

Dec. 11, 1953

with the intention of leasing the property to a club whose activities would include a skating rink, tennis courts and possibly riding stables and ski slopes. In the course of his remarks, Mr. Smith stated that the group would ask the Board of Appeals for a special permit to conduct the club unless the feeling in the town was definitely hostile. After an outline of the project, he answered numerous questions from the floor.

Voted to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 p.m.

A true record:

E. Laurence Colby, clerk

March 1, 1954

Annual Town Meeting

The annual town meeting of the voters of the Town of Buxford was held at the Town Hall, Buxford, at 8 pm. on March 1, 1954 with William J. Greener, Jr. presiding as moderator. A short prayer was offered by Rev. William O. Hoover before the business meeting began. The following action was taken:

- Art. 1 Voted to accept the reports of the Town Officers and Committees.
- Art. 2 Voted to adopt the suggested budget as amended.
- Art. 3 Voted to appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the maintenance of Road Machinery, said amount to be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund.
- Art. 4 Voted to appropriate \$2,000 for the Reserve Fund, said amount to be transferred from the ~~Road Machinery Fund~~ Overlay Reserve.
- Art. 5 Voted to appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of \$26,200.00 to meet the State and County allotments for highways, and any other highway relocation, repair or construction done in anticipation of reimbursement, said money when reimbursed to be credited to Surplus Revenue.
- Art. 6 Voted to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1954, and to issue a note or notes therefor, paying within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.
- Art. 7 Voted to pass over
- Art. 8 Voted to pass over
- Art. 9 Voted to authorize the assessors to use such free cash in the Treasury as they deem best for the purpose of reducing the tax rate for the current year.
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March 1, 1954

Annual Town Meeting (Cont'd)

Art. 10 Voted to accept report of the Committee relative to fire protection appointed by the Board of Selectmen by direction of the town at the last annual town meeting, and to retain Committee to report further at next special town meeting.

Art. 11 Voted to appropriate \$316.29 refunded from the County on account of dog licenses, to be equally divided between the libraries of the East and the West Parishes.

Art. 12 Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to continue the improvement of Main Street from the section completed in 1953 toward West Buxford.

Art. 13 Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for the improvement of Depot Road; said money to be used in conjunction with any money allotted by the State or County; or both, for this purpose under the provisions of Chapter 90.

Art. 14 Voted to appropriate \$52.00 to lease a portion of the land owned by the Buxford Boy Scouts, Inc., for the purpose of storing town vehicles and, if necessary, building a town garage; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to negotiate a long term lease, with above \$52.00 to be used to defray taxes due on said property.

Art. 15 Voted to raise and appropriate \$500.00 to be divided equally between the two libraries for the use towards the maintenance of same.

Art. 16 Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to help meet the cost of modernizing the antiquated heating system in the West Buxford Public Library.

Art. 17 Voted to pass over

Art. 18 Voted to postpone action until next special town meeting at which time a special Committee appointed by the Selectmen will make specific recommendations

March 1, 1954

Annual Town Meeting

Art. 19 Resolved, at the request of the town clerk, that printing of amended zoning by-laws be deferred for one year because amendments are contained in annual town report.

Resolved: that ^{the} town clerk be instructed to communicate the deep sympathy of the townspeople in her misfortune to Miss Barbara Perley, the town accountant.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

A true record

E. Laurence Colby, clerk

Adopted Budget

Art. 2		\$
	Selectmen	1200.
	Board of Public Welfare	300.
	Assessors	1600.
	Treasurer	475.
	Town Clerk	400.
	Collector of Taxes	1600.
	Accountant	2000.
	Registrars	140.
	Appeal Board	100.
	Building Inspector	200.
	Wrecks Inspector	200.
	Planning Board	25.
	Finance Committee	150.
	Elections	200.
	Board of Health	1200.
	Inspectors of Slaughtering	1000.
	Inspector of Animals	50.
	Dealer of Weights and Measures	35.
	Police	1700.
	Log Officer	60.
	Deputy Game Warden	50.
	Tree Warden	600.
	Forest Warden	1500.

