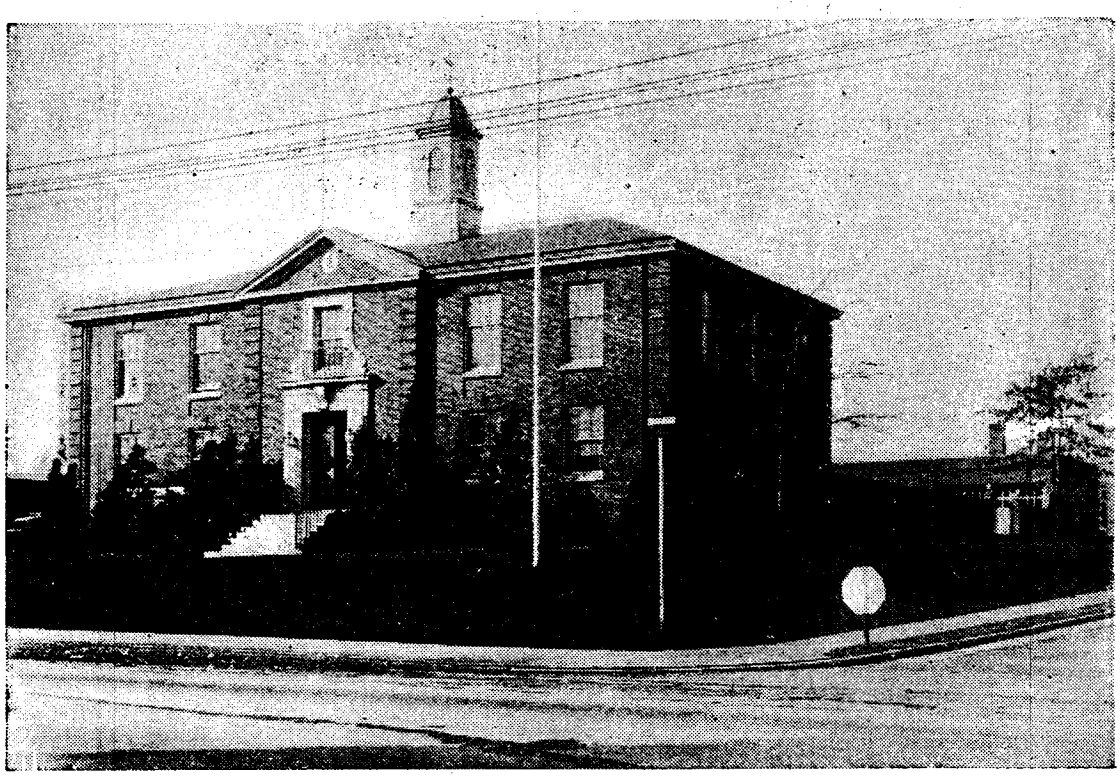
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON

1941
ANNUAL REPORT

Year Ending January 5, 1942



COMMISSIONERS OF ABINGTON TOWNSHIP

York Road and Horace Avenue

Abington, Pennsylvania

COMMISSIONERS
1942

Abington Ward No. 1	WATSON T. CHESTERMAN 9 Edge Hill Road Abington
Saw Mill Hill Ward No. 2	LUKE GREENHALGH 907 San Diego Avenue Fox Chase
Glenside Ward No. 3	LEWIS C. DORN 309 W. Wharton Road Glenside
McKinley Ward No. 4	EDWIN H. GEISSLER 518 Cypress Avenue Elkins Park
Crestmont Ward No. 5	WILLIAM H. JONES 328 S. Easton Road Willow Grove
North Hills Ward No. 6	CHARLES B. MARKS 309 Maple Avenue North Hills
Noble Ward No. 7	HOWARD W. TRUMP 506 Grove Avenue Jenkintown
Roslyn Ward No. 8	ALEXANDER HOGG Avondale Avenue Roslyn
Ardsley Ward No. 9	ALEXANDER C. WATT 646 Monroe Avenue Ardsley
Roychester Ward No. 10	HARRY T. MACKENZIE 301 Silver Avenue Willow Grove
Glenside Ward No. 11	WILLIAM K. DONALDSON 316 Abington Avenue Glenside
Glenside Ward No. 12	WILLIAM GEBHARDTSBAUER 302 E. Oakdale Avenue Glenside
Glenside Ward No. 13	BENJAMIN H. DAVIS 30 W. Lynnwood Avenue Glenside

OFFICERS

CHARLES B. MARKS, President

WILLIAM H. JONES, Vice-President

E. RAYMOND AMBLER, Secretary

ROBERT C. ROSS, Treasurer

DAVID E. GROSHENS, Solicitor
PATRICK McKEE, Chief of Police
LOUIS E. BRIGHAM, Building Inspector
OLIVER L. KING, Township Engineer
GEORGE P. RAPP, Health Officer
MONROE C. ROBERTS, Plumbing Inspector

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

WILLIAM K. DONALDSON, Director
WILLIAM H. JONES
EDWIN H. GEISSLER
HOWARD W. TRUMP

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

WILLIAM H. JONES, Director
ALEXANDER HOGG
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LUKE GREENHALGH

DEPARTMENT..OF PUBLIC HEALTH

HOWARD W. TRUMP, Director
WILLIAM GEBHARDTSBAUER
ALEXANDER WATT

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

EDWIN H. GEISSLER, Director
WATSON T. CHESTERMAN
BENJAMIN H. DAVIS
HARRY T. MACKENZIE

PERSONNEL

Departments and Boards

ABINGTON TOWNSHIP AUDITORS

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CHARLES WILLIAMS
WM. RAYMOND VOGEL

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JOSHUA M. HOLMES, JR., Chairman
HARVEY SMITH
SAMUEL H. GILBERT

ABINGTON TOWNSHIP CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

BENJAMIN T. BRITT, Chairman
BERTRAM E. OUGHTON, Secretary
ALEXANDER HOGG

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JOSEPH H. COCHRAN, Esq., Chairman and Commander
LeROY ASH, Vice-Chairman
W. STANFORD BURKE, Chief Air Raid Warden & Controller
PATRICK McKEE, Chief of Police
EDWARD S. BIGELOW, Chief Emergency Public Works
JOHN W. CARNWATH, M.D., Chief Medical Service
LEWIS C. DORN, Finance Officer
EDWARD G. ZEPP, Executive Officer and School Co-ordinator
MRS. FRED T. CONGER, Secretary

ABINGTON TOWNSHIP AUTHORITY

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WILLIAM H. JONES, Vice-President
WILLIAM K. DONALDSON, Treasurer
HOWARD W. TRUMP
EDWIN H. GEISSLER
E. RAYMOND AMBLER, Secretary
FRED F. SCHAEFER, Clerk
DAVID E. GROSHENS, Solicitor

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The Board of Township Commissioners meet on the Second Thursday of Each Month at 8 o'clock P. M.

The regular meetings of the Departments are as follows:

Public Safety	First Tuesday	7:30 o'clock P. M.
Public Health	First Wednesday	7:30 o'clock P. M.
Public Works	First Thursday	7:30 o'clock P. M.
Public Affairs	Second Monday	7:30 o'clock P. M.
Zoning Board of Adjustment,	Fourth Tuesday	7:30 o'clock P. M.
Abington Twp. Authority,	Fourth Thursday	7:30 o'clock P. M.

CALL THE SECRETARY'S OFFICE

For General Township Information
For Highway Information
For Health Information
For Building Information
For Zoning Information
For Garbage Collection Service

OGONTZ 2700

Office Hours 9 A. M. to 3 P. M.
Saturdays 9 A. M. to 12 Noon
Holidays Excepted

CALL THE TREASURER'S OFFICE FOR INFORMATION RELATING TO TAXES—OGONTZ 2700

FOR POLICE ASSISTANCE

Call Bureau of Police, Ogontz 2700

Office Always Open.

IN CASE OF FIRE

Call Ogontz 2700

The two nearest Fire Companies will proceed immediately to the fire.

Operators at Switchboard 24 hours of the day.

