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**CHAPTER 10  
OF THE BY-LAWS OF THE  
TOWN OF WATERTOWN, MASS.**



**PERSONNEL, WAGE AND SALARY  
ADMINISTRATION**

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March 16 and March 23, 1964  
under articles 8 and 51, respectively,  
With amendments through 1968  
Annual Town Meeting**

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## CHAPTER 10

## PERSONNEL, WAGE AND SALARY ADMINISTRATION

## SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION

Pursuant to the authority contained in Sections 108A and 108C of Chapter 41 of the General Laws there shall be established plans, which may be amended from time to time by vote of the Town at an Annual Town Meeting; (a) classifying positions in the service of the Town other than those filled by popular election, those under the jurisdiction of the School Committee, those for which incumbents render contractual services which are not provided during regularly established working hours and those which are essentially seasonal with respect to the duties which the incumbents perform and which do not appear in Schedule A of Section 7 following, into groups and classes doing substantially similar work or having substantially equal responsibilities; (b) authorizing a compensation plan for positions in the classification plan; (c) providing for the administration of said classification and compensation plans and; (d) establishing certain working conditions and fringe benefits for employees occupying positions in the classification plan.

The classification of positions which are subject to the Welfare Compensation Plan of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the schedule of rates therefor effective July 1, 1963 with subsequent amendments, if any, and the provisions of Section 47D of Chapter 31 of the General Laws relating to the application of rates set forth in the aforementioned Welfare Compensation Plan are hereby incorporated by reference.

The maximum salary rate for any position subject to the Welfare Compensation Plan may, however, be exceeded upon recommendation by the Board of Public Welfare with approval of the Personnel Board and the appropriate agency or agencies of the Commonwealth.

## SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS

As used in this by-law, the following words and phrases shall have the following meanings unless a different construction is clearly required by the context or by the laws of the Commonwealth:

"Administrative Authority," the elected or appointed official or board, having jurisdiction over a function or activity;

"Board," the Personnel Board as defined in Section 3;

"Class," a group of positions in the Town service sufficiently similar in respect to duties and responsibilities so that the same descriptive title may be used to designate each position allocated to the class, that the same qualifications shall be required of the incumbents, that the same tests of fitness may be used to choose qualified employees and that the same scale of compensation can be made to apply with equity;

"Classification Plan," class titles appearing in Schedule A of Section 7 of this by-law plus class specifications which are on file with the Personnel Board and which are hereby incorporated by reference;

"Compensation Grade," a range of salary or wage rates appearing in Schedules B, C, D or E of Section 7;

"Compensation Plan," Schedules B, C, D and E in Section 7;

"Continuous Employment," employment (either full-time or part-time) requiring a predetermined minimum work week and uninterrupted except for required military service and for authorized vacation or other leave of absence;

"Department," any department, board committee commission or other agency of the Town subject to this by-law;

"Employee," an employee of the Town occupying a position in the classification plan;

"Full-time Employee," an employee retained in full-time employment;

"Full-time Employment," employment for not less than 7.5 hours per diem for five days a week for fifty-two weeks per annum, minus legal holidays and authorized vacation leave, sick leave and other leave of absence;

"Group," or "Occupational Group," a group of classes designated by occupation as appearing in Schedule A of Section 7;

"Increment," the dollar difference between step rates;

"Maximum Rate," the highest rate in a range which an employee normally is entitled to attain;

"Minimum Rate," the rate in a range which is normally the hiring rate of a new employee;

"Part-time Employee," an employee retained in part-time employment;

"Part-time Employment," employment for less than full-time weekly employment;

"Permanent Employee," an employee retained in continuous employment in a permanent position;

"Permanent Position," a full-time or part-time position in the Town service which has required or which is likely to require the services of an incumbent in continuous employment for a period of fifty-two calendar weeks;

"Personal Rate," a rate above the maximum rate applicable only to a designated employee;

