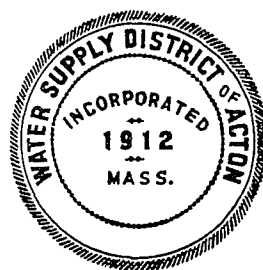


**ANNUAL REPORT**  
OF THE  
**WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT**  
OF  
ACTON, MASSACHUSETTS



*For the Year Ending December Thirty-first*

**1972**

ORGANIZATION - 1972

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Water Commissioners

Harlan E. Tuttle	Term expires 1973
Kevin B. Sweeney	Term expires 1974
Alvin R. Piper	Term expires 1975

Moderator

Milford B. Bottomley	Term expires 1973
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Clerk

Mrs. Beryl B. Silva	Term expires 1973
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Treasurer

Carl R. Godfrey	Term expires 1973
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Finance Committee

Frederick H. Bubier	Term expires 1973
Donald L. Loring	Term expires 1974
Robert E. Nelson	Term expires 1975

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Commissioners meet on second Tuesday of the month  
Whitcomb Station, Massachusetts Avenue, West Acton  
8 P. M.

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Appointments by the Water Commissioners

Superintendent

Stephen W. Scribner	Term expires 1973
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Collector

Stephen G. Peterson	Term expires 1973
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Accountant

Mrs. Beryl B. Silva	Term expires 1973
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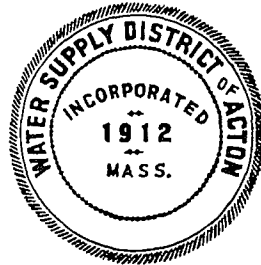
Attorney

Charles E. Orcutt, Jr.	Term expires 1973
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss.



To the Clerk of the Water Supply District of Acton,  
GREETINGS:

You are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Acton, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs on JANUARY 1, 1973, to assemble in the

Acton-Boxborough Regional High School Auditorium  
Charter Road, West Acton

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1973

at 7:00 o'clock P. M.

Then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To elect by ballot a Moderator for one year, a Clerk for one year, a Treasurer for one year, and one member of the Board of Water Commissioners to serve for the term of three years, and to fix the salaries of same.

ARTICLE 2. To act on the reports of the Commissioners, the Treasurer, and other officers and committees of the District.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the District will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Commissioners, to borrow in anticipation of the revenue for the eighteen month period beginning January 1, 1973, in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and acts in amendment thereof, and including in addition thereto, Chapter 849 of the Acts of 1969, as amended, 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 44, Section 17.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the District will vote to instruct the Commissioners to have an audit of the various accounts of the District, or to take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 5. To see what sums of money the District will vote to raise and appropriate to defray the usual expenses of the District.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the District will vote to extend the 8-inch water main together with hydrant and necessary fittings, a distance of approximately 500 feet on Mohawk Drive from the end of the existing main to the existing main on Nashoba Road, and to raise and appropriate or transfer from any available source or to borrow under authority of Chapter 44 of the General Laws as amended, a certain sum of money for said purpose, or take any action relative thereto. (Inserted at the request of Richard N. Howe and 12 others.)

ARTICLE 7. To see if the District will vote to rescind the action taken under Article 8 of the special District meeting of August 12, 1970, which reads as follows:

"VOTED: That the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$175,000.00, to extend from the existing water main, a 16-inch main from the Conant Station on Main Street, Northerly to Great Road (Route 2A and 119), thence Northwesterly along Great Road, to a point approximately 1,700 feet beyond Henley Road; the total distance being 9,165 feet more or less; and to install hydrants and necessary fittings, and to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Commissioners, to borrow the sum of \$175,000.00, if necessary, under authority of Chapter 44 of the General Laws as amended, or obtain a Government Grant, or both, to meet said appropriation. The abutters are to reimburse the District 60% of the work to be performed under this article."

or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the District will vote to authorize the Commissioners to enter into a written agreement with Assabet Sand & Gravel Company, Inc., a Massachusetts corporation having a usual place of business in Acton, Massachusetts, regarding the removal of overburden and required landscaping incident thereto on land owned by the District located off Powder Mill Road and New High Street

in said Acton, and subject to the terms and conditions of a permit from the Acton Board of Appeals, if applicable.

