

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
May 10, 1988

Voters of the Town of Boxford met at the Masconomet Regional High School Auditorium on Tuesday, May 10, 1988. Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the meeting to order at 8:04 p.m. The articles of the warrant were disposed of as follows:

ARTICLE 1. 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 take Article 1 out of order and act on it immediately preceding Article 64.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to amend various portions of Article 5 of its bylaws, known as the Personnel Bylaw, be deleting the Pay Matrix of Section 9, "Position Classes: Salary, Wage and Miscellaneous Compensation Schedules" and replacing it with the Pay Matrix as submitted by the Personnel Board which will increase the matrix by 2.8%, as filed with the Town Clerk in April 1988, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote to amend Article 5, the Personnel Bylaw of the Town, as follows:

1. Wage and miscellaneous compensation schedules, (the Pay Matrix), by deleting Section 9 and inserting the following new Section 9, Pay Matrix exactly as printed in the warrant for the May 10, 1988, Annual Town Meeting, except that Grades One and Two shall be deleted from the Pay Matrix, and Grade Three, Entry Level, shall be amended to read \$3.75.

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 use of several departments for fiscal year 1989, to wit: General Government, Finance, Public Safety, Education, Town Maintenance and all other necessary proper expenses during said fiscal year, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to amend the Board of Health budget by increasing it to \$40,805.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$269,435 for General Government.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$165,011 for Finance.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to amend the Communications-Salary budget by raising it to \$97,684.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$750,257 for Public Safety.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,194,652 for Education.

A short recess was called at 8:33 p.m. The meeting resumed at 8:37 p.m.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to amend the Building Maintenance budget by raising it to \$28,524.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to amend the Cemeteries budget by raising it to \$1500.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$466,642 for Town Maintenance.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to amend the Inspector of Buildings budget by reducing it to \$26,130.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,413 for Inspectors.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to raise and appropriate the \$275,876 for Insurance and Pensions.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,157,286 for the amended FY 1989 Budget.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will 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, 1988, in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefore, 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.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

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, 1988, in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefore, 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 appropriate a sum of money received from the County on account of dog licenses, for use of the Boxford Town Library, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Trustees of the Boxford Town Library, or take any action thereon.

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 raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to complete a State required audit of the Town accounts containing federal funds, 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 postpone action on this article to Wednesday, May 11, 1988, when it will be the first article to be acted upon.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 59, Section 5, clause 41C, to increase the amount of the elderly exemption provisions stated in clause 41B of said Chapter and Section, effective with the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 1988, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to accept the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 59, Section 5, clause 41C, to increase the amount of the elderly exemption provisions stated in clause 41B of said Chapter and Section, effective with the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 1988.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 71, Section 40, and provide for State reimbursement of the cost to pay all teachers, except a person in training and except a person employed as a temporary substitute, in the Boxford Public Schools at a rate of not less than \$20,000 for the school years commencing after July 1, 1987.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to amend the article, to read... "Boxford Public Elementary Schools".

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to accept the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 71, Section 40, and provide for State reimbursement of the cost to pay all teachers, except a person in training and except a person employed as a temporary substitute, in the Boxford Public Elementary Schools at a rate of not less than \$20,000 for the school years commencing after July 1, 1987.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund repairs and general maintenance to several Town owned buildings, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$35,881 to fund repairs and general maintenance to several Town owned buildings, 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 \$6900 to fund the following items for the Communications Department: (1) two portable radios (\$2,000); (2) Intercity base station (\$3,900); (3) Antenna and Cables (\$1,000), said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$6,900 to fund the following items for the Communications Department: (1) two remote radios (\$2,000); (2) Intercity base station (\$3,900); (3) Antenna and Cables (\$1,000), 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 the sum of \$4,500 to purchase and equip one computer system for the Building Department, as recommended by the Computer Study Committee, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$4,500 to purchase and equip one computer system for the Building Department, as recommended by the Computer Study Committee, 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 \$10,000 for the purpose of establishing a library computer system, Phase II and Phase III, for the Boxford Town Libraries, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Library Trustees.

The Finance Committee recommended option of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$10,000 for the purpose of establishing a library computer system, Phase II and Phase III, for the Boxford Town Libraries, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Library Trustees.

ARTICLE 13. 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 computer system in the Police/Communications Departments, as recommended by the Computer Study Committee, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

An amendment to limit the use and location of the computer to the Communication/Police building was defeated by hand count, 90 affirmative and 133 negative.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$52,000 to purchase and equip one computer system in the Police/Communications Departments, as recommended by the Computer Study Committee, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund the development of an asbestos management and removal plan for the Spofford Pond and Cole schools, as required by the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act, said funds to be expended under the direction of the School Committee, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommended the adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$4,960 to fund the development of an asbestos

management and removal plan for the Spofford Pond and Cole schools, as required by the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act, said funds to be expended under the direction of the School Committee.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$150,000 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.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate \$68,294 and to transfer \$62,778.16 from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds, \$1200 from Article #34 of the May 8, 1984, Annual Town Meeting, \$85.00 from Article #19 of the May 14, 1985, Annual Town Meeting, \$3.52 from Article #7 of the May 13, 1986, Annual Town Meeting, \$101.00 from Article #19 of the May 13, 1986, Annual Town Meeting, \$10,000 from Article #10 of the October 14, 1986, Special Town Meeting \$8.84 from Article #4 of the October 14, 1986 Special Town Meeting, and \$7,529.48 from Free Cash to reconstruct and resurface certain roads in the Town, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund the installation of a drainage system at the intersection of Round Top Road and Campground Road to correct an existing standing water problem, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$10,410 to fund the installation of a drainage system at the intersection of Round Top Road and Campground Road to correct an existing standing water problem, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to purchase and equip two cruisers for the Police Department, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$34,000 to purchase and equip two cruisers for the Police Department, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to purchase 12 police radios for the Police Department, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$6,050 to purchase the 11 police radios for the Police Department, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to purchase 20 bullet-proof vests for the Police Department, said funds to be spent under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$8,400 to purchase 20 bullet-proof vests for the Police Department, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 20. 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 3/4 ton, 4-wheel drive diesel pickup truck with 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.

