

Town of Hanson
542 Liberty Street, Hanson, MA 02341

Special Town Meeting - October 28, 1991

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

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The meeting was called to order by Moderator Michael J. Regan at 7:30 P.M. in the Memorial Auditorium, Indian Head School.

Tellers appointed and sworn were Sheila Ward, William Ward and Frank Romano.

Town Counsel was Everett Marder of Kopelman and Paige. Brian Riley from Kopelman and Paige was also in attendance.

The Chair declared a unanimous vote to waive the reading of the Warrant.

The Chair declared a quorum of 100 to be present.

ARTICLE 1: To see if the Town of Hanson will vote to appropriate and raise by taxation, or transfer from available Free Cash, a sum of money for the purpose of constructing water drafting systems for fire protection at Maquan Pond/Camp Kiwanee, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Fire Chief

Finance Committee recommends to pass over.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to pass over.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town of Hanson will vote to instruct the Moderator to appoint a Committee to review and recommend the establishment of an Emergency Communications Center to handle all emergency calls, dispatching, and other emergency communications functions for all Town departments. Said Committee to consist of the following:

- The Fire Chief
- The Police Chief
- The Highway Surveyor
- The Water Superintendent
- 1 member of the Board of Selectmen
- 1 Member of the Finance Committee
- The Executive Secretary
- 4 Town Residents not employed by the Town

Said Committee shall report to the next Annual Town Meeting its findings, and it recommendations or take any other action in relation there.

Proposed by the Fire Chief

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to instruct the Moderator to appoint a Committee to review and recommend the establishment of an Emergency Communications Center to handle all emergency calls, dispatching, and other emergency communications functions for all Town departments. Said Committee to consist of the following:

- The Fire Chief
- The Police Chief
- The Highway Surveyor
- The Water Superintendent
- 1 Member of the Board of Selectmen
- 1 Member of the Finance Committee
- The Executive Secretary
- 4 Town Residents not employed by the Town

Said Committee shall report to the next Annual Town Meeting its findings, and its recommendations.

(see November 6, 1991 session for reconsideration of article 2)

ARTICLE 3: To see see if the Town of Hanson will vote to instruct the Moderator to appoint a "Fire Apparatus Replacement Committee" to consist of the following members:

- 1 Member of the Board of Selectmen
- The Executive Secretary
- 1 Member of the Finance Committee
- 6 Town Residents not employed by the Town
- The Town Treasurer
- The Fire Chief

It shall be the charge of said committee to review the Town's current and future apparatus needs, and said committee shall report to the next annual Town Meeting as to replacement needs, recommended type, standards compliance as recommended by N.F.P.A., compliance with I.S.O. requirements, costs, and recommendations for the best payment method, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Fire Chief

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to instruct the Moderator to appoint a "Fire Apparatus Replacement Committee" to consist of the following members:

- 1 Member of the Board of Selectmen
- The Executive Secretary
- 1 Member of the Finance Committee
- 6 Town Residents not employed by the Town
- The Town Treasurer
- The Fire Chief
- 1 Firefighter - full time
- 1 Firefighter - part time

It shall be the charge of said committee to review the Town's current and future apparatus needs, and said committee shall report to the next Annual Town Meeting as to replacement needs, recommended type, standards compliance as recommended by N.F.P.A., compliance with I.S.O. requirements, costs, and recommendations for the best payment method.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise by taxation, or transfer from available Free Cash and/or transfer from the ambulance fees a sum of money to pay for the annual payment on the ambulance or take any other action in relation thereto. < \$ 27,383.00 >

Proposed by the Fire Chief

Put on hold until a 200 quorum is achieved.

