

ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
May 13, 1992

Moderator DeWitt T. Minich called the second session of the Boxford Annual Town Meeting to order at 7:40 p.m.

With a quorum being present, the articles of the warrant were disposed of as follows:

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 12 of the General Bylaws [the Wetlands Protection Bylaw] to read as shown in the copy attached and mailed with the Annual Town Meeting Warrant, and available at this Annual Town Meeting; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by majority voice vote, to pass over Article 22.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to accept the following roads as public ways:

ALLEN CIRCLE in its entirety from station 0+0 to 4+4.45.50 as shown on a plan entitled "As Built Plan & Profile, Allen Circle, Boxford, MA, dated October 5, 1991, owner, Harry Koniaries, Mount Vernon Realty Trust, 72 Rowley Road, Boxford, MA, Engineer — Hayes Engineering, Inc., 603 Salem Street, Wakefield, MA, Plan Book 222, Plan 3".

ANNA'S WAY in its entirety from station 0+0 to 9+92.80 as shown on a plan entitled "As Built Subdivision Plan of 'Elm Farm' (Anna's Way), Boxford, MA, dated November 6, 1991, owner, Richard & Daniel Shaw, 10 Glendale Road, Boxford, MA, Engineer — Thomas E. Neve Associates, Inc., 447 Old Boston Road, Topsfield, MA, 01983, Plan Book 273, Plan 40".

HOOD CIRCLE in its entirety from station 0+0 to 6+07.79 as shown on plan entitled "As Built Plan & Profile, Hood Circle, Boxford, MA, dated October 5, 1991, owner, Harry Koniaries, Mount Vernon Realty Trust, 72 Rowley Road, Boxford, MA, Engineer — Hayes Engineering, Inc., 603 Salem Street, Wakefield, MA, Plan Book 256, Plan 38".

WYNDMERE DRIVE in its entirety from station 0+0 to 10+13.81 as shown on a plan entitled "As Built Road Plan, Wyndmere Drive, Boxford, MA, dated November 9, 1990, owner, Richard & Clarence Pierce, 739 West Main Street, West Boxford, MA, Engineer — North Shore Survey Corp., 209 Washington Street, Salem, MA, Registered on February 1, 1988, Plan Book 241, Plan 69.;"

PARISH LANE in its entirety from station 0+00 to 13+13.19 as shown on the "As Built plan, Parish Lane, Boxford, MA, dated April 15, 1992, owner Charles E. Rounds, Jr., Trustee of West Parish Realty Trust, Engineer — Thomas E. Neve & Associates, Inc., 447 Old Boston Road, Topsfield, MA 01983, Plan Book 237, Plan 47.;"

or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to accept the following roads as public ways:

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ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the action taken by the Town under Article 44 of the Warrant for the May 11, 1988 Annual Town Meeting, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take by eminent domain, for the purpose of access to Spofford Pond, and for other municipal purposes, land of G. Edwin Hadley and Jean L. Hadley, bounded and described as follows:

“Beginning at a point at a stonewall on the Westerly side of Spofford Road, said point being approximately 640 feet Southerly of the land now or formerly of Drummond; thence running Southwesterly and Southeasterly on various courses, 290 feet, more or less, by the remains of a stonewall and the land of the Town of Boxford; thence Westerly by land now formerly of Spofford, 70 feet, more or less; thence Northerly on various courses, 350 feet, more or less, by Spofford Pond; thence Southeasterly by the land of the grantors (Hadley), 110 feet, more or less;”

As shown on a Plan attached entitled, “Land-Taking in Boxford, MA, Scale: 1" = 40', July 1, 1991, Bay State Surveying Service, Inc., a copy of which is on file in the office of the Town Clerk; no damages to be awarded, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to rescind the action taken by the Town under Article 44 of the Warrant for the May 11, 1988 Annual Town Meeting, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take by eminent domain, for the purpose of access to Spofford Pond, and for other municipal purposes, land of G. Edwin Hadley and Jean L. Hadley, bounded and described as follows:

