

## ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

MAY 10, 1994

Voters of the Town of Boxford met at the Masconomet Regional High School Auditorium on Tuesday, May 10, 1994. Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the Annual Town Meeting to order at 7:55 p.m. The articles of the warrant were disposed of as follows:

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

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to accept 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 2. To see if the Town will vote to set the annual curbside solid waste collection fee at \$1.00 per 32 gallon bag or container (each use) , said fee to fund the town wide curbside collection service and related expenses for Fiscal Year 1995; 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 \$1. 00 per 32 gallon bag or container (each use) , said fee to fund the town wide curbside collection service and related expenses for Fiscal Year 1995.

Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote the following sums to fund the Roadside Collection Solid Waste and Recycling Enterprise Fund for Fiscal Year 1995, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Health:

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	Low	High
Expenses, Contract:	\$130,462	\$156,933
Expenses, sticker printing:	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
Expenses, education/mailing:	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
Previous year's deficit:	\$ 12,000	\$ 17,000
Total:	\$147,962	\$179,533

and that (\$147,962 to \$179,533) to be raised as follows: \$122,000 from enterprise fund receipts; and (\$25,962 to \$57,533) be raised and appropriated or transferred from other available funds; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to spend \$136,962 for the Roadside Collection Solid Waste and Recycling Fund under the direction of the Board of Health as follows:

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Expenses, Contract	\$131,462
Expenses, sticker printing:	4,000
Expenses, education/mailing:	1,500

Total:\$136,962

and that this \$136,962 be raised as follows: \$126,100 from the enterprise fund receipts; and \$10,862 be raised from the tax levy.

Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will authorize the establishment of a Recycling Revolving Account as authorized by Chapter 44, Section 53E 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 1995 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 unanimous voice vote, to authorize the establishment of a Recycling Revolving Account as authorized by Chapter 44, Section 53E 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 1995 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

Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

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ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the establishment of a Library Photocopy machine revolving account as authorized by Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ of the Massachusetts General Laws, said account to be under the direction of the Board of Library Trustees and used for the deposit of receipts collected through public use of the photocopy machines at both the Boxford Village and West Boxford libraries; and, further, to allow the Board of Library Trustees to expend fees not to exceed \$5,000 for fiscal year 1995 from said account for ongoing supplies and maintenance of the copy machines, and purchase of other library supplies and contingent upon an annual report from the Board of Library Trustees 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 unanimous voice vote, to authorize the establishment of a Library Photocopy machine revolving account as authorized by Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ of the Massachusetts General Laws, said account to be under the direction of the Board of Library Trustees and used for the deposit of receipts collected through public use of the photocopy machines at both the Boxford Village and West Boxford libraries; and, further, to allow the Board of Library Trustees to expend fees not to exceed \$5,000 for fiscal year 1995 from said account for ongoing supplies and maintenance of the copy machines, and purchase of other library supplies and contingent upon an annual report from the Board of Library Trustees to the Town on the total receipts and expenditures of the account each fiscal year.

Finance Committee recommended adoption of 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 fund a new position for the Landfill, Landfill Clerk of Works/Equipment operator; 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 \$29,120 to fund a new position for the Landfill, Landfill Clerk of Works/Equipment operator; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to amend various portions of Article 5 of its bylaws, known as the Personnel Bylaw, by amending Section 9, "Position Classes: Salary, Wages and Pay Matrix" and replacing it with the Classification and Pay Matrix as submitted by the Personnel Board as printed in this warrant; or take any other action thereon.

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Finance committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 5, Section 5 of the General Bylaws (the Personnel Bylaw) by adding the following section:

5-5-9 Employment Agreements

The Board of Selectmen, by means of employment agreements, are hereby authorized to establish the annual rate of compensation and other benefits for the following positions:

Public Works Superintendent;

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 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$8,000 to be used for a merit article. Employees on the Personnel Board matrix who have given outstanding service to the town will be considered for a merit bonus, based on procedures and standards to be adopted by the Personnel Board. A committee composed of one member of the Board of Selectmen or the Executive Secretary, one member of the Finance Committee and one member of the Personnel Board shall select employees to receive a merit bonus; 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 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$7,912.50 of Wetlands Fees Collected in FY 1993 and FY 1994 and deposited in the Wetlands Protection Fund, to additionally fund the Planning Board/Conservation Commission Office operating budget; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to appropriate \$7,912.50 of Wetlands Fees Collected in FY 1993 and FY 1994 and deposited in the Wetlands Protection Fund, to additionally fund the Planning Board/Conservation Commission Office operating budget.

Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

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ARTICLE 11. To act on the proposed budget and see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, for the use of several departments for fiscal year 1994, 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 majority voice vote,, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$342,950 for General Government.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$244,251 for Finance.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,023,163 for Public Safety.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to reduce the Insurance and Pension budget by \$15,000, from \$549,909 to \$534,909.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$534,909 for Insurance and Pension.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to increase the Elementary School budget by adding \$9,450.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,916,471 for Education.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to increase the DPW Salary budget from \$179,336 to \$ 186,396.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$443,746 for Town Maintenance.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$51,773 for Inspectors.

Total Budget to be Raised and Appropriated = \$8,557,263.

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, a sum of money for the purpose of funding repairs to various town buildings, with the exception of the Little Red School House, said funds to be spent under the direction of the Board of Selectmen; or take any other action thereon.

