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Annual Reports for the Year Ending December 31, 1972

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## **Organization**

### **Moderator**

Lee Burlingame

### **Prudential Committee**

Peter C. Murray	Term expires 1974
James R. Irwin	Term expires 1973
Edward S. Savery	Term expires 1975

### **Clerk**

F. Maynard Gifford, Jr.

### **Treasurer**

Agnes C. Murray

### **Board of Water Commissioners**

James E. Downey	Term expires 1974
F. Maynard Gifford, Jr.	Term expires 1975
Joseph W. Hallett	Term expires 1973

## **BOARD OF ENGINEERS**

### **Chief**

Arthur Gomes	Term expires 1974
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### **First Assistant Engineer**

John Newton, Jr.	Term expires 1973
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### **Second Assistant Engineer**

Charles E. Hamblin	Term expires 1975
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### **Auditors**

Harry Crocker	Charles F. Gieg	Alfred E. Martin
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## ANNUAL REPORT OF CLERK

ANNUAL MEETING

FEBRUARY 14, 1972

In accordance with the foregoing notice and the by-laws of the District the annual meeting of the Cotuit Fire District was held in Freedom Hall on Monday, February 14, 1972 at 8 o'clock P.M. The moderator called the meeting to order and the clerk read the call of the meeting, and the return of same.

**Article 1.** Lee Burlingame was chosen moderator for one year. Bennett Dottridge, Philip Brackett, Manuel Robello were appointed tellers.

**Article 2.** The result of the election was as follows:

**Member of Prudential Committee** for 3 years:

*Edward S. Savery	58 votes
Stephen Hamblin	35 votes
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**Member of Board of Water Commissioners** for 3 years:

*F. Maynard Gifford, Jr. Clerk	1 vote
*Agnes Murray, Treasurer	1 vote
*Arthur Gomes, Chief Eng.	1 vote (2 yrs.)
*Charles E. Hamblin 2nd. Asst. Eng.	1 vote (3 yrs.)
*Charles F. Gieg,	
*Alfred E. Martin,	
*Harry Crocker, Auditors	1 vote each
*Elected	

**Article 3.** Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously Voted: "That the District authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Prudential Committee, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue for the financial years beginning January 1, 1972 and January 1, 1973, in accordance with provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17."

**Article 4.** Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was Voted: "That the District accept the reports of the officers and committees of the District as printed with corrections.

**Article 5.** Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was Voted: "That the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,457.91 to pay the unpaid bills of the District as submitted."

**Article 6.** Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was Voted: "That the District set the salaries of the elected officials as follows:

Clerk	\$ 400.	1st. Asst. Eng.	\$ 100.
Treasurer	\$ 750.	2nd. Asst. Eng.	\$ 100.
Chief Engineer	\$1,500.	Moderator	\$20. per meeting

**Article 7.** Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was Voted: "That the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,550. for the financial dept. to pay for debt and interest, salaries, expenses, and assessment of the Barnstable County Retirement Association."

**Article 8.** Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was Voted: "That the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,500. for the expenses of the fire dept. for the ensuing year."

**Article 9.** Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was Voted: "That the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$250. for the maintenance of the Cotuit Library Association Inc."

**Article 10.** Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was Voted: "That the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000. for the expenses of Freedom Hall for the ensuing year."

**Article 11.** Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was Voted: "That the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,700. for the purpose of lighting the streets of the District for the ensuing year."

**Article 12.** Upon motion duly made and seconded, it

was unanimously Voted: "That the District accept certain provisions of Chapter 32 B of the General Laws, authorizing any county, city, town, or district to provide a plan of contributory group life insurance, group accidental death and dismemberment insurance, and group general or blanket hospital, surgical and medical insurance for certain persons in the service of such county, city, town, or district and their dependents and that the district in addition to the payment of fifty per cent of a premium for contributory group life and health insurance for employees in the service of the district and their dependents, pay a subsidiary or additional rate. This action to be restricted to employees of the Cotuit Water Dept."