LEWIS J. MEYER

WHEREAS, Lewis J. Meyer, Township Commissioner from the Ardsley Ward No. 9, of Abington Township, departed this life on the 17th day of April, A. D. 1941, and

WHEREAS, Lewis J. Meyer served with distinction as a member of the Board of Township Commissioners of Abington Township for many years, having been twice returned to office by his constituents of the Ardsley Ward No. 9, whom he served so faithfully and so well, and

WHEREAS, the members of the Board of Township Commissioners of Abington Township desire to personally and officially note the death of Lewis J. Meyer, who was their friend and colleague for a decade of public service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Township Commissioners of Abington Township, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, in regular meeting assembled, that the death of Lewis J. Meyer is a keen personal and public loss to the citizens and officials of Abington Township, and that the high fidelity, broad experience and friendly manner which he brought to the service of the people of his Ward and the Township justly entitles him to the gratitude of all the citizens of Abington Township, and his associates in the government of the Township.

TO THE CITIZENS OF ABINGTON TOWNSHIP:

I have the honor of presenting, on behalf of the Commissioners of Abington Township, the twenty-seventh Annual Report for the fiscal year 1941, in which is embraced a copy of the Township Auditors' Report.

You will notice an amount due by the Treasurer in the bank balances of the General Fund and the Permanent Improvement Fund. We wish to inform you that the township funds are fully protected by bond and the township will suffer no loss through any discrepancies in the Township Treasurer's office.

You are aware that the Township Treasurer is an elected official whose term of office, under the law, is four years, and by virtue of his office he is the tax collector for the several units of government levying taxes affecting our township. The Treasurer maintains his office absolutely independent of the Board of Township Commissioners and is entirely responsible for the functioning of his office.

You will find a detailed statement of the estimated receipts, disbursements and balances of the various funds of the township which clearly indicates the method under which we operate and is evidence of the township's sound financial condition.

Priorities and restrictions caused by the existing state of war will place additional burdens on the various functions of government and we will try to meet these demands and continue our services without effecting any increase in our tax rate.

The members of the Board of Commissioners join me in expressing our appreciation of the efficient services of the officers and employees during the year 1941.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Board.

CHARLES B. MARKS, President.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Bureau of General Government

The Directors of Public Affairs submit for your consideration a brief review of the activities of their Department, including a detailed statement of estimated receipts, disbursements and balances in conjunction with the Auditors' Report.

Township Administration Building

The Board of Commissioners received bids for the construction of an addition and alterations to the Township Administration Building in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by Charles F. Rabenold, Architect, and approved August 5, 1940. The contract was not awarded on account of the existing economic conditions and the difficulties that would be encountered in securing the necessary materials under priority ratings.

Office space has been provided in the basement for the State Relief, National Reemployment Service and the Rationing Board for Montgomery County Area No. 1. The headquarters for the Abington Township Council of Defense and the Chief Air Raid Warden's office are in the Court Room on the second floor, while the Commissioners' Room is being used by the engineering department, traveling registrars and Civilian Defense meetings in addition to the regular meetings of the Board of Commissioners and Departments of the township.

During the year the house sewer from the Township Building was connected with the sanitary sewer in the westerly side of York Road and the Police and Highway Garages were drained to the sanitary sewer in Horace Avenue.

Bureau of Library

The Commissioners made their annual contribution of $200 to the Glenside Public Library.

Bureau of Miscellaneous

The Commissioners, from the Miscellaneous Appropriation, made their annual contribution of $2,000 to the Abington Township Police Pension Association. The Association closed the year with a balance of $3,411.48 in the General Fund and $12,063.80 in the Investment Fund. Their investments of $65,000 are principally first mortgages on properties in Abington Township. Their means of increasing the fund is by contribution from the commissioners, public subscriptions, police officers dues, and their annual boxing show. From these sources they increase their fund annually by approximately $5,000.

Sinking Funds

The bond tax levied and collected for the year 1941, amounting to $46,262.66, was deposited into the sinking funds. Orders were drawn on the sinking funds for $10,996.25 for the payment of coupon interest, and for $25,000 for the reduction of bonds. The State Tax on outstanding bonds for the year 1941 amounted to $853.34.

Detailed Statement of Estimated Receipts, Disbursements and Balances

GENERAL FUNDS

Note:—Roman Numeral refers to items in the Twp. Auditors' Report. RECEIPTS	Estimated in Budget for 1941		Received 1941	Estimated in Budget for 1942
Cash in Bank, January	$15,066	(I)	$24,128.57	$21,320
Taxes—1941 (90% estimated collectible)	$259,200	(IV)	$259,564.72	$270,000
Taxes—1939 and 1940	20,000	(III)	$16,025.50	$15,000
Land Liens	30,000	(V)	$33,152.73	$30,000
Penalties and Interest on Land Liens	.....	(VI)	$5,716.32	.....
Miscellaneous Receipts:				
Licenses, Permits, etc.				
Beverage	$5,500		$5,950.00	$5,500
Building	5,500		8,183.00	5,000
Street (including tax on poles)	3,500		4,805.74	3,500
Health and Plumbing	4,000		7,277.00	4,500
Fines and Forfeits—Justices	500		645.00	500
Sewer Rents and Installations	3,500		6,679.95	5,000
Refunds	500		388.08	.....
Total Miscellaneous Receipts	$23,000	(II)	$33,928.77	$24,000
Tax Anticipation Note	$100,000	(VII)	$100,000.00	$100,000
Total Receipts, including Bank Balance	$447,266		$472,516.61	$460,320

DISBURSEMENTS	Estimated in Budget for 1941		Expended 1941	Etimated in Budget for 1942
Debt Service				
Expense, Tax Anticipation Note & Depository Bond	$1,200		$522.50	$900
State Tax on Bonds	1,000		853.34	1,000
Total Expense and Tax	$2,200	(VIII)	$1,375.84	$1,900
Tax Anticipation Note	$100,000	(IX)	$100,000.00	$100,000
Transfer to Sinking Funds	46,116	(X)	$46,262.66	$42,168
Library				
Glenside Public Library	$200	(VIII)	$200.00	$200
Recreation				
Parks and Playgrounds (transfer special tax)	$6,000	(XII)	$6,000.00	$6,250

Miscellaneous

Abington Township Police Pension Association	$2,000		$2,000.00	$2,000
Refund of Sewer Rentals	1,200		1,217.50	1,500
Office Equipment and Furniture	2,000		824.19	.....
Total Miscellaneous	$5,200	(VIII)	$4,041.69	$3,500
Transfer to Permanent Improvement Fund	$3,000	(XI)	$3,000.00	.....

Administration

Salaries and Services	$17,280		$17,010.00	$22,780
Office Equipment and Supplies	1,500		2,189.55	1,700
Printing and Advertising	1,300		1,341.34	1,200
Telephone Service	2,700		2,536.30	2,800
Other Expense	3,470		1,071.82	4,670
Total Administration	$26,250	(VIII)	$24,149.01	$33,150

Treasurer and Tax Collector

Commissions	$7,000		$6,511.27	$7,000
Other Expense	1,500		1,025.53	1,500
Total Treasurer and Tax Collector	$8,500	(VIII)	$7,536.80	$8,500
2% Commission on Land Liens deducted by County Treasurer	.....	(XIII)	$777.37	.....