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Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for the purpose of funding repairs to various town buildings, with the exception of the Little Red School House, said funds to be spent under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

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, a sum of money to fund drainage engineering and construction costs at selected locations; 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 majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 to fund drainage engineering and construction costs at selected locations; said funds to be spent under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

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 \$64,508 to fund the purchase of a used articulating loader, pursuant to a proposal received by the Board of Selectmen in February, 1994, 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 majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$64,508 to fund the purchase of a used articulating loader, pursuant to a proposal received by the Board of Selectmen in February, 1994, said funds to be spent under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

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 \$20,000 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.

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, a sum of money to fund a computer system and software, hardware, training and supplies for the Inspector of Buildings and Health Agent; or take any other action thereon.

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Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,500 to fund a computer system and software, hardware, training and supplies for the Inspector of Buildings and Health Agent.

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 \$15,000 to fund an upgrade to the Police Department computer to cover software, hardware, training and supplies, 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 majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to fund an upgrade to the Police Department computer to cover software, hardware, training and supplies, said funds to be spent under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

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 \$15,000 to purchase and equip one police cruiser, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade or dispose of any existing vehicles 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 majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,500 to purchase and equip one police cruiser, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to trade or dispose of any existing vehicles in any manner which they deem advisable, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the acceptance of M.G.L., Chapter 48, Section 42 relative to the creation of a Fire Department, as voted by the Town under Article 21 of the 1950 Annual Town Meeting, and to accept M.G.L., Chapter 48, Section 42A relative to the creation of a Fire Department; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to defeat Article 19.

Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to upgrade the position of Fire Chief to full-time, regular employee (20 hours per week) or take any other action thereon.

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Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote,, to upgrade the position of Fire Chief to permanent half-time, regular employee (20 hours per week).

Finance Committee recommended 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 \$19,000 to fund the position of a full-time, regular (20 hours per week) Fire Chief for the Town of Boxford for FY 1995; 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 \$19,000 to fund the position of a half-time, regular (20 hours per week) Fire Chief for the Town of Boxford for FY 1995.

Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$1,000 to fund the operations of the Emergency Management Department in the Town, said funds to be spent under the direction of the Emergency Management Director; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 101 in favor and 110 opposed, to defeat Article 22.

Finance Committee did not recommend adoption of this Article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to adjourn the meeting at 11:05 p.m. to a time certain, Wednesday, May 11, at 7:30 p.m. in the Masconomet Regional High School auditorium.

Registered voters attending the meeting were 363.



**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
MAY 10, 1994**

Voters of the Town of Boxford met at the Masconomet Regional High School on Tuesday, May 10, 1994. Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the Special Town Meeting to order at 7:32 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 \$100,000 to fund repairs to the various roads in Town, 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 transfer from free cash the sum of \$100,000 to fund repairs to the various roads in Town, said funds to be spent under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a contract with the Boxford Athletic Association (BAA) to manage the beach and ballfield at Stiles Pond and all related structures for a period of ten years; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to enter into a contract with the Boxford Athletic Association (BAA) to manage the beach and ballfield at Stiles Pond and all related structures for a period of ten years.

Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$5,455 to fund the purchase of a paint line-striper for the Department of Public Works, said expense to be reimbursed to the Town by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts pursuant to a grant awarded to the Town by the Governor's Highway Safety Council; 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 \$5,455 to fund the purchase of a paint line-striper for the Department of Public Works, said expense to be reimbursed to the Town by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts pursuant to a grant awarded to the Town by the Governor's Highway Safety Council.

Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$5,760 to fund a Technology Aide for the Boxford Elementary Schools; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from Chapter 70 Aid Reserve the sum of

\$5,760 to increase the FY 1994 Elementary School Budget in order to fund a Technology Aide for the Boxford Elementary Schools.

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, a sum of money to fund the deficits in certain accounts of the Department of Public Works due to expenses related to snow and ice removal this past winter; said accounts as follows: Repairs and Maintenance, \$10,625; Snow and Ice, \$69,477; Salt and Sand, \$24,676; Overtime salaries, \$9,936; Other Supplies, \$2,910; for a total of \$117,624; 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 \$117,624 to fund the deficits in certain accounts of the Department of Public Works due to expenses related to snow and ice removal this past winter; said accounts as follows: Repairs and Maintenance, \$10,625; Snow and Ice, \$69,477; Salt and Sand, \$24,676; Overtime salaries, \$9,936; Other Supplies, \$2,910.

Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from "Reserved for Extraordinary and Unforeseen Expenditures", the sum of \$100,000 to be added to the Stabilization Fund; 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 \$100,000 to be added to the Stabilization Fund.

Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

Before adjournment of the Special Town Meeting, Proclamations from both the local Board of Selectmen and Governor William Weld, honoring retiring State Senator Robert C. Buell, were read. The week of May 15 to 21 was declared "Senator Robert C. Buell Week" in the Town of Boxford.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to adjourn the Special Town Meeting at 7:54 p.m.

Registered voters attending the meeting were 131. Counters and checkers for the meeting were appointed by Town Clerk Patricia Shields.

A true record.

