		<u>964.78</u>	96,609.16

Personal Property:			
1978-79		9,800.01	
1977-78		2,496.41	
1976-77		47.86	
1975-76		54.63	
1975 & Prev. Yrs.		<u>100.52</u>	12,499.43

Motor Vehicle Excise:			
1978-79		776.20	
1977-78		6,175.23	
1976-77		2,942.44	
1975-76		1,230.03	
1975 & Prev. Yrs.		1,653.34	
Interest		<u>587.65</u>	13,364.89

Classified Forest:			
1978-79		357.91	
1977-78		187.72	
1967		<u>5.70</u>	551.33

Agriculture:		
1978-79	\$ 2,603.09	
1977-78	<u>2,781.29</u>	5,384.38
Farm Animal:		
1975-76	<u>75.50</u>	75.50
Municipal Lien	<u>15.00</u>	15.00
Fees	<u>82.00</u>	<u>82.00</u>
		\$306,531.64

TOTAL RECEIPTS

Total Receipts	\$306,531.64	
Balance June 30, 1978	<u>35,826.55</u>	\$342,358.19
Selectmens orders	\$312,139.87	
Balance June 30, 1979	<u>30,218.32</u>	\$342,358.19

TOWN OF MIDDLEFIELD
 APPROPRIATIONS & DEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS
 AVAILABLE FUNDS & EXPENDITURES

	APPROP.	TRANSFERS	AMOUNT AVAILABLE	AMOUNT EXPENDED	BALANCE	FORWARD
Town Highways	16,000.00	2,500.00 OTR	18,500.00	18,500.00	---	
Town Snow	12,000.00	8,000.00 A.F.	20,000.00	16,026.33	3,973.67	
Chap. 90 (1978)			C.O. 11,515.52	11,515.52	---	
Chap. 90 (1979)			* 21,864.00	21,864.00	---	
Oiling Town Rds.	10,000.00		7,500.00	7,496.49	3.51	
Cemeteries	200.00		200.00	200.00	---	
Perpetual Care			923.24	73.50	849.74	849.74
Dog Officers Expense	100.00		100.00	22.00	78.00	
Conservation Comm.	75.00		75.00	---	75.00	
County Retirement	1,662.07		1,662.07	1,662.07	---	
Civil Defense	10.00		10.00	---	10.00	
Disposal Area Maint.	2,500.00		2,500.00	2,156.50	343.50	
Disposal Area Rent	600.00		600.00	600.00	---	
Fire Dept.	1,000.00		1,000.00	849.72	150.28	
Fire Pumper Purchase	1,000.00	2,500.00 R.S	3,500.00	3,500.00	---	
Equip. Fire Pumper	2,500.00		2,500.00	2,295.22	204.78	
Fire Phones	550.00		550.00	465.37	84.63	
Fire Chief Salary	225.00		225.00	225.00	---	

	APPROP.	TRANSFERS	AMOUNT AVAILABLE	AMOUNT EXPENDED	BALANCE	FORWARD
Forest Fire Protection	10.00		10.00	---	10.00	
General Government	2,500.00		2,500.00	2,123.33	376.67	
Health & Sanitation	10.00		10.00	---	10.00	
Holiday & Vac. Pay	864.00		864.00	502.00	362.00	
Health Insurance	540.72		540.72	305.97	234.75	
Huntington Ambulance	692.28		692.28	692.28	---	
Insurance	9,000.00	181.15 R.F.	9,181.15	9,181.15	---	
Inspection Acct.		300.00 A.F.	300.00	231.00	69.00	
Library	200.00	250.00 L.F.	450.00	399.60	50.40	50.40
Municipal Bldg.	1,500.00	361.66 R.F.	1,861.66	1,861.66	---	
Machinery Expense	9,000.00	766.00 F.A. 185.96 R.S 729.22 M.E.	10,681.18	10,463.66	217.52	
Printing	600.00		600.00	595.52	4.48	
Planning Bd.	25.00		25.00	---	25.00	
Police Fund	400.00		400.00	321.99	78.01	
Restoration Twn. Rec.	200.00		200.00	---	200.00	200.00
File Cabinet	500.00	87.58 A.F.	587.58	581.80	5.78	
Repair Twn. Garage		C.O.	770.00	770.00	---	
Reg. & Elections	300.00	12.00 R.F.	312.00	312.00	---	
Reg. of Voters	500.00		500.00	157.50	342.50	

	APPROP.	TRANSFERS	AMOUNT AVAILABLE	AMOUNT EXPENDED	BALANCE	FORWARD
Reserve Fund	2,000.00		2,000.00			
Gateway Reg. Sch.	73,380.68		73,380.68	73,380.68	---	
Salaries (Elected Officers)	3,825.00		3,825.00	3,825.00	---	
Town Counsel	150.00		150.00	150.00	---	
Salt Shed		522.21 A.F.-C.O.	500.00	1,022.21	---	
St. Lights	1,072.80	42.26 R.F.	1,115.06	1,115.06	---	
Shot Term. Loans Int.	2,000.00	9.40 R.F.	2,009.40	2,009.40	---	
Tree Warden	100.00	30.00 R.F.	130.00	130.00	---	
Insect pest Cont.	95.00		95.00	95.00	---	
Dutch Elm	150.29		150.29	150.29	---	
Unemployment Comp.	200.00		200.00	191.97	8.03	
War Mem. & Playarea	150.00		150.00	146.00	4.00	
Veterans Agent	10.00		10.00	---	10.00	
	138,397.84	16,477.44	205,425.83	198,166.79	7,797.25	1,110.14

