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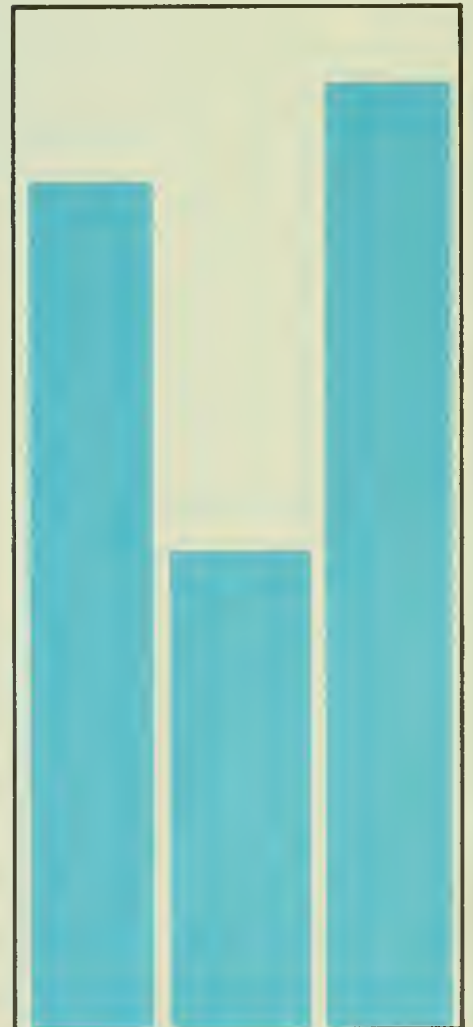






Seventy-fourth  
Annual Report  
of the City of  
Rochester  
New Hampshire

FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
DECEMBER 31,  
NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE





## The New Look



There's a 'new look' to your Annual Report this year. Gone are the seemingly endless listings of tables and text that have been a traditional part of these reportings. In their place is much of the same data but arranged in a design we believe is inviting and interesting to the Rochester taxpayer.

We invite your careful study of this annual accounting of our stewardship for 1965. It has been prepared with one thought in mind: making the story of your city government for 1965 and the story of our needs and hopes for the future as interesting and as meaningful to the taxpayer as possible.

You will notice that statistical information such as the accounting report as well as amendments and ordinances have been placed in the appendix, but even some of that material was omitted in order to allow the addition of more relevant material in its place.

Wherever interest is whetted by what has been included in this report, details may be filled in by a visit to City Hall. Here, voluminous records

are kept and the public is welcomed anytime during regular office hours to inquire and to study. This is *your* city government; we will be delighted to tell you more about it.

Finally, we like to think that this Annual Report, in its first change in design and content in 74 years, is symbolic of the New Rochester. Ours is a city on the move — there is a new vitality to be found among our business and industry; there is a healthy pattern of growth to be seen in the number of residences; and there are continued signs of new success in our community's move towards excellence in the field of education. Here at City Hall, we all hope this Annual Report helps you to capture some of the flavor of this progress as it has those of us who have been at work on it for you.

*Royal H. Edgerly*

Royal H. Edgerly  
Mayor

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## City Government

As organized January 1, 1965



### Mayor

Royal H. Edgerly

### Councilmen

Ward One	Harley O. Day W. Paul Miller
Ward Two	Arthur Gagnon Paul B. Lamie
Ward Three	Ramon Rubins Henry L. Paradis
Ward Four	J. Paul Roy Walter J. Desmarais
Ward Five	Jerome J. Caplette Robert C. Cartier
Ward Six	Raymond N. Hersey Anthony J. Corriveau

### City Clerk

Katherine L. Herman

### City Solicitor

Robert A. Carignan

### City Treasurer

Theresa Gilman

### City Accountant

Jack H. Yuill

### Collector of Taxes

Reginald G. Hurd

### Commissioner of Public Works

George C. Nadeau

### Chief of Police

Ernest J. Levesque

### Deputy Chief of Police

Nelson E. Goodfield

### Lieutenant Inspector

Joseph G. Zuromskis

### Sergeants

Antonio E. Anctil

Anthony J. Familgetti

### Patrolmen

Laurent V. Autotte, Charles E. Dame, Willis M. Hayes, Arnold L. Horn, Deus C. Levesque, Kenneth P. Hussey, Norman J. Beaulieu, Manuel J. Decourt, Jr., Bradley B. Loomis, David F. Hall, Paul W. Gowen, Anthony A. Solsky

### Policewoman

Irene M. Labrecque

### Chief Engineer of Fire Dept.

Ralph G. Seavey

### Deputy Chief Engineers of Fire Department

Andrew W. Daggett, Robert W. Emmond, Charles R. Grenier, William Kenyon, Edmond J. Portrie

### Overseer of Public Welfare

Leo E. Beaudoin

### Health Officer

Kenneth J. Jones

### City Physician

Charles E. Moors, Jr.

### Board of Health

Charles E. Moors, Jr., Kenneth J. Jones, Carl L. Martin, Charles C. Thompson, Michael Jacobsen

### Plumbers' Examining Board

Joseph A. Rainville, Beverly H. Davis, Kenneth J. Jones

### Assessors

Melvin E. Downing, George J. Potvin, Stephen J. Sleeper

### Trustees of Trust Funds

Walter A. Bickford, Wallace Hussey, Bernard F. Nixon

### Trustees of Public Library

Otto W. McCrillis, Charles Varney, Jr., Jerome Lachance, Elaine L. Hanton, Marguerite K. Hervey, Stephen O. Wallace

### Licensing Board

Mayor Royal H. Edgerly, Chief of Police Ernest J. Levesque, Commissioner of Public Works George C. Nadeau

### Manager of City Hall Auditorium

Frank B. Miller

### Building Inspector

Stephen J. Sleeper

### Superintendent of Recreation and Park Commission

Bert D. George

### Janitor, City Hall

Arthur E. Breton

### Assistant Janitor, City Hall

John A. Smith

### Janitor, East Rochester Hall

Thomas M. Robinson

### Janitor, Gonic Hall

Alphonse J. Hamel

### Sealer of Weights and Measures

Clifford J. Grenier

### Public Weighers

Charles Colby, J. Raymond Fisher, Rene Gonneville, Frances Mee, Albert Menard, Roger N. Page, Bert Woodward

### Surveyors of Wood and Lumber

George J. Potvin, Melvin E. Downing

### Fence Viewers

Franklin Marchand, Frank B. Pinkham, John C. Richardson, Jr.

### Standing Commitees

*Finance:* Mayor, Hersey, Rubins  
*Public Works:* Mayor, Corriveau, Lamie, Caplette, Rubins  
*Police Budget:* Mayor, Cartier, Day  
*Fire:* Lamie, Miller, Roy  
*Legal Affairs:* Mayor, Corriveau, Paradis  
*Claims and Accounts:* Mayor, Miller, Gagnon  
*Public Buildings:* Hersey, Cartier, Caplette  
*Purchasing:* Mayor, Miller, Gagnon  
*Traffic:* Corriveau, Lamie, Paradis  
*Street Lights:* Hersey, Corriveau, Desmarais  
*Election and Returns:* Lamie, Cartier, Roy  
*Bills in Second Reading:* Hersey, Miller, Rubins  
*Recreation:* Lamie, Paradis, Caplette  
*Printing:* Hersey, Cartier  
*Public Instruction:* Mayor, Corriveau, Gagnon

### Recreation and Park Commission

Paul B. Lamie, John F. Scala, John C. Merry, Jr., Stephen O. Wallace, Roy Allain

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### Police Commission

James L. Foss, George A. Young, Richard L. Cousineau

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### Board of Adjustment

Howard R. Holt, *Clerk*  
Raymond J. Stowell, *Chairman*  
John C. Merry, Jr., Henry A. Roulx, Samuel T. Black

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### Rochester Planning Board

*Ex-Officio:* Mayor Royal H. Edgerly  
*Secretary:* Richard E. Garnsey  
*Chairman:* Herve E. Lagasse  
Abbott R. Jones, John G. Torr, Richard L. Smith, Donald K. Denton, Maurice Marsan

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### Selectmen

Ward One	George E. Pray Armand Grenier Alden R. Mendler
Ward Two	Maurice Marsan Russell Quint Thomas E. Voss
Ward Three	Diana Lachapelle Janet Keller Rita Carignan
Ward Four	Gerard LaBranche Jerene Paradis Constance DeWolfe
Ward Five	Louis M. Boston Harry S. Johnson William Gerrish
Ward Six	Raymond Beaudoin, Jr. James Flood Arthur R. Trace



**Joe A. Morrison, City Engineer**  
Served Rochester, 1921-1965

# Urban Renewal And Public Housing



The year 1965 was a year of decision for Rochester in the field of Urban Renewal and Public Housing.

