A quorum being present, Boxford Annual Town Meeting was called to order by Town Moderator Gerald R. Johnston at 7:12pm on Tuesday, May 12, 2015 in the Masconomet Auditorium with 250 voters in attendance.

The Town Moderator invited the Board of Selectmen to come forward. Chair Mary Anne Nay declared May 12, 2015 Kerry C. Stickney day in honor of retiring Fire Chief Stickney's years of service to the Town of Boxford.

It was moved by Mary Anne Nay, and duly seconded, that the Moderator NOT be required to read articles or motions of the warrant verbatim and further that he be authorized to summarize articles and motions as he deems appropriate. This motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

The articles were disposed of as follows:

**ARTICLE 1.** To receive and place on file the reports of the Town Officers and Committees without ratification of any action taken or authorization of any action proposed; or take any other action thereon.

# Sponsored and Supported by the Board of Selectmen

It was moved by Mary Anne Nay, and duly seconded, to receive and place on file the reports of the Town Officers and Committees without ratification of any action taken or authorization of any action proposed. This motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**ARTICLE 2.** To see if the Town will authorize the establishment of the following **revolving accounts** as authorized by Chapter 44, §  $53E^{1/2}$  of the Massachusetts General Laws, contingent upon an annual report to the Town on the total receipts and expenditures of each account for each Fiscal Year:

1) **Recycling Revolving Account** under the direction of the Board of Health and used for the deposit of receipts and fees collected on recyclable materials; said recyclable materials to be determined by a joint vote of the Board of Health and Recycling Committee and to be in compliance with all state health regulations; and, further, to allow the Board of Health, or the Recycling Committee, with the approval of the Board of Health, to expend funds not to exceed **\$35,000** for Fiscal Year 2016 from said account for the operation and maintenance of the Town Recycling Center;

2) **Printing Revolving Account** under the direction of the Board of Selectmen and used for the deposit of receipts and fees collected on the sale of printed official documents as required by law by several of the elected and appointed committees, commissions, and boards as well as legal advertisements which are reimbursed to the Town; and further to allow the Board of Selectmen to expend funds not to exceed \$5,000 for Fiscal Year 2016 from said account for the costs to the Town for printing supplies, equipment and reimbursable advertising;

3) **Library Photocopy Machine Revolving Account** under the direction of the Board of Library Trustees and used for the deposit of receipts collected through public use of the photocopy machines

at the Boxford library; and further to allow the Board of Library Trustees to expend fees not to exceed **\$5,000** for Fiscal Year 2016 from said account for ongoing supplies and maintenance of the copy machines, and purchase of other library supplies;

4) **Conservation Revolving Fund** under the direction of the Conservation Commission and used for the deposit of receipts collected through fees, including fees collected from applications related to the Town of Boxford Wetlands Protection Bylaw, by direction of the Conservation Commission and further to allow the Conservation Commission, with the written approval of the Selectmen, to expend fees not to exceed **\$20,000** for Fiscal Year 2016 from said account for management of land under Conservation Commission control, and for other Conservation Commission expenses approved by a majority of the Commission;

It was moved by Mary Anne Nay, and duly seconded, to authorize the establishment of the **revolving accounts as listed in Article #2 of this warrant,** as authorized by Chapter 44, § 53E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of the Massachusetts General Laws, contingent upon an annual report to the Town on the total receipts and expenditures of each account for each Fiscal Year. This motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**ARTICLE 3.** To see if the Town will vote to adopt the **Classification Plan and Compensation Plan** for FY 2016, as submitted by the Personnel Board under Chapter 23 of the Town Code; said Classification Plan and Compensation Plan as printed on pages 11 through 13 of this warrant; or take any other action thereon.

> Sponsored and Supported by the Personnel Board Finance Committee recommends adoption of this article Board of Selectmen recommends adoption of this article

It was moved by Personnel Board Chair Tim Feeney, and duly seconded, to adopt the **Classification Plan and Compensation Plan** for FY 2016, as submitted by the Personnel Board under Chapter 23 of the Town Code; said Classification Plan and Compensation Plan as printed on pages 11 through 13 of this warrant. This motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**ARTICLE 4.** To **act on the proposed budget** and see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, for the use of several departments for Fiscal Year 2016, to wit: General Government, Financial Administration, Public Safety, Education, Public Works, Health & Human Services, Culture & Recreation, Employee Benefits, Debt Service, and all other necessary proper expenses during said fiscal year; and authorize expenditure of these funds under the direction of the appropriate listed department; or take any other action thereon.

