

RECORD OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

March 8, 1926

Pursuant of the foregoing warrant a meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Needham, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, was held in the Town Hall in said town on Monday, March 8, 1926, at forty-five minutes past five o'clock in the forenoon.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator.

Voted, To omit reading the articles in the warrant.

The return of the officer who notified and warned the inhabitants was read by the Town Clerk.

Voted, To proceed to ballot for the following town officers viz:

Article 1. To choose by ballot the following town officers: One moderator for one year; one town clerk for one year; three selectmen for one year; one member of department of public welfare for three years; one assessor for three years; one town treasurer for one year; one collector of taxes for one year; two constables for one year; two members of the school committee for three years; two members of the school committee for two years (to fill vacancy); one water commissioner for three years; two trustees of the public library for three years; one park commissioner for three years; one tree warden for one year; two Memorial Park trustees for three years; one commissioner of trust funds for three years; one member of town planning board for five years;

And upon the same ballot to vote yes or no upon the following question: "Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-four entitled 'An Act placing the Chief of Police and members of the Police Department of the Town of Needham under civil service' be accepted?"

Pursuant to Chapter 54, Section 21, of the General Laws the Selectmen having appointed Margaret O. Chase, Mary E. Fitzgerald, Myra R. Kingsbury, Mabel E. Mason, J. F. Buckley, James F. Ryan, Charles M. Donahue and John S. Chandler as tellers they were sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties by the Moderator.

The ballots prepared for use at this election by the Town Clerk were then delivered to the ballot clerks and their receipt taken therefor.

Cards of instruction and specimen ballots were posted as required by Chapter 54, Section 48 of the General Laws.

The ballot box was publicly opened by the Moderator and shown to be empty. The box was then locked and the

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For Water Commissioner (for three years)
Philip A. Rand 1741
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and Philip A. Rand was declared elected Water Commissioner for three years.

For Trustees of Public Library (for three years)
Benjamin W. Chase 1687
George K. Clarke 1671
Blanks 1522
and Benjamin W. Chase and George K. Clarke were declared elected Trustees of the Public Library for three years.

For Trustees of Memorial Park (for three years)
Wallace G. Rae 1703
Oscar H. Starkweather 1712
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and Wallace G. Rae and Oscar H. Starkweather were declared elected Trustees of Memorial Park for three years.

For Park Commissioner (for three years)
Preston Mitchell 1809
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and Preston Mitchell was declared elected Park Commissioner for three years.

For Town Planning Board (for five years)
Laurence S. Caldwell 1607
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and Laurence S. Caldwell was declared elected a member of the Town Planning Board for five years.

For Commissioner of Trust Funds (for three years)
Preston Mitchell 1753
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and Preston Mitchell was declared elected Commissioner of Trust Funds for three years.

Upon the question; "Shall an Act passed by the General Court in the year Nineteen hundred and twenty-four, entitled 'An Act placing the chief of police and members of the police department of the Town of Needham under civil service' be accepted?" the result was as follows:
Yes, 976
No 947
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and the Act was declared accepted.

Immediately after the election the Town Clerk was sworn to the faithful performance of his duties by the Moderator and immediately afterwards the Moderator was sworn to his duties by the Town Clerk.

After the results of the vote had been declared, the ballots cast, the undistributed ballots, and also the check lists were sealed up, endorsed by the election officers and placed in the custody of the Town Clerk.

Adjourned 11 P. M., Monday, March 8, 1926.

Attest:

CLARENCE E. FOSS,
Town Clerk.