

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**  
**November 14, 1989**

Voters of the Town of Boxford met at the Harry Lee Cole School Auditorium on Tuesday, November 14, 1989. Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the meeting to order at 8:03 p.m. The articles of the warrant were disposed of as follows:

**ARTICLE 1.** To see if the Town will vote to **reduce** by the sum of \$96,000 the total amount previously raised and appropriated for the fiscal year 1990 Town Budget (Article 3, May 9, 1989 Annual Town Meeting, as amended by Articles 1 and 2 of the June 20, 1989 Special Town Meeting), and to simultaneously **transfer** \$96,000 from free cash to supplement the funding of that budget, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to **reduce** by the sum of \$96,000 the total amount previously raised and appropriated for the fiscal year 1990 Town Budget (Article 3, May 9, 1989 Annual Town Meeting, as amended by Articles 1 and 2 of the June 20, 1989 Special Town Meeting), and to simultaneously **transfer** \$96,000 from free cash to supplement the funding of that budget.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

**ARTICLE 2.** To see if the Town will vote to reduce the fiscal year 1990 Masconomet Regional School District budget line item by \$45,920 to reflect a reduction by the Regional District School Committee, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to reduce the fiscal year 1990 Masconomet Regional School District budget line item by \$45,920 to reflect a reduction by the Regional District School Committee.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

**ARTICLE 3.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from free cash a sum of money to fund the 1989-1990 Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Town of Boxford and the Boxford Communications Dispatchers and Police Secretary Employees 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 a sum of \$4,004.00 to fund the 1989-1990 Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Town of Boxford and the Boxford Communications Dispatchers and Police Secretary Employees Association.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of \$985.00 to fund the 1989-1990 Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Town of Boxford and the Boxford Public Works Employees 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 \$985.00 to fund the 1989-1990 Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Town of Boxford and the Boxford Public Works Employees Association.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, the sum of \$50,000 to fund additional insurance costs as follows: \$40,000 added to the fiscal year 1990 Health and Life Insurance line item and \$10,000 added to the General Insurance line item, 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 \$50,000 to fund additional insurance costs as follows: \$40,000 added to the fiscal year 1990 Health and Life Insurance line item and \$10,000 added to the General Insurance line item.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, the sum of \$34,600 to purchase or lease/purchase a D-6H bulldozer for the Department of Public Works, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

A motion was made and seconded to transfer from free cash the sum of \$34,600 to affirm the contract entered into by the Board of Selectmen on June 12, 1989, and purchase a D-6H bulldozer for the Department of Public Works, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 58 in favor and 34 opposed, to amend the original motion to postpone action pending further study by the Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee, said study to be reported prior to the next Town Meeting.

It was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to postpone action pending further study by the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee, said study to be reported prior to the next Town Meeting.

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$159,197.00 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 140, Acts of 1985	\$29,179.00
Chapter 206, Acts of 1986	\$31,487.00
Chapter 199, Acts of 1987	\$32,294.00
Chapter 15, Acts of 1988	\$64,237.00

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to appropriate the sum of \$157,197.00 for highway maintenance and construction in anticipation of state aid allotment, said monies predicted on state reimbursement of the following:

Chapter 140, Acts of 1985	\$29,179.00
Chapter 206, Acts of 1986	\$31,487.00
Chapter 199, Acts of 1987	\$32,294.00
Chapter 15, Acts of 1988	\$64,237.00

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of \$5,500 to be added to the Town's Unemployment Insurance 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 \$5,500 to be added to the Town's Unemployment Insurance fund.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

**ARTICLE 9.** To see if the Town will transfer from free cash the sum of \$7,480.88 to cover a fiscal year 1989 bill of charge (lunch fund overrun) from the local school committee, 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 \$7,480.88 to cover a fiscal year 1989 bill of charge (lunch fund overrun) from the local school committee.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

**ARTICLE 10.** To see if the Town will vote to amend the Personnel Pay Matrix as contained in Article 2 of the Warrant for the 1989 Annual Town Meeting, to replace the amount listed under Grade 20, Inspector of Buildings, to correct a transcribing error, with the amounts listed below, or take any other action thereon:

Grade 20, Step A	\$25,043 12.04/hr.	Step B	\$25,750 12.38/hr.	Step C	\$26,478 12.73/hr.
Step D	\$27,229 13.09/hr.	Step E	\$27,996 13.46/hr.	Step F	\$28,787 13.84/hr.
Step G	\$29,596 14.23/hr.	Step H	\$30,430 14.63/hr.		

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to amend the Personnel Pay Matrix as contained in Article 2 of the Warrant for the 1989 Annual Town Meeting, to replace the amount listed under Grade 20, Inspector of Buildings, to correct a transcribing error, with the amounts listed below:

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**ARTICLE 11.** To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to dissolve this Special Town Meeting at 9:06 p.m.