"Position," an office or post of employment in the Town service with duties and responsibilities calling for the full-time, part-time or seasonal employment of one person in the performance and exercise thereof;

"Promotion," a change from a position of lower class and compensation grade to a position with greater responsibilities in a higher class and compensation grade;

"Range," the dollar difference between minimum and maximum rates;

"Rate," a sum of money designated as compensation for personal services on an hourly, daily, weekly, monthly, annual or other basis;

"Regular Employee," an employee who has worked thirty weeks in the aggregate during the twelve consecutive months ending May 31st of any calendar year;

"Seasonal Employment," employment for less than full-time annual employment;

"Step Rate," a rate in a range of a compensation grade;

"Temporary Employee," an employee retained in a temporary position or in a permanent position in probationary or acting status;

"Temporary Position," a position in the Town service which requires or is likely to require the services of one incumbent for a period less than fifty-two calendar weeks in continuous employment;

"Town," the Town of Watertown.

### SECTION 3. PERSONNEL BOARD

(a) There shall be a Personnel Board consisting of seven unpaid members, responsible for the administration of the classification and compensation plans. One member shall be a member of the Board of Selectmen, one a member of the Finance Committee, one a Town employee of Watertown and four shall be citizens at large of the Town. Appointments to the Personnel Board shall be made by the Moderator.

(b) In making these appointments the Moderator shall give consideration to the personal qualifications of those citizens, who will best meet the responsibility of the Board to represent both Town employees and taxpayers. If possible, the make-up of the Board shall consist of members professionally qualified who are familiar with the principles and experienced in the methods and practices of labor relations and personnel administration.

(c) The terms of office of members of the Board shall be as follows: The member of the Board of Selectmen, the member of

the Finance Committee and the member of the Town employees shall serve for a term of one year. One citizen to be appointed for a term of one year, and one citizen shall be appointed for a term of two years, and two citizens shall be appointed for terms of three years. Upon expiration of the first terms of said citizen members, their successors shall be appointed for terms of three years.

The members in office at the time of adoption of this by-law shall continue to hold office until their successors have been appointed and qualified.

(d) The Board shall administer the plans and shall establish such procedures as it deems necessary for the proper administration thereof.

(e) Forthwith after its appointment and annually, the Board shall meet and organize by electing a chairman and appointing a secretary who shall be a member of the Board. A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. A majority of the Board shall determine the action the Board must take in all matters which it is authorized or required to pass under this by-law.

(f) The Board may employ assistance and incur expenses as it deems necessary subject to the appropriation of funds therefor. It shall appoint a clerk who shall not be a member of the Board.

(g) The clerk of the Board shall maintain adequate personnel records of all employees occupying positions subject to the classification and compensation plans.

(h) The Board from time to time, of its own motion, shall investigate the work features and rates of salaries or wages of any or all positions subject to the provisions of this by-law. Such reviews shall be made at such intervals as the Board deems necessary and, to the extent which the Board considers practicable, shall include all occupational groups in the classification plan.

(i) The Board shall maintain written job descriptions or specifications of the classes in the classification plan, each consisting of a statement describing the essential nature of the work and the characteristics that distinguish the class from other classes. The description for any class shall be construed solely as a means of identification and not as prescribing what the duties or responsibilities of any position shall be, or as modifying, or in any way affecting, the power of any administrative authority, as otherwise existing, to appoint, to assign duties to, or to direct and control the work of any employee under the jurisdiction of such authority.

(j) Upon recommendation of a department head, supported by evidence in writing of special reasons and exceptional circumstances satisfactory to the Board, the Board may authorize an entrance rate higher than the minimum rate for a position, and/or such other variance in the compensation plan as it may deem necessary for the proper functioning of the services of the Town. No variance

shall become effective unless, or until, the necessary funds have been appropriated therefor.

Initial employment in the library service in any of the professional positions or classifications included in Section 7 may be at rates above the minimum rate shown, when, in the judgment of the Trustees of the Free Public Library prior experience and training justifies such rate, and the authorization of the Board in such cases shall not be required.