Sponsored and Supported by the Finance Committee Estimate: **\$30,533,687.** The proposed budget is printed on pages 14 and 15 of this warrant.

Board of Selectmen recommends adoption of this article

It was moved by Michael White, Vice Chair of the Finance Committee, to raise and appropriate \$30,502,747, and transfer \$5,940 from "Receipts Reserved for Appropriation-Septic Loan Program", and transfer \$25,000 from "Overlay Released by the Assessors", for a total appropriation of \$30,533,687, for the use of several departments for Fiscal Year 2016, to wit: General Government, Financial Administration, Public Safety, Education, Public Works, Health & Human Services, Culture & Recreation, Employee Benefits, Debt Service, and all other necessary proper expenses during said fiscal year; and authorize expenditure of these funds under the direction of the appropriate listed department.

Michelle Amato pointed out that North Shore Voke under Education on page 14 of the warrant should read Essex Technical High School to reflect the change in the school's name and the merger of the North Shore Vocational Technical High School and Essex Agricultural High School. The Moderator stated that this would be duly noted going forward.

It was moved by Dan Volchok, and duly seconded, to amend the proposedFY 16 budget as follows:

The Masconomet Operational Assessment be increased by \$54,027 for a total of \$8,979,197 resulting in a total town budget of \$30,587,714. The motion to amend was defeated by majority voice vote.

The main motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

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**NOTE:** At this time, we anticipate that **Article 5 & 6** will be offered as "contingent appropriations." This means that although the appropriation could be approved at the Annual Town Meeting, that appropriation would be <u>fully contingent upon successful passage</u> of the related Proposition  $2\frac{1}{2}$  ballot question. Should the override question fail, the appropriation would be rendered null and void, and in the case of Article #5, the Masconomet Regional School District budget would be rejected (the district budget must be accepted by at least two of the three member communities).

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of **\$406,258 for the purposes of additionally funding the Fiscal Year 2016 Masconomet Regional School District Assessment**, thereby completing the funding required to meet the total assessment and approving the district certified budget, provided that the appropriation authorized herein shall be contingent upon the vote at the Town election to assess additional real estate and personal property taxes in accordance with the provisions of Proposition 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, so called; or take any other action thereon.

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

It was moved by James Ben Messenger of the Masconomet School Committee, and duly seconded, to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$406,258 for the purposes of additionally funding the Fiscal** 

**Year 2016 Masconomet Regional School District Assessment**, thereby completing the funding required to meet the total assessment and approving the district certified budget, provided that the appropriation authorized herein shall be contingent upon the vote at the Town election to assess additional real estate and personal property taxes in accordance with the provisions of Proposition 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, so called. This motion passed by a majority hand count of 185 yes, 27 no.

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$195,871** for the **purposes of additionally funding the Fiscal Year 2016 Elementary School Budget**, provided that the appropriation authorized herein shall be contingent upon the vote at the Town election to assess additional real estate and personal property taxes in accordance with the provisions of Proposition 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, so called; or take any other action thereon.

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

It was moved by David Rivers, and duly seconded, to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$195,871 for the purposes of additionally funding the Fiscal Year 2016 Elementary School Budget**, provided that the appropriation authorized herein shall be contingent upon the vote at the Town election to assess additional real estate and personal property taxes in accordance with the provisions of Proposition 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, so called. This motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds the sum of **\$20,000 to additionally fund the "Tree Department" line item of the "DPW Non-Salary Expense" of the FY16 Annual Operating Budget**, or take any other action thereon.

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

It was moved by Selectman Peter Perkins, and duly seconded, to raise and appropriate the sum of **\$20,000 to additionally fund the "Tree Department" line item of the "DPW Non-Salary Expense" of the FY16 Annual Operating Budget**. This motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**ARTICLE 8.** To **act on the list of proposed capital purchases** for FY 2016 and see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, for the use of several departments for fiscal year 2016, and authorize expenditure of these funds under the direction of the appropriate listed department and authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of any equipment declared surplus if replaced; or take any other action thereon.

Sponsored and supported the Board of Selectmen Estimate: **\$446,239.00** Finance Committee recommends adoption of this article Capital Budget Committee Recommendations as noted Permanent Building Committee Recommendations as noted The proposed capital budget is printed on page 10 of this warrant. It was moved by Selectman Charles Costello, and duly seconded, to **transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$446,239 to fund the list of proposed capital purchases** as shown on page 10 of this warrant, for the use of several departments for fiscal year 2016, and authorize expenditure of these funds under the direction of the appropriate listed department and authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of any equipment declared surplus if replaced.