**Article 13.** Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was Voted: "That the District raise and appropriate the following sums:

- (a) \$ 6,000. for the water dept. for service connections
  - (b) \$37,976. for the operation and maintenance of the water dept.
  - (c) \$ 2,500. for the water dept. for extension
- and that the receipts and revenues of the water dept. be applied to these amounts."

**Article 14.** Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was Voted: "That the District authorize the Board of Water Commissioners, to grant in behalf of the District, an easement over District property to F. Maynard Gifford Jr., his heirs and assigns, provided that in return the said F. Maynard Gifford Jr. grants an easement over his property to the District."

**Article 15.** Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was Voted: "That the District appropriate the sum of \$90,000. to increase the water supply of the District by the construction of a new pumping station, for the purchase and installation of original pumping station equipment, and for connecting the new supply with the present water system with water mains of not less than six but less than sixteen inches in diameter and that to meet said appropriation the sum of \$3,508.45 be raised in the tax levy of the current year, the unexpended balance of the elevated tank and school house service in the amount of \$1,491.55 be transferred for this purpose and that the treasurer, with the approval of the Prudential Committee, be authorized to

borrow the balance of \$85,000. under authority of General Laws, Chapter 44, and to issue bonds or notes of the District therefor payable in accordance with said Chapter 44 so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than fifteen years from the date of issue of the first bond or note. 71 Yeas 13 Nays

**Article 16.** Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was Voted: "That the District appropriate the sum of \$12,000. from free cash towards the tax levy of the current year."

**Article 17.** Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was Voted: "That the District instruct the Prudential Committee to authorize payment of an additional 25% of the total cost of the group life insurance and group general or blanket hospital, surgical, and medical insurance vote under article 12, or a total of 75% of the total cost."

Mrs. Louise L. Harmon was publicly thanked for her services to the District, and the following resolution was unanimously adopted.

WHEREAS: Robert O. Dottridge served the Cotuit Fire District faithfully and well as Chief Engineer for a period of nearly twenty years before retiring on July 1, 1971, and

WHEREAS: under his direction the quality of equipment, training, and performance of the Cotuit Fire Department was consistently high and always seeking improvement, and

WHEREAS: he himself set a high standard of conscientious performance of duty and of humane concern for the victims of misfortune, therefore.

Be it hereby resolved that we, the voters of the Cotuit Fire District, in Annual Meeting assembled, express our deep gratitude to our retired Chief for his long and valued service to this District, and be it further resolved that this resolution be spread upon the records of this meeting and a copy sent to Robert O. Dottridge.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to adjourn.

F. Maynard Gifford, Jr.  
Clerk: Cotuit Fire District

## **COTUIT FIRE DISTRICT**

**Special Meeting**

**December 28, 1972**

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In accordance with the foregoing notice and the by-laws of the District the Special Meeting of the Cotuit Fire District was held in Freedom Hall on Thursday, December 28, 1972 at 8 o'clock P.M. The Moderator called the meeting to order and the clerk read the call of the meeting and the return of same. There were 9 voters present.

**Article 1.** Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously Voted: "That the District transfer the sum of \$1300. from the reserve overlay account to pay for replacing gutters and downspouts on Freedom Hall."

**Article 2.** Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously Voted: "That the District transfer the sum of \$1299.40 from the reserve overlay account to the Fire Dept. expense account to pay for repairs to Engine 1.

**Article 3.** Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously Voted: "That the District transfer the sum of \$805.98 from Free Cash to Fire Dept. expense account.

**Article 4.** Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was Voted: "To adjourn."

F. Maynard Gifford, Jr.

Clerk: Cotuit Fire District

This meeting voted:

Transfer of \$1300. from reserve overlay for repairs to Freedom Hall

Transfer of \$1229.40 from reserve overlay for repairs to Engine 1.

Transfer of \$805.98 from free cash for Fire Dept. expenses.



## REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Year ending December 31, 1972

### Receipts

Cash Balance, January 1, 1972		\$ 31,159.86
Water Department		
Receipts and Revenue	42,160.73	
Water Liens	326.40	
		42,487.13
Tax Collector		
1972 Personal Property	5,867.08	
1972 Real Estate	41,343.06	
1971 Personal Property	463.43	
1971 Real Estate	4,203.44	
1970 Personal Property	7.20	
		51,884.21
Payroll Deductions		5,507.01
Interest on Savings Account		2,188.28
Freedom Hall		120.00
New Well and Station Loan		85,000.00
Miscellaneous		60.40
Total Receipts		\$218,406.89

### Expenditures

Water Department		
Maintenance	32,077.56	
Extensions	1,720.80	
Service Connections	6,000.00	
Test Wells	629.00	
New Well and Station	43,708.74	
		84,136.10
Fire Department		
Maintenance	13,496.28	
New Fire Truck	560.00	
Fire Alarm Improvement	127.23	
		14,183.51
Financial Department		30,029.96
Freedom Hall		1,395.55

Street Lights	5,698.96
Cotuit Library Association	250.00
Payroll Deductions	5,507.01
Tax Refunds	992.40
Unpaid Bills Appropriation	1,457.91
Total Expenditures	143,651.40
Cash Balance, December 31, 1972	74,755.49
	<u>\$218,406.89</u>

#### Valuation of the District

Real Estate	5,686,200.00
Personal Property	763,960.00
Total Valuation	6,450,160.00
Tax Rate 1972	\$8.00 per 1,000.00

#### DISTRICT INDEBTEDNESS — NOTES AND INTEREST

Series	Year Issued	Amount	Amount Each Note	Purpose
Feb. 1	1964	60,000	5,000	Increase water supply
May 1	1968	15,000	3,000	Fire House Addition
Oct. 1	1963	20,000	2,000	Purchase land to increase water supply
Mar. 15	1971	22,500	4,500	Purchase Fire Truck
Apr. 1	1972	85,000	6,000	New well and Station

Series	Date of Last Payment	Amount left Dec. 31, 1972	Interest Rate paid semi-annually
Feb. 1	1976	20,000	3.10
May 1	1973	3,000	4.10
Oct. 1	1973	2,000	3.00
Mar. 15	1976	18,000	3.60
Apr. 1	1987	85,000	4.00

#### Financial Department Expense in Detail

Appropriation	\$30,550.00
Salaries:	
Fire Chief	1,500.00
Pension for Fire Chief	1,605.60
Clerk	400.00

Treasurer	750.00	
Moderator	40.00	
Tax Collector	50.48	
Assessors	122.40	
First Assistant Engineer	100.00	
Second Assistant Engineer	100.00	
Postage	48.00	
Stationery and Supplies	7.48	
Printing and Advertising	246.09	
Barnstable County Retirement		
Assessment	1,112.81	
Health and Life Insurance,		
Water Dept. Employees	713.80	
Miscellaneous	137.30	
Notes and Interest:		
Water Dept. notes	12,000.00	
interest	2,682.50	
Fire Dept. notes	7,500.00	
interest	913.50	
Total Expenditures	30,029.96	
Balance to Revenue	520.04	
		\$30,550.00

Respectfully submitted by.

Agnes C. Murray  
Treasurer

DECEMBER 31, 1972

COTUIT FIRE DISTRICT

BALANCE SHEET

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets		Liabilities and Reserves	
Cash:		Tailings - unclaimed checks	21.80
General		Special Appropriation Balances:	
Petty Cash - water dept.		Test Wells	379.86
Accounts Receivable:		New Well and Station	46,291.26
Taxes		Special Land Purchase	2,054.12
1972 Personal Property	218.20	Replace Gutters and Downspouts	
1972 Real Estate	2,514.54	at Freedom Hall	1,300.00
Tax Title	520.45	Reserve Fund-Overlay Surplus	5,286.56
Water:		Overlay Reserved for Abatement 1972	1,418.15
Rates and Services		Overlay Reserved for Abatement 1971	434.80
		Revenue Reserved Until Collected:	
		Taxes	3,253.19
		Water	707.42
		Reserve for petty cash advance	25.77
		Surplus Revenue (Free Cash)	17,568.94
			<u>\$78,741.87</u>

Debt Accounts

General		Fire Dept. Equipment	18,000.00
Public Service Enterprise		Fire House Addition	3,000.00
		Water	107,000.00
			<u>128,000.00</u>

## **REPORT OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS**

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To the citizens of the Cotuit Fire District.