ATTEST:

Patricia Shields  
Town Clerk

## TRANSFERS:

Article 1 (from free cash)	
Article 5 (from free cash)	\$100,000
	117,624
Article 6 (from "Reserved for Extraordinary and Unforseen Expenditures)	100,000
<b>TOTAL TO BE TRANSFERRED</b>	<b>\$317,624</b>

## APPROPRIATIONS:

Article 3 (from Governor's Highway Safety Council reimbursement)	\$5,455
Article 4 (from Chapter 70 Aid Reserve)	5,760
<b>TOTAL TO BE APPROPRIATED</b>	<b>\$ 11,215</b>

**ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
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Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the second session of the Boxford Annual Town Meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. The articles of the warrant were disposed of as follows:

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$1,500 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 transfer from free cash the sum of \$1,500 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.

Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$13,300 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 transfer from free cash the sum of \$13,300 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.

Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$200,000 to be added to the Conservation Fund, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Conservation Commission; 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 \$20,000 to be added to the Conservation Fund, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Conservation Commission.

Finance Committee did not recommend adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the town will reconsider the November 1993 Special Town Meeting vote to appropriate \$15,000 to renovate the Little Red School House for use as temporary town offices; or take any other action thereon.

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Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 208 in favor and 146 opposed, to reconsider the November 1993 Special Town Meeting vote to appropriate \$15,000 to renovate the Little Red School House for use as temporary town offices.

An amendment to rescind the vote on Article 7 of the Special Town Meeting or November 2, 1993, was ruled, by the Moderator, to be beyond the limits of Article 26.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count voice vote, 216 in favor and 106 opposed, that the body overrule the Moderator's decision and that the vote of Special Town Meeting of November 2, 1993 on Article 7 be rescinded.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to fund costs associated with (1) the establishment of a computerized Boxford water quality data base; (2) a study on the effect of septage run-off into selected Town ponds; and (3) the integration of groundwater and pond water quality data consistent with the formation of a Boxford Watershed Management Plan; 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 majority voice vote, to defeat an amendment to the article.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from free cash the sum of \$50,000 to fund costs associated with (1) the establishment of a computerized Boxford water quality data base; (2) a study on the effect of septage run-off into selected Town ponds; and (3) the integration of groundwater and pond water quality data consistent with the formation of a Boxford Watershed Management Plan; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Health.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to fund a study for the siting and construction of a new town municipal building; said funds to be spent under the direction of the Board of Selectmen' said report to be submitted to the Selectmen by the next Annual Town Meeting; 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 \$20,000 to fund a study for the siting and construction and provisions for a potable water supply of a new town municipal building; said funds to be spent under the direction of the Board of Selectmen' said report to be submitted to the Selectmen by the next Annual Town Meeting and site approval to be at the next Annual Town Meeting.

Finance Committee did not recommend adoption of this Article.

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ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to fund the updating of the document known as "Comprehensive Planning for Boxford, The Master Plan," as prepared for the Planning Board by Charles W. Eliot, Planning Consultant, dated December 10, 1961; 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 \$10,000 to fund the updating of the document known as "Comprehensive Planning for Boxford, The Master Plan," as prepared for the Planning Board by Charles W. Eliot, Planning Consultant, dated December 10, 1961; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$150,000 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 transfer from free cash the sum of \$150,000 to the 10 Finance Committee Reserve Fund.

Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$1,500 to fund professional services to develop elementary school enrollment projections for the next 10 years utilizing town building construction and other data; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Elementary School Committee, said report to be submitted to the Town and printed in the 1994 Annual Town Report; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500 to fund professional services to develop elementary school enrollment projections for the next 10 years utilizing town building construction and other data; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Elementary School Committee, said report to be submitted to the Town and printed in the 1994 Annual Town Report.

Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to accept a local option provision to the M.G.L., Chapter 40, Section 3, which if accepted, makes the school rental fund a revolving fund by permitting the fiscal year end balance to remain in the fund instead of closing to the general fund; or take any other action thereon.

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Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to accept a local option provision to the M.G.L., Chapter 40, Section 3, which if accepted, makes the school rental fund a revolving fund by permitting the fiscal year end balance to remain in the fund instead of closing to the general fund.

Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to fund the construction of new athletic fields at the Boxford Sanitary Landfill and including separation of the fields from recycling and landfill operations, such construction to be reviewed and approved by the Board of Health; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Recreation Committee; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,000 and transfer from free cash the sum of \$3,000, for a total of \$48,000, to fund the construction of new athletic fields at the Boxford Sanitary Landfill, and including separation of the fields from recycling and landfill operations, such construction to be reviewed and approved by the Board of Health; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Recreation Committee.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws of the Town, Article 12 (the Wetland Protection bylaw), Section 1: Purpose, by adding the following:

"The provisions of this bylaw, including any implementing regulations, can be and are intended to be more protective than the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, Chapter 131, Section 40;11 or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 200 in favor and 136 opposed, to amend the General Bylaws of the Town, Article 12 (the Wetland Protection bylaw), Section 1: Purpose, by adding the following:

"The provisions of this bylaw, including any implementing regulations, can be and are intended to be more protective than the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, Chapter 131, Section 40.11

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws, Article 12 (the Wetlands Protection bylaw), Section 5 - Public Notice and Hearings, by adding the following:

"A quorum is defined as a majority of the members then in office;" or take any other action thereon.

