

## REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

## ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 6, 1967

The annual town meeting of Boxford was held at the Masconomet Regional School at 8 P.M., March 6, 1967 with William J. Greenler, Jr., presiding as Moderator. After a prayer by Reverend Donald Rosenberger, the articles of the warrant were disposed of as follows:

Article 1. Voted to accept the reports of the Town Officers and Committees as printed in the Town Report.

Article 2. Voted to adopt the suggested budget as printed in the Town Report.

Article 3. Voted to appropriate \$2500.00 for the Maintenance of Road Machinery, said amount to be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund.

Article 4. Voted to appropriate \$15,000.00 for the Reserve Fund, said amount to be transferred from Overlay Reserve.

Article 5. Voted to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1967, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws,

Article 6. Voted to pass over.

Article 7. Voted to appropriate the money refunded from the County on account of dog licenses for the use of the Boxford libraries.

Article 8. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 to be used in conjunction with an allotment from the State under Chapter 90 Maintenance.

Article 9. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6000.00 to be used in conjunction with the allotments from the State and County under Chapter 90 Construction.

Article 10. Voted to appropriate the sum of \$37,100.00 from Surplus Revenue to meet the State and County allot-

ments for highways, said money when reimbursed to be credited to Surplus Revenue.

Article 11. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for the purpose of Micro-filming of records.

Article 12. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the Conservation Fund.

Article 13. Voted to grant an easement to the Town of Georgetown to lay and maintain a waterpipe across and along Killam Hill Road from the Georgetown line and along King George Drive to a point at lots 46 and 47 on King George Drive, and to install and maintain a hydrant within the limits of King George Drive.

Article 14. Voted unanimously to amend the by-law relative to sick-leave as follows:

"All regular employees of the Town shall be granted paid sick leave at their regular rates of pay on the basis of work time at the rate of one day's pay for every twenty days of work. Such sick leave may accumulate up to but not exceeding sixty (60) days. No such sick-leave pay shall be paid to any employee who has not worked 1000 hours in the twelve months immediately preceding. Paid sick leave shall not be granted unless the employee shall have been called to report for work, and the head of the department shall so certify, nor, in case of more than 3 consecutive days absence, unless a doctor's certificate of inability to work shall be supplied to the Board of Selectmen.

Article 15. Voted unanimously to amend the by-law relative to Vacation and Paid Holidays as follows:

"Section I. All officers and employees of the town paid on the basis of time worked, except those appointed by the School Committee, shall be entitled to vacation leave without loss of pay as follows:

(a) For 1,000 hours worked during the twelve months ending June 1, of any year, forty hours leave for employees who have worked less than ten (10) years and sixty hours leave for employees who have worked ten (10) years or more.

(b) For each 200 hours worked in excess of 1,000 during the twelve months ending June 1 of each year, 8 hours leave for employees who have worked less than 10 years and 12 hours leave for employees who have worked ten years or more. No time shall be counted in units of less than 200 hours.

(c) The maximum vacation leave allowable shall be eighty hours in one year for employees who have worked less than 10 years and one hundred twenty hours for employees who have worked ten years or more, regardless of time worked, and shall be taken during the twelve months after it is earned; and no vacation leave shall be allowed any employee who works less than 1000 hours during the twelve months ending June 1 of any year.

(d) Employees working for more than one department during the twelve months ending June 1 may combine the working time in the several departments for the purpose of computing the amount of vacation leave earned, but in such case the rate of pay while on vacation leave shall be computed by apportioning and pro-rating the rates of pay at which such employee worked for the several departments.

(e) To be qualified as an employee who has worked ten (10) years or more, an employee must have worked for the town for not less than 1000 hours in each of ten (10) years.

**Section II.** Employees of the town who have worked 1,000 hours during the six months immediately preceding Jan. 1, May 30, July 4, Labor Day, Oct. 12, Nov. 11, Thanksgiving and Christmas shall be entitled to leave on such days without loss of pay equivalent to eight hours of work. If such 1000 hours worked were at different rates of pay, the pay for such holiday shall be apportioned and pro-rated accordingly. Employees who shall have worked at least 500 hours but less than 1000 hours during the six months immediately preceding said holidays shall be entitled to leave with pay on such holidays equivalent to four hours of work, similarly apportioned if earned at different rates of pay.

**Section III.** Leave for the current year shall be granted on the basis of time worked during the twelve months next

preceding the effective date of this by-law, at the rate set forth in Section I."

Article 16. Voted to transfer the sum of \$500.00 from the Rehabilitation Fund, for the purpose of erecting an Honor Roll of Town Veterans, including veterans of the Vietnam action; and to replace the flag pole at the West Boxford War Memorial.

Article 17. Voted to ratify and confirm the deed given to Earle Blake et ux, pursuant to the vote taken at the June 14, 1966 Special Town Meeting, the description having been varied to some extent from that voted.

Article 18. Voted to acquire for one dollar from Leonard Nangle et ux, a strip of land at the corner of Kelsey Road and Route 97, as shown on a plan on file at the Town Hall, to allow for highway improvement.

