

WEST AND SOUTH
Water Supply District
OF ACTON, MASS.

INCORPORATED BY THE ACTS OF LEGISLATURE OF
1912, CHAPTER 326, AND ACCEPTED BY THE
DISTRICT APRIL 16, 1912

THE CENTER DISTRICT ACCEPTED SECTION 13
OF SAID ACT

ANNUAL REPORT, MARCH 31, 1934



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ORGANIZATION—1933

Clerk

JAMES E. KINSLEY, Term expires 1934

Water Commissioners

WALDO E. WHITCOMB, Chairman	Term expires 1935
GEORGE E. CLAPP, Clerk	Term expires 1934
HOWARD J. BILLINGS	Term expires 1936

Treasurer

CHARLES A. DURKEE, Term expires 1934

Auditor

DAVID R. KINSLEY, Term expires 1934

Appointments by the Water Commissioners

Collector

WALDO E. WHITCOMB, Term expires 1934

Superintendent

GEORGE E. CLAPP, Term expires 1934

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
MIDDLESEX, SS.

*To the Clerk of the West and South Water Supply District
of Acton:* GREETINGS:

You are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Acton residing in the Water Supply District, as bounded and defined by Chapter 326 of the Acts of 1912, Sections 1 and 13 of said Act, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to assemble in FIREMAN'S HALL, WEST ACTON,

TUESDAY, APRIL 3, 1934, at Eight O'Clock P. M.

then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To elect by ballot a Clerk for one year, a Treasurer for one year, an Auditor for one year, one Member of the Board of Water Commissioners to serve for the term of three years.

Art. 3. To choose all necessary District Officers and fix Salaries.

Art. 4. To hear and act on the reports of the Water Commissioners, Treasurer, Collector and other officers of the District or any Committee appointed at any previous meeting.

Art. 5. To see if the District will authorize the Treasurer to borrow money, with the approval of the Water Commissioners if necessary, in anticipation of revenue the current year.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting copies, attested by you, in the several post offices and stores in the District, 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 Water Commissioners on or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this seventeenth day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four.

WALDO E. WHITCOMB,
HOWARD J. BILLINGS,
GEORGE E. CLAPP,
Water Commissioners.

WATER COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

To the Citizens of the West and South Water Supply
District of Acton:

We present, herewith, our annual report for the year,
ending March 15, 1934.

The work carried on this year has been largely in the care of the plant, and quite a little has been done in grading the grounds at the pumping station including new seeding.

We hope to carry on more work of this kind during this year especially on improving the appearance of the grounds at the station.

The chart made of the House Service boxes has been a great help in locating the shut off boxes at the street this winter. The Superintendent has had many calls for frozen water pipes in cellars where it required shutting the water off at the street while repairing, and without these measurements, it would have been very hard locating the gate boxes with the deep snow and frozen ground.

We feel very fortunate not to have the difficulties from frozen mains experienced by many cities and towns during the past severe winter. As this has been the coldest winter since our water system was installed in 1912 we feel that it stood the test well.

We had only four house services frozen between the Main and the house, these were very quickly taken care of by the Littleton Electric Light Department by running electric current through the service line.

One hydrant on Main Street, South Acton was hit by an automobile and broken off. When this was replaced it was moved back of the sidewalk to a safer location.

Three new services have been added this year, making a total of 606 now installed.

At the Pumping Station, in addition to a few minor repairs the clutch was replaced on one of the engines. No other major repairs were necessary.

With the extreme cold weather that we have had this winter it has required more help than usual to keep things moving, which in part will account for the payroll being larger than usual for the year.

We feel that it would be well to install a new heating plant at the Pumping Station as the present method of heating is very poor and in extreme weather it is difficult to keep the building above freezing temperature.