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March 1, 1954

Adopted Budget (Cont'd)

Fire Warden	\$ 1,000.
Moth Suppression	1,026.89
Dutch Elm Disease Control	463.45
Public Welfare	1,000.00
Old Age Assistance	6,000.
Disability Assistance	1,000.
Aid to Dependent Children	2,000.
Veteran's Benefits	1,000.
Schools	57,261.
Vocational Education	400.
Highways and Bridges, Selectmen's Fund	800.
Chapter 81 - Maintenance	2,850.
Chapter 90 - Maintenance	1,000.
Snow Removal and Sanding	6,000.
Civilian Defense	432.
Street Lighting	650.
Road Machinery Maintenance	500.
Town Halls	2,000.
Public Grounds	250.
Insurance	2,500.
Town Forest	200.
Memorial Day	250.
Soldier's Graves	250.
Harmony Cemetery	50.
Mt. Vernon Cemetery	50.
Clerical	450.
Selectmen's Contingency Fund	500.
Morse House	100.
Interest on Loans	400.
Town Reports	500.
Town Counsel	500.
Village Cemetery	100.
Welfare District	198.
Interest & Amortization of School Dept.	10,000.
Total Departmental Appropriations	\$ 116,466.34

Other items

Article 12	\$ 1,000.
" 13	2,000.
" 15	500.
" 16	200.
	3700.
Departmental Appropriations	116,466.34
Total Amount to be raised & appropriated	\$ 120,166.34

Transfers

Article 3	\$ 500.
" 4	2,000.
" 5	26,200.
" 11	316.29
" 14	52.00
Total Transfers	\$ 29,068.29

Record of Town Election held March 2, 1954 in
Town Hall, Boxford

Agreeable to the foregoing warrant, the voters met at the Town Hall, Boxford, on Tuesday, March 2nd, 1954, at 6:30 a.m. and cast their ballots for the following officers. The polls were opened at 6:30 a.m. by the Moderator, William J. Greener, Jr. The ballot box was opened, shown to be empty, then closed and locked. The custody of the key was given to Special Police Officer E. Preston Gould. The polls closed at 1:30 p.m. The ballot box then registered (95). The check list showed the no. of ballots cast to be (95). The ballots were then counted, publicly declared, and recorded as follows:

Moderator for one year	
William J. Greener, Jr.	95.
Selectman for three years	
Franklin C. Roberts	92
Blanks	3

Town Election, March 2, 1954

Collector of Taxes for 1 year	
Simeon S. Pearl	93
Blanks	2
Assessor of Taxes for three years	
J. Warren Chadwick	93
Blanks	2
School Committee for three years	
Laurence D. Frizzell	78
Helen Hoogerzeil	4
Ronald Fouldsworth	1
Rosamond Price	1
Blanks	11
School Committee for one year	
John Stuart Haywood	81
Helen Hoogerzeil	2
Mrs. J. Warren Chadwick	1
Blanks	11
Board of Health for three years	
Franklin C. Roberts	94
Blanks	1
Surveyor of Highways for 1 year (East Parish)	
Clinton C. French	93
Blanks	2
Surveyor of Highways for 1 year (West Parish)	
B. Robert Cunningham	91
Blanks	4
Tree Warden for one year	
Alerson E. Noyes	92
Mrs Mac Ferson	1
Blanks	2
Constable (East Parish) for one year	
Nathaniel N. Love	94
Blanks	1
Constable (West Parish) for one year	
Walter H. Gamans	92
Rosamond Price	1
Blanks	2

Town Election, March 2, 1954

Planning Board for five years	
E. Laurence Colby	90
Blanks	5

A true copy : Attest
Harry L. Cole, clerk

A true copy : attest
E. Laurence Colby, town clerk

Special Town Meeting, March 25, 1954

A special town meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Roxford qualified to vote in elections and town affairs was held in the Town Hall, Roxford, at 8:00 p.m., March 25, 1954. William J. Greener, Jr., the moderator, called for a minute of silent prayer before starting the business meeting. The articles of the warrant were acted upon as follows:

- Art. 1 Voted that the town accept a donation of \$332.00 from the Roxford Parent-Teacher's Association, and appropriate the same amount for the School House Committee for the purpose of purchasing as part of original equipment of the school building a curtain for the new school stage.
- Art. 2 Voted unanimously to raise and appropriate \$100.00 to reimburse the office of Clinton Foster Goodwin for tracings and prints of plans of various parcels of land in the Town of Roxford for use in assessing real estate as per list^{as} submitted March 20, 1954.
- Art. 3 Voted 34 yes, 6 no to raise and appropriate \$700.00 to construct a 4 foot fence as recommended by a special committee between the Morse School property and the properties of Arthur A. Ainger and Beatrice Wheeler. The members of the committee were Archibald L. Trull, J. Warren Chadwick, and Marion Colby.
- Art. 4 Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the improvement of Middleton Road, such sum to be used in conjunction with \$1000.00 from the state and \$500.00 from the County to be allotted under Chap. 90 of the General Laws, said moneys when

reimbursed to be credited to Surplus Revenue.