(k) The Board shall make an annual report in writing to the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee not later than the fourth Monday prior to the first business meeting of the Annual Town Meeting.

#### SECTION 4. CLASSIFICATION PLAN

(a) All positions in the service of the Town except those excluded by Section 1 are hereby classified by titles appearing in Schedule A of Section 7 which is made a part hereof. These classes of positions shall constitute the classification plan for paid Town services.

(b) The title of each class, as established by the classification plan, shall be the official title of every position allocated to the class and the official title of each incumbent of a position so allocated, and shall be used to the exclusion of all others on payrolls, budget estimates and other official records and reports pertaining to the position.

(c) The title of a position which is held by an employee with a dual or a multiple Civil Service rating shall be that recommended by the employee's department head, or by the administrative authority having jurisdiction over the organization unit to which the employee is assigned.

(d) Whenever a new position is established, or the duties of **an existing position** are so changed that in effect a new position is created, upon presentation of substantiating data satisfactory to the Personnel Board, the Board shall allocate such new or changed position to its appropriate class.

(e) No position may be reclassified until the Personnel Board shall have determined such reclassification to be consistent with the classification plan.

#### SECTION 5. COMPENSATION PLAN

(a) The compensation plan shall consist of Schedules B, C, D and E of Section 7 which provide minimum and maximum salaries or wages for certain of the classes in the classification plan. The

salary range of a class shall be the salary range of all positions allocated to the class.

(b) Each employee shall continue to be paid on the same basis as in effect at the time of adoption of this by-law unless otherwise provided in the compensation plan.

(c) No administrative authority shall fix the salary of any employee in a position in the classification plan except in accordance with the compensation plan.

(d) No person shall be paid as an employee in any position subject to the provisions in the classification plan under any title other than those appearing in Schedule A of Section 7.

(e) An employee in continuous employment in a class appearing on Schedules B, C, D or certain grades of Schedule E of Section 7 shall receive the increment between his present rate and the next higher step rate as follows:

- (1) Beginning with the pay period following completion of twelve months service at the minimum or other rate if a rate other than the minimum is authorized as his hiring rate.
- (2) Thereafter twelve months from the date of his previous increase until he attains the maximum rate of the range of the compensation grade to which his class is assigned.

(f) An employee receiving a promotion to a vacant position or to a new position as defined in Section 4(c) shall, upon assignment resulting from such promotion, receive the rate in the compensation grade of the vacant or new position next above his existing rate. If the resulting adjustment does not equal \$100.00 for a position class assigned to Schedule B or \$.05 for a position class assigned to Schedule D, the adjustment shall be to the second rate above the existing rate but within the compensation grade of the vacant or new position.

(g) The employee receiving a promotion and adjustment in rate pursuant to the provisions of the preceding sub-section shall receive the next increment of his compensation grade following completion of twelve months at the rate resulting from the promotion.

(h) The employee who is transferred to a similarly rated or to a lower rated position for the convenience of the Town, shall enter the new position at his rate in the position from which he is transferred.

(i) Each administrative authority shall include in its estimates, required by the provisions of Section 59 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, a pay adjustment section setting forth in detail the amounts which will be required for anticipated pay adjustments during the ensuing year and shall furnish a copy thereof to the Board.

## SECTION 6. AMENDMENT OF THE PLANS

(a) The classification plan and/or the compensation plan and/or other provisions of this by-law may be amended by vote of the Town at an Annual Town Meeting in the same manner as other by-laws of the Town may be amended. However, no amendment shall be considered or voted on by Town Meeting unless the proposed amendment has first been considered by the Board and the Finance Committee.

(b) The recommendation of the Personnel Board as to a proposed amendment to Chapter 10 shall be made to the Town Meeting before a vote is taken thereon. A proposed amendment must be submitted to a Town Meeting substantially as presented to and as heard by the Personnel Board.

