

## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

February 27, 1984

Voters of the Town of Boxford met at the Spofford Pond School auditorium on February 27, 1984. Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. The articles of the warrant were disposed of as follows:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to raise or transfer from available funds \$13,600 to fund the revaluation of all real estate in the Town to full and fair cash value.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$13,600 to fund the revaluation of all real estate in the Town to full and fair cash value.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$3,500 from Police Overtime Account to the Police Reserve Account.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer \$3,500 from the Police Overtime Account to the Police Reserve Account.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to add to the Town Insurance Fund.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$1,000 to add to the Town Insurance Fund.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise or transfer from available funds, \$5,000 to the Police Department Education Training line item, or take any action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$5,000 to the Police Department Educational Training line item.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$3,000 from the General Insurance Budget to the Elementary School Long Term Disability Insurance Account.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote to pass over this article.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$2,358.05 to the Town Counsel Account.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$2,358.05 to the Town Counsel Account.

ARTICLE 7. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to dissolve the Special Town Meeting at 8:27 p.m.

Registered voters attending the meeting were 64.

A true record.

ATTEST:

Estelle N. Tuttle  
Asst. Town Clerk

### TRANSFERS

Article 1	\$13,600.00
Article 2	3,500.00
Article 3	1,000.00
Article 4	5,000.00
Article 6	2,358.05

TOTAL TO BE TRANSFERRED \$25,458.05

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
**May 8, 1984**

Voters of the Town of Boxford met at the Masconomet Regional High School auditorium on May 8, 1984. Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the meeting to order at 8:01 p.m. The articles of the warrant were disposed of as follows:

**ARTICLE 1. Bills of Charge.**

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,338.10 to pay the following bills:

Electrical Inspector		\$ 800.00
Mechanics Uniform		117.10
Neptune, Inc.		110.00
Granz Marine & Mower, Inc.	\$150.33	
	33.23	183.56
Dube Lock Co., Inc.		66.40
C. & C. Elliot, Inc.		38.36
Georgetown Lumber		22.68
		<b>\$1,338.10</b>

**ARTICLE 2. To hear and act on the reports of the Town Officers and Committees.**

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to accept the reports of the Town Officers and Committees.

**ARTICLE 3. To act on the proposed budget and see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds for the use of several departments for the current fiscal year, to wit: General Government, Protection of Persons and Property, Aid and Relief, Schools and Libraries, Highways, and all other necessary and proper expenses arising during said fiscal year, or take any other action thereon.**

The Moderator announced that the Town will be voting on the budget for FY1985.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$103,586 for General Government.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$110,905 for Finance.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$390,958 for Public Safety.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to amend the Elementary Schools budget by increasing it from \$1,203,232 to \$1,234,071.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,016,410 for Education.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$331,311 for Town Maintenance.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,923 for Inspectors.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to amend the General Insurance budget by decreasing it from \$66,796 to \$64,536.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$120,036 for Insurance.

**ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote 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 fiscal year beginning July 1, 1984 in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, 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 less than one year in accordance with the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17, or take any other action thereon.**

