

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 10, 1969

The voters of Boxford met at the Masconomet Regional District School on Monday, March 10, 8:00 P.M. with about 300 attending. After a prayer by Reverend Robert Dana, the business meeting was opened by William J. Greenler, Jr., the Moderator. Action was taken as follows on the articles in the warrant:

1. Voted to accept the reports of the Town Officers and Committees as printed in the Town Report.
2. Voted to accept the printed proposed budget with the following changes: \$2900.00 for the Recreation Committee; \$1400.00 for Moth Suppression; and \$40,000.00 for Snow Removal and Sanding.
3. Voted to appropriate \$2,500.00 for the maintenance of Road Machinery, said amount to be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund.
4. Voted to appropriate \$25,000.00 for the Reserve Fund, said amount to be transferred from Overlay Reserve.
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, 1969, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and 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.
6. Voted unanimously to raise and appropriate \$1126.19 to allow bills of charge and payments as follows: \$529.80 to C. & C. Elliott for oil, and \$596.29 to Otis G. Chase for plumbing.
7. Voted to appropriate the sum of money refunded from the County on account of dog licenses for the use of the Boxford Town Library.
8. Voted to raise and appropriate \$7,250.00 to be used in conjunction with allotments from the State and County under

Chapter 90 Construction, to be used for construction on Washington Street.

9. Voted to appropriate the sum of \$41,000.00 from Surplus Revenue to meet the State and County Allotments for highways, said money when reimbursed to be credited to Surplus Revenue.

10. Voted to raise and appropriate \$5,000.00 for the Trustees of the Town Library to be expended for planning and enlarged facilities for public library service in the Town. The vote, taken by hand, was 168 to 97.

11. Voted down the proposal to build three tennis courts.

12. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a Committee to study the appointment of a qualified Building Inspector (on a regional basis); such Committee to be appointed within one month of this meeting, to be composed of three members, one from the Planning Board, one from the Board of Appeals, and one a citizen at large and that such committee report to the Town within six months, or at the next Town Meeting thereafter.

13. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1500.00 to be added to the Conservation Fund.

14. Voted to enact a by-law regulating the storage of unregistered, disabled or dismantled motor vehicles upon any land in the Town, in the following form:

"Unregistered motor vehicles which are unfit for use, permanently disabled, or have been dismantled, or are otherwise inoperative, shall not be stored, parked, or placed upon any land in the Town unless the same shall be within a building or in an area unexposed to the view of the public and abutters, or in an area properly approved for the keeping of the same by licensed junk dealers.

Violation of this section, shall, after ten days written notice or warning by the Selectmen, be punished by a fine of not more than fifty dollars, each day of continuing violation to be considered a separate offense."

15. Voted to create a special unpaid Committee to be known as a Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Committee consisting of three persons to be appointed by the Moderator

in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 40, Sections 44A through 44K, as amended.

16. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,065.00 to repair the flood damage to ways and bridges on Towne Road, Main Street, Mill Road, Oak Ridge Road, and Cross Road, in anticipation of reimbursement under the acts of 1968, Chapter 684.

17. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 for improvement of Herrick Road, to be expended after improvements have been made by abutting owners by agreement with the Selectmen, acceptable to the sub-committee on roads of the Planning Board.

18. Voted to raise and appropriate \$25,000.00 to be added to the Stabilization Fund.

19. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for the purchase of a new radio for the Forestry I fire truck.

20. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 for the purchase of a winch for Forestry I fire truck.

21. Voted to enact a by-law in the following form:

"No gas meter shall be turned on nor any gas used within the town without permission of the gas inspector, nor unless a certificate of approval is posted on the premises, properly signed and dated by the gas inspector.

Violation of this by-law shall be punished by a fine of not more than fifty dollars, each day of illegal use to be deemed a separate violation."

22. Voted to raise and appropriate \$4,500.00 to buy and equip a police cruiser-ambulance to replace the present ambulance and to be used as an emergency vehicle during the coming year.

23. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,252.05 to be set aside to pay to the Masconomet Regional School District the Town's proportionate share of architect's fees and/or ex-

penses connected with the planning of an addition to the Masconomet Regional School, when and if the Towns of Middleton and Topsfield make such an appropriation and payment of their proportionate share during the current year.

24. Voted to adjourn at 11:40 P.M.

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Attest:

E. LAURENCE COLBY,
Town Clerk

BUDGET ADOPTED FOR 1969

	Budget Adopted
General Government	
Selectmen	\$ 2,500.00
Board of Public Welfare	50.00
Assessors	3,500.00
Treasurer	3,200.00
Town Clerk	700.00
Accountant	4,000.00
Collector	2,000.00
Registrars	300.00
Elections	200.00
Town Counsel	1,200.00
Conservation Commission	60.00
Appeal Board	800.00
Planning Board	900.00
Building Inspector	1,100.00
Wire Inspector	1,100.00
Gas Inspector	500.00
Plumbing Inspector	650.00
Finance Committee	25.00
Recreation Committee	2,900.00
Board of Health	9,000.00
Inspector of Slaughtering	500.00
Inspector of Animals	50.00
Child Guidance Center	600.80
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	\$35,835.80
Protection of Persons and Property:	
Dog officer	\$ 250.00
Police	48,548.00
Fire Department	22,710.00
Tree Warden	2,000.00
Moth Suppression	1,400.00
Dutch Elm Disease Control	2,000.00
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	\$76,908.00

Aid and Relief:

Veteran's Benefits	\$3,000.00
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Schools and Libraries:

Schools — Town	\$ 408,746.00
Regional District School	599,030.00
Libraries	23,372.00

\$1,031,148.00

Highways:

Selectmen's Highway Fund	\$ 3,000.00
Chapter 81 Maintenance	2,800.00
Snow Removal and Sanding	40,000.00
Street Lighting	900.00
Vacation Account	3,000.00
Sick Benefit	1,000.00
Operational Expense	1,500.00
Road Machinery Maintenance	2,500.00

\$54,700.00

Unclassified:

Town Halls	\$2,000.00
Public Grounds	300.00
Town Forest	100.00
Civil Defense	350.00
Insurance	2,437.00
Memorial Day	525.00
Soldiers Graves	225.00
Mt. Vernon Cemetery	50.00
Harmony Cemetery	150.00
Boxford Village Cemetery	150.00
"Old" Town Cemetery	50.00
Town Reports	2,000.00
Clerical	1,600.00
Selectmen's Contingent Fund	2,000.00
Interest on Maturing Debt and Temporary Loan	8,521.00
School House Notes	36,204.00

Community House	300.00
Group Hospital and Life Insurance	4,800.00
Water Source Survey	200.00
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	\$61,962.00
Total Budget Adopted	\$1,263,553.80

Items to be raised and appropriated:

Article 6	\$ 1,126.19
Article 8	7,250.00
Article 10	5,000.00
Article 13	1,500.00
Article 16	16,065.00
Article 17	10,000.00
Article 18	25,000.00
Article 19	1,000.00
Article 20	600.00
Article 22	4,500.00
Article 23	15,252.05
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	\$87,293.24
Budget Adopted	\$1,263,553.80
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Total to be raised and appropriated	\$1,350,847.04

TRANSFERS

Article 3	\$ 2,500.00
Article 4	25,000.00
Article 9	41,000.00
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	\$68,500.00

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, OCTOBER 9, 1969

The voters of Boxford met at the Harry Lee Cole School at 8 P.M., on October 9, for a special town meeting with 175 present. After a prayer by Rev. Arthur White, the business meeting was opened by William J. Greenler, Jr., the moderator. The action taken on the articles of the warrant was as follows:

Article 1. Voted unanimously to approve the \$1,950,000.00 debt authorized by the Regional District School Committee of the Masconomet Regional School District on September 26, 1969, for constructing and equipping and addition or additions to the district school.

Article 2. Voted to accept Burning Brush Drive as a public way.

Article 3. Voted to appropriate and transfer the balance of funds not used from the fund established under Article 16 of the March 1969 Town Meeting to a fund for repairs and improvement of Towne Road.

Article 4. Voted to appropriate the sum of \$2,162.17 received from the state for flood damage and transfer said sum to the fund established under Article 3.

Article 5. Voted to transfer from Surplus Revenue the sum of \$4,550.00, the cost of the new highway department truck purchased on an emergency basis in January, 1969.

Article 6. Voted to transfer the sum of \$1,500.00 from the Road Machinery Fund to the Road Machinery Maintenance account.

Article 7. Voted to transfer the sum of \$504.25 from the Town Reports account and \$100.00 from the Sick Benefit account to the Board of Health.

Article 8. Voted to transfer the sum of \$400.00 from the Sick Benefit account and \$39.72 from the Treasurer's 1968 account to the Treasurer's 1969 account.

Article 9. Voted to transfer the sum of \$500.00 from the Vacation account to the Selectmen's Highway Fund.

Article 10. Voted to transfer the sum of \$888.02 from the 1968 Police account to the Insurance account.

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Article 11. Voted to appropriate the sum of \$502.50 received as State Aid for Libraries for the use of the town libraries.

Article 12. Voted to appropriate the sum of \$3,390.02 for highway improvement, said sum to be transferred from funds received from the State under Chapter 616, Acts of 1967.

Article 13. Voted to adjourn at 8:30 P.M.

A true record.

E. LAURENCE COLBY,
Town Clerk

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BIRTHS RECORDED IN 1969 IN BOXFORD

Date	Name	P.
1968		
Sept. 16	— Andrew Trent Winick	Mark V Freyda C
Nov. 4	— Theodore Alastair Timpson	Richard Tir Carol Pesco
Dec. 7	— Anthony Tarleton Pescosolido	William Burkeley Pesco Bernice M. Sta
Dec. 19	— Jeffrey Thomas Demars	John Stuart D Shelley Marie C
Dec. 21	— Kristen Cavanaugh	Robert John Cavar Mary Agnes Ki
Dec. 22	— Stephanie Barbara Muth	Eginhard Joerg Janine Henriette Du
Dec. 23	— Lori Yarchin	Daniel Ya Toni J
Dec. 26	— Michael Robert Pageau	Joseph Arthur Pa Alverna M. 2
Dec. 27	— Michael John Bucyk	John Paul E Anne Margaret S
1969		
Jan. 12	— Ross Mitchell Pearsall	Richard Joseph Pe Dorothy Ann I
Jan. 15	— Hannah Porter Wood	Loren Morris V Sally Ann
Jan. 23	— Gail Denise Scribner	Reginald Frank Scr Marjorie Marie
Jan. 24	— Nancy Louise Earnshaw	George Robert Earn Janet Louise H
Jan. 25	— Mark Cutler	David C Helen Louise He
Feb. 6	— David Philbrick Conway	Melvin Edward Co Ruth Alice Wald