The Finance Committee Recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$16,065 to purchase and equip one 3/4 ton, 4-wheel drive pickup truck with plow, for the Department of Public Works, 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 \$11,500 for the support of the Tri-Town Council on Youth and Family Services, Inc., said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee Recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$11,500 for the support of the Tri-Town Council on Youth and Family Services, Inc., 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 \$500 for the purpose of participation in Help for Abused Women and their Children (HAWC) program, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$500 for the purpose of participation in Help for Abused Women and their Children (HAWC) program, 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 \$3,000 to continue to research full titles to all Town owned land, and to create surveyors' plans to all Town owned land, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$3,000 to continue to research full titles to all Town owned land, and to create surveyors' plans to all Town owned land, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$7,000 to fund a water quality testing program in the Town of Boxford under the direction of the Board of Health, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee Recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$7,000 to fund a water quality testing program in the Town of Boxford under the direction of the Board of Health, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Health.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$2,000 to fund the preparation of three groundwater related maps for the Town of Boxford, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee Recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$2,000 to fund the preparation of three groundwater related maps for the Town of Boxford, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to petition the General Court to pass legislation enabling the Town of Boxford to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$75,000 to fund a grant and loan program which shall assist low income residential property owners in financing the removal of their underground fuel storage tanks and the replacement of a fuel storage tank in-basement or above ground through revolving loan funds and the recapture of deferred loans upon the sale of property, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, such petition to be submitted at the discretion of the state legislators representing the Town, or to take any other action thereon.

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

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or bond a sum of money, or borrow through State House Notes, a sum of money to fund the moving and renovating of Lincoln Hall, said building to be relocated to a site to be determined in West Boxford, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, the article was defeated by hand count vote, 41 affirmative and 146 opposed.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to adjourn the meeting at 11:35 p.m. and reconvene on Wednesday evening, May 11, 1988, at 7:30 p.m. in the Masconomet Regional High School auditorium.

Registered voters attending the meeting were 230. Counters and checkers for the meeting were appointed by Town Clerk Frank H. Weatherby.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
May 10, 1988

Voters of the Town of Boxford met at the Masconomet Regional High School auditorium on May 10, 1988. 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 transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay bills of charge from FY1987 or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$2,791.35 to pay unpaid bills from FY1987.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to the Finance Committee Reserve fund, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$100,000 to the Finance Committee Reserve Fund.

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

The following resolutions were introduced:

RESOLVED that the Town express its best wishes, its deepest thanks and its highest accolades to C. Richard Cunningham in recognition of over forty years of selfless, continuous and superior service to the grateful inhabitants of the Town of Boxford.

RESOLVED that the Town express its thanks to retiring School Committee Members Gyonegyi Quinn and Ann Trull for their six years of service to the Town.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to dissolve the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

Registered voters attending the meeting were 125. 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

\$ 2,791.35 (Free Cash)

Article 2

100,000.00 (Free Cash)

TOTAL TO BE TRANSFERRED

\$102,791.35

ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
May 11, 1988

Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the second session of the Annual Town Meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

As voted at last night's meeting, Article 6 was first in the order of business this evening.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to complete a State required audit of the Town accounts containing federal funds, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$2000 to complete a State required audit of the Town accounts containing federal funds, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund the preliminary architectural drawings for a new Town Office Building, for the purpose of cost analysis and presentation to a future town meeting, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee supports this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$25,000 to fund the preliminary architectural drawings for a new Town Office Building, for the purpose of cost analysis and presentation to a future town meeting, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article One, Section One, of the General Bylaws by adding the following sub-section:

1-1-2 A special Town meeting may be called in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 39, Section 10, as amended; or take any other action thereon.

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

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article One, Section One, of the General Bylaws by adding the following sub-section:

1-1-3 The substance of any article, other than collective bargaining agreements, defeated at a Town Meeting shall not again be placed on the warrant until the next Annual Town Meeting except and unless in compliance with General Laws, Chapter 39, Section 10, as amended; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to amend the article so that sub-section 1-1-3 becomes sub-section 1-1-2.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to amend Article One, Section One, of the General Bylaws by adding the following sub-section:

1-1-2 The substance of any article, other than collective bargaining, agreements, defeated at a Town Meeting shall not again be placed on the warrant until the next Annual Town Meeting except and unless in compliance with General Laws, Chapter 39, Section 10, as amended.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to revise Article One, Section 3, of the General Bylaws in its entirety to read:

1-3-1 The quorum necessary for the transaction of business at the Annual Town Meeting shall be 100 voters, but a number less than a quorum may adjourn the Annual Town Meeting to a later date; or take any other action thereon.

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

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article One, Section 3, of the General Bylaws by adding the following sub-section:

1-3-2 The quorum necessary for the transaction of business at any Special Town Meeting shall be half the Annual Town Meeting quorum, but a number less than a quorum may adjourn a Special Town Meeting to a later date; or take any other action thereon.