Key to Abbreviations:

- * State Funds
- C.O. Carry Over
- R.S. Revenue Sharing
- A.F. Available Funds
- F.A. Anti-Recession Fiscal Asst.
- L.F. Library Fund
- M.E. Machinery Earnings
- OTR Oiling Town Rds. Acct.
- R.F. Reserve Fund

ORDERS TO THE TREASURER - NO APPROPRIATIONS

First National Bank of Boston (Federal Taxes)	\$ 2,409.00	
Commonwealth of Mass. (State Taxes)	926.64	
Hampshire County Retirement System	688.88	
Aetna Life Insurance Co. (Group Insurance)	15.30	
Blue Cross - Blue Shield (Health Insurance)	318.11	
Perpetual Care, Cumming Family (First Agric. Bank)	500.00	
Hampshire County Treasurer (Dog fees)	221.90	
Bldg. & Elec. Inspections	381.00	
State Assessments	2,431.19	
County Tax	15,603.72	
Fees collected (Neil Nickerson)	82.00	
Checks	<u>18.26</u>	\$ 23,596.00

Loans, Pittsfield National Bank:		
Note #243 Highway Reimbursement	21,864.00	
Note #244 Antic. of Revenue	45,000.00	
Note #245 Highway Reimbursement	<u>21,864.00</u>	88,728.00

Taxes Refunded:

Real Estate 1979	555.51	
Real Estate 1978	770.51	
Motor Vehicle Excise 1978	90.04	
Motor Vehicle Excise 1977	219.81	
Motor Vehicle Excise 1975	<u>13.20</u>	1,649.07

TRANSFERS

Available funds (free cash) certified per
 E.G. McCann, Jr., Director of Accounts 10/18/78 \$ 13,827.00

From Available Funds to:

Salt Shed Account	\$	522.21	
Inspection Account		300.00	
File Cabinet Account		87.58	
Town Snow Account		<u>8,000.00</u>	- <u>8,909.79</u>
			\$ 4,917.21

From Anti-Recession Fiscal Assist. to:

Machinery Expense	\$	766.00
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From Revenue Sharing Account to:

Fire Pumper Purchase	\$	2,500.00	
Machinery Expense		<u>185.96</u>	\$ 2,685.96

From Machinery Earnings to:

Machinery Expense	\$	729.22
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From Oiling Town Rd. Account to:

Town Highways	\$	2,500.00
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From Library Fund to:

Library Account	\$	250.00
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From Reserve Fund To:

Insurance	\$	181.15	
Municipal Bldg.		361.66	
Registration & Elections		12.00	
Street Lights		42.26	
Short Term Loan Interest		9.40	
Tree Warden account		<u>30.00</u>	\$ 636.47

REAL ESTATE ABATEMENTS

Real Estate Taxes abated on 1979 Levy	
No cash refund	\$ 3,087.79

REVENUE SHARING ACCOUNT

Balance June 30, 1978	\$ 1,458.64	
Receipts 7/1/78 - 6/30/79	<u>4,794.00</u>	\$ 6,252.64
Interest 7/1/79 - 6/30/79	184.55	184.55
Funds released from obligation	185.96	<u>185.96</u>
		\$ 6,623.15

Transfers Made:

Fire Pumper Purchase	2,500.00	
To Gen'l fund on Acct. of Res. Fund	<u>268.99</u>	-
		<u>2,768.99</u>
Total Amount in Revenue Sharing Acct. 6/30/78		\$ 3,854.16

Respectfully submitted,

Josephine Z. DeMoss,
Treasurer

PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

L.A. & J.W. Cottrell	\$	150.00	
Rene & Ubaldine Roberts		100.00	
George & Sarah Llewellyn		100.00	
Capt. James Church		100.00	
Daniel Alderman		100.00	
Ethel & Frank Pelkey		100.00	
Oliver Smith		200.00	
Nathan Wright Heirs		100.00	
Henry F. Church		109.81	
Church Lot		433.55	
Elijah Churchill		100.00	
Cottrell Lot		150.00	
Wesley A. Olds		300.00	
Carl Sternagle		300.00	
Rev. John B. Clark		100.00	
Arthur D. & Harold M. Pease		300.00	
Asher Pease		257.14	
Hawes & Coombs Lot		75.00	
Clara E. Taylor		109.81	
Col. David Mack		127.14	
Charles L. Willey		150.00	
G. Crane & Amanda Crane		500.00	
Charles C. Graves		200.00	
Matthew & Mariah D. Smith		82.35	
John J. Vetter		100.00	
Lizzie Kelly & Morgan Pease		150.00	
Herbert A. Youtz		100.00	
Harvey Root & Geo. Chipman		500.00	
Solomon Root		109.81	
Arthur & Alice Gardner		100.00	
Onnie & Matthew Kallio		200.00	
Catherine Tefts		100.00	
Henry & Dorothy Cummings family		500.00	
Dyer & Jacobson Lots		100.00	
Geo. E. & Helen M. Cook		308.26	
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	\$		6,512.87