Your Board of Water Commissioners submits herewith its 36th annual report for the year ending December 31, 1972.

At the annual Fire District meeting held Feb. 14, 1972, Mr. F. Maynard Gifford, Jr. was re-elected to the Board for three years.

The Board has held regular monthly meetings and a number of special meetings to deal with special problems. It has endeavored to keep expenses to the minimum consistent with proper and efficient operation of the Department.

In 1972, 19 new services were added making a total of 658, of which 23 are inactive. 2,014 feet of main line were installed by the District; 1,764 ft. at no cost.

Within the last few years over 600 new home sites have been registered with the Planning Board for the District. Approximately 200 of these sites will probably be built upon in the next year. This explosive construction with its demand for fire protection and domestic water supplies poses serious problems for the Water Department and the District taxpayer.

Faced with an ever increasing demand for water the Commissioners followed the recommendations in the 1971-72 report of Whitman and Howard and searched for potential new well sites. One location has been found and the Commissioners will come to the voters for funding to further prove and acquire the site.

The Commissioners take this opportunity to thank the employees of the Department for a job well done.

## RECORD OF WATER PUMPED

Total Water Pumped	59,291,900 gals.
Largest Week August 8th to 15th	2,500,400 gals.
Largest Day August 23rd	425,500 gals.

## RECEIPTS

Water	\$ 34,938.61
Service Connections	5,724.16
Others	1,497.96
	\$42,160.73
Total Receipts	
Accounts Receivable—\$707.42	
Water Liens     None	

## EXPENDITURES

Regular Appropriations				
	Appropriated	Spent	Balance	
Maintenance & operation	\$37,722.00	\$32,077.56	\$5,644.44	
Service Connections	6,000.00	6,000.00	None	
Regular Ext. Acct.	2,500.00	1,720.80	779.20	
Special Appropriations				
	Appropriated	Pre. Spent	Spent 1972	Balance
1965 Land Purchase	\$12,500.00	\$10,445.88	None	\$ 2,054.12
1971 Test Wells	8,000.00	6,991.14	629.00	379.86
New Well & Station	90,000.00	None	43,708.74	46,291.26

## MAINTENANCE IN DETAIL

Supt. Salary	\$11,154.42
Asst. Salary	8,823.10
Office Expense	640.69
Telephones	891.68
New Eng. & Mass. Water Works	55.00
Maintenance of System	3,043.43
Truck Expense	1,148.80
Chemicals	371.10
Rustop System	216.00
New Equipment	400.00

Water Shed & Grounds	65.35
Unclassified (Printing etc.)	74.16
Repair to Pumps and Motors	155.63
Legal Eng. & Clerk Hire	401.00
Cast Iron Pipe & Fittings	300.00
Engine Fuel	121.40
Freight & Express	
Lights & Power	2,656.28
Station Heating	467.61
Building Repair	40.40
Tools & Hardware	100.00
Insurance	707.63
Bonds	
Life & Hospital Insurance	243.88
	<hr/> \$32,077.56

#### STOCK INVENTORY

Stock on hand Dec. 31, 1971	\$17,234.18	
Stock on hand Dec. 31, 1972	19,049.35	
Increase in Inventory		\$1,815.17

Respectfully submitted

Joseph Hallett

James Downey

F. M. Gifford, Jr.

## PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

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To the citizens of the Cotuit Fire District:

Your Prudential Committee submits herewith its report for the year of 1972.

At the annual Fire District meeting, Edward S. Savery was elected to the Prudential Committee for a term of three years.

The Prudential Committee received 6 requests for new street lights and replaced 10 street lights with brighter ones.

Freedom Hall has been used much more than usual through-out the year by youth groups and adult organizations.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Frick still continued the landscaping and care of the grounds without charge to the district.

The Prudential Committee and Board of Water Commissioners met together at various times during the year to exchange ideas and discuss district business.

We would like to thank the Rescue Squad of the fire department for its efforts in obtaining a new ambulance for the fire district.