Estimates, Revenues and Receipts for this year are as follows:

Water Rates.....	\$ 9,100.00
Hydrant Rentals.....	2,825.00
Interest Account.....	140.00
Returns on New Services.....	50.00
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	\$12,115.00

Estimated Expenses for Current Year:

Bond and Interest Account.....	\$ 5,532.00
Salaries: Officers and Collector.....	2,300.00
Fuel and Lubricating Oils.....	729.42
Gasolene	147.66
Repairs	400.00
Labor	900.00
Insurance and Rentals.....	150.00
Miscellaneous	600.00
For New Services.....	150.00
Meter Repairs	300.00
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	\$11,209.08

Respectfully submitted,
 WALDO E. WHITCOMB
 GEORGE E. CLAPP
 HOWARD J. BILLINGS
 Water Commissioners

CLERK'S REPORT

EXPENSE ACCOUNT

Edison Electric Co., current	\$14.10
Brown & Wales Co., pipe and valve	49.97
Eagle Oil & Supply Co., oil and waste	63.01
Jenkins Valve Co., valves	43.65
A. W. Davis, trucking	2.50
Garlock Packing Co., packing	4.80
Murphy & Snyder, printing	61.59
Braman Dow & Co., fittings and supplies	60.85
Nu Way Welding Co., welding cylinder	38.92
Standard Piston Ring Co., piston rings	15.68
Cement Lined Pipe Co., service pipe	106.50
Edson Pump Corporation, trench pump	207.89
David Clayton, oil burner	18.00
Pierce's Express, express	17.95
J. Fitzgerald, gasoline	51.52
Geo. H. Reed, salt and tools	8.84
B. A. King, wiring tool house	31.60
Py Lubro Co., graphite	2.25
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., pumping station telephone	48.45
Cambridge Machine Co., machine work	15.00
W. Blaisdell, reading meters	15.00
E. Montague, services, making maps of house services	103.88
W. S. Darley Co., lantern and repairs	5.64
Mrs. John McCarthy, garage rent	21.00
Acton Motor Co., battery and repairs	52.98
W. B. Holt, labor and use of pipe	5.88
W. E. Whitcomb, envelopes and postage	44.49
Rensellaer Valve Co., hydrant parts	59.68
Geo. Morse, kerosene	58.38
A. W. Davis Co., supplies	32.11
Hersey Mfg. Co., meter repairs	17.90
Sumner & Dunbar, repair sleeves and fittings	89.55
Bursaw Gas & Oil Co., kerosene	242.00
National Meter Co., repairs and parts	250.52
E. Gates, sharpening tools	1.75
Geo. E. Clapp, freight and express paid	10.99
Maynard & Acton Oil Co., kerosene	231.05

R. C. Baker, gasoline	96.14
Red Hed Mfg. Co., goosenecks and valves	59.91
Chapman Valve Co., valve stem	1.65
B. & M. R.R., pipe privilege	10.80
B. & M. R.R., freight	2.95
Bellamy & Co., clutch and parts	52.52
Registry Dept., truck registration	2.00
Whitney Appliance Co., sheet iron	1.35
So. Acton Coal & Lumber Co., lumber	2.83
Acton Pipe Co., pipe	2.80
J. Briggs, use of truck	12.00
Chas. A. Durkee, postage and telephone calls	10.73
American Surety Co., Collector's bond	30.00
W. E. Whitcomb, collecting water rates	184.07
Central Garage, tires and chains	30.08
Littleton Electric Light, thawing pipes	15.00
Geo. Reed, coal	33.80
Standard Oil Co., lubricating oil	68.81
Acton Dept. Store, red cloth	1.16
J. F. McNiff, sharpening	4.15
A. Schmalz, rust solvent	4.46
Hayward & Fullerton, machine work	2.00
L. Appian, copying deed	2.00
L. Tracy Co., belting	2.25
Acton News Co., envelopes	4.00
Eureka Pipe Co., fittings	5.73
Chandler & Farquhar, tools	2.61
Nashoba Oil Co., kerosene	76.17
Geo. A. Caldwell Co., finder repairs	2.45
Ashton Valve Co., counter repairs	6.38
J. L. Fairbanks Co., loose leaves	1.65
N. H. Tenney, machine work and use of tools	12.37
Laffin Express, express	.35
Paul Hederstedt, insurance and bond	106.89
Geo. E. Clapp, salary as superintendent	1,834.50
W. E. Whitcomb, salary as commissioner	25.00
Howard J. Billings, salary as commissioner	25.00
Chas. A. Durkee, salary as treasurer	50.00
James E. Kinsley, salary as clerk	5.00
David R. Kinsley, salary as auditor	5.00
O. Nichols, labor	584.40
J. French, labor	121.40
J. Gallant, labor	8.00