Township Buildings

Salaries	$1,680		$1,560.00	$1,680
Materials and Supplies	700		562.24	800
Fuel, Light and Water	2,000		1,807.26	2,200
Repairs to Building	2,200		1,089.68	2,000
Insurance	420		40.00	320
Total Township Buildings	$7,000	(VIII)	$5,059.18	$7,000

Police Protection

Salaries	$50,330		$50,125.00	$53,650
Uniforms	1,400		2,234.25	1,600
Office Supplies	280		204.98	300
Maintenance and Replacement Autos	4,000		5,599.09	5,500
Gasoline and Oil	3,500		4,334.25	3,800
Maintenance and Replacement Radio	1,000		933.41	1,200
Insurance, Compensation and Liability	1,500		946.76	1,600
Traffic Signals and Equipment	1,000		1,557.85	1,200
Other Expense	790		712.79	1,110
Total Police Protection	$63,800	(VIII)	$66,648.38	$69,960

Fire Protection				
Rental Fire Hydrants	$10,700		$9,981.66	$11,000
Contribution 5 Fire Companies	15,000		15,000.00	15,000
Insurance	800		980.70	1,000
Total Fire Protection	$26,500	(VIII)	$25,962.36	$27,000
Street Lighting				
Street Lighting Service	$30,300	(VIII)	$29,668.18	$31,000
Building Regulation and Zoning				
Salaries	$2,280		$2,280.00	$2,400
Maintenance of Auto	500		500.00	500
Other Expense	1,320		1,424.06	1,200
Total Building Regulation and Zoning	$4,100	(VIII)	$4,204.06	$4,100
Health and Sanitation				
Salaries	$4,980		$4,980.00	$5,220
Inspection and Analysis of Milk	1,200		904.43	800
Materials and Supplies	200		353.65	200
Other Expense	920		915.26	1,320
Total Health and Sanitation	$7,300	(VIII)	$7,153.34	$7,540
Garbage Collection and Disposal				
Garbage Collection and Disposal Service	$2,400	(VIII)	$2,400.00	$5,000
Sanitary Sewers				
Materials and Supplies	$150		$58.45	$150
Construction of System	1,600		2,926.19	4,500
Operation and Maintenance of System	3,350		2,822.02	3,350
Total Sanitary Sewers	$5,100	(VIII)	$5,806.66	$8,000
Streets and Bridges Including Ashes and Rubbish				
Salaries	$9,880		$9,400.00	$10,660
Wages	41,700		35,185.95	39,300
Office and Engineering Supplies	900		713.24	1,000
Operation, Maintenance and Replacement Motor Equipment	9,900		13,124.96	12,100
Maintenance and Installation Street Signs	700		1,112.60	800
Insurance	2,200		1,504.26	2,000
Tools and Minor Equipment	1,000		1,219.68	1,000
Road Materials for Maintenance	16,000		25,160.60	27,207
Other Expense	1,020		521,20	985
Total Operation and Maintenance	$83,300	(VIII)	$87,942.49	$95,052
Permanent Improvements, Transfer from General Fund	$20,000	(XI)	$10,000.00	$10,000

Due by Treasurer	.....	(XIV)	$10,383.33	.....
Cash in Bank, January	.....	(XV)	$23,945.26	.....
Total Disbursements and Bank Balance	$447,266		$472,516.61	$460,320

PROPERTY VALUATION AND TAX LEVY FOR 1941

	Ward	Assessment	Tax Levied
ABINGTON	No. 1	$3,140,050.00	$37,680.60
SAW MILL HILL	No. 2	3,781,640.00	45,379.68
GLENSIDE	No. 3	1,373,150.00	16,477.80
McKINLEY	No. 4	2,956,655.00	35,479.86
CRESTMONT	No. 5	1,090,175.00	13,082.10
NORTH HILLS	No. 6	1,625,010.00	19,500.12
NOBLE	No. 7	2,486,750.00	29,841.00
ROSLYN	No. 8	1,695,700.00	20,358.68
ARDSLEY	No. 9	953,430.00	11,464.56
ROYCHESTER	No. 10	1,444,085.00	17,329.02
GLENSIDE	No. 11	922,750.00	11,073.00
GLENSIDE	No. 12	1,740,850.00	20,890.20
GLENSIDE	No. 13	1,603,650.00	19,243.80
		$24,813,895.00	$297,800.42

	1938	1939	1940
Property Valuation	$22,930,011	$23,318,295	$23,872,823
Valuation tax exempt property	$3,364,500	$3,555,500	$3,583,850

TAX COLLECTION REPORT

Fiscal Year 1st Monday January	Total Property Tax	Uncollected end Fiscal Year	Uncollected Latest available date Jan. 1, 1942
1938	$298,664.61	$53,862.50	.....
1939	279,819.54	38,402.80	.....
1940	286,978.38	39,071.01	$1,191.86
1941	299,947.91	40,383.19	40,383.19

Tax Liens are filed with County first Monday of May following the year of levy and balances of uncollected taxes at end of year include the items which will be liened the following May if unpaid at that time.

TAX DATA

The Township Commissioners levied a 12 mills tax for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 1942, which will be billed July 1.

Penalty added after September 1. No discount.

Uncollected taxes are included in the next year's budget.

Liens are filed with County Commissioners on First Monday in May following the year of the levy.

SINKING FUNDS

Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Balances

Loan	Bank Balance Jan. 6, 1941	Received by Transfer and Bank Interest	Cash Paid Coupon Int. Redemption of Bonds	Bank Balance Jan. 5, 1942
1912	$2,133.33	$12,896.37	$12,640.00	$2,389.70
1913	79.46	1,788.77	1,075.00	793.23
1923	18,899.20	4,588.25	850.00	22,637.45
1925A	5,315.00	3,894.51	1,305.00	7,904.51
1927	16,223.26	4,492.29	1,530.00	19,185.55
1928	13,754.31	4,909.72	1,665.00	16,999.03
1930	13,877.20	8,940.91	2,231.25	20,586.86
1931	11,087.10	5,285.33	14,700.00	1,672.43
	$81,368.86	$46,796.15	$35,996.25	$92,168.76

BONDED DEBT

Abington Township, from 1906 to 1931 inclusive, had fourteen bond issues, totaling $794,000, and have never defaulted in its debt obligations.

	Bonds Outstanding	Sinking Funds	Net
January 1, 1942	$225,000.00	$92,168.76	$132,831.24
January 1, 1941	250,000.00	81,368.86	168,631.14
January 1, 1940	318,000.00	123,535.13	194,464.87
January 1, 1939	340,000.00	110,812.83	229,187.17
January 1, 1938	367,000.00	102,962.87	264,037.13

The legal debt limit is 7% of the assessed valuation:
2% under councilmanic authority
5% under electorate authority

TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE

The 1941 Tax Anticipation Note of $100,000 was sold February 3, 1941, to W. H. Newbold's Son & Company, 1517 Locust Street, Philadelphia, Pa., at an interest rate of .45%. This note was paid October 1 from the 1941 current taxes and the Township has no temporary loan obligation.

BANK DEPOSITORIES

The two depositories are—
Abington Bank & Trust Company, Abington, Pa.
Jenkintown Bank & Trust Company, Jenkintown, Pa.

Deposits are secured by Depository Agreement with security according to law.

Bank balances, as of January 5, 1942, are—

General Funds	$23,945.26
Park and Shade Tree Fund	$27,846.68
Permanent Improvement Fund	$44,168.36
Sinking Funds	$92,168.76

TOWNSHIP AUDITORS' REPORT
of the
TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON
Montgomery County, Pennsylvania

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1941

GENERAL FUNDS

Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Balances

RECEIPTS

I	Bank Balances, General Funds, January 6, 1941	$24,128.57	
II	Received account of Miscellaneous Receipts	33,928.77	
III	Received account 1939-1940 Taxes	16,025.50	
IV	Received account 1941 Taxes	259,564.72	
V	Received account of Land Liens	33,152.73	
VI	Received account Penalties & Interest on Land Liens	5,716.32	
VII	Received account of 1941 Temporary Loan	100,000.00	
			$472,516.61

DISBURSEMENTS

VIII	Vouchers issued, General Funds	$272,147.99	
IX	Vouchers issued, 1941 Temporary Loan	100,000.00	
X	Transfer to Sinking Funds (special tax)	46,262.66	
XI	Transfer to Permanent Improvement Fund	13,000.00	
XII	Transfer to Park & Shade Tree Fund (special tax)	6,000.00	
XIII	2% Commission on Land Liens deducted by County Treasurer	777.37	
			$438,188.02
XIV	Due by Treasurer		10,383.33
XV	Bank Balances, General Funds, January 5, 1942		23,945.26
			$472,516.61

TAXES RECEIVABLE
(by Township Treasurer)