Three projects were initiated, two in public housing, one in urban renewal.

The Housing Authority of the City of Rochester, N. H., was duly organized and plans mapped for a program of new housing for elderly citizens.

Arrangements were made for seeking bids from contractors for a 100 unit housing project. Twelve units are to be located in East Rochester and 12 in Gonic with the main project area, to be known as "Wellsweep Acres", planned for Autumn Street Extension and calling for 76 units.

These new housing units will be modern in every way. They will include efficiencies and 1 and 2-bedroom units. A Community Center within the project will be equipped with kitchen facilities, a laundry, and the administrative offices for the Authority.

In addition, with City Council approval, the Authority requested a program reservation and application for 60 units of low-rent housing as a relocation resource for the planned urban renewal program.

The third of our projects found city council approval being given to the Authority to submit an application for survey and planning funds to conduct a study of our downtown business district to determine what role federal assistance might play in its long-range improvements.

The Housing Authority, which opened the way for these three projects in 1965, will continue its planning in these areas critical to the city's orderly growth.

## Planning Rochester's Future

During the latter half of 1965 the firm of James P. Purcell Associates provided technical planning assistance to the Rochester Planning Board. This service consisted of one day per week of planning help primarily from E. Mayo Snyder, a planner with the James P. Purcell organization. Mr. Snyder worked on a variety of Planning Board matters with members of the Planning Board, the Mayor and the City administrative staff.

For the last six months of 1965, the Planning Board aided by James P. Purcell Associates and Stephen J. Sleeper, Building Inspector, undertook a varied program of planning activities. More than three dozen separate work items received attention.

Accomplishments of the Board included: Establishment of a filing system with all planning related maps, records, reports and studies filed in the Planning Board office.

Mr. Snyder of James P. Purcell Associates and Mr. Sleeper, the Rochester Building Inspector, reviewed and checked in the field proposed revisions to the 'Riverside Acres Subdivision'. Following this a report was written by Mr. Snyder presenting the Board with the findings and recommendations resulting from this review and field check. Tentative approval of this subdivision was given by the Board in August.

All changes in the Rochester Zoning Map boundaries approved by the Council between July 5, 1961 and November 1, 1965, were made and two sets of the corrected maps delivered to the Building Inspector for reference in City Hall. One set of the corrected sepia transparency zoning maps was also delivered to Mr. Sleeper so that additional prints of the corrected maps can be secured. Revisions to the zoning maps were carried out by the Planning Consultant.

James P. Purcell held meetings with Mr. Randall Raymond, Assistant Planning Director, at the New Hampshire Department of Resources & Economic Development. These meetings were concerned with the Rochester Application for Federal Assistance under the Urban Planning Assistance Program and were preliminary to the preparation of the specific proposal for a *Neighborhood Analysis Study* to be conducted in Rochester. Such a study is required if the City is to gain recertification of its "Workable Program."

A completed draft proposal for services including a *Neighborhood Analysis* and *continuing planning technical services* was submitted to the Rochester Planning Board by James P. Purcell Associates at the December 15 meeting. Following any revisions or changes by the Board, this proposal is to be used in applying to the New Hampshire Department of Resources & Economic Development for planning assistance under the provisions of Section 701 of the Federal Housing Act of 1954, as amended.

The Planning Board following review of all the available information, recommended to the City Council that a portion of Rochester Hill be rezoned from Agricultural to Residence - 1. James P. Purcell Associates wrote an opinion for the use of the Planning Board in this matter recommending the rezoning.



The Bylaws of the Planning Board were reviewed and, after a number of changes and additions, a revised set of Bylaws for the Planning Board was adopted at the November meeting.

At the request of Mayor Edgerly, the Planning Board's Consultant, James P. Purcell Associates, made a study and report concerning the relative merits of five different parcels of land in Rochester for industrial site development purposes. A report was made to the Mayor after a field inspection of all five sites by the Consultant accompanied by the City's Building Inspector, Mr. Sleeper.

At the request of the Planning Board, James P. Purcell Associates prepared a checklist of procedures to be followed by land developers seeking to subdivide land in Rochester. This checklist is now available in the office of the Planning Board.

The Building Inspector and the Board Planning Consultant inspected the land owned by the City along the Salmon Falls River immediately south of East Rochester. This was done at the request of Mayor Edgerly and James P. Purcell Associates submitted a report to the Mayor discussing the suitability of this land for recreational and industrial uses. In addition to the field inspection, the preparation of this report included examination of assessor's maps, air photos and zoning and land use maps.

The Board had prepared by the Planning Consultant an application form to be completed by anyone seeking to subdivide land in Rochester. These subdivision application forms are now available from the Building Inspector.

The program of the Board for 1966 can and should be based on the outline developed for the Urban Planning Assistance Application which the Rochester Planning Board recently presented to the New Hampshire Department of Resources & Economic Development. Included in this outline were sections dealing with the analysis and methods of preventing physical deterioration in Rochester. The study of Neighborhoods and code enforcement work are primary tools presented in the proposal outline that are useful in this respect.

Other equally important planning work covered by the outline is the need to develop a capital improvement program and the updating of the City's five year old and out-of-date comprehensive plan for development.

The Planning Board can use more technical assistance and every effort should be made to obtain additional help at the earliest moment. If such help isn't obtained, not only will the day to day administrative responsibilities of the Planning Board go largely unattended but also the City's "Workable Program" is not likely to be recertified. Without recertification of the "Workable Program", aid will not be available for the elderly housing being planned nor will it be available should Rochester decide to undertake a federally supported renewal project.

## Water For The Future



Rochester's future is tied, as is that of so many New Hampshire communities, to the supply of usable water it has available or can tap.

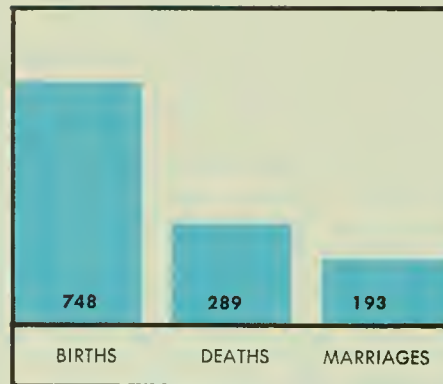
Planning for future community growth finds officials, under the leadership of Mayor Royal Edgerly and appropriate city departments, seeking federal aid for the harnessing of water which presently is uncontrolled and largely unused. Funds obtained would be used first for a study and then for actual development of a new dam to back up water on Berry Brook.

Preliminary surveys by the city have revealed that the present 90-acre watershed in vicinity of Berry Brook Dam could be doubled and thus make possible the capturing of millions of additional gallons of water.

## Departmental Reports



## City Clerk



The City Clerk is the 'keeper of records' within the framework of city government. Ordinances, resolutions and other legal action of the city's governing body are recorded and maintained on file in this office. It is also the City Clerk who issues a variety of licenses. An idea of the scope of duties falling within the City Clerk's jurisdiction is to be found in this list of activities for the Rochester City Clerk during 1965.

- Recorded the votes and proceedings of the Council.
- Supervised elections for City, County and State.
- Issued permits for registrations of automobiles, trucks, trailers and motorcycles.
- Copied Births, Marriages and Deaths for both the Division of Vital Statistics in Concord and for records of the City of Rochester. Copies of these records are made upon request.
- Issued licenses for Marriages, Dogs, Food, Taxis, Junk, Dances, Theatres.
- Recorded Financial Statements, Tax Liens, Building Permits, Pole Licences, Writs.
- Responsible for books recording cash receipts for the City of Rochester and Water Department.
- Preserved and filed all records and deeds for the City.
- Served as Registrar for Selective Service.

## Welfare

### Direct Relief:

Appropriation	\$27,470.00
Expenditures	
For 46 families	\$ 9,540.79
14 single persons	3,549.67
5 veterans families	2,277.50
5 single veterans	906.81
9 Board & Care - children	2,405.45
16 Board & Care - adults	7,221.22
	<u>\$25,901.44</u>
Office expenses	3,866.32
Direct Relief recoveries	251.12

### Old Age Assistance:

Appropriation	\$23,000.00
Expended for 72 cases - city's share	21,035.87
Old Age Assistance recoveries	2,581.85

## Visiting Nurse Service



The Visiting Nurse has various duties in a city the size of Rochester. She gives nursing care and instruction to all age groups who are under the orders of the physicians.