Said agreement to be for one year and subject to the prior approval of the Department of Public Health, Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Said agreement shall also contain whatever terms, restrictions, conditions or limitations the District or Board of Selectmen, or both, deem necessary to protect the interests of the District and the Town. The District is to be reimbursed by Assabet Sand & Gravel Company, Inc., under the terms of said agreement, or to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the District will vote to amend the Bylaws by deleting Section One (1) in its entirety and substituting therefor the following:

The Annual Meeting of the Water Supply District shall be held on the third Wednesday of March of each year for the transaction of the necessary business connected with the District and the election of officers shall be held on the first Monday of March of each year. The time and place of holding such election and vote shall be stated in the Warrant for the Annual Meeting and such election and vote shall be deemed part of the Annual District Meeting,

or to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the District will vote to amend the Bylaw to Regulate The Nomination and Election of Officers of the District by deleting from Section Five (5), the words, "shall prepare as of January 1 in any year" and by adding in place thereof, the following words: "shall prepare as of twenty days prior to the Annual Election", or to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the District will vote to amend the Bylaws by deleting Section three (3) in its entirety and substituting therefor the following: "All Warrants shall be posted at least fourteen (14) days before the time of the meeting", or take any other action relative thereto.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting copies attested by you in two or more public places in the Water Supply District, seven days at least before the time of said meeting, as authorized by Chapter 41, Section 119, of the General Laws.

Hereof fail not and make due returns 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 tenth day of January, in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventy-three.

ALVIN R. PIPER  
HARLAN E. TUTTLE  
KEVIN B. SWEENEY

Water Commissioners

## REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS

The Commissioners of the Water Supply District of Acton make the following report:

We feel rewarded with the year of 1972. We held several meetings, all of which were important and all of which contributed greatly to the decisions of operating your District. Consider the following, keeping in mind the Master Plan and its recommendations. We are determined to have a successful Water District, and in order for that to happen, we must have additional revenue. Therefore your Commissioners have increased the following:

- Hydrant Rentals
- The minimum price at which water will be furnished
- Equipment Charges
- Labor Rates
- Installation of Meters

In addition we have initiated a program for levying Demand Charges, a practice in many towns and districts. These charges are for the privilege of tying into the system. A Demand Charge is to be distinguished from a Betterment Charge.

Your Commissioners voted to review our bylaws and regulations as they may or may not relate to the report of the Water District Study Committee. Soon after our annual meeting, we will appoint a subcommittee to review the Bylaws. We feel a particular need for this.

We are actively pursuing a site for the location of a reservoir. Three locations are being considered. They are the ones mentioned in the Master Plan. This is probably the most important single project for 1973. The problem facing your District is one of storage, not of distribution.

A written option agreement with your District and Mrs. Mildred Erikson on the possibility of land acquisition is in hand. The property is located directly across Route 111 from the Whitcomb Station, consisting of approximately forty (40) acres. Testing for potential water supply is underway. The acquisition of this land must meet approval of the State Department of Public Health as well as the voters of the District.

The Finance Committee has indeed contributed much to the District. We, the Commissioners, are very grateful to them and wish to thank them for their contributions. As a

result of long and careful study they have prepared a financial plan with regard to implementing the capital expenditures and other suggestions in the Master Plan. This has resulted in immediate changes in the water rate and other revenue producing sources in the District.

We endorse the proposed budget for 1973, which is incorporated in the Finance Committee report.

ALVIN R. PIPER  
HARLAN E. TUTTLE  
KEVIN B. SWEENEY

Water Commissioners



## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

The following report covers the activities of the District for 1972.

New house installations number 120. Old house services repaired or renewed numbered 27. Old meters replaced with new outside readers numbered 186.

The water main extension on Main Street (Route 127) and Great Road (Route 2A-119) was completed. This finishes the tie-in to Nagog Woods development.

The water main extension at the school complex has been completed, except for the tie-in at Main Street, which will be completed this spring.

The number two well at Assabet Pit was put into service in June of 1972, giving the District an additional 500,000 gallons per day.

The standpipe on Great Hill was drained, sandblasted and painted this year.

Total number of hydrants as of January 1, 1973: 639.

