

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**  
**February 25, 1992**

Voters of the Town of Boxford met at the Spofford Pond School Auditorium on Tuesday, February 25, 1992. Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the meeting to order at 7:37 p.m. The articles of the warrant were disposed of as follows:

**ARTICLE 1.** To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 59, Section 57C of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, to permit the Town of Boxford to send out tax bills on a quarterly basis, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to accept Chapter 59, Section 57C of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, to permit the Town of Boxford to send out tax bills on a quarterly basis.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

**ARTICLE 2.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Available Funds the sum of \$12,500 to allow the Board of Assessors to purchase computer equipment and software to further automate the real estate appraisal functions, and to fund related conversion costs, funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Assessors, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from Reserved for Extraordinary and Unforeseen Expenditures the sum of \$12,500 to allow the Board of Assessors to purchase computer equipment and software to further automate the real estate appraisal functions, and to fund related conversion costs, funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Assessors.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

**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 8:14 p.m.

Registered voters attending the meeting were 85. Counters and checkers for the meeting were appointed by Town Clerk Frank H. Weatherby.

A true record.

ATTEST:

Frank H. Weatherby  
Assistant Town Clerk  
Patricia A. Shields

TRANSFERS  
Article 2

\$12,500.00 (Extraordinary and Unforeseen  
Expenditures)

TOTAL TO BE TRANSFERRED

\$12,500.00

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
**May 12, 1992**

Voters of the Town of Boxford met at the Masconomet Regional High School Auditorium on Tuesday, May 12, 1992. Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. Following a tribute to retiring Selectman Robert W. Conroy and a State of the Town message by Finance Committee Chairman Ruth Bortzfield, the meeting continued and 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 prior fiscal years; or take any other action thereon.

1) Invoice for unpaid wages from three former members of the Board of Assessors, \$642.58.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 227 in favor and 45 opposed, to raise and appropriate \$642.58 to fund an invoice for unpaid wages from three former members of the Board of Assessors.

NOTE: Bills of Charge require an 80% vote.

The Finance Committee did not recommend adoption of this Article.

**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 majority voice vote, to receive and place on file the reports of the Town Officers and Committees without ratification of any action taken or authorization of any action proposed.

**ARTICLE 3.** To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53F<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of the Massachusetts General Laws, with respect to the creation of a Roadside Collection Solid Waste and Recycling Enterprise Fund, effective fiscal year 1993, and under the direction of the Board of Health; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to accept the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 53F<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of the Massachusetts General Laws, with respect to the creation of a Roadside Collection Solid Waste and Recycling Enterprise Fund, effective fiscal year 1993, and under the direction of the Board of Health.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the Town will vote to set the annual curbside solid waste collection fee at \$0.70 per 32 gallon bag or container (each use), said fee to fund the town wide curbside collection service and related expenses for FY 1993; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to set the annual curbside solid waste collection fee at \$0.70 per 32 gallon bag or container (each use), said fee to fund the town wide curbside collection service and related expenses for FY 1993.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the following sums to be expended under the direction of the Board of Health for Roadside Collection of Solid wastes and Recycling:

Expenses-Contract	\$ 90,640
Expenses-Sticker printing	4,000
Expenses-Education/Mailing	<u>1,100</u>
Total	\$ 95,740

and that \$95,740 be raised from Roadside Solid Waste Collection fee receipts; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to raise \$95,740 from Roadside Waste Collection fee receipts, sums to be expended under the direction of the Board of Health for Roadside Collection of Solid wastes and Recycling:

Expenses-Contract	\$ 90,640
Expenses-Sticker printing	4,000
Expenses-Education/Mailing	<u>1,100</u>
Total	\$ 95,740