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Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to amend the General Bylaws, Article 12 (the Wetlands Protection bylaw), Section 5 - Public Notice and Hearings, by adding the following:

"A quorum is defined as a majority of the members then in office.

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 12 of, the General Bylaws of the Town (the Wetlands Protection bylaw) Section 2 so that it reads as follows:

Section 2: Jurisdiction

Except as permitted by the Commission or as provided in this bylaw, no person shall remove, fill, dredge, build upon, or alter the following resource areas: within 100 feet of any freshwater wetland, marsh, wet meadow, bog or swamp; within 100 feet of any lake, river, pond, stream, vernal pool, or estuary; and land under said waters; or within 100 feet of any land subject to flooding or inundation by groundwater or surface water;" or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 161 in favor and 151 opposed, to amend Article 12 of the General Bylaws of the Town (the Wetlands Protection bylaw), Section 2 so that it reads as follows:

Section 2: Jurisdiction

Except as permitted by the commission or as provided in this bylaw, no person shall remove, fill, dredge, build upon, or alter the following resource areas: within 100 feet of any freshwater wetland, marsh, wet meadow, bog or swamp; within 100 feet of any lake, river, pond, stream, vernal pool, or estuary; and land under said waters; or within 100 feet of any land subject to flooding or inundation by groundwater or surface water."

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to adjourn the meeting at 11:26 p.m. to a time certain, Tuesday, May 24, at 7:30 p.m. in the Masconomet Regional High School auditorium.

Registered voters attending the meeting were 430.



**ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
May 24, 1994

Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the third session of the Boxford Annual Town Meeting to order at 7:38 p.m. The articles of the warrant were disposed of as follows:

**ARTICLE 37.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws of the Town of Boxford, Article 12 (the Wetlands Protection bylaw), Section 2. Jurisdiction to read as follows:

"Except as provided in this bylaw, no person shall remove, fill, dredge, build upon, or alter the following resource areas: within 100 feet of any fresh water wetland, marsh, wet meadow, bog or swamp; within 100 feet of any lake, river, pond, stream, or estuary; and land under said waters; or within 100 feet of any land subject to flooding or inundation by groundwater or surface water. 11

A motion to have Mr. Greg McGregor, a non-resident, speak was defeated by hand count vote, 182 in favor and 129 opposed. A two-thirds favorable vote is required.

A motion to have Mr. Curtis Young, a new resident but unregistered voter, speak was defeated by hand count vote, 261 in favor and 132 opposed. A two-thirds favorable vote is required.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 101 in favor and 333 opposed, to defeat Article 37.

**ARTICLE 38.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws of the Town of Boxford, Article 12 (the Wetlands Protection bylaw) Section 3: Exceptions by adding the following two paragraphs:

"Roadway(s) to upland property shall be allowed when no other access to upland property is available."

"Trails shall be allowed for public and private recreational use, with any and all motorized vehicles prohibited."

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

**ARTICLE 39.** To see if the Town will vote to sell a parcel of Town-owned land off of Georgetown Road, consisting of 13,160 square feet, identified on Plan of Land prepared by John J. Decoulos, 248 Andover Street, Peabody, MA 01960, dated March 10, 1994, a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to sell to Darman A. Wing, 56 Georgetown Road, Boxford, for the sum of \$3,000 a parcel of Town-owned land off of Georgetown Road, consisting of 13,160 square feet, identified on Plan of Land prepared by John J. Decoulos, 248 Andover Street, Peabody, MA 01960, dated March 10, 1994, a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk.

Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

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ARTICLE 40. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept an exchange of land between the Town and Ipswich Way, Inc., General Partner of Georgetown Road Limited Partnership. This exchange to consist of a 0.45 acre parcel of land owned by the Town (identified as Parcel "All on a plan submitted to the Planning Board by Ipswich Way Inc. and dated March 16, 1994) to be exchanged for a 0.68 acre parcel of land owned by Ipswich Way, Inc. (identified as Parcel "B" on the same plan); or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 255 in favor and 55 opposed, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept an exchange of land between the Town and Georgetown Road Limited Partnership, or its nominee. This exchange to consist of a 0.45 acre parcel of land owned by the Town (identified as Parcel "All on a plan submitted to the Planning Board by Ipswich Way Inc. and dated March 16, 1994) to be exchanged for a 0.68 acre parcel of land owned by Georgetown Road Limited Partnership (identified as Parcel "B" on the same plan) -

ARTICLE 41. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept a gift of land shown as Lot #62 on the Baldpate Pond Limited Partnership Preliminary Subdivision sketch dated July, 1993, and revised December 1, 1993. This land consists of 9.5 acres of upland and wetland and is adjacent to 21.5 acres of Town owned land on Baldpate Pond; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 262 in favor and 16 opposed, to accept a gift of land shown as Lot #62 on the Baldpate Pond Limited Partnership Preliminary Subdivision sketch dated July, 1993, and revised December 1, 1993. This land consists of 9.5 acres of upland and wetland and is adjacent to 21.5 acres of Town owned land on Baldpate Pond.