(see November 6, 1991 session)

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town of Hanson will vote to transfer from the Fire Department's Ambulance Fee Collection Fund, a sum of money for the purpose of E.M.T. Training tuition and any payroll costs for call firefighters, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Fire Chief

Finance Committee recommends to pass over.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to pass over.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to approve the acceptance of equal educational opportunity grants by the Whitman-Hanson Regional School District pursuant to and subject to the provisions of Chapter 70A of the Massachusetts General Laws as amended by Section 12 of Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985 or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Whitman-Hanson Regional
School District

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to approve the acceptance of \$17,595.00 in equal educational opportunity grants by the Whitman Hanson Regional School District pursuant to and subject to the provisions of Chapter 70A of the Massachusetts General Laws as amended by Section 12 of Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to reduce the amount voted at the 1991 annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 17, Whitman-Hanson Regional High School, by the sum of \$92,573.00 or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to reduce the amount voted at the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, line 17, Whitman-Hanson Regional High School, by the sum of \$92,573.00.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to reduce the amount voted at the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 16, Local School by the sum of \$167,403.00 or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, voice to reduce the amount voted at the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, line 16, Local School by the sum of \$167,403.00.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to reduce the amount voted at the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 18, South Shore Vocational Educational School by the sum of \$32,716.00 or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee recommends to pass over.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to pass over.

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by taxation the sum of \$ 44,414.00 to be added to the 1991 Annual Town Meeting Article 5, line 18, South Shore Vocational School or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Put on hold until a quorum of 200 is achieved.

(see November 6, 1991 session)

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will hear the report of the Thomas Hall Study Committee or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Thomas Hall Study Committee

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to hear the report of the Thomas Hall Study Committee.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$7,000.00 from Article 8 of the May 20, 1991 Special Town Meeting for Library Capital Expenses or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Thomas Hall Study Committee

Finance Committee recommends to pass over.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to pass over.

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to establish a park in perpetuity on the Town-owned parcel (Plan 92, lot 9 and 12A, recorded at the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds in Book 1425, Page 230 and Book 2124 and Page 465), at the former site of the building known as Thomas Hall, located off West Washington Street to be known as the Thomas Hall Memorial Park, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Thomas Hall Study Committee

Finance Committee recommends to pass over.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to pass over.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Thomas Hall Memorial Park Committee consisting of five members appointed annually by the Town Moderator and to further direct that Committee with the assistance of the Hanson Historical Society, to commemorate the establishment of said Memorial Park by holding a dedicatory ceremony to call attention of the general public of the establishment of said Park, the history of Thomas Hall and those who participated in its establishment, preservation, and continued service to the Town of Hanson. Said Thomas Hall Memorial Park Committee is to be comprised of two members of the Hanson Historical Society and three members of the community, one from each of the voting precincts and will further participate in the continual care and maintenance of the Thomas Hall Memorial Park without further appropriation of any Town Funds. Upon said vote to establish this Memorial Park Committee, the Thomas Hall Study Committee will be formally dissolved.

Proposed by the Thomas Hall Study Committee

Finance Committee recommends

VOTED Aye, voice to form the Thomas Hall Memorial Committee. The Committee to consist of ten (10) voting members consisting of the following:
5 members (to be appointed annually by the Moderator) from the original committee, 1 Selectman, 1 member of the Board of Health, 1 Water Commissioner, the Building Inspector, and 1 Library Trustee.

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from Article 5, Line 5, Town Insurance, of the 1991 Annual Town Meeting to pay for Engineering and clean up of the Thomas Hall site and to pay for the repairs to the emergency lighting system in Town Hall or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee recommends as amended.

VOTED Aye, voice to transfer \$11,000 from Article 5, line 5, Town Insurance, of the 1991 Annual Town meeting to pay for engineering and clean up of the Thomas Hall site.

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws, Article 1-2, be adding a new Section 11 to read as follows:

Section 11. The Town Meeting shall vote by secret ballot on any question only after a request by a majority of those registered voters present, such vote shall be taken with the Town furnishing ballots as per the following sample:

YES _____ NO _____

or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee does not recommend.

VOTED Nay, voice to amend the General Bylaws, Article 1-2, by adding a new Section 11 as follows;

Section 11. The Town Meeting shall vote by secret ballot on any question only after a request by seven registered voters present, such vote shall be taken with the Town furnishing ballots as per the following sample:

YES----- NO-----

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws by deleting Article 1-1, section 1A, and in its place inserting a new Section 1A as follows:

"Section 1A. The Annual Town Meeting shall be held on the third Monday in May at 7:30 o'clock in the evening. The primary purpose of this meeting shall be to deal with all financial matters of the Town including revisions of the classification and compensation By-law, if necessary. The Election of Town Officers and the voting upon questions as required by General or Special Law shall be considered as part of the Annual Town Meeting, and shall be included in the Warrant for that Annual Town Meeting and shall be held on the 2nd Saturday of June. The hours for the opening and closing of the polls shall be left to the discretion of the Board of Selectmen."

or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

VOTED Aye, unanimous to pass over.

