

Attendance: Precinct A - 28  
 Precinct B - 66  
 Precinct C - 55  
 Precinct D - 64  
 TOTAL - 213

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**  
**August 30, 1989**

In accordance with the Warrant as posted, the inhabitants of the Town of Wilbraham, qualified to vote in Town affairs, met in Wilbraham Middle School in said Town, on Wednesday, August 30, 1989, at 8:00 p.m.

In the absence of Town Moderator Donald F. Bready, Town Clerk Mary A. Irla called the meeting to order after noting that a quorum was present. The call of the meeting was then read by the Town Clerk.

The first order of business was the election of a temporary moderator. The Town Clerk asked for nominations from the floor. Mary E. Hadley placed into nomination the name of John C. Howard of 4 Brookmont Dr. Several voters seconded the motion. Town Clerk asked for further nominations. A motion to close the nominations was made and seconded. The Clerk accepted a motion to have the Clerk cast one ballot for the election of John C. Howard as temporary moderator until the completion of this Town Meeting. The motion was unanimously approved and Mr. Howard was sworn in by the Town Clerk.

**ARTICLE 1. Voted Unanimously** that the Town adopt the following special parliamentary procedures for the purpose of implementing the provisions of Chapter 580 of the Acts of 1980 as amended, (Proposition 2 1/2) and on file with the Town Clerk.

**Parliamentary Procedure To Be Followed With Respect To Adoption Of Budget At 1989 Special Town Meeting Under Article 1:**

1. All motions to appropriate funds not recommended by the Finance Committee, increase an appropriation recommended by the Finance Committee, or change the method of funding from the recommendation of the Finance Committee under any Article considered at this Special Town Meeting shall be made in writing, signed by the proponent, and shall be delivered to the Moderator after said motion has been seconded, and shall, if said motion proposes to appropriate funds in excess of the Finance Committee's recommendation, or decrease funding from fees or other sources of revenue which has been recommended by the Finance Committee, specify the specific available fund or the specific portion of the Town budget which shall be reduced in an amount sufficient to fund said appropriation, increased appropriation or reduced funding under consideration.

2. In connection with the discussions of said motion, it shall be appropriate for the Town Meeting to consider the affect which a reduction in the portion of the Town budget proposed by said

Article would have upon the Town.

3. After said motion has been discussed, a tentative vote shall then be taken by the Town Meeting which shall not, however, be binding upon the Town Meeting. If said motion receives a majority of those voting, it shall be retained for final consideration by the Town Meeting at the conclusion of the initial presentation of all proposed appropriations under Article 2-5. If said motion fails to receive a majority of those voting in said tentative vote, it shall not be subject to further consideration by said Town Meeting.

4. At the conclusion of the presentation of Articles 2-5, before consideration of the main motion with respect to Articles 2-5, all of those motions relating to appropriations, increases or decreases in appropriations or decreases in funding from fees or other sources of revenue which have received a tentative majority vote shall then be presented by the Moderator for final consideration after the Finance Committee has analyzed said motions and has prepared a summary showing the cumulative effect that the adoption of said motions would have upon the proposed appropriations under Articles 2-5. Said motions shall be considered in the order in which they were presented but no motions not previously presented for tentative vote shall be considered unless requested by two-thirds vote of the Town Meeting.

5. The Finance Committee shall certify to the Moderator prior to the commencement of discussion on each Article, upon request, the amount available for appropriation by said Town Meeting, taking into account appropriations already made and appropriations recommended by the Finance Committee which have not yet been voted upon. No motion shall be considered which attempts to appropriate an amount in excess of that which the Finance Committee certifies to be available for appropriation under the provisions of Chapter 580 of the Acts of 1980, as amended (Proposition 2 1/2).

ARTICLE 2: Voted Unanimously that the Town appropriate from a reserve fund established pursuant to Chapter 59, Section 25 of the Massachusetts General Laws, which consists of surpluses from Overlay accounts of previous years, the amount of \$76,000 to Budget #700, Debt Schedule.

ARTICLE 3: Voted by a 2/3 Majority (212 Yes, 1 No) that the Town appropriate from the Stabilization Fund established pursuant to Chapter 40, Section 5B of the Massachusetts General Laws, the amount of \$161,000 for the purposes listed below:

\$9,500 to Budget #301, Highway Expense, for reconstruction of surface drains pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 7(1).

\$24,400 to Budget #200, Local Schools, for remodeling and renovation to public buildings pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 7(3A).

\$53,000 to Budget #301, Highway Expense, for the construction of public ways, or the extension or widening thereof, pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 7(5).

\$34,600 to Budget #200, Local Schools, for the cost of additional departmental equipment pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 7(9).

