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1901-1912 Town Records



Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Bristol SS.

To Daniel M. Sanford, Constable of the Town of Westport, in said County,
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Westport, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to assemble at the Town Hall, in said town, on Monday, the eleventh day of March next, it being the second Monday of said Month, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles viz:

- Art. 1st. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.
- 2d. To see if the Town will revoke its acceptance of the provisions of chapter 374 of the acts of the year 1895, relating to the office of single highway surveyor.
- 3d. To see if the Town will vote to elect a Board of Road Commissioners, consisting of three persons, one for the term of one year, one for the term of two years, and one for the term of three years, and if the Town so votes, then to determine when said Board shall be elected.
- 4th. To choose the following officers for three years, viz: one Selectman, one Assessor, one Overseer of the Poor, one member of the School Committee, one Fish Commissioner, one member of the Board of Health, and two Trustees of the Public Library. Also one Trustee of the Public Library for one year to fill a vacancy. Also the following officers for the year ensuing, viz: Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Superintendent of Beech Grove Cemetery, one or more Constables, one or more Auditors, three Fence Viewers, four Landing Commissioners, a Single Highway Surveyor, a Draw Tender for Westport Point bridge, a Tree Warden and all other necessary Town Officers and Committees.
- 5th. To hear the reports of the Town Officers and Committees, and act thereon.
- 6th. To determine to what department or departments the money last received from the County Treasurer for Dog Fund shall be appropriated.

- 7th. To see if the Town will vote to fix the rate of taxation for the year ensuing before the appropriations are made for the year.
- 8th. To make appropriations for the following purposes, viz: Salary of the Superintendent of Schools, Services of Town Officers and Committees, Support of Schools, Schoolhouses and Lots, School Furnishings, Highways and Bridges, Paupers, Public Library, Incidentals, Military Aid, State Aid, Soldiers' Relief, Town debt and Interest.
- 9th. To see if the Town will vote to macadamize a piece of road at Westport Point, beginning where it left off last year and continuing northerly, and make the necessary appropriation therefor.
- 10th. To see if the Town will vote to macadamize a portion of the highway commencing at the Rhode Island line near Adamsville and extending southerly towards Westport Harbor on the New Road so called, and make the necessary appropriation therefor.
- 11th. To see if the Town will vote to macadamize the road from the foot of the lane, so called, northerly to Akins corner, and make an appropriation for the same.
- 12th. To see if the Town will vote to continue the macadamizing of the road southerly from Kirby's corner, beginning at the place where the present macadam leaves off, and make an appropriation therefor.
- 13th. To see if the Town will vote to macadamize the highway beginning where they left off near Carmi Potter's and continuing southerly to Booth's corner, so called, and make an appropriation therefor, and determine the manner of raising said appropriation.
- 14th. To see if the Town will vote to macadam the road beginning at the State Highway and Bunkah corner, thence southerly to the corner of the Mouse mill road, and to determine the manner of raising said appropriation, and to make an appropriation therefor.
- 15th. To see if the Town will accept the act of the legislature, Chapter 548, Section 360, of the year 1898, authorizing the town to use the Australian ballot box in the election of town officers.
- 16th. To determine the location of the High School for the ensuing year.

- 17th. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for Memorial Day, and choose a committee to receive and expend the same.
- 18th. To see if the Town will vote to accept the two drinking fountains under the provisions of an offer from the Westport Grange No. 181 P. of H.
- 19th. To see if the Town will authorize the Auditors to transfer sums of money from unappropriated money to other departments wherein there may be a deficit.
- 20th. To see if the Town will authorize the School Committee, Overseers of the Poor, Single Highway Surveyor, or Road Commissioners, and Board of Health to order bills against the Town for and on account of their respective departments.
- 21st. To see if the inhabitants will authorize the Town Treasurer to hire such sums of money in anticipation of taxes as will be necessary to meet the current expenses of the year.
- 22d. To determine the salaries or commission of the Town Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Sealer of Weights and Measures, Tree Warden, Draw Tender and Superintendent of Beech Grove Cemetery.
- 23d. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to be expended by the Tree Warden in planting shade trees in the public ways or upon adjoining land for the purpose of shading or ornamenting the same.
- 24th. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to be expended under the direction of the Tree Warden in exterminating insect pests within the limits of the public ways and places and in the removal from said ways of trees and other plants upon which such pests breed.
- 25th. To determine the wages for ordinary repairs on Highways and Bridges for the ensuing year.
- 26th. To determine the wages for labor in connection with the stone crusher plant, and macadamizing the highways for the ensuing year.
- 27th. To see if the Town will accept the list of names of jurors as

prepared by the Selectmen.

- 28th. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a committee to investigate the claim of Clarinda N. Macomber against the Town for damage and give said Committee power to act in the matter.
- 29th. To see if the Town will appropriate a sufficient sum of money to pay a proper charge of an insurance company for acting as surety on the official bond given to the Town by its Treasurer for the faithful discharge of his duties.
- 30th. To determine the manner of raising the appropriations to defray the Town charges for the ensuing year.
- 31st. To see if the Town will vote to charge interest on all taxes remaining unpaid after a certain date and determine the rate per cent. of said interest.

The Town Clerk, Selectman, Town Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Overseer of the Poor, Assessor, member of the School Committee, Single Highway Surveyor, member of Board of Health, Trustees of the Public Library, Fish Commissioner, Constables, Fence Viewers, Landing Commissioners, Auditors, Tree Warden, Draw Tender, and Superintendent of Beech Grove Cemetery, to be voted for on one ballot.

Also at the same time and place, upon a separate ballot, "Yes" or "No", upon the following question, "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town."

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up four or more attested copies thereof in as many public places within said 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 the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Westport, this twenty-seventh day of February in the year One Thousand Nine Hundred and one.

Albert S. Sherman, } Selectmen
Andrew H. Soule, } of
George E. Handy, } Westport.

Westport, March 1, 1901

I have served this warrant by notifying the inhabitants of the town of Westport qualified to vote in Election and town Affairs by posting up 5 attested copies 9 days before said meeting

one at North Westport Post office

one at Westport Postoffice

one at South Westport Post office

one at Westport Point Postoffice

one at Central Village Post office

Daniel M. Sanford
Constable of Westport

Town House, Westport Mar. 1, 1901.

Agreeable to the foregoing warrant the legal voters assembled. The meeting was called to order and the warrant read by the Town Clerk.

Lysander F. Howland and Henry B. Tripp, having been appointed tellers of votes by the Selectmen, appeared before the Town Clerk and made oath to the faithful discharge of their duties.

Albert D. Manchester was elected moderator and was qualified by affirmation before the Town Clerk.

Moved: That we do revoke the acceptance of the provisions of chapter 374 of the Acts of the Year 1895.

Voted: That when the final vote is taken upon Article 2d, said vote shall be "Yes" or "No" by ballot.

Voted: That the check list be also used in taking said vote under Article 2d. of the warrant.

Voted: That the polls be now closed.

The Motion. That we do revoke the acceptance of the provisions of Chapter 374 of the Acts of the year 1895. was lost.
Yes 53. No 79.

Voted: That Article 2 be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: That Article 3 be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: That we now proceed to ballot for one Town Clerk, one Treasurer, one collector of Taxes, one Selectman for three years, one Assessor for three years, one School Committee for three years, one Overseer of the Poor for three years, one Single Highway Surveyor, one Fish Commissioner for three years, two Trustees of the Public Library for three years, one Trustee of the Public Library for one year, four Constables, four Landing Commissioners, three Fence Viewers, two Auditors, one Draw Tender of Westport Point Bridge, one Tree Warden, one member of the Board of Health for three years, and one Superintendent of Beech Grove Cemetery.

Moved: That the polls be closed at 2 o'clock.

Voted: To amend the motion just made by making the time 1 o'clock.

Voted: That the polls be closed at 1 o'clock.

The following officers were elected, viz:

Town Clerk: Edward L. Macomber. Affirmed.

Treasurer: Cortez Allen. Sworn.

Collector of Taxes: Cortez Allen. Sworn.

Selectman for three years: George E. Handy. Sworn.

Assessor for three years: Charles D. Macomber. Sworn.

School Committee for three years: Harlow B. King. Accepted.

Overseer of the Poor for three years: Jonathan B. Hicks. Sworn.

Single Highway Surveyor: Peleg S. Sanford Jr. Sworn.

Fish Commissioner for three years: Lafayette L. Gifford. Sworn.

Trustees of the Public Library for three years:
Edward L. Macomber. Accepted.
Augustus R. Wood. Accepted.

Trustee of the Public Library for one year. Samuel H. Macomber. Accepted.

Constables:

Daniel M. Sanford. Sworn.

Lafayette L. Gifford. Sworn.

Charles H. Reynolds. Sworn.

Christopher Borden. Sworn.

Landing Commissioners:

George A. Tripp. Sworn

George F. Lawton. Sworn

Charles Wing. Sworn

Edward A. Howland. Sworn.

Fence Viewers:

Isaac D. Earle. Affirmed.

Daniel M. Sanford. Sworn.

Elmer E. Gifford. Sworn.

Auditors:

Henry A. Allen. Sworn.

Henry E. Davis. Affirmed.

Draw Tender of Westport Point Bridge: William P. Bowle.

Member of Board of Health for three years: George E. Handy. Sworn.

Tree Warden: Edwin Borden. Sworn.

Superintendent of Beech Grove Cemetery. Joseph T. Lawton. Sworn.

Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?

Yes 45. No 74.

Voted: That we now proceed to the further election of officers.

Voted: That we elect 12 Surveyors of Lumber and Measurers of Wood and Bark.

The following were elected, viz:

Thomas E. Borden

Arthur M. Reed. Sworn.

Lysander F. Howland. Sworn.

Sylvester C. Manley

Peleg S. Sanford Jr. Sworn.
 Albert F. King. Sworn.
 Charles Brightman
 Preserved Tripp

Philander H. Brightman
 Frank Whalon
 Charles F. Gifford 2d.
 Isaac D. Earle

Voted: That we elect 4 Field Drivers: The following were elected:
 William H. Gifford 3d. Sworn
 Joshua H. Wordell
 Chester P. Sanford
 Edward Athington. Sworn.

Voted: To elect 2 Pound Keepers: The following were elected:
 Jonathan Borden
 John W. Gifford

Voted: That the report of the Treasurer on Public and Town Landings be accepted and placed on file.

Voted: That the Report of the Board of Government of Beech Grove Cemetery be accepted and placed on file.

Voted: That the Report of the Selectmen in relation to Guide Posts be accepted and placed on file.

Voted: That the Auditors Report be taken up for action.

Voted: That the Report of the Auditors be accepted and placed on file.

Voted: That the Report of the Board of Overseers of the Poor be accepted and placed on file.

Moved: That when this meeting adjourn it adjourn until Saturday Mar. 16, 1901 at 9.30 o'clock.

A Motion: That the foregoing motion be amended by changing the time of adjournment to Monday, Mar. 18, 1901 was lost.

Voted: To adjourn until Saturday Mar. 16, 1901 at 9.30 o'clock A. M.

A true record,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber
 Town Clerk.

Adjourned Annual Town Meeting.

Town House, Westport, Mar. 16, 1901.

Annual Meeting met agreeable to adjournment, Albert D. Manchester, moderator in the chair.

Voted: That \$50. of the Dog Fund be appropriated for the use of the Public Library.

Voted: That \$463.44, the balance of the money last received from the County Treasurer for Dog Fund, be appropriated to the department of School Supplies.

Voted: That Article 7th. be indefinitely postponed.
 Yes 13. No 10.

Voted: To appropriate \$375. for the Salary of the Superintendent of Schools.

" " \$2500. " Services of Town Officers and Committees.

" " \$5500. " Support of Schools.

" " \$950. " School Houses and Lots.

" pass the part of the Article relating to School Furnishings.

" appropriate \$2000. for Highways and Bridges.

" " \$3000. " the Support of Paupers.

" pass the appropriation for the Public Library.

" appropriate \$700. for Incidentals.

" " \$100. " Military Aid.

" pass the appropriation for State Aid.

" appropriate \$100. for Soldiers' Relief.

That the part of the Article relating to the payment of the Town Debt and Interest be laid upon the table.

Moved: That the Town do macadamize a piece of road at Westport Point, beginning where it left off last year and continuing northerly.

Voted: That when the vote is taken on the question now before the house it be done by use of the ballot box and check list.

Voted: That the Polls be now closed.

The Motion: That the Town do macadamize a piece of road at Westport Point, beginning where it left off last year and continuing

northerly, was lost.

Yes 79. No 151.

Voted: That the remainder of Article 9th. be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: That Article 10th. be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: That Article 11th. be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: That Article 12th. be indefinitely postponed.
Yes 90. No 37.

Voted: That Article 14th. be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: That Article 13th. be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: That Article 15th. be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: That the High School be located at the Head of Westport for the ensuing year.

Voted: That we appropriate the sum of \$50. for Memorial Day.

Voted: That a committee, consisting of one person, be appointed to receive and expend the same, and that Ephraim T. Tripp be that committee.

Voted: That the Town do accept and maintain two drinking fountains under the provisions of an offer from the Westport Grange No 181, P. of H.

The communication from the Grange is as follows, viz:

Westport Grange, No. 181,
P. of H.

Central Village, Mass. Feb. 18-1901.

Mr. Albert Sherman - Chairman of Selectmen of Westport.

Dear Sir.

At a regular meeting of Westport Grange #181 P. of H. They voted to present to the Town of Westport the two drinking Fountains providing the Town will maintain them they voted to have an

article in the Town Warrent to that effect.

Respectfully Yours.

James H. Sullivan

Secretary.

Voted: That the Auditors be instructed to set aside the balance due the several departments from uncollected Taxes, viz: Schools, School Supplies, School Superintendent, Highways & Bridges, Gravel Account, Macadamizing Westport Factory road, Macadamizing Geo. H. Gifford road, Macadamizing Westport Point road, Support of Poor, Military Aid, Soldiers' Relief, Town Officers & Committees, Incidentals, and Notes & Interest, and that they be authorized to transfer from unappropriated money the sum of \$4256.82 to balance the accounts of the above named departments and that they be instructed to cover all uncollected taxes now due of the years 1899 & 1900, when collected, into and to the account of unappropriated money; and that they be further authorized to transfer from unappropriated money at the close of the financial year ending Feb. 1, 1902 a sum of money equal to the amount due the several departments from uncollected taxes of the current year.
Yes 75. No 24.