- Art. 5 Voted 34 yes, 6 no to raise and appropriate \$4400.00 for improving fire protection facilities in line with the recommendations of the committee appointed for that purpose, new equipment to be housed in West Roxford, and facilities there to be altered as required to take care of new equipment. The members of the committee were Simon S. Pearl, Herbert W. Sperry, Richard P. Chadwick, Joseph A. O'Rourke, and Robert F. Garrity.
- Art. 6 Voted to transfer \$5,000.00 from the Post-War Rehabilitation Fund to the School House Committee, to be used towards completing and originally equipping and furnishing the new school building.
- Art. 7 Voted to appoint a committee consisting of the Town Counsel, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, and the Board of Selectmen to study and make recommendations regarding recodification and revision of the town by-laws, not including the zoning by-law or building codes.
- Art. 8 Voted unanimously to amend Article 9 of the warrant for the annual town meeting so as to authorize the assessors to use a sum of free cash in the treasury not to exceed \$15,000.00, as they deem best to reduce the tax rate for the current year.
- Art. 9 Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for the purpose of taking the 1955 census.

Article¹⁰

Voted unanimously that the following resolution be adopted:

"Be it resolved: That in recognition of the long, faithful, and efficient services of Harry Lee Cole as an officer in several capacities of the Town of Boxford for a period of nearly half a century, that the new and modern school building of the Town of Boxford be named in honor of that worthy and sterling citizen, Harry Lee Cole."

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

None of the members of the Finance Committee were present, but their recommendations in regard to appropriations in the above articles had been received previous to the meeting.

A true record
Attest: E. Lawrence Colby
Town Clerk.

State Primary - Sept. 14, 1954

Agreeable to the foregoing warrant, the voters met at the Town Hall, Boxford, Precinct 1 at 6:30 a.m., and cast their votes for the officers listed below:

The polls were opened at 6:30 a.m. by Seth Kelsey, Warden.

The ballot box was opened, shown to be empty, then closed, and locked. The key was given to Seth Kelsey, Warden.

The polls closed at 1:30 p.m.

The ballot box then registered 58

The check list then showed the number of ballots cast to be 58

The ballots were counted, publicly declared, and recorded as follows:

Republican Party

Governor:

Christian G. Herber 49

Blanks 2

Lieutenant Governor

Sumner G. Whittier 51

Blanks 0

Secretary

Michael J. McCarthy 50

Blanks 1

Treasurer

Augustus W. Means 51

Blanks 0

State Primary, Sept. 14, 1954

Auditor	
William P. Constantino	50
Blanks	1
Attorney-General	
George Fungold	51
Blanks	0
Senator in Congress	
Leverett Saltonstall	51
Blanks	0
Congressman	
William H. Bates	50
Blanks	1
Councillor	
Arthur A. Thomson	51
Blanks	0
Senator (State)	
John Adams	48
Blanks	3
Representative in General Court	
Paul G. Zolls	51
Blanks	0
District Attorney	
Hugh A. Cregg	44
Philip L. Sisk	7
Blanks	0

Register of Probate & Insolvency	
Richard J. White, Jr.	49
Blanks	2
County Commissioner	
Arthur A. Thompson	28
David Burns	17
William H. Haskell	3
Blanks	3
County Treasurer	
David D. Black	9
J. Everett Collins	20
Bertram V. Hawthorne	5
Leslie E. Luscombe	1
Earle H. Smith	10
Blanks	6
Democratic Party	
Governor	
Robert F. Murphy	4
Francis E. Kelly	2
Blanks	1
Lieutenant-Governor	
James A. Burke	3
Blanks	4
Secretary	
Edward J. Cronin	5
Blanks	2

State Primary, Sept. 14, 1954

Treasurer

Clement A. Riley 1
William F. Carr 1
John F. Kennedy 1
Blanks 4

Auditor

Thomas J. Buckley 4
Blanks 3

Attorney General

John F. Collins 3
Blanks 4

Senator in Congress

Foster Furcolo 4
John J. Fitzgerald 1
Joseph L. Murphy 1
Blanks 1

Congressman

Andrew J. Gillis 4
John F. Gleason 1
Blank 2

Councillor

Michael J. Batal 3
Joseph F. Bateman 1
William G. Hennessey 1
Mario J. Luchesi 0
Blanks 2

Senator

Edward J. Ouellette 1
Edward Warren Phelan 2
Alcide St. Onge 0
Joseph Willett 0
Blanks 4