		Total	Current	Delinquent
	Taxes Receivable January 6, 1941:			
XVI	Delinquent Taxes & penalties 1939-1940	$40,709.09	.....	$40,709.09
XVII	Additional penalties 1940 tax to May 1941	605.12	.....	605.12
		$41,314.21	.....	$41,314.21
	Add:			
	1941 Tax	$297,800.42	$297,800.42	.....
	1941 Penalties	2,147.49	2,147.49	.....
XVIII	Total Additions	$299,947.91	$299,947.91	.....
	Total	$341,262.12	$299,947.91	$41,314.21

	Deduct:			
XIX	Collection delinquent taxes and penalties 1939-1940	$16,025.50	.....	$16,025.50
XX	Liens filed for 1940 taxes and penalties	24,096.85	.....	24,096.85
XXI	Collection 1941 Tax	259,046.19	259,046.19	.....
XXII	Collection 1941 Penalties	518.53	518.53	.....
	Total Deductions	$299,687.07	$259,564.72	$40,122.35
XXIII	Taxes Receivable January 5, 1942	$41,575.05	.....	*$41,575.05
	*Delinquent Taxes:			
	1939-1940 taxes & penalties	$1,191.86		
	1941 taxes and penalties	40,383.19		
		$41,575.05		

TAXES RECEIVABLE
(by County — Land Liens)

Duplicate	Tax Liens Receivable Jan. 6, 1941	Tax Liens Collected	Adjusted by Auditors	Tax Liens Receivable Jan. 5, 1942
1940 (May)	$24,096.85	$6,938.06	.....	$17,158.79
1939	21,345.62	6,867.51	.....	14,478.11
1938	18,115.05	4,002.42	.....	14,112.63
1937	13,298.28	2,814.01	.....	10,484.27
Prior Years	40,938.97	12,530.73	.....	28,408.24
Total	$117,794.77	$33,152.73	.....	$84,642.04

PARK AND SHADE TREE FUND
Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Balances

BALANCE		
Cash in Bank, January 6, 1941	$27,260.86	
RECEIPTS		
Transfer from General Fund, Special Tax	$6,000.00	
Refund on materials	65.79	
Total Receipts	$6,065.79	
Total Receipts and Balance		$33,326.65
DISBURSEMENTS		
Bird Sanctuary	$9.80	
Crestmont Park	2,547.90	
McKinley Park	395.10	
Roychester Park	1,757.28	
Equipment, Insurance & General Maintenance	769.89	
Total Disbursements		$5,479.97
BALANCE		
Cash in Bank, January 5, 1942		$27,846.68

PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT FUND

Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Balances

BALANCE		
Cash in Bank, January 6, 1942	$65,067.86	
RECEIPTS		
Improvement Liens	$24,132.18	
Interest collected on Improvement Liens	284.68	
Transfer from General Fund	13,000.00	
Total Receipts	$37,166.86	
Total Receipts and Balance		$102,484.72
DISBURSEMENTS		
Street Improvements	$23,652.79	
Street Improvements by County-Aid	13,329.91	
Sewer Improvements	365.00	
Total Disbursements		$37,347.70
BALANCE		
Due by Treasurer		$20,968.66
Cash in Bank, January 5, 1942		$44,168.36

IMPROVEMENT LIENS

	Receivable Jan. 6, 1941	Liens Filed Current Year	Liens Collected Current Year	Receivable Jan. 5, 1942
Sewer Improvements	$8,557.85	$2,863.67	$5,127.52	$6,294.00
Street Improvements	15,403.03	23,630.52	19,004.66	20,028.89
	$23,960.88	$26,494.19	$24,132.18	$26,322.89

BONDED INDEBTEDNESS AND SINKING FUNDS

Gross Bonded Indebtedness

	Outstanding Jan. 6, 1941	Amt. Paid During Year	Outstanding Jan. 5, 1942
Electorate Authority	$22,000.00	$12,000.00	$10,000.00
Councilmanic Authority	228,000.00	13,000.00	215,000.00
Total Gross Bonded Debt	$250,000.00	$25,000.00	$225,000.00

Sinking Funds
Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Balances

BALANCE		
Cash in Bank, January 6, 1941	$81,368.86	
RECEIPTS		
Bonded Tax	$47,116.00	
Bank Interest	533.49	
Total Receipts	$47,649.49	
Total Receipts and Balance		$129,018.35
DISBURSEMENTS		
Coupon Interest	$10,996.25	
State Tax	853.34	
Cash paid to bondholders	25,000.00	
Total Disbursements		$36,849.59
BALANCE		
Cash in Bank, January 5, 1942		$92,168.76

CASH ASSETS

Bank Balances, General Funds	$23,945.26
Bank Balance, Park & Shade Tree Fund	27,846.68
Bank Balance, Permanent Improvement Fund	44,168.36
Due by Treasurer, General Fund	10,383.33
Due by Treasurer, Permanent Improvement Fund	20,968.66
Taxes Receivable, January 5, 1942	41,575.05
Tax Liens Receivable January 5, 1942	84,642.04
Improvement Liens Receivable January 5, 1942	26,322.89
	$279,852.27

CASH ASSETS — BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

Bank Balances, Sinking Funds	$92,168.76

LIABILITIES — BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

Outstanding Bonds	$225,000.00

The foregoing report has been prepared from the original books, papers and records of the Township of Abington for the fiscal year beginning on the first Monday of January 1941, and ending on the first Monday of January 1942, and we hereby certify the same to be a complete and correct statement of the financial transactions and condition of the Township of Abington in respect to each and every matter therein set forth.

D. E. KREUGER,
CHARLES WILLIAMS,
WM. RAYMOND VOGEL,
Township Auditors.

Abington, Pennsylvania, March 3, 1942.
Attest:
E. RAYMOND AMBLER, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

The Directors of Public Safety submit for your consideration a brief review of the activities in the Bureaus of Police, Fire Protection, Street Lighting, and Building Regulation and Zoning.

Bureau of Police

There were 464 arrests during the year 1941 of which 69 were for violation of Township ordinances, 10 for violation of the School code, and 33 for violation of the State Motor Law. 312 lodgers were accommodated and 465 meals served to prisoners. The value of goods reported as stolen amounted to $7,000 and the value of stolen goods recovered totaled $11,257.90.

Cases reported to Coroner	7
Dangerous condition reported in roads, trees and wires	5
Dogs killed by Officers	135
Fires reported	473
Holes in roads reported	6
Persons reported hurt in accidents	192
Persons fingerprinted and photographed	41
Street lights reported out	487
Stolen automobiles recovered	14
Stolen bicycles recovered	8
Suicides	5
Trees reported down	6

Patrolmen

The erection of approximately 900 new dwellings and large apartment project within the last five years resulted in added demands for police protection and it became necessary for the Commissioners to add three patrolmen to their police force of twenty-one men.

Civil Service Commission

Governor Arthur H. James approved June 5, 1941, Act No. 45 of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania—An Act "Providing for and regulating the appointment, promotion and reduction in rank, suspension and removal of paid members of the police force in townships of the first class maintaining a police force of not less than three members; creating a civil service commission in each township of the first class; defining the duties of such civil service commission; imposing certain duties and expense on townships of the first class; imposing penalties, and repealing inconsistent laws."

The Act provided that the Township Commissioners shall appoint a civil service commission of three members within 30 days from July 1, the effective date of the Act, and such commission shall organize within 10 days after its appointment.

In conformance with the requirements of the Act the Commissioners, on July 24, 1941, made the following appointments to the Civil Service Commission:

Alexander Hogg, Avondale Avenue, Roslyn—term 2 years.

Bertram E. Oughton, 202 Sunset Road, Jenkintown—term 4 years.

Benjamin T. Britt, Huntingdon Road, Abington—term 6 years.

The Civil Service Commission, on July 30, after taking their oath of office, met for the purpose of organizing at which time Mr. Benjamin T. Britt was selected Chairman and Mr. Bertram E. Oughton as Secretary.

The Commission has held several meetings and is preparing rules and regulations for carrying into effect the provisions of the Act. Such rules shall first be approved by the Township Commissioners.