Voted: That the Town authorize the School Committee, Overseers of the Poor, Single Highway Surveyor, and Board of Health to order bills against the Town for and on account of their respective departments.

Voted: To adjourn until 1.30 P. M.

Met at 1.30 P. M. according to adjournment.

Voted: That for the purpose of procuring a temporary loan to and for the use of the town of Westport in anticipation of the taxes for the present municipal year, the Town Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to hire when necessary, with the approval of the Selectmen of said town, such sum or sums of money as may be needful, not exceeding Twelve Thousand Dollars, and to execute and deliver the promissory note or notes of the town therefor.

Said note or notes with interest thereon are to be paid from said taxes for the year 1901.

Yes 22. No 0.

Voted: That the salary or commission of the Treasurer be $\frac{1}{2}$ of one per cent on all money paid out of the Treasury.

Voted: That the Collector of Taxes be allowed a commission of one per cent on all taxes collected.

Voted: That the Sealer of Weights and Measures be paid at the rate of 25 cents per hour for each hour while in actual service.

Voted: That the Tree Warden be paid at the rate of 20 cents per for each hour while in actual service.

Voted: That the salary of the Draw Tender of Westport Point Bridge be \$150. for the ensuing year.

Voted: That the Superintendent of Beech Grove Cemetery be paid a salary of \$200. for the year ensuing.

Voted: That Article 23d. be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: That Article 24th. be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: That the wages for common laborers for ordinary repairs on highways & bridges be \$1.50 per day and that two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of the money appropriated for said repairs be expended before June 1.

Voted: That other wages for ordinary repairs on Highways and Bridges for the ensuing year be as follows, viz: Foreman \$1.50 per day; One pair of oxen, \$2. per day; One horse, \$1. per day; One pair of horses, \$2. per day; Plough, 25 cts. per day; Cart, 25 cts. per day; Scraper, 25 cts. per day.

Voted: That Article 26th. be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: To add the following names to the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen, viz: Kirby, Albert E.; Shorrocks, Joseph M.;

Borden, Melvin C.; and Wood, Augustus R.

Voted: That the List of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen and amended by this meeting be accepted, viz:

Allen, Benjamin W. Farmer.	Manly, Sylvester C. Blacksmith.
Borden, Melvin C.	Macomber, Edward L. Town Clerk.
Brightman, Perry P. Merchant.	Petty, John F. Farmer
Davis, Henry E. Farmer.	Petty, William H. "
Davis, Gebedee E. Butcher.	Potter, Harry L. Undertaker.
Earle, Isaac D. Carpenter.	Reed, John M. Ice Dealer
Feenan, Henry Farmer.	Sanford, Chester P. Fish Dealer
Gifford, Charles F. 2nd. Clerk.	Sanford, Daniel M. Farmer.
Gifford, William W. Farmer	Sherman, Lorenzo Teamster.
Gibson, Horace M. Teamster.	Sherman, Charles L. Carpenter
Grinnell, George B. Supt. Cem.	Shorrocks, Joseph M.
Howland, Edward A. Store keeper.	Tripp, Samuel J. Farmer.
Howland, Asa R. Farmer.	Tripp, Henry B. "
Howland, Frederick A. "	Tripp, Algren O. "
Kirby, George W. "	Tripp, James H. "
Kirby, Albert E. "	Wordell, Joseph K. "
King, Albert F. "	Wing, Henry P. Painter
Lawton, George S. "	White, Lyander W. Farmer
Manchester, George L. Jr. Fisherman	Wood, Augustus R.

Voted: That Mrs. Clarinda W. Macomber be invited to present her claim to the house.

Voted: That the Town appoint John W. Gifford and Peleg S. Sanford Jr. as a committee to investigate the claim of Clarinda W. Macomber against the Town for damage and that said committee be given power to act in the matter.

Both John W. Gifford and Peleg S. Sanford Jr. declined to serve as members of the above committee.

Voted: That action under Article 28th. be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: That the Town appropriate the sum of \$50. to pay a proper charge of an insurance company for acting as surety on the official bond given to the Town by its Treasurer for the faithful discharge of his duties.

- Voted: To lay Article 30th. on the table.
- Voted: To take Article 8th. from the table for further action.
- Voted: To appropriate \$6,300. for the payment of Town Debt and Interest.
- Voted: To take Article 30th. from the table for further action.
- Voted: That the appropriations to defray the Town charges for the ensuing year be raised by taxation.
- Voted: To charge interest on all taxes remaining unpaid after Nov. 5, 1901.
- Voted: That interest at the rate of six per cent be charged on all taxes remaining unpaid after the date fixed.
- Voted: That the Hon. James F. Jackson of Fall River be given the privilege of the floor to speak upon the subject of good roads.
- Voted: To pay the Moderator \$5. for his services.
- Voted: To adjourn without day.

A true record,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber
Town Clerk.

To George A. Tripp:

You are hereby appointed Inspector of Animals for the Town of Westport for one year from date hereof.

Albert S. Sherman }
Andrew H. Soule } Selectmen
George E. Handy } of
Westport

Westport Mass. Mar. 15, 1901.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Bristol SS. Apr. 18, 1901.

Then personally appeared the above named George A. Tripp and made oath that he would faithfully and impartially perform the duties of Inspector of Animals for the town of Westport during the term of his appointment.

Before me,

Edward L. Macomber,

Justice of the Peace.

Recorded the foregoing appointment and oath Apr. 18, 1901.

A true copy,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber
Town Clerk.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,

Bristol S.S. Westport, Apr. 18, 1901.

Jacob Cornell has this day entered with me his acceptance of the office of forest fireward for the ensuing year, to which office he had been appointed by the Selectmen of Westport.

Edward L. Macomber
Town Clerk.

To Eli Handy:

You are hereby appointed Inspector of Animals for the Town of Westport for one year from date hereof.

Albert S. Sherman } Selectmen
Andrew H. Soule } of
George E. Handy } Westport.

Westport Mass. Mar. 15, 1901.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Bristol ss. Apr. 20, 1901.

Then personally appeared the above named Eli Handy and made oath that he would faithfully and impartially perform the duties of Inspector of Animals for the town of Westport during the term of his appointment.

Before me,

Edward L. Macomber

Justice of the Peace.

Recorded the foregoing appointment and oath Apr. 20, 1901.

A true copy,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber

Town Clerk.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Bristol ss. Apr. 22, 1901.

Then personally appeared Lyxander W. White and declared his acceptance of the office of forest fireward to which office he had been appointed for the ensuing year by the Selectmen of Westport.

Before me,

Edward L. Macomber

Town Clerk.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Bristol ss. Apr. 24, 1901.

E. Walter Blossom has this day entered with me his acceptance of the office of forest fireward for the ensuing year, to which office he had been appointed by the Selectmen of Westport.

Edward L. Macomber

Town Clerk.

Westport, Mass 4/27/1901

Danl M. Sanford

Westport Mass.

You are hereby notified that you were appointed truuant officer for ensuing year at last regular meeting of School Com. Mar. 30, 1901

A. R. Wood, Sec.

Westport Sch. Board.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Bristol ss. Apr. 27, 1901.

Then personally appeared Daniel M. Sanford and made oath to the faithful discharge of the duties conferred on him by the foregoing appointment.

Before me,

Edward L. Macomber

Justice of the Peace

Recorded the foregoing appointment and oath Apr. 27, 1901.

A true copy,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber

Town Clerk.

Westport, Mass. Mar. 30, 1901.

Chas H. Reynolds

Westport, Mass.

You are hereby notified that you have been appointed truant-officer for the ensuing year.

A. R. Wood, Sec.

Westport Sch. Board.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Bristol ss.

Apr. 27, 1901.

Then personally appeared Charles H. Reynolds and made oath to the faithful discharge of the duties conferred on him by the foregoing appointment.

Before me

Edward L. Macomber

Justice of the Peace.

Recorded the foregoing appointment and oath Apr. 27, 1901.

A true copy,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber

Town Clerk.

To Charles E. Potter:

You are hereby appointed a Registrar of Voters for the Town of Westport, for the term of three years from the first day of May next.

Albert S. Sherman

Andrew H. Soule

George E. Handy

Selectmen

of

Westport.

Westport Mass. April 15, 1901.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,

Bristol ss. Sept. 4, 1901.

Then personally appeared the above named Charles E. Potter and made oath to the faithful discharge of the duties conferred on him by the foregoing appointment.

Before me,

Edward L. Macomber

Justice of the Peace.

Recorded the foregoing appointment and oath Sept. 4, 1901.

A true copy,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber

Town Clerk.

To George A. Tripp:

You are hereby appointed Sealer of Weights and Measures, to serve until our next annual Town meeting to be holden in March 1902.

Albert S. Sherman } Selectmen
Andrew H. Soule } of
George E. Handy } Westport.

Westport Mass. May 25, 1901.

Geo A Tripp having been appointed Sealer of Weights and Measures appeared before me and taken the oath that he would faithfully and impartially perform the duties of said office

Bristol SS. June 19, 1901

J. C. Macomber Justice of the Peace

Recorded the foregoing appointment and oath Oct. 19, 1901.

A true copy,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber
Town Clerk.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Bristol SS.

To Daniel M. Sanford, Constable of the Town of Westport in said County, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Westport qualified to vote in elections, to assemble at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, the fifth day of November next, it being the Tuesday after the first Monday in said month, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

To give in their votes for Governor; Lieutenant Governor; Secretary; Treasurer; Auditor; and Attorney-General for the Commonwealth; a Councillor from the first district; a Senator from the third Bristol district; two Representatives in the General Court from the ninth Bristol district, a District Attorney for the Southern district; a County Commissioner; two Associate Commissioners; Clerk of Courts; and Sheriff; for the County of Bristol.

The Polls will be opened at 10.15 o'clock A.M., and may be closed at 2.15 o'clock P.M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof in four or more public places within said Town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Heretof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Selectmen, at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Westport, this twenty-fourth day of October in the year One Thousand Nine Hundred and One.

Albert S. Sherman, } Selectmen
George E. Handy, } of
Westport.

Westport, Oct. 25, 1901.

I have served this warrant by notifying the inhabitants of the town of Westport qualified to vote in State Election by posting up 4 attested copies 10 days before said meeting

one at North Westport Post office one at Westport Post office
one at South Westport Post office one at Central Village Post office

Daniel M. Sanford

Constable of the town Westport

Town Hall, Westport, Nov. 5, 1901.

Agreeable to the foregoing warrant the legal voters assembled. The meeting was called to order and the warrant read by Albert S. Sherman, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen.

Lysander F. Howland and Henry B. Tripp, having been appointed ballot clerks, and Eli Handy, Lafayette L. Gifford, John F. MacDonald, and Edward A. Howland, having been appointed tellers, all personally appeared before the town clerk and made oath to the faithful discharge of their duties.

At the opening of the Polls the ballot box was empty and the register stood at zero, at the close of the Polls the register stood at 2. Count of checks on the voting list of the Ballot clerks was 207. Count of checks on the voting list of the tellers was 207. Count of ballots was Two hundred seven (207).

Voted: That the polls be closed.

Votes were given for the following persons assorted, counted, and public declaration made thereof in open town meeting

For Governor.

Michael T. Berry of Haverhill had Two	2
W. Murray Crane of Dalton had One hundred fifty-nine	159
John B. Lewis Jr. of Reading had Fourteen	14
Josiah Quincy of Boston had Sixteen	16
George H. Whinn of Springfield had One	1
Blanks, Fifteen	15

For Lieutenant Governor.

John L. Bates of Boston had One hundred Sixty-one	161
John W. Coughlin of Fall River had Seventeen	17
Alfred E. Jones of Everett had None	0
William H. Partridge of Newton had Twelve	12
Charles W. White of Boston had One	1
Blanks, Sixteen	16

For Secretary.

Frederick W. Clark of Boston had Fifteen	15
Alonzo H. Dennett of Middleborough had Four	4
Jeremiah O'Fihelly of Abington had Two	2

William M. Clin of Boston had One hundred fifty-two	152
Willmore B. Stone of Springfield had Eleven	11
Blanks, Twenty-three	23

For Treasurer and Receiver General.

George E. Batchelder of Lynnfield had Sixteen	16
Wendell P. Bosworth of Brockton had Two	2
Edward S. Bradford of Springfield had One hundred fifty-one	151
Joseph L. Chalifoux of Lowell had Eleven	11
Frederick A. Nagler of Springfield had None	0
Blanks, Twenty-seven	27

For Auditor.

James F. Dean of Salem had Fifteen	15
Frank Keefe of Lynn had One	1
John H. Smith of Dalton had Eighteen	18
Frank Thompson of Plymouth had None	0
Henry E. Turner of Malden had One hundred forty-three	143
Blanks, Thirty	30

For Attorney-General.

Allen Coffin of Nantucket had Nineteen	19
John T. Hargraves of Worcester had None	0
Herbert Parker of Lancaster had One hundred forty-seven	147
Arthur A. Putnam of Uxbridge had Fourteen	14
Clarence E. Spelman of Westfield had None	0
Blanks, Twenty-seven	27

For Councillor — First District.

Herbert L. Chipman of Sandwich had Fifteen	15
Charles B. Drew of Hanover had Three	3
Charles J. McGurk of New Bedford had Thirteen	13
David F. Slade of Fall River had One hundred forty-nine	149
Blanks, Twenty-seven	27

For Senator. — Third Bristol District.

James E. Moore of New Bedford had Seventeen	17
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Rufus A. Soule of New Bedford had One hundred forty-eight	148
George B. Stafford of New Bedford had Twenty-three	23
Blanks, Nineteen	19

For Representatives in General Court. — Ninth Bristol District.

John Chadwick of Fall River had Twenty-one	21
Daniel Gladding of Fall River had Fifteen	15
Thomas F. Higgins of Fall River had Eighteen	18
Edwin J. Mills of Fall River had One hundred twenty-seven	127
John Nightingale of Fall River had One hundred fourteen	114
Blanks, One hundred nineteen	119

For County Commissioner — Bristol.