I would like to express my thanks to the Fire Department and the Highway Department, as well as all others who assisted us during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHEN W. SCRIBNER  
Superintendent

## REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Much time has been spent on the basic capital budget for the implementation, in a fair way, of the various recommendations proposed in the Dufresne-Henry report. We, like all town boards, have also had to contend with the setting of an 18-month budget.

In order to meet the continuing and additional overhead charges, we have recommended and the Commissioners approved, three basic changes:

1. Demand charges to be assessed on all installations, in addition to the installation charges.
2. Increase in the hydrant and sprinkler rental fees.
3. Raise in the minimum charge.

Shown below is the Estimated Budget for the next 18 months.

### Estimated Receipts

Hydrants	\$ 45,000.00	<i>30,000.00</i>
Water Rates	400,000.00	
Sprinklers	4,000.00	
Installations & Repairs	25,000.00	
Assabet Sand & Gravel Co.	40,000.00	
		\$514,000.00

### Estimated Expenditures

Group Insurance	\$ 7,800.00
Bonds & Interest	173,737.00
Salaries & Wages	134,750.00
Equipment Rental	2,800.00
Lights, Power & Telephone	30,000.00
Fuel	1,600.00
Maintenance & Operation (Materials & Supplies)	42,000.00
Miscellaneous	3,700.00
Middlesex County Retirement System	7,300.00
Massachusetts State Audit	6,400.00
Land Survey	3,000.00
Legal Expenses	18,000.00
Land Appraisal	2,000.00

Engineering Expenses	\$ 7,500.00	
Insurance & Rentals	5,470.00	
Meters	19,500.00	10,000.00
Auto & Equipment Expense	6,200.00	
Reserve Fund	<u>10,000.00</u>	
		\$481,757.00

FREDERICK H. BUBIER  
ROBERT E. NELSON  
DONALD L. LORING

Finance Committee

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR

Outstanding January 1, 1972	\$ 9,267.92	
Charges (or billings)	304,963.49	15,319.03
Refunds	393.62	413,091.98
Adjustments	542.57	325.96
		<u>1,792.91</u>
		\$315,167.60
Payments to Treasurer	\$287,589.85	430,529.88
Abatements	246.72	
Cost of work transferred from Installation Deposits	11,956.06	
Installation Deposit refunds recorded in error	55.94	
Outstanding January 1, 1973	<u>15,319.03</u>	
		<u>\$315,167.60</u>
Assessed Valuation of District	\$112,650,600.30	

STEPHEN G. PETERSON  
Collector

REPORT OF THE DISTRICT ACCOUNTANT

To the Board of Water Commissioners:

Submitted herewith is a summary of the expenditures of the District for the year 1972.

Appropriations and Expenditures

<u>Account</u>	<u>Appropriated</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Group Insurance	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,931.97	\$ 68.03
Bonds and Interest	93,000.00	91,531.05	1,468.95
Salaries and Wages	80,000.00	79,575.34	424.66
Equipment Rental	1,500.00	1,475.25	24.75
Electric Lights, Power, and Telephone	19,000.00	18,966.44	33.56
Fuel	1,000.00	724.88	275.12
Auto and Equipment Expense (reserve fund transfer)	3,000.00 342.36	3,342.36	-0-
Insurance and Rentals	3,500.00	2,823.02	676.98
Meters (new and repairs)	13,000.00	12,975.94	24.06
Maintenance and Operation (reserve fund transfer)	25,000.00 971.10	25,971.10	-0-
Miscellaneous (reserve fund transfer)	2,000.00 49.12	2,049.12	-0-
Middlesex County Retirement	4,200.00	4,178.00	22.00
Massachusetts State Audit (reserve fund transfer)	3,200.00 5.23	3,205.23	-0-
Land Survey	2,000.00	-0-	2,000.00
Legal Expenses (reserve fund transfer)	7,500.00 2,225.31	9,676.64	48.67
Land Appraisal	2,000.00	2,000.00	-0-
Engineering Expenses	5,000.00	2,781.98	2,218.02