ARTICLE 42. To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws of the Town, Article 8, Section 4 by adding the following paragraphs:

118-4-14(a) The owner or keeper of a dog shall be prohibited from allowing a dog to be annoying, dangerous, or a nuisance;

8-4-14(b) For the purposes of this bylaw, "annoying, dangerous, or a nuisance" includes the following:

Molesting passersby or passing vehicles (including bicycles), attacking persons or domestic animals, trespassing on school grounds or other public property, damaging public or private property, barking, whining, or howling in an excessive, continuous or untimely fashion, or being on the property of an owner who does not wish the dog on his or her property.

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- 8-4-14(c) Violations of this section of the bylaws shall be non-criminal in nature and violators shall be subject to the following fines:

First Offense - Warning only  
 Second Offense - \$25.00  
 Third and Subsequent Offense - \$50.00

said fines shall be paid to the Town of Boxford.

- 8-4-14(d) The enforcing official of this bylaw shall be the Animal Control Officer of the Town; or take any other action thereon.

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

- 118-4-14(a) The owner or keeper of a dog shall be prohibited from allowing a dog to be annoying, dangerous, or a nuisance;

- 8-4-14(b) For the purposes of this bylaw, "annoying, dangerous, or a nuisance" includes the following:

Molesting passersby or passing vehicles (including bicycles), attacking persons or domestic animals, trespassing on school grounds or other public property, damaging public or private property, barking, whining, or howling in an excessive, continuous or untimely fashion, or being on the property of an owner who does not wish the dog on his or her property.

- 8-4-14 (c) Violations of this section of the bylaws shall be non-criminal in nature and violators shall be subject to the following fines:

First Offense - Warning only  
 Second Offense - \$25.00  
 Third and Subsequent Offense - \$50.00

all fines and fees due and payable shall be remitted to the Town before dog can be returned to its owner.

- 8-4-14(d) The enforcing official of this bylaw shall be the Animal Control officer of the Town.

Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

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ARTICLE 43. To see if the Town will vote to advise the Boxford members of the Masconomet Regional District School Committee to oppose any renewal or extension of the Channel One contract; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to advise the Boxford members of the Masconomet Regional District School Committee to oppose any renewal or extension of the Channel One contract.

ARTICLE 44. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article Seven of the General Bylaws of the Town by adding the following new section:

PUBLIC HEALTH

Section 3 Smoking

7-3-1 Smoking shall be prohibited in all schools and on all school property.

7-3-2 Smoking shall be defined as smoking or possessing a lighted cigarette, cigar, pipe, or other smoking Article.

7-3-3 Violations of this section shall be non-criminal in nature, and violators shall be subject to the following fines: First Offense, \$25.00; Second Offense, \$50.00; Third and subsequent offense, \$100.00. Said fines shall be paid to the Town of Boxford.

7 - 3 -4 The enforcing officials shall be those persons designated by the School Committee in control of the applicable school, and the law enforcement officials of the Town; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to amend Article Seven of the General Bylaws of the Town by adding the following new section:

PUBLIC HEALTH

Section 3 Smoking

7-3-1 Smoking shall be prohibited in all schools and on all school property.

7-3-2 Smoking shall be defined as smoking or possessing a lighted cigarette, cigar, pipe, or other smoking Article.

7-3-3 Violations of this section shall be non-criminal in nature, and violators shall be subject to the following fines: First Offense, \$25.00; Second Offense, \$50.00; Third and subsequent offense, \$100.00. Said fines shall be paid to the Town of Boxford.

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7-3.4 The enforcing officials shall be those persons designated by the School Committee in control of the applicable school, and the law enforcement officials of the Town.

Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 45. To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws of the Town of Boxford, Article One, Section 2, second sentence to read as follows:

1-2-1 "All Warrant Articles are to be submitted to the Board of Selectmen thirty days prior to the Annual Town Meeting"; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to amend the General Bylaws of the Town of Boxford, Article one, Section 2, second sentence to read as follows:

1-2-1 "All Warrant Articles are to be submitted to the Board of Selectmen thirty days prior to the Annual Town Meeting."

Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 46. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following resolution petitioned by the Tri-Town Health Advisory Council:

WHEREAS: It is estimated that the number of AIDS cases in the world will increase tenfold reaching 20 million cases by the year 2,000.

WHEREAS: AIDS (or HIV disease) now impacts men, women, and children internationally, nationally, state-wide, and locally.

WHEREAS: HIV disease is considered preventable in the next generation providing prevention-education is addressed NOW.

WHEREAS: Such prevention-education must be introduced in the home, in our schools, and in public presentations to be effective,

WHEREAS: The Tri-Town Health Advisory Council is acknowledging the epidemic and addressing prevention needs,

NOW THEREFORE: Be it resolved by the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Boxford that its citizens will support the planning efforts of the Tri-Town Health Advisory Council by:

- considering its recommendations
- participating in its prevention plans
- supporting its ongoing efforts;

or take any other action thereon.

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Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to defeat Article 46.

ARTICLE 47. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 8d, to establish a Historical Commission, and that the powers and duties of said Commission be assumed by the Historic District Commission; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to accept the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 8d, to establish a Historical Commission, and that the powers and duties of said Commission be assumed by the Historic District commission.