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will authorize the establishment of a Recycling Revolving Account as authorized by Chapter 44, Section 53E $\frac{1}{2}$  of the Massachusetts General Laws, said account to be under the direction of the Board of Health and used for the deposit of receipts and fees collected on recyclable materials; said recyclable materials to be determined by a joint vote of the Board of Health and Recycling Committee and to be in compliance with all State health regulations; and, further, to allow the Board of Health, or the Recycling Committee with the approval of the Board of Health, to expend funds not to exceed \$60,000 for Fiscal Year 1993 from said account for the operation and maintenance of the Town Recycling Center; said authorization to be contingent upon the creation of specific recycling fees by the Board of Health for construction and demolition materials, tires and other materials banned from disposal in the landfill; and contingent upon an annual report from the Board of Health to the Town on the total receipts and expenditures of the Account each fiscal year; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to authorize the establishment of a Recycling Revolving Account as authorized by Chapter 44, Section 53E $\frac{1}{2}$  of the Massachusetts General Laws, said account to be under the direction of the Board of Health and used for the deposit of receipts and fees collected on recyclable materials; said recyclable materials to be determined by a joint vote of the Board of Health and Recycling Committee and to be in compliance with all State health regulations; and, further, to allow the Board of Health, or the Recycling Committee with the approval of the Board of Health, to expend funds not to exceed \$60,000 for Fiscal Year 1993 from said account for the operation and maintenance of the Town Recycling Center; said authorization to be contingent upon the creation of specific recycling fees by the Board of Health for construction and demolition materials, tires and other materials banned from disposal in the landfill;

and contingent upon an annual report from the Board of Health to the Town on the total receipts and expenditures of the Account each fiscal year.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 2 of its General Bylaws by including the following new sections to become effective July 1, 1992:

Section 8. General Requirements of Officers of the Town

2-8-1 All officers of the Town shall turn over all fees collected by them by virtue of their office to the town treasury, with the exception of the fees collected by the Deputy Collector of Taxes, as defined in M.G.L. Chapter 60, Sections 15.10 and 15.11, who shall be allowed to retain certain fees collected as payment for serving in the position; or take any other action thereon.

2-8-2 All offices at the Town Hall and Community Center shall maintain minimum office hours as may be established by the Board of Selectmen; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to amend Section 2-8-1 by adding the following sentence, "Adoption of this section shall not reflect on the integrity of persons who previously served in town offices where said fees were collected."

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote to amend Article 2 of the Town's General Bylaws by including the following new section to become effective July 1, 1992:

Section 8. General Requirements of Officers of the Town

2-8-1 All officers of the Town shall turn over all fees collected by them by virtue of their office to the town treasury, with the exception of the fees collected by the Deputy Collector of Taxes, as defined in M.G.L. Chapter 60, Sections 15.10 and 15.11, and with the exception of the fees collected by the Constables of the Town, as defined in M.G.L. Chapter 262, Section 8, who shall be allowed to retain certain fees collected as payment for serving in the position. Adoption of this section shall not reflect on the integrity of persons who previously served in town offices where said fees were collected.

Upon motion made, and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to amend the motion on this section to read as follows: "All offices at the Town Hall and Community Center, under the jurisdiction of the Board of Selectmen, shall maintain minimum office hours as may be established by the Board of Selectmen."

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote to amend Article 2 of the Town's General Bylaws by including the following new section to become effective July 1, 1992:

Section 8. General Requirements of Officers of the Town

2-8-2 All offices at the Town Hall and Community Center, under the jurisdiction of the Board of Selectmen, shall maintain minimum office hours as may be established by the Board of Selectmen; or take any other action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town will vote to amend various portions of Article 5 of its Bylaws, known as the Personnel Bylaw, by amending the Position of Outreach Worker in the Classification Plan, of Section 9, "Position Classes: Salary, Wages and Miscellaneous Compensation Schedules" and replacing it with the Classification Plan as submitted by the Personnel Board as printed in this warrant; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to amend various portions of Article 5 of its bylaws, known as the Personnel Bylaw, by amending the Position of Outreach Worker in the Classification Plan, of Section 9, "Position Classes: Salary, Wages and Miscellaneous Compensation Schedules" and replacing it with the Classification Plan as submitted by the Personnel Board as printed in this warrant. [to read "Office Worker"]

**ARTICLE 9.** 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 1993, 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.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,177,915 for use of several departments for fiscal year 1993, to wit: General Government, Finance, Public Safety, Education, Town Maintenance and all other necessary proper expenses during said fiscal year.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

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NOTE: At this time, we anticipate that Article 10 will be offered by the Finance Committee and the Board of Selectmen as a "contingent appropriation." This means that although the appropriation could be approved at the Annual Town Meeting, that appropriation would be fully contingent upon successful passage of a Proposition 2 1/2 override ballot question. Should the override question fail, the appropriation would be rendered null and void.  
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**ARTICLE 10.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, the sum of \$130,789 to additionally fund the fiscal year 1993 Elementary School budget; 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 \$130,789 to additionally fund the fiscal year 1993 Elementary School budget, contingent upon the successful passage of the related override ballot question.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article contingent upon passage of the related override question.