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ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a certain parcel of land which was taken for taxes, to the Conservation Commission to be administered under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 8C. Said parcel contains 3.6 acres, and is shown as lot #33, Wildmeadow Road, described in Essex South District Registry of Deeds as Book 6892, Page 507; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer a certain parcel of land which was taken for taxes, to the Conservation Commission to be administered under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 8C. Said parcel contains 3.6 acres, and is shown as lot #33, Wildmeadow Road, described in Essex South District Registry of Deeds as Book 6892, Page 507.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 3, Section 4, of the General Bylaws so that it shall read as follows:

Section 4. Capital Budgeting Committee

3-4-1 A Capital Budgeting Committee consisting of five members shall be established, two members appointed by and from the Finance Committee and three members appointed by the Board of Selectmen; two positions for a one year term; two positions for a two year term and one position for a three year term. The Capital Budgeting Committee so constituted will be responsible for updating the Town's capital budget each year and reporting anticipated capital needs to the Town at each annual Town Meeting; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to amend Article 3, Section 4, of the General Bylaws so that it shall read as follows:

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The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to the Finance Committee Reserve Fund; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 to the Finance Committee Reserve Fund.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to the Town Insurance Fund; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to the Town Insurance Fund.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$162,848 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 33, Acts of 1991, \$162,848.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to appropriate the sum of \$162,848 for highway maintenance and construction in anticipation of state aid allotment, said monies predicated on state reimbursement of the following: Chapter 33, Acts of 1991, \$162,848.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to advise that the School Choice Plan not be implemented in the Masconomet Regional School District, or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 77 in favor and 52 opposed, to advise that the School Choice Plan not be implemented in the Masconomet Regional School District.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Board of Selectmen to rescind their contract with Massachusetts Electric for the conversion of the Town's street lights from mercury vapor to sodium vapor; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by hand count vote, 56 in favor and 69 opposed, to defeat this Article.

The Finance Committee did not recommend adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to send the following resolution regarding the full distribution of the municipal share of the state gasoline tax to the highway fund to our legislative delegation at the State House:

RESOLVED: That the Town of Boxford calls upon the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to annually appropriate and fully distribute the legally required 15% of gas tax receipts to cities and towns, for the construction, maintenance, and policing of local roads; or take any other action thereon.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED by unanimous voice vote, to send the following resolution regarding the full distribution of the municipal share of the state gasoline tax to the highway fund to our legislative delegation at the State House:

RESOLVED: That the Town of Boxford calls upon the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to annually appropriate and fully distribute the legally required 15% of gas tax receipts to cities and towns, for the construction, maintenance, and policing of local roads.

The Finance Committee recommended adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 33. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

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

Registered voters attending the meeting were 144. Counters and checkers for the meeting were appointed by Assistant Town Clerk Patricia Shields.

A true record.

ATTEST:

Patricia Shields
Assisant Town Clerk

RAISE AND APPROPRIATE:

Article 1	\$ 642.58
Article 9	7,177,915.00
Article 10	130,789.00
Article 12	7,500.00
Article 13	12,650.00
Article 14	2,400.00
Article 15	20,400.00
Article 16	5,000.00
Article 17	750.00
Article 18	41,500.00
Article 19	30,875.00
Article 20	2,785.00
Article 21	3,000.00
Article 27	100,000.00
Article 28	20,000.00

**TOTAL TO BE RAISED
AND APPROPRIATED:**

\$7,556,206.58

APPROPRIATIONS:

Article 5	\$ 95,740.00
Article 11	3,359.00
Article 29	162,848.00

TOTAL TO BE APPROPRIATED: \$ 261,947.00

**TOWN OF BOXFORD — TOWN MEETING
APPROVED FY 1993 BUDGET**

GENERAL GOVERNMENT	ACTUAL 91 SPEND	ACTUAL 92 BUDGET	PROPOSED 93 BUDGET
Selectmen	\$ 87,119	\$ 72,027	\$ 71,238
Town Clerk - Salary	3,150	3,238	16,000
Town Clerk - All Other	20,864	22,642	12,098
Town Counsel	25,704	20,000	20,000
Planning Board	4,604	950	950
Planning/Cons. Com. Office	17,743	1,745	21,341
Board of Appeals	1,625	1,634	1,500
Recreation Committee	13,730	1,740	9,790
Council on Aging	30,728	25,687	25,687
Conservation Commission	1,196	1,975	1,975
Board of Health	93,651	90,453	81,678
Personnel Board	386	150	150
Ground Water Study Committee	0	0	0
GENERAL GOVERNMENT - TOTAL	\$ 300,500	\$ 242,241	\$ 262,407
FINANCE			
Accountant	\$ 69,802	\$ 72,333	\$ 72,333
Assessors	45,360	39,668	38,930
Finance Committee	135	140	140
Treasurer/Collector - Salary	13,835	17,983	19,983
Treasurer/Collector - All Other	43,730	48,239	56,663
Interest on Loans	22,463	10,000	0
FINANCE - TOTAL	\$ 195,325	\$ 188,363	\$ 188,049
PUBLIC SAFETY			
Police - Salary	\$ 463,484	\$ 483,148	\$ 481,452
Police - All Other	242	58,464	60,052
(Police - Subtotal)	463,726	541,612	541,504
Fire	89,824	91,122	95,426
Communication - Salary	112,101	134,746	129,026
Communications - All Other	20,892	22,487	22,487
(Communications - Subtotal)	132,993	157,233	151,513
Animal Control Officer	6,622	10,458	13,258
Parking Clerk	38	150	150
Ambulance Service	54,697	56,172	61,521
PUBLIC SAFETY - TOTAL	\$ 747,900	\$ 856,747	\$ 863,372

	ACTUAL 91 SPEND	ACTUAL 92 BUDGET	PROPOSED 93 BUDGET
EDUCATION			
Library - Salary	\$ 97,009	\$ 95,070	\$ 95,070
Library - All Other	43,149	48,303	48,303
(Library - Subtotal)	140,158	143,373	143,373
Elementary Schools	2,257,514	2,257,536	2,330,069
Masconomet	2,397,636	2,536,962	2,459,488
North Shore Vocational	29,635	31,139	32,993
EDUCATION - TOTAL	\$4,824,943	\$4,969,010	\$4,965,923
TOWN MAINTENANCE			
DPW - Salary	\$ 167,317	\$ 155,120	\$ 154,408
DPW - All Other	165,525	167,872	166,438
(DPW - Subtotal)	332,842	322,992	320,866
Building Maintenance			
Cemeteries	28,899	25,920	17,540
Moth Suppression	1,550	500	500
Landfill Operation	0	0	0
Gas and Oil	70,668	89,050	7,500
	41,193	32,417	32,417
TOWN MAINTENANCE - TOTAL	\$ 433,959	\$ 470,879	\$ 378,823
INSPECTORS			
Animal			
Building	\$ 2,015	\$ 2,059	\$ 2,059
Sealer of Weights and Measures	37,196	37,983	37,983
	250	250	250
INSPECTORS - TOTAL	\$ 39,461	\$ 40,292	\$ 40,292
INSURANCE AND PENSIONS			
Health and Life Insurance	\$ 217,679	\$ 258,500	\$ 284,000
General Insurance	168,739	185,000	194,949
Veterans Benefits	0	100	100
Retirement Pension	0	0	0
INSURANCE AND PENSION - TOTAL	\$ 386,418	\$ 443,600	\$ 479,049
GRAND TOTAL TOWN BUDGET	\$6,628,006	\$7,211,132	\$7,177,915