Radio

During the year the Commissioners joined with the Supervisors of Lower Moreland Township in filing an application with the Federal Communications Commission for permission to install two-way radio service with mobile transmitter in their police patrol car and tie in with our township radio system.

The Commission granted this permission thereby increasing the area covered by our system. This area now includes Abington, Upper Dublin, Upper Moreland and Lower Moreland Townships, and the Borough of Jenkintown.

Automobile Equipment

The Department replaced its entire fleet of 8 police patrol cars with 8 new Plymouth Coupes.

Traffic Signals

The Pennsylvania Department of Highways, on May 16, 1941, issued a traffic signal permit to the Townships of Abington and Upper Moreland for the installation of a corner post type of traffic signal at the intersection of Easton Road and Moreland Road. The cost of these signals was $724.60. Abington Township and Upper Moreland Township each paid $362.30 direct, for the equipment and its installation. We greatly appreciate the contribution of the Philadelphia Transportation Company in furnishing and placing the four steel posts upon which the traffic signals are installed.

The Pennsylvania Department of Highways called our attention to the fact that the Motor Vehicle Code, Section 1110, stipulates that all traffic signals in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall be changed by January 1, 1942, to meet the legal requirements "unless extension of time shall be granted by the Secretary of Highways in each specific case." This means in general the overhead type signals shall be replaced with the corner post type signal, and traffic signal controllers shall provide a color sequence of green, yellow alone, red and repeat. Abington Township appealed to the State for an extension of time in connection with their five overhead type traffic signals, which was granted in each instance December 12, 1941.

Traffic Regulations

35 mile per hour speed limit zones were established on the following streets:

EASTON ROAD, from Mt. Carmel Avenue to Moreland Road.

NORTH HILLS AVENUE, from Jenkintown Road to Maple Avenue.

LIMEKILN PIKE (Route 373), from Edge Hill Road to North Hills Avenue.

MT. CARMEL AVENUE (Application 3961), from Limekiln Pike to Chelsea Avenue.

RYDAL ROAD, from Jenkintown Borough line to the railroad.

Civilian Defense Council

The Board of Commissioners, on July 24, 1941, created the Abington Township Council of Defense and appointed Mr. C. Louis Borie, 3d, of Rydal, as general chairman. Headquarters were established in the Township Building and the citizens of the township were invited to register for volunteer service in the branches of civilian defense for which they would be most suited. Registration took place the early part of November and the work of classifying and indexing the registrants was carried on by a force of volunteer clerical workers under the direction of Mr. John L. Michel.

It became necessary in December for Mr. Borie to resign as general chairman in order that he may devote his full time to the supervision of large government defense projects. Mr. Joseph H. Cochran, Esq., of Rydal, was appointed general chairman to succeed Mr. Borie.

Approximately 2,000 citizens of our township have volunteered their services in the various branches of civilian defense comprising air raid, auxiliary fire, police, demolition, road repair, decontamination and public health units. First aid classes have been conducted and first aid stations will soon be established.

Mr. Cochran has stated that the Abington Township Council of Defense will continue to develop and carry out a carefully planned and sane program for the protection and defense of our township and pleads for the cooperation of the entire citizenry.

Bureau of Fire Protection

The members of the Department of Public Safety, during the year, visited and inspected the various fire company buildings and equipment, and reported on the excellent condition in which their houses and equipment were kept.

The annual audit of the accounts of the five volunteer fire companies reveals to the Township they have a well managed and financially sound fire department.

The audit of the fire companies appears on page 21.

Fire Hydrants

Ten new fire hydrants, as recommended by the Fire Chiefs, were installed at various locations in the township, bringing the total number of fire hydrants in service to two hundred sixty-seven.

Alarms

Four hundred twenty-one fire alarms were reported by the various companies: Abington, 158; Weldon, 74; Edge Hill, 82; McKinley, 17; Roslyn, 90. In this number of alarms there were 227 alarms for field fires, which are mostly caused through negligence, and is a great expense to the fire company and fire company members who are required to answer these irresponsible calls.

One method of setting fields afire has been detected whereby a cigarette fastened to a pack of safety matches with a rubber band is lighted and tossed into a field and left to do its work. There were a number of these packets on some occasions thrown into the field at different locations. The commissioners and fire board earnestly solicit the sincere cooperation of every citizen to assist in the elimination of the field fire.

The Roslyn Fire Company rendered ambulance service for seventy-nine calls.

FIRE COMPANIES AUDIT

The accounts of the fire companies in the Abington Township Fire Department were audited by the Township Auditors. A summary of the audit for 1941 follows:

	Abington	Weldon	Edge Hill	McKinley	Roslyn
Balance in General Fund 1/1/41	$ 377.05	$ 2,782.97	$ 567.72	$ 1,617.18	$ 1,234.46
Received during year	4,436.75	5,681.13	3,511.88	4,170.98	4,203.80
	$ 4,813.80	$ 8,464.20	$ 4,079.60	$ 5,788.16	$ 5,438.26
Expenditures during year	2,727.10	6,037.51	3,235.75	3,115.02	3,945.10
Balance in General Fund 12/31/41	$ 2,086.70	$ 2,426.59	$ 843.85	$ 2,673.14	$ 1,493.16
Cash held in Special Funds	$ 2,695.94		$ 2,562.14	$ 2,048.71	$ 5,138.68
Assets	$37,766.06	$29,726.59	$24,705.99	$26,571.85	$21,728.83
Liabilities		$ 7,931.50			$ 3,000.00

Bureau of Street Lighting

Our street lighting system was increased during the year by twenty-four 1,000 lumen street lights. The total number of 1,000 lumen street lights now in service is twelve hundred and fifty, together with thirty 6,000 lumen street lights.

Bureau of Building Regulation and Zoning

New Building Code

Modern methods of building construction necessitated the revision of the Township Building Code. The Department of Public Safety, in conjunction with representatives of the building trades, prepared an ordinance and submitted it to the Board for consideration.

The Commissioners, on November 13, approved and enacted Ordinance No. 478, which is known as "The Abington Township Building Code of 1941." The rules and regulations embraced in this ordinance governing building construction in Abington Township, have been designed to meet the changing trends in building construction.

Building Activities

Six hundred eighty-six applications were received and Building Permits issued during the year 1941 at an estimated cost as follows:

398	Dwellings	$2,091,252
212	Alterations, Additions and Repairs	143,520
21	Signs	2,110
38	Accessory Buildings	14,255
2	Gasoline Service Stations	14,500
4	Office Buildings, Waiting Room and Shelter Building	11,100
6	Factories and Warehouses	87,800
1	Nurses' Home	362,000
4	Buildings demolished	.....
3	Permits Void	.....
689		$2,726,537

The following statement sets forth the construction of dwellings, separate garages and gasoline service stations during the years 1937 to 1941 inclusive:

	DWELLINGS		SEPARATE GARAGES AND SERVICE STATIONS	
1937	88	Estimated Cost $1,086,616	43	Estimated Cost.....$58,054
1938	153	Estimated Cost $1,082,857	54	Estimated Cost.....$18,650
1938	1	Multiple Dwelling $776,000		
1939	239	Estimated Cost $1,205,102	51	Estimated Cost.....$50,290
1940	339	Estimated Cost $1,563,600	38	Estimated Cost.....$22,059
1941	398	Estimated Cost $2,091,252	37	Estimated Cost.....$27,980

Zoning

The Zoning Board of Adjustment held public hearings during the year on nine petitions for special exceptions or variances from the terms of the Abington Township Zoning Ordinance of 1936, as follows:

Appeal No. 134—Gasoline filling and service station, southerly corner of York Road and Guernsey Avenue, Abington Ward No. 1—Appeal granted.

Appeal No. 135—Addition and alteration to store and second-floor apartment, southerly side of Jenkintown Road 75 feet westwardly from Tyson Avenue, Glenside Ward No. 3—Appeal refused.

Appeal No. 136—Erection and operation of a bocci club house, easterly side of Elk Street approximately 231 feet southwardly from Weldon Avenue, Glenside Ward No. 3—Appeal refused.