The Moderator allowed a five-minute recess at 9:58 p.m. The meeting was recalled to order at 10:03 p.m.

**ARTICLE 11.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the Wetlands Protection Act fees collected, the sum of \$3,359.00, to offset the fiscal year 1993 Conservation Commission operating budget; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to appropriate from the Wetland Protection Act fees collected, the sum of \$3,359.00, to additionally fund the Conservation Commission/Planning Board office salary and wages account for permanent position, to offset the fiscal year 1993 Conservation Commission operating budget.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

**ARTICLE 12.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$7,500 to carry out the fifth year of testing in the five year annual water testing program under the direction of the Board of Health; 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 raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,500 to carry out the fifth year of testing in the five year annual water testing program under the direction of the Board of Health; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Health.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

**ARTICLE 13.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$12,650 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.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,650 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.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

**ARTICLE 14.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$2,400 for the purchase of 1000 feet of 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub> inch Forestry hose, 500 feet of 1<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> inch Forestry hose, 500 feet of 1<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> inch Initial Attack hose, said funds to be spent 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 raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,400 for the purchase of 1000 feet of 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub> inch Forestry hose, 500 feet of 3 inch Forestry hose, 500 feet of 1<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> inch Initial Attack hose, said funds to be spent under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

**ARTICLE 15.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$20,400 to purchase and equip one police cruiser, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade or dispose of the existing vehicle in any manner which they deem advisable, and to purchase two cruiser-mounted radar units, 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 \$20,400 to purchase and equip one police cruiser,

and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade or dispose of the existing vehicle in any manner which they deem advisable, and to purchase two cruiser-mounted radar units, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

**ARTICLE 16.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$5,000, said sum to represent the Town's member share costs in Merrimack Valley Library Consortium, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Trustees of the Boxford Town Libraries; 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 \$5,000, said sum to represent the Town's member share costs in Merrimack Valley Library Consortium, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Trustees of the Boxford Town Libraries.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

**ARTICLE 17.** 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 the 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.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$750 for the purpose of participation in the Help for Abused Women and their Children (HAWC) program; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

**ARTICLE 18.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$41,500 for the purchase of a new dump truck for the Department of Public Works, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade or dispose of the existing vehicle in any manner which they deem advisable, 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 raise and appropriate the sum of \$41,500 for the purchase of a new dump truck for the Department of Public Works, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade or dispose of the existing vehicle in any manner which they deem advisable, 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, the sum of \$30,875 to fund the renovations and maintenance of Town buildings, 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 raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,875 to fund the renovations and maintenance of Town buildings, 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 fund the following activities of the Recreation Commission: Fourth of July Parade, \$1,785; Passive Recreation support (trails maintenance, safety crossing signs), \$1,000; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Recreation Commission; 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 \$2,785 to fund the following activities of the Recreation Commission: Fourth of July Parade, \$1,785; Passive Recreation support (trails maintenance, safety crossing signs), \$1,000; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Recreation Commission.

The Finance Committee did not recommend adoption of this Article.

**ARTICLE 21.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$3000 to fund the purchase of 2 mobile radios for the Fire Department, 1 6-Channel radio for the Fire Department, and 2 1-channel portable radios for the DPW, said funds to be spent 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 raise and appropriate the sum of \$3000 to fund the purchase of 2 mobile radios for the Fire Department, 1 6-Channel radio for the Fire Department, and 2 1-channel portable radios for the DPW, said funds to be spent 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 majority voice vote, to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 p.m. to a time certain, Wednesday, May 13, at 7:30 p.m. in the Masconomet Regional High School auditorium.

Registered voters attending the meeting were 368.

**ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
**May 13, 1992**

Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the second session of the Boxford Annual Town Meeting to order at 7:40 p.m.

With a quorum being present, the articles of the warrant were disposed of as follows:

**ARTICLE 22.** To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 12 of the General Bylaws [the Wetlands Protection Bylaw] to read as shown in the copy attached and mailed with the Annual Town Meeting Warrant, and available at this Annual Town Meeting; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to pass over Article 22.

**ARTICLE 23.** To see if the Town will vote to accept the following roads as public ways:

ALLEN CIRCLE in its entirety from station 0+0 to 4+4.45.50 as shown on a plan entitled "As Built Plan & Profile, Allen Circle, Boxford, MA, dated October 5, 1991, owner, Harry Koniaries, Mount Vernon Realty Trust, 72 Rowley Road, Boxford, MA, Engineer — Hayes Engineering, Inc., 603 Salem Street, Wakefield, MA, Plan Book 222, Plan 3".

