

Total for Register of Probate & Insolvency 199

D John J. Costello 61
R Richard J. White, Jr. 134
Blanks 4

Total for County Commissioner 199

R. Arthur A. Thompson 151
D. John R. Ahern 43
Blanks 5

Total for County Treasurer 199

D Thomas F. Duffy 44
R J. Everett Collins 148
Blanks 7

License question #1

A	Yes	38	B	Yes	36	C	Yes	45
	No	145		No	141		No	136
	Blanks	16		Blanks	22		Blanks	18

Question #2 - Pari-mutuel on horses

A	Yes	69	B	Yes	54
	No	108		No	114
	Blanks	22		Blanks	31

Check list 199 Ballot Box 199

At 2:35 pm it was voted the meeting be dissolved.

Simon S. Pearl, clerk precinct 2, Boxford

A true copy - attest E. Lawrence Colby
Town Clerk

Annual Town Meeting

The annual town meeting of the voters of Boxford was held at the Legion Hall, West Boxford, at 8 P.M. with, March 7, 1955 with William J. Greenler, 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 as contained in the town report.

The Committee appointed at the last special town meeting to make recommendations regarding recodification and revision of the town by-laws, excluding the zoning by-law & building code, reported no drastic revision is necessary, and it would be not be considered warranted to undertake the expense of a general revision or of a premature printing at this time. The committee recommended it be continued to make further recommendations at such time as they deemed advisable in the future.

Art. 2 Voted to adopt the suggested budget as amended.

Art. 3 Voted to appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for for the maintenance of Road Machinery, said amount to be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund.

Art. 4 Voted to appropriate \$2,000.00 for the Reserve Fund, said amount to be transferred from Overlay Reserve.

Art. 5 Voted to appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of \$21,000.00 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, 1955, 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 \$10,000.00 free cash in the Treasury for the purpose of reducing the tax rate for the current year.
- Art. 10 Unanimously voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60.59 to pay a 1953 telephone bill of the Fire Department.
- Art. 11 Voted to appropriate \$324.17 refunded from the County on account of dog licenses, the amount to be divided equally between the libraries at the two ends of the town.
- Art. 12 Voted to pass over
- Art. 13 Voted to raise & appropriate the sum of \$2500.00 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 raise and appropriate \$1,000.00 toward the improvement of Baldpate Road on petition of Catherine

Thomas, et al.

- Art. 15 Voted to raise and appropriate \$600.00 to be divided equally between the two libraries for the use towards the maintenance of the same.
- Art. 16 Voted to accept with thanks a gift of land from Harlan P. Kelsey, Inc. of approximately $4\frac{1}{3}$ acres, shown as public lot on plan of land belonging to Harlan P. Kelsey, Inc., dated February 10, 1955, Bradford & Weed, Civil Engineers, scale 1" = 200 ft., including the area commonly known as "Round Top", and that a Board of Administration be ^{appointed} ~~approved~~ consisting of 1 Selectman, 1 member of the School Board, 1 Highway Surveyor, and 1 member of the Planning Board, by the moderator to supervise the land so deeded, such acceptance to be conditional upon approval of the subdivision by the Planning Board, with one year to be allowed the donor to remove nursery stock from the area.
- Art. 17 Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,500 to install indoor toilets in both Town Halls upon petition of Bowford and West Bowford Granges.
- Art. 18 Voted to act in cooperation with one or more towns within the Commonwealth to create a special unpaid board to be known as the regional district planning board, said board to consist of three members from each participating town to be appointed by its moderator, and one of said members to be a member of its school committee; to authorize the moderator to appoint as said board three registered voters of the town, one of whom shall be a member of the school committee, for the purpose of studying the advisability of establishing a regional school district and making a report and recommendations relative thereto as soon as possible but not later than the next annual town meeting, in compliance with Chapter 638, Section 14, 14A, and

14B of the acts of 1949.

Art. 19 Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the purpose of establishing a School Lunch Account in accordance with statutes applicable.

Art. 20 Voted to enact the following by-law: "A quorum for the transaction of business at any town meeting shall be fifty voters," (by hand vote 50-10)

Art. 21 Voted to pass over.

Art. 22 Voted to hold the election of the Town Officers from 12 noon until 8 p.m.

Art. 23 Voted unanimously to allow Mr. R. C. Tourtellot, of Northern Homes, Distributors, Inc. to explain his companies subdivision plans on the Silva property, and their intention of ^{extending} ~~continuing~~ the Topsfield water system into the project if the town of Buxford approved.