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

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to revise Article 8, Section 2, sub-section 2, of the General Bylaws in its entirety to read:

8-2-2 No person shall fire or discharge any handgun, rifle, shotgun, or any other device or weapon within the limits of any park, playground, school, or other public property except with the consent of the Board of Selectmen. No person shall hunt with, fire, or discharge any such weapon on any private property except with the written consent of the owner or legal occupant thereof. Such consent shall be renewed annually with a copy sent to the Police Department which shall issue a Boxford Landowners Hunting Permit. Persons hunting without a Boxford Landowners Hunting Permit shall be fined one hundred fifty (\$150) dollars per occurrence; or take any other action thereon.

A short recess was called at 8:32 p.m. to allow time to consider wording of an amendment to the article. The meeting resumed at 8:41 p.m.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to amend the article with the following:

change, "other public property" to read "other Town property";

add, after "shall be fined", the phrase "up to";

add, "Land owners discharging weapons on their own land or Public Safety Officers are exempt from the provisions of this bylaw".

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to amend the amendment with following:

add, after "Land owners", the phrase "or legal occupants".

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to amend the amendment with the addition of the phrase "in the performance of their duty" after Public Safety Officers.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to revise Article 8, Section 2, sub-section 2 of the General Bylaws in its entirety to read:

8-2-2 No person shall fire or discharge any handgun, rifle, shotgun or any other device or weapon within the limits of any park, playground, school or other Town property except with the consent of the Board of Selectmen. No person shall hunt with, fire, or discharge any such weapon on any private property except with the written consent of the owner or legal occupant thereof. Such consent shall be renewed annually with a copy sent to the Police Department which shall issue a Boxford Landowners Hunting Permit. Persons hunting without a Boxford Landowners Hunting Permit shall be fined up to one hundred fifty (\$150) dollars per occurrence. Land owners or legal occupants discharging weapons on their own land or Public Safety Officers in performance of their duty are exempt from the provisions of this bylaw.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 8, Section 4, of the General Bylaws by adding the following sub-section:

8-4-11 Any non-resident dog shall be restrained from running at large. A non-resident dog is defined to be any dog not owned by a Town resident or not licensed by the Town of Boxford; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to amend Article 8, sub-section 4, of the General Bylaws by adding the following sub-section:

8-4-11 Dogs which are either 1) not owned by a Town resident but kept in the Town and not licensed by the Town, or 2) owned or kept by a Town resident but not licensed by the Town shall be restrained from running at large.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 8, Section 4, of the General Bylaws by adding the following sub-section:

8-4-12 The Dog Officer shall be allowed two (\$2) dollars for each dog within the Town found to be in violation of these Bylaws and shall be allowed boarding fees, consistent with the rates of the impounding kennel, for each day or portion thereof for the care of such dog. These fees shall be paid by the owner or keeper of the dog, if known, otherwise by the Town Treasurer. The Dog Officer shall be paid ten (\$10) dollars by the owner or keeper of each dog for processing its release. This sum shall be aid over to the Town Treasurer; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to amend Article 8, Section 4, of the General Bylaws by adding the following sub-section:

8-4-12 The Dog Officer shall be allowed two (\$2) dollars for each dog within the Town found to be in violation of these Bylaws and shall be allowed boarding fees, consistent with the rates of the impounding kennel, for each day or portion thereof for the care of such dog. These fees shall be paid by the owner or keeper of the dog, if known, otherwise by the Town Treasurer. The Dog Officer shall

be paid ten (\$10) dollars by the owner or keeper of each dog for processing its release. This sum shall be aid over to the Town Treasurer.

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 10, Section 2, of the General Bylaws by adding the following sub-section:

10-2-9 All dwellings, public buildings, and businesses shall be properly identified be number (assigned by the Building Inspector) in order to be reasonably visible to persons or vehicles approaching from either direction in the following manner: each building shall have its proper and legible street number affixed to the front entrance; if the number is not visible from the street, the property shall also display the proper legible number on an object affixed in the ground at the end of the driveway.

All new buildings shall be properly identified with specifications listed in this sub-section and in sub-section 10-2-8 before an occupancy permit is issued. All property owners shall be in compliance with this bylaw on or before September 1, 1988. All property owners shall be subject to a fine of fifty (\$50) dollars for each 30-day period of non-compliance; or take any other action thereon.

An amendment to the article was defeated by hand count, 60 affirmative and 76 negative.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote to amend Article 10, Section 2, of the General Bylaws by adding the following sub-section:

10-2-9 All dwellings, public buildings, and businesses shall be properly identified be number (assigned by the Building Inspector) in order to be reasonably visible to persons or vehicles approaching from either direction in the following manner: each building shall have its proper and legible street number affixed to the front entrance; if the number is not visible from the street, the property shall also display the proper legible number on an object affixed in the ground at the end of the driveway.

All new buildings shall be properly identified with specifications listed in this sub-section and in sub-section 10-2-8 before an occupancy permit is issued. All property owners shall be in compliance with this bylaw on or before September 1, 1988. All property owners shall be subject to a fine of fifty (\$50) dollars for each 30-day period of non-compliance.

ARTICLE 37. To see if th town will vote to amend Article 10, Section 2, the General Bylaws by adding the following sub-section:

10-2-10 Any person on public streets between 30 minutes before sunset and 30 minutes after sunrise and not on or in a motorized vehicle, shall wear highly reflective material on the front and back of their outer garments or carry a lighted flashlight; except when within 500 yards of their property or the property which they are visiting; or in times of an emergency. Persons not complying with the above shall be fined fifty (\$50) dollars per occurrence; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote to amend the article by changing the word "person" to "persons".