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, 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 fiscal year beginning July 1, 1984 in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, 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 less than one year in accordance with the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$45,000 for the Finance Committee Reserve Fund, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from Overlay Surplus Reserve, the sum of \$45,000 for the Finance Committee Reserve Fund.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to accept the proposal passed on March 7, 1984, by the Masconomet Regional School District to amend the agreement establishing the Masconomet Regional School District (a) by providing that the District will assume jurisdiction over all grades from Kindergarten to grade 12 as of January 1, 1985 and that all existing town elementary schools within the District will be leased to the District for nominal consideration by the member towns to become District elementary schools; (b) by providing that capital costs and operating costs for elementary schools in each town shall be apportioned among the member towns on the basis of their enrollments in the elementary schools of each town; (c) by providing that capital costs and operating costs for schools other than elementary schools shall be apportioned on the basis of total enrollments in such schools; (d) by providing for a Regional School Committee comprised of four members from the Town of Boxford, four members from the Town of Topsfield, and three members from the Town of Middleton; initially, two each to be selected from the present Elementary School Committee and five to be selected from town delegations on the present Masconomet School Committee. (e) by providing for the location of District elementary schools with the restrictions that students in grades K-6 shall attend schools in their town of residence. However, the Regional School Committee may determine by a majority vote to assign an elementary student to a school other than his/her town of residence in case of emergency which prevents use of a building in whole or part, enrollment in special education classes or with parental approval in special circumstances. In addition, the Regional School Committee may assign elementary students to a school in other than their town or residence only after a favorable vote at a town meeting on the part of both sending a receiving towns involved in the assignment; (f) by providing that at or after the 1988 annual town meetings, member towns may withdraw the elementary schools, Kindergarten through grade 6, from the District by a majority vote in two of the three towns at their respective Annual Town Meetings, or in the event that one town, by a majority vote at two successive Annual Town Meetings, votes to withdraw the elementary schools, all the elementary schools Kindergarten through Grade 6, would revert to town schools on July 1st following the calendar year in which the decisive vote was taken; (g) by making technical changes incidental to the foregoing amendments. Copies of the revised agreement with all proposed amendments are available at the office of the Town Clerk.

An amendment to pass over the article was defeated by a hand count vote, 86 affirmative and 262 negative.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, the article was defeated by a hand count vote, 160 affirmative and 257 negative.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 228 affirmative and 71 negative, to consider Articles 35, 36, 37, and 38 before Article 7.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$7,500 for architectural plans to renovate the old Town Hall facilities; the present Town Hall, when vacated, to be used for other community activities, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other

action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 205 affirmative and 16 negative, to move the question.

A motion that the vote be taken by Australian ballot was defeated by a majority voice vote.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 148 affirmative and 132 negative, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$7,500 for preliminary architectural plans and cost estimates to renovate the Old Town Hall for community purposes, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$5,000 to raze the old Town Hall and utilize the open space for a Town Common, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to pass over the article.

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$5,000 for architectural plans to renovate a portion of the old Fire Station for community use, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to pass over the article.

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$2,000 to raze all of the old Fire Station complex and utilize the open space for a Town Common, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$1,950 to raze all of the old Fire Station complex, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, at 11:15 p.m., to adjourn the meeting until Wednesday evening at 7:30 p.m., at Masconomet, and to start with Articles 24 and 25 at that time.

Registered voters attending the meeting were 432.

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**  
May 8, 1984

Voters of the Town of Boxford met at the Masconomet Regional High School Auditorium on May 8, 1984. Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. The articles of the warrant were disposed of as follows:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to increase the budget of the Electrical Inspector's Department, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$2,000 to increase the budget of the Electrical Inspector's Department.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be added to the Town Insurance Fund, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from Overlay Surplus Reserve the sum of \$5,000 to be added to the Town Insurance Fund.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to various departmental budgets for expenses incurred due to the storm emergency of March 29-30, 1984, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer the sum of \$14,021 from Article 9 of the 1981 Annual Town Meeting and \$21,000 from Overlay Surplus Revenue to the DPW budget for expenses incurred due to the storm emergency of March 29-30, 1984, and for other unanticipated expenses within the DPW.

ARTICLE 4. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to dissolve the meeting at 7:39 p.m.

Registered voters attending the meeting were 60. Counters and checkers for the meeting were appointed by Town Clerk Frank H. Weatherby.

A true record.

ATTEST:

Frank H. Weatherby  
Town Clerk

TRANSFERS

Article 1	\$ 2,000.00
Article 2	5,000.00
Article 3	<u>35,021.00</u>

TOTAL TO BE TRANSFERRED

\$42,021.00

## ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING - May 9, 1984

Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the second session of the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Boxford to order at 7:36 p.m. The Reverend Stuart Nutter led in a moment of prayer.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaw to establish a new Elderly Housing District. A copy of the proposed Zoning Bylaw amendment dated April 11, 1984 is on file with the Town Clerk and may be reviewed by interested parties. Copies of the proposed amendment may be obtained from the clerk of the Planning Board.