The Town Meeting elected, by voice vote, Charles O'Donnell temporary Moderator while the Moderator Michael J. Regan stepped down to present Article 18.

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws, Article 1-1, Town Meeting, by adding the following:

Section 8. No Town Meeting may be dissolved having voted to appropriate an amount in excess of the Levy Limit, as determined by the Town Accountant, for the current or upcoming fiscal year.

In the Case where the Town Meeting is voting on a budget recommendation put forward by the Finance Committee or otherwise, that meets the established Levy Limit, any proposed amendment to any figure included in those recommendation, the approval of which would result in exceeding the Levy Limit, must include either (1) another source of available funding, or (2) a comparable reduction in funding of some other line item(s), either already approved or to be approved, or (3) a provision that the increase "shall be contingent on the passage of a referendum question authorized by G.L. c. 59, c. 21c(m)."

or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Moderator

Finance Committee does not recommend.

VOTED Nay, voice to amend the General Bylaws, Article 1-1.

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to close the following articles by transferring the unused balances to the Capital Improvement Fund:

1988 FEB STM Article 18 Library Senior Center	248.60	
1989 ATM Article 9 Fire Dept. Chassis	873.30	
1989 ATM Article 13 Elder Affairs Van	6,000.00	
1989 May STM Article 8 Town Hall Renovations	2,150.38	
1987 May STM Article 22 Water Tank-Rescue I	1,150.00	
	TOTAL	10,422.28

or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Town Accountant

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to close the following articles by transferring the unused balances to the Capital Improvement Fund:

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1989 ATM Article 9 Fire Dept. Chassis	873.30
1989 ATM Article 13 Elder Affairs Van	6,000.00
1989 May STM Article 8 Town Hall Renovations	2,150.38
1987 May STM Article 22 Water Tank-Rescue I	1,150.00
TOTAL	10,422.28

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote under the authority of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 78, Section 10 to increase the number of Trustees of the Public Library from three (3) to six (6) and at the next annual Town Election vote to add one Trustee to be elected for a term of one year, one Trustee to be elected for a term of two years, and one Trustee to be elected for a term of three years and each thereafter for a term of three years, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Trustees of the Public
Library

EXPLANATION: Under M.G.L. Chapter 78, section 10, the number of Trustees of the Public Library must be divisible by three (3). The present Trustees feel that to increase the number of Library Trustees to six (6) will improve efficiency and provide a more diverse representation for the citizens of Hanson.

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to increase the number of Trustees of the Public Library from three (3) to six (6) and at the next annual Town Election vote to add one Trustee to be elected for a term of one year, one Trustee to be elected for a term of two years, and one Trustee to be elected for a term of three years and each thereafter for a term of three years.

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to hear the report of the Hanson Water Department Study Committee or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Water Department Study
Committee

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to hear the report of the Hanson Water Department Study Committee.

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to accept the recommendations of the Hanson Water Department Study Committee or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Water Department Study
Committee

Finance Committee does not recommend.

VOTED Aye 48, Nay 41 to accept the recommendations of the Hanson Water Department Study Committee, and as outlined in those recommendations, direct the Board of Selectmen to petition the Legislature to enact special legislation concerning the operation of the water system in Hanson, as follows:

The Home Rule Legislative Proposal by the Hanson Water Department Study Committee, Article I, Article II, and Article III.

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to approve the transfer of a sum of money from the Water Surplus Account for the purpose of installing water mains, a sleeve under the railroad tracks and replenishing the Water Exploration Account for funds expended for emergency purposes or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Water Commissioners

Put on hold until a quorum of 200 can be achieved.