John H. Carroll of Fall River had Eighty	80
George T. Durfee of Fall River had Seventy-four	74
Clarence R. Sherman of New Bedford had Thirty-nine	39
Blanks, Fourteen	14

For Associate Commissioners — Bristol.

James E. Allen of Dartmouth had One hundred thirty-nine	139
James A. Bessey of New Bedford had Eighteen	18
William H. Gifford, 3d. of Westport had Twenty-six	26
George A. Sweeney of Attleborough had Nine	9
John Thacher of Attleborough had One hundred nine	109
Blanks, One hundred thirteen	113

For District Attorney — Southern District.

Lemuel LeB. Holmes of New Bedford had One hundred sixty-two	162
James T. Keen of New Bedford had Nineteen	19
Blanks, Twenty-six	26

For Clerk of Courts — Bristol County.

Simeon Borden of Fall River had One hundred sixty-eight	168
Blanks, Thirty-nine	39

For Sheriff — Bristol County.

Edwin H. Evans of Taunton had One hundred fifteen	115
Frank W. Francis of New Bedford had Forty-two	42
James J. Lawlor of Fall River had Thirteen	13
Alva H. Morrill of New Bedford had Twenty	20
Blanks, Seventeen	17

Voted: To adjourn,

A true record,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber
Town Clerk.

In Board of Selectmen.

Westport, Massachusetts, Nov. 9. 1901.

Voted: That The Southern Massachusetts Telephone Company be and it is hereby authorized and permitted to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such supporting and strengthening fixtures and wires as said Company may deem requisite, in the streets and highways of said Town hereinafter designated.

All construction under this permit shall be in accordance with the following specifications: The polls shall be located between the travelled driveway and the limits of the highway, and shall be of wood or other suitable material, and the wires shall be run at the usual height and along and across the highway. After the polls and wires have been located as specified in this permit, alterations shall be made in the location or erection of the polls, and in the height of the wires, if so directed by the Board of Selectmen.

Following are the streets and highways above referred to:

Old Road to New Bedford, from the Fall River City line to the Dartmouth Town line.

Albert S. Sherman	} Selectmen of Westport
Andrew H. Sowle	
George E. Handy	

Signatures of Selectmen:

Received and recorded the foregoing permit this 12th day of November A. D. 1901.

A true copy,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber
Town Clerk.

City of Fall River,
Massachusetts
City Clerk Department.

November 15, 1901.

In accordance with the requirements of section 254, chapter 548, Acts of 1898, the City Clerk of Fall River and the Town Clerk of Westport, met at the office of the City Clerk in Fall River, at noon, on the Fifteenth day of November 1901, that being the tenth day following the day of the State Election held on November 5, 1901, and examined the copies of the records of votes for the election of two representatives in the general court for the Ninth Bristol District.

The result of the balloting was found to be as follows:

John Chadwick, of Fall River, had	198
Daniel Gladding, of Fall River, had	284
Thomas F. Higgins, of Fall River, had	787
Edwin J. Mills, of Fall River, had	1657
John Nightingale, of Fall River, had	1646
Blanks,	1308
Whole number of ballots cast,	5880

And we, the undersigned, determine that Edwin J. Mills and John Nightingale appear to be elected to the office of representative in the general court; and authorize the transmission of a certificate of such election, by a constable, to each of the persons elected.

Attest:

Arthur B. Brayton, City Clerk of Fall River.
Edward L. Macomber, Town Clerk of Westport.

Recorded the above Nov. 15, 1901,

A true copy,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber
Town Clerk.

City of Fall River,
Massachusetts,
City Clerk Department.

November 15, 1901.

Schedule of the names of all persons for whom votes for representative were cast in the Ninth Bristol District, and the number of votes for each.

	John Chadwick of Fall River	Daniel Gladding of Fall River	Thomas F. Higgins of Fall River	Edwin J. Mills of Fall River	John Nightingale of Fall River	Blanks	Ballots cast
City of Fall River	177	269	769	1530	1532	1189	5466
Town of Westport	21	15	18	127	114	119	414
Totals	198	284	787	1657	1646	1308	5880

We certify that the foregoing is a true schedule as required by the provisions of section 254, Chapter 548, Acts of 1898.

Attest:

Arthur B. Brayton, City Clerk of Fall River.
Edward L. Macomber, Town Clerk of Westport.

Recorded the above Nov. 15, 1901.

A true copy,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber
Town Clerk.

In Board of Selectmen.

Westport, Massachusetts, Jan. 25, 1902.

Voted: That The Southern Massachusetts Telephone Company be and it is hereby authorized and permitted to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such supporting and strengthening fixtures and wires as said Company may deem requisite, in the streets and highways of said Town hereinafter designated.

All construction under this permit shall be in accordance with the following specifications: The poles shall be located between the travelled driveway and the limits of the highway, and shall be of wood or other suitable material, and the wires shall be run at the usual height and along and across the highway. After the poles and wires have been located as specified in this permit, alterations shall be made in the location or erection of the poles, and in the height of the wires, if so directed by the Board of Selectmen.

Following are the streets and highways above referred to:

Westport Point Road running south-east towards Westport Point about $\frac{1}{4}$ mile east from the Adamsville Post-Office, 30-25 ft. poles. All work under this license to be completed within six months from date hereof.

Signatures of Selectmen: {
Albert S. Sherman
Andrew H. Lowle
George E. Handy

Received and recorded the foregoing permit this 25th day of January A.D. 1902.

A true copy,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber
Town Clerk.

Westport, Mass. Feb. 1, 1902.

In board of Selectmen

In compliance with a petition of the Automatic Telephone Company of New Bedford dated Nov. 25, 1901. Permission is hereby granted said Company to establish and maintain all necessary poles and wires for telephonic communication in the Town of Westport in the following public ways, to wit:

From the east town line on the old road leading from Fall River to New Bedford to the west line of said town at the Narrows.

All work of construction under this grant to be completed within six months from date hereof.

Albert S. Sherman	} Selectmen of Westport.
Andrew H. Sowle	
George E. Handy	

Received and recorded the foregoing permit this First day of February A. D. 1902.

A true copy,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber
Town Clerk.

An extension of time of six months is hereby granted to the Automatic Telephone Co. of New Bedford, to construct its lines through the Town of Westport, as granted under date of February 1st 1902.

Albert S. Sherman	} Selectmen of Westport.
Andrew H. Sowle	
George E. Handy	

Westport Mass. Oct. 10th 1902.

Received and recorded the foregoing Oct. 11, 1902.

A true copy,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber
Town Clerk.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Bristol ss.

To Daniel M. Sanford, Constable of the Town of Westport, in said County,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Westport, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to assemble at the Town Hall in said town, on Monday, the tenth day of March next, it being the second Monday in said month, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles viz:

Art. 1st To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Art. 2^d To choose the following officers for three years years, viz: one Selectman, one Assessor, one Overseer of the Poor, one member of the School Committee, one Fish Commissioner, one member of the Board of Health, and two Trustees of the Public Library. Also one Fish Commissioner for one year to fill a vacancy. Also the following officers for the year ensuing, viz: Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Superintendent of Beech Grove Cemetery, one or more Constables, one or more Auditors, three Fence Viewers, four Landing Commissioners, a Single Highway Surveyor, a Draw Tender for Westport Point bridge, a Tree Warden, and all other necessary Town Officers and Committees.

3^d To hear the reports of the Town Officers and Committees, and act thereon.

4th To determine to what department or departments the money last received from the County Treasurer for Dog Fund shall be appropriated.

5th To make appropriations for the following purposes viz: Salary of the Superintendent of Schools, Services of Town Officers and Committees, Support of Schools, School-houses and Lots, School Furnishings, Highways and Bridges, Paupers, Public Library, Incidentals, Military Aid, State Aid, Soldiers' Relief, Town debt and Interest.

6th To see if the Town will vote to macadamize a piece of road at Westport Point, Beginning where the present macadam leaves off, and continuing northerly, and make the necessary

appropriation therefor.

7th To see if the Town will vote to continue the macadamizing of the road from Kirby's Corner toward Central Village, beginning where the present macadam leaves off near Barni Pottery and make an appropriation therefor.

8th To see if the Town will vote to macadamize a certain portion of the Highway leading from the Rhode Island line on the Lower Road, so called, to Westport Harbor, and make the necessary appropriation therefor.

9th To see if the Town will vote to buy a road machine, and make the necessary appropriation therefor, and choose a committee to purchase said road machine.

10th To see if the Town will vote to erect at or near Central Village a building of at least two rooms to be used as a school building, make the necessary appropriation therefor, and take any further action that may be deemed necessary.

11th To determine the location of the High School for the ensuing year.

12th To see if the Town will vote to adopt a set of By-laws for the government of its meetings.

13th To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for Memorial Day, and choose a committee to receive and expend the same.

14th To see if the Town will vote to provide a pump and trough to be used at the Borden well (so called) on the Sanford road, the same to be for public use, and make an appropriation therefor.

15th To see if the Town will authorize the Auditors to transfer sums of money from unappropriated money to other departments wherein there may be a deficit.

16th To see if the Town will authorize the School Committee, Overseers of the Poor, Single Highway Surveyor, and Board of

Health to order bills against the Town for and on account of their respective departments.

17th To see if the inhabitants will authorize the Town Treasurer to hire such sums of money in anticipation of taxes as will be necessary to meet the current expenses of the year.

18th To determine the salaries or commission of the Town Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Sealer of Weights and Measures, Tree Warden, Draw Tender, and Superintendent of Beech Grove Cemetery.

19th To determine the wages for ordinary repairs on Highways and Bridges for the ensuing year.

20th To determine the wages for labor in connection with the stone crusher plant, and macadamizing the highways for the ensuing year.

21st To see if the town will accept the list of names of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen.

22^d To see if the Town will appropriate a sufficient sum of money to pay a proper charge of an insurance company for acting as surety on the official bond given to the Town by its Treasurer, and Collector of Taxes, for the faithful discharge of his duties.

23^d To determine the manner of raising the appropriations to defray the Town charges for the ensuing year.

24th To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to be expended by the Board of Health, to buy a lot of land and erect thereon a building to be used as a pest house.

25th To see if the Town will vote to charge interest on all taxes remaining unpaid after a certain date and determine the rate per cent. of said interest.

The Town Clerk, Selectman, Town Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Overseer of the Poor, Assessor, member of the School Committee, Single Highway Surveyor, member of Board of Health, Trustee of the Public Library, Fish Commissioners, Constables, Fence Viewers, Landing Commissioners, Auditors, Tree Warden, Draw Tender,

and Superintendent of Beech Grove Cemetery to be voted for on one ballot.

Also at the same time and place, upon a separate ballot, "Yes" or "No" upon the following question "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town."

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up four or more attested copies thereof in as many public places within said 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 the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Westport, this twenty-seventh day of February in the year One Thousand Nine Hundred and two.

Albert S. Sherman } Selectmen
Andrew H. Soble } of
George E. Handy } Westport.

Westport March 1, 1902

I have served this warrant by notifying the inhabitants of the town of Westport qualified to vote in Election and town affairs by posting up 5 Attested Copies 10 day before said meeting

one at North Westport Post office
one at Westport Post office
one at South Westport Post office
one at Westport Point Post office
one at Central Village Post office

Daniel M. Sanford
Constable of Westport

Town House, Westport, Mar. 10, 1902.

Agreeable to the foregoing warrant the legal voters assembled. The meeting was called to order and warrant read by the Town Clerk.

Lysander F. Howland and Henry B. Tripp, having been appointed by the Selectmen to serve as tellers, appeared before the Town Clerk and were sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties.

Albert D. Manchester was unanimously elected moderator and qualified by affirmation before the Town Clerk.

Voted: To proceed to elect one Town Clerk, one Town Treasurer, one Collector of Taxes, one Selectman for three years, one Overseer of the Poor for three years, one Assessor for three years, one School Committee for three years, one Single Highway Surveyor, one Member of the Board of Health for three years, two Trustees of the Public Library for three years, one Fish Commissioner for three years, one Fish Commissioner for one year, four Constables, three Fence Viewers, four Landing Commissioners, two Auditors, one Tree Warden, one Superintendent of Beech Grove Cemetery, and one Draw Tender of Westport Point Bridge.

The Polls were opened at 10.26 A. M.

Voted: That the Polls be closed at 1 o'clock P. M.

The following officers were elected, viz:

Town Clerk: Edward L. Macomber. Affirmed.

Town Treasurer: Cortez Allen. Sworn.

Collector of Taxes: Cortez Allen. Sworn.

Selectman for three years: Albert S. Sherman. Sworn

Overseer of the Poor for three years: Robert A. Gifford. Affirmed.

Assessor for three years: Henry A. Allen. Sworn.

School Committee for three years: Annie E. Sherman. Accepted.

Single Highway Surveyor: Peleg S. Sanford Jr. Sworn.

Member of Board of Health for three years: Albert S. Sherman. Sworn.

Trustees of the Public Library for three years:

Samuel H. Macomber. Accepted.
Addie E. Sowle. Accepted.

Fish Commissioner for three years: Henry B. Tripp. Sworn.

Fish Commissioner for one year: Frank D. Grinnell. Sworn.

Constables:

Daniel M. Sanford. Sworn.
Charles H. Reynolds. Sworn.
Lafayette L. Gifford. Sworn.
Christopher Borden

Fence Viewers: Isaac D. Earle. Sworn.
Daniel M. Sanford. Sworn.
Elmer E. Gifford. Sworn.

Landing Commissioners:

Charles Wing. Sworn.
George A. Tripp. Sworn.
George F. Lawton. Sworn.
Edward A. Howland Sworn

Auditors:

Henry E. Davis. Affirmed.
Albert D. Manchester. Affirmed.

Tree Warden: Edwin Borden. Sworn.

Superintendent of Beech Grove Cemetery: Joseph T. Lawton. Sworn.

Draw Tender of Westport Point Bridge: William P. Sowle. Sworn.

On the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?", the vote was as follows:

Yes 48. No 111.