EXPLANATION: The proposed amendment to the Zoning Bylaw is presented by the Planning Board in response to the vote of the Town at its last annual meeting requesting the Board to study what modifications of the Bylaw are required to permit construction of housing for Boxford's senior citizens.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 284 affirmative and 58 negative, to move the question.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED by hand count vote, 273 affirmative and 100 negative, to amend its Zoning Bylaw to establish a new Elderly Housing District, by adopting the Bylaw changes proposed in a document entitled "Proposed Zoning Bylaw Changes," dated April 11, 1984, revised.

Nancy Bender of the Planning Board made an oral report of a favorable recommendation by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to re-zone a portion of the Carlson property, so-called, on Ipswich Road from Residential-Agricultural to Elderly Housing, said property consists of approximately 35 acres and is located on the south side of Ipswich Road approximately 1/2 mile west of its intersection with Georgetown Road; a detailed plan of the property dated April 15, 1984 is on file in the office of the Town Clerk and is available for inspection by interested parties.

EXPLANATION: Re-zoning of this parcel to Elderly Housing will permit the construction on it of housing for Boxford's senior citizens.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 285 affirmative and 66 negative, to re-zone a portion of the Carlson property, so-called, on Ipswich Road from Residential-Agricultural to Elderly Housing, as shown on a plan entitled Plan of Land in Boxford, Mass., showing property of Roy C. and Barbara M. Carlson, Jr., and Proposed Elderly Housing District, dated April 15, 1984, by Hancock Survey Associates, Inc.

Nancy Bender of the Planning Board made an oral report of a favorable recommendation by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$4,245 received as State Aid for Libraries for the use of the Boxford Town Libraries, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Trustees of the Boxford Town Library, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to appropriate \$4,245 received as State Aid for Libraries for the use of the Boxford Town Libraries, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Trustees of the Boxford Town Library.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$130,000 to reconstruct and resurface certain roads in town. Said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer the sums of \$50,693.00 from Federal Revenue Sharing, \$100.00 from Article 19 of the May 1976 Annual Town Meeting, \$439.12 from Article 25 of the May 1980 Annual Town

Meeting, \$481.00 from Article 42 of the May 1980 Annual Town Meeting, \$49,602.98 from Overlay Surplus Reserve, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$28,683.90, for a total of \$130,000.00, to reconstruct and resurface certain roads in town. Said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to purchase a dump truck and plow for the Department of Public Works, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

EXPLANATION: Estimated cost is \$28,000 pending final bids.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$27,528 to purchase a dump truck and plow for the Department of Public Works, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$8,600 for drainage work in Town, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,600 for drainage work in Town, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to conduct a financial audit of the Fiscal Year 1984 records for the Town, as required by General Revenue Sharing policies, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