Article 19. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to acquire a parcel of land adjoining the Town Dump property from the North Bennett Street Industrial School; and voted to have the town Moderator appoint a committee of four persons, one from the Board of Assessors, one from the Selectmen, one from the Finance Committee and one from the Planning Board to investigate the purchase of additional land owned by the North Bennett Street Industrial School.

Article 20. Voted to accept Adams Road as a public road.

Article 21. Voted to accept a deed for no consideration of Carleton Circle, including a 250 foot square surrounding the turn-around and the street as far as Adams Road as shown on plan of Section No. 1 of Eagle Nest Hill (May, 1966, Bras-seur Associates).

Article 22. Voted to accept the provision of General Laws Ch. 152, Section 69, as amended, relative to Workmen's Compensation for town employees.

Article 23. Voted not to authorize the Selectmen to make a flat charge for use of the town ambulance facilities.

Article 24. Voted to pass over.

Article 25. Voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell the present police cruiser; voted to raise and appropri-

ate the sum of \$2200.00 to purchase and equip, for the Police Department, with the advice of the Chief of Police, a vehicle to be used as a police cruiser-ambulance.

Article 26. Voted to create a special unpaid Vocational Regional School District Planning Committee, to be appointed by the Moderator consisting of three residents, one of whom shall be a member of the Regional District School Committee, to study and make plans for the formation of a vocational school district, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for the expenses of such committee.

Article 27. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 for repairs to Engine No. 6.

Article 28. Negative vote.

Article 29. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to erect a stone wall, re-align gravestones, clean out brush and trim trees, and maintain the town cemetery at the corner of Mill Run Road and Main St. under the supervision of the Boxford Village Cemetery Association.

Article 30. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the construction of a Back-stop for the baseball field at Boy Scout Park.

Article 31. Voted to pass over.

Article 32. Voted to instruct the Selectmen to appoint a committee of five persons to study the procedures of enforcement of the Zoning By-laws of the town and the duties of the Building Inspector and report to the next annual town meeting regarding improvements to such procedures, said committee to be composed of one member of the Board of Selectmen, one member of the Planning Board, one member of the Board of Appeals, and two interested citizens.

Article 33. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for the use of the Planning Board for the purpose of engaging professional assistance in undertaking a space requirement study incorporating future long-range needs for all town and public service departments and to include use of land and exterior and layout drawings of suggested buildings, or the use or remodeling of existing buildings, and be author-

ized to appoint a special Sub-Committee to assist in this study the finding of said study committee to be presented to the town not later than the next annual town meeting.

Article 34. Voted to raise and appropriate \$1,700.00 for the installation of a water supply and lavatory, and \$2,300.00 for the installation of a fire escape at the Boxford Public Library, in order to meet the State requirements for a building used for public purposes.

Article 35. Negative vote.

Article 36. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000.00 for the Boxford Water and Drainage Committee.

Article 37. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,250.00 to purchase one new sander, two used chassis and cabs, and one used pickup truck for the Highway Dept.

Article 38. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for the improvement of a section of Main Street in West Boxford.

Article 39. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$325.00 for Boxford's share in the operational expenses of the Child Guidance Center of the Mental Health Association on the North Shore.

Article 40. Voted the following resolution:

The Town of Boxford favors continued membership in the Essex County Mosquito Control Project only as long as the present (not the proposed) method of cost allocation continues, and membership remains voluntary.

The meeting adjourned at 10:55 P.M.

250 voters were present.

A true record

E. LAURENCE COLBY,  
Clerk

**BUDGET ADOPTED FOR 1967**

	Adopted Budget 1967
Selectmen .....	\$1,450.00
Board of Public Welfare .....	300.00
Assessors .....	2,500.00
Treasurer .....	1,500.00
Town Clerk .....	600.00
Collector of Taxes .....	2,000.00
Town Accountant .....	4,000.00
Registrars .....	300.00
Elections .....	400.00
Planning Board .....	300.00
Appeal Board .....	700.00
Building Inspector .....	1,000.00
Wire Inspector .....	1,000.00
Gas Inspector .....	500.00
Plumbing Inspector .....	650.00
Finance Committee .....	25.00
Town Counsel .....	1,000.00
Recreation Committee .....	1,600.00
Board of Health .....	5,200.00
Inspection of Slaughter .....	600.00
Inspection of Animals .....	50.00
Dog Officer .....	200.00
Police .....	32,000.00
Fire Department .....	18,000.00
Tree Warden .....	2,000.00
Moth Suppression .....	1,400.00
Dutch Elm Disease .....	2,000.00
Public Welfare .....	
Disability Assistance .....	
Aid to Dependent Children .....	16,760.00
Old Age Assistance .....	
Medical Aid to Aged .....	
Central Essex Welfare Dist. Administration .....	1,326.00
Veterans' Benefits .....	1,500.00