Most of the nursing care is given to the chronic and the aged. She administers to the mothers of new babies, convalescents, special treatments and follow-up care of clinical patients.

A very successful well-baby clinic with Dr. Richard Roy is held the first Tuesday of the month in the visiting nurse office from 1 to 2 p.m. Visitors receive "baby shots" which include whooping cough, diphtheria and tetanus vaccine — also sabin oral vaccine for protection against polio. In 1965 659 received the vaccine.

Social service for local welfare and public health calls as ordered by state, city, and county adds many problems to the Visiting Nurse's work.

## Schools

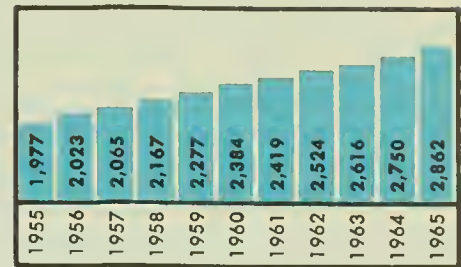


At first glance, the school budget, which appears in the appendix of this report, might seem to be dull reading. Between the lines of figures, however, is an exciting human story of young people and their dreams of a high school education, of faculty and staff and their efforts to keep our school system strong during a challenging period of rapid growth.

The School Department is especially conscious of the budget, as it is in the midst of determining how much money it will take to operate the school system during 1966-67. Over and over, the budget requests which are submitted by the many department chairmen reflect the high caliber of our faculty members and their aspirations for further excellence. These requests also reflect the hard facts of growth and change which cannot be ignored in budget making realities, such as rising enrollments, rising costs and changing times.

If more young people are to be educated, more money will be required. Keeping up to date is expensive, yet imperative.

## Enrollment



## Superintendent

Alfred W. Thomas

## Assistant Superintendent

Robert C. Gilman

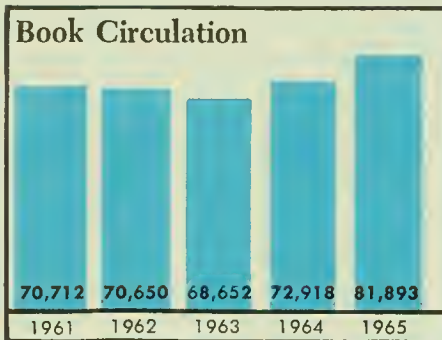
## School Board Members

Mayor Royal H. Edgerly, Chairman  
 Mr. Frederick M. Steadman  
 Mr. George A. Lovejoy  
 Mr. John Merry  
 Mr. O'Neil P. Richey  
 Mr. Raymond S. Watson  
 Mr. Roland Roberge  
 Mr. Wilbur J. Boudreau  
 Mr. Ellsworth W. Hodgdon  
 Mr. Sherman M. Reed  
 Mr. Raymond L. Boucher  
 Mr. Alexander M. McQuarrie  
 Mrs. Tathiana Klinger

## Personnel

Allen School	12
East Rochester School	6
Gonic	6
Maple Street	8
McClelland School	14
School Street School	6
Junior High School	19
Spaulding High School	42
Secretaries	7
School Nurses	2
Music	2
Home-Bound Instructor	1
Social Worker	1
Physical Education	3
Agent of Buildings	1
Custodians	17
School Lunch Director	1
Cafeteria Workers	18
Bus Contractors	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>172</b>

## Library



### Librarian

M. Felice Baril

### Children's Librarian

Bernice E. Torr

### Assistants

Marjorie Lenfest

Dora Durgin

Lucille Colby

Frieda Meader

Elizabeth Converse (substitute)

### Custodian

Robert J. Sylvain

### Agencies

East Rochester

Gafney Home for the Aged

Gonic

McClelland School

Rochester Junior High School

## Recreation



Improvements during 1965 by Rochester's Park Department covered a wide range and together made for a greatly improved recreation program. Among these improvements were:

- Development of basketball courts in East Rochester
- New chlorination installed for the wading pool
- Pool deck was surfaced
- Recreation groups were formed in Gonic
- Improvements were made to little league field
- Surfacing of tennis and shuffleboard courts
- Painting, landscaping, & clean-up work

The Park Department works with 60 programs for all age groups and the success of the broad recreation program is attributable to considerable volunteer help.

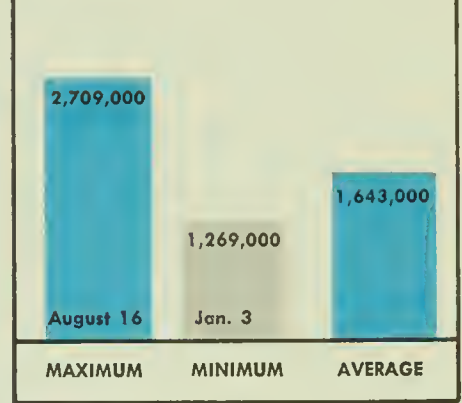
Needs for the future for continued effective operation of this department include:

- Bathhouse at the pool
- Surfacing the basketball court at Hanson Pines
- Landscaping around the pool
- Tennis courts in Gonic
- Improving lighting of recreation areas
- The ideas and suggestions of the general public



## Water

Daily Consumption (in gals.)

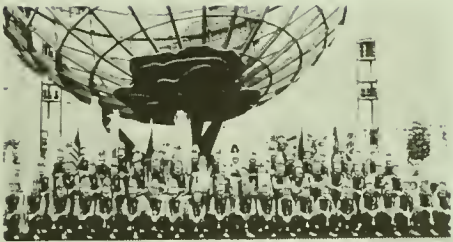


The year 1965 was marked by intense studies to assure additional sources of supply for the future expansion of the commercial and industrial needs of this growing community.

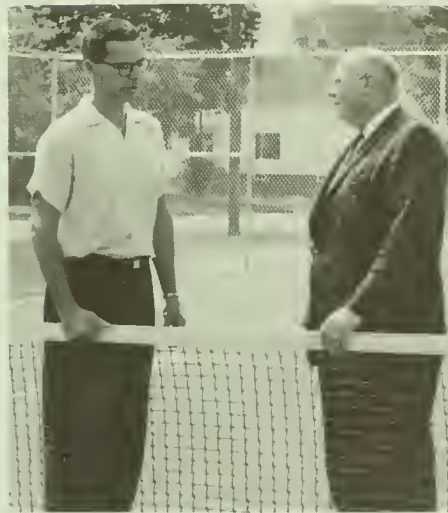
This has been the 75th year of a high standard of operation of a municipal water department, a standard that has received the commendation of the customers of the department, of business leaders and of the Board of Mayor and Councilmen.

There is now a study of our water shed being made. The study consists of raising the dam at our reservoir, therefore increasing our water supply by billions of gallons, instead of losing millions of gallons a day over the dam during spring run off. By raising the dam the people of Rochester would be assured of adequate water in the future. Population growth as well as industrial growth has been taken into consideration in this study allowing for any great surge of water usage without affecting our water supply in any way.

It has been proposed by Commissioner George Nadeau to run new water mains through Gonic into Rochester relieving all possibility of this community going without water because something happened to the one and only water main now coming into the city.



Rochester youth represented their city at the N.Y. World's Fair in 1965. In team activity they starred in a variety of competition.



Comprehensive recreation program for youth and adults ranged from hunter safety instruction to expansion of tennis courts in East Rochester.

The water department is now supplying 4,229 services representing approximately 16,000 people from four ponds — Round Pond, Reservoir, Tufts Pond and Whaleback Pond, with an accumulated drawdown of 4,458,143 gallons per inch.

The average daily consumption for the year was 1,643,000 gallons. The maximum daily consumption was on August 16 for 2,709,000 gallons with a minimum usage of 1,269,000 gallons on January 3.

During 1965 57 new services were installed and 29 old services were relaid on a planned program. Of the 53 new services installed, 10 were one inch or larger indicating a definite trend towards greater use of water resulting in more customers requesting larger services.

There were 2,772 feet of distribution mains of six inch or larger laid during the year. The distribution mains are of cement-lined tyton pipe. Most of these mains were petitioned for by the developers in the area.