Voted: That we now proceed to the further election of officers.

Voted: To elect 12 Surveyors of Lumber and Measurers of Wood and Bark.
The following were elected, viz:

Arthur M. Reed Sworn.
Pileg S. Sanford Jr. Sworn.
Thomas E. Borden Sworn.
Albert F. King Sworn.
Philander H. Brightman
Frank Whalon

Irving F. Sanford
Sylvester C. Manley Sworn.
Charles Brightman
Lysander F. Howland Sworn.
Charles L. Sherman (Declined)
Byron W. Bottle Sworn.
Perry P. Brightman Sworn.

Voted: To elect 4 Field Drivers. The following were elected, viz:
Joshua H. Wordell
Frank E. Chase
George A. Tripp (Declined)
David C. Palmer Sworn.
Pardon T. Kirby Sworn.

Voted: To elect 2 Pound Keepers. The following were elected, viz:
Charles L. Sherman (Declined)
David C. Palmer Sworn. Pardon T. Kirby. Sworn.

Voted: That Article 2 be laid upon the table for further consideration.

Voted: That when this meeting do adjourn it be until Saturday, Mar. 15, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

Voted: That the Report of the Treasurer on Public and Town Landings be accepted and placed on file.

Voted: That further action upon Art. 3 be laid upon the table.

Voted: That \$50. of the Dog Fund be appropriated for the use of the Public Library.

Voted: That \$296.08 be taken from the Dog Fund and transferred to the department of School Supplies.

Voted: That \$200., the balance of the Dog Fund, be credited to the department of Schools.

Voted: To appropriate \$375. for the Salary of Superintendent of Schools.
" " \$2500. " " Services of Town Officers and Committees.
" " 5700. " " Support of Schools.
" " 650. " School Houses and Lots.

Voted: To pass the part of Art. 5 relating to School Furnishings.
That the part of Art. 5 relating to Highways and Bridges be laid upon the table.
To appropriate \$3,000. for the Support of Paupers.

Voted: To adjourn: Yes 60. No 8.

A true record,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber
Town Clerk.

Adjourned Annual Town Meeting.

Town House, Westport, Mar. 15, 1902.

Annual Meeting met agreeable to adjournment with Albert D. Manchester, the moderator, in the chair.

Voted: To pass the appropriation for Public Library.

A Motion: To appropriate \$700. for Incidentals, was lost.

Voted: To pass the appropriation for Incidentals.

" appropriate \$50. for Military Aid

" pass the appropriation for State Aid.

" appropriate \$50. for Soldiers' Relief

That the part of Art. 5 relating to Town Debt and Interest be laid upon the table.

Yes 14. No 11.

Moved: That we do macadamize a piece of road at the Point, beginning where the present macadam leaves off going northerly.

Voted: That we vote on Articles 6, 7, & 8 by a yea and nay vote with the use of the check list

A Motion: To amend the motion before the house by striking out the words "beginning where the present macadam leaves off going northerly", was lost.

Voted: That we proceed to ballot on Art. 6.

Voted: That we do macadamize a piece of road at the Point, beginning

where the present macadam leaves off going northerly.
Yes 96. No 67.

Voted: To appropriate \$2,500. for macadamizing at Westport Point.
Yes 70. No 5.

Voted: That we do macadamize a piece of road from Kirby's corner towards Central Village beginning where the present macadam leaves off near Carmi Potter's.
Yes 130. No 21.

A Motion: That we appropriate Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.) for this road, was lost.
Yes 34. No 84.

Voted: That we appropriate the sum of Thirty-five Hundred dollars (\$3,500) for this piece of road.
Yes 99. No 25.

A Motion: That we do macadamize a portion of the Highway, beginning at the Rhode Island line on the lower road, so called, to Westport Harbor, was lost.
Yes 48. No 57.

12.20 P.M.

Voted: That we adjourn for one hour.

Met at 1.20 P.M. agreeable to adjournment.

Voted: That the town do purchase a road machine.

Voted: That the sum of \$250. be appropriated for the purchase of said road machine.

Voted: That Peleg S. Sanford Jr. be the committee to purchase said road machine.

Voted: That Art. 10 th. be laid upon the table.

Voted: That the High School be located at the Head of Westport for the year ensuing.

Voted: That the town adopt a set of By-laws for the government of its meetings.

Voted: That a committee be appointed to draft a set of By-laws and report to the town at an adjourned meeting.

Voted: That there be a committee of five for the purpose above stated, and the following were elected; viz: John W. Gifford, Albert D. Manchester, Albert S. Sherman, Henry A. Allen, & Asa R. Howland.

Voted: That the sum of \$50. be appropriated for Memorial Day.

Voted: That a committee of one be elected to receive and expend the same.

Voted: That Ephraim T. Tripp be that committee.

Voted: That the Town provide a pump and trough to be used at the Borden well (so called) on the Sanford Road.

Voted: That \$25. be appropriated for the above purpose, mentioned in the preceding vote.

A Motion: That the Auditors be authorized to transfer sums of money from unappropriated money to other departments wherein there may be a deficit, was lost.

A Motion: To indefinitely postpone Art. 15th., was lost.

Voted: That the Town authorize the School Committee to order bills against the Town for and on account of their department.

Moved: That the Town authorize the Overseers of the Poor to order bills against the Town for and on account of their department.

Voted: To amend the foregoing motion by adding the words, "provided that none of the bills so ordered shall be contracted by either member of the board."

Voted: That the Town authorize the Overseers of the Poor to order bills against the Town for and on account of their department, provided that none of the bills so ordered shall be contracted by either

member of the board.

A Motion: That the Single Highway Surveyor be authorized to order bills against the Town for and on account of his department but subject to the approval of the Selectmen, was lost.

Voted: To reconsider the vote whereby the Single Highway Surveyor was not authorized to order bills against the Town for and on account of his department but subject to the approval of the Selectmen.

Voted: That the Single Highway Surveyor be authorized to order bills against the Town for and on account of his department.

Voted: That the Board of Health be authorized to order bills against the Town for and on account of their department.

Voted: To reconsider the vote whereby the Auditors were not authorized to transfer sums of money from unappropriated money to other departments wherein there may be a deficit.

Voted: That the Auditors be authorized to transfer from unappropriated money such sums as may be needed to equal the amount or amounts voted at all meetings of the year which are included in the annual assessment.

Voted: That for the purpose of procuring a temporary loan to and for the use of the Town of Westport in anticipation of the taxes for the present municipal year, the Town Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to hire when necessary with the approval of the Selectmen of said Town, such sum or sums of money as may be needful, not exceeding Twelve Thousand Dollars, and to execute and deliver the promissory note or notes of the town therefor.

Voted: That the Treasurer be allowed $\frac{1}{2}$ of one per cent on all payments from the treasury.

Voted: That the Collector of Taxes be paid one per cent of all taxes collected.

Voted: That the Sealer of Weights and Measures be paid at the rate of 25 cents per hour while in actual service.

- Voted: That the Tree Warden be paid at the rate of 20 cents per hour while in actual service.
- Voted: That the salary of the Draw Tender of Westport Point Bridge be \$150. for the ensuing year.
- Voted: That the Superintendent of Beech Grove Cemetery be paid a salary of \$200. for the year ensuing.
- Voted: That the wages for ordinary repairs on Highways and Bridges for the ensuing year be as follows, viz: Foreman, \$1.75 per day; Common Laborer, \$1.50 per day; One pair of oxen, \$2. per day; One horse, \$1. per day; One pair of Horses, \$2. per day; Plough, 25 cts. per day; Cart, 25 cts. per day; Scraper 25 cts. per day.
- Voted: That the wages per day to be paid the man who feeds the crusher, the engineer or any one employed on other mechanical work be left to the discretion of the Highway Surveyor.
That the wages per day for ordinary labor in connection with the Stone crusher plant and macadamizing the highways be the same as for similar labor on the highways.
That teams employed in hauling stone in connection with macadamizing be paid the same as teams on the highway, except that the price of a cart shall be 50 cts. instead of 25 cts. per day; and that teams used on the Roller be paid at the rate of \$4. per day for a man and pair of horses.
Yes 28. No 0.
- Voted: That the names of George W. Kirby and Philip L. Grinnell be stricken from the list of jurors as prepared by the Selectmen.
- Voted: That the name of George A. Tripp be added to said list of jurors.
- Voted: That the list of names of jurors as prepared by the Selectmen and amended by this meeting be accepted, viz:

Allen Henry A.	Farmer.	Davis Henry E.	Farmer.
Brownell George P.	Carpenter.	Davis Zebadiah E.	Butcher.
Brightman Perry P.	Merchant.	Earle Isaac D.	Carpenter.
Boan Samuel A.	Farmer.	Feenan Henry	Farmer
Borden Melvin G.	"	Gifford Elmer E.	"

Gifford Charles F. 2d	Clerk.	Macomber Nason R.	Farmer.
Gifford William W.	Farmer.	Pittet John F.	"
Gibson Horace M.	Teamster.	Reed John M.	Ice Dealer
Grinnell George B.	Supt. Comm.	Reed George L.	Painter
Hicks Jonathan B.	Undertaker.	Sanford Daniel M.	Farmer
Howland Edward A.	Storekeeper.	Sanford Peleg S. Jr.	"
Howland Asa R.	Farmer.	Sanford Irving F.	"
Howland Frederick A.	"	Sherman Lorenzo	Teamster.
Kirby Albert E.	"	Sherman Charles L.	Carpenter.
King Albert F.	"	Shorrocks Joseph M.	Storekeeper.
Lawton George S.	"	Tripp George A.	"
Lawton Isaac M.	"	Tripp Samuel J.	Farmer.
Manchester George L. Jr.	Fisherman.	Tripp Henry B.	"
Manley Sylvester G.	Blacksmith.	Tripp James H.	"
Macomber Edward L.	Town Clerk.	White Lysander W.	"

- Voted: That the Town appropriate \$50. to pay a proper charge of an insurance company for acting as surety on the official bond given to the Town by its Treasurer and collector of Taxes for the faithful discharge of his duties, said amount to be paid from the Incidental Department.
- Voted: That so much of Art. 5 as relates to Highways and Bridges be taken from the table.
- Voted: To appropriate \$2,000. for Highways and Bridges.
- Voted: That so much of Art. 5 as relates to Town Debt and Interest be taken from the table.
- Voted: That we appropriate \$5,300. for Town Debt and Interest.
- Voted: That Art. 23d be laid upon the table.
- A Motion: That Art. 24th be indefinitely postponed, was lost.
- A Motion: That the Board of Health be instructed to erect a pest house on Pine Island, now owned by the town, at a cost not exceeding \$350., was lost.
- A Motion: That further action upon Art. 24th be laid upon the table, was lost.

Voted: That the Board of Health be authorized to make inquiry as to location and price for some available site with or without buildings for a pest house and report at the next annual meeting under an article inserted therefor.

Voted: To reconsider the vote passed under Art. 12th whereby it was voted, "That a committee be appointed to draft a set of By-laws and report to the town at an adjourned meeting."

Voted: That a committee be appointed to draft a set of By-laws and report to the town at the next annual town meeting, and that an article be inserted in the warrant therefor.

Voted: That interest be charged on all taxes remaining unpaid after a certain date.

Voted: That the date, after which interest shall be charged on all taxes, be fixed at the Tuesday after the first Monday in November next.

Voted: That the rate of said interest be six per cent.

Voted: That Art. 23d be taken from the table for further action.

Voted: That we raise by taxation an amount equal to the appropriations made at this meeting and not otherwise provided for.

Voted: That Art. 3d be taken from the table for further action.

Voted: That the Report of the Board of Government of Beech Grove Cemetery be accepted and placed on file.

Voted: That the Report of the Selectmen in relation to Guide Posts be accepted and placed on file.

Voted: That the Report of the Overseers of the Poor be accepted and placed on file.

Voted: That the Report of the Auditors be accepted and placed on file.

Voted: That the Moderator be paid \$5.00 for his services.

Voted: To adjourn.

A true record,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber,
Town Clerk.

To Eli Handy:
You are hereby appointed Inspector of Animals for the Town of Westport for one year from date hereof.

Albert S. Sherman } Selectmen
Andrew H. Soule } of
George E. Handy } Westport.

Westport Mass. Mar. 15, 1902.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Bristol ss. Apr. 1, 1902.

Then personally appeared the above named Eli Handy and made oath to the faithful discharge of the duties conferred on him by the foregoing appointment,

Before me,

Edward L. Macomber, Justice of the Peace.

Recorded the foregoing appointment and oath Apr. 1, 1902.

A true copy,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber
Town Clerk.

Westport, Mass., Apr. 14, 1902.

This is to certify that I have this day caused to be destroyed by fire without examination or permitting them to be examined by any person whatever the ballots cast at the election of November 5, 1901.

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber
Town Clerk.

Westport, Mass.
March 29, 1902.

Mr. Daniel M. Sanford,

At a meeting of the School Committee in the Town Hall, March 29, 1902 you were appointed a Truant Officer for the ensuing year.

Harlow B. King
Secretary of the School Committee
Protem

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,

Bristol ss. Apr. 26, 1902

Then personally appeared the above named Daniel M. Sanford and made oath to the faithful discharge of the duties conferred on him by the foregoing appointment.

Before me,

Edward L. Macomber
Justice of the Peace.

Recorded the foregoing appointment and oath Apr. 26, 1902.

A true copy,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber
Town Clerk.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Bristol, ss.

To Daniel M. Sanford, Constable of the town of Westport, in said County, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Westport, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to assemble at the Town Hall, in said town, on Saturday the twenty-sixth day April current, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles viz:

Art. 1st. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Art. 2nd. To see if the town will vote to transfer \$11.00 now due gravel account at So. Westport, and \$152.59 due stone crusher account Westport Factory road to some other department.

Art. 3rd. To see if the town will vote to sell the road Roller.

Art. 4th. To see if the town will vote to hire, or buy a Steam road Roller, and make an appropriation therefor.

Art. 5th. To see if the town will choose one or more agents to defend the suit against the Town of Westport, instituted by Addie L. Wood of said Westport, make an appropriation therefor, and determine the manner of raising said appropriation.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up four or more attested copies thereof in as many public places within said 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 the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Westport this seventeenth day of April in the year One Thousand Nine Hundred and two.