Donald Morton moved to amend Article 8 by removing item 6. This motion was rejected by majority voice vote.

The main motion was approved by majority voice vote.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$229,461 to partially pay costs of architectural, engineering, renovation, construction, equipping and all other related expenses to historically preserve through the renovation and rehabilitation of some exterior components of a portion of the historic Aaron Wood School, located at 28 Middleton Road and that to meet this appropriation: 1) to transfer \$110,046 from the Community Preservation Historic Reserve Fund; 2) to appropriate the sum of \$19,415 from the unexpended balance of the Community Preservation Committee Historic Fund appropriation and debt authorization approved for the historic renovation of Lincoln Hall in Article #14, of the Special Town Meeting October 23, 2007; and, 3) that the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen shall be authorized to issue debt in the amount of \$100,000 under the Community Preservation Program for the rehabilitation of historic resources, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44B and under and pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 7(3A) and 7(21), or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Permanent Building Committee and the Community Preservation Committee; provided however that no funds may be expended hereunder unless and until the Town shall have voted in the affirmative for Article # 10 of this warrant; or take any other action thereon.

> Sponsored and supported by the Elementary School Committee Sponsored and supported by the Community Preservation Committee Permanent Building Committee recommends adoption of this article Finance Committee recommends adoption of this article Capital Budget Committee: "A" Essential Board of Selectmen recommends adoption of this article

It was moved by David Rivers, and duly seconded, to appropriate <u>\$275,353</u> to partially pay costs of architectural, engineering, renovation, construction, equipping and all other related expenses to historically preserve through the renovation and rehabilitation of some exterior components of a portion of the historic Aaron Wood School, located at 28 Middleton Road and that to meet this appropriation: 1) to transfer \$130,938 from the Community Preservation Historic Reserve Fund; 2) to appropriate the sum of \$19,415 from the unexpended balance of the Community Preservation Committee Historic Fund appropriation and debt authorization approved for the historic renovation of Lincoln Hall in Article #14, of the Special Town Meeting October 23, 2007; and, 3) that the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen shall be authorized to issue debt in the amount of \$125,000 under the Community Preservation Program for the rehabilitation of historic resources, pursuant to Massachusetts

General Laws Chapter 44B and under and pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 7(3A) and 7(21), or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Permanent Building Committee and the Community Preservation Committee; provided however that no funds may be expended hereunder unless and until the Town shall have voted in the affirmative for Article **# 10** of this warrant.

The Moderator asked if anyone objected to Assistant Superintendent Steven Greenberg addressing Town Meeting. In the absence of any objection, Mr. Greenberg addressed the Audience to answer questions that had been raised.

Article 9 passed by a greater than two-thirds majority vote of 185 yes, 27 no.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate <u>\$585,000 [estimate]</u> to pay costs of architectural, engineering, renovation, construction, equipping and all other related expenses to renovate portions of the interior and exterior of the historic Aaron Wood School, located at 28 Middleton Road and for the payment of all other costs incidental and related thereto, and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, is authorized to borrow \$585,000 under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Sections 7(3); 7(3A) and 7(21) of the General Laws, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; further to authorize the Elementary School Committee to enter into a ten (10) year, joint lease with the two other members of the Tri-town School Union of a building and associated premises at 28 Middleton Road, Boxford, Massachusetts on such terms and conditions as said Committee deems favorable to the Town of Boxford; proceeds from said lease to partially offset repayment of this debt; and to authorize the Elementary School Committee and the Permanent Building Committee to enter into any and all agreements and execute any and all instruments as may be necessary on behalf of the Town of Boxford to effect the construction of said project; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Permanent Building Committee, or take any other action thereon.

> Sponsored and supported by the Elementary School Committee Permanent Building Committee recommends adoption of this article Finance Committee recommends adoption of this article Capital Budget Committee: "A" Essential Board of Selectmen recommends adoption of this article

It was moved by David Rivers, and duly seconded, to appropriate <u>\$667,000</u> to pay costs of architectural, engineering, renovation, construction, equipping and all other related expenses to renovate portions of the interior and exterior of the historic Aaron Wood School, located at 28 Middleton Road and for the payment of all other costs incidental and related thereto, and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, is authorized to borrow <u>\$667,000</u> under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Sections 7(3); 7(3A) and 7(21) of the General Laws, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor; further to authorize the Elementary School Committee to enter into a ten (10) year, joint lease with the two other members of the Tri-town School Union of a building and associated premises at 28 Middleton Road, Boxford, Massachusetts on such

terms and conditions as said Committee deems favorable to the Town of Boxford; proceeds from said lease to partially offset repayment of this debt; and to authorize the Elementary School Committee and the Permanent Building Committee to enter into any and all agreements and execute any and all instruments as may be necessary on behalf of the Town of Boxford to effect the construction of said project; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Permanent Building Committee. This motion passed by a greater than two-thirds voice vote.