The water department maintains a crew that has to inspect our water supply weekly. They maintain and clean all screens coming out of the ponds. These screens are necessary to keep fish and debris out of our water system assuring the people of this community water that is second to none. The water is tested monthly by the State Board of Health and the quality of our water continues to be satisfactory.

The mudgates are blown off at least twice a year to assure us of a high quality of water. To accomplish this the men have to walk miles of pipeline through wooded areas. Hydrants are flushed at least twice a year which is part of the cycle to assure us of water that will meet all State requirements.

The Water Department is the only self-supporting department in the city. All revenues are derived from use of water by our customers, installation of new services, and installation of new mains for developers and numerous other services.

## Public Works

The first three months of the year it was necessary to spend nearly full time plowing and removing snow as well as salting and sanding highways. Surface drains were cleaned in the spring and fall to take care of surface water. Drops were rodded as necessary and locations marked on the highway so that the drops might be located during a sudden thaw.

Patching was started as early as possible in the Spring and continued until snow came in December.



Shade trees were sprayed to combat disease. The parks and commons were mowed and raked regularly and park benches were repainted. It was necessary to remove nearly 100 trees and 33 stumps where they would interfere with plowing. It is hoped to replace some of these trees next year.

Gravel has been hauled and country roads graded regularly. The street sweeper was out each day as weather permitted.

Bushes were cut on the Tibbetts, Road, Haven Hill Road, Chestnut Hill Road as well as Oak Street and the Hansonville Road.

Repairs to the bridge in Gonic and the bridge rails were replaced or repaired on Summer Street in East Rochester, Flat Rock Bridge, Lowell Street, Four Rod Road and Oak Street in Gonic.

Sidewalks were constructed on Washington, School, and on Main Streets and Cocheco Avenue in East Rochester as petitioned for.

Water Main extensions were completed on Tingley, Birch Streets, Dora Drive, Villanova Lane, Old Dover Road, Tall Pine Lane and Apple Orchard Road using 1,540 feet of six-inch and 1,130 feet of eight-inch Cement Lined Cast Iron Pipe. Two new hydrants were added to the system making a total of 447 in the system. Fifty-seven new services were installed and 28 services were relaid. Bushes were cut at the Reservoir and the screens were cleaned regularly. Water samples have been sent to the State Board of Health regularly and all reports indicate the continued high quality of our water.

## Fire Department



### Chief

Ralph G. Seavey

### Personnel

Central Station	20 Permanent Men
	28 Call Men
	1 Deputy
East Rochester	15 Call Men
	1 Deputy
Gonic	15 Call Men
	1 Deputy

### Expenditures

\$123,021.87

Approximate monthly cost per person: 58 cents.

The fire department is made up of six companies, four in Central Station, one in East Rochester and one in Gonic. The men are trained in fire-fighting and the use and operation of equipment and apparatus. In Central Station there are three 750 gallon-per-minute pumpers, one aerial ladder, three tank trucks and the Chief's car. There is one 750 gallon-per-minute pumper in East Rochester and one 750 gallon-per-minute pumper in Gonic. All of this equipment with the exception of the aerial ladder and one tank truck are radio-equipped. A radio contact exists via forestry radio, with all State towers and most of the towns.

Approximately 47 square miles in the Rochester area are under this Department's jurisdiction. Assistance is extended to the Lebanon, Me., area, parts of Farmington, Milton, Barrington and Strafford; in fact, any community calling for assistance.

A program of fire-prevention is carried on. Inspections of mercantile buildings, schools, homes, convalescent homes and factories are carried on periodically. This is done in conjunction with city ordinances and state laws.

### Permits

880 local and 335 state outdoor burning permits. 128 oil burner installation permits and 2 gasoline storage tank permits.



### Fires

There were 340 alarms in the City of Rochester which consisted of: 74 box alarms, and 266 still alarms. These include 29 car or truck fires, 7 Engineer's calls, 26 brush fire calls, 15 false alarms in Rochester, 1 false alarm in East Rochester. There were 9 chimney fires, 36 grass fires, 18 oil burner fires, 63 property fires, 57 miscellaneous calls, 28 smoke scares or honest mistakes, 34 first aid, accident or emergency calls and 17 second alarms or calls for more help. There were 2 special signals transmitted this year, one to start off a Boy Scout Drive and one permanent men's call. There were 18 fire calls in East Rochester and 16 fire calls in Gonic. These special signals and East Rochester and Gonic calls are all included in the previous figures.

## Police Department

Efforts of your Police Department towards problems of youth have been increased in the last year, and this is an important first step towards developing a climate for increased cooperation between police and the community, coupled with the dual approach of law enforcement and crime prevention. Although arrests have increased 30%, our juveniles have decreased from 61 in 1964 to 41 in 1965.

The police department has a great need of newly-renovated quarters. The overall appearance of the police quarters should provide a friendly and businesslike atmosphere. The department should fit in with other public buildings and neighboring establishments.

The training program of the Department has been continued and expanded. During February, 1965, all members of the Police Department attended Mob and Riot Control School for seven days. This very important subject was instructed by New Hampshire State Police and F.B.I.

During the year 1965 there were 1,264 arrests, an increase of 30% as compared with 1964.

### Monies Turned Over To The City Clerk

Parking Meter Collections	\$ 9,156.98
Parking Meter Fines	1,381.50
Ambulance Service	2,167.50
Refund on Gas & Oil	965.81
Beano Permits	370.00
Copy Machine	360.00
Bicycle Licenses	333.25
Pinball Machine Licenses	270.00
Pistol Permits	144.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$15,149.04</b>

### Activities

Parking violations	5,526
Complaints answered	3,384
Buildings found unlocked	478
Report of street and traffic lights out	173
Payroll and store escorts	812
Funeral escorts	134
Calls for ambulance	233
Blood relays	67
Animals taken to Vet	96
Accident investigations	420
Accidents reported at station	323
Personal injuries in auto	168
Fatalities	5
Attempted suicide	1
Missing persons	35
Missing persons returned	35
Murder	1
Lodgers	164
Autos stolen	22
Autos recovered	21
Articles lost	151
Articles found	179
Articles stolen	223
Articles recovered	40
Warnings given	111

The amounts received from fines may be found in the annual report submitted by the Clerk of the District Court.

### Arrests

Total Criminal Arrests	416
Total Motor Vehicle Arrests	848
Total Juveniles in Court	41

### Dispositions

Sentenced	977
Bail forfeited	8
Bound over for Superior Court	18
Defaulted	28
Dismissed	39
Fined and Appealed	15
Found Not Guilty	9
Nol Prossed	18
Released to other Departments	13
Safekeeping	132
Taken to Mental Hospital	7



In Rochester: an alert police force with modern equipment is at work continuously promoting highway safety. Their efforts, along with cooperation of the public, are aimed towards averting tragedies such as the one which accompanied the accident below in 1965.





## Building Inspector

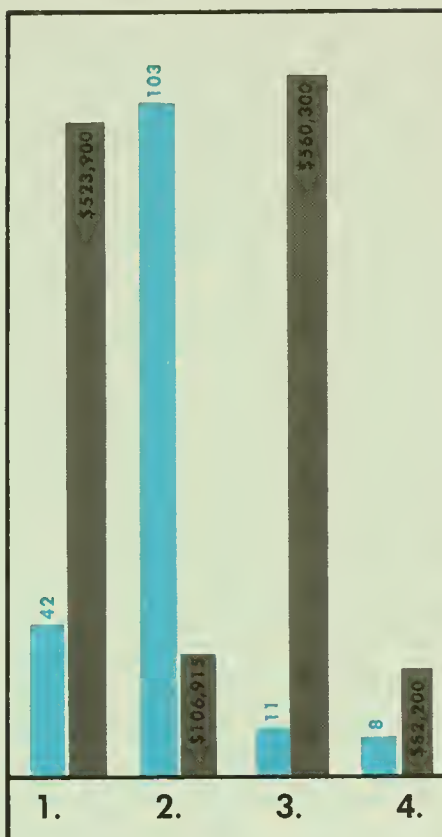
Building Departments vary in size and scope from one man departments such as Rochester's to the major Cities with five or eight man departments.

Administrative procedures vary accordingly, but the underlying principles must be basically the same. Areas of responsibilities include construction and all its allied phases, zoning, subdivisions control, service equipment, review of fire safety and structure with the fire chief, and complete soils information. Many cities, and even some towns, include maintenance of public buildings, air pollution, which in our case comes under aspects of zoning, sewage disposal aid and proper location. In the near future, with the adoption of a Housing Code by Rochester, housing conditions and correction of them will fall into this department.