Appeal No. 137—Erection of a dwelling with attached garage (encroachment of five feet in front yard abutting side street), southerly corner of Church Road and Summit Avenue, McKinley Ward No. 4—Appeal granted.

Appeal No. 140—Permission to use existing building on southerly side of Guernsey Avenue 150 feet eastwardly from York Road, Abington Ward No. 1 (premises located partially in the "F" Commercial District and partially in the "V" Residence District) as a three-family dwelling—Appeal granted.

Appeal No. 141—Erection of a dwelling with attached garage (encroachment of eight feet in front yard abutting side street) northerly corner of Allen Lane and Welsh Road, Roychester Ward No. 10—Appeal granted.

Appeal No. 143—To permit a two-family occupancy of the dwelling situated on the westerly side of Roberta Avenue southwardly from Allen Lane, Roychester Ward No. 10, zoned in a single-family residence district—Appeal refused.

Appeal No. 144—To permit a four-family occupancy of a two and one-half story single dwelling situated on the northeasterly side of Wharton Road approximately 70 feet eastwardly from Keswick Avenue, Glenside Ward No. 11, zoned in a single-family residence district—Appeal refused.

Appeal No. 145—To permit an addition to rear of dwelling situated on the easterly corner of Noble Road and Spring Avenue, Noble Ward No. 7—Appeal granted.

The Board of Commissioners held public hearings on two petitions to change the zoning classification of districts, as follows:

Appeal No. 138—To change the classification of the northerly side of Susquehanna Street between Sixth and Seventh Avenues, and on Sixth and Seventh Avenues northwardly from Susquehanna Street, in the Roslyn Ward No. 8, from "H" Residence District to "F" Commercial District. Petitioner desired to operate and advertise a small perennial nursery—Appeal refused.

Appeal No. 139—To change the classification of the northerly side of Oak Street, between Stewart Avenue and Wharton Road, Glenside Ward No. 11, from "F" Commercial District to "G" Industrial District. Petitioner desired to use premises 56 Oak Street for weaving and sewing of mats, potholders, etc.—Appeal refused.

The Board of Commissioners amended Section 18 of the Zoning Ordinance by enacting Ordinance No. 474 authorizing the Board of Adjustment to permit the conversion, alteration and use of buildings for more than one family in Residence Districts V, N, T and H.

Bonair Foundry Case

The Bonair Foundry Company was granted a Building Permit to make alterations to a factory building located along the North Penn Railroad north of Fairhill Avenue, Glenside. The process employed in the manufacture of their product resulted in smoke, oil and cinders being discharged over the adjoining residential area in addition to the nuisance from noise.

The residents of the immediate vicinity petitioned the Board of Commissioners to abate the nuisance, believing same to be a violation of the township zoning ordinance. The Township filed a Bill in Equity against the Bonair Foundry Company, Jenkintown Bank & Trust Company, Edwards Concrete Conduit Company and Edward B. Edwards. Upon filing of preliminary objections the Jenkintown Bank & Trust Company, Edwards Concrete Conduit Company, and Edward B. Edwards were stricken off as defendants.

Judge Corson directed that the following decree nisi should be entered:

"AND NOW, this 22nd day of July, 1941, the Prothonotary is directed to enter in each case the following decree nisi:

It is ordered, adjudged and decreed that an injunction issue to the defendant Bonair Foundry Company restraining it from further operations of the foundry, described in the bills of complaint.

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that the Township of Abington pay the costs in both proceedings.

The Prothonotary is directed to mark these findings of fact and conclusions of law filed, thereafter to become part of the record in this case, and to give counsel in the case notice as required by the rules of equity practice, and that, unless exceptions thereto are filed within fifteen days, the decree entered nisi will be entered as a final decree, as of course."

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

The Directors of Public Health submit for your consideration a brief review of the activities in the Bureaus of Health and Sanitation, Garbage Collection and Sanitary Sewers.

Bureau of Health and Sanitation

The State Advisory Health Board, in July 1941, set forth new regulations pertaining to communicable diseases, in which only the persons suffering from Measles, Whooping Cough, Chicken Pox, German Measles or Mumps shall be restricted to his own premises during the intervals specified in the regulations. Your Department of Health continues placarding the premises for the duration as set forth in the regulations and as is required in modified quarantines. The State Department require that physicians continue to report these five diseases as well as other communicable diseases required by law.

Physicians, during the year 1941, reported to the Bureau of Health, 413 communicable diseases.

Infantile Paralysis Quarantine

Because of the epidemic of Infantile Paralysis in the southeastern section of our State, Montgomery County was one of the counties placed under quarantine by the State Department of Health August 27, 1941. The State ordered all moving picture theatres, swimming pools, public conveyances, Churches and Sunday Schools closed to all children under sixteen years of age, and all public, parochial and private schools closed to all students. The quarantine ban was lifted September 27.

Milk Inspection

The inspection of milk for our township for the year 1941 has been under the supervision of our Health Officer. A laboratory has been provided with equipment for testing milk and cream to determine that butterfats meet standard requirements, check for dilution and sediment in raw milk, and a phosphatate test to determine under-pasteurization.

The Health Officer made 192 dairy and plant inspections during the year and assisted the State Inspector in supervising the construction of four new milk plants.

The people of our township may be fully assured that this service, under the supervision of their Department of Public Health, will protect them and give them a supply of safe milk.

Health Officer

The Health Officer received 65 complaints of overflowing cesspools and directed the owners to abate the nuisance.

The Health Officer inspected 176 public eating places, drinking places and soda fountains within our township and issued 660 Health Certificates to the employers and employees. This report was filed with the State Department of Restaurant Hygiene.

Garbage Collection

The Bureau of Health received 198 requests for garbage service during the year, which were given immediate attention by the Contractor, Frank Birchler, Jarretttown, whose contact expired December 31.

The Commissioners, upon advertising for bids, awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, William B. Simons, Jr., of Almont, a three-year contract.

Plumbing Inspection

The Plumbing Inspector reported 568 plans of plumbing work were approved and permits issued during the year 1941. Certificates of Registration were issued to 89 Master Plumbers and 24 Journeyman Plumbers.

Sixty-nine leaching cesspools and 10 sub-soil drainage systems, and 2 outside privies were installed under the supervision of the Plumbing Inspector.

Forty-nine Certificates of Sanitary Drainage and Plumbing Fixtures were issued on the Township form, and 277 Certificates were issued on the forms required by F.H.A.

Bureau of Sanitary Sewers

Twenty-nine properties were connected to the Township sanitary sewer system. Where laterals were not previously extended to the curb, same were laid by employees of the Department of Public Works.

Approximately 600 foot extension to our sanitary sewer system was placed in Horace Avenue eastwardly from Highland Avenue, and in Guernsey Avenue between Highland Avenue and York Road, in the Abington Ward No. 1.

Abington Township Sewer System

Pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Commissioners March 27, 1941, President Charles B. Marks appointed a special committee: Watson T. Chesterman, Chairman; Alexander Hogg and William Gebhardtsbauer, to interview engineers familiar with sewer work and to recommend an engineer to be engaged by the Board of Commissioners to make a report of the cost of construction and establish a financial schedule necessary for the sale of Authority bonds.

The committee reported having held its first meeting April 10, when a schedule was prepared for future meetings at which interviews with sewer engineers were to be held; President Marks, Township Engineer King and Solicitor Groshens attending all meetings of the committee.

Six subsequent meetings were held at which representatives of seven engineering firms were interviewed. Each of the said engineering firms interviewed was requested to submit a written proposal of the cost to the township for the engineering services which would be rendered for the construction of the proposed sewage system and proposed sewage treatment works. The committee, on May 13, received and opened seven sealed proposals which were considered by the committee at meetings held on May 15, 26, June 4 and 18.

The committee felt an undertaking of the magnitude of the township sanitary sewer system demands the services of someone who has had experience on similar problems both in scope and the difficulties which will be encountered, and believing the firm of Albright & Friel, Inc., of Philadelphia, possessed the necessary qualifications to handle the work so that it will be completed successfully with a minimum of trouble, unanimously recommended to the Board of Commissioners that they engage the engineering firm of Albright & Friel, Inc., in accordance with the terms set forth in their proposal.

