# 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, 1932

MURPHY & SNYDER MAYNARD, MASS.

# **ORGANIZATION**—1931

## Clerk

JAMES E. KINSLEY, Term expires 1932

## Water Commissioners

WALDO E. WHITCOMB, Chairman Term expires 1932 GEORGE E. CLAPP, Clerk Term expires 1934 HOWARD J. BILLINGS Term expires 1933

## Treasurer

FRANK W. HOIT, Term expires 1932

## Auditor

DAVID R. KINSLEY, Term expires 1932

Appointments by the Water Commissioners

## Collector

WALDO E. WHITCOMB, Term expires 1932

# Superintendent

GEORGE E. CLAPP, Term expires 1932

## 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 5, 1932, 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 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, 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, railroad stations 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 in Acton this seventeenth day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two.

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

Water Commissioners.

## WATER COMMISSIONERS' 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, 1932.

The depression seems to have hit the water district this year, the water consumption being less than usual and the necessary expenditures unusually large. One of the chief losses in revenue this year was caused by the Boston and Maine Railroad using less than fifty per cent of the amount of water used last year.

Last June the standpipe was emptied, cleaned, scraped and painted. One coat of red lead was used on the inside followed by one coat of rust resisting paint. The outside was given two coats of rust resisting paint. This work required four days during which time it was necessary to keep the pumps running continuously to maintain the pressure.

The cement work at the base of the standpipe was beginning to crack and crumble and this was repaired by pouring a concrete reinforcement around the base. The standpipe should require no further repair for five to seven years.

At the pumping station both pumps have been packed and fitted with new valve rubbers. A new fiber driving gear has been installed on one pump.

One engine cylinder which was cracked and replaced some time ago has been electrically welded and rebored for over sized piston and rings and is now in use. The other cylinder is being held for emergency.

On the grounds around the station we have set out three hundred pine trees to replace those lost by fire and pine weevil. The new trees have grown well this year and are now in excellent condition.

We feel that the plant is on the whole in good order and that this year's operating expenses will be considerably reduced.

During the year we have added six new house services and have laid fifteen hundred and fifteen feet of six inch main pipe on Summer Street. One six inch valve and a hydrant was installed in this line. The pipe for this extension was furnished by the water district and the trenching and back filling was done by Mr. J. Hill.

Estimated Revenues and Receipts for this year are as follows:

Water Rates	\$ 9,200.00
Hydrant Rentals	2,800.00
Interest Account	
Return on New Services	50.00
\$12,150.00	

# Estimated Expenses for Current Year:

Bond and Interest Account	2,400.00 650.00
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\$11,135.00

Respectfully submitted,

WALDO E. WHITCOMB GEORGE E. CLAPP HOWARD J. BILLINGS

Water Commissioners

# CLERK'S REPORT

# MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT

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New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone	\$47.80
Acton Motor Co., tires and repairs	40.18
Sumner & Dunbar, fittings and supplies	57.67
National Meter Co., repairs and parts	85.21
Crane & Co., valve	3.98
Albert Sims, soil pipe	4.51
Murphy & Snyder, printing	96.75
Economy Lubricant Co., grease	14.00
Hack Mfg. Co., torch	37.72
A. W. Davis Co., tools and supplies	35.65
A. W. Davis Co., coal	39.53
Standard Oil Co., gas and lubricating oil	91.40
W. E. Whitcomb, envelopes and postage	17.45
Mass. Gas Tax	.40
Maynard & Acton Oil Co., kerosene	238.63
James Fitzgerald, repairs	28.41
Red Hed Mfg. Co., valves	39.71
Edison Co., current	11.25
Geo. Reed, tools	10.55
Nashoba Óil Co., kerosene and gas	285.80
Shrewsbury Tank Co., painting standpipe	450.00
Geo. Hayward, cement work at standpipe	102.00
Paul Hederstedt, liability ins. and bond	84.81
Whitney Appliance Co., iron work	4.00
Abel Cutting, pine trees	5.60
Laffin's Ex., express	1.05
Tate & Co., pipe	1.60
Ralph Jones, gravel	2.00
Geo. Clapp, freight and express paid out	12.56
So. Acton Coal & Lumber Co., lumber	1.22
O. Laffin, repairs and battery	26.87
Hayes Pump Co., pump valves	30.15
Renesellaer Valve Co., hydrant and valve	71.75
Braman Dow, pipe and fittings	154.68
Wolverine Brass Co., brass supplies	8.73
Geo. A. Caldwell, caulking tools	4.14
Geo. A. Caldwell, caulking tools Taylor Chevrolet, labor and oil	12.40
Pierce's Express, express	7.55
Finney & Hoit, cot	3.00
N. H. Tenney, machine work	20.36
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Johns Manville Co., pump packing	102.69
Standard Ring Co., piston rings	10.00
Waltham Welding Co., electric welding	40.00
Geo. Reed, coal	32.58
Garlock Packing Co., sheet packing	25.61
Charter Gas Engine Co., engine parts	33.20
Davis Express, express	8.50
O. F. Nelson, forging	9.05
Walter Field Co., reboring cylinder	51.00
Eagle Oil Co., lubricating oil	61.59
Frank Hoit, salary as Treasurer	50.00
W. E. Whitcomb, salary as Commissioner	
Howard J. Billings, sal. as Commissioner	25.00
Geo. Clapp, salary as Com. and Clerk	25.00 35.00
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James Kingsley, salary as District Clerk	
David Kingsley, salary as Auditor	5.00
Frank Hoit, postage	4.29
B. & M. R. R., water privilege	10.80
Fred Whitcomb, soapstone sink	3.50
W. E. Whitcomb, collecting water rates	187.47
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T. Moynihan, labor	493.25
W. Munn, labor	316.50
D. Hurley, labor	11.00
J. Fitzgerald, labor	30.38
B. Coolidge, labor	5.25
D. Clayton, labor	6.50
F. Shaw, labor	.75
E. McDougal, labor	.75
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\$5,780.73

# CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT

Red Hed Mfg. Co., goose necks	\$23.24
Hersey Meter Co., meters	63.00
Eureka Pipe Co., cement lined pipe	89.57
Rensellaer Valve Co., hydrant and valve	64.44
Warren Pipe Co., cast iron pipe	746.69
Hydraulic Dev. Co., hydro tite	104.27
W. J. Costello, signs	2.00
Hartwell Bros., pick handles	6.48
Cement Lined Pipe Co., pipe	79.36
T. Moynihan, labor	87.50
W. Munn, labor	87.75
M. Dugan, labor	24.00

J. Dugan, labor F. Whitcomb, labor A. Turner, labor J. Kingsley, labor	31.25 26.25 20.00 46.25	\$1,502.05
BOND ACCOU	NT	
Interest Paid Old Colony Trust Bonds and Notes Old Colony Trust Interest Paid 1st Nat. Ayer Note Paid 1st Nat. Ayer	\$1,572.00 3,800.00 153.00 400.00	·
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Maintenance Account		\$5,780.73
Construction Account Bond Account		1,502.05 5,925.00
		\$13,207.78

GEO. E. CLAPP, Clerk of Commissioners.

# REPORT OF COLLECTOR OF WATER RATES

## APRIL 1, 1931 TO APRIL 1, 1932

Metered and Unmetered Water

\$9,244.34 128.93

Installing and Repairs

Paid Treasurer

\$9,373.27

## METERED WATER FOR ONE YEAR

October 1, 1930 to October 1, 1931

Center

West

South

Totai

1,844,415 gal. 6,730,995 gal. 12,508,485 gal. 21,083,895 gal.

## WATER PUMPED AT STATION

January 1, 1931 to January 1, 1932 32,933,424 gallons

## NUMBER OF SERVICES NOW INSTALLED

Center

South

West

Total

90

253

258

601

WALDO E. WHITCOMB, Collector.

# TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on Hand Received of W. E. Whitcomb Received of Hydrant Rentals Received Interest: First Nat.	\$ 5,002.29 9,373.27 2,750.00 Bank 12.23	•
Received Interest: Charlestow	n 5 Cent 100.00	
		\$17,237.79
Paid Commissioners' orders		13,207.78
Balance on Hand		\$4,030.01
Bonds Out	\$37,000.00	
Paid	3,500.00	
	<u> </u>	\$33,500.00
Bonds Out	\$ 4,200.00	
Paid	300.00	<b>69 0</b> 00 00
		\$3,900.00
Notes Out	\$ 3,600.00	
Paid	. 400.00	
		\$3,200.00
Total		\$40,600.00

# **AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Board of Water Commissioners:

Gentlemen—Having completed an examination of the books of the Treasurer and Collectors, I believe that they are correct.

DAVID R. KINSLEY, Auditor.

West Acton, Mass., March 31, 1932.