Zoning is a simple sounding word — not at all indicative of the ever increasing scope and complex problems being built into Zoning Ordinances and administered by the Building Inspector.

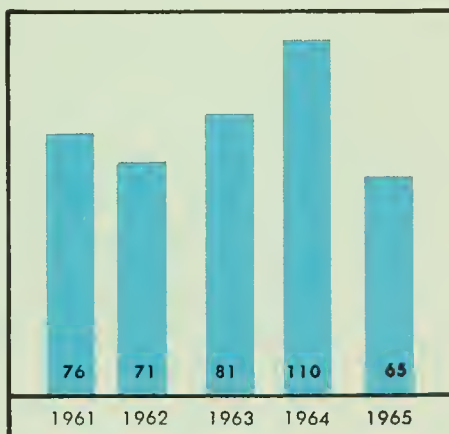
New industries are increasing qualifications and conditions that can in most cases be checked only with instruments which are not in use by some building departments five times the size of Rochester, yet industry continues to go modern and architectural boards demand this modern application in order to insure better working conditions and greater production. One of the best examples in our city is the big new addition of Spaulding Fibre Company in North Rochester. This is a modern addition with ultra modern lighting and ventilation.

## 1965 Construction Units



1. New Homes
2. Additions, Garages, and Alterations
3. New Businesses
4. Business Alterations

## Housing Units, 1961-1965



## Zoning Board of Adjustment

The Zoning Administration is made up of four groups: the Planning Board, the Local Legislative Body, the Enforcement Agent, and the Board of Adjustment.

The Board of Adjustment hears appeals and administers special provisions as required by the ordinance. So that the Board of Adjustment can carry out its given purpose, it has authority to act in three separate and distinct categories. These are: Appeal from Administrative Order, Special Exceptions, and Variances. These are specifically set forth in State Enabling Statutes.

The Board of Adjustment consists of five members and a Secretary, appointed by the Mayor and City Council.

The five members of the Board are appointed for a term of five years with one term expiring annually. The present members of the Board are: Raymond J. Stowell, Chairman; Henry A. Roulx; John Merry, Jr.; Samuel Black; Donald K. Denton; Mrs. Lewis L. Young, Secretary.

This Board met 11 times and heard 27 appeals during the year 1965.



## Amendments To The City Charter

AN ACT to revise the Charter of the City of Rochester to adjust the salary of the Mayor.

1. Salary of Mayor of Rochester. Amend Section 14 of Chapter 241 of the Laws of 1891, as amended by Chapter 186, Laws of 1897, Chapter 281, Laws of 1919, Chapter 422, Laws of 1949 and Chapter 427, Laws of 1957 by striking out the words, "two thousand five hundred" in the twelfth and thirteenth lines and inserting the words, four thousand, so that the section is amended to read: Sect. 14. The Mayor shall be chosen biennially and shall have a negative upon all actions of the Council to which his veto power would extend had the City Government herein constituted provided for a Board of Alderman. He shall also preside in the meetings of the City Council, but shall have no vote except in case of an equal division. Whenever the Mayor shall be absent or disabled by sickness, or otherwise, or whenever the office of Mayor shall become vacant by death, resignation, or otherwise, the Council may choose one of their numbers to be chairman, who shall have all the powers and perform all the duties of the Mayor during his absence or disability, and in the case of a vacancy, until a Mayor shall be elected and qualified to fill it. The Mayor shall receive an annual salary of four thousand dollars to be paid him at stated periods out of the City Treasury and said salary shall be in full for services of any kind rendered by him in the discharge of all duties pertaining to his office.

2. Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 1966.

AN ACT relative to assessors in the City of Rochester.

1. City of Rochester. Amend Section 19 of Chapter 241 of the Laws of 1891 and striking out said section and inserting in place thereof the following:

Section 19. The City Council at their first meeting in January, 1966 and thereafter in every second year shall appoint a full time assessor of taxes for a term of two years who shall perform all the duties and assume all the responsibilities and liabilities of assessors of taxes. At the same time the Council shall appoint two other part time assessors of taxes, one for a term of two years and one for a term of four years, and in every second year thereafter the Council shall appoint a part time assessor for a term of four years. The part time assessor, with the full time assessor, shall hear and determine all applications for abatement of taxes. The part time assessors shall assist the full time assessor at other times upon other special occasions when requested and deemed advisable to do so.

2. Board of Assessors Abolished. The term of office of the Board of Assessors in office at the effective date of this act shall expire as of January 1, 1966 and the board shall be abolished.

3. Takes Effect. This act shall take effect as of January 1, 1966.

# Ordinances and Resolutions

From the Rules and Ordinances of the City of Rochester:

"Every proposed ordinance, proposed amendment to any ordinance, proposed resolution or other proposed petition to be submitted to any regular meeting of the City Council shall be submitted by the proponent thereof in writing to the City Clerk no later than five (5) days prior to the regular meeting of said Council. The City Clerk shall notify in writing each member of the City Council of said proposed ordinance, proposed amendment to any ordinance, proposed resolution or other proposed petition, at least five (5) days before the calling of said meeting. Any such proposed ordinance, proposed amendment to any ordinance, proposed resolution or other proposed petition submitted to the City Clerk within said five (5) days whose contents have not been submitted to each Council Member prior to five (5) days before said Council Meeting may be acted upon by said Council at said regular meeting, provided, the City Council shall vote to act upon such legislation by a two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) vote of the Council."

## Ordinances

Amendment to Chapter XVI, Sections 23 and 33B, relative to Traffic. Passed January 5, 1965.

Amendment to Chapter XVI, Section 33, relative to Traffic. Passed February 2, 1965.

Amendment to Chapter XVI, Section 6A, relating to dog Licenses. Passed June 1, 1965.

Amendment to Chapter XXV, Sections 2, B, C, 2, 3, 4 and 5, D, 2 and 3 relative to salaries. Passed July 6, 1965.

Amendment to Chapter XV, Section 4, relating to dogs. Passed October 5, 1965.

Amendment to Chapter XXV, Sections A1, A2, A3, A4, B1, B2, C1, C2, C3, C4, C5, D1-3 relating to Salaries. Passed December 7, 1965.

## Resolutions

Authorizing the Finance Committee to hire in anticipation of taxes a sum not exceeding nine hundred thousand dollars (\$900,000.00). Passed January 5, 1965.

Providing for expenditures pending the passage of the Annual Appropriation. Passed January 5, 1965.

Authorizing the Finance Committee to borrow a sum not exceeding \$15,248.00 for the purchasing of Equipment for Public Works Department. Passed January 5, 1965.

Approving application for reservation of low-rent public housing and financial assistance and authorized cooperation agreement. Passed February 2, 1965.

Authorizing the Finance Committee to raise \$1,800.00 for the purchase of two new Police Cruisers. Passed March 2, 1965.

Authorizing the Finance Committee to raise \$10,000.00 for construction of a playground in the Intervale at the Allen School. Passed April 6, 1965.

Adopting the 1965 Budget, appropriating \$2,077,430.21 to defray expenses of the City of Rochester and \$1,694,105.21 plus such overlay as may be necessary ordered and directed to be raised by taxation. Passed April 6, 1965.

Empowering the Mayor to investigate creating the position of an Industrial Director. Passed April 6, 1965.

Authorizing the Mayor to execute a corrective deed to Herve E. Lagasse for land purchased by said Herve E. Lagasse. Passed May 4, 1965.

Authorizing the Finance Committee to raise \$30,000.00 to purchase the Bradford and Turcotte properties, demolish said buildings, fill and pave the areas and widen Union Street. Passed July 6, 1965.

Authorizing the Mayor and Fire Committee to sell the American LaFrance Fire Truck for the sum of Four Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$450.00). Passed July 6, 1965.

Authorizing the Planning Board of the City of Rochester to approve or disapprove plats showing new streets or parks. Passed July 6, 1965.

Authorizing the Mayor to make application to the U. S. Government for an advance to aid in defraying the cost of plan preparation at the water reservoir facilities. Passed July 6, 1965.

Authorizing the Finance Committee to raise \$15,000.00 to purchase a parcel of land for the construction of an industrial shell and that the Mayor be authorized to transfer this property to the Rochester Development Corporation for the purpose of erecting an industrial shell thereon. Passed July 6, 1965.

