

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**  
**October 14, 1986**

Voters of the Town of Boxford met at the Maseconomet Regional High School Auditorium on Tuesday, October 14, 1986. Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the meeting to order at 7:33 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 pay bills of charge from FY 1986, or take any other actions thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from overlay surplus reserve the sum of \$3,347 to pay the following bills of charge from FY 1986: Electrical Inspector \$2,500; Chevron \$219; Dealer Tires \$115.72; E. J. Reimitis \$98; North Shore Weeklies \$104.24; Darman Wing (PB) \$45.09; O'Brien Ambulance \$244; Total amount of \$3,346.05.

**ARTICLE 2.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund the 1986-1988 collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Boxford and the Boxford Police Benevolent Association, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from the "Police-all other" FY 1987 Budget to the "Police-Overtime" FY 1987 Budget the sum of \$8,000 and further that the Town transfer from overlay surplus reserve the sum of \$31,416 to the FY 1987 Police Budget as follows: \$20,211 to the "Police-Overtime" account and \$11,205 to the "Police Reserve" account. This funds the FY 1987 portion of the 1986-1988 collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Boxford 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 purchase and equip a water rescue boat, trailer and engines for the Fire Department, 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 transfer from overlay surplus reserve the sum of \$3,474 to purchase and equip a water rescue boat, trailer and engines for the Fire Department, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of \$18,000 to train first responders and purchase equipment and materials necessary for a First Responder level of emergency medical response by the Fire Department, 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 transfer from free cash the sum of \$18,000 to train first responders and purchase equipment and materials necessary for a First Responder level of emergency medical response by the Fire Department, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to purchase 20 portable pagers for the Fire Department, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

**EXPLANATION:** This will allow the fire whistle to be turned off from 11 p.m. until 6 a.m. daily.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 101 affirmative and 83 negative, to transfer from free cash the sum of \$6,000 to purchase 20 portable pages for the Fire Department, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to the General Insurance FY 1987 budget, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from overlay surplus reserve the sum of \$23,000 to the General Insurance FY 1987 budget.

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of \$450 to the Selectmen FY 1987 Budget to fund a part-time Clerk-Typist II for the Personnel Board, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from overlay surplus reserve the sum of \$450 to the Selectmen FY 1987 Budget to fund a part-time Clerk-Typist II for the Personnel Board.

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of \$250 to the Selectmen FY 1987 Budget to fund expenses for the Groundwater Study Committee, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from overlay surplus reserve the sum of \$250 to the Selectmen FY 1987 Budget to fund expenses for the Groundwater Study Committee.

**ARTICLE 9.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to the Assessors FY 1987 Budget to fund the additional expenses of the revaluation of property assessments, 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 \$10,000 to fund the FY 1987 revaluation of property assessments, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Assessors.

**ARTICLE 10.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to hire a consultant or engineering firm to study and make recommendations on the necessary widening of Lockwood Lane due to anticipated increase in traffic, 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 transfer from free cash the sum of \$10,000 to hire a consultant or engineering firm to study and make recommendations on the necessary widening of Lockwood Lane due to anticipated increase in traffic, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

**ARTICLE 11.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of \$4,650 to the Sanitary Department of Public Works FY 1987 Budget to fund a second landfill operator at the landfill, or take any other action thereon.

**EXPLANATION:** To correct an error in wording of the 1986 Annual Town Meeting Article 30 vote.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from free cash the sum of \$4,650 to the Department of Public Works FY 1987 Budget to fund a second landfill operator at the sanitary landfill.

**ARTICLE 12.** To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 5-6-1-e of its Bylaws by inserting the words "Library Director" and "...Communications Director," or take any other action thereon.

**EXPLANATION:** To correct oversight in Personnel By-law passed at 1986 Annual Town Meeting.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to amend Section 5-6-1-e of the Bylaws by inserting the words "Library Director" after "Communications Director" and delete the word "other" after "...any", so that the section

will now read: "Management employees and Department heads include Chief of Police, Deputy Chief of Police, Superintendent of Public Works, Executive Secretary, Town Accountant, Communications Director, Library Director and any full time management position under the direction of the Board of Selectmen".

**ARTICLE 13.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to hire a land survey company to survey a parcel of land owned by Stanwood Morss in connection with the purchase of development rights under the Agricultural Preservation and Restoration Act, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from overlay surplus reserve the sum of \$10,000 to hire a land survey company to survey a parcel of land owned by Stanwood Morss in connection with the purchase of development rights under the Agricultural Preservation and Restoration Act, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

**ARTICLE 14.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to purchase and install an air conditioner in the office of the Tax Collector/Treasurer, 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 \$1,150 to purchase and install an air conditioner in the office of the Tax Collector/Treasurer, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

A motion was made and duly seconded to amend the article as follows: to transfer from free cash a sum not to exceed \$350 to purchase and install an air conditioner in the office of Tax Collector/Treasurer.

The amendment was defeated by majority voice vote.

**ARTICLE 15.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of \$3,800 to Article 24 of the May 14, 1985 Annual Town Meeting to fund additional fire protection devices at the Boxford Community Center, or or to take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from free cash the sum of \$3,800 to Article 24 of the May 14, 1985 Annual Town Meeting to fund additional fire protection devices at the Boxford Community Center

**ARTICLE 16.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of \$14,562 to the Police-All Other FY 1987 Budget to fund the clerical line item, or take any other action thereon.

**EXPLANATION:** This entire line item was inadvertently removed from the final Police Budget presented to the May Annual Town Meeting.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to transfer from free cash the sum of \$14,562 to the Police-All Other FY 1987 Budget to fund the clerical line item.

**ARTICLE 17.** To see if the Town will accept a deed from Otis Curtis for land on the west side of Main Street as shown on a plan of land drawn by Neve Associates, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to accept a deed from Otis Curtis for land on the west side of Main Street as shown a plan of land drawn by Neve Associates titled "Main Street-Land of Otis Curtis, plan showing new street line, land gift, change in street line", Scale 1"=100', dated 10/10/86; containing 27,000 square feet according to said plan.

**ARTICLE 18.** To see if the Town will vote to request the Selectmen of Boxford to ask the Department of Public Utilities (DPU) to halt further construction in Boxford of the 370,000 volt overhead transmission lines planned between Amesbury and Tewksbury until the Energy Facilities Siting Council has ruled on pending litigation and to take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote and confirmed by hand count vote, 157 affirmative and 13 negative, that the Selectmen of Boxford ask the Department of Public Utilities (DPU) to halt further construction in Boxford of the 345,000 volt overhead transmission lines planned between Amesbury and Tewksbury until the Energy Facilities Siting Council has ruled on pending litigation.

**ARTICLE 19.** To transact any other business that may come before said meeting.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to dissolve the Special Town Meeting at 9:35 p.m.

Registered voters attending the meeting were 216. Counters and checkers for the meeting were appointed by Town Clerk Frank H. Weatherby.

A true record.

ATTEST:

Frank H. Weatherby  
Town Clerk

**TRANSFERS**

Article 1	\$ 3,347.00
Article 2	39,416.00
Article 3	3,474.00
Article 4	18,000.00
Article 5	6,000.00
Article 6	23,000.00
Article 7	450.00
Article 8	250.00
Article 9	10,000.00
Article 10	10,000.00
Article 11	4,650.00
Article 13	10,000.00
Article 14	1,150.00
Article 15	3,800.00
Article 16	14,562.00
<b>TOTAL TO BE TRANSFERRED</b>	<b>\$148,099.00</b>