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to amend the article with the following:

change the phrase "lighted flashlight" to "lighted appliance";

add the phrase "up to" after ... shall be fined, so as to read: "... shall be fined up to fifty (\$50) dollars..."

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

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to revise Article 10, Section 3, sub-section 4, of the General Bylaws in its entirety to read:

10-3-4 No person shall by any noise, gesture, words or other means, frighten a horse or dog working in harness in any public way in the town; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to revise Article 10, Section 3, sub-section 4, of the General Bylaws in its entirety to read:

10-3-4 No person shall by any noise, gesture, words or other means, frighten a horse or dog working in harness in any public way in the town.

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to combine the positions of Treasurer and Tax Collector by authorizing the Treasurer to act as Tax Collector pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 41, Section 1; said authorization shall take effect upon the expiration of the term of the elected Collector of Taxes in May 1989; or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee chose not to take a position on this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to combine the positions of Treasurer and Tax Collector by authorizing the Treasurer to act as Tax Collector pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 41, Section 1; said authorization shall take effect upon the expiration of the term of the elected Collector of Taxes in May 1989.

ARTICLE 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase or take by eminent domain a portion of the deed of land owned by Maureen T. Shiepe, 378 Mian Street, Boxford, shown as Parcel C on a plan of land in Boxford, MA, prepared for the Town of Boxford by Thomas E. Neve Associates, Inc., said parcel containing 276 square feet more or less, according to said plan, in order to lessen the curve in the road opposite 363 Main Street and the entrance to Stile Pond Road; said plan of land filed with the Town clerk in May 1987, or take any other action thereon.

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

ARTICLE 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase or take by eminent domain a portion of the parcel of land owned by the heirs of Carol Tyson, 17 Timber Lane, Hampstead, NH, shown as Parcel B on a plan of land in Boxford, MA, prepared for the Town of Boxford by Thomas E. Neve Associates, Inc., said parcel containing 6211 square feet, more or less, according to said plan, in order to lessen the

curve in the road opposite 363 Main Street and the entrance to Stiles Pond Road; said plan of land filed with the Town Clerk in May 1987, or take any other action thereon.

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

ARTICLE 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase or lease a portion of the parcel of land owned by Bessie Carr located on the south side of Middleton Road as shown on a plan recorded in Essex South District Registry of Deeds as plan number 26 of 1965, containing 4.70 acres more or less, for school purposes, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$70,000 to authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase or lease a portion of the parcel of land owned by Bessie Carr located on the south side of Middleton Road as shown on a plan recorded in Essex South District Registry of Deeds as plan number 26 of 1965, the portion to contain approximately 2 acres more or less, for school purposes.

ARTICLE 43. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to execute and deliver a deed to Peter J. Shulman for a parcel of land known as Peabody Meadow, recorded in Essex South District Registry of Deeds, Book 5861, page 371, containing 6.5 acres more or less; and, to accept in exchange from Peter J. Shulman a deed to the Inhabitants of Boxford for a parcel of land known as Peabody Orchard, recorded in said Records Book 8076, page 305, containing 5.5 acres more or less; said parcel to be under the management of the Boxford Conservation Commission, pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 8C, or take any action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to authorize the Selectmen to execute and deliver a deed to Peter J. Shulman for a parcel of land known as Peabody Meadow, recorded in Essex South District Registry of Deeds, Book 5861, page 371, containing 6.5 acres more or less; and, to accept in exchange from Peter J. Shulman a deed to the Inhabitants of Boxford for a parcel of land known as Peabody Orchard, recorded in said Records Book 8076, page 305, containing 5.5 acres more or less; said parcel to be under the management of the Boxford Conservation Commission, pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 8C.

ARTICLE 44. To see if the Town will vote to approve of the acquisition and transfer of title from G. Edwin Hadley and Jean L. Hadley to the inhabitants of Boxford, to a parcel of land on Spofford Pond Road abutting the town of Boxford "Dry Hydrant Area", said parcel to be approximately 1/4 acre according to a plan to be drawn at Town expense and to be recorded at the Essex South County Registry of Deeds, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to approve the acquisition transfer of title from G. Edwin Hadley and Jean L. Hadley to the inhabitants of Boxford, to a parcel of land on Spofford Pond Road abutting the town of Boxford "Dry Hydrant Area", said parcel to be approximately 1/4 acre according to a plan to be drawn at Town expense and to be recorded at the Essex South County Registry of Deeds.

ARTICLE 45. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to purchase from Elinor C. Bemis all her rights, title and interest to use the private ways as shown on a plan recorded with the Essex South Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 131, Plan 60, for all purposes for which private ways may be used in the Town of Boxford, subject to the rights of any others who may be entitled to use the ways as set forth on said plan, or take any other action thereon. The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$2,000 to purchase from Elinor C. Bemis all her rights, title and interest to use the private ways as shown on a plan recorded with the Essex South Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 131, Plan 60, for all purposes for which private ways may be used in the Town of Boxford, subject to the rights of any others who may be entitled to use the ways as set forth on said plan.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to adjourn the meeting at 10:55 p.m. and reconvene on Wednesday evening, May 18, 1988, at 7:30 p.m. in the Masconomet Regional High School auditorium.