Albert S. Sherman } Selectmen
Andrew H. Soule } of
George E. Handy } Westport

Westport April 17 1902

I have served this warrant by notifying the inhabitants of the town of Westport qualified to vote in Election and town Affairs by posting up 4 Attested Copies 7 day before said meeting

one at North Westport Post office
one at Westport Post office
one at South Westport Post office
one at Central Village Post office

Daniel M. Sanford
Constable of Westport.

Town Hall, Westport, April 26, 1902.

Agreeable to the foregoing warrant, the legal voters assembled. The meeting was called to order and warrant read by the Town Clerk, who appointed Lyxander F. Howland and Henry B. Tripp as tellers of votes for Moderator and they made oath before him to the faithful discharge of their duties.

Albert D. Manchester was unanimously elected moderator and was duly qualified by affirmation before the Town Clerk.

Voted: That the amount of \$11.00, now due gravel account at So. Westport, be transferred to the Highway Department.

Yes 9. No 0.

Voted: That the amount of \$52.59, now due stone crusher account Westport Factory road, be transferred to department of Stone Crusher account from Kirby's Corner towards Central Village.

Yes 17. No 0.

Voted: That the town sell the road roller.

Yes 9. No 3.

Voted: That the Single Highway Surveyor be a committee of one to sell the road roller.

Yes 9. No 2.

A Motion: That the town hire a Steam Road Roller, was lost.

Yes 4. No 8.

Voted: That the town purchase a Steam Road Roller.

Yes 11.

No 3.

Voted: That \$3000. be appropriated for the purchase of a Steam Road Roller.

Yes 12.

No 3.

Voted: That the Single Highway Surveyor and the Board of Selectmen be a committee to purchase a Steam Road Roller.

Yes 14.

No 0.

Voted: That Albert S. Sherman be appointed as agent to defend the suit against the Town of Westport, instituted by Addie L. Wood of said Westport, and that he be allowed the privilege of appointing one or more of his associates to serve with him.

Yes 21.

No 7.

Voted: To reconsider the vote just passed.

Voted: That the Selectmen be appointed agents to ~~to~~ defend the suit against the Town of Westport instituted by Addie L. Wood of said Westport.

A Motion: That the sum of \$800. be appropriated for defending the suit of Addie L. Wood against the Town of Westport, was lost.

Yes 8.

No 14.

Voted: That the sum of \$600. be appropriated for defending the suit of Addie L. Wood against the Town of Westport.

Yes 17.

No 2.

Voted: That the sum of \$600., appropriated by the preceding vote, be raised by taxation.

Voted: That we now adjourn, without day.

A true record,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber,
Town Clerk.

New Bedford Institution for Savings

New Bedford, Mass Feb. 27, 1902

Chairman of the Board of Selectmen

Town of Westport, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:—

As required by Section 44 Chapter 113 of the Revised Laws of Massachusetts I return herewith deposits held in trust by the New Bedford Institution for Savings, for three years or more, for the purpose of maintaining Cemetery Lots in the Town of Westport, viz,—

Account No. 98317	\$126.34
101743	54.68
102803	56.40
104018	53.95
104720	53.95
105181	55.68
105487	55.17
106443	54.07
106714	54.07
107010	53.73
107132	54.71
107820	165.88
108745	54.82
108808	118.00
108982	54.82
109464	110.86
110177	112.48
111061	119.19
111531	55.05
111708	82.19
112445	55.05
112446	108.28
112569	54.51

Respectfully yours,
Chas. H. Peirce Treas

Recorded the above Apr. 26, 1902.

A true copy,
Attest:

Edward L. Macomber, Town Clerk.

To Lysander W. White

You are hereby appointed Forest Fireward for the town of Westport for one year from date hereof Subject to the provisions of Chapter 32 of the revised laws of Massachusetts.

Albert S. Sherman } Selectmen
Andrew H. Sowle } of
George E. Handy } Westport

Westport Mass April 26, 1902

Westport, Mass. May 21, 1902.

Then personally appeared Lysander W. White and declared his acceptance of the office conferred on him by the foregoing appointment,

Before me,
Edward L. Macomber
Town Clerk.

Recorded the above appointment and acceptance May 21, 1902

A true copy,
Attest:
Edward L. Macomber
Town Clerk.

To George A. Tripp:

You are hereby appointed Sealer of Weights and Measures for the Town of Westport, for one year from date hereof.

Albert S. Sherman } Selectmen
Andrew H. Sowle } of
George E. Handy } Westport.

Westport Mass. March 15, 1902.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
Bristol ss. May 31, 1902.

Then personally appeared the above named George A. Tripp and made oath to the faithful performance of the

duties conferred on him by the foregoing appointment.

Before me,

Edward L. Macomber

Justice of the Peace.

Recorded the foregoing appointment and oath May 31, 1902.

A true copy,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber

Town Clerk.

To Edward A. Howland:

You are hereby appointed a Registrar of Voters, for the Town of Westport, for the term of three years from the first day of May next.

Albert S. Sherman	} Selectmen of Westport.
Andrew H. Soule	
George E. Handy	

Westport Mass. April 26, 1902.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Bristol ss.

Westport, May 31, 1902.

Then personally appeared the above named Edward A. Howland and made oath to the faithful discharge of the duties conferred on him by the foregoing appointment.

Before me,

Edward L. Macomber

Justice of the Peace.

Recorded the foregoing appointment and oath May 31, 1902.

A true copy,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber

Town Clerk.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Bristol, ss.

To Daniel M. Sanford, Constable of the town of Westport, in said County, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Westport, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to assemble at the Town Hall, in said town, on Saturday, the thirty-first day of May current, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Art. 1st To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Art. 2nd To rescind the vote whereby it was voted to raise by taxation the sum of \$600, appropriated at a special meeting held April 26th, 1902 to defend the suit-at-law of Addie L. Wood against the Town of Westport, said vote being recorded in the Town Records, and reads as follows; that the sum of \$600. appropriated by the preceding vote, be raised by taxation.

Art. 3^d To determine the manner of raising the sum of \$600. appropriated at a special meeting held April 26th 1902, for the defense of the suit-at-law of Addie L. Wood against the town of Westport, also to determine the manner of raising the sum of \$3000. appropriated at said special meeting for the purchase of a steam road roller.

Art. 4th To rescind the vote passed at the annual meeting held March 10th and 15th, 1902 whereby it was voted to raise by taxation an amount equal to the appropriations made at said meeting, said vote being recorded in the Town Records and reads as follows: That we raise by taxation an amount equal to the appropriations made at this meeting and not otherwise provided for.

Art. 5th To determine the manner of raising the appropriations made at the annual meeting held at the Town Hall, March 10th and 15th, 1902.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up four or more attested copies thereof in as many public places within said Town seven days at least before the time of holding

said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and made due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Westport this Twenty-second day of May in the year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Two.

Albert S. Sherman } Selectmen
Andrew H. Soule } of
George E. Handy } Westport.

Westport May 24, 1902

I have served this warrant by notifying the inhabitants of the town of Westport qualified to vote in Election and town Affairs by posting up 5 attested copies 7 day before said meeting

one at North Westport Post office
one at Westport Post office
one at Westport Point Post office
one at Central Village Post office

Daniel M. Sanford
Constable of Westport.

Town Hall, Westport, May 31, 1902.

Agreeable to the foregoing warrant the legal voters assembled. The meeting was called to order and warrant read by the Town clerk who appointed Lysander F. Howland and Andrew H. Soule as tellers of votes and they made oath before him to the faithful discharge of their duties.

Albert D. Manchester was unanimously elected moderator and was duly qualified by affirmation before the Town Clerk.

Voted: To rescind the vote whereby it was voted to raise by taxation the sum of \$600, appropriated at a special meeting held April 26th, 1902, to defend the suit-at-law of Addie L. Wood against the Town of Westport, said vote being recorded in the Town Records, and reads as follows; that the sum of \$600. appropriated by the preceding vote, be raised by taxation.

Yes 11. No 0.

Voted: That the Treasurer be authorized with the approval of the Selectmen to hire the sum of Six Hundred (\$600.) Dollars, appropriated to defend the suit-at-law of Addie L. Wood against the Town of Westport, and issue a note of the town therefor payable in the year 1911; and the debt incurred under the authority of this vote is hereby made payable from the taxes of said year.
Yes 11. No 0.

Voted: That the Treasurer be authorized with the approval of the Selectmen to hire the sum of Three Thousand (\$3000.) Dollars, appropriated for the purchase of a steam road roller, and issue a note of the town therefor payable in the year 1910; and the debt incurred under the authority of this vote is hereby made payable from the taxes of said year.
Yes 11. No 0.

Voted: That Art. 4th be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: That Art. 5th be indefinitely postponed.

Voted: To adjourn without day.

A true record,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber,
Town Clerk.

June 28, 1902.

To Benjamin W. Allen,

At a joint convention held this day by the Selectmen & Landing Commissioners, Cortez Allen elected Chairman, Geo. E. Handy Secretary, Benjamin W. Allen was elected Landing Commissioner to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Edward A. Howland.

Geo. E. Handy, Secretary.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Bristol ss.

Westport June 28, 1902.

Then personally appeared Benjamin W. Allen and made oath that he would faithfully discharge the duties of Landing Commissioner during the term for which he had been elected.

Before me

Edward L. Macomber

Justice of the Peace.

Recorded the foregoing June 28, 1902.

A true copy,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber
Town Clerk.

In Board of Selectmen.

Westport Massachusetts, August 13, 1902.

Voted: That The Southern Massachusetts Telephone Company be and it is hereby authorized and permitted to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such supporting and strengthening fixtures and wires as said Company may deem requisite, in the streets and highways of said Town hereinafter designated.

All construction under this permit shall be in accordance with the following specifications: The poles shall be located between the travelled driveway and the limits of the highway, and shall be of wood or other suitable material, and the wires shall be run at the usual height and along and across the highway. After the poles and wires have been located as specified in this permit, alterations shall be made in the location or erection of the poles, and in the height of the wires, if so directed by the Board of Selectmen.

Following are the streets and highways above referred to:

Old Stage Road from Head of Westport to town line of Dartmouth

Signatures of Selectmen: {
Albert S. Sherman
Andrew H. Soble
George E. Handy

Received and recorded the foregoing permit this 16th day of August, A.D. 1902.

A true copy,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber

Town Clerk.

Westport, Mass.
March 29, 1902.

Mrs. Lafayette L. Gifford,

At a meeting of the School Committee in the Town Hall, March 29, 1902 you were appointed a Truant Officer for the ensuing year.

Harlow B. King
Secretary of the School Committee
Protem

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
Bristol ss. Nov. 4, 1902.

Then personally appeared the above named Lafayette L. Gifford and made oath to the faithful discharge of the duties conferred on him by the foregoing appointment.

Before me,
Edward L. Macomber, Justice of the Peace.

Recorded the foregoing Nov. 4, 1902.

A true copy,
Attest:

Edward L. Macomber
Town Clerk.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Bristol ss.

To Daniel M. Sanford, Constable of the Town of Westport in said County,
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and by order of a precept issued by our Governor, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Westport qualified to vote in elections, to assemble at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, the fourth day of November next, it being the Tuesday after the first Monday in said month, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

To give in their votes for Governor; Lieutenant Governor; Secretary; Treasurer; Auditor; and Attorney-General for the Commonwealth; a Councillor from the first district; a Senator from the third Bristol district; a Representative in Congress from the thirteenth district; a County Commissioner; for the County of Bristol, a District Attorney for the Southern district to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Lemuel Le B. Holmes. Said vacancy being for the remainder of the term of three years from the first Wednesday of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and two. Also two Representatives in General Court from the ninth Bristol district.

The Polls will be opened at 10.15 o'clock A. M. and may be closed at 2.15 o'clock P. M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof in four or more public places within said 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 Selectmen, at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Westport, this twenty-second day of October in the year One Thousand Nine Hundred and two.

Albert S. Sherman } Selectmen
Andrew H. Soule } of
George E. Handy } Westport.

Westport Oct 25 1902

I have notify the inhabitants of the town of Westport qualified to vote for State Officers to meet at the town Hall in said town on Tuesday the 4 day of November

one at North Westport Post office	one at South Westport Post office
one at Westport Post office	one at Central Village Post office
one at Westport Point Post office	

Daniel M. Sanford
Constable of Westport

Town Hall, Westport, Nov. 4, 1902.

Agreeable to the foregoing warrant the legal voters assembled. The meeting was called to order and warrant read by Albert S. Sherman, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen.

Lysander F. Howland and Henry B. Tripp having been appointed as ballot clerks, and Eli Handy, Lafayette L. Gifford, John F. Mac Donald, and Augustus R. Wood having been appointed as tellers, all personally appeared before the Town Clerk and made oath to the faithful discharge of their duties.

At the opening of the polls the ballot box was empty and the register stood at zero, at the close of the polls the register stood at zero. The count of checks on the voting list of the ballot clerks was one hundred fifty-seven (157) and the count of checks on the voting list of the tellers was one hundred fifty-seven (157). Count of ballots was one hundred fifty-seven (157).

Voted: (At 2.23 P.M.) That the Polls be now closed.

Votes were given in for the following persons, assorted, counted, and public declaration made thereof in open meeting.

For Governor.

John L. Bates of Boston had One hundred thirty	130
Michael T. Berry of Haverhill had One	1
John C. Chase of Haverhill had One	1
William A. Gaston of Boston had Fourteen	14
William H. Partridge of Newton had Eight	8
Blanks, Three	3

For Lieutenant Governor.

John Quincy Adams of Amesbury had Five	5
Thomas F. Brennan of Salem had One	1
Oliver W. Cobb of Easthampton had Eleven	11
Curtis Guild, Jr. of Boston had One hundred Eighteen	118
Herbert C. Joyner of Great Barrington had Thirteen	13
Blanks, Nine	9

For Secretary.

Edward A. Buckland of Holyoke had Three	3
Herbert B. Griffin of Winthrop had Eight	8
Jeremiah O'Fihelly of Abington had One	1
William M. Olin of Boston had One hundred twenty-two	122
Willmore B. Stone of Springfield had Nine	9
Blanks, Fourteen	14

For Treasurer and Receiver General.