ARTICLE 48. To see if the Town will vote to accept the amendments to the M.G.L., Chapter 59, Section 5, which if accepted would reduce from five years to one year the state residency requirement for new residents of the Town must meet to qualify for a veteran exemption under Cl. 22, 22A, 22B, 22C, 22D or 22E. ; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to accept the amendments to the M.G.L., Chapter 59, Section 5, which if accepted would reduce from five years to one year the state residency requirement for new residents of the Town must meet to qualify for a veteran exemption under Cl. 22, 22A, 22B, 22C, 22D or 22E.

Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 49. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Four flag designs were displayed to voters and one was selected to fly in the Hall of Flags at the State House on Flag Day.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to dissolve this Annual Town Meeting at 11:06 p.m.

Registered voters attending the meeting were 461. Counters and checkers for the meeting were appointed by Town Clerk Patricia Shields.

A true record.

ATTEST:

Patricia Shields  
Town Clerk

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## TRANSFERS:

Article 23 (from free cash)	1,500.00
Article 24 (from free cash)	13,300.00
Article 25 (from free cash)	20,000.00
Article 27 (from free cash)	50,000.00
Article 30 (from free cash)	150,000.00
Article 33 (from free cash)	3,000.00

TOTAL TO BE TRANSFERRED: \$ 2,371,800.00

## RAISE AND APPROPRIATE:

Article 3	\$ 10,862.00
Article 6	29,120.00
Article 11	8,557,263.00
Article 12	20,000.00
Article 13	30,000.00
Article 14	64,508.00
Article 15	20,000.00
Article 16	6,500.00
Article 17	15,000.00
Article 18	15,500.00
Article 21	19,000.00
Article 26 (Article 7 S.T.M. Nov 2, 1993)	15,000.00
Article 26 (May 11, 1994)	(15,000.00)
Article 28	20,000.00
Article 29	10,000.00
Article 31	1,500.00
Article 33	45,000.00

TOTAL TO BE RAISED  
AND APPROPRIATED: \$8,864,253.00

## APPROPRIATIONS:

Article 3 (from Enterprise Fund Receipts)	\$ 126,100.00
Article 10 (from Wetlands Protection Fund to to Planning Board/Conservation Commission Office Planning Budget)	\$7,912.50

TOTAL TO BE APPROPRIATED: \$ 134,012.50

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**  
**JULY 12, 1994**

Voters of the Town of Boxford met at the Spofford Pond School on Tuesday, July 12, 1994. Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the Special Town 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 raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a certain parcel of land identified as 14 acres shown as Map 19, Block 2, Parcel 13 in the records of the Boxford Board of Assessors, located off Herrick Road adjacent to the Wildcat parcel and Four-Mile Pond, for conservation purposes; said land to be conveyed to the Town under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 8C, and as it may hereafter be amended and other Massachusetts statutes relating to conservation, to be managed and controlled by the Conservation Commission; or take any other action thereon.

A motion was made and duly seconded to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125,000 to be transferred to the Conservation Fund, established under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 8C, said appropriation fully contingent upon the passage of the Proposition 2-1/2 ballot question Number 1, at the August 16, 1994 Special Election.

A motion was made and duly seconded to amend the above motion such that it reads, after the phrase Conservation Fund, the words "for the purpose of purchasing real estate;" the balance of the motion remaining the same.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 297 in favor and 8 opposed, to cut off debate on the amendment.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 164 in favor and 137 opposed, to amend the above motion such that it reads, after the phrase Conservation Fund, the words "for the purpose of purchasing real estate;" the balance of the motion remaining the same.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, the Article, as amended, was defeated by hand count vote, 168 in favor and 132 opposed. A two-thirds favorable vote is required.

Due to the failure of the audio system to the library where approximately 50 voters were seated, upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to dissolve the Special Town Meeting at 9:28 p.m. and call a Special Town Meeting at a future date.

Registered voters attending the meeting were 334. 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**  
August 10, 1994 - 7:30 p.m.

The voters of the Town of Boxford met at Masconomet Regional High School on Wednesday, August 10, 1994. Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. The articles of the warrant were disposed of as follows:

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NOTE: At this time, we anticipate that Article 1 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 Special Town Meeting, this appropriation would be fully contingent upon successful passage of a Proposition 2 1/2 override ballot question. Should the override question fail, the appropriation for that article would be rendered null and void.  
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ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, and authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow the sum of \$300,000 to purchase certain parcels of land, said parcels containing 6.3 acres, more or less, as shown on a plan entitled, "Plan of Land in Boxford, MA, Property of Kenneth H. Chadwick, Sr. and Jane E. Chadwick," June 28, 1994, Donohoe and Parkhurst, Inc., a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk; said parcels shown as a portion of Map 5, Block 1, Parcels 8.1 and 8.2 in the records of the Boxford Assessors, and that said land be conveyed to the Town under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 8C, and as it may hereafter be amended and other Massachusetts statutes relating to conservation, to be managed and controlled by the Conservation Commission; and that the Conservation Commission be instructed and authorized to file on behalf of the Town, any and all applications deemed necessary for grants and/or reimbursements from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, under the Self-Help Act (M.G.L. Chapter 132A, Section 11) and/or any others in any way connected within the scope of this Article, and that the Town and the Conservation Commission be authorized to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments as may be necessary, on behalf of the Town of Boxford, to affect said purchase; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count, 174 in favor and 68 opposed, to appropriate, and authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow the sum of \$300,000 to purchase a certain parcel of land, said parcel containing 6.3 acres, more or less, as shown on a plan entitled, "Plan of Land in Boxford, MA, Property of Kenneth H. Chadwick, Sr. and Jane E. Chadwick," June 28, 1994, Donohoe and Parkhurst, Inc., a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk; said parcels shown as a portion of Map 5, Block 1, Parcels 8.1 and 8.2 in the records