The following resolution was accepted by the voters:
"Resolved: that this meeting is of the mind that the Board of Selectmen, or a committee of their appointees, investigate and procure a recreation area to be restricted to the use of the residents of the Town of Buxford by June, 1955; this area to contain ample facilities for swimming and other recreations, along with a parking area; and that if necessary, a special town meeting be called by this committee, to approve the site chosen and raise such money as may be necessary."

The meeting was adjourned at 11 o'clock.

A true record

Attest: E. Lawrence Colby,
Town Clerk

Adopted Budget, March 7, 1955

	\$
Selectmen	1400.00
Board of Public Welfare	300.00
Assessors	1600.00
Treasurer	475.00
Town Clerk	450.00
Accountant	1700.00
Tax Collector	1600.00
Registrars:	100.00
Elections	100.00
Town Counsel	500.00
Appeal Board	150.00
Building Inspector	500.00
Ware Inspector	500.00
Finance Committee	100.00
Inspectors of Slaughtering	1200.00
Board of Health	1150.00
Inspector of Animals	50.00
Planning Board	25.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	35.00
Dog Officer	60.00
Police	2000.00
Deputy Game Warden	—
Forest Warden	1500.00
Fire Warden	1500.00
Tree Warden	1500.00
Moth Suppression	1300.00
Dutch Elm Disease Control	750.00
Central Essex Welfare District, Admin	—
Public Welfare	1000.00
Disability Assistance	1000.00
Old Age Assistance	10000.00
Aid to dependent Children	3000.00
Veterans Benefits	1,000.00
School Department	69,297.00
Vocational Education	600.00
Chap. 81 Maintenance	2800.00
Chap. 90 Construction	2500.00

Adopted Budget (Continued)

Chap. 90 Maintenance	1,000.00	
Highways and Bridges, Selectmen's Fund	800.00	
Snow Removal & Sanding	6,000.00	
Road Machinery Maintenance	500.00	
Street Lighting	775.00	
Town Halls	1500.00	
Public Grounds	250.00	
Insurance	6300.00	
Town Forest	200.00	
Memorial Day	250.00	
Soldiers' Graves	225.00	
Harmony Cemetery	50.00	
Mt. Vernon Cemetery	50.00	
Bosford Village Cemetery	200.00	
Clerical	300.00	
Town Reports	500.00	
Civil Defense	445.00	
Selectmen's Contingent Fund	500.00	
Essex Sanatorium	1242.27	
State Parks & Reservations	192.40	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	799.46	
County Tax	3,879.00	
County Retirement System	1,560.68	
Interest on Maturing Debt	3,100.00	
School House Note	7,000.00	
Community House	150.00	
		149,510
Total Budget Appropriations		150,012.81
Other items:		
Article 10	60.59	
" 13	2500.00	
" 14	1000.00	
" 15	600.00	
" 17	3500.00	
" 19	200.00	
		7,960.59
Total to be raised and appropriated		\$157,471.40
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Transfers

Article	3	\$ 500.00
"	4	2000.00
"	5	21000.00
"	9	10,000.00
"	11	<u>324.17</u>
Total transfers		\$ <u>33,824.17</u>

Annual Town Election - March 8, 1955

Agreeable to the foregoing warrant, the voters met at Lincoln Hall, West Bosford, on Tuesday, March 8, 1955 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. Greenler, Jr. The ballot box was opened, shown to be empty, then closed & locked. The custody of the key was given to Constable Walter H. Hamons. The polls closed at 1:30 p.m. The ballot box then registered 142. The check list showed the number of ballots cast to be 142. The ballots were then counted, publicly declared, and recorded as follows:

Moderator, for one year	
William J. Greenler, Jr.	139
Blanks	3
Selectman, for three years	
Raymond Perley	109
Roger Moulton	28
Blanks	5
Town Treasurer, for three years	
Lucy K. Parkhurst	137
Blanks	5
Collector of Taxes, for one year	
Simon S. Pearl	139
Blanks	3
Assessor of Taxes, for three years	
Harry L. Cole	132
Blanks	10