\$2,500 to Budget #103, Fire Expense, for the cost of additional departmental equipment pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 7(9).

\$6,000 to Budget #112, Public Safety Dispatch Capital Outlay, for police communication installations pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 7 (14).

\$10,000 to Budget #029, Board of Assessors Expense, for the payment of charges incurred under contracts authorized by section four of chapter forty-four, the expert appraisal of taxable property pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 7(18).

\$2,000 to Budget #200, Local Schools, for the cost of architectural services for public building projects pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 7 (21).

\$4,500 to Budget #621, Recreation Expense, for the development and reconstruction of recreational land and facilities pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 7 (25).

\$4,500 to Budget #110, Tree Warden Expense, for the financing of a program of eradication of Dutch Elm Disease pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 8 (14).

ARTICLE 4. Voted by a Majority that the Town take no action under this Article. (To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the undesignated fund balance to be applied towards the FY 1990 budget)

ARTICLE 5. Voted by a Majority (3 Opposed) that the Town reduce the Fiscal Year 1990 Reserve Fund by \$10,000, and that various other Fiscal Year 1990 appropriations be reduced by \$433,021 for those budgets and amounts listed below;

\$974 from Budget #003 Selectmen/Executive Secretary Expense

\$67 from Budget #015 Elections/Town Meeting Expense

\$119 from Budget #017 Registrars of Voters Expense

\$3,516 from Budget #025 Accounting Expense

\$13,279 from Budget #029 Assessors Expense

\$268 from Budget #033 Town Collector Expense

\$340 from Budget #035 Town Treasurer Expense

\$51 from Budget #039 Town Clerk Expense  
\$2,226 from Budget #049 Town Office Maintenance Expense  
\$2,360 from Budget #051 Computer Services Expense  
\$104 from Budget #063 Planning Board Expense  
\$5,000 from Budget #065 Town Properties Expense  
\$52,000 from Budget #077 Group Insurance Group Health Insurance  
\$1,885 from Budget #101 Police Expense  
\$1,430 from Budget #102 Police Capital Outlay  
\$4,997 from Budget #103 Fire Expense  
\$5,667 from Budget #110 Tree Warden Expense  
\$211 from Budget #111 Public Safety Dispatch Expense  
\$6,000 from Budget #112 Public Safety Dispatch Capital Outlay  
\$30 from Budget #113 Inspections Expense  
\$24 from Budget #129 Sealer of Weights and Measures Expense  
\$112 from Budget #131 Civil Defense Expense  
\$140 from Budget #133 Dog Officer Expense  
\$131,000 from Budget #200 Local Schools  
\$36,000 from Budget #201 Regional School Assessment  
\$78,908 from Budget #301 Highway Expense  
\$478 from Budget #331 Engineering Expense  
\$16 from Budget #481 Historical Commission Expense  
\$51 from Budget #487 Conservation Commission Expense  
\$15 from Budget #491 Zoning Board of Appeals Expense  
\$80 from Budget #492 Insect Control Expense  
\$44 from Budget #511 Board of Health Expense  
\$264 from Budget #531 Council on Aging Expense  
\$37 from Budget #551 Veterans Services Expense  
\$526 from Budget #570 Cemeteries Expense  
\$3,854 from Budget #601 Library Expense

\$4,848 from Budget #621 Recreation Expense

\$100 from Budget #645 Arts Council Expense

\$76,000 from Budget #700 Debt Schedule

Meeting Adjourned  
8:45 p.m.

ATTEST: MARY A. IRLA, CMC  
TOWN CLERK

VOTER REGISTRATION BY PRECINCT  
(As of December 31, 1989)

| <u>PRECINCT</u> | <u>REPUBLICANS</u> | <u>DEMOCRATS</u> | <u>UNENROLLED</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| A               | 349                | 824              | 806               | 1979         |
| B               | 575                | 418              | 829               | 1822         |
| C               | 404                | 581              | 888               | 1873         |
| D               | <u>527</u>         | <u>566</u>       | <u>1065</u>       | <u>2158</u>  |
| TOTALS          | 1855               | 2389             | 3588              | 7832         |

Vital Statistics

| <u>BIRTHS</u>    | <u>1987</u> | <u>1988</u> | <u>1989</u> |
|------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| MALES            | 61          | 55          | 56          |
| FEMALES          | 47          | 57          | 50          |
|                  | <u>108</u>  | <u>112</u>  | <u>106</u>  |
| <u>MARRIAGES</u> | 85          | 87          | 68          |
| <u>DEATHS</u>    |             |             |             |
| MALES            | 52          | 50          | 40          |
| FEMALES          | 60          | 62          | 44          |
|                  | <u>112</u>  | <u>112</u>  | <u>84</u>   |