(see November 6, 1991 session)

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise by taxation, transfer from Free Cash, transfer from the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 17, W.H. Regional \$20,880.00 and transfer from Article 5, Line 5, Town Insurance \$653.64 and transfer from the 1990, August Special Town Meeting, Article 1, Unpaid bills \$17.94; to pay the following unpaid bills from FY91 and FY90.

Kopelman & Paige	15,413.42
Meyer Physical Therapy	4,825.00

Brockton Radiology Assoc.	26.00
Three Town Employees	962.33
Savin Corporation	74.83
James Litton	250.00

TOTAL	21,551.58
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or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to transfer from the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, line 17, Whitman-Hanson Regional \$20,880.00 and transfer from Article 5, line 5, Town Insurance \$653.64 and transfer from the 1990, August Special Town Meeting, Article 1, Unpaid bills \$17.94; to pay the following unpaid bills from FY91 and FY90.

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TOTAL	21,551.58
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ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$980.00 from the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 16, Local Schools to pay for unpaid bills for contractual course reimbursements or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the School Committee

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye 66, Nay 3 (9/10's achieved - motion successful) to transfer \$980.00 from the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, line 16, Local Schools to pay for unpaid bills for contractual course reimbursements.

VOTED Aye, unanimous at 11:08 P.M. to adjourn until Tuesday, October 29, 1991 at 7:30 P.M. in Memorial Auditorium, Indian Head School.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
(second session)
October 29, 1991

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Moderator Michael J. Regan.

The meeting was adjourned and would reconvene when a quorum of 100 was present or at 8:00 P.M., which ever occurred first..

The meeting was reconvened at 8:46 P.M.

The Chair declared a quorum of 100 to be present.

Tellers appointed as sworn were William Ward, Sheila Ward and Frank Romano.

Town Counsel was Deborah Eliason from Kopelman and Paige.

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise by taxation or transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$584.15 to pay a bill for work in FY91 and FY92 submitted by Steinbeck and Taylor or take any other action in relation there.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

EXPLANATION: This would normally have come from the Engineering line which was not funded. but was work which had to be done for a site plan approval.

Put on hold until a quorum of 200 is achieved.

(see November 6, 1991 session)

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$3,024.77 from the sale of Industrial Land to the Capital Improvement Fund or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Put on hold until a quorum of 200 is achieved.

(see November 6, 1991 session)

ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Article 10, Drainage, of the 1988 Annual Town Meeting, the sum of \$6,000.00 to maintain and patch various streets in Town or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Highway Surveyor

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to transfer from Article 10, Drainage, of the 1988 Annual Town Meeting, the sum of \$6,000.00 to maintain and patch various streets in Town.

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by taxation or to transfer from available Free Cash the sum of \$1,582.00 to be added to the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 25, Fire Chief Salary or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

EXPLANATION: At the time of the Town Meeting all contracts were in a state of uncertainty. This is calculated on the current base salary of the firefighters and is necessary in order to comply with State Law regarding the salary of the Chief.

Put on hold until a quorum of 200 is achieved.

(see November 6, 1991 session)

ARTICLE 30: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available Free Cash, or transfer from the 1990 October Special Town Meeting, Article 3, Non-mandated busing, the sum of \$4,147.35 and transfer from the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 2A, Interest Expense, the sum of \$8,000.00 to be added to Article 5, Line 51, Selectmen Clerical Wages, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to transfer from the 1990 October Special Town Meeting, Article 3, Non-mandated busing, the sum of \$4,147.35 and transfer from the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 2A, Interest-Expense, the sum of \$8,000.00 to be added to Article 5, Line 51, Selectmen Clerical Wages.

ARTICLE 31: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available Free Cash or transfer from the 1990 October Special Town Meeting, Article 3, Non-mandated Busing, the sum of \$15,947.84 to be added to the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, line 32, Highway Wages or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, unaimous to transfer from the 1990 October Special Town Meeting, Article 3, Non-mandated Busing, the sum of \$15,947.84 to be added to the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, line 32, Highway Wages.