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of the Boxford Assessors, and that said land be conveyed to the Town under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 8C, and as it may hereafter be amended and other Massachusetts statutes relating to conservation, to be managed and controlled by the Conservation Commission; and that the Conservation Commission be instructed and authorized to file on behalf of the Town, any and all applications deemed necessary for grants and/or reimbursements from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, under the Self-Help Act (M.G.L. Chapter 132A, Section 11) and/or any others in any way connected within the scope of this Article, and that the Town and the Conservation Commission be authorized to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments as may be necessary, on behalf of the Town of Boxford, to affect said purchase, said appropriation fully contingent upon successful passage of a Proposition 2 1/2 (so called) ballot question.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to fund the 1994-1995 collective bargaining agreement between the Town and the Boxford Police Benevolent Association; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to pass over Article 2.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund the 1994-1995 collective bargaining agreement between the Town and the Boxford Police Reserve Association, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to pass over Article 3.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be added to the FY 1995 budget of the Board of Selectmen; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from Reserved for Unforeseen and Extraordinary Expenses the sum of \$4,217 to be added to the FY 1995 budget of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be added to the FY 1995 budget of the Inspector of Buildings; or take any other action thereon.

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Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from Reserved for Unforeseen and Extraordinary Expenses the sum of \$561-00 to be added to the FY 1995 budget of the Inspector of Buildings.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds the sum of \$1500 to be added to the FY 1995 budget of the Conservation Commission; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from Reserved for Unforeseen and Extraordinary Expenses the sum of \$1500 to be added to the FY 1995 budget of the Conservation Commission.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to have the Town re-join the Essex County Mosquito Control District as the District was set up under the provisions of Chapter 516 of the Acts of 1958; and to rescind the vote of the Town taken through Article 21 of the Warrant for the May 8, 1990 Annual Town Meeting removing the Town from said District; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to take any actions necessary on behalf of the Town to reinstate membership in the Essex County Mosquito Control District; said membership to be funded through a charge to the Town by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts of \$33,417 as estimated by the Department of Revenue; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, Article 7 was defeated by a majority voice vote.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to fund the rental (by lease) of office space to be utilized by two or more municipal departments in the Town of Boxford, and to supply office furnishings and to fund the hookup of telephone service; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from Reserved for Unforeseen and Extraordinary Expenses the sum of \$10,700 to fund the rental (by lease) of office space to be utilized by two or more municipal departments in the Town of Boxford, and to supply office furnishings and to fund the hookup of telephone service.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of \$6,000 to be added to the FY 1995 Budget of the Board of Assessors; or take any other action thereon.

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Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from Reserved for Unforeseen and Extraordinary Expenses, the sum of \$6,000 to be added to the FY 1995 Budget of the Board of Assessors.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to purchase two small copy machines and supplies for the Building/Health Agent Department, and the office of the Council on Aging; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from Reserved for Unforeseen and Extraordinary Expenses the sum of \$2,000 to purchase two small copy machines and supplies for the Building/Health Agent Department, and the Community Center.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 9 of the General Bylaws of the Town by adding the following section:

9-2-2 The Board of Selectmen may at their discretion, issue a license for a period of up to one year to a town-operated or local non-profit organization, to conduct an enterprise or activity on town-owned property.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to amend Section 9 of the General Bylaws of the Town by adding the following section:

9-2-2 The Board of Selectmen may at their discretion, issue a license for a period of up to one year to a town-operated or local non-profit organization, to conduct an enterprise or activity on town-owned property.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning Bylaws of the Town of Boxford, Section VI.H. to add the following at the end of the first paragraph: "Except a Special Permit shall not be required for the Town owned proposal when a letter signed by a majority of the Board of Selectmen is submitted to the Board of Appeals approving the appropriateness of the proposal"; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to pass over Article 12.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to dissolve this Special Town Meeting at 9:38 p.m.

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Registered voters attending this meeting were 254. Counters and checkers for the meeting were appointed by Town Clerk Patricia Shields.

A true record.

ATTEST:

Patricia Shields  
Town Clerk

APPROPRIATIONS:

Article 1	\$300,000.00
(contingent upon successful passage of a Proposition 2 1/2 (so called) ballot question)	

Total to be Appropriated	300,000.00
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TRANSFERS:

Article 4	4,217.00
(from Unforeseen and Extraordinary Expenses to Board of Selectmen)	

Article 5	561.00
(from Unforeseen and Extraordinary Expenses to Inspector of Buildings)	

Article 6	1,500.00
(from Unforeseen and Extraordinary Expenses to Conservation Commission)	

Article 8	10,700.00
(from Unforeseen and Extraordinary Expenses for office rental, etc.)	

Article 9	6,000.00
(from Unforeseen and Extraordinary Expenses to Board of Assessors)	

Article 10	2,000.00
(from Unforeseen and Extraordinary Expenses for copy machine purchase)	

Total to be Transferred	\$ 24,978.00
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**BOXFORD SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**  
December 14, 1994 - 7:30 p.m.