**ARTICLE 11.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of **\$10,000 to engage consulting services to assist in scoping and public outreach efforts preparatory to the creation of a Non-School Municipal Facilities Master Plan, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Planning Board, or take any other action thereon.** 

Sponsored and Supported by the Planning Board and Board of Selectmen Finance Committee to make recommendation at Town Meeting

It was moved by Planning Board Chair Robert Gore, and duly seconded, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of **\$10,000 to engage consulting services to assist in scoping and public outreach efforts preparatory to the creation of a Non-School Municipal Facilities Master Plan**, said funds to be expended under the direction of the Planning Board. This motion passed by majority voice vote.

**ARTICLE 12.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of **\$65,000 to pay for the costs to install, test and seek Department of Environmental Protection approval for a public water supply on town land located adjacent to Spofford Pond Road**, for the purpose of providing potable water to municipal buildings located on and adjacent to said land; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Permanent Building Committee, or take any other action thereon

Sponsored and supported by the Permanent Building Committee Board of Selectmen recommends adoption of this article Finance Committee does not recommend adoption of this article Capital Budget Committee to make recommendation at Town Meeting

It was moved by Permanent Building Committee Chair Margaret Chow Menzer, and duly seconded, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of **\$65,000 to pay for the costs to install, test and seek Department of Environmental Protection approval for a public water supply on town land located adjacent to Spofford Pond Road**, for the purpose of providing potable water to municipal buildings located on and adjacent to said land; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Permanent Building Committee.

It was moved by Donald Morton, and duly seconded, to pass over Article 12. This motion passed by a hand count of 109 yes, 64 no.

**ARTICLE 13.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of **\$6,000 to additionally fund the costs of consultant expenses and study costs to update the mandatory stormwater management plan for the Town of Boxford;** said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

### Sponsored and supported by the Board of Selectmen Finance Committee recommends adoption of this article

It was moved by Selectman William R. Cargill, Jr., and duly seconded, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of **\$6,000 to additionally fund the costs of consultant expenses and study costs to update the mandatory stormwater management plan for the Town of Boxford;** said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen. This motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**ARTICLE 14.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of **\$15,000 to provide engineering oversight for the Town during construction and installation of a photovoltaic solar facility on the closed and capped Northern landfill on Town-owned land adjacent to Spofford Road; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Health, or take any other action thereon.** 

Sponsored and supported by the Board of Health Board of Selectmen recommends adoption of this article Finance Committee to make recommendation at Town Meeting

It was moved by Richard Taylor of the Board of Health to transfer from Free Cash the sum of **\$15,000 to provide engineering oversight for the Town during construction and installation of a photovoltaic solar facility on the closed and capped Northern landfill on Town-owned land adjacent to Spofford Road**; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Health. This motion passed by a majority hand count of 80 yes, 78 no.

**ARTICLE 15.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash, the sum of **\$50,000 to supplement the FY 2015 Finance Committee Reserve Fund;** said funds to be expended under the direction of the Finance Committee, or take any other action thereon.

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

It was moved by Michael White, and duly seconded, to transfer from Free Cash, the sum of **\$50,000 to supplement the FY 2015 Finance Committee Reserve Fund;** said funds to be expended under the direction of the Finance Committee, or take any other action thereon. This motion passed by a majority voice vote.

**ARTICLE 16.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, the sum of **\$225,000 to supplement the "Snow and Ice Removal" of the FY 2015 Annual Operating Budget;** said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon.

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

It was moved by Selectman Charles Killam, and duly seconded, to transfer from Free Cash the sum of **\$225,000 to supplement the "Snow and Ice Removal" of the FY 2015 Annual Operating Budget;** said funds to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

This motion passed by applause and a standing ovation which the Moderator took as a majority voice vote.

**ARTICLE 17.** To see if the Town will vote to set the **annual curbside solid waste collection fee** at \$2.50 for each 32-gallon bag or container (each use); or take any other action thereon.

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

It was moved by Board of Health Chair Richard Fahrner, and duly seconded, to set the **annual curbside solid waste collection fee** at \$2.50 for each 32-gallon bag or container (each use); or take any other action thereon. This article passed by unanimous voice vote.

