

Nov. 8 1960

County Commissioner (2)

C. F. Nelson Pratt 252

Daniel K. Burke 46

Louis J. Scanlon 44

Arthur A. Thompson 207

Blanks 99

County Treasurer

Thomas F. Duffy 63

David D. Black 253

Blanks 8

Question #1

A yes 70

no 222

blanks 32

B yes 76

no 209

blanks 39

C yes 106

no 190

blanks 28

A true record

Attest: E. Laurence Gilby, town clerk

Annual Town Meeting

March 6, 1961

The voters of Bofford met at the Masconomet Regional District High School, Bofford, on March 6, 1961, at 8 P.M. William J. Greener, Jr. presided as moderator over the two hundred members present.

Before the articles of the warrant were taken up, Mr. & Mrs. Harry L. Cole were escorted to the stage, and Seth L. Kelsey, speaking for the townspeople, gave a resume of Mr. Cole's continuous service to the town extending over a half century as Selectman, Assessor, Overseer of the Poor, and member of the Board of Health. Raymond Perley, a long time fellow member of the Board of Selectmen, presented Mr. Cole with an engraved plaque, and Mrs. Cole was presented with a bouquet of red and white carnations by Mrs. Simon S. Pearl, a friend of many years. The presence of photographers and television men from the metropolitan area demonstrated that Mr. Cole has attained a stature beyond the unquestioned affection of his townspeople.

The articles of the warrant were disposed of as follows:

Art. 1 Voted to accept the reports of the various Town Officers and Committees as printed in the annual Town Report.

Art 2 Voted to adopt the suggested budget as printed with two exceptions - "School" appropriation was increased \$1800.00 to \$139,020.00 and \$300.00 "Vocational Education" appropriation was eliminated.

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 \$5000.00 for the Reserve Fund, said amount to be transferred from the Overlay Reserve.

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- Art 5. 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, 1961, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable 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 6. Voted to pass over.
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- Art 8. Voted to appropriate \$391.84 refunded from the County on account of dog licenses, to be divided equally between the two libraries of the town.
- Art 9. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1100.00 to be divided equally between the two libraries of the Town for use toward the maintenance of said libraries.
- Art 10. Voted to accept the provisions of Chapter 760 of the Acts of 1960 relative to State Aid for Public Libraries.
- Art 11. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$89.00 to purchase a radio receiver for the West Bofford Fire House; this to be on the Bofford Fire frequency.
- Art 12. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to purchase one 5 KW 110V AC, underwriter's laboratory approved, generator for standby use at Fire Headquarters.
- Art 13. Voted to enact the following by-law:
"Owners and drivers of trucks and trailers of 1/2 ton capacity or over, carrying loose materials over the highways of Bofford, shall be required to have the load properly secured by binders or covers to prevent loose material from flying out.
Any breach of this by-law shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$20.00 on conviction thereof."
The by law was passed by voice vote without opposition.

- Art 14. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6000.00 to be used in conjunction with state and County funds to continue the improvement of Topsfield Rd and of Washington Street under Chapter 90 with the following restrictions:
"The plan for the improvement of Topsfield Road in the area as surveyed and mapped by the County engineers, will not be accepted without the prior and complete approval of Patrick J. Horgan and Robert H. Poor, both of whom have generously offered to give of their land to the Town for this purpose.
The extent of the modification of Topsfield Road shall be restricted to the present lands belonging to the above-mentioned Horgan and Poor.
Further, that the balance of the \$6000.00 of Article 14 will be used for the improvement of that section of Washington St. in West Bofford at or near the residence of Henry W. Nason, but will not be used for any changes of roads at or near West Bofford Center."
- Art 15. Voted to appropriate from Surplus Revenue the sum of \$34,500.00 to meet the state and County allotments for highways, the money when reimbursed to be credited to Surplus Revenue.
- Art 16. Voted to accept Lantern Lane as a public way.
- Art 17. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for the purchase of a highway "broom" for the use of the highway department.
- Art 18. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2250.00 for the purchase of a sander for the use of the highway department.
- Art 19. Voted to continue the same hours of voting at state & town elections.
- Art 20. Voted to accept the provisions of Chapter 647 of the Acts of 1960 relative to increasing certain retirement allowances and pensions.
- Art 21. Voted unanimously to enact the following
c-o-n-t'd

Art. 21 By-law:
Cont'd "The Selectmen may appoint an inspector of gas piping and gas appliances to enforce rules and regulations adopted under Gen. Laws, Chapter 25, Section 12-H."