Special Appropriations

High Street Well (Assabet #1) (OSB)*	12,258.53	12,226.21	32.32
High Street Well (Assabet #2) (OSB)*	14,976.58	14,104.00	872.58
Main St. Extension (OSB)*	28,173.93	19,541.89	8,632.04
Old High Street Extension (OSB)*	237.20	237.20	-0-
Parker Street Extension (OSB)*	4,145.93	4,145.93	-0-
Arlington Street Extension (OSB)*	716.79	716.79	-0-
Survey for New Water Supply (OSB)*	27,479.05	-0-	27,479.05
Truck #1 (OSB)*	933.00	390.06	542.94
Elm Court Extension	2,500.00	-0-	2,500.00
Great Road - Route 2A Extension	240,000.00	190,346.94	49,653.06
Main St. - Charter Rd. - Jr. High Ext. (transfer from Hayward Rd. Ext.)	60,000.00 4,654.01	59,193.88	5,460.13
Sandblast Standpipe	9,800.00	9,082.95	717.05
Radio Base Station	1,000.00	827.50	172.50
Truck #2	3,727.41	3,727.41	-0-

Debt Account

Net Funded or Fixed Debts	\$793,000.00	Water Main Loans	
		1963	\$110,000.00
		1970	20,000.00
		1970	80,000.00
		1970	166,000.00
		1971	117,000.00
		1972	300,000.00
	\$793,000.00		\$793,000.00

BERYL BANCROFT SILVA  
District Accountant

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Middlesex Bank Balance, January 1, 1972	\$142,068.05
Deposits	<u>309,265.32</u>
	\$451,333.37
Disbursements on Commissioners' Orders	<u>357,048.67</u>
Bank Balance, December 31, 1972	\$ 94,284.70

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National Shawmut Bank Receipts	\$469,678.78
Disbursements on Commissioners' Orders	<u>380,540.82</u>
Bank Balance, December 31, 1972	\$ 89,137.96

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Bonds and Notes

Bonds Outstanding January 1, 1972	\$556,000.00
Bonds and Notes Paid in 1972	<u>194,000.00</u>
	\$362,000.00
New Bonds Issued in 1972	300,000.00
Short Term Notes	<u>131,000.00</u>
Bonds Outstanding, December 31, 1972	\$793,000.00

CARL R. GODFREY  
Treasurer

## WATER MEETING

Abstract of the proceedings of the annual meeting of the Water Supply District of Acton, held in Acton-Boxborough Regional High School Auditorium, Charter Road, West Acton

Wednesday, February 9, 1972 at 7:00 o'clock P.M.

ARTICLE 1. To elect by ballot a Moderator for one year, a Clerk for one year, a Treasurer for one year, and one member of the Board of Water Commissioners to serve for the term of three years, and to fix the salaries of same.

Total number of ballots cast: 102

The following were elected:

Commissioner for 3 years:

Alvin R. Piper	93
Blank	9

Moderator for 1 year:

Milford B. Bottomley	93
Blank	9

Treasurer for 1 year:

Carl R. Godfrey	94
Blank	8

Clerk for 1 year:

Beryl B. Silva	97
Blank	5

VOTED: To fix the salaries as follows:

Chairman of Commissioners	\$ 500.00 per year
2 Commissioners	300.00 ea. per year
Treasurer	1,000.00 per year
Moderator	15.00 per meeting
Clerk	500.00 per year

ARTICLE 2. VOTED: To accept the reports of the District officers, with the exception of the Master Plan, which will be acted upon at a future meeting. (Unanimous vote.)

ARTICLE 3. VOTED: To authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Water Commissioners, to borrow

money in anticipation of revenue for the financial year beginning January 1, 1972, in accordance with provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

ARTICLE 4. VOTED: To instruct the Commissioners to have an audit of the various accounts of the District under the direction of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

ARTICLE 5. VOTED: To appropriate the receipts of the District for maintenance and operation of the District, with specific appropriations as follows:

Group Insurance	\$ 4,000.00
Bonds and Interest	93,000.00
Salaries and Wages	80,000.00
Equipment Rental	1,500.00
Lights, Power & Telephone	19,000.00
Fuel	1,000.00
Auto and Equipment Expense	3,000.00
Insurance and Rentals	3,500.00
Meters (new and repairs)	13,000.00
Maintenance and Operation (materials and supplies)	25,000.00
Miscellaneous	2,000.00
Middlesex County Retirement	4,200.00
Massachusetts State Audit	3,200.00
Land Survey	2,000.00
Legal Expenses	7,500.00
Land Appraisal	2,000.00
Engineering Expenses	5,000.00
	<u>\$268,900.00</u>

(Unanimous vote.)