(c) Similarly the Finance Committee shall report to Town Meeting as a part of its estimates of Town expenditures the impact of a proposed amendment which is approved by the Personnel Board together with such recommendation or recommendations as the Finance Committee deems expedient.

(d) The Board, of its own motion, may propose an amendment to the plans or other provisions of this by-law based on its findings resulting from its investigations as provided in Section 3(h).

## SECTION 7. POSITION CLASSES: SALARY, WAGE AND MISCELLANEOUS COMPENSATION SCHEDULES

The following schedules, together with class specifications previously incorporated by reference, constitute the classification and compensation plans of the Town as defined in Section 2:

SCHEDULE A — Classification of Positions by Occupational Groups and Assignment to Compensation Grades

SCHEDULE B — General Annual Salary Schedule

SCHEDULE C — Police — Fire Annual Salary Schedule

SCHEDULE D — Hourly Wage Schedule

SCHEDULE E — Miscellaneous Salary Schedule

**Schedule A**

**CLASSIFICATION OF POSITIONS BY OCCUPATIONAL GROUPS AND ASSIGNMENT OF CLASSES TO COMPENSATION GRADES**

**Compensation Grade**

**Class Title** **or Schedule**

Administrative and Clerical Group

Assistant Town Clerk

S-10

Clerk to Board of Assessors (b)

S-7

(b) Limited to Assessing Dept. employee with civil service rating of Principal Account Clerk as of January 1, 1966

Confidential Secretary to Selectmen

S-6

Engineering Aid, Grade 1

S-4

Class Title	Compensation Grade or Schedule
Engineering Aid, Grade 2	S-8
Head Clerk	S-8
Junior Clerk	S-1
Junior Clerk-Stenographer	S-1
Junior Clerk-Typist	S-1
Junior Library Assistant	S-1
Permanent Assistant Registrar	S-4
Pre-Professional Library Assistant 1	S-3
Pre-Professional Library Assistant 2	S-4
Principal Account Clerk	S-6
Principal Clerk	S-4
Principal Clerk-Stenographer	S-4
Principal Clerk-Typist	S-4
Senior Clerk	S-2
Senior Clerk-Stenographer	S-2
Senior Clerk-Typist	S-2
Senior Clerk-Typist, Billing Machine Operator	S-3
Senior Library Assistant	S-2
Telephone Operator	S-3
Water Registrar — Clerk to the Board of Water Commissioners	S-7
<b>Custodian Group</b>	
Junior Building Custodian	S-7
Senior Building Custodian	S-9
<b>Inspection Group</b>	
Health Inspector	S-10
Inspector of Buildings	S-15
Inspector of Plumbing and Gas Fitting	S-15
Sanitarian	S-12
Scaler of Weights and Measures	S-12
<b>Professional Group</b>	
Assistant Library Director	S-15
Assistant Town Engineer, Grade 4	S-17
Civil Engineer, Grade 4	S-18
Hygienist	X-1
Junior Civil Engineer, Grade 3 (Construction) (a) Limited to Engineering Dept. employee with civil service rating of Jr. Civil Engineer, Grade 3 as of January 1, 1966	S-14
Junior Civil Engineer, Grade 3	S-13
Librarian 1	S-8
Librarian 2	S-9
Librarian 3	S-10
Public Health Nurse	S-9
Social Worker-Investigator, Veterans' Services	S-8