The Board of Commissioners, after careful consideration of the report, unanimously engaged the firm of Albright & Friel, Inc.

Abington Township Authority

The Commissioners, on April 10, 1941, enacted Ordinance No. 465 to approve the correcting of the Articles of Incorporation of the Abington Township Sewer Authority by changing the name to Abington Township Authority and by eliminating the purpose and term of existence from the said Articles and to designate the project to be undertaken by said Authority.

It was necessary to file the corrected Articles of Incorporation with the Secretary of the Commonwealth and to request that said corrected Articles shall have the same force and effect as though filed at the time of the original incorporation thereof and with all the powers conferred upon Authorities by the amendments to the said Municipality Authorities Act of 1935 by the Acts of May 20, 1937, P. L. 739 and of May 17, 1939, P. L. 167.

This means the name of the Authority is now Abington Township Authority, that its term of existence has been extended from forty to fifty years and that the project which shall be undertaken by said Authority is: to acquire, hold, construct, improve, maintain, operate or lease either as lessor or lessee, sewers, sewer systems or parts thereof and sewage treatment works for the Township of Abington and for such other territory as it may be authorized to serve.

Pumping Station Site

The triangular lot at the corner of Mt. Carmel Avenue and North Hills Avenue is the site for a proposed pumping station according to the township sanitary sewer plan. The Commissioners effected an amicable agreement with the owner, Mr. Warren B. Detweiler, for the acquisition of the lot and on November 26 enacted Ordinance No. 479 authorizing its purchase.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

The Directors of the Department of Public Works submit for your consideration a brief review of the activities in the Bureau of Highways and Parks and Playgrounds.

Bureau of Highways

The increased activities in the Engineering Department made it necessary for the Board to consider securing the services of a draftsman. Mr. Raymond H. Hamilton was appointed July 1 as draftsman in the Township Engineer's office and his work will include checking and correcting the real estate registry maps.

Real Estate Registry

1208 real estate deeds were offcially registered.

Equipment

The following equipment was purchased:

1 Autocar truck replacing a used Brockway truck.

1 Whirlwind grass mower.

1000 feet of snow fence.

Street Name Signs

75 street name signs were purchased and erected at various street intersections in the township.

Montgomery County Aid

The Montgomery County Highway Department, on July 16, 1941, completed the construction of Central Avenue, Ward 6, under the provisions of the 1940 County-Aid agreement. The work was financed on the basis of Montgomery County 60%, Abington Township 40%.

Highway Permits

378 applications were received for permission to open, break or excavate street, sidewalk and curb, erect new poles, and for establishing grades and lines for installation of sidewalk, curb and gutter paving, under the provisions of Ordinance No. 357. Same were approved and permits issued accordingly.

Highway Construction Permits

Permits were issued to the owners and/or developers for the construction of the following streets:

Guernsey Avenue, Old York Road to Highland Avenue, Ward 1.
Rosemont Lane, Huntingdon Road through Abington Park Manor to Huntingdon Road, Ward 1.
Fairacres Road, Meetinghouse Road to Washington Lane, Ward 2.
Gibson Avenue, Meetinghouse Road to Washington Lane, Ward 2.
Dale Road, Meetinghouse Road to Huntingdon Pike, Ward 2.
Castlewood Road, Fairfield Road to Easton Road, Ward 3.
Fairfield Road, Castlewood Road to Charles Street, Ward 3.
Fernwood Road, Woodland Road to Johnston Avenue, Ward 8.
Cleveland Avenue, Maple Avenue to Moreland Road, Ward 10.
Maple Avenue, Harding Avenue to Cleveland Avenue, Ward 10.

Sub-Divisions

Plans were approved for the following sub-divisions:

Roslyn Valley Tract No. 2—Ward 8.
King's Oaks—Ward 2.
Overlook Hills (portion revised)—Ward 10.
Fairacres (portion)—Ward 2.
Fox Chase Manor (portion revised)—Ward 2.

Acceptance of Streets

The Township accepted the following streets:

Ordinance No. 463—HURON AVENUE, Wellington Road to Cypress Avenue, Ward 4.
Ordinance No. 464—HORACE AVENUE, Jericho Road to Edge Hill Road, Ward 1.
Ordinance No. 466—NORWOOD AVENUE, Easton Road to East Avenue, Ward 8.
Ordinance No. 466—KENDERTON AVENUE, Easton Road to East Avenue, Ward 8.
Ordinance No. 466—EAST AVENUE, Norwood Avenue to Kenderton Avenue, Ward 8.
Ordinance No. 467—EAST AVENUE, Kenderton Avenue to Easton Road, Ward 8.
Ordinance No. 468—FAIRFIELD ROAD, Charles Street to Castlewood Road, Ward 3.
Ordinance No. 468—CASTLEWOOD ROAD, Easton Road to Fairfield Road, Ward 3.
Ordinance No. 471—ROANOKE AVENUE, Huron Avenue to Forrest Avenue, Ward 4.
Ordinance No. 371—CHARLES STREET, Cottage Road to Fern Road, Ward 11.
Ordinance No. 471—FERN ROAD, Charles Street to Pleasant Avenue, Ward 11.
Ordinance No. 472—ESSEX ROAD, Susqueranna Street and Meetinghouse Road to Pembroke Road, Ward 2.
Ordinance No. 473—ROSEMONT LANE, Huntingdon Road through Abington Park Manor to Huntingdon Road, Ward 1.
Ordinance No. 480—GUERNSEY AVENUE, York Road to Highland Avenue Ward 1.

Ordinance No. 480—DALE ROAD, Meetinghouse Road to Huntingdon Pike, Ward 2.

Ordinance No. 481—LONGSTRETH AVENUE, Montgomery Avenue to Gibson Avenue, Ward 2.

Deed of Dedication—5.83 feet strip of land abutting the easterly side of MT. CARMEL AVENUE, Tennis Avenue to North Hills Avenue, Ward 6.

Vacation of Streets

The Board enacted Ordinance No. 476 vacating Essex Road, extending from the intersection of Susquehanna Street and Meetinghouse Road to Pembroke Road, Ward 2.

No exceptions being filed in the Court of Quarter Sessions within the required time, the Township Engineer was instructed to cause Essex Road, between the above-mentioned streets, to be stricken from the plan of highways of Abington Township and hereafter no Township monies shall be expended or materials used in the maintenance of said Essex Road and all Township jurisdiction shall cease and determine.

New Construction

The following streets were improved with combined curb, gutter and asphalt macadam paving and the cost assessed to the owners of abutting properties:

Ordinance No. 453—Wheatsheaf Lane, Susquehanna Street to Horace Avenue, Ward 1.

Ordinance No. 464—Horace Avenue, Jericho Road to Edge Hill Road, Ward 1.

The Department of Public Works constructed with asphalt macadam paving Forrest Avenue from Jenkintown Road to Fox Chase Road, Ward 4; and a portion of Highland Avenue (stations 59–00 to 65–00) between Canterbury Road and Jenkintown Road, Wards 7 and 11.

Curb, Gutter and Sidewalk

The increased width of the cartway of Jenkintown Road required by the State Highway Department made it necessary for the Commissioners to acquire land from the abutting property owners in order to complete the sidewalk paving along the westerly side of Jenkintown Road, between Huron Avenue and Tulpehocken Avenue, McKinley. The Commissioners entered into an Agreement with the two property owners affected to make the necessary improvements in lieu of the land acquired.

Jericho Manor, Inc., constructed combined concrete curb and gutter along the easterly side of Highland Avenue in front of the apartment house.

Limekiln Pike Improvement

Under the provisions of Ordinance No. 451 concrete curb and sidewalk was constructed on both sides of Limekiln Pike between North Hills Avenue and a point near Edge Hill Road, Ward 6, and the cost assessed to the owners of the abutting properties.

Upon completion of this improvement the Pennsylvania Department of Highways constructed Limekiln Pike with an H.E.I. wearing surface upon a reconstructed waterbound stone base.