ANNA'S WAY in its entirety from station 0+0 to 9+92.80 as shown on a plan entitled "As Built Subdivision Plan of 'Elm Farm' (Anna's Way), Boxford, MA, dated November 6, 1991, owner, Richard & Daniel Shaw, 10 Glendale Road, Boxford, MA, Engineer — Thomas E. Neve Associates, Inc., 447 Old Boston Road, Topsfield, MA, 01983, Plan Book 273, Plan 40".

HOOD CIRCLE in its entirety from station 0+0 to 6+07.79 as shown on plan entitled "As Built Plan & Profile, Hood Circle, Boxford, MA, dated October 5, 1991, owner, Harry Koniaries, Mount Vernon Realty Trust, 72 Rowley Road, Boxford, MA, Engineer — Hayes Engineering, Inc., 603 Salem Street, Wakefield, MA, Plan Book 256, Plan 38".

WYNDMERE DRIVE in its entirety from station 0+0 to 10+13.81 as shown on a plan entitled "As Built Road Plan, Wyndmere Drive, Boxford, MA, dated November 9, 1990, owner, Richard & Clarence Pierce, 739 West Main Street, West Boxford, MA, Engineer — North Shore Survey Corp., 209 Washington Street, Salem, MA, Registered on February 1, 1988, Plan Book 241, Plan 69.;"

PARISH LANE in its entirety from station 0+00 to 13+13.19 as shown on the "As Built plan, Parish Lane, Boxford, MA, dated April 15, 1992, owner Charles E. Rounds, Jr., Trustee of West Parish Realty Trust, Engineer — Thomas E. Neve & Associates, Inc., 447 Old Boston Road, Topsfield, MA 01983, Plan Book 237, Plan 47.;"

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 public ways:

ALLEN CIRCLE in its entirety from station 0+0 to 4+4.45.50 as shown on a plan entitled "As Built Plan & Profile, Allen Circle, Boxford, MA, dated October 5, 1991, owner, Harry Koniaries, Mount Vernon Realty Trust, 72 Rowley Road, Boxford, MA,

Engineer — Hayes Engineering, Inc., 603 Salem Street, Wakefield, MA, Plan Book 222, Plan 3."

ANNA'S WAY in its entirety from station 0+0 to 9+92.80 as shown on a plan entitled "As Built Subdivision Plan of 'Elm Farm' (Anna's Way), Boxford, MA, dated November 6, 1991, owner, Richard & Daniel Shaw, 10 Glendale Road, Boxford, MA, Engineer — Thomas E. Neve Associates, Inc., 447 Old Boston Road, Topsfield, MA, 01983, Plan Book 273, Plan 40."

HOOD CIRCLE in its entirety from station 0+0 to 6+07.79 as shown on plan entitled "As Built Plan & Profile, Hood Circle, Boxford, MA, dated October 5, 1991, owner, Harry Koniarek, Mount Vernon Realty Trust, 72 Rowley Road, Boxford, MA, Engineer — Hayes Engineering, Inc., 603 Salem Street, Wakefield, MA, Plan Book 256, Plan 38."

WYNDMERE DRIVE in its entirety from station 0+0 to 10+13.81 as shown on a plan entitled "As Built Road Plan, Wyndmere Drive, Boxford, MA, dated November 9, 1990, owner, Richard & Clarence Pierce, 739 West Main Street, West Boxford, MA, Engineer — North Shore Survey Corp., 209 Washington Street, Salem, MA, Registered on February 1, 1988, Plan Book 241, Plan 69.";

PARISH LANE in its entirety from station 0+00 to 13+13.19 as shown on the "As Built plan, Parish Lane, Boxford, MA, dated April 15, 1992, owner Charles E. Rounds, Jr., Trustee of West Parish Realty Trust, Engineer — Thomas E. Neve & Associates, Inc., 447 Old Boston Road, Topsfield, MA 01983, Plan Book 237, Plan 47."