ARTICLE 32: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available Free Cash and/or transfer from the 1990 October Special Town Meeting, Article 3, Non-Mandated Busing a sum of money to be added to the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, line 32 Highway Wages or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Highway Surveyor

Put on hold until a quorum of 200 is achieved.

(see November 6, 1991 session)

ARTICLE 33: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$25,000.00 to be added to the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line Utilities or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Put on hold until a quorum of 200 is achieved.

(see November 6, 1991 session)

ARTICLE 34: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by taxation or transfer from the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 2A, Interest, the sum of \$250.00 to be added to Article 5, Line 15, Annual Town Audit or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

EXPLANATION: The original contract with the audit firm was for \$14,000 for each of the next three years, however, the 1991 Annual Town Meeting appropriated only \$13,750.00.

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to transfer from the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, line 2A, Interest, the sum of \$250.00 to be added to Article 5, Line 15, Annual Town Audit.

ARTICLE 35: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$7,000.00 from Free Cash to the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 7 Reserve Fund or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by Finance Committee

Put on hold until a quorum of 200 is achieved.

(see November 6, 1991 session)

ARTICLE 36: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by taxation or transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$3,000.00 to be added to the Police Detail Fund or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen
and Police Department

Put on hold until a quorum of 200 is achieved.

(see November 6, 1991 session)

ARTICLE 37: To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2 of the Mass. General Laws and to establish a revolving account for Police Department Expenses and Training from the receipts of the court fines received by the Town or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and the
Police Department

EXPLANATION: This act allow cities and towns to establish revolving funds in order to operate, without further appropriations various programs. Each revolving fund must be authorized annually before the beginning of the fiscal year by Town Meeting upon recommendation of the Selectmen.

Finance Committee recommends to pass over.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to pass over.

ARTICLE 38: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$29,000.00 for the purpose of refunding a portion of the sticker fee or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Health

EXPLANATION: The Board of Health has vote to return 20% of the sticker fee due to the reduction in costs. This means a refund of \$25.00 for a family and \$12.00 for a Senior Citizen.

Put on hold until a quorum of 200 is achieved.

(see November 6, 1991 session)

ARTICLE 39: To see if the Town will vote to reduce the amount voted at the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 44, Disposal Area Operation by \$25,000.00 or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Health

EXPLANATION: This is an accounting function in order to offset the expected reduction in receipts due to the decrease in the cost of the disposal stickers for fiscal 1992.

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to reduce the amount voted at the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, line 44, Disposal Area Operation by \$25,000.00.

ARTICLE 40: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$10,000.00 to be added to the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 111, Veterans Aid or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Veterans Agent

Put on hold until a quorum of 200 is achieved.

(see November 6, 1991 session)

ARTICLE 41: To see if the Town will vote to accept Massachusetts General Law Chapter 41, section 19J or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Registrars

EXPLANATION: A Town which accepts this section may compensate a Town Clerk who also serves as a member of its Board of Registrars of Voters a sum not less than fifty dollars but not to exceed one hundred dollars for each thousand of registered voters or a major fraction thereof.

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to accept Massachusetts General Law Chapter 41, Section 19J.

ARTICLE 42: To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 593 of the Acts of 1989 (GL CH 44, S 53G) or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Treasurer/Collector
and Town Clerk

EXPLANATION: This legislation authorizes the Conservation Commission, The Zoning Board of Appeals, Planning Board and Board of Health to establish an escrow account for the purpose of hiring outside consultants to aid the Board in reviewing applications for permits.

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to accept Chapter 593 of the Acts of 1989, also known as M.G.L. Chapter 44, s 53G.

VOTED Aye, voice to adjourn at 8:30 P.M. and to reconvene on Wednesday, November 6, 1991 at 7:30 P.M. in the Memorial Auditorium, Indian Head School.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
(third session)
November 6, 1991

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Michael J. Regan at 7:30 P.M.

Tellers appointed and sworn were William Ward, Sheila Ward and Frank Romano.

Town Counsel was Everett Marder from Kopelman and Paige.

The meeting was adjourned until 8:00 P.M. or when a quorum of 200 was present, which ever occurred first.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 P.M. and due to the lack of a 200 quorum was adjourned until 8:30 P.M. or when a quorum of 200 was present, which ever occurred first.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 P.M.