Authorizing the Finance Committee to raise \$2,000.00 for a Neighborhood Analysis to be completed through the Planning Board. Passed August 3, 1965.

Designating the Housing Authority of the City of Rochester, N. H. as the Urban Renewal Agency for the City of Rochester

and authorizing the Mayor to make available to the Housing Authority the sum of \$1,500 from a special appropriation for the preparation of a Survey and Planning Application to the Urban Renewal Administration of the Housing and Home Finance Agency for an advance of funds to pay the cost of surveys and plan for an urban renewal project. Passed August 3, 1965.

Resolution why city did not adopt Federal plans for a city garage. Passed August 3, 1965.

Authorizing the Legal Affairs Committee to sell property on the Whitehouse Road, Lowell Street, Estes Road and the Gear Road and authorizing the Mayor to execute deeds for the conveyance of said property and all further property to be disposed of in this manner. Passed August 3, 1965.

Authorizing the Finance Committee to hire in anticipation of taxes a sum not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00). Passed August 3, 1965.

Polls at City Election open at 10:00 o'clock and close at 7:00 o'clock, EST. Passed August 3, 1965.

For Mayor's Signature called Title 6 of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, with the Department of Health, Education and Welfare regulations. Passed August 3, 1965.

Authorizing the Finance Committee to borrow Twenty Thousand One Hundred Sixty-three Dollars and Eighty-four Cents (\$20,163.84) for the construction of sewer installations and that a further sum of Fifty-two Thousand Four Hundred and Twelve Dollars and Eighty-one Cents (\$52,412.81) be appropriated for water construction in the City of Rochester. Passed December 7, 1965.

Authorizing Mayor to make application to the United States Government for advance to aid in defraying cost of plan preparation for Phase 2 of the sewer additions. Passed December 7, 1965.

# Municipal Budget

Adopted April 6, 1965

## Inventory of Taxable Property

Valuation	
Land and Buildings	57,749,645.00
Factory Buildings and Land	3,475,810.00
Factory Machinery	2,350,400.00
Public Utilities (Gas)	423,670.00
Public Utilities (Electric)	1,935,700.00
Trailers	245,505.00
Stock in Trade of Merchants	2,681,125.00
Stock in Trade of Mfg'rs	2,372,300.00
Boats and Launches	61,940.00
Neat Stock and Poultry (Cows)	59,500.00
Neat Stock and Poultry (Poultry)	19,914.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	98,365.00
Portable Mills	1,500.00
Road Building and Construction Machinery	54,525.00
Wood, Lumber, Logs, etc.	6,700.00
<b>Total Value before exemptions</b>	<b>71,536,599.00</b>
Exemptions	
War Service Exemptions	1,106,240.00
Blind Exemptions	4,000.00
Neat Stock Exemptions	26,000.00
Poultry Exemptions	1,094.00
<b>Total Exemptions</b>	<b>\$ 1,137,334.00</b>
<b>Net Valuation</b>	<b>\$70,399,265.00</b>
<b>Tax Rate</b>	<b>\$23.80</b>
Set in September by State Tax Commission	

	Budget 1965	Net Expenditures 1965
<b>Administration:</b>		
Salaries	\$ 55,950.00	\$ 58,348.88
General	10,575.85	13,107.24
Elections and Registrations	1,300.00	1,424.98
<b>Total</b>	<b>67,825.85</b>	<b>72,881.10</b>
<b>Public Buildings:</b>		
Janitors' Salaries	8,021.22	8,180.64
Fuel	3,500.00	3,262.41
Lighting	1,500.00	1,548.31
Insurance	3,400.00	1,607.01
Other Supplies and Expenses	2,700.00	2,173.13
<b>Total</b>	<b>19,121.22</b>	<b>16,771.50</b>
<b>Schools</b>	<b>1,158,440.00</b>	<b>1,153,000.69</b>
<b>Public Library</b>	<b>26,000.00</b>	<b>26,000.00</b>
East Rochester Library	1,200.00	1,200.00
Police Department: Actual	126,253.00	129,781.36
Less Parking Meter Fund	10,000.00	10,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>116,253.00</b>	<b>119,781.36</b>
<b>Municipal Court</b>	<b>6,420.00</b>	<b>6,420.00</b>
<b>Fire Department</b>	<b>122,345.51</b>	<b>123,021.87</b>
<b>Health: Salaries</b>	<b>4,530.65</b>	<b>4,588.22</b>
<b>Public Welfare:</b>		
Administration	3,700.00	3,866.32
Direct Relief	26,900.00	25,901.44
Old Age Assistance	23,000.00	21,035.87
<b>Total</b>	<b>53,600.00</b>	<b>50,803.63</b>
<b>Debt Service:</b>		
Debt Retirement	32,670.87	32,670.87
Debt Interest (changed by State Tax Comm.)	25,335.61	30,799.74
<b>Total</b>	<b>58,006.48</b>	<b>63,470.61</b>
<b>Street Lights</b>	<b>39,680.73</b>	<b>37,107.04</b>
<b>Traffic Lights</b>	<b>1,200.00</b>	<b>1,756.95</b>
<b>Legal Adjustments</b>	<b>100.00</b>	
<b>Employees' Retirement</b>	<b>5,700.00</b>	<b>3,832.80</b>
<b>Social Security</b>	<b>8,395.00</b>	<b>7,520.40</b>
<b>Building Inspection</b>	<b>4,264.90</b>	<b>4,364.76</b>
<b>Board of Adjustment</b>	<b>200.00</b>	<b>214.74</b>
<b>Planning Board</b>	<b>4,338.00</b>	<b>3,669.32</b>
<b>Public Works:</b>		
Maintenance	93,449.00	93,328.01
Street Cleaning	9,300.00	9,321.09
Road Materials	13,500.00	13,439.83

Municipal Budget, continued	Budget 1965	Net Expenditures 1965
Gas, Oil and Tires	14,300.00	14,288.82
Repairs to Equipment	8,500.00	8,498.02
Surface Drains and Culverts	3,320.00	3,317.18
Sidewalk Repairs	200.00	197.05
Bridge Repairs	2,700.00	2,690.59
Cutting Bushes	2,300.00	2,308.03
Town Road Aid (A)	1,865.35	1,865.35
Power and Light	600.00	373.48
Fuel	1,800.00	1,830.02
Insurance	4,714.00	4,813.82
Telephones	450.00	434.10
Other Supplies and Expenses	2,000.00	1,999.51
Sidewalk Construction	1,100.00	1,091.55
Rubbish Collection	23,272.00	23,263.89
Sewer Maintenance	5,983.00	5,761.03
Shade Trees, Parks and Commons	3,149.00	3,148.79
Street Signs	500.00	500.00
Sewer Construction	5,189.00	5,189.00
Miscellaneous Private Work	200.00	35.12
New Trees	500.00	402.36
Debt and Interest	43,407.64	43,407.64
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 242,298.99</b>	<b>\$ 241,504.28</b>
Recreation	28,263.00	28,738.76
Audit of City Books	1,700.00	1,700.00
Outside Budget Items:		
N. H. Municipal Association	501.13	501.13
Visiting Nurse Association	2,500.00	2,500.00
Public Band Concerts	900.00	900.00
Civil Defense	4,000.00	1,781.27
Memorial and Veterans Days	650.00	650.00
Christmas Decorations	200.00	200.00
Chamber of Commerce	300.00	300.00
Industrial Committee	200.00	183.08
County Tax (changed by State Tax Comm.)	100,725.74	100,725.74
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 109,976.87</b>	<b>\$ 107,741.22</b>
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>\$2,079,860.20</b>	<b>\$2,076,089.25</b>
Estimated Income	399,573.87	Act. 410,805.54
Amount to be raised by taxation plus overlay	<b>\$1,680,286.33</b>	

## Capital Improvement Budget 1966

Cash Registers (2)	\$ 4,929.85
City Accountant	1,832.61
Tax Collector (2-drawer file)	40.00
City Clerk (typewriter and files)	309.00
Mayors Office	1,460.00
Public Works (420 street signs)	4,900.00
Public Works (passed by Council)	37,750.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$51,221.46</b>

Cash registers, City Accountant's Office, Tax Collector's Office, City Clerk's Office, and Mayor's Office will be on three year notes. The street signs, for the entire city, will be on five year notes.