**ARTICLE 24.** To see if the Town will vote to rescind the action taken by the Town under Article 44 of the Warrant for the May 11, 1988 Annual Town Meeting, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take by eminent domain, for the purpose of access to Spofford Pond, and for other municipal purposes, land of G. Edwin Hadley and Jean L. Hadley, bounded and described as follows:

"Beginning at a point at a stonewall on the Westerly side of Spofford Road, said point being approximately 640 feet Southerly of the land now or formerly of Drummond; thence running Southwesterly and Southeasterly on various courses, 290 feet, more or less, by the remains of a stonewall and the land of the Town of Boxford; thence Westerly by land now formerly of Spofford, 70 feet, more or less; thence Northerly on various courses, 350 feet, more or less, by Spofford Pond; thence Southeasterly by the land of the grantors (Hadley), 110 feet, more or less;"

As shown on a Plan attached entitled, "Land-Taking in Boxford, MA, Scale: 1" = 40', July 1, 1991, Bay State Surveying Service, Inc., a copy of which is on file in the office of the Town Clerk; no damages to be awarded, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to rescind the action taken by the Town under Article 44 of the Warrant for the May 11, 1988 Annual Town Meeting, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take by eminent domain, for the purpose of access to Spofford Pond, and for other municipal purposes, land of G. Edwin Hadley and Jean L. Hadley, bounded and described as follows:

"Beginning at a point at a stonewall on the Westerly side of Spofford Road, said point being approximately 640 feet Southerly of the land now or formerly of Drummond; thence running Southwesterly and Southeasterly on various courses, 290 feet, more or less, by the remains of a stonewall and the land of the Town of Boxford;

thence Westerly by land now formerly of Spofford, 70 feet, more or less; then Northerly on various courses, 350 feet, more or less, by Spofford Pond; then Southeasterly by the land of the grantors (Hadley), 110 feet, more or less;"

As shown on a Plan attached entitled, "Land-Taking in Boxford, MA, Scale: 1" 40', July 1, 1991, Bay State Surveying Service, Inc., a copy of which is on file in the office of the Town Clerk; no damages to be awarded.

**ARTICLE 25.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer a certain parcel of land which was taken for taxes, to the Conservation Commission to be administered under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 8C. Said parcel contains 3.6 acres, and is shown as lot #33, Wildmeadow Road, described in Essex South District Registry of Deeds as Book 6892, Page 507; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer a certain parcel of land which was taken for taxes, to the Conservation Commission to be administered under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 8C. Said parcel contains 3.6 acres, and is shown as lot #33, Wildmeadow Road, described in Essex South District Registry of Deeds as Book 6892, Page 507.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

**ARTICLE 26.** To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 3, Section 4, of the General Bylaws so that it shall read as follows:

Section 4. Capital Budgeting Committee

3-4-1 A Capital Budgeting Committee consisting of five members shall be established, two members appointed by and from the Finance Committee and three members appointed by the Board of Selectmen; two positions for a one year term; two positions for a two year term and one position for a three year term. The Capital Budgeting Committee so constituted will be responsible for updating the Town's capital budget each year and reporting anticipated capital needs to the Town at each annual Town Meeting; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to amend Article 3, Section 4, of the General Bylaws so that it shall read as follows:

Section 4. Capital Budgeting Committee

3-4-1 A Capital Budgeting Committee consisting of five members shall be established, two members appointed by and from the Finance Committee and three members appointed by the Board of Selectmen; two positions for a one year term; two positions for a two year term and one position for a three year term. The Capital Budgeting Committee so constituted will be responsible for updating the Town's capital budget each year and reporting anticipated capital needs to the Town at each annual Town Meeting.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

**ARTICLE 27.** 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.

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

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

**ARTICLE 28.** 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.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to the Town Insurance Fund.

**ARTICLE 29.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$162,848 for highway maintenance and construction in anticipation of state aid allotment, said monies predicated on state reimbursement of the following; or take any other action thereon:

Chapter 33, Acts of 1991, \$162,848.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to appropriate the sum of \$162,848 for highway maintenance and construction in anticipation of state aid allotment, said monies predicated on state reimbursement of the following: Chapter 33, Acts of 1991, \$162,848.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

**ARTICLE 30.** To see if the Town will vote to advise that the School Choice Plan not be implemented in the Masconomet Regional School District, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 77 in favor and 52 opposed, to advise that the School Choice Plan not be implemented in the Masconomet Regional School District.

**ARTICLE 31.** To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Board of Selectmen to rescind their contract with Massachusetts Electric for the conversion of the Town's street lights from mercury vapor to sodium vapor; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 56 in favor and 69 opposed, to defeat this Article.

The Finance Committee did not recommend adoption of this Article.