EXPLANATION: Estimated cost \$10,000 - \$12,000 pending final proposals.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,900 to conduct a financial audit Fiscal Year 1984 records of the Town, as required by General Revenue Sharing policies, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$6,000 to conduct the 1985 state census, all money reimbursed by the state to be credited to the General Fund, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Town Clerk, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000 to conduct the 1985 state census, all money reimbursed by the state to be credited to the General Fund, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Personnel Board of five members to include the Town Moderator, Executive Secretary, a member of the Finance Committee and two members of the general public to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen; said board shall present to a future Town Meeting a classification schedule listing all positions of town employees, and shall establish job descriptions for all positions of town employees. This board shall propose to a future Town Meeting a Personnel Bylaw for the Town of Boxford, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to establish a Personnel Board of five members to include the Town Moderator, Executive Secretary, a member of the Finance Committee and two members of the general public to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen; said board shall present to a future Town Meeting a classification schedule listing all positions of town employees, and shall establish job descriptions for all positions of town employees. This board shall propose to a future Town Meeting a Personnel Bylaw for the Town of Boxford.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$5,000 for engineering fees to rebuild the bridge at Lockwood Lane contingent upon receiving state aid for the construction costs of the bridge, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for engineering fees to rebuild the bridge at Lockwood Lane contingent upon receiving state aid for the construction costs of the bridge, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the approved FY85 DPW Materials Budget the sum of \$12,000 for construction costs to rebuild the bridge at Lockwood Lane contingent upon receiving state aid for said construction costs. Said reimbursement for these costs, when received from the state, to be credited to the FY85 DPW Materials Budget, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from the approved FY85 DPW Materials Budget the sum of \$12,000 for construction costs to rebuild the bridge at Lockwood Lane contingent upon receiving state aid for said construction costs. Said reimbursement for these costs, when received from the state, to be credited to the FY85 DPW Materials Budget.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to purchase and equip one new sedan to be used as a police cruiser, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

EXPLANATION: Estimated cost is \$10,000 - \$13,000 pending final bids.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum \$12,100 to purchase and equip one new sedan to be used as a police cruiser, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to amend its Bylaws, in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapters 61 and 61A, Section 1, as follows: "No license or permit, with the exception of dog licenses, may be issued or renewed by any Town department, board or officer unless the applicant provides satisfactory evidence to the issuing authority of full compliance with all town real and person tax obligations."

Upon motion made and duly seconded, the article was defeated by a majority voice vote.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to increase the fee for licenses for recreational camps from \$10.00 to \$50.00 effective June 1, 1984, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to increase the fee for licenses for recreational camps from \$10.00 to \$50.00 effective July 1, 1984.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to accept a deed from Stanwood Morss for 0.66 acres of land in West Boxford adjacent to the Town Forest for protection of the proposed well site, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to accept a deed from Stanwood Morss for 0.66 acres of land in West Boxford adjacent to the Town Forest for protection of the proposed well site.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$17,000 to remove excess dead trees and for heavy brush removal in town, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from Overlay Surplus Reserve, the sum of \$17,000 to remove excess dead trees and for heavy



brush removal in town, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$18,000 to fund a new maintenance position for Town buildings, summer maintenance help and supplies and materials, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by a show of hands, to transfer from Overlay Surplus Reserve, the sum of \$18,000 to fund a new maintenance position for Town buildings, summer maintenance help and supplies and materials, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$1,500.00 to purchase a remote control module compatible with the main radio console, which will be used to control a base station transmitter that provides emergency radio communications with the Ambulance Company servicing West Boxford, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 to purchase a remote control module compatible with the main radio console, which will be used to control a base station transmitter that provides emergency radio communications with the Ambulance Company servicing West Boxford, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$7,882 to be used to replace 8 complete sets of self contained breathing apparatus (SCBA), and nine spare air supply tanks, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,882 to be used to replace 8 complete sets of self contained breathing apparatus (SCBA), and nine spare air supply tanks, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to accept the following roads as Town ways:

High Ridge Road from station 49+00 to 71+50.48 as shown on a plan entitled "Plan of High Ridge in Boxford", Owner and Developer - William E. Dorman, Herrick Road, Boxford, MA, Engineer - Essex Survey Service, 47 Federal Street, Salem, Mass., dated January 8, 1975 and recorded in Essex Registry of Deeds, South District on June 26, 1975, Plan Book 134, Plan 51.

Surrey Lane from station 0+0 to 12+37.82 as shown on a plan entitled "Definitive Plan, Woodshire, Boxford, Mass." Owner - Betty Trust, Main Street, Topsfield, Mass., Engineer - Hayes Engineering, Inc., 828 Lynn Fells Parkway, Melrose, MA, dated July 18, 1974 and recorded in Essex Registry of Deeds, South District on November 21, 1974, Plan Book 132, Plan 33.