TRUST FUNDS

Sally Dickson School Fund

Balance May 31, 1977	\$ 1,762.06	
Interest added	<u>163.41</u>	\$ 1,925.47

Sally Dickson Charity Fund

Balance May 31, 1977	3,085.62	
Interest added	<u>286.20</u>	3,371.82

Post War Rehabilitation Fund

Balance May 31, 1978	382.64	
Interest added	<u>20.09</u>	402.73

Cemetery Association Permanent Fund

Balance	1,208.41	
Dividends drawn	<u>64.72</u>	1,208.41

Cemetery Assoc. Permanent Fund Interest

Balance	1,253.85	
Interest added	<u>102.49</u>	1,356.34

Cemetery Lots Account

Balance June 30, 1978	560.38	
Interest added	<u>40.61</u>	600.99

Perpetual Care Account

Balance June 7, 1978	5,912.87	
Deposit (Cummings family)	500.00	
Deposit (Dyer & Jacobson Lot)	100.00	
Interest June 30, 1979	<u>530.80</u>	7,043.67

Respectfully submitted,

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Treasurer

JULY 1, 1979 - DECEMBER 31, 1979

HOLIDAYS & VACATION PAY
HIGHWAY DEPT.

Appropriation		\$	500.00
Robert Miller, Eq. Op.	\$	84.00	
Larry Pease, Driver		<u>68.00</u>	<u>152.00</u>
		Bal.	348.00

MIDDLEFIELD DISPOSAL AREA

Appropriation for Maintenance		\$	2,500.00
Appropriation for Rent			<u>600.00</u>
		\$	<u>3,100.00</u>
Priscilla Suriner, Attendant	\$	500.00	
Abelene Pest Control		90.00	
Larry Pease, Driver		178.00	
Robert Miller, Eq. Op.		252.00	
Donald Savery, Jr., Driver		180.00	
Bryant Mfg., Fence		239.22	
Freadman Steel		21.60	
J. Baum, Fill		170.00	
Timothy Pease		34.00	
L.P. Adams		<u>7.94</u>	<u>1,672.76</u>
		Bal. \$	1,427.24

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Appropriation		\$	2,500.00
Advertising	\$	67.86	
Association Dues		198.20	
Fees - Notes		70.00	
Supplies - All Offices		373.78	
Transfers		14.25	
Salaries:			
B. Oligny, Secretary to Selectmen		500.00	
B. Oligny, Bookkeeper - Highway Dept.		265.00	
Repairs - copier		31.98	
Lee Library - copier		<u>125.00</u>	<u>1,646.07</u>
		Bal. \$	853.98

JULY 1, 1979 - DECEMBER 31, 1979

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation		\$ 1,000.00
Olds General Store, supplies	\$ 183.43	
R. Olds, supplies	25.52	
Blanchard Assoc.	35.15	
Raynor's Bearings, parts	108.37	
L.P. Adams	57.62	
Ryder Truck Rental - mirrors	103.09	
Dalton Heating	39.82	
Gingras Equipment	<u>33.65</u>	<u>586.65</u>
		Bal. \$ 413.35

NEW FIRE HOUSE ACCOUNT

Appropriation		\$ 35,000.00
Transfer - Available Funds		<u>4,000.00</u>
Total Available		\$ 39,000.00
Betnr Engineering Const. Corp.	\$ 21,987.46	
F. Collins, legal fees	150.00	
K. Hall, Gravel	65.00	
Brewster Pease, Bulldozer	216.00	
J. Baum, Fill	65.00	
Dalton Heating - 2 tanks	337.00	
Town of Middlefield, Bldg. permit	10.00	
J.M. Broderick, Elec.	<u>1,712.00</u>	<u>24,542.46</u>
		Bal. \$ 14,457.54

FIRE PHONES

Appropriation		\$ 550.00
New England Tel. & Tel.	\$ 148.78	
WMECO - siren	<u>17.41</u>	<u>166.19</u>
		Bal. \$ 383.81

FIRE CHIEF'S SALARY

Appropriation		<u>\$ 225.00</u>
		Bal. \$ 225.00

EQUIP FIRE TRUCK

Bal.		\$ 204.78
		<u>Bal. \$ 204.78</u>

JULY 1, 1979 - DECEMBER 31, 1979

MUNICIPAL BUILDING

Appropriation		\$ 1,800.00
Western Mass. Electric:		
Town Hall	\$ 75.79	
Garage	102.59	
Brown Oil - Gas - Town Hall	206.86	
Howard Johnson Oil	124.04	
Tyler Home Supply - Library Locks	<u>24.57</u>	<u>533.85</u>
		Bal. \$ 1,266.15