Registered voters attending the meeting were 165. Counters and checkers for the meeting were appointed by Town Clerk Frank H. Weatherby.

ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
May 18, 1988

Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the third session of the Annual Town Meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

ARTICLE 46. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund an engineered study of the Pye Brook Watershed from its headwaters at Four Mile Pond to the Boxford/Topsfield town line, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$15,000 to fund an engineered study of the Pye Brook Watershed from its headwaters at Four Mile Pond to the Boxford/Topsfield town line, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 47. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to accept on behalf of the Town all interest in the Canoe Channel and earth fill dam with concrete spillway in Pye Brook, known as "Dorman's Dam", shown on Lots 1C and 1D on a plan entitled "Plan of Land in Boxford, MA Prepared for Wild Meadows Trust", dated December 15, 1981, by Hancock Survey Associates, Inc., which plan is recorded in Essex South District Registry of Deeds in Plan book 173, as Plan 6; or take any other action thereon.

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

Article 49 through 57 deal with Zoning Bylaw changes and would require a 2/3 vote for adoption of the article. In response to a question from the Moderator, Craig Falk of the Planning Board reported that a public hearing, required, had been held on each of these articles. The Moderator allowed Article 48, 51 and 57 to be acted upon consecutively because the articles covered related materials.

ARTICLE 48. To see if the Town will vote to delete Section V(A) (4) of the Zoning Bylaw which allows for a "Rooming or boarding house with not over four lodgers".

EXPLANATION: This revision will eliminate such a rooming or boarding house as a permitted use of a residence (however, current rooming or boarding house use would be grandfathered).

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

ARTICLE 51. To see if the Town will vote to delete Section V(A)(11)(g) of the Zoning Bylaws in its entirety, which allows for "The taking of more than four lodgers".

EXPLANATION: The revision eliminates the taking of more than four lodgers as a permitted use pursuant to a Special Permit (however, current use of such lodgers would be grandfathered).

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

ARTICLE 57. To see if the Town will vote to delete Section VIII(5) of the Zoning Bylaw which defines "Rooming or Boarding House: A dwelling in which the family resident therein provides eating and/or sleeping accommodations for not more than four paying guests who use only the cooking facility ordinarily used by the resident family.

EXPLANATION: The definition would no longer be necessary if the other proposed changes are adopted which in effect eliminate a rooming and boarding house as a permitted use of a residence.

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

ARTICLE 49. To see if the Town will vote to amend Section V(A)(8)(c) of the Zoning Bylaw by adding the following underlined language thereto: "c. no offensive noise, vibration, smoke, dust, fumes odors, heat, glare, unsightliness or unsafe condition is produced."

EXPLANATION: The revision adds "unsafe condition" as an element to be considered in determining whether the use of a dwelling or accessory building for a customary home or professional occupation will be permitted.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to amend Section V(A)(8)(c) of the zoning Bylaw by adding the following underlined language so that it reads: "c. no offensive noise, vibration, smoke, dust, fumes, odors, heat, glare, unsightliness or unsafe condition is produced."

Craig Falk of the Planning Board made an oral report of a favorable recommendation by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 50. To see if the Town will vote to revise Section V(A)(11)(c) of the Zoning Bylaw in its entirety to read: "c. Maintenance of commercial dog kennels provided no structures or operations are involved which are not in keeping with the residential character of the Town, all structures and operation are substantially screened from view with evergreen trees, shrubs, similar vegetation, fences or other means and no offensive noise, odors, unsightliness or unsafe condition is produced."

EXPLANATION: The revision adds minimum standards for determining the circumstances under which a commercial dog kennel would be permissible pursuant to a Special Permit.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count, 91 affirmative, 11 opposed, to revise Section V(A)(11)(c) of the Zoning Bylaw in its entirety to read: "c. Maintenance of commercial dog kennels provided no structures or operations are involved which are not in keeping with the residential character of the Town, all structures and operations are substantially screened from view with evergreen trees, shrubs, similar vegetation, fences or other means and no offensive noise, odors, unsightliness or unsafe condition is produced."

Craig Falk of the Planning Board made an oral report of a favorable recommendation by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 52. To see if the Town will vote to revise Section V(A)(11)(L) of the Zoning Bylaw in its entirety to read: "Maintenance of horse stables or saddle horses for rental provided no structures or operations are involved which are not in keeping with the residential character of the Town, and no offensive noise, odors, unsightliness, or unsafe condition is produced."

EXPLANATION: The revision adds minimum standards for determining the circumstance under which the maintenance of horse stables or saddle horses for rental would be permissible pursuant to a Special Permit. The revision eliminates other recreation or amusement enterprises including rental of boats, sale of bait, ski tow and similar activities as permissible pursuant to a Special Permit.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, the article was defeated by hand count vote, 50 affirmative, 52 opposed.

Craig Falk of the Planning Board made an oral report of a favorable recommendation by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 53. To see if the Town will vote to revise the second full paragraph of Section V(E) of the Zoning Bylaw in its entirety to read: "The Conservancy District shall be based upon the elevations shown on the Zoning Map dated May 10, 1977, as amended, and shall include any adjacent Bordering Vegetated Wetland, as defined in 310 Code of Massachusetts Regulations 10.55, and shall exclude any adjacent land which is not Bordering Vegetated Wetland."