Class Title	Compensation Grade or Schedule
<b>Mechanical and Construction Group</b>	
Assistant Superintendent of Water Department	S-13
Assistant Superintendent of Wires	S-13
Building Maintenance Craftsman	S-11
Cemetery Superintendent	S-12
Fire Alarm Signal Operator	X-2
Forestry Foreman	S-8
Highway Foreman	S-10
Lineman, Wire Department	S-9
Inspector of Wire Maintenance	S-11
Electrician, Lineman, Wire Dept.	S-10
Electrician, Foreman, Wire Dept.	S-11
Motor Equipment Maintenance Foreman	S-11
Supervising Inspector, Wire Department	S-12
Supervisor Foreman (Highway Department)	S-15
Supervisor of Incinerator	S-11
Time Keeper	S-8
Water Construction Foreman	S-10
Water Meter Inspector	S-6
<b>Labor Group</b>	
Blacksmith	W-6
Carpenter	W-8
Cement Finisher	W-6
Construction Handyman	W-4
Crane Operator	W-7
Garageman	W-4
Grader Operator	W-7
Incinerator Maintenance Repairman	W-7
Laborer (Semi-Skilled)	W-2
Laborer (Skilled)	W-3
Laborer (Unskilled)	W-1
Mason	W-6
Motor Equipment Operator, Grade 1	W-3
Motor Equipment Operator, Grade 2	W-4
Motor Equipment Operator, Grade 3	W-5
Motor Equipment Repairman	W-8
Painter	W-4
Parking Meter Collector and Maintenance Man	W-6
Shovel Operator	W-9
Sign Painter	W-6
Stoker	W-3
Storekeeper	W-8
Tin Knocker -- Spray Painter	W-6
Tree Climber	W-5
Tree Surgeon	W-5
Water Meter Tester and Repairer	W-6
Water System Maintenance Craftsman	W-6

Class Title	Compensation Grade or Schedule
<b>Mechanical and Construction Group (continued)</b>	
Weigh Clerk	W-6
Welder	W-6
Working Foreman	W-10
Working Foreman — Carpenter	W-10
<b>Public Safety Group</b>	
Ambulance Driver, Motor Equipment Utility Man	PF-1
Deputy Fire Chief	PF-4
Fire Captain	PF-3
Fire Fighter	PF-1
Fire Lieutenant	PF-2
Head Clerk (Fire Dept.)	X-2
Limited to position on January 1, 1966 of Head Clerk Position in the Police Department with rating of Stenographer-Clerk and of the clerical positions in the Fire Department with rating of Head Clerk	
Mechanician Fire Department	PF-2
Patrolman	PF-1
Police Captain	PF-4
Police Lieutenant	PF-3
Police Sergeant	PF-2
Stenographer — Clerk (Male) (Police)	X-2
<b>Supervisory Group</b>	
Administrative Assistant to the Selectmen	X-3
Assistant Superintendent of Highway Department	S-19
Commissioner of Veterans' Services	S-17
Fire Chief	PF-5
Health Officer and Agent	S-16
Library Director	S-19
Police Chief	PF-5
Purchasing Agent	S-19
Recreation Director	S-16
Superintendent, Highway Department	S-22
Superintendent of Parks	S-14
Superintendent, Water Department	S-16
Superintendent, Wire Department	S-16
Town Engineer	S-20

GENERAL ANNUAL SALARY SCHEDULE  
SCHEDULE B

Compensation							
Grade	Min.	II	III	IV	V	VI	Max.
S-1	3535	3685	3840	3995	4150	4305	4465
S-2		4465	4635	4805	4975	5150	

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S-3	4975	5150	5345	5550	5750
S-4	5150	5345	5550	5750	5960
S-5	5345	5550	5750	5960	6185
S-6	5550	5750	5960	6185	6445
S-7	5750	5960	6185	6445	6710
S-8	5960	6185	6445	6710	6975
S-9	6185	6445	6710	6975	7240
S-10	6445	6710	6975	7240	7535
S-11	6710	6975	7240	7535	7840
S-12	6975	7240	7535	7840	8155
S-13	7240	7535	7840	8155	8520
S-14	7535	7840	8155	8520	8880
S-15	7840	8155	8520	8880	9250
S-16	8155	8520	8880	9250	9620
S-17	8520	8880	9250	9620	9990
S-18	8880	9250	9620	9990	10,360
S-19	9250	9620	9990	10,360	10,725
S-20	9985	10,355	10,725	11,100	11,475
S-21	10,825	11,365	11,910	12,450	12,980
S-22	12,240	12,680	13,120	13,560	14,000

**POLICE - FIRE ANNUAL SALARY SCHEDULE**

Compensation	Schedule C			
Grade	Min.	II	III	Max.
PF-1	7124	7332	7540	7800
PF-2			8445	8736
PF-3			9350	9672
PF-4			10,254	10,608
PF-5			12,470	13,180

and by adding the following words and schedule after PF-5.