James R. Irwin

Peter C. Murray

Edward S. Savery



### **FREEDOM HALL**

Appropriation		\$ 2,000.00
Expenditures - 1972		
Fuel		
Walter C. Scudder	564.80	
Insurance		
C. Goodspeed	185.00	
Water		
Cotuit Water Dept.	38.00	
Services		
Ralph J. Perry	18.98	
Walter Dottridge	13.00	
Telephone		
New England Telephone	105.93	
Supplies		
John Newton	135.00	
Hubbard Paint	18.94	
Cotuit Grocery	4.66	
Janitor Services	161.75	
Electricity	149.49	
Total Expended	1,395.55	
Balance to Revenue	604.45	
		\$ 2,000.00
Total Receipts	120.00	

### **STREET LIGHTS**

Appropriation		\$5,700.00
Expended	5,698.96	
Balance to Revenue	1.04	
		\$5,700.00

### **COTUIT LIBRARY**

Appropriation		\$ 250.00
Expended	250.00	
		\$ 250.00

James R. Irwin  
Peter C. Murray  
Edward S. Savery

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ENGINEERS

To the citizens of the Cotuit Fire District:

The Board of Engineers submits the annual report for the year 1972.

The loss by fire was estimated at \$6,000 of which \$5,000 has been paid by insurance.

The Department has responded to the following alarms:

Fires	42
Ambulance	62
Out of town	2
Transported by car	4
Gas leaks	2

Total	112
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Expenditures and Estimate:

	1971	1972	Est. 1973
Electricity	\$ 282.57	\$ 300.03	\$ 600.00
Telephone	1,021.09	1,210.98	2,424.00
Heat	419.62	359.35	620.00
Fire Alarm	364.00	1,000.00	1,500.00
Insurance	3,159.01	2,617.25	5,235.00
Main. Equipment	1,275.73	3,194.40	4,795.00
Main. Station	103.83	113.09	170.00
Supplies and Equipment	633.88	1,254.32	1,905.00
Expenses	40.00	79.92	160.00
Labor	2,825.00	3,366.90	5,050.00
Total Expenditures	\$10,124.73	\$13,496.28	
Appropriation	\$10,500.00	\$13,535.38	\$22,459.00
			Est. cost
Balance to Revenue	\$375.27	\$39.10	

The labor accounts was spent as follows:

Fires	\$1,388.50
Ambulance and Rescue	926.40
Equipment and Station	572.00
Drills	480.00
Total Labor	3,366.90

The Firemen's Association purchased an Outboard Motor and trailer for the Rescue boat.

This has been a busy but progressive year. We have been concentrating on updating our training by attending classes and having speakers with formal training from surrounding villages covering many phases of fire and rescue work.

The Department held 24 fire drills, 6 of these being held at the County Fire Training School in Hyannis. A 5 week course on Pumps was well-attended. Six of our men attended Topsfield Academy for Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Driver training. Room and board for these classes were paid for by Civilian Defense.

The Rescue Squad held 12 drills and 6 special drills. Classes for certification in C.P.R., lectures by physicians from Cape Cod Hosp., and other Cape rescue squads have proved to be most beneficial to our squad. One female attended EMT classes at Harvard.

In January, the Rescue Squad started an Ambulance Fund. Committee members were Arthur Gomes, James Medeiros, Earle MacDowell, Manuel Sylvia, and David Wiseman. A goal of \$16,000 was set and a total of \$10,713.18 has been raised to date by contributions. In Aug. The Firemen's Ball was held and the proceeds of \$2,266.00 was added to this Fund. In Sept. an auction headed by Mrs. Mary Hall Hamblin as Chairman, Mrs. Phyllis Dudley and Miss Ida Anderson as co-chairmen was held and proceeds of \$4,508.60 brought us to our goal. Our total now is \$17,487.78. The new ambulance has been ordered and should arrive sometime in March.

There are 45 members on the Fire Dept., 3 of them Fire Police. 16 are members of the Rescue Squad, 2 of these being females.