Annual Town Election - March 8, 1955

School Committee, for 3 years	
John Stuart Haywood	119
William Dorman	1
Earle Blake	1
Roger Moulton	2
Norman Hoogerziel	1
Blanks	18
Board of Health, for three years	
Raymond Perlij	134
Roger Moulton	2
Blanks	6
Surveyor of Highways (East Parish) for one year	
Clinton E. French	136
Blanks	6
Surveyor of Highways (West Parish) for one year	
B. Robert Cunningham	136
Baron Fryer	1
Richard Cunningham	1
Blanks	4
Tree Warden, for one year	
Aleron E. Noyes	137
Blanks	5
Constable (East Parish) for one year	
Nathaniel N. Love, Jr	131
William Dorman	1
E. Preston Gould	1
Blanks	9
Constable (West Parish) for one year	
Walter H. Gamans	138
Blank	4
Planning Board, for five years (vote for 2)	
J. Warren Chadwick	129
William E. Dorman	104
Harry L. Cole	1
Clinton E. French	1
Blanks	49
Member of Committee on School Funds (for life)	
Richard P. Chadwick	130
Blanks	12

A true record:

Attest: Ethel Cole, clerk

A true copy

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Special Town Meeting, Sept. 19, 1955

A special town meeting of the voters of Bradford was held in the Harry L. Cole School on Monday, Sept. 19, 1955. The meeting was called to order at 8 P.M. by William J. Brewer, Jr., the moderator and a short prayer was offered by Rev. Charles L. Atkins. The following action was taken:

- Art. 1 Voted to appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of \$2,400 to meet the State and County allotments for highways, said money when reimbursed to be credited to Surplus Revenue.
- Art. 2 Voted to appropriate the sum of \$504.98 refunded from insurance to repair boiler damage at the Aaron Wood School.
- Art. 3 Voted to appropriate the sum of \$151.93 refunded from insurance to be expended for the repair of the stage curtain at the Harry L. Cole School.
- Art. 4 Voted to accept the sum of \$192.50 from the Parent-Teachers' Association and appropriate the said sum for the purchase of kitchen equipment for the Harry L. Cole School.
- Art. 5 Voted to transfer the sum of \$26.95 from the Memorial Day Appropriation to the Morse House account.

Special Town Meeting, Sept. 19, 1958

Art. 6 Voted, ^{to appropriate} the sum of \$500.00 from Surplus Revenue for the acquisition of a parcel of land adjoining the Town Hall property, now belonging to Hills, in connection with the installation of toilets as previously voted.

Art. 7 Voted to appropriate the sum of \$30.00 from Surplus Revenue for the acquisition of certain property adjacent to the West Buxford fire house for the purpose of widening the road at the fire house entrance.

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Art. 9 Voted to appropriate the sum of \$200.00 from Surplus Revenue for the purchase of a ground tester for the use of the tire inspector.

Art. 10 Voted to install an electric street light on Pole #270 on Maple Avenue.

Art. 11 Voted, that the town adopt the following by-law: "Where, in the course of their duties, the Board of Health deem it necessary to conduct percolation tests in connection with sewage disposal permits, the applicant shall pay the fee therefor."

This by-law was adopted 78 yes, 8 no, by a show of hands.

Art. 12 Voted that the town adopt the following by-law:
"No person shall operate upon any pond, lake, or other waterway within the town, a motorboat having an outboard or inboard motor

of more than ^{Five} 5 horse power, and no person owning such a motorboat shall permit such operation by any other person. Any violation of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than twenty-five dollars." (passed unanimously)

Art. 13 Voted to amend subsection 4 of section XI of the zoning by-law, by striking out one acre and substituting two acres, and striking out two hundred feet and substituting two hundred and fifty feet, by striking out "said house not to occupy more than twenty per cent of the area" and by adding the provision: lots laid out by recorded deed or conveyance or shown on any duly recorded plan, or plan which has been approved by the Planning Board, complying with by-law provisions if any applicable at the time of such recording or approval, may be used so as to read: land laid out after the adoption of these bylaws shall provide for each dwelling of the following minimum lot areas and dimensions: for a one-family dwelling, not under two acres and at least two hundred and fifty feet frontage except lots laid out by recorded deed or conveyance or shown on any duly recorded plan, or plan which has been approved by the Planning Board, complying with by-law provisions if any applicable at the time of such recording or approval may be used.

Passed by hand vote 94 yes, 13 no.

Art 14 Resolved: that the meeting declare itself in favor of transferring the postal facilities of the East Buxford Post Office to a R. F. D. route out of the Buxford Post Office with its members drawn from the E. Buxford Post Office and the Georgetown and Topsfield R. F. D. Routes, with Gerald Briabois, the present E. Buxford postmaster operating the new

Approved by
Oct. 11/5/58

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