

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

April 26, 1982

The meeting under the foregoing warrant was called to order by the Moderator, Mr. John H. Berg, at 8:06 p. m. Due to an overflow attendance extra chairs were brought in to the auditorium and business was delayed until all persons were seated. The invocation was offered by the Rev. Milton Bartlett.

It was unanimously voted to waive the reading of the warrant and return of service thereof.

ARTICLE 1. The Finance Committee recommendation was not to rescind the vote of March 8, 1982 regarding aerial spraying for gypsy moths, and the Moderator read an opinion of Town Counsel relative to the status of the contract for spraying entered into by the Tree Warden. Proponents for the motion to rescind who addressed the meeting were Dr. Joseph Oyer, physician; Miss Anya Monkiewicz, Conservation Commission member; Dr. Richard Bream, pediatrician; Mrs. Robin Toft Klar, Board of Health member; Steve Drawbridge of the Metropolitan District Commission in charge of the Wachusett Water Shed, and John Shea, Conservation Commission member and lawyer. Mr. Louis Wells, Pesticide Supervisor of the Massachusetts Department of Food and Agriculture, spoke in behalf of spraying. Additional information was furnished by Henrietta Howard-Moineau.

Tellers appointed to count votes were Edgar Whitcomb, Karl McGaw, Merlin Howard, Eva Gambaccini, Clifford Cummings, Aaron Goodale, III, Earle Keirstead, and Norman Menard.


There were 147 votes to rescind the Article 3 of March 8, 1982 and 298 votes opposed to rescinding the article. Article 1 of this meeting was not approved.

ARTICLE 2. By majority vote, it was voted to direct the Tree Warden not to initiate any ground spray program for the Gypsy Moth on the property of those persons who do not want such spraying in the Town of West Boylston.

ARTICLE 3. By majority vote, the motion to direct the Tree Warden ~~not to~~ initiate any ground spray program with Carbaryl was not carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:55 p. m.

ATTEST:



Doris E. Shepard
Town Clerk