Surrey Lane from station 12+37.82 to 31+32.13 as shown on a plan entitled "Definitive Plan, Surrey Lane Ext., Boxford, MA." Owner - Betty Trust, Main Street, Topsfield, MA, Engineer - Hayes Engineering, Inc., 828 Lynn Fells Parkway, Melrose, MA, dated October 14, 1975 and recorded in Essex Registry of Deeds, South District on August 20, 1976, Plan Book 139, Plan 57.

Coach Lane from station 0+0 to 6+73.83 as shown on a plan entitled "Definitive Plan, Woodshire, Boxford, MA", Owner - Betty Trust, Main Street, Topsfield, MA, Engineer - Hayes Engineering, Inc. 828 Lynn Fells Parkway, Melrose, MA, dated July 18, 1974, Plan Book 132, Plan 33.

Long Hill from station 0+0 to 17+84 as shown on a plan entitled "Plan of Land in Boxford, Mass.", Owner - Beetty Trust, Main Street, Topsfield, Mass., Engineer - Hayes Engineering, Inc., 828 Lynn Felis Parkway, Melrose, MA, dated March 31, 1981 and recorded in Essex Registry of Deeds, South District on April 16, 1981, Plan Book 164, Plan 99.

Crooked Pond Drive from station 0+0 to 38+78.14 as shown on a plan entitled "Subdivision Plan of Land in Boxford, Mass.", Developer - Abbott-Forbes, Ltd., Inc., dated June 18, 1968 and recorded in the Essex Registry of Deeds, South District on October 16, 1968, Plan Book 112, Plan 81.

Livermore Road from station 0+0 to 10+47.91 as shown on a plan entitled "Revised Definitive Plan of Land in Boxford, Massachusetts", Owner - John McCormack, Livermore Road, Boxford, MA, Engineer - Port Engineering Associates, Inc. 31 State Street, Newburyport, MA, dated March 27, 1979 and July 6, 1982, and recorded in Essex Registry of Deeds, South District on June 28, 1979, Plan Book 153, Plan 88.

or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to accept the following roads as Town ways:

High Ridge Road from station 49+00 to 71+50.48 as shown on a plan entitled "Plan of High Ridge in Boxford", Owner and Developer - William E. Dorman, Herrick Road, Boxford, MA, Engineer - Essex Survey Service, 47 Federal Street, Salem, Mass., dated January 8, 1975 and recorded in Essex Registry of Deeds, South District on June 26, 1975, Plan Book 134, Plan 51.

Crooked Pond Drive from station 0+0 to 38+78.14 as shown on a plan entitled "Subdivision Plan of Land in Boxford, Mass.", Developer - Abbott-Forbes, Ltd., Inc., dated June 18, 1968 and recorded in the Essex Registry of Deeds, South District on October 16, 1968, Plan Book 112, Plan 81.

Livermore Road from station 0+0 to 10+47.91 as shown on a plan entitled "Revised Definitive Plan of Land in Boxford, Massachusetts", Owner - John McCormack, Livermore Road, Boxford, MA, Engineer - Port Engineering Associates, Inc., 31 State Street, Newburyport, MA, dated March 27, 1979 and July 6, 1982, and recorded in Essex Registry of Deeds, South District on June 28, 1979, Plan Book 153, Plan 88.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to change the name of a portion of Rowley Road to Rowley Court, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to change the name of a portion of Rowley Road to Rowley Court.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 653 of the Acts of 1982, a law providing relief from the impact of revaluation for certain elderly and disabled persons, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to accept Chapter 653 of the Acts of 1982, a law providing relief from the impact of revaluation for certain elderly and disabled persons.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to accept an Amendment to the District Agreement providing for admission of the Town of Nahant as proposed by vote of the North Shore Vocational Regional School Committee by vote adopted on February 16, 1984. The Amendment provides in substance (1) that Nahant shall be admitted to the North Shore Vocational Regional School District ("District"); (2) that Nahant shall appoint an initial representative to the District's Committee for a term of office ending on the second Thursday in January, 1986, and that that representative and his or her successors shall otherwise have the same rights and duties as representatives have from other member municipalities under the District Agreement; (3) that within thirty days of its admission to