"Effective July 1, 1968, the following Schedule of Compensation will become effective:

PF-1	7374	7582	7790	8050
PF-2			8725	9016
PF-3			9660	9985
PF-4			10,594	10,948

March 18, 1968

VOTED: To amend the figure of \$10,984 under PF-4 in Article 115, to read \$10,948.

VOTED: (unanimously) To adopt Article 115, as amended.

**HOURLY WAGE SCHEDULE  
SCHEDULE D**

Compensation			
Grade	Min.	II	Max.
W-1	2.61	2.69	2.77

W-2	2.64	2.72	2.80
W-3	2.69	2.77	2.85
W-4	2.74	2.82	2.90
W-5	2.79	2.87	2.96
W-6	2.84	2.93	3.02
W-7	2.89	2.99	3.09
W-8	2.96	3.06	3.16
W-9	3.01	3.12	3.23
W-10	3.10	3.20	3.30

MISCELLANEOUS SALARY SCHEDULE  
SCHEDULE F

Grade	Min.	II	III	IV	Max.
X-1	3,470	3,630	3,790	3,955	4,120
X-2	7,124	7,332	7,540	7,800	
X-3	10,600				

After July 1, 1968, the figures following X-2 shall be deleted and the following figures shall be inserted in place thereof.

X-2	7,324	7,582	7,790	8,050
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SECTION 8. PART-TIME POSITIONS CLASSIFIED IN THE  
ADMINISTRATIVE AND CLERICAL GROUP

Employees occupying administrative or clerical position in part-time employment which may be continuous employment or which may constitute intermittent or casual service shall be compensated at hourly rates appearing in the following schedule which is hereby incorporated in the Compensation Plan:

Grade	Min.	II	III	IV	V	VI	Max.
S-1	1.82	1.89	1.96	2.04	2.12	2.20	2.29
S-2		2.29	2.36	2.44	2.53	2.62	
S-3		2.53	2.62	2.73	2.83	2.93	
S-4		2.62	2.73	2.83	2.93	3.05	
S-5		2.73	2.83	2.93	3.05	3.16	
S-6		2.83	2.93	3.05	3.16	3.29	

SECTION 9. WORK WEEK

The work week for full-employment in each occupational group shall be as follows:

Group	Work Week
Administrative and Clerical Group	37.5 Hours
Custodian Group	40 Hours
Inspection Group	As required
Professional Group	As required
Mechanical and Construction Group	
Fire Alarm Signal Operator	42 Hours
All others in this Group	40 Hours
Labor Group	40 Hours
Public Safety Group	
Police Classes	*As required
Fire Classes	48 Hours
Supervisory Group	As required

\*Which may be computed as the average work-week for an employee over a seven week cycle.

#### SECTION 10. INITIAL APPLICATION OF THE COMPENSATION PLAN

(a) Upon adoption of this amended by-law at an annual Town Meeting, the rate of each eligible employee occupying a position in the classification plan shall be adjusted retroactive to January 1 of the year of adoption.

(b) The rate of each eligible employee shall be adjusted to the same corresponding step rate in his designated compensation grade of Section 7 as the step rate which he occupied as of January first of the year of adoption. His corresponding step rate shall be determined by the same number of increments below maximum. (If more step rates are in his old than in his new compensation grade, the adjustment shall be at least to the minimum rate of the new compensation grade.)

(c) The adjustment of the rate of an individual employee as provided in the preceding paragraph shall, however, be subject to the following limitation:

- (1) If the amount of the increase is in excess of \$500.00, the first year adjustment shall be limited to \$500.00.
- (2) The balance of the initial adjustment determined by paragraph (b) of this section shall be paid to the eligible employee in the second year following adoption of the compensation plan in addition to any further increment for which the employee may be eligible during that year.

