

***Minutes of the June 26, 2023
Special Town Meeting of the Town of Essex***



The June 26, 2023 Special Town Meeting of the Town of Essex, held at the Essex Elementary School, 12 Story Street, was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by Moderator Jeffrey D. Jones. A quorum of 173 voters were present for the meeting.

The following people were appointed as Tellers: Karen Birch, Ann Buckley, Vickie Cataldo and James Sanford.

There were no objections to the Tellers appointed

The Moderator then called for the attendants to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made and duly seconded to waive the reading of the warrant.

**ARTICLE 1: RATIFICATION OF ARTICLE 4 MAY 1, 2023 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
VOTE – MERSD FY24 BUDGET**

To see if the Town will vote to ratify the vote taken under Article 4 of the Annual Town Meeting held May 1, 2023 exactly as that vote was taken. The approved vote under Article 4 at the Annual Town Meeting of May 1, 2023 was as follows:

...that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,434,813, to fund the Town's assessment from the Manchester Essex Regional School District - said sum to be calculated solely in accordance with the "Agreement Between the Towns of Essex and Manchester-by-the-Sea, Massachusetts with Respect to the Formation of a Regional School District", as most recently amended, by invoking and approving the provision found in paragraph four of Massachusetts General Laws chapter 71, section 16B allowing District members "to reallocate the sum of their required local contributions to the district in accordance with the regional agreement", for the fiscal year beginning July first, two thousand twenty-three.

MOTION: Theresa Whitman moved that the Town vote to ratify the vote taken under Article 4 of the Annual Town Meeting held May 1, 2023 exactly as that vote was taken. The approved vote under Article 4 at the Annual Town Meeting of May 1, 2023 was as follows:

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members “to reallocate the sum of their required local contributions to the district in accordance with the regional agreement”, for the fiscal year beginning July first, two thousand twenty-three.
The motion was duly seconded.

Action: *Approved by the Majority declared by the Moderator*

Motion made by the Moderator at 7:41 pm to dissolve the meeting. The motion was duly seconded.

Action: *Approved by the Majority declared by the Moderator*

A True Copy:

Attest:

Pamela B. Thorne, Town Clerk