the District, Nahant shall pay the District \$9,639.90 toward the District's incurred long-term capital costs; (4) that in determining Nahant's proportionate share of the District's fiscal year 1985 budget under the terms of the District Agreement, Nahant shall be deemed to have fifteen full-time students enrolled in the District's school; (5) that in all years following fiscal year 1985, the determination of Nahant's proportionate share of the District's budget shall be governed by the District Agreement; and (6) that upon adoption of this Amendment by a majority of the District's present member municipalities, acceptance of it by Nahant shall be by a majority vote taken at a town meeting by June 30, 1985, at the latest.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to accept an Amendment to the District Agreement providing for admission of the Town of Nahant as proposed by vote of the North Shore Vocational Regional School Committee by vote adopted on February 16, 1984. The Amendment provides in substance (1) that Nahant shall be admitted to the North Shore Vocational Regional School District ("District"); (2) that Nahant shall appoint an initial representative to the District's Committee for a term of office ending on the second Thursday in January, 1986, and that that representative and his or her successors shall otherwise have the same rights and duties as representatives have from other member municipalities under the District Agreement; (3) that within thirty days of its admission to the District, Nahant shall pay the District \$9,639.90 toward the District's incurred long-term capital costs; (4) that in determining Nahant's proportionate share of the District's fiscal year 1985 budget under the terms of the District Agreement, Nahant shall be deemed to have fifteen full-time students enrolled in the District's school; (5) that in all years following fiscal year 1985, the determination of Nahant's proportionate share of the District's budget shall be governed by the District Agreement; and (6) that upon adoption of this Amendment by a majority of the District's present member municipalities, acceptance of it by Nahant shall be by a majority vote taken at a town meeting by June 30, 1985, at the latest.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$8,100 for the support of the Tri-Town Council on Youth and Family Services, Inc., or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,100 for the support of the Tri-Town Council on Youth and Family Services, Inc.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to amend its bylaws, Article 5, Section 3, Paragraph 1, by inserting after the words "New Year's Day," the words "Martin Luther King's Birthday," or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to amend its bylaws, Article 5, Section 3, Paragraph 1, by inserting after the words "New Year's Day," the words "Martin Luther King's Birthday."

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to amend its bylaws, in accordance with Mass. General Laws Chapter 40, Section 21, by the following:

"Article 10, Section 2, Paragraph 8 - No residence shall display any house number other than that officially assigned by the Building Inspector, subject to a fine of fifty (50) dollars."

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to amend the bylaws, in accordance with Mass. General Laws Chapter 40, Section 21, by the following:

"Article 10, Section 2, Paragraph 8 - No residence shall display any house number other than that officially assigned by the Building Inspector, subject to a fine of fifty (50) dollars."

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to perform certain operating, maintenance and energy measures at the new Town Hall, said funds to be expended by the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

EXPLANATION: Estimated cost \$6,000 - \$8,000 pending final bids.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,200 to perform certain operating, maintenance and energy conservation measures at the new Town Hall, said funds to be expended by the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum on money to perform certain operating, maintenance and energy conservation measures at the DPW Garage, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

EXPLANATION: Estimated cost \$7,000 - \$9,000 pending final bids.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,400 to perform certain operating, maintenance and energy conservation measures at the DPW Garage, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money for the soccer field at Boy Scout Park, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

EXPLANATION: Estimated cost \$10,000 - \$15,000.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 and to transfer from Overlay Surplus Reserve the sum of \$5,000, for a total of \$10,000 for the soccer field at Boy Scout Park, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$2,500 to partially renovate and secure the waterfront building at the former Camp Sacajawea, and to prepare the waterfront for a boating program on Stiles Pond, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Recreation Committee or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$2,500 to partially renovate and secure the waterfront building at the former Camp Sacajawea, and to prepare the waterfront for a boating program on Stiles Pond, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Recreation Committee.