**ARTICLE 18.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or reserve from the **Community Preservation Fund** annual revenues in the amounts recommended by the Community Preservation Committee for committee administrative expenses, debt service, community preservation projects and other expenses in Fiscal Year 2016, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation:

### Appropriations:

From FY 2016 estimated annual revenues for Sawyer-Richardson Open Space Bond expense	\$191,490
From FY 2016 estimated annual revenues for Lincoln Hall Historic Renovation Bond expense	\$ 52,500
From FY 2016 estimated annual revenues for Haynes Land Purchase Bond expense	\$150,000
From FY 2016 estimated annual revenues for Committee Administrative Expenses	\$ 48,841
Reserves:	
From FY 2016 estimated annual revenues for Historic Resources Reserve	\$ 35,182
From FY 2016 estimated annual revenues for Community Housing Reserve	\$ 87,682
From FY 2016 estimated annual revenues for Budgeted Reserve	\$310,000
or take any other action thereon.	

Sponsored and supported by the Community Preservation Committee Finance Committee recommends adoption of this article Board of Selectmen recommends adoption of this article

It was moved by Community Preservation Committee Chair Peter Delaney, and duly seconded, to appropriate or reserve from the **Community Preservation Fund** annual revenues in the amounts recommended by the Community Preservation Committee for committee administrative expenses, debt service, community preservation projects and other expenses in Fiscal Year 2016, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation:

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From FY 2016 estimated annual revenues for Committee Administrative Expenses	\$ 48,841
Reserves:	
From FY 2016 estimated annual revenues for Historic Resources Reserve	\$ 35,182
From FY 2016 estimated annual revenues for Community Housing Reserve	\$ 87,682

### From FY 2016 estimated annual revenues for Budgeted Reserve

This motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**ARTICLE 19.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate **\$6,588 from the Community Preservation Committee Historic Fund** to fund the purchase and installation of 9 signs and 7 posts to be placed at various locations on the boundary of the Boxford Historic District and the Howe Village Historic District, the appropriated funds to be expended under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee; or take any other action thereon.

> Sponsored and supported by the Community Preservation Committee Finance Committee recommends adoption of this article Board of Selectmen recommends adoption of this article

It was moved by Historic Districts Commission member Virginia Havey, and duly seconded, to appropriate **\$6,588 from the Community Preservation Committee Historic Fund** to fund the purchase and installation of 9 signs and 7 posts to be placed at various locations on the boundary of the Boxford Historic District and the Howe Village Historic District, the appropriated funds to be expended under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee. This motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**ARTICLE 20.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate **\$350 from the Community Preservation Committee Historic Fund to fund the installation of two signs at Round Top Park**, one at each entrance, to enhance public awareness of the historic significance of the park, the appropriated funds to be expended under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee; or take any other action thereon.

> Sponsored and supported by the Community Preservation Committee Finance Committee recommends adoption of this article Board of Selectmen recommends adoption of this article

It was moved by Peter Delaney, and duly seconded, to appropriate **\$350 from the Community Preservation Committee Historic Fund to fund the installation of two signs at Round Top Park**, one at each entrance, to enhance public awareness of the historic significance of the park, the appropriated funds to be expended under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee. This motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**ARTICLE 21.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate **\$909 from the Community Preservation Committee Undesignated Fund to fund the installation of a sign at Colby Park**, the appropriated funds to be expended under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee; or take any other action thereon.

> Sponsored and supported by the Community Preservation Committee Finance Committee recommends adoption of this article Board of Selectmen recommends adoption of this article

It was moved by Peter Delaney to appropriate **\$909 from the Community Preservation Committee Undesignated Fund to fund the installation of a sign at Colby Park**, the appropriated funds to be expended under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee. This motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**ARTICLE 22.** To see if the Town will vote to have it's (sic) elected Town Clerk become an appointed Town Clerk; or take any other action thereon.

Sponsored by Initiative Petition

It was moved by Patricia Morris to have the elected Town Clerk become an appointed Town Clerk.

It was moved by Barbara Jessel to amend Article 22 to read "To see if the town will vote to have it's (sic) elected Town Clerk become an appointed Town Clerk effective at the Annual Town Election of May 2019."

It was moved by Marci Miller, and duly seconded, to call the vote. This motion passed by majority voice vote.

The amendment was defeated by a majority voice vote.

The main motion was defeated by a majority voice vote.

**ARTICLE 23.** To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

It was moved by Mary Anne Nay, and duly seconded, to adjourn Annual Town Meeting. This motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Boxford Annual Town Meeting adjourned at 10:40pm.

A true record,

Robin Phelan, Town Clerk