Reconstructed Streets

1.2 miles of streets were given a two-coat asphalt penetration wearing surface upon an existing base.

WARD	NAME	LOCATION
5	ROTHLEY-BERKLEY AVENUES	Hamilton Avenue to Clearview Avenue
6	HAWTHORNE ROAD	Locust Road to Monroe Avenue
6	MAGNOLIA AVENUE	Monroe Avenue to Fairview Avenue
6	LINDEN LANE	Monroe Avenue to Fairview Avenue
6	WALNUT LANE	Monroe Avenue to Fairview Avenue
6	MT. CARMEL AVENUE (northeasterly side)	Tennis Avenue to North Hills Avenue
7	CANTERBURY ROAD	Highland Avenue to 1100 feet east.
10	GROVANIA AVENUE	Grove Avenue to 250 feet west of Glendale Avenue

Surface Treatment

The Department surface-treated 61,270 square yards of streets in the various wards of the township. On the basis of an 18 feet wide cartway, 5.80 miles of streets were treated.

Dust Treatment

The Department treated with dust laying material, various unimproved streets throughout the township totaling three miles.

Refuse and Ash Collection

Weekly collections of refuse and ashes were made according to the Winter Schedule and bi-weekly collections according to the Summer Schedule. A total of 2,648 truck loads of refuse and ashes were collected. The ashes were sorted and placed on unimproved streets in various wards of the Township. The refuse was deposited on township property at Ardsley. The mileage traveled collecting and disposing the refuse and ashes was 28,718 miles.

Miscellaneous Work

Constructed steps, wall, sidewalk and curb along the westerly side of Jenkintown Road from Tulpehocken Avenue northwardly for approximately 110 feet.

Constructed sidewalk on the northwesterly corner of Highland Avenue and Mt. Carmel Avenue.

Erected no parking and speed limit signs on various streets for the Police Department.

Cut back high bank for vision only at the southeasterly corner of Huntingdon Pike and Susquehanna Street.

Placed slag grit and calcium chloride on slippery hills and intersections.

Erected 10,000 feet of snow fence.

Plowed snow from all township streets. Distance traveled 1,700 miles. Expense $992.00.

Performed routine work in connection with the maintenance of roads, sewers and parks.

Parks and Playgrounds

The Federal Work Projects Administration, on June 11, 1941, officially closed the project of remodeling the community building in Roychester Park. General rules and regulations for the management of the Community House have been approved by the Commissioners and a Board of House Managers appointed in charge of the building and its activities.

Contract for the erection of a Shelter Building in Crestmont Park was awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, E. Allen Reeves, and work was completed in August.

The Department of Public Works opened an 800 feet trench in Oak Street for the installation of the water service to Crestmont Park.

Maintenance of the park and playground equipment and property was done by the Department of Public Works force. Grass and weeds were cut and ball diamonds kept in shape.

The Commissioners have entered into an Agreement with the School District of Abington Township for the acquisition of the McKinley Park situated on the northerly corner of Jenkintown Road and Osceola Avenue, the rear portion of which extends through to Cadwalader Avenue.

The Commissioners have effected an Agreement whereby the School District will take title to the North Hills Park on Tennis Avenue opposite the school property.

DIRECTORY OF

ABINGTON TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

ABINGTON HIGH SCHOOL
Susquehanna Street
Abington, Pennsylvania

ABINGTON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL
Highland Avenue
Abington, Pennsylvania

HIGHLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Edge Hill Road
Abington, Pennsylvania

CEDAR ROAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Cedar Road
Hollywood, Pennsylvania

McKINLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Cadwalader Avenue
McKinley, Pennsylvania

PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Highland Avenue
Willow Grove, Pennsylvania

NORTH HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Central Avenue
North Hills, Pennsylvania

ROSLYN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Susquehanna Street
Roslyn, Pennsylvania

ARDSLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Spear Avenue
Ardsley, Pennsylvania

OVERLOOK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Welsh and Edge Hill Roads
Willow Grove, Pennsylvania

WELDON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL
Easton Road
Glenside, Pennsylvania

WELDON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Easton Road
Glenside, Pennsylvania

OTHER SCHOOLS IN ABINGTON TOWNSHIP

ABINGTON FRIENDS SCHOOL
Jenkintown rd. & Greenwood ave.
Jenkintown, Pennsylvania

MEADOWBROOK SCHOOL
Hampton & Meadowbrook Roads
Meadowbrook, Pennsylvania

OGONTZ SCHOOL
Ogontz School, Pa.

ST. LUKES PAROCHIAL SCHOOL
Lynnwood Ave. & Easton Road
Glenside, Pennsylvania

DIRECTORY OF CHURCHES

ABINGTON FRIENDS MEETING
Meetinghouse Rd. & Greenwood Ave., Jenkintown, Pennsylvania

ABINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
York Road & Susquehanna Street
Abington, Pennsylvania

ARDSLEY COMMUNITY CHAPEL
Harrison Ave. & Jenkintown Road
Ardsley, Pennsylvaia

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF CRESTMONT
Rubicam and Fairview Avenues
Willow Grove, Pennsylvania

CARMEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Mt. Carmel Ave. & Edge Hill Rd.
North Hills, Pennsylvania

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST
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Glenside, Pennsylvania

FAITH COMMUNITY CHURCH
Easton and Bradfield Road
Roslyn, Pennsylvania

GLENSIDE M. E. CHURCH
Easton Road & Lynnwood Avenue
Glenside, Pennsylvania

GLENSIDE REFORMED CHURCH
Abington Ave. and Wharton Road
Glenside, Pennsylvania

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
Parkview & Lycoming Avenues
Willow Grove, Pennsylvania

METHODIST CHURCH OF CRESTMONT
Rubicam & Washington Avenues
Willow Grove, Pennsylvania

M. Y. SMITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Cypress & Cadwalader Avenues
Elkins Park, Pennsylvania

ORTHODOX FRIENDS MEETING
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Jenkintown, Pennsylvania

ROSLYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Easton Road & Tyson Avenue
Roslyn, Pennsylvania

ROYCHESTER PARK M. E. CHURCH
Edge Hill Road & Ferndale Ave.
Willow Grove, Pennsylvania

ST. ANNE'S P. E. CHURCH
Welsh & York Roads
Willow Grove, Pennsylvania

ST. LUKE'S R. C. CHURCH
Easton Road & Lynnwood Avenue
Glenside, Pennsylvania

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
Easton Road & Mt. Carmel Ave.
Glenside, Pennsylvania

ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Easton Road
Glenside, Pennsylvania

WHARTON AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH
Wharton and Weldon Avenues
Glenside, Pennsylvania

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ABINGTON, WARD No. 1	ABINGTON FIRE HOUSE York Road and Horace Avenue Abington, Pennsylvania
SAW MILL HILL, WARD No. 2	CEDAR ROAD SCHOOL Cedar Road Hollywood, Pennsylvania
GLENSIDE, WARD No. 3	WELDON FIRE HOUSE Easton Road Glenside, Pennsylvania
McKINLEY, WARD No. 4	McKINLEY FIRE HOUSE Cadwalader Avenue McKinley, Pennsylvania
CRESTMONT, WARD No. 5	PRIFOLD'S STORE Easton and Welsh Roads Willow Grove, Pennsylvania
NORTH HILLS, WARD No. 6	EDGE HILL FIRE HOUSE Limekiln Pike and Cricket Ave. North Hills, Pennsylvania
NOBLE, WARD No. 7	FURMAN & FURMAN REAL ESTATE OFFICE York Road and Wharton Road Noble, Pennsylvania
ROSLYN, WARD No. 8	ROSLYN FIRE HOUSE Bradfield Road at Heston Street Roslyn, Pennsylvania
ARDSLEY, WARD No. 9	ARDSLEY COMMUNITY HOUSE Hamel Ave. near Woodrow Ave. Ardsley, Pennsylvania
ROYCHESTER, Ward No. 10	W. CLYDE GOURLEY INC. REAL ESTATE OFFICE York Road and Welsh Road Willow Grove, Pennsylvania
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