	Adopted Budget 1967
Harmony Cemetery .....	150.00
Boxford Village Cemetery .....	150.00
Town Reports .....	1,700.00
Clerical .....	2,500.00
Selectmen's Contingent Fund .....	1,400.00
Interest on Maturing Debt and Temporary Loan .....	3,600.00
School House Notes .....	31,000.00
Community House .....	300.00
Conservation Committee .....	50.00
Group Hospital and Life Insurance .....	4,500.00
Water Commission .....	250.00

\$897,748.12

Other items to be raised and appropriated:

Article 8 .....	\$ 800.00
Article 9 .....	6,000.00
Article 11 .....	150.00
Article 12 .....	500.00
Article 19 .....	300.00
Article 25 .....	2,200.00
Article 26 .....	250.00
Article 27 .....	2,500.00
Article 29 .....	1,000.00
Article 30 .....	500.00
Article 33 .....	5,000.00
Article 34 .....	4,000.00
Article 36 .....	8,000.00
Article 37 .....	4,250.00
Article 38 .....	3,000.00
Article 39 .....	325.00

Total in Articles	\$38,775.00
Total Budget	897,748.12

Total to be raised and appropriated: \$936,523.12

## TRANSFERS

Article 3	_____	\$ 2,500.00
Article 4	_____	15,000.00
Article 10	_____	37,100.00
Article 16	_____	500.00
Total Transfers		<u>\$55,100.00</u>

## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, OCTOBER 20, 1967

The voters of the Town of Boxford met at the Harry Lee Cole School on Friday, October 20, 1967 for a Special Town Meeting at 8:00 P.M. After a moment of silent prayer, the business meeting was opened by William J. Greenler, Jr., the Moderator. The articles of the warrant were disposed of as follows:

Article 1. Voted to appropriate the sum of \$502.50 received as State Aid for libraries for the use of the town libraries.

Article 2. Voted to repair and improve a section of Topsfield Road and Elm Street and appropriate therefor the sum of \$3,000.00, said sum to be transferred from the funds received from the State under Chapter 679, Acts of 1965.

Article 3. Voted to appropriate \$1,000.00 for the Maintenance of Road Machinery, said amount to be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund.

Article 4. Voted to appropriate \$690.00 for the purchase of a check-writer, said amount to be transferred from the Schoolhouse Notes account.

Article 5. Voted to appropriate the sum of \$18,000.00 to be used by the School Building Committee for the purpose of engaging an architect to draw up plans for an addition to the Spofford Pond School and for associated engineering services; \$4,000.00 to be transferred from the Schoolhouse Notes account and \$14,000.00 from surplus revenue.

Article 6. Voted to pass over.

Article 7. Voted to pass over.

Article 8. Voted to amend the by-law appearing in the 1930 edition as Article XI, section two, by striking out said section and substituting the following:

"Whoever violates any provision of the town by-laws, other than the zoning by-law, or refuses or neglects to obey any order of the Board of Health issued under the by-laws and properly served upon him, shall, in cases not otherwise provided for, forfeit and pay for each offense a fine not exceeding fifty dollars."

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This was a unanimous vote.

Article 9. Voted to acquire by purchase for purposes of water supply, the land shown as Lot No. 16 on a plan entitled "Boxford Country Club Estates" dated May 23, 1966, Northrup B. Allen, Civil Engineer; and to appropriate from the Town Farm Fund a sum not exceeding \$18,000.00 therefor.

Article 10. Voted to adjourn at 9:30 P.M.

A true record:

Attest:

BARBARA C. PERLEY,  
Assistant Town Clerk

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## BIRTHS RECORDED IN 1967 IN BOXFORD:

Date	Name	Parent
1962		
Aug. 14	— Andrew Christopher Estes	Richard W. Estes Lillian B. Wolcz
1966		
Nov. 4	— Robert Davis Miller	Robert D. Miller Martha L. Campbell
Dec. 12	— Edward Ray Skrna	James E. Skrna Rae F. Jezis
Dec. 13	— Matthew John Delaney	Edward Francis Delaney Margaret Veronica Powell
Dec. 28	— Amanda Marie Havey	Arthur W. Jav Virginia Abbie
Dec. 29	— Dorothy Elizabeth Stone	William Floyd Stone Mary May Quenz
1967		
Jan. 3	— Kimberly Ruth Moore	James Schumann Moore Marilyn Florence Soper
Jan. 7	— George McCarthy	Cornelius Joseph McCarthy Mary Alice Murphy
Jan. 13	— Russell Myers Brown	James D. Brown Alta L. Chase
Jan. 14	— Alan Thomas Pearsall	Richard J. Pearsall Dorothy Ann Labl
Jan. 16	— Bruce Alexander Godzik	Frank Godzik Sandra Lawrence
Feb. 7	— Kristine Florence Pratt	Richard William Pratt Bonnie Lee Ber
Feb. 10	— Lisa Alice Whitney	Jack Richard Whitney Sandra Corrine Dudle
Feb. 16	— Teague Richard Quinn	John F. Quinn Carolyn L. Avil
Feb. 20	— Charles Edward Orth	Edward Dana Ort Marilyn Ethel Jewe