**ARTICLE 32.** To see if the Town will vote to send the following resolution regarding the full distribution of the municipal share of the state gasoline tax to the highway fund to our legislative delegation at the State House:

**RESOLVED:** That the Town of Boxford calls upon the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to annually appropriate and fully distribute the legally required 15% of gas tax receipts to cities and towns, for the construction, maintenance, and policing of local roads; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED by unanimous voice vote, to send the following resolution regarding the full distribution of the municipal share of the state gasoline tax to the highway fund to our legislative delegation at the State House:

RESOLVED: That the Town of Boxford calls upon the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to annually appropriate and fully distribute the legally required 15% of gas tax receipts to cities and towns, for the construction, maintenance, and policing of local roads.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 33. 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 this Annual Town Meeting at 9:35 p.m.

Registered voters attending the meeting were 144. Counters and checkers for the meeting were appointed by Assistant Town Clerk Patricia Shields.

A true record.

ATTEST:

Patricia Shields  
Assisant Town Clerk

RAISE AND APPROPRIATE:

Article 1	\$ 642.58
Article 9	7,177,915.00
Article 10	130,789.00
Article 12	7,500.00
Article 13	12,650.00
Article 14	2,400.00
Article 15	20,400.00
Article 16	5,000.00
Article 17	750.00
Article 18	41,500.00
Article 19	30,875.00
Article 20	2,785.00
Article 21	3,000.00
Article 27	100,000.00
Article 28	20,000.00

TOTAL TO BE RAISED  
AND APPROPRIATED: | \$7,556,206.58

APPROPRIATIONS:

Article 5	\$ 95,740.00
Article 11	3,359.00
Article 29	162,848.00

TOTAL TO BE APPROPRIATED: \$ 261,947.00

**TOWN OF BOXFORD — TOWN MEETING  
APPROVED FY 1993 BUDGET**

<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>	<b>ACTUAL 91 SPEND</b>	<b>ACTUAL 92 BUDGET</b>	<b>PROPOSED 93 BUDGET</b>
Selectmen	\$ 87,119	\$ 72,027	\$ 71,238
Town Clerk - Salary	3,150	3,238	16,000
Town Clerk - All Other	20,864	22,642	12,098
Town Counsel	25,704	20,000	20,000
Planning Board	4,604	950	950
Planning/Cons. Com. Office	17,743	1,745	21,341
Board of Appeals	1,625	1,634	1,500
Recreation Committee	13,730	1,740	9,790
Council on Aging	30,728	25,687	25,687
Conservation Commission	1,196	1,975	1,975
Board of Health	93,651	90,453	81,678
Personnel Board	386	150	150
Ground Water Study Committee	0	0	0
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT - TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 300,500</b>	<b>\$ 242,241</b>	<b>\$ 262,407</b>
<b>FINANCE</b>			
Accountant	\$ 69,802	\$ 72,333	\$ 72,333
Assessors	45,360	39,668	38,930
Finance Committee	135	140	140
Treasurer/Collector - Salary	13,835	17,983	19,983
Treasurer/Collector - All Other	43,730	48,239	56,663
Interest on Loans	22,463	10,000	0
<b>FINANCE - TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 195,325</b>	<b>\$ 188,363</b>	<b>\$ 188,049</b>
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>			
Police - Salary	\$ 463,484	\$ 483,148	\$ 481,452
Police - All Other	242	58,464	60,052
(Police - Subtotal)	463,726	541,612	541,504
Fire	89,824	91,122	95,426
Communication - Salary	112,101	134,746	129,026
Communications - All Other	20,892	22,487	22,487
(Communications - Subtotal)	132,993	157,233	151,513
Animal Control Officer	6,622	10,458	13,258
Parking Clerk	38	150	150
Ambulance Service	54,697	56,172	61,521
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY - TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 747,900</b>	<b>\$ 856,747</b>	<b>\$ 863,372</b>