HEALTH INSURANCE

Appropriation		\$ 200.00
Aetna Life Ins.	\$ 4.24	
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	<u>76.65</u>	<u>80.89</u>
		Bal. \$ 119.11

TREE WARDEN

Appropriation		\$ <u>100.00</u>
		Bal. \$ 100.00

INSECT PEST CONTROL

Appropriation		\$ <u>95.00</u>
		Bal. \$ 95.00

DUTCH ELM

Appropriation		\$ <u>150.29</u>
		Bal. \$ 150.29

GATEWAY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Appropriation		\$ 79,580.54
Gateway Regional School District	\$ <u>40,951.27</u>	<u>40,951.27</u>
		Bal. \$ 38,629.27

JULY 1, 1979 - DECEMBER 31, 1979

TOWN SNOW

Appropriation		\$ 20,000.00
Robert Miller, Eq. Op.	\$ 119.44	
Larry Pease, Driver	83.94	
Donald Savery, Jr., Driver	83.94	
International Salt	<u>1,141.56</u>	
		<u>1,428.88</u>

TOWN HIGHWAYS

Bal. \$ 18,571.12

Appropriation		\$ 16,000.00
Robert Miller, Eq. Op.	\$ 3,408.58	
Larry Pease, Driver	3,355.88	
Donald Savery, Jr., Driver	3,045.63	
Lane Construction, Hot Mix	701.52	
Ken Hall, Sweeping	50.00	
Donovan Bros.	170.21	
Donald Savery, Mowing	792.00	
Quick Rent Alls, Roller	88.20	
Ken Hall	<u>480.67</u>	

12,092.69

TOWN HIGHWAYS - OILING ACCOUNT

Bal. \$ 3,097.31

Appropriation		\$ 10,000.00
Donovan Bros., Stone	\$ 179.20	
Donovan Bros., Blacktop	1,760.48	
All States, asphalt	5,699.46	
Robert Miller, Eq. Op.	420.00	
Larry Pease, Driver	340.00	
Donald Savery, Jr., Driver	300.00	
Timothy Pease, Labor	34.00	
Lane Construction	762.86	
Ray's Sweeping	<u>504.00</u>	

\$ 10,000.00

JULY 1, 1979 - DECEMBER 31, 1979

CHAPTER 90

Available 7/1/79 \$ 13,279.00

MACHINERY EXPENSE

Appropriation \$ 9,000.00
Transfer - Revenue Sharing 2,500.00
11,500.00

Olds General Store, supplies and gas \$ 1,423.06
Taylor Rental 10.00
Pittsfield Welding, supplies 37.19
Gateway Auto Parts 200.42
Raynor's Bearings, parts 583.25
Tyler Equipment, parts 1,908.80
Engwer Saws 18.00
Central Tractor 37.97
Brown Oil, Diesel fuel 863.12
B.J. McLaughlin, parts 49.00
Smiths Auto Elec. 111.78
Springfield Mack 68.50
Bak Tire 90.26
Ferrara Auto Parts 169.05
V.S. Jerry & Son - Truck deposit 2,500.00
8,142.90
Bal. \$ 3,346.31

MACHINERY PURCHASE

Appropriation \$ 15,000.00
Transfer - Revenue Sharing 2,500.00
17,500.00

V.S. Jerry & Sons - Truck \$ 17,500.00
Bal. ---

JULY 1, 1979 - DECEMBER 31, 1979

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation		\$ 1,042.08
Western Mass. Electric	\$ 455.53	<u>455.53</u>
		Bal. \$ 586.55

INTEREST
SHORT TERM LOANS

Appropriation		\$ 1,500.00
Pittsfield National Bank	\$ 787.10	<u>787.10</u>
		Bal. \$ 1,212.90

WAR MEMORIALS & PLAYGROUNDS

Appropriation		\$ 200.00
D. Parrett	\$ 170.00	<u>170.00</u>
		Bal. \$ 30.00

JULY 1, 1979 - DECEMBER 31, 1979

MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNTS

	<u>APPROP.</u>	<u>EXPENDED</u>
Ambulance Service	\$ 1,000.00	\$ ---
Civil Defense	10.00	---
Conservation Commission	10.00	---
Dog Officer	100.00	39.20
Elections	300.00	74.23
Forest Fire Protection	10.00	---
Health Insurance	540.00	224.28
Health & Sanitation	10.00	---
Library (see Report)		
Officers Salaries	3,825.00	3,825.00
Planning Board	10.00	---
Police Account	250.00	20.00
Printing, Town Reports	600.00	---
Registration of Voters	300.00	33.50
Reserve Fund	2,000.00	---
Restoration of Town Records	200.00	---
Salary, Town Counsel, Francis Collins	150.00	---
Unemployment Security	200.00	100.36
Veterans Agent	10.00	---
County Retirement	1,168.00	---