# School Expenditures

## ADMINISTRATION

Supt. Salary	\$ 8,750.00
Ass't. Supt. Salary	6,400.00
Travel, District, Supt.	500.00
Travel, District, Ass't. Supt.	300.00
Clerical	12,815.60
Building Agents	12,344.55
Census	567.98
Travel - outside district	668.39
Professional Dues & Subscriptions	262.10
Supplies	575.80
Postage	249.10
Printing	215.25
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$43,648.77</b>

## INSTRUCTION

Principals' Salaries	23,569.16
Teaching Staff	590,538.02
Substitutes	8,996.00
Homebound	1,690.00
Clerical - Principals	8,470.00
Textbooks	16,889.88
Reference & Supplementary	1,170.09
Rebinds	620.25
Library Books	2,592.45
Library Rebinds	673.62
Library Supplies	244.01
Periodicals & Newspapers	245.36
Audio-Visual Aids Supplies	937.29
Workbooks	4,232.75
Pupils Supplies	10,033.06
Art, Grades 9-12	581.97
Science Supplies	618.69
Music Supplies	1,301.46
Shop Supplies	2,549.53
Home Economics	799.98
Physical Education	1,338.46
National Defense Education Act	1,254.58
Government Surplus	306.49
Tutoring	39.00
Film Rental Club Plan	402.62
Testing Program	1,060.35
Educational T.V.	853.10
Guidance	85.43
Debating	111.64
Dues	385.00
Graduation	420.35
Travel - outside district	346.83
Supplies - Principals' Offices	255.88
Printing	1,093.56
Postage	219.10
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$684,925.96</b>

## ATTENDANCE

Dr. Jones. Salary	1,221.12
Printing Supplies	12.25
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,233.37</b>

## HEALTH SERVICES

School Nurses - Salary	9,488.36
School Physician - Salary	600.00
Health Supplies & Equipment	518.08
Speech Therapist	979.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$11,585.94</b>

## TRANSPORTATION

Transportation - Contracted 82%	34,515.85
Insurance	1,027.00
Transportation for Handicapped	308.70
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$35,851.55</b>

## OPERATION OF PLANT

Custodial Salaries	52,205.58
Custodial Supplies	6,019.60
Operation of Vehicles	149.15
Heat	15,930.21
Electricity	17,053.15
Telephone	3,649.98
Custodians' Workshop	85.75
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$95,093.42</b>

## MAINTENANCE OF PLANT

Salaries	8,068.28
Replacement of Equipment	3,182.73
Repairs to Equipment	2,098.63
Servicing Pianos	146.50
Contracted Service for Maintenance of Plant	9,937.14
Repairs to Buildings	7,291.66
Other Expenses	1,137.57
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$31,862.51</b>

## FIXED CHARGES

Retirement - State Emp.	5,395.90
Retirement - Teachers	30,905.06
F. I. C. A.	17,881.20
Insurance	5,990.83
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$60,172.99</b>

## STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Salaries	5,000.00
Student Activity Association	
Interscholastic Ath. Jr. High	1,750.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 6,750.00</b>

## COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Custodial	598.60
Transportation, 18%	7,576.65
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 8,175.25</b>

## CAPITAL OUTLAY

Buildings	6,460.39
New Equipment	1,321.39
Government Surplus	563.79
Shop Equipment	508.97
Home Economics	174.41
Audio Visual Aids	100.17
Library	240.13
National Defense Education Act	5,497.50
Physical Education	1,618.86
Music	1,676.05
School Office Equipment	141.43
New Equipment - Misc.	2,275.83
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$20,578.92</b>

## DEBT SERVICE

Principal of Debt	107,614.42
Interest on Debt	40,966.09
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$148,580.51</b>

## OUTGOING TRANSFER ACCOUNTS

Tuition - Private	791.50
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## ADULT EDUCATION

Evening School - non credit	750.00
Adult Education for credit	3,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,750.00</b>

<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$1,153,000.69</b>
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## Water Department Statement of Operations

### Revenues

Commercial Sales	\$98,644.32
Industrial Sales	9,283.08
Hydrant Rentals	180.00
Merchandise Sales and Job Work	16,542.57
Other Income	371.47
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$125,021.44</b>

### Operating Expenses

<b>Water Supply:</b>	
Superintendence	\$ 300.00
Labor	1,294.60
Pumping Station Labor	384.76
Pumping Station Supplies	437.14
Purification Supplies	1,434.26
Power purchased	2,084.64
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 5,935.40</b>

### Distribution

Superintendence and Engineer	10,112.37
Distribution Labor	26,711.96
Meter Department Labor	1,142.28
Meter Department Expense	120.65
Repairs to Mains	555.82
Repairs to Services	947.98
Repairs to Hydrants	668.21
Repairs to Meters	1,156.01
Other Supplies and Expenses	5,284.08
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 46,699.36</b>

### Other

Salaries	2,600.00
Office	1,468.53
Insurance and Taxes	2,378.02
Shop and Garage	6,228.26
Interest	20,698.95
Employees Retirement and Social Security	3,330.05
Other	70.37
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 36,774.18</b>

### Total Operating Expenses

<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 89,408.94</b>
<b>Operating Profit</b>	<b>35,612.50</b>
Less - Depreciation	29,720.94

<b>Net Profit Transferred to Revenue Surplus</b>	<b>\$ 5,891.56</b>
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### Assets

#### Plant Assets

Land	\$ 27,708.50
Structures	21,429.67
Water Supply Equipment	49,909.72
Pumping Station Equipment	2,783.24
Purification Equipment	14,206.16
Transmission Mains	650,669.22
Water Storage Equipment	16,488.13
Distribution Mains	700,207.20
Services	148,439.21
Hydrants	52,820.00
Meters	74,050.37
Shop and Garage Equipment	89,601.86
Office Equipment	6,095.97
<b>Total Plant Assets</b>	<b>\$1,854,409.25</b>

#### Current Assets

Cash in Bank and on Hand	12,400.39
Accounts Receivable (Water, Sun-dry, Construction, Less Reserve for Delinquent Accts.)	\$130,769.07
Material and Supply Inventory	12,794.20
Prepaid (Insurance and Taxes)	566.89
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>\$ 156,530.55</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$2,010,939.80</b>

### Liabilities

#### Capital Liabilities

Water Bonds	\$ 465,000.00
Water Notes	146,230.55
<b>Total Capital Liabilities</b>	<b>611,230.55</b>

#### Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable	22,264.66
Accrued Interest	4,155.79
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>26,420.45</b>

#### Reserves

Depreciation of Plant Assets	605,788.89
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#### Capital Contributions

Municipality	356,393.69
In Aid of Construction	210,664.26
<b>Total Capital Construction</b>	<b>567,057.95</b>

#### Revenue Surplus

(profit or loss)	200,441.96
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$2,010,939.80</b>

## School Receipts

<b>LOCAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$ 1,669.48</b>
Rentals	284.09
<b>REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES</b>	
Sweepstakes	55,074.57
School Building Aid	31,037.18
Intellectually Retarded	2,827.34
<b>REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES</b>	
N.D.E.A. - Title III	2,709.62
N.D.E.A. - Title V	883.00
Public Law 874	38,054.00
<b>TUITION</b>	<b>45,793.46</b>
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>\$178,332.74</b>

# Division of Municipal Accounting

STATE TAX COMMISSION

Concord, New Hampshire

July 18, 1966

The Mayor and City Council

Rochester, N. H.

Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is the report of an examination and audit of the accounts of the City of Rochester for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1965, which was made by this Division in accordance with your request. Exhibits as hereafter listed are included as part of the report.

## Scope of Audit

The accounts and records of all city officials charged with the custody, receipt and disbursement of city funds were examined and audited. All vouchers were examined and all general fund cancelled checks were read. An examination was made of a sufficient number of other fund vouchers, payrolls and cancelled checks to satisfy the requirements of accepted standards of audit procedure. Receipts were checked by source insofar as possible. Book balances were verified by comparison with reconciled bank balances made from statements obtained from depository banks. Verification of uncollected taxes was made by mailing notices to delinquent taxpayers as indicated by the Collector's records. The amounts of uncollected and unredeemed taxes as indicated in this report are therefore subject to any changes which may be necessitated by the return of verification notices.

Comparative Balance Sheets

(General Fund) - December 31, 1964 and December 31, 1965: (Exhibit A-1)

Comparative Balance Sheets (General Fund Account) for the fiscal years ended December 31, 1964 and December 31, 1965, are presented in Exhibit A-1. As indicated therein the Surplus increased by \$30,150.31, from \$34,013.72 to \$64,164.03 in 1965.

