

## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING - MAY 9, 2000

Voters of the Town of Boxford met at the Masconomet Regional High School on Tuesday, May 9, 2000. Moderator Gerald R. Johnston called the Special Town Meeting to order at 7:25 p.m. The Articles of the Warrant were disposed of accordingly.

Prior to addressing the Articles, the following presentations were made:

*Ms. Enid Thuermer* and *Mr. Craig Falk* were presented with Outstanding Citizen Awards for their voluntary contributions to the Town of Boxford.

**ARTICLE 1.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of **\$16,000** to fund the temporary repairs to the Mill Road Bridge; or take any other action thereon.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen  
Finance Committee recommends adoption of this Article  
Capital Budgeting Committee Recommendation: **"A" Essential**

*Upon a motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by a majority voice vote, to transfer from free cash the sum of \$22,000 to fund the temporary repairs to the Mill Road Bridge.*

**ARTICLE 2.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of **\$20,000** to fund all necessary testing, study, analysis and engineering costs associated with the development of the Landfill Master Drainage Design and Construction project for the Boxford Sanitary Landfill, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Health, or take any other action thereon.

Sponsored by the Board of Health  
Finance Committee recommends adoption of this article.  
Capital Budgeting Committee Recommendation: **"A" Essential**

*Upon a motion made and duly seconded, it was VOTED, by unanimous voice vote, to transfer from free cash the sum of \$20,000 to fund all necessary testing, study, analysis and engineering costs associated with the development of the Landfill Master Drainage Design and Construction project for the Boxford Sanitary Landfill, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.*

**ARTICLE 3.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a lease with Dispatch Communications Corporation to lease space for antennas and public safety communications equipment on the telecommunications tower at Baldpate Hill in Georgetown, Massachusetts for the purpose of improving the Boxford Public Safety Radio Communications system; or take any other action thereon.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen  
Finance Committee recommends adoption of this article.

*Upon a motion made and duly seconded, it was **VOTED**, by unanimous voice vote, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a lease with Dispatch Communications Corporation to lease space for antennas and public safety communications equipment on the telecommunications tower at Baldpate Hill in Georgetown, Massachusetts for the purpose of improving the Boxford Public Safety Radio Communications system.*

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of **\$400,000** for highway maintenance and construction for Middleton Road in accordance with the Utility Force Account Agreement #8800; or take any other action thereon.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen  
Finance Committee recommends adoption of this article.

*Upon a motion made and duly seconded, it was **VOTED**, by unanimous voice vote, to appropriate the sum of **\$400,000** for highway maintenance and construction for Middleton Road in accordance with the Utility Force Account Agreement #8800.*

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of **\$106,456.33** for highway maintenance and construction in accordance with Chapter 127, Acts of 1999, MA #37936; or take any other action thereon.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen  
Finance Committee recommends adoption of this article.

*Upon a motion made and duly seconded, it was **VOTED**, by unanimous voice vote, to appropriate the sum of **\$106,456.33** for highway maintenance and construction in accordance with Chapter 127, Acts of 1999, MA #37936.*

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of **\$106,456.33** for highway maintenance and construction in accordance with Chapter 53, Acts of 1999 (6037-0019), MA #37581; or take any other action thereon.

Sponsored by the Board of Selectmen  
Finance Committee recommends adoption of this article.

(Note: This is not an error, Boxford did receive two grants for the exact same amount)

*Upon a motion made and duly seconded, it was **VOTED**, by unanimous voice vote, to appropriate the sum of **\$106,456.33** for highway maintenance and construction in accordance with Chapter 53, Acts of 1999 (6037-0019), MA #37581.*

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Masconomet Regional School Committee to re-certify a School Building Construction Budget of **\$52,062,844** which would include **\$408,844** of capital expenditures for the purpose of purchasing software, technology, furniture and equipment to be appropriated from FY 2000 Chapter 70 funds with no additional assessment made to the member towns; or take any other action thereon.

Sponsored by the Masconomet Regional School Committee  
Finance Committee recommends adoption of this article.

Upon a motion made and duly seconded, it was **VOTED**, by unanimous voice vote to move to authorize the Masconomet Regional School Committee to re-certify a School Building Construction Budget of **\$52,062,844** which would include **\$408,844** of capital expenditures for the purpose of purchasing software, technology, furniture and equipment to be appropriated from FY 2000 Chapter 70 funds with no additional assessment made to the member towns.

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Masconomet Regional School Committee to re-certify a budget of **\$14,113,019** which would include **\$551,560** for the purpose of purchasing textbooks, workbooks, supplies and other miscellaneous purchases to be appropriated from FY 2000 Chapter 70 funds with no additional assessment made to the member towns; or take any other action thereon.

Sponsored by the Masconomet Regional School Committee  
Finance Committee recommends adoption of this article.

Upon a motion made and duly seconded, it was **VOTED**, by unanimous voice vote, to authorize the Masconomet Regional School Committee to re-certify a budget of **\$14,113,019** which would include **\$551,560** for the purpose of purchasing textbooks, workbooks, supplies and other miscellaneous purchases to be appropriated from FY 2000 Chapter 70 funds with no additional assessment made to the member towns

**ARTICLE 9.** To transact any other business to legally come before this meeting.

Upon a motion made and seconded, it was **VOTED**, by unanimous voice vote, to dissolve the Special Town Meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Registered voters attending the meeting were 389. Counters and checkers for the meeting were appointed by Town Clerk Patricia Shields.

A true record.

ATTEST:



Patricia Shields  
Town Clerk

APPROPRIATION:

Article 4	\$ 400,000.00
Article 5	106,456.33
Article 6	<u>106,456.33</u>

**TOTAL TO BE APPROPRIATED**

\$ 612,912.66

TRANSFER:

Article 1 (from Free Cash to fund temporary repairs)	\$ 22,000.00
Article 2 (from Free Cash to fund engineering costs)	<u>20,000.00</u>

**TOTAL TO BE TRANSFERRED**

\$ 42,000.00