

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
OCTOBER 2, 1990**

Voters of the Town of Boxford met at the Harry Lee Cole Elementary School Auditorium on Tuesday, October 2, 1990. Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

Before proceeding with the articles on the warrant, Moderator Minich introduced Audrey Romasco, Selectman, and Nick McGarry, resident of Ipswich Road, to those present. Ms. Romasco and Mr. McGarry spoke of the recent loss of two Boxford children and the desire of many Townspeople to establish memorials in honor of these children and their families. The Board of Selectmen has dedicated the land known as the "Landfill Ballfield" as the "Ben Chadwick Memorial Soccer Field"; the Board of Selectmen has also dedicated the soccer field at Boy Scout Park as the "Eric Luther Memorial Soccer Field".

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 \$60,000.00, the total amount previously raised and appropriated for the fiscal year 1991 Town Budget (Article 3 of the Warrant of the May 8, 1990 Annual Town Meeting), and to simultaneously transfer from available funds the sum of \$60,000.00 to supplement the funding of that budget, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to reduce by the sum of \$60,000.00 the total amount previously raised and appropriated for the fiscal year 1991 Town Budget (Article 3 of the Warrant of the May 8, 1990 Annual Town Meeting), and to simultaneously transfer from the Reserve for Extraordinary and Unforeseen Expenditures the sum of \$60,000.00 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 accept from John C. Sanidas, Trustee of the Waldingfield Realty Trust, one parcel of land described as follows:

Parcel III: 0.53 acres of land described as Parcel X on a plan of land recorded with the Essex South District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 226, Plan 29; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to accept from John C. Sanidas, Trustee of the Waldingfield Realty Trust, one parcel of land described as follows:

Parcel III: 0.53 acres of land described as Parcel X on a plan of land recorded with the Essex South District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 226, Plan 29.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Article 8 of the Warrant for the May 8, 1990 Annual Town Meeting, the sum of \$150.00 to fund the payment of the membership dues for the Town of Boxford in the Northeast Massachusetts Regional Recycling Committee, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from Article 8 of the May 8, 1990, Annual Town Meeting, the sum of \$150.00 to fund the payment of the membership dues for the Town of Boxford in the Northeast Massachusetts Regional Recycling Committee, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

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 \$10,000 to be added to the General Insurance line item, to fund additional insurance costs, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from the Reserve for Extraordinary and Unforeseen Expenditures the sum of \$10,000.00 to be added to the

General Insurance line item, to fund additional insurance costs, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds the sum of \$2,017.00 to be added to the Animal Control Officer line item, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to appropriate from the Reserve for Extraordinary and Unforeseen Expenditures the sum of \$2,017.00 to be added to the Animal Control Officer line item, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$78,133.00 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 15, Acts of 1988, \$78,133.00

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to appropriate the sum of \$78,133.00 for highway maintenance and construction in anticipation of state aid allotment, said monies predicated on state reimbursement of the following:

Chapter 15, Acts of 1988, \$78,133.00

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to amend various portions of Article 5 of its Bylaws, known as the Personnel Bylaw, by deleting section 5-6-3, "Vacation Leave", and replacing it with the Vacation Leave section as submitted by the Personnel Board as printed in this warrant; or take any other action thereon.

5-6-3 Vacation Leave

Employees shall accrue vacation leave credit in accordance with the following schedule:

- a. For the first five years of consecutive service, at the rate of one week per twenty-six consecutive scheduled and worked weeks up to a maximum of two weeks per year.
- b. Following five consecutive years of service and entering the sixth year, three weeks.
- c. After ten consecutive years of service and entering the eleventh year, four weeks.
- d. After twenty-five consecutive years of service and entering the twenty sixth year, five weeks.

For the purpose of this section, any authorized leave in excess of thirty consecutive calendar days will have those excess days excluded from any accrual calculation; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to amend various portions of Article 5 of the General Bylaws, known as the Personnel Bylaw, by deleting section 5-6-3, "Vacation Leave", and replacing it with the Vacation Leave section as submitted by the Personnel Board as printed in this warrant.

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- c. After ten consecutive years of service and entering the eleventh year, four weeks.
- d. After twenty-five consecutive years of service and entering the twenty sixth year, five weeks.

For the purpose of this section, any authorized leave in excess of thirty consecutive calendar days will have those excess days excluded from any accrual calculation.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds the sum of \$2,286 for the purchase of six pagers with chargers and carrying cases; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from the Reserve for Extraordinary and Unforseen Expenditures the sum of \$2,286.00 for the purchase of six pagers with chargers and carrying cases, for the Fire Department, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article.

ARTICLE 9. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Alan Benson, Selectman, announced to those present that Superior Court had ruled in the Boxford vs. Topsfield appeal that Lockwood Lane may not be blocked.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to dissolve the Special Town Meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Registered voters attending the meeting were 74, Counters and checkers for the meeting were appointed by Town Clerk Frank H. Weatherby.

A true record,

ATTEST :

Frank H. Weatherby
Town Clerk

TRANSFERS

Reserve for Extraordinary and Unforseen Expenditures

Article #1	\$ 60,000.00
Article #4	\$ 10,000.00
Article #8	2,286.00

Previous Warrant Articles

Article #3	\$ 150.00
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TOTAL TO BE TRANSFERRED	\$72,436.00
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APPROPRIATIONS

Article #5	\$ 2,017.00
Article #6	78,133.00

TOTAL TO BE APPROPRIATED	\$80,150.00
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BUDGET REDUCTIONS (FY91)

Article #1	\$60,000.00
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TOTAL TO BE REDUCED	\$60,000.00
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