## Analysis

Analysis of Change in Current Financial Condition: (Exhibit A-2)

An analysis of the change in the current financial condition of the City during the year is made in Exhibit A-2, with the factors which cause the change indicated therein.

*Decrease in Long Term*

*Indebtedness:*

The long term indebtedness of the City (including Municipal, School and Water Debt) decreased by \$145,056.85 in 1965, as shown herewith:

## General Comments

As a result of observations made during the course of the audit, the following comments and recommendations relating to accounting procedures are offered.

*General Books of Accounts:*

During the fiscal year 1965, the city's general books of accounts have been maintained substantially in accordance with generally accepted accounting methods and procedures.

Recommendations made by this Division in our audit report for the fiscal year 1964 are currently being implemented.

*Accounts Receivable:*

As indicated in our audit report for the previous year the records of Accounts Receivable of the General Fund, as well as those of the Water Department have not been properly maintained for several years. *We are, therefore, unable to express an opinion as to the accuracy of the indicated amount of outstanding accounts receivable as of December 31, 1965.*

*Tax Collector:*

As noted in Exhibit C-4, this audit revealed a net variance of \$1,748.33 in the accounts of Reginald G. Hurd, Tax Collector, as of December 31, 1965. Verification of uncollected taxes is being made by mailing notices to delinquent taxpayers as indicated by the Collector's records. The amount of uncollected and unredeemed taxes as indicated in this report are therefore subject to any changes which may be necessitated by the return of verification notices.

## Recommendations

*Accounts Receivable:*

Since the aggregate amount of outstanding accounts receivable as of December 31, 1965 totals \$197,346.28, we recommend that immediate steps be taken to bring these records up to date. We also recommend that action be taken to expedite the collection insofar as possible of these accounts.

*Police Department:*

It is recommended that the City Accountant's office review the records for police department receipts in order that improvement may be made in connection therewith.

*Non-Revenue or Special Appropriations Funds:*

Non-Revenue or Special Appropriations are created when the City Council votes certain qualified appropriations to be financed by the issuance of Long Term Notes or Bonds.

Chapter 33, Section 3, of the Revised Statutes Annotated, provides as follows: "33:3 Purpose of Issue of Bonds or Notes. A municipality or county may issue its bonds or notes for the acquisition of land, for the construction, reconstruction, alteration and enlargement or purchase of public buildings,



for other public works or improvements of a permanent nature, for the purchase of departmental equipment of a lasting character, and for the payments of judgments. *A municipality or county shall not issue bonds or notes to provide for the payment of expenses for current maintenance and operation except as otherwise specifically provided by law.*”

It is clear from the Statutes quoted above that municipalities may not use proceeds from the issuance of Long Term Notes or Bonds for current budget expenditures.

We, therefore, recommend that the Non-Revenue accounts necessary to control Non-Revenue Assets, Liabilities and Appropriations be maintained. It is also recommended that non-revenue cash funds be segregated and that a separate depository or checking account be maintained for these funds.

*Accounts Receivable — Sewer*

*Liens and Sewer Assessment Funds:*

Chapter 252, of the Revised Statutes Annotated, provides for special handling of Sewer Assessments and Sewer Liens, etc., and it is recommended that proper action be instituted by the City to comply with the provisions of the above Chapter.

*Conclusion:*

The provisions of Chapter 184 of the Laws of 1955, require that this report or the summary of findings and recommendations (letter of transmittal) shall be published in the next annual report of the City.

We extend our thanks to the officials of the City of Rochester and their office staffs for the assistance rendered during the course of the audit.

Yours very truly,

HAROLD G. FOWLER

Director

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## Division of Municipal Accounting

STATE TAX COMMISSION

Concord, New Hampshire

July 18, 1966

### Certificate of Audit

This is to certify that we have examined and audited the accounts and records of the City of Rochester for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1965. In our opinion, the Exhibits included herewith reflect insofar as we were able to determine from existing records, the financial condition of the City on December 31, 1965, together with the results of operations for the fiscal year ended on that date.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD G. FOWLER

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# Funded Debt Outstanding

December 31, 1965

1975  
and over

	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975 and over	Total
Footbridge	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 1,995.00	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 4,095.00
Neighborhood Analysis	1,000.00	1,000.00									2,000.00
Planning Survey	750.00	750.00									1,500.00
Purchase of Bradford and Turcotte Properties	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	16,500.00	30,000.00
Land for Industrial Shell	750.00	750.00	750.00	750.00	750.00	750.00	750.00	750.00	750.00	8,250.00	15,000.00
B & M Parking Lot	1,990.00	1,990.00	1,990.00	1,990.00	690.00						8,650.00
Parking Lot & Gonic Hall	2,575.00										2,575.00
B & M Title Search and Library Burner	290.00										290.00
B & M Right of Way	4,034.20	4,034.20	4,034.20	4,034.20	4,034.20	4,034.20					24,205.20
Sidewalks - Junior High School	2,030.00	2,030.00	2,030.00	2,030.00	2,030.00	2,030.00					12,180.00
Revaluation & Tax Maps	7,950.00	7,950.00	7,950.00	7,950.00	7,950.00	7,950.00	7,950.00	7,950.00			63,600.00
River Street Parking Lot	2,090.00	2,090.00	2,090.00				7,950.00				6,270.00
Ambulance	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00							6,000.00
Traffic Survey and Lights	2,156.67	2,156.66									4,313.33
Dump Site	600.00	600.00	600.00								1,800.00
Library Roof	320.00	320.00	320.00								960.00
Fire Trucks	2,672.50	2,672.50	2,672.50	1,472.50	1,472.50	1,472.50	1,472.50	1,472.50	1,472.50		16,852.50
Fire Alarm Cabinet	700.00										700.00
Swimming Pool	2,000.00										2,000.00
Street Paving	10,476.02	10,476.02	10,476.02	10,476.02	10,476.02	10,476.02	10,483.67				73,339.79
Recreation Panel Truck	438.82	438.82									877.64
Public Works Equipment	17,319.08	17,319.08	10,143.90	8,346.90	5,546.90	2,496.90					61,172.76
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>65,242.29</b>	<b>59,572.28</b>	<b>46,056.62</b>	<b>40,049.62</b>	<b>34,449.62</b>	<b>30,709.62</b>	<b>22,156.17</b>	<b>11,672.50</b>	<b>3,722.50</b>	<b>24,750.00</b>	<b>338,381.22</b>
Allen School Bonds	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	215,000.00	440,000.00
McClelland School Bonds	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	15,000.00			225,000.00
Junior High School Bonds	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	180,000.00	475,000.00
McClelland School Site	1,200.00	1,200.00									2,400.00
Allen School Playground	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	10,000.00
School Repairs	5,750.00	5,784.00	2,050.00	830.00	830.00	830.00	830.00	830.00			17,734.00
<b>Total School</b>	<b>97,950.00</b>	<b>97,984.00</b>	<b>93,050.00</b>	<b>91,830.00</b>	<b>91,830.00</b>	<b>86,830.00</b>	<b>86,830.00</b>	<b>71,830.00</b>	<b>56,000.00</b>	<b>396,000.00</b>	<b>1,170,134.00</b>
Water Bonds	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	275,000.00	465,000.00
Water Pollution	150,000.00										150,000.00
Water Construction	66,291.20	13,878.39	13,878.39	13,878.39	13,878.40	10,657.98	10,658.01	3,109.79			146,230.55
<b>Total Water</b>	<b>236,291.20</b>	<b>33,878.39</b>	<b>33,878.39</b>	<b>33,878.39</b>	<b>33,878.40</b>	<b>30,657.98</b>	<b>30,658.01</b>	<b>28,109.79</b>	<b>25,000.00</b>	<b>275,000.00</b>	<b>761,230.55</b>
<b>Sewer Construction</b>	<b>20,163.84</b>										<b>20,163.84</b>
	<b>\$419,647.33</b>	<b>\$191,434.67</b>	<b>\$172,985.01</b>	<b>\$165,758.01</b>	<b>\$160,158.02</b>	<b>\$148,197.60</b>	<b>\$139,644.18</b>	<b>\$111,612.29</b>	<b>\$ 84,722.50</b>	<b>\$695,750.00</b>	<b>\$2,289,909.61</b>







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