Representative in General Court

Allen B. Voss 3
Blanks 4

District Attorney

V. Frederick Sano 3
Blanks 4

Register of Probate and Insolvency

John J. Costello 1
Frank E. Riley, Jr. 4
Blanks 2

County Commissioners

John R. Ahern 2
Edmund F. Curley 1
Blanks 4

County Treasurer

Thomas F. Duffy 4
Blanks 3

A true copy

Attest: Franklin C. Roberts, clerk

A true copy

Attest: E. Lawrence Colby, town clerk

1954 (Precinct 2)

Record of the State Primary held in
Lincoln Hall on Tuesday, Sept. 14th, 1954

Ballot box 41 Check lists 41

Whole number of votes for Governor 41

R Christian A. Herter 29
D Robert F. Murphy 6
D Francis E. Kelly 2
Blanks 4

Whole number of votes for Lt. Governor 41

- Sumner G. Whittier 33
James A. Burke 7
Blanks 1

State Primary - Sept 14, 1954

Whole number of votes for Secretary		41
R	Michael J. McCarthy	31
D	Edward J. Cronin	8
	Blanks	2
Whole number of votes for Treasurer		41
R	Augustus G. Means	31
D	Clement A. Riley	6
D	William F. Carr	1
D	John F. Kennedy	1
	Blanks	2
Whole number of votes for Auditor		41
R	William P. Constantino	31
D	Thomas J. Buckley	8
	Blanks	2
Whole number of votes for Atty General		41
R	George Fenigold	33
D	John F. Collins	7
	Blanks	1
Whole number of votes for Senator on Congress		41
R	Leverett Saltonstall	33
D	Foster Furcolo	5
D	John J. Fitzgerald	1
D	Joseph L. Murphy	2
	Blanks	0
Whole number of votes for Congressman		41
R	William H. Bates	30
D	Andrew J. Gillis	3
D	John F. Gleason	5
	Blanks	3

Whole number of votes for Councillor		41
R	Arthur A. Thomson	33
D	Michael J. Batal	8
D	Joseph F. Baleman	0
D	William G. Hennessey	0
D	Mario J. Luchesi	0
	Blanks	0
Whole number of votes for Senator (state)		41
R	John Adams	33
D	Edward F. Ouellette	1
D	Edward Warren Phelan	1
D	Alcide R. St. Ange	4
D	Joseph Willett	2
	Blanks	0
Whole number of votes for Rep. in Gen Court		41
R	Paul G. Zollo	32
D	Allen B. Voss	7
	Blanks	2
Whole number of votes for Dist. Atty		41
R	Hugh A. Cregg	25
R	Philip L. Sisk	8
D	V. Frederick Sanso	7
	Blanks	1
Whole number of votes for Reg. of Prob. & Insolvency		41
R	Richard J. White	32
D	John J. Costello	5
D	Frank E. Riley, Jr	3
	Blanks	1

State Primary, Sept. 14, 1954

	Whole number of votes for County Commissioner	41
R	Arthur A. Thomson	26
R	David Burns	2
R	William H. Haskell	5
D	John R. Ahern	8
D	Edmund F. Curley	0
	Blanks	0

	Whole number of votes for County Treasurer	41
R	David D. Black	3
R	J. Everett Collins	18
R	Bertram V. Hawthorne	3
R	Leslie E. Luscombe	2
R	Earl H. Smith	6
D	Thomas F. Duffy	7
	Blanks	2

At 2:15 pm it was voted that the meeting be dissolved.

— Simon S. Pearl, Clerk Precinct 2.

A true copy
Attest, E. Laurence Colby
Town Clerk

State Election, Nov. 2, 1954

Agreeable to the foregoing Warrant, the voters met at the Town Hall in Boxford on Tuesday, Nov. 2, 1954 at 6:30 pm. and cast their ballots for the following officers and questions listed below.

The polls were opened at _____ A.M. by Seth L. Kelsey, warden.

The ballot box was opened: shown to be empty; and then closed and locked. The key was given to Seth L. Kelsey.

The polls were closed at 1:30 pm

The ballot box then registered 337

The check list showed the number of ballots cast to be 337

The number of ballots in the ballot-box on being counted was 337.