	ACTUAL 91 SPEND	ACTUAL 92 BUDGET	PROPOSED 93 BUDGET
<b>EDUCATION</b>			
Library - Salary	\$ 97,009	\$ 95,070	\$ 95,070
Library - All Other (Library - Subtotal)	43,149	48,303	48,303
Elementary Schools	140,158	143,373	143,373
Masconomet	2,257,514	2,257,536	2,330,069
North Shore Vocational	2,397,636	2,536,962	2,459,488
	29,635	31,139	32,993
<b>EDUCATION - TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4,824,943</b>	<b>\$4,969,010</b>	<b>\$4,965,923</b>
<b>TOWN MAINTENANCE</b>			
DPW - Salary	\$ 167,317	\$ 155,120	\$ 154,408
DPW - All Other (DPW - Subtotal)	165,525	167,872	166,458
	332,842	322,992	320,866
Building Maintenance			
Cemeteries	28,899	25,920	17,540
Moth Suppression	1,550	500	500
Landfill Operation	0	0	0
Gas and Oil	70,668	89,050	7,500
	41,193	32,417	32,417
<b>TOWN MAINTENANCE - TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 433,959</b>	<b>\$ 470,879</b>	<b>\$ 378,823</b>
<b>INSPECTORS</b>			
Animal			
Building	\$ 2,015	\$ 2,059	\$ 2,059
Sealer of Weights and Measures	37,196	37,983	37,983
	250	250	250
<b>INSPECTORS - TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 39,461</b>	<b>\$ 40,292</b>	<b>\$ 40,292</b>
<b>INSURANCE AND PENSIONS</b>			
Health and Life Insurance	\$ 217,679	\$ 258,500	\$ 284,000
General Insurance	168,739	185,000	194,949
Veterans Benefits	0	100	100
Retirement Pension	0	0	0
<b>INSURANCE AND PENSION - TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 386,418</b>	<b>\$ 443,600</b>	<b>\$ 479,049</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL TOWN BUDGET</b>	<b>\$6,628,006</b>	<b>\$7,211,132</b>	<b>\$7,177,915</b>

**BOXFORD SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**  
**October 20, 1992**

The voters of the Town of Boxford met at Masconomet Regional High School Auditorium on Tuesday, October 20, 1992. Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the meeting to order at 7:54 p.m. The articles of the warrant were disposed of as follows:

**ARTICLE 1.** To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of sections Sixteen to Sixteen I, inclusive, of Chapter seventy-one of the General Laws providing for the expansion of the present Masconomet Regional School District for grades 7-12 to grades PK-12, together with the towns of Topsfield and Middleton, for the maintenance and operation of regional schools in accordance with the provisions of a proposed agreement filed with the Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 67 in favor and 620 opposed, to defeat the motion to accept the provisions of sections Sixteen to Sixteen I, inclusive, of Chapter seventy-one of the General Laws, providing for the expansion of the present Masconomet Regional School District for grades 7-12 to grades PK-12, together with the towns of Topsfield and Middleton, for the maintenance and operation of regional schools in accordance with the provisions of a proposed agreement filed with the Selectmen.

**ARTICLE 2.** To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to dissolve this Special Town Meeting at 9:28 p.m.

Registered voters attending this meeting were 734. Counters and checkers for the meeting were appointed by Town Clerk Patricia Shields.

A true record.

ATTEST:

Patricia Shields  
Town Clerk

**BOXFORD SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**  
**December 8, 1992**

The voters of the Town of Boxford met at Spofford Pond Elementary School on Tuesday, December 8, 1992. Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the meeting to order at 7:31 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, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$52.00 to pay a bill of charge from Fiscal Year 1992, 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 \$52.00 to pay a bill of charge from Fiscal Year 1992.

**ARTICLE 2.** To see if the Town will vote to amend various portions of Article 5 of its Bylaws, known as the Personnel Bylaw, by deleting the Classification Plan, and Pay Matrix of Section 9, "Position Classes: Salary, Wages and Miscellaneous Compensation Schedules" and replacing it with the Classification Plan and Pay Matrix as submitted by the Personnel Board as printed in this warrant, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to amend various portions of Article 5 of the Bylaws, known as the Personnel Bylaw, by deleting the Classification Plan, and Pay Matrix of Section 9, "Position Classes: Salary, Wages and Miscellaneous Compensation Schedules" and replacing it with the Classification Plan and Pay Matrix as submitted by the Personnel Board as printed in this warrant.

**ARTICLE 3.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to amend the following Town budgets for FY 1993 to fund increases as shown; or take any other action thereon:

Board of Selectmen	\$2,318
Town Clerk (All Other)	\$ 96
Planning/Conservation Office	\$ 390
Board of Appeals	\$ 39
Council on Aging	\$ 977
Town Accountant	\$2,236
Assessors	\$1,580
Treasurer/Collector (All Other)	\$1,367
Police Salary	\$23,345
Police (All Other)	\$1,158
Fire	\$2,592
Communications (Salary)	\$6,193
Animal Control Officer	\$ 427
Library	\$4,309
DPW Salary	\$6,283
DPW All Other	\$ 400
Animal Inspector	\$ 79
Building Inspector	\$1,742
Sealer of Weights and Measures	\$ 12