Edward S. Bradford of Springfield had One hundred twenty-five	125
Joseph L. Chalifoux of Lowell had Nine	9
Frederick A. Nagler of Springfield had None	0
Daniel Parlin of Worcester had Nine	9
David Taylor of Boston had None	0
Blanks, Fourteen	14

For Auditor.

David Morrison of Fall River had Twenty-one	21
S. Fremont Packard of Brockton had None	0
Charles Stoeber of Adams had None	0
Thomas C. Thacher of Yarmouth had Nine	9
Henry E. Turner of Malden had One hundred thirteen	113
Blanks, Fourteen	14

For Attorney-General.

Allen Coffin of Nantucket had Fourteen	14
Charles E. Fenner of Worcester had None	0
John J. Flaherty of Gloucester had Eight	8
John A. Henley of Lynn had None	0
Herbert Parker of Lancaster had One hundred twenty	120
Blanks, Fifteen	15

For Representative in Congress. Thirteenth District.

William S. Greene of Fall River had One hundred twenty-one	121
Elijah Humphries of New Bedford had Twelve	12
Charles T. Luce of New Bedford had Ten	10
Blanks, Fourteen	14

For Councillor. — First District.

George W. Bloomstrand of Whitman had One	1
Benjamin C. Cromwell, Jr. of Tisbury had Ten	10
David F. Slade of Fall River had One hundred twenty-seven	127
Blanks, Nineteen	19

For Senator. — Third Bristol District.

Walter S. Allen of New Bedford had Nine	9
Rufus A. Soule of New Bedford had One hundred twenty-five	125
George B. Stafford of New Bedford had Thirteen	13
Blanks, Ten	10

For Representatives in General Court. — Ninth Bristol District.

Daniel Gladding of Fall River had Eighteen	18
Edwin J. Mills of Fall River had Ninety-nine	99
John Nightingale of Fall River had Ninety-three	93
Horace E. Thompson of Fall River had Twenty-one	21
Blanks, Eighty-three	83

For County Commissioner. — Bristol.

William R. Black of Taunton had One Hundred Fifteen	115
Clarence R. Sherman of New Bedford had Twenty	20
George A. Sweeney of Attleborough had Nine	9
Blanks, Thirteen	13

For District Attorney — Southern District.

James P. Doran of New Bedford had Nine	9
James M. Swift of Fall River had One hundred thirty-five	135
Blanks, Thirteen	13

Voted: To adjourn.

A true record,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber,
Town Clerk.

City of Fall River,
Massachusetts,
City Clerk Department.

November 14, 1902.

In accordance with the requirements of section 257, chapter 11, Revised Laws, the City Clerk of Fall River and the Town Clerk of Westport, met at the office of the City Clerk in Fall River, at noon, on the Fourteenth day of November 1902, that being the tenth day following the day of the State Election held on November 4, 1902, and examined the copies of the records of votes for the election of two representatives in the general court for the Ninth Bristol District.

The result of the balloting was found to be as follows:

Daniel Gladding, of Fall River, had	700
Edwin J. Mills, of Fall River, had	2001
John Nightingale, of Fall River, had	2182
Horace E. Thompson, of Fall River, had	283
Blanks,	1840
Whole number of ballots cast,	7006

And we, the undersigned, determine that Edwin J. Mills and John Nightingale appear to be elected to the office of representative in the general court; and authorize the transmission of a certificate of such election, by a constable, to each of the persons elected.

Attest:

Arthur B. Brayton, City Clerk of Fall River.
Edward L. Macomber, Town Clerk of Westport.

Recorded the above Nov. 14, 1902.

A true copy,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber
Town Clerk.

City of Fall River,
Massachusetts,
City Clerk Department.

November 14, 1902.

Schedule of the names of all persons for whom votes for representative were cast in the Ninth Bristol District, and the number of votes for each.

	Daniel Bladding of Fall River	Edwin J. Mills of Fall River	John Nightingale of Fall River	Horace E. Thompson of Fall River	Blanks	Ballots cast	
City of Fall River	682	1902	2089	262	1757	6692	
Town of Westport	18	99	93	21	83	314	
Totals	700	2001	2182	283	1840	7006	

We certify that the foregoing is a true schedule as required by the provisions of section 257, chapter 11, Revised Laws.

Arthur B. Brayton, City Clerk of Fall River.
Edward L. Macomber, Town Clerk of Westport.

Recorded the above Nov. 14, 1902.

A true copy,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber
Town Clerk.

A second extension of time of six months is hereby granted to the Automatic Telephone Company of New Bedford to construct its lines through the Town of Westport. All work of construction under this extension of time to be completed on or before August 1st 1903.

Albert S. Sherman } Selectmen
Andrew H. Soule } of
George E. Handy } Westport.

Westport Mass. Feb. 28. 1903.

Recorded the above Mar. 2, 1903.

A true copy,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber
Town Clerk.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Bristol SS.

March 16, 1903.

Then personally appeared Thomas E. Borden and was sworn to faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of the office of Surveyor of Lumber and Measurer of Wood and Bark, for the Town of Westport for the year ensuing.

Before me

Albert S. Sherman

Justice of the Peace

Recorded the foregoing Mar. 19, 1903.

A true copy,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber,
Town Clerk.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Bristol, S.S.

To Daniel M. Sanford, Constable of the Town of Westport in said County,
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Westport, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to assemble at the Town Hall, in said town, on Monday, the ninth day of March next, it being the second Monday in said month, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles viz:

Article 1st To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Art. 2^d To see if the Town will revoke its acceptance of the provision of Chapter 374 of the Acts of the year 1895, relating to the office of Single Highway Surveyor.

If so votes, to see if the Town will vote to elect a Board of Road Commissioners, consisting of three persons, one for the term of one year, one for the term of two years, and one for the term of three years, and if the Town so votes, then to determine when said Board shall be elected.

Art. 3^d To choose the following officers for three years, viz: one Selectman, one Assessor, one Overseer of the Poor, one member of the School Committee, one Fish Commissioner, one member of the Board of Health, and two Trustees of the Public Library. Also one Assessor for one year to fill a vacancy. Also one member of the School Committee for one year to fill a vacancy. Also the following officers for the year ensuing, viz: Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Superintendent of Beech Grove Cemetery, one or more Constables, one or more Auditors, three Fence Viewers, four Landing Commissioners, a Single Highway Surveyor, a Draw Tender for Westport Point Bridge, a Tree Warden, and all other necessary Town Officers and Committees.

Art. 4th To hear the reports of the Town Officers and Committees and act thereon.

Art. 5th To determine to what department or departments the money last received from the County Treasurer for Dog Fund shall be appropriated.

Art. 6th To make appropriations for the following purposes, viz:

Salary of the Superintendent of Schools, Services of Town Officers and Committees, Support of Schools, School-houses and Lots, School Supplies, Highways and Bridges, Paupers, Public Library, Incidentals, Military Aid, State Aid, Soldiers' Relief, Town debt and Interest.

Art. 7th To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to make up the deficiency between accrued interest and interest promised by the town on deposits for perpetual care of Burial Lots.

Art. 8th To see if the Town will vote to macadamize a portion of the highway beginning at the Rhode Island Line, near Adamsville, and extending southerly to Westport Harbor on the lower road, so called, and appropriate the necessary funds therefor.

Art. 9th To see if the Town will vote to macadamize the highway, beginning at the Fall River Line on the Narrows, thence easterly to the State Highway. Then beginning at the junction of the two highways near the Narrows, thence easterly and northerly to the residence of Cynthia M. Wordell, Then beginning at the end of the macadam on the Blossom road (so called) northerly to the Fall River Line, making a total of about 1½ miles, and make the necessary appropriation therefor.

Art. 10th To see if the Town will vote to macadamize one or more miles of the highway from the corner near the house of Geo. C. Akin southerly toward the beach, and if so, to make the necessary appropriation therefor.

Art. 11th To see if the Town will vote to continue the macadamizing of the road from Kirby's Corner towards Central Village, beginning where the present macadam leaves off, and make an appropriation therefor.

Art. 12th To see if Town will vote to purchase a Road Machine for the use of the Town and if so, to make the necessary appropriation for that purpose.

Art. 13th To see if the Town will vote to buy a screen and a portable bin and appoint a committee to purchase the same and make the necessary appropriation therefor.

Art. 14th To see what action the Town will take in relation to the following claims against the town viz: G. W. Tripp \$200.00,

Jonathan P. Tripp \$200.00, L. A. Gifford \$156.47, J. M. Shorrocks \$137.50, and Thomas L. Lewis \$12.50, all for the tuition of their ^{children} in out of town high schools.

Art. 15th To see if the Town will vote to sell the school property known as Riverside School, situated on Drift Road, so called, and if the Town so votes, to take any further action necessary.

Art. 16th To see if the Town will vote to sell Pine Island, or lease the same for a term of years, and if the town votes to do either, to choose a committee to make the necessary transfer.

Art. 17th To see if the Town will rescind the vote passed at the annual Town meeting in 1893, which is recorded as follows, "That the financial year end on Feb. 1st. And if the town so votes to see if the Town will vote to fix the date for the ending of the financial year at December 31st of each succeeding year.

Art. 18th To see if the Town will choose a committee, whose duty shall be to examine the condition of the Westport Point bridge and draw, in regard to their strength, durability and use, and report their findings to a town meeting legally called.

Art. 19th To hear the report of the committee that were elected at the annual Town meeting in 1902, to draft a set of By-Laws, and act thereon.

Art. 20th To see if the Town will transfer the sum of \$59.06 now standing to the Westport Point crusher account, also the sum of \$50.00 now standing to the road machine account, to some other department.

Art. 21st To hear the report of the Board of Health in relation to the purchase of a location for a hospital to be used for treatment of contagious diseases, and act thereon.

Art. 22^d To determine the location of the High School for the ensuing year.

Art. 23^d To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for Memorial Day, and choose a committee to receive and expend the same.

Art. 24th To see if the Town will authorize the Auditors to transfer sums of money from unappropriated money to other departments wherein there may be a deficit.

Art. 25th To see if the Town will authorize the School Committee, Overseers of the Poor, Single Highway Surveyor, and Board of Health to order bills against the Town for and on account of their respective departments.

Art. 26th To see if the inhabitants will authorize the Town Treasurer to hire such sums of money in anticipation of taxes as will be necessary to meet the current expenses of the year.

Art. 27th To determine the salaries or commission of the Town Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Sealer of Weights and Measures, Tree Warden, Draw Tender, and Superintendent of Beech Grove Cemetery.

Art. 28th To see if the Town will accept the list of names of Jurors, as prepared by the Selectmen.

Art. 29th To determine the wages for ordinary repairs on highways and Bridges for the ensuing year.

Art. 30th To determine the wages for labor in connection with the stone crusher plant, and macadamizing the highways for the ensuing year.

Art. 31st To see if the Town will appropriate a sufficient sum of money to pay a proper charge of an insurance company for acting as surety on the official bond given to the Town by its Treasurer and Collector of Taxes for the faithful discharge of his duties.

Art. 32^d To determine the manner of raising the appropriations to defray the Town charges for the ensuing year.

Art. 33^d To see if the Town will vote to charge interest on all taxes remaining unpaid after a certain date and determine the rate per cent of said interest.

The Town Clerk, Selectman, Town Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Overseer of the Poor, Assessors, members of the School Committee, Single Highway Surveyor, member of Board of Health, Trustees of the Public

Library, Fish Commissioner, Constables, Fence Viewers, Landing Commissioners, Auditors, Tree Warden, Draw Tender, and Superintendent of Beech Grove Cemetery, to be voted for on one ballot.

Also at the same time and place to bring in upon a separate ballot "Yes" or "No", upon the following question, "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town".

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up four or more attested copies thereof in as many public places within said 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 the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Westport this twenty-fourth day of February in the year One Thousand Nine Hundred and three.

Albert S. Sherman } Selectmen
Andrew H. Sowle } of
George E. Handy } Westport.

Westport Feb 27 1903

I have served this warrant by notifying the inhabitants of the town of Westport qualified to vote in Election and town Affairs by posting up 5 Attested copies 10 day before said meeting

one at North Westport Post office
one at Westport Post office
one at South Westport Post office
one at Westport Point Post office
one at Central Village Post office

Daniel M. Sanford
Constable of Westport

Town House, Westport, Mar. 9, 1903.

The legal voters of the town met at the Town House agreeable to the foregoing warrant. The Town Clerk called the meeting to order and read the warrant.

Lysander F. Howland and Henry B. Tripp having been appointed by the Selectmen to serve as tellers, appeared and took the oath of office before the Town Clerk.

For Moderator — Albert D. Manchester was elected and duly qualified.

Moved: That the Town do revoke its acceptance of the provisions of Chapter 374 of the Acts of the year 1895.

Voted: That when the final vote is taken under the motion now before the meeting, it shall be "Yes" or "No", making use of the check list.

Lysander F. Howland and Henry B. Tripp were appointed by the moderator as special tellers to serve during the vote under Art. 2d. and were duly qualified.

The Motion: That the Town do revoke its acceptance of the provisions of Chapter 374 of the Acts of the year 1895, was lost.

Yes 73 ; No 91

Voted: That further action under Art. 2d. be indefinitely postponed.

A Motion: That Art. 3d. be laid upon the table, was lost.

Yes 22 ; No 33

Voted: That we proceed to elect the following officers, viz: one Town Clerk, one Town Treasurer, one Collector of Taxes, one Selectman for three years, one Assessor for three years, one Assessor for one year, one member of the School Committee for three years, one member of the School Committee for one year, one Overseer of the Poor for three years, one member of the Board of Health for three years, one Fish Commissioner for three years, two Trustees of the Public Library for three years, four Constables, three Fence Viewers, one Single Highway Surveyor, two Auditors, four Landing Commissioners, one Tree Warden, one Draw Tender for Westport Point Bridge, and one Superintendent of Beech Grove Cemetery.