Registered voters attending the meeting were 96. 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	\$ 96,000.00	(Free Cash)
Article 3	4,004.00	(Free Cash)
Article 4	985.00	(Free Cash)
Article 5	50,000.00	(Free Cash)
Article 8	5,500.00	(Free Cash)
Article 9	7,480.88	(Free Cash)

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TOTAL TO BE TRANSFERRED	\$163,969.88
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**APPROPRIATE**

Article 7	\$157,197.00
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TOTAL TO BE APPROPRIATED	\$157,197.00
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**BUDGET REDUCTIONS (FY 90)**

Article 1	(96,000)
Article 2	(45,920)

TOTAL TO BE REDUCED	(141,920)
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## APPROVED BUDGET FOR 1989-1990

### RAISE AND APPROPRIATE

<b>1. General Government</b>		
Selectmen	\$ 86,121	
Town Clerk	21,983	
Town Counsel	35,000	
Planning Board	3,700	
Planning/Cons. Com. Office	23,554	
Board of Appeals	2,000	
Recreation Committee	17,455	
Council on Aging	23,589	
Conservation Commission	2,375	
Board of Health	106,662	
Personnel Board	1,150	
Ground Water Study Committee	500	
<b>General Government - TOTAL</b>		\$ 324,089
<b>2. Finance</b>		
Accountant	\$ 68,884	
Assessors	44,812	
Finance Committee	650	
Tax Collector	34,107	
Treasurer	23,507	
Interest on Loans	0	
<b>Finance - TOTAL</b>		\$ 171,960
<b>3. Public Safety</b>		
Police - Salary	\$ 373,185	
Police - All Other	67,037	
Police - Reserves/Overtime	85,233	
<b>(Police - Subtotal)</b>	525,455	
Fire	90,203	
Communication - Salary	113,834	
Communications - All Other	25,452	
<b>(Communication - Subtotal)</b>	139,286	
Animal Control Officer	7,921	
Parking Clerk	250	
Ambulance Service	53,160	
<b>Public Safety - TOTAL</b>		\$ 816,275
<b>4. Education</b>		
Library - Salary	\$ 88,767	
Library - All Other	39,769	
<b>(Library - Subtotal)</b>	128,536	
Elementary Schools	2,106,682	
Masconomet	2,284,748	
North Shore Vocational	29,663	
<b>Education - TOTAL</b>		\$4,549,629

<b>5. Town Maintenance</b>		
DPW - Salary	\$ 171,798	
DPW - Materials	130,980	
DPW - All Other	106,736	
<b>(DPW - Subtotal)</b>	<u>409,514</u>	
Building Maintenance	28,844	
Cemeteries	1,550	
Moth Suppression	0	
Landfill Operations	132,353	
<b>Town Maintenance - TOTAL</b>		\$ 572,261
<b>6. Inspectors</b>		
Animal	\$ 1,940	
Building	28,367	
Electrical	7,513	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	250	
<b>Inspectors - TOTAL</b>	<u></u>	\$ 38,070
<b>7. Insurance and Pensions</b>		
Health and Life Insurance	\$ 148,700	
General Insurance	147,637	
Veterans Benefits	5,000	
Retirement Pension	0	
<b>Insurance and Pension - TOTAL</b>	<u></u>	\$ 301,337
<b>GRAND TOTAL TOWN BUDGET</b>		\$6,773,621
<b>TOTAL TO BE RAISED AND APPROPRIATED</b>		\$6,773,621

## TRANSFERS

Previous Warrant Articles	
Article 5	\$ 16,245.84
Free Cash	
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Article 7	14,000.00
Article 8	7,400.00
Article 9	18,000.00
Article 12	11,010.00
Article 13	1,972.00
Article 14	6,000.00
Article 15	5,000.00
Article 16	4,000.00
Article 17	4,500.00
Article 18	12,650.00
Article 19	750.00
Article 20	6,000.00
Article 22	28,000.00
Article 24	3,000.00
Article 26	5,000.00
Article 27	15,000.00
Article 28	10,000.00
Article 41	5,000.00
Article 42	5,000.00
Article 43	100,000.00
(Free Cash - Subtotal)	<u>\$346,036.16</u>

**TOTAL TO BE TRANSFERRED**

**\$ 362,282.00**

**APPROVED BUDGET FOR 1989-1990**  
(with revisions as of June 20, 1989)

**RAISE AND APPROPRIATE**

<b>1. General Government</b>		
Selectmen	\$ 82,821	
Town Clerk	21,433	
Town Counsel	35,000	
Planning Board	3,700	
Planning/Cons. Com. Office	23,554	
Board of Appeals	2,000	
Recreation Committee	17,455	
Council on Aging	23,589	
Conservation Commission	2,375	
Board of Health	106,502	
Personnel Board	990	
Ground Water Study Committee	500	
<b>General Government - TOTAL</b>		\$ 319,919
<b>2. Finance</b>		
Accountant	\$ 67,434	
Assessors	43,212	
Finance Committee	142	
Tax Collector	32,769	
Treasurer	22,573	
Interest on Loans	0	
<b>Finance - TOTAL</b>		\$ 166,130
<b>3. Public Safety</b>		
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<b>GRAND TOTAL TOWN BUDGET</b>		<b>\$6,773,621</b>
<b>TOTAL TO BE RAISED AND APPROPRIATED</b>		<b>\$6,738,621</b>