

**MINUTES FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2023**

To either of the Constables of the Town of Stoneham in the County of Middlesex,

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Stoneham qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the **Town Hall Auditorium, 35 Central Street, Stoneham**, on

**Wednesday, January 11, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.**

to act upon the following articles of this Warrant:

Tellers were appointed to check the names of voters entering the Town Hall and the checklist showed 582 voters were inside the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Jeanne Craigie at 7:09 PM in the Town Hall Auditorium. Moderator Craigie welcomed the Town Meeting body. Mrs. Craigie made introductions of town officials present. She then took a few moments of personal privilege to recognize Shelly MacNeill who would be finishing her term as a member of the Select Board in April. Mrs. Craigie thanked her for her decade on the School Committee and her two terms as a Select Board member. Mrs. Craigie also mentioned the passing of 36 year old Daniel Powers. He had been an integral part of local access television and had been recording Town Meetings from the time he was a teenager. She thanked him and Stoneham TV for all of their hard work and commitment over the years and a moment of silence was held. Shelly McNeill was asked to lead the Pledge of Allegiance and then the warrant was read.

**Article 1.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds, an amount of money, in addition to the amount of money approved at the October 4, 2021 Special Town Meeting, to be expended under the direction of the Stoneham School Building Committee for planning, designing, constructing, originally equipping and furnishing the New Stoneham High School located at 149 Franklin Street, Stoneham, Massachusetts, which school facility shall have an anticipated useful life as an educational facility for the instruction of school children of at least 50 years. The additional amount of money will not be eligible for a school construction grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority (“MSBA”).

**Select Board**

**Motion to amend made by Michael Davis, 91 Summer Street as follows:**

Move that the sum of \$24,990,257 be reduced to \$22,790,257 in the main motion.

**Motion to Move the Question  
Question is Moved  
Vote on Amendment  
Amendment Fails**

**Article 1.** Voted that the Town appropriate the additional amount of twenty four million, nine hundred ninety thousand, two hundred fifty seven dollars (\$24,990,257) for the purpose of paying costs of planning, designing, constructing, originally equipping and furnishing the New Stoneham High School located at 149 Franklin Street, Stoneham, Massachusetts, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto (the "Project"), which school facility shall have an anticipated useful life as an educational facility for the instruction of school children for at least 50 years. The additional amount of money will not be eligible for a grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"), said amount to be expended under the direction of the Stoneham School Building Committee; and further, to meet this appropriation the town Treasurer with the approval of the Select Board, is authorized to borrow said amount under M.G.L. Chapter 44, or pursuant to any other enabling authority.

**Motion to Move the Question  
Question is Moved  
Vote on Main Motion  
 $\frac{2}{3}$  Vote Required  
 $\frac{2}{3}$  Vote Passes Per Moderator**

Motion to Adjourn

Meeting dissolved at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted:



Maria Sagarino  
Town Clerk