TREASURY WARRANTS

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, State Withholding Tax	\$	491.82
Director of Internal Revenue, Federal Withholding Tax		1,752.00
County Treasurer, County Retirement		222.09
County Treasurer, Dog License Fees		371.40
Blue Cross-Blue Shield-Withholding		76.65
Group Health Insurance - Withholding (Aetna)		4.24
County Treasurer, County Tax		6,186.87
Massachusetts State Assessments		4,905.71
County Treasurer, County Retirement - Town's Share		1,168.00
Overpayment of Cemetery Lots, E. Horalek		15.00
Real Estate Refunds:		
S. Steinbrecker	\$	100.00
B. Fiske		25.53
A.L. Beyraneward		61.58
D. Chiappetta		27.51
Motor Vehicle Refunds:		
R. Merrell		29.70
R. Merrell		12.10
Personal Property Refund:		
M. Winn		7.83

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

RECEIPTS

July 1, 1979 - December 31, 1979

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS:

Highways:

Highway Fund Chap. 58, Sec. 18B	\$ 9,921.00	\$ 9,921.00
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Other:

Elderly Abatements Chap. 967	2,154.18	
Loss of taxes (St. Owned Land)	12,510.25	
Local Aid Chap. 58 S18C	<u>2,072.00</u>	16,736.43

COUNTY OF HAMPSHIRE:

Dist. Court of Hampshire	<u>75.00</u>	75.00
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OTHER:

Cemetery Assoc. Perm. Fund Dividends	33.14	
Cemetery Trust Fund AT&T	15.00	
Sale of Cemetery Lots	105.00	
O'pay. from paycheck	55.25	
FID cards (J. DeMoss, Police Chief)	12.00	
Pistol Permits (J. DeMoss, Police Chief)	70.00	
Dog Fees (Edith Rice, Town Clerk)	142.00	
Licenses & Permits	7.00	
Inspections (Bldg)	1,060.00	
Inspections (Electric)	5.00	
Tax Title Redemption (Part. Payment)	<u>1,040.78</u>	2,545.17

LOANS:

Pittsfield National Bank:

Note #246 Antic. of Revenue	45,000.00	
Note #247 Interim Loan (Fire House)	20,000.00	
Note #248 Interim Loan (Fire House)	15,000.00	
Note #257 Purchase Truck	<u>15,000.00</u>	95,000.00

WITHHOLDING:

Federal Taxes	1,729.80	
State Taxes	565.77	
Hampshire Co. Retirement	211.06	
Group Health Insurance	4.24	
Blue-Cross Blue-Shield	<u>76.65</u>	2,587.52

TAXES:

REAL ESTATE:

1978-79	\$ 9,312.41	
1977-78	2,418.18	
1976-77	1,075.13	
Previous Yrs.	1,699.19	
Interest	<u>406.82</u>	\$ 14,911.73

PERSONAL PROPERTY:

1978-79	<u>82.86</u>	82.86
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MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE:

1978-79	5,949.59	
1977-78	1,957.99	
1976-77	143.95	
Interest	<u>60.65</u>	8,112.18

CLASSIFIED FOREST:

1978-79	<u>140.26</u>	140.26
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MUNICIPAL LIEN:

1978-79	<u>15.00</u>	15.00
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150,127.15

TOTAL RECEIPTS

Total Receipts	150,127.15	
Balance June 30, 1979	<u>30,218.32</u>	180,345.47
Selectmens' orders	146,299.17	
Balance Dec. 31, 1979	<u>34,046.30</u>	180,345.47

TOWN OF MIDDLEFIELD
 APPROPRIATIONS & DEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS
 AVAILABLE FUNDS & EXPENDITURES
 July 1, 1979 - December 31, 1979

	APPROP.	TRANSFERS	AMOUNT AVAILABLE	AMOUNT EXPENDED	BALANCE
Town Snow	20,000.00		20,000.00	1,428.88	18,571.12
Town Highways	16,000.00		16,000.00	12,092.69	3,907.31
Oiling Town Rds.	10,000.00		10,000.00	10,000.00	---
Chap. 90		S.F.	13,279.00	---	13,279.00
Conservation Comm.	10.00		10.00	---	10.00
Civil Defense	10.00		10.00	---	10.00
Cemeteries	200.00		200.00	200.00	---
Dump Rental	600.00		600.00	---	600.00
Dump Maint.	2,500.00		2,500.00	1,672.76	827.24
Dog Officer	100.00		100.00	39.20	60.80
Fire Dept.	1,000.00		1,000.00	586.65	413.35
Equip. Fire Pumper		C.C.	204.78	---	204.78
Fire Phones	550.00		550.00	166.19	383.81
Fire House	35,000.00	A.F. 4,000.00	39,000.00	24,542.46	14,457.54
Fire Chief's Salary	225.00		225.00	---	225.00
Forest Fire Prot.	10.00		10.00	---	10.00
General Government	2,500.00		2,500.00	1,646.07	853.93