EXPLANATION: After the revision, Conservancy District land will include land which is Bordering Vegetated Wetland but exclude land which is not Bordering Vegetated Wetland where such land is adjacent to what is presently Conservancy District land.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to revise the second full paragraph of Section V(E) of the Zoning Bylaw in its entirety to read: "The boundaries of the Conservancy District shall be based upon the elevations shown on the Zoning Map dated May 10, 1977, as amended, and shall encompass any adjacent Bordering Vegetated Wetland, as defined in 310 Code of Massachusetts Regulations 10.55, and shall exclude any adjacent land which is not Bordering Vegetated Wetland."

Darman Wing of the Planning Board made an oral report of a favorable recommendation by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 54. To see if the Town will vote to revise the first sentence of VI(B)(2)(c)(2) of the Zoning Bylaw in its entirety to read: "Every lot laid out for residential use shall have at least one (1) acre of contiguous legally buildable area of naturally occurring land with soils not subject to flooding as defined in 310 Code of Massachusetts Regulation 10.57, and sufficiently dry to permit installation and use of facilities for the disposal of sanitary wastes."

EXPLANATION: The revision adds a reference to a definition of flooding, which, in general terms, is the water level reached by the worst storm in a 100 year period.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED by unanimous voice vote, to revise the first sentence of VI(B)(2)(c)(2) of the Zoning Bylaw in its entirety to read:

"Every lot laid out for residential use shall have at least one (1) acre of contiguous legally buildable area of naturally occurring land with soils not subject to flooding as defined in 310 Code of Massachusetts Regulation 10.57, and sufficiently dry to permit installation and use of facilities for the disposal of sanitary wastes."

Darman Wing of the Planning Board made an oral report of a favorable recommendation by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 55. To see if the Town will vote to revise Section VI(B)(4)(b)(3) of the Zoning Bylaw, in its entirety, to read: "3) Each lot for residential use is an R-A Residence-Agricultural District shall have a minimum depth of at least fifty (50) feet along its minimum required frontage for up to a maximum of two hundred (200) continuous feet of such frontage."

EXPLANATION: The revision attempts to make clear that the fifty feet of minimum depth only applies to a maximum of 200 feet of the otherwise required frontage.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to revise Section VI(B)(4)(b)(3) of the Zoning Bylaw, in its entirety, to read: "3) Each lot for residential use is an R-A Residence-Agricultural District shall have a minimum depth of at least fifty (50) feet along its minimum required frontage for up to a maximum of two hundred (200) continuous feet of such frontage."

Darman Wing of the Planning Board made an oral report of a favorable recommendation by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 56. To see if the Town will vote to revise Section VI(B)(4)(b)(1) of the Zoning Bylaw in its entirety to read: "Each lot for residential use in an R-A Residence-Agricultural District shall contain a minimum two hundred (200) feet diameter area within the legally contiguous buildable area and within which 200 feet diameter area any dwelling shall be built, subject to all set-back and other provisions of these bylaws. The two hundred (200) feet diameter area shall be designated on any plans for the lot."

EXPLANATION: The revision helps assure that the minimum 200' diameter area is legally contiguous buildable area.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, the article was defeated by hand count vote, 57 affirmative, 47 negative.

Darman Wing of the Planning Board made an oral report of a favorable recommendation by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 58. To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 236 of the Acts of 1987, "an Act providing for the expenditure of default funds by municipal planning boards," which states as follows:

Section 81U of Chapter 41 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after the penultimate paragraph the following paragraph:

In any town which accepts the provisions of this paragraph, the proceeds of any such bond or deposit shall be made available to the town for expenditure to meet the cost and expenses of the municipality in completing the work as specified in the approved plan. If such proceeds do not exceed twenty-five thousand dollars, the expenditure may be made without specific appropriation under section fifty-three of chapter

forty-four; provided however, that such expenditure is approved by the Board of Selectmen. The provisions of this paragraph shall not apply to cities or to towns having Town Councils.

EXPLANATION: Acceptance of the provisions allows the Selectmen to apply \$25,000 or less of subdivision performance guarantee funds without specific appropriation upon default by a developer.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to accept Chapter 236 of the Legislative Acts of 1987, "an Act providing for the expenditure of default funds by municipal planning boards," which states as follows:

Section 81U of Chapter 41 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after the penultimate paragraph the following paragraph:

In any town which accepts the provisions of this paragraph, the proceeds of any such bond or deposit shall be made available to the town for expenditure to meet the costs and expenses of the municipality in completing the work as specified in the approved plan. If such proceeds do not exceed twenty-five thousand dollars, the expenditure may be made without specific appropriation under section fifty-three of chapter forty-four; provided however, that such expenditure is approved by the Board of Selectmen. The provisions of this paragraph shall not apply to cities or to towns having Town Councils.

Darman Wing of the Planning Board made an oral report of a favorable recommendation by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 59. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or bond a sum of money, or borrow through State House Notes, a sum of money to establish a "Conservation Fund", pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 5, Clause 51, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Conservation Commission for the purposes stated in said section, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee did not recommend adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 73 affirmative, 36 negative, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 to establish a "Conservation Fund", pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 5, Clause 51, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Conservation Commission for the purposes stated in said section.

ARTICLE 60. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to the Town Insurance Fund, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$4,000 to the Town Insurance Fund.

ARTICLE 61. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to the Town Unemployment Fund, or take any other action thereon.

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

ARTICLE 62. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to the Finance Committee Reserve Fund, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$50,000 to the Finance Committee Reserve Fund.

ARTICLE 63. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to the Town Stabilization Fund, or take any other action thereon.

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

ARTICLE 1. To hear and act on the reports of the Town Officers and Committees.

(The Town Report is at the printers and not yet available for review.)