Art. 22 Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of 1500.00 to finish the fire house in West Boxford and build a cement or cinder block room to house the furnace.

Art. 23 Voted to adjourn at 10:30 p.m.

A true record:

Attest: E. Laurence Colby
Town clerk

Budget adopted for 1961

	\$
Selectmen	1450.00
Board of Public Welfare	300.00
Assessors	2100.00
Treasurer	650.00
Town Clerk	450.00
Collector of Taxes	2000.00
Town Accountant	2500.00
Registrars	200.00
Elections	200.00
Planning Board	275.00
Appeal Board	200.00
Building Inspector	900.00
Wire Inspector	850.00
Finance Committee	30.00
Town Counsel	500.00
Board of Health	3000.00
Inspection of Slaughtering	1000.00
Inspector of Animals	50.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	35.00
Dog Officer	70.00
Police	5500.00
Forest Warden	2500.00

Fire Warden	2000.00
Tree Warden	1400.00
Fire Suppression	1500.00
Dutch Elm Disease Control	2000.00
Public Welfare	} 21000.00
Disability Assistance	
Aid to Dependent Children	
Old Age Assistance	
Central Essex Welfare	668.00
Veteran's Benefits	1500.00
School	139,020.00
Regional District School	159,280.05
Highways & Bridges, Selectmen's Fund	1000.00
Chapter #81 - Maintenance	3000.00
Road Machinery Maintenance	1000.00
Snow Removal and Sanding	11000.00
Street Lighting	850.00
Highway Vacation Account	1000.00
Sick Benefit	200.00
Town Halls	1700.00
Public Grounds	300.00
Town Forest	200.00
Civil Defense	450.00
Insurance	5500.00
Memorial Day	300.00
Soldier's Graves	225.00
Mt. Vernon Cemetery	50.00
Harmony Cemetery	50.00
Boxford Village Cemetery	150.00
Town Reports	850.00
Clerical	900.00
Selectmen's Contingent Fund	500.00
Interest on Maturing Debt	3600.00
School House Note	67000.00

Total Budget
(over)

\$ 453,953.05

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Other amounts to be raised & appropriated

Art. 9	\$ 1100.00	
" 11	189.00	
" 12	500.00	
" 14	6000.00	
" 17	1000.00	
" 18	2250.00	
" 22	1500.00	
Total		12,439.00
Total Budget (see previous page)		453,953.05
Total to be raised & appropriated		466,392.05

Transfers =

Art. 3	\$ 500.00	
" 4	5,000.00	
" 8	391.84	
" 15	34,500.00	
Total Transfers		40,391.84

A true record:

Attest: E. Lawrence Colby
town clerk

Town Election, Mar 7, 1961

Precinct 1 & 2

Place Lincoln Hall, W. Roxford

Polls opened at 12 M

No. of ballots cast 661

Check list 661

Ballot box 661

Polls closed at 8 PM

Moderator, for one year (1)

William J. Greener, Jr. 617

Blanks 44

Selectman for 3 years (1)

William R. Davis 75

Harold R. Galloway 30

George A. Gould, Jr. 205

Charles H. Pinkham II 108

Franklin C. Roberts, Jr. 238

Blanks 5

Town treasurer, for three years (1) 631

Lucy N. Parkhurst 30

Blanks

Collector of Taxes, for one year (1) 231

Frederick A. Smallman 231

Richard A. Spofford 190

Ella M. Walsh 225

Blanks 15

Assessor of Taxes, for three years (1) 619

Harry L. Cole 42

Blanks

Town Election
Mar 7, 1961

School Committee for three years (2)