ARTICLE 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$3,225 to purchase or lease two microcomputers and accompanying software for the School Department, said funds to be expended under the direction of the School Committee, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$2,825 to purchase or lease two microcomputers and accompanying software for the School Department, said funds to be expended under the direction of the School Committee.

ARTICLE 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$3,950.00 to purchase a four (4) channel rack mounted logging recorder to replace the existing three (3) recorders and associated time devices used to log telephone calls, Police and Fire radio transmissions, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$3,950 to purchase a four (4) channel rack mounted logging recorder to replace the existing three (3) recorders and associated time devices used to log telephone calls, Police and Fire radio transmissions, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 43. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from

available funds, the sum of \$10,000 to fund a detailed study, create bid documents and draw specifications for bid for a possible future purchase of a computer system for the Town. Recommendations from this study, as well as final bid prices, to be presented to the Town at a Special Town Meeting prior to the next Annual Town Meeting, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, the article was defeated by a majority show of hands.

ARTICLE 44. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to be used for the acquisition of land around the West Boxford well site, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

EXPLANATION: Estimated cost is \$20,000

Upon motion made and duly seconded, the article was defeated by majority voice vote.

ARTICLE 45. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$750 for the purpose of participation in Help for Abused Women and their Children, Inc.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$500 for the purpose of participation in Help for Abused Women and their Children, Inc.

ARTICLE 46. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$3,800 to renovate the basement of the West Boxford Library, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Trustees of the Boxford Town Library, or take any other action thereon.

EXPLANATION: Trustees of the Boxford Town Library are elected by the Town and are the official Town Library board.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$3,800 to renovate the basement of the West Boxford Library, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Trustees of the Boxford Town Library.

ARTICLE 47. To see if the Town will vote to transfer interest from the Library Fund established in 1922 to the elected Trustees of the Boxford Town Library for use in operating the East and West Village library buildings, or take any other action thereon.

EXPLANATION: The 1922 Library Fund was subsequently divided and maintained as the East Parish Fund and the West Parish Fund. Trustees of the Boxford Public Library Association are a private organization.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, that this matter be postponed indefinitely and that the Board of Trustees of the Boxford Town Library report back at the next Annual Town Meeting based on the advice of Town Counsel, the Selectmen, and the Finance Committee, as to the disposition of these funds.

ARTICLE 48. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$4,000 to add to the Tricentennial Revolving Fund fiscal 1984 appropriation, to provide additional operating funds for the proposed programs, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Tricentennial Committee, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 54 affirmative and 50 negative, to amend the article by including the phrase, "said funds to be reimbursed to the Town from the receipts of the Tricentennial Committee."

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to raise

and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 to add to the Tricentennial Revolving Fund (fiscal 1984 appropriation, to provide additional operating funds for the proposed programs, said funds to be reimbursed to the Town from the receipts of the Tricentennial Committee and to be expended under the direction of the Tricentennial Committee.

ARTICLE 49. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to add to the stabilization fund, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to pass over the article.

ARTICLE 50. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to dissolve the meeting at 11:57 p.m.

Registered voters attending the meeting were 370. Counters and checkers for the meeting were appointed by Town Clerk Frank H. Weatherby.

A true record.