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to receive and place on file without ratification of any action taken, or authorization of any action proposed, the reports of the Town Officers and Committees.

ARTICLE 64. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Former Selectwoman Enid E. Thuermer, who has left office after six years of service to the Town received a standing ovation.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to dissolve the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Registered voters attending the meeting were 107. Counter and checkers for the meeting were appointed by Town Clerk Frank H. Weatherby.

A true record

ATTEST:

Frank H. Weatherby
Town Clerk

APPROVED BUDGET FOR 1988-1989

1. General Government		
Selectmen	\$ 80,637.	
Town Clerk	21,518.	
Town Counsel	60,000.	
Planning Board	3,807.	
Planning/Cons. Com. Office	21,097.	
Board of Appeals	1,979.	
Recreation Commission	14,910.	
Council on Aging	19,730.	
Conservation Commission	2,975.	
Board of Health	40,805.	
Personnel Board	1,477.	
Groundwater Study Committee	<u>500.</u>	
TOTAL		\$ 269,435.
2. Finance		
Accountant	\$ 65,268.	
Assessors	43,806.	
Finance Committee	1,040.	
Tax Collector	30,819.	
Treasurer	21,578.	
Interest on Loans	<u>2,500.</u>	
TOTAL		\$ 165,011.
3. Public Safety		
Police Salary	\$ 332,147.	
Police - All Other	61,386.	
Police - Reserves/OT	93,911.	
(Police - SUB TOTAL)		(487,444.)
Fire	86,235.	
Communications - Salary	97,684.	
Communications - All Other	20,742.	
(Communications - SUB TOTAL)	(204,661.)	
Animal Control Officer	7,442.	
Parking Clerk	250.	
Ambulance Service	<u>50,460.</u>	
TOTAL		\$ 750,257.
4. Education		
Library - Salary	\$ 81,686.	
Library - All Other	40,782.	
(Library - SUB TOTAL)		(122,468.)
Elementary Schools	1,885,289.	

Masconomet	2,160,913.	
North Shore Vocational	<u>25,982.</u>	
TOTAL		\$4,194,652.
5. Town Maintenance		
DPW - Salary	\$ 184,997.	
DPW - Materials	137,230.	
DPW - All Other	112,841.	
(DPW - SUB TOTAL)		(435,068.)
Building Maintenance	28,524.	
Cemeteries	1,550.	
Moth Suppression	<u>1,500.</u>	
TOTAL		\$466,642.
6. Inspectors		
Animal	\$ 1,940.	
Building	26,130.	
Electrical	<u>7,343.</u>	
TOTAL		\$35,413.
7. Insurance and Pensions		
Health and Life Insurance	\$ 115,500.	
General Insurance	155,376.	
Veterans Benefits	5,000.	
Retirement Pension	<u>0.</u>	
TOTAL		\$275,876.
GRAND TOTAL TOWN BUDGET		\$6,157,286.
RAISE AND APPROPRIATE		
Article 15	\$ 68,294.	
Article 59	<u>100,000.</u>	
TOTAL		\$168,294.
TOTAL TO BE RAISED AND APPROPRIATED		\$6,325,580.
TRANSFERS		
Federal Revenue Sharing		
Article 15	62,778.16	
Previous Warrant Articles		
Article 15	11,389.52	
Free Cash		

Article 6	2,000.00
Article 9	35,881.00
Article 10	6,900.00
Article 11	4,500.00
Article 12	10,000.00
Article 13	52,000.00
Article 14	4,960.00
Article 15	7,529.48
Article 16	10,410.00
Article 17	34,000.00
Article 18	6,050.00
Article 19	8,400.00
Article 20	16,065.00
Article 21	11,500.00
Article 22	500.00
Article 23	3,000.00
Article 24	7,000.00
Article 25	2,000.00
Article 28	25,000.00
Article 42	70,000.00
Article 45	2,000.00
Article 46	15,000.00
Article 60	4,000.00
Article 62	<u>50,000.00</u>
(Free Cash - SUB TOTAL)	(\$388,695.48)

TOTAL TO BE TRANSFERRED

\$462,863.16

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

June 7, 1988

Voters of the Town of Boxford met at the Masconomet Regional High School Auditorium on Tuesday, June 7, 1988. Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the meeting to order at 8:08 p.m. The articles of the warrant were disposed of as follows:

ARTICLE 1. 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 as printed in the 1987 Annual Report of the Town, except that the amount appropriated under Article 2 of the June 9, 1987, Special Town Meeting (page 55) shall read \$3,400,000 and the hand count shall be amended to read 238 in favor and 18 opposed, to correct three typographical errors by the printer, not caught by Executive Secretary.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 5 of its bylaws, known as the Personnel Bylaw, by deleting the Grade and Classification schedule of Section 9, "Position Classes: Salary, Wage and Miscellaneous Compensation Schedules" and replacing it with the Grade and Classification schedule as submitted by the Personnel Board, and included in the Warrant for this Town Meeting, or take any other action thereon.