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,246 to supplement the following Town budgets for FY 1993 to fund increases as follows:

Board of Selectmen	\$2,318
Town Clerk (All Other)	\$ 96
Planning/Conservation Office	\$ 390
Board of Appeals	\$ 39
Council on Aging	\$ 977
Town Accountant	\$2,236
Assessors	\$1,580
Treasurer/ Collector (All Other)	\$1,367
Police Salary	\$28,048
Police (All Other)	\$1,158
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Library	\$4,309
DPW Salary	\$6,283
DPW All Other	\$ 400
Animal Inspector	\$ 79
Building Inspector	\$1,742
Scaler of Weights and Measures	\$ 12

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to fund the Fiscal Year 1992 collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Boxford and the Boxford Police Benevolent Association, 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 \$12,100 to fund the Fiscal Year 1992 collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Boxford and the Boxford Police Benevolent Association.

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to fund the Fiscal Year 1992 collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Boxford and the Public Works Employees Association, 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 \$4110 to fund the Fiscal Year 1992 collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Boxford and the Public Works Employees Association.

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$960 to fund a 4.8% increase in salary for the Tax Collector/Treasurer for Fiscal Year 1993, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 223 in favor and 8 opposed, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$960 to fund a 4.8% increase in salary for the Tax Collector/Treasurer for Fiscal Year 1993.

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$768 to fund a 4.8% increase in salary for the Town Clerk for Fiscal Year 1993, 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 \$768 to fund a 4.8% increase in salary for the Town Clerk for Fiscal Year 1993.

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to upgrade the computer software and/or hardware in the Town Clerk's office, 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 \$7,000 to upgrade the computer software and/or hardware in the Town Clerk's office.

**ARTICLE 9.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to fund a computer terminal for the Selectmen's office, to be tied into the Treasurer/Assessor's computer system, 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 \$750 to fund a computer terminal for the Selectmen's office, to be tied into the Treasurer/Assessor's computer system.

**ARTICLE 10.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to fund an additional computer terminal for the Assessor's office, to be tied into the Treasurer/Assessor's office computer system and printer to be tied into that system and Selectmen's new terminal, 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 \$1,800 to fund an additional computer terminal for the Assessor's office, to be tied into the Treasurer/Assessor's office computer system and a printer to be tied into that system and Selectmen's new terminal.

**ARTICLE 11.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to partially fund a new dump truck body and radio for the Department of Public Works, 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 \$3,500 to partially fund a new dump truck body and radio for the Department of Public Works.

**ARTICLE 12.** To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 2, Section 1 of the General Bylaws so that it shall read as follows:

Section 1. Board of Selectmen

2-1-1 A Board of Selectmen of five members shall be elected from the Town at large for three-year overlapping terms of office. Two new members shall be elected at the Annual Town Election on May 18, 1993 as follows: One member for a three-year term, and one member for a two-year term. The Board shall exercise general supervision over all matters affecting the interest or welfare of the Town; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 371 in favor and 175 opposed, to defeat this article.

An amendment to pass over this article until the Annual Town Meeting was defeated by majority voice vote.

**ARTICLE 13.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to purchase 30 sets of protective clothing (turnout gear) for the Fire Department, 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 \$19,826 to purchase 30 sets of protective clothing (turnout gear) for the Fire Department.

**ARTICLE 14.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to fund an extension of the rear bay of the East Fire Station, 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 \$30,000 to fund an extension of the rear bay of the East Fire Station.

**ARTICLE 15.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$20,000 to fund a full Town audit, 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 \$20,000 to fund a full Town audit.

**ARTICLE 16.** To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to dissolve this Special Town Meeting at 9:30 p.m.

Registered voters attending this meeting were 227. Counters and checkers for the meeting were appointed by Town Clerk Patricia Shields.

A true record.

ATTEST:

Patricia Shields  
Town Clerk

TRANSFERS:

Article 1	\$ 52.00
Article 8	7,000.00
Article 9	750.00
Article 11	3,500.00
Article 14	30,000.00
Article 15	20,000.00

Total to be Transferred \$61,302.00

RAISE AND APPROPRIATE:

Article 3	\$60,246.00
Article 4	12,100.00
Article 5	4,110.00
Article 6	960.00
Article 7	768.00
Article 10	1,800.00
Article 13	19,826.00
Total to be Raised and Appropriated	\$99,810.00

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