The ballots were then counted, publicly declared, and recorded as follows: —

Governor

Herter, Christian A.	Republican	309
Murphy, Robert F.	Democrat	26
Gilfedder, Lawrence	Socialist Labor	0
Williams, Guy S.	Prohibition	0
Blanks		2

Lieutenant Governor

Whittier, Sumner G.	Republican	311
Burke, James A.	Democrat	22
Babeock, Donald E.	Prohibition	0
Votano, Francis A.	Socialist Labor	1
Blanks		3

Secretary

Cronin, Edward J.	Democratic	45
McCarthy, Michael J.	Republican	27.5
Ingersoll, Fred M.	Socialist Labor	2
Ross, William D.	Prohibition	3
Blanks		12

Treasurer

Kennedy, John F.	Democratic	36
Means, Augustus G.	Republican	293
Blomen, Henning A.	Socialist Labor	1
Goddard, Isaac	Prohibition	0
Blanks		7

Auditor

Buckley, Thomas J.	Democratic	59
Constantino, William P.	Republican	266
Lauder, John B.	Prohibition	0
Martin, Anthony	Socialist Labor	0
Blanks		12

Attorney General

Fingold, George	Republican	299
Collins, John F.	Democratic	30
Rand, Howard B.	Prohibition	1
Rove, Malcolm F.	Socialist Labor	0
Blanks		7

Senator in Congress

Saltonstall, Leverett	Republican	309
Swicols, Foster	Democrat	23
Ingersoll, Thelma	Socialist Labor	1
Ireland, Harold J.	Prohibition	0
Blanks		4

Congressman

Bates, William H.	Republican	312
Gillis, Andrew J.	Democratic	15
Blanks		10

Councillor

Thomson, Arthur A.	Republican	304
Batal, Michael J.	Democratic	15
Blanks		10

Senator

Adams, John	Republican	304
Willett, Joseph	Democratic	21
Blanks		12

Rep. In Gen. Court

Zollo, Paul D.	Republican	300
Vosa, Alva B.	Democratic	24
Blanks		13

District Attorney

Clegg, Hugh A.	Republican	292
Sano, V. Frederick	Democratic	32
Blanks		13

Register of Probate & Insolvency

Castello, John J.	Democratic	54
White, Richard J.	Republican	273
Blanks		10

County Commissioner

Thompson, Arthur A.	Republican	290
Ahern, John R.	Democratic	33
Blanks		14

County Treasurer

Duffy, Thomas F.		33
Collins, J. Everett		288
Blanks		16

Question #1

A yes	40	B yes	46	C yes	78
No	272	No	260	No	238
Blanks	25	Blanks	31	Blanks	21

Question #2

A yes	83	B yes	86
No	220	No	212
Blanks	34	Blanks	39

A true record

Attest: Esther L. Hills, clerk
Precinct 1

A true copy

Attest: E. Lawrence Colby, town clerk

Nov. 2, 1954

Record of State Election held in Lincoln
Nov 2, 1954

	Whole number of votes cast for Governor	199
R	Christian A. Herter	154
D	Robert F. Murphy	44
SL	Lawrence G. Silfedder	
P	Guy S. Williams	
	Blanks	1

	Whole number of votes cast for Lt. Governor	199
R	Summer G. Whittier	158
D	James A. Burke	38
P	Donald E. Babcock	1
SL	Francis A. Votano	
	Blanks	2

	Whole number of votes for Secretary	199
D	Edward J. Cronin	54
R	Michael J. McCarthy	138
SL	Fred M. Ingersoll	
P	William D. Ross	1
	Blanks	6

	Whole number of votes for Treasurer	199
D	John F. Kennedy	45
R	Augustus G. Means	149
SL	Henning A. Blomen	
P	Isaac Goddard	1
	Blanks	4

	Whole number of votes for Auditor	199
D	Thomas J. Buckley	60
R	William P. Constantino	134
P	John B. Lauder	1
SL	Anthony Martin	
	Blanks	4

State Election - Nov. 2, 1954

	Whole number of votes for Attorney General	199
R	George F. Ingold	158
D	John F. Collins	37
P	Howard B. Rand	1
SL	Malcolm T. Rowe	
	Blanks	3

	Total for Senator in Congress	199
R	Levett Saltonstall	155
D	Foster Furcolo	43
SL	Thelma Ingersoll	
P	Harold J. Ireland	
	Blank	1

	Total for Congressman	199
R	William H. Bates	164
D	Andrew J. Gillis	30
	Blanks	5

	Total for Councillor	199
R	Arthur G. Thomson	145
D	Michael J. Batal	50
	Blanks	4

	Total for Senator	199
R	John Adams	157
D	Joseph Willett	39
	Blanks	3

	Total for Rep. in General Court	199
R	Paul B. Zollo	161
D	Allen B. Voss	34
	Blanks	4

	Total for District Attorney	199
R	Hugh V. A. Cregg	154
D	V. Frederick Saw	40
	Blanks	3