ARTICLE 6. VOTED: To transfer from surplus revenue to the reserve account, the sum of \$2,500.00. (Unanimous vote.)

ARTICLE 7. VOTED: To transfer the unexpended balance of \$4,654.01, in the Hayward Road Extension account, to the Main Street-Charter Road-Junior High School Extension account. (Unanimous vote.)

ARTICLE 8. VOTED: To extend the existing water main from the Conant Station on Main Street, Northerly to Great Road (Route 2A and 119), thence Northwesterly along Great Road (Route 2A and 119) to a point 1,700 feet beyond



Henley Road; the total distance being 9,200 feet, more or less, and to borrow under authority of Chapter 44, of the General Laws, as amended, the sum of \$240,000.00, and to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Commissioners, to borrow said sum, and to further authorize the Commissioners to make application for any Federal or State assistance which may be available. The Commissioners shall impose a demand charge on each person who wishes to tie into the extension described in this Article; said demand charge shall be sufficient to fully amortize the cost of extending the water main among those who tie in. The demand charge is in addition to the normal rate collected for water use. (Unanimous vote.)

ARTICLE 9. VOTED: To appropriate from surplus revenue the sum of \$1,000.00, for the Water District's share of the cost of the new base station being installed at The Acton Police Station. (Unanimous vote.)

ARTICLE 10. VOTED: To appropriate from surplus revenue the sum of \$3,727.41, for a new 3/4-ton truck, to replace the 1966 Chevrolet truck currently in use, and to authorize the Commissioners to trade or sell the 1966 truck. (Unanimous vote.)

ARTICLE 11. VOTED: To authorize the Commissioners to enter into a written agreement with Assabet Sand & Gravel Company, Inc., a Massachusetts corporation having a usual place of business in Acton, Massachusetts, regarding the removal of overburden and required landscaping incident thereto on land owned by the District located off Powder Mill Road and New High Street. Said agreement to be for one year and subject to the prior approval of the Department of Public Health, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and subject to the terms and conditions of an existing permit from the Board of Appeals, Town of Acton. Said agreement shall also contain whatever restrictions the District or Board of Selectmen, or both, deem necessary to protect the interests of the District and the Town. The District is to be reimbursed by Assabet Sand & Gravel Company, Inc., under the terms of said agreement. (Unanimous vote.)

ARTICLE 12. VOTED: To authorize the Commissioners to accept a gift, or to enter into a written option to purchase agreement for \$1.00, a certain parcel of land containing 142,500 sq. ft., owned by Mabel J. Jenks, located North of Wampus Avenue and West of Route 27, in Acton, Mass., and being shown as Lot 20, as shown on a plan entitled "Preliminary Plan of Wampus Heights in Acton, Mass., owned by Mabel J. Jenks, dated January 1972" and

bounded and described as follows:

- NORTHERLY by Lot 19, as shown on said plan, 240 feet, more or less;
- EASTERLY by other land of the Grantor by two courses, 490 feet, more or less and 246 feet, more or less, respectively;
- SOUTHERLY by other land of the Grantor, 270 feet, more or less, and
- WESTERLY by Lot 21 and the side line of a proposed street as shown on said plan, by two courses, 465 feet, more or less, and 100 feet, more or less, respectively.

Being Lot 20, containing about 142,500 sq. ft., however otherwise bounded, measured and described.

Together with an easement 50 feet wide to be used for all purposes for which streets and ways are commonly used in said Acton, and to be used in common with others entitled thereto, from said Lot 20, as shown on said plan, to Great Road, Route 2A, as shown on said plan.

Said parcel to be used for water supply purposes and the erection of a future standpipe. (Unanimous vote.)

ARTICLE 13. VOTED: To appropriate from surplus revenue the sum of \$9,800.00, for sandblasting and repainting the Great Hill standpipe in South Acton. (Unanimous vote.)

ARTICLE 14. VOTED: To pass over the article.