ATTEST:

Frank H. Weatherby  
Town Clerk

## BUDGET APPROVED FOR 1984-1985

<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>		
Selectmen	\$ 29,950	
Clerical	7,150	
Advertising	550	
Selectmen Contingency	1,000	
Town Report	6,000	
Town Clerk - Salary	2,150	
Town Clerk - Clerical	3,791	
Town Clerk - All Other	1,415	
Registrars	2,075	
Elections	2,825	
Town Counsel	12,000	
Planning Board	2,880	
Appeals Board	1,000	
Recreation Committee	6,485	
Child Guidance	2,697	
Council on Aging	3,251	
Conservation Commission	475	
Board of Health	17,842	
Historic District Commission	50	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 103,586</b>
<b>FINANCE</b>		
Accountant	\$ 35,696	
Assessors	35,246	
Finance Committee	800	
Tax Collector	18,963	
Treasurer	9,200	
Interest on Loans	11,000	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 110,905</b>
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>		
Police - Salary	\$ 178,440	
Police - All Other	56,343	
Police - Reserve	8,750	
Police - Overtime	17,950	
Fire	40,180	
Communications - Salary	60,876	
Communications - All Other	14,369	
Dog Officer	2,850	
Parking Clerk	200	
Ambulance Service	11,000	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 390,958</b>
<b>EDUCATION</b>		
Library Operating Expenses	\$ 83,380	
Library Bond Repayment	52,208	
Elementary Schools	1,234,071	
Masconomet Regional	1,610,947	
North Shore Vocational	35,804	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$3,016,410</b>

TOWN MAINTENANCE

DPW - Salaries \$ 121,867  
DPW - Material 113,585  
DPW - All Other 92,034  
Town Forest 100  
Cemeteries 1,250  
Memorial Day 975  
Moth Suppression 1,500

TOTAL

\$ 331,311

INSPECTORS

Animal \$ 840  
Building 5,683  
Electrical 5,000  
Gas 400

TOTAL

\$ 11,923

INSURANCE

Health and Life \$ 52,750  
General Insurance 64,536  
Veterans Benefits 1,500  
Retirement Pension 1,250

TOTAL

\$ 120,036

GRAND TOTAL TOWN BUDGET

\$ 4,085,129

RAISE AND APPROPRIATE

Article 1 \$ 1,338.10  
Article 8 28,683.90  
Article 9 27,528.00  
Article 10 8,600.00  
Article 11 5,900.00  
Article 12 6,000.00  
Article 14 5,000.00  
Article 16 12,000.00  
Article 22 1,500.00  
Article 23 7,882.00  
Article 30 8,100.00  
Article 33 6,200.00  
Article 34 5,400.00  
Article 39 5,000.00  
Article 48 4,000.00

TOTAL

\$ 133,232.00

TOTAL TO BE RAISED AND APPROPRIATED

\$ 4,218,342.00

APPROPRIATIONS

Article 7 \$ 4,245.00

TOTAL TO BE APPROPRIATED

\$ 4,245.00



TRANSFERS

Article 5	\$ 45,000.00
Article 35	7,500.00
Article 38	1,950.00
Article 8	101,316.10
Article 15	12,000.00
Article 20	17,000.00
Article 21	18,000.00
Article 39	5,000.00
Article 40	2,500.00
Article 41	2,825.00
Article 42	3,950.00
Article 45	500.00
Article 46	<u>3,800.00</u>

TOTAL TO BE TRANSFERRED

\$ 221,341.10

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

**August 28, 1984**

Voters of the Town of Boxford met at the Spofford Pond School auditorium on August 28, 1984. Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the meeting to order at 8:03 p.m. The articles of the warrant were disposed of as follows:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to be added to the Elementary School Department budget to hire one additional first grade teacher, or take any action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$13,900 to be added to the Elementary School Department budget to hire one additional first grade teacher.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to the Elementary School Department FY85 budget to provide for additional special education services, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$17,332.00 to the Elementary School Department FY85 budget to provide for additional special education services.

ARTICLE 3. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to dissolve the Special Town Meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Registered voters attending the meeting were 188. Counters and checkers for the meeting were appointed by Town Clerk Frank H. Weatherby.

A true record.

ATTEST:

Frank H. Weatherby  
Town Clerk

**TRANSFERS**

Article 1	\$13,900.00	
Article 2	<u>17,332.00</u>	
<b>TOTAL TO BE TRANSFERRED</b>		<b>\$31,232.00</b>