	APPROP.	TRANSFERS	AMOUNT AVAILABLE	AMOUNT EXPENDED	BALANCE
Health & Sanitation	10.00		10.00	---	10.00
Holiday & Vac. Pay	500.00		500.00	152.00	348.00
Health Insurance	200.00		200.00	80.89	119.11
Ambulance Service	1,000.00		1,000.00	---	1,000.00
Inspections	300.00		300.00	260.00	40.00
Insurance	10,000.00		10,000.00	8,615.30	1,384.70
Library	200.00	L.F. 300.00	500.00	150.18	349.82
Mun. Bldg. Maint.	1,800.00		1,800.00	533.85	1,266.15
Machinery Expense	9,000.00	R.S. 2,500.00	11,500.00	8,142.90	3,346.31
Machinery Pur. Acct.	15,000.00	R.S. 2,500.00	17,500.00	17,500.00	---
40 Printing	600.00		600.00	---	600.00
Planning Bd.	10.00		10.00	---	10.00
Police Fund	250.00		250.00	---	250.00
Restore Twn. Records	200.00		200.00	---	200.00
Reg. of Voters	300.00		300.00	33.50	266.50
Reg. & Elections	300.00		300.00	74.23	225.77
Reserve Fund	2,000.00		2,000.00	---	2,000.00
Gateway Reg. Sch.	79,580.54		79,580.54	40,951.27	38,629.27
Twn. Off. Salaries	3,825.00		3,825.00	---	3,825.00
Town Counsel	150.00		150.00	---	150.00

	APPROP.	TRANSFERS	AMOUNT AVAILABLE	AMOUNT EXPENDED	BALANCE
Street Lights	1,042.08		1,042.08	455.53	586.55
Short Term Int.	1,500.00		1,500.00	863.96	636.04
Tree Warden	100.00		100.00	---	100.00
Dutch Elm Disease	150.29		150.29	---	150.29
Insect Pest Cont.	95.00		95.00	---	95.00
Veterans Agent	10.00		10.00	---	10.00
Unemployment Comp.	200.00		200.00	100.36	99.64
War. Mem. & Playarea	200.00		200.00	170.00	30.00
	<hr/> 217,227.91	9,300.00	248,596.69	130,458.87	110,127.03

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Key to Abbreviations:

C.O. Carry Over
R.S. Reserve Sharing
S.F. State Funds
L.F. Library Fund
A.F. Available Funds

ORDERS TO THE TREASURER - NO APPROPRIATIONS

State Assessments	\$ 4,905.71	
County Tax	6,186.87	
County Retirement (Town Share)	1,168.00	
Dog Fees	371.40	
Overpayment Cemetery Lot	15.00	
Perpetual Care to savings account	100.00	
Cemetery Trust Fund to savings account	264.00	
Checks	<u>18.26</u>	\$ 13,029.24

WITHHOLDINGS:

First National Bank of Boston (Federal Taxes)	\$ 1,752.00	
Commonwealth of Mass. (State Taxes)	491.82	
Hamp. County Retirement	222.09	
Group Insurance	4.24	
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	<u>76.65</u>	2,546.80

TAX REFUNDS:

1979 Motor Vehicle Excise	41.80	
1977 Real Estate Overpayment	25.53	
1978 Real Estate Overpayment	100.00	
1979 Real Estate	214.63	
1979 Personal Property	<u>7.83</u>	<u>264.26</u>
		\$ 15,840.30

Respectfully submitted,

Josephine Z. DeMoss,
Treasurer

REPORT OF THE AUDITOR

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the Town Treasurer for the year ending December 31, 1979, and have found them to be in good order and correct.

Respectfully submitted,

Edmund Kurtz
Auditor

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR FOR THE YEAR 1979

	WARRANT	TAXES COL.	INT.	FEEs	ABATED	TAX TITLES	BALANCE DUE	
1978-79	Real Estate	\$ 74,820.27	\$ 53,978.35	\$121.09		\$3,987.79	\$2,395.70	\$ 15,358.43
	Per. Property	4,638.80	3,930.31			16.75		91.74
	Agriculture	2,890.45	2,890.45					-0-
	Cl. Forest	357.33	221.24					136.09
	Mun. Lein		15.00					
	M.V.E.	16,058.14	8,213.83			104.60		7,738.71
1977-78	Real Estate	17,839.54	5,798.84	158.70				12,040.70
	Per. Property	644.57	34.58			41.92		568.07
	Agriculture	755.51	755.51					-0-
	Cl. Forest	136.41					Comm.	136.41
	M.V.E.	3,850.64	3,963.78			214.50	3,765.06	3,437.42
1976-77	Real Estate	8,272.03	1,800.75	162.82				6,471.28
	Per. Property	325.09	15.18				Comm.	309.91
	M.V.E.	3,595.69	959.96	31.58		84.43	300.58	2,851.88
43 1975-76	Real Estate	4,204.53	1,175.70	179.18		74.10		2,954.73
	Per. Property	191.21						191.21
	Farm Excise	4.37						4.37
	M.V.E.	1,184.59	111.10					1,073.49
1974-75	Real Estate	4,965.04	2,053.50	223.50		81.00		2,830.54
	Per. Property	207.00	30.00					177.00
	Farm Excise	23.83						23.83
	M.V.E.	765.06						765.06
1974 6M	Real Estate	410.88	127.68	17.12		59.20		224.00
	Per. Property	78.40	9.20					69.20
	Farm Excise	114.97						114.97
	M.V.E.	1,012.50						1,012.50
1973	Real Estate	956.64	255.36	19.00		269.44		431.84
	Per. Property	180.88				9.68		171.20
	Farm Excise	9.43						9.43
	M.V.E.	810.13						810.13
1972	Real Estate	487.75	66.95	15.11		360.88		60.00
	Per. Property	144.00						144.00
	Farm Excise	110.62						110.62
	M.V.E.	793.94						793.94

