

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

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ANNUAL REPORT, MARCH 31, 1926

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MURPHY & SNYDER  
MAYNARD, MASS.

**ORGANIZATION—1925**

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**Clerk**

LOWELL H. CRAM

**Water Commissioners**

EDGAR H. HALL, Chairman

WALDO E. WHITCOMB

GEORGE E. CLAPP, Clerk

**Treasurer**

FRANK W. HOIT

**Collector**

WALDO E. WHITCOMB

**Auditor**

DAVID R. KINSLEY

**Superintendent**

GEORGE E. CLAPP

## WATER COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

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To the Citizens of the Water District of Acton:

We present the annual report of our doings, for the year ending March 1st, 1926.

The work of laying the 6-inch main in Liberty Street was completed early in the year, at a total cost of \$4,545.98, being about \$500.00 under our estimate, owing to our being fortunate in not encountering much rock excavation.

The tool house and Stand Pipe, have been painted, at a cost of \$735.00. We found the interior of the Stand Pipe, to be in very good condition, iron not being badly pitted.

The unsalable gravel bank in front of the Pumping Station has been leveled and scraped into the low land, under the supervision of Commissioner Whitcomb, at an expense of \$350.00 to the District. Mr. Whitcomb giving considerable of his time for this improvement. We would like to complete the grading of the grounds, and remove all the gravel bank, as probably no more of it will be used for road building, and as now left, is very unsightly. 1,000 pine seedlings have been set out on the East side of the ridge, and more will be set this year if obtainable from the Town Forester.

The Power Plant is in good condition, both engines being overhauled and new bearings put in. Other than new rings for the engines, and clutches for the transmission line, no major repairs are anticipated for several years.

We recommend the purchase of a new ton truck, as the one in service will be too expensive to maintain any length of time.

We present the following budget:

ESTIMATED EXPENSES FOR THE CURRENT YEAR	
Bonds and interest account	\$7,200.00
Salaries, officers and collector	2,175.00
Fuel and lubricating oils	700.00

New hydrant and meters	410.00	
New services and stops and wastes	500.00	
Coal, electric lights and telephone	120.00	
Gasoline	100.00	
Repairs and labor	900.00	
Printing and miscellaneous	300.00	
Insurance and rentals	75.00	
New truck	500.00	
	<hr/>	\$12,980.00

#### ESTIMATED REVENUES

From water rates	\$9,400.00	
Hydrant rentals	2,775.00	
Income tax	75.00	
Interest account	40.00	
Uncollected taxes	705.00	
	<hr/>	\$12,995.00

If no new extensions of mains are ordered, we recommend no tax levy this year.

EDGAR H. HALL,  
WALDO E. WHITCOMB,  
GEORGE E. CLAPP,  
Commissioners.

#### CLERK'S REPORT

#### CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT

Lap Joint Pipe Co., pipe	\$399.08
Sumner & Dunbar, pipe and fittings	208.13
National Meter Co., meters	527.13
Red Hed Mfg. Co., valves	264.75
Rensselaer Valve Co., hydrants	156.60
Laffin's Ex., express.	.75
C. Cullinane, express	1.20
W. B. Holt, fittings	2.54

Chadwick-Boston Lead Co., lead	38.71	
J. P. Brown, sharpening tools	15.35	
Walworth Co., fittings	16.26	
Mueller Co., tools	5.70	
Geo. A. Caldwell, curb boxes	50.50	
J. T. McNiff, drills and picks	2.10	
A. W. Davis, trucking	14.50	
Builders Iron Foundry, pipe	68.38	
Fred A. Houdlette, pipe	49.98	
T. Parker, asphaltum	3.00	
Geo. Clapp, freight and express	64.66	
E. P. Gates, sharpening and forging	6.75	
J. Bedard, labor	66.62	
T. Russo, labor	9.23	
E. Neault, labor	56.26	
W. Cahill, labor	15.70	
T. Murry, labor	18.00	
O. B. Battles, labor	169.44	
T. Moynahan, labor	398.99	
H. Chapman, labor	96.53	
J. Paakki, labor	12.83	
C. Willis, labor	17.56	
Wm. Kingsley, labor	72.00	
Levi Perkins, labor	80.00	
F. Laird, labor	25.20	
C. Sweet, labor	7.20	
W. Oster, labor	110.17	
D. Hurley, labor	174.16	
B. Mason, labor	5.63	
F. Farrar, labor	28.80	
E. Parker, labor	70.66	
H. Morse, labor	15.75	
N. Esten, labor	8.00	
J. Beach, labor	8.33	
J. Sedisto, labor	96.76	
H. Wheeler, labor	14.40	
R. Angier, labor	8.10	
L. Campbell, labor	122.75	
L. Cross, labor	69.30	
R. Boyce, labor	15.30	
E. Cahill, labor	32.40	
W. E. Whitcomb, labor	38.90	
A. McCrossin	32.40	
Total Construction		<u>\$3,793.44</u>

## MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT

New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	\$35.99
American Woolen Co., current	14.28
Maynard & Acton Oil Co., kerosene	539.79
Wm. C. Robinson & Co., lubricating oil	34.71
Borne Scrymer Co., lubricating oil	75.80
Murphy & Snyder, printing	37.75
Huntley Turner, printing	54.75
Charter Gas Engine Co., engine parts	101.00
Arthur Whitcomb, insurance and bond	62.02
Geo. H. Reed, coal	53.09
Keystone Lubricating Co., grease	17.50
Acton Supply Co., paint	16.50
Boston Coupling Co., gate repairs	2.50
N. H. Tenney, supplies and fittings	37.44
J. M. Hartwell, curtains and boards	10.77
W. J. Costello, lettering	1.50
Chapman Valve Co., hydrant base	25.00
Am. Fire Equipment Co., hose and light	12.48
C. H. Mead, supplies	34.65
Rumsey Pump Co., hydrant pump	13.00
Boston & Maine R. R., water privilege	10.80
So. Acton Coal & Lumber Co., lumber	1.29
Strong & Tracy, supplies	.90
Chas. Durkee, collecting taxes	13.83
Tax abatement	3.54
Edgar Hall, salary as commissioner	25.00
Waldo Whitcomb, salary as commissioner	25.00
Frank Hoit, treasurer	25.00
David R. Kinsley, auditor	5.00
Lowell Cram, district clerk	5.00
W. E. Whitcomb, collecting	191.84
Allan Kennedy, painting stand pipe	682.12
Finney & Hoit, supplies	32.68
Garlock Packing Co., packing	16.88
Curry Bros., waste and paint	46.85
R. W. Foss, gasoline	5.10
Hobbs & Warren, tax collector book	4.14
Geo. Clapp, salary	1,820.00
Geo. Clapp, salary as clerk	10.00
T. E. Costello, curtain repairs	2.00
J. A. Coughlin, windshield cleaner	3.50
Chas. Durkee, postage	3.06
Director of Public Works, registration	2.00
W. E. Whitcomb, postage and envelopes	28.61

James Fitzgerald, tires, repairs, gasoline and labor	303.28	
H. Feltus, reports	1.50	
McCone Bros., brazing	3.00	
J. S. Moore, mops	1.00	
Acton Drug Co., acids	3.25	
T. F. Parker, lock	5.00	
McPherson, hardware	5.70	
Total maintenance	<u>          </u>	\$4,467.39

BOND ACCOUNT

Paid on principal	\$4,500.00	
Paid on interest	2,793.00	
	<u>          </u>	\$7,293.00
Maintenance account	\$4,467.39	
Construction account	3,793.44	
Bond account	7,293.00	
Total	<u>          </u>	\$15,553.83

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS,  
By George E. Clapp, Clerk.

## REPORT OF COLLECTOR OF TAXES

1923			
	Dr.		
Uncollected March 1, 1925		\$131.41	
Interest collected		11.15	
		\$142.56	\$142.56
	Cr.		
Paid Treasurer		\$127.45	
Abated		.24	
Uncollected		14.87	
		\$142.56	\$142.56
1924			
	Dr.		
Uncollected March 1, 1925		\$474.59	
Interest collected		15.93	
		\$490.52	\$490.52
	Cr.		
Paid Treasurer		\$340.20	
Abated		.89	
Uncollected		149.43	
		\$490.52	\$490.52
1925			
	Dr.		
Committed		\$1,986.26	
Interest collected		3.28	
		\$1,989.54	\$1,989.54
	Cr.		
Paid Treasurer		\$1,444.50	
Abated		2.41	
Uncollected		542.63	
		\$1,989.54	\$1,989.54

C. A. DURKEE, Collector.

March 1st, 1926.



## REPORT OF COLLECTOR OF WATER RATES

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APRIL 1, 1925 TO APRIL 1, 1926

Metered and unmetered water	\$9,257.34	
Installing and repairs	669.26	
	<hr/>	\$9,926.60
Paid Treasurer		<hr/> \$9,926.60

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### METERED WATER FOR ONE YEAR

October 1, 1924 to October 1, 1925

Center	West	South	Total
1,519,702 gal.	6,391,252 gal.	26,038,312 gal.	33,949,266 gal.

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### WATER PUMPED AT STATION

From January 1, 1925 to January 1, 1926

38,536,186 gallons

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### NUMBER USING WATER IN 1925

West	South	Center	Total
232	208	70	510

WALDO E. WHITCOMB, Collector.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

FOR YEAR ENDING APRIL 1st, 1926

Cash on hand	\$4,237.86	
Town of Acton, hydrants	2,725.00	
Income tax	72.59	
C. A. Durkee, taxes 1923	127.45	
C. A. Durkee, taxes 1924	340.20	
C. A. Durkee, taxes 1925	1,444.50	
C. A. Durkee, abatements 1923	.24	
C. A. Durkee, abatements 1924	.89	
C. A. Durkee, abatements 1925	2.41	
W. E. Whitcomb, service	9,257.34	
W. E. Whitcomb, installing	669.26	
Interest on deposits	49.84	
		\$18,927.58
Paid commissioners' order		15,553.83
		\$3,373.75

### BONDS AND NOTES ACCOUNT

Bonds, series No. 1	\$58,000.00	
Paid	3,500.00	
		\$54,500.00
Bonds, series No. 2	\$6,000.00	
Paid	300.00	
		\$5,700.00
No. Middlesex Savings Bank Notes	\$1,200.00	
Paid	300.00	
		\$900.00
Ayer National Bank Notes	\$6,000.00	
Paid	400.00	
		\$5,600.00
Total bonds and notes account		\$66,700.00

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK W. HOIT, Treasurer.

## AUDITOR'S REPORT

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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 30, 1926.