ARTICLE 15. VOTED: To extend the existing water main from Elm Street, and install an 8-inch water main, with hydrant and fittings, in Elm Court, a private way, a distance of approximately 320 feet, upon the acquisition of the land northerly of Elm Court by the Acton Housing Authority, and to transfer from surplus revenue the sum of \$2,500.00 for said purpose. (Unanimous vote.)

ARTICLE 16. VOTED: To accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 42G, 42H, and 42I, as amended.

Total vote cast: 113 Yes: 74 No: 39.

RESOLUTION: VOTED: That the Water Commissioners insert an article at the next meeting of the District, to rescind action taken under article 8 of the special meeting of August 12, 1970. (Unanimous vote.)

Voted to adjourn: 10:05 P.M.

A true copy.

Attest:

BERYL BANCROFT SILVA  
District Clerk

## BYLAWS

(as adopted and amended to February 1971)

- I The annual meeting of the Water Supply District shall be held on the second Wednesday of February of each year for the election of officers, and the transaction of other necessary business connected with the District.
- II All meetings may be called by a majority of the Board of Water Commissioners, directed to the Clerk, or as specified in Chapter 326 of the Acts of 1912, Section 8.
- III All warrants shall be posted at least seven (7) days before the time of meeting.
- IV The Clerk shall preside at each meeting until a Moderator is chosen.
- V At each annual meeting there shall be elected by ballot, one Commissioner for a term of three years, a Clerk and a Treasurer for a term of one year, and a Moderator who shall serve for one year.
- VI If a vacancy should occur for any cause in the office of Clerk, Treasurer, or any other officer of this District except the Board of Water Commissioners, it may be filled for any such unexpired term by the Water Commissioners.
- VII The Board of Commissioners shall annually in the report to the District, give an estimated budget for the ensuing year.
- VIII a) The Moderator shall appoint a Finance Committee to advise the Commissioners. The Committee shall consist of three voters of the District and shall be appointed in the following manner:
  - One member shall be appointed for one year;
  - One member shall be appointed for two years; and
  - One member shall be appointed for a term of three years.Thereafter, each appointment shall be for a term of three years.

b) No member of the Finance Committee shall serve any other standing committee of the District or the Town of Acton having to do with expenditure of funds.

c) The Finance Committee shall review the budget for the annual meeting and shall make recommendations to the Commissioners on any matters of a financial nature arising out of an annual or special meeting, and shall make recommendations as to the long range fiscal plans of the District.

The amendment to bylaws, adopted under Article 15 of the annual meeting of the District, February 10, 1971, was approved on February 16, 1971, by Robert H. Quinn, Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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BYLAWS TO REGULATE THE NOMINATION AND  
ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE DISTRICT

- I The purpose of the Bylaws hereinafter set forth are to regulate the nomination and election of officers for the District so that the voters of the District may have knowledge of the candidates prior to an election.
- II All elections to any office in the District shall be by means of a printed ballot. This ballot shall be caused to be printed by the Commissioners acting as election officers from information furnished to them by the Clerk of the District as provided hereinafter.
- III No person's name shall be printed on the aforesaid ballot unless he or someone on his behalf has filed with the Clerk of the District not later than five o'clock in the afternoon of the second Monday in January of any year, a petition signed by at least one percent (1%) of the registered voters in the District setting forth the office for which he is a candidate and containing a statement signed by the candidate that he will accept the office, if elected.
- IV Nothing herein shall be construed as preventing a vote by stickers or writing in the name of a candidate, all as provided in the General Laws, except that no such sticker or write-in candidate shall be deemed to be elected unless he has received valid votes equivalent to 1% of the total of the number of registered voters in the District, as hereinafter determined.

- V The Commissioners, acting as election officers, shall prepare as of January 1 in any year, a list of eligible voters from the official voting list of the Town of Acton as of that time. This list shall remain closed until after the annual meeting of the District. The list shall then be reviewed and revised for all subsequent special meetings, up to the day of the special meeting. These lists shall then be used to determine the right of any person to vote at any election or any meeting of the District.
- VI All candidates elected to offices in the District shall be sworn to the performance of their duties by the Clerk of the District, except in the case of the Clerk, who shall be sworn by any of the Commissioners. The Clerk shall make a record of the facts in the minutes of the meeting.

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