		WARRANT	TAXES COL.	INT.	FEES	ABATED	TAX TITLES	BALANCE DUE
1971	Real Estate	232.20				32.94		199.26
	Per. Property	119.02						119.02
	Farm Excise	54.25						54.25
	M.V.E.	817.19	64.35					752.84
1970	Real Estate	168.50	.50			55.50		112.50
	Per. Property	88.75	2.50					26.25
	M.V.E.	146.37	52.80					93.57
1969	Real Estate	11.93	11.93					-0-
	Per. Property	61.50						61.50
	M.V.E.	128.92						128.92
1968	Per. Property	7.40	3.70					3.70
	M.V.E.	20.90						20.90
1967	Per. Property	15.20						15.20
	M.V.E.	155.10						155.10
	Taxes Collected	\$86,543.05						
	Interest	937.10						
	Total		\$87,480.15					

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Respectfully submitted,

Neil G. Nickerson
Tax Collector

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

FISCAL YEAR 1980

APPROPRIATIONS	\$ 186,454.88	
Total offset from Cherry Sheet	1,000.00	
Gross Amount to be raised		\$ 213,343.04

Estimated Receipts & Available Funds:

1980 F.Y. Estimated Receipts Certified by the Commission on Cherry Sheet	57,233.00	
Prior Year Overestimated (C.S.)	1,860.42	
Local Estimated Receipts	16,350.00	
Available Funds	13,390.97	
Total Estimated Receipts		94,661.39
Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation		118,878.02

Amount to be Raised by Taxation:

Total Personal Property	407,745.00	
@ 24.20/1000=	9,867.43	
Total Real Estate	4,504,570.60	
@ 24.20/1000=	109,010.60	
Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation		118,878.02

July 1, 1979 to June 30, 1980 Tax Rate \$24.20 per \$1000

School Rate ...	\$13.80
General Rate...	\$10.40
Total	\$24.20

Total Value of Personal Property	407,745.00	
Total Value of Real Estate	4,504,570.60	
Total		4,912,315.60

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne E. Main, Chairman
Michael F. Pensivy, Secy.
John E. Rice

REPORT OF THE MIDDLEFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

The past year has been marked by continued efforts to improve the status of the library and to extend its services to the community. Many new books have been added through purchases and gifts. The librarian has completed the last of three courses in library management and book selection, thus enabling the library to be in a more favorable position to receive a larger state grant in 1980-1981. The amount of the state grant may also be determined by the outcome of the present campaign to increase state aid to libraries. In 1979, the bill received a pocket veto from Governor King, but a new bill has been submitted which may provide more funds in 1980-1981. The Bookmobile schedule has been severely curtailed and few new books have been purchased by the Western Regional Library.

During the past year 802 books from the local library and 1535 from the Bookmobile were circulated. The Bookmobile continues to render a valuable service to the community. Mrs. Julia Y. Andersen has aided in contacting the Bookmobile office in Pittsfield for special requests and in notifying residents of the dates of the Bookmobile visits. She has also volunteered her services in assisting the librarian.

Respectfully submitted,

Ethel M. Pease, Librarian

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE MIDDLEFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Available funds

Balance in the Library Account	\$ 584.27
State library Grant	474.78
Dog Fund	1.26
Appropriated by the Town May 1978	<u>200.00</u>

Total \$1,260.31

Expenditures 7/1/78-6/30/79

Books and magazines	\$ 262.90
Supplies	23.29
Salary librarian	80.00
Clerical assistance	<u>28.00</u>

Total \$ 394.25

Balance in the Library Account 6/30/79 \$ 860.71

Respectfully submitted,

Ethel M. Pease, Librarian

REPORT OF THE MIDDLEFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Calls for 1979:

4 medical 1 car fire 2 railroad fires 1 electrical
2 chimney fires 1 structure 1 brush 2 cellar pumps

Total 15

1979 was a most productive year for the Middlefield Fire Department. Our biggest acquisition was our new station. A special Thank You to the Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee, and building committee which consisted of Bruce Nunn, Wally Smith, and Ass't. Chief Fran Lane, for all of the hours of work and research put into making this station a reality.

Other used equipment purchased included: 1½" hose-2½" hose-Forestry hose-Extinguishers-Nozzles. A cellar pump and a rescue sled were purchased by the Fireman's Association. The portable generators are also in working order.

Many of the Firemen attended training sessions given last year including:

Pump Operations class given by Mass.
Firefighting Academy.
Operation of the new Ford by Hinsdale
Fire Dept.
Mutual Aid drill with the Hinsdale and
Dalton Departments and the area Fire
Co-ordinator.