The chair declared a quorum of 100 to be present.

A motion was made to reconsider Article 2 .

VOTED Aye, unanimous (4/5's majority achieved) to reconsider Article 2.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to amend Article 2 by adding "a member of the Town Dispatchers Union".

A short recess was called until a quorum of 200 was present.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:55 P.M.

The chair declared a quorum of 200 to be present.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise by taxation, or transfer from available Free Cash and/or transfer from the ambulance fees a sum of money to pay for the annual payment on the ambulance or take any other action in relation thereto.<\$27,383.00>

Proposed by the Fire Chief

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to appropriate and raise by taxation \$3,000.00, transfer from available Free Cash \$5,047, and transfer from the Ambulance Fund \$19,336 to pay for the annual payment on the ambulance.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by taxation the sum of \$44,414.00 to be added to the 1991 Annual Town Meeting Article 5, line 18, South Shore Vocational School or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to raise and appropriate by taxation the sum of \$44,414.00 to be added to the 1991 Annual Town Meeting Article 5. line 18, South Shore Vocational School.

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to approve the transfer of a sum of money from the Water Surplus Account for the purpose of installing water mains, a sleeve under the railroad tracks and replenishing the Water Exploration Account for funds expended for emergency purposes or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Water Commissioners

Finance Committee has no recommendation.

VOTED Aye, voice to approve the transfer of \$269,000.00 from the water surplus account for the installation and replacement of water mains and for the water exploration and

well developemnt projects.

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise by taxation or transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$584.15 to pay a bill for work in FY91 and FY92 submitted by Steinbeck and Taylor or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

EXPLANATION: This would normally have come from the Engineering line which was not funded, but was work which had to be done for a site plan approval.

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to appropriate and raise by taxation the sum of \$584.15 to pay a bill for work in FY91 and FY92 submitted by Steinbeck and Taylor.

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$3,024.77 from the sale of Industrial Land to the Capitol Improvement Fund or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to transfer the sum of \$3,024.77 from the sale of Industrial Land to the Capital Improvement Fund.

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by taxation or to transfer from available Free Cash the sum of \$1,582.00 to be added to the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 25, Fire Chief Salary or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

EXPLANATION: At the the time of Town Meeting all contracts were in a state of uncertainty. This is calculated on the current base salary of the firefighters and is necessary in order to comply with State Law regarding the salary of the Chiefl

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, to pass over.

ARTICLE 32: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available Free Cash and/or transfer from the 1990 October Special Town Meeting, Article 3, Non-Mandated Busing a sum of money to be added to the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, line 32 Highway Wages or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Highway Surveyor

Finance does not recommend.

VOTED Aye, voice to transfer from available Free Cash the sum of \$30,000.00 to be added to the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, line 32 Highway Wages.

ARTICLE 33: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$25,000.00 to be added to the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 8 Utilities or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$25,000.00 to be added to the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, line 8 Utilities.

ARTICLE 35: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$7,000.00 from Free Cash to the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 7 Reserve Fund or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Finance Committee

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, voice to pass over.

ARTICLE 36: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by taxation or transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$3,000.00 to be added to the Police Detail Fund or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Selectmen
and Police Department

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, voice to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$3,000.00 to be added to the Police Detail Fund.

ARTICLE 38: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$29,000.00 for the purpose of refunding a portion of the sticker fee or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Board of Health

EXPLANATION: The Board of Health has voted to return 20% of the sticker fee due to the reduction in costs. This means a refund of \$25.00 for a family and \$12.00 for a senior citizen.

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, voice to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$29,000.00 for the purpose of refunding a portion of the sticker fee.

ARTICLE 40: To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$10,000.00 to be added to the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 111, Veterans Aid or take any other action in relation thereto.

Proposed by the Veterans Agent

Finance Committee recommends.

VOTED Aye, unanimous to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$10,000.00 to be added to the 1991 Annual Town Meeting, Article 5, Line 111, Veterans Aid.

VOTED Aye, voice to dissolve the meeting at 9:44 P.M.

A true copy , attest:

Sandra E. Harris

Town Clerk