The Board of Engineers wish to express their gratitude to all members of the Dept. and citizens who were most helpful during this past year. We could not have accomplished so much without their co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur S. Gomes, Chief  
John E. Newton, Asst. Chief  
Charles E. Hamblin,  
Dep. Chief

**COTUIT FIRE DISTRICT WARRANT**  
**Annual Meeting — February 12, 1973**

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To the Clerk of the Cotuit Fire District      GREETING:

You are hereby required and directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Barnstable residing within the territory comprising the Cotuit Fire District qualified to vote in District elections and affairs to meet in Freedom Hall, Cotuit, Monday, February 12, 1973 at 8 o'clock P.M., then and there to act upon the following articles:

**Article 1.** To choose a Moderator for one year.

**Article 2.** To elect one member of the Prudential Committee for three years, one member of the Board of Water Commissioners for three years, a Clerk for one year, a Treasurer for one year, a 1st. Asst. Eng. for three years, three Auditors for one year, and to elect any other officials not mentioned.

**Article 3.** To see if the district will vote to authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the Prudential Committee, to borrow in anticipation of the revenue for the eighteen month period beginning January 1, 1973 in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and acts in amendment thereof, and including in addition thereto, Chapter 849 of the Acts of 1969, as amended, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

**Article 4.** To hear and act upon the reports of the officers and committees of the District.

**Article 5.** To receive and act upon the accounts of all persons to whom the District may be indebted.

**Article 6.** To see what salaries the District will pay

the following elected officials: Clerk, Treasurer, Chief Engineer, 1st. Asst. Eng., 2nd. Asst. Eng., and Moderator.

**Article 7.** To see if the District will raise and appropriate the following sums for the financial department:

- (a) \$42,628. for notes and interest
- (b) \$ 7,050. for salaries
- (c) \$ 3,000. for expenses
- (d) \$ 2,100. for assessment of the Barnstable  
County Retirement Association.
- (e) \$ 1,500. for health and accident insurance.

**Article 8.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$22,500. for the expenses of the fire dept. for the eighteen month period beginning January 1, 1973.

**Article 9.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$250. for the maintenance of the Cotuit Library Association Inc.

**Article 10.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$3,000. for the expenses of Freedom Hall for the eighteen month period beginning January 1, 1973.

**Article 11.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$10,000. for the purpose of lighting the streets of the District for the eighteen month period beginning Jan. 1, 1973.

**Article 12.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate for the eighteen month period beginning Jan. 1, 1973.

- (a) \$15,000. for the water dept. for service connections.
- (b) \$72,849. for the operation and maintenance of the water dept.
- (c) \$ 2,500. for the water dept. for extensions.

**Article 13.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate or borrow and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$160,000. for the purpose of renewing the wells and pumping equipment at main station.

**Article 14.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,000. for the purpose of paying for test wells for a future well site on Cordwood Road and Putnam Ave.

**Article 15.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$4500. for the purpose of purchasing a truck for the water dept.

**Article 16.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1400. for the purpose of extending the 2" water main on Old Kings Road.

**Article 17.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6500. for the purpose of installing a water main from the main station easterly along Rt. 28.

**Article 18.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate or borrow and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of land adjoining the main station or take any action in relation thereto and to act fully thereon.

**Article 19.** To see if the District will vote to transfer a sum of money from surplus overlay to a reserve fund.

**Article 20.** To see if the District will vote to accept a new ambulance from the rescue squad and that the chief engineer with the approval of the Prudential Committee be authorized to dispose of the old one.

**Article 21.** To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$2,600. for radio equipment for the fire dept.

**Article 22.** To see if the District will vote to instruct the moderator to appoint a committee to investigate all aspects of a possible merger of the Centerville-Osterville and the Cotuit fire and water departments.

**Article 23.** To see if the District will vote to appropriate a sum from free cash towards the tax levy of the fiscal period.

**Article 24.** To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by advertising same in a newspaper printed within the Town of Barnstable seven days at least before the time of said meeting.

Hereof fail not to make due return of this warrant and your doings thereon to said meeting.

Given under our hands this 5th day of January, 1973.

Prudential Committee:

James R. Irwin

Peter C. Murray

Edward S. Savery

A True Copy Attest:

F. Maynard Gifford, Jr.

Clerk: Cotuit Fire District