The voters of the Town of Boxford met at Masconomet Regional High School on Wednesday, December 14, 1994. Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the meeting to order at 7:36 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 purchase a new truck, its use and description to be specified at the Special Town Meeting; said funds to be spent under the direction of the Board of Selectmen; and, that the Selectmen be permitted to dispose of an existing vehicle as is in the best interests of the Town; 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 \$25,000 to purchase a pick-up truck for the Department of Public Works, as well as one additional truck body for the use of the Fire Department; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund the first year of the F.Y. 1995-1997 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 unanimous voice vote, to transfer from free cash the sum of \$20,769 to fund the first year of the F.Y. 1995-1997 collective bargaining agreement between the Town and the Boxford Police Benevolent Association.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund the F.Y. 1995 collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Boxford and the Boxford Police Reserve Association, 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 \$522 to fund the first year of the F.Y. 1995-1997 collective bargaining agreement between the Town and the Boxford Police Reserve Association.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund the installation of a well and water irrigation system at the Boy Scout Park Athletic Fields; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

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Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from free cash the sum of \$11,500 to fund the installation of a well and water irrigation system at the Boy Scout Park athletic fields; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$304,528 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 85, Section 2A, Acts of 1994, \$304,528. (MA#35457)

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to appropriate the sum of \$304,528 for highway maintenance and construction in anticipation of state aid allotment, said monies predicated on state reimbursement of the following: Chapter 85, Section 2A, Acts of 1994.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to renumber Articles 7-3-1 through 7-3-, " of the General Bylaws of the Town, as passed as Article 44 of the Warrant for the May, 1994 Annual Town Meeting, so that they shall read 7-4-1 through 7-4-4, to correct an error in numbering only, with no other changes to the language of the bylaws; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to renumber Articles 7-3-1 through 7-3-4 of the General Bylaws of the Town, as passed as Article 44 of the Warrant for the May, 1994 Annual Town Meeting, so that they shall read 7-4-1 through 7-4-4, to correct an error in numbering only, with no other changes to the language of the bylaws

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will transfer control of the land on which Chadwick Field and the two new soccer fields occupy at the landfill site to the Boxford School Committee to become part of the Spofford Pond School grounds; said transfer to take place upon completion of the construction of the fields as determined by the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Health; or take any other action thereon.

Moderator DeWitt Minich called a short recess at 8:29 p.m. The meeting was called back in session at 8:31 p.m.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, was VOTED, by majority voice vote to include the phrase, "as shown on the plan prepared by the SEA Engineers, Cambridge, Massachusetts, November 1994, 11 immediately following the phrase "landfill site."

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Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 117 in favor and 35 opposed, to transfer control of the land on which Chadwick Field and the two new soccer fields occupy at the landfill site, as shown on the plan prepared by the SEA Engineers, Cambridge, Massachusetts, November 1994, to the Boxford School Committee to become part of the Spofford Pond School grounds; said transfer to take place upon completion of the construction of the fields as determined by the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Health

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to receive and place on file the final report of the Boxford School Space Needs Committee, which calls for the construction of up to 18 additional classrooms, with accompanying renovations, to the Harry Lee Cole Elementary School and the Spofford Pond Elementary School to handle the projected growth in the school age population within the next 10 years; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to receive and place on file the final report of the Boxford School Space Needs Committee, which calls for the construction of up to 18 additional classrooms, with accompanying renovations, to the Harry Lee Cole Elementary School and the Spofford Pond Elementary School to handle the projected growth in the school age population within the next 10 years.

NOTE: At this time, we anticipate that Article 9 will be offered as a "contingent appropriation." This means that although the appropriation could be approved at the Special 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.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to borrow a sum of money to fund the architectural, designer and engineering services and to fund related permits and expenses necessary to obtain the required approvals for the expansion and renovations of the Cole and Spofford Pond Elementary Schools; said funds to be expended under the direction of the School Building Committee; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 132 in favor and 24 opposed, to appropriate and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow the sum of up to \$330,000 to fund the architectural, designer and engineering services and to fund related permits and expenses necessary to obtain the required approvals for the expansion and renovations of the Cole and Spofford Pond Elementary Schools; said funds to be expended under the direction of the School Building Committee; said appropriation to be fully



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contingent upon successful passage of a Proposition 2 ½ override ballot question.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to dissolve this Special Town Meeting at 10:07 p.m.

Registered voters attending this meeting were 168. Counters and checkers for the meeting were appointed by Town Clerk Patricia Shields.

A true record.

ATTEST:

Patricia A. Shields  
Town Clerk

## TRANSFERS:

Article 1 (from free cash to Department of Public Works and Fire Department)	\$ 25,000.00
Article 2 (from free cash to Police Department)	\$ 20,769.00
Article 3 (from free cash to Police Department)	\$ 522.00
Article 4 (from free cash for well and irrigation system, Boy Scout Park Athletic Fields)	\$ 11,500.00
Total to be Transferred	\$ 57,791.00

## APPROPRIATIONS:

Article 5 (for highway maintenance and construction predicated upon state reimbursement, Chapter 85)	\$304,528.00
Article 9 (contingent upon successful passage of a Proposition 2 ½ ballot question)	\$330,000.00
Total to be Appropriated	\$634,528.00