(d) If the minimum rate of an employee's old compensation grade is higher than the minimum rate of his new compensation grade and if his rate is at the old minimum at the time of adoption, his adjustment shall be to the step rate of the new compensation grade which is next above the old minimum rate.

(e) If an employee's rate at the time of adoption is above the maximum rate of his appropriate new compensation grade, his rate shall become a personal rate and as defined in Section 2 shall apply to the subject employee and not to the position.

(f) Following adoption of this by-law and application of rates in Section 7 as provided in the preceding sub-sections, employees shall be eligible for subsequent pay adjustments on anniversary dates as set forth in Section 5 (e).

(g) Nothing in this section shall be construed as authorizing adjustment to any rate above the maximum rate in the range of the compensation grade.

## SECTION 11. OVERTIME COMPENSATION

### (a) Administration and Clerical Group

An employee occupying a position classified in this group is not entitled to overtime compensation. He may be granted compensatory time off at the discretion of his departmental head for hours worked in excess of those constituting his established work week as set forth in Section 9.

### (b) Custodian Group

An employee occupying a position classified in this group shall receive compensation for hours worked in excess of those constituting his established work week at straight time determined by dividing his weekly rate by forty (40).

### (c) Inspection and Professional Group

An employee occupying a position classified in one of these two groups is not entitled to overtime compensation as set forth in Section 9.

### (d) Mechanical and Construction Group

Employees occupying positions classified in this group are normally not eligible for compensation for hours worked in excess of those constituting the work week for this group as set forth in Section 9. In the event of special circumstances which may require such overtime services on the part of an employee, the Personnel Board may approve compensation to the employee at straight time upon application of the department head setting forth the nature and extent of such services.

The Personnel Board may also grant blanket approval upon application of a department head for the payment of overtime at straight time to employees occupying positions in the Mechanical and Construction Group for services which may be required under emergency conditions.

Payment of overtime compensation to an employee occupying a position in this group will not be made without Personnel Board approval either before or after the fact.

### (e) Labor Group

An employee occupying a position in this group shall be compensated at one and one-half times his regular hourly rate for hours

worked in excess of eight hours during a regularly assigned work day and for all hours worked on other than a regularly assigned work day provided that he has been credited with forty hours pay at his regular rate for five consecutively assigned work days prior to performing work on the non-assigned work day.

(f) **Public Safety Group**

- (1) If an employee whose position is in one of the police classifications is required, except for court appearances, to be on duty for any period in excess of his regular hours of duty as from time to time established, he may be given time off equal to such period of overtime duty or if time off cannot be given by reason of personnel shortage or other cause, he may be paid for such period of overtime duty at such an hourly rate as may be determined by the authority in charge of the department, which rate shall in no event be less than the hourly rate of his regular compensation for his average weekly hours of regular duty.
- (2) If an employee whose position is in one of the fire classifications shall be required to be on duty for any period of time in excess of his regular hours of duty, as from time to time established, he may be given time off equal to such period of overtime duty, or if time off cannot be given by reason of a personnel shortage or other cause, he may be paid for such period of overtime duty at such hourly rate as may be determined by the authority in charge of the fire department, which rate shall in no event be less than the hourly rate of his regular compensation for his average weekly hours of regular duty.

**SECTION 12. PAID HOLIDAYS**

(a) The following days or dates shall be recognized as legal holidays within the meaning of this bylaw:

New Year's Day	First day of January
Washington's Birthday	22nd of February
Patriots Day	19th of April
Memorial Day	30th of May
Independence Day	4th of July
Labor Day	First Monday of September
Columbus Day	12th of October
Veterans' Day	11th of November
Thanksgiving Day	The Thursday in November so proclaimed
Christmas Day	25th of December

on which days or dates employees shall be excused from all duty not required to maintain essential Town service.