Henry B. Tripp who had been appointed by the Selectmen as a teller, was ineligible to serve in that capacity for the reason that he was a candidate for office. Abram J. Potter 2d. was appointed to serve in his stead and qualified before the Town Clerk.

Voted: To close the Polls at 1.30 o'clock P. M.

The following officers were elected, viz:

Town Clerk: Edward L. Macomber. Affirmed.

Town Treasurer: Cortez Allen. Sworn.

Collector of Taxes: Cortez Allen. Sworn.

Selectman for three years: Andrew H. Soule. Sworn.

Assessor for three years: Albert F. King. Sworn.

Assessor for one year: Augustus R. Wood. Sworn.

Member of School Committee for three years: Alfred L. Tripp. Sworn.

Member of School Committee for one year: Edward L. Macomber. Affirmed.

Overseer of the Poor for three years: Charles R. Tallman. Sworn.

Member of the Board of Health for three years: John D. Tupper. Sworn.

Fish Commissioner for three years: Eli Handy. Sworn.

Trustees of Public Library for three years:

John W. Gifford. Sworn.
William H. Pittey. Sworn.

Constables:

Daniel M. Sanford. Sworn.
Lafayette L. Gifford. Sworn.
George P. Brownell.
Frederic H. Paull. Sworn.

Fence Viewers:

Isaac D. Earle
Daniel M. Sanford. Sworn.
Elmer E. Gifford. Sworn.

Single Highway Surveyor: Peleg S. Sanford Jr. Sworn.

Auditors: Henry E. Davis. Affirmed.
Albert D. Manchester. Affirmed.

Landing Commissioners:

John W. Gifford. Sworn.
Benjamin W. Allen. Sworn.
George A. Tripp. Sworn.
Henry B. Tripp. Sworn.

Tree Warden: Edwin Borden. Sworn.

Draw Tender of Westport Point Bridge: William P. Soule. Sworn.

Superintendent of Beech Grove Cemetery: Joseph T. Lawton. Sworn.

On the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?", the vote was as follows:
Yes 64. No 115.

Voted: That we proceed to the election of other necessary town officers and committee.

Voted: To elect 12 Surveyors of Lumber and Measurers of Wood and Bark.
The following were elected, viz:

Arthur M. Reed. Sworn.	Sylvester L. Manley. Sworn.
Albert F. King. Sworn.	John W. Gifford
Peleg S. Sanford Jr. Sworn.	Philander H. Brightman
Thomas E. Borden	Lysander F. Howland. Sworn.
Frank Whalon	Charles Brightman
Byron W. Cottle. Sworn.	Charles R. Tallman. (Declined.)
	George A. Tripp

Voted: To elect 4 Field Drivers, and the following were elected, viz:
Frederic H. Paull.
Pardon T. Kirby. Sworn.
Arthur M. Reed.
Nelson D. Gifford.

A Motion: To elect 4 Pound Keepers, was lost.

Voted: To elect 2 Pound Keepers, and the following were elected, viz:
Frederic H. Paull.
Samuel H. Macomber

Voted: That the balance of Article 3d. in relation to committees be laid upon the table.

Voted: That the report of the Overseers of the Poor be accepted and placed on file.

Voted: That the report of the Treasurer in relation to Town Landings be accepted and placed on file.

Voted: That the report of the Selectmen be accepted and placed on file.

Voted: That the report of the Board of Health be accepted and placed on file.

Voted: That the report of the Board of Government of Beech Grove Cemetery be accepted and placed on file.

Voted: That the report of the Auditors be accepted and placed on file.

Voted: That Articles 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, & 18 be laid upon the table.

Voted: That when this meeting adjourn it be until Saturday, March 14,
at 10 o'clock A.M.

Voted: To postpone further reading of the By-Laws.

Voted: To adjourn.

A true record,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber,

Town Clerk.

Adjourned Annual Town Meeting.

Saturday, Mar. 14, 1903.

Annual meeting met agreeable to adjournment, with Albert D. Manchester, Moderator, in the chair.

The reading of the By-Laws was concluded.

Voted: That further action upon Art. 19 be laid upon the table.

Voted: To take Art. 17 from the table.

Voted: That the vote whereby the town voted, "That the financial year end on Feb. 1st," be rescinded. Yes 34. No 0.

Voted : To fix the date for the ending of the financial year at December 31st of each succeeding year.

Yes 37. No 0.

Voted: That Art. 19 be now taken from the table for further action.

Voted: That Section 7 of Article 3 of the By-Laws be amended by changing the word "January" to December.

Voted: To amend Section 4 of Article 1 of the By-Laws by inserting after the words "Single Highway Surveyor" the words:-or three Road Commissioners, one of whom shall be elected for one year, one for two years, and one for three years, and thereafter one each year for three years.

Yes 31. No 7.

Voted: That the By-Laws as read by the committee and amended by this meeting be accepted and adopted.
Yes 68. No 0.

Voted: That the Selectmen be instructed and requested to present the By-Laws, accepted and adopted by the town, to some Justice of the Superior Court for his approval.

Yes 29. No 0.

Moved: That the Committee on By-Laws be authorized to have printed 500 copies of the By-Laws adopted by the town, and that they be further authorized to print, within the same cover, the By-Laws relating to the government of Public and Town Landings.

Voted: To amend the foregoing motion by substituting the number 1000 in place of "500."

Voted: That the Committee on By-Laws be authorized to have printed 1000 copies of the By-Laws adopted by the town, and that they be further authorized to print, within the same cover, the By-Laws relating to the government of Public and Town Landings.

Voted: To take Art. 5 from the table for further action.

Voted: That \$75. of the Dog Fund be transferred to the department of Free Public Library.
 " 276.62 " " " " " " " " " " School Supplies.
 " 250.00 " " " " " " " " " " Schools

Voted: That when the vote is taken upon the previous motion, it be by use of the check list.

Yes 72. No 40.

Voted: That the decision of the chair be sustained

Yes 96. No 64.

A Motion: That Art. 11 be indefinitely postponed, was lost.

Yes 79. No 112.

Voted: That the Town do continue the macadamizing of the road from Kirby's corner towards Central Village, beginning where the present macadam leaves off.

Yes 129. No 71.

Voted: That we appropriate the sum of Six Thousand (\$6,000.) Dollars for the purpose of macadamizing the road from Kirby's corner towards Central Village, beginning where the present macadam leaves off.

Yes 100. No 39.

A Motion: That the Town purchase a Road Machine for the use of the Town, was lost.

Yes 19. No 46.

Voted: To indefinitely postpone the remainder of Art. 12.

A Motion: That we reconsider the vote whereby it was voted "That we appropriate the sum of Six Thousand (\$6,000.) Dollars for the purpose of macadamizing the road from Kirby's corner towards Central Village, beginning where the present macadam leaves off," was lost.

Voted: That we buy a screen and a portable bin.

Yes 62. No 3.

Voted: To appoint a committee of one to purchase the screen and portable bin.

Voted: That William H. Gifford 3d. be the committee, in accordance with the preceding vote. Mr. Gifford declined serving.

Voted: That Peleg S. Sanford Jr. be the committee to purchase the screen and bin.

Voted: That we appropriate the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.) Dollars for the purchase of a screen and a portable bin.

Yes 19. No 18.

A Motion: To indefinitely postpone Art. 14, was lost.

Yes 31. No 40.

Voted: That the claims mentioned in Art. 14 be not paid.

Yes 98. No 0.

Voted: That when this meeting adjourn, it be until Saturday, Mar. 21, at 10 o'clock A. M.

Voted: To adjourn,

A true record,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber

Town Clerk.

Adjourned Annual Town Meeting.

Saturday, March 21, 1903.

Annual Meeting met agreeable to adjournment with Albert D. Manchester, Moderator, in the chair.

Voted: That Art. 15 be indefinitely postponed.

Yes 21. No 1.

A Motion: That the Town sell Pine Island, was lost.

Yes 0. No 20.

Voted: That the Town lease Pine Island for a term of years.

Yes 31. No 0.

Voted: That the Landing Commissioners be the Committee to make the necessary transfer and that it be made under the By-Laws governing that board.

Yes 20. No 1.

A Motion: That a committee be appointed to examine the condition of the

Westport Point bridge and draw, in regard to their strength, durability and use and report their findings to the next annual town meeting, was lost.
Yes 15. No 25.

Voted: That a committee be appointed with authority to employ a competent and independent engineer to examine the condition of the Westport Point bridge and draw and report to an adjournment of this meeting.
Yes 65. No 0.

Moved: That the Board of Selectmen constitute that committee.

A Motion: To amend the previous motion, so as to read as follows, viz: That the Board of Selectmen and the Single Highway Surveyor constitute that committee, was lost.
Yes 19. No 43.

The Motion: That the Board of Selectmen constitute that committee, was lost.
Yes 4. No 52.

Voted: That a committee of four persons be appointed, one of whom shall be the Single Highway Surveyor.
Yes 43. No 3.

Voted: That Cortez Allen, Edwin Borden, and Albert D. Manchester be the other members of said committee.

Moved: That the sum of \$59.06 now standing to the Westport Point brusher account be transferred to the Highway Department.

Voted: To amend the foregoing motion by substituting in place of the words "sum of \$59.06" the word "balance".
Yes 30. No 0.

Voted: That the balance now standing to the Westport Point brusher account be transferred to the Highway Department.

Voted: That the sum of \$50.00 now standing to the Road Machine Account be transferred to the Highway Department.

Voted: To accept the Report of the Board of Health in relation to the purchase of a location for a hospital to be used for treatment of contagious diseases.

Voted: At 11.52 A.M. to adjourn for 30 minutes.

Meeting met in the afternoon agreeable to adjournment.

A Motion: To indefinitely postpone Art. 22, was lost.

Voted: That the High School be continued at the Head of Westport for the ensuing year.

Voted: That we appropriate the sum of \$50. from unappropriated money for Memorial Day.

Voted: That a committee of one be appointed to receive and expend the same.

Voted: That Ephraim T. Tripp constitute that committee.

Voted: That the Auditors be authorized to transfer from unappropriated money such sums as may be needed to equal the amount or amounts voted at all meetings of the year which are included in the annual assessment.

Voted: That the Town authorize the School Committee, Overseers of the Poor, Single Highway Surveyor, and Board of Health to order bills against the town for and on account of their respective departments.

Voted: That for the purpose of procuring a temporary loan to and for the use of the Town of Westport in anticipation of the taxes for the present municipal year, the Town Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to hire when necessary, with the approval of the Selectmen of said Town, such sum or sums of money as may be needful, not exceeding Twelve Thousand Dollars, and to execute and deliver the promissory note or notes of the Town therefor.

Yes 39. No 0.

Voted: That the Treasurer be allowed $\frac{1}{2}$ of one per cent on all payments from the treasury
Yes 35. No 0.

Voted: That the Collector of Taxes be allowed one per cent on all taxes collected and paid into the treasury.
Yes 32. No 0.

Voted: That the Sealer of Weights and Measures be paid at the rate of 25 cents per hour while in actual service.

Yes 25. No 0.

Voted: That the Tree Warden be paid at the rate of 20 cents per hour while in actual service.

Yes 17. No 0.

A Motion: That the salary of the Draw Tender of Westport Point Bridge be \$150. for the ensuing year, was lost.

Yes 12. No 34.

A Motion: That the salary of the Draw Tender of Westport Point Bridge be \$50. for the ensuing year, was lost.

Yes 10. No 31.

A Motion: That the salary of the Draw Tender of Westport Point Bridge be \$149. for the ensuing year, was lost.

Yes 24. No 43.

Moved: That the Draw Tender of Westport Point Bridge be payed a salary of \$3.00 per week, for each week after the draw is in order to be opened.

A Motion: To amend the previous motion by striking out the words "after the draw is in order to be opened", was lost.

Voted: That the Draw Tender of Westport Point Bridge be payed a salary of \$3.00 per week, for each week after the draw is in order to be opened.

Yes 43. No 28.

Voted: That the Salary of the Superintendent of Beech Grove Cemetery be \$2.00. for the ensuing year.

Yes 33. No 1.

Voted: That the following names be stricken from the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen, viz: Bowman, Joseph S., Blacksmith; Sanford, Irving F., Farmer; Brightman, Perry P., Merchant; Wordell, Arthur B., Farmer; Austin, James J., Mason; Gibson, Horace M., Teamster,

Voted: That the following names be added to said list of Jurors, viz: Macomber, Philander W., Farmer; Brownell, Charles A., Farmer; and

Cornell, Everett P., Farmer.

Voted: That the list of names of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen and amended by this meeting be accepted, viz:

Allen, Henry A.	Farmer.	Macomber Edward L.	Town Clerk.
Allen, Job	"	Macomber Nason R.	Farmer.
Brownell, Charles A.	"	Macomber Philander W.	"
Brownell, George P.	Carpenter.	Petty Eli F.	Laborer.
Borden, Thomas E.	Merchant.	Petty George F.	Farmer.
Clark, William	Wood Dealer.	Perry John A.	"
Cornell, Everett P.	Farmer.	Pierce Jesse F.	Teamster.
Davis, Henry E.	"	Reed George L.	Painter.
Davis, Zebedee E.	Butcher.	Sanford Daniel M.	Farmer.
Earle, Isaac D.	Carpenter	Sanford Herbert A.	Carpenter.
Feenan, Henry	Farmer	Shorrock Joseph M.	Merchant.
Gifford, Elmer E.	"	Sowle James H.	Carpenter.
Gifford, Charles F. 2d	Clerk.	Tripp Clifton L.	Farmer.
Grinnell, George B.	Supt. Cem.	Tripp Henry B.	"
Howland, Edward A.	Storekeeper.	Tripp James H.	"
Howland, Asa R.	Farmer.	Tripp George A.	Inspector.
King, Albert F.	"	White Lyander W.	Farmer.
Lawton, George S.	"	Wood George E. B.	"
Lawton, Isaac M.	"	Whalon Frank	Teamster.
Manley, Sylvester C.	Blacksmith.		