A. Dubey, labor	6.60	
D. Kennedy, labor	3.00	
J. Weymouth, labor	4.00	
A. Wessel, labor	3.80	
W. Scanlon, labor	4.40	
J. Clayton, labor	27.40	
E. Williams, labor	12.20	
A. Conquest, labor	18.60	
L. Laird, labor	30.40	
W. Lawrence, labor	5.00	
		<u>\$5,731.63</u>

BOND ACCOUNT

Bonds and Notes Paid	\$4,200.00	
Interest Paid	1,387.00	
		<u>5,587.00</u>
		<u>\$11,318.63</u>

GEO. E. CLAPP,
Clerk of Commissioners.

REPORT OF COLLECTOR OF WATER RATES

APRIL 1, 1933 TO APRIL 1, 1934

Metered and Unmetered Water	\$9,115.58	
Installing and Repairs	87.96	
	<hr/>	\$9,203.54
Paid Treasurer		\$9,203.54

METERED WATER FOR ONE YEAR

Center	West	South	Total
2,000,858	6,734,663	15,037,305	23,772,826

WATER PUMPED AT STATION

January 1, 1933 to January 1, 1934
36,828,893 gallons

NUMBER OF SERVICES NOW INSTALLED

Center	South	West	Total
92	255	259	606

WALDO E. WHITCOMB, Collector

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand	\$ 3,466.58	
Accounts Receivable		
Aetna Insurance Co.	1,558.71	
		\$ 5,025.29
Received of W. E. Whitcomb Col.	9,203.54	
Received of Hydrant Rentals	2,825.00	
Interest Charlestown 5 Cent	70.00	
First National Bank, Boston	1.28	
First National Bank, Concord	4.05	
Middlesex Institution for Savings	8.75	
No. Middlesex Institution for Savings	11.67	
B. & M. R.R. Co. Refund	1.17	
Standard Oil Co., Adjustment	3.55	
Old Colony Trust Coupons	6.00	
George Clapp	34.50	
		\$17,194.80
Paid Commissioners' Orders		11,318.63
		\$ 5,876.17

RECONCILIATION OF CASH

On Deposit Charlestown 5 Cent		
Savings Bank	\$ 2,000.00	
On Deposit North Middlesex Savings		
Bank	1,000.00	
On Deposit Middlesex Institution		
for Savings	1,000.00	
On Deposit Concord National Bank		
(Checking Account)	1,876.17	
		\$ 5,876.17
Cash on hand		\$ 5,876.17

BONDS AND NOTES

Bonds Out	\$30,000.00	
Paid	3,500.00	
	<hr/>	\$26,500.00
Bonds Out	\$ 3,600.00	
Paid	300.00	
	<hr/>	3,300.00
Notes Out	\$ 2,800.00	
Paid	400.00	
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Total Bonds and Notes Out		<hr/>
		\$32,200.00

CHARLES A. DURKEE, Treasurer

AUDITOR'S REPORT

West Acton, Mass.
March 23, 1934

To the Honorable Board of Water Commissioners:
Gentlemen:

Having completed an examination of the accounts of the Collector and Treasurer of the West and South Water Supply District of Acton for the year ending March 31, 1934, I am confident of their accuracy.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID R. KINSLEY, Auditor