GRADE	CLASSIFICATION
3	Election Officer
7	Library Page*
8	Library Circulation Desk Attendant
10	Laborer Landfill Operator Library Assistant I
11	Parking Clerk** Clerk Typist I Coordinator of Senior Activities
12	Custodian Clerk Typist II
13	Secretary I Account Clerk I Library Assistant II
14	Assistant Animal Control Officer Motor Equipment Operator I Inspector of Animals**
15	Secretary II Account Clerk II Animal Control Officer Motor Equipment Operator II
16	Assistant Assessor Assistant Treasurer/Assistant Tax Collector

	Assistant Town Clerk*
	Dispatcher
	Reserve Police Officer
17	Children's Librarian
18	Inspector of Wires**
	Plumbing/Gas Inspector
	Sealer of Weights and Measures
19	Public Works Foreman
20	Police Patrolman
21	Conservation/Planning Administrator
22	Police Sergeant
23	Communication Director
	Librarian
24	Accountant
	Inspector of Buildings
27	Executive Secretary
28	Public Works Superintendent
31	Deputy Police Chief
32	Police Chief

* Indicates position reclassified

**Indicates position removed from classification

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to amend Article 5 of the bylaws, known as the Personnel Bylaw, be deleting the Grade and Classification schedule of Section 9, "Position Classes: Salary, Wage and Miscellaneous Compensation Schedules" and replacing it with the Grade and Classification schedule as submitted by the Personnel Board, and included in the Warrant for this Town Meeting.

GRADE	CLASSIFICATION
3	Election Officer
7	Library Page*
8	Library Circulation Desk Attendant
10	Laborer
	Landfill Operator
	Library Assistant I
11	Parking Clerk**
	Clerk Typist I
	Coordinator of Senior Activities
12	Custodian
	Clerk Typist II
13	Secretary I
	Account Clerk I
	Library Assistant II
	Assistant Animal Control Officer
14	Motor Equipment Operator I
	Inspector of Animals**

15	Secretary II Account Clerk II Animal Control Officer Motor Equipment Operator II
16	Assistant Assessor Assistant Treasurer/Assistant Tax Collector Assistant Town Clerk* Dispatcher Reserve Police Officer
17	Children's Librarian
18	Inspector of Wires** Plumbing/Gas Inspector Sealer of Weights and Measures
19	Public Works Foreman
20	Police Patrolman
21	Conservation/Planning Administrator
22	Police Sergeant
23	Communication Director Librarian
24	Accountant Inspector of Buildings
27	Executive Secretary
28	Public Works Superintendent
31	Deputy Police Chief
32	Police Chief

* Indicates position reclassified

**Indicates position removed from classification

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 5 of its bylaws, known as the Personnel Bylaw, by adding the following sub-section:

5-6-3 (Vacation Leave) e. Vacation leave accrued within a year must be used within that year. Any exceptions must be in writing to the Selectmen or the appropriate administrative authority for their approval at least sixty (60) days in advance of time needed; or take any other action thereon.

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

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate an additional sum of money for constructing, originally equipping and furnishing additions and for remodeling, reconstructing and making extraordinary repairs to the Cole School and to determine whether such appropriations shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to have Dr. Joseph Connelly, Superintendent of the Boxford/Topsfield School Union, speak to the meeting.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count, 443 in favor and 11 opposed, to allow Dr. Connelly, Principal Nancy Diamonti (Cole School) and Principal Bernard Creedon (Spofford Pond School) to answer questions.

Two motions to amend this article were not allowed by the Moderator because the proposed amendments contained information that was not advertised as part of the Warrant for this meeting.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count, 377 in favor and 94 opposed, to appropriate the sum of \$2,380,000 in addition to sums previously appropriated for the same purpose for constructing, originally equipping and furnishing additions and for remodeling, reconstructing and making extraordinary repairs to the Cole School, and that to raise this additional appropriation, the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen is authorized to borrow this amount under and pursuant to Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948, as amended, Chapter 44, Section 7, of the General Laws, or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefore, said funds to be expended under the direction of the School Building Committee.

ARTICLE 5. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Speaking for the Town, Selectmen Alan Benson thanked Harriet Cunningham for twenty-five years of dedicated service to the Town.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote to dissolve the meeting at 10:33 p.m.

Registered voters attending the meeting were 491. Counters and checkers for the meeting were appointed by Town Clerk Frank H. Weatherby.

A true record.

ATTEST: Frank H. Weatherby
Town Clerk

BORROWING		
Article 4	\$ 2,380,000	
TOTAL TO BE BORROWED		\$2,380,000

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

August 9, 1988

Voters of the Town of Boxford met at the Spofford Pond School Auditorium on Tuesday, August 9, 1988. Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the meeting to order at 8:13 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 pay bills of charge from Fiscal Year 1988, 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 \$22,240.41 to pay bills of charge from Fiscal Year 1988.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to petition the General Court to adopt special legislation authorizing the Selectmen and the Conservation Commission to execute and deliver a deed to Peter J. Shulman for a parcel of land known as Peabody Meadow, recorded in Essex South District Registry of Deeds Book 5861, Page 37, containing 6.5 acres more or less; and to accept in exchange from Peter J. Shulman a deed to the Inhabitants of Boxford for a parcel of land known as Peabody Orchard, recorded in said Records Book 8076, Page 305, containing 5.5 acres more or less; said parcel to be under the management of the Boxford Conservation Commission, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 8C, or take any other action thereon.

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ARTICLE 3. To see if the town will vote to transfer from available funds the amount of \$6,800 to fund the Town's share of a regional Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Day, to be held in conjunction with the Towns of Topsfield and Middleton, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Health, 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 amount of \$6,800 to fund the Town's share of a regional Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Day, to be held in conjunction with the Towns of Topsfield and Middleton, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Health.

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Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to dissolve the meeting at 8:22 p.m.

Registered voters attending the meeting were 59. 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	\$22,240.41 (Free Cash)	
Article 3	<u>6,800.00</u> (Free Cash)	
TOTAL TO BE TRANSFERRED		\$29,040.41