Voted: That the wages for ordinary repairs on Highways and Bridges for the ensuing year be as follows, viz: Foreman \$2.00 per day; Common Laborer \$1.75 per day; One pair of oxen \$2.25 per day; One pair of horses \$2.25 per day; Plough 25 cts. per day; Cart 25 cts. per day; Scraper 25 cts. per day for all work done previous to June 1, 1903, and after that date as follows, viz: Foreman \$1.75 per day; Common Laborer \$1.50 per day; One pair of oxen \$2.00 per day; One pair of horses \$2.00 per day; Plough 25 cts. per day; Cart, 25 cts. per day; Scraper 25 cts. per day.

Yes 57. No 1.

A Motion: That the wages per day to be paid the man who feeds the crusher, the engineer or any one employed on other mechanical work be left to the discretion of the Highway Surveyor.

That the wages per day for ordinary labor in connection with the Stone crusher plant and macadamizing the highways be the same as for similar labor on the highways.

That teams employed in hauling stone in connection with macadamizing be paid the same as teams on the highway, except that the price of a cart shall be 50 cts. instead of 25 cts. per day, was lost.

Yes 0. No 18.

A Motion: That the wages per day to be paid the man who feeds the crusher, the engineer or any one employed on other mechanical work be left to the discretion of the Highway Surveyor.

That the wages per day for ordinary labor in connection with the Stone crusher plant and macadamizing the highways be as follows, viz: Common Laborer \$1.75 per day; One pair of oxen and driver \$4.00 per day; One pair of horses and driver \$4.00 per day; and cart 50 cts. per day, was lost.

Yes 1. No 24.

Voted: That the pay of engineers, men to feed the crusher and all mechanical work be left to the Highway Surveyor; all other laborers including the men that level the crushed stone be paid \$1.75 per day; 1 pair of horses, man, and cart be \$4.00 per day.

Yes 54. No 1.

Moved: That when this meeting adjourn it be until Monday, June 22, 1903 at 10 o'clock A. M.

Voted: To amend the foregoing motion by substituting the words "Saturday, June 27" in place of the words "Monday June 22".

Voted: That when this meeting adjourn it be until Saturday, June 27, 1903 at 10 o'clock A. M.

A Motion: To reconsider the vote whereby the town voted to indefinitely postpone action on Art. 10 of the warrant for the annual meeting for 1903, was lost.

Yes 33. No 76.

Voted: That the Town appropriate from Unappropriated Money the sum of \$50. to pay a proper charge of an insurance company for acting as surety on the official bond given to the Town by its Treasurer and Collector of Taxes for the faithful discharge of his duties.

Yes 21 No 0.

Voted: That the appropriations to defray the Town charges for the ensuing year be raised by taxation.

Yes 22. No 0.

Voted: That interest be charged on all taxes remaining unpaid after Nov. 9, 1903.

Voted: That the rate of said interest be four per cent. Yes 12. No 8.

Voted: That this meeting adjourn until June 27, 1903 at 10 o'clock A. M.

A true record,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber,
Town Clerk.

To Eli Handy:

You are hereby appointed Inspector of Animals for the Town of Westport for one year from date hereof.

Albert S. Sherman } Selectmen
Andrew H. Soule } of
George E. Handy } Westport.

Westport Mass. Mar. 15, 1903.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Bristol ss. Apr. 20, 1903.

Then personally appeared the above named Eli Handy and was sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties conferred on him by the foregoing appointment.

Before me,

Edward L. Macomber, Justice of the Peace.

Recorded the foregoing Apr. 20, 1903.

A true copy,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber,
Town Clerk.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Bristol, ss.

Westport, Apr. 25, 1903.

Then personally appeared Daniel M. Sanford and made oath to the faithful discharge of his duties as Truant Officer for the ensuing year, to which office he had been appointed by the School Committee.

Before me,

Edward L. Macomber

Justice of the Peace.

Recorded the above Apr. 25, 1903.

A true copy,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber,

Town Clerk.

Westport, Mass., May 21, 1903.

This is to certify that I have this day caused to be destroyed by fire without examination or permitting them to be examined by any person whatever the ballots cast at the election of Nov. 4, 1902.

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber,

Town Clerk.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Bristol, ss.

To Daniel M. Sanford, Constable of the Town of Westport, in said County,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Westport, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to assemble at the Town Hall, in said town, on Saturday the sixteenth day of May current, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1st. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Article 2^d. To see what action the Town will take in relation to the Westport Point Bridge and draw, by repairing or rebuilding the same, and choose a committee to get the necessary permission for making said repairs or rebuilding, and superintending said repairs or rebuilding, make an appropriation therefor, and determine the manner of raising said appropriation.

And generally to act on any matter relating to said Bridge and Draw.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up four or more attested copies thereof in as many public places within said 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 the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Westport this fifth day of May in the year One Thousand Nine Hundred and three.

Albert S. Sherman } Selectmen
Andrew H. Soule } of
George E. Handy } Westport.

Westport, May 7, 1903.

I have served this warrant by notifying the inhabitants of the town of Westport qualified to vote in electing and town affairs by posting up 5 attested copies 8 day before said meeting

one at North Westport Postoffice
 one at Westport Postoffice
 one at South Westport Postoffice
 one at Westport Point Postoffice
 one at Central Village Postoffice

Daniel M Sanford
 Constable of Westport.

Town Hall, Westport, May 16, 1903.

Agreeable to the foregoing warrant the legal voters assembled. The meeting was called to order and the warrant read by the Town Clerk who appointed William H. Gifford, 3d. teller of votes for moderator and he duly qualified by affirmation.

Albert D. Manchester was unanimously elected moderator and made due affirmation before the Town Clerk.

The committee appointed by the Town at the last Annual Meeting to examine the condition of the Westport Point Bridge and Draw and report at an adjournment of said meeting on June 27th made an informal report of their findings to this meeting.

Moved: That we do build a new Bridge at Westport Point connecting Westport Point with Horseneck.

Voted: To amend the original motion by inserting after the word "Bridge" the words "or repair the present bridge and draw".
 Yes 29. No 0.

Voted: That we do build a new Bridge or repair the present bridge and draw at Westport Point, connecting Westport Point with Horseneck.
 Yes 31. No 0.

A Motion: That we repair the bridge according to the suggestion contained in the report of the engineer (Williams), was lost.
 Yes 12. No 21.

Voted: That so much of Art. 2 as relates to repairing or rebuilding, as yet remains to be acted upon, be laid upon the table.
 Yes 5. No 0.

Voted: That we proceed to choose a committee of five members to act under the balance of Art. 2 and report at an adjournment.
 Yes 17. No 0.

The following were elected members of said committee, viz: —
 William H. Gifford, 3d.; Thomas B. Earle; (John W. Gifford, elected but declined to serve.); Albert S. Sherman; Andrew H. Soule; and Edmund L. Gifford.

Voted: That the committee be instructed to obtain from the Harbor and Land Commissioners all possible information as to their requirements in the matter as to building and repairing (in either case); And also to learn, if possible, from the South Shore Electric Co. and also from the Horseneck Beach Electric Co. what share of the expense for rebuilding, altering, or repairing said Bridge will be borne by each or either; To ascertain, as nearly as may be, the cost of rebuilding or repairing, and the manner of repairing, if deemed best, and if a new Bridge is deemed economical of what material and in what manner it shall be built.

Yes 8. No 0.

A Motion: That this meeting adjourn until June 27, 1903 at 10.30 o'clock A. M., was lost.
 Yes 4. No 13.

Voted: That this meeting adjourn until June 6, 1903 at 10 o'clock A. M.
 Yes 7. No 4.

A true record,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber,
 Town Clerk.

Adjourned Special Town Meeting.

Westport, June 6, 1903.

Special Town Meeting of May 16, met agreeable to adjournment with Albert D. Manchester, Moderator, in the chair.

A gavel having been presented to the town at this time from Mr. Lafayette L. Gifford, he was tendered a vote of thanks for the gift.

The committee appointed on May 16 made a report of their findings at this time.

Voted: That the report of this committee, as presented by Mr Gifford, be accepted.

Yes 26. No 0.

Voted: To take from the table so much of Art. 2 as was laid upon the table at the previous session of this meeting.

Yes 18. No 0.

Moved: (By Lafayette L. Gifford) That the committee elected on May 16th be made a permanent committee to have charge of the work of rebuilding the draw and of all repairs on the bridge.

Voted: To lay upon the table the foregoing motion of Lafayette L. Gifford.

Yes 14. No 0.

A Motion: To take from the table a motion made at the previous session by John W. Gifford, viz: To reconsider the vote whereby the Town rejected the motion: - That we repair the bridge according to the suggestions contained in the report of the engineer (Williams), was lost.

Yes 7. No 8.

A Motion: That we repair the Westport Point bridge according to the suggestions of the committee that has just reported, was lost.

Yes 16. No 25.

Voted: That we repair the present Westport Point Bridge.

Yes 31. No 1.

The moderator called James H. Sullivan to the chair and presented the following motion, viz:

That a committee of three be appointed to have plans prepared for a centre pier of stone or concrete for the present draw and also abutments for the ends of said draw to rest upon when closed, the same of like material; also to have plans of any other repairs to said draw and other parts wherein, in their judgment, it is necessary, to make any alterations in the manner of construction; to present said plans to the Harbor and Land Commissioners for their approval; also obtain bids from responsible parties for the construction of all repairs determined upon by said committee and report at an adjournment of this meeting.

The vote of the meeting upon said motion being a tie, viz: -

Yes 18. No 18.

the decision was left to the acting moderator, who declared the motion lost.

A Motion: That we repair the draw by putting in substantial piers of stone or concrete or a combination of both with a new Turn table, and repair the other portion of the bridge by putting in hard pine girders and such extra piles as may be found necessary to make the bridge strong and safe for public travel, was lost.

Yes 15. No 16.

The foregoing vote being doubted, a vote was taken to determine whether or not the chairman's decision should be sustained.

Voted: To sustain the decision of the Chair.

Yes 26. No 16.

Voted: That we repair the draw with a new turn table, and other necessary repairs, supported on a substantial pier of stone or concrete or both, with the ends supported on piers constructed of similar material.

Yes 30. No 0.

Voted: That we also repair the balance of the bridge by putting in so many new girders as, in the judgment of the Committee having the matter in charge, shall be absolutely necessary to secure the present safety of the structure, and such other minor work as may be necessary including piling, timbers, or planking.

Yes 25. No 0.

Voted: That we take from the table the motion of Lafayette L. Gifford.

Yes 20. No 1.

Voted: That the Committee elected on May 16th be made a permanent committee to have charge of the work of rebuilding the draw and of all repairs on the bridge.

Yes 21. No 2.

Voted: That we adjourn until Saturday, June 27, 1903 at 10.30 o'clock A.M.

Yes 19. No 0.

A true record,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber,
Town Clerk.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Bristol, ss.

Westport, June 6, 1903.

Then personally appeared Lafayette L. Gifford and made oath to the faithful discharge of his duties as Truant Officer in accordance with his appointment by the School Committee.

Before me,

Edward L. Macomber,
Justice of the Peace.

Recorded the above June 12, 1903.

A true copy,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber,
Town Clerk.

Adjourned Annual Town Meeting.

Westport, June 27, 1903.

Annual Meeting met agreeable to adjournment with Albert D. Manchester, moderator, in the chair.

The committee appointed to examine the Westport Point Bridge and Draw in regard to their strength, durability, and use and to report at an adjournment of this meeting made their report at this time.

Voted: That the reading of this report be waived.

Voted: That the Report of the Committee be accepted and filed.

Voted: That the Moderator be paid Fifteen (\$15.00) Dollars for his services.

The records of the meeting were read at this time.

Voted: To accept the minutes, as read.

Voted: To adjourn without day.

A true record,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber
Town Clerk.

Adjourned Special Meeting.

Westport, June 27, 1903.

The Special Town Meeting of May 16, continued by successive adjournments until June 27, met at the Town Hall upon the latter date with the moderator, Albert D. Manchester, presiding.

The previous records of the meeting were read.

The committee having charge of the work of repairing the Bridge reported that they were not prepared to make any formal report at this time.

Moved: That the town appropriate and vote the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars, or such part thereof as may be necessary to

carry into effect the vote of the Town on June 6, 1903 in relation to Westport Point Bridge, such sum or sums to be expended under the direction of the Committee elected at the same meeting.

Voted: That the foregoing motion of John W. Gifford be laid upon the table.

Voted: That this meeting adjourn until Monday, July 6, 1903 at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

Yes 7. No 0.

A true record,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber,
Town Clerk.

Adjourned Special Town Meeting.

Westport, July 6, 1903.

The Special Town Meeting of May 16, having been continued by successive adjournments met at the Town Hall on July 6, with the moderator, Albert D. Manchester, presiding.

A financial quorum not being present, it was impossible to make any appropriation for the work of repairing the bridge.

The records of the meeting were read.

Voted: That the records be accepted.

Yes 9. No 0.

Voted: To adjourn without day.

Yes 6. No 0.

A true record,

Attest:

Edward L. Macomber,
Town Clerk.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Bristol SS.

To Daniel M. Sanford, Constable of the Town of Westport in said County, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Westport qualified to vote in elections, to assemble at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, the third day of November next, it being the Tuesday after the first Monday in said month, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

To give in their votes for Governor; Lieutenant Governor; Secretary; Treasurer; Auditor; and Attorney-General for the Commonwealth; a Councillor from the first district; a Senator from the third Bristol district; a County Commissioner; County Treasurer; Register of Probate and Insolvency, for the County of Bristol, a Register of Deeds for the Southern district; and two Representatives in General Court from the ninth Bristol district.

The Polls will be opened at 10.15 o'clock A.M. and may be closed at 2.15 o'clock P.M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof in four or more public places within said 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 Selectmen, at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Westport, this twenty-second day of October in the year One Thousand Nine Hundred and three.

Albert S. Sherman } Selectmen
Andrew H. Soule } of
George E. Handy } Westport.

Westport, Oct. 23, 1903.

I have served this warrant by notifying the inhabitants of the town of Westport qualified to vote for state officers to meet at the town hall in in said town on Tuesday the third day of November by posting up 5 attested copies within 10 day before said meeting

one at North Westport Post office
one at Westport Post office
one at South Westport Post office
one at Westport Point Post office
one at Central Village Post office

Daniel M. Sanford
Constable of Westport.