David S. Waters	552
Shirley L. Mac Gill	374
Albert C. Nault	93
Thomas N. Totten	125
Blanks	177
William Cheney	1

School Committee for two years (1)

Edward G. Molin	280
E. Arthur Woodbury	326
Blanks	55

Board of Health for three years (1)

Raymond Perley	628
Blanks	33

Surveyor of Highways (East Parish) ^{for one year} (1)

Clinton E. French	618
Blanks	43

Surveyor of Highways (West Parish) ^{for one year} (1)

B. Robert Cunningham	616
Blanks	45

Tree Warden, for one year (1)

Alerson E. Hoyes	625
Blanks	36

Constable (East Parish) for one year (1)

Nathaniel N. Love, Jr.	614
Blanks	46
Robert B. McSinnity	1

Constable (West Parish) for one year (1)

Walter H. Samans	605
Blank	56

Planning Board, for five years (2)

Warren R. Godfrey	428
Simion S. Pearl	515
Allen E. Griffin	221
Blanks	158

Regional District School Committee (1)

Hans W. Barber	339
Ben W. Freeman	245
Blanks	75
Dana Cahoon	1
Robert McSinnity	1

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Appointments by Selectmen, March 31, 1961
(from March 15, 1961 to March 15, 1962)

Nathaniel N. Love, Jr.	Middleton Rd.	Chief of Police
James P. Gray	Georgetown Rd.	Police Officer
Henry W. Nason	Washington St.	" "
Charles H. Getchell	Main St	" "
Earle Blake	Stiles Pond	" "
Walter H. Gamans, Jr.	Main St	" "
Peter L. Veltos	Georgetown Rd	" "
Cecil H. Farnsworth	Depot Rd	" "
Clinton C. French	Elm St	" "
Ethel N. Walker	Main St.	" "

Recorded April 8, 1961

Attest: E. Laurence Colby, town clerk

May 20, 1961

James T. Stromberg, Hemlock Rd. Police Officer
Attest: E. Laurence Colby, town clerk

Special Town Meeting

November 27, 1961.

The Voters of Bowford met at the Masconomet Regional School on Nov. 27, 1961 at 8 p.m. with William J. Greener, Jr., serving as moderator. After a prayer by Rev. Ellsworth Comins, the articles of the warrant were acted upon as follows:

1. Voted to accept an amendment of the agreement establishing the Masconomet Regional School District initiated by the Regional District School Committee on May 24, 1961, and providing that capital costs will be apportioned in accordance with the number of children residing in each town and receiving education, excepting certain special education, in grades 7 through 12 at such town's expense as of October 1 next preceding the

Nov. 27, 1961

year for which the apportionment is made, debt service included in capital costs being apportioned as a capital cost of the year in which the same falls due.

2. The School Building Committee reported that it expected to return ^{to the town} 19,000 from the money appropriated for the addition to the Harry Lee Cole School.

The Recreation Committee reported that a skating rink has been provided in the Boy Scout Park area.

The Board of Health reported that rabies shots for dogs will be available in the near future.

3. Voted to acquire for school purposes by right of eminent domain if selectmen so chose, or otherwise, the parcel of land adjacent to the present town dump owned by the Paul N. Spofford estate, and to appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 from available funds therefor.
4. Voted to transfer the sum of \$185.00 from the Insurance Account to the Vacation Account.
5. Voted to transfer the sum of \$251.00 to Snow Removal; \$151.00 from Highway Department Sander Account, and \$100.00 from Highway Broom Account.
6. Voted to accept the deed of a portion of the Boy Scout Park, negotiated and executed in pursuance to votes at prior meetings.
7. Voted to purchase 21 acres, ^{touching} on Baldpate Pond for use as a swimming area and park for the sum of \$12,875.00, said amount to be transferred from available funds.