The year was not all work however, during the summer the department, Ladies' Auxiliary and Muster Team marched in several area parades. One of these was the Cummington Bi-Centennial where we placed second. The Muster Team showed that they too are to be reckoned with in the coming years, with good performances at the Hinsdale and Chester Fireman's Musters.

Again this year a vote of thanks to the Ladies' Auxiliary. Their purchases of radios for the trucks, materials for the new station and an 80 cup coffee maker along with their tremendous support, has been a great asset to the department. We're looking forward to working side by side with them in the coming years.

The wholehearted support of the townspeople and men in the department has been most gratifying.

Respectfully submitted,

G. Robert Olds, Chief

REPORT OF THE AMBULANCE FUND

A meeting of the Selectmen and both the Huntington Lions' Club, and the Hinsdale Fire Dept. Assoc. ambulance services was held on Wednesday, March 5th to discuss ambulance coverage, and the opportunity of budget funds to help sustain the service.

It was decided that people living in the Village, and oriented towards the Berkshire Medical Center, should be directed towards the Hinsdale Ambulance.

Those living on the East River Road, and in the easterly end of town, and oriented towards Noble Hospital, would be directed towards the Lion's Club Ambulance.

Both ambulance services wish to restrict their calls to an emergency nature, and are not staffed to handle simple transport jobs, such as - nursing home to hospital, etc.

A special transport job that might be handled by either Hinsdale or Huntington Lion's Club could be set up, providing there was a positive need for it, and proper arrangements could be made, well in advance.

The trained members of the Fire Department would act as first-responders in a local emergency, and call on the appropriate ambulance service.

Both Huntington and Hinsdale will cover for each other, in case their equipment is tied up, and an emergency arises.

Since Hinsdale covers about two-thirds of the calls, and Huntington Lion's, one-third, we recommend that the budget figure for ambulance coverage be apportioned the same way.

Respectfully submitted,

Huntinton Lion's Club
Hinsdale Fire Dept. Assoc.

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

During calendar 1979 the following incidents and complaints were responded to and investigated when required:

One motor vehicle accident
Five break-ins or burglary
One suspicious vehicle
Three speeding or illegal operating complaints
Three incidents of vandalism to a building
Four summonses and/or warrants were served
One report of trespassing on private property
Four abandoned motor vehicles obstructing traffic
One stolen vehicle recovered (from Springfield)
Thirteen Pistol Permits, seven Firearms Identification Cards (F.I.D.'s) and one license to sell ammunition were issued.

There were numerous cooperative efforts with State Police and other City and Town Police Departments. During the year the Chief of Police took and passed the state required course in Criminal Justice.

Respectfully submitted,

John E. DeMoss,
Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

In the year of 1979, I received 5 complaint calls, 4 dogs returned to owner, 1 given away. Received a list of twenty-four (24) unpaid Dog licenses June 5, 1979 - 24 paid up in time.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles G. Emerson
Dog Officer

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

I have listed in my annual inspection this year, 254 head of cattle, 36 horses, two sheep, seven swine and three goats.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles E. Cook
Inspector of Animals

REPORT OF THE WIRE INSPECTOR

I have inspected:

3 Services
1 Temporary
2 Rough ins

Respectfully submitted,

Edward L. Drosehn,
Wire Inspector

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

We have organized for the year and appointed Ellen Russo Chairman. Meetings will be held the third Tuesday of each month at the school.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Russo,
Chairman

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

Building Permits issued by Tony Scapin, Jr.:

Jordan Paddock - Septic permit
Mike Beaudry - Septic permit
Richard Waite - Chimney permit
Rudy Shutz - 30 Percolation tests
Gordon Miller - Chimney permit
Donald Savery - Garage
Town of Middlefield - Firehouse
Helen Flynn - Percolation test
Anthony DeVecchi - Addition
Kathy Dillon - Chimney permit
Paul Schirmer - Septic permit
Abe Hases - Septic permit
Mamie King - Chicken coop
Tony Scapin - Shop addition and deck

Building Permits issued by William Slater, Jr.:

Jordan H. Paddock - Building permit - Chipman Rd.
Jordan H. Paddock - Percolation test
Edwin C. Hill - Percolation test - Chipman Rd.
Michael Beaudry - Percolation test - Chipman Rd.
Ed Batorski - Percolation test - Chipman Rd.
Ed Batorski - Percolation test - Root Rd.
John E. Rice - Building permit - Alderman Rd.
Highland Agricultural Society - Building permit
Rodney G. Savery, Jr. - Percolation test - Town Hill Rd.
Beaudry & Bronner - Building permit
Russ Kimkel - Removal permit - Main Rd.
Thomas Rock - Park Construction Trailer - West Hill Rd.

REPORT OF THE DISPOSAL AREA

Dump hours until August will be:

Sunday	11-2
Wed.	4-7
Sat.	11-2

Watch papers and bulletin boards for hours beginning August 1, 1980. We will have a new dumping system and different hours.

The State DEQE will no longer allow any landfill dumping. Anyone violating dump hours and rules will be prosecuted.

Please cooperate by using the new hours.

P. Suriner,
Attendant