(b) Every employee in full-time employment shall be entitled to these designated holidays on the following terms:

- (1) If paid on an hourly basis he shall receive one day's pay at his regular rate based on the number of hours regularly worked on the day which the designated holiday occurs;
- (2) If paid on a weekly, monthly or similar basis, he shall be granted each designated holiday without loss in pay.

(c) Payment under the provisions of this section shall be made provided the eligible employee shall have worked on his last regularly scheduled working day prior to and his next regularly scheduled working day following such holiday, or was in full pay status on such preceding and following days in accordance with other provisions of this by-law.

(d) An employee occupying a position classified in the Mechanical and Construction or Labor groups who, because of a rotation of shifts, works different days in successive weeks shall be granted, in each year in which the number of holidays falling on his regular days off is in excess of the number of holidays in that year falling on Saturday, additional days off equal to the excess.

(e) An employee occupying a position classified in the Custodian, Mechanical and Construction or Labor groups who performs work on one of the days or dates designated in sub-section (a) shall be paid at his regular rate for such day or date in addition to the amount to which he is entitled under sub-section (b) unless such work is performed during a tour of duty which began on the day preceding the holiday.

(f) An employee occupying a position classified in the Custodian or Mechanical and Construction groups shall be paid at his regular rate for work performed on Saturday of a week in which one of the days or dates designated in subsection (a) occurs, provided the work performed is that which was scheduled for the day of the holiday.

(g) An employee occupying a position classified in the Public Safety group in one of the police classifications shall be entitled to compensation in addition to that provided under sub-section (b) in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 268, Section 17A of the Acts of 1952 accepted by the Town on April 4, 1955.

(h) An employee occupying a position classified in the Public Safety group in one of the fire classifications shall be entitled to compensation in addition to that provided under sub-section (b) in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 640 of the Acts of 1953 accepted by the Town on April 4, 1955.

(i) Employees occupying positions classified in the Administrative and Clerical, Inspection, Professional and Supervisory groups shall not be entitled to additional compensation for work performed on one of the days or dates designated in sub-section (a).

(j) Whenever one of the holidays set forth in sub-section (a) falls on a Sunday, the following day shall be the legal holiday.

#### SECTION 13. VACATION LEAVE

Eligible employees shall be entitled to vacation leave as provided in Chapter 3, Section 28 of the by-laws of the Town.

#### SECTION 14. SICK LEAVE

Eligible employees shall be entitled to sick leave as provided in Chapter 3, Section 29 of the by-laws of the Town.

#### SECTION 15. PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

Every person hereinafter employed by the Town in a position included in the Classification Plan except when performing casual service, shall undergo a physical examination satisfactory to the Contributory Retirement Board. The examining physician shall be appointed by the Board of Selectmen and shall render a sealed report of his findings to the Personnel Board having the name of the applicant written on the envelope. After receipt of the report has been entered on the Personnel Board's records, such report shall be deposited with the Contributory Retirement Board for safe-keeping, the contents subject to future view only by a physician designated by the Selectmen, otherwise the report shall be confidential.

#### SECTION 16. CIVIL SERVICE

Nothing in this by-law shall be construed to conflict with Chapter 31 of the General Laws.

#### SECTION 17. EFFECT OF PARTIAL INVALIDITY

The invalidity of any section or provision of this by-law shall not invalidate any other section or provision thereof.

#### SECTION 18.

"There shall be added to the annual compensation of each full time employee under this Chapter, the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) after completion of ten years of continuous employment and an additional fifty dollars (\$50.00) after completion of each and every additional five years of continuous full employment"

Interruption of such employment for the purpose of performing military service shall not be deemed to break the continuity of service with the departments of the Town under this Chapter provided that no employment other than military service is entered into by the employee during the period of said interruption.

(Sect. 18, voted under Article 51, on March 23, 1964) (Amended  
March 21, 1968, Art. 114)

**Attest**

**GEORGE B. WELLMAN**

**Town Clerk**